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TWICE-BORN MEN; THE MIRACULOUS IN RELIGION.

We occasionally find a text for an editorial in a good book. We have such a text in Twice-Born Men, by Harold Begbie, the book published by Revell. We desire to pass this book on to our readers. What is better, we would stir up our readers, and especially the preachers, to buy the book, read it, transfer its matter to their brains and hearts, breath its spirit, and repreach its gospel to the men of death. For we are persuaded that if five hundred preachers will read this book it will mean five hundred souls saved. Its breath is as fresh as was the preaching of John the Baptist; its call for a living experience is like that of the Master, who invaded the towns of Galilee with the cry, Repent, for the King lom of God is at hand.

We pause here long enough to say that our preachers, and our people, do themselves great wrong when they cease to buy and to read the fresh and living books that are coming warm from the hearts of such men as Professor William James and Mr. Begbie, books which will force us out of the ruts, books that are a trumpet call for a purer and a deeper spiritual life. We do not renounce the old books, such as Wesley and Watson and Fletcher wrote for us; but no generation of men, however wise, can adequately interpret spiritual truth for another generation. Truth needs to be set in the conditions of today if it is to be the power that moves the men of today. The very sayings of Paul and of Jesus need to be stated in the language of each generation. Therefore it is that we have not only the Bible, but also a living ministry. And a living ministry ought to mean a ministry that is living, not men who are really dead to the issues that surround them.

This generation of ours has labored against a crass materialism that has threatened to ride over us, engulf us like a tidal wave. This materialism has attacked us in the form of commercialism, coming with the teaching that only merchandise, lands, dollars, are worth while, denying as practically as ever did an ancient Sadducee that there is any hereafter, any angel or spirit. It has attacked us in the form of science, teaching us that there is nothing but matter, no mind, no spirit, no God. It has attacked us as a subtle psychology, teaching us to account for all the phenomena we have been accustomed to call spiritual without recourse to the supernatural. It has attacked us as a higher criticism, seeking to eliminate the supernatural from our Bible.

great defenders of the Christian faith, and leave us, as the net result, firmer ground for the faith. The world needs shaking every now and then. Only so do we come to know that there are some things that cannot be shaken. If certain traditional beliefs fall away, let them fall, the world will be the better. Nevertheless, the foundation of God standeth sure.

There is one fact that has stood amid the surging of all seas, the turbulence of all men, the read the fact of miracle into every extraordinary roar of all earthly storms: Jesus Christ can save event. We have no objection to the rule that we a sinner. Let men account for it as they will, let must presume that things move on lines of the

them come with whatever suggestions of science, natural. We have no objection to the suggesspychology, philosophy, may please their minds, the whole process of salvation from a ruined life and a hopeless future has for ages held, and holds at this very hour, these simple elements, that if a man will come and deliver himself up to Jesus Christ in the simplest of all ways, that man will become a new man. All of life changes for him, all of his being changes, and he knows for himself that he is a new man. The perpetually wonwerful thing about it is that the same result is found in this process for all grades of men to the lowest of the low and the vilest of the vile. Let your man of this world reason about it as he will; let him scoff at it, if he will; but the fact remains, Jesus can change a vile sinner into a saint. Miracle! you say. There never was a truer one; but fact for all that. And the proof is in the fact that Jesus Christ, or some power that operates when we call on him, is constantly doing this very thing. Read Begbie's book.

Is it not time all we who believe in Christ should cease to shy at miracle? Do we know any other remedy for sin? Will any philanthropy, any legislation, any medicine, any leger-

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE RAISED.

By consent of the members of the Publishing Committee the subscription price of this paper has been raised to \$2.00, effective July 1. The price to preachers will remain at \$1.00 as formerly. It has been agreed, however, that subscriptions and renewals, where the price is paid strictly in advance, will be taken at the old price of \$1.50. So there is no change for those who pay in advance for the paper. You may save 50 cents by paying in advance. This does not affect the rate to preachers.

demain of men-will anything men ever did or can do, deliver men from their woe, their sin, their crime, their living death, stand them up on their feet, make men of them? Jesus Christ is constantly doing it; who else or what else can do it or does do it? So far from doing any such thing science lacks the very first requisite for the doing of it, the impulse to do it. Science despairs in the presence of such human wreckage as is found in the slums of our great cities; and civil government can do naught else with such masses of beastly men and ferocious women except hound them by police and put them in prison—only to turn them loose again on the There never was an onslaught on the strong- world more brutal than it found them. Even holds of Christianity that did not awaken the true science, as such, is helpless to renew the ghastly lives of such people. A boasted intellectuality may sneer at miracles, at emotionalism, but can offer us no substitute; only Christ can save. And Christ, or call the power what you will, some power called upon as Christ, invoked in His name, according to His teaching, does the work. There are thousands of living witnesses, the whole manner of whose lives testify that it is even so. We are not disposed to

tion that even God will use the laws of nature whenever the processes of nature can be made to answer—we assume that it is precisely so. But if we are bound, one and all, God and man, to the processes of nature, if we have no supernatural incoming upon this world of death, we shall utterly despair. Why are men so hostile to miracle? Why will they look into the very face of a miracle of grace and deny the fact of it? "Ye do always err, not knowing the power of God."

What is of more practical importance than the theoretic opposition of the would-be scientists is the practical abandonment on the part of religious people, preachers and Christian workers, of faith in supernatural operation of the word of God. We too often preach it as a thing of rote, a performance to be gone through. We need to know that it is quick, alive and powerful. If in all the meetings soon to be held within the patronizing territory of this paper we would but understand that we are in direct alliance with the Infinite, what wonders we should see!

If the season is propagate for the next few weeks there will be abundant crop yield, notwithstanding the damaging frosts and storms of the past. But we can not forecast what the result will be. If the crops are good and the harvest abundant many new churches will be built and many old ones wil be improved. Many pastors will be able to report good collections. After thirty years in the ministry the writer is more and more impressed with the stubborn fact that our church needs much more money than she has ever had to carry forward her enterprises. The treasury of the church has never had sufficient means to fully obey the injunctions of the Master. Many more people could easily be put to work in the Master's vineyard and our equipment could be much improved. There is much suffering among the people that could be relieved if only there was substance in the treasury. Neglect of the call for the Lord's money on the part of our people will be one of the serious matters to face at the judgment, and it is high time the subject were receiving prayerful attention. The present is a good time for consecration of our substance to the service of the Lord. Let a definite per cent of the crop be set aside for the treasury of the Lord.

Our church is now readjusting her machinery where the General Conference changed the law. While these changes are not many, some of them are far reaching and will require a good deal of time and patience in readjustments that are made necessary. During the next few weeks there must be some confusion in the administration of affairs. But it will not require many weeks until all will run smoothly again. Our bishops will be a little more careful to consult the presiding elders about appointments than formerly, and our unordained pastors will be a little more careful in the exercise of the functions of elders and deacons in their respective charges. The mission board has been strengthened as we understand the change by which women have been added to the board. Those in charge of the general boards of the church will soon have matters running smoothly, and then we look for a general forward movement along all lines of the great army.

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REV. W. J. MOORE'S ITINERARY.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

Ardmore, at Wynnewood......June 23
Prescott District, Murfreesboro, 8:00 p. m. June 28

Rev. L. S. Massey succeed Dr. F. N. Ivey as editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate.

At its recent commencement Emory College conferred the degree of LL. D. upon Bishop Collins Denny.

Dr. W. F. McMurry has been requested by the Board of Church Extension to visit Brazil this summer to study conditions there.

Dr. J. E. Dickey, recently elected General Secretary of the Board of Education, has decided to remain at the head of Emory College.

Meridian Male and Female College has conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. Lewis Powell, of First church, Memphis.

Among the visitors to the Clinton District Conference was Rev. C. H. McGhee, presiding elder of Mangum District, looking vigorous and well

Dr. C. S. Weaver, formerly president of Davenport Female College, is the new president of Emory and Henry College, succeeding Bishop Waterhouse.

Rev. S. C. Dean, our pastor at Benton, made us a call last Saturday on his way to Conway where he went to attend the closing exercises of Hendrix College.

Dr. Linebaugh and his crowd are going right ahead putting in the foundation of the Oklahoma City Woman's College, unloading carload after carload on the ground.

Mr. W. L. Calaway, of Bethesda, Arkansas, made us an appreciated call Monday as he passed through on his way to the Home-Coming at Hendrix College, Conway.

Bishop Wilson will be our fraternal messenger to the British and Irish Wesleyan Methodist Conferences, and Dr. H. M. DuBose to the Canadian Methodist Church.

We had the pleasure of spending one evening at Epworth University last week, delivering a lecture to the Summer School of Theology which Dr. Crowell is successfully conducting there.

Prof. W. P. Few, long time a member of the faculty of Trinity Colege, N. C., has been elected to the presidency to succeed Bishop Kilgo, who was president for sixteen years.

Dr. S. H. Werlein, recently transferred from our own Winfield Memorial Church to First Church, New Orleans, is planning for institutional work of large proportions in his new field.

Hon. J. O. A. Bush, our Conference Lay Leadeh, residing at Prescott, made us a call Tuesday. He is much interested in the great Laymen's Missionary Movement and devotes much of his time to it.

Rev. W. T. Thompson, presiding elder of the Harrison district of the Arkansas conference made us a brotherly call Wednesday. He had taken in the closing exercises at Hendrix College, Conway.

Bishop E. R. Hendrix, of Kansas City, Mo., will preach at Booneville on the night of the 17th and lay the corner stone of the new church on the morning of the 18th. So writes the pastor, Rev. F. E. Dodson.

Rev. Geo. M. Cannon, a local elder of Foreman, Ark., and brother of J. L. and J. M. Cannon of the Little Rock conference, attended the Home Coming at Hendrix College Tuesday and made us a pleasant call on his return through the city Wednesday.

Rev. S. G. Thompson, presiding elder of the Tulsa district, Oklahoma conference is in need of two preachers to take charge of important works in the bounds of his district. Address him at McAlester, Okla., and give references.

Dr. Stonewall Anderson, the retiring president, delivered the baccalaureate address to the graduating class at Hendrix on yesterday. It was a masterly speech in line with all else that has characterized this commonosment at Hendrix

Mrs. J. C. Seiter, the district secretary of the Woman's Home Mission Society for Clinton District, is proving a most efficient worker. She and her associates held last week an excellent meeting in connection with the district conference.

The crops that are ready to harvest in Oklahoma are simply immense, wheat, oats and alfalfa. Corn crops are as promising as we ever saw at this season of the year. The earth literally teems with verdant prospects. Let everybody thank God-and be faithful to His cause.

The office of our General Board of Church Extension have just issued handsome Church Extension Charts and Loan Fund Thermometer which they will be glad to furnish to Sunday schools and Epworth Leagues on application. They are intended to be hung on the wall for study. Address the Board at Louisville, Ky.

Rev. W. F. Laseter, of the Snyder circuit, Little Rock conference in company with one of his sons made us a brotherly call Monday. He was in the city to visit a son who is taking a business course in a local business college. Bro. Laseter is having a good year and expects to build a new church on his work soon.

On Monday we were favored with calls from Rev. T. H. Ware, presiding elder of Texarkana district, Rev. Forney Hutchinson, pastor of Central Avenue, Hot Springs, and Mr. Roy Pharr, also of Hot Springs. All of these gentlemen were Conway bound, where they went to attend the commencement exercises of Hendrix College.

Rev. J. S. Lamar and his people at Mangum, Okla., opened their splendid new church about two weeks ago, and all looks good at Mangum. We heard Brother Lamar deliver, for the Conference Board of Missions, a telling address last week to Clinton District Conference, one of the best speeches we have heard in a long time.

Bishop J. H. McCoy opened his services in Arkansas last Sunday by preaching the commencement sermon for Hendrix College. A more inspiring and uplifting discourse we have not heard in many a month. We have been attending the Hendrix commencements for about a quarter of a century, but have heard no deliverance more appropriate or more exalted.

We regret to learn, as Rev. H. H. Watson writes us, that Rev. A. M. R. Branson, of Jonesboro District, is suffering with inflammatory rheumatism and has gone to Hot Springs, being unable to meet his district conference last week. Brother Watson says the district is in good condition, and that Brother Branson has the entire sympathy of his brethren.

Rev. T. B. Fisher, a supernumerary member of the Tennessee Conference, is living at Clinton, Okla. He preached the opening sermon for the Clinton District Conference. A most excellent sermon it was, vigorous both intellectually and spiritually. We have room in this country for such men as Bro. Fisher. It seems as though there might be ten years' good service in him.

Memphis Conference Female Institute at its recent commencement did a god deal of "doctoring." The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. W. G. Hefley, presiding elder of Memphis district and upon Rev. R. W. Hood, also of the Memphis conference; and the degree of LL. D. was conferred upon Rev. A. M. Hughlett, formerly of the Memphis conference.

Rev. H. H. Griffin is having a most successful year at Danville, Ark. At the close of a recent meeting he received into the church 34 new members, making a total of 54 since conference. He is backed by a good and growing crowd of laymen, and that charge is rapidly coming to the front. The building of the new church there was a great uplift, inspiring a degree of self-respect beyond anything ever felt in the community be-

Otterbein University, Westerville, Ohio, has just conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. H. A. Dowling, General Secretary of Arkansas Sunday School Association. Otterbein University is the oldest college of the United Brethren Church, of which Bro. Dowling is a member and has been an active pastor for twenty years. He has been engaged in the organized Sunday school work for the past eight years. He came to Arkansas a year and a half ago from Detroit, Mich.

Please do not forget that this paper has advanced in price, effective for everybody July 1, when the price will become \$2.00. But remember also that a rebate of 50 cents will be allowed to all who pay before that time \$1.50 cash. This is a very important matter, to you and to us. We do not want anyone to feel that we have taken advantage of him, and we do not want anyone who pays after July 1 to ask to settle at the old price. The paper cannot be run at the old price. The church must have a paper, and we can run it only on the terms here named.

It is good news that comes from Rogers, Ark., where the presiding elder, Rev. J. M. Hughey, the pastor, Rev. Jefferson Sherman, and a noble body of laymen belonging to that church secured over ten thousand dollars in cash and bankable paper to take care of all that is outstanding against that church, except some money due the Board of Church Extension, and putting themselves easy on that score. There has been no more notable achievement in Northwest Arkansas than the building of this church, and no more notable strike connected with it than the raising of this money, unless the projecting of such a fine enterprise may be considered more notable. It is a great credit to all concerned. But Benton County ought to do notable things this year, for they are expecting to realize three millions of dollars from their apple crop alone. If the Lord does not get his share of this prosperity it will be a curse upon that region.

Rev. W. D. Matthews and his force of preachers are having a good year on Clinton District. This editor is just from their district conference, held at Cordell last week. This is Brother Matthews' fourth year on the district. He has proven himself a true leader, and has entrenched himself in the affections of his brethren. The progress of the four years may be indicated by a few figures. The amount paid for Church Extention in 1906 was \$173.35; the amount paid last year was \$481. There was assessed for the support of the ministry in 1906 \$8,611; there is assessed this year \$15,958. The church membership in 1906 was 3,343; it is now 4,961. Raised for churches and parsonages in the three and a half years, \$41,495; raised for all purposes during the same time, over \$95,000. Meantime the number of Sunday schools has gone up from 32 to 45 and the Leagues from 14 to 21. This is certainly a fine showing.

IMPORTANT, PASTORS.

Despite all our explanations about a change of the price of the paper, effective July 1st, some of our people are misunderstanding the change. Some, when told to save themselves a half dollar by sending in their remittance now, have sent in a dollar to pay for a year's subscription. It only shows that it is very important that the preachers should call the attention of their people to the matter and explain it to them. Please call attention on next Sunday from the pulpit. Tell your people that prices have advanced on us till it is impossible to run the paper longer at the old rate, except for cash down. Tell them further that we give a rebate on the advanced price of \$2.00 to all who pay strictly in advance, and urge them one and all to pay up in advance before the new price of \$2.00 takes effect, July 1st. We do not know how long we shall be able to give this rebate. If prices continue to advance on us we shall be compelled to make the price flat \$2.00, but we give the rebate for the present. Please help us to get your people straight on this. In order to do so, please cut out this notice and read it to your people the next time you get before them. We do not wish any man to blame us for lack of diligent effort on our part to explain. And we do not want any man to complain later that he has had to pay more for his paper than \$1.50, as he surely must if he does not pay in advance.

DR. A. C. MILLAR ELECTED PRESIDENT OF HENDRIX.

Our Dr. A. C. Millar was on last Tuesday elected president of Hendrix College. Therewas never a more appropriate thing done. Dr. Millar was one of the strong factors in the making of Hendrix College. Its high ideals and its high grade as a college were largely achieved under him in a former administration which ended eight years ago. No man who has ever wrought in the educational work in Arkansas has ever excelled him in output with the means at his command. The alumni of those years are abroad among us today, among the most influential men who ever left the halls of any educational institution in this State. Dr. Stonewall Anderson has wrought well. Under his administration the college has gone forward at a rapid rate and he retires with honor. Rev. James Thomas has achieved a notable thing in financing the institution for several years, as all our readers know, and he will continue in that service. He can do his work with the assurance to every man who gives money to Hendrix College that

that money will be administered by an educational master. The primary consideration with any man who has given money to any institution of learning is to know that his money is to be made to produce results, the results for which it has been given. That is the question any man will first need to have answered when he is being solicited for money. Will the money be used wisely? Will it be really turned into character, into manhood? For half a generation President Millar demonstrated that he could do this very thing, do it as no other man among us could do it. During all these years he made brick without straw, worked like a slave, but not with the spirit of a slave, on a starvation salary, and maintained a faculty on a starvation salary. Now that we are prepared to furnish straw for his brick, we may expect him to do the best work of his life. And let us not forget that we must roll in the straw, for our work in that respect is but fairly

This paper has never yet made mention of the fact that Rev. O. E. Goddard felt impelled to resign this presidency within a short time after he was elected. To be frank about it, we made an effort to suppress all publicity, in the hope that he would rally out of a temporary indisposition and feel himself able to go forward with the work. But he had become so doubtful about himself that he put his resignation beyond recall, much to the regret of Dr. Millar and every other man in this office. It is the way of providence, and doubtless a wise Father rules all.

We deem it scarcely necessary to add that the foregoing is written altogether without the knowledge of Dr. Millar.

A CIRCUIT LAYMAN'S PLEA.

Dear Methodist: Having noticed in your issue of March 31 an editorial in which you said "That all wiedom is not packed in a few heads," etc., and that you did not believe in any "back-stair" process in running the church. I want to endorse that editorial and wish that every Methodist could read it. I am perfectly satisfied so far as I know our church laws and for me to say what changes should be made in our general church laws would be sheer folly, but I do want to say a few words about some things that are commonly practiced by Methodists everywhere that I have been. I have been a member of the Methodist church for the past forty-two years, and held every office in the church from class leader on down, and had some experience in the workings of the church.

We have all taken our church vows and should know them. We have taken upon ourselves the obligation to support the institutions of the church. Have we lived up to that obligation and have we lived up to it now? Do we attend upon the church ordinances as we should? I am looking at this matter from a layman's point of view —as one who loves his church as the house of the Lord. The conference sends us a preacher and the board of stewards assesses a salary for that preacher and other claims of the church. Do we as Methodists pay that salary? Some few members pay the bulk of it. At our church this is the case and nearly all over the charge it is the case. Is this right from a Bible standpoint? It is obvious that in many instances the board of stewards are at fault. Their indifference causes the preacher to have to suffer in the midst of plenty. They neglect the teaching and training of the membership that it is their duty to give and give cheerfully to the support of the gospel; and they drop into the same lethargic channel with the stewards and what is everybody's business is nobody's business, so the pastor must suffer and be embarrassed for the want of a little energy upon the part of the stewards. And many times the membership thinks that so the preacher gets his pay during the year and

before conference is all that is necessary, forgetting the fact that the preacher must live on through the year never thinking that he must have the necessaries of life and his family clothed. I have seen preachers' children, where they had a large family, so bare of clothing that they were embarrassed to go into public or even to church or Sunday school. The preacher and his family are not objects of charity but they must depend upon the church for their support, and many times through negligence must be stinted.

It often happens that a preacher is moved from one place to another. He has barely enough to get to his new work. He must start as it were from the stump. His salary has been meagre and the outgoing preacher has squeezed every cent from his parishioners to meet his claims at the conference and the new preacher is in sore straights not through any fault of his and the congregation has just finished paying the outgoing preacher which leaves the incoming preacher in the middle of a bad fix.

Some few individual church members must shoulder the responsibility of tiding the preacher over this trouble. So the first quarterly conference comes and the stewards meet (no, not all of them) and the preacher is put off with a little pittance. He has been furnished some bread, meat, and other eatables and the presiding elder must have one-seventh of all that is paid in and his must be in cold cash. He cannot afford to be bothered with provisions, etc. The poor little old preacher must trust in providence until the next quarterly conference.

The church membership slumbers along until the last quarter and then wake up to find themselves away behind on their preacher's salary and other church claims. Is not this too frequently the case? We are called Methodist. Please look up the definition of the word. Then ask yourself, Am I, in deed and truth a Methodist?

We should get out of all such ruts and establish a new line of action and at the end of each quarter be prepared to meet our part of the preacher's salary, bring it to church and turn it over to the stewards. Pay your preacher every quarter; don't put him off until the very last moment.

Now, this is one side of the question. We expect something of the preacher. Give him freedom by helping him financially. Keep him above embarrassment and timidity by letting him know that God's people are with and praying for him. Unfetter him from the things of this world. Turn him loose for God and the world will be moved. I feel that this is true. Too many of our preachers are hungering and thirsting not after God and immortal souls but money and a show in this world's goods.

I heard our presiding elder tell a pathetic little story a few Sundays ago. At a big fire in one of our large cities when the building was just ready to collapse it was discovered that there was a child in one of the rooms in the burning building. A brave man leaped to one of the windows and to the room, rescuing the child and as he delivered it to its mother he staggered and fell dead. The people raised enough money on the spot to build a monument to his memory. Mother, father, that little old Methodist preacher has deprived himself of everything for conscience sake and goes to your church and home praying and wrestling with God to save your boy, not from a burning house, but from a burning hell. Let's feed and support him while he is at the work of rescuing our boys and girls from a devil's hell. Think of this. Pray over it; and I dare say the stewards won't have any more trouble about getting the preacher's quarterage. I am yours in Christ,

Geo. W. Howard.

ANOTHER VISIT.

It is the truth, and I may as well tell it, this deaf superannuate still, occasionally, gets into the traveling mood, and yields glad obedience to the first word of the blessed commission ever entrusted to human hands, "Go, and as ye go, preach," but as to the second part of that command, not much, albeit it is not for want of love for the dear blessed old gospel itself, but this temptation that is in my flesh-deafness-bids me be still. And then, too, there may be some truth in the saying, "People, now-a-days, don't want to hear a man preach after he is over fifty years of age." Thank God for young men to take our places. Wonder how the dear people are about their M. D.'s? I rather think it is in point here to urge a little consistency.

But I'm not going to say amen to everything I see (I never hear them) these young preachers do, closing the public service Sunday without prayer, and boarding the train in the evening and whirling away, perhaps thirty or forty miles to meet an appointment Sunday night. Sinai and Calvary are both, as I honestly believe, against it. Needn't to quote me, that old threadbare and much abused phrase "times have changed." Stick to the Bible, and give none occasion to the adversary to say, "Physician heal thyself."

But here we are at Malvern, old ground to this writer; was here in 1856, when the circuit, then known as the Rock Port, embraced all territory in now Hot Springs and Garland counties, no parsonage then, but a full-souled Christian man improved an empty crib, and here we, or rather my wife, kept house while I went to the work. God bless the memory of that good man, Albert Ross. In years subsequent to this the circuit was styled "The Breakin." Why, I never learned, for there were many noble souls on that work.

On this visit we found a most cordial welcome at the nome of Mis. Cala D. Emith and also at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Natalic Henry. At the residence of the former, Sunday evening, we baptized our most interesting little namesake, Edward Henry. A real good religious service it was. And there was perfect pleasure to this writer in visiting these two families, perhaps I ought to say excepting our deafness.

There was another mighty good little talker whose company we much enjoyed-Mrs. Agner Long, a granddaughter of a pioneer of our church at Tulip; we didn't try to hold them a hand in talking. That new church there, costing, I am told, twenty thousand dollars, is a thing of beauty and with its walls beautified with salvation, the spiritual birthplace of souls redeemed by infinite love, I trust, will be a joy for a long time to come. As I surveyed its interior, O how gloriously perfect it did contrast with the little pine log church I occupied in 1856.

I was asked what I thought of the "Apostolic Holy Rollers," who have, I learn, quite a following here, and who assume to be real Pentecostal in their worship and so forth. I replied, "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." Good old time religion as taught in the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches of today, is good enough for me. I'm afraid of any attempt is good enough for me. I'm afraid of any attempt member." They are offering themselves to help mg. Be very careful of sample and sensational. cease from troubling and specials will be no lon-something simply because new and sensational. JAMES E. CALDWELL.

Tulip, Ark.

THE MISSIONARY SITUATION.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South faces a new Missionary situation. What the outcome is to be is for the whole church to determine. Hence this writing. This new condition of enlarged responsibility and opportunity grows out of several factors which deserve to be set down,

read and pondered by all who love our Zion.

- 1. The whole Missionary history of the church has led up to the present situation. The broad and aggressive policy; the continuous progress and enlargement; the faith that has followed the pillar of cloud, and sought the sheep astray in the wilderness to the increasing complexity of methods and means, the development of the two Women's Missionary Societies with their manifold service and wonderful success; the emphasis given to Home Missions and their organization into a department of the Board of Missions: All this and more has issued in the unification of all these great interests in one Board. This history, and this new consummation gives us a conspicuous place in the ranks of modern missionary forces, and place upon us an obligation that no ordinary and half-hearted effort can meet.
- 2. The heart of the church universal is stirred as never before on the subject of Missions. Immense forces are marshalling, and unrealized sources are waiting for the hour and the prevailing call, to make a resistless assault on the world's darkness and ignorance. The hearts of men are trembling with expectancy, and they are crying everywhere, "What shall we do?" This undefined impulse, this tremulous interrogation must be turned into purpose and the certitude of conviction, and conviction must be turned into ac-
- 3. The situation calls for consecrated efforts of a united Church. It is not a matter that can be wrought out by any amount of official machinery. It is a task for the whole church. The final word for victory or defeat is not the word of one or a hundred, but the myriad-voiced affirmation of the entire church.
- 4. There are none who can bring the whole church into line except our pastors. They hold the key to the situation. They alone can make the availing plea. All our methods fall short of accomplishment without the earnest insistant advocacy of the pastor. This cause is fundamental, too serious, too near to the pierced heart of our Lord to be wrought by any mere devices of organization of short and easy methods. It must root itself in the conscience of the church and find it a nourishment in the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. The Gospel of Missions must be laid bare to the thought, and the will of Christ for a lost world must be laid on the consciences of the people, till the mission idea and obligation get our pastors can bring the church up to the Aposmissions is not a matter of mere money, but of faith and love and obedience.
- 5. A United Board is the signal for a United Church. The time should have passed when a large number in the church reject the Great Commission and stand untouched by all this throbbing and vivifying current of missionary effort. The whole church of every name is awakening to the necessity of broadening the base of our constituency. The laymen with customary sagacity have discovered the need of this, and have raised the cry "A Missionary Committee in every Church and a weekly Missionary offering from every by any one, even "an angel from heaven," to improve upon Christ's plain common sense teach-prove upon Christ's plain common sense teachprove upon Christ's plant colling. God-speed to a method can solve it. The assessments will ing. Be very careful of bidding.
 - 6. The need of such a method for increasing the regular income and so enlarging the basis of appropriation to the current expenses and steady support of our missions grows more emphatic every year. No amount of spasmodic and occasional giving however liberal for special purposes, can answer the demand. There must be a larger income on the regular apportionment or the work already established will have to suffer.

7. The election of our long-time Senior Secretary to the Episcopacy takes from the leadership of our missionary forces one whose life and talents and training conspired to fit him for the post he has so signally filled. He has wrought his life into the cause and the church has become accustomed to follow his leadership with confidence. The new secretarial force have inherited the success that has come to his leadership, and with it the first problems and increased demands that success always brings. In addition the union of the Boards, and the new form of organization, throw the new secretaries and other missionaries new and unusual responsibilities. It is scarcely necessary to say that the prayers and sympathy and fullest co-operation of all our people will be needed in the working out of our W. W. PINSON. common task.

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE AND CHURCH EXTENSION.

By W. F. McMurry, Corresponding Secretary.

Report No. 1, of the committee on Church Extension was adopted as substituted, and is as follows: Amend Paragraph 396, Article IX, by inserting the following:

"7. All applications for aid, to both general and Conference Boards, must have the approval of the Quarterly Conference of the charge from which they come.'

By this change "7" as it now stands in the Discipline, becomes "8."

Report No. 2, was slightly amended, and then adopted, and is as follows. Amend Paragraph 396, Article X, so that the Paragraph shall read:

"Each Annual Conference small organize a Conference Board of Church Extension, which shall be auxiliary to the General Board, and shall have charge of all the interests and work of Church Extension within the Conference.

It shall consist of one layman from each district and an equal number of elevical members, who shall be elected quadrennially by the Annual Conference at the first session after the General Conference. Said Board shall elect its own officers. Its Secretary and its Treasurer shall each make a report to the General Board at such times and subject to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the General Board.

"The preacher in charge shall see that a collection is taken in every congregation annually for Church Extension, and of the funds thus colinto the very life-blood of the church. Who but lected fifty per cent shall be turned over to the General Board to be expended under its directolic lead? They alone can make men see that tion; but donors may give special direction to their contributions.

"The Annual Conference Board shall, with the consent of the Annual Conference, have authority to levy an assessment for use within its own bounds, and retain all the money so raised, after it has paid to the General Board fifty per cent of the assessment made by that Board.

"The Conference Board shall also have authority to loan any part of its funds, where the end desired can be accomplished as well by a loan as by a donation, and the amount thus loaned shall become a part of the Conference Board Loan Fund, and shall be administered by the Conference Board through the office of the General Board, upon the same terms and conditions as the Loan Funds of the General Board.'

Report No. 3 was adopted, and is as 1 Change Paragraph 470 so as to make the closing lines read as follows:

"And the Board of Church Extension shall have forms of deeds suitable to each State and Territory prepared for free distribution."

Report No. 4, was adopted and is as follows: Amend Paragraph 390, Article IV, by substituting the words "March 31st, Annually," in place of "December 31st, Annually," in the last sentence of the Paragraph.

Report No. 5 was adopted and is as follows:

Amend Paragraph 387, Article 1, by inserting the word "Twenty" in place of the word "Thirteen," in the fourth line of the Paragraph.

Report No. 6, was adopted and changes Paragraph 474 to read as follows:

"Provided, Further, that the trustees of any house of worship or parsonage, or other property held for the benefit of the church, a majority of them uniting therein, by the consent and authority of the Quarterly Conference, or of the District Conference, or two-thirds of the District Stewards, if it be a District Parsonage, may borrow money from the Board of Church Extension, or any person or corporation, and secure the repayment thereof by mortgage upon any property held in trust by said trustees, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the contracting parties."

Report No. 8, was adopted but does not affect the Discipline.

Report No. 9, was adopted as follows: Insert a new article, which shall follow immediately after Paragraph 397, Article XII, to read:

"Any Annual Conference Board, City Board of Church Extension, or District Board of Church Extension, may, with the consent of the Annual Conference and the Bishop in Charge, employ a Secretary to give his time, all or in part to the interests of the Board in the territory represented by it.

These auxiliary organizations shall, wherever practicable, establish Loan Funds, which shall be administered through the office of the General Board, in the interest of church building within the Annual Conference, City, or Presiding Elder's District represented. The interest earned by such Loan Fund may be used by donations to assist needy congregations in building houses of worship if so desired, and the principal loaned within the territory represented, if there is demand for it, and the security is such as the General Board can approve."

Report No. 10, was amended and then adopted, and is as follows:

"Whereas, the General Conference in session at Birmingham, in 1906, endorsed the plan to erect a representative church building in Washington City; and

Whereas, considerable success has been had during the past Quadrennium in raising funds and in educating our people concerning the importance of this enterprise; and

Whereas, the Bishops in their address to this General Conference have recommended that such action be taken as will insure the speedy success of this enterprise; therefore

Resolved, that we hereby record our great interest in the building of a representative church in Washington City, and we instruct the Church Extension Board to build this church in connection with the local church, either by an increased assessment, or by special agencies, or otherwise, as the Board may deem best."

Report No. 11, was adopted, and is as folows: "Resolved, that the question of removal of the headquarters of the Board of Church Extension be referred to the General Board of Church Extension with instructions to investigate the matter, and after careful consideration of its legal status, the pecuniary inducements and all available points offered, to report to the next General Conference its recommendations on the subject."

Report No. 12, was adopted and is as follows: Amend Paragraph 397, Article XI, by adding the following:

"In all centers where there is need of both Missions and Church Extension work, this organization shall be merged into the union as provided for in Paragraph"."

Report No. 13, is a general review of the work of the Board for the Quadrennium, and was adopted after slight amendment, which was the naming of Bishops W. A. Candler, E. E. Hoss,

and Jno. G. Kilgo, the Corresponding Secretary, and Rev. Geo. S. Sexton, as a Committee specially charged with the work of building the representative church in Washington, D. C. Among other things, it commends—

1. The system of book-keeping, filing, and general management of the office.

2. Recommends an Annual Meeting of Conference Board Representatives, at such time and place as may seem wise to the Corresponding Secretary.

3. Calls attention to the fact that the receipts on assessment had increased each year, and that \$538,000.74 has been paid on assessment, as against \$372,649.30 the preceding Quadrennium; also that the percentage of assessment paid was 87 1-2 as against 74 1-2 the preceding Quadrennium; the increase referred to not including \$44,014.70 raised on Specials, and closes the Paragraph as follows:

"The increase from year to year in collections, and the large amount collected on specials, fully justifies the increased assessment placed upon the Church."

- 4. Notes the total amount donated and loaned to churches in the Quadrennium was \$636,906.47, invested in 1,698 churches aided by the Conference Boards, and 658 aided by the General Board.
- 5. Appreciation is expressed as to the amount and value of literature concerning the work of Church Extension circulated during the Quadrennium. The blank forms used by the office in its legal and financial transactions were approved.
- 6. Attention is called to the gratifying increase of \$109,612.06 in the Loan Fund Capital during the Quadrennium, and also to the activity of our Loan Fund Capital, which now amounts to \$339,614.65. The report spoke at length of the emphasis that should be placed upon this feature of our work, declaring that loans may be made to take the place of donations in many, if not most cases. Attention was also called to the establishment of a number of new Loan Funds during the Quadrennium. Reference was made to a full list of Loan Funds, and amount of each, which appears in Table No. 1, page 28, of the Quadrennial report.

7. The use of Refunding Bonds by Annual Conference Boards is recommended in the following language:

"Your committee would urge their use, respectfully asking the General Conference to recommend the adoption of same by the several Annual Conference Boards; and, to the end that such Conference Boards may adopt the use of the Refunding Bond, the General Board be instructed to inform the Conference Boards concerning their use, and to render all needed services to such Boards in the execution of their plans concerning these Refunding Bonds."

S. The statement is made that the Church needs information on the subject of the Charter and Constitutional Rights and Limitations of the General Board of Church Extension, as appears from the resolutions referred to the committee, and recommended that the attention of the General Board be called to this subject, to the end that it may make known to the church its inability to comply with such demands and the dangers incident thereto.

9. The Washington City Representative Church was dealt with generously; the action taken by the last General Conference reaffirmed; the appointment of the National Building Committee endorsed; the appreciation of the General Conference of the work undertaken by these gentlemen expressed; the special committee in charge of the enterprise enlarged and named; and the Board of Church Extension, which has general direction of this work, was advised "to make the enterprise, in all its aspects,

worthy of our great Church, even though the cost in money and time be more than at first contemplated.

Report No. 14, is on the subject of Church Insurance, and recommends, that the Board of Insurance, which has been in the service of the Church for some years past, be discharged with the thanks of the Conference; that the memorials submitted by the St. Louis Conference and the Board of Church Extension be non-concurred in; and, that whatever relation there is existing between our Church and the National Mutual Church Insurance Co. of Chicago, be terminated, and the matter of Church Insurance be referred to the Board of Church Extension. This report was not reached on the Calendar. Before allowing it to die on the Calendar, the Chairman of the Committee advised with Bishop Wilson and others, as to the effect of the failure on the part of the General Conference to take definite action, and was informed that without specific action by this General Conference, the Board of Insurance ceased to exist. This fact was communicated to the Chairman of the Board of Insurance, who expressed preference that the matter take that course rather than the report of the Committee adopted.

Report No. 15, nominates the members of the Board which are as follows:

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PARSONAGE WORK.

The adoption of the new constitution of the Board of Missions, which included the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society, transferred to this board all of the parsonage work of the

church. The parsonage loan funds, which have been held by the Board of Church extension as trustee for the Woman's Home Mission Society, become the property of the Board of Church Extension. The grants made by the conference societies and by the General Board Woman's Home Mission Society at their spring meeting, will be paid by those societies through this office as here-

To take care of the parsonage work and the Washington City Representative Church assessment provided for in Report No. 10, an increase in the assessment for Church Extension was made by the board at its meeting in Asheville May 20, of \$50,000.

The receipts from this increase, like the \$200,-000 assessment now on the church, will be divided between the conference boards and the General Board. The increase in the conference boards' receipts from this increase in assessment will enable them to care for parsonage interests within their own bounds to an amount at least equal to what has been done by the conference auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Mission Society. The receipts of the General Board from this increase in assessment will care for the \$15,000 set apart annually for the quadrennium for the Representative Church in Washington Vity, and leave a balance more than sufficient to do an amount of parsonage work equal to that done by the Woman's Home Mission Society.

NOTES.

The General Conference Committee named in Report No. 13 held a meeting immediately following the meeting of the new Board of Church Extension in Asheville, on May 20, and made an agreement with Rev. George S. Sexton, D. D., to continue the campaign in the interest of funds for the Washington City Representative Church.

Dr. Sexton will give his entire time to this work, having severed his connection with the Board of Church Extension as assistant secretary, and will make his headquarters where most convenient to conduct the campaign.

With something more than \$40,000 secured in cash and good subscriptions during the past quadrennium, and \$60,000 provided for during the present quadrennium by assessment, the church should speedily respond to the appeal of the special committee made through Dr. Sexton to an amount of an additional \$100,000. This will guarantee a \$300,000 church building at our national capital. This amount should be reached within one year, with the exception of the amount provided for by assessment, which is worth 100 cents on the dollar, and will be paid at the rate of \$15,000 per year for the quadrennium.

Report No. 2 provides, first, that the conference board shall consist of one layman and one preacher from each presiding elder's district; second, that annual conference boards, with the consent of the annual conference, have authority to levy an assessment above that placed by the General Board, for use within their own territory; third, that conference boards have authority to loan any part of their funds where the end desired can be accomplished as well by a loan as by a donation; fourth, that conference board loan funds shall be administered through the office of the General Board.

Report No. 6 makes it possible for trustees to borrow money elsewhere than from the Board of Church Extension.

In Report No. 12 the number of the paragraph referred to is not given for the reason that it is a new paragraph providing for City Unions in the new constitution of the Board of Missions.

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Scripture Lesson for June 19: Psa. 25:14; 1

Cor. 2:9-13. Topic: The Christian's Secret.

Our present lesson brings us into the palm of Christian experience. The Christian has something and knows sombething which the world does not have or know. This our lesson calls the Christian's secret. It is not a thing that is purposely kept back from those of the world by the Christian The Christian has nothing that he does not gladly share with others. His very mission is to tell others his own secret, the secret of the Lord. This is a secret in the sense that the Christian as opposed to the unsaved knows something that to the unsaved is a thing absolutely unknown.

Our lesson teaches that there is an avenue of knowledge other than the five senses. The man into whose life are open only the five channels of knowledge known as the five senses may come to know many things but one thing is certain there are some things of which he will remain perfectly ignorant. For "eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man the things which God hath prepared for There is a realm into them that love him." which these five senses will not, cannot, conduct him. There are some things that cannot be conveyed through these channels. It is precisely this knowledge that makes up the Christian's secret. This secret is known to the Christian because it has been revealed to him by the spirit of God. "But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit." The "us" of this sentence refers to Christians and the "them," to the things so revealed to Christians. It is a matter of revelation and a matter of personal experience. It comes from God. It is wrought out in human experience. It is a matter then between the living God and the living soul of man. It was this that caused Paul to say in writing to the Galatians, "But when it pleased God reveal his Son in me." It was of a personal experience of which he had known nothing in his previous life that he is writing here. It was of the beginning of such an experience in the soul that Jesus spoke to Nicodemus in those oftquoted words, "Ye must be born again." It was of such an experience as this also that Jesus was talking when Judas asked: "Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto

the world?" This thing of a personal experience with God is the vital thing in the Christian's life. It was not a thing for the first generation of believers and no others. It is for all generations and all Christians. "The support of the world's religious life must be re-experienced with each generation. Once in so many years God takes away one group of the children of men and pours a fresh stream of humanity upon the earth. The new generation may profit by the old, it may secure values from inherited traditions and creeds; it may dwell for a time with some representatives of the passing generation and feel their influence; but it cannot take a made-to-order religious life and wear it as a garment. Religion is a personal experience. The old definition says: "Religion is the life of God in the soul of man." We may modify the definition and make it read: "Religion is the life of God in the responsive soul of man." God must come to each soul; and each soul must make the response to God."

"HOW TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL DEVO-TIONAL MEETING."

The following paper was read before the Clinton District League Conference, Okla., By Miss

Ruth Hewitt of Elk City and its publication in the Western Methodist requested by the P. E. W. A. RANDLE, Secretary. and others:

I want to acknowledge assistance rendered me in the preparation of this paper by my pastor, Rev. W. A. Randle.

Of all the things most difficult to be done by the Leaugue, and that wherein the League has most often fallen short is in its devotional services. Since a good literary service is simply an intellectual matter and may be had by gathering from books and periodicals the very cream of the good things that come to us through many channels and from many sources, and has only to be compiled, arranged and distributed among those best qualified to render it in an interesting and entertaining way. And a social meeting has only to be announced, when every nerve is tingling and vibrating to the thought of association with other young life, and each member is only anxious in the anticipation for the coveted time to come when they contribute and receive their share of the enjoyments of the evening, for therein is the reveling ground of young life. Here is the capstone of the majorities' ambition -the pleasures that are to be derived from association with mutual friends and acquaintances.

But the League, like the church with her prayer-meeting problem, has in the main failed to discover the secret sources from which and the secret channels through which the streams of pleasure flow into the heart and life of the one who waits and participates in the devotional service. And the idea seems to prevail that to come into vital touch with God-which is the meaning of the devotional service, is only the privilege or possibility of a favored few older heads and more experienced lives than ours. Hence, there is a shirking from this exercise that does not reveal itself in any other department of the League work. I will give you my idea of a succoccful devotional meeting.

First. The prime factor in a devotional meeting is a devotional spirit, since God has said, "He is a Spirit, and they that worship him, must worship him in spirit and in truth." Now, this spirit of devotion may and should be cultivated by throwing off that feeling of restraint engendered by the formalities of service, and cultivating the largest liberty and freedom of expression in communion with God, remembering that he has said, "Let us come boldly unto a throne of grace." Boldly, because he has invited us to come, and extended to us the largest welcome, and yet with meekness because though invited to come we are really unworthy.

Again, this spirit of devotion that prepares us for a successful public service must be cultivated elsewhere in the private chambers of our homes and the secret chambers of our hearts. I do not mean to leave the impression that we are to wear a look of sober, solemn, long-facedness, but rather learn to know and then to show that spirit of liberty and sweet cheerfulness that is natural to the soul that the apostle had reference to when he said, "If Christ shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." Without the spirit of devotion any form of devotion whether public or private is no less than the most solemn mockery.

Second. When possible there should be chosen to conduct the devotional service some one of those whose lives comport with the profession of a Christian in their daily conduct and habits, and who is calculated to inspire or impart a spirit of confidence and devotion in those who are present. Much depends upon the leader as to the general confidence had in them and the manner in which they conduct the service. No giddy, whispering, frivolous boy or girl will ever conduct or contribute to a successful devotional service, for they mar its solemnity and spoil its beauty.

Third. All who are Christians should be

urged from time to time to take an active part, and in most instances to respond to the call of the leader to lead the prayer, though it should be but a few simple sentences, and thus the double purpose will be accomplished of having them contribute their mite to the present service and forming the habit of not refusing and shirking, but of being ready to respond to other calls where help is needed. Again, this is the best method of wearing off or curing the embarrassments of youth with which so many of us are so sorely afflicted, especially in this kind of work.

Fourth. The selecting and singing of such songs in the devotional service as are calculated to inspire the spirit of devotion, and bring cheerfulness to the heart, especially since the singing of such songs has been known to quiet the most perturbed spirit, bring rest to the tired one, and to lift the hungry soul up to God where the bread of life is broken.

Fifth. Promptness to begin the service on time, which provokes a corresponding promptness on the part of the attendants. Watchfulness on the part of the leader that the meeting be not allowed to drag or grow dull and monotonous. It is better to close a meeting in ten minutes than to drag through thirty minutes trying Close on time though you to "fill up time." may have had a most enjoyable service and feel inclined to hold overtime, then somebody will be hungry to come again. Discourage all longwinded talks.

Sixth. And last on my paper, but by no means last or least in the order of importance, let the leader make thorough preparation for the service by getting the matter to be used or the lesson to be studied well in hand and invoking God's guidance and help in conducting the service. For if the preparation is omitted, no sooner does the leader say, "Well, I have made no preparation," than you see countenances begin to fall and an expression on the face that indicates a feeling like this-"Let patience have her perfect work, for we must be bored for the time being by an awkward, haphazard service at best, and the interest is lost in the beginning. I admit that seemingly some use that expression to indicate that they do not need preparation or that they are good at impromptu service, but it will not work. And the invoking of God's presence and guidance is absolutely necessary since he alone can give the spirit of devotion.

EPWORTH LEAGUE NOTICE.

The Oklahoma City District Epworth League Conference will convene at Guthrie on the evening of June 22nd and continue in session through Thursday and Friday, 23rd and 24th. All pastors and Leagues will please see that their Leagues are well represented.

We wish also to call attention to the fact that every congregation is entitled to one delegate, whether they have any League or not. In this way we hope to get a League established in every congregation. Your brother,

B. C. CLARK.

WHY MEN ARE CHOSEN.

The head of a great wholesale house was asked how he came to secure a certain efficient and trustworthy young man as cashier. They had trained no one to take the place when the old cashier left, so it was a case of look around and pick one from the employees of the office. If the employees of that firm had known that private detectives were shadowing them day and night they would have acted differently-at least, most of them would. Five fellows, good in every other way, did not get a chance at the place because they spent their evenings in seeing how many saloons they could take in without getting drunk. Others were passed up because they backed the ponies or played poker. And

others lost their chances for several reasons. Drinking, loose living, and gambling were the three principal elements in disqualifying those fellows. The young man who secured the job was a rate clerk in the traffic department. So many were before him in length of service and importance that he had been overlooked in the first selection. When the chief of his department was notified that the young man was a possibility he demurred. When pressed for his reason, he said: "He's the only man in my department that I can absolutely depend upon." Unwittingly, he had given him the very best recommendation, and he a crusty old railroad man who seldom praised anybody. At the first conversation with the young man the head of the house was impressed with a sense of his integrity. He was the kind of a fellow he would pick out for a son, if he could. The young man was studying law, three evenings attending school, and three reading law, with the intention of making a place in the firm's legal department. He made himself so indispensable in the cashiership that he was given twice the salary of the old cashier, and was worth too much to begin again in the legal department.—Presbyterian.

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PREPARED BY P. R. EAGLEBARGER.

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER. June 19. Golden Text-Wherefore putting away all filthiness and overflowing of wickedness, receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.—Jas. 1:21 (R. V.).

Time—Autumn of A. D. 28. About one year earlier than our last lesson

Place—The Sea of Galilee, hence near Caper-

Lesson Text-Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23.

A parable may be considered (1) the juxtaposition of one thing with another; (2) a comparison of one thing with another, in point of similarity or dissimilarity; (3) an illustration of anything, resulting from a comparison of it with another thing. This mode of teaching has been made use of by public teachers, including the rabbis for generations, and seemed to suit the minds of the people of that country. It is still practiced even in this day in the same country.

The immense multitudes of people which assembled to hear Jesus at this time rendered it impossible for Him to preach in a house. The open air was necessary and the seaside a choice solection for the teaching of the multitudes. It will be remembered that some of our Lord's disciples owned boats and these were ever at the disposal of the Master. On this occasion they thronged about Him and pressed Him so closely that He entered one of these boats and taught the people from it.

We will take the parable and the explanation together. Here is the seed and the sower. Who the sower is Jesus does not explain. Primarily Jesus was the sower. He originated His overlasting gospel. The word is His. But His work is carried on by his followers. In this sense anyone who becomes a coworker with Him is the sower. The sowers have multiplied and the seed are sown everywhere. Nor does it make any difference who the sower is. The parable is about the seed and the soil. The seed sown by the Master Himself is as clearly represented here as when sown by some other person.

Wayside Hearers. Reference is to the road through the cultivated fields upon which the seed falls and lies until devoured by the fowls. It matters not what we may hear, it requires an effort on our part to receive it. There must be some kind of response if that which we hear is retained. Matthew quotes Jesus as saying that these people understood not the word. There was no attention, no importance, attached to it. All the gospels agree that Jesus stated in His explanation that the devil took away the word of the kingdom. This would lead us to conclude that the devil is about as active as the agencies of Christ and takes away the word whenever and wherever allowed to do so by the hearer.

The Rocky Ground Hearers. No deepness of earth is the explanation in this case. We are not to understand that this ground was simply rocky, but that the earth was not deep until a solid rock was encountered. During the rainy season this earth was moist and the seed took root and grew. But when the rain failed and the heat became more intense it was destroyed. The interpretation of it is that those who receive the grain in this way would make good Christians if they could go at once into paradise or live where the breezes blow softly in the direction of Heaven. If there were no mountains to climb, no dismal shadows, no valleys. If all were smooth along the narrow way they would be good saints. But when they find that the Christian life is not all joy, that it is not all sunshine, that it is not all play, they give it up. The ground was good, but the soil was not

bend to receive the arrow and give it its impulse. It was not right else it would have produced.

The Thorny Ground. The idea here expressed is that while the ground is good and its condition, cultivation, is good, there are seed of that which is of ranker growth in it, and this ranker growth will in due season choke the wheat. It may grow together for a while, but the wheat must die. So in these hearers the seed is received, the effort to hear and receive is made and the seeds germinate, they pass through the first stages of development, but are choked, smothered out and are killed. Religion has taken hold and is really growing, but there are other growths that if allowed to cumber the ground, will smother religion and damn the soul. Pleasure and selfgratification, the deceitfulness of riches, things opposed to religion, things that outgrow the grace of God in the heart, render the seed fruitless. The heart must be free, there must be but one God, the eye must be single. The purpose to live the religious life is such a great purpose that no other purpose can live in the heart at the same time.

How bad these conditions appear for the gospel! Isn't this a dark picture. And yet these conditions follow every sower; they followed Christ Himself. Three-fourths of the seed have failed, three-fourths of the effort has been lost. But Jesus would not leave the picture thus. If this were all then the gospel would have failed of its mission. The gospel fails and succeeds and the church of God triumphs in this way. It has always been thus and it will always be thus

The Good Ground. The quality of the soil here mentioned did not consist in its superiority over other soil around it, but simply in its condition. It was clean and good. The other ground was good, but it was not clean and cultivated. The seed in this case had a chance. In none of the other instances did it have a chance. All that religion needs is a chance. Relieve it of the conditions here indicated and it will always bring forth fruit; load it with these adverse conditions and it will in every instance fail. We can be saved, but we may be lost. If religion is not worth more than all else it will fail, but if it is worth more than all else it will save us.

The last verse seems to be the key to the rest. Hearing and heeding will make of us shining lights in the kingdom. Carelessness and indifference will make us fruitless.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

By Rev. W. J. Moore, Chairman. FROM COMANCHE.

We have a cheering note from Brother Spain, our pastor at Comanche. He says: "We have 55 babies on the Cradle Roll and about 100 members in the Home Department, and both are growing all the time. We are planning to have an evening together with the babies and the mothers of the Home Department at our park soon. Wish you could be with us." A fine idea. If will neep to popularize the some and in this spirit as to undertake some definite task, either to be able to join the happy company in this meeting.

"The Adult Student." The former class has 48 by increasing the enthusiasm of the givers and members, the latter 32. The pastor, Brother Satterfield, turned over a Sunday evening service to these classes not long since, "which they conducted in a most acceptable manner," so the report says. The Philatheas give special attention to the sick, sometimes holding a service of song at the homes of those who are unable to attend

We are glad to learn of these successful classes. Wise pastor and superintendent and selection are thus with almost unusual favor in our own conferthe young people of the Sunday school are thus church.

deep. The bow was beautiful, but it would not organized for service. These classes will solve ence; so that now the Sunday schools are suppend to receive the arrow and give it in insular the arrow and give it in insular the service. Organize them. Try them.

THE CHILDREN'S DAY SERVICE.

More schools, many more, are observing the Children's Day service this year than ever before in our conference. Several of the districts have resolved to have no failure. We shall not be satisfied, ought not to be satisfied, until every school shall observe the day. If you have not yet done so, drop a card to Rev. R. A. Crosby, Guymon, Okla., and get the programs, and then prepare the service "if it takes all summer." Let's make it unanimous.

SUMMER TIME-WHAT TO DO.

Let us suggest:

1. Do not suspend your school—do not consolidate your classes, do not let up in your interest and endeavor to maintain the school. This is a hard time on the Sunday school; but it calls for loyalty, devotion, energy, sacrifice.

2. Plan to secure supply teachers for those who may go away on vacation. Secure new pupils to fill up the depleted ranks. Do not let the school have the appearance of going down.

3. Show special attention to those who remain. Make it the happiest and most profitable time they ever spent in the Sunday school.

4. Plan some out door sports, fishing parties, etc. The pupils then will feel that they did not lose all by having to stay at home. The summer months can be made most helpful and happy if we only thought so, and would put forth a little effort after some wise planning. Try it, brother.

Many of our Sunday school folks will soon be off on vocation. It would be a good idea to furnish to each one a certificate of membership in your school. It would be a reminder to the holder that he ought to attend Sunday school wherever he may be. It is quite a good introduction to any one to have such a certificate.

blank certificates of attendance for visitors who may attend. It will help pupils who are away from their own schools to secure a perfect record of attendance. Here is one to this chairman recently. We insert it to indicate the form of the

"This is to certify that W. J. Moore was in attendance at the Central Methodist Sunday school, Asheville, N. C., on 15th day of May, 1910."

W. T. BUTTRICK, Secretary.

Rev. T. L. Rippey, Teller, Muskogee, Okla.

Superintendent's Desk," in discussing the missionary feature in the Sunday school (p. 23) says "Nothing can so stimulate the missionary church; a native work; a scholarship in some school; building or helping to build a school-The Baraca and Philathea classes at Cordell, house or church; or any definite undertaking

for missions in the Sunday schools which was inaugurated about four years ago, and continued by each succeeding conference has been thoroughly endorsed by one so high in the authority of our church. These are the very things which the Board is trying to do, and which policy w have followed as strait as a string.

We are glad to note that the policy has me

But the greatest of all is the opportunity to impart missionary information, and to arouse missionary enthusiasm.

Oklahoma City.

WHAT TO READ.

If you have the "blues," read the twenty-sev-

If your pocketbook is empty, read the thirtyenth Psalm.

If people seem unkind, read the fifteenth seventh Psalm. chapter of John.

If you are discouraged about your work, read the one hundred and twenty-sixth Psalm.

If you are all out of sorts, read the twelfth chapter of Hebrews.

If you can't have your own way in everything, keep silent and read the third chapter of James. If you are losing confidence in men, read the thirteenth chapter of I Corinthians.—Exchange.

Statues of Pulaski and Kosciusko, two Polish patriots who aided in the struggle for American independence, were unveiled in Washington City on May 11 with elaborate ceremonies. That of the first-named hero was erected by an act of Congress, and is a bronze equestrian figure, copied from a life-size painting by Pulaski's sister. The monument in memory of Thaddeus Kosciusko was the gift of the Polish National Alliance and other organizations of Poles who have their homes in the Western Republic. The principal addresses of the occasion were made by President Taft and the Hon. J. M. Dickinson,

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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 Katherine Anderson, Box 284, Conway, Ark.)

Tuckerman, Ark., April 28, 1910. Dear Western Methodist: As I have not written in a long time I will try and write. I am twelve years old and live on a farm. I like farm life fine for I can play in the woods and hunt wild My Grandma Churchman from Hope is here visiting us. I was so proud to see her. I had not seen her for a long time. I have a nice gentle horse and buggy. I can go when I please. I always have a nice time. Well I will close for this time.

Your cousin, HAZEL CHURCHMAN.

Grays, Ark., April 22, 1910. Dear Methodist and Cousins: has been quite a while since I last wrote to you; and will thank Miss Lillian if she has room for this one. I live on the farm and it is the very place for me; I do enjoy feeding mama's chickens and turkevs. We have guineas that mama lets us raise and all of the money we get from them is ours. My cousins will be at our home after their school is out and stay a week with us and I will certainly be glad for we always have a nice time. I go to school. My teacher's name is Miss Golda Bonham; I certainly do love her; she is a fine teacher: I wish we could get her back next year, but she will go to Oklahoma to make it her home. I hope this will be safe from the waste basket. Your cousin,

MAGGIE YARBROUGH. * * *

Congo, Ark., April 8, 1910.

Dear Miss Lillian and Cousins: Here I am again. Perhaps some of you cousins remember me. I wrote to the paper over a year ago. I read the Children's Page every week. I will mention some of the books I have read: "Alice in Wonderland," "Ella Ross and Purpose." I will let you cousins guess my age. It is between 12 and 15. To the one that guesses it I will send a post card. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. Brother Toombs is our pastor. We like him fine. Oneal Fisher, I guess your age to be 15. Am I right? I am not going to school now, as our school was

GOLDSBORO HEARD FROM

A Lady Who Lives in Goldsboro Joins in the Chorus of Praise for Cardui, The Woman's Tonic.

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out some time ago. I will not get to go to school until next winter. I will answer Gladys May's question: What is the shortest verse in the Bible? Jesus Will close, hoping to see this in wept. I hope the waste-baskea is print. asleep when my letetr gets to Miss Lil-Your cousin,

ELITHE PELTON.

Malvern, Ark., April 30, 1910. Hello, Cousins! How are you this fine spring day? I will tell you of a hunting trip a crowd of us took last December. Eleven of us went possum hunting and were gone all night. After we had gotten to a small town just two miles from home it began to rain. It was then about 1:00 o'clock and we stopped and had supper and then went to bed. We got up at 5:00 o'clock the next morning (it being Sunday), and then started for home. It had turned so cold and we had to ride back in a buggy that we almost froze. We did not get a possum. But we had a fine time. I have one sister and brother at One sister married and lives in Little Rock. Another sister is a milliner and is not at home much. father died seven years ago, but his place is still vacant and, though he has been gone from us we have never forgotten his kindness to us and we are all hoping to see him again on the other shore. I am 4 feet and 113/4 inches in height, weigh 106 pounds and have dark hair, dark complexion, and blue eyes. My age is between 12 and 16. The one that guesses it I will send a post card. Ruth Carr, I love to read your stories very much. Hoping Mr. Waste-basket has gone visiting, I will close. Love to all.

BERTHA PENNELL. *

Maxwell, Okla. Dear Cousins: Venice is a city of

Italy. The coast is a long and narrow belt of land. The waters of the Adriatic make their way between the mainland and the belt and form a lagoon.

This lagoon is about five miles broad and is from 25 to 30 miles long. This lagoon has been driven into 72 small islands. Venice has been built on these islands, so from any point of view the city is comparatively floating on the water. The city is more than two miles long, one and one-half miles wide and six miles in circuit.

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Some of the buildings are immediately on the water's edge. The people can step from the doors into the gondolas. These gondolas take the place of carriages. There are about 4,000 of the gondolas. The public buildings are very fine. Imagine a great city without a horse or vehicle within its limits.

And now, Miss Anderson, if you approve of this plan of choosing subjects I will come again. Your loving

JUANITA.

Dear Western Methodist: Will you admit two little girls into your happy band? Our ages are 10 and 12. This is our first attempt to write to your paper. We take the Methodist and love to read the Children's Page very much. We live about two miles from church and do not get to attend Sunday school every Sunday, but love to go when we can. Our teacher's name is Miss Mattie Foster. We love her dearly. Our pastor's name is Brother Watson. We all like him just fine.

I (Dena) have no pets but a little baby brother, and he is just as cute as he can bc. I (Pauline) have a rabbit for a pet. We are not going to school now. Our school will begin the first of July. We are in the fourth and fifth I which we will resort to the parlor for

grades. Well, as our letter is growing lengthy we will close. Your cousins,

DENA FINCH. Pauline Garrett.

Pryor, Okla., May 14. Dear Methodist and Cousins: Please allow me the pleasure of seeing my letter in print. First of all, I shall tell you of our Sunday school because I know all children are interested in Sunday school.

We have a Sunday school enrollment of about 150. The Sunday school is very interesting because of our splendid teachers and most excellent superintendent. Our superintendent is well worthy of great praise. He is loved, admired and respected by all of his Sunday school and everybody who knows Judge Brewster. We have four Sunday schools here in a town of about 2,000. Our town is very modern and above all is a model town. I shall not attempt to describe it because I could not do it justice. The State Orphans' Home is located in the edge of town. We have a nice park and a new school building. And we will soon have gas and water works. We have no saloons and Pryor is considered one of the most progressive towns in Oklahoma.

I think it is all right not to sign your names. (That is the reason I am not going to sign mine.) But I think it better to give name and address.

I am sure all of the children read and enjoy Ruth Carr's books. Why do not some of the children, when they read a good book, just write the story very briefly and send it to be published. Just briefly enough not to take up too much space, but just to inspire somebody to read. I must close. If this is printed I shall write again soon.

OKLAHOMA SCHOOL GIRL. * * *

Carden Bottom, Ark., May 11, 1910.

Dear Methodist and Cousins: Will you let a little Arkansas girl join your happy band. I will let you guess my age. It is between 14 and 17. The one that guesses it will receive a postal. I love to read the Children's Page. I have been thinking about writing to the cousins for some time, but I never wrote until now. Cousins, give me a postal visit June 23. I will answer all postcards that I receive. I will quit, as my letter is getting long and I am afraid it will creep into the wastebasket. From your new cousin,

CORA BRANSON.

A WOMAN'S APPEAL

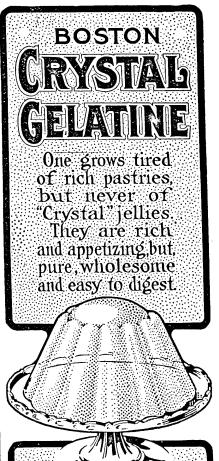
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LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE W. H. M. SOCIETY.

Dear Coworkers: The changes made by merging the missionary forces are found at the top rather than at the foundation of our work. The Woman's Missionary Council supersedes the two Woman's Boards. While composed of both Conference Corresponding Secretaries much of the detail work done by both Boards will be done by the Council. It will apportion the money raised by the two departments to the enterprises under the specific direction of each. The Council will select and recommend the deaconesses and missionaries to the Board of Missionaries for acceptance and appointment. Parsonage building has been transferred to the Board of Church Extension. Parsonage applications which have been on the calendar or grants which have been promised will hold good until they are redeemed. The Conference half of dues, which heretofore has been used for building parsonages will now be available for home mission enterprises within the Conference bounds. use of this money will be subject to the indorsement of the Woman's Missionary Council. It furnishes a fund for better equipment of work already established and for enterprising work where the limited income of the Society heretofore has made it impossible.

These new plans for our missionary work have the advantage of presenting a solid missionary force to the world. The eliminate the dividing lines of home and foreign mission missions and furnish opportunity of concerted action between the men and women of the church in the mission fields. It also lessens the chance for friction both at home and abroad. Since the autonomy of our Auxiliaries, district and conference societies remain unchanged, and our women are given opportunity of apportioning the funds they raise, and also of selection and nomination for appointment of workers the responsibility of our women is not decreased, but rather enlarged and our development will be larger and rounder.

The success of the plan depends upon the zeal with which we join forces, and with the white fields awaiting our coming no home mission woman can fail to throw her best self into the work. Let us make 1910-1911 the very best in our history as an earnest of what the quadrennium will become. upon your hearty co-operation in this new venture as your past sympathy and work will warrant, I am,

Yours in the Kingdom of Shrist, MRS. R. W. MACDONELL, Corresponding Secretary of the Women's Home Department in Missions.

W. H. M. OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE The nineteenth annual session of the Women's Home Mission Society of the Oklahoma Conference, convened in Ada, Okla., June 2 to 6. This was a season of great refreshing to the many dele-The followgates and visitors present. ing officers were elected: Mrs. R. M. Campbell, President; Mrs. C. P. Shoun, First Vice President; Mrs. W. T. Gill, Second Vice President; Mrs. S. F. Goddard, Third Vice President; Mrs. J. C. Fowler, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. J. A. Mercer, Treasurer; Mrs. J. B. Hinds, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. R. K. Triplett, Superintendent of Press and Literature.

ATTENTION, LADIES! Some people, yes, a great many, think the club women are greater in numbers and are doing more than the

women of the Home Mission Society. Of course, we home mission women know this is not true, but we must admit that the club women are continually advertising and boosting every five o'clock tea, and bridge party they give, every function they have at once appears in print, while we like Brer Fox, 'lay low an' say nothin'." Sisters, we have space in the good Western Methodist, where we can boost for our great work and the kingdom of God, which it represents. Let us take pride in bringing our work before the people. We want more members, and these we can secure if we show them we are really alive. Our work can be made as interesting as club work, and we can create holy enthusiasm for it if we use the press privileges.

Will every Auxiliary in the Oklahoma Conference through its press superintendent (or some one appointed) please send me an account of what they are doing. This will help us all.

Yours in the work,

MRS. R. K. TRIPLETT, Superintendent of Press and Literature.
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BROTHER CLINE AND HALLEY'S COMET.

For two weeks past because of the clouds and poor atmosphere Halley's comet did not show up to advantage, and many thought Halley's comet was about to disappear. Great mistake that. Last night, with a perfectly clear sky and very pure atmosphere, through my fine telescope, I saw Halley's wonderful comet to perfection. His grand head appeared through telescope larger than a great wash pot or tum, larger than our full moon, and in middle of that mammoth head was his fearful fiery eye, wonderful to behold. Halley's comet hast not yet fully come to himself. He will be visible all through July. I expect to be at Rev. Dr. Sharp's First M. E. Church, South, Little Rock, from Friday, June 17 to June 20. Love to all.

Yours in Christ, JAMES M. CLINE.

PREACHERS WANTED.

I would like to correspond with some two or three young men, single men preferred, who intend to join the Conference this fall. I have some good propositions. I could use some good men as supplies.

J. F. LAWLIS, Presiding Elder Guymon District. Hardesty, Okla.

JONESBORO DISTRICT CONFER-ENCE.

The Jonesboro District Conference met in Lake City June 9. The opening sermon was preached Wednesday evening by E. K. Sewell, of Earle. The Presiding Elder, Rev. A. M. R. Branson being very ill with rheumatism at Hot Springs, our Conference host, M. P. Timberlake, called the Conference to order. After devotional exercises conducted by Brother James F. Jernigan, the Conference organized for The Secretary of the prehusiness. vious session, called the roll. The Presiding Elder being absent, Rev. H. H. Watson, of Jonesboro, was elected President, and E. K. Sewell, Secretary, with Charles B. Brooks assistant. After the appointment of the usual committees the remainder of the morning session was taken up with reports from the various pastoral charges. These reports gave many indications of progress over the district. New parsonages, new churches, a number of revivals have already been held in which have been many conversions and accessions. I give the following paragraph from the report of the Committee on the Spiritual State of the

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steadily press our way. We need patiently and kindly to warn our people against the sin of Sabbath desecration and against worldly amusements."

Two leading features in Friday morning's session were the address of Rev. H. H. Watson on "How to Promote Revivals," and that of Rev. F. W. Gee "Plea for Progress." These addresses made such a deep impression on the members that the Conference by a unanimous vote requested that copies of them be sent to the Western Methodist for publication. The Secretary read a card to the Conference from Brother Branson. The members were very much grieved to learn that his rheumatism had rendered him helpless. The President called the conference to special prayer in his behalf. Appropriate resolutions of sympathy for him in his affliction, also for Brother Cadesman Pope in his sorrow in the recent death of a son at Tryon, N. C., were passed.

The following were elected delegates to the annual conference: J. H. Snider, George A. Lamb, George Abrey and A. H. Strickland. T. S. Threlkeld and W. J. Newton were chosen as alternates.

George A. Lamb, W. R. Stuck and S. W. Harris were appointed a committee to confer wit hthe presiding elder concerning the work of the Laymen's Movement in the district.

C. B. Brooks was recommended for admission and J. W. Watson for readmission into the annual conference. Joe A. Stephens was recommended for local deacons' orders.

The licensing committee to serve in the interim between the district and annual conference was appointed as follows: Fay C. Sterlin, A. C. Cloyes and M. P. Timberlake.

Bono was selected as the seat of the next district conference. Brother Watson presided very gracefully over the

The connectional men were conspicuously absent. We missed them. We

to be attained toward which we must regretted the conflict of our conferen

with the college commencements. From the first service till the this was the most deeply spiritual o trict conference that I have attended a number of years. It was indeed love feast, interspersed from time time with business. Lake City en tained the conference most royally. has a hospitable people.

E. K. Sewell, Secretar

C. B. BROOKS, Assistant Secretar

EL DORADO MEETING. We are in the midst of a great n ing led by Rev. W. M. McIntosh Ed G. Philips and wife. At the of the first week we had about 75 versions and reclamations. More 50 have expressed a desire to themselves to the different church the town, it being a union meeti which all the churches are taking a

We will write more fully the p ulars of the meeting at the close. J. W. HARRI

El Dorado, June 13, 1910.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that in put of the authority and directions contain the decrectal order of the Pulaski Court, made and entered on the 4th June. A. D., 1910, in a certain cau 12,950), then pending therein between the court, before the court, will offer for public outery, to the highest bidder cast door or entrance of the Pulaski Courthouse, in which said court is the City of Little Rock, within the prescribed by law on Saturday, the of July, A. D., 1910, the following real estate, towit:

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Solicitor for Plaintiff.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

To the Members of the Clinton District Conference, M. E. Church, South:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN-Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report as follows:

Whereas, Oklahoma is the only State that was ever "Born Sober" or admitted to statehood as a prohibition State, and

Whereas, Prohibition is becoming more effective as the people realize its wonderful benefit, both to the financial and moral interests of the State; there-

We recommend the agitation of this question be continually kept up from the pulpit and in the Sunday Schools, and in the homes, by both the ministry and the laymen, until public sentiment becomes so strong that we shall have no cause for fear that our fair State, "the forty-sixth star," shall ever be blighted by legalized liquor traffic.

The battle against the demon alcohol is not over by any means, but just fairly begun. A crisis is now upon us, and there is a tremendous effort on the part of the advocates of the open saloon, backed with a vast amount of money from the breweries and distilleries of other States, who are conducting a very systematic campaign, led by the "Sons of Washington," a secret organization, which has for its object the overthrow of prohibition, and the enthronement of the saloon. It is that class of people who are giving encouragement to the boot-legger and who are trying to make prohibition a failure.

They are actively distributing literature to the voters of the State, which is filled with false statements as to the effectiveness of prohibition, and trying to make the people believe that it will bankrupt the State. They say it will take a great deal of tax money to prosecute boot-leggers. So far from that being the case, we have only to refer to the court records of Beckham County as an example on that quustion. Instead of enforcement of prohibition being a burden to the taxpayers, it has proven a source of revenue to the county.

If prohibition should actually prove a financial burden, which is not the case, the church of God cannot afford to become a partner to the greatest crime-breeder in the State. Hence the Methodist Church, which is a prohibition church, has declared eternal war on the saloons, and she will never cease in her efforts, or take a step backward, but will press forward until every saloon shall have been swept from our Nation.

Oklahoma has set the pace, and the other States are taking notes, hence our actions on this question will have much to do with the actions of other States on the question of prohibition. Can we afford to stand still or lose our ground at this time? May our answer be "No," a thousand times "No." We point with pride to the very efficient laws which have been given us by our legislature on the enforcement of prohibition. We also speak a word of warning to the voters to watch earefully whom they send to make laws in the future, and whom they elect to enforce the same.

We also commend the Anti-Saloon League for its great work of education on prohibition issues. We indorse the action of Governor Haskell in refusing to call an election on the Sons of Washington's petition for resubmission.

We believe that the United States should be on the side of temperance. We therefore recommend that the voters petition the Congress of the United States to pass such laws as will forbid the shipment of intoxicating liquors into prohibition States, and that the United States government issue no more license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the prohibtion State.

We thank God that the tide of temperance sentiment is rising and flowing

May God speed the day when all men shall vote as they pray.

Respectfully submitted, S. F. CHAMBERS, Chmn., G. W. DAY, Sec., S. A. WALLACE, JOSEPH F. RUSSELL.

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We have just closed a 16 days' meeting conducted by Brothers John E. Brown and C. P. Curry. Brother Brother Brown, as his custom is, delivered some great and helpful messages, which will be remembered by our people and do us good in days to come, and Brother Curry's soul-stirring solos were an inspiration to us all and will not be forgotten.

The meeting resulted in a great spiritual awakening in the church, the reclamation of backsliders, the reviving of those who had grown lukewarm and indifferent, and the conversion of quite a number of unsaved. Ninetecn were added to our church among whom were some of the leading men of Rogers. On the last Sunday of the meeting a collection was taken which resulted in the raising of \$10,000.00 on the inedebtedness of the church, which places us in easy circumstances financially.

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We have jjust closed a great meeting at DeWitt. The meeting lasted for 16 days. The meeting was begun in the church but it was too small from the start to accommodate the crowds that came. At the evening services many had to be turned away from the church for lack of room. On Saturday of the first week of the meeting the new district tent came and was stretched on a vacant lot in a central part of the town. After this all who came found room in abundance. The crowds increased to the last. Many came for miles around from the country. The stores were all closed with all other places of business in DeWitt. There were almost as many men present at the day service as there were ladies. It is said by all to be the greatest meeting in the history of DeWitt. The meeting was quite an upthroughout our Nation as never before. lift to the church and a great blessing

to the whole town and community. I am sure that the church will do much better work for the Lord in the future. There have been 87 additions to the church and 4 more (and perhaps others) are to join Sunday. I am to baptize 22 by immersion Sunday afternoon.

Rev. J. D. Hammons, the Presiding Elder of the District, did all the preaching except three sermons. Two were preached by Rev. J. Abner Sage, Jr., of Henderson College. The preaching was well done and gave great satisfaction to all. Our people are much in love with both of these brethren. They will ever have a warm place in their hearts.

The song service was led by Abner Sage. His singing was very highly appreciated. It was well done. Brother Hammons was so well pleased with it that he sought his services for the entire summer.

Brother Hammons and Sage said the choir was the best that they had ever seen. They not only sang well, but were so faithful.

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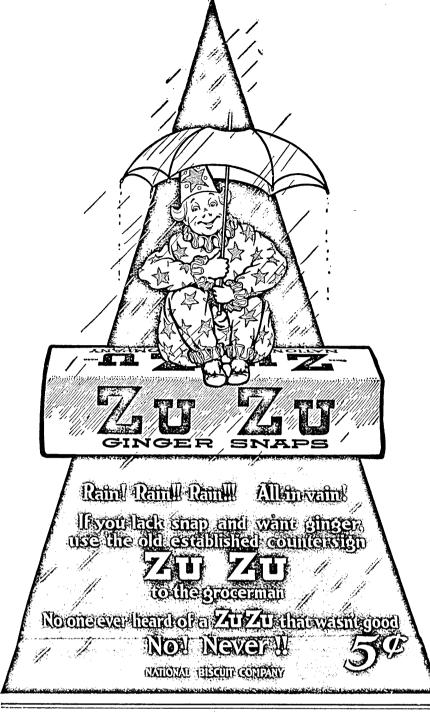
After my kindest regards and many thanks for past favors, I wish through your columns to give expression to my sincere and heartfelt thanks to Rev. L. H. Eakes for the appeal through the Western Methodist for our relief when our dwelling and contents were destroved by fire and to those who in response to his appeal contributed to our relief, amounting to \$40.00. Some three weeks after my house was burned all

my fencing around 30 acres, together with the cross fences, was destroyed by fire. My total loss was about \$650.00. This is a small loss to be sure, but it represented all my earthly possessions, except my homestead on which is left a barn which was badly damaged in saving it from the fire; also a henhouse and a cellar with granary above. But the loss that I feel the most keenly is the loss of my Bible, hymn book, and Discipline, which were my companions while itinerating; also my books, papers, letters, pictures of my parents, our family group, and of relatives and friends and our keepsakes. things money cannot replace. We miss so much all these. Wife and I are getting old. She is in her seventieth year, and I will be 75 the 10th day of July next. We are in the fifty-first year of our married life. Our home place is here in the fastness of the Swain Mountains, which is a quiet retreat from the noise and bustle of the city, and railroads. We have decided that it would be best, all things considered, to spend the remaining days of our lives on our home place, where we can get pure mountain air to breathe and good spring water to drink. So we have decided to rebuild. All we want is a small, comfortable house. Our neighbors propose to do all the hauling and put up the house, provided our friends will furnish the money to buy the material with which to build. Now, if those who desire this old superannuate and wife comfortably housed will send us a contribution it will be thankfully received and highly appreciated.

Your brother in Christ,

ALEX MATHES.

Clifty, Ark.



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

HUGO, OKLA.

At the crossing of two Frisco roads in Choctaw County is the thriving town Hugo, the county seat. The population is over six thousand. Four banks, large retail and wholesale business. Excellent school. Ours is a good parsonage and church, Rev. J. F. Roberts is in the second year. They have been prosperous years. He and his good wife are very proud of their fine son. Brother Roberts is developing into a good preacher and is a zealous worker. He was disabled for a few days on account of an injured foot. I collected well from the old but made little effort for new subscribers, securing only three: W. H. King, general insurance agent; J. T. Jeter, deputy sheriff, and J. M. Eaglebarger, builder and contractor, a brother of Rev. P. R. Eaglebarger. Brother S. Duncan and wife showed appreciated kindness. This is the home of Judge T. C. Humphrey, J. T. Leard, S. A. Downs, W. H. Darrow, E. O. Haines, Prof. Faulkner, Dr. John, son of Dr. I. G. John, of sacred memory, and many other good people. There is a bright future for Hugo.

FORT LAWSON.

A day and half of the night was spent at Fort Lawson. It was decoration day. Dinner was served at the Doaksville Cemetery. It fell to my lot to address a very appreciative audience Rev. J. D. Rogers, the old pastor, was with us. Rev. C. M. Edwards, the pastor, was at Valliant, his other town. With Brother Rogers' aid we secured seven new subscribers: T. M. Groves, Mrs. G. Pearson, C. H. Haney, E. R. Johnson, Mrs. J. P. Warren, Tobe Bussall, and Dr. Peters. Coming from the West, Fort Lawson has the first yellow pine mill. They do a fine business. The town is doing well. There are two Three business. banks, general churches. We have good property, both in church and parsonage. Hon. C. C. Lewter, editor of the Enterprise and formerly of Ozark, Ark., a cheerful bachelor sent the preachers out to the decoration in a nice two horse buggy, which was much appreciated.

VALLIANT, OKLA.

At midnight in the midst of a storm we reached Valliant, a prosperous town in a very rich valley. There are three yellow pine sawnills near here, a bank, and a prosperous business. We are planning to build a church. The Baptists have built a good church. Brother R. F. Wilson and wife will help liberally in building although they have sold their farm. It was here I met the pastor, Rev. C. M. Edwards, and Rev. G. C. French, who had held the Quarterly Conference. We secured nine new subscribers: Mrs. L. P. Williams, Mrs. P. A. Johnston, Mrs. I. W. Guest, E. J. Garner, Mrs. F. A. Wallace, Mrs. J. H. Whitfield, Mrs. L. A. Lucas, Mrs. M. E. Clark, who keeps one of the hotels, and D. H. Nash. Brother Edwards is zealous and is anxious to succeed, and is doing his best. Sister Edwards is a pleasant, Christian lady and will do her full part in the church work. IDABELL, OKLA.

The county seat of McCurtain County is Idabell, on the Frisco Road. town is going by leaps and bounds. Substantial brick business houses, large two-story brick academy, beautinful cottages have been built the past year. There are two banks, three churches. We have neat church and parsonage. Rev. T. F. Roberts is the faithful pastor. He is a worthy son of Rev. C. F. Roberts, and like his father, is devoting all his time and energy to the work of the ministry. The Lord has blessed his labors elsewhere and will be with him here. He has some very excellent people at Idabell. But church work is difficult everywhere, and especially in a new and growing town. I insist we change preachers too frequently. We cannot get the best results by changing pastors every year. I predict if

Brother Roberts remains four years at Idabell, it will develop into a good station. His consecrated wife is enthusiastic for the woman's work. tended the Woman's Mission Conference at Ada. They have four fine boys to bless their home. Brother E. L. Knisley, a prosperous young druggist, is contemplating entering the ministry. He will make a success if he does. We attended a Baptist revival which was doing well. Collecting from the old we secured five new subscribers: Rowland, J. G. Fair, Mrs. W. M. Short, Mrs. A. Perrin, and Mrs. W. L. Ray.

GARVIN, OKLA.

Another good busines town on the Frisco is Garvin. There is a large sawmill and veneering plant here, several nice stores, among others Joe E. Hale and Sons, D. J. Wilkerson, R. L. Green, and others. A bank, good school, and two churches, Presbyterian and Methodist. For two years our people struggled to build their church. They have succeeded and deserve great credit Brother Roberts is also pastor here. Collecting from the old I secured two new subscribers: Mrs. D. J. Wilkinson and J. W. McKee, who with wife and excellent son and daughter have recently come from Missouri. They keep a good boarding house. When I offered him pay for my supper he said he never charged preachers and tramps. I replied I am both, and will claim another meal. It was a great pleasure to meet the Hales and Miss Willie Gordon, who for two years has taught in the Indian Girls' School. Brother I. E. Hale has been in the hospital at Fort Smith for four months. He hopes to come home in a few days, but will leave an amoutated limb behind. The Lord bless him and his devoted wife, who has been by his side in all of his suffering.

ANTLERS, OKLA.

A pleasant night was spent at Antlers at the Keith Hotel. Brother Keith is an ex-Confederate soldier. He has for many years been pastor or Presiding Elder in this country. Antiers is county seat of Pushmataha County. Has about 1,200 population, excellent schoolhouse, two banks, mills, good business. We have desirable property in both parsonage and church. Brother Averyt, the pastor, was at Boswell in a good meeting. He is blessed with an excellent family. Brother W. P. Cochran, a successful merchant, assisted in the canvass. He has an elegant home and a splendid companion. His kindness reminded me of his borther, Judge James Cochran, of Paris, Ark. A more accommodating man I have not met. We collected well from the old and secured nine new subscribers: Miss Daisy Billingslev, M. A. Brock, Dr. E. S. Patterson, Judge W. W. Powell, G. E. Haynes, A. M. Hendricks, P. W. Hudson, Mrs. M. J. Fitzgerald, and Judge W. A. Chase, of Nowata.

ALBION, OKLA.

By request of Rev. W. E. Justice I stopped at Albion, a small town on the Frisco Road. About three vears ago this town began to grow. They now have half dozen stores, splendid brick bank, plainer, wagon shop, hotel, newspaper, two-story brick academy and a real nice Methodist Church. The town is located in a beautiful valley with high mountains in the distance all around. To Brother Justice much of the credit is due for our beautiful church. He is blessed with a consecrated wife, three sons and three daughters. They were especially kind to me. We had a fine congregation and a very helpful service, quite a number pledging to a better life. We secured five new subscribers: Hal Welch, Mrs. J. B. Williams, W. M. Hixon, Mrs. H. R. Christopher, and Mrs. F. E. Ong.

TALLIHINA, OKLA.

A few hours were spent in Tallihina with Rev. J. W. White and his good people. Collecting from the large list of subscribers to the Western Methodist. The Baptists were holding a protracted



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meeting in our church. This is a division of the Frisco Road. This was my Quite a number of elegant cottages, some substantial business houses have been built the past year, giving evidence of prosperity. Brother White is editor and proprietor of a county paper, this he was induced to do to find employment for his boys. My observation has taught me things are necessary for the proper training of children: keep them employed and furnish them plenty of something good to read. This is what Brother and Sister White are trying to do for their bright children. Rev. J. F. Gates, for years an efficient local preacher, has a home at Tallihina. It was a pleasure to meet Brother C. B. Wade, J. J. Thomas, J. N. Ross, Dr. Smart, J. H. Barber, J. E. McLelland, Ross Adams, and others.

WISTER, OKLA.

It was convenient to spend Sunday at Wister with Rev. W. D. Sauls, and his excellent people. Two very destruct tive fires in one day burned out four blocks of business houses. Our people had just built a beautiful church and parsonage, very much to their credit. We had thirty copies of the good Western Methodist coming to this office and secured two others: Mrs. R. D. Logan Those of our peoand W. B. Logan. ple who lost most in the fire are: Dr. E. E. Shippey, Brothers Emerson, Mat, and O. M. Brown. Brother and Sister Sauls are highly respected by their people, and are deserving all thanks for their noble work. They have two smart sons and two lovely daughters. Brother and Sister Emerson and W. M. Martin and family were very kind to me. We have a good Sunday School. J. R. Logan, superintendent. Had pleasant services at Wister. At night Dr. J. M. Cline, our Arkansas astronomer, gave his highly instructive lecture to a large congregation. Brother Cline is 78 years old, but is quite vigorous. He and I could sympathize with each other as he has a son in China and I a son in Korea.

THIS WILL INTEREST MANY.

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C. C. GREEN.

LIBERTY, TEX.

Rev. Etheridge Payne is the earnest pastor at Liberty, Tex., where I spent a week in a meeting. Eight members had joined and a number of others were to be received. Some of the oldest and hardened sinners were manifesting an interest in their souls. Great interest among the young and the church is quite hopeful. Brother Payne and his wife are doing fine work among appreciative and cultured people. Good improvements have been made this year and all interests of the church are being forwarded. Their much-needed relief now is freedom from the drunkard factories and murder mills—saloons! IRVIN B. MANLY. Cordially, Marshall, Tex.

SEARCY DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICE.

Bishop J. H. McCoy will hold the Searcy District Conference Knob July 6, 7, 8. All the preachers, delegates and lay leaders of the district are urgently requested to be present. All the local preachers are expected to be present on Wednesday, July 6, and make their reports, and if anyone cannot possibly be present he should not fail to send a written report, or his license may not be renewed. Thursday, July 7, will be Laymen's Day. We expect a large

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In turning over the work that has been so dear to me, I wish to thank all friends who gave me the privilege of working for and with you. The District Secretaries who have been so faithful, the Presiding Elders and pastors who have assisted us in organizing and spoken so many kind encouraging words during the many years of my service, I have seen the Woman's Home Mission Society in our Conference grow from 50 to 200 Auxiliaries, and there is no possibilities that we may not attain; our field is unlimited. May God's richest blessings be upon the workers and the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society in the Oklahoma Conference.

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CLINTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS.

Fathers and Brethren: We note with sadness the present condition of the finances of the district. We find that only about 45 per cent of the salaries due up to the present time have been paid, while only 50 per cent of the Conference claims have been paid, or secured,

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process, was not to a contract to the engine of the entire of AMS introduced to

to date. Yet, we look forward to bright prospects and have high hopes in the beliefthat a bountiful crop will materially better conditions, insuring the people to be able to meet all the obligations of the church this year.

We find we have no uniform system for raising our collections. We have the great burden born herctofore by our pastors in having to bear the responsibility of our entire finances. lieve this to be wrong. We believe the business of the Lord's house should be conducted with that same careful, business concern that characterizes the conducting of a successful private business enterprise.

We would therefore recommend that the pastors be released from the burden of finance and that the same be born by the official boards and under their supervision, not alone in the matter of salaries, but in all matters of finance.

We find again that where the envelopes are used and payments made weekly the payments are in advance of those where not done so.

We would recommend that on stations and city charges weekly payments be made and on country works that payments be made monthly.

We recommend that the boards of stewards proceed with thir labors in the disciplinary manner, that they maintain an organization with a President, Secretary, and Treasurer; that they hold meetings from time to time to consider matters of finance; make their assessments upon the membership of the charge; divide the membership equally as assessed among themselves, and become directly responsible for the collection of the same; and have all funds pass through the hands of the Treasurer.

We hereby most heartily indorse the "Laymen's Movement," and pledge to them our assitance to gain the ends sought by them in the advancement of the kingdom of our Christ.

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PROGRAM ARDMORE DISTRICT LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The following program will be rendered at the meeting of the District League Conference of the Ardmore District to be held at Wynnewood, Okla., on the 22d and 23d of June, 1910:

June 22, 1910. 8:15 p. m. Opening Sermon-Rev. Willmore Kendall.

Vocal Solo-Miss Clay Draughon. Other music by Wynnewood League Little Rock, Ark.

and choir. June 23, 1910. 9:00 a. m. Devotional Exercises,

conducted by President. 9:30 a. m. How to Conduct a Suc-

cessful League—Miss Luella Reedy. 9:45 a. m. The Place of the League in the Church and Its Effect Upon the Development of Character-Miss Kate Galt.

10:05 a. m. The League and Its Restraining Influence Over the Young People of the Church-Miss Blakie Jones.

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10:40 a. m. Some Things That a Leaguer May Accomplish—Miss Emma Robinson.

Music by Wynnewood choir.

11:00 a. m. Address by President. 2:00 p. m. Business Meeting. Let all the Leagues of the District

send at least two delegates to this Conference and let us make of it a great success. We feel sure that you will be benefited by having attended this District League Conference. League at Wynnewood will see that all Leaguers who attend are royally entertained.

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ARDMORE DISTRICT CONFERENCE Let the pastors come prepared to stay over Sabbath. Give your people a rest; I am sure they will enjoy it. If your church is in such a bad fix that it can't get on without you one Sunday I will try and see that it gets another pastor at conference. Let every pastor, local preacher and delegate, with their wives, be at Wynnewood June 23, at 3:00 p. m. I. K. WALLER. Your servant,

June 7.

ANNUAL MEETING W. F. M. S., OK-LAHOMA CONFERENCE.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, met at Shawnee, Okla., March 22, 1910. Our beloved Mrs. G. B. Hester, who for ten consecutive years has filled the president's chair, presided. Mrs. A. G. Eakins of Shawnee extended words of welcome to the officers, delegates and visitors. Our much beloved Mrs. H. B. Spaulding, of Muskogee, voiced the response of appreciation for home and foreign lands.

Most of the districts were represented and the delegates gave good reports of the year's work. The \$100 necessary to complete the \$1,000 pledged by our corresponding secretary was quickly raised by the delegates present, and the corresponding secretary was instructed to pledge no less than \$1,000 when she went to the annual board meeting at Clarksville, Tenn. \$750 was pledged for the coming year's work. The Young People's Work was discussed and much stress laid on same by our President. Special mention was made of the Retirement Fund and members urged to pay the 5 cents dues.

Many fine papers were read and dis-

Durant, Wynnewood, Vinita, Mangum cussed. and Norman extended invitations for the next meeting. Durant was selected. Shawnee feels blessed in being privileged to entertain the consecrated, earnest workers, whose motto is "All the World for Christ."

Officers elected: President, Mrs. G. B. Hester, Muskogee; first vice president, Mrs. J. C. Fowler, Henryetta; second vice president, Mrs. Fay Todd, Muskogee; recording secretary, Mrs. J. H. Ball, Shawnee; conference secretary, Mrs. H. B. Spaulding, Muskogee; treasurer, Mrs. W. J. Strange, Chelsea; editor of column in Western Methodist, Mrs. A. G. Eakin, Shawnee.

Holdenville is the only society to send in a report since the annual meeting. I regret to say it was misplaced. Please send another and we will try and see that it reaches the Western Methodist.

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We have baptized five children during this quarter. We have just closed a meeting of three weeks' duration, in which there were 50 or 60 conversions and reclamations. I received 35 members last Sunday, some of them very valuable acquisitions to our church.

The Woman's Home Mission Society has announced a reception for all the

members for next week. We had a fine attendance at prayer meeting last Wednesday night, the best in all the year.

Bro. T. B. Price, of Siloam Springs, Ark., did the preaching for the meet-He is brief and direct in his preaching. He follows no homiletics. His style is unique and catchy. He is an elocutionist and leaves the impression that he means what he says. He and his singer, Bro. Rollins, made many friends here, who are anxious to have them back next year. C. F. ROBERTS.

WARNER AND PORUM CIRCUIT We are moving on very well here. I was put in charge here December 20, when Bro. Hankins resigned. have doubled our membership at War-We have built a church at Porum and held our first service in it the fifth Sunday in May. It is a neat house, 28x50 feet, frame. We have a very small membership there and have had a very hard pull. Will hold a meeting there soon. Pray for our success. My health has been rather poor this year. God bless the editors and readers.

CAMDEN DISTRICT CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.

J. M. HIVELEY.

Please announce: The Camden District Conference will be held at McNeil June 30 to July 3. If any of the preachers or delegates intend to bring any ladies with them, let me know at once, and also give the lady's or ladies' JESSE L. LEONARD, P. C. name.

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PREACHERS' MEETING.

Owing to the absence of some of the brethren, no formal meeting was held. Brother Hutchinson was present and reported a fine Children's Day service, with 268 present at Sunday School, one adult baptized, and good congregations. He contemplated leaving for Conway

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Monday morning to attend the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hendrix College.

Brother Rushing was not present, but phoned that he had a good day Sunday. Had a visit from Oak Lawn Sunday School and everything passed off nicely.

Brother Mason is in the midst of a revival meeting assisted by Rev. F. W. Harvey, who is doing the preaching and Rev. W. H. Hansford, who is leading the singing. Sunday afternoon they had the greatest meeting in the history of the church. They also observed Children's Day.

They are looking for greater things. The meeting began last Wednesday night. Let all the Methodists pray for the meeting.

As we left the house we met Brother Parker, who was rushing toward the Iron Mountain Depot to take the train for some point not far distant, where he expects to visit his family, and enjoy himself in the "sticks" for a while. If the experience is new to him we hope that he will have a great time and come back to us greatly refreshed.

B. F. Mason, Secretary.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICE.

Will those who expect to attend the Prescott District Conference, to be held at Murfreesboro beginning June 29, please notify us at once. The train on the M. D. & G. arrives at Murfreesboro at 0:00 o'clock a. m. and 3:00 p. m. Those coming from Hope and Prescott will make connection with the afternoon train at Nashville and Tokio, respectively, and will reach Murfreesboro at 3:00 o'clock p. m. Those who expect to come by private conveyance will do the committee on entertainment a favor by notifying us at once.

Murfreesboro desires a full attendance and will take pleasure in furnishing entertainment for all who will attend. We will be glad to have the editor of the Mcthodist with us.

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First Church-Pastor and assistant away most of the week attending conference at Camden. Sunday school interest remains up to standard. Audiences at both preaching services good. Pastor preached at both services. League and prayer meeting on a boom. Two infants baptized.

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church. Seventy-five children in the

choir at night. Fairview—At morning service Mr. Bush, the lay leader, of Prescott, occupied the pulpit. Children's service at night and full house. Sunday school crowded. Good prayer meeting. Three applications for church membership. The tent meeting to be conducted by Brother Holden of Shreveport will start next Sunday.

Each church in the city Sunday gave ten minutes to laymen representing the L. E. N. HUNDLEY, Y. M. C. A.

Secretary.

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	Grove July 23-24 Bigelow Station July 24-25 Plumerville Ct. at Hill Creek July 30-31 Morrilton Station July 31-Aug. 1	PARAGOULD RISTRICT. (Third Bound.)
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	FORT SMITH D.STRICT.	Priggott and St. Francis, at PiggottJuly 16, 11
	(Thi.d Round.) Central Church (Fort Smith)June 18, 19 First Church (Fort Smith)June 18, 19	Corning Sta. July 10, 11 Corning Sta. July 16, 17 Knobel Ct., at Peach Orchard. July 17 Brack Rock Ct., at Black Rock. July 23, 24
	Branch Circuit, at CauksvilleJune 25, 26 Paris StaJune 26, 27 Waldron Ct. at Shileh	Pocanantas and Biggers, at Pocahontas
	Gentral Charch (Fort Smith), June 18, 19 First Charch (Fort Smith) June 18, 19 Branch Circuit, at Caukeville June 25, 26 Paris Sta. June 26, 27 Waldron Ct., at Shiloh July 2, 3 Waldron Sta. July 3, 4 Bates Ct., at Center Point July 6 Charleston Ct., at New Prospect July 9, 10 Mulberry July 13	Success Ct., at Datto
	The state of the s	Imboden Ct., at Ravenden Springs
	Hackett Ct., at HackettJuly 17, 18 Fort Smith Ct., at Oak GroveJuly 23, 24 Greenwood July 24, 25	Mammoth and Hardy, at Mammoth Spring. Mammoth and Hardy, at Mammoth Spring. Aug. 27, 28 J. K. FARRIS, P. E.
	Dodson Avenue (Fort Smith) July 16, 17 Hackett Ct., at Hackett July 17, 18 Fort Smith Ct., at Oak Grove July 23, 24 Greenwood July 24, 25 Alma and Kibler, at Harroldton July 30, 31 Van Buren Sta. July 31 Magazine and Wesley, at Wesley Aug. 6, 7 Midland Heights Aug. 13, 14 Van Buren Miss Aug. 20, 21 F. S. H. JOHNSTON, P. E.	JONESBORO DISTRICT.
	Midland Heights	Harrisburg Sta June 19, 20 Crawfordville and Bethany June 25, 26 Vaundale Ct July 2, 3 Earle Sta July 9, 10 Leachville Miss July 16, 17 North Jonesboro and Lake City . July 27, 28 Barfield Miss
I	F. S. H. JOHNSTON, P. E.	Earle Sta. July 9, 10 Leachville Miss. July 16, 17
	FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT. (Third Round.)	North Jonesboro and Lake City. July 17, 18 Barfield Miss. July 23, 24 Blythewille Ct. July 24, 25
	Springtown, at Mt. TaborJune 18, 19 Siloam SpringsJune 19 Bentonyilla	Barfield Miss. July 23, 24 Blythowille Ct. July 24, 25 Brookland Ct. July 30, 31 Manila and Dell. July 31-Aug. 1
	Lincoln, at Morrow June 24 Viney Grove, at Rhea June 25, 26	Luxora and Rozelle Aug. 6, 7 Osceola Sta Aug. 13, 14 Wilson Ct Aug. 14, 15 First Church, Jonesboio 11 a. m. Aug. 21 First Church, Blytneville 8 p. m. Aug. 21 Trinity (**)
	War Eagle, at Rocky Branch July 1 Huntsville, at Presley's Chapel July 2. 3	First Church, Jonesboio11 a. m. Aug. 21 First Church, Blytneville8 p. m. Aug. 21 Trinity (1. Aug. 27 28
	Goshen, at SonoraJuly 9, 10 SpringdaleJuly 10 Rogers July 10	Trinity Ct. Aug. 27, 28 Cotton Belt Miss. Aug 29 Little River Miss. Aug. 30
	(Third Round.) Springtown, at Mt. Tabor. June 18, 19 Siloam Springs June 19 Bentonville June 22 Lincoln, at Morrow June 25, 26 Prairie Grove June 26, 27 War Eagle, at Rocky Branch July 2, 3 Goshen, at Sonora July 9, 10 Springdale July 20, 3 Rogers July 17 Pea Ridge, at Post Oak July 23, 24 J. M. HUGHEY, P. E.	Lake City MissAug. 31 A. M. R. BRANSON, P. E.
	DARDANELLE DISTRICT.	HELENA DISTRICT. (Third Round.) Wheatley Ct., at GoodwinJune 19, 20
	Ozark Ct., at Spring HillJune 18, 19 Hartman Ct., at Hay's ChapelJune 19, 20 Spadra MissJune 20, 21	Wheatley Ct., at Goodwin June 19, 20 Cotton Plant Station June 25, 26 Brinkley Station June 26, 27 La Grange Ct., at Spring Creek July 2, 3
	London and Knoxville, at Madden June 25, 26 Lamar and Mt. Olive, at Mt. O. June 26, 27	Brinkley Station June 26, 27 La Grange Ct., at Spring Creek. July 2, 3 McCrory Station July 9, 10 Colt Ct., at McElroy July 16, 17 Holly Grove & Marvell, at H. G. July 23, 24 Turner & Shiloh Ct., at Turner July 23, 24 Council Ct., at White Hall July 30, 31 Hamlin Ct.
	Clarksville Sta	Turner & Shiloh Ct., at Turner. July 23, 24 Council Ct., at White HallJuly 30, 31
	Belleville and Walnut Tree, at Camila	Haynes & Madison Ct at Widener And 7 9
	Danville Sta. July 16, 17 Dardauelle Ct., at Centerville. July 19, 20	Laconia Ct., at Knowlton Aug. 1, 3, 14 Marianna Station Aug. 21, 22 Helena Station Aug. 28, 25 District Conference at McCrory begins at
	Danville Sta. July 16, 17	2:30 p. m., Wednesday, July 6, to close Sat- urday, July 9. Z. T. BENNETT, P. E.
	J. H. O'BRYANT, P. É.	OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.
	HARRISON DISTRICT. (Third Round.) Berryville, at Pleasant ValleyJune 18-19	CHICKASHAL DISTRICT. (Third Round, in Part.) Purdy and Red Bluff at Red Bluff June 19-20
	Fair View Ct., at Bluff Springs. June 25-26 Yellville Ct. July 2.3	Wayne at Union SpringsJune 25-26 Paoli and Florence at PaoliJune 26-27 L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.
	Mountain Home Tuly 10.11	TULSA DISTRICT
	Eureka Springs July 16-17 Valley Springs, at Hasty July 23-24 District Conference at Mountain Home July 12 to 15.	Coweta June 19-20 Beggs and Mounds June 25-20 Sapulpa June 26-27
	WILLIAM T. THOMPSON, P. E.	Dustin and Lamar July 2: Haskell July 9-16 Bixby and Red Fork July 10-11 Bristow Station July 16-17 Strong Station
	WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE. BATESVILLE DISTRICT.	Bristow Station. July 16-17 Stroud Station. July 17-18 Sparks and Davenport. July 18-19 Beardon
	(Third Round.) Swifton Ct., at SwiftonJune 25, 26	Bearden
	Tuckerman Sta. June 26, 27 Evening Shade Sta. July 2, 3 Cave City, at Cave City. July 9, 10	Prague and Paden. July 29-30 Prague Station. July 30-31 Porter Station. August 6.7
	Ash Flat Ct., at Hickory FlatJuly 16, 17 Melbourne Ct., at NewburgJuly 17, 18 Salem Ct., at SalemJuly 23, 24	Porter Station
	Bexar Ct., at Wesley's ChapelJuly 24, 25 Calico Rock Ct. at Norfolk July 30, 31	DURANT DISTRICT. (Third Round.) FrogvilleJune 18, 19
	Mt. View and Guion, at Sylamore July 31, Aug. 1 Mt. View Ct., at Chalybeate Springs	Trigorial Frogram Trig
	Smithville Ct., at Flat CreekAug. 6, 7	KingstonJuly 2. 3
	Wolf Bayou Ct. Aug. 13, 14 Desha Ct. Aug. 20, 21 Bethesda Ct. Aug. 21, 22 Batesville, Central Avenue Aug. 27, 28 Batesville, First Church Aug. 28, 29 District Conference will meet at Cave City July 6, at 9:00 a m. Thursday the 7th	
	Batesville, Central Avenue. Aug. 21, 22 Batesville, First Church. Aug. 28, 29	Mashburn
	Will be Laymon's Day Por Louish B Lory of	
	ers' institute each afternoon and evening during the Conference including Sunder	(Third Round.)
	Moody Bible School. Let all arrange to stay	La Kemp, at BethanyJune 25, 26 Grand Valley, at Pleasant Valley. July 2.
	over Sunday for the institute. Committee of Examination for License, Deacons' and Elders' Orders, Admission and Readmission—Revs. N. E. Skinner and H. V.	Toland Ct., at Yierce Chapel. July 9, 10 Toland Ct., at Wagon Creek. July 16, 17 Mutual Ct., at Mutual. July 23
	Readmission—Revs. N. E. Skinner and H. V. Johnson. All candidates please report by Friday	Boise City, at Bertrand. June 18, 18 La Kemp, at Bethany. June 25, 26 Grand Valley, at Pleasant Valley July 2, 3 Ellis Ct., at Tierce Chapel. July 9, 10 Toland Ct., at Wagon Creek. July 16, 17 Mutual Ct., at Mutual. July 23, 22 Woodward Sta. July 24, 23 Tangier Ct. July 26 Guymou Sta. July 29 Guymou Sta. July 29

Woodward Sta.

Woodward Sta.

July 24, 25

Guymon Sta.

July 30, 31

Texhoma & Goodwell, at Goodwell. Aug. 6, 7

Hooker Sta.

Aug. 13, 14

Tyrone Sta.

Aug. 20, 21

District Conference at Goodwell May 28, 29 and 30.

J. F. LAWLIS, P. E. CHOCTAW CHICKASAW DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)

Owl Ct., at Okiak Kali ... June 18, 19

Atoka Ct., at Pine Grove... June 25, 26

Kiamitia Ct., at Caue Creek .. July 2, 3

Long Creek Ct., at Nohio Chapel. July 9, 10

Chickasaw Ct., at Burris Chapel. July 16, 17

Rufe Ct., at Frazier Chapel ... July 23, 24

District Conference at Pine Ridge. July 28

Kiowa Ct., at Dansby Chapel ... Aug. 6, 7

A. S. WILLIAMS, P. E.

LAWTON DISTRICT.

(Third Bound.)

Snyder Ct., at North Otter. June 18, 19
Mt. Park Ct., at Cooperton June 25, 26
Randlett Ct., at Randlett. July 2, 3
Abpeatone Ct., at Rich Valley July 9, 10
Frederick Sta. July 23, 24
Temple Sta. July 23, 24
Temple Sta. July 24, 25
Walter Ct., at Gregg July 31, Aug. 1
Fort Sill Ct., at Big Bow's. Aug. 6, 7
Manitou Ct., at De Young's Chapel. Aug. 13, 14
Lawton Sta. Aug. 17
Coment Ct., at Glenwood. Aug. 27, 28
Geary Sta. Sept. 12, 13
Fort Cobb Ct., at Fort Cobb. Sept. 11, 12
Anadarko Sta. Sept. 12, 13
C. F. MITCHELL, P. E. OREEK AND CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)

Okmulgee, Grave Creek. July 2, 2

Hitchita, at Bond Switch. July 3, 4

Saline, at Paw Paw July 9, 10

Sapulpa, at Sapulpa July 16, 17

District Conference will convene at Sapulpa
Chapel July 14, at 8:30 a. m. Opening sermon by Rev. William Hill July 13, at 8:00

p. m.

ORLANDO SHAY, P. B.

ORLANDO SHAY, P. H.

M'ALESTER DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)
Phillips Memorial
Hartshorne May 21, 22, Aug. 2
McCurtain May 31, June 5, July 11
Coalgate at CentrahomaJune 10-12
AtokaJune 12-13
Canadian, at IndianolaJune 17-19
Eufaula Ct., at Elm HillJune 24-26
Eufaula StaJune 26, 27
Stuart, at Self'sJune 30-July 3
Stonewall AveJuly 3, Aug. 3
Palestine CtJuly 6-10
Quinton, at FeatherstonJuly 10-11
Cameron, at TarbyJuly 12-17
SpiroJuly 17, 18
MonroeJuly 22-24
PoteauJuly 24, 25
Wister, at LefloreJuly 29-31
WilburtonJuly 31, Aug. 1
Mowdy
Stringtown Ct., at NixonAug. 7, 8
Caney Ct., at EgoAug. 12-14
Tushka, at Forest Hill Aug. 14, 15
Kiowa Aug 21 22
District Conference at PoteauJune 7-9
J. A. PARKS, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)

Washington Ct., at Rice. June 18, 19
Purcell Sta. June 19, 20
Oklahoma City, Capitol Hill. June 22
Shawnee Ct., at Mount Vernon June 25, 26
Franklin Ct., at Stella. June 26, 27
Tecumsch Sta. July 1
Shawnee, Trinity. July 2
Shawnee, First Church July 3, 4
Blanchard Ct., at Goldsby July 9, 10
Lexington Sta. July 10, 11
Arcadia Ct., at Victory July 12
Fl Reno Sta. July 16, 17
Stillwater Sta. July 23, 24
Guthrie Sta. July 33, 24
Guthrie Sta. July 31
Oklahoma City Ct., at Moore Aug. 6, 7
A. L. SCALES, P. E.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)

Tahlequah Ct., at Bald Hill. June 18, 19
Wauhillam, at Corey June 21
Fort Gibson, at Oktaha June 26
Muskogee Ct., at Gum Springs July 9, 10
Muldrow July 10, 11
Brushy Ct., at Hanson July 16, 17
Whitefield Ct., Prairie Grove July 23, 24
Stigler July 25
Tamaha Ct., at Eureka July 30, 31
Cowlington Ct., at Cowlington Aug. 6, 7
Warner and Porum, at Beck's Aug. 13, 14
Boynton Aug. 18
Bald Hill Ct., at Prairie Belle Aug. 19
Morris and Wainwright, at Morris Aug. 20, 21
Checotah Aug. 27, 28
Vian Ct., at Gore Aug. 27
First Church Aug. 30
St. Paul Aug. 30
St. Paul Aug. 30
The pastors will please be prepared to do the major part of the preaching on this round.
Let stewards have seventy-five per cent of the pastor's salary paid.

O. E. GODDARD, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT CONFERENCE,
JULY 5-8, AT TWENTY-EIGHTH
ST. CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK.
The opening sermon will be preached Tresday night, July 5, by Rev. S. K. Burnett.
Business session will begin at 9:00 a. m.
Wednesday. Preachers will be prepared to report briefly on all subjects required in the Discipline. Local preachers should be present and ready to report. If absent, let them send me a written report and inclose license for renewal.

Committee to examine for license, admission, etc., J. C. Hooks, A. P. Few, A. M. Robertson.

Friday will be Layman's Day. Lay delegates are urged to be present. Hon. J. O. A. Bush, of Prescott, the Conference Lay Leader, will be present and is anxious to effect more perfect organization.

Persons coming to Rock Island Depot will take West Ninth street car and get off at Twenty-eighth and High streets and go three blocks west to the church. Those who come to Union Depot may take any car, but will transfer to West Ninth car at proper transfer point. All persons who expect to attendare requested to send card stating time of arrival to the pastor, Rev. W. D. Mitchell, corner Twenty-sixth and Bishop. Representatives of schools and the women's societies are invited to be present and will have ample opportunity to present their causes. Let us come together to make the occasion one of uplift and strengthening.

A. C. MILLAR, P. E.

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CLINTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Clinton District Conference met at Cordell, Okla., June 7, 1910, for a three days' session. This is the fourth year for our Presiding Elder, Rev. W. D. Matthews, on the district. Many expressions of love and esteem were given during the session, among which was the presentation of a gold-headed cane to him by the members of the Conference, and to which the elder responded with much feeling. He is universally loved and the resolutions of love and esteem only expressed the true sentiment of every heart.

Many things were sources of gratification. While the finances were somewhat behind because of very poor crops last year over the entire district, the future looks bright, because such prospects for crops have seldom been seen in this country. With a bountiful crop as is now promised, the people will be able to raise every obligation of the

From the reports we find that very church. rew meetings have been held and only 261 had been added to the church this year so far, yet the protracted meeting season is just soon coming on and from the plans of the brethren we expect great things along the lines of revival work. We hope to see the day come soon when our town and city charges will put forth greater revival effort through the winter months. Some have done so already but not many.

One of the notable features of the Conference was the interest taken in the "Laymen's Movement." The laymen held their annual meeting on one of the evenings of the Conference, the District Leader, J. H. Pyeatt, presiding. Good interest was created and resulted in a resloution by the Financial Committee recommending that the laymen become responsible for the entire finance of the church.

The meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society was pronounced the best ever held on the district. I would make special mention of the address of Mrs. J. C. Seiter, the District Secretary. J. S. Lamar, of Mangum Station, represented the Board of Missions and preached the annual missionary sermon at night following the meeting of the Home Mission Society.

The District Leaguers held their annual convention Thursday, the last day of the Conference. Some good work was shown to have been done and some fine papers were read and addresses

The preaching was done ably and well. Rev. T. B. Fisher, a supernumerary member of the Tennessee Conference, preached the opening sermon Monday night. His preaching and presence was highly enjoyed by all.

Sure your Dr. Anderson was on hand, ever looking for a renewal or new subscriber, but that was not all there was to Anderson. His addresses were very helpful in the business of the Conference, and his sermon Wednesday at 11 a. m. was a masterpiece. Brother Anderson, you will always find a warm welcome among the preachers of the Clinton District.

Brother J. E. McConnell, another Arkansawyer but now stationed at Sayre, Okla., also delivered one of the strong sermons of the session.

The sentiment is strong in this district for the "two Conference" idea, but not for one strong and one weak Conference. The west side feels that they are able to take care of themselves if given a chance, and want nothing more than what is equitable and right in a division. While we feel grieved to be torn away from ties most dear, yet prudence, economy, and convenience speak out that there should be two Conferences.

The next meeting of the body goes to Sentinel on the Orient Railroad, one of the pushing new towns on the south side of the district.

W. S. DEARING, Sec.

Thomas, Okla.

NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIA-

The forty-eighth annual Convention of the National Education Association will be held in Boston from July 2 to 8. It is estimated that fully 30,000 visitors will be in Boston during this week.

In the preparation of the program great care has been taken. Papers and addresses by eminent leaders in the educational world have been arranged for. The great general sessions of the Convention will be held in the evenings and departmental meetings each morning. In the afternoons, visitors will have opportunities to see the countless attractions of Boston and vicinity, historical, educational and otherwise.

President Taft will deliver an address on the Fourth of July before the vast throng assembled in the classic Stadium of Harvard University in which the mammoth amphitheater will seat 35,000

The citizens of Boston have contributed handsomely for the entertainment of the Convention. All visitors on arriving at Boston will find at hand members of the Reception Committee.

Railroad and steamship companies offer attractive rates and special side trips of unusual interest. Plans for the Arkansas delegation are now being perfected and all who expect to go to Boston should write at once for program, rates, and other information to State Superintendent George B. Cook, Little Rock, President of the Arkansas N. E. A. Committee.

THE RESCUE MAGAZINE.

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hammer. How slow some good people are to learn this simple lesson. They take hold of an important enterprise with great zeal. They are intensely earnest, and even morbidly conscientious. Everybody ought to see it just as they do, and whoever does not is hammered at without mercy. Such uncharitable zeal provokes opposition. It excites all the friction of the natural heart. Men will not appreciate the truth presented when they are repelled by the spirit in

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WHERE SYMPATHY COUNTS. HELENA M. THOMAS.

As the observant woman awaited her turn one "bargain day" afternoon, she forgot her eagerness to be served in watching the girl behind the counter as she carefully fitted the hands of one who preceded her, for it was plain to be seen that will power alone kept the pale-faced clerk at her task. Still, in reply to such impatient exclamations "Do be more expeditious or I will lose my car!" she replied sweetly: "I am doing my very best. If I hurry I am liable to tear them."

"And now it is your turn," said the clerk as the impatient woman walked away, and she smilingly turned to the woman who endeavors to live up to the Golden Rule, under all conditions, and I am sorry to have kept you waiting so long."

And 1 am sorry to add to your burdens by having you wait upon me," was the rejoinder in so sincere a tone that the clerk, with a puzzled look, said:

"O, I might as well wait upon you as anyone, for my services are always in demand. What number, please?"

"I have noticed that you are always busy," remarked the customer, after giving her glove number, "but I never saw you look as you do today. But it has been an enervating day, withal, and I am glad for your sake that closing time is near."

The clerk then hurriedly faced about, ostensibly to take down more gloves, which gave her a chance to brush aside tears right and left, and then,, winking back others, she said, tremulously, as, with bent head, she proceeded to fit the hand of the woman who felt for others:

"I thought I was ready to drop when I turned to you, but I am all courage again, for—you—"

"What, child?"

The question was not answered at once, however, for the girl evidently feared a scene if she did not get herself well in hand before replying, so no further words passed between them until the second glove was nearly adjusted and then the clerk finished her sentence, saying, in a scarcely audible tone:

"You gave me just the tonic I needed -sympathy. To tell the truth," continued she, after a slight pause, "I had a nervous headache when I came to the store this morning and it has been a hard fight for me to stand here al day, but you are the only one who seemed to look upon me as anything but a soulless machine."

"Why, you poor child!" was th mother-comment, "how hard it must b to stand here and wait upon though less people when you are ill and tired Just then the fitting process wa

over, and as the clerk folded up t gloves she said, with a winsome smil

"I thought I was both a few momer ago, but, thanks to you, I have h such a tonic that I feel equal to ar thing now."-The New York Observ

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