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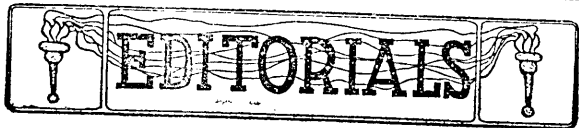
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PROHIBITION—OUR PRESENT OUTLOOK.

The legislature of Arkansas has adjourned without having done anything worthy of note for the temperance progress of Arkansas. This is precisely what we expected they would do. Not that there were not both in the House and in the Senate a good many sound temperance men—there were; but there were not enough of them, particularly in the Senate, and this was understood before the Senate ever met. Indeed it was pretty well provided for before the preceding legislature ever adjourned. We will do the liquor gang credit to say that they have shown great foresight and great energy. They put to work to capture a majority of the places more than two years ago; they spared no sort of effort to do it, and have been practically laughing behind the scenes ever since. When Representative Little made his famous speech some weeks ago he told the truth. He told the truth when he said that the liquor men were so in control that they obstructed everything that promised in any wise to obstruct them. It may be very humiliating to an honest people to confess it, but there has been no chance of getting any legislation through that assembly until the liquor gang was satisfied. Legislation which had no direct reference to the liquor question, legislation which was greatly needed, could not be had, nothing could be had, until the liquor gang were satisfied that they were not going to be disturbed. The test question has been, whether it was openly asked or not, it was always lying back to be used as a club, if need required, the test question has been, we say, "If we give you votes enough to put through your measure, what are you going to do when it comes to a vote on these whisky measures?" A great howl went up over Mr. Little's speech. They cried out, "Prove it! Prove it!" They called upon him to go before the grand jury if he knew anything. They denounced him as a crank, with diseased brain. It was a fine grand stand play. But everybody knows that Mr. Little has given the very substance of the truth. A man knows many things on which he may never be able to submit formal proof, such as a court trial, with all its technicalities may require. Everybody that is capable of understanding anything and that has had any opportunity to observe knows that there was a bunch of fellows in that Senate that belonged body, soul and breeches to the liquor interest. We know very well that the temperance people were not smart enough and quick enough to get in ahead of the liquor gang in electing the proper men the last time; but we are not so blind that we cannot recognize a plain situation when we look for months into the face of it.

It remains to be seen what can be made out of the extra session. We shall see what we shall see as to that.

But it also remains to be seen what sort of men the people are going to send here the next time, and experience proves that it is not a day too early to begin to look with great care into that question. On this subject we have one or

two suggestions to make. The suggestions apply to all offices, from governor down. Men are looking about to know whether they can afford to offer for office, from governor down.

Our first suggestion is that it is time to shut out flatly every man who is a straddler. It is an old dodge with the politician to be very accommodating, ready to do anything the people want done, ready to do nothing until they hear from the people, lest they might not be sufficiently accommodating to the wishes of the people. These poor fellows want the people to know that they trust the people; it is high time we should be finding men whom the people can trust; and the people can never trust any man who has no convictions of his own. It is time some man should rise up in this State and run for Governor, for example, on the platform that he has absolutely nothing to conceal, nothing to evade; a man who can put his platform in few words, a man who will boldly tell the liquor bunch that he does not want their votes; a man who comes right out in the open against whisky, against graft, against all forms of civic rascality, and who is willing to base his campaign on high moral ideas. If a sane and progressive and otherwise trustworthy man cannot win on this platform, we shall be greatly mistaken. If there is not moral stamina enough in this State to elect a man of that sort, we are now greatly mistaken. And our people must, they absolutely must, apply this principle in selecting our rulers for the next two years. We shall never get relief as long as we fool away our time on a lot of mere timeserving politicians, or as long as we put the balance of power in the hands of such.

A LESSON IN THE CATECHISM.

From the Northwestern Christian Advocate we take the following: "A writer in the London Methodist Recorder has been investigating John Wesley's attitude toward the Authorized Version of the Bible. For that purpose he took three chapters, chosen haphazard, in Wesley's 'Notes on the New Testament,' and found that he had introduced into the text sixty-one changes, of which thirty-two appear in the Revised Version of 1881. This is a fine tribute to Wesley's scholarship and his religious independence." Quite true; but it should not be inferred from this that Wesley was in any sense a "higher critic." He did not believe that the Bible contains a divine revelation, but that it is the divine revelation.—*New Orleans Christian Advocate.*

The distinction of statement here indicated is no criterion of higher criticism. It is no mark of a higher critic that one should say "The Bible contains a divine revelation," in preference to saying "The Bible is a divine revelation." It is, indeed, the better form of statement, as it presents a more correct idea of revelation. The call of Abraham, God's promises to him, the covenant with his people, the condition of justification by faith, were revelations of God to Abraham and his people, and in obedience to this divine revelation the righteous characters of the patriarchs were developed. About seven hundred years after Abraham, Moses wrote the history of these things. The record when made was of facts long known. Those facts were the revelation and not Moses' history of them. But the

history contained the revelation. Jesus taught, performed miracles, died and rose again, and his disciples at his command went forth and preached these things. The revelation of Jesus Christ was widely known, and the Christian church was widely established before the first line of the New Testament was written.

"The revelation of Jesus Christ" was given to the world, and the world had it without the book. From 70 to 100 years later the history of the revelation was written, so that the book now contains the revelation. Something is gained in teaching students that God's revelations to the world are in facts, which can be established, and while we may have a reliable record of these things in the Bible, the Bible is not the original source of divine revelation, and can only be called a divine revelation figuratively, as the medium through which the revelation reaches us. When we call the Bible a divine revelation we speak by metonymy, putting one thing for another—the symbol for the substance.

Pope's Higher Catechism has long stood in our course of study for preachers. We quote from the catechism on this head:

"Ques. What is meant by combining these terms (Revelation and the Bible)?"

"Ans. That all revelation, in its highest sense, is contained in the Holy Scriptures, which therefore have been generally and rightly spoken of, by metonymy as a divine revelation."

SHORTAGE OF MINISTERS.

It will be well for those who have not yet learned that there has been a reaction in the matter of ministerial supply to consider the following figures, taken from a recent number of the New York Christian Advocate:

In 1870 there were in the Protestant seminaries of the United States 3,250 young men. In 1895 there were 6,615. Then came the decline, so that in 1902 there were but 5,410, which was the low tide. But since that time the tide has been rising, so that in 1910 there were 7,537, distributed as follows: Baptists, 1,665; Methodists, 1,188; Presbyterians, 1,161; Lutherans, 1,099; Christians, 675; Congregationalists, 510; Episcopalians, 424.

A citizen who takes no interest in anything beyond the immediate community in which he lives is not a very valuable citizen. If he would be valuable he must take an interest in his State and in his nation. He can be of little value to State and nation unless he is informed as to what his State and nation need—he will read the secular papers that he may know what policies are best for his country. Suppose we test the value of a member of the church by the same rule—would that be unfair? Can a man be a valuable church member and know little or nothing beyond what goes on in his local church? And can a man who does not read his church papers know about the church?

The churches in England are giving strong endorsement to the international peace pact proposed by President Taft to Great Britain; but the churches of the United States are giving the matter little attention. There ought to be an expression of the churches on this great question voicing the moral sentiment of the nation in strong approval of the proposed measure.

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Notes and Personals

DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

Little Rock, DeVall's Bluff, p. m. May 24-26
Paragould, Piggott May 25-28
Helena, Wynne, 2:00 p. m. May 30
Guymon, Texhoma June 1
Texarkana, DeQueen, 8:30 p. m. June 12
Prescott, Amity June 29-July 2
Pine Bluff, Star City, 7:30 p. m. July 5
Camden, Junction City, 3:30 p. m. July 9
Searcy, Judsonia July 11-13
Arkadelphia, Leola (night) July 13-16
Batesville, Bethesda, 3:00 p. m. July 18
Creek-Cherokee, Thoplocco, 8:00 p. m. July 18
Choctaw-Chickasaw, Sealey Chapel. July 26-30

We are very anxious to have the District Conference Calendar complete, showing every conference. Let the presiding elders furnish what is lacking, and we will be thankful and give it careful attention.

We were pleased to have a brief call on last Friday from Mr. B. S. Horton of Searcy, Ark.

Bishop J. C. Kilgo will preach the commencement sermon of Tuskegee Institute—Booker Washington school—this year.

The State Senate passed very complimentary resolutions on the services of Rev. J. H. Dye, chaplain, at the close of the regular session.

Rev. S. M. Griffin, of the Memphis conference, residing at Milan, Tenn., made us a brotherly call last week while attending the great Reunion.

Rev. Jerome Haralson was in this office last Saturday, on his way to Brinkley, to assist Rev. W. P. Talkington in a meeting. He was looking well.

We extend condolence to Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Lamar, of Mangum, Okla., on the death of their son, notice of which will be found in another column.

Rev. D. P. Forsythe of the Leola charge made us a brotherly visit last Friday and reported a fine Children's Day service at Leola the second Sunday in May.

Rev. J. F. E. Bates, our pastor at Van Buren, preached the baccalaureate sermon for the High School of his city May 21. There was an interesting program besides.

Rev. J. L. Cannon, our pastor at Monticello, made us a brotherly call Monday on his way home from El Dorado, where he had preached the sermon for the High School.

We had a call the latter part of last week from

that excellent physician, Methodist and gentleman, Dr. A. J. Vance, of Harrison, long one of the most useful men in his region.

Rev. John P. Lowry left Saturday for Wilburton, Okla., to assist Rev. C. P. Cox, P. C., in a meeting. Should any of the brethren want his assistance, address him there or at 315 East 4th St., Little Rock.

Rev. B. L. Harris and his people at Newport have their new church well on the way; roof on and floors laid, and inside work going forward. They hope to get into the building by August. It will be handsome and commodious.

Rev. W. T. Locke has been supplying the pulpit at Newark, Ark., for about a month, since Rev. I. H. Russell was released for evangelistic service, and will continue doing the preaching till Rev. A. H. Dulaney arrives, latter part of June.

This editor is under many obligations to Mr. E. J. Magness, of Newark, Ark., for courtesies recently shown while we were in his town. Bro. Magness is not in good health, but he managed to take the editor over his town in great shape.

All persons residing in Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana, west of the Mississippi river, who desire to attend the Vanderbilt Biblical Institute, June 21-28, can purchase round trip tickets to Nashville and return home at the usual reduced fare summer rates.

Rev. A. W. Neyhouse, a local preacher of Batesville, who has been attending Arkansas College, has been placed in charge of Cave City circuit, in the room of Rev. T. L. Houston, whose health failed, and who is back at his old home, Grand Junction, Tenn.

Rev. S. S. Key, a superannuated member of the Arkansas conference, took in the Reunion last week and remained a day or two after it was over and brightened our sanctum with his presence more than once. We are always glad to greet these experienced servants of the Lord and the church.

"Rev. R. L. Reese, the new Methodist pastor at Granite, filled his pulpit Sunday evening. Brother Reese is a forceful speaker, is thoroughly imbued with the great responsibilities of his work, and his first appearance here gives promise of great good to the church." So states the Enterprise.

We are informed by the good superintendent of the Third Street Sunday school, Hot Springs, that that school observed Children's Day last Sunday. A large congregation attended and the program, under the management of Miss Beulah Loyd, was well rendered. The collection amounted to \$11.05.

On last Friday we were delighted to have a call from Mr. J. A. Simpson, "Uncle Jack," of Hamburg, Ark. He is one of the oldest and one of the most worthy Methodists we have in that part of this State. He was none the less welcome for being accompanied by Mrs. J. P. Blanks, one of our elect sisters of Hamburg.

E. L. Whiddon has been transferred from Mississippi conference to East Oklahoma conference and placed at Sparks, Okla., in Tulsa district. The people of all the different denominations of his charge in Mississippi regretted to part with him and expressed same by a resolution signed by the stewards, deacons and members of the several churches of Escataupa, Miss., his former charge.

Dr. Stuart of the Northwestern was at Winona. He spoke to the "dear childring" with one or two of the bishops. He told the childring that when the whale swallowed Jonah he got sick of his preacher—like some churches still. If you asked the whale why he was so sick of his preacher, the whale would have assured them he

had inside information. Yea, verily.—*Central Christian Advocate*.

Rev. F. H. Champion, Smithville circuit, White River conference, is reported to be doing most excellent work on his large circuit, and we learn from his presiding elder that he is up to date on his course of study. We greatly commend this example. The way some of our young preachers came up on their studies last fall was little short of a scandal. The annual conferences ought to require of every one of them that the year's course be brought up, unless there is a good and manly reason for not doing so.

The Raleigh Christian Advocate thinks we are presumptuous in claiming Rev. W. B. Ricks, now at Tulip Street church, Nashville, as a preacher from Arkansas, and reminds us that Mr. Ricks was born in North Carolina. If we had spoken of Mr. Ricks as an American citizen we would have said he was born in North Carolina, but we spoke of him as a preacher. It was in Arkansas that he learned to preach. The intelligence of an Arkansas congregation requires a preacher to strike a pretty high key.

Rev. B. L. Wilford, presiding elder Batesville district, has received three young Vanderbilt men for work in his district. Rev. A. H. Dulaney, who is from Farmington, Ky., goes to Newark; Rev. J. T. Willcox, who is from Alabama, is already in charge at Mountain View, and the people are delighted with him; Rev. V. T. McCaffrey, who is also from Alabama, goes to Swifton circuit, and will be in charge by the first Sunday in June. These are all fine young men, and Brother Wilford has shown excellent judgment in securing them.

A note from Rev. W. C. Hilliard says: "I hear many good things said of the Western Methodist by our people on my rounds." This leads us to say that we are trying to do our part in furnishing the church a good paper. We believe we are succeeding and from such statements as the above we conclude that our efforts are appreciated by those who read the paper. Of course a large contingent of our church membership who are not reading the paper are not deriving any benefit from it. It is a good time for our pastors and readers generally to do some much needed work along the line of increasing the circulation of the paper. Much good can be accomplished in this way.

OUR JOURNALISTIC "CRITIC."

Some weeks ago there appeared in this paper an editorial on the higher critic. Some brother in the patronizing territory of the New Orleans Christian Advocate did not like it. He chose to fire a shot under an assumed name. We had had our say for the time, and declined to enter a discussion with a man who did not sign his name. The editor of the New Orleans Advocate did not like that. In the issue of May 18th he devotes his leader to the subject. He has sundry and contradictory things to say. He first writes us down as a very bold man, then as a very timorous man. Witness the following two sentences, which we bring together for his benefit:

"Knowing the usual boldness of our contemporary, we entertained little doubt that the challenge handed out would be accepted, and that a prompt response would be forthcoming. Imagine, therefore, our surprise when in the issue of this journal of May 4, we etc."

"And whatever may have been the motive that influenced the author of the editorial in question to decline further discussion, we feel much disposed to commend him for his prudence. Though not old, we have lived long enough to observe that 'discretion is often the better part of valor.'"

Then he declares we are entitled to pursue the discussion or not, as seems best to us, while his whole editorial amounts, if it amounts to anything at all, to a complaint that we did not pursue the discussion. He does not presume to offer any suggestions as to what our course should

be, but he fills a column and three-quarters with suggestions:

"Of course, it is the prerogative of the writer in the Western Methodist to discuss the question of higher criticism further or not, as he pleases. We would not presume to offer him any suggestions as to what he should do."

What is our meek brother complaining about if he means what he says in this sentence?

He next tells us he has no desire on his own part to take up the issue, and forthwith proceeds to take it up, enforcing it by a nigger yarn. That he may be able to grasp this we bring these two sentences separated by an inch, together.

"We will only add that we have no desire to take the issue joined with the writer in the Western Methodist out of the hands of our correspondent. On the contrary, we are quite willing to leave the matters involved wholly to him."

"That is the trouble with most of these learned gentlemen whose defender the Western Methodist seems disposed to constitute itself. They are destructive, not constructive; they tear down, they do not build up. It is only just and fair to ask those who endorse and commend their work to point out specifically some of their boasted achievements, for which the Christian world is said to owe them such a large debt of gratitude," etc.

Dr. Meeks makes the point that there are several editors on the staff of this paper and that on this account it does not lie with us to object to *nom de plumes*. The point is not well taken, for this reason, if for no other, that he knows very well, as his correspondent doubtless knew, who is doing this writing, we are not fond of controversy; we sought none; we will certainly have none with a man whose identity is unknown.

But what can be done with a man who cannot write a column without crossing himself over and over?

Who expects him to appreciate the work of higher criticism, to see anything but destruction in it? How can he open his eyes to the vast contribution the critics have made on the constructive side? If we should submit a demonstration that these critics have made the Bible a book that lives and breathes, he could not see the point.

For the piddling nature of this sort of journalism we owe apologies to our readers; but we have been called into it by the nature of the objections filed against us. We did not set the gauge.

MINISTERIAL AUTHORITY.

It has been in my mind several days to pen a few thoughts on the subject indicated by my caption. But I am somewhat apprehensive that there is a class of readers of the Western Methodist who will shy around the word authority, hum and haw over it until they get up an amendment to strike it out, and substitute therefor the word complacency. Let us have a minister, say they, that has a sunny face, a pleasant voice, and will prophesy unto us smooth things, one, who if he has authority, will keep it so far in the background that it will scarcely be cognizable.

Now, I am clear in my mind, that ministers of the gospel, especially those in the pastorate, should have in their vocabulary the word and idea complacency, be just as polite, affable and courteous as any Christian gentleman. The pulpit is no place for brinkness or buffoonery. But I submit, that, he, above all men, should clearly and forcibly recognize the fact that he is sent on the King's business, and duly accredited as such, by the church of God: his Master "taught as one having authority," here is the preacher's pattern, let him not forget, "Now then are we ambassadors for Christ." St. Paul boasted somewhat of the authority which the Lord gave him for the interests of the church. No danger of any preacher getting too humble before God, but I think I am not wide of the mark, when I say, there is danger in "preaching to please men," danger of letting the very law of God suffer at hands of those specially charged with its defense and honor. Can we think of David meet-

ing Goliath with mere fair speech, complacency, to the full, if you please? No sir, he rises to the full height of his heaven given authority, asserts it, too, in language the vaunting Philistine had to own, "I came to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied," and victory crowned the day. So it will be everywhere and every when if ministers of Christ maintain the dignity, honor and authority of their calling.

But there is ground to fear that this authority of the gospel is not always recognized and respected by the people. Easy enough, it is, for them to understand that civil officers, doctors and learned lawyers have power, great influence, but the words, "obey them that have the rule over you, and admonish you in the Lord," are, with a great many very near meaningless. Some of them say to their beloved physician, "Write your instructions plain, doctor, they shall be followed to the letter." But, O shame, the pastor's counsel even in grave religious matters are scarce, in their estimation, deserving one serious thought. I'm no pastor, know that I never will be again, but I long to see Christian people give to their pastors the right hand of fellowship, give their sermons and pastoral admonitions and warnings a respectful hearing, and the very best you can do in the way of practical obedience to the gospel they preach.

Tulip, Ark.

JAMES E. CALDWELL.

HINDERANCE TO REVIVALS.

"In a multitude of ways the lay mind has become impressed with the idea that the clergy do not regard the spiritual element in religion as the thing of indispensable importance and therefore they do not take serious efforts made by the clergy to secure a revival. In fact they look to the spiritual experience, attainments and moral conduct of the clergy as a confirmation of this belief. Here is the basis for a widely extended conviction that the ministry is a profession and that men go into it as others go to the law, medicine and other professions. Hence we often hear the remark 'reduce the salary and empty the pulpit.'"

"Without pursuing the subject farther we may add that in our judgment a revival of any consequence to the church must begin with the clergy—the attitude of the clergy may be an effective limitation of God's power and grace."

Of late years we have stressed the material interests of the church and material interests have prospered. If now we turn earnestly and persistently for as many years to kindle the fires of spiritual experience we shall succeed as well. The flocks follow the shepherds. The Christian Appeal says:

"The editor of the Christian Guardian of Toronto, the official organ of the Methodist Church in Canada, has conducted an instructive investigation into the results of the recent simultaneous evangelistic campaign of Messrs. Chapman and Alexander. During nearly the whole of January these well-known evangelists, with a large staff of assistants, conducted a series of evangelistic services in Toronto; and the editor sent out a list of questions to every Methodist pastor in the city, appealing for an honest and straightforward reply. The questions dealt with additions to church and Sunday school membership; the influence of the mission in quickening the spiritual life of the churches, especially as shown in the prayer meetings and regular Sunday services, and the general impression of the method and the results of the campaign. Fifty per cent of the ministers applied to returned their answers within a few days. The editor states that over two-thirds of them agreed that practically no additions had been made on the membership of the church and Sunday school as the direct result of the services; that no improvement in the spiritual

tone of the church or in the attendance at public worship had been noticed, and that the meetings held during the mission had manifestly failed to grip the community in any striking way."

MANITOU TWENTY YEARS AFTER.

The glory from the world departs,
And happy smiles give place to tears,
As fellowship of kindred hearts,
Is broken by the passing years.
Love is our life, and ever more,
Its changing tide of hopes and fears,
Is by some other life controlled—
A life which doth our own enfold.

Once more I view these mountains gray,
Their crags and peaks fringed with the pine
And call to mind the long-past day,
When one young heart which beat with mine
In unison of hope and joy,
And faith in God and love divine,
In life's sweet spring, was with me here,
A cherished flower, my daughter dear.

Her soul was free as mountain air,
And pure as is the mountain snow.
She saw God's glory everywhere,
The light of all this world below.
"Earth is so near to heaven," she said,
"What fear of evil can we know?"
"All very good," our Father saith.
All very good, his children's faith.

The murmur of the waterfall,
The mountain torrent foaming down
Its cold deep canyon, and the tall
Brown cliff which reared its crest aboon,
And all the silent sleeping night,
Wooded wearily the maiden moon,
Had mystic voices manifold,
Which to her heart love secrets told.

On yonder height which heaves its form
Massive and bald against the sky,
We watched the rolling mountain storm
In might and majesty pass by.
A silver sea spread far below,
The sun shone forth undimmed on high,
In light and calm of summer day
We watched the arrowy lightning's play.

The ferny dell and purling stream,
Where aspens quivering in the gale,
Their dancing shadows threw, with gleam
Of sunlight meshes in a veil
Of swaying shade—a fairy show—
Did o'er her gentle mind prevail
In magic charm—an awesome mood—
The witching spell of solitude.

And here I come again to view
These scenes by memory made so dear,
The landscape wears an autumn hue,
Foretoken of the closing year.
The autumn hue is on my mind
In pensive mood I wander here
But see the West in glory glows
Calm sunset wooing to repose.

J. E. GODBEY.

TO OUR FRIENDS IN OKLAHOMA.

Our Paden is gone. God claimed him Sunday,
May 21. Our hearts are bleeding. Pray for us.
MR. AND MRS. J. S. LAMAR.
May 22.

We meet at one gate
When all's over. The ways they are many and
wide,
And seldom are two ways the same.
Side by side may we stand at the same little
door when all's done!
The ways they are many, the end it is one.
—Owen Meredith.

THE LIFE OF JOSHUA SOULE.

Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D., has written the Life of Joshua Soule, and Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn., Dallas, Tex., have published it. A neat 12 mo. volume, 285 pages, cloth, \$1.00.

So the statue of the sixth bishop elect, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, is set in the niche that has long waited for it in our Methodist temple of fame. A stern and majestic figure it is, like a sentry in bronze, guarding the portals of a temple.

Soule was the Moses—the law-giver—of the Methodist Episcopal Church. When in 1808, the Mass General Conference made provision for its succession in a delegated body, it was Soule who drew the constitution of the delegated General Conference, which this conference of 1808 adopted, and which limited the action of the delegated conference under the six Restrictive Rules. The author of the constitution became, as was natural, a vigorous interpreter and jealous defender of it. When the slavery controversy disrupted the church in 1844, as might have been expected, Bishop Soule stood with the party that contended for constitutional rights, as against the party of progressives, who held expedience to be a divine leading.

There was little matter for the biographer of Joshua Soule, except the public records; so the book under review adds little to our knowledge of the man. Some important letters are published for the first time, but they relate to public acts and contentions, which are pretty well known to the people who have cared to acquaint themselves with Methodist history.

The most noted struggle which Mr. Soule made for what he regarded the integrity of the Constitution, was when, in 1820, being elected bishop, he refused to be ordained, because the General Conference which elected him had passed a resolution that presiding elders should be elected by the conference upon nomination of the bishop, and president of the conference, who should have the power of restricting the election to three nominations for each district. This resolution was adopted by the conference by a vote of sixty-one to twenty-five, under the impression that it was a compromise measure, acceptable to all the bishops. But, in reality, Bishop George had manipulated the movement; Bishop Roberts also favoring it. The unanimity with which the conference voted on the compromise after long and hot debate, indicates that a strong restraining influence had been exerted by the position of Joshua Soule and Bishop McKendree. For it developed that McKendree was decided in his view that the measure was unconstitutional, which was also conceded by Bishop Roberts, although he thought the change should be made. When full knowledge of the situation developed it was voted to suspend the operation of the resolution till the next General Conference. But there was this dilemma in the situation: There was no constituted authority which was authorized to decide whether a measure was constitutional or not. Bishop McKendree assumed to give his opinion to the effect that the measure was unconstitutional. The work of Bishop Simpson, "A Hundred Years of Methodism," seems clear on this point. We quote, "For the sake of peace and harmony, he recommended to the annual conferences such an alteration of the Restrictive Rule as would allow the plan which had been voted upon in the General Conference to be adopted."

It is a singular fact that this measure, to make constitutional the election of presiding elders, was defeated by those who were most in favor of the change. There were twelve conferences and while seven voted for the change of the rule, five conferences, through their unwillingness to recognize the measure as unconstitutional, refused to vote on it at all, and so, under McKendree's ruling, the matter did not come constitutionally

before the General Conference of 1824. This is Bishop Simpson's statement: "The measure was laid before the conferences and seven out of twelve expressed their judgment that the resolutions were unconstitutional, and recommended the General Conference, in accordance with Bishop McKendree's advice, to so alter the restrictive rule as to enable the General Conference to pass the suspended resolution. Five of the annual conferences, the majority of which were in favor of the suspended resolutions, refused to act on Bishop McKendree's address, or to memorialize the General Conference, and consequently the plan of Bishop McKendree failed."

Certainly there is much in this chapter of our church history from 1820 to 1824, including the General Conferences of these two dates, which seems to us confusing and contradictory. The election of Soule to the Episcopacy, when his views on the presiding elder question were known; the passing of the resolution after his election, to make the presiding eldership elective; the refusal of Soule to be ordained, because of this action; the fact that when a new election was proposed it was clear that Soule would be again the choice; the vote of the conference to suspend the action of the resolutions for a quadrennium; a difference of opinion about their constitutionality; the fact that there was no power to pass authoritatively on the question; the virtual assumption of a veto power by Bishop McKendree; the failure of the Bishop to get a constitutional majority to support his plan, and the fact that under his ruling the five conferences that most favored electing the presiding elders defeated the measure; the final ruling that the seven had determined the measure unconstitutional, though had the five that refused to vote voted as the seven did, the measure would have passed; the fact that a resolution to invest the bishops with veto power, also failed of endorsement by the conferences, and finally that Soule was again elected bishop at the end of the quadrennium till present, a medley of contradictions which shows that the constitution of the church was still as clay in the hands of them that were no potters. Also the fact that Emory and Waugh who opposed Soule's views were afterward made bishops shows that the conferences were easily subject to the sway of popular leaders.

That Joshua Soule exercised great influence in shaping the government and guiding the history of the church cannot be questioned. That his influence was always for the best is very doubtful. Bishops George and Roberts were decided in their preference for an elective presiding eldership, even Bishop McKendree recommended that the change be made, but in a constitutional manner. Emory and Waugh were leaders in the advocacy of the measure, and Bishop Soule himself afterward acknowledged that "the government might be administered" under the change proposed and indicated that what he feared was further encroachment on Episcopal authority. Had the views of Bishops George and Roberts and if the leaders Emory and Waugh been backed by as strong a will as directed Joshua Soule they would have prevailed, and the church would probably have enjoyed greater peace, and prosperity.

MISSIONARY ASSESSMENTS AND SPECIALS.

By W. W. PINSON.

The recent session of the Board of Missions was the longest and one of the most interesting and important sessions in its history. It was the first annual session under the new constitution. Some important changes in policy were proposed. The Board was face to face with greater opportunities and larger demands than ever before. It was therefore essential that time and

thought should be given to its business, and it was also inevitable that under such conditions there should be difference of opinion. On many points the difference was quite emphatic and the discussions were animated and protracted. All of which was wholesome and led at last to clearer understanding and more intelligent action. It would be interesting to detail the important measures adopted, but there were so many and of such far-reaching significance that they cannot be adequately treated in a single communication, and must be left for consideration at other times. Our purpose at this time is to make plain, in the light of the action of the Board, a matter on which much depends and about which we are constantly receiving inquiries.

Nothing has been more perplexing and more difficult to get clearly understood than specials and their relation to the assessment and to the regular budget. Since the Board has adopted a new set of by-laws and after practical discussion expressed its mind on that subject, it is important that the matter be clearly understood.

Under our present regulations there are three classes of objects:

First. Those objects which are included in the annual budget of appropriations and which are necessary to the maintenance and continuance of the work already begun. Such are the salaries of missionaries, support of schools, sustaining native workers, rents of chapels, homes for workers, etc. Whatever else we do these expenses must go or we must retire some of our work or workers. This last is not to be thought of, but the income from assessment has not for years been sufficient to meet this demand. In order to meet it this year we were compelled to report one hundred thousand dollars more for these objects alone than was raised on the assessment last year. Hence, we rely on raising a hundred thousand dollars of this amount by means of specials over and above the assessments. *Any of these objects may be taken as specials. When so raised all money raised on them may be counted on the assessment.* Two things must be apparent to all: One is, that these necessary objects should be our first care, and that those desiring to undertake specials should make these objects their first choice; the other is, that in raising money for such objects, the amount should in every case exceed the assessment if possible, since we must raise \$100,000 more than we raised last year on the assessment in order to take care of our work. Should we not do this no matter how much we raise otherwise there must be a deficit since all these objects must be taken care of, and the income from assessment is insufficient.

Second. There are objects for which a contingent appropriation has been made. These are new enterprises greatly needed, and necessary to the immediate and normal development of the Missions. They are made contingent on the money being raised to put them through. Unless a sufficient amount is raised for these objects they will not be carried out. There are some sixty thousand dollars represented in these contingent appropriations. This amount added to that for the first class of objects mentioned above, makes a total equal to the full sum raised last year on both assessment and specials. These, therefore, we ought to be able to care for this year. Objects of this class *are to be taken as specials and money raised on them may be counted on the assessment the same as in the first class.* Money so raised, however, should be in large measure, if not altogether, a surplus over and above the regular assessment, else it is clear we cannot carry them and the absolutely necessary budget without deficit.

Third. Certain specials are voted to be raised outside of and independent of the appropriations. They stand on their own merits and have their

own funds which have no direct connection with the other funds of the Board. Money received for these specials must be so used, and no other funds of the Board can be used for them without the special authorization of the Board. *No money contributed to these specials can be counted on the assessments.* They are to constitute an appeal apart from and independent of the budget and the assessment.

Nothing that has been said applies to woman's work, either foreign or home. Their work as to methods of raising money and to administering it when raised, is distinct from the general work of the Board. Money raised for woman's work can in no case be counted on the assessment or in any way affect the general budget.

Let these three classes of objects be kept in mind and there need be no confusion on the subject of specials. And if the whole church will unite in swelling the income on the assessment by raising the entire amount in every charge, and then multiply those charges that go far and away beyond the assessment, we shall get on the highway of safe and sure progress.

This can be done by following the instructions of the Board in giving our first care and attention to supporting and strengthening the work already established. This will give us a larger basis for appropriation by swelling our regular income and will form a solid basis of advance with resources to hold and care for the advance when made.

This policy has met with most gratifying favor throughout the Church. Churches have been quick to seize upon it as a means of going beyond the assessment. Messages are pouring in on us from every section of the Church that make the heart thrill with joy. By taking objects included in the budget and making the Every-Member Canvass many churches are raising three and four times the amount of their assessment. Letters bearing this cheering assurance are coming to us almost daily. A jubilant chorus of progress is swelling all along the line. Let us keep it swelling till the whole Church catches it up and the whole mission field breaks forth into rejoicing. Every day the light grows a little, every day the way opens and grows clearer, and "the best of all is God is with us."

OPENING THE WAY.

To Many Readers of the Western Methodist.

Dear Sisters of M. E. Church, South and Collaborers in the Master's Vineyard: This article is especially designed to forward woman's connectional work with their pastors. Opening the way for our pastors' work. I am fully persuaded that the good women of our churches do not fully realize the importance of lending a helping hand to our local pastor in many ways. It has been my good fortune to attend eight district conferences in the last few years. In attending these meetings I saw with my eyes and heard, and perceived with my heart the sore need of this one thing. From their reports it seemed that some pastors were unable to have as good a report as they would like to have had. Especially when they were called upon to report of the spiritual condition of their charge, they did it with hesitancy.

So let us remember that we women of the church have a charge to keep. Let us keep in mind our relationship with our minister in doing effective work, doing their duty as God has commanded them. In revival meetings in their great anxiety to reach men and Christ, let us not be wanting there. By observing and doing these helpful things in the advancement of our Lord's kingdom, we not only make ourselves a strong character for God, we help to make our minister a strong servant for the Master's use.

So, in conclusion, in our Christian duty let our highest aim in our Master's service be according with God's plan, not ours. Study to show our-

selves approved of God. God forbid that we should do anything with God's disapproval, for we must soon be done with time. Let us do the work which God puts into our hands with our might. So let us be ever ready to open the way for good works. Yours in the Master's service,

MRS. G. W. CLARK.

A LETTER FROM A YOUNG MAN TO OTHER YOUNG MEN.

As this is the day of our annual track meet at Little Rock, and we have a holiday, and as I have not the money to go to Little Rock I have decided to write an article for the Western Methodist, and risk the judgment of the editor.

I have chosen for my subject "Lost Opportunity." Not that I have the "blues," "muligrubs," "budes," "jimjams," or anything of the kind, for I sincerely believe that I am getting as much joy and happiness out of life as anybody. But, that I can see first, the opportunities that I have lost. Second, I can see others losing golden opportunities every day. Third, that when an opportunity is lost that opportunity is lost forever. Fourth, that I have a burning desire to help others to see, know, and to grasp the many decisive opportunities that are theirs every day of their lives. What I shall say on this subject shall be directed principally to the boys and girls, young men and young women between the ages of fourteen and twenty, for that is the most careless period of human life, and also the most susceptible period.

Let's begin with the animal there is in us. Almost every boy and girl has the blessed opportunity of developing a strong symmetrical physique. And, this must be done from the ages fourteen to twenty. Boys, you cannot accomplish this by smoking cigarettes, a pipe, or using tobacco in any form, using strong drinks, indulging too freely in cold drinks, being up late at nights, idling away your time and doing nothing. But, you can accomplish this by leaving off these things and doing exactly the opposite. Take part in the athletic sports in your community, be the best athlete in your school or your State. Keep busy, do hard manual work, don't be afraid to put your muscular power in a good cause. Did you know that some "water-headed," "pusillanimous" specimens of our young race think they are too good to work! God pity them. Boys, if you want God and the salt of our race to pat you on the shoulder and honor you, you do whatever honorable thing is at hand, and do it well. Keep busy.

Now, let's see about our lost intellectual opportunities. The same rules for developing a strong physique applies to our mental development, with a few additional ones. You must read and study, memorize, take an active part in your literary society; if there is not one in your community, organize one; take personal interest in your Sunday school, and be able to discuss intelligently any subject that you may be approached on; go to school every day that you can, and always do your best.

Miscellaneous opportunities lost. First of all, be pleasant and jolly. No one cares about the company of a groucher. Nearly everybody enjoys the company of a happy, jolly, sweet-spirited person. Make your parents happy and proud of you. Girls, did you ever really try this? Your opportunity for making *her* happy will some day pass forever. You had better see about this seven days in the week, three hundred and sixty-five days in the year. You know how to do this without any further discussion. You do not realize how often your dear old mother's heart and very soul sobs and longs for your manual help, and your gentle, sweet companionship. What about it? Have you lost these precious opportunities?

Now to the most important opportunity of all. That of building and establishing a strong Chris-

tian character. This is not done by one bound, in one year, nor in ten years, but in a whole lifetime. How important it is then to get the foundation of this structure correctly founded. Now to do this it takes all that I have mentioned above and a great deal more. Boys, if you neglect this opportunity, lose this opportunity until you pass the age of twenty, the odds are against you. "Behold I stand at the door and knock." How often has God knocked at the door of your heart and sweetly whispered to your soul "Let me in, take me as your companion?" How many times has God, when you were planning or indulging in something wrong, tapped you on the shoulder and with a gentle, sweet voice whispered to your soul, "Don't do that, that is wrong?" How often has your mother or your preacher insisted upon your deciding for Christ and beginning on the structure of your character now? What have you done with these opportunities? Boys, I beg you in God's name to take a stand. Stand for something. Be a man, a *Vir*, not merely a *Homo*. The world is crying for men and women today. Will you hear and step out for service? "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." You will reap your own harvest. Thank God for that statement. You cannot sow the crop and shift the harvest off on some one else. You must reap it. What have you done with your opportunities? What are you doing with them today? What are you going to do with them?

"Lost opportunities." Young friends, let's wake up and see our possibilities. If you just simply fool along and never see your possibilities, neglect your opportunities, and the final sad, sad result of it all, lose your own soul, some sad, sad, unexpected day you will have nothing to say or do, but, "Goodbye Opportunities. Amen, to my own destruction," and take your hat in your hand and with long strides walk straight into hell forever and ever, which is your own choice and your own harvest.

your friend,

ROBERT SHINN.

Hendrix, Conv. Ark.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, A contract has been made and entered into by and between the Guymon University Association, a corporation, incorporated under the laws of the State of Oklahoma, and Rev. R. A. Baird, acting as agent of the M. E. Church, South, which contract provides that for certain considerations therein set forth, the M. E. Church, South is to establish an institution of learning, as described in said contract, therefore, be it resolved—

First: That the Board of Education of the West Oklahoma Conference hereby approves said contract and pledge their hearty support to the proposed enterprise.

Second: We desire to express our appreciation of the liberal proposition made by the Guymon University Association, and commend this enterprise to the consideration of our people.

Third: We hereby elect the following Board of Trustees for the College and empower them to secure a charter in accordance with the law of our Church and of the State of Oklahoma:

Mr. J. H. Wright, Mr. N. E. Nance, Mr. W. C. Crow, Mr. E. C. Summers, Mr. C. W. Claycomb, Mr. J. G. McLarty, Mr. A. J. Welty, Dr. W. H. Langston, Mr. M. W. Pugh, Mr. C. M. Plymel, Mr. Harry Clark, Mr. Guy S. Speakman, Rev. R. A. Crosby, Rev. W. M. Spain, Rev. R. A. Baird.

Signed: R. E. L. MORGAN, Chairman.
G. W. KIRBY, Secretary Pro. Tem.

Guard within yourself that treasure, kindness. Know how to give without hesitation, how to lose without regret, how to acquire without meanness.—George Sands.



SECULAR.

At Paris last Sunday an exhibition of aeronauts was being given in a race to Madrid. Two hundred thousand people were assembled. After four airships had started the driver of the fifth—a monoplane—lost control of his machine, and it dashed to the ground in the midst of the crowd, killing Henri Maurice Bertaux, Minister of War, and injuring Premier Monis, and his son, with others.

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A peace agreement between the Mexican government and the insurrectos was signed at Juarez on the 21st. It requires the resignation of President Diaz and Vice President Corral, stipulates that Francisco Leon de la Barra shall be President *ad interim*. Six out of eight of the members of the new cabinet are named by the revolutionists, and they will have a leading part in electing the Governors of the different States. The general condition and will of the people shall be consulted before holding the new elections, and certain reform measures accepted and carried out. The revolution has been successful, and the revolutionists have gained, substantially, all their demands. It is clear that Madero has had the sympathy of the people at large and will be written down in history the liberator of Mexico.

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Our State Legislature convened in extraordinary session on Monday last, at the call of the Governor, who specified six things which he wants the solons to do, viz:

"To pass and make effective the constitutional amendment providing for the initiative and referendum.

"To pass a law abolishing the convict lease system and providing for the proper management and control of the State penitentiary.

"To make appropriations to pay the State accounts in the rate cases of \$2,500.00, and to pay the actual court costs—not attorney's fees—of \$12,500.00 for appealing the rate cases to the Supreme Court of the United States.

"To make necessary provision for transferring the Supreme Court and State Treasurer's offices to the new capitol.

"To make appropriations to maintain the several departments of the State government, and to make appropriations to maintain the State charity and educational institutions."

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It would have been in harmony with the Governor's views had the Chaplains of the Legislature said in their opening prayer: "We acknowledge that we have done the things which we ought not to have done and left undone the things we ought to have done and are all miserable sinners."

But will the legislators now do what they have been called in extraordinary session to do? Perhaps the adage will be verified "You can lead a horse to water, but you can't compel him to drink."

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The Supreme Court of the District of Columbia had sentenced Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell, and Frank Morrison, President, Vice President, and Secretary, respectively, of the American Federation of Labor, to imprisonment for contempt of court. The Supreme Court of the United States sets aside the decision as erroneous on the ground that the lower court treated the contempt as a criminal case and not as a civil case incurring fine only.

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Some time since the Missouri Federal Court gave a decision for the government of the United States against the Standard Oil Company, to the effect that it was a monopoly in restraint of trade

and lawful competition, and ordered its dissolution within thirty days. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States, which on the 15th inst. gave a decision—all the Judges concurring—sustaining every point in the decision of the lower court, save that six months was allowed the company to dissolve.

The construction of the Sherman Anti-trust law, by the court, that it must be understood to apply only in case of unreasonable restraint, leaves all other monopolies subject to trial on their merits.

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The reunion of the Confederate Veterans was a great occasion. The registration of Confederates was over 12,000. It is estimated that visitors first and last who found entertainment in the city were not less than 100,000. At their departing the old soldiers had only praises for the hospitality of our city. Never was the reunion so large, or so well entertained. The Entertainment Committee reported 8,723 lodgings unused.

President Taft's message to U. C. V.:

"The White House, Washington, May 15, 1911.

"To the Confederate Veterans who are now assembled in Little Rock, I send heartiest greetings, and express the hope that they will have a pleasant and successful reunion.

"The men of the Confederate army fought for a principle which they believed to be right, and for which they were willing to sacrifice their lives, their homes—in fact all those things which men hold most dear. As we recognize their heroic services, so they and their descendants must honor the struggle for the preservation of the Union. The contending forces of nearly half a century ago have given place to a United North and South, and to an enduring union, in whose responsibilities and glorious destiny we equally and gratefully share.

"During my visits South it has gratified me greatly to see those who fought for the blue and those who fought for the gray mingle together, worship the old flag, and feel a common pride in the deeds of heroism that were displayed in the Civil War. One of the most pleasant incidents of my visits through the South was the evident desire on the part of its people to confirm to the world that we are getting closer and closer together.

"I congratulate the South on the wonderful progress which it is now making and on the spirit of civic pride which it is displaying.

"WILLIAM H. TAFT."

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There was a meeting of the Law and Order League of Little Rock—J. H. Estes, President—at the Auditorium last Sunday at 3:00 p. m.

Almost 200 men were present and the meeting was addressed by W. E. Atkinson, of Clarksville, former Attorney General for the State, and by Judge Manning, of this city, and others.

It had been announced that ex-Representative A. G. Little would address the meeting. Mr. Little had promised to speak, but later sent to Rev. Ben Cox a letter stating that his enemies were very busy in circulating the statement that his purpose in championing the movement was to re-enter political life, from which he had announced that he had permanently withdrawn.

The Law and Order League is not political. Its aim is to sustain our Mayor and the city officers in all attempts to enforce the law against all forms of vice which are amenable to law and to aid the Anti-Saloon League in its efforts to suppress vice and crime at their source, by closing the saloons. There is no reason why any man whose heart is in such a cause, should not identify himself actively with it. A resolution was passed informing Mr. Little fully of the nature and design of the movement, and inviting him to address the League next Sunday.

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The good people of Little Rock have confidence in their new mayor, Mr. Taylor, who has entered

vigorously upon the work of law enforcement, and who is expected to give us an administration guided by a firm hand and the highest moral ideals.

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Five persons were drowned by the capsizing of a batteau on the Mississippi river at Arkansas City on last Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Parma Wilson, who resided at Eutaw, Miss., with their three children, were visiting Mrs. Annie Wilson, of Arkansas City. Both families consisting of nine persons, were in the boat, which was also loaded heavily with other freight. Mrs. Parma Wilson and two children were rescued by the boatman, Mr. Rambo. The drowned were Parma Wilson, Irma Wilson, Mrs. Annie Wilson, Edna Wilson and Viola Wilson. The cause of the disaster was simply overloading the boat.

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RELIGIOUS.

The editor of the Midland Methodist is receiving many confirmations of his statement that more men than women attend church.

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In the Palmore College in Mexico, one of our Southern Methodist schools established in that country, there are sons of Navarro, a general in the Federal army, and Orozco, one of the leaders of the Revolutionists. This is an evidence not so much of the friendly relations of the young men, but of the excellence of that institution, which Bishop Candler says is one of the best of our foreign mission schools.—*Central Methodist Advocate*.

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It would have afforded this junior editor great pleasure to have joined with his old-time friends in Kansas City in celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the election of Eugene R. Hendrix to the Episcopacy, in the Methodist Church South. Bishop Hendrix and his family have honored the church. His influence in Kansas City, while it has given wise direction to the development of our own Methodism has fostered and secured the most sincere fellowship of the two great bodies of Episcopal Methodists in his home city.

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STATEMENT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FEDERATION.

As announced last week this committee was in session in Chattanooga May 10 to 12. It agreed upon some matters to be referred to the General Conferences, which are not made known to the public. To the church at large they send the following statement.

MANY DIFFICULTIES.

"Our task has not been a light one. Many difficulties have emerged in the course of our sessions. Things that do not appear on the surface often become manifest on closer examination. This fact, however, has not appalled us. When a difficulty is once clearly seen, it is already partly conquered. In truth, we are greatly encouraged. The bare fact that it has been possible for us to engage in the discussion of the several issues that have arisen is much. The frank and candid spirit in which these discussions have been conducted is also a ground for congratulation, and the substantial agreement reached on some points furnish reasons for the anticipation that we may eventually be able to see eye to eye on others.

"While our work is not in such a state of maturity as in the judgment of the Commission would warrant us in making a detailed statement to the public even if we supposed that we had authority to do so, we yet do not hesitate to say, as we have intimated above, that we have made real and substantial progress, and that we close our present meeting with hope, holding ourselves open to receive any new light that may come to us in the future and ready to convene again when it may be deemed expedient.

"We wish it to be distinctly understood that

what we have done is not, and does not pretend to be, of the nature of a definite plan of union, but is cast in the form of a series of suggestions to the General Conferences such as may be helpful to them in reaching final conclusions."

AS TO EVANGELISTS.

We commend the position of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate on evangelists: This writer has had the opportunity to test fully the value of their work. The church is being constantly weakened by independent evangelists who do not represent the church, who criticise and disparage the church and pastor, and who destroy the moral force of their own appeals, even when they preach well by the amount of money which they require for their services. The result is the confusion and disheartening of the church. Great numbers of conversions are generally reported. But if the results are sought a year after, in consistent church members, little result can be found. Such are the reports that come from the work even of the most noted of these evangelists. Another evil which attends the work, is, that some pastors became discontented and confused in their work, and think that a big stir must be made somehow, and they try to play evangelist in their own charges by sensational methods when the very men they are aping could not hold a church for a year. The pastor must be an evangelist. He must reach out and take hold of the unconverted. He must know how to organize and inspire his church for such work. There are congregations so spoiled by evangelists that the pastor will find their reconstruction and re-instruction a task requiring patience and time. But serious and honest work, which expresses settled convictions and purposes, is never spasmodic. Men who cannot draw the people by the unction of divine fervor seek to draw them by novelties. Success on this line is failure. There is an appetite in most people for shows and novelties. The preacher who panders to it by playing the clown, or turning his church into a moving picture show, will fail at least in the charge God has given him. There is no real success gained by compromise with worldliness or by wrong methods.

GREAT "FIND" IN PALESTINE.

A celebrated Austrian Egyptologist, Professor Ernst Sellin, reports the discovery of an ancient palace of Herod the Great on the plain of the lower Jordan, near the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. The foundations are in a complete state of preservation, and Professor Sellin says the palace might easily be reconstructed after the original plans. The readers of the Bible know that Herod the Great, who was king of Judea from the year 40 to 4 B. C., was very cruel, but history shows that he also had a great love of building cities, temples and palaces. This is probably one of the first he built.—*Christian Advocate* (N. Y.)



MAY 28: LOVE PROVED BY SERVICE.
(John 21:15-17.)

The Scripture for our lesson today is Christ's last charge to Peter.

Peter was from the very first one of Christ's closest companions. He was admitted into the inner-circle of the Lord's friendship. Peter, James and John it was who witnessed the Transfiguration on Mount Hermon. The best Jesus had to give was bestowed upon these three and Peter seemed to be the favorite.

But when Jesus was taken prisoner by the mob which a little later nailed him to the cross, Peter denied ever having known Jesus. When

asked if he were not one of Christ's disciples he emphatically denied the charge.

For making this denial Peter suffered indeed. He was sorry at once, and as he could he hastened to the tomb where Jesus had been placed, only to find that he had broken the bonds of death and had arisen from the grave.

An angel told them where to find Jesus so they hasten away to find him.

"Later on Jesus showed himself again to his disciples by the Sea of Galilee. It was in this way: Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathaniel, James, John and two other disciples were together, when Peter said: 'I am going fishing.'

"We will come with you," said the others.

"They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night. Just as day was breaking Jesus came and stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was he.

"My children," he said, 'have you anything to eat?'

"No," they answered.

"Cast your net to the right of the boat and you will find fish."

"So they cast their net, and now they could not haul it in on account of the quantity of fish. Upon this John said to Peter: 'It is the Master!'

"When Simon Peter heard that it was the Master he threw himself into the Sea. But the rest of the disciples came into the boat dragging the net full of fish.

"When they had come ashore they found a charcoal fire ready, with some fish already on it, and some bread as well.

"When the meal was prepared, Jesus said, 'Come and breakfast.'

"When breakfast was over, (Peter, in the meantime, having swam ashore) Jesus said to Peter:

"Simon, son of John, do you love me more than the others?"

"Yes, Master, you know I am your friend."

"Feed my lambs," said Jesus.

"Then a second time Jesus asked:

"Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

"Yes, Master," he answered again, 'you know I am your friend.'

"Tend my sheep."

"The third time Jesus said to him:

"Simon, son of John, are you my friend?"

"Peter was hurt at this third question being 'Are you my friend?' and exclaimed:

"Master, you can tell everything! You can tell I am your friend."

"Then feed my sheep," said Jesus."

This is the account given in the Twentieth Century New Testament of the topic for today.

This story of Peter could be told by one of the Juniors and then the importance and emphasis laid on service brought out by the superintendent.

Show them how persons *work* for wages, but *serve* for love.

SERVICE ONLY.

"When a man determines to labor for the good of others without taking account of the pay he may receive, all the work that he does is *service*."

"After a terrible war a great general was offered a big sum of money if he would become president of a big business undertaking. 'We will give you \$25,000 a year if you will only let us use your name in connection with our business,' the rich men said. 'You need not do any work at all. You will be able to live in comfort and repose.'

"I thank you gentlemen," the great general replied, 'but I cannot accept your offer.'

"Then the famous soldier turned round and became the president of a small college which was deeply in debt and not able to promise him a cent of pay. And he made the college a great school for building young men into great characters.

"There are many men just like the general. Do you know any of them?"—*Epworth Era*.

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ON TO CROSSETT!!

The Epworth League Conference of the Little Rock Annual Conference meets in Crossett June 6-9.

First of all Leaguers have never had a more hospitable host.

Again it is an opportunity to see with your own eyes a great Institutional Enterprise conducted on broad uplifting educational lines.

Periodic visits to Crossett have benefitted the writer, and a visit by our Leaguers will be educational in its nature.

The proprietors, managers, skilled workmen, laborers, professional men, clerks, book-keepers, all in the town and camps have the spirit of brotherly love and advancement educationally, morally, spiritually. They with practical unanimity pull together and make Crossett and its environs ideal. They believe in high ideals and no community responds more willingly and liberally to the righteous to the calls of our State and Church.

The writer wishes space would permit the printing of the names of men and women who ought to be known and honored throughout the State for their work's sake.

Each Chapter in the Conference should see to it that one or more of its brightest workers attend the Crossett Conference. The Executive Committee doubtless has a feast of good things for us in the program. We need this Conference. Let every League send a representative.

On to Crossett!

Texarkana, Arkansas.

JAMES THOMAS.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE AT CROSSETT.

Will all who expect to attend the League Conference at Crossett please notify me of that fact as early as possible.

Trains arrive at Crossett as follows: Iron Mountain, 4 p. m.; Rock Island, 8:05 p. m. All who come from points south, or west, of Benton or Fordyce will find it to their advantage to come over the Rock Island, making connection at either of the above named places as may be most convenient. Trains leave Crossett over both roads at 9 a. m.

All who come on the Rock Island Tuesday evening, for the opening of the Conference, will be expected to go directly from the train to the church and will not be assigned to their homes until after the Program of the evening is completed. For this reason all who come on this particular train had best bring their lunches with them for supper on the train. Let all who can possibly do so be here for the first service Tuesday evening.

All who would like to enjoy our splendid Natatorium while here would find it to their advantage to bring their bathing suits with them.

The outlook is good for a fine attendance and the people of Crossett are co-operating heartily with the Conference Executive Committee in their efforts to make this the greatest League Conference ever held in the State.

J. A. SAGE

HENDRIX COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

June 11-14.

Baccalaureate Sermon, June 11, at 11 a. m., by Rev. W. R. Richardson, D. D.

Y. M. C. A. Sermon at 8 p. m., by Rev. P. C. Fletcher.

Contests June 12-13.

Board meeting 9 a. m., June 12.

Commencement Day, June 14.

10 a. m. Literary addresses by Dr. D. Y. Thomas.

Graduating Exercises.



CONFERENCE OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CHAIRMEN AND FIELD SECRETARIES.

By REV. W. J. MOORE, SECRETARY.

The Conference of Sunday School Chairmen and Field Secretaries convened in its second annual session, in Memphis, Tenn., at First Church on April 5, 1911, and continued through the evening of the 7th.

Rev. E. B. Chappell, D. D., in the chair. Rev. W. J. Moore was elected Secretary.

An interesting and comprehensive program had been prepared; and it clustered about the following general topics: "Organized Adult Bible Classes," "Sunday School Equipment," "Our Teaching Force," "What We Need," "Administrative Work of the Boards," "What Are We Doing?" etc.

Dr. Chappell pitched the note of interest upon a high key at the opening session of the conference in his interesting discussion of "The Sunday School in Retrospect and in Prospect." This splendid interest was maintained throughout the conference.

This is the second conference of the kind to be held. The first was held in Nashville a year ago. Both the interest and attendance were largely increased over the first, indicating that the workers in this department of the Church's activities recognized the importance and helpfulness of such annual gatherings.

There were thirty-one representatives of Boards and Conferences in attendance, from Illinois to Louisiana, from Maryland to Mexico. Many interested visitors were in attendance.

There was not a dull session of the entire conference. This interesting program was in the hands of experts. We can only give the briefest outlines of what was done, and but faintly indicate the scope of the discussions. Men and women were there right from the field, full of zeal, anxious to help and to be helped.

1. "The Organized Adult Bible Class Movement" was in charge of Dr. Buella. Every phase of the movement was discussed and many problems solved, we are sure. Mr. Ellzey of Louisiana, Miss Kilpatrick of Mississippi, and Rev. Bonner of Texas, made addresses on special phases of this general topic.

It was readily apparent that the "Wesley Adult Bible Class Movement" is growing in interest popularity and numbers at a rapid rate. Dr. Bulla has the qualifications for successful leadership in this great movement.

The following resolution was passed which expressed the unanimous sentiment of the Conference: "We believe that the Wesley Adult Bible Class Movement has in it more possibilities of good to the world than any other movement that our Church has recently inaugurated. Rejoicing in the success already achieved through this movement in winning men to Christ, we believe that the active, intelligent co-operation of all our preachers and superintendents would greatly increase the number of Adult Classes and result in winning many thousands of men to Christ. We therefore urge all Conference Sunday School Boards, Field Secretaries, Presiding Elders, Pastors, Superintendents, and all other Sunday school workers to give special attention to the Wesley Adult Bible Class Movement. And we further urge that all organized classes in the schools of our Church enroll in the Wesley Adult Bible Class Department, at the same time retaining their present name and affiliations where they so desire."

2. The second general topic, "Sunday School Equipment," was led by Mr. J. M. Way, of South Carolina. The pressing demands for better buildings, for Sunday school work, helps in

teaching, libraries, etc., were fully discussed. The unanimous sentiment of the conference is expressed in the following resolution: "No present need of our Church is more pressing than well planned church buildings and trained teachers, so that the work done by our Sunday schools will not suffer by comparison with the day schools attended by the same children. We suggest to our Board of Church Extension that special attention be given to the planning of churches that are moderate in price and yet adequate to the needs of the Graded Sunday school for villages and rural communities."

3. More emphasis was given, perhaps, to Teacher Training than to any other topic. Dr. Hamill, of course, had charge. The general topic was, "Our Teaching Force." Discussions of how to organize, to conduct, and to maintain such classes were had by those who are in the field trying to solve these problems. The following resolution and recommendations were passed: "We again emphasize the need of Teacher Training. We recommend that Presiding Elders inquire closely into this phase of the work in their quarterly conferences, and lend their influence and assistance in the organization of such classes, and that pastors and superintendents strive to impress upon the teachers the necessity of special preparation for their work, and organize Teacher Training Classes whenever possible. We also recommend that all Teacher Training Classes be promptly reported to Central Office for enrollment."

4. "Administrative Work of the Boards" proved to be a very interesting topic. Rev. E. Hightower of Texas read a most excellent paper on the topic, and he was requested to furnish same for publication in the Christian Advocate. The observance of Children's Day and Finances and Sunday School Extension was given due consideration.

The last topic, Sunday School Extension, called forth a resolution, which was adopted, recommending "that the large, untouched sections of the country be looked after and a school planted if possible. The details of which will have to be left to the wisdom of the Conference Boards, of course. In some cases, students for the ministry might be employed in this work during vacation. In many cases the various members of the Sunday School Boards, or consecrated laymen, might be pressed into service."

One of the most helpful sessions was held by Mrs. Howill, in which she discussed "Present Day Problems" as they relate to the elementary department.

A resolution was adopted calling attention to the general indifference of our schools to the Birthday Offerings for our Sunday School Loan Fund. This fund is to be used in helping to build and equip Sunday school church houses. Jars are furnished free, and it is urgently requested that all Conference Boards press this interest.

The Conference passed a resolution requesting the General Board of Education to make provision whereby our Advanced Teacher Training Course may be made a part of the Standard curriculum of our colleges, so that our students may be prepared for Sunday school work.

This conference thought that more effective work could be done, and a closer relationship established and maintained between the General Sunday School Board and the Conference Boards, if the chairmen of the Conference Boards should be made ex-officio members of the General Board, and a resolution to that effect was passed.

It was the sense of the Conference, expressed by resolution, that each Conference Board be as thoroughly organized as possible for aggressive work with the view of ascertaining the conditions of the schools and offering such help as is needed to improve them.

It was recommended that the Agents of the

Publishing House see that a full line, wherever practicable, of our supplies shall be on hand at our Annual and District Conferences, and Sunday School Institutes. We believe such a course would enlighten our workers, and also increase the sales of our House.

Report was made from the trustees of the Southern Methodist Assembly at Waynesville, N. C. The fact was stated that ground had been set apart for the erection of a model Sunday school building, said building to be erected by the Conference Sunday School Boards of our Church; and the enterprise was commended to the favorable consideration of our people.

A resolution was passed recommending that our Sunday school workers form a closer relationship for mutual helpfulness; and each member pass any and all literature, programs, leaflets and other helpful suggestions, to every other member.

A resolution was also passed expressive of our appreciation of the work that is being done by the International Sunday School Association, and pledging our hearty co-operation.

Of course, the usual resolution of thanks was offered to Bro. Pepper, to the people of his church for the royal entertainment and for other courtesies extended.

Dr. Hamill had charge of the last service; and delivered a most interesting illustrated lecture on "The American Sunday School."

The next Conference goes to New Orleans and will be held about January 15, 1912.

PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION.

BISHOP HENDRIX.

Denver, Walsenburg, Col., August 31; Mexican Border Mission, Saltillo, Mexico, February 1; Central Mexican Mission, Guadalajara, Mexico, February 8; Northwest Mexican Mission, Torreon, Mexico, February 22.

BISHOP ATKINS.

New Mexico, Tucumcari, N. M., October 4; West Texas, San Marcos, October 8; Northwest Texas, Plainview, Texas, November 1; Central Texas, Polytechnic Station, Fort Worth, November 8.

BISHOP MOUZON.

German Mission, San Antonio, Texas, November 2; North Texas, Gainesville, November 15; Texas, Marlin, November 22; Louisiana, Parker Memorial, New Orleans, December 6.

BISHOP M'COY.

Louisville, Greenville, Ky., September 27; Arkansas, Booneville, Ark., November 8; Little Rock, Fordyce, Ark., November 15; White River, Blytheville, Ark., December 6.

BISHOP DENNY.

Missouri, Columbia, Mo., August 30; Southwest Missouri, Marshall, Mo., September 13; St. Louis, Kirkwood, Mo., September 27; East Oklahoma, Okmulgee, November 15; West Oklahoma, Mangum, November 22.

BISHOP WILSON.

Virginia, Salisbury, Md., November 1; North Georgia, St. James, Augusta, November 15; Alabama, Pensacola, Fla., December 6.

BISHOP WATERHOUSE.

Montana, Missoula, Mont., August 24; East Columbia, Heponer, Ore., August 31; Columbia, Roseburg, Ore., September 14; Pacific, Sacramento, Cal., October 18; Los Angeles, San Diego, Cal., November 2.

BISHOP CANDLER.

Holston, Morristown, September 27; Tennessee, Columbia, October 18; Memphis, Madison Heights, Memphis, November 16; Cuban Mission, January 11 to 13.

BISHOP MORRISON.

West Virginia, Louisa, Ky., September 6; Illinois, Worden, Ill., September 21; South Georgia, Bainbridge, Ga., November 29.

BISHOP HOSS.

Western North Carolina, Broad Street, Statesville, N. C., November 8; North Carolina, Kinster, N. C., November 22; North Alabama, Florence, Ala., November 29; Florida, Gainesville, Fla., December 13.

BISHOP KILCO.

Kentucky, Richmond, Ky., September 13; South Carolina, Bennettsville, S. C., November 22; North Mississippi, Macon, November 29; Mississippi, Meridian, Miss., December 6.

BISHOP MURRAY.

Japan Mission, Arima, Japan, August 31; Korean Mission, Wonsan, Korea, September 21; China Mission, Shanghai, China, October 12; Baltimore, Roanoke, Va., March 27.

BISHOP LAMBETH.

Brazil, Petropolis, Brazil, July 20; South Brazil, Urugav and Brazil, August 17; African Mission, September 30.

Fall meeting College of Bishops, Dallas, Texas, October 26.

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.)

Winchester, Ark., Feb. 20, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine: Will you admit an Arkansas girl into your happy band? I live on a farm. I am a farmer's girl. I live a mile and a quarter from town. Gladys Blankenship, your riddle is an egg. Greenhorn I guess you wear a derby. Come on, Arkansas boys and girls; don't let the Oklahoma boys and girls beat us. Ruth Carr come again. Our pastor is Brother Frank Hopkins; this is his third year. We like him. We are planning to build a new church at Winchester soon. We take the Western Methodist. I think it is a fine paper. I always look for the children's page first. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Chairs. My school teacher is Miss Clara Wilson. I go every day I can. For pets I have a little sister and a cat. Anita John I guess your age to be eighteen years. Am I right? I will tell you my age, it is ten. We have a time playing dolls. How many of you belong to the church? I do. I belong to the Methodist church. I will be glad when spring comes, won't you Cousin Katherine? The birds sing so sweetly and the flowers bloom. Well I will close by asking a riddle: "As I rode over London bridge, I met a man and if I should tell his name I would be to blame. I have told his name five times and yet you do not know it."

Your cousin,
NAOMI CALDWELL.

Chidester, Ark., Feb. 20, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you please admit another little Arkansas girl into your happy band of readers? I have been reading the letters and think they are fine. My age is between ten and fifteen; the one who guesses it will receive a post card. I have blue eyes and dark hair. I will guess Miss Gladys Blankenship's age to be ten, and the answer to your riddle is an egg. Will close by asking a question: How many letters are there in the New Testament?

Your cousin,
ETTA LESTER.

Cotton Plant, Ark., Feb. 23, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Have you room in your corner for another little girl? If so I would like to come in for a little chat. Mama takes the Western Methodist. I have just finished reading the children's page. The one that guesses my age will receive a postal; it is between ten and thirteen. I am in the sixth grade. I live in the country three miles from Cotton Plant. I go to school over there part of the year and part of the time out in the country. I drive my pet, a big yellow horse. I will guess that Gladys Blankenship's age is ten years. I will also guess her riddle. Humpty was an egg. I will close by asking a riddle: What is the difference between a pill and a bill? I hope my letter will miss the waste basket, as this is my first trial.

Your new cousin,
EULAH CRAFTORD.

This letter was missent—that is the reason it is so late. MISS KATHERINE.

Piedmont, Okla., Feb. 28, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: How are you this rainy day? I am all right. I go to school every day I can and like school fine. My studies are reading, arithmetic, geography, grammar and spelling. I am in the fourth reader at school. My teacher's name is Mr. Simmons. We like him fine. I go to the Methodist church at Piedmont. Our pastor's name is Brother Fisher. We like him fine. I will let you guess my age; it is between nine and twelve. I will guess Buffalo Bill's age to be sixteen. Ethel Fortner I will guess your riddle: There was a man named

each and he took a pair and left eleven hanging there. Now I will close. My letter is growing long. I remain your cousin,
INA SIMPSON.

Ninnekah, Okla., Feb. 27, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine: I am a little Baptist girl twelve years old. I attend Sunday school regularly. My superintendent's name is Mr. W. W. Cantrell, and our pastor's name is Brother W. S. Anderson. I read the Western Methodist and the Visitor and I like them both. I like the stories and the letters fine, especially the one "Who Owed the Debt," written by Miss Ruth Carr. I am in the sixth grade at school and my teacher's name is Miss Lorena M. Swearingen and we like her fine. Ninekah is a small town but it has a fine school. Hoping my letter will miss the wastebasket I will close.

LILLIAN MARSHALL.

Monette, Ark., Feb. 25, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: I have finished reading the children's page and enjoyed the nice letters from the children and thought I would write a letter to the page as I've never written before. I will let you guess at my age. It is between nine and fourteen. I go to school and Sunday school. Mr. Carl Braley is my school teacher and Mrs. Mrtha Pitts my Sunday school teacher. Ethel Fortner your riddle was a man named "Each" and he took a pair and left eleven pairs hanging. Oh children! didn't Ruth Carr write a fine letter? I must say Good-night.

Your cousin,
LORENZO FOSTER.

Monette, Ark., Feb. 25, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: I have just finished reading the children's letters and thought I would write a letter to the children's page. I am a little boy nine years old. I go to school most every day. Prof. E. C. Braley is my teacher. I enjoy going to Sunday school. Mrs. Martha Pitts is my Sunday school teacher. Bro. Stephens is our pastor. I will close by asking a question: "What was John's surname?"

Your new cousin,
ELBERT FOSTER.

Monette, Ark., Feb. 25, 1911.

Hello Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you admit another little girl into your happy band? My age is between seven and ten. Can you guess my age? I go to Sunday school most every Sunday. My sister is my Sunday school teacher. Our class uses the graded literature. We are now studying the second year's work. I enjoy going to school. I study the third grade studies. My sister is my teacher. As this is my first letter I will quit after asking a question. "What damsel hearkened at the door when Peter knocked?"

Your little cousin,
LUCILE FOSTER.

Crawfordsville, Ark., March 2, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: As I saw my other letters in print I thought I would write again. I am visiting my sister at Crawfordsville, Ark. Her husband is the pastor here. She has two sweet babies. I was invited yesterday afternoon to a doll's tea party and I had a very nice time. I went to school yesterday morning with my friend (Gussie Morris) and met several girls. I like this place real well. The people are all very sociable and nice. I will answer a riddle. "Twelve pair hanging high, twelve men came riding by. Each took a pair, how many were left." Answer: There was a man named Each, and he took one pair, so there were eleven pair left. I will try asking a riddle: Hick-a-more Hack-a-more on the king's kitchen door; all the king's men, all the king's horses couldn't drive Hick-a-more Hack-a-more off the king's kitchen door.

Your old cousin,
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C. P. ZIMMERLE, White Creek, Davidson County, Tenn.

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J. D. NEWBERRY, Millsaps, Texas.

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JOHN INGRAM, Conway, Ark.

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C. D. PHILLIPS, Lake View, Iowa.

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MRS. B. J. LINDSEY, Texana, Okla.

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Trousdale, Okla., March 1, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Kind Cousins: How are you all this bad weather? It is raining this morning. What are you all doing? I am going to school. I am in the 5th grade. How many of you all like to go to Sunday school? My teacher's name is Miss Fronie Anthony. Our pastor's name is W. F. Campbell. I will let you guess my age. It is between ten and fourteen. My birthday is the 20th of March. I would like to have a shower of post cards. Well I am afraid my letter is getting too long, so I will close, hoping to see my letter in print. It is my first time to write.

ZONA SANDERS.

MODEL AEROPLANES OF 1911.

The author of that delightful and helpful little volume, "The Boys' Book of Model Aeroplanes," Francis Collins,

is contributing to current issues of St. Nicholas a supplementary series of articles on "Model Aeroplanes of 1911," articles which, just as the title indicates, are gathering together all the latest information regarding this fascinating sport. In the fall Mr. Collins will go abroad, to see the work being done by aeroplane model enthusiasts, young and old, in England, Germany, and France.

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ANNUAL MEETING IN CAMDEN.

Report No. 2.

As the excellent program and the many pleasing incidents of our fine meeting in Camden are recalled, we realize that even in two reports many good things must be omitted.

Instead of "Honorable Mention" as heretofore for the districts and auxiliaries which excelled during the past year, were awarded royal ribbons with letters of gold, happily designed and presented by our president, Mrs. F. M. Williams.

Camden district raised the largest amount of money for connectional work; and Arkadelphia district led in funds for local work.

Camden auxiliary excelled in connectional work, and Arkadelphia Auxiliary paid the largest amount of dues. The auxiliary of First church, Little Rock, raised the most money for local work and Malvern auxiliary did almost as well in home enterprises. Crossett and Hope reported the conference pledge paid in full. Texarkana district had the largest number of Life members. Camden auxiliary leads in Honorary Life members and has the largest Brigade.

First church, Little Rock, has the largest number of subscribers to the Missionary Voice, and in Stephens and Murphreesboro auxiliaries every member is a subscriber to it. Thus a number of us were bedecked with royal ribbons to be presented in the auxiliaries, and the spirit of friendly rivalry may stimulate us all during this year.

That reminds me to say, the Board of Missions has recently decreed that our fiscal year shall correspond with the calendar year, and we must bestir ourselves in order to raise the money pledged for our thirteen mission schools by December 31. Several delegates will try to raise some of this money at their June meetings and during the summer instead of waiting to do it all "when the crops come in," and that is a wise plan. Let us do as much as possible before the heat of mid-summer. It will be a great satisfaction if the report of this short year excels that of the long ones, and it is possible for us to accomplish this. Will we do it?

At Camden it was our great pleasure to appropriate \$100.00 of funds in hand towards the purchase of the first Superannuate's home established by the Little Rock Conference which is in Arkadelphia and now occupied by our revered Brother, Rev. J. H. Riggin and family.

As the last General Conference turned the Parsonage department over to the Board of Church Extension there were no applications for aid, but the committee on Parsonages recommended that our auxiliaries add to the comfort and beauty of three homes for our pastors, providing the heavy furniture when practicable.

In an interesting talk on Parsonages, Mrs. Moffatt Rhodes said fresh paint and tasteful wall papers are of prime importance, and that hearty co-operation between pulpit and pew is needed in the care of the parsonage.

Our Little Rock Conference Mae McKenzie endowed scholarship fund was handsomely enlarged by the appropriation of funds already in hand for extension of work and a liberal contribution from the congregation on Sunday night.

It is said our Conference holds fast to that which is good, and the few changes made in the personnel of its official board were due to the earnest request of a few workers for relief.

The election of officers resulted as

follows: President, Mrs. F. M. Williams; vice president, Mrs. W. C. Watson; second vice president, Mrs. Moffatt Rhodes; third vice president, Mrs. H. C. Rule; fourth vice president, Mrs. V. S. McLellan; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. H. Pemberton; treasurer, Mrs. F. C. Floyd; recording secretary, Mrs. A. E. Sparling; auditor, Mrs. Carl Voss. District Secretaries—Arkadelphia, Mrs. W. E. Barkman; Camden, Mrs. S. B. Proctor; Little Rock, Mrs. A. R. Stover; Monticello, Mrs. V. E. Moss; Pine Bluff, Miss Gussie Jones; Prescott, Mrs. J. J. Young; Texarkana, Mrs. Alice Parks, and for superintendent press, Mrs. Edgar Wyatt of Hot Springs was chosen.

Rarely does the Western Methodist make typographical errors in our reports and the two of last week are now easily corrected by saying Amity pledged \$5.00 instead of \$50.00 on the fund to be raised by the Little Rock Conference W. H. M. Society for our thirteen schools, and that the Lady Manager of the fine Brigade in Camden is Mrs. E. L. Watson.

The Committee on Publication hopes to have the Annual Report in the hands of the publishers at an early date and they will send out the leaflet for June as requested by the conference if not hindered by circumstances beyond their control. MRS. W. H. PEMBERTON,
Cor. Sec. L. R. Conf. W. H. M. S.

HARRISON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The forty-fourth session of the Harrison district conference met in Green Forest, May 9, 1911.

Rev. W. T. Martin held the business with a steady hand, and was ready at all times to impart reliable facts concerning the work of the district.

Dr. O. E. Goddard gave a very helpful address at the opening service. His message was to the point, and many will remember his utterances throughout life.

Conference Missionary Secretary, Rev. J. H. O'Bryant, was with us throughout the session, and gave two very helpful addresses. Rev. J. B. Stevenson of the Fayetteville district gave us a share of his time, and besides representing the Orphanage, took part in some very helpful devotional services. The brethren all came to help, and conference greatly appreciated their services.

Three pastors failed to get to the conference. In one instance a meeting was in progress, and in another sickness prevented. A goodly number of laymen came "and women not a few." These all added to the interest of the meeting. More than twenty-five local preachers came, or sent in their reports.

Two superannuates were present—Rev. J. H. Cummins of the Arkansas conference and Rev. A. G. Moore of the Southwest Missouri conference.

The conference granted a license to one young man—Loren Clare Raper. He, with one other, Bailey Edwin Robertson, were recommended for admission to the Annual Conference.

The women of the Foreign and Home Societies held an enthusiastic meeting on the second day of the conference. A District Epworth League organization was perfected with J. L. Bryant, of Eureka, as president, and Everett Falkner as secretary.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: Jno. S. Dodson, R. P. Harrison, W. T. Ruble and H. W. Redus. The alternates are: J. C. Eaton, K. J. Hodge, T. L. Bond and W. L. Aylor.

The report on the Spiritual State of the Church, showed seventy-four conversions, and one hundred eighty accessions. Many of the charges have had no special meeting yet.

Taking the conference all in all, it was the best for several years. The next Conference goes to Harrison.

JOHN A. WOMACK, Secretary.
Harrison, Ark., May 18, 1911.

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HINDSVILLE, ARK.

Rev. W. B. Wolf and his singer, A. C. V. Gilmore, opened up a tent meeting here Sunday, May 7. Large attendance and interest increasing at every service. Bright prospect for a great revival. Will write you later in regard to results.

Yours truly,

T. C. STEELE, P. C.

HAWLEY MEMORIAL.

We are very glad to be able to report great progress in our church work here during the past year. Our membership has doubled in the past eighteen months. We have the best chorus choir of about thirty-five voices I have

ever known. We have as large congregations as any Methodist church in this city. We open our Epworth League room every Sunday night and it often happens that many are turned away.

Our people are the most loyal and enthusiastic for the success of their church I have ever served. We expect to begin a tent meeting in about ten days right by the church. Brother Hammond will be with me two or three weeks. We are all hopeful of a great meeting. Pray for us.

W. W. NELSON.

P. S. Harry continues to improve slowly. His health is good. He suffers no pain. Has no use of lower limbs. We feel so grateful to friends for their love, sympathy and prayers. It is still a problem as to him ever walking again.

W. W. N.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

The Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Arkansas conference will hold their annual meeting at Bentonville June 16 to 21.

Miss Belle H. Bennett, President of the Missionary Council and Miss Maria L. Gibson, Principal of Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo., will both be present and give addresses, Bible Study Hours and Institute work. This is to be an unusually helpful meeting and will every auxiliary see to it that their representative is present to record in her note book the suggestions for putting snap into missionary work; to catch a larger vision of world needs and opportunities, and to get in closer touch with God and his plans.

Miss NELLIE DENTON,
Cor. Sec. for F. M. Societies.

Mrs. F. M. TOLLESON,

H. M. Cor. Sec. Ark. Conf.

The following is the program for the annual meeting of the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Arkansas Conference, to be held at Bentonville, Ark., June 16-20.

Friday Evening, 8 o'clock.

Music.

Scripture Lesson—Rev. C. W. Lester.

Address—Miss Belle Bennette.

Saturday Morning, 8:45 o'clock.

Devotional.

Organization.

President's Message.

Reports of Conference Officers.

Noon Bible study—Miss M. L. Gibson.

Saturday Afternoon.

Devotional.

Reports of Conference Officers.

Reports of District Secretaries.

Institute Hour—Miss Bennett.

Saturday Evening.

Committee Meetings.

Sunday Morning.

Prayer meeting, 10:30.

Address—Miss Belle H. Bennett, at 11:00.

Sunday Afternoon, 3 o'clock.

Young People's meeting.

Sunday Evening.

Address—Miss M. L. Gibson.

Monday Morning.

Devotional.

Home Mission Business.

Institute Hour—Miss M. L. Gibson.

Noon Bible Study—Miss Belle Bennett.

Monday Afternoon.

Devotional.

Foreign Missionary Business.

Monday Night.

"Call to Christian America."

Tuesday Morning.

Devotional.

Reports of Committees.

Bible Study Hour—Miss Hochmeyer.

Tuesday Afternoon.

Devotional.

Committee Reports.

Tuesday Evening.

Report of Council Meeting—Miss Denton, Mrs. Tolleson.

We are very fortunate indeed in having with us during a part of the sessions two such valuable women as Miss Belle H. Bennett, president of the W. M. U. Council and Miss Maria L. Gibson, principal of the Scarritt Bible and Training School. We urge every auxiliary to send a representative.

CHURCH DAMAGED.

Dear Brethren: Last Friday evening about 8 p. m. a cyclone struck our new church at Sequoyah and blew it down. We had the frame all up, the siding on and sheeting ready to shingle. The damage is about one hundred dollars or more. We are going to begin today to rebuild under some discouragements. We ask every pastor and superintendent of Sunday school to appeal to your congregation for help. Something from all will be highly appreciated at this time.

Send your donations to me at Inola, Okla., or W. S. Crittendon, Claremore, Okla.

J. A. GRIMES, P. C.

W. S. CRITTENDON.

May 22.

FROM ELMORE CIRCUIT.

The Elmore circuit is moving along nicely. We have two Sunday schools that are up-to-date. We also have one Senior League that is doing some good work. We have both a home department and cradle roll in our Sunday school at Elmore, with a good membership, and some as fine Sunday school working material as may be found. Our people are people that do things. We have had Children's Day in both of our Sunday schools, and the exercises were as fine as I have ever seen. And the people showed a loyal spirit in making the offering, for the collections were good. Well, I must not fail to say something about Rev. J. G. Blackwood, of Wynnewood, who was in our midst a few Sundays ago with his gospel gun well loaded. He came out to Oak Grove, one of our appointments, and preached two very fine sermons for us, one on the mode of baptism and one on the right of infant church membership, and at the close of the sermons eight babies were baptized. We all love Brother Blackwood and will welcome his presence and preaching with us again. Pray for us, brethren, that God may bless our work this year. Fraternally,

CHARLES MANN, P. C.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Batesville District Conference will meet at Bethesda, July 18, at 3:00 p. m. Rev. B. F. Mason will preach the opening sermon at 8:00 p. m.

Committee for license to preach and recommendation for admission on trial: A. E. Holloway, B. F. Mason, W. T. Locke.

Committee for deacons' and elders' orders: N. E. Skinner, S. H. Blackwell, James L. Porter.

Let all local preachers be present or send a written report. The work of the local preacher will have a prominent place in the conference. Let us expect a great spiritual awakening.

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VOICES OF THE GREAT.

At the meeting in Albert Hall, London, in celebration of the Tercentenary of the King James Bible, President Taft presented the following through our minister, Whitelaw Reid: "It affords me very great pleasure to present through Mr. Reid, my congratulations to those who in the mother country are commemorating so signal and historic an event as the publication of the King James Version of the English Bible. This Book of Books has not only reigned supreme in England for three centuries, but has bound together, as nothing else could, two great Anglo-Saxon nations, one in blood, in speech

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As a part of the celebration of the Tercentenary of the Authorized Version of the Bible, a deputation of most distinguished men waited on King George of England and presented him a large and beautifully-bound copy of the Bible. Among these men were the Lord Mayor of London, the Speaker of the House of Commons, and the Archbishop of Canterbury. The address of acceptance made by the king was worthy of the occasion. He said: "During 300 years the multiplying millions of the English-speaking races, spreading ever more widely over the surface of the globe, have turned in their need to the grand simplicity of the

Authorized Version, and have drawn upon its inexhaustible springs of wisdom and courage and joy. It is my confident hope, confirmed by the widespread interest your movement has aroused, that my subjects may never cease to cherish the noble inheritance in the English Bible, which, in a secular aspect, is the first of national treasures, and is, as you truly say, in its spiritual significance, the most valuable thing that this world affords." The impressive anniversary should lead to a deeper reverence for the Word of God, and a more earnest study of its precious contents.

Emperor William on December 1 visited a monastery at Beuren, and while there made a short address full of his characteristic vigor. Among other things he said: "I appeal to every loyal citizen of the Fatherland to help me keep my people religious. The twentieth century has let loose some ideas calculated to destroy the very foundations of society. These must be combatted or Christianity will have to give way. I take my stand on the Word of God. This has been my guide. It has brought us on our way in peace. Here alone is safety."



FROM OUR FIELD EDITOR.

REV. D. J. WEEMS.

STIGLER, OKLA.

The county seat of Haskell County is Stigler, a new and rapidly growing town of about two thousand population. It is about halfway between Fort Smith and Muskogee on the Midland Valley Road. There are three banks, large brick stores well filled with choice merchandise, light and ice plant, two public school buildings. The high school is a credit to the town. We have nice parsonage and beautiful concrete block church. Rev. J. D. Salter is in his second year as pastor. The church has been greatly strengthened and the future is quite hopeful. There are some splendid members in this church. They speak kindly of their Sunday school. Did not get to hold a service with them. The pastor was at Vian helping in a meeting. He came back in time to help an hour or two in the canvass. He is a stirring, energetic preacher, and does things. His good wife faithfully brings up her part. With his and Brother John Holleman's aid collecting extra well from the old, we secured six new subscribers: C. L. Easterling, D. K. McClinton, Pope Walker, W. L. Spessard, Miss Letha Spessard, and A. W. Floyd.

GREENWOOD, ARK.

Part of a day was spent in Greenwood, where I spent three happy years when on the Fort Smith District. However they have been doing better since I left them. The town has about doubled in population. They have two railroads, two banks, splendid stone business houses, two-story stone academy, stone church, which they are enlarging to accommodate the growing demands of church and Sunday school. There is an abundance of coal here, which gives employment to many. Prof. A. D. Carden, a fine man, has had charge of the school. This is Brother J. M. Williams' third year as pastor. He has staying qualities. The longer he stays the more his people love him. He is so pure and good they have to love him. His excellent wife has also been faithful. Their precious children seem like near relatives to me. He was out of town most of the day, so Brother Jesse Bell, that excellent layman, took me in charge and did everything possible to make my visit a success. With his aid we shaped up the large list of old and secured 12 new subscribers: Eli Hester, R. E. Brazil, Jerry Bell, Mrs. Julia A. Harper, J. C. Gardner, Mrs. J. S. Little, George L. Bolin, Mrs. L. D. McCord, J. S. Harris, and P. M. Clontz. Major M. T. Tatum, who for years has stood for righteousness and everything good in church and State, is in feeble health, but has bright hopes some day of entering the Heavenly Home. Hon. Paul Little, son of Governor Little, informed me that his father is no better.

HUNTINGTON, ARK.

In the southern part of Sebastian County, on the Frisco Road, is Huntington, which for years has been a prosperous mining town. They have a bank, large company store, several business houses, good school and churches. We have good church and parsonage. Rev. J. E. Lark is pastor. He is a first-class young man, of a noble family. His father, Rev. A. H. Lark, trained seven sons. Three are members of the Arkansas Conference. All of them are Christian workers. A rich legacy to any father or mother. Sister Lark and the babe have both been quite sick but are each better. We secured four new subscribers: A. L. Freeze, Mrs. W. W. McCracken, Mrs. C. B. Patterson, and Mrs. J. S. Weaver.

MANSFIELD, ARK.

Huntington and Mansfield form a good pastoral charge. The Rock Island and Frisco Roads connect here. Mansfield is developing into a beautiful town. Splendid brick stores, bank, large brick

plant, flour mill, several gas wells, and the new process of electric lights. Splendid brick two-story academy. We have neat church and parsonage. We had a pleasant service with the Presbyterians and secured six new subscribers: Mrs. J. C. Paton, Mrs. J. D. Mobley, Mrs. C. H. Dixon, Mrs. Lat Colwell, Mrs. O. C. Sadler, and J. W. Brewster. A pleasant night was spent in the home of Brother and Sister Fuller.

BOONEVILLE, ARK.

Located in Logan County on the Rock Island is the prosperous town Booneville. There is a brick courthouse, large brick schoolhouse, two banks, quite a number of brick stores and several other buildings. It is a railroad division. The State Hospital for Consumptives is located two miles south of Booneville. Drs. Shibley and McConnell have charge. We have comfortable parsonage and are building a very excellent modern church, at a cost of about \$15,000.00. The Annual Conference meets here. They expect to have the church ready in time for the Conference. It reflects great credit upon the town and the pastor, Rev. F. E. Dodson, who has been quite a church builder in Junction City, Hot Springs, and Little Rock. Such men leave an abiding blessing. He and his good wife love the church and are giving their lives for building up the kingdom of God. We had a good service with a few of the faithful ones. We have 42 old subscribers. None stopped their paper, and nearly all renewed: M. M. Woodward was the only new subscriber. Dr. Murphey, Ruff Harvey, and Brother Bevins brought me under obligations for favors. This is the home of Rev. George Evans, one of our honored superannuates. He is quite cheerful. I was glad to hear good things of young Brother M. C. Bevins, who is developing into an excellent preacher.

DANVILLE, ARK.

There is everything encouraging about Danville. It is the county seat of the southern part of Yell County. Has about two thousand population and still it grows. Besides a large public school, has a new Normal school, two banks, splendid large brick stores, brick hotel (W. J. Willoughby proprietor), saw- and planing mills. We have excellent property in a two-story parsonage and beautiful church. Rev. H. H. Griffin, pastor, is in his second year. He is a splendid preacher and an all-round good man. His people have confidence in him as a leader and are ready to acquiesce in all he does. They have recently had a great meeting with Rev. J. B. Andrews. In the last year and a half 124 members have been received, and the salary doubled. They have a fine Sunday school. Judge T. D. Patton, superintendent; Hon. O. L. Clement, the Bible Class; Col. A. B. Priddy, the Young Men's Class; Hon. George Leming, the Young Ladies. The other teachers are Hon. L. E. Miffin, Prof. J. Howard, Mrs. J. C. Ladd, Mrs. L. Williams, Mrs. W. T. Blackburn, Mrs. P. N. Stringfield, and Miss Ila Clement. Miss Myrtle Stafford, secretary. We had a very pleasant service with a few. Sister Griffin is deeply interested in all good works. They have two sweet children. Shaping up the old, we secured 20 new subscribers: W. J. Willoughby, A. Heath, George Leming, I. W. Ladd, Baxter Gatlin, J. W. Howard, J. C. Ladd, N. Gatlin, C. P. Rice, T. L. Pound, R. L. Gatlin, H. R. Page, A. B. Priddy, G. E. Reagan, L. E. Miffin, J. E. Chambers, J. F. Hood, J. Methener, Ed Seamore, and Miss Myrtle Stafford.

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Yohmikma Ohoyo i Sosaiti at toksali hochukma ai ahli hosh ai ittanaha tuklo ka hieli hoke.

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Nana atoksali putta kat Chihowa hako immi, yohmi hatuko nana atoksali yakomi ka isht il ahanta chi hokmat anompa ilbasha il anomponhli ai ahli hokmak osh nana kat pim ai ahla chi ho Chitokaka a nan im ai ithana yat im ponaklot pishno ato katihmi ho yamma ke kohcho kituk o achi tok oke, yohmi ma Chitokaka yat im afalamminchi mat nana ik hachi yimmo kak okat im achi tok oke, aba pit anompuli micha na hul-lochi fehna aiena hokmak oh chatuk oke, im achi tok oke. Yohmi hatuk o Chihowa imatoksali ilappa isht it ahanta chi hokmat anompa ilbasha il anomponhli fehna hosh e mahayashke. L. N. ISHCOMER.

JOHNSONVILLE CIRCUIT.

Our second Quarterly Conference convened with Carmel Church May 13. Rev. T. O. Owen preached at 11:00 o'clock to a full house. He delighted all of us both in and out of the pulpit. Rev. J. A. Henderson, our Presiding Elder, was at his best. He carries his crowd and wins the people. This was the best Quarterly Conference held on this circuit for years. Large crowds and great abundance to eat. Things are on the up-grade on this circuit. It promises to be one of the best in the district. Palestine Church, built in 1856, is taking on new life, and will, when completed, be one of the best churches in this part of the district. R. SPANN, P. C.

ROFF, OKLA.

We have just closed a revival at Roff. We had Rev. C. L. Brooks, of Fort Law-son, Okla., to help in the meeting. He came on the 24th of April and stayed with us till the 8th of May. There were about 40 converted, 26 have given their names for membership in our church, and 6 have gone to the Baptists. There will be a few more to join yet. It was possibly the best meeting held here in years. We will reap as a result of this meeting for a long time. Brother Brooks is a very fine preacher. The people say he did the finest preaching that has ever been done in Roff.

Brother Goddard, our Presiding Elder, opened the meeting with two very fine sermons, and come back on the following Saturday and stayed till Monday and preached as hard as he could. Rev. A. N. Averyt, Jr., of Maud Station, came and stayed four days and had charge of the singing. He is good help in a meeting. Brother Averyt has a bright future before him. The Baptist pastor was good help in the meeting. Roff will be up in good shape by Conference. The church is in a prosperous condition. There has been about \$600.00 of our indebtedness paid off since Conference. Our women have put a nice carpet in the church and are fixing for some other improvements. They have placed about \$50.00 worth of furniture in the parsonage. They expect to paint the parsonage in a short time. The Sunday school has increased about 200 per cent since Conference. I expect to start my meeting at Mill Creek the 22d of July. We are looking for great results.

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TO THE WOMEN OF THE W. F. M. S. LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

My Dear Coworkers: For some cause unknown to me my communication to you failed to get into last week's Methodist. It should have been in the editor's hands Monday morning. Our annual meeting, as Sister Hotchkiss told you, was quite a success. The delegates seemed fired with new enthusiasm and a purpose to go back to their Auxiliaries to do more and better work for our blessed Christ in heathen lands. The Conference Pledge, as you learned in the early part of our missionary year, is the support of six missionaries, which amounts to \$4,500.00. This is just the same amount that was pledged last year, but we have only ten months in which to pay it, as our fiscal year closes with the calendar year. So please note that instead of closing our books March 1, we must make up our yearly reports January 1. The Council appealed to the Board of Missions to let our fiscal year remain unchanged, but this body decided it was best to have all of the missionary interests to close reports at one and the same time. Please let me beg you to make as large payment to your pledge this quarter as you possibly can, for our work in the field must suffer if we at the home base fail to do our duty, and to those who expect to leave home for the summer will you not pay your dues and pledge in advance for the second quarter? The summer drafts are sent to the field before you return and then if the remittances are not made in full from the Auxiliaries, our Treasurer at Nashville is forced to borrow the money from a bank and pay interest—yes, interest on our

thoughtlessness. If your District Secretary has failed to notify you as to amount of your pledge, write her at once and find out what it is. We cannot afford to send missionaries to the foreign field and then through indifference neglect to support them with our prayers and money.

I am glad to tell you that the Little Rock Conference has another missionary to go to Brazil in September. Miss Margaret Simpson, of Little Rock. This young lady has been attending the Nashville Training School for Christian Workers and graduated from that institution; was consecrated and assigned to work in Brazil at the Woman's Missionary Council in St. Louis April 24. My dear sisters, we should be very intensely interested in Brazil now that two of our most choice Arkansas girls represent us there.

Mrs. Sparks, of Crossett, was elected to edit the Conference Minutes of our annual meeting. She went immediately to work on this task, and at an early date you will have them. This most capable woman was also elected Recording Secretary. We feel that we are quite fortunate in securing so valuable a woman to succeed Miss Allye Wadley in this position, which has been so ably filled for five years.

Mrs. George Thornburgh is our present Corresponding Secretary. She stands ready to aid you in making this the best year in our history. She is the medium between you and the Woman's Missionary Council, consequently is our Little Rock Encyclopedia. Call on her to visit you in your district meetings and all-day meetings. Don't fail to use her—she desires this.

If you need literature or information in regard to the Mission Study Class, write Mrs. L. W. Smith, Park Heights, Hot Springs. She is brimful of enthusiasm for more inspiration and better equipment for service in the cause of missions.

Miss Allye Belle Wadley, First Vice President, by virtue of her office is in charge of the recruiting bureau of the Young People's Work. She is traveling over the State in the interest of the business that she represents and will thus afford you an excellent opportunity to use her in enlisting the young people of your church in missions. She will edit our column in the Methodist for June. Watch closely the W. F. M. Column from now on—it will be regularly filled unless some one's article miscarries like mine did last week.

I most earnestly request the women in the Camden District to rally to the assistance of the new District Secretary, Mrs. Stinson. She most reluctantly consented to take this office on account of inexperience and the lack of knowing her constituency. Please write her at once and pledge your fidelity to the work the remainder of this year. She does well whatever she undertakes and it goes without saying that your district will be right in the forefront in the Conference. Mrs. Thornburgh is keeping tab on you. Send your reports on time to your District Secretary. Let us all pray much this year.

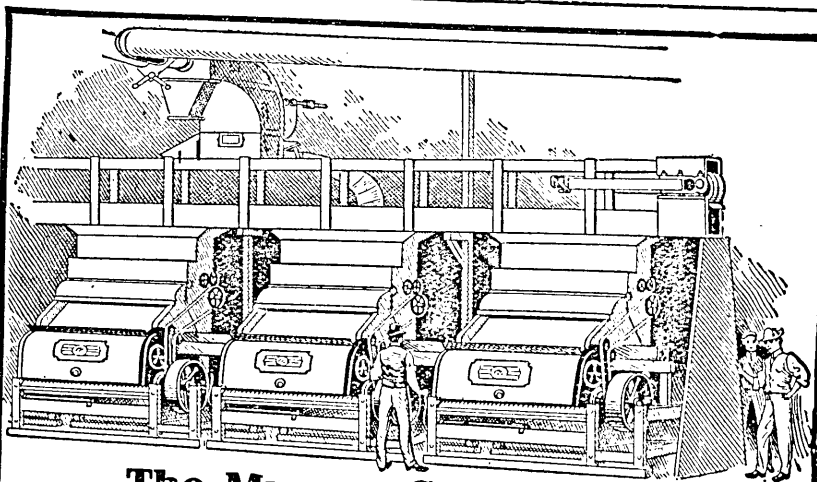
Sincerely,
 MRS. JAMES THOMAS.

W. F. M. S., LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Edited by Officers and District Secretaries. Editor for May, Mrs. James Thomas.

The first annual session of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has met and it now marks an epoch in the history of the church. The law enacted by the last General Conference united the three Mission Boards and gave woman a place in this most important council of the church. The women's societies of our church henceforth will have a representation of fifteen in a body composed of thirty-nine elective and seventeen ex-officio members.

The opening service of the council was held in St. John's Church, St.



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Louis, Mo. The church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion. Dr. James Lee, pastor of this church, read most impressively the invitation to the Lord's Supper. This truly was a hallowed hour. The communicants who knelt together about their Father's table had come from many lands and from many portions of our own land. Following this beautiful service, Dr. W. W. Pinson, General Secretary of the Board of Missions, delivered a most helpful and inspirational address to a large audience. He urged unity, saying that "a solid heathenism must be faced with a solid Christianity, so that there may be no lapping, no friction, no loss of energy. This must be done at home as well as abroad, if we succeed as we ought. The unity of our three boards and of our Home and Foreign interests are only one phase of this larger work. "You women have long led the van. For fifty years you have toiled and prayed. Now the laymen, your husbands and brothers, are rallying to your side. They are coming from their shop and forge and factory and counting room, strong with the spoils of this great machine age to join the aggregation of forces for evangelization."

I wish I might give you his entire address, but space forbids. Perhaps it will be published in full in the Missionary Voice.

The president, Miss Belle H. Bennett, delivered a strong, masterful message. You will soon see this in print. It will bear re-reading. She is one of the finest presiding officers, either among men or women, that I have ever seen preside. She is positive, yet fair; dispatches business rapidly, yet does not rush it through without the most careful consideration; brings the speakers under the most approved parliamentary law, yet holds the love of all. She is God's woman.

Our very own, Miss Maria L. Gibson was present and gave us, with the assistance of others, the Council Daily, which many of you received and read

during the week of this meeting. One of her co-laborers says of her, "We wonder if the women of the Council and those who read the Daily everywhere, know to whom they are really indebted for it? It is just another contribution in the long list of those which Methodist women owe to Miss Gibson. It was her inspiration and she has "stayed with it" since it began publication. Every night, when others have left, tired in mind and body, Miss Gibson turns her steps toward the editorial rooms. She says this is part of her "business of the day." The women at home who have the Council brought to them in letter and in spirit, may thank this unselfish woman."

There were many returned missionaries present. Among the number were: Mrs. Campbell, Miss Myers, Miss Ivey, Miss Cordelia Erwin from Korea; Miss Helen Richardson from China; Misses Perkinson and Lamb from Brazil; Misses Wynn and Tydings from Mexico.

The consecration service, on Sunday night, for the Deaconesses, was a most impressive one. Bishop Hendrix conducted it. It goes without saying that his words were timely and helpful and came from a heart that is in full sympathy with this great order of our church. As these twenty-one bright, consecrated women received their commission to go out in the name of our Christ and help to bring this home land to His feet, I thought surely the church whom they represent will be glad to give of their prayers and offerings to send them. I believe you will.

More next week.

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OBITUARIES.

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

NEWMAN.—Frances Lorene, little daughter of Brother and Sister C. F. Newman, was born at Mena, Ark., August 25, 1909; died at DeQueen May 3, 1911.

Lorene was a sweet and beautiful child, very attractive and loved by all who knew her. Being frail and delicate, all of her life, she became the idol of the home. Some weeks ago it was her misfortune to take whooping cough, then pneumonia. Little Lorene made a desperate struggle for life, father, mother, physicians and friends did all in their power, but in spite of all death claimed her as his victim. Now she has gone, we cannot call her back. May we be submissive to our heavenly Father's will and rejoice in that he is making heaven out of the best of the earth. Go little pilgrim to thy home on yonder blissful shore. We miss thee here, but soon we'll come where thou hast gone before.

Z. D. LINDSAY.

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COWAN.—Mrs. Cinthy L. A. Cowan was born on the 17th day of December, 1843, and departed this life the 29th day of March, 1911.

Sister Cowan was converted and joined the M. E. Church South, when she was 16 years old, and lived a consistent Christian life. She was married to Rev. R. A. Cowan about the year 1862 or 1863, and was the mother of nine children, seven of whom survive her, viz: John H., George S., R. B., J. W., and B. B., and Elizabeth Jones, living in Georgia, and Nannie S. Dodson, of Cowlington, Okla.

Sister Cowan was a good wife, a helpmeet to her husband in the itinerant work of her church for 27 years; a kind and devoted mother, one who realized her responsibility and met it bravely. Having reared her children in respect and with honor to herself, they live to bless her memory. Her husband, Rev. R. A. Cowan, only about a year her senior, is lonely and needs the sympathy and prayers of the church, which doubtless he has in this sad affliction. Brother Cowan had just a few days before been called upon to give up his daughter, Mrs. Mary V. McDonald, and C. S. McDonald, his son-in-law, both of whom crossed over to be with the Lord. They all died well, having their work done. A life well spent for the cause of their Lord, and now doubtless enjoy a blissful association over in their new and beautiful home with those who went before. The day before she died she told her husband she would have loved to have lived to help raise her grandchildren, and inquired about her own children and when told they were coming seemed satisfied and then requested them all to meet her in heaven, then bade them good-bye and peacefully fell asleep in Jesus. The writer attended and conducted the funeral service and we laid her to rest, using the beautiful ritual of our church at the old Bokoshe Cemetery, near where she lived in the presence of a large number of her relatives and friends. Would say to the bereaved ones, let not your heart be troubled. Remember Jesus said: Ye believe in God believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am there ye may be also. Therefore be faithful to him who doeth all things well, and when done here we shall meet wife, mother and loved ones in the better land and be forever with the Lord.

T. R. HOUGHTON, P. C.
Cowlington, Okla., April 25, 1911.

MANLEY - JONES.—Miss Cora A. Manley was born August 6, 1874, in Cross County, Arkansas. She was the youngest child of a family of three boys and three girls of J. M. and Clementine Manley. Mr. Manley was a Methodist preacher and spent his life in the cause of Christ, his wife at his side in all his work. Cora, being trained in such conditions, gave her heart to God at the early age of 12 years, united with the Methodist Church and lived a pure Christian life until her death.

She was married August 5, 1896, to James K. Jones. They moved to Marianna, Arkansas, and remained until four years ago, when they moved to Miller-ton, Oklahoma, the place where she departed this life April 26, 1911.

Sister Jones was called upon to suffer a great deal before she died. Her ailment was stomach trouble. Everything was done to restore her health, but to no avail.

Her funeral services were conducted by the writer on April 26.

Sister Jones was one of the best and most useful workers in the church where she lived. Oh, how sadly she will be missed in the home, in the church, in the community. To the bereaved family we extend our heartfelt condolence in this sad hour of bereavement, and we pray that God's rich grace may sustain them and enable them all to meet her in the mansions of bliss, where sickness and sorrow shall never be known and death and partings shall never come.

Our sister left four children and a patient, loving and consecrated Christian husband to mourn their loss. One child is dead. But their loss is heaven's gain. We would not call her back, but we will endeavor to go to her. She was laid to rest at Wheelock Cemetery at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon of the 26th.

May God bless all the loved ones, is our sincere prayer.

Her pastor,

J. E. BUTTRILL.

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TANNER.—Mrs. Sallie Tanner was born in Obion county, Tenn., January 16, 1837. She was married to W. W. Tanner July 22, 1856. She professed religion in early life and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian church. A few years before her death she joined the M. E. Church, South. Sister Tanner moved from Tennessee to Arkansas in 1862. She was the mother of nine children, only three of whom survive her. She died May 3, 1911, after an illness of two weeks duration. Her last days were spent in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lulu Porter, at Ravenden, Ark. It was my privilege to know Sister Tanner as a pastor for three years. She was a true Christian woman. Her home was always open to her pastor. She leaves a valuable legacy to her children—her consistent Christian life for so many years.

Truly,

L. C. CRAIG.

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THORNSBERRY.—Mrs. Nancy D. Thornsberry, wife of Rev. J. F. Thornsberry, our pastor at Winslow, Ark., died on March 7, 1911. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn their loss of a mother. All of the children are married except two.

Sister Thornsberry was born in middle Tennessee July 13, 1859 and removed to Arkansas when she was twelve years old. She was happily converted and joined the M. E. Church, South of which she lived a faithful member to the end. She has for fifteen months been a great sufferer, but was patient and resigned and when the call came she was ready.

To our brother and his motherless children we extend our heartfelt sympathy and assure them of our prayers.

Sincerely,

J. B. STEVENSON.

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FAIR.—Mary A. Fair, wife of Prof. C. E. Fair, was born September 25, 1876. She was married to C. E. Fair September 25, 1895. Departed this life

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April 8, 1911. Sister Fair has been a member of the M. E. Church, South, most all her life. She was born of good Methodist parents and a more loyal and faithful Christian would be hard to find. As a leader of women she had few equals, and her influence with the children and young people of the community was simply wonderful. She was loyal and true to her pastor, always ready to lend a helping hand when needed. Through her efforts and influence the church at Red Oak was organized a year and a half ago, and in her death we certainly sustain a great loss. Sister Fair leaves a husband and three boys, a good father and mother to mourn her loss. She was sick nearly seven weeks during which she suffered very much. But when the end came she bade all goodbye and passed triumphantly to her reward. Her remains were taken to Texarkana for burial. May the God that she so fervently loved guide, guard and lead those left behind to the everlasting city above where we are sure she has gone.

Her pastor,

W. D. SAULS.

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NUTT.—My Sister Lydia Matilda Nutt was born March 11, 1844 in Tishomingo county, Miss.; died at her home in Carthage, Dallas county, Ark., March 18, 1911. She was the daughter of Rev. William and Nancy N. Winburne. She was happily married to Mr. Simpson Nutt, Jr., March 2, 1865. God blessed this union with eleven children, five of whom preceded her to the better land. There remains her bereaved husband and six children, viz.: Robert, Eddie and Harry and three married daughters, Mattie Garrett, Minnie Whitner, and Julia Matthews, all good children. As her only living brother, allow me to say I believe her and her husband raised one of the best families I ever saw. Her children rise up and call her blessed. What a pleasure that I was allowed to hold a meeting in her town last summer and hear the sweet songs of prayer and praise from her sons and daughters, always ready for every good word and work in any and all the churches. I should have said under the godly training of our parents sister embraced religion in youth and united with the M. E. Church, South, remaining a faithful member till she got her transfer to the church triumphant.

Sister when young was beautiful in person, sweet and gentle in spirit, always free from those violent tempers that mars the life of so many otherwise good people. I seldom ever saw her get mad even when young and later when cumbered with the care of a large family. Dear husband and children, let us all hold on, it won't be long till we will have a great meeting in the beautiful city.

A word to Dear Sisters Lama and Marietta: Only three of us remain; we will all soon be home. Oh, what a meeting with loved ones we have buried along this pilgrim way. "If you get there before I do, look out for me, I'm coming too." In hope, Your brother,
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BLACKWELL.—Thomas Rabian Blackwell was born in Hickman county, Tenn, April 10, 1833; died March

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17, 1911. Was married to Miss Mary J. Miller June 15, 1857. Was converted at the age of seventeen and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South and lived a consistent member till his death.

It was the writer's privilege to know Brother Blackwell and to be closely associated with him. He was a fine Christian character. Quiet, modest, reserved but firm and positive. He never seemed to waver from the right course from any cause. Nothing seemed to daunt him nor to shake his faith. He seemed to ripen gradually and beautifully for the better world. And when he was about ready to make the change he seemed to fully realize it. For weeks before his departure he seemed to realize fully that he was going and he was perfectly resigned. At times he would almost cross over, and then revive and when asked would tell of the beautiful scenes across the river. He crossed at the pilgrim's ford and entered the promised land. Friends and neighbors witnessed the sublime departure and received inspiration from his last moments. We laid his body to rest at Culver, Okla., surrounded by a large crowd. It was Saturday afternoon. The business houses closed to witness the last tribute of respect paid to the good man.

As many of our brethren in Oklahoma know, he was the father of our pastor, J. B. Blackwell, of Calvin. I am sure Brother Blackwell, his wife and mother has the sympathy of all our brethren.

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MONTICELLO DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Tillar and Dumas, at Dumas.	June 3, 4
Crossett Station and Mission.	June 10, 11
Mt. Pleasant Ct., at Mt. Tabor.	June 17, 18
Monticello Sta.	June 24, 25
Wimar Sta.	June 25, 26
Collins Ct., at Blissville.	July 1, 2
Parkdale and Wilmot, at P.	July 2, 3
Lake Village and Eudora, at L. V.	July 8, 9
Lacey Ct., at Lacey.	July 15, 16
Watson and Halley, at Watson.	July 22, 23
Dermott and Portland, at D.	July 29, 30
Snyder Ct., at Prairie Grove.	Aug. 5, 6
Hamburg Sta.	Aug. 12, 13
McGehee and Ark. City at McG.	Aug. 19, 20
Warren Sta. and Southern Camp.	Aug. 26, 27
Hermitage Ct.	Sept. 2, 3
Hamburg Ct., at W. Chapel.	Sept. 9, 10
Johnsville Ct., at Palestine.	Sept. 16, 17

J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Richmond	June 3, 4
Ashtown Sta.	June 4, 5
Foreman	June 10, 11
DeQueen Sta.	June 16, 17
Horatio	June 17, 18
Cherry Hill	July 1, 2
Mena Sta.	July 2, 3
Vandervoort	July 8, 9
Dierks	July 15, 16
Lewisville	July 22, 23
Gillham	July 29, 30
Lockesburg	Aug. 5, 6
Patmos	Aug. 12, 13
Stamps Sta.	Aug. 13, 14
Texarkana Ct.	Aug. 19, 20
College Hill Sta.	Aug. 20, 21
Bright Star	Aug. 26, 27
Fairview Sta.	Aug. 27, 28
First Church	Aug. 30

THOMAS H. WARE, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Thornton Ct.	June 3, 4
Fordyce Sta.	June 4, 5
Kingsland Ct.	June 10, 11
Waldo Ct.	June 17, 18
Magnolia Ct.	June 24, 25
Magnolia Sta.	July 1, 2
El Dorado Sta.	July 9, 10
Locust Bayou Ct.	July 15, 16
Chidester Ct.	July 22, 23
Hampton Ct.	July 29, 30
Atlanta Ct.	Aug. 5, 6
El Dorado Ct.	Aug. 12, 13
Bearden Ct.	Aug. 19, 20
Camden Sta.	Aug. 20, 21
Buena Vista Ct.	Aug. 29, 30
Junction City Sta.	Sept. 2, 3
Wesson Sta.	Sept. 3, 4
Strong Ct.	Sept. 9, 10
Huttig Sta.	Sept. 10, 11

R. W. McKAY, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Carlisle Ct., at Rogers Chapel.	June 3, 4
Carlisle Sta.	June 4, 5
Austin Ct., at South Bend.	June 10, 11
Oak Hill Ct., at Mt. Pleasant.	June 17, 18
Maumelle Ct., at Martindale.	June 24, 25
Bauxite Ct., at New Hope.	July 1, 2
Capitol (evening)	July 5
Hickory Plains Ct., at Johnson's Chapel.	July 8, 9
Highland (evening)	July 12
Mabelvale, at Primrose.	July 15, 16
First Church, 11 a. m.	July 23
Winfield Memorial (evening)	July 23
Bryant Ct., at Congo.	July 29, 30
Henderson's Chapel (evening)	Aug. 2
Forest Park (evening)	Aug. 3
Tomberlin Ct., at Tomberlin.	Aug. 5, 6
Louisa	Aug. 12, 13
DeVall's Bluff and Hazen	Aug. 13, 14
Des Arc (evening)	Aug. 16
Sherrell and Keo	Aug. 19, 20
England	Aug. 20, 21
Twenty-eighth Street (evening)	Aug. 23
Hunter Memorial, at 11 a. m.	Aug. 27
Asbury (evening)	Aug. 27

ALONZO MONK, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

Mt. Ida, at Grenada.	June 3, 4
Pike City, at Antoine.	June 10, 11
Harmony, at Rocky Mount.	June 10, 11

W. C. HILLIARD, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Stuttgart	June 2
Hawley Memorial	June 12, 13
Carr Memorial	June 18, 19
Macon, at Wofford's Chapel.	July 1, 2
Swan Lake, at Swan Lake.	July 3
Star City, at Mountain Home.	July 8
Redfield, at Center.	July 15, 16
Rowell, at Shady Grove.	July 22, 23
Douglas and Grady, at D.	July 22, 23
New Edinburg, at Wheeler Springs.	July 28
Altheimer, at Bogy.	July 29, 30
Humphrey, at Sunshine.	July 30, 31
Roe, at Shiloh.	Aug. 1
Rison, at Mt. Carmel.	Aug. 12, 13
DeWitt Sta.	Aug. 17
DeWitt Ct., at Ruffin.	Aug. 19, 20
Sheridan, at New Hope.	Aug. 26, 27
Gillett, at Camp Shed.	Aug. 26, 27
Lake Side	Aug. 30
First Church	Sept. 5

J. D. HAMMONS, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Okolona, at Freeman's.	June 17, 18
Prescott Ct., at Midway.	June 24, 25
Prescott Sta.	June 26
Sweet Home, at Webb's Chapel.	July 8, 9
Bingen, at Friendship.	July 15, 16
Washington, at Sardis.	July 16, 17
Murfreesboro, at Murfreesboro.	July 22, 23
Center Point, at Bluff Springs.	July 29, 30
Mineral Springs, at Mineral Sp.	July 30, 31
Nashville Sta.	July 31
Hone Sta.	Aug. 1
Caddo Gap, at Glenwood.	Aug. 5, 6
Caddo Ct., at County Line.	Aug. 6, 7
Amity Sta.	Aug. 13, 14
Mt. Ida	Aug. 13, 14
Emmet	Aug. 19, 20
Gordon	Aug. 26, 27
Hone Ct.	Sept. 2, 3
Pike City	Sept. 5
Harmony	Sept. 9, 10

W. C. HILLIARD, P. E.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HARRISON DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Mountain Home, at Wesley's Chapel.	June 10, 11
Cotter Ct., at Gassville.	June 11, 12
Gassville Ct., at Oakland.	June 13, 14
Yellville, at Ware's Chapel.	June 17, 18
Lead Hill Ct., at Lead Hill.	June 24, 25
Harrison	June 27
Rumley Ct., at Pleasant Grove.	July 1, 2
Leslie	July 2, 3
Marshall	July 8, 9
Osage Ct., at Alpena.	July 15, 16
Eureka Springs	July 22, 23

W. T. MARTIN, P. E.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Ola and Plainview	June 3, 4
Dardanelle Sta.	June 4, 5
Dardanelle Ct., at Stubbs' Cha.	June 10, 11
Paris Sta.	June 14
Booneville Ct., at Washburn.	June 17, 18
Waldron Ct., at Square Rock.	June 24, 25
Bates Ct., at Cauthron.	July 1, 2
Prairie View Ct., at McKendree.	July 8, 9
Preaching at Paris Sta.	July 9
Houston and Perry, at Houston.	July 15, 16
Bigelow Sta.	July 16
Roseville and Webb City.	July 22, 23
Branch Ct., at Caulksville.	July 23, 24
Walnut Tree Ct., at Bethel.	July 29, 30
Gravelly and River, at Rover.	July 30, 31
Adona Ct., at Casa.	Aug. 5, 6
Perryville Ct.	Aug. 6, 7

W. M. T. THOMPSON, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Charleston Ct., at Weaver.	June 3, 4
Dodson Ave., 8 p. m.	June 4
Van Buren Ct., at Newberry.	June 10, 11
Van Buren Mis., at Figure Five, 8 p. m.	June 11
Alma and Kibler, at Kibler.	June 17, 18
Van Buren Sta., 8 p. m.	June 18
Hartford and Midland, at H.	June 24, 25
Midland Heights	July 2
Mulberry Ct., at Dyer.	July 8
Ozark Sta.	July 9
Beech Grove Mis., at Hill's Chapel.	July 12
Ozark Ct., at Grenade's Chapel.	July 15, 16
First Church	July 17
Central Church	July 24

J. M. HUGHEY, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Centerton Ct., at Hebron.	June 3, 4
Rogers Sta.	June 4, 5
War Eagle, at Pace's Chapel.	June 17, 18
Pea Ridge Ct., at Post Oak.	June 24, 25
Bentonville Sta.	June 25, 26
Huntsville, at McConnell's Chapel.	July 1, 2
Gravette and Gentry, at Gentry.	July 8, 9
Silbam Springs	July 9, 10
Winslow	July 15, 16
Elm Springs Ct.	July 29, 30
Parksdale and Farmington.	Aug. 5, 6
Fayetteville Sta.	Aug. 6, 7

J. B. STEVENSON, P. E.

MORRILTON DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Hartman Ct., at Denning.	June 4, 5
Altus Sta.	June 4, 5
Springfield Ct., at Friendship.	June 10, 11
Clarksville Sta.	June 17, 18
Spadra Ct., at Spadra.	June 18, 19
Conway Mis., at Graham Chapel.	June 24, 25
Pottsville Ct., at Bell's Chapel.	July 1, 2
Atkins Sta.	July 2, 3
Dover Ct., at Shady Grove.	July 8, 9
London Ct., at Martin Chapel.	July 15, 16
Russellville Sta.	July 16, 17
Lamar Ct., at Antioch.	July 22, 23
Appleton Ct., at Antioch.	July 29, 30

F. S. H. JOHNSTON, P. E.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Brookland Ct., at Shiloh.	June 3, 4
Nettleton Sta.	June 4, 5
Lake View Mis., Beech Grove.	June 10, 11
Monetta & Macey, at Black Oak.	June 11, 12
Bay Mission, at Lunsford.	June 17, 18
N. Jonesboro and Lake City, at Lake City.	June 18, 19
Harrisburg Ct., at Claunch Chap.	June 24, 25
Harrisburg Sta.	June 25, 26
Marked Tree and Tyrone, at M. T.	July 1, 2
Crawfordsville and Marion, at Bethany.	July 2, 3
Earle Sta.	July 8, 9
Barfield Mis., at Tomato.	July 15, 16
Manila and Dell, at Manila.	July 16, 17
Vandale Ct., at Cherry Valley.	July 22, 23
Gilmore and Turrell, at Gilmore.	July 29, 30
Blytheville Ct., at Promise Land.	Aug. 5, 6
Luxora and Rozell, at Rozelle.	Aug. 6, 7
Oscola Sta.	Aug. 12, 13
Wilson Sta.	Aug. 13, 14
Bardstown and Richland.	Aug. 19, 20
Trinity Ct., at Shady Grove.	Aug. 26, 27
First Church, Jonesboro.	Aug. 27, 28
Cotton Belt Mis.	Aug. 29

A. M. R. BRANSON, P. E.

SEARCY DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Searcy Ct., at Higginson.	June 3, 4
Pangburn Ct., at Letona.	June 10, 11
Wilburn Ct., at Cross Roads.	June 11, 12
Heber Sta.	June 17, 18
McRae Ct., at Antioch.	June 24, 25
Auvergne and Weldon, at A.	July 1, 2
Newport Sta.	July 2, 3
Vilonia Ct., at Section.	July 8, 9
Beebe and Austin, at A.	July 9, 10
West Point Ct., at New Hope.	July 15, 16
Belcher Ct., at Ridout.	July 16, 17
Cabot and Jacksonville, at C.	July 29, 30
Cato Ct., at Antioch.	Aug. 5, 6
Augusta Ct., at Gregory.	Aug. 12, 13
Augusta Sta.	Aug. 13, 14
Dye Memorial	Aug. 19, 20
Gardner Memorial	Aug. 20, 21
Bradford and Bald Knob.	Aug. 26, 27

A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Wolf Bayou Miss., at Macedonia.	June 2-4
Evening Shade Ct., at Evening Shade.	June 9-11
Sulphur Rock Ct., at Mountain Gap.	June 16-18

B. L. WILFORD, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Pocahontas Sta.	June 3, 4
Lorado Ct.	June 10, 11
Paragould, East Side	June 17, 18
Knoblo Ct.	June 24, 25
New Liberty	June 28, 29

District Conference at Piggott, May 25-27.
M. M. SMITH, P. E.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

GUYMON DISTRICT.
(Third Round—Partial List.)

Texhoma and Goodwell, at G.	June 3, 4
Guymon Sta.	June 7
Tangier	June 17, 18
Woodward	June 18, 19
Mutual	June 24, 25
Iola, at Eddy S. H.	July 1, 2
Ellis, at Locust Grove.	July 8, 9
La Kemp, at Bethany.	July 15, 16
Grand Valley, at Range.	July 22, 23
Nabisco, at Victory H.	July 29, 30

ROBERT A. BAIRD, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Criner, at Fox	June 10, 11
Blanchard	June 11, 12
Lexington	June 16-18
Noble	June 17
Purcell	June 18, 19
Purcell Mission	June 19
St. James	June 21
Franklin	June 24, 25
Norman	June 25, 26
Earlesboro, at Jarvis	July 1, 2
Trinity	July 2, 3
Shawnee Ct.	July 8, 9
Tecumseh	July 9, 10
Union Chapel	July 15, 16
Shawnee, First Church	July 16, 17
St. John's	July 19
McCloud	July 22, 23
St. Luke's	July 23, 24
Moore	July 29, 30
Capital Hill	July 30, 31
Guthrie	Aug. 5, 6
Perry	Aug. 6, 7
Epworth	Aug. 9
Piedmont	Aug. 12
El Reno	Aug. 13, 14
Stillwater	Aug. 19, 20
Arcadia	Aug. 26, 27
Oklahoma City Ct.	Sept. 2, 3
Sunday School and League Conference,	June 14, 15.

O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

ARDMORE DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Davis and Oak Ridge, at D.	June 3, 4
Wynnewood	June 4, 5
Ravia	June 10, 11
Tishomingo & Mannsville, at M.	June 11, 12
Springer, at Dece	June 17, 18
Lone Grove, at Joiner	June 24, 25
Cornish and Loco, at Orr.	June 25, 26
Lebanon at Willis	July 1, 2
Woodford at Poolville	July 1, 2
Ardmore, Broadway	July 8, 9
Ardmore, Carter Ave.	July 12
Hennepin, at H.	July 13
Elmore, at Antioch	July 15, 16
Leon, at L.	July 22, 23
Thackerville, at Bomar	July 29, 30
Marietta	Aug. 5, 6

W. U. WITT, P. E.

CLINTON DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Tex. Ct., at Salton	June 3, 4
Frick Sta.	June 4, 5
Doxey Ct., at St. Creek.	June 10, 11
Berlin Ct., at B. Vista	June 11, 12
Delhi Ct.	June 17, 18
Sayre	June 18, 19
Hammon Ct., at Sand Stone (8:00 p. m.)	June 20
Clinton	June 24, 25
Foss Ct., at Foss.	June 25, 26
Elk City	July 2, 3
Carter Ct., at P. View	July 1, 2
Leedy Ct., at Leedy (3:00 p. m.)	July 5
Port Ct., at P. Grove	July 8, 9
Sentinel	July 9, 10
Weatherford	July 15, 16
Dill City, at Hager S. S.	July 16, 17
Rocky, at New Hope	July 23, 24
Cordell	July 24, 25
Cloud Chief Ct.	July 29, 30

M. WEAVER, P. E.

LAWTON DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

Headrick Sta.	June 3, 4
Mountain Park Ct., at Saddle Mt.	June 10, 11
Cement and Fletcher, at Cement.	June 17, 18
Cyril Ct., at Cyril	June 18, 19
St. Cobb Ct., at Hale Sch. House.	June 24, 25
Geary Sta.	July 1, 2
Anadarko Sta.	July 2, 3
Glenwood Ct., at Glenwood	June 8, 9
Lawton Sta.	July 11
Manitou Ct., at Deep Red	July 15, 16
Snyder Sta.	July 16, 17
Temple Sta.	July 22, 23
Walter Sta.	July 23, 24
Indian Work, at Mt. Scott.	July 29, 30
Hastings Ct., at Taylor.	Aug. 5, 6
Abbeaton Ct., at Emerson.	Aug. 12, 13
Hastings Stat.	Aug. 13, 14

C. F. MITCHELL, P. E.

CHICKASHA DISTRICT.
(Third Round—In Part.)

Minco and Ninnokah, at Minco.	June 3, 4
Erin Springs, at New Hope.	June 10, 11
Alex and Verden, at Bradley.	June 11, 12
Velma, at Stoner	June 17, 18
Woodlawn, at Cannon	June 24, 25

L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Arcadia	June 4, 5
Oklahoma City Ct.	June 7
District Conference will convene in St. John's Church, Oklahoma City, April 19, at 9:00 a. m.	

O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

MANGUM DISTRICT.
(Third Round.)

KINGSLAND CHARGE.

Rev. J. C. Hooks preached his last sermon to the people of Kingsland charge Sunday night, May 14. His subject was "The Last Time." I John 2-18. His application of this was to salvation. His sermon was of the very strongest of its character and was delivered to a full house.

Brother Hooks has done a fine work while with us. He has preached three times each Sunday, with the exception of perhaps two or three Sundays, since he came to our work. His work among our people, both in the homes and on the streets has been a benediction, and we feel quite sure it will not be forgotten and only the final day can make known the results. His work has been very different to most pastors, as he worked more among the outsiders than with his flock. He perhaps dined more with the outsiders than with the church people. He had a special tact in reaching the sinner. He could get out on the streets and be as young as a boy. I have heard him say often that he considered the church able to stand and help each other while he was out working with those who never knew the saving grace of God. As a result, the congregation grew from time to time.

After the service last night was a very touching scene, as the ladies bade Mrs. Hooks farewell, they fell on her neck and wept bitterly, while the men were placing their arms about Brother Hooks. This was not confined to the church, but the outsiders as well took part. Such expressions as "I am not going to say good-by, but say I am glad you came to us," were often heard to fall from the lips of both classes.

With tear-dimmed eyes and aching hearts we say "Good-by," while we regret giving up Brother Hooks and wife and feel we are suffering a great loss, yet we as loyal Methodists submit and congratulate our brethren of Custer City, realizing that all things work together for good to them that love God.

Yours in Christ,

ALVA C. ROGERS.

A CHEAP FARM HOME.

145 acres rolling land in two and one-half miles of hustling new town of about 1,500 inhabitants. 35 acres in cultivation. The rest in timber good for farm purposes. 65 acres of the land in timber can be put in cultivation. Three-room log house, ceiled inside and partially weatherboarded; good new barn 30 x 50 feet; a fine well of good water; also tenant house. This property will be sold so cheap that it will surprise you. The price is \$1,500.00.

Liberal terms to purchaser.

J. H. BISHOP.

UNION MEETINGS AT POPLAR BLUFF.

Union revival services began here May 10, which are to continue at least four or five weeks. A large tabernacle seating 2,500 has been erected and preparation made for a siege. All the churches are in hearty accord. The crowds are deeply impressed and conviction is coming to many. Lincoln McConnell is preaching. William J. Ramsey, associated with George Stuart, will conduct the music. Charles Bull, of St. Louis, having led successfully the singing for the first week. Will the praying friends who read this notice remember the meeting in prayer? Perhaps some who live near in the White River Conference can attend.

J. R. A. VAUGHAN.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT NOTES.

We have just furnished our church beautiful at Snyder. We have put in new pews and carpeted the aisles and altar nicely. The young people, led by Mrs. J. J. Cone, did this work. This is a fine company of young people. Our second Quarterly Conference on the Johnsville Circuit was a great success. It was held at Carmel. They had basket dinner Saturday and Sunday. This work is doing well under the leadership

of Rev. R. Spann. They decided to change the name of the circuit and call it Warren Circuit. They will build the parsonage there.

Mr. S. G. Lockhart and Miss Margrete Cone were married in the Methodist Church at Snyder May 17, 8:30 p. m., Rev. J. A. Henderson officiating. Mr. Lockhart is a leader in our church at Montrose, and bookkeeper for W. T. Cone & Co. Miss Margrete is an accomplished young lady. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cone, of Snyder. This is one of the best families in this part of the State.

REPORTER.

FRUIT FARM.

Sixty-five acres of upland; 55 acres in 8-year-old apple trees just coming into full bearing; most of the balance in old orchard; good condition; large house and barn; good stone cellar with stone smokehouse above; excellent well of water; good fencing. One-half mile from depot. A single full crop will pay for orchard. Owner getting old. Will sell in tracts of 10 acres or over. House not included unless whole farm is sold. A bargain for any man who wants a fruit farm in this fine fruit and berry region. Liberal terms. Cut out this advertisement and address it to J. W. Womack, Centerton, Benton County, Ark.

THE HORSE'S PRAYER.

To thee, my master, I offer my prayer. Feed me, water and care for me, and, when the day's work is done, provide me with shelter, a clean, dry bed, and a stall wide enough for me to lie down in comfort.

Always be kind to me. Talk to me. Your voice often means as much to me as the reins. Pet me sometimes, that I may serve you the more gladly and learn to love you. Do not jerk the reins, and do not whip me when going uphill. Never strike, beat, or kick me when I do not understand what you want, but give me a chance to understand you. Watch me, and if I fail to do your bidding, see if something is not wrong with my harness or feet.

Do not check me so that I cannot have the free use of my head. If you insist that I wear blinders, so that I cannot see behind me, as it was intended I should, I pray you be careful that the blinders stand well out from my eyes.

Do not overload me, or hitch me where water will drip on me. Keep me well shod. Examine my teeth when I do not eat. I may have an ulcerated tooth; and that, you know, is very painful. Do not tie my head in an unnatural position, or take away my best defense against flies and mosquitoes by cutting off my tail.

I cannot tell you when I am thirsty; so give me clean, cool water often. Save me, by all means in your power, from that fatal disease, the glanders. I cannot tell you in words when I am sick; so watch me, that by signs you may know my condition. Give me all possible shelter from the hot sun; and put a blanket on me, not when I am working, but when I am standing in the cold. Never put a frosty bit in my mouth; first warm it by holding it a moment in your hands.

I try to carry you and your burdens without a murmur, and wait patiently for you long hours of the day or night. Without the power to choose my shoes or path, I sometimes fall on the hard pavements, which I have often prayed might not be of wood, but of such a nature as to give me a safe and sure footing. Remember that I must be ready at any moment to lose my life in your service.

And finally, O my master, when my useful strength is gone, do not turn me out to starve or freeze, or sell me to some cruel owner to be slowly tortured and starved to death; but do thou, my master, take my life in the kindest way, and your God will reward you here

and hereafter. You will not consider me irreverent if I ask this in the name of Him who was born in a stable. Amen.—Exchange.

APPLE ORCHARD.

Forty-five acres in 8-year-old trees just coming into full bearing; good condition; half mile from depot at Centerton, Ark. Price, \$100.00 per acre. A single full crop will pay for the whole thing. Owner getting old and wants to unload. Cut out this advertisement and address it to J. W. Womack, Centerton, Ark., for terms. It is a bargain for any man who wants to get into that fine region.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

The timely question of "The Panama Canal and Sea Power in the Pacific," will be treated in the June "Century" by Rear-Admiral A. T. Mahan of the United States Navy (retired), and author of "The Influence of Sea Power on History." He will point out the reasons why he considers it imperative to fortify the canal, the importance of Panama to British sea power and the vital importance of Panama to the United States; and discuss certain critical questions in the Pacific. He declares that influence in the Pacific, not supremacy, should be America's aim, and dwells upon the importance of the canal to Anglo-Saxon influence.

GREAT BRITAIN'S COMMERCIAL STRENGTH.

The leading article of the June "Century" will be a presentation of "The Commercial Strength of Great Britain," by James Davenport Whelpley, an ac-

knowledgeable expert on national and international politics and economics, who has visited virtually every country which constitutes a factor in international politics, commerce, finance, and industry, making a study of these subjects, not only as they affect the destinies of the countries visited, but especially in their relation to the welfare of the United States. This article is a careful consideration of Great Britain's strength and weakness in the competition for the trade of the world, and will have striking illustrations by Pennell.

You have catarrh of nose and throat. Try a pleasant remedy. It gives relief and often cures. Quapaw Catarrh Remedy. By mail, 50 cents a bottle. P. H. Millar & Co., Agents, Box 675, Little Rock, Ark.

APPLE LANDS, BENTON COUNTY.

1. One farm of 100 acres, three and one-half miles from Highfill Station, 12 miles southwest of Bentonville; 85 acres in cultivation, 45 acres in apple trees, just now coming into bearing; 12 acres in young timber; close to schools and churches; good neighborhood. This farm is in the great apple region of Benton county, one of the finest regions to be found anywhere. The owner has more than he can look after. Price, \$40.00 per acre, good terms. For fuller particulars cut out this advertisement and write R. L. Coffelt, Centerton, Ark.

2. R. L. Coffelt has another fruit farm of 80 acres near Centerton, Benton county, well improved; six-room house, 20 acres in orchard. Cheap at \$2,200, easy terms. Write him, send this advertisement, at Centerton, Ark.

