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Opportunity.

BY WALTER MALONE.

They do me wrong who say I come no more
When once I knock and fail to find you in;
For every day I stand outside your door
And bid you wake, and rise to fight and win.

Wail not for precious chances passed away,
Weep not for golden ages on the wane!
Each night I burn the records of the day;
At sunrise every soul is born again.

Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped,
To vanished joys be blind and deaf and dumb;
My judgments seal the dead past with its dead,
But never bind a moment yet to come.

Though deep in mire, wring not your hand and weep;
I lend my arm to all who say "I can!"
No shamefaced outcast ever sank so deep
But yet might rise and be again a man!

"Art thou a mourner? Rise thee from thy spell.
Art thou a sinner? Sins may be forgiven.
Each morning give thee wings to flee from Hell,
Each night a star to guide thy feet to Heaven."

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METHODIST CALENDAR.

Chickasha District Conf., Pauls Valley, 8 p. m.,
 July 26.

Notes and Personals

Rev. J. D. Hammons of Crossett and a lay-
 man brother, J. W. Hammons of Little Rock,
 made us a pleasant call Monday.

Rev. John Womack is this week assisting
 Rev. H. A. Stroud in a meeting at Bellefonte.
 We hear good reports from them.

Rev. L. E. Hundley is assisting Rev. W. M.
 Jones this week in a protracted meeting at
 Hundley's Chapel on Tomberlin Circuit.

Rev. W. H. Hatfield assisted Rev. J. L. Bry-
 ant in a three weeks' meeting at Huntington,
 Ark. The meeting was quite a success.

Rev. John H. Cummins, a superannuate of
 the Arkansas Conference, is in good health.
 He has the ruddy look of the mountains.

Mrs. E. R. Steel, wife of our pastor at Cen-
 tral church, Fort Smith, is spending the heated
 term with her mother in New York State.

Mr. R. A. Dowdle, one of the prominent and
 leading members of our church at Morrilton,
 made The Methodist a friendly call late last
 week.

Rev. John Thornsberry, who is supplying
 Goshen Circuit, is holding a very successful
 meeting at Johnson, Ark. At last reports there
 had been 27 conversions.

Prof. Jeter has left Bellefonte for Benton-
 ville, but Prof. Eaton is still there, doing ex-
 cellent work. Our Bentonville people will be
 pleased with Prof. Jeter.

Bishop Ward, having failed to secure the
 traveling companion whom he had expected,
 has taken with him on his Oriental trip his
 own son, who will assist him in many details.

Dr. J. E. Godbey sends us a note to say
 that he and his wife have delightful quarters
 at 1141 Lincoln avenue, Colorado City, Col.,
 which they will occupy till the first of Sep-
 tember. Daily mail delivery.

The bishops of the M. E. Church, who con-
 stitute a committee on evangelism, have issued
 a call for preachers who can speak more than
 one language, so that they may be used in
 reaching the foreigners in our own land.

Rev. B. A. Few of Magnolia Station and his
 brother, Rev. A. P. Few, of Carlisle and Hazen
 charge, each called on us Wednesday. They
 are looking well and are in fine spirits. They
 left Little Rock for a visit to the old home in
 Greenville, S. C.

Pastor J. F. Bates asks us to say that the
 formal opening of the new Central church,
 Rogers, Ark., will take place Sunday, Aug. 1.
 Bishop E. R. Hendrix will preach the sermon

and all former pastors are cordially invited to
 be present.

Rev. W. E. Hall, our pastor at the Dye Me-
 morial, Argenta, made The Methodist a pleas-
 ant and brotherly call Tuesday. He is in the
 midst of his year's work grappling with the
 problems that annoy and that he hopes to con-
 quer before the year is out.

Rev. J. W. House has been placed in charge
 of Springdale Station, Arkansas Conference,
 in place of Rev. J. P. McDonald, who gave up
 the work. Bro. House has lately assisted a
 number of the brethren in meetings, which
 have been quite successful.

If any good town in Oklahoma, particularly
 the western part, where the climate is dryer
 than that of Arkansas, desires a lady teacher,
 The Western Methodist can recommend a
 young lady of experience and culture. But
 she must have a good place. Write us.

The old friends of Rev. J. L. Keener, for-
 merly of the Oklahoma Conference, will be
 glad to hear from him. We recently met him
 in Berryville, Ark., where he lives. He is in
 excellent health and employs himself in the
 work of the American Sunday School Union.

Rev. C. S. Walker, pastor of our church at
 Holdenville, Okla., is helping Rev. J. E. Lovett
 in a revival meeting at Floresville, Tex., 30
 miles out from San Antonio. From there he
 will go to Corpus Christi to attend the Texas
 State Epworth League Assembly.

We had the pleasure of preaching recently
 to the first white man born in Marion county,
 Arkansas, "Uncle Bud" Wood, who is over 70
 years old, and who lives about ten miles from
 Yellville, which distance he rode to hear the
 sermon. He is a devout Methodist.

Rev. William Sherman of our First church,
 Fort Smith, has been making a tour of in-
 spection among our domestic mission works in
 the Harrison district. He is the conference
 missionary secretary. His services at the syn-
 agogue's meeting of Harrison district were high-
 ly appreciated.

We were glad to have a call, on Monday,
 from Rev. H. H. Griffin, our pastor of the Al-
 tus and Denning charge. He was on his way
 to his old conference, the Mississippi, to assist
 some of the brethren in revival efforts. He
 has had quite a successful period on his pres-
 ent work and expects to have a good report
 at conference.

Our Epworth League editor, Rev. C. W.
 Lester, has just returned from the great Ep-
 worth League Convention at Seattle. The trip
 was complimentary to him, by the courtesy
 of the league chapters of the Fort Smith dis-
 trict. The Western Methodist would join with
 Bro. Lester in expressing its appreciation of
 their kindness to him.

Old friends of Rev. J. T. Taylor, formerly of
 the White River Conference, will be pleased
 to know that he is doing well at Berryville,
 Ark., though his health is not of the best. Our
 own observation is that it takes about one and
 a half years for one to get adjusted to the cli-
 mate of the mountains after one has long lived
 in the low lands.

Attention of our readers is called to the
 Supplement of The Methodist this week, con-
 taining the cuts and advertising of Henderson
 College, along with some interesting matter
 on the subject of education. We are anxious
 to assist our readers in informing themselves
 about the different schools soliciting their pat-
 ronage, as well as on the general subject of
 education. Look over this supplement and
 read the articles.

We regret exceedingly to have to record the
 death, on last Sunday, of Mr. C. N. Furry, of
 our church in Springdale, Ark. He had been
 sick of fever for about two weeks, and his
 death was unlooked for till toward the last.
 He was a brother of the lay leader of the Ar-
 kansas Conference and was the agent of the
 Frisco road at Springdale. We tender our
 sympathy to all his loved ones.

Rev. J. W. Taylor of West Fayetteville
 charge, owing to a failure of health, went
 about the first of April to Colorado, though no
 information as to the facts have been sent to
 this office. The editor had to pass through
 Fayetteville to learn about it. This is a hint
 to our brethren in that region that they must
 do better in sending in the news. We trust
 Bro. Taylor will soon recover his health.

Rev. J. B. Presley, who is supplying Hunts-
 ville Circuit, is in high favor with his people.
 Bro. Presley has long been a successful local
 preacher. It was a great pleasure to preach
 for his people at Huntsville last Sunday, and
 also to preach to one of his country congrega-
 tions the day before, near Marble, Ark., on
 the Huntsville Circuit. The stay of this editor
 of a day or two among those people was one of
 much enjoyment.

Rev. W. T. Thompson, presiding elder of
 Harrison district, is full of plans. He is search-
 ing out every nook of that large region, study-
 ing diligently all conditions, devising ways
 and means of reaching the people. He is a
 new presiding elder and is well illustrating
 the value of our Methodist system. We are
 glad to report that he is in high favor with
 the people of his district, and we trust his
 plans will work out.

Recently Bishop J. S. Key celebrated his
 80th birthday. For 60 years he has been
 preaching, filling all kinds of appointments
 from missionary to the negroes to his present
 office, which he has filled acceptably for 23
 years. He is still hale, hearty and vigorous,
 and apparently as capable of rendering ser-
 vice as ever in his long and useful career. May
 he live to serve the church many years more
 and be abundantly blessed in his latest years.

Rev. A. B. Williamson of Lamar, Ark., hav-
 ing held a good meeting in his own charge,
 also held one at Silix, out on the mountain
 about fifteen miles from Lamar. Silix is new
 territory. There were about twenty conver-
 sions. A church of 22 members was organized
 and \$400 or \$500 raised for the building of
 a church house. At present writing Bro. Wil-
 liamson has gone to help Rev. John M. Can-
 trell at Vinita, Okla. This is practical evan-
 gelism.

Rev. Thomas Martin is doing a fine work on
 the Springtown Circuit, Fayetteville District.
 This is his first year in the conference. He has
 succeeded in organizing his laymen so as to set
 himself free from all financial responsibility
 in his charge, and everything is coming up in
 good shape. This is a most worthy achieve-
 ment, creditable alike to pastor and people,
 for it demonstrates that a circuit can be or-
 ganized so as to place the financial administra-
 tion of a charge where it belongs, in the hands
 of the laymen.

The Awkward "We."

Some of our editorial brethren are so fasci-
 nated by the editorial "we" that they use it
 in all kinds of writing, and become thereby
 sadly tangled. Careful study of the best usage
 will show that the editorial "we" may be
 properly employed when an editorial opinion
 is expressed or argument is made; but to use
 it in correspondence and especially in refer-

ence to the editor's self or family or interests is not only in bad taste, but is often extremely grotesque. Recently such expressions as the following have appeared: "When we were a merchant or a layman," "We are a dying man," "Our wife," etc., ad nauseum.

A True Citizen.

Last week, when a jury was being made up in Little Rock for a very important and difficult case, Mr. C. T. Walker, a banker, whose time is worth many times the juror's per diem, might have been excused because he had already been under considerable physical strain; but he would not shirk, replying promptly to the judge's offer: "I am a citizen, and I'll do my duty." These are simple words that any man might utter, yet under the circumstances they were truly noble and were the expression of a sentiment that is none too common. One of the weakest points in our practice of self-government is the unwillingness of the average citizen to discharge his civic duties. We need a revival of plain, old-fashioned sentiment that will cause men not simply to seek the honors and emoluments of public office, but to take up the ordinary duties of jury service, voting, assessing, taxpaying, road-working and the like with a cheerful and loyal spirit. Self-government is not of itself self-perpetuating. It will endure only by the self-sacrifice of the citizen. All honor to Bro. C. T. Walker. May his tribe increase.

In the Mountains.

No. II.

I wrote last week of the Laymen's Meeting at Mountain Home, while en route to the meeting at Berryville. This latter meeting was quite as successful as the former. Among the laymen present were former lay leader Prof. J. C. Eaton, Prof. J. C. Bunch, W. J. Douglass, J. D. Hailey, K. J. Hodges, D. S. Wall, J. H. Hatfield, T. S. Collier, S. A. Diehl, Polk Faucher, with a number of brethren of other churches, all under the direction of our District lay leader, Mr. A. W. Estes, of Yellville. The pastors of this end of the district were there. The speeches of the brethren were exceptionally good. The spirit that prevailed in the meeting was of great harmony and full of earnestness. If these brethren do not produce a new order of things in the Harrison district, we shall be greatly disappointed.

The chief difficulty in carrying on the work of God in this country has always been the financial difficulty. The time was when it was really hard to make money in this region. It was always a country of great abundance, so far as produce is concerned, but till recent years it was a long way to market. These people of Berryville, for example, had to haul everything to Springfield, Mo., seventy-five miles away, and could turn nothing into money without going through such a long and arduous process. It made a dollar look big. But a new day has come. There is transportation, and there will be more transportation. There are new crops being produced. It has been demonstrated that alfalfa can be very profitably raised all over this country. It is and always has been a great stock country. Its fruits are fine. Its climate is fine. It is one of the best watered regions in America. Its possibilities of water power are almost beyond computation. Just at this time the engineers are working on a project to put in a water power near Yellville, on Buffalo Fork of White River that will represent 80,000 horse power. I know of about four more sites which will apply immense power. The time is coming, and it is not far off, when this power will be harnessed. Then everything will

move. There is no reason why electric lines should not traverse the country, bring all the people transportation for all they produce. This power will light the towns, it will drive the drills among the zinc, it will smelt the zinc. No man can figure the possibilities. I told some of them that I had a notion of beating them by making application to the Wright brothers to take me up to the moon, so that I might run a belt around it, after having rammed a huge line of shafting through it, and run the belt around the earth, which is moving at the rate of over a thousand miles an hour, and then we would have something spinning sure enough, and they might attach their machinery to my line of shafting!

My stay at Berryville was a continual delight. I visited Grandma Whitson and her daughter Mrs. Clark with great pleasure. They are an old and honored family. Five generations of them belong here. Brother J. D. Hailey and his good wife came near founding me. What can beat one of these mountain chickens, plump, fat, brown in the dish? I heard a doctor say that such diet is not fit for the human stomach. I felt like employing him to proclaim that dietary doctrine to all other sorts of ecclesiastical gatherings except Methodists. I do not understand why Berryville is not the summering place of hundreds of people from eastern Arkansas. While the heat is sizzling down in the low lands, and the air is heavy and sultry, there is fresh air, fine cold water, mountain scenery, with thirteen hundred feet above the sea level at Berryville. Brother Hailey drove me out about a mile to the top of a nob that is two or three hundred feet higher still. The landscape from that nob is indescribably beautiful. I have never looked upon a more widespread scene of beauty. If life's work were over, I could settle down there and never grow weary of the scene, till I should be called to ascend the hills of a better world.

It was a great pleasure to lay the cornerstone of the new church at Berryville. Brother T. J. Taylor and his people are proceeding worthily to replace the building, with a far better one, that blew away last November. They will have a solid and commodious structure, of stone. But these people, so devastated by storm ought to have received more help in rebuilding, ought to yet.

I turn my face toward Green Forest, then toward Huntsville, along with the presiding elder. We shall spend several days in that region.

JAS. A. A.

True Religion in Education.

In times of peace we are to prepare for war, according to the old adage. Certain it is, that in times of vacation, our young men and young women are planning and preparing for the days of college life and work that are just ahead. Many of our young people are anxiously questioning as to where they shall go this fall for the prosecution of their studies. Much will depend on the choice that is made as to the success and meaning of the future years of life.

In the first place let those counsels prevail which take one to a Christian college. There are such colleges, where everything is taught that needs to be learned, and yet where God is believed and Jesus Christ is honored. We would not say that there are many godless institutions, or that there are any that are outrageously godless. There are conscientious and Christian men in all our educational institutions, but, alas, many of them are shallow, infidel, atheistic teachers, foaming out their own shame, and setting at naught the sacred truths of our holy faith. And into the atmosphere of just such degenerates are our young

people in danger of being brought who go to some of our secular colleges.

We remember the expression of a Presbyterian elder some years ago, who had sent his only son to an unchristian college, because he had felt ambitious for him to have certain brilliant advantages which he conceived to be very important, and not to be had in the colleges of which he really approved. The son developed into a thoroughly irreligious man, with no interest in the church or the cause of Christ. "I can never forgive myself," said the father; "my son gained an education but I have lost my son."

The most important thing to have in view in this whole matter of gaining an education is, that the whole being shall be educated in the proper way, and that a true and noble character shall be secured. This is the end of an education. We cannot dissect an individual, and say that we will train the intellect and that we have no concern with any other department. We must train the whole individual. We must seek the welfare of the whole being.

To attain the best ends we are sure that, in the matter of an education, as in all else, we are to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness. If this be put first, and gained, all else that is desirable will also be gained. To a thoroughly Christian man, or woman, who serves the intellectual and moral and spiritual training that is guaranteed in our religious colleges, all things are possible in after life. It is from lack of character that most people fall who make a failure in life. They who are genuinely Christian and upright succeed in every large and full and real meaning of the word.

Some very striking and alarming articles have appeared in our magazines and papers of the day, in reference to many of the colleges of our land. Among them the one that has produced the deepest impression, perhaps, is the one on "Blasting in the Rock of Ages." We cannot afford, for the sake of the possible benefits of an intellectual training, to disregard the matters of religious training and moral. We can not permit social and religious outcasts to lead our young people to destruction, even if they have secured positions in the chairs of our secular colleges and universities, and young people may well think several times before they place themselves where they are likely to be morally corrupted and religiously misled.

Over and over again we have it impressed upon us that a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things that he possesseth. Even though those things be intellectual attainments, they are too dearly bought if, in securing them, the spiritual faith and life go down in ruins. Let us hold on to purity of life and simplicity of faith, and we shall be able to gain a sufficiency of true riches and true culture.—Herald and Presbyterian.

Greatness.

"I like the man who faces what he must
With step triumphant and a heart of cheer,
Who fights the daily battle without fear,
Sees his hopes fail, yet keeps unfaltering
trust
That God is God—that somehow, true and just,
His plans work out for mortals; not a tear
Is shed when fortune, which the world holds
dear,
Falls from his grasp; better with love a crust
Than living in dishonor; envies not;
Nor loses faith in man, but does his best,
Nor even murmurs at his humbler lot,
But with a smile and words of hope gives zest
To every toiler. He alone is great
Who by a life heroic, conquers fate."

Laymen's Movement Notes.

To All District and Church Leaders Arkansas Conference:

Our church needs leaders among the laymen. Our preachers have done a noble work, and with great sacrifice have accomplished wonders when we take into account the difficulties under which they have worked. The time is now at hand when the laymen must take up a part of the burden, and shoulder to shoulder with our noble ministry, press on with the great work of evangelizing this whole world, and taking it for our Lord Jesus Christ. There is a great amount of work right about our door, and great and crying need in our mission fields. We as laymen can add much to the force for home work if we only will let the Lord use us, and we can do much to enlighten the people and enable the church to do its duty in the foreign fields. But the neglect in the past, the ease that we laymen have taken, while we allowed our pastors to struggle along almost alone, has incapacitated us for the large work that it is our privilege, our duty to do for our Lord and Master. Now that we are awakening it is necessary that we have some special training for the work before us. Our leaders have brought within our reach a great training conference at Hot Springs, Ark., August 10th, 11th and 12th for the express purpose of training laymen for their greater work in the church, and for the salvation of the world. Men: make a sacrifice to attend this conference, it will be a rest for you and a most profitable occasion in every way. Urge the men of your districts and congregations to attend. Have this meeting announced from your pulpits.

Fraternally,
P. W. FURRY,
Conference Leader.

A Note From Colorado Springs.

We arrived at Colorado Springs via St. Louis from Little Rock Saturday evening, 17th inst. I went to our church Sunday morning. Bro. Weaver, the pastor, was in distress for his son, who had been run over by an automobile and his leg broken half an hour before. I preached to his congregation—an audience of about a hundred—in a very pretty and commodious chapel. After preaching several old acquaintances came forward to greet me. I was especially pleased to meet Mr. George W. Wigger, whom I knew as a schoolboy at Salem, Mo., 20 years ago. He reminded me that he held the office of sexton of our church then. He is now possessor of considerable wealth. He came, years ago, to this place, for health, and not only recovered health, but prospered in business.

We found congenial quarters in the home of Mr. K. E. Bright, 1141 Lincoln avenue, Colorado City. Mrs. Bright was a Miss City and is a sister of Mrs. Sotekard, principal of Coty College, Nevada, Mo. Mr. Brannock, wife and niece, from Nevada, are stopping here; also two nieces of Rev. W. T. McClure, pastor of our church at Nevada. All the company Southern Methodists and of course quite a select society. Mary is delighted to have such companionship and to feel so much at home.

Our cottage fronts the mountains in unobstructed view, and the ever-changing scene affords us constant delight. As the sun rises on a clear morning the mountains seem low and just a few steps away. It appears that one might walk to the top of Pike's Peak before breakfast; but in the afternoon, as the shadows veil the crags and gorges, they draw back into the shadows and look to be far off and very high as they stand out against the western sky. On cloudy days, like this, their tops

are hid from view, and then imagination pictures them as they are in fact, crowned with sunlight above the sea of shadows.

Our cottage has a rich and deeply shaded lawn, and we could not desire better conditions for quiet and rest. We reach Colorado Springs or Manitou for one street car fare, cars passing every five minutes.

Colorado Springs is now the gateway of the gay world on its way to the exposition at Seattle, so there is an unusual number of guests who tarry here but a day or two. In this constantly passing stream of pleasure-seekers there is matter both for entertainment and instruction. They are ever going by, in automobiles of every style, carriage and buggies of every style, on bicycles and burros, the women all astride, with sombrero hats and flying ribbons.

At the Springs one finds always a great throng desiring to be entertained. They make daily excursions among the mountains and attend the concerts in the evening. You converse freely with these people, without introduction, and find them an intelligent, cultivated, accommodating folk, who seem to enjoy life or keep up the appearance of enjoying it.

Young people especially, teachers, artists, writers for newspapers, are here with worthy intents, to join with pleasure the study of nature, communion with God in these majestic scenes, and human life in the passing fashion of the world.

Some are here for health alone, using the last of their earthly substance to stay if possible the ebbing tide of life.

We need thick clothing most of the day and sleep under a blanket and comfort at night. We feel none of the languor induced by the humid heat of Arkansas, and think we shall be profited by coming here. We expect to remain until the first of September or later.

J. E. GODBEY.

The Mission of the Thorn.

Paul's "thorn in the flesh" was not peculiar to himself or his age. We suspect that human life was scarcely begun upon this planet before the thorns began to irritate men, and add discomfort to life, and they have never ceased their work in any age or amongst any race.

The thorn does not stand for danger, but simply for discomfort. There are troubles that are exceedingly grave in character, and which threaten life itself, but the thorn-stab is not one of these. It is true that at times a pin-prick may be more fatal than a sword-thrust, and the bite of a fly may prove more deadly than the shrieking shell. But this is exceptional, and the thorn-prick stands for simple discomfort, not for vital injury.

Such discomforts, however, are not to be despised or ignored. There is no doubt that the constant irritation of a misplaced thorn can do much to mar a man's comfort and spoil his happiness. It may not be sufficient to prevent one doing work, and doing good work, but it will certainly prove a tax upon his patience and a drain upon his nerve-force. The man who is able to do his work without discomfort knows little of what it means to another to do a similar work, with the minute thorn point constantly reminding him most painfully of its undesirable presence.

We have known men whose thorn lay in some portion of their daily toil. Sometimes one finds a minister who loves to study and to preach, and whom pastoral visiting and church work of every kind delights; but the care of a horse is exceedingly distasteful, and yet for twenty years it may be the work of such a man will compel him to submit to this. To some women it may be that dish-washing

is a pretty good-sized thorn. To others enforced companionships of a disagreeable character are the biggest kind of thorn. It is easy to say that one is not compelled to suffer from such sources, and we may cut loose from such undesirable comrades, but often the path of duty is too clear to doubt, and the thorns are there—and they hurt.

What shall we do in such a case? Paul was a strong, brave soul, and yet the thorn worried him so that three times he made special prayer for its removal. It is neither unnatural nor unchristian to desire to do our work in comfort, and we can not condemn any man or woman who today follows Paul's example and prays for the removal of the irritating thorn. Yet we are persuaded that today, as in Paul's day, in many, many cases, the thorn will not be removed. God is too wise and too good to answer all our prayers. Paul's thorn rankled still: and so may ours.

But while God does not always grant us our requests, He gives us better than we asked. To Paul's reiterated prayer, wrung from his overburdened spirit by the ceaseless irritation of the "thorn in the flesh," the answer came, "My grace shall be sufficient for thee." The irritating influence was not removed, but it was met by a special gift of divine strength. So God answers prayer today.

The reason for the presence of the thorn Paul found in his abundant revelations, and the consequent necessity of keeping him from spiritual exaltation. It is characteristic of Paul that he never finds fault with God, and this is true with all deeply religious spirits; neither prick of thorn nor fiery agony of lone death-wrestle can conquer their invincible faith. It may be that the thorn is given to humble us; it may be to perfect us in patience; it may be to multiply somehow the usefulness of our lives; but, whatever the reason, faith holds fast to its one unmovable foundation that God is good, and somehow humanity shall be the purer and the stronger for the mission of the thorn.—Christian Guardian.

Church Music and Congregational Singing.

One of the great drawbacks of our church music nowadays is the fact that neither organists nor singers practice and study enough to make the music effective. The sound of one key of the organ with only one simple echo stop makes a sweet sound and can lead a fallible human voice, but another key in chord produces harmony which affects the whole being. Then with another key a full chord is made and with another stop another tone-color is produced, and another quality of sound is made by another stop producing all effects from the most melancholy minor to the joyous strains of a Hallelujah chorus. Even the small organs that we use in our small churches have stops that can be so arranged that with the musical touch of an artist can be expressed feelings of rest, thoughtfulness, reverence, gratitude, courage, praise or exultant adoration.

The prejudice against organ music dies where the organ is used properly but lives where it is abused. It seems to this writer that a custom in many of our city churches is an abuse of the pipe organ which is a wonderfully useful instrument. After the benediction is announced the outburst of thunderous tones destroys devotional feelings, and one has to make an effort after leaving such a house to collect his thoughts and remember the effect of the hour of worship. Just as the organ can be used to help in the worship, so can the violin, the piano, the cornet and others at certain services and with certain hymns. Each instrument has its own place in the work

of helping make music, but no instrument except the voice can sing. We'll discuss that instrument next time.

SEKAE SADINOEL.

The American Flag.

Joseph Rodman Drake.

When Freedom from her mountain height
Unfurled her standard to the air,
She tore the azure robe of night
And set the stars of glory there.
She mingled with its gorgeous dyes
The milky baldrick of the skies,
And striped its pure celestial white
With the streakflings of the morning light,
Then from his mansion in the sun
She called her eagle bearer down,
And gave into his mighty hand
The symbol of her chosen land.

Majestic monarch of the cloud,
Who rear'st aloft thy regal form
To hear the tempest trumpings loud
And see the lightning lances driven,
When strive the warriors of the storm,
And rolls the thunder drum of heaven.
Child of the sun! to thee 'tis given
To guard the banner of the free,
To hover in the sulphur smoke,
To ward away the battle stroke,
And bid its blendings shine afar,
Like rainbows on the cloud of war,
The harbingers of victory!

Flag of the brave! thy folds shall fly,
The sign of hope and triumph high,
When speaks the signal trumpet tone
And the long line comes gleaming on.
Ere yet the life blood, warm and wet,
Has dimmed the glistening bayonet,
Each soldier eye shall brightly turn,
To where the sky-born glories burn,
And, as his springing steps advance,
Catch war and vengeance from the glance.
And when the cannons mouthed loud
Heave in wild wreaths the battle shroud,
And gory sabers rise and fall
Like shoots of flame on midnight's pall,
Then shall thy meteor glances glow,
And cowering foes shall shrink beneath
Each gallant arm that strikes below
That lovely messenger of death.

Flag of the seas! on ocean wave
Thy stars shall glitter o'er the brave;
When death, careering on the gale,
Sweeps darkly round the bellied sail,
And frightened waves rush wildly back
Before the broadside's reeling rack,
Each dying wanderer of the sea
Shall look at once to heaven and to thee,
And smile to see thy splendors fly
In triumph o'er his closing eye.

Flag of the free heart's hope and home!
By angel hands to valor given;
Thy stars have lit the welkin dome,
And all thy hues were born in heaven.
Forever float that standard sheet!
Where breathes the foe but falls before us,
With Freedom's soil beneath our feet,
And Freedom's banner streaming o'er us?
—Religious Telescope.

Man God's Representative.

In my last article I endeavored to show that life is not the tick of the clock nor the revolution of the planets, but a spark of immortal fire, a ray of him who gave it. In this I desire to show that we are not sons of God only, but his representatives. Nature, as defined by materialists, is "matter, force and mechanical necessity." If we accept this as a correct defini-

tion of nature, than we must recognize men as a dual being, in whom the natural and supernatural are united. His body is material and has been built into form by that mysterious thing we call life, but his spirit must be supernatural, as it controls the matter of his body and matter outside his body as well. Thus in men we have the natural and supernatural combined. Young believed this when he wrote, "Man is a mysterious link in being's endless chain, half way between God and nothing; he is a worm of God." If man is both natural and supernatural then so far as I can see there is no chasm between spirit and matter or between the natural and the supernatural, and it required no violation of law for the eternal Logos to become man and dwell among us.

Leading materialists and evolutionists place men above nature. Prof. Tyndall in his Belfast address to the British Association says, "Our earliest historic ancestors fell back also on experience, but with this difference, that the particular experiences which furnished the web and woof of their theories were drawn, not from the study of nature, but from what lay much closer to them—the observation of men." Thus he puts man above nature.

That nature as defined by materialists is the work of mind is so apparent that the rankest materialist can not avoid using language that is anthropopsychic. Mr. Darwin's language is almost always theological. Herbert Spencer says "Life is a continuous adjustment of internal relations to outward relations." The whole system of evolution works toward a preconceived order of things. From lower to higher, from simple to complete, this is the pathway of eternal feet. "I perceive through the ages one eternal purpose runs." This is a truth men can't get away from, however much they may try. Even Matthew Arnold speaks of "the power outside ourselves that makes for righteousness."

The thought that the physical universe has been projected and is being directed by mind has been criticised as an anthropomorphic thought, an effort to make God like ourselves. We don't accept that word, for it indicates that we attribute to God limitations and boundaries such as apply to our bodies, but the word anthropopsychic as shown by the Duke of Argyle suits, as it connects our highest nature with him. Man, reasoning from the data at hand, sees that his own intellect controls matter in and out of his body, and very naturally concludes that the geometrical movements seen in molecules as they build up crystals and bones, the physiological movements of the albumen of an egg as it forms the cartilage and feathers of a chicken, and the harmonious movements of the heavenly bodies that enable astronomers to foretell their movements, all suggest that they are controlled by mind, like but infinitely greater than his own. All matter is closely connected or related by the common laws that govern it. So Mr. Channing says, "All minds are of the same family." Men see evidences of mind outside of themselves, and nowhere more clearly than in evolution, if it be true that every creature existed potentially in the first germs. Argyle has truthfully said, "We can only respect mind." Everything then that in any way reveals the mind of God is a great blessing. Physiology, astronomy, chemistry, philosophy and a hundred things make us greatly respect the author of our being. Again, the duke has said, "We can only love heart, to love God we must know something of his heart—this nature does not reveal." A Dutchman was cultivating a crop near Fort Smith, Ark. When his corn was about grown there came a storm and blew it down. Then he cried out,

"God is not good or he would not destroy my crop." In the afternoon there came a wind and partially straightened up his corn. Then he said, "Well, I believe God is just about as good as he is bad." This conclusion all men would reach if they had nothing to guide them but nature. Christ came to show us the heart of the Father. "God so loved the world he gave his only begotten son."

The world was intellectual before Christ came. The Egyptians, Greeks and Romans had accomplished wonders, but with all their wisdom they had not discovered God. They knew nothing of God's holiness or love and had little of either themselves. Fakirs in India cruelly tortured themselves to please God. Indians threw their babes to the Ganges for the same purpose. They knew not God's heart and had none of their own. Even the Spartans by law slew their decrepid parents and deformed children.

But Christ's revelation of the Father corrects all these things. We love the heart of God as revealed in Christ, and that enlarges our own hearts and makes us more merciful. If Argyle's teaching, that we can only respect intellect, love heart and adore both combined, is true, then Christ's work in revealing the love of the Father is not out of harmony with the wisdom of God as seen in nature, but supplemental to it, and the two combined produce that adoration in the heart that neither alone could do. Christ's coming was a part of the great archatypal plan that was in the mind of God when he vitalized the first germs and started them on their career of development, each with explicit orders to bear fruit after its kind. No man can watch each germ carrying out its orders and describe the process without using language that is teleological and anthropopsychic. Christ's work on earth was not the consummation of the archatypal plan of the Creator. Christ said, "I have many things to tell you, but you cannot bear them now, but when he (the Holy Spirit) has come he will guide you into all truth." It took Pentecost to teach the immediate apostles of Christ the true nature of his kingdom. It takes all the past to teach us that the Holy Spirit is to guide us into all truth. As sure as Aholiab was inspired to build the tabernacle, that sure no man can do the best possible work in any department of life without the Holy Spirit. "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him." The Holy Spirit drops his pollen into human hearts and we are lifted into the spirit life (born of the Spirit—born of God). There is divinity in every man who is filled with the Spirit. He is a "partaker of the divine nature." Under his influence we are lifted more and more out of the sensuous, and by and by it will lose its hold on us and we will be lifted into that life that is independent of the tick of the clock and the revolution of the planets. This whole view is encouraging. Everything is moving Godward under the guidance of his own eye. "Have faith in God," all will come out right by and by. He will do better for us than we can now know. Even the lower creatures are in his hands and doubtless are on the way to something better. "The earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God; for the creature was made subject to vanity not willingly, but by reason of him who subjected the same in hope. Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God."—Rom. 8:19-21. If all creatures existed potentially in the first germs and we have arrived by the process of evolution to the present stage, then truly it doth not yet appear what we shall be. As the scale is

ascended responsibilities increase, "where much is given much is required." Our responsibilities are great on the earth, for we are next to God. We are his children. We are his representatives: Our commission is, "Occupy till I come."

The man who fails to meet responsibilities, loses his opportunity to rise. The law of progress may be reversed by unfaithfulness. "Take the talent from him and give it to another." He who meets responsibilities will rise to greater ones. "You have been faithful over a few things; I will make you ruler over many." Heaven will not be made up of irresponsible creatures, sensuously shouting the praise of God, but of faithful ones serving him in higher capacities and broader fields. "Be ye faithful unto death." This is in every man's power. Simple as it is, it is the only way for moral beings to rise. "Shine in your little corner and I in mine," then we shall shine as the stars forever.

B. H. GREATHOUSE.

Private Hygiene.

Private hygiene is ever more important, and means a revolution in our habits of living. It means fresh air perpetually flowing through our houses and more of our lives spent outdoors. It means common sense in diet—the avoidance of bolting food, from which dyspepsia springs, and the re-education of normal food instincts, the avoidance of gluttony on the one side, and body starvation on the other, the avoidance of alcohol, the most potent of the predisposing causes of tuberculosis, and the avoidance of dirty, infected milk and meat. It means the "simple life," free from over-exertion on the one hand, and indolence on the other; the habit of normal sleep, and the emancipation from worry.

In giving this prescription, Dr. Trudeau once said to me: "It is as simple as bathing in the waters of Jordan, and that is why people are so slow to follow it."

But today people are following, and following rapidly. When they see a man, who only a few years ago was so ill of tuberculosis that he could scarcely drag himself out upon a porch, now run twenty-five miles for pure love of exercise, or when they see nine college men inside of half a year double their endurance through rational diet alone, or when they learn that ex-President Roosevelt developed from a weak and timid boy into the personification of strength and courage, and that Cornaro, about to die at thirty-seven, abjured all unhygienic habits and prolonged his life to one hundred and three, they begin to realize the practical value of personal hygiene.—Professor Irving Fisher in the September Century.

Efficiency Not Idleness.

This is an age dominated by ideals of work, not leisure; but our vices and unhygienic habits have been handed from an age when leisure and even helplessness were fashionable. To be able to get drunk was once an object of ambition, for it indicated command of leisure; but today, when power to work is the ambition of all classes, it must come about that habits which promote that power will be adopted. The ideal of fashion is becoming efficiency, not idleness; and striving for such an ideal will not only wipe out the "Great White Plague," but many other scourges as well.—Professor Irving, in the September Century.

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Scripture lesson for Aug. 1: Jno. 5:1-16.
Topic: The Nearness of Extremity to Opportunity.

Jesus was in Jerusalem at the time of the Feast of Pentecost. He walked down by the sheep market to a pool called Bethesda, meaning House of Mercy, upon the five porticos of which lay a motley multitude, some blind, some lame, some paralyzed. Why do you suppose Jesus went to such a place? Not merely to see the sights. Doubtless he was drawn thither by the real sympathy he had for the suffering, seeking an opportunity to help some poor sufferer. The water of the pool, it seems, had certain medicinal properties periodically. There was a rush made for the water at such times by these cripples, the first into the water being the only lucky man who received healing. This method necessarily made against some, particularly those whose disease prevented their getting about. Such was the case of the impotent man of our lesson. He needed help, for he could not help himself.

The impotent man's extremity lay in the fact that he was helpless in his impotency. To have been in his condition for 38 years was bad enough; but to be friendless and hopeless in it was far worse. Such seems to be his case as told in his own words, "Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool; but while I am coming another steppeth down before me." These words reveal a pathetic situation. He needed a friend. He had looked many a time into the faces of passersby, a look freighted with appeal, but nobody came to his rescue. And so he lay, day by day, there beside the friendly waters, hoping against hope that somebody would at least come who would give him the help needed. How many times over has that situation been repeated from that day to this. The hour of deep, despairing need has come to many a man when that which was needed was a single sympathetic, helping friend. And so often—oh, the sadness of it!—death came and the curtain fell before the arrival of a friend. Such was not the sad sequel of this story.

As Jesus walked down to the pool that day the impotent man was unaware of his opportunity. The poor man was at the end of his row, but unknown to him there was one coming who was going to befriend him. The pathetic appeal in the situation found response in the heart of Jesus. He came to his rescue. He was the friend needed. Our lesson would have us emphasize the nearness of opportunity to extremity. Just when need was greatest help was nearest. When the poor man reached his extreme limit a door opened and divine help came in. If the pathetic side of this situation has been enacted over and over, so has this glad side been often repeated. Many a poor, helpless sinner, despairing of other and all help in his case, has found the open door of divine help and has felt the thrilling effect of the divine word or the divine touch and has leaped into a new life. In the case of the sinner it is true that when he feels his greatest need the unseen Friend stands just at his side to save.

Epworth League in State Meeting.

The first State encampment of the Epworth League of the M. E. Church South, will be held at Sulphur, beginning Aug. 11. The encampment will close Aug. 18.

Tents will be shipped from Oklahoma City

and rented to the campers at actual cost. Special arrangements have been made with hotel and restaurant proprietors at Sulphur, whereby the cost of meals during the encampment will be minimized.

Prominent Speakers.

It is expected that 500 delegates will be in attendance, and during the six days some of the best talent in the South appears on the program, among them being Bishop E. E. Hoss, Dr. H. M. DuBose of Nashville, Tenn., Dr. Sam Steel of Texas, and Dr. Collins Denry of Nashville. The entire program will be given without admission charges.

Among the special features will be the Sunday all-day service. It is intended to make it a day of object lessons. A "model Sunday school" will be held at 9:45 in the morning, conducted by Rev. W. J. Moore, chairman State Sunday School Board, and to this service all the churches of the city will be invited. At 11 o'clock Bishop E. E. Hoss will preach, and at noon an old-fashioned "dinner on the ground" will be served. In this it is desired to show old-time Southern hospitality, and everybody attending the service will be made welcome.

In the evening at 7 o'clock a "model Epworth League service" will be held in the auditorium tent, and like the other services, it is intended that this shall be truly an object lesson to every visiting leaguer.

A delegation of about forty will go from Oklahoma on a special car, which has already been arranged for. This car will be attached to the regular Santa Fe train going south at 11:55 on Wednesday, Aug. 11. Delegates along the line, and near Oklahoma City, are urged to come to Oklahoma City and join the local delegation or catch the train at some other station.

Many special features will be added to the program. The mornings will be devoted to work, while the afternoons will be given up entirely to recreation.—Oklahoman.

OKLAHOMA EPWORTH LEAGUE ASSEMBLY NOTES.

By E. P. Guthrie, State President.

Have You Made Your Tent Reservations Yet?

If you have not made your tent reservation for the Sulphur Encampment do so at once. A number have already done so, and unless you notify us we have no way of knowing how many tents to ship. Where as many as four club together, tent and canvas cots can be secured at not exceeding \$1 each. This includes rent of tent and four cots for ten days, also freight on same to and from Sulphur. Write at once to H. W. Lane, State corresponding secretary, No. 14, Old P. O. Bldg., Oklahoma City, and he will have tent on grounds for you when you arrive.

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From present indications it is estimated that from 400 to 500 delegates will be in attendance at the assembly, and you will miss the opportunity of your life if you miss it.

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Many special features of recreation will be planned for the Leaguers, including fishing trips, excursions, lawn tennis, and many other outdoor amusements. Plan to spend your vacation at this time.

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To Pastors Especially.

Perhaps many of our Leaguers do not read The Western Methodist (but they ought to), so you are specially requested to see that these items are brought to the attention of your Leaguers at next Sunday's devotional meeting. You owe this to yourself and your league, and I hope you will see that the im-

portance of this assembly is strongly impressed upon them.

Program Oklahoma State Epworth League Assembly, Sulphur, Okla., August 11th to 18th, 1909.

Wednesday evening, August 11th—

8:30. Address of welcome, Hon. C. B. Emanuel, Mayor of Sulphur. Response in behalf of lady delegates, Miss Blakie Jones, first vice president State League, Ardmore. Response on behalf of the Conference, by Rev. Wilmore Kendall, Konawa.

9:30. Social greeting from local Leaguers to visiting delegates.

Thursday morning, August 12th—

6:30. Sunrise prayer meeting, B. C. Clark, Purecell, leader.

8:30. Opening of Conference in regular session; devotional exercises being conducted by Rev. S. F. Goddard, presiding elder Ada district.

9:00. Enrollment of delegates.

9:30. Annual address of president.

10:00. Reports of Conference officers, and appointment of standing committees.

10:45. Enrollment of "Comrades of the Morning Watch, or Quiet Hour." (It is especially desired that every Leaguer attending the Conference be enrolled and observe the Pledge throughout the Assembly, at least).

11:00. Annual sermon, Dr. Collins Denny of Nashville, Tenn.

Thursday evening, August 12th—

8:00. Rally song service, led by ———.

8:15. Address, "Impressions from the Seattle Convention," Rev. W. M. Wilson, chairman Conference Epworth League Board.

Friday morning, August 13th—

6:00. "The Morning Watch, or Quiet Hour," which every Leaguer is urged to observe.

6:30. Sunrise prayer meeting. Robert Chambers, president Weatherford District League.

8:30. Devotional services, Rev. George C. French, Duncan. Reports of special committees, motions and resolutions.

Departmental Conference.

9:15. Department of Worship: Miss Blakie Jones, 1st vice president State League, presiding.

Paper: "The Essentials of a Live Devotional Meeting," by Mrs. Willmore Kendall, Konawa.

Address: "The Evangelistic League and its worth to the Church," by J. E. Allison, Muskogee.

10:15. General discussion of plans for successful devotional meetings. (All 1st vice presidents are requested to prepare themselves to discuss this topic).

11:00. Sermon by Rev. T. L. Rippey, pastor St. Paul's church, Muskogee.

Friday evening, August 13th—

8:00. Rally song service.

8:20. Lecture by Dr. Sam Steel, of Texas; subject: "Home Life in Dixie."

Saturday morning, August 14th—

6:00. "The Morning Watch, or Quiet Hour."

6:30. Sunrise prayer meeting, led by W. G. Ditzler, Ardmore.

8:30. Devotional exercises, by Rev. C. S. Walker, Holdenville. Reports of special committees, motions and resolutions.

Departmental Conference.

9:15. Department of Charity and Help: R. O. Smith, 2nd vice president State League, presiding.

Address: "The Mission of the Epworth League in Benevolent Work," by Marvin Belcher, Muskogee.

Address: "The Responsibilities of the Second Department," by R. O. Smith, Checotah.

10:15. General discussion of charity and help work as done by the Epworth League, by second vice presidents.

11:00. Sermon: Dr. Jamse A. Anderson, Editor Western Methodist.

Saturday evening, August 14th—

No evening service will be held, so as to give opportunity to prepare for the great "All Day Service" on Sunday.

Sunday, August 15th—

6:00. "The Morning Watch, or Quiet Hour," to be observed by every Leaguer at the Conference.

6:30 a. m. Sunrise prayer meeting, led by Rev. J. B. Stanley, Shawnee.

9:45 a. m. A "Model Sunday School," superintended by Rev. W. J. Moore, chairman Oklahoma State Sunday School Board. (To this service a general invitation will be extended to all the Sunday schools of Sulphur, and it is hoped that every school in the city, regardless of denomination, will unite with us in this great Sunday school rally service. Special music will be rendered by a large chorus choir).

11:00 a. m. Sermon by Bishop E. E. Hoss.

12:30 p. m. Dinner will be served on the ground in "Old Fashion Style," and real Southern hospitality will be exemplified, and every one made to enjoy the occasion to the fullest extent.

3:30 p. m. A great rally song service followed with a short address by Rev. W. J. Moore on the subject of "Life and How to Make the Most of it."

6:30 p. m. Song service.

7:00 p. m. A "Model Epworth League devotional meeting," conducted by Rev. J. E. Savage, secretary Oklahoma State Epworth League Board.

8:00 p. m. Sermon, by Dr. H. M. DuBose, General Secretary of the Epworth League Board of the M. E. Church, South, Nashville, Tenn.

Monday morning, August 16th—

6:00. "The Morning Watch, or Quiet Hour."

6:30. Sunrise prayer meeting at Auditorium tent, Rev. R. E. L. Morgan of Norman, leader.

8:30. Devotional exercises, led by Rev. Moss Weaver, Sulphur.

Reports of special committees, motions and resolutions.

Departmental Conference.

9:15. Department of Literature: Miss Buelah Moore, Paul's Valley, 3rd vice president, State League, presiding.

Paper: "How the 3rd Department may be made attractive," by Miss Floy Weaver, Oklahoma City.

Address: "Intelligence the Basis of True Religion," by Burton Kidd, Wilburton.

10:15. General discussion of the possibilities of the 3rd Department by 3rd vice presidents, and others.

11:00. Sermon: Dr. N. L. Linebaugh, Field Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Oklahoma City.

Monday evening, August 16th—

8:00. Rally song service. Assisted by Orchestra.

8:20. Address: Dr. Geo. H. Crowell, Dean of Epworth University. Subject, "The Church of the Future."

Tuesday morning, August 17th—

6:00. "The Morning Watch, or Quiet Hour."

6:30. Sunrise prayer meeting. Rev. H. B. Vaught, Spiro, leader.

8:30. Devotional exercises, by Rev. C. H.

McGhee, presiding elder, Chickasha district.

Reports of special committees, motions and resolutions.

Departmental Conference.

9:15. Department of Missions: Mrs. Wessie Ray, of Chickasha, 4th vice president of State League, presiding.

Address: Rev. O. E. Goddard of Muskogee on the "Opportunities and Responsibilities of the Epworth League in Foreign Missions."

Paper: "Why I Believe in Missions." Mrs. A. L. Scales, Oklahoma City.

10:15. What are we going to do for Missions during the coming year? To be answered by 4th vice presidents.

11:00. Report of Committee on Finance; also committee on recommendations.

Annual election of officers, and members of the Board of Trustees of Epworth Encampment.

Tuesday evening, August 17th—

8:00. Rally song service of old songs.

8:30. Impressions made upon me during the Conference, and my resolutions for future work.

(An experience meeting to be participated in by every Leaguer, pastor, and every one else present.) Conducted by W. J. Sims, Okmulgee.

Wednesday morning, August 18th—

6:00. "The Morning Watch, or Quiet Hour."

6:30. Sunrise prayer meeting, conducted by Rev. R. S. Satterfield, Cordell.

8:30. Devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. T. P. Turner, Paul's Valley.

Reports of special committees, motions and resolutions.

Departmental Conference.

9:15. Junior League Department: Mrs. R. E. L. Morgan, Norman, State Junior Superintendent, presiding.

Paper: "Junior League Work," Miss Cora Bowling, Norman. General discussion.

Address: "The Junior's Place in the Church," H. A. Cherry, Lawton. General discussion. Music by Junior Leaguers.

Paper: "How to interest the Juniors in Missions," Mrs. Wessie Ray, Chickasha.

Paper: "A Model Junior League," Miss Lillian Dechman, Oklahoma City.

Reading: by Miss Margaret Goodrich, Norman. Reports of District Superintendents. Music.

11:00. Report of committee on resolutions.

Report of committee on Temperance.

Farewell Closing Services.

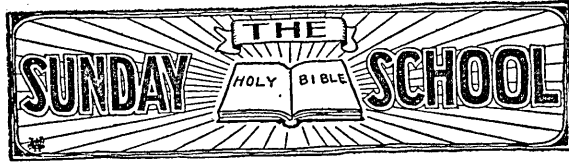
Address: "The Duties and Pleasures of Epworth League Life," by Rev. C. R. Phillips, Stonewall.

Farewell Songs: "In the Sweet By and By," and "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Prayer and Benediction by Rev. R. W. Cummins, Sulphur.

A Minister's First Duty.

After all is said and done, the first duty of any minister is that of building up his own church. Let him make it just as large and strong as possible; just as full of zeal in its services; just as enthusiastic a it can be in its work of winning men and women and children; just as beneficent and missionary-spirited as it can be brought to be. The man who devotes his energies to the field where God has placed him is doing the largest thing possible to him in building up the kingdom of God on earth. When every minister works his own church for all it is worth, there will be enthusiasm all along the line, and efficiency and accomplishment in every part of the kingdom among men.—Herald and Persbyter.



Prepared by Rev. George McGlumphy, Ph. D.
August 8. Paul's First Letter to the Thessa-
lonians. 1 Thess. 1:1 to 5:28.

Golden Text.—"See that none render evil
for evil; but ever follow after that which is
good." 1 Thess. 5:28.

Locating the Lesson.

Time.—A. D. 52 or 53.

Place.—Written from Corinth.

Persons.—Paul and the church in Thessa-
lonica; Silas and Timothy.

Parallel Passage.—Read Acts 17:1-9; also
2 Thess. 1:1 to 3:18.

Connecting Links.—Trace the Apostle's
itinerancy from Thessalonica to Berea,
Athens, and Corinth.

A Word to the Student.

The lesson of today calls for "broad"
study, and not a microscopic examination of
the thirteen verses printed in the magazine.
The entire epistle should be included in the
lesson plan. We should remember that we
are not studying a formal theological treatise,
nor even a written-out sermon, but a real
personal letter, pulsating with love and life.
The entire letter with its five short chapters
should be read over and over until its spirit
and meaning have caught hold of us. Let us
put ourselves in Paul's place and write the
letter; then in that of the Thessalonian's and
read it. There is no other way to really
"get" our lesson. The teacher should pledge
the scholars in advance to read carefully the
whole of the letter. It can easily be read in
from seven to ten minutes. I suggest the fol-
lowing teaching plan.

I. Founding the church in Thessalonica.
Acts 17:1-9. Picture to the class a splendid
city of 200,000 inhabitants full of rushing Ro-
man life. In the midst of it the synagogue
with its Jewish and Gentile worshippers. Paul
comes and begins preaching to his fellow
countrymen. They listen to him then oppose
him. He turns to the Gentiles and many con-
verts are made and the church of Thessalonica
is formed. The Jews mad with rage stir up
the mob bent on murder. Paul is hastily hid-
den by friendly hands, and under the cover of
night flees to Berea leaving behind him the
"new born" church. The superficial observ-
er doubtless said "This is the end of this 'Je-
sus doctrine.'" But we shall see.

II. Paul Writing His Love Letter.

Isaiah could most truthfully have written
of the apostle "Can a woman forget her suck-
ing child, that she should not have compassion
on the son of her womb? Yea, these may for-
get, yet will I not forget thee. Behold, I
have graven thee upon the palms of my
hands; thy walls (O Thessalonica) are ever
before me." For him to love once was to
love forever. Absent in body he was ever
present in spirit. He was intensely anxious
for the Thessalonian converts. He knew the
storm of fanatical hate that was sweeping
over them, the multitudinous temptations of
their heathen surroundings, the extreme me-
agreness of their instruction in the faith.
Would they, could they stand? Finally un-
able to endure the suspense any longer, he
sent Timothy to bring him news.

"He was in Corinth when his messenger re-
turned with good tidings. The Thessalonians
were not only steadfast but were making pro-
gress. They were unshaken in their faith;
and notwithstanding broadcast calumnies
against the apostles disinterestedness and
courage this attachment to him increased.

They sent him the kindest greetings, and as-
sured him of their affection, and as the great
heart had its load of anxiety removed, and,
in his own graphic way, he says 'he lived
again.' His soul was like a watered garden,
and he knew not how to praise God enough for
so signal a merey. It was in those circum-
stances that the Epistle was written. Paul
wrote it to give vent to his feelings of grat-
itude and joy."

III. The Thessalonians Reading the Letter.

Imagine a band of humble artisans with
their wives and children gathered together in
the place of meeting. Night has fallen. The
light from a few flickering lamps or torches
falls on the furrowed, earnest, eager faces.
They have assembled to hear the letter which
has just come from their beloved "father in
the gospel." Their hearts have been beating
night and day for him whom they so tenderly
love. They press forward to be near the read-
er. Joyous tears mingle as they listen.

No one can analyze a love letter, for it
moves in the realm of life. Paul's letter to
his loved church has little doctrine in it but
abounds in personal touches. Still we may
say that its five chapters divide into two
parts; (I) chapter 1 to 3, full of tenderness
and heart-to-heart words; (II) chapters 4 and
5, teeming with good counsel. He lays spe-
cial emphasis on at least three things. "1. The
necessity of sanctifying the new life. He is
deeply concerned for a life of social purity
among the Thessalonians. 2. He strives to im-
press upon his converts the need of good or-
der in the life to which they are called. (They
must give no place to fanaticism). 3. Paul
speaks much in this epistle of the Christian
hope, the coming of the Lord Jesus. He closes
his letter with a veritable "string of dia-
mond:" (v. 12-28) which he would have about
their necks.

"Germs."

Germs are of a small and retiring nature.
Their principal forms are spherical, elliptical,
rod-like and spirally curved. They are shaped
to suit the most exacting taste of those who
are disposed to study their appearances. The
biggest part about a germ is its name. These
are unornamental appendages added, not by
their parents, but by their inveterate enemy,
man. It is the only thing about a germ that
the unscientific are able to see. These designa-
tions distinguish and define the divers classes
of microbes or micro-organisms. A "micro-
coccus," for instance, is round, multiplies by
fission, and is the 32,000 of an inch in diam-
eter. The writer has not measured one recent-
ly with a ruler, but accepts the statement as
an accredited scientific fact. The "bacteri-
um" (diminutive of the Greek "baktron," a
stick), is rod-shaped, with rounded ends like
a knitting needle, multiplies by fission, and is
only about 10,000th of an inch in length. The
"bacillus" is similar to the "bacterium" but
larger. The "spirillum," or fourth class, are
shaped like a corkscrew, increase with an in-
credible rapidity, and have other undesirable
characteristics.

An increasing number of people do not care
for germs. They may seem to be very small
and insignificant things, with a great variety
of sizes and beautiful shapes; yet the very
thought of them breeds a nightmare. The ap-
palling names applied to them, together with
the fact that the subject has an air of the oc-
cult, and is almost altogether associated with
scientists and doctors, may account for this
holy horror and indiscriminate abuse of germs.
Then, the subject is new. Before the seven-
teenth century germs were unknown. They
were doubtless as plentiful as now, but igno-

rance was bliss. People ate them, drank them,
fattened and died on them and were none the
wiser, and by far the less afraid. But since
Cohn, DeBarry, Zopf, Van Tieghem, Nageli,
Klebs, Koch and a great many others have in-
vestigated and written the life history of
germs, people are being made all their lifetime
subject to the bondage of germ fear, and in
sleep have highly colored germ dreams to ter-
rorize their nights.

A satisfactory way of avoiding germs has
not yet been discovered. One can be easily
caught by putting salt on its tail; then, if
equal parts of ammonia, sugar and tannin be
added with a little water, and the whole
stirred with a hairpin, segmentation will be-
gin and one will have a fine lot of home-made
germs that he can study or give to his neigh-
bors. But how to get rid of them is another
problem. Bacteria are found practically every-
where. They are all but omnipresent. A pint
of condensed water vapor contains a minimum
of 500 germs. A cup of fresh spring water
carries a cargo of them. A pint of water from
a stagnant sewer contains the maximum num-
ber of fifty millions. Stale bread, rancid but-
ter, strong cheese, sour milk and bitter wine
are veritably alive with them. No soil is free
of them, so that after they have frightened
one to death they may become his companions
in his final sleep.

It now looks as if the church must finally
solve the problem of germs. Its very life will
shortly depend upon it. The matter has al-
ready assumed alarming proportions. The
church germ is supposed to be the fiercest and
most fatal. Some who can safely attend a
crowded theater are so harassed by germs in
a half-filled church that they are deprived of
the sweet privileges of worship. Others who
find a few millions of micro-organisms in an
ounce of limburger an aid to digestion cannot
taste a few saprophytes on the edge of a com-
munion cup without fatal results. Still more
who can fearlessly hold nickels and cents in
their mouths and carry bank notes in their
hands fresh from the pockets of the putrefy-
ing dead, cannot abide a piece of bread from
God's altar because of their excessive nicety
of discrimination. Hence, let all the preachers
become germ experts; let the discussion of the
germs of sin active and latent in corrupt hu-
manity abide the solution of germ plasm and
germ cells, of germs round and germs long
and screw-shaped, of germs micrococcus and
germs saprophytes, of germs real and germs
imaginary, of germs fattening and germs
fatal, and of everything else in the way of
sense and nonsense about germs, germs, germs,
and germs!—J. B. Henry in Baltimore South-
western Methodist.

A grade teacher after having a medical ex-
amination in her room recently wrote the fol-
lowing note to the parents of a certain little
boy: "Your little boy, Charles, shows signs
of astigmatism. Will you please investigate
and take steps to correct it?" To which she
received a note in reply, saying: "I don't
understand exactly what Charles has been do-
ing, but I have wholloped him tonight, and
you can whollop him tomorrow, and that ought
to help some."

A French lady living in London engaged a
carpenter to do some work for her at a stipu-
lated price. She was surprised later to find
that he charged more than the price agreed
upon. When she attempted to remonstrate
with him, however, her English failed her, and
she said, "You are dearer to me now than
when we were first engaged."

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.)

Belleville, Ark., May 28, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: I am a little boy seven years of age. I have six sisters all older than I. For pets I have two dogs. Their names are Fudge and Major. I also have a little calf which I call Bonnie. I have gone to school this year. My teacher's name was Miss Leska Lanier. I am in the second reader. I go to Sunday school nearly every Sunday. My sister teaches my class. How long were the Israelites on the way from Egypt to the land of promise? Well as this is my first time I will close. Yours,
WALLACE WEAVER.

This is a good letter for such a small boy.

A Story by One of the Cousins.

A very bad boy who went to school was punished by his teacher one day, for doing something wrong. The boy resolved to "get it back on the teacher," so one evening he heard that the teacher was going some place, and knowing that he would have to cross a certain bridge, the boy went to the place. He carried a saw and started to work to cut the bridge nearly in two. When he had finished the terrible work, he crept behind some bushes to wait for the teacher. But presently he was startled by an awful sound. And forgetting all about the bridge he ran towards it, but just as he reached the center, it crashed in throwing him in the muddy water. The people around hearing his cries, hurried down to the banks, among them the teacher. It had just rained the night before and the river was swollen, therefore the boy could not swim

ashore. The men hesitated to go into the mad torrent. The teacher looked on and also hesitated to jump in, for he knew that it had been meant for him; but thinking only of the boy's life he jumped in and reached the boy just as he was sinking the last time. It was a hard struggle for the teacher to reach the shore with his burden, but ready hands were ready to help and soon they were safe again. The next day when the boy went to thank the teacher, he broke down, thinking how mean and selfish he had been. But the teacher readily forgave him. And he learned a lesson, he never forgot.

Lovingly, EVELYN.

Vilonia, Ark., May 17, 1909.

Dear Methodist: Will you permit another cousin to join your happy band? I have been thinking for some time of writing to your valuable paper. Now if you will give me just a little room over here in the corner, I will say a few words and then I will go and give room for a more worthy writer.

I think that Ruth Carr certainly gave some good advice in regard to letter writing. As for pets the dishrag and broom are good enough.

I like to read. I think the reading of good books are essential. Anyone should read all the good books they can secure, though I am not particularly fond of novels. I think that the Bible is the book of all books.

My papa takes the Methodist and I always enjoy reading the children's page. I haven't any favorites among them. I think they are all good. Our page seems to be composed principally of letters from Arkansas. Why do not more of the boys and girls write. Let's make our page interesting. I will guess Eurah Brock to be thirteen. Am I right Eurah? How many of the cousins like music? I certainly am fond of music. I am a member of the Methodist church and have been for two years. Say cousins, how many of you like country life? I live on the farm and like it very well. My papa is a preacher and has charge of the Cato circuit. I have made one trip to Cato. I certainly think they are fine people.

Well, cousins, have any of you my birthday? It is the 23rd of June. I will let you guess my age. I am between fourteen and eighteen. Now, who wants a pretty postal? Well, cousins, I am going to ask for a post card party on the 23rd of June. How many of you will remember me? For fear my letter will grow too lengthy, and reach the waste basket, I will close with best wishes and love to all the cousins. FLORENCE GIPSON.

Sorry the date for the postcard party passed before we could publish the letter.

Amity, Ark., May 19, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: Will you admit a new cousin? My grandma Beerstecher has been here and she took the Methodist for us. I have two sisters and one brother. Their names are Mary, Adele, and Lewis. Eurah Brock's age is thirteen years. Mrs. Kilgore has organized a brigade here. I belong to it. The brigade is going to have some entertainments this summer to raise money. I will close for this time. Your new cousin,
EDWARD B. HOLMES.

Pottsville, Ark.

My Dear Cousins: I was very glad indeed to see my letter in print. I will write again. How many of you little girls ever read the book "Daddy's Girl?" I have just finished it and I think it is fine. I would like very much to have the "White Rose of Memphis." I am sure it is fine. I sure do enjoy reading good books. If any of the cousins know of any I sure would like to read them. My sisters are coming home from Gallogway a week from next Wednesday and papa and mama are going to visit



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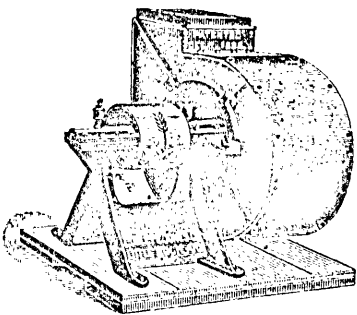


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I would like to exchange post cards with any of the cousins. I got one from a little girl but I didn't know her name so if she will write again I will answer it. I will guess Annie Purifoy to be fifteen years old. Am I right? I will close hoping to hear from some of the cousins.
Your cousin, VESTAL POTTS.

Beebe, Ark., March 15, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: Will you admit another cousin to your happy band? I am deaf and dumb, but I have been reading the cousin's letters and I thought I would write. Ruth Carr said for the cousins to tell how many of them were Christians. I am not a Christian but I try to be a good girl. My uncle, John Barrentine is the pastor of the Methodist church here. Well, as this is my first time to write I will close for this time.

Your new cousin,
AERY McCAFFERTY.

P. S. I would like to exchange post cards with some of the cousins.

Cousins, be sure and notice this request.

Vinson, Okla., May 24, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: As my letter came out in the paper I thought I would try again. Ruth said not to

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write about our pets, but I have one pet that I must write about and that is my little niece. Her name is Fola. She is nine months old. I tell you cousins you have no little niece as pretty and as good as Fola or you would write about them. You haven't neither Ruth. We are going to have children's day the fifth Sunday in May. We are going to have a nice long program. I am going to say a speech. I went to Sunday school yesterday and to singing last night. Well, Evelyn, I was sure proud of my post card. I didn't know I would guess your age. Evelyn, write me again. All the rest of the cousins write me too. Well I will close with best love to all. From your loving cousin,
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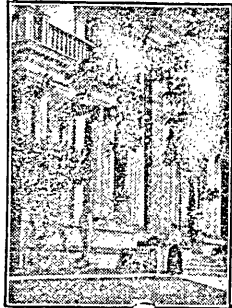
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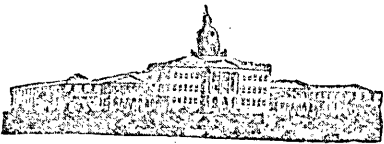
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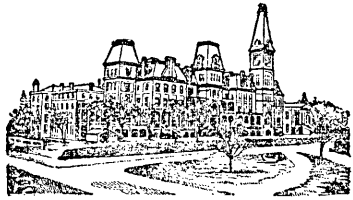
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- A. J. Milam, Muskogee, \$1.
- F. H. Johnson, Muskogee, 50c.
- Hooker-Hendrix Hardware Company, Muskogee, \$2.
- Mrs. Jennie Smith, Braggs, Okla., 50c.
- Charles Glass, Braggs, Okla., 50c.
- John S. McKinney, Braggs, Okla., 50c.
- Wilson N. Smith, Grove, Okla., \$1.
- Cash, 25c.
- Juliette Smith, Braggs, Okla., \$1.25.
- Total, \$57.40.

We also thank Bro. W. F. Dunkle, our presiding elder, for his gift of \$2.50 for the Sunday school.

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Texarkana District Conference.

The Texarkana District Conference met at Mena July 6 at 8:30 p. m., the presiding elder, Rev. T. H. Ware, in the chair.

The opening sermon was preached on the evening of the 5th by Rev. T. D. Scott.

Conference was called to order Tuesday by Bro. Ware. Edgar Seay was elected secretary.

The reports of the pastors showed that while we are making some progress we need more spirituality in our work. Finances are some behind, though ahead of last year.

The report on Sunday Schools showed that we have made considerable advance along that line. The pastors re-

ported that the people are taking more interest in Sunday schools than ever before. Most of the schools have observed children's day.

Wednesday afternoon was devoted to the interests of the Women's Missionary societies, Mrs. Giles of Texarkana having charge.

J. W. Williams, Claude I. Becks, Oscar L. Lennard were granted license to preach.

J. D. Baker, J. W. Williams, Claude I. Beck and Oscar L. Lennard were recommended to the annual conference for admission on trial.

Among the visitors were Rev. H. M. Bruce of Arkadelphia District, J. D. Hammons of Crossett, Glenn Flinn of the American Bible Society, and James Thomas, commissioner of education.

Judge J. S. Steele, E. M. Sharp, G. N. Cannon and W. H. Arnold were elected delegates to the annual conference. Alternates, W. H. Mosher and J. L. Deloney. Foreman was chosen as the place for the next conference.

The conference was a very profitable one, though the attendance was very small. Bro. Ware conducted the meeting in his usual manner and everything was harmonious throughout the session.

The conference unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing the publishers of The Western Methodist in their fight with the whisky ring, and pledging them our hearty support.

Bro. Swift and the good people of Mena were unceasing in their efforts to make our stay in their beautiful little city, a pleasant one, and their efforts were crowned with success.

EDGAR SEAY.

Mrashall, Texas.

Last week I was in a revival at Point, Texas, where Rev. Harry King of Van Buren, Ark., stood by me like a man. He is fine help. Thirty-five professions and twenty-one joined our church, and many more I think will follow.

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Hot Springs Preachers' Meeting.

The Hot Springs Methodist preachers met in regular weekly session Monday, July 26, 1909. Present: Parker, Mason, Hutchison and Rainey. One visitor, Bro. Hotchkiss. Were glad to have our old chairman with us again. Bro. Parker led in prayer.

Park Ave.: Rev. J. R. Rushing pastor. Had a funeral this morning and could not be with us. Dr. Hotchkiss was with us: the same congenial spirit, giving good advice.

Tigert Memorial: Rev. S. W. Rainey pastor. Everything is moving along fairly well. Services morning and evening at Tigert Memorial, and at Dodson's Chapel at 3:30 p. m., all by the pastor.

Malvera Avenue: Rev. B. F. Mason pastor. Had a fine week. Had a rally day at 11 a. m. Read the general rules held church conference, and got up a revival. Better congregation at night, better collection, everything better. Good Sunday school, 90 in attendance.

Third Street: Rev. J. A. Parker pastor. Fine prayer meeting, spiritual class meeting, and best League service of the season. Lecture on general rules at 11 a. m. Good interest. Large congregation at night. Revival sermon with great response, two-thirds of congregation at the altar. Present at Sunday school 123.

Central Ave.: Rev. F. Hutchinson pastor. His home coming and reception was very delightful. Had a great time at Seattle. Fine Sunday school, 157 in attendance. Splendid church services morning and evening. One conversion at night service. Bro. Hutchinson is convinced after looking over the field at

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Around that middle sun in Orion's belt is located that enormous nebula which is many thousand times greater than our sun and all his planets together. Orion holds in his right hand his enormous uplifted fighting club, bedecked with sparkling stars. On his left arm Orion has his enormous shield, made of lion's hide bedecked with vast swarms of sparkling stars.

Through the telescope Orion is most wonderfully grand. See and admire him through telescope.

"Begirt with many a blazing star
Stands the great giant Algebar,

Orion hunter of the best:
His sword hangs gleaming by his side,
And on his arm the lion's hide
Scatters across the midnight air
The golden radiance of its hair!"

"Orion's beams! Orion's beams!!
His isles of light; his silvery streams!
His star gemmed belt and shining blade!
And gloomy gulfs of mystic shade!"
JAMES M. CLINE.

Bryant, Ark.

From Bro. Edwards.

I am now in a hard battle at Vian with Bro. Belcher, its pastor, who is esteemed very highly by the people, and am glad to say doing a fine year's work, as he always does. Have been here one week. Quite a number of professions. A great Children's Service yesterday. Nine have given their names for membership for our church. I think we will stay another week. This is about as difficult a field as I have struck, but we are expecting great things this week.

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FROM OUR FIELD EDITOR.

Rev. D. J. Weems.
Muldraw, Okla.

About fifteen miles west of Ft. Smith in a rich valley is Muldraw. They have two banks, some nice stores, good public school building. We have a neat church and parsonage well located. Rev. E. V. Dowell is the pastor. The shadow of a great sorrow had come over the town in the death of Prof. Campbell, one of the leading men of the church and town. There was other serious sickness. I collected from a few old subscribers and passed on making no effort for new subscribers. Brother Dowell has a nice family. They were very kind to me. He is full of energy and is a very capable man.

Sallisaw.

Sallisaw is the county seat of Sequoyah county, and is at the crossing of two trunk lines of railroads. Improvements are going on in all parts of the town. The population is increasing and it is destined in the near future to be a little city. Rev. A. C. Pickens, our pastor, is one of the most efficient ministers of his conference, and succeeds whether on circuit, station or district. He has recently had an excellent meeting assisted by Rev. J. J. Clark, in which there were about one hundred professions and fifty accessions to our church. We need a new parsonage and will have to build a modern brick church in a few years. The brethren realize this and should select their lot and build the parsonage at once. They negotiated the day I was with them for elegant pews to cost \$550.00 and other needed improvements to cost \$50.

Bro. Pickens has received almost one hundred members this year. He expects to double his membership. The Sunday school has had quite an increase. The little time he could help me we secured four new subscribers, Mrs. Maggie Pate, Mrs. John Hannah, Newton Pitts and R. G. Romans.

Stilwell, Okla.

Situated on the Kansas City Southern road in Adair county is Stilwell. It is a railroad division, which makes it an important point. There is quite a good deal of building going on, and marks of prosperity are apparent.

We have a real good church and neat parsonage well located. Rev. W. L. Anderson is pastor here and at Westville. He is one of our most efficient preachers, and a zealous worker. He is in great favor with his people and having fine success. He has some fine boys and a most excellent wife. Besides collecting from old we secured nine new subscribers, C. B. Howell, M. B. Shaw, C. J. Crocker, J. D. Hilton, Rupert Tuell, B. P. Padon, Mrs. L. M. James, Mrs. W. M. Evans, and Mrs. R. S. Robinson.

Westville.

At the crossing of the road from Fayetteville, Ark., to Muskogee, Okla., and the Kansas City Southern is the prosperous town Westville. This town is in the apple section, and is a good grain and stock country. I see no reason why they should not grow and do well. They are much pleased with the pastor. Collecting some old subscriptions I secured five new, viz., Geo. W. Crittendon, J. S. Hively, Mrs. J. C. Dudley, Mrs. Ora Downing, and Mrs. J. H. Pollock. The death of D. P. Wasson is a great loss to this church.

Tahlequah.

This is the old capital of the Cherokee nation and county seat of Cherokee county. They have a population of about 2,500 and a rapidly growing town. The converting of the female seminary into a State Normal will bring a good class of people to the town. They also have a school for boys and a home for the orphans. Bishop Pierce held an annual conference here many years ago. We have a good brick church, which is one of the oldest in the State. We also have a nice two story parsonage.

There are three banks, quite a num-

ber of mills, water works from the large springs, electric plant, a fine brick academy a good supply of nice stores and to every appearance is destined to make a good town. I should love to own a home on the beautiful ridge by the springs near the elegant residences of J. A. Laurence or E. E. McSpadden. Why live in a valley when we can have the the higher ground experiences.

"Lord lift me up and let me stand,
By faith on heaven's tableland.
A higher plane than I have found,
Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

Rev. C. W. Clay, our pastor at Tahlequah, is a cheerful sunny-spirited man. He is an excellent preacher, a faithful pastor and a zealous worker in the vineyard of the Lord. He was holding a good meeting at Grandview school house, four miles out. I had the pleasure of preaching once for him. Eight had professed faith in Christ. There was one bright conversion at the service I attended. He has his converts to arise and tell what the Lord has done for their souls. Sister Clay does faithfully her part of the church work, and is a very intelligent Christian lady. If he stays four years as is his custom he will build up the church to one of the best in the conference. With very little effort we shaped up the old and in less than a day secured twenty-five new subscribers, viz., J. E. Merritt, M. A. McSpadden, E. B. Newton, C. L. Moore, Homer Yeager, J. B. Moore, John Comingdeer, Wm. Foster, Leavy Rosser, Leon Leslie, W. J. Buster, Mrs. Dr. J. M. Thompson, Mrs. C. H. English, Mrs. Cora McSpadden, J. G. Miles, A. J. Laurence, Miss Jennie Ghormly, Wm. Ghormly, Dr. J. L. DeMent, T. J. Carlile, D. Brothers, Mark Whayne, Mrs. J. A. Lawrence, Mrs. E. E. McSpadden, and R. R. McCollum.

Others could have been secured if we could have seen them. This is the home of Rev. J. F. Thompson, a worthy superannate and a very sweet spirited brother. Judge Parks the circuit judge is a brother of J. A. Parks, the presiding elder of the Durant district. He is making an excellent judge. We met Rev. W. A. Culver, who is supplying the Tahlequah circuit. He spoke cheerfully of his work. He is planning for some good meetings.

Ft. Gibson.

One of the old landmarks is Ft. Gibson. The old stone buildings have been converted into a school for the blind, and some into private residences. Pr. f. G. W. Bruce has charge if the school for the blind. Ft. Gibson has two railroads. Is in the rich Arkansas and Grand river valley and is a prosperous town. They have two banks and a good supply of nice stores. Have an excellent two story brick academy. Rev. W. M. Spain is in his third year as pastor. He preaches also at Braggs and Illinois station. The work has greatly prospered under his ministry. He is a promising young preacher that has a bright future. His deep piety, consecrated talents, and faithful service insures success. He is blessed with a firstclass helpmeet, without which no preacher can have the greatest success. John Wesley, their only child, is a fine boy. On April 9th both church and parsonage were destroyed by fire. The parsonage caught about one o'clock at night from an incubator. This is the second house I have heard of taking fire from an incubator. Let others take warning. They were fairly well protected by insurance, and have rebuilt a neat five room parsonage. They hope to build a \$6,000 brick church in the near future.

Sunday was spent at Ft. Gibson, preaching twice at the Baptist church to appreciative audiences.

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Sunday school and regular church services. Last fall we secured several new subscribers to the Western Methodist in Ft. Gibson. This time we added eleven, viz., E. White, J. L. Tittle, W. L. Gardner, Mrs. H. M. Langston, who keeps a neat hotel, R. S. Hughes, T. J. Byford, R. T. Owens, Wm. Nations, R. L. Gibson, C. W. Willey, and J. B. Miller.

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Pontotoc, Okla.

Two of our meetings are things of the past. Our first one was at Jesse, conducted by Rev. H. H. Windham, and I assure you he is all right. He certainly knows how to bring things to pass. While there we had several conversions and 20 additions. So Jesse is on higher ground than ever before. From there we came home and began the meeting at Pontotoc, which continued nine days. This was one of the most successful meetings Pontotoc has ever had, from the fact that it brought the town closer together in brotherly love than ever. This made it a great meeting, had there been nothing else done. But there were 25 conversions and 16 additions. We were assisted by Bro. L. F. Tanner of the North Texas Conference and Rev. T. O. Shanks of this conference. They will both do to count on in a meeting. We have two camp meetings to hold yet, one at Connerville, which will embrace the first and second Sundays in August; the other one is to be at Franks (better known as Bird's Mill). This one will embrace the fourth Sunday in August. Everybody in reach of both is expected to attend. **C. A. MARTIN, P. C.**

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Note From Lewisville Circuit.

Last night we closed a week's meeting at Bradley, with several conversions and two accessions by vows. Rev. James B. Evans, son of our Bro. and Sister W. F. Evans, did such efficient work for us, and the Lord blessed his labors. He is to begin with us tomorrow night at North Lewisville, and we are expecting a good meeting. At Bradley hereafter a weekly prayer meeting and Sunday school will be held regularly, as some of the fruits of the recent revival. **J. R. SANDERS.**

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Natura Circuit to the Front.

Muskogee, Okla., July 23, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: I feel like commending Rev. O. S. Snell, the pastor of the Natura Circuit, for the splendid showing he and his people have made this year on children's day offering. I am just in receipt of a remittance from the Natura Circuit of \$32.40 marked "Children's Day." This places the Natura Circuit second in the conference, and we feel that they deserve special commendation. The Natura Circuit is just a baby, having been organized at the last conference by W. F. Dunkle, presiding elder of Muskogee District.

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W. F. M. S., Little Rock Conf.
 Edited by Conference Officers and District Secretaries.
 Mrs. Lucy B. Thornburgh, Editor

Dear Co-workers: Notwithstanding the heat of summer we have heard encouraging reports of our work through out the conference. It is indeed gratifying to know that we have so many workers who are unwilling to lay aside the work for rest and ease, while the influence of the wicked one goes on. I have heard encouraging reports from Prescott District Conference and the prominence the woman's work was given by the pastors. Also from Pine Bluff District. We hope to hear more from these through the several district secretaries. We appreciate the help the pastors give us, for without their prayers and assistance it would be hard for us to carry on our work in many places. As this week fills my promise to try to edit this column for July, 1909, I shall look anxiously for good things from my successors.

I shall go in a few days to Potosi and Belgrade, Mo., to spend the month of August, to revel in the scenes of my childhood. I hope to go again to the old church where, when a mere child, I gave my heart to God, and where I've often heard my mother lift up her voice to God for the benighted women and children of heathen lands. From my earliest childhood I was taught by example and precept to love the missionary cause, as my mother was a corresponding secretary for many years.

I shall not forget my trust at home while on my little outing; my constant prayer shall be for more zeal and courage that when I return I may do more active, energetic work for the Master. The first plans I shall make on my return will be for our district meeting which is to be held in DeVall's Bluff early in October. Let every auxiliary in Little Rock district remember that they will be called upon to take some part in that meeting. Read a paper, sing a song or enter into some interesting discussion. Let us begin now to pray earnestly for its success. And may our work for this year be such as will meet our Master's approval.

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Batesville District Conference.

Your humble servant has been attending district conference of this old mother district since 1874. They have been good, better and best. This last one registers at high spiritual and material water mark. There was a large attendance, and larger things planned for the future than at any other conference in our history. Our layman's movement was a movement indeed. When it is written down and read that Hon. Bro. Tom B. King of Memphis, Tenn., was here it needs nothing else to speak for that thing. He is a shaft-sinker and a tower-builder. It is not to be understood as disparaging any other man in Southern Methodism when it is said that he, of all men, was the man to come and do just what he alone could do and did do. His speeches were great—great in simplicity and common sense, and being a layman, he got hold of our laymen with hooks of steel, pointed with Bible lore and Christly sympathy.

Then there was our own Fred M. Daniel of Mammoth Spring, who, on the platform and in our homes, was like an ointment poured forth. His map talk was an inspiration, and educational. Laymen reach and get hold on laymen. They can talk anything from finances up to a great campaign of revival work.

But these, and this, is not all. Space would fail me to tell of Dowdy, Jones, Cole, Stroud, Rainey, Austin, Adams, Hogan and others, noble and true laymen, with the preachers, who were all on the upgrade for great and good things for the future. Our muchesteemed presiding elder was equal to all the demands made on him. There were two men licensed to preach and two others were recommended for admission; so the old mother is still bringing forth sons for the Master's use. Newark gave royal entertainment, but had all come who were entitled to membership we would have been a little crowded.

Ministers, delegates and lay leaders (not counting any visitors) numbered 186 who were eligible for consideration as to entertainment. And that large number fathers this thought: Separate the laymen's movement from the district conference and put it on its merit.

And this leads to another thought: Hold the district conference in May and the lay leaders' meeting some time in the early fall, or just after our annual conference.

Best and bottom-most of all, we had conversions. My own sweet little girl, 11 years old, came and gave me her hand for membership in our church.

Our meeting lifts up on high tide and promises to be a great ingathering. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name."

Next conference goes to Cave City. Delegates to conference: Hon. T. J. Rainey, Gail Stroud, R. S. Dowdy and J. R. Metcalf. Sorry you could not be here.
 JAS. P. JERNIGAN.

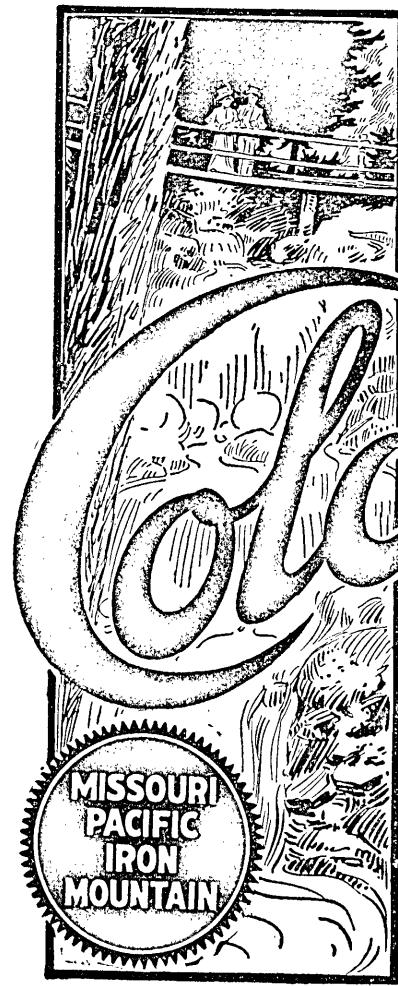
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Not only the Loire was affected; on the Pyrenees the protection of the Garonne was gone, and in Savoy that of the Rhone. The stripping away of the trees on the mountainsides of Savoy had released the mountain brooks and turned them into torrents. The binding roots rotted away, and tiny streams became gashes, continually widening in chasms. Literally the whole slope of the mountain began to slide down into the valley, impelled by an unrestrained deluge of water. The Rhone, always a swift stream, filled its bed with moving gravel and sand, and with unprecedented rapidity extended its delta out four miles into the deep water of the Mediterranean. Navigation was impeded or rendered impossible; villages which had grown wealthy on an orderly waterpower, awoke after a storm in the mountains to find their brook beyond control and their streets piled many feet deep in gravel and bowlders.

The prospect of the continuation of such calamities aroused the whole people. The engineers, after experimentation, discovered that in many places masonry dams must be erected at short intervals, not in order to hold up the water, but to check the descent of the stream's bed itself. The reclamation is still going on; and in many parts of France public and private energy is being concentrated today on this work.

Three million acres of public forest and fifteen millions of private woods are now standing, but there still remains sixteen million acres absolutely barren, much of which must be conquered by bunchgrass before it can be planted in trees. France has learned her lesson. Her object now is twofold: to preserve her rivers and mountains by forestry, and to supply a domestic supply of timber. She is achieving both ends rapidly, and is finding that her utmost efforts are repaid promptly in actual cash returns.—John L. Mathews in August Everybody's.

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The town is growing. Just completed a \$10,000 school building, and the people are kind and hospitable. I go this afternoon to hold a meeting for my brother, T. O. Shanks, at Hickory, Okla. We will have a gospel tent and are expecting a great time. Love to all the brethren.
 F. E. SHANKS.
 July 23.

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OBITUARIES.

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

SANDERS.— Martha Sanders (nee Jordan) was born April 10, 1839, and died at the home of her daughter at Lebanon, Ark., July 18, 1909. She professed faith in Christ when thirteen years old and joined the Baptist church. She united with the M. E. Church, South in 1860. She was married to James Latimer, Sept. 4, 1859. To this union were born two children; one survives to mourn the death of a sainted mother. Being left a widow she was married to David Sanders April 10, 1879. To this union were born two children. One survives to weep for the departed mother. J. S. Latimer and Hattie Graves (nee Sanders) are devout members of the Methodist church and did all in their power to relieve their precious mother in her last suffering. But when loving hands could do no more, she closed her eyes to earth to open them in heaven.

Aunt Martha, as she was familiarly called, was a devout Christian, able in prayer, strong in faith, fervent in spirit. Just before she left the world she called the writer to her bedside and said, tell all to get ready to die, saying if I was not ready now I could not get ready with all this pain and agony. We will miss her at Green's Chapel, but thank God we know where to find her. We laid her body in the tomb at Green's Chapel to await the resurrection morn.

R. A. PRESSON.

BRANSON.— Miss Pink Branson, daughter of S. S. and E. E. Branson, Hackett, Ark., was born Sept. 29th, 1884, and died June 12th, 1909. She was buried in the Mountainview cemetery, two miles north of Hackett.

At a meeting held by Rev. J. M. C. Hamilton three years ago at Greenwood Miss Pink gave her heart to God and became an active member of the M. E. Church, South. Even when a child she loved her Sunday school and was regular in her attendance until her health failed. Often have I heard teacher and superintendent speak of how faithful she was and how they missed her.

She suffered eighteen months with that dreadful disease, consumption, but her suffering was borne with unusual fortitude. Before she passed away she called her brothers and sisters and parents to her bedside and told them she was ready and willing to go, and told them to live right and meet her in the home of the blest.

She was always an obedient child, and thoughtful of others. She was such a comfort in her home which is now so sad. She was loved by all who knew her. Be faithful bereaved ones. May the Lord bless you and bring you at last, to that home where she has gone.

Her pastor,
L. W. FAIR.

DARBY.— Gertrude Darby (nee

Street) was born in Clay county, Ala., Nov. 3, 1879, and died at her home in Harmon county, Okla., June 30th, 1909. She was married to Philip Darby in Alabama Jan. 3, 1897. She was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1892, and was a member of the church at Bethel, Okla. where her father and mother and sisters and Dr. Street of Bethel belonged. Another brother, Dr. S. H. Street, of Wellington, Okla., was at the funeral. A faithful Christian companion and mother has gone from us to cheer us here no more. O how she will be missed by Bro. Darby and those dear children that were the joy of her heart and with whom she was ever careful in training them in their Sunday school lesson. Her prayer was that all would prepare to meet her in heaven. May that prayer inspire the hearts of all her family and friends and may God before whom we humbly bow, answer her prayer in the sweet bye and bye.

W. E. LEE, Pastor.

HOWINGTON.— W. H. Howington was born in Alabama Oct. 17, 1859 and died at El Dorado, Okla., June 13, 1909. Bro. Howington moved to Oklahoma in 1880 and made this his home until death. He was converted in September in 1908 and joined the M. E. Church, South at Bethel. His loving wife had preceded him to the glory land some two years. He left one precious daughter to mourn her great loss. May God comfort her. On June 14th the writer preached the funeral at Bethel church assisted by Bro. Ross of the Baptist church and Bro. Moon, former pastor, and from the church to the Bethel cemetery. We witnessed the longest funeral procession ever in life. May God bless the only daughter and gather her up bye and bye to meet them in heaven.

W. E. LEE, Pastor.

KIMBROUGH.— Mary S. Kimbrough, wife of D. A. Kimbrough, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. F. Drummond, in Little Rock, April 7, 1909. She was the daughter of F. and A. E. Collins; was born Jan. 27, 1843, in Burk county, North Carolina; married P. A. Shuford May 3, 1866. He died and left her with three little girls. After the two oldest were married she married D. A. Kimbrough of Weldon, Ark., where she made her home. She was a woman of great energy and after her health failed she went to Little Rock for treatment, where everything that loving hands could do was done, but God said, "Come up higher." She left a husband and three daughters, Mrs. R. F. Drummond of Little Rock, Mrs. Alma Sherrell of Weldon, Mrs. Eva Shoffner of Shoffner, and six grandchildren. She was noble, kind and true to the cause of Christ. We all loved her. She will be greatly missed in her town. Devoted and affectionate as a mother, kind and generous as a friend, the poor and needy always found her ready to help them. When we realize she is no longer in our midst our hearts are sad. Yet we weep not as those who have no hope. God doeth all things well. Children, your mother has been transplanted to where no more suffering, pain or death is felt. You have the blessed promise, "Be thou faithful unto death and I

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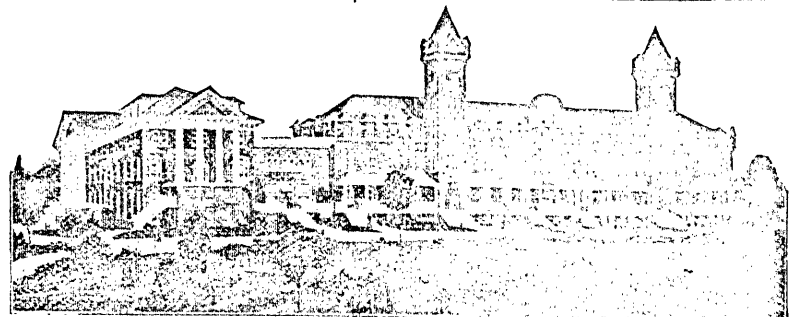
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will give thee a crown of life." She had been a member of the Methodist church since childhood. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Bro. Roberts, and she was laid to rest at Sacred Hill church. God bless and lead us all joy.

ONE WHO LOVES HER

SARGENT.—Sister Minta Sargent was born at Gaston, Ind., Jan. 8, 1860, and died at her home near Gray, Okla., July 21, 1909, aged 49 years, 6 months and 13 days. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn her loss. Sister Sargent professed religion and joined

the Methodist church in early childhood and she was faithful to the end of her life. During the nine weeks of her intense suffering she did not murmur or complain, but bore it with love for God to the end. She was loved by all who knew her, and in her death the church has lost a good Christian and the family a loving wife and mother. But our loss is Heaven's gain. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. W. P. Meador of Hardesty, Okla., and she was laid to rest in the Gray cemetery. May God bless the Father and children in this hour of sadness is our prayer.

W. P. MEADOR.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

Oklahoma Conference.

MANGUM DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Elmer at Yeddell Aug. 7, 8 Altus Aug. 8, 9 Mangum Ct. at Center Point Aug. 14, 15 Vinson and Deer Creek at V. Aug. 21, 22 Carnegie and Boise at C. Aug. 29, 30 Mt. View at Green Valley Sept. 4, 5 Lone Wolf at Lone Wolf Sept. 12, 13 Hobart Sept. 12, 13 Duke at Duke Sept. 18, 19 Olustee Sept. 19, 20 Granite and Gotebo at Gotebo Sept. 26, 27 Kelly, at Bethel Oct. 2, 3 Eldorado Oct. 3, 4 Willow at Marie Oct. 9, 10 Dryden at Dryden Oct. 16, 17 Hollis at Hollis Oct. 17, 18 Martha at Martha Oct. 23, 24 Blair at Blair Oct. 24, 25 Mangum Station Oct. 26 Let pastors and trustees see that a full and correct report is ready on question 29, in regard to deeds, titles, etc. L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.

CREEK AND CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.) Sapulpa Ct. at Sapulpa Chapel Aug. 1, 2 Cherokee Ct. at Paw Paw Aug. 7, 8 Campmeeting, Illinois Aug. 14, 15 Campmeeting near Vian Aug. 21, 22 Seminole Ct. at Gilbert Johnson's Aug. 28, 29 Saline Ct. at Sargis Sanders Sept. 4, 5 Wewoka Ct. at Thiawala Sept. 11, 12 Chee Ct. at Bailey Sept. 19, 20 Okmulgee at Asbury Sept. 25, 26 Honey Creek Oct. 2, 3 Broken Arrow Ct. at Broken Arrow Chapel Oct. 9, 10 Hichita at Old Hichita Oct. 18, 19 Hickory Ground Oct. 23, 24 ORLANDO SHAY, P. E.

VINITA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Fairland and Wyandotte July 31, Aug. 1 Centralia Aug. 7, 8 Grove Aug. 14, 15 Chelsea Aug. 21, 22 JOHN W. SIMS, P. E.

GUYMON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Grand Valley Ct. at Range July 31, Aug. 1 Texoma and Goodwell at T. Aug. 7, 8 Guyton Station Aug. 8, 9 Carthage Ct. at Steward Chapel Aug. 14, 15 Cimarron Ct. at Burtrand Aug. 21, 22 Sampel Ct. at Hornby Chapel Aug. 28, 29 J. F. LAWLIS, P. E.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Vian Ct. at Tamaha, 3 p. m. July 31, Aug. 8 Uldrow, 3 p. m. Aug. 8 Sallisaw, 9 a. m. Aug. 9 Cowlington Ct. at O., 3 p. m. Aug. 12 Haskell Ct., 2 p. m. Aug. 22 Natura Ct., 3 p. m. Aug. 28 Boynton and Morris, 8:30 a. m. Aug. 30 St. Pauls, Muskogee Sept. 1 First Church, Muskogee Sept. 2 W. F. DUNKLE, P. E.

ARDMORE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Wapanucka Station Aug. 1, 2 Tishomingo and Mannsville at Milburn Aug. 7, 8 Lebanon Ct. at Willis Aug. 14, 15 Davis and Oak Ridge at D. Aug. 22, 23 Thackerville and Burneyville at Leon Aug. 28, 29 Grady Ct. at Courtney Aug. 29, 30 Providence Ct. at Sneed Sept. 4, 5 Lone Grove Ct. at Sneed Sept. 11, 12 Overbrook Ct. at Sneed Sept. 12, 13 W. T. FREEMAN, P. E.

CHICKASHA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Velma at Doyle July 31, Aug. 1 Lindsay Aug. 7, 8 Chickasha Aug. 8, 9 Terral and Bonnor at B. Aug. 15, 16 Alex and Ninnekah at N. Aug. 28, 29 C. H. McGEHEE, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CITY DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Sparks Ct. at Sparks July 31, Aug. 1 Stillwater Station Aug. 1, 3 A. L. SOALES, P. E.

M'ALESTER DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Poteau at Harrells July 31, Aug. 1 Spiro Station Aug. 1, 2 S. G. THOMPSON, P. E.

ADA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Pontotoc at Connerville Aug. 7, 8 S. F. GODDARD, P. E.

MANGUM DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

(Last Part) Kelly at Pleasant Hill July 31-Aug. 1 Eldorado Aug. 1, 2 Mangum Station Aug. 5 L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.

WEATHERFORD DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Delhi at Laura Moore July 31, Aug. 1 Dooxy at Dooxy Aug. 1, 2 Foss at Page Aug. 5 Hill City at Refner Aug. 6 Port at Pleasant Grove Aug. 7, 8 Rock and Sentinel at New Hope Aug. 15, 16 Cordell Station Aug. 16, 17 W. D. MATTHEWS, P. E.

TULSA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Keokuk Falls July 31, Aug. 1 Dustin and Lamar July 31, Aug. 1 Tulsa, First Church Aug. 2 Tulsa, Tigert Memorial Aug. 4 Okfuskee and Bearden Aug. 7, 8 Prague and Paden Aug. 9 Okmulgee, First Church Aug. 14, 15 Red Fork Aug. 15, 16 Depew Aug. 21, 22 Bristow Aug. 21-26 At this conference we inquire about the registers and records, about children's day, about education and the reading of the general rules. Let us be ready. J. B. McDONALD, P. E.

LAWTON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Gregg and Valley View at V. July 31-Aug. 1 Walter Station Aug. 1, 2 Gary Station Aug. 7, 8 Anadarko Station Aug. 8, 9

Ft. Cobb at Cheatham Aug. 14, 15 Glenwood Ct. at Glenwood Aug. 21, 22 Cement Ct. at ... Aug. 28, 29 C. F. MITCHELL, P. E.

DURANT DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Caddo at Freney July 30-Aug. 2 Cumberland at Grantham Aug. 6-9 J. A. PARKS, P. E.

Little Rock Conference.

MONTICELLO DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

New Edinburg at Edinburg July 31, Aug. 1 Lacey Ct. at Green Hill Aug. 4 Johnsonville Ct. at Carmel Aug. 7, 8 Hermitage Ct. at Jersey Aug. 10 Lake Village and Portland at P. Aug. 15, 16 Parksdale and Wilmot at P. D. Aug. 17 Dermott and Ark. City at A. C. Aug. 21, 22 Tillar Ct. at Winchester Aug. 24 Mt. Pleasant Ct. at Mt. P. Aug. 28, 29 Hamburg Ct. at Extra Sept. 2 Eudora Ct. at Eudora Sept. 5, 6 McGehee and Watson Aug. 11, 12 J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Austin at S. Bend July 31, Aug. 1 Louoke Aug. 1 Maumelle at Martindale Aug. 7, 8 Mablevale at Sardis Aug. 14, 15 Oak Hill at Wesley's Chapel Aug. 21, 22 Carlisle Mission at Hall's Aug. 28, 29 De Vall's Bf. and Des Arc at D.V.B. Aug. 29, 30 Carlisle and Hazen at Carlisle Sept. 5 Hickory Plains at N. Bethel Sept. 11, 12 District Conference at England Sept. 11-12 Layman's Day, July 8. A. C. MILLAR, P. E.

ARKADELPHIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Hot Springs Ct. at Morning Star July 31, Aug. 1 Tigert Memorial Aug. 1, 2 Central Avenue Aug. 8 Third Street Aug. 8 Ussery at Sage's Chapel Aug. 14, 15 Arkadelphia Ct. at Campground Social Hill Aug. 21, 22 H. M. BRUCE, P. E.

PRESCOOT DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Bingen July 31, Aug. 1 Centre Point Aug. 7, 8 Washington Aug. 14, 15 Mineral Springs Aug. 21, 22 Umnet Aug. 28, 29 Chidester Sept. 4, 5 Harmony Sept. 11, 12 W. O. HILLIARD, P. E.

CAMDEN DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Huttig and Strong Aug. 1, 2 Stephens Aug. 7, 8 Eldorado Station Aug. 13-15 Fordyce Station Aug. 15, 16 Atlanta Aug. 21, 22 Eldorado Ct. Aug. 28, 29 R. W. McKAY, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Roe and St. Charles at Hickory Grove July 31, Aug. 1 Kingsland at Camp Springs Aug. 8 Star City and Dumas at Mt. Home Aug. 5 Rison at Moore's Church Aug. 7, 8 Redfield Aug. 14, 15 Sheridan Aug. 21, 22 Gillett at Campsied Aug. 28, 29 W. W. CHRISTIE, P. E.

TEXARKANA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Mt. Ida July 31, Aug. 1 Bright Star Aug. 7, 8 Texarkana Ct. Aug. 21, 22 Fairview Aug. 22, 23 Cherry Hill Aug. 28, 29 First Church, Texarkana, Sept. 4, 5 College Hill Sept. 5, 6 THOS. H. WARE, P. E.

White River Conference.

HELENA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Holly Grove and Marvell at M. Aug. 1, 2 Hamlin Mission at Union G. Aug. 7, 8 Parkin Station Aug. 8, 9 Turner and Shiloh Ct. at Bethel Aug. 14, 15 Clarendon Station Aug. 15, 16 Laconia Ct. at Laconia Aug. 21, 22 McCrory and De View at De V. Aug. 28, 29 McCrory Mission Aug. 29, 30 La Grange Ct. at Central Sept. 4, 5 Helena Station Sept. 12, 13 Z. T. BENNETT, P. E.

BATESVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Salem Ct. at Viola July 31, Aug. 1 Bexar Ct. at New Hope Aug. 1, 2 Smithville Ct. at Raney's Chapel Aug. 7, 8 Melbourne Ct. at Forest Chapel Aug. 14, 15 Calico Rock Ct. at Iuka Aug. 17 Mt. View Ct. at St. James Aug. 28, 29 Wolf Bayou Ct. at Macedonia Sept. 4, 5 Desha Ct. at Oak Valley Sept. 11, 12 Bethesda Ct. Sept. 18, 19 A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

SEARCY DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Langburn and Mt. Pisgah at New Hope July 31, Aug. 1 Heber Station Aug. 1, 2 Searcy Ct. at Harmony Aug. 7, 8 Beebe Station Aug. 8, 9 Floyd Ct. Aug. 14, 15 Vilonia Ct. at Vilonia Aug. 15, 16 Cato Ct. at Cato Aug. 21, 22 West Point Ct. at Aug. 28, 29 Bradford and Bald Knob at Bfd. Aug. 29, 30 Wilburn Ct. at Wilburn Sept. 1 A. T. GALLOWAY, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Crawfordsville and Earle, at Earle July 31-Aug. 1 Vanndale Ct. at Pleasant Hill Aug. 1-2 Harrisburg Ct. at Clauch's Chapel Aug. 7-8 Harrisburg Station Aug. 8-9 Lytheville Ct. at Ekron Aug. 14-15 Blytheville Station Aug. 15-16 Manilla and Dell at Dell Aug. 21-22 Brookland Ct. at Shiloh Aug. 21-22 Nettleton Station Aug. 22-23 Trinity Ct. at Little Texas Aug. 28-29 Gilkerson Mission at Gilkerson Sept. 4-5

Luxora and Rozell at Rozell Sept. 11-12 Osceola Station Sept. 12-13 Wilson and Bardstown at Dead Timber Sept. 18-19 Marion, Gilmore and Tyronza at Tyronza Sept. 19-20 Marked Tree and Bay at Marked Tree Sept. 25-26 Lakeview and Lunsford at Oct. 2-3 Monette and Macey at Oct. 2-3 West Side and Cotton Belt Mission at Oct. 6-7 CADESMAN POPE, P. E.

PARAGOULD DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Maynard Ct. at Salem July 31, Aug. 1 Pocahontas Ct. at New Home Aug. 4 Walnut Ridge Station Aug. 7, 8 Black Rock and Portia at old Walnut Ridge Aug. 14, 15 Pocahontas and Hoxie at Hoxie Aug. 15, 16 Imboden Ct. at Ravenden Springs Aug. 21, 22 Mammoth Spring and Hardy Aug. 28, 29 J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

Arkans. Conference.

MORRILTON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Conway Station Aug. 1, 2 Holland Ct. at Union Valley Aug. 7, 8 Damascus Ct. at Morganton Aug. 13 Springfield Ct. at Friendship Aug. 14, 15 Clinton Ct. at Mt. Home Aug. 21, 22 Appleton Ct. at Robertsville Aug. 28, 29 JOHN H. GLASS, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Elm Springs-Thornsberry Aug. 14, 15 J. M. HUGHEY, P. E.

HARRISON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Valley Springs Ct. at Basin July 31, Aug. 1 Bellefonte Ct. at Alpena Aug. 7, 8 WM. T. THOMPSON, P. E.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.) Coal Hill and Hartman at Hartman Aug. 7, 8 Spadra Mission at Spadra Aug. 8, 9 Ozark Ct. at Cove Creek Aug. 11, 12 Lamar and Mt. Olive at Lamar Aug. 14, 15 London and Knoxville at Martin's Aug. 15, 16 Clarksville Ct. at Hay's Chapel Aug. 21, 22 Clarksville Station Aug. 22, 23 Roseville and Webb City at Sandy Chapel Aug. 23, 29 Altus and Denning at Denning Aug. 29, 30 Ozark Station Sept. 4, 5 Gravelly and Bluffton at Gravelly Aug. 8, 9 Rover Ct. at Salem Aug. 11, 12 Walnut Tree Ct. at Walnut Tree Aug. 13, 19 Havana Mission at Havana Aug. 19, 20 Belleville Ct. at Belleville Aug. 25, 26 Danville and Ola at Danville Aug. 26, 27 Prairie View Ct. Oct. 2, 3 Dardanelle Ct. Oct. 9, 10 Dardanelle Station Oct. 10, 11 J. H. O'BRYAN, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.) Dodson Avenue Aug. 7, 8 Midland Heights Aug. 8, 9 Mansfield and Midland at Midland Aug. 14, 15 Hartford Aug. 15, 16 Huntington Aug. 21, 22 Abbot Aug. 22, 23 Booneville Aug. 29, 30 Van Buren Ct. at Mountain View Sept. 4, 5 Central Church Sept. 5, 6 Paris Sept. 11, 12 Magazine Sept. 12, 13 Fort Smith Ct. at Lavaca Sept. 18, 19 First Church Sept. 19, 20 Mulberry Sept. 25, 26 Alma and Prairie Grove at P. G. Oct. 2, 3 Van Buren Station Oct. 3, 4 Van Buren Mission Oct. 4, 5 Waldron Ct. at Fair's Chapel Oct. 8, 9 Waldron Station Oct. 9, 10 Bates Ct. at Weeks Oct. 10, 11 Greenwood Station Oct. 16, 17 Hackett Ct. at Jenny Lind Oct. 17, 18 Charleston Ct. Oct. 23, 24 branch Oct. 24, 25 F. S. H. JOHNSTON, P. E.

The Delineator for August.

The Delineator for August contains an article by Gertrude Atherton, in which the writer says many startling things on the subject of "The Present Unrest Among Women." Mrs. Atherton attributes much of the modern discontent to the fact that the law, which gives man alone the right to woo, still rules the world. Despite economic independence, women, she declares, are not less susceptible than they were formerly to the primitive instinct called romantic love.

Another feature of interest in this number is a symposium on "The Book that Most Influenced Me," by Edwin Markham, Hamilton W. Mabie, Richard Le Gallienne, Clara Barton, and Jeanette L. Gilder.

Mabel Potter Daggett describes the reaction of sentiment on the subject of the Continental Sabbath in an article that will interest persons of all classes. With convincing directness, she describes the work of "Saving Sunday for America." Lovers of good pictures will read with interest "The Art of Mary Cassatt," by Lulu Merrick.

The fiction for August includes two short stories, "To Kellogg's Farm," by George Hibbard, and "Nature," by

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The defendants, George McDiarmid and J. F. Brinley, are warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Arkansas Methodist Orphanage of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

F. A. GARRETT, Clerk.

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Home Mission Problems of Our Conference.

The question for discussion today is certainly not a new one, and I am sure it has been fittingly applied to, discussed by—yes, pried into—by every conference since the organization of the first, and as yet these are some of the same problems confronting us today as home mission workers. To my mind it is not what ARE the problems, but HOW to solve them so as to increase interest and broaden the work. Certainly our president realized, in the forming of this program, that other and other conferences who possessed the brains have failed, to some extent, to solve the overcoming of existing obstacles. Therefore we will continue to enumerate the hindrances and let some one else tell us how to overcome them. I believe it is a universal fact that the greatest obstacle in the way of progress today is ignorance, and it will for ever continue to be so, unless the coming generation can be induced to take more interest than we now have. Also it is agreed that lack of interest comes from lack of knowledge. It is an impossibility for one to be interested in a cause of which they know nothing. Two questions naturally arise in our minds just at this point: How can we induce our coming workers to be interested, and whose fault is it that more of our women of today seem dormant as to their duties in this great work? The solution to the first is, educate our children in the work, beginning even before their birth by a holy consecration of them to the cause of Christ. Now, friends, as to where the fault lies I want to be just, and if I am not, I am open for a reprimand. It seems to me that no one is in a better position to teach the people the absolute need of the home mission work in every nook and corner, the indescribable benefit to be derived therefrom, the comfort to be reaped—yea, the absolute luxury to be enjoyed by the existence of a live home and foreign mission society, than—who? Why, the preacher himself. Do you know that some of our very best ministers know absolutely nothing about the working of the home mission society, and the majority of them think the sole object of the auxiliary is to raise money. How do I know? By coming in contact with some of those very pastors. I believe the various conferences should pass a law requiring every one of them to study the by-laws and constitutions of the Home and Foreign Mission societies. If more of them were enlightened and awakened to the real object for which it was conceived and came into existence, and was thoroughly conversant with its workings, we would have more and better fitted up parsonages, larger and more consecrated membership, better Sunday schools, more active young people; the sick and strangers would not be neglected, and at last our coffers would be filled to overflowing. Truly the pastors who fail to study this work stand as obstructions in the way of their own progress. Now, brethren and sisters, the seeming indifference of our beloved preachers can be attributed to nothing more than lack of knowledge of the actual, almost indispensable need of a real live home mission society in every charge. But those of us who are present cannot plead ignorance as our lack of zeal. And I am sure if we were to cast our minds reflectively over the past few years of our labors and would note the perfect organization, seemingly of God, and the progress with which our work has increased, it would be a stimulant to our lack of faith. For are they not proofs

of our vitality and faith? If there is more organized activity in mission work today is there less of the Spirit? Providence has successfully called women to this branch of his work and each day the demands are greater. The Spirit waits for the prayerful attitude of the women of the church that he may manifest in an especial, wonderful way his converting power. We want more loftiness of aim, more largeness of desire, more sympathy with the great heart and vast purpose of Christ for the church he loves and the world he has redeemed. We want more holy enthusiasm to realize and embrace the great opportunity of our age; we want business men to learn that the great end of business and of the church's existence is the conquest of sin and the triumph of Christ. Let us arouse our flagging interest, awaken to the increased demands of the hour and do with our might the Master's work. Are we doing this by neglecting the small duties as officers of our respective auxiliaries? Are we as auxiliary vice president, corresponding secretary and treasurer helping to promote this great work of half-way filling these offices? It is such a little thing to send in our reports, and on time, and yet how the little things count up. Did you ever seriously stop to calculate how important even the smallest office is? Just suppose that every auxiliary corresponding secretary took this view that you have doubtless many times done, where would our district secretary reports come from and then our conference corresponding secretary? Why, we just as well adjourn and all go home, for I am sure we would know nothing more than when we came. Now, sisters, why continue to be harassed and reminded every meeting? Let's go home resolved to do the little things as well as the great ones, and urge every officer of our respective auxiliaries to do likewise.

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Batesville District Conference.

The Batesville District Conference met in Newark, Ark., on July 15-17, 1909. The opening sermon being preached on Wednesday night before by Rev. J. S. Cash of Tuckerman. Rev. A. F. Skinner, the presiding elder, was present and presiding, C. D. Metcalf of Batesville, being elected secretary. Every charge in the district was represented, every pastor being present besides fourteen local preachers, forty-one delegates and many visiting laymen. Thursday the 15th having been set apart as Layman's Day, Hon. R. A. Dowdy, our District Lay-Leader, presided, and made several short impressive addresses. Bro. F. M. Daniel, of Mammoth Spring, our Conference Lay Leader, and Rev. Thos. B. King, that great layman of Memphis, were present and in most forceful ways presented the importance of the work to be done by the laymen. Bro. King addressed the conference both in the afternoon and at night, leading all his hearers to heights of vision never before realized, inspiring our laymen with earnest desires to rally under the same banner with our pastors and march in the forefront towards the evangelization of the world in this generation. Bro. Glenn Flynn of Dallas presented the cause of the American Bible Society and received much encouragement towards the assistance in its work.

Many ladies were also in attendance, several of them making addresses to the Conference on the work of the Woman's Missionary Societies, prominent among whom was Miss Esther Case, missionary in the City of Mexico, who is at present on a visit to her home in Batesville. The Conference appreciated her talk about her work in the foreign fields very much.

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Fraternally,
J. B. BRACKWELL.

July 21.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the authority and directions contained in the decretal order of the Pulaski Chancery Court made and entered on the 8th day of July, A. D. 1909, in a certain cause (No. 12014) then pending therein between Young Men's Building Association, Perpetual, of Little Rock, Arkansas, complainant, and O. Moreland, defendant, the undersigned, as commissioner of said court, will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, at the east door or entrance of the Pulaski County Court House, in which said court is held, in the city of Little Rock, within the hours prescribed by law for judicial sales, on Friday, the 6th day of August, A. D. 1909, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot Twelve (12), Block Fourteen (14), in Worthen & Brown's Addition to the city of Little Rock, Pulaski county, Arkansas.

Terms of Sale: On a credit of three months, the purchaser being required to execute bond with approved security, bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from date of sale until paid, and a lien being retained on the premises sold to secure the payment of the purchase money.

Given under my hand this 14th day of July, A. D. 1909.

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