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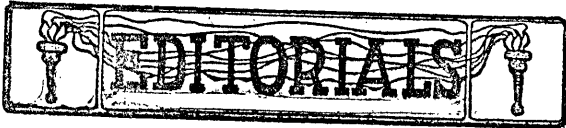
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## THE LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

This great convention adjourned in Little Rock last Sunday night. It was truly a great meeting. We should estimate that at least a thousand delegates, from various parts of Arkansas, attended it. The registration was 648. Many did not register. And there were thousands, other than delegates, that came under the influence of the meeting. A greater meeting of Christian workers had never met in Arkansas. We cannot give anything like a detailed report of it here. More good things were said and done than we could record were we to use every inch of space this week in this paper. We had repeatedly advised our readers beforehand that great things would be in store for such as would attend. Those who were here got them. As for those who could not be here, we have gathered much that we shall give them, taking it in brief notes at first hand as the meeting went on.

The main place of meeting was the auditorium of that splendid temple of worship which our brethren of the Second Baptist Church have just completed, and it was always full. The walls and facings of the galleries were hung with maps and mottoes. The mottoes themselves are worth giving here. Here are some of them:

We can do it if we will. We can do it, and we will.

Love never asks How much must I do? but, how much can I do,

We cannot serve God and Mammon, but we can serve God with Mammon.

The Goal of History is the Redemption of the World.

The genius of Christianity is obedience to Christ. Partial surrender means partial life.

This is the only generation we can reach.

No one ever became great except by identification with some great cause.

Consecration to God means service to man.

Christ is either Lord of all or is not Lord at all.

The light that shines farthest shines brightest nearest home.

One of the most unique things of the Laymen's Convention was a chart with men of the several great nations drawn as to size in proportion to the population each represented. The Chinaman was the one figure that loomed, looking down upon all his companions, smiling at their insignificance. The nonchalant attitude of Uncle Sam was changed to a sober look, and John Bull was not knee-high to John Chinaman.

On Sunday morning the churches of the city were filled with people come to listen to the messages the speakers brought. In the afternoon a great multitude of men filled the Capital Theater, and it is not too much to say that they were filled with holy enthusiasm by what they heard. It was an inspiring scene. On Sunday night denominational meetings, beginning at 7:30, were held in the leading churches of the several denominations; and all were massed back at the Second Baptist Church at 9:00 o'clock for the final meeting. Resolutions adopted at these denominational meetings and adopted also at the final rally appear in another column. These

resolutions register the purpose of a great advance. For example, the Little Rock churches paid last year for foreign missions \$7,936.00, and they pledged themselves, under these resolutions, as they were being discussed in the denominational rallies, to raise during this year \$16,300.00, with some of the smaller churches yet to be heard from. What the result will be when the missionary committees in the various churches throughout the State shall make report remains to be seen. But the general effect of the meeting on Arkansas must be great. We are trusting that our dear brethren in Oklahoma, who will be in session in another great meeting in Oklahoma City when these lines go to press, will also get a mighty impulse.

The music was led throughout by Prof. Evans, of Little Rock. Hymns used were the grand, rousing old battle calls of the church, specially printed on sheets for the occasion.

As for the speakers and their speeches, it would be impossible to report them. There was not a poor speech from the beginning, on Friday night, to the close, on Sunday night. There was no stage play in them; simply downright, earnest setting forth of the work of the kingdom of God, its principles and its needs, on a world-scale. There were present able men, literally from the ends of the earth, to speak to the people of this State. They knew their mission; they presented it with great earnestness, with great optimism, with great directness and with great ability. The Spirit of the living God was manifestly present. The address of Rev. W. R. Hotchkiss, the Quaker missionary, of British yast Africa, was one of the most thrilling we ever heard.

When this Laymen's Missionary Movement first began, a little more than two years ago, we pronounced it the most significant movement that had taken place in the church within the last half century. This writer was privileged to be present at Chattanooga last April a year gone, and he has attended closely this meeting in Little Rock; he is fully persuaded that he did not overstate the case two years ago. It means something when great lawyers, like Mr. Mornay Williams, who came here from New York, are willing to turn aside from a practice worth more than a hundred dollars a day and give weeks to a great campaign throughout the United States to arouse the men of the whole country to an interest in saving the world; and it means something when such men as Hon. Joshua Levering, a great business man of Baltimore, and Mr. S. W. Capen, a great business man of Boston, and Col. E. W. Halford, a great military man and a great civilian, and many other notable men, join in a campaign like this, going from city to city, throughout the country, giving months of their time; it means business for God.

Our Methodist people were blessed with the presence and service of our Dr. C. F. Reid, originally of Kentucky, who spent seventeen years in China, who opened our Korean Mission and spent a number of years there, and who is now in charge of our mission work on the Pacific coast, with headquarters at San Francisco. He rendered most excellent service on various occasions. He preached a soul-stirring and a soul-winning sermon at our First Church on Sunday morning. It seemed to us that any man who heard his recital of how the gospel had demon-

strated its power to save the worst of heathen men, under his own eyes, could but be persuaded that the gospel is what we all need to make us men. Our church was represented also by Rev. G. W. Cram, the head of our mission in Korea, who went out seven years ago from Mississippi. He preached at Winfield Church in the morning, and spoke, along with Dr. Reid, at our denominational meeting at First Church at night. Our brethren were greatly pleased with his work. Miss Virginia Garner was also in the city, and spoke to the women at Winfield Church in the afternoon of Sunday. She needs no introduction, and her work needs no words of praise among us, for she is one of our own, and our people have long known her worth. We have mentioned in another place the service of Dr. S. H. Wainright.

### MISSIONARY POLICY OF ARKANSAS.

Resolutions proposed by the Executive Committee of Little Rock, submitted to and discussed by the denominational conferences, and also submitted to the General Convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, Little Rock, February 13, 1910.

Resolved, first. That we recognize it to be the present urgent duty of the Church of Christ to undertake to preach the gospel to every person in the world.

Second. That we rejoice that the laymen of the churches are rising up in large numbers, to co-operate with their pastors and missionary boards in the attempt to evangelize the world in this generation.

Third. That we unite our efforts and prayers in a persistent attempt to enlist the Christian men of Arkansas in undertaking their full proportion of world-responsibility.

Fourth. That we earnestly recommend the appointment in every congregation of a strong missionary committee, who shall conduct a campaign of education on the subject of missions, encouraging the mission study classes, and who shall also organize and conduct a personal canvass of every member and adherent of the congregation, to the end that some worthy systematic contribution to the cause of world-evangelization be made by every one.

Fifth. That we strongly urge the adoption of the weekly system of missionary offerings, as the most scriptural, fair, economical, and productive method, believing that when properly introduced and worked, it secures the largest possible educational, financial, and spiritual results.

Sixth. That we recommend that all churches in this State that have not already reached a higher standard, aim to increase their systematic offerings to the extension of the Kingdom of Christ in the non-Christian world, until they shall be brought up to at least 25 per cent of the church's total offerings, for all purposes, including congregational expenses.

Seventh. That the Little Rock churches undertake to follow this convention immediately by a thoroughly organized canvass by the missionary committee of each church, to the end that every church member may be enlisted as a systematic contributor to missions, and that the total offerings of Little Rock churches to work abroad may be increased from \$7,936.00 reported last year,

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## METHODIST CALENDAR.

We are anxious to list all our important meetings in this column and will be thankful for information regarding such meetings.

## W. J. MOORE'S ITINERARY.

Piedmont, Okla.....Feb. 20, 21  
 Tecumseh.....Feb. 25-27

## CHURCH EXTENSION.

Arkansas Conference, Bentonville, 10:30 a. m.  
 March 14.  
 White River Conference, Nettleton, 1:00 p. m.,  
 March 8.  
 Oklahoma Conference, Oklahoma City, 2:00 p. m.,  
 March 14.  
 Little Rock Conference, Stuttgart, 10:00 a. m.,  
 March 9.

## DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

Muskogee, at Stigler.....April 5-8  
 Durant, at Durant.....April 6-10  
 Ada, at Sulphur.....April 11-13  
 Mangum, at Blair.....April 18-21  
 Clinton, at Cordell.....April 19-21  
 Oklahoma City, at Purcell.....April 19-23  
 Tulsa, at Weleetka.....April 26-28  
 Lawton, at Anadarko.....April 27-30  
 Vinita, at Wagoner.....April 29  
 McAlester, at Poteau.....June 7-10  
 Ardmore, at Wynnewood.....June 23  
 The summer School of Theology to be held at  
 Epworth University, June 7-17.  
 Pine Bluff, at Humphrey, at night.....April 27  
 Monticello, at Wilmar.....April 28-May 1  
 Dardanelle, at Danville, 7:30 p. m.....April 27

Rev. D. N. Weaver writes that he has opened up in good condition on Bates Circuit, Arkansas Conference.

Rev. J. D. Hammons, presiding elder of the Pine Bluff District, is assisting the pastor, Don C. Holman, in a meeting at Altheimer this week.

For the information of those who may not know we will state that the libel suit instituted in 1908 against this paper by Secretary of State O. C. Ludwig has been withdrawn.

The sixth World's Sunday School Convention will be held May 19-24, at Washington, D. C. It is expected that some 2,500 delegates will attend. The first convention was held in London in 1889.

Wesleyan College, Macon, Ga., is in the midst of a campaign to secure a \$200,000.00 endowment, on which \$40,000.00 has already been raised.

Rev. W. C. Davidson came up from Pine Bluff to attend the intercollegiate debate last Monday night. He sees great opportunities ahead of him in First Church in that city.

We learned through our old friend, Judge Jones, of Yellville, that Rev. W. M. McIntosh is holding a meeting there for our good brother, J. T. Taylor. Blessings crown them!

We are gratified to announce that Rev. O. E. Goddard has been invited to preach the commencement sermon for Hendrix College, and has accepted.

Rev. James Evans, son of Rev. W. F. Evans, called while attending the Laymen's meeting last week. He is on double duty, going to school at Henderson College and looking after the interests of Arkadelphia Circuit, but seems to stand the strain well.

The Woman's Board of Home Missions will meet in annual session in Nashville, Tenn., April 15-22. The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions will meet in the same city the following week.

We are glad to learn that Rev. C. W. Lester's family are all much better. Brother Lester is our Epworth League editor and will now resume his work on this paper.

Rev. J. H. Dye, D. D., was in Little Rock to attend a funeral Monday and we had the pleasure of a handshake. He reported the revival at Searcy closed with about 75 conversions and reclamations.

Taking in the Laymen's meeting last week Rev. T. P. Clark, of Lake Village, called at this office. He is greatly improved in health and seemed to be in good spirits. He is one of our strongest doctrinal preachers.

Brother Ed G. Phillips, the gospel singer for the Oklahoma Conference, writes that his address has been changed from Siloam Springs, Ark., to 1614 North College Avenue, Oklahoma City, Okla.

It is reported that the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., has completed an endowment of \$100,000.00, and that J. P. Morgan has promised an additional \$50,000.00, and that \$60,000.00 more is expected from Mr. Carnegie.

Our General Board of Education will meet in Nashville March 8, and the Religious Education Association meets there also March 8-10, so that no distinctively denominational conference will be held by our own Board.

In a brief note Rev. J. D. Sibert, of Miami, Fla., writes of the death, on February 10, of his daughter, Elna. While sorrowing he was greatly comforted because of her triumphant translation. Our sympathy goes out to the sorrowing ones.

Inclosing his second round of Quarterly Conferences, Rev. W. C. Hilliard writes with high hopes for the year on his district. He and his preachers do things. His Laymen's Movement is vigorous.

Dr. John L. Buchanan, many of our readers will be glad to know, is making his home in Arkansas again, with his daughter, Mrs. Reynolds, at Fayetteville. His health is reported to be good. Arkansas has no more worthy citizen.

Our old friend, Captain J. M. Jenkins, his good wife, and his granddaughter, are down in Florida, among blooming peach trees and sprouting vegetation. The Captain is doing some work on the superannuate fund. He purposes soon to be back in Tennessee.

Rev. Walter Riley, writes from Hazleton, North Dakota, and wishes his old friends in Arkansas to know that he is in a fine but comparatively new country, and that he is busy about the work of the kingdom out there, having organized many Sunday schools and some churches.

Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, who was in the city the other day, reports a most auspicious beginning of his work at Helena. They are already arranging to rebuild their church. With the people Brother Ramsey has to work with he ought to be able to do almost anything.

Mr. J. F. Holden, a prominent layman in our church at St. Paul's, Muskogee, who has been for some time Vice President and General Manager of the Midland Valley Railroad, has been elected First Vice President of the Kansas City Southern, and will move to Kansas City. We regret to lose so valuable a man out of our territory.

In a recent private letter Judge A. L. Beckett, of Stigler, Okla., speaks in the highest praise of the work of his pastor, Rev. J. D. Salter. The church has enjoyed a great awakening since Conference, and Stigler is expecting great things at

the coming District Conference. There have been many conversions and additions.

Mr. T. M. Cannon, of Goshen, Ark., the father of Mrs. William Sherman, pastor of First Church, Fort Smith, died at Springdale, February 9. He had not been well for some time, had gone there for treatment. The trip was too much for him. He died in a few hours after reaching Springdale. We extend our sympathies to the bereaved.

Rev. A. F. Skinner, Presiding Elder of Searcy District, attended the Laymen's meeting last week and paid h's respects to this office. He is an indefatigable worker. We expect results when he is in the field. By no means the least of his efforts is his faithful presentation of the claims of the church papers.

Rev. J. M. Hughey, Presiding Elder of the Fayetteville District, writes that the wife of Rev. J. D. Roberts, pastor of Elm Springs Circuit, passed peacefully to rest last Saturday night, after an illness of many months. The bereaved husband and the two little girls have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends among whom we wish to be numbered.

Rev. J. W. Wood, Secretary of the Mission Board of the Episcopal Church, New York, last Sunday night told a great audience, at the Convention, that the Chinese Christians under Bishop Roots had sent recently a contribution from China to Bishop Brown, of Arkansas, to assist him in evangelizing the mountaineers of this State. What do our readers think of that?

Dr. C. F. Reid, who was long in China, who opened our mission in Korea, who is now in charge of our missionary work on the Pacific coast, was one of the speakers at the Little Rock Laymen's meeting. He is always magnetic, full of enthusiasm and good sense. Our personal association with him was most pleasant. He was several times in our offices, doubly welcome.

Rev. Willis F. Jordan, who last year served as a district evangelist in the Oklahoma Conference, has this year been appointed to serve as Conference evangelist. He goes out duly authorized by the Conference, and is fully indorsed by the brethren who best know him. His residence is at Sulphur, Okla., and brethren who need him would do well to make engagements early.

One of the noblest spirits of the Laymen's Convention was Hon. Joshua Levering. He is President of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one of the great business men of the city of Baltimore. He made one of the best talks of the occasion. He has been twice around the world, once on a tour of missionary study, and he has a daughter on the foreign field.

Rev. Joe A. Stephens, Harrisburg Circuit, attended the Good Roads meeting last week, and called to see us. Every preacher ought to be a good roads man, for we shall not have good country churches where the people cannot get about. The gospel of good roads must be preached in some regions before the gospel of salvation can do much. Even the church has a material basis of life in this world.

Rev. B. H. Greathouse is, we hear, running for representative in Fulton County, this State. The Western Methodist is not in politics; but when such men as Captain W. W. Martin and B. H. Greathouse offer themselves for public service, we always reserve the right to say their people can do no better than to accept them. We have much at stake in the next legislature. We need the best of men there..

Prof. Sutton, of the Foreign Mission Board of the Christian Church, made one of the most effective appeals we have yet heard for recruits for the mission fields. He rapidly sketched the crowded condition of all callings in this country,

the ministry and farming included, and pressed home the question, By whose authority do you settle into a calling here at home, in the face of the need of the heathen world, and of the command of God to "Go?"

The Mount Auburn Church was really afflicted in the transfer of Rev. P. C. Fletcher, and their regret at his departure will not soon pass away. In the brief time he was with them he had won a warm place in their hearts which was evidenced in a series of resolutions from the official board, expressing the feeling of the church. In the removal of Brother Fletcher our St. Louis Methodism has lost much.—*St. Louis Christian Advocate*.

The Oklahoma Conference put forth an experiment last year (1908-09) which more than justified the move. The same (but no longer an experiment) is now the settled policy of the Conference and its mission board. At the Conference session at Muskogee in November, 1909, the board of missions recommended the appointment of some nine district and two Conference evangelists. They were duly appointed by Bishop Atkins and told to go forth and possess the land. Nothing but good reports come from these men throughout the State.

Col. E. W. Halford, one of the leading spirits in the Laymen's Movement, had the misfortune to get his leg broken as he was leaving a (moving) train on getting into Little Rock to attend the meeting here. Col. Halford was private secretary to President Harrison, was paymaster to the Philippine army while our forces were there. He is a most excellent man, of great head and great heart. It means something when such men give themselves to a great movement. He is in St. Vincent's Infirmary, Little Rock, and will be disabled for some weeks.

One of the remarkable men who came to the Laymen's meeting at Little Rock was Mr. Mornay Williams. He is president of the New York State Board of Charities and Corrections, and one of the ablest lawyers of the city of New York. It was significant of much that this man was assigned to speak on a subject so spiritual as "prayer in relation to missions," and that he showed himself to be greatly at home in handling his subject, speaking with great ability and point. It means much that such men know how to speak and to pray and are willing to do both.

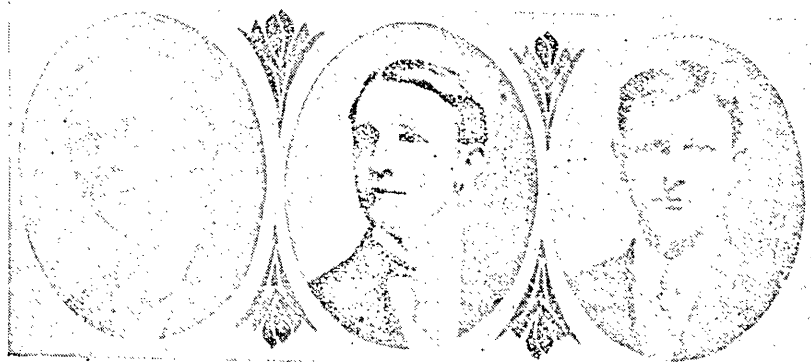
We have inquiries from Oklahoma as to why the publication in the *Methodist* of the old minutes of the Indian Mission, now Oklahoma Conference, has been suspended. We answer that we have published every line sent to us. We have had repeated assurances on the part of Rev. W. F. Dunkle, who has possession of the manuscript, that he would continue to furnish the copy, but he has failed to do so. We trust that when Brother Dunkle has had time to get settled in his new charge he will find time to send in the remainder of the copy. There are many, all over our connection, who are interested in the history contained in these old minutes, and they are anxious to see them in print.

Rev. A. S. Williams has been appointed Presiding Elder of the Choctaw-Chickasaw District, Oklahoma Conference, to succeed Rev. C. M. Coppedge, deceased. So far as we are informed

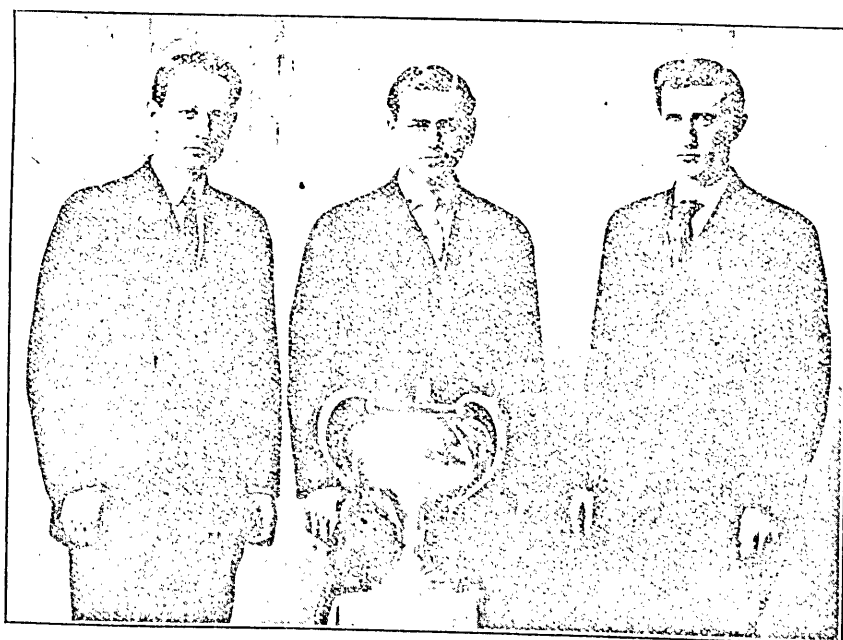
this is the first time that a full-blood has been given charge of a district. If we are in error we would be glad to have the information. Brother Williams is a Choctaw and speaks both English and his native tongue. As the Choctaws and Chickasaws speak practically the same language, this arrangement will facilitate the work of the elder. We understand that the appointment was made on the recommendation of the former Presiding Elder, Brother Coppedge. We bespeak for Brother Williams great success in this new relation and ask that his brethren support him with their prayers.

We tried to get a correct list of all our Methodist brethren from without the city who attended the Laymen's Convention, recently adjourned, but we are sure we did not. Many of them gave us the pleasure of seeing them at our offices and book store. Among them we name: Mr. John

## Ouachita-Hendrix Debate Won by Hendrix.



Ouachita debaters (from left to right): H. L. Petty, member Hermesian Society; W. A. Jackson, member Philomathean Society; W. F. Hall, member Philomathean Society. Ouachita for the negative side of ship-subsidy question.



Hendrix debaters (from left to right): W. B. Hubbell, A. C. Maddox, and J. Q. Schisler. The debate was won by these young gentlemen. This was the eighth contest, and four have been won by the representatives of each college. The speeches showed a high degree of ability and training on the part of all the contestants.

T. Chcairs, Mr. V. A. Peacock, Rev. J. A. Henderson, Rev. B. B. Thomas, Rev. J. H. Bradford, Rev. W. M. Jones, Rev. A. P. Few, Rev. W. W. Nelson, Rev. S. C. Dean, Mr. J. H. Stubbs, Prof. S. S. Waters, Mr. J. Livingston, Mr. George Cravens, Mr. William Rhyne, Rev. R. B. Snell, Rev. J. D. Hammons, Rev. A. M. Shaw, Mr. R. M. Henderson, Rev. S. K. Burnett, Rev. Don C. Holman, Rev. J. M. Workman, Rev. Frank Hopkins, Mr. J. R. Brown, Mr. C. T. Cole, Mr. G. C. Murrell, Mr. A. W. Estes, Rev. G. M. Barton, Rev. Henry Hanesworth, Rev. J. H. Glass, Rev. J. B. Stevenson, Rev. H. H. McGuyre, Rev. A. O. Evans, Rev. W. F. Evans, Rev. J. H. Cummins, Rev. T. O. Owen, Rev. A. M. Robertson, Dr. J. E. Godbey, Rev. Floyd Blevins, Rev. J. A. Sage, Rev. A. E. Goode, Mr. M. C. Baker, Mr. A. S. Carter, Mr. J. B. McCaughey. Our old friend, Judge Jones, of Yellville, also called on us.

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to \$15,000.00 for the coming twelve months, and that a public meeting of the men of Little Rock be held on Sunday afternoon, February 27, to hear the final reports of the results accomplished. After the \$15,000.00 standard has been reached, it is recommended that the churches of Little Rock continue to increase their missionary offerings in harmony with the proportion indicated in resolution six.

Eighth. That we recommend the organization of a Co-operating Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, which shall keep in touch in every city, town, and community in the State with the methods of the general movement and co-operate with all individual congregations in reaching and maintaining their highest missionary efficiency.

In addition to these resolutions our Methodist denominational rally adopted another, to-wit:

Ninth. That we double our contribution to foreign missions this year.

We trust our Methodist people everywhere will fall into line. We are not giving half we ought to give for this great cause, and thousands are not giving one cent.

## THE INTER-COLLEGIATE DEBATE.

The subject of this debate, held in this city last Monday night, was, "Resolved, That Congress should enact a ship-subsidy law." The contestants were the representatives of Hendrix College, consisting of Mr. J. Q. Schisler, Mr. A. C. Maddox, and Mr. W. B. Hubbell; and the representatives of Ouachita Baptist College, consisting of Mr. W. F. Hall, Mr. W. J. Jackson, and Mr. H. L. Petty. These young men acquitted themselves with credit, and they afforded a fine illustration of the successful work of the institutions they represented. There was no occasion for the friends of either college to feel other than proud. The decision was won by Hendrix College. The prize was a magnificent silver cup, presented by the business men of this city.

The District Sunday School Institute and Laymen's meeting for the Helena District, White River Conference, will be held at Brinkley, opening on the night of February 23, with a sermon by Rev. T. Y. Ramsey. The meeting will continue through Thursday and Friday. Pastors will send names of delegates to Rev. W. P. Talkington, Brinkley.

## THE MEMORIAL OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

As the editors of this paper entertain different personal opinions concerning this memorial, the Western Methodist will not be committed editorially to either side of this question. If the editors write on it at all, it will be over their own signatures as contributors. However, this memorial, calling for lay rights for the women, is of such importance and interest to the whole church that our columns are open to fair discussion. As our columns will be so crowded with other important matter we urge correspondents to be brief and pointed.



## AM I CORRECT?

Mr. Editor: Mark mentions in his gospel an incident in connection with the arrest of Christ in the garden, not mentioned nor even alluded to by any of the other New Testament writers. I have not met with any satisfactory explanation of it by any commentator, nor any other writer. To me it has a profound significance, if I am correct. It transpired in the night, in the cold, and in the garden, when and where Jesus was apprehended. It was in Jerusalem at the time of the Passover on the atonement day when the city was thronged with Jews from every quarter, drawn thither through feelings of devotion, national pride, custom, curiosity, or malignity, and many without any definite object in view except to see and be seen. What an inspiring occasion to very pious Jew! We can well imagine the fervid excitement that pervaded the Holy City at that time, the visitors as well as the city dwellers. In addition to the usual interest on these annual gatherings, there was to be enacted at this one, a tragedy never to be forgotten, and whose effects were and are commensurate with the existence of Him who made us all.

The Jews had long waited and often sought an opportunity to put Jesus to death. On this occasion, priests, scribes, Pharisees, Saducees and their followers, watched for an opportunity to this end. Whatever divergence in doctrine, in feelings, and beliefs, on this night, all were of one mind and determination, the death of Christ. What planning, what watching, what conspiring, what diabolical emotions felt by all engaged in this nefarious work! Can you well imagine a more satanically inspired mob than those who conspired, apprehended, falsely judged and condemned Christ and then cried aloud for innocent blood. A more excited and determined body of men had never been in Jerusalem. One can almost imagine that he can smell the sulphurous breath of that satanically possessed crowd. But we will let Mark speak for himself and relate the episode in his own language. "And there followed him a certain young man having a linen cloth about his naked body; and the young men laid hold on him; and he left the linen cloth and fled from them naked." Who was this young man? Some have conjectured that he had been aroused from sleep by the noise and confusion incident to this gathering. To me this is improbable. I cannot think that Mark, who was in the midst of this excitement and one of the friends of Christ and who was filled with fear, would be likely to have his attention diverted to so trivial an incident and think it of so much importance as to record it in connection with the history of these great and important transactions. His sudden appearance, that he was loosely clad, that it was linen, that he should be stripped of it, all have a significance to me. But more later on, "Naked came I into the world and naked will I return." The young men, who wrested from him his linen, doubtless did so in sport, and had much merriment and hilarity; but not so with the friends and enemies of Christ. Little did they think that they were acting a part in this solemn tragedy. But not so with his friends and enemies. With his friends grief and fear, with his enemies diabolical determination, but no merriment. To my mind this was a part of this awful transaction and was of no small significance.

The origin of these annual assemblings dated back to the Passover in Egypt 1490 years before Christ was born. A part of the Tabernacle and Temple service was on the day of atonement to offer two goats of the first year without blemish, one to be slain and the other to be sent away as the scape goat bearing away the sins of the people. They were selected by the High Priest. The two goats typified both the hypostatic nature of Christ and also the function of each of

the two persons united in one. The human to be slain, shed his blood, the other the divine to bear away the sins of the people, the human family. These goats were presented to the High Priest, who put both hands into an urn and drew out two lots or cards, and laid one on the head of each goat, and then examined each card or lot, the goat which noted the scapegoat card was to be sent away, the other to be slain. The High Priest then laid his hands on the head of the scape-goat and transferred the sins of the people to him. While the one was being slain, the other, the scape-goat, was being sent to some lonely and desolate region. The one shed his blood, the other bore away the sins. Christ's prayers, agony and entreaties in the garden,—"If it be possible let this cup pass away; nevertheless, not my will; but thine be done," and his cheerful and ready surrender of himself to his enemies, who then appeared, bespeak the full preparation of the human body of Christ for his subsequent treatment and crucifixion. To my mind "it was then that the divine withdrew from the human, and this naked young man was the divine scape-goat who appeared in their midst as seen and spoken of by Mark. I think I am borne out as to his withdrawal from the human by his cry in the agony of his death on the cross "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me," clearly implying that the divine had withdrawn, whether at that time or in the garden.

My further reason for conjecturing and writing these lines, are these: As before said I can hardly believe that Mark would write these as he did unless they had some relevancy to this whole transaction. I believe the human and divine were both present on this occasion as well as the two goats each performing his part as typified by the goats. The Priest's robes were linen, Christ was robed in linen in his burial and the young man was in linen. Christ's linen was left in the tomb and this young man fled and left his linen. Why should Mark so clearly note this linen and then mention the whole affair even mentioning that young men divested him. Will some one give me a more satisfactory explanation of this unexplained Scripture.

P. A. MOSES.

Corvallis, Oregon.

## THAT WASHINGTON CITY CHURCH.

BY JOHN L. WEBER, D. D.

As a connectional church, it is highly important for us to seize every strategic point in our territory, and to plant our church there so strongly as to command attention. Is there any point in our territory that means more to us in large possibilities of influence than our national capital? Adequately established in Washington, with imposing material expression of the greatness of our church, and with a ministry of prophetic vision in command of the temple made with hands, would it be saying too much to claim that the influence going out from that center of advantage would stimulate not only our entire church in the United States, but would, through influences possible from no other place, reach our distant mission fields?

Our church in Washington City occupies a unique position. It must not be allowed to become a purely local church. For the sake of the entire church we must have a great representative church building there that will be as our cathedral church. It must properly represent us to the world that looks to Washington for an expression of the life of the American people. It must so represent us to the large number of our own people, who are constantly visiting the capital city, that they will feel a large and stimulating self-respect. It would be unreasonable to expect the local congregation to meet the demands of a connectional situation. Our people in Washington have taken care of themselves

and can continue to do so; but in order to save the critical situations for the whole church there must be combined effort. Southern Methodism in Washington can be depended upon to do its part, and as soon as the church understands the full significance of the movement there will be response from the entire church that will show to our timid ones that we have not lost the power of vision.

Other churches appreciate the situation in Washington, and are planning and doing big things to secure for themselves impressive denominational buildings. They are not depending upon their membership in the city to erect these buildings; but they are appealing to their churches all over the country. Wise planning and hearty co-operation are the secrets of the success of our sister churches. We have been doing some wise planning now for a long time; isn't it time to get to work on the hearty co-operation? The genesis of this movement is to be discovered in General Conference action as far back as 1858, but our General Conference at Birmingham, in 1906, revived it, endorsed it and set forces to work that mean to meet the need and satisfy its demands by erecting a house worthy of our cause.

Of course, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, can do anything she wants to do, and more than that she wants to do whatever is shown her to be the right thing to do. It is now being shown by General Conference action, by the leadership of our bishops, by a special committee, and a special representative, and by the comments of our church press, that it is the right thing for the church to take hold of this Washington City project and carry it on to assured success. With such leadership can there be any doubt of success? It will not be difficult to show to our laymen of means that as a church we have an opportunity that rightly used will mean much to us. It is equally true that if we allow the opportunity to slip by unimproved that will also mean much to us; but that *much* will be on the debit of the account. We ought to build. We are able to build. Now, will we build? Let there come a mighty response from the Pacific to the Atlantic, and from all parts of our church: "Yes, by God's help, we will!"

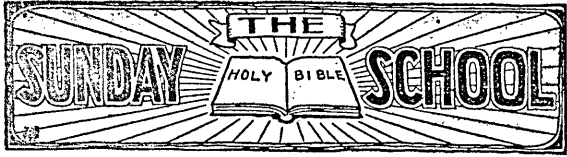
The committee in charge of the enterprise is one to inspire confidence. Bishops Candler and Hoss, with Dr. W. F. McMurtry, have never been associated with failures. They are prudent men, but also men of large faith and of much energy. When they give the command to advance there will be a movement forward. This committee has shown its keen appreciation of the situation by calling that Texas brother, George S. Sexton, to take active charge of the campaign. That means that something is doing—not is going to be done. His appointment simply serves notice on the church that we are to have our much-needed building in Washington.

Let the ear of the church be turned toward the capital city on March 18. Something will be heard that will cause a rise in the self-respect and denominational pride of every Southern Methodist.

## IN THE MARCH CENTURY.

Charles J. Bonaparte, recently attorney-general of the United States, contributes to the *March Century* an article, entitled "Experiences of a Cabinet Officer under Roosevelt." It contains many interesting side-lights on President Roosevelt. "His country-men will remember him," says Mr. Bonaparte, "as a president who was not afraid to do right."

There is one layman in Georgia who has for the last ten years sent the *Advocate* to from ten to fifteen subscribers too poor to pay for the paper.—Wesleyan.



PREPARED BY P. R. EAGLEBARGER.  
THE GOLDEN RULE—TEMPERANCE LESSON—FEB. 20.

Golden Rule.—Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and prophets. Matt. 7:12.

Lesson Text.—Matt. 7:1-12.

The Lord had preached a great sermon and as he drew near to its close he broke off into miscellaneous, supplementary counsels. With these the sixth chapter, containing our present lesson, is filled.

In verse one and two Jesus is not discussing the decisions of the officer on the bench, nor is he here teaching us to refrain from forming a decision upon the evidence that comes to us of any circumstance or person. The manner or kind of judgment is the thing meant. Our fruit orchard has been entered and some of our fruit is missing. The thief may have taken it to the market and sold it and with the money thus obtained he may have purchased intoxicants and become drunk. He may have been an unfortunate who had failed to secure food for many days and seeing the ripe fruit he took sufficient to satisfy his hunger and renew his strength for further effort to secure honest toil for a livelihood. This he secured at the next farm house and when the theft was discovered he was doing an honest day's work in the field hard by and will make a good hand for months and years to come. We might multiply circumstances under which the act was performed. Which kind of decision will the owner of the fruit form? If he should meet the man face to face or learn of his name and place of residence how will he act toward him? Will he show severity or charity? That is the question. A man comes into the community and becomes a citizen of the community. He attends church and having the opportunity he joins the church and is given the right-hand of fellowship. Why did he do it? He may have acted from the purest motives. He had been thinking of making the decision for weeks; or he found that by doing this he could gain admission to the confidence of the citizens of the community and thus sell more goods or use this favorable opinion to his own advantage in some other way. What will your decision of the case be? Judge not harshly that ye be not harshly judged is the teaching of these verses. Put a charitable construction upon all the actions of all your acquaintances.

Verses three, four and five are upon another matter. The word "mote" should better be translated "splinter" so our commentators tell us and we conclude they are correct. The comparison is between a beam or piece of timber, such as would be useful in the construction of a building, and a mere fragment or splinter off of such beam. We would conclude at once that the one with the greater beam in his eye would be the one who most needed help and the less capable of giving help to his more fortunate companion. But the force of the teaching is brought out when we find that the one having the beam contends that he is in better condition to perform the operation than his neighbor who has only a mere splinter in his eye. So it is that the man who has the greater fault is most likely to desire to correct the trivial faults of those who are about him. We are not to think that the man here represented as having the beam in his eye desires to perform a kind deed but we are to understand that he is guilty of thinking more highly of himself than he ought

to think. The physician should heal himself. If he is not willing to take his own medicine or if his medicine will not profit his own ailments then the patient can well beware.

Verse six teaches us that there are things that are holy, or sacred. It may be perfectly right to display them on occasion or use them when their use is demanded, but they must not suffer violence. We may with perfect propriety invite people into our churches, but if they defile the temple of God then it becomes our duty to refrain from offering them the opportunity. It is perfectly proper to relate one's religious experience, but if those who hear revile us or turn from us with disgust then we should keep silence in their presence. Coarse, and unspiritual people are compared to "swine" and wild "dogs."

In verse seven the great teacher reverts to that which he had discussed at length in the preceding chapter, prayer. The matters about which he had been discoursing were weighty and the people were doubtless inclined to exclaim "who then can be saved." If they were to heed all these admonitions they must have help. The teaching was beyond them. But God will succor his children. He is near and his outstretched arm is to all. To drive the matter home to the hearts of the listeners he reinforces his exhortation with illustration. The appeal is to the parent nature that is common. The hungry child, crying for bread, for that which it needs, is the illustration. What parent would confess to such degree of unpaternal sentiment as to give a stone for bread or a serpent for a fish? Such mockery is not found among the animals that move from instinct much less among human beings that are held together by the relation of parent and child. God will furnish the needed grace. We have nothing to fear. God places within easy reach of all the supplies needed.

The Golden Rule laid down in verse twelve may not have had its origin with Christ, but it owes its definite and beautiful form to him. The Greeks, the Romans and the Hebrews had something like it in the teachings of their philosophers. But in these philosophies this sentiment was a mere lifeless form and was not clothed with life as our Lord here endows it. If it had remained clothed only in the forms that had been given it by these human teachers it would have slept the sleep of the dead. But in the form given it by Christ it has become immortalized. Who has not heard of the Golden Rule? and who does not know that it found life at the hands of Jesus? The great teacher did not claim to have originated the principle but freely told the multitude that it was in the "law and the prophets." It is the spirit of the commandments and doctrines of the inspired teachers of both the Old and New Testaments. It should be the foremost tenet of international law and order as well as the criterion constantly kept before the mind and in the heart of every child of God.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

By W. J. MOORE, CHAIRMAN.

AT ARCADIA.

Not the schools that have the largest enrollment or the largest attendance, even the best equipment, are always the best and most efficient. Genuine Sunday school spirit and interest, thorough organization, and consecrated teachers and officers enter more largely into the make-up of a successful Sunday school. Such a school we found at Arcadia, in Oklahoma City district, a few days since. Mr. C. W. Mad-dux is the superintendent. The school is equal in numbers to the membership of the church. A fine feature of it was the large class of mature men and women. It is a missionary school (as per requirements of the Discipline); has the

Cradle Roll and Home Departments; has birthday offerings for Church Extension; organized classes; teachers' meeting, and we organized a teacher training class with 18 members. The school meets in one room, but curtains are used for the elementary classes, and small chairs will be in place right soon for the little tots. Rev. J. S. Henry is the happy pastor of this Sunday school.

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You may not be able to do everything that would help your Sunday school, not put the equipment you need; but you can do something. That little something shows progress and will give inspiration to the work. If you have not the Cradle Roll, put that in this month; the Home Department the next month; curtains the next (if needed), etc. Little by little you bring your school up toward "The Standard Methodist Sunday School."

#### FOUR THINGS.

There are four things that can be, and ought to be, incorporated in every Sunday school. You can have a Cradle Roll and a Home Department, and a birthday jar; and you can let it be a Missionary Sunday School. The Discipline makes the school missionary; but sometimes a pastor or superintendent, or both, intervene and prevent it.

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#### "CAN BOOST US."

In a note from Brother J. R. Cole, our superintendent at First Church, Tulsa, he says: "You can boost us all you want to. We are doing greater work than ever." There are three things about that note I like:

1. He thinks himself that his school is a good one. In fact, when this chairman was there in an institute last fall he claimed that it came pretty nearly up to the "standard." Every superintendent ought to think his Sunday school is fine; but keep trying to make it better. That is what Brother Cole is doing.

2. He "boosts" his Sunday school. I like that. It is inspiring. It makes the young folks think they belong to something worth while. They will catch the spirit of enthusiasm, and will try to get others into their live, up-to-date Sunday school.

3. He wants the other fellow to "boost," too. Of course, you must have something to boost about. As Mr. Lawrance says, "When you ring the dinner bell, be sure there is something on the table."

Yes, Brother Cole, we'll help to boost your school. We are in the "boosting" business. I wish the 4,000 Sunday school pupils and the 50,000 church members would join us in trying to put this great work before all the people.

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#### WHO?

Who is the oldest superintendent in Oklahoma—the longest in the service?

Who is the youngest superintendent in Oklahoma? Drop the chairman a card.

#### THE BEST FINANCIAL PLAN.

The best financial plan for the local Sunday school is the one adopted by the Mangum Church more than a year ago. This chairman wrote to the pastor, Rev. J. S. Lamar, a few days ago to know of its success, and if it were satisfactory. Here is his answer, in substance:

1. The superintendent makes an estimate of the expenses of the Sunday school for the year, including literature, etc. He turns this in to the Board of Stewards.

2. The Board of Stewards includes this amount estimated for the Sunday school in the general budget for the year, and assess it on the membership of the church just as they do for salary, Conference assessments, etc.

3. The Sunday following the pastor explains the financial plan to the whole church. The

Conference assessments are put in one budget; and the assessments for salary, literature, organist's pay, are put in another.

4. The Treasurer of the Board gives a check quarterly for the Sunday school expenses. The pastor's salary and expenses for Sunday school are collected monthly. The Conference assessments collected, if possible, at the beginning of the year.

#### HOW IT WORKS.

There is no reason why the plan should not work as well as any other plan. There are three strong points to commend it:

1. It puts the church behind the Sunday school movement, and thereby creates an interest in this activity of the church. The members of the church assist in supporting the school whether they attend or not.

2. The church supports the Sunday school, and thereby gives the school the opportunity to devote its energies and its funds to missionary and charitable enterprises. The funds raised by the school all go this way.

3. Finally, this plan gives a richer tone to our Sunday school work. It appeals to the young in an impressive way that will help to make them every one missionary in spirit, as well as in funds. This is an ideal plan. We only wish and pray that many other schools might adopt the plan.

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#### "GOING TO EXPAND."

In a private letter from Brother Lamar, our pastor at Mangum, he says: "We are not trying to do more than to hold our Sunday school forces together, we are so crowded in our old church. When we get into our new church we expect to thoroughly organize all departments, and run the attendance up to 500 in three months."

We believe in expansion, in Sunday school expansion in particular. We love to get a hopeful note, once in a while, like that. Yes, the more the better.

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#### FROM DAVIDSON.

Rev. R. H. Horton is the live, efficient pastor of the Davidson charge. We are sure that his Sunday school is a live, up-to-date institution. He writes to this chairman:

"Our Sunday School Day was a great success in every way. We used both the morning and evening hours. Our programs, which were well rendered, gave life and inspiration to the Sunday school cause in Davidson. The offering was nine dollars and sixty-one cents."

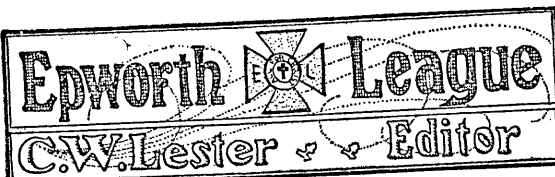
We rejoice with that pastor and his school over such a happy, inspiring, and successful occasion. Would that every pastor and superintendent would give his school the privileges of such an occasion. They observed the day on February 6. Not too late, yet, brethren for you.

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It is said that there are three classes of teachers in our Sunday schools:

1. Those of the first class are the poorly prepared, and do a great deal of talking.
2. Those of the next class are the partly prepared, and they ask a great many questions.
3. The last are the fully prepared teachers; and they are content to let the class ask questions and do most of the talking.

Among the resolutions recently passed by the Washington County (Ark.) Democratic Executive Committee, was one giving notice that all persons suspected of violating the primary election laws would be reported to the next grand jury for investigation, and another condemning the custom of handling whisky and carrying voters to the polls free of charge in the interest of candidates. These efforts to secure fair and honest elections are worthy of commendation, and should be encouraged throughout the State.



Scripture lesson for Feb. 20: John 9:45; Rom. 12:11.

Other references: Eccl. 9:10; I Cor. 10:31; 15:58.

Theme: How to Work.

Attention should be called in beginning our study today that these references without exception insist upon work. Being a Christian, they say, is synonymous with being a worker. The Christian life that is not constantly being translated into unselfish, incessant toil is misnamed. Jesus was a worker and all his true disciples must be like him. Laziness and the spirit of Christ are incompatible. This being true, how shall we do the work which we have to do?

1. First of all we must recognize that our work is God's work. This Jesus affirms of his own work in our first reference. "I must work the works of him that sent me." (See also John 4:34; 5:36.) This was true not only of His preaching and other work directly connected with worship, but extended to the details of his work and included all He did. All the duties that filled up any day of his busy life came under this head. They were parts of one great divine plan. What was true of his life in this respect is true of our lives if we are His disciples. The work we do is God's not ours. And this is true even of the details of our lives. Every duty, public or private, in the home, or in the office, or field, or factory, or church, becomes a distinct and living part of one great plan, God's plan for our lives. We have been used to thinking of distinctly religious work as God's work and of the common everyday duties as our work, thus dividing our work into two kinds, sacred and secular. This teaching blots out that distinction and sanctifies all our work. What a glow it would put upon our faces and what a joy in our hearts, if we could carry with us into the wearying, monotonous details of every day's duties the thought that it is all God's work that we are thus engaged with. This would inspire us to a better grade of work, and at the same time lighten the load of toil during many a day.

2. A prominent thought in Eccl. 9:10 is that what we do should be done with our might. In other words, we must do our best. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." St. Paul said of discharging his indebtedness of preaching the gospel to the Romans, "As much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also." (Rom. 1:15). He simply said that he would do his best, if the opportunity was given, in preaching to them. God does not demand less than the best from any. How can we dare give less than this to Him? No day ever closed in the Master's life of which this was not true. He always did His best. In learning how to work it is most important that we put this among the first essentials. Each day's work should represent an outlay of the best that is in us. So well ought we to do this that we could say at the close of life what the Master said at the close of His, "I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do."

3. In I Cor. 15:58b we have the assuring statement that our work for God done in the right way will produce results. "Forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." There is deep satisfaction in this text to the Christian. He does not always see the results he aims at, often perhaps sees no results at all from the service he has rendered in the Master's name. And yet he is to rest upon statements like this and proceed. Let him remember what the Psalmist put into song long before Paul was

inspired to write this sentence. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." He can do best his work who feels sure of success.

Our work is God's work. We should not dare give Him less than our best in doing His work. We should proceed upon the assuring statement that we shall not fail. If we move along these lines joy will fill our hearts as we work and we shall come to the end having fulfilled our course with deepest satisfaction.

#### CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH.

The Conference for Education in the South will hold its thirteenth Annual Meeting at Little Rock April 6th to 8th. This will be the most important educational gathering ever assembled in Arkansas. The Conference for Education in the South, working with the Southern Education Board, has been an important factor in every successful, practical and beneficial educational campaign of recent years throughout the South.

This is a conference of all the people and for all. It is not limited to teachers, educators and school men to meet and discuss technical and professional questions. The Conference for Education in the South extends its invitation to citizens in every walk of life. It is a meeting of the farmers, business and professional men to discuss and consider carefully the best, sanest and most practical means of raising the standards of citizenship by giving better and more practical training to our boys and girls in the public schools.

Every industrial, commercial and professional organization in Arkansas should send delegates or representatives to this great meeting. Men should come from the Farmer's Unions, Labor Organizations, Commercial Clubs, Boards of Trade, Bankers Associations, Business Men's Leagues, Medical and Legal Associations—all these should be represented at the Little Rock meeting. Every citizen, every man, every woman—interested in the welfare of our schools, our State, our beloved Southland and the Nation should make an effort to attend this important gathering.

(Address Geo. B. Cook, State Superintendent, Little Rock, for further information, programs, etc.)

#### LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA METHODISM.

Winfield Memorial, P. C. Fletcher, pastor. Rev. W. C. Crum of Songdo, Korea, preached at the morning hour, and Miss Virginia Garner of Japan spoke at 4 p. m. No night service on account of Laymen's Meeting.

First Church, T. E. Sharp, pastor. Rev. C. F. Reid, one of our missionaries, preached at the morning hour, and the union meeting of all the Methodist churches in the city occupied the evening hour. Addresses by Drs. Reid and Crum.

Capitol Church, L. C. Beasley, pastor. Rev. C. F. Hancock of China preached at the morning hour. Three were received by letter. No night service.

Twenty-eighth Street, W. D. Mitchell, pastor. Morning sermon by Rev. M. E. Butts. No night service. Other services well attended.

Henderson and Highland, S. W. Rainey, pastor. Pastor preached at both hours at Henderson and in the afternoon at Highland. Three accessions at Henderson. Some accessions the Sunday before not mentioned in last report. Organized church at Highland with 53 members, and 114 members in the Sunday school.

Hunter Memorial, T. J. Norsworthy, pastor. Pastor absent at Scotts and pulpit filled by visiting minister. Good services. No service at night.

Asbury, Frank Barrett, pastor. Pulpit filled at the morning hour by a visiting preacher at the great Laymen's Meeting. No services at night. Other services well attended.

Gardner Memorial, H. H. Hunt, pastor. Pastor preached at both hours. Large congregations and eight accessions.



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## LAYMEN'S MEETING AT MURFREESBORO.

Mr. Editor: I attended the laymen's meeting at Murfreesboro last week. Bro. Bush is lay leader for Prescott district and he magnifies his office. I wonder if there is another district lay leader who does. If so, I have not heard of him. That might be. I have not been attending lay meetings. I had thought preachers had better keep hands off. I think so yet. That is, the laymen should have a free hand and not be embarrassed by the presence of preachers and tempted to hand over the reins and the talk to them.

Well, I thoroughly enjoyed the meeting at Murfreesboro. The program could not have been better. Bro. Bush had prepared it and brought forth the topics one by one. The preachers did some talking. Such men as Hayes, Evans, Jenkins and Riggins could not be easily suppressed. But the laymen talked—not so glibly as the preachers—but with such earnestness, simplicity, sense and religious spirit as manifested the hand of God in this movement. The attendance was not large, but it will be larger hereafter, for Bro. Bush intends to hold one at Nashville in May, and keep on holding them at intervals of two or three months. The Spirit of Christ is leading him, and he is a leader and will have a following. This movement under this leader will set Prescott

## A "SQUARE DEAL"

It is often argued that women do not have an equal chance with men, for enjoyment and usefulness, because women suffer so much from pain and weakness. In a general sense, it is true that women bear more physical pain than men. However, the belief that women must suffer regularly, on account of ailments and weakness peculiar to their sex, has been successfully contradicted by the relief so many women have obtained by the use of Cardui, that great remedy for suffering women.

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district on fire. I wish other districts had the like. May be they have and I did not know it—I hope so.

Many were afraid of the Woman's Missionary Movement, and many are afraid of the Laymen's Movement. I have feared neither. The first is a demonstrated success. The latter will be more so. Your big meetings at Dallas or Little Rock fail unless you can have the church, the charge, the district and the conference work organized.

J. H. RIGGIN.

## OKLAHOMA CITY NOTES.

Linebaugh is hitting the earth in high places. Over \$300,000.00 worth of the College Park lots sold already, going like hot cakes. Expect to lay the cornerstone in April. We are sure moving out here in Oklahoma City. Triplett is doing fine over at St. John's. Took a collection of \$3,000.00 the other day to pay off the debt on the lot and building. Is in splendid favor with the people. Everybody likes him over the city.

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Rev. A. L. Scales organized the City Board of Church Extension with 14 of the strongest laymen in the city as the board of managers—one man for every 100 members of the M. E. Church, South. Our Methodism is leading in the city, and Rev. A. L. Scales, the presiding elder, is doing splendidly, looking after all the places that need taking care of in our marvelous metropolis. It looks like Linebaugh's visions are going to be solidified in one of the greatest woman's colleges in the entire Southland. He claims he is not a visionary, but a man of visions, and I think he is about right. Bro. Blackburn of Capitol Hill is increasing in force, favor and fervor every Sunday, and his new wife is more popular than he is.

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We have received in the neighborhood of 120 members since conference. Salary was raised to \$3,600, and we are as happy as a negro in a watermelon patch, or as a barefooted boy walking over the sand lilies to the old swimming hole. Our church has not been able to accommodate the people Sunday nights for six months.

P. R. KNICKERBOCKER.

## LA GRANGE CHARGE.

Since we have succeeded in organizing this large but splendid charge about satisfactory to all concerned, we are beginning to move off real well. In spite of the very cold and disagreeable winter, with a charge thirty miles long and wide in proportion, we have only missed one appointment and the snow was near six inches deep on the ground that day. No one went to church hence no disappointment. We have had a very splendid reception by all the people of the charge, and a generous pounding by the good people of La Grange, which was very much appreciated by the pastor and family. I have received the minutes of our conference, and am well pleased with two exceptions, neither of which do I criticize: First, Beebe station paid \$495.00. Minutes show \$400.95. This is of but little importance, but the second is the lack of a suitable memoir to the memory of one of the life long servants of the church our dear Brother Cochran. I call attention to this as I promised some brethren to write to some one of the family for the data of his life's work, which I did.

J. H. BARRENTINE, P. C.

February 9, 1910.

## DUMAS CIRCUIT.

We have at last moved to Dumas, the head of Dumas and Watson charge. Have been trying to get moved ever since Conference, but this being a new charge there was no parsonage, and houses were in such demand that we did not succeed in getting a house until now. We feel at home now. The good people have made us feel at home. We were just getting straight when I began to see some small clouds or indications of a storm, but thinking that it was too late in the season and that likely I did not sufficiently understand the signs of the weather, I was afraid to be too sure, so I kept quiet and trusted the

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Lord for protection and blessing. Friday, the 11th of February, about the middle of the afternoon the storm came, and it was the greatest storm this preacher ever witnessed. The preacher's home was abundantly blessed with the necessities of life. Some good people seem to know what is needed most in a Methodist preacher's home. They actually met every demand of the family at present and the demand was great. When I look in the kitchen and in the sewing room and see the surprising quantity of groceries, other nice things that came in the storm and think of the good people who had an interest in this home, my soul utters the words of the Psalmist: "Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name." Thank God for such noble, good women as we have in Dumas and for the brave and true men. May God soon supply every community with such people as these, and may God abundantly bless these people, and I pray that we may so partake of the divine nature of our Christ that we may so live in this world that there may be a happy reunion some day in that beautiful city, where we will be crowned with victory by the blessed Christ leader who never lost a battle, and who makes us love each other to him be glory and power and dominion forever. Amen.

B. F. CHRISTMAS.

## HOT SPRINGS METHODIST PREACHERS' MEETING.

Present: Parker, Hutchinson, Rushing, Keadle, Mason, Hotchkiss. Visitors: Ensign O. T. Johnson, of the Salvation Army; Brother Cunningham, a layman from the Central Church; Brother Polly, of the First Baptist Church. Brother Johnson led the prayer, after which "Rock of Ages" was sung.

Brother Hutchinson reported a good prayer meeting last Wednesday night, well attended. Fine Sunday School, with 312 present. Good services at 11 o'clock. Five received into full connection. A great crowd at night, but no visible results. Good League services.

The morning services were somewhat hindered by sickness in the community. The evening services were conducted by the W. F. M. Society—a memorial service for Sister Read. A very profitable service indeed; 120 in the Sunday School. Brother Rushing reported a fine prayer meeting, and an excellent service at 11 o'clock. He preached to the children. Brother Keadle preached for him at night, and a fine sermon, in fact the best sermon that he had ever heard Brother Keadle preach.

Brother Keadle enjoyed the day very much in hearing and preaching for Brother Rushing.

Brother Mason reported a good prayer meeting Thursday night, and good services all day yesterday, including an old fashioned class meeting in the afternoon.

Ensign Johnson made a statement in regard to the work of the Salvation Army, and the difficulties that they were passing through at this time on account of some objections being raised by some parties to their holding their meeting on the streets, etc.

Brother Cunningham told of a visit that he made in company with some young men of the Epworth League, to a sick man after which they went to the City Jail, and paid the boys there a visit.

Brother and Sister T. Griffith, old-time friends of the Secretary from Jacksonville, Fla., are in the city. They took in the prayer meeting at Malvern Avenue Thursday evening, also attended the ser-

vices at the same church yesterday morning, and Central Church in the evening. We trust that their visit to our city will do them much good.

Brother Harden is reported on the sick list.

B. F. MASON, Secretary.

MARRIED.—On February 3, at Horatio, Ark., Mr. Morgan Pride to Miss Carrie Fitzgerald. Mr. Pride is a prominent young business man of this place. Mrs. Pride, who is the daughter of Rev. W. A. Fitzgerald, of Amity, is an assistant teacher in the Horatio school.

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## CHILDREN'S PAGE.

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

Dear Cousins: So many letters came just before Christmas that we failed to get them in print, for lack of space. I want to ask those children that wrote letters at that time and have failed, to see them, to try again some time. Dear children, write plainly, on only one side of a sheet, and don't write more than two pages, and don't use slang.

COUSIN LILLIAN.

Soper, Okla., Jan. 1, 1910.

Dear Western Methodist: I thought I would write you a letter for the first time. How many of you cousins had a good time Christmas? I for one did. Three of my mother's brother's spent Christmas with us. Come on, boys, and let us see if we can't beat the girls. How many of the cousins have my birthday? December 25. Miss Ruth Carr, you write such nice letters. Come again. Well, as my letter is getting rather lengthy, I will quit for this time. If this skips the waste basket, I will come again. So with much love and best wishes to Miss Lillian and all the cousins, I remain

Your new cousin,  
LEONARD CROWSON.

Minturn, Ark., Jan. 1, 1910.

Dear Miss Lillian and Cousins: Please admit a little Arkansas girl in your happy band. I am 10 years old and go to school every day. I am in the fifth grade. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. Our pastor's name is Brother Ellis. We like him fine. My grandma takes the Western Methodist. I enjoy reading the children's page. I have no brothers or sisters, and for pets I have a pair of bantam chickens. I would like to exchange post cards with all the cousins.

Your new cousin,  
MATILDA DALTON.

Sulphur, Okla., Jan. 9, 1910.

Dear Miss Lillian and Cousins: I have just been reading the children's page this evening. I have enjoyed it very much. I am going to school now, and am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss Helen Nicholson. I like her fine. I go in the second story. The name of the school is Washington. It is a brick building. I am nine years old, will be ten the 23rd of January. I wish my birthday would come every month. I have a good time when it comes. I will tell you about where I live. This place, Sulphur, Okla., is a health resort. There is a big Bromide spring and a Sulphur spring. The Bromide spring is the most beautiful place I ever saw and the Sulphur spring is pretty also. I haven't been living here but a few weeks. My home has been in the country all of my life until now. Come again Lucile Farish; do you remember when we used to go to school together last year? I have two brothers dead and two living. My youngest brother is about one and a half years old, and my eldest brother is thirteen. I am the only girl in the family. Both of my parents are living. As this is my first letter, I will close for this time.

Yours truly,  
PAULINE APPLEBY.

Norman, Okla., Jan. 20, 1910.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: Here comes another Oklahoma boy to join your happy band. Well, what are you cousins doing these pretty days? I am going to school every day that I can. My teacher's name is Miss Carrie McDonel. I like her fine. She certainly is a good teacher. Our school will be out the last of February and then I will go to work.

I live on a farm and I enjoy it very much. Well, Paul D. Jernigan, I guess your age to be thirteen. Am I right?

I hope so. Willie McBride, I would love to see some of your letters. I have not forgotten the time we last played together. Well as my letter is getting long and this is my first time I will close.

Your new cousin,  
HOMER JONES.

R. F. D. No. 3, Box 19.

Bald Knob, Ark., Jan. 19, 1910.

Dear Western Methodist: I am a little girl seven years old. My mama takes the Western Methodist. I like to have her read the children's page to me. This is my first time to write a letter to the paper. I go to school every day. I am in the second grade. I have two brothers. My little brother's name is Loring. My oldest brother's name is Cleav; he is in St. Louis. My papa is away from home most all the time. I hope this will miss the waste basket.

From your new cousin,  
GLADYS SCANTLIN.

Soper, Okla., Jan. 1, 1910.

Dear Miss Lillian and Cousins: How are all this beautiful afternoon? I am all O. K. and hope you all are the same. Well cousins, how was Xmas with you all?

My oldest sister has been in El Dorado, Ark., going to school, but she has come home now and I am so glad. Yesterday was my uncle's birthday and we all went to take dinner with him. They had a big fat turkey. My mama's three youngest brothers spent Xmas with us. We sure had a nice time.

You boys had better wake up, or we girls are going to beat you. There are too many ads on our page. You boys must help us get them off.

Hurry up Oklahoma cousins and let us beat those Arkansas cousins. Well I will let you all guess my age; it is between ten and fifteen and my birthday is Jan. 13. To the one that guesses my age I will send a post card. Well I will close; if I see this in print I will come again. So goodnight.

Your cousin,  
VIDA CROWSON.

Bono, Ark., Jan. 19, 1910.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: I thought I would write to this dear paper as I haven't seen any letters from this place. I take the Methodist and am glad to say I do, for I do love to read it. It is so interesting, especially the children's page. I always turn to it first. Bro. Hood is our pastor. We have heard him preach once and think we will like him fine. We have a good Sunday school every Sunday. I am secretary. I think all the young people should take a part in Sunday school. How many of you are going to school now? I am. Our teacher is Prof. Alby Lane. We like him fine. Who has my birthday? February 12. I would like to have a post card shower. Well I will close for this time.

Your cousin,  
OPHELIA LOVE.

Cherry Valley, Ark., Jan. 8, 1910.

Dear Western Methodist: Will you please allow a little Arkansas girl to join the cousins? Mother takes the Western Methodist and I enjoy reading the children's page very much. Brother Wimpy was our pastor last year and also this year and I like him fine and I go to Sunday School every Sunday I can. My teacher is Mrs. Grodes and I like her fine, for she is so good to the class. For pets I have a little cat and dog and flowers. How many of the cousins like pets? I do for one. I have two brothers and one sister. I will let the cousins guess my age. It is between ten and fourteen. I guess that Florence is about fifteen. Am I right? I will ask the cousins a question: Who was the oldest man in the world? Clarissia's age is about thirteen. Am I right, or not?

Your new cousin,  
IRENE HALK.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 12, 1910.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: I have just finished reading the children's letters. They were so interesting that I am ashamed to write, as this is my first attempt. I hope you will not laugh at my mistakes. I am just home from school and I am a little tired, though I like to go to school real well now. I have not missed a day or been tardy yet. I go to the Centennial school. My teacher's name is Miss Gingles. I like her fine. She is so sweet and good to us. My sisters and I go to church every Sunday. My sisters belong to Winfield Church, but we live so far from there now, so we go to Asbury a great deal. We were so sorry that our pastor, Bro. Werlein, was transferred to New Orleans, but I am sure we will soon love our new pastor as well. Well, I must bid you all good-by.

Your new friend,  
RUTH MEDLOCK.

Middlebrook, Ark., Dec. 20, 1909.

Dear Cousins: This is my first time to write. I have been reading a fine book, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room." I have no sisters or brothers. I am going to school. My teacher's name is Prof. R. J. M. Wyatt. He is a fine teacher. I am in the fifth and seventh grades. We have no Sunday school this winter. Our preacher's name is Rev. J. F. Carter. We like him very much. I have a few pets. I have four little pigs, two white and two black, and a little dog that is very pretty. I have a pony. I weigh 102 pounds, and am 4 feet 8 inches. I will let you guess my age. I am between 12 and 15. I will send a card to the one that guesses it. As my letter is getting long, I will close, hoping to find my letter in print.

Your cousin,  
EARLE SPENCE.

P. S.—My papa, Rev. J. A. Spence, has been a reader of the Methodist ever since it has been a paper. I love to read the cousins' letters.

Wister, Okla., Jan. 10, 1910.

Dear Western Methodist: I thought I would write some to you cousins. I haven't seen any from Wister. I am a girl between 10 and 14. Any of you cousins that will guess my age, I will send you a postal card. I don't know anything to write. If I could write a letter as good as Miss Ruth Carr can, I wouldn't mind writing. I surely do enjoy reading her letters. I have two sisters (one of them is 15 and the other is 6), and one brother. He is 4 tomorrow. I wonder what a good time you cousins had Christmas. I sure did have a good time Christmas day. Mother gave my oldest sister a birthday dinner. We surely had a good time. Miss Ruth Carr I sure do wish that you would write me a letter. Write and tell me what you are doing these cold days. Are you cousins going to school? I haven't been to school any since Christmas. I was in the sixth grade. I sure do enjoy reading all of you cousins' letters. Let's all of us cousins go to work and make the children's page a lively one. Say, Oklahoma girls and boys, let's don't let the Arkansas boys and girls do all of the writing. I can't write a very interesting letter, but I am willing to do my best.

From one who loves you all,  
PINK BROWN.

Askew, Jan. 8, 1910.

Dear Western Methodist: I thought I would write a few lines to ask permission to join you. I am a boy 16, from the Mississippi Valley. I live behind the levee, but still I have the pleasure of seeing an overflow now and then. My nearest church is Askew. My next is Council, Ark. Here in this country we get all of our merchandise by steamboat. Our nearest railroad being eighteen miles away, at Marianna, Ark. We live right on the State line between Mississippi and Arkansas. My size is 5 feet 4 inches; my age is 16. I have light

complexion, light hair and blue eyes. I will close by asking some riddles: What is the difference between six dozen dozen and a half a dozen dozen? Would be more than glad to correspond with some of the cousins and any one wanting to know the answer to the puzzles write to

H. C. HEIDT.

Council, Ark.

Wister, Okla., Jan. 10, 1910.

Dear Cousins: I will take great pleasure in trying to write my second letter. I don't notice very many letters from the Oklahoma girls and boys. I wonder what is the matter with them. I don't guess they realize the fact that the Arkansas girls and boys are doing nearly all the writing that is done on the children's page. But I want to ask you cousins to admit one Oklahoma girl into your happy band. I can't write a very interesting letter, but I am willing to do my best. If I could write some interesting story as Miss Ruth Carr does, I wouldn't mind writing. I guess I had better bring my few remarks to a close, wishing you all a pleasant year.

Your Oklahoma cousin,  
JUDA BROWN.

Holland, Ark., Jan. 3, 1910.

Dear Western Methodist and Cousins: Will you open the door and let a little Arkansas girl in? I will let you guess Arkansas girl in? I will let you guess send a postal to the one that guesses it. Bro. Robertson is our pastor. We like him fine. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. My Sunday School teacher's name is Mrs. Mollie Reedy. I have three brothers and one sister. My brothers are Virgil, Harley, and Chester. My sister is Ruby. I will close, hoping to see this in print.

Your cousin,  
VERA JONES.

## \* CHRISTMASTIDE.

Christmas bells are ringing,  
O'er the hills and plains;  
Bringing joy and gladness,  
With their glad refrain.  
Now for candies and pretty toys,  
That are made for girls and boys.

Happiness in every home,  
For dear Old Santa sure will come;  
Stockings hanging on the wall,  
Are for children great and small.  
Now, dear Santa, fill them well,  
And watch the little hearts swell.  
"ELENOR."

Elenor, I am sorry to have to leave your letter out, but it is entirely too long.

COUSIN LILLIAN.

## WHAT WOMEN OF THE FARM NEED.

No one will deny the value of the Farmers' Institute to the agricultural world, disseminating among the farmers, as it does, the knowledge gained by the scientist in his laboratory and on the experimental farms. Today we have higher-priced farms, larger crops, more sanitary barns and better milk-producing cows as a result. Money has been spent lavishly and intelligently for this education of the farmer. How much has been spent for the farmer's wife? How many scientists and experimenters are working, searching, studying for truths that will help the farmer's wife in her work? You can nearly count them on your fingers. Yet the report of the Commission on Rural Life finds that "the women need more helps," and "it is important that at rural meetings the home topics shall be discussed."

All the woman on the farm asks is fair play. She does not ask that men shall study her needs. She asks only that she have a chance to meet and confer with other women, to work out the solutions of their many problems; that the government give her an equal



chance with her husband; that the same time and money—or enough time and money—be allowed for her needs that is given to this.

"Why does the farm woman need such help more than the woman in the city?" Because of her isolation. She has no other woman with whom to consult. Church is not the place, and that is about the only spot she meets other women who might be of help to her.

The report of the Department of Agriculture of Ontario says: "Of all the money expended for education in Ontario there is no department that has brought such large returns as the money expended by the Department of Woman's Institutes, for the reason that when a woman is educated she educates her whole family!"

The United States government is spending large sums for the benefit of the school teacher, with splendid results; for the farmer, with equally good success. Now it should go a step further and begin a systematic aid to the source of all, the mother.—An editorial in The Delineator for February.

#### A PREACHER'S DEBTS.

What a menace! What a burden! How they do disturb! Is the preacher altogether to blame? His assessment, especially on circuits, is usually small enough; he lives on the inside of the amount estimated for his support. It takes it all to meet pressing and necessary demands. Alas! The year ends and all the assessment is not paid. The preacher calculated on the amount promised—had a right to, but it was not paid. Let him who will locate the blame. However, preachers should be very careful about debt. The friend who accommodates him does not look to another for pay. It is easier to keep out of debt than to pay an old debt; and not to pay—!

I am moved to write this note because of the only thing that troubled our dear good brother, J. R. Edwards, during his last illness. "But for this," he said, "my death chamber would be a paradise." This fact has already been published by Rev. T. A. Bowen, else I would not write this. He owed \$100.00. Good friends were on his note. It troubled him as it would any good man. Now, I would not reflect unjustly on any person or charge; but as Brother Edwards was buried in the bounds of Boydsville circuit I hope I will be pardoned for stating some facts.

The conference minutes show that Brother Edwards served the Boydsville circuit six years—1900, 1901, 1902, then 1906, 1907 and 1908. The aggregate assessment for these six years was \$2,092.65; the aggregate receipts for the six years were \$1,685.69; deficit, \$406.96. Average annual salary received, \$280.94 5-6. These conditions are not peculiar to this charge; it is the exception where they do not exist; now is the preacher altogether to blame

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for crediting his people for their promises and making his calculations accordingly? Should his claims against his people not be as just as the just claims of others against him? When a preacher joins the itinerant ministry in the Methodist church his opportunities to make money are very slim, and it is really sad when their meager salaries are not paid, and they have to regret, as they pass away, that they have undischarged obligations. In the light of these facts, occurring and recurring, I want to make two suggestions:

First, to pastoral charges I would say: See to it, brethren, that your pastors are paid in full so you will not feel humiliated when a preacher passes away and have occasion to reproach yourself over such a serious matter.

Second, to the preacher: If you can possibly secure it take out a small insurance policy on your life in favor of your wife, so when you leave not to return, all your little debts and expenses can be met and no one embarrassed.

An old preacher, not in our church, said to me: "If I had all the unpaid salaries due me from churches I have served I would be easy in the evening time of life; as it is, I am pressed for means to live upon."

Our people are good people. They don't mean to neglect God's servants. They just don't think; they don't understand the conditions as they exist.

"We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake."

M. M. SMITH.

#### WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE MINUTES.

I am pleased with the work of the printer but you will find on pages 37-38 apportionment of the Board of Missions. It should be on pages 16-17 with other missionary report. Paragould circuit and station have exchanged figures.

In table No. 3, Helena district shows American Bible Society figures instead of Orphanage. This one is our error.

There may be others that I have not caught. If so I regret it.

Your secretary,  
F. M. DANIEL.

#### POPULAR LECTURES.

I have three popular lectures for week nights which have been delivered to over 1,600 people here in the city at one time. The subjects are: "An American Abroad, or The World on the Half Shell; What I Saw, Smelt and Heard in My Journey Over Many Lands," illustrated with stereopticon or not, as you like; another, "The Profit and Loss of Matrimony; How to Get Married, Stay Married, and Be Happy, Though Married." The third is, "Ephraim or the Facts and Philosophy of the Old-Time Negro." I will be glad to deliver these, as I can get away for a night semi-occasionally, and will supply all advertising matter myself.

P. R. KNICKERBOCKER.

#### CHURCH EXTENSION—ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Arkansas Conference is hereby called to meet in Bentonville at 10:30 a. m. March 14. All applications to go before the General Board should be in the hands of the committee before this date. Let those making application see that every question in the application blank is correctly answered.

J. M. HUGHEY,

#### CHURCH EXTENSION, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Little Rock Conference, M. E. Church,

# Sister Woman!

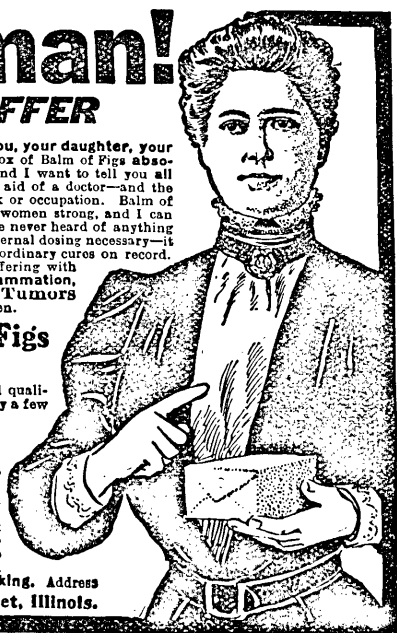
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J. R. SANDERS, Chairman,  
M. W. MANVILLE, Secretary.

#### CLINTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Clinton District Conference will be held at Cordell April 19, 20, 21. Opening sermon on Monday evening, 18th.

WILLIAM D. MATTHEWS, P. E.  
Weatherford, Okla., Jan. 24, 1910.

#### CHURCH EXTENSION NOTICE.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension for Oklahoma Conference will meet in Oklahoma City, March 15, at St. Luke's, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. All applications must be in the hands of the committee by that time.

N. L. LINEBAUGH, Chmn.,  
C. F. MITCHELL, Sec.

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#### OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION EXECUTIVE MEETING.

I hereby call the Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to meet in my office, 200 North Robinson street, Oklahoma City, Okla., March 14, 1910, at 2:00 p. m.

Let all applications for aid from the General Board of Church Extension be in the hands of the secretary, Rev. C. F. Mitchell, Lawton, Okla., by this date, as they must be passed upon by the Executive Committee, before the

General Board will take action on them.

A word to the preachers who may make application to the board for aid: Be sure and get your application properly filled out, answering all questions fully.

N. L. LINEBAUGH,  
President Oklahoma Conference Board of Church Extension.

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The February Century will contain many appreciations of its late editor, Mr. Richard Watson Gilder, with consideration of various phases of Mr. Gilder's public activities by George Edward Woodberry, Henry van Dyke, Jacob A. Riis, Cecelia Beaux, and Robert Underwood Johnson; and tributes by President Taft, Ambassador Bryce, John Burroughs, Andrew Carnegie, Helen Keller, and many others who knew and loved the man. There will be, also, a reproduction of the portrait painting by Cecelia Beaux, and of Mr. Gilder's last serious poem, "Love in a City."

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## QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

## OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

## TULSA DISTRICT.

Beggs and Mounds, at Beggs.....	Feb. 26-27
Oklmulgee Sta.....	Feb. 27-28
Coweta Sta.....	March 5-6
Broken Arrow Sta.....	March 12-13
Sapulpa Sta.....	March 19-20
Bixby and Red Fork, at R. F.....	March 20-21
Stroud Sta.....	March 26-27
Bristow Sta.....	March 27-28
Sparks and Davenport, at D.....	April 2-3
Prague and Paden, at Mt. Hope.....	April 3-4
Okluskee Ct.....	April 9-10
Okemah Sta.....	April 10-11
Bearden Ct.....	April 11-12
Haskell Ct.....	April 16-17
Porter Sta.....	April 23-24
Tulsa District Conference.....	April 26-28

S. G. THOMPSON, P. E.

## GUYMON DISTRICT.

Nabisco Ct., at Liberty.....	March 19-20
Grand Valley Ct., at Grand Valley.....	March 26-27
LaKemp Ct., at Golden.....	March 30-31
Tangier Ct., at Tangier.....	April 2-3
Woodward Sta.....	April 3-4
Mutual Ct., at Mutual.....	April 9-10
Iola Ct., at Redden.....	April 13-14
Ellis Ct., at Dearing Chapel.....	April 16-17
Guymon Sta.....	April 23-24
Hooker Sta.....	May 1-2
Texhoma and Goodwell, at Texhoma.....	May 7-8
Tyrone Sta.....	May 14-15

J. F. LAWLIS, P. E.

## CLINTON DISTRICT.

Sayre.....	Feb. 26-27
Elk City.....	Feb. 27-28
Butler-Shiloh, at Shiloh.....	March 1-2
Custer, at Mount Hope.....	March 5-6
Weatherford, at night.....	March 6
Clinton.....	March 13
Burnham Ct., at Center Point.....	March 19-20
Rhea Ct., at Friendship.....	March 20-21
Texmo Ct., at Bethel.....	March 22
Roll Ct., at Hamburg.....	March 24
Cheyenne-Washita.....	March 25
Berlin Ct., at Bethel.....	March 26-27
Sweet Water Ct., at S. W.....	March 27-28
Texola.....	April 2-3
Erick.....	April 3-4
Delhi, at Whitsel.....	April 4-5
Doxey, at Doxey.....	April 5-6
Foss, at Hager.....	April 9-10
Dill, at Hefner.....	April 10-11
Port.....	April 12-13
Rocky-Sentinel.....	April 13-14
Cowden, at Pleasant View.....	April 16-17
Cordell.....	April 22
Cloud-Chief.....	April 23-24
District Conference, at Cordell.....	April 19-21

Pastors will please raise the Conference assessments and have at least fifty per cent in the hands of the Teller by the District Conference. Brother Stewards, look after the needs of your pastors and their families. You stand between them and the necessities of life. The people will support the pastors if the Stewards will only do their duty.

WILLIAM D. MATTHEWS, P. E.

## CHICKASHA DISTRICT.

Marlow.....	Feb. 20-21
Waurika.....	Feb. 26-27
Ryan and Terral, at Terral.....	Feb. 27-28
Minco and Ninnekah, at Ninnekah.....	March 5-6
Will preach at Chickasha night of March 6	
Paoli and Florence, at Florence.....	March 12-13
Wayne, at Rosedale.....	March 19-20
Oak Grove, at Corum.....	March 26-27
Comanche.....	March 27-28
Alex, at Amber.....	April 2-3
Verden and Tuttle, at Tuttle.....	April 3-4
Wood Reserve, at Oak Lawn.....	April 9-10
Duncan.....	April 10-11
Maysville and White Bead, at White Bead.....	April 16-17
Paul's Valley.....	April 17-18
Chickasha.....	April 18
Volma Ct. at Perry.....	April 23, 24

L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.

## MANGUM DISTRICT.

Martha.....	Feb. 19-20
Mangum Sta., P. 7:30 p. m.....	Feb. 20
Dryden and Red Hill, at R. H.....	Feb. 26-27
Hollis.....	Feb. 27-28
Mangum Ct., at Gyp Hill.....	March 5-6
Willow, at Ozona.....	March 6-7
Vinson and Deer Creek, at Vinson.....	March 12-13
Lone Wolf and Gotebo, at Gotebo.....	March 19-20
Hobart.....	March 20-21
Duke, at Victory.....	March 26-27
Altus.....	March 27-28
Matcalf, at Union Chapel.....	April 2-3
Elmer, at Yeldell.....	April 9-10
Looner, at Twin Lakes.....	April 16-17
El Dorado.....	April 17-18
Olustee.....	April 18
Mt. View, at Green Valley.....	April 23-24
Carnegie and Boise.....	April 24-25
East Mangum.....	April 26

C. H. McGEHEE, P. E.

## M'ALESTER DISTRICT.

Mawdy and Wardville.....	Feb. 11-13
Wilburton.....	Feb. 19, 20, April 27
Stonewall Ave.....	Feb. 20, May 4
Kiowa.....	Feb. 25-27
Coalgate.....	Feb. 27-March 1
Atoka.....	March 2
Canadian.....	March 4-6
Hartshorne.....	March 6, April 28
Eufaula Ct.....	March 11-13
Eufaula Sta.....	March 13, 14
Stuart.....	March 19-20
Palestine Ct.....	March 25-27
Quinton Ct.....	March 27-29
McCurran.....	March 30-April 3
Spino.....	April 3-5
Heavener.....	April 15-17
Poteau.....	April 17-19
Cameron.....	April 20-24
Wister.....	April 24-26
Caney.....	April 29-May 1
Tushka.....	May 1-2

Phillips Memorial.....	May 2
Stringtown.....	May 6-8
District Conference at Poteau.....	June 7-9

P. A. PARKS, P. E.

## MUSKOGEE DISTRICT.

State Line, Hales, 7 p. m.....	March 1
Muldrow Sta.....	March 6
Sallisaw Sta., 7 p. m.....	March 7
Brushy Ct., Brushy, 7 p. m.....	March 8
Vian Ct., Vian, 7 p. m.....	March 10
Webber's Falls, Webber's Falls, 7 p. m.....	March 12
Muskogee Ct., Jobs.....	March 19-20
First Church, 7 p. m.....	March 22
St. Paul, 7 p. m.....	March 28
Bald Hill Ct., Natura.....	March 28
Boynton and Morris, Boynton, 7 p. m.....	March 29

The pastor's efficiency is revealed by the amount of preparation he makes for the quarterly conference. District Conference at Stigler, April 5-8.

O. E. GODDARD, P. E.

## ADA DISTRICT.

Wewoka and Seminole, at S.....	Feb. 26-27
Wetumka.....	Feb. 27-28
Pontotoc Ct., at Jesse.....	March 5-6
Stonewall and Tupelo, at T.....	March 6-7
Hickory Ct., at Palmer.....	March 11-12
Roff and Mill Creek, at M. C.....	March 12-13
Ada, First Church.....	March 18-14
Holdenville Sta.....	March 16
Byars and Stratford, at B.....	March 19-20
Wanette Ct.....	March 20-21
Moral Ct.....	March 21-22
St. Louis and Asher.....	March 26-27
Sulphur, Vinita Avenue.....	April 9-10
Sulphur, First Church.....	April 10-11
District Conference at Sulphur April 11 to 13.	

S. F. GODDARD, P. E.

## VINITA DISTRICT.

Afton.....	Feb. 26-27
Fairland and Wyandotte.....	March 5-6
Afton Ct.....	March 6-7
Miami.....	March 12-13
Grove.....	March 19-20
Welch.....	March 26-27
Spavinaw.....	March 27-28
Adair and Big Cabin.....	April 2-3
Chelsea.....	April 3-4
Inola and Talala.....	April 9-10
Chapel.....	April 10-11
Peggs.....	April 16-17
Centralia.....	April 17-18
Vinita.....	April 23-24
District Conference at Wagoner.....	April 29

JOHN W. SIMS, P. E.

## LAWTON DISTRICT.

Grandfield Ct., at Grandfield.....	Feb. 20-21
Davidson Sta.....	Feb. 26-27
Frederick Sta.....	Feb. 27-28
Hastings Ct., at Pecan Grove.....	March 5-6
Temple Sta.....	March 6-7
Walter Ct., at Rose Valley.....	March 12-13
Walter Sta.....	March 13-14
Ft. Sill Ct., at Albert Catts.....	March 19-20
Manitou Ct., at Deep Red.....	March 26-27
Lawton Sta.....	March 29
Cement Ct., at Cement.....	April 2-3
Geary Sta.....	April 9-10
Glenwood Ct., at Glenwood.....	April 10-11
Ahepatone Ct., at Ahepatone.....	April 16-17
Ft. Cobb Ct., at Valley View.....	April 23-24
Anadarko Sta.....	April 24-25
District Conference at Anadarko.....	April 27-30

Opening sermon, 8 p. m., Tuesday, April 26, by Rev. W. E. Humphreys. Delegates to District Conference will be elected this round. Let all the pastors have half of Conference assessments in hand by District Conference, and Stewards will please get half pastors' salaries by this time.

C. F. MITCHELL, P. E.

## OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT.

Oklahoma City—Capitol Hill.....	Feb. 13
Oklahoma City—St. John's.....	Feb. 13
Norman.....	Feb. 19-21
Oklahoma City—St. Luke's.....	Feb. 27
Oklahoma City—Epworth.....	Feb. 27
Union Chapel Ct. at U. C.....	March 5, 6
Shawnee—Trinity.....	March 6, 7
Stillwater.....	March 12, 14
Washington Ct. at French.....	March 18-20
Purcell.....	March 20, 21
Shawnee Ct. at Union.....	March 26, 27
McLoud Ct. at Harrah.....	March 27, 28
Thumseh.....	April 2, 3
Shawnee—First Church.....	April 3, 4
Franklin Ct. at Clearbrook.....	April 9, 10
Noble and Shiloh at S.....	April 10, 11
Blanchard Ct. at B.....	April 16, 17
Lexington.....	April 17, 18
Piedmont.....	April 23-24
El Reno.....	April 24, 25
Earlsboro Ct. at Johnson.....	April 30, May 1
Arcadia Ct. at W.....	May 7, 8
Oklahoma City Ct.....	May 14, 15
Perry.....	May 21, 23
Guthrie.....	May 23

District Conference at Purcell April 5-8. The pastors are urged to bring as full delegations as possible. Special attention is called to the urgent appeal sent out by Dr. Lambuth for prompt collections for foreign missions. Send the money to Rev. T. L. Rinnev. Muskogee, by March 15. Wherever possible let all the conference collections be provided for before the District Conference meets.

A. J. SCATES, P. E.

## CREEK AND CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

Broken Arrow, at B. A. Chapel.....	Feb. 12-13
Seminole Ct., at Thiloloco.....	Feb. 26-27
Wewoka Ct., at Wewoka.....	Feb. 27-28
Honey Creek Ct., Little Consoia.....	March 5-6
Cherokee Ct., at Beatie's Prairie.....	March 12-13
Hebe Ct., at Allen's Chapel.....	March 19-20
Cedar Bluff Ct., at Moody.....	March 26-27
Oklmulgee Ct., at Grove Creek.....	April 2-3
Samulna Ct., at Concharby.....	April 9-10
Hitchita Ct., at Old Hitchita.....	April 16-17
Salina Ct., at Washington.....	April 23-24

Let all the preachers collect their foreign missionary assessment within the next thirty days.

ORLANDO SHAY, P. E.

## DURANT DISTRICT.

Soper Ct., at Kent.....	Feb. 19-20
Antlers and Boswell, at Boswell.....	Feb. 26-27
Benington-Bokchito, at Bokchito.....	Feb. 27-28
Albany Ct., at Albany.....	March 5-6
Colbert-Kemp, at Kemp.....	March 6-7
Grant Ct., at Sawyer.....	March 12-13
Hugo.....	March 13-14
Bryan County Miss., at Silo.....	March 19-20
Cumberland.....	March 20-21
Woodville.....	March 26-27
Madill.....	March 27-28
Caddo.....	April 2-3
Durant.....	April 3

District Conference will be held at Durant April 6-10. All pastors will be expected to report at least half of the Conference assessments in hand at the District Conference, and of course the Stewards will be able to report preachers' salaries paid up to date.

T. P. TURNER, P. E.

## LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

## LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

Twenty-eighth Street.....	Feb. 20
Capitol.....	Feb. 20
Henderson and Highland.....	Feb. 27
Asbury.....	Feb. 27
First Church.....	March 6
Forest Park.....	March 6
Winfield.....	March 13
Hunter.....	March 13
Mabelvale, at Mabelvale.....	March 19-20
Austin, at Mount Zion.....	March 26-27
Carlisle and Hazen, at Carlisle.....	April 3
Devall's Bluff and Des Arc, at D. A.....	April 10
Carlisle Miss., at Hall's.....	April 11-12
Lonoke.....	April 13
Bryant, at White Rock.....	April 16-17
Hickory Plains, at Bethlehem.....	April 23-24
Bauxite, at New Hope.....	April 30-May 1
Maumelle, at Mt. Meriah.....	May 7-8
Plum Bayou, at Stonewall.....	May 21-22
England.....	May 22-23
Oak Hill, at Pleasant Hill.....	May 28-29
Tomberlin, at Tomberlin.....	June 4-5

A. C. MILLAR, P. E.

## PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

Carr Memorial.....	Feb. 19-20
Douglas and Grady Ct., at Grady.....	Feb. 20-21
DeWitt Ct., at Prairie Union.....	Feb. 26-27
Swan Lake, at Slythe Chapel.....	March 5-6
Hayley Memorial.....	March 13-14
Redfield Ct., at Oak Grove.....	March 19-20
DeWitt.....	March 24
Gillett Ct., at Haller's Chapel.....	March 26-27
New Edinburg Ct., at Wheeler's Springs.....	April 2-3
Rison Ct., at Mt. Carmel.....	April 9-10
Sheridan Ct., at New Hope.....	April 14
Rowell Ct., at Rowell.....	April 16-17
Star City, at Mountain Home.....	April 19
Roe and St. Charles Ct., at Shiloh.....	April 23-24
Sherrill Ct., at Humphrey.....	April 27
Lakeside.....	May 3
First Church.....	May 4

District Conference will be held at Humphrey beginning Wednesday night, April 27, and continuing through Sunday, May 1.

J. D. HAMMONS, P. E.

## TEXARKANA DISTRICT.

Bright Star.....	Feb. 19-20
Fairview.....	Feb. 20-21
Texarkana Ct.....	Feb. 26-27
College Hill.....	Feb. 27-28
Spring Hill.....	March 5-6
Stamps.....	March 6-7
Lewisville.....	March 12-13
Foreman.....	March 19-20
Ashdown.....	March 21
Lockesburg.....	March 26-27
Horatio.....	April 2, 3
DeQueen.....	April 9-10
Vandervoort.....	April 9-10
Gillham.....	April 10-11
Umpire.....	April 16-17
Cherry Hill.....	April 23-24
Mena.....	April 24-25
First Church.....	May 1

THOMAS H. WARE, P. E.

## CAMDEN DISTRICT.

Fordyce Sta.....	Feb. 19-20
Thornton Ct.....	Feb. 26-27
Bearden Ct.....	March 5-6
Chidester Ct.....	March 12-13
Stephens Sta.....	March 19-20
Camden Ct.....	March 26-27
Camden Sta.....	March 27-28
Junction Sta.....	April 2-3
El Dorado Sta.....	April 3-4
Waldo Ct.....	April 9-10
Strong Ct.....	April 16-17
Huttig Sta.....	April 17-18
Magnolia Sta.....	April 24-25
Magnolia Ct.....	April 30-May 1
Atlanta Ct.....	May 7-8
Hampton Ct.....	May 14-15
El Dorado Ct.....	May 21-22
Wesson Sta.....	May 28-29

R. W. McKAY, P. E.

## MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

Hamburg Ct.....	Feb. 26-27
Hamburg Sta.....	Feb. 27-28
Mount Pleasant Ct., at Rock Springs.....	March 5-6
Dermott and Portland, at Portland.....	March 12-13
Parkdale and Wilmet, at Wilmet.....	March 13-14
Snyder Ct., at Montrose.....	March 19-20
Crossett Sta. and Miss.....	March 20-21
Hermitage Ct., at Hermitage.....	March 22
Dumas and Watson, at Watson.....	March 26-27
Tillar Ct., at Winchester.....	April 2-3
McGehee and Arkansas City, at Arkansas City.....	April 3-4
Endora Miss.....	April 9
Lake Village and Endora, at Endora.....	April 10-11
Collins Ct., at Collins.....	April 16-17
Warren Sta.....	April 17-18
Johnsville Ct.....	April 20
Lacey Ct., at Lacey.....	April 23-24
Monticello Sta.....	April 24-25
Wilmar Sta.....	April 26

Monticello District Conference will meet at Wilmar, April 28-May 1.

J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

## PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

Hope Sta.....	March 5-6
Hope Ct.....	March 7-8
Emmet.....	March 12-13
Okolona.....	March 19-20
Prescott.....	March 22
Murfreesboro.....	March 26-27
Mineral Springs.....	March 27-28
Bingen.....	April 2-3
Blevins.....	April 9-10
Nashville.....	April 15
Washington.....	April 16-17
Amity.....	April 23-24
Caddo.....	April 30-May 1
Pike.....	May 7-8
Gurdon.....	May 13
Mount Ida.....	May 14-15
Harmony.....	May 21-22
Center Point.....	May 29-30

W. O. HILLIARD, P. E.

## ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

## HARRISON DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)	
Fairview Miss., at Piney.....	Feb. 26-27
Berryville Sta. ....	March 5-6
Eureka Springs.....	March 13-14
Valley Springs Ct., at Red Oak.....	March 19-20
Bellfonte and Marshall, at Marshall.....	March 26-27
Yellville Ct., at Pleasant Ridge.....	April 2-3
Cotter Sta.....	April 3-4
Gassville Ct., at Wesley's Chapel.....	April 9-10
Mountain Home Sta.....	April 30-May 1
WILLIAM T. THOMPSON, P. E.	

## HAYGOOD MEMORIAL.

We closed a very successful revival last Thursday night, having run about two and one-half weeks. There were about seventy conversions and reclamations, twenty-five accessions to the church by baptism and otherwise, with some more to join. Several have joined other churches. The people say it was the best meeting in Searcy for years. The meeting began in our church, but the congregations grew so large that we moved to the courthouse the last week, still this did not accommodate every one that came. The Christian people of all the churches worked most excellently, and God honored their efforts. Dr. Wilson, of the First M. E. Church, South, and Rev. Wood, of the Baptist Church, with other ministers of the town rendered valuable service. Dr. J. H. Dye did some good preaching and started

the meeting for us. He pulled and pushed all the way through with his might. Brother Tatum came to us from Jonesboro the fourth day. He soon proved himself to be the God-sent man for the occasion and we gave him the right of way the remainder of the revival. His sweet spiritual songs and lay sermons were so powerful the believer's heart was mellowed and edified and the sinners were brought to repentance. All praise to Jesus for success. We are starting off well on our work. Everything is promising for a great ingathering of souls.

Our daughter, Alma, is delighted with Galloway College.

I hope to get the Western Methodist into many homes this year. Come to see us, Mr. Editor, and give us a send-off. We will give you full sway.

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## REVIVAL AT FORNFELT, MISSOURI.

We have just closed our meeting at Fornfelt, Mo., with Rev. A. D. Rankins, pastor. The meeting ran for two weeks. I was only there the last week. Was called home from Ladonia, Mo., on account of baby's sickness, hence I was detained, but my singer, Prof. W. L. Burks, of Alabama, went ahead and started the meeting, assisted by the pastor. There were eighteen accessions to the church and more to follow. Enough interest was aroused in the town that a union meeting was decided upon, and arrangements made, committees appointed, and date fixed. The time set for commencing June 15, 1910. Brother Rankins assures us that he will spare no means in order to have everything ready for a great revival. He is truly a good pastor to work with and for in revivals. Notwithstanding the short time he has been at Fornfelt he knows more people perhaps than any other individual in the city. I have with me as singer Prof. W. L. Burks, of Anniston, Ala., who is not only a good choir director and forceful singer, but is also a Normal teacher. He is the founder and President of the "Life Line Normal Musical Institute," of his city. His main work outside of the song service is holding business men's meetings, and conducting noonday prayer meetings for the business men from 11:45 a. m. to noon, and this kind of meetings are very valuable adjuncts to the revival.

I will be here till about the 18th or 20th of this month, then we go to California and Oregon for two months' work, after which time we return to this State for the bulk of the summer's work.

May God bless the revival work everywhere, and build up the church in His most Holy faith. His blessings be upon all is my prayer.

O. L. MARTIN.

February 9.

## FIRST METHODIST CLOSING PROSPEROUS YEAR OF WORK.

The First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of this city, has just closed the most prosperous year of its history, and the members look forward to another year of continued progress.

During the year, the church reported 107 new members, and the total collections for that period, \$3,500.00. A parsonage debt of \$2,700.00 has also been provided for during the past year.

The members of the church feel that too much credit cannot be given their pastor, Rev. J. D. Sibert, for the assistance he has given in clearing out all debts and building up the membership of the church. That his work is appreciated by the membership is evinced by the large congregations that attend each service.

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The Sunday School membership has grown until it is now necessary to have classes in three rooms outside of the church building. The International Bible Class has grown so large that a room outside of the church has been secured, in which to have the meetings of this branch of the church work. This class meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 in the public school building, where all Bible students will find a welcome.

The church now has all its indebtedness paid and provided for, and is entirely a self-supporting institution, receiving not a dollar from the mission board.—Miami Metropolis (Florida).

## THORNTON CIRCUIT.

Dear Methodist: I desire to make a report of my work on Thornton Circuit. I am a new man in the Little Rock Conference and hesitated until this hour to write. I wish to say that I am glad to be numbered with the good people of this great Conference, and I am thoroughly contented with my lot at Thornton. As to how well pleased the people are with me, I shall leave you to be the judge, after I tell you what is being done.

The first thing I mention is an addition of a nice room to the parsonage at a cost of \$130.00 paid without a murmur. The Home Mission Society are getting on firm basis and are working like Trojans. They have ordered the parsonage to be painted at once, which will be done this week, D. V. The people here have been everything to us in supporting and making things pleasant. The second pounding took place last Friday evening, which was a complete success.

We have a good Sunday School at Providence and one of the best at Thornton Church, and is increasing continually in size and interest. Also our Epworth League which was organized a few weeks ago is doing fine. The mid-week prayer meeting is well attended and the teachers' meeting every Friday evening is interesting and instructive.

Our congregations are splendid. Have received six members into the church; granted one letter.

The Lord is wonderfully blessing us, so far. Our churches have sustained the loss of but one member by death. The Lord is protecting us in more than a thousand ways for which we bow in reverence to Him who reigns from above.

W. F. ROGERS, P. C.

## TEXARKANA PREACHERS' MEETING.

Present: W. A. Swift, Rev. Thomas, Haves, Harwell, and Hundley.

First Church.—Pastor absent. Services conducted by Brother Ware, Presiding Elder, of Texarkana District. Appreciative audience. Interest good. Prayer meeting well attended with interest growing. Both Senior and Junior Leagues had interesting and profitable meetings. Sunday School enthusiastic with profitable increase in membership.

At Fairview.—Pastor preached at both services Sunday. Good services. Fair attendance. Prayer meeting growing. Preparing for new line of work in Bible study. Sunday School not so largely attended on account of sickness among members. Interest fine. Junior League doing work worthy of special mention. Membership sixty-five.

At College Hill.—Pastor present both services and preaching to average congregations each service. Interest high. Prayer meeting doing good work. Young people take active part in the work of the meeting. Sunday School average better. Leagues both doing splendid work. W. H. M. Society a live feature of the church.

The meeting was both opened and closed with prayer by our beloved Brother Hayes.

L. E. N. HUNDLEY, Sec.

February 14, 1910.

## NOTES FROM FORT SMITH DISTRICT, ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

At the preachers' meeting in Van Buren January 24, 25, this scribe was requested to report through the Methodist such items of church news as might be of general interest. I submit my first report. I have authority to report for only two charges.

Van Buren.—Pastor baptized one infant and four adults first Sunday in February. Bishop C. W. Smith, of the M. E. Church, preached in the evening. Sunday School during January had an average attendance of 208—largest in its history. Will begin revival meeting March 6, to be assisted by Rev. J. W. Herring, of Fayetteville.

Greenwood.—Sunday School flourishing. Offerings past two Sundays \$10.00. Attendance fine. Revival meeting in progress, conducted by Revs. Burke and Hobbs, of Presbyterian Church. About seventy have given names for membership in our church.

We have had two or three good revivals in the district but I am not advised as to results. REPORTER.

## ARBOR DAY.

Saturday, March 5, to Be Observed by Many Schools, S. I. A.'s, and Civic Improvement Leagues.

State Superintendent George B. Cook is calling attention of the schools and School Improvement Associations to Arbor Day by circulating the following copy of the law, passed by the General Assembly in 1905:

"Whereas, The splendid and remarkable development of the rich and varied resources of the State of Arkansas is rapidly developing her many towns and hamlets into great commercial and manufacturing cities, thus driving farther and farther from the cottage home the stately beauty and grandeur of our noble forests, and in order to preserve to ourselves and those who shall inherit from us, some of the benign comforts of the kings of shade trees as they spread their classic and beautiful branches beguiled by the balmy breezes and alluvial soils, and that we may have more of the beautiful roses, the sweet scented honeysuckle, the glorious trumpet vine, and the thousand other ennobling shrubs and trailing vines that grow nowhere more perfectly than in Arkansas, and in order that a day may be set apart and dedicated to their tender planting and affectionate care; therefore

"Be it Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas:

"Section 1. That the first Saturday in March of each year be and the same is hereby declared Arbor Day.

"Sec. 2. This act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage."

## TO THE PREACHERS OF LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

Letters from our Mission Rooms and from Bishop Hendrix call attention to the urgent need of early collections in order that the Board of Missions may not be hampered in this hour of greatest opportunity. The last assessments were not increased because it was desirable that the assessment should be fully met and the church so fully aroused by the great missionary movement that hereafter voluntary effort should carry the collections far beyond the assessments. It is highly important that the foreign missionary collections be immediately taken and the money forwarded to the Treasurer at Nashville before March 31. Brethren, our District made a good record last year. Is it too much to expect that this appeal should be heeded now? The great Laymen's Conference held in our city last week aroused enthusiasm and gave a vision that should stimulate us to do larger things and do them in such a way as to help our Board to best solve its difficult problems. Let us make this a great year for missions and for a spiritual revival. The two go together.

A. C. MILLAR, P. E.



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

DARDANELLE, ARK.

Dardanelle is one of the old river towns before the days of railroads. It is one of the county seats of Yell county. It has been one of the best trading points on the Arkansas river. There are three banks, a handle factory, fine cotton oil and lumber mills, a splendid class of business men, a most excellent public school, and good brick churches.

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We have very desirable property in our church and parsonage.

Rev. F. M. Tolleson is the popular pastor. He and his good preacher wife are starting well in the new year. We confidently expect a prosperous year in this charge, for the pastor and his intelligent wife are both worthy and well qualified. There are many good people here dear to my heart, as I was once the pastor.

This is the home of my conference chum, Rev. S. S. Key, one of the purest men it has been my pleasure to know. He keeps cheerful and sweet in spirit. It was a great pleasure to spend a night in his home with him and his good wife and Mrs. Moseley, their daughter, though I had to refuse several other invitations to do so.

Rev. J. C. Weaver of the Dardanelle circuit lives here. He gave a cheerful account of his work. He has a fine field and knows how to cultivate it. He is an excellent preacher, and has made

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a good record. His bow still abides in strength. He is blessed with a devout Christian companion, ready to help in all good works. Shaping up the old, we secured two new subscribers: Mrs. F. E. Cole and Dr. J. R. Linzy.

RUSSELLVILLE.

All eyes of the State are turned toward Russellville at this time, as she has captured one of the agricultural schools. There is no better place in the State for such a school. The new water works and electric plant run by water power will make Russellville a city of note in a few years. They now have about 4,000 population, and can say with pride, "Watch us grow." There are two prosperous banks, elegant business houses, very large two-story brick academy and a splendid school. We have good parsonage and a beautiful white brick church.

Rev. G. G. Davidson is returned for another year, very much to the delight of his congregation. They hope to keep him until the time limit removes him, but I predict he will be in demand for a district. His intelligent wife takes great interest in the church work. Collecting well from the old, we secured 13 new subscribers, viz.: W. H. Teal, A. C. Gardner, G. W. Vance, Dr. J. F. Hayes, H. L. Bernard, Mrs. S. J. Reed, W. T. Williams, Mrs. Sarah J. Hogan, Mrs. Wm. D. Vance, Mrs. J. H. Craig, B. F. Key, Rev. B. F. Harris and Mrs. M. F. Sewell.

CONWAY.

It is beautiful to see the growth of Conway. People love to move here for good churches and schools, which make desirable towns. We have perhaps the best public building in the State except in the large cities. It is well equipped. Prof. S. S. Waters is the efficient principal. There are 12 teachers and about 600 students.

The State Normal is the pride of the town and is destined to be a great school at no distant day. They have enrolled this term 235, and still they come. There are 12 teachers—three ladies and nine gentlemen. Prof. J. J. Doyno is president. The school offers a four-year course. Pedagogy, J. J. Doyno, C. C. Denney; science, O. D. Longstreth, J. T. Buckholz; history, R. E. Womack; agriculture, W. J. Sowder; mathematics, W. O. Wilson, Miss M. M. Rose; English, A. J. Meadors, Miss Ida Waldron; reading and music, Miss Nancy Fritz; Latin, Ury McKenzie.

Central Baptist Female College, and Hendrix, the best school in the State for a boy, are both having a degree of success. The enrollment of these colleges is not what it should be, but the work done in the college is first class.

Rev. J. B. Stevenson, the pastor, and Rev. J. H. Glass, the presiding elder, are both in their fourth year. They have both wrought well and deserve the full confidence of all. They each rank with the best preachers of the conference.

Profs. Wilson and Womack each subscribed for the *Western Methodist*; also Mrs. M. May.

ARGENTA.

Sunday was spent in Argenta, the great railroad town. Argenta has about 15,000 or 16,000 population. The great Iron Mountain shops are here, where all kinds of car repairing is done, even to the making of an engine.

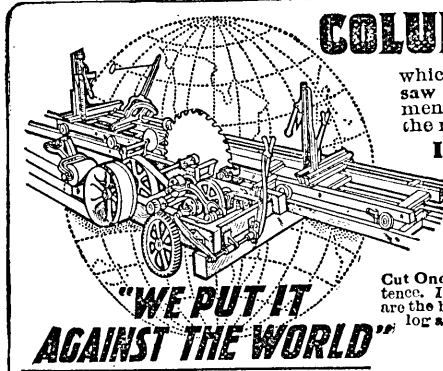
At Dye Memorial Rev. T. O. Rorie is pastor. He is well received. The Sunday school has almost doubled in attendance. Brother Scott is superintendent. The congregations have also been on the increase. So with diligent pastoral visiting and the kind of preaching Brother Rorie is capable of doing we hope for a good year at this church. Brother and Sister Rorie are very proud of their beautiful babe. They seem very happy in their home life. They have a good parsonage and brick church.

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Gardner Memorial—this church is named for Rev. N. E. Gardner, who built it. It was very much needed and has developed into a good station in a very few years. They have a beautiful concrete block church and a neat parsonage. Rev. H. H. Hunt is pastor. He is full of energy and push and is putting his whole soul into his work, which is telling for good. His house is too small for his Sunday school and congregation. They will have to enlarge or turn many anxious souls away. I preached to a packed house Sunday night, and I was told it is this way when the pastor preaches. Brother Mitchener is the superintendent of the Sunday school. He made a fine talk at the Epworth League. Brother F. Larke is the president, and a good one he makes. Everything about this church is prosperous. Brother and Sister Hunt have bright and interesting children.

We secured 13 new subscribers: J. W. Mitchener, J. B. Grissett, L. H. Priest, C. H. Rogers, Mrs. W. H. Godsey, O. S. Lawrence, D. H. Anderson, Mrs. J. E. Garner, J. H. Yates, Mrs. F. Gettler, Mrs. W. F. Brawley, Mrs. W. B. Milburn and Mrs. M. C. Schultz.

At Dye Memorial we collected well from the old and secured five new subscribers: Mrs. J. R. Austin, Mrs. Alice Gardner, A. M. Freemyer, Mrs. R. G. Bennett, and Mrs. J. F. Peugh.

Sister Bennett is the mother of Dr. Z. T. Bennett. She is over 80 years old. Her mind is clear and she is hopefully waiting the summons to come home.

REV. C. M. COPPEDGE AND AUSTIN JACOB.

Dear Methodist: Anompa iklawo ho ikbit holisso yamma foki sabannashke. Yakni ilappa ai ahantat bilia atuk keyu hoka itibapishi tuklo kat abanompa pulla ho itibatoksahanli li tuk o tikba afoha iat tamowa tuk o anukfihinlit binni li lishke. Yohmi ka il itibapishi Rev C. M. Coppedge ilappak oka hatak apihoma e hiel ka Chihowa hat in tishu ikbit isht piba chukowa cha ai okehaya chinto ka il isha chi mak o nana achukma isht apim abahanchi tuk oke. Hatak apihoma lawa ka Iki Chihowa hat im apesa tuk a isht im ohona tuk oke. Anni lawa achukma ho ahoyo tuk oke. Hatak achukma, hatak apihoma pia ha a pi holittopat nana ka pi salaha achukma hosh pi pehliechi tuk oke. Hatak apihoma e hielika hapibafoyuka kat nana isht ik samaiono ahni nana kia eiksho tuk oke.

Yohmikma hatak il itibapishi Rev. Austin Jacob ilappat local preacher yosh Atoka sakit anukaka Osko Nanih ai ittana yak o ahanta chatuk osh Chanuali

nitak 13 fehna abeka tuk osh, Chanuali 23 hashi kanalli chakkali fehna haknup at imi shilombish a itti filammi tuk oke. Abanompa ha isht anompohonli tok a afammi pokoli tuklo atampa hosh himak no foha hoke. Ai anompuli ilappa alali mat hatak ilappa nana achukma abanompa ai imma ilappat ai ahli hokbano ahni kat achunnachi ai ahli ho itiba tok-sahanli li tuk akinli kia, himakno Chihowa hat in tishu hatukma afammi lawa ka yakni paknaka ilappa ai ibafoyukat isht toksahanli tuk at ant isht afoha imihinsa tuk at ant pisahanchi tuk oke.

Yohmi hoka hapishno kia il achunnachi tuk osh il ittibapishi tuklo ilappa ont ahayuchit episa makinashke.

L. N. ISHCOMEP.

## WHY GATE FEES CONTINUE AT MOUNT VERNON.

"The expense of maintaining Mount Vernon is very heavy, even without the purchasing of relics," Abby Gunn Baker explains in her story of "The Preservation of Mount Vernon," in the February Century. "The buildings are old, and the restorations and repairs must be continuous. Dredging the channel is an item of large expense which must occasionally be met" (over ten thousand dollars being the last outlay). The article goes into further explanation of just why the association's present endowment fund of one hundred thousand dollars is still insufficient without gate fees.

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EDW. FORREST.

Searcy, Ark., Feb. 1, 1910.

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If there are any people on earth who should feel their hearts overflowing with gratitude to God the Father and to His Son our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ it is the people of the South—the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and especially the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. We give thanks to thee, O blessed Lord, for all thou hast done for our country, our church, our society. We thank thee, O Father, that another year, as it passes back into eternity has been freighted with mercies and blessings, and that thousands of those who love thee will join in celebrating the annual festival and bring their gifts of love to thee. We thank thee for this awakening of mirth and soul throughout the church, and especially among the women of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, their wonderful success in the past year and that the coming year promises to yield still greater results in deep spiritual consciousness, in intellectual activity, in righteousness, in liberality, and in unflinching courage to extend this work.

Five times a day the call to prayer is heard from Moslem towers and minarets throughout Mohammedan countries; every one stops a moment to pray: They have "one god, and Mohammed is his prophet;" but they have no Saviour, no Christ.

Let us for one moment put ourselves in their places, and see if we can realize what a blank would be left in our lives. It is impossible for a Christian to imagine such a condition.

It is not an undue exaltation of ourselves, but of the grace of God which permits us to say:

"Shall we whose souls are lighted  
 With wisdom from on high,  
 Shall we to men benighted  
 The lamp of life deny?"

Shall we fail in the face of all these blessings, as individual Christian women, as members of our beloved church, and members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to do all we can to increase the joy-giving fellowship one with another and unite in a joy-giving covenant with our Lord to send his gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth?

For nearly thirty-two eventful years this Society has made strenuous efforts for the enlightenment and evangelization of such heathen countries as could be reached through our representatives, and these have been untiring in their efforts to reach the hearts of individuals and make Christ known to them as their Savior.

A forcible question presents itself: If such fine results have been accomplished by less than one-ninth of the women and children of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who have

touched only the hem of his garment and the tangled fringes of heathendom, what might have been done if even one-half of those who claim to be followers of Christ had united with the Society and had given their personal work, their money and their prayers?

Let each one of these nine hundred thousand women ask: "What lack I yet?"

"The restless millions wait  
 The light whose dawning  
 Maketh all things new;  
 Christ also waits.  
 But men are slow and late.  
 Have we done what we could?  
 Have I? Have you?"

#### HOLLIS—THE OUTLOOK.

Dear Western Methodist: Nearly three months of the conference year being now passed we are beginning to feel that if anything worth while is to be accomplished this year, we should begin by this time to make a showing. We believe that there are large opportunities for us here. Hollis is now a county seat, an inland town with a population of twelve hundred. It is thirty miles from a railroad station, forty miles from any town of importance, and consequently has a very large territory from which to draw support. The soil is very fertile and the climate healthful. We have a splendid school building and good high school but our prospects lie in the fact that a contract is signed for a railroad to be in operation not later than August 1st of this year. Material is being shipped now for the road which will probably be a main line of the M. K. and T. to New Mexico. We believe our population will treble or quadruple within a few months after the railroad is in operation. This offers a fine opportunity for investment and a good opening for both professional and business men. I will be glad to correspond with any Methodists desiring a location in this part of Oklahoma.

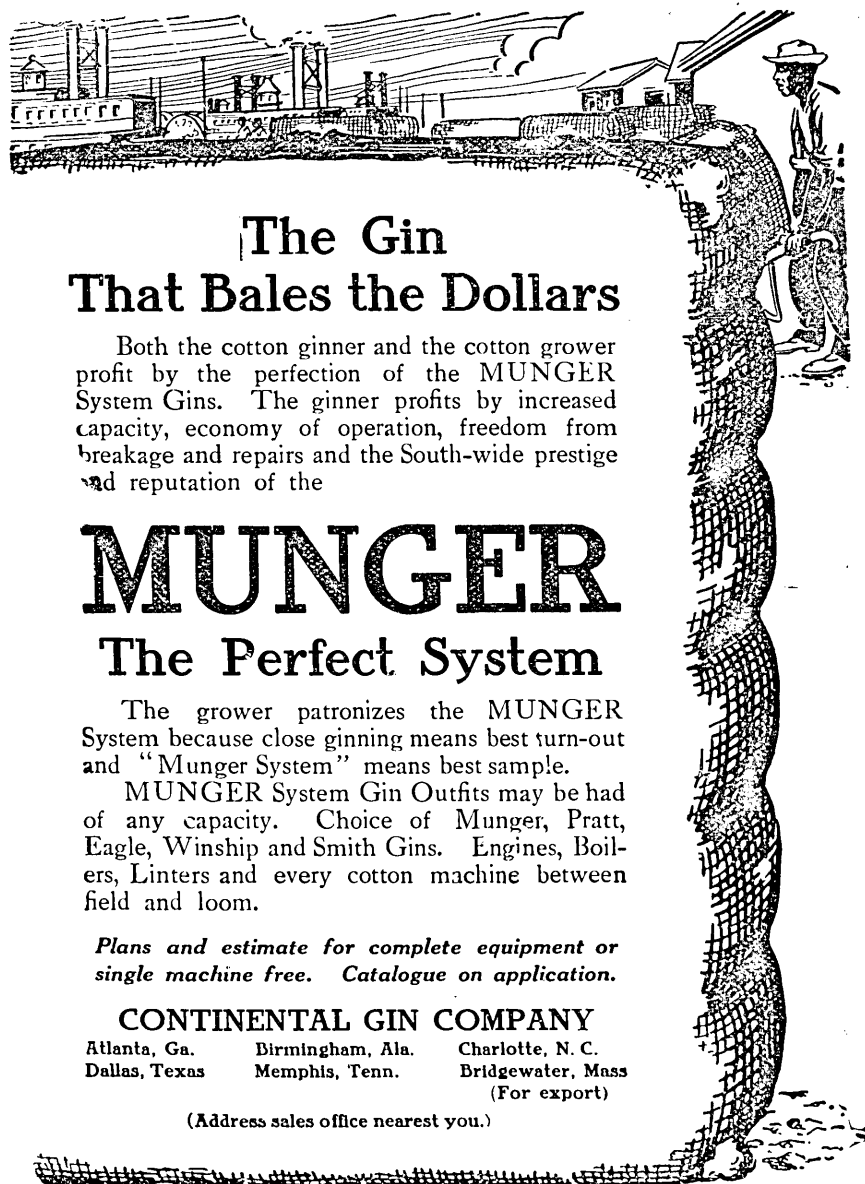
But now as to the church. We have had a long, hard struggle here in trying to get on our feet. The Baptists had a good church here when our work began and we have necessarily proceeded slowly but through the efficient work of the pastors and especially that of Bro. Holly, who was here for the past two years, our neat little church is out of debt and we have a splendid five room parsonage. During the few weeks of our pastorate the preaching services have been well attended and all seem to be taking a renewed interest. The Sunday school has taken on new life and is fast becoming a modern school with all the features recommended by the Oklahoma Sunday School Board of our church. The attendance has nearly doubled, going for the three Sundays past, to or above one hundred and twenty. The Sunday school is going to be crowded for room, and we fear we will have to send part of them elsewhere for recitation. We have organized a choir which is doing good work. We have a good Senior Epworth League, Home Mission Society, and Teachers' meeting. Will organize soon a Junior League and Boys' Club. The finances are well in hand. The stewards are doing good work, and our work is becoming more efficient in every line. We have received several members since conference and the prospects for the work are very bright.

W. C. SAVAGE.

Hollis, Okla.

#### COUNCIL CIRCUIT.

This is my third year here and my work has its third name. It was first called St. Francis Mission, then Mariana Mission, now Council Circuit. It is situated in Lee county, Ark., and borders the Mississippi river about twenty miles. We belong to the Helena district. There was not an organized church when I came here; now we have four organized churches or classes. We



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must build houses of worship, and a parsonage and then we will be ready to keep house right. We have fifty members. That seems a small number, but we have a very sparsely settled white population. We do not have the "great congregation" but we have good, attentive hearers. Some settlements we have there are five or six families who go to church. We have here as fine a country as there is under the sun. Thousands of acres are yet in timber, and would make farms of immense value. There are farmers here that made last year one and a half bales of cotton to the acre. The productiveness of these lands is almost incredible. These lands when put in a good state of cultivation and with favorable season will produce from one to two and a half bales of cotton per acre. With railroads and river transportation this country is bound to come to the front. Here is a vast field for the preacher who is willing to do good, honest work for the Lord. I am the only preacher in all this bottom from Helena to Marianna. O what an awful responsibility. Will all who read this offer a special prayer for this preacher. Why not put more preachers in this territory? What say you laymen? It will surely yield a rich return. Here is room for two or three circuits as large as mine.

JAS. S. BEST, P. C.

#### OKLAOMA CITY DISTRICT.

I write these lines to urge the pastors of the district to make diligent effort to provide for the conference collections within the next thirty days. Dr. Lambuth has issued an urgent appeal for foreign missionary money, and I am sure our Conference Board will need funds to pay our own men on the home fields. Therefore let all the missionary money, both foreign and domestic, be sent to Bro. Rippey as promptly as possible, and especially let the foreign money be sent by March the 15th, or not later than March 20.

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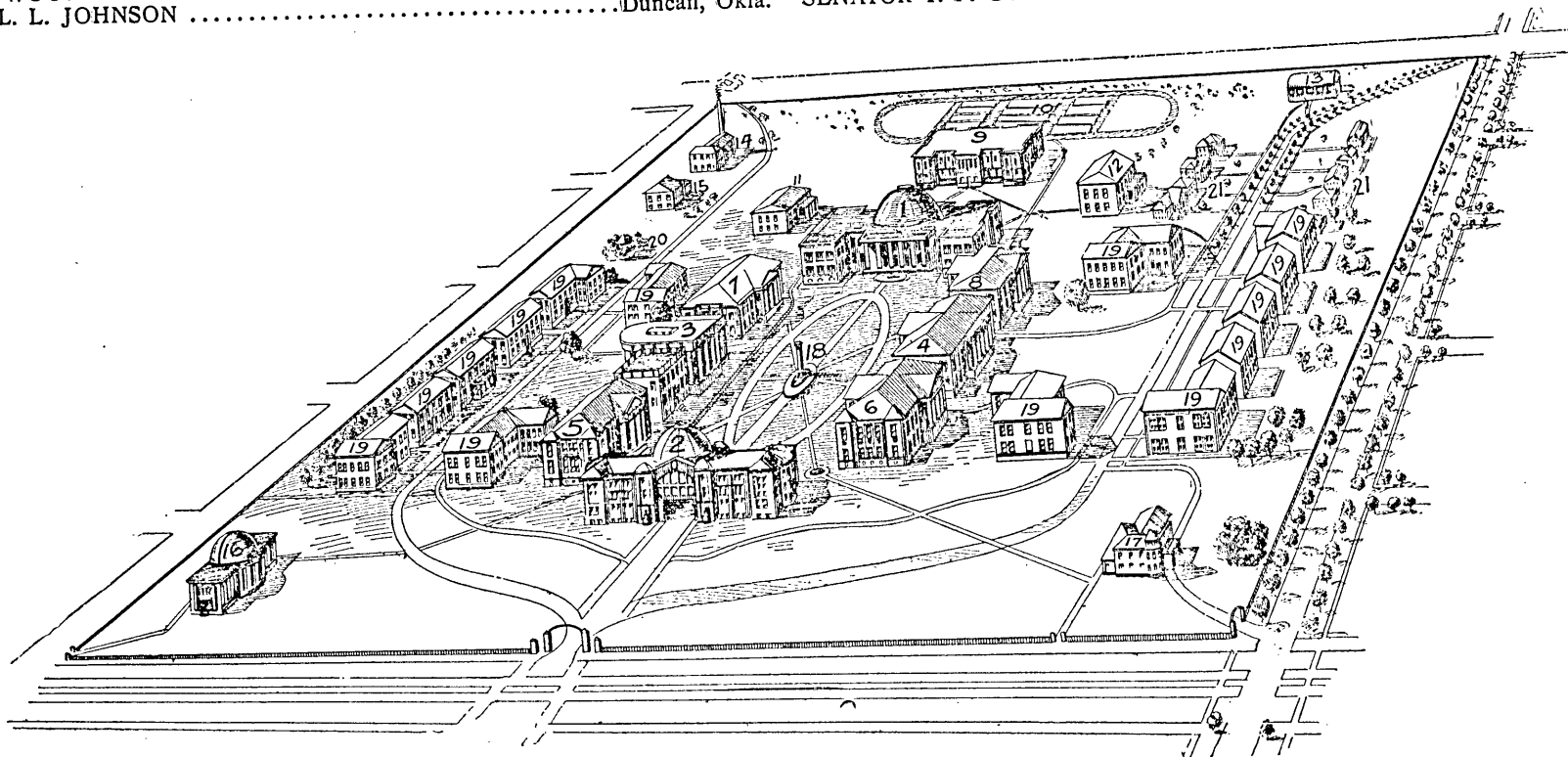
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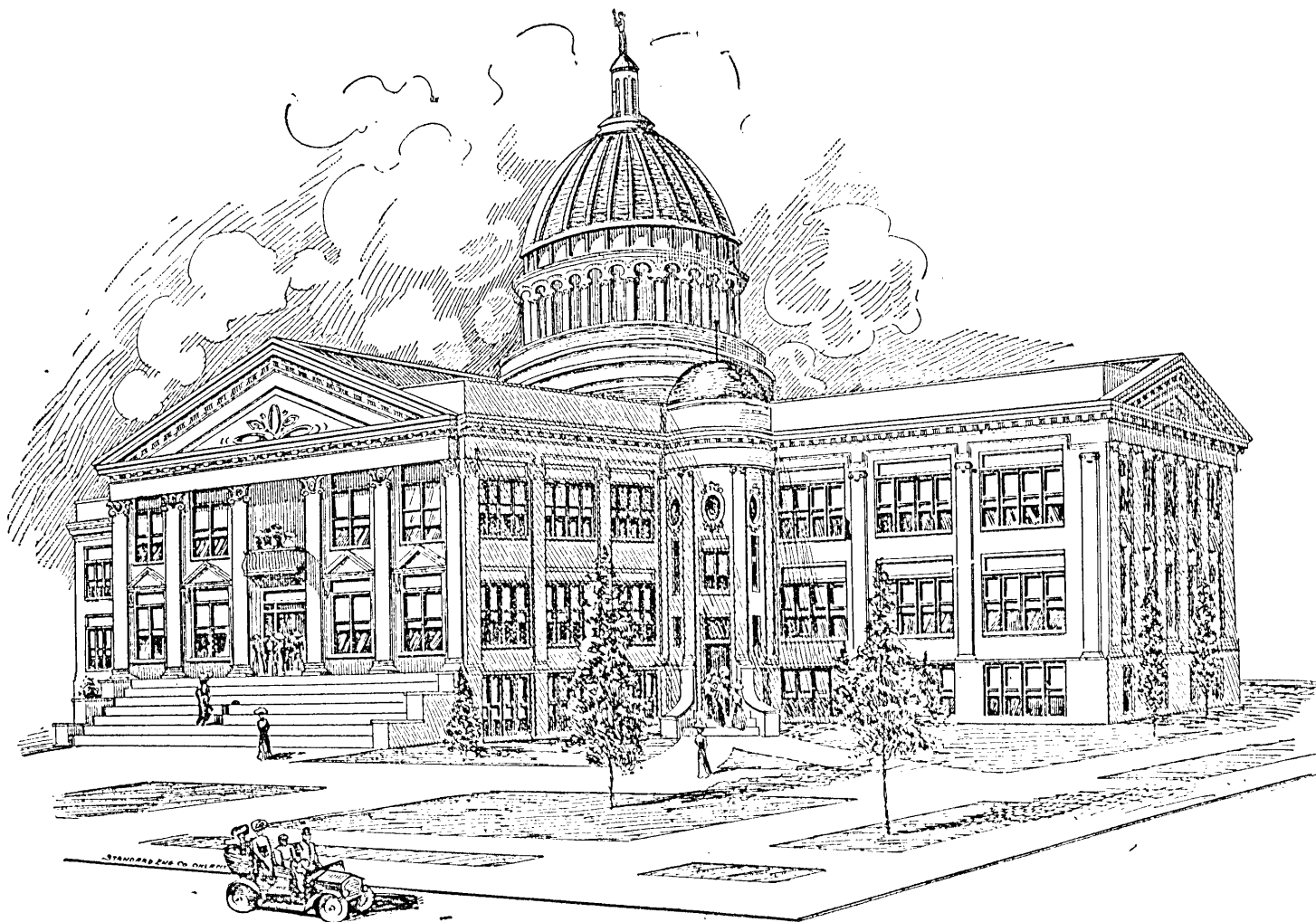
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## CHICKASHA DISTRICT.

I have just finished the first round on the district. I have found a faithful band of preachers, each endeavoring to solve the problems peculiar to his charge. I think there are several excellent "fits" among them. Generally we find both preachers and laymen ready to co-operate with the plans for district organization which is so necessary for success. I believe many of the laymen are only waiting to know how to move forward in a larger service. I trust that each pastor will diligently study plans for the larger use of their laymen. No preacher can properly use the men of his church without thorough organization. Hap-hazard plans amount to but little.

Money matters are going rather slow. It should not be so. The best time for collecting salaries and conference claims is passing by. Men on the Home Mission fields need their money. Is it right for the better charges to withhold their money? Besides the charges which are receiving missionary money should show their appreciation for help by paying their assessments at once.

The Board of Missions is pleading that the foreign assessment be paid to the Teller by the 31st of March. A little more than six weeks off. Will not every pastor and layman in the district unite their efforts to comply with this important request? "We can if we will." How many charges will say, "We can, and we will?"

The second round will be completed the last Sunday in April. Let us all, with one united and prayerful effort, pay in full, not only the Foreign, but the Domestic, and as much of the Church Extension as possible by that time. To do this we must keep at it. As far as I know, Lindsay, G. E. Halley, pastor, is the only charge which has already met the above suggestion. If others have I shall be glad to give it notice.

Space prevents me from mentioning good things about each pastor and charge, but will say that all have given me a warmer welcome than is due me.

But few have held revival meetings. Bro. Scott, on Wayne circuit, has held two. Dr. Deets, our district missionary, assisted him with much satisfaction. There were good results to the church. Bro. Flanagan, of Alex, has been in a meeting at Alex. I do not know the results.

Bro. Taylor has just closed a three weeks' meeting at Duncan, doing the preaching himself, and it is the opinion of all that he did it well. Surely he put his soul, body and mind into his efforts to help the church and town in a moral and spiritual uplift. While the number of converts was not so large as hoped for, much good was accomplished. Large congregations gathered throughout the meeting and listened to a gospel that was sound and attractive. The work done by pastor and people will continue to bear fruit. He has gained a place in the hearts of his people that nothing else would have given him. I have extended these remarks because of my personal knowledge of the meeting.

L. L. JOHNSON.

## DAVIS CHARGE.

Our second quarterly conference has come and gone. Our P. E., I. K. Waller, was on hand. He was with us from Friday until Monday.

We had an old-time conference occasion; quarterly conference on Saturday. Preaching and dinner on the ground on Sunday.

Bro. Waller preached three very strong sermons. He made a good impression on all the people. He is bringing things to pass on the Ardmore district. I have been in this district eleven years of the thirteen I have been in the conference and the district, as I see it, is in a more hopeful condition than it has ever been, and I say

this with all due respect to my former presiding elders, for they have been good ones in many respects. But as Bishop said to me at the Annual Conference, "I'm going to try to give you the right man for Ardmore district." He certainly made good his promise. Ardmore district can and I believe will be one of the leading districts of the Oklahoma conference at the close of this next quadrennium.

We are getting along well on the Davis charge. The stewards raised the salary of the pastor \$200 over last year, and the salaries of P. E. and P. C. are paid up to date, lacking \$11.00.

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AGRICULTURAL PROGRESS  
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The general acceptance in Arkansas of the value of practical agricultural education and demonstration is being evidenced in many ways.

The 4,000 farms upon which demonstration crops were grown in 1909 under the direction of State Agent J. A. Evans of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and his 27 local agents produced a yield of from 50 per cent to over 200 per cent above adjacent crops of the same class.

The contest affidavits of the Boys' Corn Clubs showed that a yield as high as 108 bushels of corn to the acre had been produced in 1909.

The Farmers' Institute work by the College of Agriculture, under direction of Prof. George A. Cole, is doing much to popularize specific agricultural training.

The annual Farmers' Institute at the University of Arkansas, January 4 to 15, 1910, is free to Arkansas farmers. A course of great interest has been prepared and the attendance promises to be much larger than ever before.

The last legislature passed an act providing that elementary agriculture and horticulture be added to the common school course of study in March, 1910; also the appropriation of \$160,000 for the establishment of four agricultural high schools.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture, through Mr. J. A. Evans, Shreveport, La., now offers to pay \$300 per year of the expense of maintaining an agent, in addition to supervising the work, in any county in the State that will take up farm demonstration work.

Although this offer has only been made recently and has scarcely been presented, the following counties have already accepted the proposition: Craighead, Greene, Independence, Jackson, Lawrence, Lee, Lonoke, St. Francis and Van Buren. In Faulkner and Jefferson, where farm demonstration work has already been tried, the work will be continued through the coming year.

The U. S. Department has engaged H. S. Mobley as organizer of Boys' Corn Club and School Extension work, and county and district corn club organizations are being rapidly effected. This campaign contemplates the early organization of every county and the enrollment of 25,000 boys in the corn-growing contests, through the active work of Mr. Mobley cooperating with the College of Agriculture and the farm demonstration agents, and the State committee of the Boys' Corn Clubs—State

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The Boys' Corn Clubs are securing the hearty support of the Farmers' Union, the congressmen and county officials, the commercial organizations, the school teachers, merchants and citizens generally.

These are some of the tangible facts indicating the widespread awakening in this State along the lines of most practical wealth and comfort-producing advancement for the entire citizenship and especially for the farmer who constitutes nearly 90 per cent of our citizenship.

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## THE DELINEATOR FOR FEBRUARY.

All who doubt that the United States is backward in the way of grand opera stars should read the article by Giuseppe Campanari, the celebrated musician, entitled "Can America Produce Its Own Singers?" in The Delineator for February. Signor Campanari emphatically says yes.

Minnie J. Reynolds points out the queer way Cleveland has in dealing with its sidesteppers of the law. Often a Cleveland officer carries an intoxicated man home on his back instead of calling the "hurry-up wagon" to take him to the station-house. But with all that, crime is decreasing in Cleveland. Miss Reynolds tells why it is.

Another woman writer who has contributed an interesting article is one who signs herself "The Widow an American Diplomatist." Her article, "At the Court of France," gives many interesting peeps into the royal household.

A third woman writes most entertainingly in The Delineator for February. She is Sarah Louise Arnold, dean of Simmons College, and her subject is, "What Fathers Desire for Their Daughters." She takes up just what business men see in a college training for their daughters. Her conclusions are rather startling and will create no end of comment.

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An article of appeal to all who are interested in music is "My Prelude in C Sharp Minor" by Serge Rachmaninoff, the celebrated Russian composer-pianist. The author is the imperial commissioner for musical art for the Russian empire.

Rudyard Kipling leads in the month's fiction. The whimsical title of his story is "The Tree of Justice." Grace MacGowan Cooke's strong serial, "The Power and the Glory," grows more vital and interesting with every chapter. Annie Hamilton Donnell's story is entitled "The Kimmey Mother." Mary E. Wilkins-Freeman contributes another of her commanding character studies. She calls it "The Fighting McLeans."

In the way of fashions The Delineator for February is particularly complete. Edouard La Fontaine writes of what he sees at Nice and at Monte Carlo. Helen Berkeley-Loyd has a letter dealing with the clothes problems of wives of country curates and village doctors, called "Dressing on Nothing a Year." Mrs. Simcox tells of New York fashions.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE AND LAYMEN'S MEETING, HEL-ENA DISTRICT.

There will be held at Brinkley, Ark., on Thursday and Friday, February 24 and 25th, a Sunday School Institute and Laymen's Meeting for Helena district. The Sunday school superintendents and two delegates from each Sunday school in the district are invited to attend the institute on Thursday, February 24, and on Friday, February 25, the lay leaders of all the charges and two delegates from each local church in the district, and also two delegates from each auxiliary of the W. F. M. and W. H. M. societies in the district are invited to attend the laymen's meeting. All the pastors in the district are urgently requested to attend on both days. All attending will be cordially welcomed by Brinkley's hospitable citizens. Longer notice next week.

Z. T. BENNETT, P. E.