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## THE FAITH ONCE DELIVERED TO THE SAINTS.

"If you have anything new it is not true; if you have anything true it is not new." This is a bright saying, thought by some to be an end of all controversy. But it is not an end, for all that. It would be ridiculous to suppose that all truth has been discovered and formulated for us by our fathers. It would be monstrous to think that all the truth contained therein has broken out of the Bible itself. The Book of Nature and the Book of God alike hold important truths yet to be grasped. What are we here for, except to pursue the path which shines brighter and brighter as the ages go on?

Our difficulty lies in the fact that we fail to distinguish between the objects of faith and the method of laying hold of those objects. For ages we have understood, for example, that the infinite Father is an object of faith. As an object of faith God stands more steady than the sun in the heavens. But has anybody the temerity to say that human conception of God, among devout worshippers, has not changed? The statements of the Bible about God have stood unchanged for ages. Men were bound to interpret those statements according to the light they had in each particular age; and we are bound to continue to do so. This interpretation is our theology. The devout Hebrew had his theology, his conception of God; so had Sir Isaac Newton. The object of worship stood the same in both cases, but how vastly different was the conception of that object! A knowledge of the vast extent of the universe, a knowledge of the uniformity of nature, of the invariableness of its laws, of the universality of its laws; a knowledge of the methods of God's procedure in the process of nature, how through many ages he has developed the system of nature—this knowledge brings in many truths about God which are new.

Jesus Christ has stood for ages as an object of worship. He stands yet as the object of worship. Men have known for ages that he can save a sinner, can transform a life, can make a man over again; they know it now—and rejoice in it as much as in any age of Christian history. These are the fixed facts about Christ. And yet from the very first the Christology of the church has been undergoing change. That change looks to a deeper understanding of his nature, and is assigning him more and more his rightful place, as the brother of all men and the Lord of all worlds. It may be that a few choice spirits, like St. Paul, had at the first a conception of the majesty and the power and the glory and the love of Christ, such as those who know him best now have—the Epistle to the Ephesians is a wonderful statement; but it is scarcely possible in the then state of knowledge that even Paul could have seen him to be the King we now know him to be. But, passing that, it is certain that the average Christian of that day did not assign and could not have assigned to Christ the sweep of power and glory we now assign to him, with our larger knowledge of the universe. When Paul told the men of his day, for instance, that Christ is the mediator between God and all his works. That statement meant one thing for them; it means a vaster conception for us. When John recorded the Master's statement that he would draw all men unto himself, that statement could scarcely have meant as much as we now know it

to mean. Christ has not changed, but Christology, which is our interpretation of Christ, inevitably changes, must change, if we be not dead.

Within our own day two conceptions have been introduced with reference to God, and both seem to be true: that God works by a process of development; that God is not an absentee deity, but is a present God, here and all through the works of his hands. Both these conceptions are a contribution of science, very modern science.

In our own day, again, we are taking a new view of Christ as a social force. The social organization of this age is very different to any that ever was; there are elements in it calling for an application of redemption power never needed in the same form before. We are finding that redemptive power in Christ, and so we are finding a new and larger meaning in the saying that there is none other name given under heaven whereby men can be saved. Our institutional churches are witnesses of new methods of conceiving Christ; we are coming to understand that his mission is not merely to the individual, but to society.

Similarly, again, the Spirit of God has ever been a fixed object of worship. But the history of the church and especially the history of missions, had added greatly to our knowledge of the Spirit. We have new truth about his presence and power in the world.

It seems to us, therefore, very foolish for men to be raising a cry to the effect that if we have anything new it is not true, and if we have anything true it is not new. The faith once delivered to the saints was not a faith fully elaborated in all its details. Its chief and essential objects were fixed, and it was left to elaborate itself. Had it been fully elaborated, on the supposition that it could have been received in that form, it would have been a dead thing from the beginning. All finite things must grow, if they are to continue to be vital.

Nor is there the slightest need that men should be alarmed at changes. We have seen nearly all the sciences change in our own day. The conclusions of geology, of biology, of ethnology, of almost all the sciences, we have seen shifted, in many important points. We need be neither surprised nor alarmed if the conclusions of theology shift, for theology is but a science after all. One fact has stood, a fact which no devout man questions or desires to question, a fact attested through ages, never more fully tested than in this age of ours: If a man will surrender himself to Jesus Christ, to do his will, to wear his yoke, Jesus Christ can and will make a new creature out of that man!

## THE FACTS ABOUT THE MATER.

The *News Leader*, of Richmond, Va., has been having spasms over prohibition, has one continual spasm. That liquor organ cannot understand why the people of Bristol, Tenn., were so desirous of perpetrating the "dry" situation in that town. The *Herald-Courier* of Bristol tells the reasons in the following language:

"We do not know what a prohibition law must accomplish in a community in order to demonstrate its efficacy to the satisfaction of those who oppose it. But we can give the *News Leader* an idea of what it has accomplished in Bristol.

"The police court records of Bristol, Va., show

that during the last eighteen months of wet Bristol there were 1,318 arrests, 1,229 of which were for drunkenness. During the last eighteen months, without saloons, there were 827 arrests, 231 of which were for drunkenness.

"The police court records of Bristol, Tenn., show that during the last eighteen months of saloons there were 2,488 arrests, 1,459 of which were for drunkenness. During the last eighteen months, without saloons, there were 827 arrests, 230 of which were for drunkenness.

"Taking the city as a whole, during the last eighteen months of saloons there were 3,806 arrests, 2,688 of which were for drunkenness. During the last eighteen months, without saloons, there were 1,560 arrests, 461 of which were for drunkenness. There were about three times as many arrests for all offenses before the saloons were abolished as there have been since they were abolished, and about six times as many arrests for drunkenness. Murders, which were of frequent occurrence in the days of the saloon, have practically ceased."

This is substantially the record in Birmingham, Ala., in Atlanta, Ga., in Kansas City, Kansas—in every place that ever tried prohibition—no matter what liquorism may say about it.

Here is another item which we clip from the *Western Christian Advocate*:

It is constantly and wearisomely reiterated by the liquor organs that "prohibition doesn't prohibit," and that more liquor is sold in "dry" States than in "wet," and yet such a statement as this from a Cincinnati liquor dealer hardly O. K.'s the contention: "I believe that Cincinnati sold two-thirds of the liquor used in the Michigan counties, and that an estimate of a loss of \$2,000,000 a year for this city is about right. Our own house will lose thousands, and I know of Cincinnati firms that will lose from \$25,000 to \$50,000 worth of business each a year."

And here is another copied from the *Baptist and Reflector*:

*Bonfort's Wine and Spirit Circular*, the leading liquor periodical in America, is responsible for the statement that there has been a decrease of \$5,000,000 during the past fiscal year over the previous year in the Internal Revenue Department. This decrease is attributed to prohibition. And yet there are some people who still persist that prohibition does not prohibit.

## NOT A PIPE DREAM.

It is the small hours of the night. The city sleeps. The city, did we say? Nay, it is only the city's upper world that sleeps. For in every city there is another and a nether world. This nether world is but dimly known to the denizens of its upper world, as hades is but dimly known. But it is there, always there, living, breathing, carousing, sinning, rotting—a very real world of its own, with sentiments, ideals, aims and purposes of its own. Multitudes of men and women walk through it in the day time, when it is largely asleep, and know but little of its horrors. It is a world where gaiety and sadness, where revelry and heartbreaks are strangely intermingled. Now and then you may hear echoes of its ribald songs; occasionally its moan of woe. Sighs breathe through evermore, as the memories of

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## Notes and Personals

Rev. F. F. Harrell of Hawley Memorial, Pine Bluff, made us a brotherly call Monday. He is having a successful year in his pastorate.

Rev. F. E. Madden, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Almyra, Ark., was in the city this week and made us a pleasant call.

Rev. Drury H. Colquette of Alma, Ark., was in attendance at the meeting this week of the Anti-Saloon League Board. He is looking well.

Rev. W. F. Walker, our pastor at Harrisburg, and a member of the Anti-Saloon League Board, was with us last Tuesday and Wednesday. He is enjoying his work at Harrisburg.

Last Thursday in passing through our city Rev. Don C. Holman of Altheimer paid us an appreciated call. He had been to Heber, where he left his family to recuperate for a few weeks.

Mr. C. R. McPherson, who lives in the section near Levy, Ark., made us a pleasant call Monday. He is much interested in the success of the church and evinces that fact by reading the *Methodist*.

We were glad to have on Wednesday a visit from Rev. Jerome Haralson, who has been helping some of the brethren in their protracted meetings during the summer. He is returning to his work in Texas.

It is very gratifying to note, in reports of our exchanges, that the health of Bishop A. W. Wilson is much improved, and that Bishop E. E. Hoss seems to give good promise of an entire recovery from his recent troubles.

Our conferences have begun. Bishop Atkins is this week holding the Montana conference at Stevensville, Mont., and Bishop Candler is holding the Southwest Missouri at Kansas City, having held the Missouri last week.

Our Brinkley brethren have this week laid the cornerstone of their church in place of the church blown away last March. Dr. Z. T. Bennett, the presiding elder, laid the stone, and Rev. Frank Barrett delivered the address.

Returning from a visit to his son in Kansas City, Rev. J. C. Hooks spent a few hours in our office last Friday. He enjoyed his trip and seems greatly invigorated. Mrs. Hooks spent some time in Kansas City and is now in Mississippi.

A note from Rev. J. S. Lamar states that the revival meeting at Mangum starts off well, about forty having already been converted. He is being assisted by Evangelist W. M. McIntosh of Iuka, Miss.

We are sorry to note that Sister Sauls, wife of Rev. W. D. Sauls of the Howe circuit, is helpless from a stroke of apoplexy. She has been a constant help to her husband in his church work and we trust that she may recover her strength.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Toombs called last Tuesday. Bro. Toombs has had great success in his protracted meetings at Mabelvale, Salem Hill and Primrose, and hopes to report his charge in fine condition. He has been working too hard and has not been well, but is now feeling better.

At a laymen's conference of Presbyterians in Little Rock it was agreed that the Synod of Arkansas be requested to raise \$20,000 for the Cumberland College at Clarksville on condition that the citizens of Clarksville raise \$10,000 as proposed by them. There was much enthusiasm and it is believed that the movement will be successful.

A private note from Nashville says that Bishop Seth Ward, who is in Japan, is critically ill. No particulars are forwarded us, and we presume that none have reached the country. Let prayer be made for this devoted servant of the church. Some of us knew that Bishop Ward dreaded the making of this trip, going only because it was the call of duty.

Mr. J. P. Williams of Atlanta, Ga., has recently given another \$25,000 toward the endowment of Emory College. This makes a total of \$55,000 for the gifts of Mr. Williams to the college, and it brings the sum total of President Dickey's effort to raise an additional \$300,000 of endowment for Emory up to \$216,000. Dr. Dickey has been two years at this work. When he completes his effort the endowment of Emory will be \$500,000. The movement is altogether one of the most significant in Methodist educational circles, and it will be a crown of glory for Dr. Dickey and the Georgia Methodists. We heartily congratulate them.

On last Sunday night Dr. S. H. Werlein preached on the labor question, many of the labor union men attending. He very properly emphasized the fact that the church is the friend of labor, and read to the congregation the resolutions which were recently passed by the Federal Church Council, representing seventeen million members of the church in the United States. At an early date we will reproduce these resolutions. We would urge our preachers to give attention to this subject. It will not do to allow a rampant socialism to spread the belief that the church of Jesus Christ is unfriendly to the working classes. On the contrary, as we propose at some time in the near future to show, the working classes could never have attained the privileges they now enjoy but for the ministry of the church.

### ONE LESSON FROM THE DROUTH.

We are imparting no news to our readers when we say that there has been a great drouth prevailing all over our country. It is a drouth that has depressed all business. It has depressed the spirits of the people. To stand out in the open country and contemplate the immediate surroundings brings suggestions of starvation. It is nearest like the great drouth of 1874 of anything we have seen in recent years.

But this is at least a good time for reflection. We may get into our hearts some lessons which we are slow to learn. In the first place, we must learn to take the wider view, both in respect of space and in respect of time. The wider view as respects space will suggest to us that there is enough, taking the whole country over, for all the people to live on. They will live and will be richer as a whole than they were when the year began. The wider view as respects time will teach us that we have lived through worse times, and will suggest to us that we shall certainly see better times; we shall come out of it all, and be little if any the worse, perhaps the better, for the experience.

But the particular lesson we wish to get is

that God is managing this world, and we are dependent upon him, and that we can do no better thing than to draw nigh to him in such times. It is the lesson of fidelity to the Higher Power. This is a lesson which, it may be, God is trying to teach us. We are slow to give God his own when we really have plenty. We think we need all we have for ourselves and that we cannot do without it. We need to be taught now and then that we can do without much that we consume upon ourselves. God's cause is always in need of more than we are willing to give. God teaches us now and then that we could give, if we were willing to give. Many years ago this writer was traveling a large district. The farmers all over the country killed and put away great quantities of pork. There followed a warm, damp spell of weather. All the hams and shoulders in the country were spoiled, and had to be thrown away. If the people had been asked to donate the value of these hams and shoulders to God's cause, they would have said that they could not possibly do it, that they would impoverish themselves by so doing to a point below being able to live. But that would not have been true, and the proof of it is in the fact that they did give up their hams and shoulders and lived nevertheless. Now, this present drouth has cost the people millions of dollars. If they had been called on for the half of it for some cause of God, they would have said it was impossible to give the amount and live. But they have given up the whole amount—and not a man, woman or child will starve on account of it. It is not a question of whether we have enough for God's cause; it is a question of whether we are willing to give. We always have enough to do our duty to the cause of the Lord. We have enough even now.

A refreshing memory of an old man, a steward on the first circuit the writer traveled, comes up as we write. It was a dry year. The old man, of blessed memory, Calvin Taff, by name, one day said: "I always double my gifts in years like this; the cause needs it; and I know I can do it. People talk about what they can not do; say they cannot build a church! Why, I can build a church myself; I built that barn out yonder!" That was heroic; that was trustful; that assumed that God knew what he was about and was able to take good care of the man who would go courageously forward, amid discouraging appearances. That is precisely what God wants to do.

Who among the readers of this paper has already been thinking that he just could not do as much on the pastor's salary and on collections this year as he has been accustomed to do? If the eye of one such falls on this writing, we commend to him Bro. Taff's way of thinking. If a man begins his retrenchments at the house of God, how can he expect God to bless him. But if he faithfully serves God, walks with him, in the dark as well as in the light, he will certainly inherit all that God has for good men.

### AN IMPORTANT MEETING.

The Sunday School Boards of the three conferences in Arkansas will meet, at the Masonic Temple, George Thornburgh's office, on the 15th of September, at ten o'clock. The meeting is for the purpose of effecting a State organization of our Sunday school work. It will also consider the propriety of correlating our Sunday school work with that of Texas and Oklahoma. The purpose of the proposed correlation is to provide for a series of State Sunday School Conventions, in which the same speakers can be used. Representatives of the work in Texas and Oklahoma and also the Sunday School Secretary, Dr. Chappell, are expected to be present.

## NOT A PIPE DREAM.

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other days flit through the minds of its hapless dwellers. Lust, shamelessness, tinsel over with pretense of refinement here and there; a certain dead sea of hopelessness; aching hearts drowning their sorrows by everlasting sinning;—these be the characteristics of that under world. It is enough to stir the pity of angels. It is enough to compel our aid for every Rescue Home and for every sincere scheme of rescue. Pity them, reader! And lose no opportunity to help them.

## A REAL COLLEGE MAN.

The real college man is fearless in his loyalty to his college, and this fearless loyalty is a preparation for the larger patriotism which will show itself in unflinching devotion to righteousness in the service of society and the State when maturer years have come. The real college man is a scholar as well as a patriot. Indeed it is impossible to form any conception of loyalty in disassociation from obligation. The supreme duty of the college man is work. It is the consciousness of work faithfully done that makes possible the other side of his college life. He who permits his college to provide him with a disciplined mind and refined taste is accepting an equipment that will bring to his later years a satisfaction in living amply compensating him for the lack of many grosser comforts. To be able to think clearly and reason wisely, to possess a sane judgment, to have an appreciation of the fine things in literature, in art, and in history, is to have the joyful consciousness of a life that is high above the common-place.

Our real college man is a man of character. He is plain, unassuming goodness. He has good red blood in his veins, but he knows that the greatest triumph possible to mortal man is that victory over self which subdues the passions, controls appetite, directs desire, commands reverence, and establishes honesty. The real college will keep ever before its students for their emulation the blameless character of Him who was both God and man, and seeking to fashion their ideals after this life college men will be firmly established in every good word and work.

Then, blessings on the college man! Matured in the atmosphere of the real college, he is the most hopeful prophecy of our national salvation. Love him for all that he is, and for all that he may be. His patriotism, his scholarship, and his character will make him the mightiest potentiality of future years in dethroning "Graft" and in crushing Tyranny. He will be the finest exponent of public and private honesty in our American life, and we shall find that the real college has given to the world a real man.—*From "The Real College," by Guy Potter Benton, D.D., President of Miami University.*

## MISTREATMENT OF BABIES.

The hot, humid weather of the past summer has been particularly hard on the babies in arms, but hard on any under five years old. Not alone has the "little white hearse" frequented the poorly ventilated homes of "poverty row," but from the homes where better sanitation and sensible care should be evident, the little darlings have passed out to the silent city. "Careless feeding, poor attention, neglect of cleanliness, unsuitable clothing" say the physicians" but one and all will tell you that a great share of mortality among tiny little ones is due to the ignorance of the parents—principally that of the mother, who is often but an ill-taught girl who has been allowed to assume the responsibility of motherhood without the slightest idea of what it means, but in great measure that of the father who is never supposed to need any knowledge of nursing, or the demands of the sick room. It is a pitiful fact that, while many of our supposedly wisest people are clamoring for

a greater number of births, there are so few voices raised for a better care for those already sent to us. Until very recently, it was looked upon with horror to suggest that young people of both sexes should be taught the lessons of parenthood, and impressed with the fact that they should have at least a rudimentary knowledge of what the responsibility consisted in. Even now, very few people demand that their boys should be taught to care for the babies—that must be left to the mother! Yet it is a rare thing that even the girls are given any instruction along the lines of family nursing. Many of these mothers whose little ones die from mistaken treatment or ignorant neglect are graduates of colleges, or otherwise well educated (so far as book knowledge is concerned) young women. Yet, try as they may to fight the battle for the life of their idolized baby, the grim Reaper gathers them because of the wretched ignorance of the parents of even the first principles necessary to the successful warfare.—*Commoner.*

## REV. PRENTISS BARR WALLIS.

I think nothing further than a notice of the death of this worthy man has yet appeared in the public print, hence this sketch. Bro. Wallis was a good man, a faithful and scriptural preacher, diligent Bible student, loyal churchman and sympathetic pastor. His love was without dissimulation. He was as near guileless as any man I ever knew, as meek as a lamb, and as true as steel to his convictions. He was courageous, but his courage was seasoned with grace and not enmity. To know him was to love him. He succeeded in the ministry over great odds and difficulties that other men would not have met and overcome, having a large family and receiving a small salary made his pathway rather hard, but urged on by a consuming desire to do good, and feeling that woe is me if I preach not the gospel, he pushed forward, forgetting the things past and kept a steady eye on the Author and Finisher of our faith, with a desire to finish his work and receive a crown. This he was permitted to do.

After five days of painful illness with rheumatic fever, he passed from Heber, Ark., and his family to his home in Heaven. He knew the end was near, and gave directions as to his burial, who should preach his funeral and write his obituary. He was buried near Searcy, by the grave of his oldest son. Dr. J. H. Dye and Rev. A. T. Galloway held the funeral service.

Bro. Wallis was conscious to the last; said all was well; told his family to meet him in Heaven; occasionally would say "Amen." Just before crossing the last river he said he saw his mother and Ran. This was the son by whom he was buried? Who knows but he did? There is no telling here what may be the revelations in the "twilight of two worlds." Bro. Wallis was born at Batesville, Ark., March 15, 1850; professed saving faith in Christ under the ministry of Rev. Thomas Vincent in Independence county, Arkansas, in September, 1875; licensed to preach Sept. 29, 1883, and admitted on trial in the traveling connection at Jonesboro in December, 1886; ordained deacon Dec. 9, 1888; ordained elder Dec. 20, 1891. Bro. Wallis served the following charges: St. Francis circuit, 1887-89; Boydsville circuit, 1890-92; Gainesville circuit, 1893-96; Rector circuit, 1897-98; Tuckerman circuit, 1899; Salem circuit, 1900; Melbourne circuit, 1901; West Searcy, 1902-03; Cabot circuit, 1904; Gainesville circuit, 1905-06; Rector circuit, 1907-08; Heber station, 1909, but only served part of this year and fell at his post.

Bro. Wallis was happily married to Miss May Bell Starks, Dec. 28, 1876. She and several children remain to mourn their loss. May the God of all grace comfort them. M. M. SMITH.

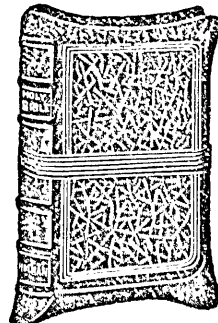
## BEHOLD, HE SHALL COME.

Shall we know Him if we see Him  
When He comes?  
Shall we fear Him shall we flee Him  
When He comes?  
Shall we love Him and believe Him,  
Will His own at last receive Him,  
Or will slighting coldness grieve Him  
When He comes?  
Shall we dare to stand before Him  
When He comes?  
Shall we worship and adore Him  
When He comes?  
Or will pride presume to try Him,  
Will our craven fear deny Him,  
And our sins cry, "Crucify Him,"  
When He comes?  
May our feet be swift to meet Him  
When He comes!  
May our hearts leap up to greet Him  
When He comes!  
May our lips be fit to sing Him,  
May our hands be clean to bring Him  
All we have and all to crown Him  
When He comes!

—Author Unknown.

It is always to be remembered that Paul's doctrine is not faith as distinguished from Christian service—all those duties and obligations incidental and essential to the religious life. These are works that may grow out of faith. Without them faith is dead. But Paul's doctrine of faith was faith distinguished from the mere ceremonial observances urged, as a ground of salvation, primarily, by the ultra Jewish element in the early church.—*J. H. Light, in Baltimore Southern Methodist.*

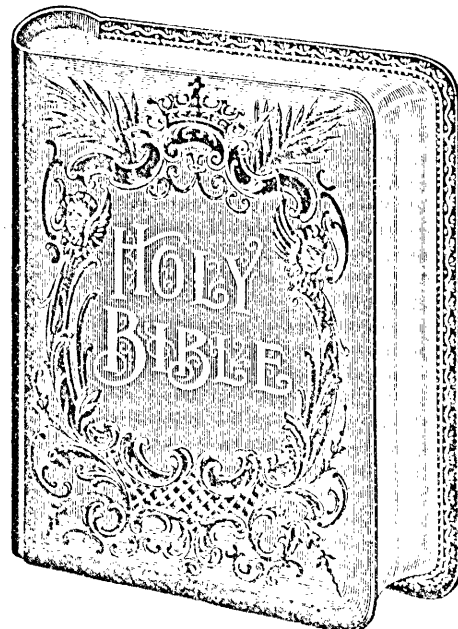
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## GEORGIA LETTER.

GEO. G. SMITH.

If all I write was published in one paper I would expect the readers to grow weary of seeing my signature; but as it is divided out with the Texas, the Arkansas, the South Carolina, the North Carolina, and the Virginia papers, my name is only seen frequently by the editors. I have no doubt *they* get a little weary, and can understand how one said, when a little nettled "he never pretended to read all I wrote." If he had done so he would have read much never designed for his eye. Years ago I heard a voice saying "Write plain things for plain people." The bulk of the readers of all our papers are plain, comparatively uneducated people. They have good sense, and good religion and are entitled to some consideration. They know nothing and care less about Higher Criticism, Evolution, Pantheism, Kant, Hegel, Dr. Foster or Dr. Eliot. They have no time now to begin the study of Haeckel or Darwin, but they do have hearts burdened and head perplexed, and need the strengthening, comforting words of a man who has passed through the same deep waters.

I wrote to the young preachers sometime since about some of the dangers on the way. I certainly did not design to reach such cultured brethren, as the one who some years ago proposed to evangelize the Arkansas mountaineers with Tennyson's "In Memoriam," nor with some Chicago University Lavants who knows all about Ancient Hittites and Babylonians, and little about the need of rustics. I wrote to young men who, like myself, have had and can have no university training, who cannot read Latin, Greek, German or Hebrew, but who have sense enough to know where to find in the English tongue the best literature of all these peoples. To young preachers who, with a good commentary, a good Bible Dictionary, and a good knowledge of Elementary Homiletics, and good knowledge of the fundamental branches of English, are trying to get the people to whom they minister to repent of their sins, believe the gospel, and live holy lives. I never preached long enough in any charge to tell my people all I wished my people to hear. I never found it necessary to leave the Bible to find appropriate topics. So in writing to young preachers, I do not feel I am doing a needless work in sticking to the Book. I would be glad for every young preacher if he has a Revised Version or Wesley's Notes, to turn to the two Epistles to Timothy and read them not once but twice a setting, and see what Paul the aged, says to young Timothy. I have just finished reading twice the second Epistle. It was the last letter the dear old Apostle ever wrote. He wrote the first book of the New Testament a letter to the Thessalonians in the year 52, and this last letter was written in the year 66. During these fourteen years he had spent several weary ones in prison, he had been released and now he was a prisoner again, expecting no deliverance till the axe should fall. Before he died he wanted to see his dear son in the Gospel, whom he had appointed to the Ephesus station the year before. He had left a cloak at Troas, and he needed it, and some parchments and some books. He did not know how long he was to await his sentence, and he wanted Timothy to come as soon as possible. In this tender Epistle the chief solicitude is for Timothy's personal religion. It seems a rather strange thing that in a letter to a young Bishop who had been so abstemious, that he would not drink wine even when he was sick, he should bid him "flee youthful lusts." By lusts I do not think he meant even in those dissolute days, the grosser forns, but those indulgences which were, while not criminal, dangerous. Whether Timothy needed these warnings or not I do not know, but I know I did and so did all my companions. The temptations

to frivolity, love of society, love of ease, love of poetry, love of light reading, desire for praise, ambition for place, are found in every young preacher's way. If he is prudent, the fiercer temptations he is not likely to encounter, but he is to be watchful and prayerful lest he fall into a snare.

Timothy is in danger from a literary curiosity which leads him to join the profane and vain babblings, in dabbings in speculation and being diverted to idle discussions. His one work is to glorify his Master and save the souls committed to his care by preaching the word. He has had committed to him the faith and he is to defend it, and keep it by the Holy Ghost, which is given to him. He need not be alarmed by the adversaries. They are many and would be more, but he that is for him is more than they that are against him. A bright young fellow now dead in Arkansas wrote with alarm of certain things then said to have been found in India antagonizing Christian claims. I told him he need not be frightened, these new errors would go the way of the old. So this modern rationalism, alarming as it seems to be, to be warned against and resisted, will be counteracted by some new gift from Heaven.

The one thing for an evangelical to do is simply to fight the god fight of faith, and Alexander the Coppersmith and his heretical companions, will be successfully withstood.

It was only when personal piety was submerged by the wave of worldly prosperity, that the crown was taken from the early church. When Methodist preachers become ambitious, frivolous, immoral, we may expect the triumph of heresy, but if they heed the warnings of the Apostle they will stand against all comers.

See to it that your religious life is vigorous and you need fear no foe.

## HOW MEN ARE MADE.

There may be some successes among the great men of New York who did not start at the bottom of the ladder, but the public hears seldom and very little of these. The great leaders that we hear of are the ones that rose from the humblest origin. There is John D. Archibold, of the Standard Oil Company, beginning as a clerk in a country store, sprinkling and sweeping the floor for a few dollars per week—today one of the leading men of America. H. H. Vreeland, president of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, son of a poor preacher, starting in life as a driver on a grocer's wagon, later a laborer on a Lake Shore Railroad construction train. Step by step he rose, passing through every position in the railroad service, up to brakeman, conductor—meeting William C. Whitney, who was impressed with the man's knowledge of railroad work, he was offered and accepted higher positions. Now he is at the head of the greatest traction system in the world.

Charles P. Steinmetz landed in New York a poor, penniless man, sought a cheap lodging house, secured work, plodded along, displaying tact, judgment, energy. Now he is the head of the General Electric Company at a salary probably amounting to \$30,000 a year.

Hudson Maxim, the poor school teacher—now the leader in explosives and ordnance.

Corey, the head of the steel trust, was a laborer at \$1 a day in the Homestead plant, attended night school, studied chemistry, and laid the foundation for his rapid advancement. Promoted to be a foreman he had the reputation of getting more out of his men than any other foreman in the works. Later he caught the eye of Carnegie and rapid promotion followed. The position of W. E. Corey at the head of the steel trust is one of the most responsible and exacting, as well as lucrative, in the entire industrial world.

One dollar a day was Charles M. Schwab's

salary driving stakes for a steel company—later a farm laborer, then driver of a small coach. The early days of Schwab were those of a hardy, intelligent country boy. He went to school—at sixteen was a graduate. There were books to be read and he read them; but his tastes were not those of a student of books. Dash, vigor, and enterprise characterized the young man. In a year after stake driving he was chief assistant to Jones, the manager of the steel plant, and in seven years Schwab was the chief of the engineers' department, and under his supervision the famous plant at Homestead was built. Schwab applied himself and did well all that he did—becoming president of the Carnegie company, later first vice president of the merged corporations, the United States Steel Corporation. He is now president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and worth many, many millions—it is said how many he himself does not know.

Old Doctor Robert Collyer is another illustration. A young village blacksmith working at the forge—not to develop his muscles as some have done but because a living had to be made. The young man studied at night, came from England to America in 1850, started out as a local preacher in the Methodist Church. He soon attracted attention by his style and method. Today none rank higher among the honored and high profession.

John H. Finley, president of the College of New York, is one of the rare self-made college men. Born on a remote farm in Illinois fifty years ago, brought up on the farm, only enjoying such limited educational advantages as the local public school allowed. On entering the high school he managed to support himself working in his spare hours at anything which promised an immediate return. Knox College was his goal, but at that time seemed unattainable. His income at this time was as a printer. Later he became principal of his old high school; then he proceeded to Johns Hopkins University, and later was called to the presidency of Knox College. From there he went to fill a chair at Princeton that had been created for him. His selection for the presidency of the College of the City of New York quickly followed. Who has not heard of John H. Finley?

Thomas F. Ryan is another of the world's wonders. Born in Virginia, he was orphaned at the age of five, brought up by a grandmother, with little chance for schooling. He left his meager inheritance and unproductive farm well-nigh penniless, went from door to door in Baltimore seeking employment, rebuffed time and again. He finally secured work in a dry goods store. Removing to New York in 1870, four years later Ryan was a member of the stock exchange. Today the history of Thomas F. Ryan's wonderful rise and enormous fortune is too well known to attempt to repeat it in this correspondence.

Leoner F. Loree, who is to succeed E. H. Harriman, is another example. Beginning as a chain man on an engineer's corps, he rapidly rose. When the Johnstown flood occurred Loree happened to be nearby, in charge of the railroad construction force, and naturally was the first to be put to work re-establishing things. So well was the work done that he was advanced step by step, performing his duties so well in every place that he is now to wear the mantle of Harriman.

A black-haired hall boy at the Hoffman House, by his obliing, attentive work, is today the proprietor of the great Knickerbocker Hotel, one of the greatest in the world. Rigan served in every place from the bottom up, and to this he attributes his success—that he knows from experience everything about the hotel business.

A sixth avenue street car conductor a few years ago started a little corner grocery. Today James Butler's grocery stores number 286, and

he is a millionaire several times over.

This list could be continued to an endless extent. Not every one succeeds like these, but every one who merits success as these, who earn it, does.

Look deep down into the affairs of the others and it will generally be found there is a reason or reasons why they, too, have not risen as rapidly or to heights of the others. The great achievements in New York in ninety-nine cases of one hundred have been by those born outside the city. The hard experience in the country, the general all-round experience gathered, the hearing of successes, and the burning desire to likewise rise, enthruses so that when they get here they bend every energy, rise over obstacles, and leave the natives far in the rear. The field for operations in the great city of New York is so boundless that he who wills, and he who does things, and does them right, is limited in possibilities only by the tact and energy he applies.—  
H. W. Finlayson, 444 Broadway.

#### CLASS MEETING TALK.

One of the first voluntary habits acquired in my life was that of trying to live religious. Through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the good example and counsel of my father and mother I have lived until this good day without having knowledge personally of the grosser sins of society and of the world. The same grace that saved Sam Jones "when there was not another man between him and hell" has saved me from going into the "pit from whence he was digged." And I am no less a debtor to the Lord for this salvation. He can keep as well as save a man from sin. In 1873 the great Bishop Wightman in a speech to the children in Clarksville, Arkansas said, "I never swore an oath in my life. I never took a drink of whisky. And I never by look, word, or touch disgraced the sex of my mother." Many in the audience said, "What a wonderful experience!" Yes, but not more wonderful in this particular than the experience of every man ought to be. A man that has debauched his life in sin may find it hard to believe this testimony but not so with the man that, like Timothy, has served God from his youth up.

My first work in the Christian ministry was done under the watchful care of one of the greatest presiding elders the Methodist church ever knew—the Rev. Geo. W. D. Harris, D.D. From him I learned that many seemingly small things are helpful to spiritual growth and strength. He did not think he was "squandering his conscience" when he made it the habit of his life to read some of God's word the first thing he did when he arose in the morning. This was not done "on the corners of streets to be seen by men" but in the quiet of his own room "when none but God was near." He trained his conscience not to sanction the mailing of a letter on Sunday, or any other day when it would require it to travel on Sunday to reach its destination. And many other "little things" he did for the glory of God and the increase of the spirit in his own heart. Some may call this tithing "mint, anis and cummin." They forget it was the neglect of the "weightier matters of the law" the Lord condemned in the Pharisees and not the tithing of mint anis and cummin.

Now that I have reached the summit of life's way and am beginning to look at the things that are on the "other side," I cannot afford to "unlimber" or begin to "lay my armor down." I must fight on "till death shall bring me to my God." The Lord does not count us superannuates. He sometimes "shuts us in" that we may do yet greater things for Him. For it is a fact sometimes when we suffer the will of the Lord we effect for good more than when we are performing the active duties of life. When our work on earth is done the Lord will give us

"sweet rest in heaven." Fathers in Israel, don't go into winter quarters. Keep off the shelf. The Lord has something yet for you to do. If nothing more, while the young men go out to battle you can participate in the councils of the camp. I may not be doing much, but I am doing my best. Can any one do more?

These thoughts are inspired by a class-meeting held in Norman, Oklahoma on Wednesday of this week. Bro. Jones led the meeting. It was held in the good old way. Forty-two persons were present. Nearly all responded to the inquiries of the leader. One little girl said "I love the Lord and I am trying to serve him, but I need the prayers of the church." Was not that a sweet experience? "A little child shall lead them." Why don't all our churches hold old fashion class meetings? How this class meeting made me think of the times when I was a little child and sat by my mother's side in the class with both arms folded around hers and looking out through the folds of her dress I thought religion was the greatest thing in the world! And I think so yet.

Norman, Oklahoma.

THEO. F. BREWER.

#### THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

BY REV. D. D. WARLICK.

"If I were the General Conference" is a much worn phrase now. If it does these great men any good let them enjoy it, for none of them will ever be the General Conference and but few of them will ever be a part of it. The discussion of these topics is very helpful, at least. I would not throw a stone nor find fault. Some changes are needed. One I wish to mention. Let the law be so changed that no Board of Home Missions be allowed to make any appropriations until sixty days after Conference adjourns. Then let the Board meet with the presiding elders. Let each elder represent the needs of his district and let the appropriations be made accordingly to the needs of the men in the field. By doing this we save ourselves of some of the mistakes of the past a few of which I mention, and these are being repeated every year in almost every conference.

In 1906 at the Warren Conference one hundred dollars was given a certain appointment; a young man put there as a supply with no one depending on him for a support, with a large planer and fine sawmills running in the bounds of the circuit, and a new railway being built through the country. In 1907 the Board put seventy-five dollars there, with a man and wife and three children to support—the panic was on hand and the sawmills all closed and the railroad work finished, with hundreds of people leaving the county. This was not because of the men, for the young man had never preached and the man with wife and children who has never been a failure anywhere; but the fault lay in the plan of making the appropriation before the needs were known. Again one hundred dollars was appropriated to another circuit in 1907 and a man of ability with a large family of girls put there. Again in 1908 one hundred dollars was put on the same circuit and a young man untried with a school contract of six months at \$50 per month to be taught out appointed.

Again this year on still another circuit is a young man as a supply. Yet the Board is paying him two hundred dollars and the circuit paying him three hundred and he is largely living among the people. Now there is no justice in this. There are many members of the Conference with families to support, men who have been tried and are true and worthy to be trusted and ought to be supported that do not receive four hundred dollars a year.

The Board of Missions is not to blame. The presiding elders nor the Bishop are to blame. But the plan of making the appropriations at

conference is to blame. All men are alike in one way, to wit: No man can succeed without a support any more than a cow can give milk without feed. But men differ in that some men will not succeed even with a good support. Therefore let the Home Mission Board hold up until the appointments are made and the men in the field and where there is a man that takes hold and demonstrates the fact that he means to make things go, help him. Again, the field can be sprung out of its old way by the presiding elder saying to the Board of Stewards, your preacher needs so much to live on this year and if you will pay so much I will try to get the Board of Missions to pay so much. If you will not I shall not ask the Board to pay you a cent. Let it be the motto of our church to support every man in every charge—whether city station or mountain circuit. In this way every dollar of home mission money can be made to add three dollars to the ministerial support. Like begets like. Send a preacher out on a mission and he goes in poverty and begs a living and he makes a poor man and a beggar out of every man he meets. A dead man makes men dread death. A living, jolly man makes everybody glad. Let the preacher go into a home and give this child a penny and that one a book and put the Western Methodist into this home and he begets a spirit of giving and then people will give freely. But let him go there and talk of his hard living and they become stingy for fear they come to the same fate. Let the Annual Conference set the minimum salary for a preacher say \$40, or \$50 per month. Then let the presiding elder see that the preacher gets it, so that every member of the conference knows that he will be supported. He surrenders his rights to select his field of labor, and the Bishop and his cabinet are morally bound to support him, provided he does the work. If we have men who are too lazy or too much something else to do the work, let them step down and out, or cut their heads off. I have put in thirty years as a traveling preacher, but I am ready to quit today rather than the church suffer at my hands. All I ask is a support.

#### HO! FOR HOT SPRINGS.

It is seldom I venture alone upon a trip like this, but my dearly beloved brother Hutchinson, pastor of Central Methodist church at Hot Springs is anxious to have some of the old preachers, who were pastors there, in the long ago, present at the fifty-eighth anniversary of that church, I pack my grip, promising the good wife at home to make good use of our eyes, keeping out of the way of railroad, street cars, omnibusses and so forth and that we would watch sign boards warning travelers to "keep off the grass," we launch out, and are on time for a good dinner at the "Banks Hotel," Carthage, which, as usual, was "chalked."

Our next stop wasn't far from our very first starting point in life—dear old Benton. Sitting there, an entire stranger among the crowds, moving on either hand, our thoughts were busy with memories of our childhood and youth there. Since the death of Col. John M. Hughes, the last one of our schoolmates here, we are quite alone. We have seen old Benton from its worst to its present best.

These reveries are suddenly arrested by the snorting, dashing iron horse, bound for Hot Springs; soon we are seated, looking out upon the old familiar hills and calling up scenes and reminiscences of our young days here. Very soon we go at a rapid rate on the iron bridge over the Saline river, right where my native old homestead once stood, the old spring, the orchard, the meadow, the spot where we caught our first fish, and out in the field where we caught our first rabbit, all these fond recollections came in touching review, and we could have lingered hours

amid these blessed associations. But here we are at our destination, and in all the vast throng at the depot, only one familiar face greeted us, but that was enough, for it evidently betokened welcome and cheer in the hospitable and Christian home of the Rev. E. B. Hotchkiss and interesting family. Here comes Dr. Withers, to be our fellow guest during the "home coming," he hears no better than myself, but is several leagues ahead of me loquaciously, especially on Abraham and John the Baptist, we just look on in pleasing silence. I hoped to have heard (seen) him on the conversion of Paul.

Now for the first item, the social gathering, Friday evening at the church, it was *a la mode*, old Virginia style, better Christian fellowship, indeed it was. It is difficult for this writer to speak of this splendid temple of worship, especially as compared with the small log house our church occupied during our pastorate here in 1855, we just write this one down, "The perfection of beauty." May the blessed Lord "beautify the place of his sanctuary, and make the place of his feet glorious." I deal in no extravagant terms of praise when I say, Rev. Forney Hutchinson, the honored pastor here, is in highest favor with his people, all love and esteem him highly for his work's sake, and for his own too. This scribe will ever hold him and his most estimable wife in grateful remembrance for tokens of loving kindness to the deaf superannuate.

Rev. E. N. Evans, formerly of the Little Rock, now of the Louisiana Conference, I thought was specially happy, in his selection of a text for the eleven o'clock service Sunday: "Walk about Zion, and go round about her; tell the towers thereof, mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces." I felt so sure that he was having Methodist liberty, that once or twice I ventured Amen. I do love to see a preacher in earnest. All the services were well attended, and spiritual so far as I could see.

I must see the children of mine Methodist host, when I was here in 1855. Thinear Barns, the first charter member of this church, and I was glad to see his memory honored in a memorial window in the present building. It rejoiced my heart no little to see his children walking in the way of their parents. My visit, Monday, to the family of Dr. F. M. Williams was a perfect delight, and I think the brief family altar service we conducted was enjoyed by all. God bless them. We visited Oak Lawn's beautiful grounds. Extensive preparations are being made for the State Fair to be held here in October. Horse racing will be a prominent feature. This thing of half killing a horse and imperiling the life of a precious boy, I believe is all very wrong, and now that gambling is eliminated, I hope this racing business will, ere long, be a thing of the past. It is all fudge and nonsense to talk about its being necessary to improve stock and test the bottom of horses. Away with it, and let all the people say Amen.

We have failed to make mention of the love feast Sunday four p. m., conducted by Rev. C. O. Steele, one of the former pastors here. Everybody knows that a good love feast, as this one was, is a blessing, not all can speak, but generally speaking, all can be present and thus add their testimony to the truth of saving grace.

Returning home by way of Malvern, we were favored by another visit to the family of Mrs. Cala B. Smith, and felt no little honored in the fact that, her daughter, Mrs. Natalie Henry, had given our name to her firstborn son. A great many blessings on these young friends of our youth on Tulip Ridge, in the days of its prosperity.

We reach home safely, thankful for journeying mercies and the very great pleasure of meeting hosts of beloved Christian friends.

JAMES E. CALDWELL.

Tulip, Ark.

### A CASE OF HONOR.

Emily Wright, summoned to Mr. Davis's private office, had no presentiment of ill. Indeed, walking up through the bright, spring morning, she had been unusually happy and full of eager plans. She knew that she was doing good work, and her thoughts had run upon the possibility of a promotion, and what she could do then for her sister and little Donald. So she only waited, cheerful and alert, for Mr. Davis's orders.

Three minutes later she walked slowly down the corridor, *dismissed!* She never had thought of the possibility of such a thing, not once. One week's more work, and then the old heart-sickening search again. She could have a good recommendation—the best—but even with that to find another situation in July—

Ethel Carse, pretty and careless and meaning to be kind, looked up as Emily walked back to her guest. "Have they fired you?" she asked. "It's a shame! They always do lay off the latest comers in July, but they missed it in giving you a walking-ticket. I'd like to tell Mr. Davis so."

"Oh, no!" Emily gasped.

"Oh, I sha'n't; you needn't fear. I'm afraid of my life with him, but I'd like to. If I were you, I wouldn't hurt myself with work this week, that's all."

It was Emily's own first impulse—not indeed from retaliation, but from sheer heart-sickness. But presently she pulled herself together. "I'm paid for the week's work; I must give honorable service," she said to herself sternly. And so, because "honorable service" meant to her finishing her tasks regardless of time, she stayed beyond her hour several nights that week.

She was tempted to drop things at five o'clock as Ethel did—Ethel, who was to be kept on. In the mood of discouragement that was upon her the very dreariness of the office, emptied of all except one or two special workers, oppressed her. Yet she stayed, putting into exquisite order each day's work. It was Friday, while she was wearily typewriting some specifications, that she was startled by Mr. Davis's voice beside her: "Miss Wright, what are you doing here?"

"Finishing this work—it came in the last mail," Emily replied.

"Are you not to leave Saturday?"

"Yes," the girl answered briefly. The question seemed needlessly cruel.

"Yet you are staying overtime?"

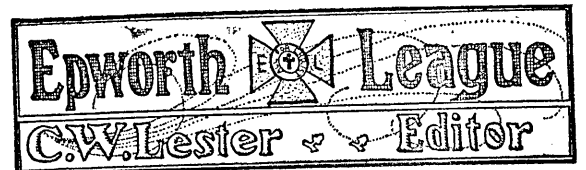
Emily looked at him gravely. "My work is here until Saturday night," she said.

Mr. Davis's keen glance flashed from her face to her copy, perfect in each detail. "Miss Wright," he said, "I'm going to take the responsibility of asking you, for the company, to continue your services with us. We can better afford to lose a little money than to lose one who so honors her trust—and herself."

Out in the summer evening Emily walked home with shining eyes. It was good—oh, so good!—to have the place, but underneath was something better—she had not failed herself.—*Youth's Companion.*

### THE SUMMER SABBATH.

Next to the fatalities of a noisy Fourth there is no menace to life and limb like the frivolous Sabbath in the summer season. Every week there is a dismal and needless harvest of death and damage from reckless bathers, capsized row and sail boats, exploding motor boats and colliding automobiles. Much of it is due to ignorance, much more to drink. It is time the law interfered to save fools from themselves and innocent people from the fools. There ought to be a rigid supervision of all places with boats and automobiles to rent, and heavy penalties should be attached to the renting of either to persons who did not give at least some assurance of competency and carefulness.—*United Presbyterian.*



Scripture lesson for Sept. 12: Mark 5:25-34.

Topic: "Connecting With the Source of Power."

Our lesson turns again to the study of a woman. Her condition is graphically told by Mark in his characteristic way. His words are "picked and packed." She had an issue of blood for twelve years, and had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse." The whole story of her life for twelve long years is tersely, vividly, comprehensively told with a single stroke of his pen. It is the story of a woman's suffering. How often in the history of man on earth has such a tale been told, the tale of suffering, and how often it is that the sufferer has been a poor, fragile woman. Does this mean that the brunt of sin's penalty as physically manifested rests upon the woman? (See Gen. 3:16.) At any rate, she is the greater sufferer of the two.

She had exhausted her means in her search for health. She had spent all she had with the physicians, had suffered much from them, and instead of recovering her health she had gradually grown worse. The fact of her failure in this direction drove her to take the step in our lesson, and this has happened over and over again. Failure of some kind at some point has often served to make known to a man the meagerness of human resources and the utter insecurity of material things and has thus driven him, so to speak, to God. Suffering and sorrow have often been angels of mercy in disguise in that they have so often led the way to God. And anything is a blessing that leads a man to God.

We may draw this from the lesson: That as weak and helpless as she was before she touched the Divine One, so is the sinner before he touches Christ by faith for healing. As meager and helpless as were human resources in her search for health, a thousand times more so are they in the case of the sinner in search for the recovery of the health of the soul. Nothing but the touch of divine power can restore health to the sinner's soul.

Her timidity and reserve doubtless made her take the method she chose in getting to Jesus. It does not seem that it was her lack of faith, else she would not have won from Jesus his commendation regarding her faith in verse 34. But these fine qualities of her character overbalanced the opposite ones of open boldness and frankness, and hence she came to Jesus in a very different way from that of the Syro-Phœnician woman. The method by which we get to Jesus is not of first importance. Both of these women reached him successfully, but by different routes. But there was a boldness about her that was born of extreme need. She could press through a crowd to get to him. And she believed that in him was power to cure. And she thought that the physical contact of her poor, bony, trembling finger with his garment would bring the result she desired. And it did—not the touch exactly, but her faith in his power and willingness to heal. Her faith had mended the breach between her frail body and his healing power. Faith was the channel through which his power was conveyed to her. And it is ever so. Faith is that which connects us with the unseen. And when that unseen becomes the person of Jesus Christ as a Savior, and our faith connects us with him we not only have the assurance of the forgiveness of the old sins of the past life, but this gives us a power that was not in the life before—the power to triumph over sin.



"In Galilee, when the word went forth, 'Jesus of Nazareth passeth by,' the crowds of needy and suffering folk came forth with eagerness and desire. In America today there is need and suffering—not of the same sort always, which the same Jesus alone can do, and his name still draws these multitudes. When misleaders for a time win a following they do it by using his name. It is not the 'Science' in Mrs. Eddy's claims that attracts; it is the 'Christian.' If she had called it by any other name it would have been shorn of most of its charm. The churches which grow and which win those who feel their need of more than human help are the churches which exalt Christ. His name is still magnetic and masterful."

#### ECHOES OF THE RECENT STATE EPWORTH LEAGUE ASSEMBLY.

By Eugene P. Guthrie, State Pres.

A noticeable feature of the Assembly was the prompt arrival of delegates from all parts of the State. The "Epworth League Special" run by the "Santa Fee" from Oklahoma City to Sulphur, carried nearly one hundred delegates and friends, and was given a warm welcome by the Leaguers and citizens of Sulphur. Over fifty automobiles and carriages were waiting at the depot to meet the incoming "Special," and the delegates were driven through the city, and across Platt National Park to the Pavilion Spring, where the refreshing Sulphur water was freely partaken of to quench the thirst of the travel worn delegates. After this we were driven to the "Camp Grounds," where shortly afterwards the tents began to arrive, and pretty soon we had a little village of tents started. The camping features proved especially enjoyable to all, and it is hoped that in future assemblies, all who can possibly do so, will go prepared to camp.

On Wednesday night, August 11th, the Week's Assembly was opened by a hearty welcome address by the Mayor, which was properly responded to on behalf of the delegates by Rev. W. M. Wilson, of Ada, Chairman of the Conference Epworth League Board.

At the conclusion of this part of the exercises, a social hour was greatly enjoyed by all present, delicious refreshments being served by the local Leaguers.

At 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning, the regular business session of the Conference was opened. Standing committees were appointed, and the Leaguers began work.

One of the best and most helpful services of the entire session was the sermon of Dr. Collins Denny of Vanderbilt University, upon the subject of "The Influence of Ideals." It was a sermon particularly fitted to young people, and all felt greatly benefitted by it.

Among the special features of the work, outside of the business sessions, and departmental conferences might be mentioned the observance of the "Quiet Hour" by many of the Leaguers, also the sunrise prayer meetings, which were held in the open air in Platt National Park. These meetings were particularly well attended, showing the deep spiritual interest manifested by the young people in the work.

Each of the four departments of the work were taken up in the regular order, a half day being devoted to each. This was done under the plan of regular departmental conferences, each department being presided over by the respective vice presidents. The Junior League department under the able management of Mrs. R. E. L. Morgan of Norman, came for its share of the success of the Assembly, and excellent work was reported, and many valuable plans offered.

The great Sunday meeting was the climax of the Assembly. At 6:30 Sunrise Prayer Meeting was held in the Auditorium; and at 9:45 Bro. W. J. Moore, that inveterate Sunday school

worker, had his plans perfected for his "Ideal Sunday School," and everything ran like clock works. Perhaps 800 attended this Sunday school service. At 11 o'clock Bishop Hoss preached one of the most matchless sermons ever heard in Sulphur, taking for his text, "What think ye of Christ." The large auditorium into which the opera house had been converted was filled with interested people, and his sermon had a telling effect upon the audience.

The "Ideal Epworth League" service conducted by Rev. J. E. Savage Sunday evening was an object lesson for the Leaguers that will no doubt show its influences in many places throughout the State. This service was followed by a great sermon by Dr. H. M. DuBose of Nashville, Tenn., General Secretary of the Epworth League Board.

One of the most notable and impressive services of the entire Assembly was the missionary service on Tuesday morning, conducted under the fourth department. The Assembly was addressed by Dr. O. E. Goddard of Muskogee, upon the "Opportunities and Responsibilities of the Epworth League in Foreign Missions," and at the close of his address he made a personal appeal for young people to consecrate their lives to the service of the Master to be used wherever duty calls, and perhaps twenty young men and women responded to the call. It was an impressive service, and will be long remembered by all present.

There were so many good things on the program that space will not permit mention of all, but we feel that the address of Governor Haskell on Friday evening upon the principles of honest government, and a plea for the more rigid enforcement of the prohibition laws, deserves special emphasis. It was a timely admonition to our young people, and was well received by the Leaguers.

Also we cannot omit the splendid sermon of Dr. James A. Anderson, Dr. Geo. H. Crowell's address on the "Future Church," also sermon of Dr. Linebaugh, each of which was greatly appreciated.

The Assembly adjourned on Tuesday night after the election of the following officers for the ensuing year, to wit:

Eugene P. Guthrie, president, Oklahoma City.  
Miss Una Weaver, first vice president, Hastings.

W. F. Allison, second vice president, Muskogee.

Miss Beulah Moore, third vice president, Pauls Valley.

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#### FOR THE EPWORTH LEAGUE COLUMNS.

Suggestive program for the Bible study lesson Sept. 19th.

Topic: Opening the mind. Luke 24:45-48.

Open by singing Holy, Holy, Holy; prayer.

Song: I love to walk with Jesus.

Scripture lesson by the leader.

Bible references.

Five minute papers by members of the League.

1. How may the mind be opened?

2. Purpose and results of Bible study.

3. Value of connectional history.

4. How may we distinguish between true and false teachings.

Summary: The value of systematic Bible study, by leader.

"My Mother's Bible" sung as solo or quartette.

If we haven't already, shall we organize a

study circle? (General discussion.)

Song: "Wonderful words of life."

Epworth League Benediction.

Third vice presidents please give especial attention to this program. We hope to see great results from this meeting in the organization of a number of study circles. For information write to your district third vice president, to the publishing house at Nashville or to me. After organizing report at once to your third vice president. If you have none then report to me.

BEULAH MOORE,

State Epworth League Third Vice President,  
Oklahoma Conference, Paul's Valley, Okla.

#### OBEDIENCE THE TEST.

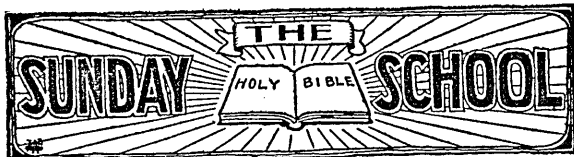
Obedience is one of the prime factors in the Christian religion. Practical obedience is the chief evidence of vital piety. Man's character is to be determined by his conduct. There can be no plainer principle than this: "The tree is known by its fruits." If a man says he desires and delights above all else to serve God, let him test the reality of his desire by the touchstone of cheerful and obedient service.

The Scriptures give peculiar importance to this test of religious character. God has provided that the reality of those dispositions which we profess to cherish toward him shall be evinced by corresponding conduct. Is it asked Who are the friends of Christ? he himself replies, "Ye are my friends, if you do whatever I command you." Is it asked, Who are they that love the redeemer? he himself replies, "He that loveth me keepeth my commandments." Is it asked, How shall we know that we possess a saving knowledge of Christ? the response is ready and explicit: "Hereby do we know that we love him, if we keep his commandments." Would you know the evidence of hostility to Christ? you have it in his own terse saying, "He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings." Would you know who the deceived and the deceivers are? the Scriptures teach, "He that saith he knoweth him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him." Would you discern the line of demarkation between the righteous and the wicked? the Bible tells you, "In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest, he that doeth not righteousness is not of God."

Men may say what they please about their religion; they may be ever so orthodox in their creed, and ardent in their professions of attachment and sanguine in their hopes; but if they yield not themselves unto God "as servants to obey," if they bring not forth the fruits of holy obedience, their faith is in vain, they are yet in their sins. By their fruits ye shall know them. Grapes do not grow on thorns, nor figs on thistles.—Ex.

#### THE NEW PASTOR.

The new pastor ought to realize that he is new. The new pastor ought not to announce a lot of things he is going to do until he is quite certain that he will do them. The new pastor ought to get acquainted with his new work before he undertakes to change things. The new pastor will lose nothing by a hearty appreciation of his predecessor's work. The new pastor ought not to report to his credit the increase in attendance and gifts over the poor showing made while the church was without a pastor. The new pastor ought to take the membership into his confidence, and consult them with a willingness, if need be, to make haste slowly. The new pastor ought to make up his mind that he is going to see the best in those with whom he is to labor. The new pastor ought to know that he is to be a leader and not a boss. The new pastor ought to feel that what he is will count for more than what he says.—Herald and Presbyterian.



Prepared By Rev. George McGlumphy, Ph.D.

Sept. 19. Laura Askew Haygood. Phil. 3:7-11.

Golden Text.—“We are the children of God; and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.” (Rom. 8:6, 17.)

Home Readings.—*Monday*, Christian Training, 2 Timothy 3:14-17. *Tuesday*, The Call with its Promise, Acts 7:2-5. *Wednesday*, Counting Gain Loss, Philippians 3:3-11. *Thursday*, According to His Working, Colossians 1:24-29. *Friday*, Joint Heirs with Christ, Romans 8:14-17. *Saturday*, The Christian's Departure, 2 Timothy 4:6-8. *Sunday*, They Shall See His Face, Revelation 22:1-5.

#### Missions in the Sunday School.

If Christianity is to conquer the world in the name and power of its Lord, it must first take possession of the church with its great central ideas, to wit: (1) Christianity is the *only* religion. (2) It is for *everybody*. (3) It must go *everywhere*. (4) And the church *must take it*. When these four ideas dominate the thinking, teaching, praying, giving, and acting of Christians the redemption of a world is at hand.

The problem for the church is how to get for these missionary concepts the right of way in the hearts and lives of its members. The press can do much, the pulpit and missionary society more but it is upon the Sunday school that the chief reliance must fall. As a church we did a very wise thing in abolishing “Review Sunday” and substituting in its place “Mission Studies.” Our Sunday school leaders should see to it that the new graded lessons give ample space to the chiefest work of the church, the saving of a lost world.

The splendid series of biographical studies that Dr. Cook is preparing for us should enable those of us who teach to bring the Great Commission right into the hearts of the young people. Facts, figures and fields may be dry reading but heroic lives ever find open ears, and heeding hearts. Many of our classes could be enlisted in making a “Class Missionary Scrap Book” to which all should contribute.

Let the teacher thoroughly and prayerfully study the life of Miss Haygood until his soul “knits with the soul of Miss Haygood and she loves her as her own soul.” Then as she teaches the class, all will feel the presence of that noble soul that gave itself for China's dying daughters. Certainly the lesson will close with a prayer that some girls out of our classes may also hear and answer the call of heathen womanhood.

#### The Lesson Itself.

Dr. Cook gives us in the magazine an abundance of material for use. I refer the teacher there to the body of the lesson and shall simply suggest a plan for the teaching. The following outlines may be helpful. I. The Haygood Home into which a Baby Girl is to be born. II. Little Laura. III. The School Girl. IV. Busy at Home for the Master, every real foreign missionary must begin as a “home” missionary. V. The call to China, compare with Isaiah 6:8. Be sure to read her letter to Dr. Potter. VI. At Work in China. VII. The Radiant Sunset. Read II. Kings 2:1-13. If possible at the close of the lesson show the class a picture of Miss Haygood.

#### THOUGHTS.

The need of the Gospel is a divine call to give the gospel.

As a church we must be willing yea glad to give our best young life for the foreign fields.

Let us not forget to give our thoughts and

prayers silver and golden wings to fly over the ocean.

Too often the pennies go into the missionary box Sunday morning while the dimes visit the “moving picture show” Saturday night.

“If, when I gave myself to God for life and service in China, I had known that this would be the ending, I would have acted just as I did. It has been worth it all to have been brought to know, to love and to trust him as I now do. I am not sorry I came, but glad with all my heart.”

O daughters of the Southland “Be ye faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”

#### WHISKY'S CARNIVAL OF CRIME.

It is such a common thing to read in the daily papers of the crimes perpetrated by the whisky fiend that we do it without much comment or astonishment. We have become accustomed to expecting it and we usually accept it as a matter of course. But once in a while the diabolism of the business goes so far beyond anything that ordinary expectation is prepared for that we are forced for the moment to stop and wonder if there is no limit to the infamy of the whisky demon's work.

We have before us two instances of this sort. They occurred last week, one of them in Dallas county and the other in Tarrant. The former is not only of unnatural horror, but it is also full of pathos and supreme pity. A family were living on a farm, the father, the mother and several children. Among the latter was a married daughter with a young baby, at home on a visit. The father was a very excellent man except when filled with liquor, and then he was mean, cruel and desperate. The six-month-old baby of the young woman was crying, as it was not well. The father was boiling with whisky. He became enraged, and with an oath ordered the young mother to stop that baby's yelling. She protested that the child was ill and she could not pacify it. He remarked that he could stop it and he started for the table after his six-shooter. As he turned with the dearly weapon upon the young mother and her babe, she became frantic and grabbed another gun from the bed and fired twice at the drunken father. He dropped dead in his tracks. She was brought to the county jail and the court heard her pathetic story and released her on a nominal bond. Friends and neighbors made up money to pay a lawyer to look after her case. Yet they tell us that if you will let whisky alone it will let you alone! A more horrid lie never came out of a human throat.

The other case occurred the night of the same day in Fort Worth. They have a place in that city called “Hell's Half Acre.” The name is appropriate. It is the rendezvous for crimes and criminals—the nest in which is hatched all manner of vice, degradation and crime. The city harbors a lot of the lowest saloons down there that ever disgraced the civilization of any people. They are the inspiration of the devilry that wastes that section in the daytime and that devours humanity under the cover of darkness. Fort Worth voted to keep these and other saloons in the city by a large majority two years ago.

“Hell's Half Acre” is Fort Worth's most noted section. It has required extra police to hold it in any sort of check. And the officer who does his duty is usually marked for slaughter. Two of these custodians of the peace were quietly walking their beat on the night in question, and as they passed one of the saloons, the terrific explosion of gunpowder shook the block, and one of the officers lurched forward and was dead by the time he fell to the ground. On examination a large shotgun was found in a room over the saloon with one charge empty, and the barrel still hot from the explosion. A large beer glass and a half filled bottle of whisky were near the gun. It was not long until the authorities had

an ex-saloon man in custody as the perpetrator of the crime. So far the evidence against him is circumstantial.

What is it that the human heart will not do when inspired by the whisky devil? It will strike down innocence and it will assassinate the officer of the law. Whisky is the training school for rape, murder, assassination and anarchy. The safety of society and the barroom are antagonistic. They cannot exist under the same form of government. The one must destroy the other. Moral sentiment is reaching but one conclusion on this subject.

The Fort Worth Record, as is well known, fought local option to a finish in the last election on that issue, but gave a lurid picture of “Hell's Half Acre” and its low saloon dives the morning after the tragedy in question. All it said about that particular plague spot in that city can easily be applied to the saloons everywhere. They are the same in spirit and nature, whether in the “tenderloin district” or along the business streets. We give the Record's description in part of that notorious section of the city: “It has morally slain its thousands; it has debauched its tens of thousands; it has robbed every unwary fool that has set his foot in its tawdry web; it has made thieves and embezzlers of promising young men; it has enticed fair young women to their everlasting damnation; it has committed repeated murders for lust and gold and hate; now it has crowned its unmatched record of infamy by assassinating an officer of the law.” What a fearful indictment! And yet it is true. And the indictment is applicable to the liquor business everywhere and under all circumstances. Take the restraint of law and of public sentiment off the liquor business and this description fits it to a truthful exactness. Has such a business the right to longer live when it is capable of producing this condition of things in the very heart of such a city as Fort Worth? Nay, verily. On with the battle!—*Texas Christian Advocate*.

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## 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.)

Rhea, Okla., Aug. 1, 1909.

Dear Editor and Cousins: As papa takes the Western Methodist and I enjoy reading the ninth page so well, I thought I would try to write for my first time.

Our school will begin next Monday. Guess I will go. I enjoy going to school very much. I am in the fifth grade. I am 4 feet 5 inches high and weigh 75 pounds. I have dark hair and blue eyes. My father is a Methodist preacher. He is at Shirley holding a meeting now. I will ask a question, hoping to see an answer: How many times is the word "girl" contained in the Bible? Well, as my letter is getting long I will close, hoping to see this in print. Your new cousin,

OLA BURNS.

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Waurika, Okla., July 23, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: Will you let me join your happy band? We have our new Methodist church just about completed. We have one school building and are building another one. Ruth Shimp, I will guess you are 17 years old. Am I right? I am 15 years old. I love to go to school. My teacher's name was Miss Grace Sampson. I liked her very much. Our pastor is Bro. B. F. Stegall. I have not any pets. I have one brother and three sisters. My brother's name is Archie. He is 13 years old. My sisters' names are Elva, Minnie and Lottie. Elva is the eldest one and I am next to her. Minnie is the baby; she is 1 year old. We have been having a fine meeting here. It lasted four weeks. Mamma takes this paper. I enjoy reading the children's page. Well, I haven't written a very long letter for fear it will enter the waste-basket. I will close for this time. If it does not enter the waste-basket I will write again. Your cousin, IVA PLESS.

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Dear Cousins and Editor: Well, cousins, I will make one more attempt to write to your page. How are all the cousins these hot summer days. I am fine. I just got through reading the children's page. I saw some very interesting letters. I think the page is getting more interesting all the time; but it would be better if more of the boys would take part in our little corner. I believe they are all too bashful. Don't you girls? Well, this is Sunday. I went to Sunday school this morning and had a nice time. Miss Evelyn, I thought your last letter was fine, and I think you gave a fine suggestion to help get the cousins interested in the page. I hope all that write may win a prize. "Oklahoma Blanche," your letter was

fine also. I agree with Evelyn. I wish you would tell us who you are. I guess you are sweet sixteen. Now, am I right? Evelyn, I guess you are sweet sixteen, too. Hope I have guessed your age. Now, I will let the cousins guess my age. It is between 12 and 18. The one who guesses it will receive a nice postcard from me. Hello, Gussie! Where have you gone? I haven't seen a letter from you in a long, long time. Hello, Flossie and Eva! Why don't you write again? Liddie McHenry, you must write again. Your letters are nice, too. How many of the cousins are going to school now? I am not. Our school has not begun yet, and won't till September. I am in the seventh grade. Grace, I suppose you are going to school now.

Now, cousins, Miss Evelyn is going to give a prize to the one who writes the best original story. Now, I will give a prize to the one who writes the best piece of poetry. So work hard, cousins, for the prize, and you will win it. Now, I will choose for the judge Evelyn, Ruth Carr, Oklahoma Blanche and the editor. I will close now, hoping to see any letter in print soon. Work hard, cousins, and win the prize. Remember, I give a prize to each winner in every paper. Your faithful cousin,

"EVELINA."

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Batesville, Ark., July 28.

Dear Methodist: I have just been reading the children's page and enjoy it very much. I belong to Central Avenue church, West Batesville. I will be 14 years old the 2d of October. I have no brothers or sisters. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. I haven't missed a Sunday this year. I get a prize for good attendance. Bro. Wycough is our superintendent and Rev. Edw. Forrest is our pastor. I have a little class of about ten. Well, I will close for fear of the dreadful waste-basket. If this misses it I will write again.

TILLIE WILLIAMS.

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Snyder, Ark., July 25, 1909.

Dear Cousins: I have just been reading the children's page and I saw my last letter in print, so am writing with the hopes that this letter will be quite as fortunate.

Girls, why do you suppose the boys won't write more? I guess they are too timid, don't you? Let's make them this proposition: If they have written more letters than we have between this and the 9th of October we will let them have the children's page one time all to themselves. Come on girls, and let's not let them get the chance.

Well, I will close, hoping to see more letters from the boys. I am your cousin,

V. JUANITA CONE.

I am sorry your letter could not be printed sooner.—Ed.

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Frederick, Okla., July 30, 1909.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: I am a little girl 11 years old. I want to join your happy band. I live on a farm. I enjoy farm life. Papa takes the Western Methodist and I enjoy reading the children's letters. Our pastor is Bro. T. E. Williams. I have two brothers and one sister at home, and one sister married. How many have my birthday? It is the 30th of May. Well, cousins, I will close for this time. Your new cousin,

EMMA RIPLEY.

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Dear Methodist: My papa takes the Methodist paper, and I sure enjoy reading the children's letters. I go to Sunday school. I am 11 years old. My birthday is the 16th of November. I have one sister, two brothers, three half sisters and three half brothers. For pets I haven't any except a little calf. I go to school, I study reading arithmetic, grammar, history, geography, physiology and spelling. If I don't quit this will catch the waste-basket. I hope to see this in print.

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Who can guess my age? It is between 11 and 15. To the one that guesses I will send a postal card. I guess Florence Gipson to be sweet sixteen. Am I right, Florence?

My sister, three years older than I am, has gone to visit some friends for three weeks, and my eldest sister is in Alabama, and so I am lonesome by myself.

Speaking of good books, how many have read the "Elsie Books." I am on "Elsie's Widowhood."

Cousins, won't you come over and help me eat grapes? I give Miss Lillian a special invitation. Will you come? I suppose that the boys are going to write more, for I see that two have written this week. I hope so.

Well, cousins, I hope all go to Sunday school and church, as I think we ought to do. If not, won't you please take an interest and go. Hoping you will, I will close. A most loving cousin,

RUTH WARLICK.

I thank you very much for your invitation, though I cannot accept.—Ed.

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Stephens, Ark., July 25, 1909.

Dear Methodist: Will you admit an-

other cousin to your happy band? I am a little girl 9 years old. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. I joined the church last fall. Our pastor is Bro. C. O. Steele. Our superintendent is Mr. E. F. Smith. My Sunday school teacher is Miss Pearl Smith. I have two brothers living. One is named Sam and the other is Walter. I have two sisters and one brother dead. My father and mother are living. Our school is out, but will start in September. I will be in the fifth grade when it starts. My teacher will be Miss Elmie Hilliard, daughter of W. C. Hilliard. I am going to a writing school. There are about seventy pupils. The teachers are Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay. I hope the waste-basket is off. I will close. Your friend,

ORA DOUTTIT.

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Antoine, Ark., Aug. 29, 1909.

Dear Methodist: Here I come again knocking for admittance. I wonder what you cousins do these hot days. I go to school now but it will soon be out. I shall be right sorry.

I will ask a Bible question. Who slept on an iron bedstead?

Ruth Carr said for us to write about the books we had read. I have read Black Beauty and think every little boy should read it. My sister went to Caddo Gap. She will come back today. Hope this letter will not go too near the waste basket or it will get caught. Hoping to see this in print,

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Our protracted meeting which has been in progress at this place, closed Sunday, Sept. 5th. It was conducted by our pastor, Rev. Thornsberry, and Rev. Haley, of War Eagle. Both ministers are very faithful servants of their Master, speaking boldly before the world condemning everything they think to be wrong and holding up the principles of right. Bro. Thornsberry has been with us about nine months and the people have learned to love him and appreciate his persistent efforts to build up the church and the community in general. Rev. Haley is a true "mouth piece for the Lord." His sermons were all very good and were greatly appreciated by his hearers. His many friends regretted very much to part with him, but this we can truly say, his work here will be long remembered and we feel that by right living we will meet with him "to part no more" in the "Sweet bye and bye."

There were seventy-three conversions and many others "almost persuaded," but it seemed that they were prone to wait for a "more convenient season." There will be about thirty-five added to the church, most all of whom have been baptized. The remainder will be baptized the fourth Sunday in September.

Our Sunday school has been reorganized with a large enrollment of pupils, with teachers elected as follows: Mr. T. M. Cannon, Miss Nora Byrd, Mrs. Nannie Sweeny, and Misses Bonnie Thornsberry and Lizzie Clark.

Prayer meeting on Wednesday night, conducted by Bro. J. W. Oxford. All are invited to participate in the services. We feel thankful to our Lord for such a blessing as our people have had.

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Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
And crown him Lord of all."

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MARRIED.—At the home of the bride's parents in Mutual, Okla., on Sept. 1st, Mr. Amos Johnson and Miss Drula McCance, both of Mutual, Okla., Rev. J. F. Russell officiating.

### A. H. Homer at Holissochi.

Western Methodist Ikbi ma: Anompa kanihmi ka ikbit Western Methodist a foki sabannashke; yohmi ka nana ka yakohmi ahni li tok a hopakit tahashke. Yohmi kat Woman's Home Mission Society ya Chahta mieha Chikasha okla aiena kat toksalit isht minti tuk a afammi auah ushta ka ona hoke. Yohmi akinli kia anoshkoboka moma i shahli atuk ano ahaksiehit kanchi pullasi nosn ai asha ka yakohmi ahni lishke. Nana ai anukfilli moma i shahli kat abanompeshi ichuka ako nana ai anukfilli kat moma i shalihehit anukfilla hetuk kia anonti ilbasha isht apelachi achi hosh nana ittahoba ikbit ai asha, nonti ai ittana isht alhpoksia he achi hosh nan ittahoba ikbit ai asha eha abanompeshi ichuka yat iksho ka nana isht anukfilli keyu, mikma abanompeshi ichuka yat alhtaha hosh talaya keyu kia, ai ittana ako apoksiachi mia kia, ai asha ka alhpesa keyushke. Ai ittana yokano yohmi ahna he alhpesa kat Cholesti ahleha hat ai asha hoke. Cholesti ahleha hat nusil-ha hokmak heno okchalit tahlil eha nana isht im ai atta ya im anohonli bekakma alhpesa hetuk. Yohmikma abanompeshi ichuka yat alhtaha achukma hosh sakit taloha putta ka ai asha hokma achukma hetuk oke. Ilbasha apelacha he ai alhpesa kat steward ahleha yat ai asha akinli hoke. Home Mission Society ak illa hosh nana ka ai i moma he okano kallo fehna hoke, atoksala he alhpesa kat okla ai ahli hokma nana kat weki ik ahobo ka hetuk sayimmishke. Home Mission Society ahleha yat ilbasha isht apela, ai ittana isht toba hi atuk putta ka ik toksalo ka hituk hi achi li keyu hoke; amba abanompeshi ichuka yat alhtaha achukma hosh i hikia ho malhi hosh nana inla pit atoksalit ai asha hokma achukma ai ahli akinli hoke. Anonti ittibapishi ahleha local preachers mieha taliket aiena kat Ulhti Ittanaha ittana ehi hosh alhtoka kat ilapinli hosh isht il apelachi ya il atahlil hosh ittana ka yammak inli ehohmit Ohoyo taliket aya ahleha yat nana isht il apelanhehit aya ehi kat im alhtaha hosh a wa he alhpesa hoke. Taliket atokoli hokmat isht apela ya im ittahobbi ka yammak nan alhpisa keyu hoke.

Anonti yakohmishke, Society yat ai ittana nana ho awakaya hatuk kia toksalit isht mahayakma iskali ya tali holisso sholi impila keyu kat ai ash-ashke. Atuk osh Society at ittana mahaya hetuk at ont yokopakma iskali ittahoba yash tali holisso sholi yo mia kash osh, tali holisso yash nana isht ehumpat okpanit tahlil tuk o sakit ai anompuli at ponaklo fokkakma, iskali at iksho, ik achukma ai ahlishke. Ano yokat anukfilli li kat Society ahleha yat ai ittana isht ikbi banna mieha ilbasha isht apelachi ikbi aiena ka, iskali yat achukmat ittonla he keyu yakohmi ka, Ulhti ai anukaka ya achaffa hosh alhtoka eha, tali holisso ya achukmalit insha hinla hosh alhtoka eha i hikia hokma achukma hinla ahni lishke. Ahmi hatuk mano iskali at okpulo keyu ka hinla sayimmishke. Ilappat Ohoyo nana ittahoba ikbi ako achi li hoke. Amba hashi achaffa sint pokkoli bohli ai imma hokano Conference i tali holisso sholi ako i pila ka alhpesa hoke. Anonti achi li kat Society hiel kat abanompeshi ichuka ikba chi tuk at alawa he keyu hokmak osh Bot a im ahoyo ka alhpesa akinli hoke. Yohmi kia alauwa hinla hokato ilap inli hosh abanompeshi ichuka ya ikbi hokma ilappak osh nan annowa achukma ai ahlishke. Chahta, Chikasha il aiena kat ohoyo im atoksali ilappa aminti ammona tok a episa ka nana kat achukma i shahli ka ai o hiket il ia hi at hoyot e pihinsu pulla he akosh alhpesa hoke. Ohoyo i hatak asha yosh tali holisso sholi alhtoka tuk ma i hatak ash osh tamaha nowa kat issa he keyu bekakma nana ittahoba yat iksho hoke. Society hiel kat nana kat im okpulo kat ai ahli hosh hielishke. Kanihmi hokato achukma akinli kia, ikachukmo akosh lawa ai ahlishke.

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### Port Charge.

We closed our revival meeting at Port last night, with fifty conversions, and twenty-five joined our church. We had what might be called an old-fashioned Methodist meeting. You could not tell Methodists and Baptists apart—all of the various churches joined in with us in soul-saving. And we had a soul-stirring revival. Your unworthy servant did the preaching, with the exception that Bro. Ellis, our local deacon, preached five or six sermons. We ran the meeting two weeks. We had a great revival in the church, as well as on the part of the world. The good women will meet this afternoon to organize a Woman's Home Mission Society, and we started up a Wednesday night prayer meeting. We also had good meetings at Pleasant Grove and Retrop. At Pleasant Grove we had fifteen conversions, and nine joined the church, and the church wonderfully revived. We had between thirty and thirty-five conversions and twenty-five joined the church, and the church was greatly revived. We had Bro. Matt Weaver of Sulphur Springs, in the Ada district, with us at Retrop and he did some excellent preaching.

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Last Sunday night we closed an eight days' meeting at Walnut Hill. The services were well attended and the interest increased from day to day until last Sunday night when every seat was filled. There were some six or seven and five accessions to the church. The people are recovering some from their great losses last year in the disastrous overflow of Red River and we hope good reports will be made upon all the collections.

J. R. SANDERS.

### Revival at Goshen, Ark.

We closed a two weeks' meeting yesterday, Sept. 5, resulting in 73 conversions, 35 additions to the church, and more to follow.

We were ably assisted by Rev. J. M. Haley, whom we all learned to love. We are so glad to know that the good Lord does hear and answer prayer. All glory to his name.

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attend our third quarterly conference, but our beloved P. E., A. T. Galloway, was on hand and a splendid conference was had.

Amid all of our sickness and disappointments, we have had a good year so far. We have had 60 additions to the church, and all of our churches greatly renewed. Better people no man has ever found. All denominations have proved to be our friends.

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**Vinita District, (First Paper).**

I closed my third round today and begin my fourth round next Saturday. The year thus far has been a busy one and now promises to close up well. Everybody is at work and a spirit of hopefulness prevails. We will make a good report at Muskogee.

Afton and Bro. Pipkin fit and are making things move up. Pipkin is true and has a cheerful set of men to work with. It is a pleasure to hold a quarterly conference at Afton. Finances will be in full and a move is on foot to build a modern parsonage.

Adair and Big Cabin is a good charge with some difficulties to meet. It has good church property. Many choice people. Bro. Grimes, the pastor, is a sunny spirited man and does not shrink from hard work. He will make a fine report.

Afton circuit is a new charge, and Rev. J. L. Duncan, a bundle of good cheer, is its pastor. It embraces a fine territory and is one of our coming circuits.

Blue Jacket is a difficult charge. Not strong financially, though it has a good church and parsonage. L. R. Jones is the pastor. Did anybody ever hear Jones complain. He is a gentleman and has a young wife in perfect sympathy with him. His report will be a good one.

Claremore is one of our best towns. It is a coming east side town. We have good church property, many good people and an opportunity full of promise. G. W. Lewis is the pastor. He has had a good revival, has doubled the attendance on his Sunday school and the general tone of the work is decidedly upward. Bro. Lewish has branched out, taken in a number of near-by points, organized a number of Sunday schools out of town. His financial report will be far in excess of what the charge paid last year and I think will be in full.

Chapel circuit has that good natured man Leatherwood for pastor and they all love him. What sweet little girls he has. He preaches a short, lively sermon and has fine crowds. His report will be fine.

Chelsea had her third quarterly conference today and paid the second largest sum for the support of the ministry of any charge in the district for third quarter. No finer class of people are to be found than those composing the Methodist church at Chelsea. Bro. and Sister Fowler love the people and are loved in return. His finances will be full.

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Bro. Byars, the pastor, has lost his wife during the year and has on that account been hindered. He is an enthusiastic man. Has done a fine work. His financial report will be running over on conference collections. He has also had and is having good revivals.

Chouteau is a small town composed of well to do people. We have good church property and choice people. A. S. Cameron is the young pastor in his third year on that charge. He is alert and industrious and is to be one of our most efficient men. He has had a fine revival and his financial report will be full.

Fairland and Wyandotte is a difficult charge. Has only three organized churches, but has nearby territory enough to make two more charges. If the right man can be sent there it will give the largest yield of any field in the district. Unfortunately for both preachers as well as the people a change in pastors had to be made during the year. This has been done so often on that charge that the wonder is that our church is respected at all. But our Methodism has wonderful adhesive properties, and we sometimes hold together when it looks like we can't do so. B. H. Miller, the little man, is the anxious pastor and had rather die than fail. His report will be good. I will finish my report next week.

J. W. SIMS.

**Fairview Station, Texarkana.**

Last night we closed a two weeks' revival meeting. Rev. T. D. Scott, pastor of First church, did most of the preaching. His sermons were plain, practical and instructive. Congregations large. Several professed faith in Christ. Twenty-four joined the church making sixty so far this year. Largest communion service yesterday in the history of the church.

Hope to have the charge in fine condition to turn over to the new pastor at Conference.

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**Weatherford District.**

In the notes from the Weatherford District published in last week's issue your printer puts the number of conversions at thirty-nine when it should have been 339. You may now state that there have been 611 conversions since June the 1st and 505 additions to the church. Total reported to date for the conference year 777. Bro. Seaton, our pastor at Sayre assisted by Bro. O. L. Martin, our district evangelist, and Brother Robert Lear, our singer, closed the best meeting ever held in that place last night; 125 conversions and ninety-five additions to the church. The tabernacle will be moved to Elk City today and Bro. Martin and Lear will assist the pastor Bro. W. A. Randle in a meeting there commencing tomorrow night. Bro. Vernon, on the Rocky and Sentinel charge, Bro. W. A. Lewis on the Post and Rev. J. W. Nigh on the Sweetwater charges are having fine revivals. Meetings now in progress. Bros. Martin and Lear will come to Weatherford Sept. 20 to assist Bro. Savage in a two weeks meeting. We

are fully expecting 1,000 or more additions this year. Fine rain over the greater part of this district Saturday night, broke the long protracted drought of ten months. The ground is now in fine condition for wheat sowing and the farmers are taking advantage of it. From all indications there will be a large crop sowed this fall.

WM. D. MATTHEWS, P. E.

**Benton Station.**

We have just closed a good meeting at New Hope Church, two miles south of town. There were twenty or twenty-five conversions, and twelve accessions to the Methodist Church. Other churches will share in the results of the meeting. Rev. E. N. Watson was with us from Sunday until Thursday, preaching once each day to the edification and delight of his many friends. Rev. B. L. Glazener, a highly efficient local preacher, who lives in the community, rendered valuable assistance in many ways. The meeting was marked by unusual spiritual power and proved a great blessing to the entire community.

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### Carter Avenue, Ardmore.

Having heretofore given you no report of my work at Carter Avenue church, Ardmore, Okla., I shall now give you a brief account of the visible results of my labors during the year. Our church in this part of town has made considerable progress this year in many respects. Our membership has been greatly strengthened by the addition of thirty-one members to our roll up to date. It is a very gratifying fact that our congregations have increased more than 100 per cent. The attendance at Sunday school has also increased 100 per cent. Our Children's Day service was a decided success, the collection amounting to more than three times that of last year. We have organized both a Senior and Junior League with a good membership. Our young people and children are very much interested in the work and are doing remarkably well. Our Home Mission Society is one of the best in the district. The society has raised for all purposes during this year the sum of \$446. Our church has been repainted and papered, our parsonage raised and brick pillars put under it, repainted and papered, and there has also been some new furniture placed in it. I am glad to say that the man who occupies our parsonage next year will find it much nicer and more comfortable than I found it.

We are planning for a great revival, having made arrangements to hold a series of services beginning the 19th of this month, and will be assisted by Rev. W. F. Jordan, one of our able and efficient conference evangelists.

Our annual conference will soon be here and we hope to be able to make an excellent report. Our faithful, efficient and energetic presiding elder, Rev. W. T. Freeman, is closing out his fourth year on the Ardmore district. We regret very much to give him up, for we have not a better or truer man.

Bro. W. H. Roper, who is in charge of Broadway church of this town has

been doing a most excellent work and he is loved and esteemed by his people not only for his logical and deeply spiritual sermons, but for the strong Christian character which he has shown that he possesses.

Dr. J. M. Gross, president of Hargrove College, has been working like a Trojan in the interest of this school which he is trying to rebuild. He is known as the man who never fails, and his labors have been crowned with success in this, a very difficult undertaking, as he has about completed the erection of the main building of the college and hopes to be able to open its doors this fall to the boys and girls of Oklahoma. Dr. Gross deserves great credit for what he has already accomplished and we feel sure that the bishop could not have found a better or more competent man to do this work. Your friend and brother,

J. H. ROGERS.

### Tillar Circuit.

Everything is moving along nicely in the bounds of Tillar circuit. Our third quarterly conference, which met at Winchester Tuesday, Aug. 24, was a good one, although the attendance of the official board was small. Our people do not take the interest in the quarterly conferences that they should. The people of Texarkana circuit, the charge I served two years before coming here, made the quarterly conferences great occasions. We always had great crowds of people to hear the presiding elder preach his 11 o'clock sermon, and they never failed to have "dinner on the ground." If all our people would take an interest in the quarterly conference and always attend the same could be made a means of grace to the salvation of souls, the upbuilding of the church and the presiding elder's quarterly visits would be a benediction to our cause. Let me urge all our people who may read this to try and go to the quarterly conference.

Ours will meet the next time at Newton's Chapel, Nov. 6 and 7. Our presiding elder, Rev. J. A. Henderson, was present and preached a great sermon on prayer on Tuesday night after the quarterly conference proper had met at 3 p. m.

We had a good report, however. The finances are fairly well up and we are expecting full reports at the end of the year. We have received seventy-two into the church to date and baptized nineteen children. Much has been done to indicate that we are going forward. To God be all the glory. Pray for us.

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This is on Bro. Nigh's work and the Rev. W. J. Hale of Sentinel, Okla., did the preaching. Rev. Reeder and wife of Oklahoma, son-in-law and daughter of our pastor, helped in the singing.

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Brethren, praise God with us; an entire community redeemed. No dances, no swearing; but all praising God. I could write all day telling of the good things, but will close. Respectfully,

A. CRUMPTON, P. C.

### PERSONAL.

Dear Mr. Editor: Please allow me to say that last week I had the pleasure of a visit from Rev. Alonzo Monk, D. D., who is well and favorably known throughout our Southern Methodism, and more especially in the State of Arkansas. The good doctor was with me for six days, and filled my pulpit Sunday and Wednesday evenings to the very great delight and edification of my people. I have heard preachers, representing many different churches all round the world, but I have heard no man who in my humble opinion, surpasses this gifted son of the South in the pulpit. I first knew him thirty years ago, and since that time I have ever watched his star rising toward the meridian. Dr. Monk is resting this year, and his many friends will be glad to learn that his health is improving, so much that he expects to take work next conference. May a kind Providence fully restore his health that he may be permitted to go in and out before the people a prince of God for many long years to come.

R. P. WILSON.

### Grant and Soper Charge.

We have just closed a very successful campaign of fifteen days' continuance at Soper, which marks a great epoch in the history of that town. Never before was it so stirred by the power of God. Rev. J. J. Clark conducted the services, and with his great brain and loving heart he hurled volley after volley of God's eternal truths into the enemy's ranks, until at last the devil was

forced to retreat from his last breast-work. Sinners were made to tremble because of the presence of the Holy Spirit, and cried out in the deep agony of their soul, "What must I do to be saved?" The old-time shouts were heard by many of God's children as the victory was being gained over the evil one. Young men and women and old skeptics were bowed at the altar and praying "God be merciful to me, a sinner." God, through his love and mercy, heard their cry and more than 130 souls were saved, and to the Master be ascribed the victory, the honor and the glory.

Bro. Clark is a most earnest, devoted Christian man, a man of prayer and great faith, and a power for good wherever he may go.

Our church at Soper is greatly strengthened by the effect of the great revival. GEORGE G. SMITH, P. C. Sept. 3, 1909.

### Cowden Circuit.

We have held three revival meetings on the Cowden Circuit. In the first meeting I was assisted by Rev. J. J. Franks of Sabinal, Tex. We had a fine meeting—twenty conversions and thirteen additions to the church. We have just closed a union meeting at Sappington Chapel. Methodists and Presbyterians worked hand in hand fighting sin. The preaching was done by Rev. George P. Howard, pastor-evangelist of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A. Bro. Howard is a fine preacher and a lovable man. The meeting continued ten days and resulted in forty-one conversions. Sixteen joined our church and eight the Presbyterian church. Some will join our church later.

I will start a meeting next Sunday in the Dutch Reformed church. It is in a community where they have never had a revival. We are expecting a great meeting. Pray for us. Yours in the work,

I. W. ARMSTRONG.

### District Evangelist Appointed.

I wish to state in the Western Methodist that Bro. I. D. McClure of Mountain View has been appointed district missionary evangelist for the remainder of the year, and young Bro. C. C. Burton of Maynard, Ark., has been appointed as pastor at Mountain View, and is now in charge of the work.

The preachers of the district are all at their posts, and are having good revivals. Several new churches are being built and the collections have been in advance of last year.

A. F. SKINNER.

### Ussery Circuit.

I closed a week's meeting at Sage's Chapel Aug. 20, with twenty-two conversions. I am now in a union meeting at Ussery which began a week ago. Twenty conversions up to date at Ussery. Pray for us.

R. K. BASS.

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## From Our Field Editor.

(Rev. D. J. Weems.)

## Tecumseh, Okla.

Situated in Pottawatomie county, five miles south of Shawnee, is Tecumseh, a town of about 2,000 inhabitants. It is connected with Shawnee by two railroads and the street cars. This has been for many years a government station. They have fine schools and good churches. We have a beautiful concrete block church. But the dry weather has caused the ground to crack and the walls of the church have given way, so the south side will have to be rebuilt. Rev. H. K. Monroe is our pastor. He has for years been one of the true and faithful preachers of his conference. He is holding services in the M. E. church. They divide half time with him. We collected from the old and secured two new subscribers, Mrs. Dr. E. J. Gray and H. B. Furbee.

## Sparks.

A short run from Shawnee brought me to Sparks, a prosperous little town on the Santa Fe. We have a small parsonage and a nice church.

Rev. J. B. McCance is closing his fourth year on this circuit. His people say they would love to keep him longer. He is quite industrious. He raised a fine crop of potatoes and about 100 bushels of onions. He has also supplemented his salary by working at the carpenter's trade. He is cheerful and does not complain of having a hard time. He has a great helper in his consecrated wife, who is quite intelligent and is a daughter of Rev. H. K. Monroe.

Bro. McCance was not at home when I first reached Sparks, so Carle, their bright little son, piloted me over town, and a good pilot he was.

Preaching at one of the churches prevented me from having preaching at our church. A pleasant night was spent in the happy home of Bro. and Sister S. K. Whitten.

We secured seven new subscribers to the good Western Methodist, viz.: Mrs. W. A. Keys, Miss Clara Wilson, S. Alinbough, Mrs. S. K. Whitten, Mrs. Dora Riley, Mrs. Edw. Fisher and B. F. Irvin.

## Davenport.

At a crossing of the Frisco and Santa Fe roads is Davenport, in Lincoln county. This is a good town of 700 or 800. We have a beautiful new church. Rev. S. M. Sartin is the faithful pastor here and at Stroud. He and Bro. Terrell, a Kentucky Methodist preacher, were holding a meeting, with hope of success. It was my pleasure to enjoy a precious service with them.

We secured four new subscribers and collected from all the old ones, viz.: Bettie Alexander, D. W. Pence, Mrs. R. S. May, E. G. Rose, C. M. Gossett and Philip Terrell.

## Stroud, Okla.

About ten miles northeast from Davenport is Stroud. They have about 2,000 population. It is a real good business point. Have some fine brick stores, three banks, three gins. This is a cotton country and they have good school and church houses. We have a very nice church, Bro. Sartin pastor. He being at Davenport, Bro. J. C. Cornelison was my faithful guide and my host. He and Sister Cornelison did everything necessary to make my visit pleasant and profitable. There was a family reunion at the home of Bro. J. V. Spillman. There were four generations present. Mrs. Amanda J. Morrow, the great-grandmother, in her 77th year, was present and is quite cheerful. She goes among her children and grandchildren like a ray of sunshine. The dinner was first-class, the fellowship sweet and the devotion comforting. At night we had an intelligent representative congregation of men and women, but very few young people. The singing was inspiring and I trust the service did good.

I secured four new subscribers, Mrs.

E. S. Gresham, E. E. Emery, Bud Arnold and L. B. Martin.

## Bristow, Okla.

There are marked signs of life and thrift at Bristow, a town of about 2,000 in Creek county. There are five brick and stone stores being built. The new bank building will cost about \$15,000. They have three banks and nice churches. We have a small parsonage and neat church. Though a shower of rain came up just at church time we had a pleasant service with a very good week-night congregation. Rev. T. A. O'Bryant, who on account of his throat had to give up the work, was present. He thinks of transferring to New Mexico. He is an excellent preacher and fearless defender of the truth and has done much good, though still a young man. Bro. R. O. Stewart, who takes his place, has done well and is faithfully looking after every interest of the church. He has one more year in college. He will then be well equipped for great service in the vineyard of his Lord.

With his aid we secured five new subscribers, viz.: D. I. W. Hallman, L. M. Wolfe, Mrs. V. D. Stout, M. C. Flounoy and Mrs. H. H. Boyle.

## Guthrie, Okla.

The capital of the new State is Guthrie, a city of about 20,000. This is a well located city. Many substantial brick and stone buildings. The Masonic Temple is one of the largest and best in the South. They have most beautiful grounds reserved for the new capitol, which they hope to get. Our church has taken on new life under the leadership of Rev. J. R. Abernathy. The Sunday school is four times as large as it was. There have been several substantial members added to the church. They are planning to build a new church and have option on some very desirable lots. If Bro. Abernathy remains four years he will build an elegant church and will get it on a solid basis. He is a superior man and is blessed with an excellent wife who is a great help in all church work. With his aid we collected from the old and secured on the new Mrs. T. D. Estes, Mrs. J. D. Rimare and Mrs. Elizabeth Patterson.

I was pleased to meet Miss Edna Cartor of Lamar, Ark., while at Guthrie. She is one of the choice young ladies Galloway College has sent out to bless the world. She and her cousin, Miss Patterson, have a class in art and china painting.

## Piedmont.

Between Guthrie and El Reno is Piedmont. There are several good stores and a bank. They are planning to enlarge the school building. We have a real neat church and parsonage. There was a nice ice-cream social on, so I met quite a number of the members. The most of our members are farmers. Some of them have large and well-improved farms. I very much enjoyed a ten-mile drive with Rev. James Arvin, our pastor. He is an obliging brother and is in loving favor with his people. This is his fourth year. They are loth to give him up. His good wife was off on a visit. The church has prospered. They have a good Sunday school and a live Epworth League. Collecting from the old, we secured L. S. Shepperd and Mrs. Anna Norton as new subscribers. Bro. Norton will have a son and daughter in Epworth College this fall.

## El Reno, Okla.

El Reno is quite a business town of 10,000 or 12,000, and, like many of these Western towns, is still building. Rev. H. C. Garrett, our pastor, was away, so my work was chiefly with the old subscribers. Mrs. F. Crocker and C. A. Fiekle subscribed.

They have built a beautiful parsonage and are now talking of a new church. If Bro. Garrett remains here four years they will build a new church, for he is a fine business man as well as an excellent preacher.

## Oklahoma City.

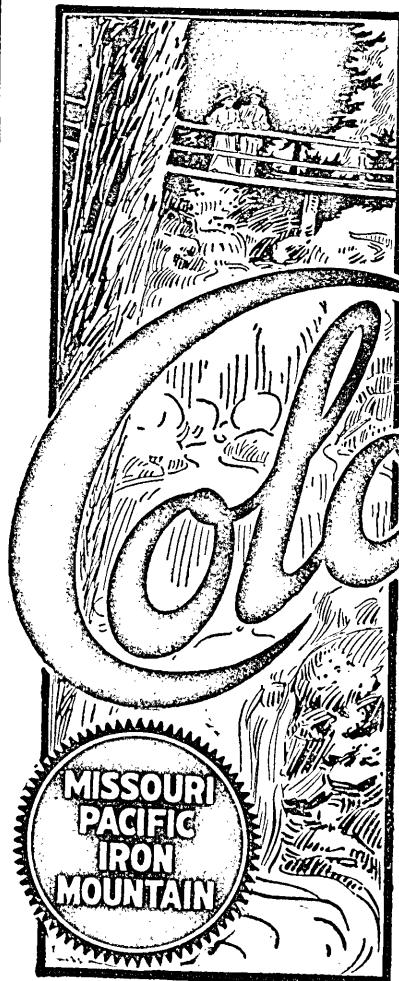
Sunday was spent in Oklahoma City, preaching at Capitol Hill for Rev. W. L. Blackburn in the morning and near Oak Park for Rev. J. E. Disch at night. Oklahoma City still grows. For several miles in every direction new homes are being built. In the business section several five to ten-story houses are being built. It is destined to be a great city. The church has a great opportunity. We are in part trying to meet this responsibility. Our St. Luke's is a great church and is a very popular church. Dr. Denney has greatly pleased his hearers the past three months while Dr. Knickerbocker was on his trip to the Orient.

Bro. Blackburn is a graduate of Georgetown, Tex., and is a fine young preacher. He has added about fifty to his church roll, Sunday school and Epworth League doing well. Eleven of his members subscribed for the Western Methodist.

Bro. Disch has an elegant congregation. They worship in a bungalow cottage. They are building a temporary place of worship. Have elegant lot and plans for a \$50,000 church to be called St. John's. They also have lot for St. James'. We had a fine service, excellent singing. Twelve subscribed for the Western Methodist. There have been about 100 additions to the church this year. Bro. Disch rode me around in his automobile. He is a big and good Disch, one that I love very much, although when he introduced me to his congregation he said, "You will be glad when he gets through."

Dr. A. L. Seales, the excellent presiding elder, was in the city Sunday, he and I preaching at the same place alternate hours. A delightful night was spent in the district parsonage. He and his cultured wife contributed much to my comfort. Having been in several charges of the Oklahoma City district, I heard nothing but good reports of the presiding elder. He is a strong preacher and is giving all of his attention to his district. While in the city I secured twenty-eight new subscribers. St. Luke's is to be canvassed later.

I was pleased to meet A. H. Classon, who has done so much for Epworth University. It is a great thing to have a big-hearted man to stand by our schools.



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(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.)

**NELSON.**—Albert J. Nelson was born in Choctaw county May 8, 1892, and departed this life July 31, 1909, age 17 years. Seldom has it been our duty to record so sudden a death. A dark gloom spread over the little town of Grant Saturday evening when it was whispered from one to another that Bert is dead. He was of affectionate disposition, bright and winning in his ways, so that friendship's circle to him was a large one. He was a devout member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and was secretary both of the Sunday school and Junior League. Greatly indeed will he be missed here. For quite a while he had been declining in health, and at times his sufferings were intense, but he bore it all with great fortitude and patience. Everything that loving hand and medical skill could do was done and we bow in meek submission to the will of him who knoweth best. We know that words of sympathy sound empty in this darkest hour to the bereaved father, mother and sisters, but loved ones weep not as those having no hope, for we know that he has entered into that more abundant life and is waiting for you over there.

His pastor,  
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Grant, Okla.

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Waltermire, his singer. He is such a sweet spirited man. The work they did in this community will long live in the hearts of my people.

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"Milk that has been mixed with chalk or water."  
"Oh, no; it impairs the quality, that's all."  
"Does water in milk make anybody sick?"  
"Why, of course not; but when a person pays for milk he wants milk, not water, which he can get for little or nothing when he desires it. It is a swindle on the public to put water in milk."

"But you say no one is hurt by it."  
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Soon after they passed a low corner saloon, when the door opened, and a man who came staggering out, tripped, struck his head against a lamp-post and fell heavily on the sidewalk, where he lay as one dead.

"What is the matter with that man?" asked the foreigner from Japan.

"Full of benzine," replied the municipal officer, with a glance of disgust.

"Benzine! What is that?"  
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"Bad whisky is a poison?"  
"Deadly poison sometimes."

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"Of course, or he couldn't carry on business."

"And do you inspect the whisky as you do the milk?"

"Never."

"Yet there may be poison in it, while the milk is adulterated with chalk and water, which do no harm in particular, you say."

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## QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

## Oklahoma Conference.

## OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

Guthrie	Sept. 11, 12
Perry	Sept. 12, 13
Piedmont	Sept. 13, 19
El Reno	Sept. 19, 20
Shawnee, Trinity	Sept. 25
Shawnee, 1st Church	Sept. 26
Tecumseh	Sept. 26, 27
Washington Ct., at W.	Oct. 2, 3
Blanchard Ct. at B.	Oct. 3, 4
Noble and Shiloh at N.	Oct. 4
Arcadia and Wheatland at A.	Oct. 6
Sparks circuit at S.	Oct. 8, 9
Stillwater	Oct. 9, 10
Union Chapel circuit at U. C.	Oct. 11, 12
Sawnee circuit at Bethel	Oct. 12, 13
McLoud	Oct. 13
Franklin circuit at F.	Oct. 16, 17
Norman	Oct. 17, 18
Oklahoma City Ct. at Moore	Oct. 23, 24
Oklahoma City, Epworth	Oct. 31
Oklahoma City, St. Luke's	Oct. 31

A. L. SCALES, P. E.

## ARDMORE DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Broadway—Ardmore	Sept. 19, 20
Wynwood	Sept. 19, 20
Carter Avenue—Ardmore	Sept. 26, 27
Berwin and Dougherty at D.	Sept. 26, 27
Hennepin at Homer	Oct. 2, 3
Elmore at Purdy	Oct. 3, 4
Cornish and Loco at Loco	Oct. 5
Tishomingo and Mannville at T.	Oct. 9, 10
Wapanucka	Oct. 10, 11
Grady at Atlee	Oct. 16, 17
Lone Grove at Hewett	Oct. 17, 18
Overbrook at Overbrook	Oct. 19
Lebanon at Enville	Oct. 23, 24
Providence at Hoxbar	Oct. 24, 25
Marietta	Oct. 27
Thacherville and Burneyville at T.	Oct. 28
Woodford and Springer at S.	Oct. 30, 31
Davis and Oak Ridge at D.	Oct. 31, Nov. 1

Let the pastors see that all reports to be made to the Fourth Quarterly Conference are prepared and in hand.

W. T. FREEMAN, P. E.

## McALESTER DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Stonewall Avenue	Sept. 5, 6
McCurran Station	Sept. 11, 12
Phillips Memorial	Sept. 18, 19
Hartshorne	Sept. 19, 20
Eufaula Circuit	Sept. 25, 26
Eufaula Station	Sept. 26, 27
Allison Circuit	Oct. 2, 3
Atoka Station	Oct. 3, 4
Canadian Ct.	Oct. 9, 10
Quinton Ct.	Oct. 10, 11
Kiowa Station	Oct. 16, 17
Stuart Circuit	Oct. 17, 18
Coalgate and Centrahoma	Oct. 19, 20
Mowdy and Wardville	Oct. 20, 21
Poteau	Oct. 23, 24
Howe	Oct. 24, 25
Wilburton Station	Oct. 26, 27
Recola	Oct. 28, 29
Spiro Sta.	Oct. 30, 31

Let the trustees have full reports on all church property. The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies are to make full reports of their year's work. The pastors should be able to report all collections in full and the stewards should make all preparation to pay salaries in full at the quarterly meeting.

S. G. THOMPSON P. E.

## DURANT DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Talminha	Sept. 14-15
Tuskahoma—preaching at Jumbo	Sept. 16-17
at Moyer Sept. 18-19	
Antlers, 8 p. m. Sept. 19; preaching at Nelson	8 p. m. Sept. 20; Q. C. 8 p. m. Sept. 21
Ft. Towson, 11 a. m., Sept. 26; preaching at Sawyer,	8 p. m. Sept. 22; at Valliant 8 p. m. Sept. 23; at Millerton 8 p. m. Sept. 24; at Swink 8 p. m. Sept. 25
Idabel, 8 p. m., Sept. 26; Q. C., Sept. 27; preaching at Garvin,	8 p. m., Sept. 28
Grant, 8 p. m. Oct. 3; preaching at Soper	8 p. m., Sept. 29; at Kent 8 p. m. Sept. 30
Hugo, 11 a. m., Oct. 3; Q. C., Oct. 5	
Colbert, Q. C. at 1 p. m. Oct. 6, preaching at 8 p. m.	
Kingston, preaching at 8 p. m. Oct. 8; Woodville, Q. C., 9 a. m., Oct. 9, preaching at 8 p. m. and 11 a. m. Oct. 10	
Madill, 8 p. m., Oct. 10; Q. C. Oct. 11	
Cumberland, preach at 8 p. m. Oct. 15 and 16; Q. C., 2 p. m., Oct. 16; preaching at Grantham,	8 p. m., Oct. 12; at Bolin schoolhouse, 8 p. m., Oct. 13; at Linn, 8 p. m., Oct. 14; at Aylesworth, 11 a. m., Oct. 17
Durant, Oct. 19	
Caddo, Oct. 22-24	
Albany, Oct. 26	
Bokchito, Oct. 27	
Boswell and Bennington, Oct. 28-31	

J. A. PARKS, P. E.

## Arkans. Conference.

## MORRILTON DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Conway Mis. at Salem	Sept. 11, 12
Adona Ct. at Opele	Sept. 18, 19
Houston and Perry Ct. at Perry	Sept. 19, 20
Bigelow Sta.	Sept. 26, 27
Holland Ct. at Oakland	Oct. 2, 3
Quitman Ct.	Oct. 9, 10
Fiat Rock Ct. at Central	Oct. 10, 11
Quitman Sta.	Oct. 11
Springfield Ct. at Greenbrier	Oct. 16, 17
Damasus Ct. at Damascus	Oct. 23, 24
Clinton Ct.	Oct. 25
Appleton Ct.	Oct. 26
Conway Sta.	Oct. 27
Dover Ct. at Dover	Oct. 28
Russellville Sta.	Oct. 29
Pottsville Ct. at Bell's Chapel	Oct. 30
Atkins Sta.	Oct. 31
Morrilton Sta.	Nov. 1

JOHN H. GLASS, P. E.

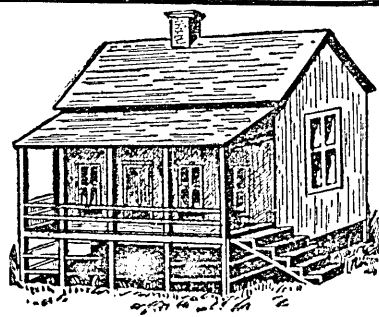
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## FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

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.

## FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

War Eagle at Oak Grove	Sept. 11, 12
Rogers	Sept. 12
Springtown Ct. at Weddington	Sept. 18, 19
Lincoln Ct. at Cincinnati	Sept. 19
Siloam Springs	Sept. 20
Viney Grove Ct. at Farmington	Sept. 25, 26
Prairie Grove	Sept. 26, 27
Winslow Ct. at Winslow	Oct. 2, 3
Fayetteville	Oct. 3, 4
Elm Springs	Oct. 9, 10
Pea Ridge at Brightwater	Oct. 16, 17
Bentonville	Oct. 17
Springdale	Oct. 23, 24

J. M. HUGHER, P. E.

## DARDANELLE DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Prairie View Ct.	Oct. 2, 3
Dardanelle Ct.	Oct. 9, 10
Dardanelle Station	Oct. 10, 11

J. H. O'BRYAN, P. E.

## HARRISON DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Lead Hill Ct. at Omaha	Sept. 11, 12
Huntsville Ct. at Huntsville	Sept. 18, 19
Gasville Ct. at Oak Grove Chapel	Sept. 19, 20
Mountain Home Sta.	Sept. 26, 27
Cottar	Oct. 2, 3
Yellville Sta.	Oct. 3, 4
Yellville Ct. at Cedar Grove	Oct. 9, 10
Bellefonte Ct. at Bellefonte	Oct. 16, 17
Marshall	Oct. 17, 18
Valley Spgs. Ct. at Cross Roads	Oct. 23, 24
Harrison	Oct. 24, 25

Idabel, 8 p. m., Sept. 20; Q. C., Sept. 27;

WM. T. THOMPSON, P. E.

## BATESVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Dosha Ct. at Oak Valley	Sept. 11, 12
Bethesda Ct.	Sept. 18, 19

A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

## JONESBORO DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

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.

## Little Rock Conference.

## PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Swan Lake	Sept. 11, 12
Macon at Sulphur Springs	Sept. 18, 19
Lakeside	Sept. 25, 26
Sherrill at Humphrey	Sept. 26, 27
Altheimer at Altheimer	Oct. 2, 3
Stuttgart	Oct. 3, 4
DeWitt Sta.	Oct. 9, 10
DeWitt Ct. at Mt. Zion	Oct. 16, 17
Star City and Dumas, at Star City	Oct. 23, 24
Douglass and Grady at Grady	Oct. 30, 31
Hawley Memorial	Oct. 31, Nov. 1
Roe and St. Charles at Bethel	Nov. 2
Redfield at Bethel	Nov. 6, 7
Gillett	Nov. 10
Sheridan	Nov. 13, 14
Rowell at Mt. Olivet	Nov. 17
Rison at Wofford's Chapel	Nov. 20, 21
Kingsland at Grace	Nov. 27, 28

W. W. CHRISTIE, P. E.

## TEXARKANA DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Foreman	Sept. 11, 12
Ashdown	Sept. 18, 19
Wilton	Sept. 25, 26
Horatio	Oct. 2, 3
Umpire	Oct. 9, 10
Lockesburg	Oct. 16, 17
Jansen	Nov. 23, 24
Dierks	Nov. 6, 7
DeQueen	Nov. 8
Cherry Hill	Nov. 13, 14
Mena	Nov. 14, 15
Texarkana Ct.	Nov. 18

Mt. Ida	Nov. 21, 22
College Hill	Nov. 25
Fairview	Nov. 26
Bright Star	Nov. 27, 28
First Church	Nov. 29

THOS. H. WARE, P. E.

## LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

First Church	Sept. 19
Twenty-eighth Street	Sept. 19
Henderson	Sept. 19
Winfield	Sept. 26
Hunter	Sept. 26
Capitol	Sept. 3
Asbury	Oct. 3
Austin Ct., at Mt. Tabor	Oct. 9, 10
Maumelle Ct., at Roland	Oct. 16, 17
DeVall's Bluff and Des Arc, at D. A.	Oct. 24
Lonoke	Oct. 25
Tomberlin Ct., at Tomberlin	Oct. 30, 31
England	Oct. 31
Bryant Ct., at Bryant	Nov. 6, 7
Mabelvale Ct., at Mabelvale	Nov. 7, 8
Oak Hill Ct., at Congo	Nov. 13, 14
Benton	Nov. 14, 15
Hickory Plains Ct., at Cross R'ds.	Nov. 20, 21
Carlisle Mission, at Hamilton	Nov. 27, 28
Carlisle and Hazen, at Hazen	Nov. 28

A. C. MILLAR, P. E.

## ARCADELPHIA DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Malvern Ave.	Sept. 12
Tigert Memorial	Sept. 12
Lono at Leola	Sept. 18, 19
Holly Springs at Sardis	Sept. 25, 26
Malvern Ct. at Rockport	Oct. 2, 3
Malvern Sta.	Oct. 3
Caddo Ct. at Thompson's Chapel	Oct. 9, 10
Central Ave.	Oct. 17
Third Street	Oct. 17
Hot Springs Ct. at New Salem	Oct. 23, 24
Tigert Memorial	Oct. 24, 25
Amity at County Line	Oct. 30, 31
Princeton at Princeton	Nov. 6, 7
Ussery at Grant's Chapel	Nov. 13, 14
Arkadelphia Ct.	Nov. 20, 21
Arkadelphia Sta.	Nov. 21, 22
Social Hill	Nov. 27, 28

H. M. BRUCE, P. E.

## PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Hope	Sept. 18, 19
Gurdon	Sept. 25, 26
Pike City	Oct. 2, 3
Okolona	Oct. 3, 4
Murfreesboro	Oct. 9, 10
Bingen	Oct. 10, 11
Nathan	Oct. 13
Blevins	Oct. 16, 17
Spring Hill	Oct. 23, 24
Washington	Oct. 30, 31
Nashville	Oct. 31
Mineral Springs	Nov. 6, 7
Centre Point	Nov. 7, 8
Chidester	Nov. 13, 14
Harmony	Nov. 20, 21
Emmet	Nov. 21, 22
Prescott	Nov. 27, 28

The trustees will please be ready to answer Question 29. Let our women be ready to answer Questions 14 and 16.

W. C. HILLIARD, P. E.

## MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Crossett Sta.	Sept. 18, 19
Collins Ct. at Collins	Sept. 25, 26
New Edinburg Ct. at Wheeler Spg.	Oct. 2, 3
Hermitage Ct., at Hermitage	Oct. 5
Watson Ct., at Watson	Oct. 9, 10
Johnsville Ct., at Green Hill	Oct. 13
Lacey Ct. at Lacey	Oct. 16, 17
Monticello Sta.	Oct. 17, 18
Snyder Ct. at Snyder	Oct. 23, 24
Hamburg Sta.	Oct. 24, 25
Hamburg Ct., at Antioch	Oct. 25
Willmar Sta.	Oct. 30, 31
Warren Sta.	Oct. 31, Nov. 1
Mt. Pleasant Ct.	Nov. 3
McGehee Sta.	Nov. 5
Tillar Ct., at Newton's Chapel	Nov. 6, 7
Eudora Ct.	Nov. 11, 12
Lake Village & Portland, at L. V.	Nov. 14, 15
Parkdale & Wilmet at Wilmet	Nov. 20, 21
Dermott & Ark. City, at Dermott	Nov. 27, 28

J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

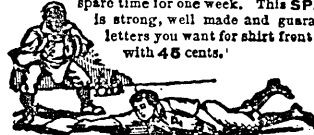
## CAMDEN DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Lewisville Ct.	Sept. 11, 12
Wesson Sta.	Sept. 18, 19
Waldo Ct.	Sept. 25, 26
Bearden Ct.	Oct. 2, 3
Camden Ct.	Oct. 9, 10
Junction City Sta.	Oct. 16, 17
Thornton Ct.	Oct. 23, 24
Hampton Ct.	Oct. 30, 31
El Dorado Ct.	Nov. 6
El Dorado Sta.	Nov. 7, 8
Atlanta Ct.	Nov. 13, 14
Magnolia Ct.	Nov. 15
Stamps Sta.	Nov. 16
Fordyce Sta.	Nov. 17
Huttig and Strong	Nov. 20, 21
Stephens Sta.	Nov. 23
Camden Sta.	Nov. 28, 29

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Let our women be ready to answer Questions 14 and 16 and let the board of trustees be ready with answers to Question 29.

R. W. McKAY, P. E.

## White River Conference.

## PARAGOULD DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

Paragould, First church	Sept. 12
Paragould, East Side	Sept. 12, 13
Brighton, at Brighton	Sept. 18, 19
Paragould Ct., at New Hope	Sept. 25, 26
Gainesville Ct., at Oak Grove	Oct. 2, 3
Black Rock and Portia, at B. R.	Oct. 9, 10
Lorado, at Warren's Chapel	Oct. 16, 17
Boydsville Ct., at Rock Springs	Oct. 22
Rector Ct., at Marmaduke	Oct. 23, 24
Piggott Ct., at Piggott	Oct. 30, 31
Corning Station	Nov. 6, 7
Knobel, at Knobel	Nov. 7, 8
Pocahontas and Hoxie at P.	Nov. 13, 14
Reyno Ct. at Biggers	Nov. 14
Maynard Ct. at Siloam	Nov. 20, 21
Pocahontas Ct. at Clearview	Nov. 23
Walnut Ridge Station	Nov. 27, 28
Imboden Ct. at Imboden	Dec. 3
Mammoth Springs and Hardy at H.	Dec. 4, 5

J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

## SEARCY DISTRICT.

## (Fourth Round.)

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## Eldorado, Okla.

The revival which has been conducted under the auspices of the Methodist church and the Cumberland Presbyterian church of Eldorado, Okla., formally closed Tuesday night, Aug. 24. The spirit of the revival continues, and the good accomplished during the meeting abides. I can not bring myself to estimate the number converted. I may with certainty declare that hundreds felt the power of the Spirit of God.

Some results of the meeting held: At 11 o'clock Sunday, Aug. 22, I received into the church forty-nine persons, and I baptized eleven infants. Among the number received were dozens of children from my congregation and Sunday school. I have preached to the children of the congregation at 11 o'clock the first Sunday of every month, and my ministry has been directed toward the commitment which gave the Master the children for life-service in his kingdom. Before receiving those presenting themselves for membership the rules of the church were read and applied. The polity of the Methodist church was outlined. A discipline will be furnished by the church to every member uniting on profession of faith. Notwithstanding the fact that last year the building in which we worship was enlarged, we are in need of room for our Sunday school. Possibly before conference plans for a \$10,000 brick will be accepted and contract let; certainly within the next six months a new house will have been con-

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tracted. The house to be erected will be primarily for the Sunday school, with moderate provisions for preaching.

Summary: Every department of church work is prosperous. The weekly teachers' meeting is a source of power. From fifteen to twenty workers are regularly in attendance. Sunday morning last there were present 150 pupils; of the number enrolled but four absent. The school's offering to missions last year was \$20; this year, \$40; birthday offerings last year, \$8.25; this year, \$30.

The church register shows 200 persons to have been enrolled and retained as active members in this church. The Eldorado Methodist church has struggled against emigration, drunkenness and "boot-legging" this year, but has increased the membership in spite of these difficulties. The character of this membership is unusually worthy: no inconsistencies are tolerated. Quality and not quantity is the ambition of this church. The support of local interests and connectional interests is distributed so as to make every member have a part in the obligations. We mean, brethren, to make, if it is not already so, Eldorado Methodist church the example of greatest zeal in Mangum district.

O. W. STEWART.

## Pottsville Circuit and Its Evangelist Pastor.

Allow us space for our first time to tell your hosts of anxious readers about the Lord's work on our little charge. As soon as our new pastor, Bro. E. A. Goode, with his good wife and three pretty children were snugly and comfortably lodged in our new parsonage, he began talking and praying for a revival. He was almost buried with other work. A ministers' correspondence course kept him over his typewriter, but he never lost interest in the souls of men. As soon as the weather would permit he pitched his old gospel tent with us, engaged his efficient singer, Bro. G. L. Grissom, and in his usual, logical way began talking and reasoning on the price of a soul. His evangelistic work in Texas and as district evangelist has given him a knowledge of subjects and men that is especially helpful to him in his work. He is a great fighter of sin in all its forms, and especially the great evils that attend the drink habit. Fortunately, he doesn't come in contact with many on his charge who guzzle the fiery stuff, but let us pray with him that our great commonwealth will soon see fit to do away with the traffic entirely.

I feel sure he would battle with the grog demon at the risk of his salary, and if his social standing were at stake—in fact, he doesn't ask for much money, but feels that his recompense is great with seeing souls saved. Bro. Goode is in fine favor with his people and has made hosts of friends outside the church. He has held tent meetings at the four churches on the charge with something over 100 conversions and backsliders reclaimed, and nearly half that many additions to the church. He is now engaged in a camp meeting near Quitman. We hear that the meeting is a great success and God's cause is being strengthened in that community. His great physique and wonderful power of endurance enable him to render a great service along his line of work. After holding two to three services each day for the past two months he informs us that, with our prayers, he thinks he will last through September and longer. He is coming back to the charge again the second Sunday and begin more tent meetings in order that nothing shall be left undone in his field of work that he may be able to do. He is dissatisfied to see a soul lost that he may be able to advise. He is a living exponent of that Christian, brotherly love taught and exemplified by the Man of Galilee.

Readers, pray for our pastor and people, that our meetings yet to be held may prove a blessing and that our courage and strength may not decrease with

the passing of the revival meetings, but that we may sink into thanksgiving and do more work in our Sunday schools and churches this winter than we have ever accomplished before, and that we may assist in that broad evangelism that ministers to the spiritual, intellectual, physical and social needs of men in the name of the Nazarene, always with that supreme religious aim as the dominating power of our whole lives.

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## Halley's Comet.

Dear Western Methodist: In October next "Halley's Great Comet" will appear between the constellations Taurus, the Bull, and Gemini, the Twins. Its tail will be over 20 degrees, over 2,250,000 miles long. Its nucleus, or head, will appear like great blood red Antares, in Scorpio, the Scorpion. It will remain with us all the time until the end of next June, and then it will entirely disappear. It last appeared in 1835. It was then a poor little motherless boy, 3 years old. All the people were awfully alarmed, thinking that our world would soon end. My good old grandmother then took me up in her arms, and she, trembling with fear from head to feet, showed me that most fearful-looking comet. I then screamed from fear, and with my little arms held grandmother tightly around her neck. That is as far back as I can remember. I am now an old man, 77 years old. I have not yet fully gotten over that awful scare. Since then I have seen various comets; but none so scary as was Halley's. I honestly confess that I am not anxious to see this fearful comet again.

I am fully backed by astronomy. For many thousands of years past this comet has appeared regularly every seventy-five years—never has failed—never will fail. And on every occasion of its coming during all the past it created a

wonderfully solemn sensation throughout this whole world. And it will do it again this time. Do not laugh about it. Do not brag yet. Just wait and see. This comet will retrograde—will travel backward. Different from the stars? Yes, curious. When the people of this old world shall see this most wonderful comet, with its great blood-red head, and enormous tail millions of miles long, go dashing backward through the heavens. Oh, then many strong boasting people will turn pale, and be as solemn as the graveyard! I do not think that this comet will destroy our world, nor do I think it will harm any person or thing. Perhaps after a while you may become used to it; but at first you will feel very solemn.

Many are asking me, "Will this comet anyway resemble the 'Star of Bethlehem' which recently appeared and remained five weeks and then disappeared entirely?" Answer: "The Star of Bethlehem was yellow, blue and white, and was one of the most beautiful and most lovely objects in all the heavens; but this comet will be the most scary. The contrast is most wonderfully great. Much love to all. Yours in Christ,

JAMES M. CLINE.

P. S.—Should I live to see this comet again, I now most cordially invite all persons who may wish to do so to come to Benton, Ark., and, free of any charge whatever, let me give them a real good telescopic view of this great comet. I would do so with much pleasure.

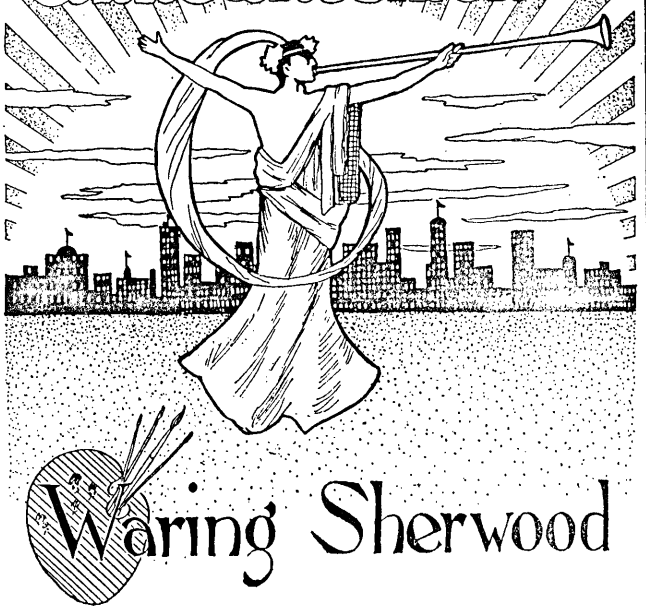
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