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WATCHMAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?

How stands the battle for temperance? We answer that there is no reason at all on any part of the field, to be discouraged; there is every reason to press the battle to the very gates.

The failure of Alabama to adopt the other day the constitutional amendment is not an evidence that Alabama is tired already of her statutory prohibition, whatever the whiskyites may say. It is admitted even by our enemies that the issue was tangled up with personal issues, that the people did not vote upon the bare issue of prohibition. This was the case in Tennessee in the great Carmack-Patterson campaign. It has been the case in almost every instance in recent years where the cause of temperance failed. It is most unfortunate that we should ever get into such a situation in any election. Whenever the people get a chance to vote on the bare issue of whisky or no whisky, they wipe out whisky; they are tired of its ruin, tired of its hateful rule. But we can never tell what is going to happen when we give the politicians a chance to tangle the issue with all sorts of personal issues. When the people of Arkansas vote on this question, they must see to it that we get a vote on the single issue, as the people of Oklahoma did, and then we shall do what Oklahoma did, wipe out liquor.

It is no surprise that the enemy does not cease to fight when we knock out liquor by vote. The liquor men fight in line with monetary profit—it means millions to them to perpetuate their trade. They fight in line also with powerful appetites and with all the depraved and depraving forces of human nature. They are not going to surrender until they are absolutely made to do it. We advised our readers in advance that there would be liquor sold in Oklahoma after the prohibition measures should be enacted. We advised them that it would take time to make the transition from territorial government to State government, and time to get in motion and into action the machinery of the State government, and then time to convince these lawless fellows that the State of Oklahoma meant business. We advised our readers also that a bad situation would be created in Memphis, Tenn., by the enactment of prohibition for Tennessee, and that it would be a very bad situation for a time, with local sentiment against the law, and with the sympathy of the State's administration on the side of the liquor-sellers of Memphis. We advised that the only possible remedy for such places in the State of Tennessee was an enforcement commission, with power to employ detectives and power to go into the courts in the name of the State. The events have shown that we were correct. There is liquor sold in Oklahoma and Memphis may be said to be wide open. All right, gentlemen of the liquor traffic! all right! you are only advertising to all men that you are the worst law-breakers on the face of the earth; that you are banded together to break the laws of the country; that your gigantic organization is at war with the most fundamental principles of all government, and that you strike at the very roots of civil order!

You think this country is going to put up with you are the biggest set of fools in this world!

More and more men are being made to see that there is not room enough on this planet for honest government and the Model License League; one or the other will have to go!

We entertain no doubt at all that Governor Haskell and his coadjutors will yet make good in Oklahoma. The people of that great State are not going to live under the rule of whisky. We make no doubt that Tennessee will yet make good. The battle will probably be fought over in that State, and the pendulum may even swing to the other side for the moment, but Tennessee will settle into the dry column. The same course may be taken in Alabama, but there will be the same ending there. It will be so and it must be so in every field of contest; it is impossible that it should be otherwise, for nothing is ever settled, in this country, till it is settled right. It has been said that might makes right. For the moment it sometimes seems so. But be it remembered that in the last analysis right makes might; the eternal years of God are hers; and God gets his decrees registered at last in human brains and in human hearts. He has registered his decree as to the liquor traffic in the minds of men. All the great leaders of this nation are pronouncing its doom. The great railways are against it, and will dismiss from their service the men who use it. The great manufacturing and commercial concerns are against it, and have no place for men that use it. The great labor unions are ringing out against it as the worst enemy of the working man and his wife and children. Certainly all the churches are against it. The great universities are against it, with the whole school system of the country pounding upon it every day that comes. It can no more stand than the law of gravitation can be reversed.

As for Arkansas, let our people remember that we yet have in our midst the liquor traffic. We have sixty-one of our seventy-five counties dry; we have nearly all parts of the remaining fourteen counties dry; but we have liquor in such places as Little Rock, Pine Bluff, Hot Springs, Fort Smith, Texarkana, Newport, and Camden. We shall have it out of Texarkana and out of Newport next year. But so long as we have the traffic entrenched anywhere in this State, we shall have a liquor organization in this State; and that liquor organization will be but a branch of and an agent of the national liquor organization, standing in our midst like an army of occupation to wield the entire power of the Model License League, the most gigantic organization ever gotten together on American soil, with the most despicable purposes ever cherished on American soil; for the Model License League has hundreds of thousands of men back of it, all liquor men, and it has hundreds of millions of capital back of it, and has but one purpose—to stop this prohibition "fanaticism." So long as we have the liquor traffic in this State at all, we shall have the power of this whole organization to fight. They will seek to control our election machinery, as they have always done. They will be on hand at our elections, with barrels of money. They will be at our legislature with other barrels of money. They are here to bribe and to hoodle; they are here to corrupt and debauch. We must and we will put an end to them. The only possible way to do it is to wipe the last saloon out of this State. And we will do it. Send none but the proper men to the legislature, specially to the Senate.

OUR GREAT EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN.

Our recent great campaign for Christian education in Arkansas has opened the eyes of the world. The whole country has been made to take notice. Nothing has so tested, nothing so revealed, the mettle of our Arkansas people. One of our wisest connectional men recently said to us, just after the great collection at Arkadelphia, "You people over here beat our people giving." We heard Bishop Hendrix tell a great audience at Searcy that Arkansas has acquired a reputation of doing well what we do; that in educational matters, considering the time we have been at it, and considering the resources at our command, we have outstripped our sister States. Let our people open their eyes to the significance of these facts.

It is a good and blessed thing to so live that you will not be under the necessity of using one ounce of energy to repair your blunders; it is even better so to live that you will not need to spend a moment of time in fencing against a wrong you have committed. Such living would leave us all our strength and all our time to put in on doing God's blessed will in the earth. How terrible it is for the man who must devote much of his time and strength to things that ought never to have been!

The kingdom of God is wider than the registers of the church. It has sent its roots far out into the soil of all the civilized world. The church really directs much that is not under its name and not directly under its control. The power of the church may be organic, it may be dynamic. In this latter way the church has created and now directs all the charities of the world and all the reform movements of the world. "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

Is there any greater force in Arkansas or Oklahoma for the upbuilding of Methodism than the Western Methodist? We do not ask such a question for the purpose of feeding our own vanity; we ask it in all soberness and for the purpose of asking another question—Cannot all readers of the Western Methodist who really believe that it is such a force really do something to extend still further its influence. Try it, dear reader, try it this very day.

We have one or two more questions to ask about church papers: Has the reading of your church paper done you any good? Has it informed you? Has it inspired you? Has it broadened you? Has it or has it not? Would it be a good deed if you should get others to reading it? This is addressed to laymen and lay-women.

The laymen of the church are in the midst of a great campaign. They are to hold meetings in seventy-five cities of the United States. In the first seven cities in which they have held meetings they have raised the missionary contributions from \$145,041 to \$452,416.

There is a difference between optimism and a cheerful idiocy, as there is also a difference between pessimism and a dismal insanity.

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Notes and Personals

"Does your religion mean business, or is it a toy?"—Henry Drummond to Young Men.

Education means the bringing out the utmost best of the best that is in us.—Bishop Hendrix.

"Sidney Smith said of Daniel Webster that he was a steam engine in breeches."—Bishop Hendrix.

The man who has reached the limit of his growth has reached his second death.—Bishop Hendrix.

Some people's lips ought to be washed with soapsuds. Shall it be so with a minister of God.—Bishop Hendrix.

Learn what part of the Bible the people are reading; root your pastoral visiting in the word of God.—Bishop Hendrix.

I do not know of any greater calamity than a man who has accumulated a million dollars and a drunken son.—Bishop Hendrix.

Rev. W. C. Hilliard, Presiding Elder of Prescott District, after visiting a few days in Drew County, passed through our city Wednesday and called at this office.

Christ came into this world to make us perfect. We do not shy at the term or at the fact. "Be ye perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect."—Bishop Hendrix.

"I want the hook worm taken out of the South. I would welcome a million dollars for Hendrix College and would thank the man who might give it."—Bishop Hendrix.

The only thing in which we may ever hope to be made perfect in this life is love. We shall never be perfect in wisdom, or in conduct; we can be perfect in love.—Bishop Hendrix.

If a preacher gives his time to building fences and to little odd jobs, his people will conclude that this is all his time is good for and they will let him make his own way.—Bishop Hendrix.

Rev. H. W. Brooks, formerly of the Arkansas, later of the Little Rock, Conference, and now prominent in the Memphis Conference, was a welcome visitor at the White River Conference.

Mr. T. B. King, President of the Laymen's Board of our church, was a visitor to the White River Conference and made an address at a great laymen's meeting. The address was most pleasing to the audience.

Rev. W. F. Dunkle writes that he makes a good start at McAlester. He modestly says that his people are patient and forbearing. We have seen pastors who stood more in need of forbearance than Brother Dunkle.

Last Friday we had a pleasant call from Senator H. B. McKenzie, of Prescott. He is deeply interested in the study of Cicero, and comes in to discuss books with us. It is well for a public man to have such recreation.

Rev. Frank Barrett, who was long a member of the White River Conference, and who is much loved among them of that body, preached a sermon that stirred his old comrades at Searcy on the Thursday afternoon of the Conference.

The time has come when we must do most for the white men of the South. The largest gifts have been hitherto given to negroes; but we have found that the mobs of this country are made of uneducated white men!—Bishop Hendrix.

It was a pleasure to his brethren of the White River Conference to see once more the face of Rev. George A. Dannelly, one of the veterans. Brother Dannelly is partially deaf and is paralyzed in the lower limbs. His general health is good.

Dr. W. B. Palmore, editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate, was a visitor to both the Little Rock Conference and the White River Conference. We always give our fellow editors the right hand of fellowship when they come among us.

The County Anti-Saloon League Convention for Pulaski county will be held in Little Rock at 10 a. m. Dec. 17. It is hoped that all who were elected at the Fourth Quarterly Conferences will endeavor to attend. The place of meeting will be arranged later.

Rev. R. W. McKay, Presiding Elder of the Camden District, requests us to state that after the Conference at Arkadelphia it was arranged for Rev. J. C. Williams to remain on the Hampton Circuit and Rev. W. F. Rogers will serve the Thornton Circuit.

Rev. J. H. Riggin, who was given the honorable position of a superannuated pastor after fifty-six years' service, at the recent session of the Little Rock Conference, will reside in the future at Arkadelphia, Ark. His correspondents will please take notice.

The Virginia Conference at its recent session adopted a memorial to the General Conference asking that body to carefully consider the advisability and feasibility of such territorial adjustments as will prevent the continual friction between various branches of Methodism.

Dr. Cadesman Pope, who took the superannuated relation at the recent session of the White River Conference, has served fifty-one years. He joined Conference in Georgia in the same class with our great missionary, Dr. Young J. Allen. He has the universal respect of his brethren.

Dr. H. M. Du Bose, our Epworth League Secretary, has visited both the Little Rock and the White River Conference. Our readers know that we have recently had occasion to differ with Dr. Du Bose, but we have this to say of him, nevertheless, that he is a man of genial and delightful spirit.

Rev. R. S. Satterfield states that there were some misstatements in his article which appeared in last week's issue. "Only four—three pastors and one presiding elder—were returned for the fourth year" "only twenty pastors and six presiding elders were returned for the third year" is the correct statement.

Rev. J. R. Edwards, one of the purest men in the White River Conference, felt compelled to take the superannuated relation at the late session of his Conference. We trust that he is not yet worn out and that he will live yet many years to serve his church. If our memory is correct, this is the first time he has been on this list.

Recently the trustees of the Arkansas Conference College, the school of the Northern Methodist Church, located at Siloam Springs, Ark., asked for \$11,500.00 to pay off a debt. They have received \$12,750.00 in cash and \$3,100.00 in lots. The campaign was brief, but vigorous and highly successful, and all concerned are in high spirits.

But can we not do our best through education by the State? No, and for this reason: The money put into State institutions represents taxes; the money put into a Christian college represents sacrifice; and we get out of anything what we put into it. If we put into our colleges sacrifice, tears, life, we shall get out of them character, power, substance, life.

Rev. Z. T. Bennett, presiding elder of the Helena district, writes that Rev. J. M. Talkington will supply the Haynes and Madison circuit and Rev. J. H. Bishop will supply the DeVew and Howell circuit. These appointments do not appear in the list as published in another column as that part of the Methodist had been printed before the information was received.

Your educated men are the men whose opinions are worth having. Mr. Elihu Root declined to give an opinion on the will of Mrs. Russell Sage, saying he had not time for such things. When pressed he said he would have to charge a price that would be prohibitive. He was asked to name his price; he named a quarter of a million, and as quickly as the wires could flash, Mrs. Sage said, 'Pay it.'

Rev. G. W. Logan, who superannuated at the session of Little Rock Conference, is one of our most faithful itinerants. He has done hard work for nearly half a century and is now entitled to honorable release from field service. He has always been sweet and uncomplaining. His presence in any community is a benediction. May his last years be his best and may he linger long to bless his brethren.

There is not enough in any of you to make a carpenter and a preacher, nor a farmer and a preacher, nor an editor and a preacher. A preacher of a divided heart will make a church of divided heart, and they will not be supported—they ought not to be supported, they ought to quit. I have never yet known a true man of God who was not truly appraised by the church. If you will give yourself wholly to the church, the church will give itself to you.—Bishop Hendrix.

On his return from White River Conference last Monday Bishop Hendrix was received by Hon. L. B. Leigh and taken by automobile to Scott's Station to see the beautiful All Souls Church, built and used by the different denominations at that place. He was given a reception and enjoyed the large hospitality of the prosperous and progressive people of that vicinity, and then, going across the country to Galloway, took the Rock Island train (stopped there by special order) for Memphis.

The whole country will mourn the death of Mr. Charles N. Crittenton, him of the Rescue Homes, who passed away some days ago in San Francisco, at the age of seventy-six. Many are the Homes which have been founded by his influence and his money; many are they who live to bless his memory. He was a rich man, rich in money, even richer in love and grace. Our Little Rock people especially will hold him in dear remembrance, for they have shared his labors, and one of the Crittenton Homes is established here.

Mr. Washington Duke, who with the other members of his family has given a million of dollars to Trinity College, told me how he began to give to Trinity. We were standing in front of a portrait, on one Benefactors' Day at Trinity, and he said to me, 'Bishop, here is the one that deserves all the credit for what I have done.' It was the portrait of his daughter who told him they were making money faster than they were using it, and begged him to give \$100,00 to bring Trinity College out of the woods to Durham, and when he told her he did not care for such things, she said to me, 'Father, if you will not

do it, take my share of your estate and give it.' He said, 'Bishop, that just broke my heart.'—*Bishop Hendrix.*

One of the relatives of our old friend, Mr. W. E. Robins, who recently died in Fort Smith, thinks our reference to his unique request was not sufficiently plain, and sends us the following as being the words that he used: "If I die and friends care to show their love and sympathy by sending flowers to place on my casket and grave, as is customary, it would please me better if they would put the same amount of money that they would have to pay for flowers (if they have to buy them), in an envelope and lay it on my casket to be given to the Missionary collection of the church or Sunday School." This is precisely what we understood to be the case. Brother Robins was a true and good man, and reflected in these words his love for the church and his indifference to some of the world's ways.

A DISTINCT CRISIS, WHO WILL HELP?

The readers of the Western Methodist should bear in mind that the American Bible Society is fast approaching the expiration of the time allowed it by Mrs. Russell Sage in which to raise the \$500,000.00 necessary to secure her offer of the same amount, and that more than half of the needed sum remain as yet unsubscribed. Something like \$250,000.00 at least must be raised within the next six weeks. A distinct crisis is upon the Society. The largest things in its history are now possible; the greatest demands in its history now confront it. It will be to the eternal discredit of American Christianity, if Mrs. Sage's offer goes by default. It simply must not.

Our own Southwest must assume a worthy share of the responsibility in the matter and must help more than she has been doing hitherto. Something like \$16,000 has been raised in the States of Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas already, but this amount should be increased to \$25,000.00 at least. The Society has been calling for special pledges and special collections from individual churches all over the country. Let our churches fall in line. It has been calling for one hundred men and one hundred women in the country to give as much as \$1,000.00 each. Two noble women of Texas have responded, but two only. Are there not others in Arkansas and Oklahoma who could do so? Rev. Glenn Flinn, the agency secretary for the Southwest, is calling for fifty persons in his territory who will give as much as \$100.00 each. Fourteen have responded to this appeal. Are there not many more who could join in with this amount? A large number in the Southwest have subscribed amounts from \$1.00 to \$100.00. This number should become a multitude.

Good subscriptions are needed; latitude is allowed in their payment. Let the Methodists of Arkansas and Oklahoma take a larger hand in the matter. The Society upon which we are so dependent in our missionary operations certainly deserves our help in this time of crisis. Let a large number of gifts and pledges, both great and small, be sent in to Rev. Glenn Flinn, the Society's representative in our territory, at once. His address is No. 420 Main St., Dallas, Texas. "The Bible is the seed corn of the Kingdom;" to sow it abroad is a privilege in which our people should be glad to share a substantial part.

AFTER FORTY YEARS' SERVICE.

A pleasing incident of the Sunday school service at Winfield Memorial yesterday morning was the presentation of a handsome loving cup to George Thornburgh, the retiring superintendent, by the members of the school. The cup was presented on behalf of the school by James Dickinson, the assistant superintendent, in a few well chosen words, to which Mr. Thornburgh

responded in a feeling manner. Mr. Thornburgh has tendered his resignation on account of the press of other affairs after a service of seven years.—*Gazette, Dec. 5.*

December 8, 1909.

Publishers of the Western Methodist, Little Rock, Ark.:

MY DEAR SIRs—Just after the close of the last campaign the Western Methodist indulged in statements against the State Board of Election Commissioners, of which I am a member, of such character that I was forced personally to resent and without any malice against the Western Methodist, brought suit for libel, which suit is now pending in the Circuit Court of Pulaski County. I felt at the time that the statements of the Methodist should not have been applied to me personally, and still hold to that conviction, and believed that the charges, after proper investigation should be either withdrawn or amended, in so far as they applied to myself. I know that in my official conduct upon the Board of Election Commissioners I sought to perform my duty to the State and to the Democratic party, of which I have been a member ever since the date upon which I reached my majority and was entitled to cast a vote.

Yours truly,

O. C. LUDWIG.

Referring to the above we wish to state that we are willing to publish the statement of Mr. Ludwig, giving him the privilege of disclaiming any wrong in the matters charged against the Board of Election Commissioners. A careful perusal of the articles complained of will show that we did not charge the acts to Mr. Ludwig and are not disposed to do so now. With this understanding Mr. Ludwig consents to withdraw the suit against the paper and we consent for it to be done.

NOTICE PASTORS AND LAYMEN, OF THE PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

A laymen's meeting will be held at Murfreesboro, on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 8-9 February. The basis of representation is one delegate, the lay leader if possible, from each church. Brethren, let us have a good representation. You will be pleased and profited.

J. O. A. BUSH, Leader.

HOW TO FIGHT THE TOBACCO EVIL.

By William A. McKeever, M. A., Ph. M., Professor of Philosophy in the State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kansas.

It is now time to strike a more effective blow against the insidious tobacco habit and the powerful trust that is back of it. The infernal liquor business is now in a condition of panic and retreat. In their desperation for a means of staying the great tide of opposition they are trying to give the saloon business as much the appearance of a Sunday school or prayer meeting as possible. But we are growing a new generation of strong sons of America who have been thoroughly schooled in total abstinence, and who constitute a mighty army of opponents to the liquor demon.

Now, let us learn wisdom, and proceed in the same judicious manner against the tobacco evil, that is, grow a new race of total abstainers. Too long we have been trying to mop up the floor with the faucet open. Let us close the faucet and the floor will gradually become dry. The tobacco trust knows better than many of us do that the only way to perpetuate their business is to keep training innocent boys to smoke. Out of 100 men smokers whom I questioned ninety-nine proved to have begun smoking under eighteen years of age, while every one of them advised against a boy acquiring the habit. The ratio will run in just about this way the country over. Men do not take up the habit after reaching maturity. So the right method of opposing the tobacco traffic is to me perfectly clear. It is this: For the sake of direct and certain re-

sults, stop fighting the adult smoker. Enlist his voice and vote and money contribution in the interest of enacting laws against the use of tobacco by minors, and in the interest of instructing boys in reference to the deleterious nature of the tobacco habit. The members of the Kansas Legislature arose almost to a man and enacted the most radical anti-juvenile-tobacco-using law in existence, and note this most significant fact: *Probably eighty per cent of them had their own pipes and cigars in their pockets at the time of voting.* Fellow workers, there is a great secret there, and we have been too slow catching the meaning of it.

Many of the Kansas towns have enacted the State Law as an ordinance thus making it double-acting. I suggest that the workers throughout the country seek this same two-fold end, prevailing upon the members of the legislatures and councils for an enactment modeled after the Kansas statute, which is given below.

I am satisfied that the average total abstainer is more or less unfair to the man who smokes. You must remember that he feels good and cheerful and optimistic only while the effects of tobacco are present. And he feels mean and miserable and pessimistic whenever he tries to abstain from the habit. Hundreds of thousands of the best men in the country are smokers. They understand the evil effects of their habit better than you do, but well knowing the desperate, long-continued struggle necessary to break up the practice in their lives, they naturally go on making the best of an undesirable situation. But these same good men will gladly help you to keep tobacco away from boys, if you will quit calling them names. See them about it, and all unite in a campaign of education and prohibition dealing directly with the Young American and Heaven will bless your efforts.

For the past ten years I have been making a study of the boy smoker. It is now no longer necessary to argue the point that tobacco using is very hurtful physically, morally and intellectually to growing boys. I have written a bulletin entitled "The Cigarette Smoking Boy," which records a careful study of 2,500 cases. Among other things are shown by pictures and tables the physical ailments and the mental and moral delinquency of these boys. And then, all the best-known methods of cure are reported together with specific means of prevention. Over 600,000 copies of this bulletin have already been sent out for use in the campaign against the tobacco evil.

Now, if you will urge your readers to order this bulletin in quantities from me at one cent per copy, prepaid, which just about covers cost, I will use all the money received for printing more.

Many workers throughout the country are already ordering this pamphlet by the thousands, and distributing them through such agencies as the schools, Sunday schools, State and County Boards of Health, the W. C. T. U.

MIDWINTER BIBLE AND MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The program for the Midwinter Bible and Missionary Conference to be held at Methodist Training School, Nashville, December 30, to January 6, is an unusually strong program. We note that Bishop Hoss, Dr. George R. Stuart, Dr. Ira Landreth, Dr. O. E. Brown, Dr. Walter R. Lambuth, Dr. Henry F. Cope, Dr. Walter Rauschenbusch, Dr. William Byron Forbush, Dr. James Cannon, Jr., Dr. W. H. Park, and others, are on this program. The Conference will be worth attending. The expense for fees and board for the eight days will be only \$13.00. Rev. A. M. Trawick, Jr., Nashville, can give any of our readers more definite information.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

The White River Conference of the M. E. Church, South, met in its fortieth session in Searcy, Ark., Dec. 1st. Bishop E. R. Hendrix presiding. There was a large attendance. F. M. Daniel of Mammoth Spring was elected the secretary, and W. L. Oliver, of Corning, and L. C. Craig, of Walnut Ridge, assistants.

Congressman S. Brundidge delivered a scholarly and much appreciated address of welcome, to which Bishop Hendrix responded.

Dr. W. B. Palmore, editor St. Louis Christian Advocate, Rev. D. J. Weems, field editor of the Western Methodist, Mr. T. B. King, president of the Laymen's Board of our Church, Mr. I. G. Campbell, of the Publishing House, Nashville, Dr. C. C. Godden, the old president of Galloway College, and Rev. D. H. Colquette, of the Arkansas Conference, were visitors, and were introduced to the conference, as was also Rev. J. R. Edwards, of C. P. Church, Searcy.

Bishop Hendrix announced the transfer of W. H. Neal from the Memphis Conference, and this conference granted him a location at his own request.

This conference concurred in the resolution that is being sent the round of the conference changing the 23rd Article of Religion as it stands in the Discipline.

C. C. Burton, Benj. M. Cooper, Gordon Wimpey and F. H. Champion were admitted on trial into the traveling connection. C. M. Reeves, Joseph S. Cash and G. W. M. Freeman were advanced to class of the second year.

J. G. Parker was discontinued at his own request. When the name of W. F. Hudson was called, his presiding elder announced that he had joined another church, and his name was dropped.

Ira H. Russell and W. J. Leroy were elected deacons, being advanced to the class of the third year. C. F. Wilson and J. E. Buchanan, of the same class, were also advanced to the third year, having been previously ordained. It was announced that J. E. Kemper had joined another church and his name was dropped.

Of the class of the third year, C. L. Castleberry and W. T. Blevins had not been before the examination committee; J. A. Roberts was advanced to the fourth year.

Of the class of the fourth year, B. L. Wilford, E. K. Sewell, Edward Forrest and J. H. Barrentine had completed the course, and they were elected elders. H. R. Smith had not been before the committee. Francis T. Heatly was readmitted to the conference. Joseph H. Ernest was elected a local deacon.

On the night before the conference met Dr. E. B. Chappell preached a sermon which pleased and edified the people. And on Wednesday night Mr. T. B. King, who is President of the Laymen's Board of our church, and who is known to our readers as a prominent laymen at Memphis, Tenn., and who was reared at Searcy, was gladly heard in an excellent speech on the Laymen's Movement.

On the second day's session Bishop Hendrix presiding, prayer was led by Rev. N. E. Skinner. Bishop Hendrix's morning talk was on The Force of Prayer.

Rev. Glenn Flinn, representing the American Bible Society, made a stirring address, urging the conference to aid in securing the half-million dollars necessary to meet the half-million pledged by Mrs. Russell Sage, and the conference pledged to raise \$500 on this account the coming year.

At this point the roll of absentees was called. Among those who responded was Rev. G. A. Dannelly, one of the old veterans, present for the first time in years, partially paralyzed, sitting in a rolling chair, in fairly good health, except his paralysis.

The following visitors were introduced during the morning: Rev. A. P. Few, Rev. A. C. Graham and Rev. A. O. Evans, of the Little Rock Conference; Rev. W. W. Albright and Rev. J. E. Snell, of the Arkansas Conference; Rev. Mr. Wood, of the Baptist Church at Searcy; Dr. James A. Anderson, Editor of the Western Methodist; Vice-Chancellor Crowell, of Epworth University, Oklahoma City; and Dr. Horace M. Du Bose, General Secretary of Epworth Leagues.

President J. M. Williams, of Galloway College, upon the invitation of the Bishop, made a stirring address to the conference, greatly felicitating the church upon the great future of his college and of Methodist Education in Arkansas. Dr. Jas. A. Anderson followed with assurances that the Arkansas Conference would back Galloway College with loyal support.

The Bishop announced the transfer to this conference of W. F. Tuten, from the Memphis Conference; H. H. Watson and T. Y. Ramsey, from the Little Rock Conference.

Bishop Hendrix addressed the conference on the Church Federal Council and the conference contributed \$100 toward the expenses of the Federation. This is a federation of the Protestant Churches of America, and Bishop Hendrix is its president. It represents four-fifths of the Protestants in America and a constituency of fifty millions of people.

The address of Mr. Thos. B. King, of Memphis, to the laymen on Wednesday night was a stirring speech. This afternoon Rev. Frank Barrett preached, and the conference visited Galloway College. Tonight the great educational rally is on, with Bishop Hendrix for the chief speaker and Rev. James Thomas managing the campaign. It has been announced that Dean Crowell, of Epworth University, will speak tomorrow night. The weather is delightful, and the conference is having a great time.

Bishop Hendrix opened the third day's session of the conference at nine o'clock Friday morning. It was announced that at the educational meeting of last night \$8,100 was added to the endowment of Hendrix College, and \$1,000 was added to the loan fund. This is the third great meeting the Methodist s have held in this State for Hendrix College within the past month. Bishop Hendrix has rendered great service, and Rev. James Thomas has shown himself a wizard of finance in his management of this campaign. Searcy and the White River Conference did themselves proud in last night's meeting. There is lacking only about \$30,000 of the \$335,000 that was to be raised to secure the endowment of \$300,000 and pay off the last dollar of the debt of Hendrix College. All Methodism is rejoicing over it, for the influence of the campaign has reached far beyond the borders of Arkansas.

Bishop Hendrix called the class for admission into full connection before the chancel, gave them a solemn charge, propounded the usual questions, and the conference admitted them. The members of this class are Ira H. Russell, J. E. Buchanan, W. J. Leroy, and Chas. F. Wilson.

The election of delegates to the General Conference was also held on this day. On the first ballot of the clerical members Fred Little, of Marianna, was elected, and on the fourth ballot R. C. Morehead of Batesville was elected. Rev. J. K. Farris is the clerical alternate. On the first ballot of the lay members there was no election. On the second ballot F. M. Daniel, of Mammoth Spring, was elected, and on the fifth ballot J. M. Williams, President of Galloway College was elected. Mr. R. A. Dowdy, Batesville, is the lay alternate.

Dr. James A. Anderson, President of the Arkansas Methodist Hospital Commission, addressed the conference on that interest. The conference continued its commissioners, with power to act for the conference.

F. W. Gee, from the Methodist Episcopal Church was received, in elder's orders, into this conference. The names of J. R. Edwards and Cadesman Pope were referred to the committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relation. The conference presented the former with a purse of \$40.00. Rev. Cadesman Pope has served fifty-one years, having joined the traveling connection in the same class with Dr. Young J. Allen, the famous missionary to China. Rev. M. P. Timberlake was admitted on trial.

Forrest City was chosen as the place for holding the next Conference. Dr. Palmore spoke this afternoon, and Dean Crowell was announced for the night hour. It was also announced that tomorrow afternoon would be given to temperance, at which Dr. James A. Anderson would speak. Dr. H. M. DuBose spoke late yesterday afternoon.

After the matters reported yesterday, Dr. W. B. Palmore made a very interesting address on the Life of St. Paul, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of Friday, and Dr. Geo. H. Crowell, of Epworth University, made a magnificent address at the evening hour on "A College."

The conference held Saturday morning what was practically its last sitting, so far as minute business is concerned. Sunday was occupied with preaching, ordination of deacons and elders already elected and the memorial services for deceased members.

There was a warm debate Saturday over a memorial to the General Conference to readjust the lines of the conferences in Arkansas so as to provide for only two conferences in the State. The conference voted down the memorial by a vote of forty-one to thirty-one.

Mrs. J. R. Edwards sent a message that Rev. J. R. Edwards, an honored member of the conference who is sick, was growing weaker, and at the suggestion of the Bishop prayer was made for him, led by Dr. C. C. Godden.

Almost the entire morning was consumed in hearing reports from various boards and committees of the conference, none of which provoked discussion, except the memorial just mentioned.

Rev. Mr. Padgett, of the Evangelical Missionary Alliance, who had supplied the Methodist congregation at Marked Tree, Dr. Stonewall Anderson, President of Hendrix College and Rev. John R. Nelson, D. D., Secretary for the Home Department of the General Board of Missions, were introduced this morning to the conference and Dr. Nelson was heard with reference to his work. He spoke at night at the Missionary Anniversary.

The reports which were submitted to the conference showed that its work is in a very healthy and growing condition. The following are some of the figures for the year: No. of local preachers, 102; No. of members, 27,360; No. adults baptized, 1,350; No. of infants baptized, 364. Amount raised on regular collections for foreign missions, \$3,431.90; raised for domestic missions, \$2,217.45; raised for church extension, \$2,091.82; raised on regular collections for education, \$1,145.14; for conference claimants, \$2,706.51; for bishop's fund, \$941.62; for orphanage, \$673.51; for American Bible Society, \$444.21.

Searcy did herself proud in entertaining the conference. Both the guests and their hosts seemed happy all the while.

Galloway College was much in evidence, and all the conference was delighted with it. We have never known a school to make a better impression.

The appointments give more than usual satisfaction so far as we were able to learn. They are as follows:

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

A. T. Galloway, P. E.

Ash Flat Circuit, M. W. Gilbert, supply.

Batesville, Central Avenue, N. E. Skinner.
 Batesville, First Church, R. C. Morehead.
 Bethesda Circuit, Fizer M. Noe.
 Bexar Circuit, F. E. Hall, supply.
 Calico Rock Circuit, H. V. Johnson.
 Cave City Circuit, G. W. M. Freeman.
 Desha Circuit, W. S. Story, supply.
 Evening Shade Station, C. C. Burton.
 Jacksonport Circuit, to be supplied.
 Melbourne Circuit, R. L. Prince, supply.
 Mountain View and Guion, I. D. McClure.
 Mountain View Circuit, J. W. Copeland, supply.
 Newark Station, I. H. Russell.
 Salem Circuit, A. E. Horton, supply.
 Smithville Circuit, J. D. Kelly.
 Sulphur Rock Circuit, C. F. Hively, supply.
 Swifton Circuit, W. D. Ellis, one to be supplied.
 Tuckerman Station, J. S. Cash.
 Wolf Bayou Circuit, to be supplied.
 G. S. Moorehead, agent American Bible Society.

HELENA DISTRICT.

Z. T. Bennett, P. E.
 Brinkley Station, W. P. Talkington.
 Clarendon Station, F. N. Looney.
 Colt Circuit, H. E. May.
 Cotton Plant, W. T. Lock.
 Council Circuit, J. S. Best, supply.
 Devew and Howell Circuit, to be supplied.
 Forrest City Station, B. L. Wilford.
 Hamlin Circuit, J. C. Kelso, supply.
 Haynes and Madison Circuit, to be supplied.
 Helena Station, T. Y. Ramsey, F. A. Jeffett, supernumerary.
 Holly Grove and Marvell, W. A. Lindsey.
 Laconia Circuit, to be supplied.
 LaGrange Circuit, J. H. Barrentine.
 Marianna Station, Fred Little.
 McCrory Station, J. R. Nelson.
 Parkin Station, John McKelvey.
 Turner and Shiloh Circuit, to be supplied.
 Wheatley Circuit, F. T. Heatly.
 Wynne Station, B. L. Harris.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

A. M. R. Branson, P. E.
 Barfield Mission, W. M. Duncan, supply.
 Blytheville Circuit, L. F. Taylor, supply.
 Blytheville Station, F. W. Gee.
 Brookland Circuit, W. S. Yarbrough.
 Cotton Belt Mission, to be supplied.
 Crawfordsville and Bethany, to be supplied.
 Earle Station, E. K. Sewell.
 Harrisburg Station, W. F. Walker.
 Harrisburg Circuit, J. A. Stephens, supply.
 Jonesboro, First Church, H. H. Watson.
 Jonesboro and Lake City, M. P. Timberlake.
 Lake City Circuit, to be supplied by A. L. Haynes.
 Leachville Mission, Eli Craig, supply.
 Little River Mission, Riley Jones, supply.
 Luxora and Rozell, W. S. Southworth.
 Manila and Dell, S. F. Brown.
 Marion and Gilmore, J. S. Watson.
 Marked Tree, Tyronza and Bay, Charles P. Brooks, supply.
 Monette and Macey, J. Watson, supply.
 Nettleton and Forest Home, A. C. Cloyes.
 Osceola Station, James F. Jernigan.
 Trinity Circuit, J. T. Hood.
 Vannsdale Circuit, Gordon Wimpy.
 Wilson Circuit, F. C. Sterling.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT.

J. K. Farris, P. E.
 Black Rock, Portia and Hoxie, W. J. Leroy.
 Boydsville Circuit, J. E. Buchanan.
 Corning Station, W. L. Oliver.
 East Paragould and Brighton, A. C. Griffin.
 Gainesville Circuit, B. W. Cooper.
 Imboden Circuit, L. A. Bowden.
 Knobel Circuit, W. M. Watson.
 Lorado Circuit, Alonzo McKelvey.
 Mammoth Spring and Hardy, J. W. Thomas.
 Maynard Circuit, J. F. Carter, supply.

New Liberty Circuit, M. L. S. Anderson, supply.
 Paragould Circuit, L. R. Allen, L. B. Williamson, supply.

Paragould, First Church, M. M. Smith.
 Piggott and St. Francis, C. M. Reeves.
 Pocahontas and Biggers, W. F. Tuten.
 Pocahontas Circuit, S. M. Gatlin, supply.
 Rector Circuit, C. L. Castleberry.
 Success Circuit, W. W. Reid, supply.
 Walnut Ridge Station, L. C. Craig.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

A. F. Skinner, P. E.
 Argenta, Dye Memorial, T. O. Rorie.
 Argenta, Gardner Memorial, H. H. Hunt.
 Augusta Station, A. E. Holloway.
 Augusta Circuit, F. H. Champion.
 Auvergne and Weldon, J. A. Roberts.
 Beebe and Austin, M. B. Umsted.
 Belcher Circuit, J. H. Ernest, supply.
 Bradford and Bald Knob, W. F. Blevins, E. N. Bickley, supernumerary.
 Cabot and Jacksonville, W. E. Hall.
 Cato Circuit, J. H. Gibson, supply.
 Floyd Circuit, J. M. Thrasher.
 Heber Station, H. B. Trimble.
 McRae Circuit, J. M. Talkington.
 Newport Station, E. M. Pipkin.
 Pangburn Circuit, Thomas Jackson, supply.
 Searcy Circuit, Edward Forrest.
 Searcy, First Church, R. P. Wilson.
 Vilonia Circuit, D. M. Jefferies, supply.
 Transferred: W. C. Davidson, to Little Rock Conference.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN.

The writer hereof was for 40 years a Baptist and 20 years a member of the Baptist church, and hence opposed to infant baptism; but upon investigation of the doctrine of the Methodist Church as compared with the Baptist, and referring the matter to the Scriptures, he found himself essentially a Methodist.

Looking now upon the question of infant baptism from viewpoint of parental duty to the child and obedience and reverence to God, there is not another Methodist perhaps in the whole land who is more fully persuaded that it has the sanction and benediction of heaven and should be esteemed as a holy, God-given privilege and duty.

In God's covenant with Abraham (which was fulfilled in Christ) he ordained that the child should be brought into this covenant by the parent. There was no such thing as waiting for the child to become of age to act for itself or consent. What a glorious privilege. The promises and expectations of God rest upon and follow the parent and child as they walk in his covenant, keeping his commandment.

When Moses was to lead the people out of Egypt, he said to Pharaoh, by the word of the Lord, "We will go to serve the Lord with our young and with our old, with our sons and daughters," hence we see that babes were included. Notice Pharaoh (representing the Devil) said, "Not so, only the grown folks may go." Let the little ones be left in Pharaoh's (the Devil's) territory. Just the way things go now when we fail to enter into covenant with God and carry our children with us. Exodus 10:9-11.

And when they crossed the Red sea they crossed on "dry land" and "were all baptized" (I Cor. 10:1, 2)—infants and grown folks—because the babes were carried along by the parents, were baptized by pouring (Ps. 77:15-17). Be it understood we cannot have our child baptized into covenant with God; we must enter into covenant and carry the child.

The child was carried under the blood of the covenant of redemption from Egyptian bondage into the house the night of the Passover in Egypt, and ate of the Passover, and ever after ate of the Passover with the parent as long as the parent

kept covenant with God, and would now be entitled to the Lord's Supper were the parent walking in covenant with God.

The parent stands in the stead of God to the child, and is responsible to act, speak or answer for the child, and always did until the Corbanites arose and instituted the "Corban" rule, thereby making the commandment of God of none effect. See Mark 7:11.

We see now the spirit of old Corban busy forbidding children to be brought to Christ in covenant for blessings. See Mark 10:13-16.

Dear mother or father, read the first three chapters of I Samuel and see what the Lord did for Hannah and consider your privilege in such matters with the Lord, and note what came to Eli and his sons on account of his neglect of duty to his children.

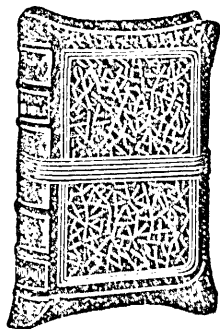
Note also II Tim. 1:5 and II Tim. 3:14, 15. The Lord God, everywhere he enjoined his covenant upon his people he enjoined the carrying and teaching children his covenant.

And as to the matter of baptizing, you will notice the preacher performs it all anyway, the grown person and the child alike; the grown-up person yields to the hands of the preacher just as much as the child in every case of baptism, whether by immersion or effusion. The father and mother are authorized and commanded by the Lord to act and answer for the child. Whenever our church returns as a body to the custom of entering into covenant with God and carrying the children into covenant, too, there will be no lack of godly men for every office in the church.

B. F. WATSON.

Houston, Ark.

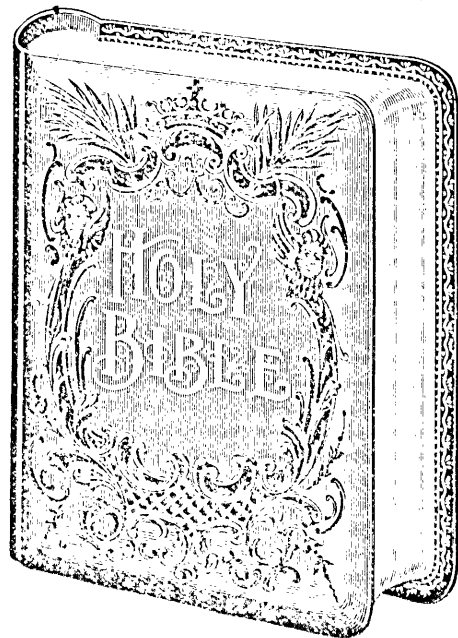
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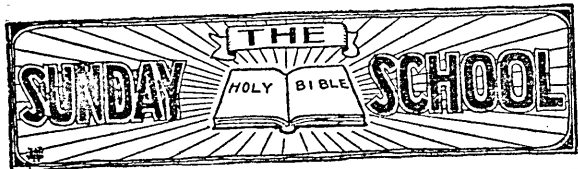
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SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

By W. J. Moore, Chairman.

A GOOD SUGGESTION—AND A BETTER.

We heard a very fine address a few days ago on the Y. M. C. A. work in the colleges. The speaker stated that there were 200,000 men in our colleges today, and that this number passed out every three years, and that as many more came to take their places. He urged the necessity, therefore, of getting these young men committed to the Christian life while in college, so that they might go out as religious leaders of the communities where they should cast their lot. This is a good suggestion; but we rise to make a better one: Get the boys committed to the Christian life while in the Sunday school, and let them go to college with this high ideal and holy purpose; and thereby save much time and effort and money in later years. The home and the Sunday school are the places where the surest, best, safest and most economical foundation can be laid for the grand superstructure of Christian character.

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THE ACTUAL INCREASE.

We have used all diligence and put forth much effort to secure the most accurate statistics concerning our Sunday school work in Oklahoma. We find that the actual increase in membership—officers, teachers and pupils—is 8,438. The actual increase in pupils is 8,123. These figures are encouraging, and should inspire us to put forth more effort to advance this special work in the kingdom of our Lord.

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A SUNDAY SCHOOL BANQUET.

Yes, a Sunday school banquet! While every other institution of the land is having banquets and other things to boost and to popularize the same, the Sunday school folk of St. Luke's, Oklahoma City, thought it might be a good thing to boost the Sunday school cause a little. So on Tuesday evening, Nov. 30, the officers, teachers, and other workers, with their husbands and wives, with a few invited guests gathered at the first annual banquet. There were about forty persons present at the spread. The refreshments were both dainty and substantial. A committee of ladies had this feature in charge and did themselves proud in the arrangements.

The purpose of the occasion was to discuss some means and measures of the local Sunday school work, and to create and to enlarge the genuine Sunday school spirit. The pastor, Bro. Knickerbock, was the toastmaster, and the following topics were responded to: "The Sunday School Work," W. J. Moore; "The Church in the Sunday School," Rev. N. L. Linebaugh; "The Sunday School in the Church," Ed. S. Vaught; "The Teacher and His Work," Mr. Steckel; "The Primary Department," Mrs. Jones; "Adult Work," W. W. Robertson; "The Outlook of the Sunday School," R. L. Davis.

It was a very profitable occasion, and will result in a forward movement in this already great Sunday school. We suggest similar occasions for all our Sunday school folk.

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Many, many schools are preparing to observe the "Sunday School Day" on the 12th. We have furnished every pastor with a most excellent "suggestive program prepared by that up-to-date Sunday school pastor, Rev. R. S. Satterfield. We

expect to hear of great results from these occasions. Write this chairman at once.

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IF YOU CANNOT.

If you find it impossible, or even inconvenient, to hold the "Sunday School Day" service on Dec. 12, then put it at a time to suit. Do not discard it; no, do not think of doing that sort of a thing. Give your school, your people, yourself, the inspiration of this good start for the best year's work you have ever done.

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SEND IT TO RIPPEY.

One of the objects of the "Sunday School Day" is to help finance the work we have in hand. We hope to get the salary of the Sunday school secretary out of the way, and a good margin over. Such a happy result would greatly relieve the Board in its work and plans for the year. Will every pastor please to report same to T. L. Rippey, Teller, indicating the fund to which it goes. A delay means embarrassment to the Board, and will handicap the work. The good of the cause, and not personal interest, prompts this paragraph.

THE SCOPES OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Let the reader consider, for just three minutes, the things for which the Sunday school stands, and then determine whether he thinks it is worth while. Here are the items:

1. Evangelism. More than eighty per cent of those who come into the kingdom are from the Sunday school.
2. Church membership. About the same per cent. of the membership of the church come from the Sunday school. About ninety-five per cent of the ministry come through and from the Sunday school.
3. Training for service. It is the finest and most effective opportunity to train our young people in Christian work. It is so easy to get a child to do religious service.
4. It is the finest field for teaching Christian missions. Some one has said, "The Sunday school is the only institution that can supply the church with enough missionaries to evangelize the world."
5. The Sunday school has a part in the great Church Extension movement, by giving its birth-day offerings.
6. It has a part in Christian Education by giving ten per cent to the General Board of Education.
7. Helps needy Sunday schools, by furnishing periodical literature.
8. Aids the cause of Temperance. In the last generation lessons on temperance have been given, and faithfully taught. We now see the results in the wonderful spreading of prohibition.

A MERRY AND A HAPPY CHRISTMAS FOR THE CHILDREN.

Let all our Sunday schools send gifts to the children in our Methodist Orphanage. If the superintendents will talk to the children about it this very next Sunday and if the teachers will co-operate, a box of good things might be sent from every Sunday school.

Send useful things and beautiful things, clothing, food, table and bed linen, towels, soap, or money—if you prefer—in fact anything that helps to make children comfortable and happy.

Be sure to plan Sunday the twelfth for your share in the homeless children's Christmas. These children need our gifts and we need the blessings that come to the unselfish giver.

Don't fail to start your boxes a week before Christmas so they may not be delayed in the rush that always precedes Christmas.

Address your boxes

METHODIST ORPHANAGE,

15th and Commerce Sts., Little Rock, Ark.

FASHION'S TOLL FROM THE GIRLS OF THIS LAND.

(By Dorothy Dix, in Arkansas Gazette.)

The other day the superintendent of the Juvenile Protective Association of Chicago, upon the occasion of making his annual report, declared that fashion was the chief reason for the fall of most young girls, and that it was the vanity of girls and young women, and their desire to wear garments cut in the extreme of the style, that was mainly responsible for the organization of which he is the head.

This is a terrible arraignment of woman's besetting sin, but who shall dare to say that it is not true?

If the question were propounded, "What is the greatest influence for evil in the world today?" nine people out of ten would answer, "Drink."

This is a mistake. It is fashion.

At its worst, the Demon Rum only destroys a man's body and mind, but fashion takes its toll of women's souls as well as their bodies.

Once let a woman acquire the dress mania, and there is no limit to which she will not go to gratify it. To it she will sacrifice everything that is good and fine in life, and that should be sacred in a woman's eyes.

ALL CRIMES FOR FASHION.

Did you ever think of what a woman will do in order to get fine clothes, and go about looking like a living fashion plate?

There are women who defy death and disease every day of their lives in order to have an inch smaller waist measure, or to exhibit a pretty foot, or a white throat.

There are women who deliberately work their husbands and fathers to death to buy them fine clothes.

There are women who starve their children in order that they may have the means to purchase hand embroidered shirtwaists.

There are women who drive men to robbery so that they may wear purple and fine linen.

There are women who wear finery, every stitch of which they know comes to them sodden with the tears and the blood of sweatshop women who have been ground down to starvation wages to provide the silk attire in which some other woman walks.

You cannot pick up a paper without reading about some well-dressed woman who has been arrested for shop-lifting, and who stole not because she was driven to it by necessity, but because she wanted silk stockings, or real lace, or some adornment beyond her purse.

It is clothes, clothes, clothes. It is dress, dress, dress. It is fashion that is at the bottom of ninetents of the discontent of the average married woman, and that causes her to make her home such a place of querulous discontent and complainings that love flies out of the window and the divorce referee walks in at the door.

WHY MARRIAGE IS A FAILURE.

On the modest income of a clerk the wife wants the attire of a millionairess, and because her husband cannot give it to her she only too often makes his life a burden to him with her reproaches.

Ten million married women in this country today are bartering their domestic happiness for a "swell" winter suit. The real answer to the question, "Why is modern marriage so generally a failure," may be summed up in the one word, "Fashion."

There is even a darker side than this to the picture of women's sacrificing before Fashion. It is indubitably true, as the superintendent of the Chicago Protective Association says, that the love of dress is the cause of the fall of the great majority of girls who go wrong. They literally sell their souls for a few yards of chiffon. It is the desire to adorn themselves, to trail about in soft silks and laces, to wear sweeping feathers

and exhibit the latest thing in hats and gowns, that sets their feet on the downward path.

Is it not pitiful and tragical to think of it, that a woman should give so much for so little? Her right to innocence and happiness, and honor, and respect, for the poor and sordid pleasure of being in the fashion?

Can anything be done to separate woman from the idol to which she is joined?

I do not know, but surely the time has come when woman might, with profit, abate some of the altruistic efforts that they have devoted to reforming men and turn their attentions to the needs of their own sex.

We need more than anything else in this country, an anti-fashion crusade.

We need missionaries to go into the homes to teach foolish girls and their still more foolish mothers, that the chief end of woman is not to be a clothes-horse, and to preach the gospel of sane dressing.

Above all, we need that the well-off, intelligent woman in society should put good, flat common-sense heels down upon the Demon of Style, and crush it, for there is no manner of doubt that the serpent that tempted our First Mother was a fashion plate.

And it is still at work on her daughters.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN METHODISM.

The organization of the Methodists in America into a church, at the "Christmas Conference" of 1784, has been blessed of God with such far reaching influence in the redemption of millions of individuals, in the ethical development of our national life and in strengthening aggressive Christianity throughout the world, that the One Hundred and Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of this event should not be permitted to pass unobserved.

The American Methodist Historical Society, representing various branches of Methodism, having discussed the appropriate manner of commemorating this occasion, has arranged for a public meeting to be held on Thursday evening, December 30, prox., in the First Methodist Episcopal church of Baltimore—the lineal descendent of "The Lovely Lane Meeting House"—at which representatives from different families of Methodism will discuss the spirit, the achievements and the obligations of American Methodism.

The Society further appointed a committee to arrange for the general commemoration of this great historic event by Methodism at large.

Therefore, we, the undersigned committee, in behalf of the American Methodist Historical Society,

1. Invite all historical societies, all preachers' meetings and all social unions of every branch of American Methodism to arrange for similar union meetings, at such centers as may be most convenient, to celebrate the completion by American Methodism of the eighth of a millennium of organized activity.

2. We most earnestly request every pastor in every branch of American Methodism to preach or cause to be preached a sermon, or to deliver or cause to be delivered an address to his people, as near Christmas, 1909, as may be practicable—preferably the Sunday before or the second Sunday after, in which shall be discussed some appropriate theme, such as the spirit, the achievements, or the obligations of American Methodism.

3. We most urgently request that in harmony with the universal custom of early Methodism, every Methodist congregation shall be brought together at 10 o'clock p. m. December 31, prox., for a "Watch-Night Meeting," which shall be made a season of special prayer and personal

consecration to God as a fitting preparation for the deeper spiritual life and the more earnest work to which the Great Head of the church is calling His followers.

If the 5,750,000 communicants in the various branches of Methodism in America would observe this service with their congregations, so far as practicable in the privacy of their own rooms, where they cannot meet with their congregation, there would result a most notable deepening of the spiritual life of the church and a hastening of the Kingdom of Christ upon earth.

JOHN F. GOUCHER, Chairman.
F. T. TAGG, Secretary.

POINTS FROM THE SPEECH OF MR. T. B. KING, WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

In the early history of this country the energies of men went into the felling of forests and the struggles of war. Later the might of men was turned to agriculture and the development of the resources of the country. At a later period, when steam came, there arose a great commercialism, till men seemed to be swallowed up of it. But the time is on us when the stalwartness of this nation shall go into things of the kingdom of God.

In the church of God we have blended the democracy of the laity with the authority of the church. "Select from among yourselves seven men of honest report, whom we may appoint over these things."

If there was in the ancient times a murmuring among the Grecians, there is murmuring now among the people; for there are waste places which we must take care of, and there are immigrants pouring into the country whom we must evangelize.

The men appointed in the first laymen's movement, Acts 6th, were men full of faith and the Holy Ghost. Let us pause on that thought. We are in danger of too much head religion, too little heart religion. The theology of the future must go heart foremost. Eloquence does not consist in intellect as much as in that heart power which is born of a deep experience of God. We can love men into the kingdom of God. Any man of sense can do that, if he will. This is the meaning of the laymen's movement—that our laymen should go out and thus win men to God and make them walking evangelists for God.

It is absolutely, unmanly, it is cowardly to prescribe for men standards which we are not willing to impose upon ourselves. We talk about the "boy problem;" there is no boy problem; it is everywhere the "man problem," the problem of getting our men to adopt certain standards and to live by those standards; and this is the meaning of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. Boys may follow their mothers while they are in knee-breeches; but when they begin to put on long trousers and suspenders, then the father becomes the biggest thing in the world in the boy's eyes. If that father is going to Sunday school, the boy will be there, if the father is profane the boy will be profane. It is the man question, not the boy question, we deal with. And that is another phase of the Laymen's Movement.

If we can get our laymen harnessed up, we shall do business. And then we will make the preachers preach up a little; you preachers will have to pluck up or else you will be at a discount. When we get the laymen harnessed up, we shall take charge of the collections. Some preachers have had to deal with collections, money, till there is a metallic ring in their voices; we must take out that metallic ring and put in the mellow notes of the gospel. When we get into shape we shall organize for aggressive evangelism, looking after the waste places, supplying men and money. We shall mend our

base of supplies so as to be able to do aggressive work in the regions beyond.

Brethren, let us get more devotion to God in our work. The gospel and the religion of Christ are not antiquated—if they are, let us give up the whole business. Let us know that it is not out of order for a man to get down on his knees before God and make humble confession of his sins, in the good old-fashioned way. A great man does not belittle himself by coming to God in the humble, old-fashioned way.

DR. CHAPMAN'S NEW METHODS.

The Chicago Interior prints the substance of an interview published in the Southern Cross, as follows:

According to an interview published in the Southern Cross, Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman says that his campaign in Australia has convinced him that in his previous campaigns he has made a great mistake in asking the pastors of churches to suspend their regular church services. Hereafter, wherever he works he will request the ministers not to suspend, but to continue their regular schedule of meetings in their various churches. In order to clear the way for this, he will himself hold no meetings on Wednesday or Sunday evenings. He will preach Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons instead. Dr. Chapman says that he now sees that much of the value of his work has been lost because after his brief campaign in any given city was ended, the churches were all out of their regular routine and they lost motion as they tried to get back into their ordinary channels of work again. Dr. Chapman also proposes to make more of conferences with church officers and of heart-to-heart talks with ministers on topics of personal and spiritual life. The doctor says all his future engagements must be for long enough periods to constitute each a siege—not an assault.

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THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE TWO METHODODISMS IN OKLAHOMA—AN OPEN LETTER.

Rev. Wiley H. Smith, Muskogee, Okla.:

Dear Sir and Brother—I am in receipt of your letter asking for a copy of any agreement entered into between the Methodist Episcopal and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, whereby the eastern part of the present State of Oklahoma became the exclusive territory of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, giving as your reason that Rev. E. S. Stockwell, superintendent of the East Oklahoma Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church is endeavoring to organize a society of that church within the bounds of what now is, and for more than twenty years has been, Muskogee circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and that in his such endeavors he has averred that no such agreement has ever been entered into, and that "It will help our thinking if we will think that no such agreement has been entered into."

In reply to your question I quote from the journal of the General Conference of 1844, by which the church was divided, and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was provided for in the following resolution, which resolution was drafted by a select committee of nine, appointed properly for that purpose and composed of three members from the South, three from the Middle West and three from the North:

"Whereas, A declaration has been presented to this General Conference, with the signatures of 51 delegates from 13 annual conferences, representing that they, for various reasons enumerated, the objects and purposes of the Christian ministry and church organization cannot be successfully accomplished by them under the jurisdiction of this General Conference as now constituted; and

"Whereas, In the event of separation, a contingency to which the declaration asks attention as not improbable, we esteem it the duty of this General Conference to meet the emergency with Christian kindness and the strictest equity; therefore,

"First. Resolved, by the delegates of the several annual conferences, in General Conference assembled, That should the annual conferences in the slave-holding States find it necessary to unite in a distinct ecclesiastical connection, the following rule shall be observed with regard to the northern boundary of such connection: All the societies, stations and conferences adhering to the church in the South by a vote of a majority of the members of said societies, stations and conferences shall remain under the unmolested pastoral care of the Southern church; and the ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall in nowise attempt to organize churches or societies within the limit of the Church, South, nor shall they attempt to exercise any pastoral oversight therein; it being understood that the ministry of the South reciprocally observe the same rule in relation to stations, societies and conferences, by a vote of a majority, to the Methodist Episcopal Church; provided, that this rule shall apply only to societies, stations and conferences bordering on the line of division, and not to interior charges, which shall in all cases be left to the care of that church within whose territory they are situated."

The journal shows that the above was adopted by the General Conference of the undivided church by a vote of 135 yeas to 18 nays.

So here is an agreement made and entered into by the only body or bodies that have or could have power in the premises, namely, the General Conference, which represented both churches when yet undivided. For, after division was actually accomplished, neither party could be any action annul the contract without the concurrence of the other party, and such concurrent

action has never been had, nor even attempted to be had. Hence that agreement remains today in full force and effect, as when made in 1844.

It now remains to be seen whether it applied then to the Indian Mission Conference.

The Indian Mission Conference was organized October 23, 1844, Bishop Thomas A. Morris being in the chair. Prior to that date the Indian Territory had been within the bounds of the Missouri Conference, hence may have been included in what the resolution above quoted denominates "border line" territory. But granting even that, no comfort to the Methodist Episcopal Church in its present attempt to invade it can accrue, for on the third day of the first session of the Indian Mission Conference, held at Riley's Chapel, Cherokee Nation, October 23, 1844, Bishop Morris in the chair, the following resolutions were presented by a duly appointed committee:

"That we approve the course pursued by the minority in the late General Conference:

"That we elect delegates to represent the Indian Mission Conference in the contemplated convention to be held in Louisville, Ky., in May next;

"That this Conference do deeply deplore the necessity for division of any kind in the Methodist Episcopal Church."

(Signed) J. C. BERRYMAN, *Chairman*.

These resolutions were adopted by 11 yeas to 1 nay on the first, and by 17 yeas to no nay on the second and third resolution.

Thus it will be seen that the conference, by formal vote of more than the necessary majority, as provided in the above General Conference resolution providing the method of procedure and the rule that should prevail in case of division, decided to go with the Church, South. And, since such is the case, no matter whether it were border line or interior territory, the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, by the terms of agreement made and entered into by the General Conference of 1844, are excluded from in anywise "attempting to organize churches or societies within the limits of the Church South." And there can be no doubt that from October 25, 1844, unto this present day all of what was then comprised within the Indian Mission Conference was and has been "territory of the Church South," and any attempt of the Methodist Episcopal Church to exercise any pastoral function within said territory is in plain violation of an agreement made in 1844 and never annulled, therefore yet binding upon all who are minded to be bound by compacts and contracts.

One further inquiry only is needful to make the matter complete, namely: Does Muskogee circuit as it now is constituted lie within the territory of the Indian Mission Conference at the date of the above actions by the General Conference of 1844 and of the annual conference of that year? For an answer to this question the minutes of the Indian Mission Conference (the manuscript copy is now before me) is sufficient. The appointments have the following:

"Kansas River District—N. H. Talbott, P. E." Including all the tribes then located in eastern Kansas and southwestern Missouri, namely, the Delawares, Kickapoos, Shawnees, Wyandottes, Pottawatomies, Chippewas, Peorias and Weas.

"Cherokee District—D. B. Cumming, P. E." Including the whole Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations," and since the lower western half of Oklahoma was then part of the Choctaw and Chickasaw lands it was included.

If then there be any part of the State into which the Methodist Episcopal Church can go without violating the solemn compact and contract of 1844, it must be some part of the State in the West not included in the territory of the above tribes at the time mentioned above.

But granting that none of the above considerations be considered by Mr. Stockwell as binding

either upon his church or himself, he must surely be willing to abide by his own agreements.

In the autumn of 1906 the Oklahoma Conference and the East Oklahoma Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Oklahoma Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in annual sessions appointed certain parties, members of the said churches, to be a "joint commission on federation" for the two said churches within the bounds of the territory occupied by the aforesaid conferences and mission. The representatives duly appointed and empowered, of which number was Mr. Stockwell, met in Oklahoma City on March 12, 1907, and adopted, among other things, the following:

"We recognize the rights of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Episcopal Church to care for its constituency, whenever the membership is adequate, in all the territory embraced in the Oklahoma Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Oklahoma Conference and the East Oklahoma Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

"We approve the articles of federation as adopted by the General Conferences of the two churches which we represent, and agree to abide by them."

"We recommend that each church respectfully recognize the rights of the other in every place where both are organized."

"If in a given field the church first preparing to enter finds its membership largely outclassed by that of the other church, we recommend that the work be turned over to the other church."

"Where only one Methodism is organized we recommend that all our members go at once into that church and support it loyally."

By the terms of the foregoing agreement Mr. Stockwell has bound himself and his church in Oklahoma to abide by the "Articles of Federation as adopted by the General Conferences of the two churches" and to "respectfully recognize the right of the other (church) in every place."

I trust that this constitutes an answer to your questions.

I have taken occasion of your dilemma to go more fully into the matter than you probably intended I should, and I have also taken the further liberty of asking the *Western Methodist* to print this letter, as being in some sense an open letter to all our people in the State who are or may be perplexed over the matter of two Methodisms working so often in what appears to be unbrotherly attitudes. Yours fraternally,

W. F. DUNKLE.

McAlester, Okla., Dec. 3, 1909.

HARGROVE COLLEGE, LIBRARY AND ELSE.

Mr. Editor: When Hargrove College burned Oct. 2, 1907, the library Bishop Hargrove had given went up in smoke. Several hundred valuable books were in the library. All were burned. We are now trying to gather another library. Bro. Lawless, presiding elder of the Guyman district, Oklahoma conference, has started the library by donating a set, ten volumes, of the "New Century Dictionary," for which we are thankful. Will not all who read this send us one or more good books—histories, biographies, commentaries, books of travel, etc., in fact any good book that is worthy of a place in a college library.

The school is doing nicely. Splendid progress is being made by the pupils. We are enrolling new pupils every week. The new dormitories are nice and comfortable. We still have room for more boarders, and want them to come. We trust all our pastors will speak a good word for the school. Send us your boys and girls. We can take good care of them at as reasonable cost as any good school you can find. Our 1,000 club at \$5 each is growing and subscriptions are being paid. Now is the time for all to lend a helping hand. Who will be next?

J. M. GROSS, *President*.

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.)

THREE SNOW FLAKES.

Once upon time there were three snowflakes, and they were called Faith, Hope and Charity. When I say three snowflakes I don't quite mean that, but three little girls dressed in white and looking like princesses as they walked along across the white covered country. The three snowflakes lived at the castle, which was on a hillside, surrounded by a beautiful park, and overlooking the valley.

In the summer it was a lovely valley, with a river running through it and beautiful green woods coming down to the edge of the water. Now the winter had come, it was all white except the river, which looked gray in a distance. In one corner of the valley lay the village and in the village lived a little girl called Ruby, who was very poor indeed. She was so poor that she possessed nothing. The tiny cottage she lived in had been rented by her grandmother and now her grandmother was dead.

There was not a crumb of bread in the cupboard, not a stick with which to make a fire, not a penny in the girl's pocket, so, no wonder she stood looking out the window with dismay written on her face.

The window was a little open and through the opening came three flakes of snow. They fell upon the brick floor and melted slowly away.

Ruby shuddered; it was the first snow of the year. It might mean the beginning of a long, harsh, cruel winter.

She shuddered again and then of a sudden knelt on the brick floor and clasped her hands in prayer, and as she prayed the sun broke through the snow clouds and in through the window and shone on the girl's brown hair. She rose with a smile on her lips and a light dancing in her eyes.

Ruby opened the window and took in her flowers on the sill. "Poor flowers, she said, you will be warmer inside." Now of a sudden there came shouts of laughter from the lane without, and the sound of merry voices, the door of the cottage flew open and in ran the earl's daughters, the three

snowflakes.

"Oh Ruby," said Charity, "we have heard of your troubles and our father has sent us to help you."

"And you are to come and live in the cottage by the gates," said Faith, putting her arms around the poor girl's waist, and leading her to the door of the cottage.

"And you are to be happy the whole year long," cried Hope, clapping her hands; and turning she led the way, skipping and laughing up the lane.

And so it happened that Ruby went to live in the lodge of the great lord's beautiful estate and there she may be living contented and happy to this day.

FLORENCE RUTH.

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Dear Methodist: I am going to school and am in the fifth grade. My teacher is Miss Dott Thompson. My piano teacher is Mrs. Kirby. I go to Sunday school and church nearly every Sunday, and I am organist in the Junior League.

Elenor I will guess your age is fourteen. I will let you guess mine, it is between nine and twelve.

EUNICE LANDRUM.

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Quitman, Ark., Oct. 31, 1909.

Dear Cousins: This is my second letter to the cousins. My papa takes the Methodist and I read all that the cousins write, and enjoy it very much.

I am in Quitman High School and will finish the sixth grade soon.

The conference year is near closing and let all the cousins make new resolutions and live up to them that we will be better boys and girls and do better Sunday school work than we have heretofore done. Our church has prospered much under Bro. Allbright as our pastor.

Your cousin,

VIRNIE E. HAMMOCK.

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Imboden, Ark., Nov. 14, 1909.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: As I have been reading the children's page for some time I thought I would write. Papa takes the Methodist. For pets I have a little calf. I am going to school; my teacher's name is Miss Maggie McLoud; she is a fine teacher. My Sunday school teacher is Miss Mollie Warden. I like her fine. Bro. Bowen is our pastor. I guess Willie McBride to be twelve years old. Hoping to see this in print I will close. From

Your cousin,

CLYDE KELL.

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Jenks, Okla., Nov. 14, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: As this is my first attempt to write I won't write a very long letter.

Cousins, we will have to write more because the advertisements are almost taking the page; there are only seven letters on the page.

I am in the sixth grade and my studies are reading, arithmetic, history, physiology, grammar, geography and spelling. I am eleven years old. My sister is my teacher this year and her name is Ora.

There are three of us going to school to her but I think she is a good teacher. I have three sisters and four brothers.

We had lots of pecans to gather this fall. We have already over a bushel and are going to gather more. I wonder how many of the cousins have pecans to gather. We had a fine rain last night and we are so thankful for it. I will close as this is my first letter. If I see it in print I will write again.

ASA GREGORY.

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Askew, Ark., Nov. 19, 1909.

Dear Methodist: I shall write to the dear old paper. Well, I am going to school; my teacher's name is Miss Beulah Gillenwater; she is a nice teacher. I am a little girl twelve years old. Miss Ruth Carr's letter was surely fine. I will tell you my school chums, Pauline, Isabel, Mary, Nellie and Rena. I enjoy reading the dear old paper.

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Alice, I guess your age is sixteen years. I saw my playmate's name in the paper. I have four brothers and three sisters. My sister's name is Mary; she is ten years old. My age is twelve years. I love them all. My dolls' names are Rosa and Pauline. I will tell you about the other day. The boys didn't come home, so we had to hitch up the buggy. We had a good time laughing. I have four uncles and three aunts that I have seen. I never saw papa's people. Papa's name is Newton McDaniel. Our pastor's name is Brother Best.

I will close. Love to all the cousins.

BESSIE MCDANIEL.

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Clarksville, Ark., Oct. 31, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: I will write for my first time. I am a little girl twelve years old. I am going to school. My school started the fourth of this month. I am in the sixth grade. I love to go to school. My teacher's name is Miss Lizzie Gray; I like her fine. For pet I have two kittens and one dog. Well, I will close. Hope this will escape the waste basket.

Your new cousin,

MAMIE BRINKS.

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Lewisville, Ark.

Dear Methodist: Will you let a little girl thirteen years old join your happy band? Miss Ruth Carr, I love to read your stories and letters; and boys I don't think its fair for the girls to have to do all the writing. I belong to the Methodist church and Bro. John Sanders is our pastor. Evelyn, why don't you write all of your name? Some of us would like to send you postals.

My school chums are Cora, Ruth, and Corinne. We have more fun at school. We sit right by each other. Next time I write I will write about my trip to Little Rock and Memphis.

MARGARET HAMITER.

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Dora, Ark., Nov. 14, 1909.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: This is Sunday and while I have nothing to do I thought I would write to the dear old children's page. I haven't written in so long. This is my first letter with ink. Ruth Carr, I wish you would write more often. Your letters are so interesting. You wrote such a nice, long story. I will tell you what books I have read: Beulah, the Sunny Side, and others. Ruth Ward, you and Theresa Johnston write more; your letters are so interesting.

resa Johnston write more; your letters are so interesting. I saw my cousin's name in the Methodist; her name is Jennie Legg. Hello Jennie; you and I are cousins, maybe. Your letters are fine. I would like to see you. I wish all the cousins and Miss Lillian would come down and spend Christmas with me; we would have a time. My oldest sister is married and has a baby a year old and it is my pet. I am not going to school yet. Our school hasn't begun yet. I don't know who will be our next teacher. Brother Templeton will be our next preacher. I never saw him. I will be glad when he comes to preach. Mama is churning and my sisters and brothers are shelling popcorn and I will have to top and help them. So bye-bye.

Lovingly,

ALLIE HAIL.

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Rhea, Okla., Oct. 31, 1909.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: I have written to the cousins once before and

my letter was printed so I will write again. Today is Sunday and the wind is so hard I could not go to preaching. How many of you cousins like to go to Sunday school? I do, but there is no Sunday school near us.

Now girls I noticed the boys almost took the page last week. Now that won't do, at all; they will be saying we are bashful.

I have three sisters and four brothers. One sister and one brother married.

Well as my letter is getting long I will close, hoping to see this in print. Your cousin,

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Viola, Ark., Nov. 7, 1909.

Dear Methodist Cousins: Cheer up, boys, cheer up; let's make this page a lively one. I am twelve years old. I have two brothers older than me and three sisters. I go to Sunday school all the time. My sister is my teacher. We have had Sunday school every Sunday for almost three years.

I go to school. I am in the fourth reader. I take reading, spelling, grammar, history, arithmetic and geography. I like arithmetic best of all. My birth day is June 16. Now boys, let's show the girls we're not "afraid" of them. Come again boys.

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LITTLE ROCK METHODISM.

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Twenty-eighth Street, W. D. Mitchell, pastor: Good congregations at both services; eighteen additions and one baptism.

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P. R. Eaglebarger. At night the Presiding Elder, Rev. A. C. Millar, preached and there was one accession.

First Church, T. E. Sharp, pastor: The pastor filled the pulpit at both preaching hours. "The divinely implanted instinct in the wild animals is their law, and obedience to this law constitutes animal morals," was the subject discussed at the evening hour.

Winfield Memorial, S. H. Werlein, pastor: The church reported a membership of 903 at the Annual Conference last week. The 11:00 o'clock hour was occupied by Mrs. Stillwell, representing the rescue and slum work department of the Salvation Army, in a strong address and a contribution amounting to \$27.50 was made by the congregation. The pastor preached at night.

Henderson Chapel, no pastor: The Presiding Elder, Rev. A. C. Millar, preached at 11:00 o'clock, and Rev. P. R. Eaglebarger at night. Good congregations at both services.

Hunter Memorial, T. J. Norsworthy, pastor: This was the first Sunday for the new pastor and good congregations greeted him. Thirteen were received into the church and the outlook is fine.

D. P. Haggard, the representative of the King's Royal Germetour Company, Memphis, was at Arkadelphia and gave the preachers and delegates of the Little Rock Conference a sample bottle of the King's Royal Germetour. If the sample is satisfactory the remedy may be obtained at all first-class drug stores or it will be sent prepaid by the Germetour Company, Memphis, Tenn. One bottle \$1.00, or six for \$5.00.

OLUSTEE STATION.

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Brother Hays is busy making out and stating his appointments with the brethren, but he has no other meeting between now and Christmas. Let some one write him or wire him at Oklahoma City, Okla., for an appointment at once.

I am sure the brethren need some one and I am sure they can get no one to do more thorough, safe, and good Holy Ghost service in a revival than this strong gospel preacher.

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Among the prominent speakers who have accepted is Dr. William B. Smith, professor of philosophy at Tulane University, one of the most noted educators of the South, author of the renowned work, "The Color Line," and of many authoritative educational and scientific volumes. He was a classmate of James Lane Allen and is portrayed as David in Allen's famous book, "The Reign of Law."

Dr. A. E. Winship, editor of the Journal of Education, a writer and school man of national reputation and a most pleasing and instructive speaker, will participate in the program.

Judge U. M. Rose of Little Rock, who represented the United States at The Hague International Peace Council in 1907, and whose name is included among the foremost jurists of the nation, will present to the teachers the patriotic movement of the Inter-School

Peace League to observe each year, with proper programs, May 18 as Peace Day. Special hotel rates are offered, ranging from \$1 to \$3 a day, room and board, or from 50 cents to \$1 for rooms.

A special railroad rate of one fare for the round trip has been authorized, with tickets on sale Dec. 26, 27 and 28, with final return to include Jan. 1, 1910.

ENGINEER GARCIA.

On Nov. 7, 1907, a Mexican engine driver by the name of J. Garcia was at the throttle of a freight engine attached to a loaded train at Nacozari, a small mining town in the State of Sonora. Among the cars were several loaded with dynamite, and while the train was standing in the station fire somehow broke out in a box car. It rapidly approached the cars of dynamite. There was no way of checking the flames and the explosion of those cars would wipe the village off the map and probably destroy every man, woman and child in it. Other employes forsook the scene, calling upon everybody to escape.

Not so Garcia. Coolly remaining in his cab, he opened the throttle, set the train in motion, and slowly drew it out on the line away from the village. Presently there was a frightful detonation. The train was blown to atoms, the engine reduced to scrap iron. No trace of the brave engineer was afterwards found. The people of Nacozari honor his memory as one who gave his life for theirs. A fund has been raised to build a monument to him. The Mexican federal government contributed liberally to it. A society called the American Cross of Honor Society, at Washington, has enrolled his name among its heroes. Let it be known and honored of all.—*Christian Advocate*.

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Summary of the school statistics of Arkansas, 1909:

Assessed valuation, \$327,023,552, of which real estate \$218,424,886, personal property \$108,598,666.

Revenues for support of public schools, 1909, \$4,363,830.37, from the following sources: Balance from 1908, to district accounts, \$1,122,425.60; State apportionment, 1909, \$1,014,591.76; local taxation and other sources, \$2,226,813.01.

Expenditures for support of public schools for year ending June 30, 1909, \$3,110,164.60.

Balance on hand June 30, 1909, \$1,253,665.77.

Appropriations by General Assembly for biennial term 1909-1910: University of Arkansas, \$220,915.00; Agricultural Experiment Station, \$39,400.00; State Normal School, \$95,900.00; Blind School, \$62,040.00; Deaf Mute Institute, \$130,146.00; Reform School, \$26,505.00; Branch Normal (colored), \$11,600.00; Four Agricultural Schools, \$160,000.00.

Sources of School Revenues—State: Three-mill tax, interest on Permanent School Fund, sale of sixteenth sections, fines. Local: Seven-mill tax, poll tax and penalties.

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State bonds), \$1,134,500.00.

Total value of school property, \$6,067,342.60.

Number of school buildings, 6,008.

Number of school buildings erected during 1909, 299.

Value of new buildings, \$452,167.30.

School population (6 to 21), 557,468.

Enrollment in the public schools, 374,154.

Average daily attendance, 243,232.

Enrollment in private and denominational schools, 4,619.

Number of schools taught, 7,819.

Number of days taught, 768,228.

Average length of term, 98.2 days (1908-93.9).

Number of teachers employed, 9,164.

Number of institutes held, 117.

Number of teachers attending institutes, 8,965.

Average monthly salary for teachers, \$55.77.

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE.

The first Compulsory Attendance Laws enacted in Arkansas became effective with the beginning of the school year for 1909-1910. Two acts were passed by the last General Assembly. One requires a minimum attendance of one-half the school term, between the ages of 8 and 16 years, and is effective in thirty-one counties. The other places the age limit 8 to 14 years, effective in nine counties. This leaves thirty-five counties without compulsory law. A marked increase in the attendance in both the town and rural schools is reported from all sections where these new laws apply.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS.

The last General Assembly appropriated \$160,000.00 for the establishment of four agricultural schools in the State, one in each of the four districts. The four Boards of Trustees have been appointed and organized with the Governor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Dean of the College of Agriculture and one member from each of the four boards as an Advisory Board. These boards will meet in February, 1910, to consider propositions from localities in each district. The minimum offer to be considered from communities desiring one of these schools has been placed at \$40,000.00 and 200 acres of land. There will be numerous propositions submitted for each of the four agricultural schools.

CHAIR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION.

In June, 1909, B. W. Torreyson was appointed Professor of Secondary Education in Arkansas. Splendid results are already apparent in correlating the courses of the village and city high schools and adding to the course of study in many schools. The unification of the school system is being rapidly popularized and the courses of study harmonized in elementary, secondary, and advanced schools. The sentiment favoring State aid to high schools is gaining ground.

CONSOLIDATION

Consolidation of school districts has been made possible by an enactment of the last General Assembly which permits the patrons of any rural territory to petition the County Court for the organization of a special school district having all the rights and privileges previously allowed only to schools in incorporated towns and cities.

UNIFORM TEXT-BOOKS.

Under the state law leaving the adoption of a uniform series of text books to the option of each county, the counties of Fulton, Garland, Bradley, Pulaski, Sebastian and St. Francis voted in favor of County Uniformity in 1909. This makes the total number of counties under County Uniformity 34 out of 75 in the state. There is a wide divergence in the texts adopted by the different counties that have accepted the County Uniformity plan. The uniform texts apply only to the common school districts and do not affect towns and cities.

COUNTY SUPERVISION.

The General Assembly of 1907 passed

an act making the office of County Superintendent of Schools optional in each county. The question to be voted upon at the annual school election on the years preceding the general State election. The first vote for and against creating the office of County Superintendent resulted in favor of this office in Garland, Jackson, Crawford, Miller, and Mississippi Counties. There is a growing sentiment in favor of County Supervision that indicates many more counties will vote in favor of this office in 1911 and very probably a bill will be submitted to the General Assembly in 1911 to make this act mandatory.

STATE NORMAL.

The Arkansas State Normal School at Conway opened its second school year in September, 1909, and has an enrollment of over two hundred. An appropriation from the Peabody Education Fund is being applied in the establishment of a Model Farm to be used in conjunction with the Agricultural Department of the Normal.

SUMMER COURSES FOR TEACHERS.

The State Normal School at Conway and the Normal Department of the University at Fayetteville will each offer a six weeks' summer term for teachers. The courses will be so arranged that the teacher attending may receive credits for their work at the summer schools to be applied on the regular normal course, the completion of which gives the teacher a professional license good for six years and convertible at the end of that time, under certain conditions, into a State life license.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

The attendance at the January Farmers' Institute at the University of Arkansas for 1910 promises to be much larger than in 1909. The local Farmers' Institutes, conducted by the College of Agriculture, have proved directly profitable to the farmers of the State and have done much to popularize agricultural education and to give a wider appreciation of the practical value of such training.

BOYS' CORN CLUBS.

This movement was organized in December, 1909, with the co-operation of the United States Department of Agriculture, the State College of Agriculture, the Commissioner of Agriculture, and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Boys' Clubs were organized in thirty-one counties with over 3,000 boys enrolled. The first State contest was held at the State Fair with a very creditable showing of exhibits.

The work is being advanced this year by the State committee with the assistance of Mr. H. S. Mobley, who has been placed in Arkansas as an organizer of Boys' Corn Clubs and School Extension work by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Organizations will be effected in every county in the State and an enrollment of 25,000 boys is expected for 1910 with a contest in every county and a State contest with Congressional District prize lists as well as State-wide prizes.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATIONS.

The report of the School Improvement Association work at the close of 1908 showed seventy-six active organizations with 3,000 members in thirty-nine counties and a direct expenditure of approximately \$10,000.00, nearly all accomplished in 1908.

With the opening of the school year in 1909, the campaign for school improvement was again instituted by the Department of Public Instruction. The movement is proving both popular and resultful. Twenty-seven new associations have been effected this fall by Miss Eva Reichardt, Field Representative, and requests for organization plans are being received from all sections of the State. School Improvement Association work has now reached fifty-three counties and will be rapidly extended to every county in Arkansas.

A School Improvement Section has

become a permanent feature of the State Teachers' Association. This work is doing much for the school children and is receiving the popular indorsement of patrons and teachers. Better school conditions are being urged throughout the State and the School Improvement Association campaign has exerted an appreciable influence in the increased expenditure for new buildings and equipment amounting to a half million dollars in 1909.

CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH.

The annual convention of the Conference for Education in the South will be held in Little Rock, April 6, 7, and 8, 1910.

The Little Rock Board of Trade and the Business Men's League are actively co-operating with the educational organizations of the State to make this meeting thoroughly successful and to encourage large attendance.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given, That in pursuance of the authority and directions contained in the decretal order of the Pulaski Chancery Court made and entered on the 13th day of November, A. D. 1909, in a certain cause (No. 12408), then pending therein between M. S. Griggs *et al.*, complainant, and Mose Shepherd, defendant, the undersigned, as Commissioner of said court, will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, at the east door or entrance of the Pulaski County Courthouse, in which said court is held, in the city of Little Rock, within the hours prescribed by law for judicial sales, on Saturday, the 11th day of December, A. D. 1909, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lotes One (1) and Twelve (12), in Block Thirty (30), in the town of Wrightsville, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Terms of Sale: On a credit of three months, the purchaser being required to execute bond with approved security, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from date of sale until paid, and a lien being retained on the premises sold to secure the payment of the purchase money.

Given under my hand this 15th day of November, A. D. 1909.

F. A. GARRETT,

Commissioner in Chancery.

GEORGE L. BASHAM, Solicitor for Plaintiff.

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Countless numbers of tiny living things called micro-organisms are everywhere found which will grow in the food man has prepared for his own use and cause it to spoil. These microscopic plants flourish in the kitchen, store room, ice box, milk room and cellar. The bulk of these minute forms of life are harmless, under usual conditions; some are useful, like those which ripen milk; and many are harmful, since they cause waste or may be a direct cause of disease.

Not only do yeasts, molds, and bacteria appropriate our food, with the result that it sours, rots, or putrefies, but they sometimes leave behind disagreeable consequences like the musty and moldy flavor of some spoiled foods, of the substances called ptomaines, which are sometimes poisonous.

Not until millions of yeast cells are massed together do they become visible to the eye as in the compressed yeast cake. Yeast plants are practically everywhere and are of many varieties, some being called wild yeasts, in distinction from those we have learned to cultivate for the making of bread. The old-fashioned method of making milk-rising or salt-rising bread depended on wild yeast falling into dough and caus-

ing the bread to rise, a method not always successful, because other organisms, the bacteria, also had a chance at the dough, and sometimes got the better of the yeast in the struggle for food, and the result of their life in the dough was sour or bitter bread.

Even when we are able to utilize the life processes of the yeast plant, its good offices are paid for with a certain amount of food material; thus, when introduced into the bread dough it breaks up part of the sugar present into alcohol and carbonic-acid gas, and the gas stretches out in the glutinous mass, making the porous loaf which at the right moment is stiffened by the heat of the oven.

In the same way the wild yeast attacks the sugar in the stewed fruit that has stood exposed on a warm day or the jelly left uncovered, or sometimes even when apparently covered, only in these cases the gas evolved serves no useful purpose and the fermentation ruins the taste of the food. Yeasts grow best at a temperature of 70 to 90 degrees F.; therefore, food that is to be protected from their action must be kept well below that point.

The appearance of mold as growing on bread, cheese, and other foods, is familiar to every housewife. The spores of the different varieties of mold are everywhere present, and they need only warmth and moisture to enable them to grow on many kinds of food. These organisms are always at work in damp cellars and in dark and damp corners of rooms. They are borne on the feet of insects, they are on the skins of all fruits, and in the dust flying in the air. They are not fond of light and they require no great abundance of air, flourishing best in foods that are piled close together, leaving small, undisturbed air spaces and moisture.

The growth of most molds is retarded by light, ventilation, and low temperature.

From the standpoint of household sanitation, bacteria are the most important of these micro-organisms. They are very widely distributed; the soil teems with them; they are in the air, in water and in all food exposed to dust and in all food exposed to dust and air.

In some food bacteria in the early stages of their action leave no disagreeable or unhealthful effects, so far as yet proved. Meat is in some measure ripened by bacterial action, and the "gamey" taste given meat by "hanging" comes in part from the same cause, though in both cases the changes are chiefly due to the action of ferments normally present. It is not easy to draw the line between the harmless ripening processes and the bacterial changes classed as decay, but if the bacteria are allowed to grow without hindrance the time comes when the food, either animal or vegetable, attacked by bacteria breaks up into a loathsome mass.

The food may become dangerous even before it shows outward signs of decomposition, for the bacteria may give off substances known as ptomaines some of which are very poisonous to man. Certainly apparently mysterious cases of illness have been traced to such causes; and milk, fish, meat, cheese, baked beans, ice cream, and other foods have all been found responsible for food poisoning. This sort of poisoning is not a true bacterial disease; that is, it is not due, as is typhoid fever, to the growth of an organism in the body, but the illness results from the introduction into the system of poisonous substances already formed in the food by the bacteria.

A new meaning for the scrubbing, airing, and sunning, that for many generations have been practiced by the good housekeepers, together with good reasons for the need of other precautions to be taken for home sanitation, will be found in Farmers' Bulletin 375,

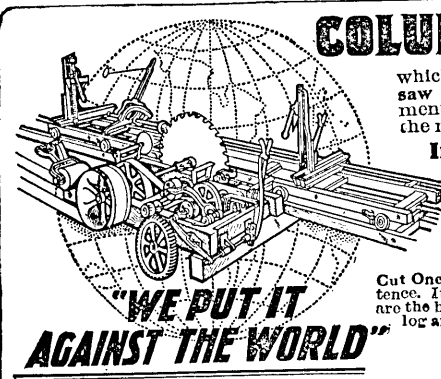
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Rising early on Wednesday morning, rushing to get ready to take the 8:30 a. m. train. Wife and some of the good women hurrying breakfast, and just before sitting down to breakfast, the phone gave a peculiar sound. I immediately took the receiver down and to my surprise and great satisfaction it was the voice of our P. E., saying that we need not move. I want to say to you that we served one of the best breakfasts, after getting such good news, that we have in a number of days.

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In a letter from Miss Mamie D. Myers, one of our own missionaries in Korea, there is a message for the home church which ought to arouse the most apathetic. I send it, by request of Monticello District Secretary, for publication in our column in Western Methodist, hoping that the faith and earnestness displayed may inspire some others who have not yet realized that God is calling them to work by these great opportunities. After writing of the matter between ourselves, Miss Myers says: "I will give you some special things to pray for. Perhaps you know our annual meeting was September 2 to 7, in Seoul. Every member of our mission was present but Mrs. Moose and Mrs. Thompson and the Lord poured out His Spirit upon us in a most wonderful way. There were marvelous answers to prayer, and God gave us His Holy Spirit as we waited upon Him. Many changes were made but we feel that all was done in His name. As we met in the committee on State of the Church to plan for our campaign for the new year some felt we must ask great things, attempt great things, and expect great things from God. As we waited upon Him to know if we should ask to lead 200,000 souls to Him in our territory the only answer we could get was Heb. 10:35, 36, and we dared do nothing less than ask for 200,000 souls this year. That means 50,000 on our Wansong work, which comprises four circuits. Will you help us pray for these souls?"

"On one circuit there are over 80,000 people, eight churches and one helper! Won't he need our prayers? In all the city of Wansong we have only two Bible women! Who is going to hold up their hands? In the county we have only four Bible women to this entire East coast. Do you want to have a part in helping them reach these 50,000 souls?"

"Since we have come back we have a prayer meeting every afternoon at five. I have told the girls and we have special prayers. Then Mr. Stokes and Mr. Purume have been meeting twice a day with the helpers. We are planning to have a week of prayer with the women, for we know the Master hath said 'Work while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work.' Some of the special objects of prayer are: One of my girls who left this year has been over-persuaded into an engagement with a man who has a wife. Of course we broke the engagement and brought the girl back to the school, but we know only the power of God can save her and her mother. Three sisters in school, 14, 10, and 7 years of age, the only children of parents who eat opium. We are praying that the three societies in America who support these children will send the money necessary (\$30.00) to give their parents the treatment in our hospital in Songdo that means their salvation. One of the teachers' young wife is very anxious to believe in Jesus, also to study, but the father-in-law, and grandmother will hear of nothing of the kind. They are devil worshippers,

and will not let the daughter-in-law do anything or go anywhere to hear the doctrine. So we are praying and believing for the salvation of the entire family. Will you join us?"

"To carry on our campaign we believe the Lord would have us try to put tracts in every home in our district—this takes money, over \$50.00 is necessary. We are asking God to put it into the hearts of some in America who know Him to send us the money. Can you pray for this?"

"We need Bible women, helpers, school-teachers, and, above all, the baptism of the Holy Spirit upon all those who are already members of His church. Our hearts are burning with this message. We cannot fail Him this year. We must have His best for ourselves and our people. Pray for us that we may honor Him and let Him work through us as He willeth."

"I praise God for the way He is blessing the school girls, and we will be satisfied with nothing less than full salvation for every girl. Write me any time I can give you information about our schools and work. This is to all interested in our work. God bless you and make you a blessing."

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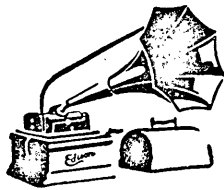
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OBITUARIES.

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

POPE—Norman Percy Pope was born Oct. 31, 1881, at Lacy, Drew county, Ark.; died in Houston, Tex., Nov. 22, 1909. For 28 years he was my joy and comfort; but the God who gave him to me wanted his pure and stainless soul for higher and better things, so at the dawn wafted it to the home where so many loved ones abide. Another treasure there to welcome me at the resurrection morn. My heart is desolated, but surely he will comfort me some way, some time. **MOTHER.**

THOMASON—Temperance Thomason (nee Temperance Rice) was born in Greenville district (county), South Carolina, Aug. 31, 1822; married to Benjamin Hendricks Thomason, Dec. 29, 1842. About September, 1856, she professed religion and joined the Protestant Methodist Church, in which she lived a consistent member till about July, 1870, when she joined the M. E. Church, South, in which she lived a consistent member till her death, which occurred Sept. 19, 1909. She was the mother of six children, five boys and one girl, four of whom survived, together with her husband, who will be 92 years old Jan. 11, 1910, should the good Lord spare him to see it. Her surviving children are as follows: Mary Elizabeth Bass, wife of T. C. Bass, now living at Wesson, in Union county, Arkansas; W. L. Thomason, Tinsman, Ark.; J. A. Thomason, Friendship, Hot Spring county, Ark.; Clem R. Thomason, Ellisville, Calhoun county, Ark. Her son, Benjamin F. Thomason, died

in Bradley county, Arkansas, several years ago, and John Wilson Thomason died in Hot Spring county about four years ago. Also she left surviving her about 60 grandchildren and about 20 great-grandchildren.

We preached her funeral at the old Mount Pleasant Church, near the old home, the third Sunday in October, at 11 a. m., to a large congregation. Surely a good woman is gone home to God. We would say to those surviving ones, live the life that Sister Thomason lived and it will not be long till they will all meet to part no more, where there is neither pain nor sorrow, but all is happiness and rejoicing. Surely the church will miss her, but she still lives among us. Her pastor, **J. C. WILLIAMS.**

PASS—Nathaniel Pass was born in Hall county, Georgia, April 15, 1829, and died at his home near Prattsville, Grant county, Ark., Oct. 24, 1909. These dates mark the earthly existence of one of the best men I ever knew. He joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of 14; was married to Miss Martha Wilson Sept. 4, 1851, and moved from Georgia to Grant county, Arkansas, in 1858.

Bro. Pass spent his long life for the good of others. He was true to his family, his God and his country. He was a worthy descendant of Nathaniel, a New Testament worthy, "An Israelite indeed in whom was no guile." All classes spoke of him as a good man. We will miss him so much. He was so faithful to his church till the last. We loved him so much. His name is as "precious ointment poured out." May God bless his good and faithful wife and his eight children. Five have gone on before. We all feel sad on account of our loss, but feel that he is in the home of the good. May God by his presence comfort the sorrowing ones. His pastor, **B. F. SCOTT.**

SEWELL—Ernest Pico Sewell was born April 26, 1882, and went home to the Father's house above Sept. 16, 1909. I had hoped that some one who knew him in early life would prepare a suitable memorial for the church paper, but none have done so. He was licensed to preach in 1906, and the same year admitted on trial in the Little Rock Conference and sent to the Bright Star Circuit. In 1907 he was given an appointment as student in Hendrix College, and a like appointment in 1908. He was ambitious to complete his education, but limited means kept him from remaining in school continuously. It was his intention to devote his life to the work of the ministry, and his purpose to prepare himself as best he could for his life work. But he is not, for God took him. His life, though brief, left an influence for good on those who knew him best. He leaves a father and two brothers to mourn his departure, and there is another over whose life his death has cast a shadow, one who waited until school days should be over, and then united they would journey on through life together.

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things well in hand, starts off well (with a real revival). The people are taking hold of him and they all tell me they are highly pleased. Sister White is a faithful, good preacher's helper and stands by his side. I expect great things for our Lord all over the work. He is planning a large circuit and praying and expecting large things, hence we have reason to expect the Cameron work to have by far the best report of its history. Let us all work and pray and expect 15,000 members this year instead of 13,000. I am in the field to do my best for my Lord and the church.

J. D. EDWARDS.

Dec. 6, 1909.

HOT SPRINGS PREACHERS' MEETING.

The Methodist pastors met at Central Methodist Church Monday morning. Prayer by Bro. Rainey, after which a delightful time was spent in an experience meeting.

This being the first meeting of the preachers after conference, new officers were elected. Rv. Forney Hutchinson was re-elected chairman; Rev. B. F. Mason, secretary. Bro. M. W. Harden's name was recorded as a member of this association. We were glad to welcome him among our number. Bro. Rainey was present, and some very feeling remarks were made in regard to his removal from our midst. Our love and prayers go with him to his new field of labor. Bro. Parker reported that his board of stewards had voluntarily raised his salary \$100. He also said that they had a good day yesterday; congregation somewhat small on account of the weather; Sunday school about one-third off; good league in the afternoon, led by Rev. Abner Sage.

Bro. Rushing had a good prayer meeting, also good services yesterday. Dr. M. B. Corrigan preached at 11 a. m. and the pastor at night. League fairly good.

Bro. Harden reported that he preached three times yesterday, and had good

prayer meeting during the week. Sunday school at Tigert very good.

Bro. Hutchinson reported a very large prayer meeting; 194 at Sunday school; morning congregation a little off, seven members received and two conversions.

Bro. Mason reported a good prayer meeting; also good services on yesterday, congregation a little off at the morning service, but very good at night. A very good league service.

The outlook for Methodism in Hot Springs was never better. God is moving among the people, and the preachers are determined to do the best work of their lives.

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Siloam Springs	Dec. 12
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St. Paul Mission at Sulphur City	11 a. m. Dec. 16
Lincoln Ct. at Lincoln	11 a. m. Dec. 17
Viney Grove at V. G.	Dec. 18, 19
Prairie Grove	Dec. 19
Winslow at Brentwood	Dec. 20
Huntsville Ct. at Huntsville	Dec. 22
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Conway Ct. at Round Mountain	Jan. 8, 9
Conway Station	Jan. 9, 10
Damascus Ct. at Steel's Chapel	Jan. 15, 16
Springfield Ct. at Springfield	Jan. 22, 23
Pottsville Ct. at Pottsville	Jan. 29, 30
Atkins Station	Jan. 30, 31
Plumerville Ct. at Oak Grove	Feb. 5, 6
Morrill Station	Feb. 6, 7
Adona Ct. at Adona	Feb. 12
Houston and Perry Ct. at P.	Feb. 13, 14
Bigelow Station	Feb. 14

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Van Buren Station	Dec. 19
Greenwood Station	Dec. 20
First Church	Dec. 26
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Central Church	Jan. 2

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Ozark Station	Dec. 11-12
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Spadra Mission	Dec. 19-20
Hartman Circuit, at Hartman	Dec. 20-21
London and Knoxville, at London	Dec. 22-23
Gravelly and Wing, at Wing	Jan. 1-2
Danville Station	Jan. 2-3
Walnut Tree Circuit, at Camilla	Jan. 4-5
Belleville Circuit, at Belleville	Jan. 6-7
Havana Mission, at Southern Home	Jan. 8-9
Ola Circuit, at Ola	Jan. 15-16
Prairie View Circuit at Prairie View	Jan. 22-23
Dardanelle Circuit, at Liberty Hall	Jan. 29-30
Dardanelle Station	Jan. 30-31

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Clinton Ct. at Clinton	Dec. 11-12
Eureka Springs	Dec. 19-20
Berryville	Dec. 21-22
Green Forest	Dec. 22
Fairview Ct. at Fairview	Dec. 22-23

Let all pastors see that the class books from each class are present at the Quarterly Conference. Also urge each steward to be present.

W. T. THOMPSON, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

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(First Round.)

Lonoke	Dec. 12
First Church	Dec. 19
Asbury	Dec. 19
Twenty-eighth Street	Dec. 26
Winfield	Dec. 26
Austin Ct. at Smyrna	Dec. 30
Hickory Plains Ct. at Walter's Ch.	Dec. 31
Deval's Bluff and Des Arc, at Deval's Bluff	Jan. 2
Carlisle and Hazen, at Hazen	Jan. 3
Mabelvale Ct. at Primrose	Jan. 9
Hunter Memorial	Jan. 9
Carlisle Miss., at Hamilton	Jan. 12
Bryant Ct. at Alexander	Jan. 15-16
Bauxite Ct. at Bauxite	Jan. 16-17
Maumelle Miss., at Taylor's Ch.	Jan. 23-24
Oak Hill Ct. at Paran	Jan. 30-31
Tomberlin Ct. at Keo	Feb. 5
England	Feb. 5

District Stewards' meeting at First Church, at 1:00 p. m., December 15.

A. C. MILLAR, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DIST.

(First Round.)

Altheimer, at Wabbaseka	Dec. 11-12
Stuttgart	Dec. 12-13
Douglas and Grady, at Moscoe	Dec. 18-19
Carr Memorial	Dec. 19-20
Lakeside	Dec. 22
Macon, at Good Faith	Dec. 25-26
Rison, at Rison	Dec. 26-27
Sherrill, at Sherrill	Jan. 1-2
Hawley Memorial	Jan. 2-3
Roe and St. Charles, at Hunter Chapel	Jan. 5
DeWitt Ct. at Sunshine	Jan. 8-9
DeWitt Station	Jan. 9-10
Gillett, at Gillett	Jan. 12
Redfield, at Center	Jan. 15-16
First Church	Jan. 19
Star City, at Star City	Jan. 22-23
Rowell, at Wesley Chapel	Jan. 25
New Edinburg	Jan. 27
Swan Lake	Jan. 29-30
Sheridan, at Sheridan	Feb. 2

District Stewards meeting at First Church, Pine Bluff, at 7:30 p. m., December 16.

J. D. HAMMONS, P. E.

TEXARKANA DIST.

(First Round.)

Ashdown	Dec. 11-12
Foreman	Dec. 12-13
Bright Star	Dec. 18-19
Fairview	Dec. 19-20
Texarkana Ct.	Jan. 1-2
College Hill	Jan. 2-3
Lewisville	Jan. 8-9

Spring Hill	Jan. 15-16
Stamps	Jan. 16-17
Cmpire	Jan. 22-23
Lockesburg	Jan. 24
De Queen	Jan. 25
Horatio	Jan. 26
Gillham	Jan. 29-30
Vandervoort	Jan. 30-31
Gherry Hill	Feb. 5-6
Mena	Feb. 6-7
First Church	Feb. 12-13

District stewards will meet at First Church, Texarkana, Dec. 22, 10 o'clock a. m.

THOS. H. WARE, P. E.

CAMDEN DIST.

(First Round.)

Kingsland Ct.	Dec. 18-19
Fordyce Sta.	Dec. 19-20
Bearden Ct.	Dec. 26-27
Thornton Ct.	Jan. 1-2
Strong Ct.	Jan. 8-9
Huttig Sta.	Jan. 9-10
Junction City Sta.	Jan. 11
Wesson Sta.	Jan. 12
Camden Ct.	Jan. 15-16
Camden Sta.	Jan. 17
Chidester Ct.	Jan. 18
Stephens Sta.	Jan. 19
Waldo Ct.	Jan. 20
Maquona Ct., 11:00 a. m.	Jan. 21
Maquona Sta., 7:00 p. m.	Jan. 21
Atanta Ct.	Jan. 22-23
El Dorado Ct., 11:00 a. m.	Jan. 24
El Dorado Sta.	Jan. 25
Hampton Ct.	Jan. 29-30

The District Stewards, and preachers of the district, and all the laymen who can come, specially those elected on the fourth round as lay leaders, are called to meet at Camden, January 14, 2:00 p. m. The District Stewards will meet then. Our laymen will begin at 7:00 p. m. and hold that night and all the next day. Let all Stewards, preachers, and laymen who can be present and stay until the meeting closes.

R. W. MCKAY, P. E.

PRESCOTT DIST.

(First Round.)

Emmet	Dec. 11-12
Hope Circuit	Dec. 14-15
Okeona	Dec. 18-19
Prescott	Dec. 26-27
Hope Station	Dec. 28
Murresboro	Jan. 1-2
Bingen	Jan. 2-3
Blevins	Jan. 8-9
Mineral Springs	Jan. 15-16
Nashville	Jan. 22-23
Washington	Jan. 23-24
Amity Ct.	Jan. 29-30
Caddo	Jan. 30-31
Pike City	Feb. 1
At. Ida	Feb. 5-6
Oden	Feb. 6-7
Gordon	Feb. 12-13
Center Point	Feb. 19-20
Harmony	Feb. 26-27

The district stewards will please meet me at Methodist Church in Prescott on Dec. 21, 7 p. m.

W. C. HILLIARD, P. E.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

SEARCY DIST.

(First Round.)

Searcy Ct. at Haygood	Dec. 18-19
Searcy, First Church	Dec. 19-20
Wilburn Ct. at Hiram	Dec. 31
Pangburn Ct. at Pangburn	Jan. 1-2
Heber Sta.	Jan. 2-3
Auvergne and Weldon, at Weldon	Jan. 8-9
Newport Sta.	Jan. 9-10
McKae Ct. at Sixteenth Section	Jan. 15-16
Beebe Ct. at Beebe	Jan. 16-17
Cabot Ct.	Jan. 22-23
Augusta Ct. at Union	Jan. 29-30
Augusta Sta.	Jan. 30-31
Cato Ct. at Cato	Feb. 5-6
Vilonia Ct. at Vilonia	Feb. 6-7
Floyd Ct. at Hammonsville	Feb. 12-13
West Point Ct. at West Point	Feb. 19-20
Bradford and B. K., at B. K.	Feb. 26-27
Denmark Ct. at Denmark	March 1
Gardner Memorial	March 5-6
Dye Memorial	March 6-7

District Stewards will please meet me at Searcy on Tuesday, December 21, at 2:00 p. m.

A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

PARAGOULD DIST.

(First Round.)

Paragould, First Church	Dec. 12
East Side and Brighton	Dec. 12
Piggott and St. Francis, at Piggott	Dec. 19-20
Paragould Ct. at Pruet's Chapel	Dec. 19-20
New Liberty Ct. at Morning Star	Dec. 26, Jan. 6
Gainesville Ct. at Gainesville	Jan. 8-9
Lorado Ct. at Warren's Chapel	Jan. 15-16
Boydsville Ct. at Mary's Chapel	Jan. 22-23
Rector Ct. at Rector	Jan. 23-24
Corning Sta.	Jan. 29-30
Knobel Ct. at Peach Orchard	Jan. 30
Walnut Ridge Sta.	Feb. 5-6
Pocahontas and Biggers, at P.	Feb. 6-7
Success Ct. at Success	Feb. 8
Pocahontas Ct. at Oak Grove	Feb. 10
Maynard Ct. at Maynard	Feb. 12-13
Black Rock, Portia and Hoxie, at Portia	Feb. 19-20
Imboden Ct. at Imboden	Feb. 26-27
Mammoth Spring and Hardy at Mammoth Spring	Feb. 27-28

The District Stewards will please meet me at Hoxie, Thursday, December 16, at 1:00 o'clock p. m. All pastors are invited to be present.

J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

BATESVILLE DIST.

(First Round.)

Batesville, First Church	Dec. 18-19
Batesville, Central Avenue	Dec. 19-20
Tuckerman Sta.	Dec. 26-27
Swift Ct. at Arbor Grove	Dec. 28
Sulphur Rock Ct. at Sulphur Rock	Jan. 1-2
Newark Sta.	Jan. 2-3
Cave City Ct. at Cave City	Jan. 8-9
Evening Shade Sta.	Jan. 9-10
Ash Flat Ct. at Bethel	Jan. 11
Salem Ct. at Salem	Jan. 13
Bexar Ct. at Bexar	Jan. 15-16
Melbourne Ct. Pleasant Grove	Jan. 16-17
Calico Rock Ct. at Olive Branch	Jan. 22-23
Mountain View and Gulon, at Mountain View	Jan. 23-24
Mountain View Ct. at St. James	Jan. 25

Smithville Ct. at Jesup	Jan. 29-30
Wolf Bayou Ct. at Pine Grove	Feb. 5-6
Deshia Ct. at Salado	Feb. 12-13
Bethesda Ct. at Bethesda	Feb. 19-20
Jacksonport Ct. at Jacksonport	Feb. 23

A. T. GALLOWAY, P. E.

HELENA DIST.

(First Round.)

Clarendon Station	Dec. 12-13
Wynne Station	Dec. 19-20
Parkin Station	Dec. 19-20
Forrest City Station	Dec. 26-27
La Grange Ct. at Moro	Jan. 1-2
Wheatley Ct. at Wheatley	Jan. 2-3
Cotton Plant Station	Jan. 8-9
Brinkley Station	Jan. 9-10
Hamlin Ct. at Hamlin	Jan. 14-15
McCrory Station	Jan. 15-16
DeView and Howell Ct. at Gray's	Jan. 16-17
Holly Grove and Marvell, at H. G. Jan.	22-23
Turner and Shiloh Ct. at Monroe	Jan. 23-24
Colt Ct. at Wesley Chapel	Jan. 30-31
Council Ct. at Democrat	Feb. 5-6
Haynes and Madison Ct. at Madison	Feb. 6-7
Laconia Ct. at Mellwood	Feb. 11-12
Marianna Station	Feb. 13-14
Helena Station	Feb. 19-20

Our district stewards are called to meet at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1910, in the Methodist Church in Forrest City.

Z. T. BENNETT, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

CHICKASHA DIST.

(First Round.)

Lindsay	Dec. 12-13
Rush Springs and Bailey, at Rush Springs	Dec. 18-19
Minco and Ninnekah, at Minco	Dec. 19-20
Duncan Station	Dec. 26-27
Oak Grove, at Banner	Jan. 1-2
Wayne, at Wayne	Jan. 8-9
Paoli and Florence, at Paoli	Jan. 9-10
Whitehead and Maysville, at Whitehead	Jan. 15-16
Paul's Valley	Jan. 16-17
Alex, at Alex	Jan. 22-23
Verden and Tuttle, at Verden	Jan. 23-24
Wood Reserve, at Woodlawn	Jan. 29-30
Velma, at Doyle	Feb. 5-6
Chickasha	Feb. 13-14

L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.

Duncan, Okla.

MUSKOGEE DIST.

(First Round.)

Sallisaw Circuit, Price's Chapel	Dec. 11-12
Sallisaw Station	7:00 p. m. Dec. 12
Brushy Circuit, Akin	7:00 p. m. Dec. 13
Vian Circuit, Vian	7:00 p. m. Dec. 14
Webber's Falls, Webber's Falls	7:00 p. m. Dec. 15
Checotah Station	Dec. 16
Firt Church	7:00 p. m. Dec. 17
Baldhill Circuit, Baldhill	Dec. 18-19
Boynton and Morris, Morris 7:00 p. m.	Dec. 19
St. Paul	Dec. 20

In each case where the date is 7:00 p. m. the pastor will please announce preaching followed by the quarterly conference. The District Stewards will please meet in St. Paul, Muskogee, November 30, 2:00 p. m.

O. E. GODDARD, P. E.

CLINTON DIST.

(First Round.)

Battler and Shiloh at Butler	Dec. 11-12
Burnah at Mt. Zion	Dec. 18-19
Custer City	Dec. 19-20
Cheyenne and Washita at Cheyenne	Jan. 1-2
Sweet Water at Enterprise	Jan. 3-4
Erick Station	Jan. 8-9
Texola Circuit at Pioneer	Jan. 9-10
Delhi at Delhi	Jan. 15-16
Foss at Foss	Jan. 16-17
Doxey at Fulton	Jan. 22-23
Dill City at Ural	Jan. 23-24
Cowden at Buck Creek	Jan. 30-31
Cloud Chief	Jan. 30-31
Port	Feb. 5-6
Rocky and Sentinel at Sentinel	Feb. 12-13
Cordell	Feb. 14

WM. D. MATTHEWS, P. E.

LAWTON DIST.

(First Round.)

Frederick Circuit at Apeon	Dec. 11-12
Davidson Station	Dec. 12
Frederick Station	Dec. 13 at 7:30 p. m.
Hastings Circuit at Hastings	Dec. 18-19
Temple Station	Dec. 19-20
Walter Station	Dec. 21 at 10 a. m.
Lawton Station	Dec. 22
Walter Circuit at Val-V	Jan. 1-2
Alpheatone Circuit at Junction City	Jan. 2-3
St. Cobb Circuit at Un. Star	Jan. 8-9
Anadarko Station	Jan. 9-10
Glenwood Circuit at Hazel Dell	Jan. 15-16
Geary Station	Jan. 16-17
Cement Circuit at Cyril	Jan. 19 at 2 p. m.
Indian Work at Mt. Scott	Jan. 22-23

The stewards of each charge will please meet and fix salary for the pastor. The pastors will please be prepared to answer Question 5 at first quarterly conference.

C. F. MITCHELL, P. E.

ARDMORE DIST.

(First Round.)

Marietta Station	7 p. m. Dec. 10
Lebanon Circuit at Lebanon	Dec. 11-12
Leon and Burneyville at Burneyville	7 p. m. Dec. 14
Lone Grove Circuit at Hewitt	7 p. m. Dec. 16
Cornish and Loco at Cornish	7 p. m. Dec. 17
Petersburg Circuit at Petersburg	Dec. 18-19
Woodford Circuit at Woodford	7 p. m. Dec. 21
Springer Circuit at Springer	7 p. m. Dec. 22

I. K. WALLER, P. E.

CREEK AND CHEROKEE DIST.

(First Round.)

Cedar Bluff at Cedar Bluff	Dec. 11-12
Broken Arrow, Hage's Chapel	Dec. 18-19
Wewoka, Thlewary	Jan. 1-2
Sapulpa, Buck's Chapel	Jan. 8-9
Okmulgee, Flat Rock	Jan. 15-16
Uchee, Pickett's Chapel	Jan. 22-23
Hitchita, Eufaula	Jan. 29-30
Saline, PawPaw	Feb. 5-6

ORLANDO SHAY, P. E.

CHOCTAW AND CHICKASAW DIST.

(First Round.)

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FROM OUR FIELD EDITOR. REV. D. J. WEEMS.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

The fifty-sixth session of the Little Rock Conference was held in Arkadelphia, November 24-28, Bishop Hendrix presiding. Arkadelphia is a little city of about 5,000. Quite a good deal of wealth centers here, in mills, merchandise, railroads, farms and other enterprises. Henderson and Ouachita, the Methodist and Baptist Colleges, with the fine churches, have drawn an excellent class of citizens to Arkadelphia for good school and church privileges. The Presbyterians also have a good negro school. It is gratifying to report these schools in a flourishing condition.

Rev. H. S. Hartzog, President of Ouachita, and former President of the State University, is a splendid educator. Hon. J. H. Hinemon, President of Henderson, is a fine school man. He is equal to the best in the State and has associated with him a strong faculty. Henderson College has had remarkable success under many difficulties. November 25, 1909, they secured \$35,280.00, which pays their debt and leaves a nice sum for improvements. This Thanksgiving Day will go down in history as Arkansas' great educational day. Bishop Hendrix delivered a strong speech, showing the wonderful advantage of schools of high grade. He stated that an endowed school had never been known to fail. That it is more enduring than a kingdom, for rulers and governments come and go, but the endowed college abides.

A collection was taken for Hendrix College by the Bishop, which summed up \$50,800.00. Later the Bishop announced a little bird had brought him a message that a brother, whose name was withheld from the public, would give \$7,500.00 per year for four years, which sum will pay the debt on the college—\$30,000.00, which made \$116,080.00 secured in one day for Hendrix and Henderson Colleges. While the collection was being taken for these schools several contributions unsolicited were made for Galloway and Ouachita. Bishop Hendrix divided his \$100.00 equally between the four schools. This day's work has done more to unify our schools than all the correlation plans combined.

While the collection was being taken for Hendrix, Henderson College pledged \$1,000.00 for Hendrix. President Williams, of Galloway, had subscribed \$100.00 in the \$8,000.00 collection at the Arkansas Conference for Hendrix. Here he gave \$100.00 for Henderson. This looked like a love feast that had something to feast on.

Let our schools from henceforth work in harmony with each other. They each have a field, and there are boys and girls to more than fill each of them that can be induced to attend college. We rejoice to know that at the Baptist State Convention, which met in Arkadelphia the week before our Annual Conference, raised \$23,000.00 to clear an \$85,000.00 debt on their two colleges, Ouachita and Central.

While these collection were being taken great enthusiasm prevailed, clapping of hands and cheers all over the house. At its close the students gave their college yells in the church. The young ladies sang with gusto—

"Oh girls ain't you happy,
As we go marching on."

The student-body serenaded the town until about midnight. They had reason to rejoice with exceeding great joy.

DR. J. H. RIGGEN.

When the name of Dr. Riggen was called and he asked for the superannuate relation, it was indeed a very pathetic scene. He had been effective fifty-six years and through his seventy-fifth year, had been Presiding Elder twenty years. He is much loved and honored by his brethren.

The Conference love-feast will be remembered as one of the most delightful events of the session. The preaching by Drs. Monke, Palmore, Chappell, M. N. Waldrip, Bishop Hendrix, Drs. Sharp, and Werlein, the temperance addresses of Judge James Steel, Brother Powell, and Frank Barrett, were all excellent and well received by the great congregation.

The church furnished plenty of committee rooms, large auditorium, a first-class place for the Conference.

The entertainment was royal. I. N. Runyon and I were most delightfully located at the pleasant home of Sister Hattie Holloway.

Rev. A. O. Evans brought every one under obligations for his kindness and the delightful way he entertained the Conference.

Next Conference goes to Prescott.

The appointments seem to give almost perfect satisfaction. I did not hear of a single brother complaining. The business of the Western Methodist, of which I had charge, was very gratifying. Many thanks to the brethren for their courtesy and help.

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IOLAND CHARGE.

Dear Methodist: I have been given a cordial welcome to Ioland Circuit. The people have taken hold of the work well, and we are starting out to make this year the best year in our ministry, and by the grace of God we are going to make Ioland Circuit the best one in the Guymon District this year. Five years ago I was sent to this charge, and served it for two years, and I am glad that I have the privilege of serving it for this Conference year, for they are a good, loyal people. They love their pastors, and do all that they can to help them with the work. The Stewards are going to provide well for the support of the pastor, and I want to give them value received for it. Brother W. J. Clark left many friends on this work. He is a good man and preaches well. Brother Lawlis is our Presiding Elder, and he is loved by all of the people on this charge. They are glad that he was returned to the district for another year. We are going to do our best to pay all of our Conference collections off the first of the year and get them out of the way. We are planning to hold a Sunday School and a laymen's meeting in connection with the first quarterly Conference, and we urge all of the laymen to be present and hear the speeches. Brethren, pray for us on the Ioland charge, for we have got a large work and need your prayers.

Yours in Christ,
W. P. MEADOW, P. C.

PREACHER WANTED.

For a good work, Cornish and Loco. \$75.00 from the Foreign Board, part now in bank. Good parsonage. Write me at Ardmore, Okla. Send testimonials. I. K. WALLER, P. E.

CARE OF THE FLOWERS.
Children when, with tender, careful hand,
Amid the flowers you go,
Forget not him whose watchfulness
Sends rain on all below.

Each little plant that lifts its head,
And sparkles in the sun,
Owes all it has of life and joy
To God, the Almighty One.

Each little child whose heart begins
To love, to pray, to learn,
A faithful heavenly Father has,
To whom that heart should turn.

The same great hand that guides the stars,
Pours down the faithful shower,
Then let the rain drops speak his love
The stars prolong His power.

—PAULINE GILLENWATER.
Askew, Ark.

BETTER SCHOOLS—GENERAL INTEREST IN SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT.

The school patrons of Arkansas are coming to appreciate the value of work accomplished through School Improvement Associations, thus bringing together the patrons and teachers to work for the practical betterment of school conditions.

Last year this campaign was instituted by State Superintendent Geo. B. Cook. Eighty-three active associations with three thousand members in thirty-nine counties, competed for the loving cup offered by Superintendent Cook for the Banner S. I. A. of Arkansas. The trophy was won by the Central Association in Little Rock and the reports showed that these organizations had raised and expended for the schools ten thousand dollars and had encouraged the expenditure of a half million dollars for new houses and equipment.

The loving cup will be competed for again this year at the State Teachers Association at Hot Springs, December 28, 29 and 30 and report blanks are now being sent to each S. I. A.

School Improvement Associations are now organized in practically every county. Twenty-six new associations were organized during the past thirty days and Miss Eva Reichardt, field representative, has more requests to visit schools than can be filled. Three hundred new school houses have been built in Arkansas in the last year at a cost of a half million dollars and the School Improvement idea is making itself felt in many ways directly beneficial to our boys and girls. Address Geo. B. Cook, State Superintendent for the handsome S. I. A. Year-Book, free.

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ADAIR, OKLA.

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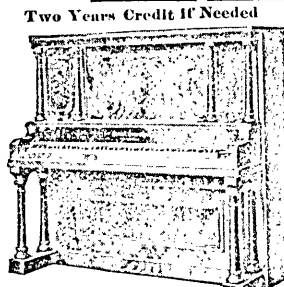


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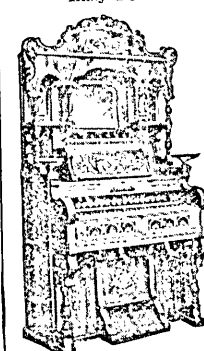
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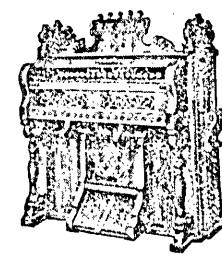


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FRETTING.

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Mark Guy Pearce.

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