

WESTERN METHODIST.

Successor to Arkansas Methodist.

"Speak Thou the Things That Become Sound Doctrine."

Successor to Western Christian Advocate.

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF ARKANSAS, LITTLE ROCK, WHITE RIVER AND OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

Vol. XXX.

Little Rock, Ark., Thursday, September 14, 1900.

No. 37.

WHERE REST IS FOUND.

No. 6.

THE FRUITS OF OTHER RELIGIONS CONTRASTED WITH THOSE OF CHRISTIANITY.

We are ready to grant that Christianity has not been the only religion that has done even great things for men. It has been the all-too-common practice among Christians to pronounce all religions outside of Christianity as simply false, and they would so make an end of them. But there has never been a religion that was not the search of the human heart after God. All nations have been feeling after him if haply they might find him. There has never been a religion that did not in some sort bring relief to the great heart-hunger of men. There have been many beliefs that were not true, but Christian nations have held some of the same sort. There have been superstitions, but superstition is something that has gotten mixed up with all religions, Christianity included. Yet at heart no religion is false. Wherever in this world, at any time of its history, the souls of men have in sincerity sought after God, according to the best light that has been in them, there has been the true spirit of religion, however much that spirit may have been misguided by errors of fact. God has written certain great principles in the hearts of all men, written the law in their hearts, as Paul says, and everywhere there has been greater or less effort at obedience to that law.

Consider, if the reader will, the religion of Mohammed. We are in thorough sympathy with the suggestions of Carlyle as to Mohammed. He was beyond question a great man; he substituted for the religions he found among his people one that is a much nearer approach to the kingdom of God; he put an end to the perpetual tribal warfare among the Adabs; warfare that had been going on since the days of Ishmael; he consolidated these tribes into a nation; he founded an empire, he conquered Syria, Persia, Spain, and all Northern Africa; he brought in a genuine renaissance which made the Arabs the teachers and philosophers of the world for centuries during the Middle Ages, when all the rest of the world was wrapt in darkness. It were foolish to maintain that there were no elements of truth in a system that could accomplish all this. It was in truth the nearest approach to Christianity the world had up to that time known outside of Judaism. It is, in fact, a composite of Judaism, Christianity and such elements as lay about Mohammed at the time. It seemed for a long while to be a serious rival to Christianity, and until the power of the Moors was broken by Charles Martel the dread was upon all men that Islam would cross the Pyrenees and overrun the world.

Islam's grand center of power lies in its tremendous assertion of the unity of God. We know how this doctrine lies at the foundation of progress. It affords also the incentive to missions, and in fact imposes the obligation of missions. So that we should expect the religion of Mohammed to be a missionary religion, as indeed it always has been.

Zoroaster, coming possibly in the time of Abraham, possibly as late as Moses, was in his way, the best known to him, a true prophet to his people, a prophet whose voice guided the lives of many millions in their struggle for the right against the wrong, and guides them still. What the life of Persia would have been without him no man can say.

Socrates and Plato were prophets of the Greek

race. That they did profoundly influence Greek life for good no man can deny. John Wesley expressed the hope that he would meet Socrates in heaven. So may we all well dare to hope.

We may take account also of the religion of the Hindoos. The Brahmins are not lacking in spirituality; their religion does not lack intellectuality; it is very subtle in its infinite analyses; it is, as Paul said of the religion of the Athenians, a very god-loving religion. It built up a great civilization about the Indus, blooming out in wonderful art, poetry, philosophy.

Buddhism has been a solace to millions of aching hearts; it comes with its tender ministries to men, with its teachings as to our obligations to our fellows. So beautiful are many of its precepts that some half-taught people in Christian lands have desired to substitute it for Christianity.

Confucianism has undoubtedly been a great stay to the life of China. Its deep reverence, its devotion to family organization, its filial obedience, have made the stability of that empire.

We might examine others, but these are sufficient to illustrate our point. It is not necessary to hold that other religions are at the heart false; the truth about them is that they are fatally defective, every one of them. Mohammedanism could reveal God as force, will, and even to a fair degree as wisdom; but it could never reveal him as love and grace. Mohammedanism therefore knew how to conquer, but it never knew how to convert. It has consequently made its way by the sword, not by love. It is today an arrested religion. Christianity reveals God as power, wisdom, love, and grace, and knows the secret of subduing all things through love and power and grace and wisdom, but its dominant note is precisely the note that Mohammedanism lacks—love.

Brahminism, with its vast speculations about the infinities and the eternities, its vague and vast spiritualities, making God all, does business too far above the stars to satisfy the needs of a sinning and suffering world; it disregards man; it loses all obligation to man in its tremendous strivings after God; it is therefore very spiritual, but also very immoral. Christianity has as high a conception of God as Hindooism offers, with this difference, that its God is an infinite person and not an infinite abstraction; but Christianity comes to the practical needs of men also, with all tender and gracious ministries, and asks us how a man can say he loves God at all, if he does not love man.

Buddhism, historically a reaction from Brahmanism, reverses the position of the latter, and loses God in its love for man. It is practically an atheism, has no God, except one that has gone up from the estate of man—Buddha. Again Christianity embraces whatever of truth this system holds, and adds those fundamentals which it lacks.

Confucianism, in its deep reverence for the past and for the present, forgets the future. Its great words are ease, peace, repose. It lacks the inspiration of hope and of faith. It is a dead arrest of progress, and must ever be. Christianity has as deep a reverence as was ever taught, believes in the law of obedience and love to the heavenly Father as the father of us all.

So might we go through all the list of the world's religions. We could find some truth in them all. They never would have been able otherwise to maintain themselves at all. But we shall see that here in this religion which Jesus

founded, and here only, is found the element of universality. It has the whole gamut of truth; it harmonizes with the deep aspirations of all men; it feeds the hunger of all; it opens the path of progress before the feet of all. After all, it is the ideals that have lain at the bases of national life that have made nations to be what they have become. Here is a religion that embodies for all men the highest ideals on all sides of human nature. No Brahmin or Buddhist, no Greek or Roman, no Egyptian or Parsee, no Mohammedan or Scandinavian ever had a high and true aspiration or a heart-hunger that it cannot satisfy. How is it possible that it could have been the invention of a Galilean peasant? How is it possible that it could have been the invention of a company of uneducated Jewish disciples? Or even of Saul of Tarsus? Or of them all?

Christians ought to be the last people who would shrink from the pragmatic test. We ought to be perfectly willing to abide by the test that a religion is to be judged by the fruits it will produce. If any other religion can show the product of Christianity we ought to be willing to consider honestly its claims. While the religions of the past have one and all become either extinct or have been arrested, this religion alone shows a perennial vitality. Nor are there the least signs that its mighty energies are likely to be arrested. It is certainly to cover the earth.

For precisely the same reasons Christians have no call to deny to other systems what truth there is in them. There is no occasion for jealousy. It were better to regard the human family as one great organism, making its way through time and through this world by what is, on the whole, the best ways known to it. And God, the infinite Father of us all, is leading on, by whatever ways of good our state of knowledge and our capacities will admit.

The time is on us when a preacher must give some better reason for his doctrine than that the doctrine is written in some creed. A narrow dogmatism will not satisfy the mental democracy of this age. It is the duty of every man who preaches the gospel to relate that gospel to the living truths of a living present. This is not the easiest way for the preacher; it is easier to stand on mere authority, to be merely dogmatic, yet whoever tries this way will find that it is not effective. Men will not hear it. The cause of truth will be the gainer, not the loser, for the change. If dogmatism has ceased to be a reason for believing, it is because there are better reasons. The time has not come, and never will come, when men will not be ready to bow to a fact and to the authority of truth itself.

If we would realize how completely the Bible was retired from the eyes of the people before the days of the Reformation, let us consider a fact like this: Martin Luther was approaching his bachelor's degree in the university before he ever saw a copy of the Bible. He was rumaging one day among some old books and accidentally stumbled upon a copy of the Book. That discovery changed his whole life. Let it be remembered that Luther was always given to much religious reading, yet he had seen only so much of the Bible as was to be found in the service of the church and in quotations. But it might be pertinent to inquire how much use some Protestants are making of this book, now restored to them.

WESTERN METHODIST

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY

JAMES A. ANDERSON, }
A. O. MILLAR, }Editors
P. E. EAGLEBARGER, }
J. E. GODBEY,Associate Editor

D. J. WEEMSField Editor

ANDERSON, MILLAR & CO.Publishers

One Year\$1.50
Six Months75
To Preachers1.00

Office of Publication: 122 East Fourth Street.
For advertising rates, address the Publishers.
Entered as second-class matter, January 31, 1908, at the
Post Office at Little Rock, Ark., under the Act of Congress of
March 3, 1897.

All remittances should be made by draft, postal money
order, express money order, or registered letter. Money for-
warded in any other way is at the sender's risk. Make all
money orders, drafts, etc., payable to Anderson, Millar & Co.
Subscribers asking to have the direction of a paper changed
should be careful to name not only the post office to which
they wish it sent, but also the one to which it has been sent.
All ministers in active work in the Methodist Episcopal
Church, South, in Arkansas and Oklahoma are agents and
will receive and receipt for subscription.

If any subscriber fails to receive the Methodist regularly
and promptly, notify us at once by postal card.
Discontinuance: The paper will be stopped only when we
are so notified and all arrearages are paid.

Notes and Personals

OUR CONFERENCES.

East Oklahoma, OkmulgeeNov. 1
West Oklahoma, MangumNov. 8
Arkansas, BoonevilleNov. 8
Little Rock, FordyceNov. 15
White River, BlythevilleDec. 6

Rev. J. E. Vick, Wetumka, Okla., has been on a
visit to his old friends in Tennessee, and is back
at his work, happy among a people that love him.

Clara Barton, founder of the American Red
Cross Society, is reported at the point of death
at her home, Oxford, Mass. She is 90 years old.

Rev. John P. Lowery is helping Pastor Mills
in a successful revival at Horatio, Ark. At the
beginning of the week there had been about 30
conversions.

Rev. D. A. Gregg, Capitol Hill, Oklahoma
City, when asked the other day about his work,
said he was ready for conference, having every-
thing in hand.

News from Songdo, Korea, announces the birth
of Rupert William, son of Rev. C. N. Weems,
one of our missionaries, and grandson of our
field editor, Rev. D. J. Weems.

Rev. Frederick L. Brooks, pastor of the Meth-
odist Church at Little Compton, R. I., being re-
quested to officiate at the Astor-Force marriage,
refused on account of church law.

Pastor H. H. Hunt, of Gardner Memorial, Ar-
genta, closed an excellent meeting in his church
last Sunday. The number converted is not defi-
nitely known. Twenty-seven united with the
church.

Rev. Robert M. Templeton, Brushy Circuit,
Muskogee District, reports "out" on all his con-
ference collections at the third quarterly confer-
ence. His presiding elder makes a fine report of
him otherwise.

Rev. L. P. Wasson, of the M. E. Church, South,
who has served as pastor for two years at Friar's
Point, Miss., has resigned from the ministry to
take up the study of medicine. Brother Wasson
was held in high esteem by his people.

T. R. Houghton, Cowlington Circuit, East Ok-
lahoma Conference, has just closed at Coweta,
with 72 conversions. He has already paid in full
his conference collections. At Coweta he had
the assistance of Rev. J. D. Salter.

Dr. O. E. Goddard is assisting Rev. W. C. Da-
vidson in a meeting at First Church, Pine Bluff.
His work in the office of Home Missionary Sec-
retary for Arkansas and Oklahoma is constantly
growing in the confidence of the people.

Rev. A. L. Scales has had a year of signal suc-
cess at First Church, Muskogee. He has received
into the church 240 new members, and all the
work of the church prospers. The outlook ahead
is full of hope for all that is best in the life of a
church.

Rev. R. T. Blackburn, Checota, besides doing
very satisfactory work on his own charge, has de-
veloped a circuit around Checota. This circuit
will constitute another pastoral charge next year.
What better missionary work than this can our
pastors accomplish?

Rev. E. J. Slaughter, our pastor at Snyder,
Ark., in a business note to this office, states that
Snyder Circuit is in fine shape. The pastor has
preached 118 times and received 71 into the
church. He further states that the charge will
pay all assessments in full.

Rev. S. P. Cresap, a former member of the
Missouri Conference, and who located at its last
session, was appointed by Bishop Denny to sup-
ply St. Joseph District. This is the first instance
that has come under our observation of a local
preacher being made a presiding elder.

The death of Dr. Grant T. Sullivan, of the
Memphis Conference, at Paducah, Ky., August
29, removes from our midst a pure and loving
spirit, loved wherever known. He has long been
a leading member of that conference and will be
greatly missed. He was a brother of Dr. J. O. A.
Sullivan, of Waldron, Ark.

A few days spent in Muskogee District indicate
that Rev. W. M. Wilson not only has affairs in
that district well in hand, but that he is giving a
strong and progressive administration with all
things moving and no trouble anywhere. The
financial affairs of the several charges will make
an excellent showing, and there has been a pow-
erful evangelism, as reports will show.

Dr. George C. Jones, who has become a mem-
ber of the faculty of the Oklahoma Wesleyan,
and who is a recognized scholar, has acquired
the interest of both Dr. Linebaugh and of Mr.
Utterback in College Park Company. Dr. Jones
has a reputation for making no financial mis-
takes, as well as a reputation for scholarship. Mr.
Ed Nix is president and general manager of the
company.

We caught a brief glimpse of Rev. Orlando
Shay, presiding elder of Creek-Cherokee District,
the other day. He is quite busy, is happy in his
work, and is succeeding. Among other things,
he is taking quite an interest in raising Dr. God-
dard's proposed endowment fund for our Indian
work, and people in his district have subscribed
some five or six thousand dollars thereto.

If any man thinks that prohibition laws cannot
be enforced, let him go to Okmulgee, Okla., and
take a lesson or two from the sheriff of Ok-
mulgee County and from Chief of Police Farr
of the city of Okmulgee. He will find a situa-
tion that will demonstrate that determined men
who respect their oaths of office can clean things
out. We congratulate these officers and the peo-
ple they serve.

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. R. A.
Baird, throughout Oklahoma, will be sorry to
learn of the death of their little daughter, Dor-
othy Lee, which occurred at their home in Guy-
mon, Okla., September 12, at 6:00 p. m. Brother
Baird is presiding elder of the Guymon District.
We are aware that under such distressing cir-
cumstances no effort from a human source can
bring surcease of sorrow, but we do all that we
can do under the circumstances—carry the sad

news to the friends of the bereaved and extend
our heartfelt sympathies.

Rev. John S. Wilbanks, who is the city mis-
sionary for our church in the city of Muskogee,
is doing a good work. He has established what
is the beginning of a good church in Southwest
Muskogee, having built what is ultimately to be
the Sunday school room of his future church. It
is built in first-class style, of vitrified brick. He
is also about to make a beginning in East Mus-
kogee. The city of Muskogee is growing without
a check, and this work is of great importance to
our future in that city.

Rev. T. L. Rippey, St. Paul's Church, Musko-
gee, has been greatly hindered this year, owing
to the continued ill health of his good wife. He
has been with her in Colorado for several
months. We are very sure all the brethren will
sympathize with this excellent couple. No more
faithful man than T. L. Rippey is in the East
Oklahoma Conference. During his absence his
church has been well taken care of by Rev. A. M.
Freeman, of North Alabama, who graduated at
Vanderbilt last June. We express the hope that
this excellent young man will settle into one of
our conferences in the West.

Rev. S. F. Goddard, president and business
manager of our college, has that enterprise well
in hand. They have a backing of good, solid as-
sets that will require only good business judg-
ment and a proper co-operation to insure a first-
class institution of learning at Muskogee. They
are even now fairly beyond the dead line, and
nothing but some great disaster can defeat them.
As to the business management, Brother God-
dard, himself, is surety on that point. The Meth-
odist people of that State ought to see that he has
co-operation; and the city of Muskogee ought it-
self to put at least \$100,000.00 into this enter-
prise. She will not do her duty or fully realize
on her opportunity if she fails to do so, for there
is there a magnificent opportunity to do the first-
class thing.

If not upon the pastors, upon whom can we
depend for the distribution of religious litera-
ture? We know that they are busy men, but
there are few things of more importance than the
literature that goes into the homes of our people—
the books they read and the papers they read.
Secular literature, good, bad, and indifferent, is
being presented to them, pushed on them, con-
stantly by those who have a monetary interest in
selling it. Very little money can be made out of
religious books and papers; who is going to look
after this work, if the pastors do not take care
of it? Shall we sit down and see a constant
stream of reading matter going into the homes
of our own people, with no adequate effort to put
good literature into them? If so, we shall pay a
heavy price for our ease.

We are greatly pleased with the program of
the Ecumenical Conference which meets in To-
ronto October 4-17. It is intensely practical, ad-
dressing itself to the living issues that confront
Methodism throughout the world. The reading of
it begot in us a great longing that we might be
there and hear what the great leaders of Meth-
odism have to give us. It would be an education
for any novice to bring away with him what is
there to be said, and it cannot fail to be an in-
spiration to any Methodist. Our own great and
good branch of Methodism is well represented
on the program. Bishop Kilgo is on for one ad-
dress; Bishop Hoss is on for two addresses; Dr.
F. N. Parker, Dr. DuBose, Dr. Hamill, Dr. Cul-
ver, W. J. Young, Dr. V. A. Godbey, Dr. Gross
Alexander, and Miss Belle Bennett are on for
one address each. Bishop Candler is on for a
sermon. We indulge the hope that we may find
space to give our readers the entire program—it
would cover three pages of this paper. Mean-
time there ought to be daily prayer in all Meth-

odist homes throughout the entire world that the Spirit of the living God may descend upon every session of this great conference.

A DILEMMA.

One of our church exchanges reports that Billy Sunday converted 5,312 souls in his meeting at Erie, Pa. How many of these joined the church? Not one in ten, we suspect. Of the thousands reported converted at the Gipsy Smith meeting in St. Louis very few joined the church. The same is reported from the great meetings held by noted evangelists in Chicago and Toronto. Taking the great revivals held by evangelists in our churches generally, the conversions reported are twice as many as the additions to the church. In short, there are more converted people outside of the church than in it if such reports of conversions be true. Yet while we go on at this rate we complain that the church is losing authority and influence.—G.

THE ELECTION IN MAINE.

An election to determine whether prohibition of the sale of liquors should be retained in the constitution of the State of Maine was held last Monday. In the Democratic campaign of last year, resubmission was made a plank in the party platform. The Democrats won, and the Legislature put the matter of repeal of constitutional prohibition before the people. As we write this note the papers report that repeal has been defeated by a small majority. The "wets" carried majorities in the large cities, but the small towns and rural districts won the day for the "drys."

The liquor interests had focused their strength on the election in Maine, believing that the breaking down of constitutional prohibition in Maine, which has been a prohibition State for 50 years, would prove a great victory in its general effect against the cause of prohibition.

The State of Maine enacted State-wide prohibition in 1851. For three succeeding years the liquor interests carried the question of repeal to the polls. In 1885 a repeal was secured, and a most stringent license law enacted. In two years the people went back to prohibition. Prohibition was made constitutional in 1884 by a vote of nearly three-fourths of the people.

OPENING OF OKLAHOMA WESLEYAN.

This is written on Tuesday before the opening on Thursday. The faculty are all in place, and all are very happy over the prospect of a good opening. They are enthusiastic over the situation; not a note of discouragement anywhere; all is buoyancy and enthusiasm. They feel like they are going to have the greatest school in the land. This editor, writing on the ground, really feels the tonic in the atmosphere. A fine lot of girls have already been booked, and they are beginning to arrive. Every mail is bringing intelligence of new ones coming. The furnishings of the dormitories are new and elegant. The faculty is one of the best. All things indicate a happy and prosperous year. We are gratified at the prospects of this noble undertaking. Our Oklahoma Methodism greatly needs this institution. It will strengthen all phases of our church work, and will do more than any other one thing to give it tone. We are particularly pleased with the quietude that reigns about the institution, away from the rumble of wheels and the grind of the city, where faculty and students can attend to their own business, where they can breathe an air that has tonic in it, and where they can get into the bustle and hustle of the city at any time within a very few minutes, if it is necessary. Our Methodist people of Oklahoma have their opportunity. Let all of its constituency rally to Oklahoma Wesleyan. They cannot possibly do better for themselves.

The test of sincerity is fruitfulness.—Canon Farrar.

HENDRIX COLLEGE.

The demand for our catalogues has been so great that the supply is exhausted. Will our friends who have received catalogues and do not expect to preserve them, as soon as they read this, mail us their copies. We shall greatly appreciate the favor. Let all students bring their catalogues with them. We fortunately have a few last year's catalogues that may serve as partial substitutes. Our prospects improve. Every room on the campus is taken and we have arranged to use rooms near the campus for those who wish to take meals at Tabor Hall. This is almost as convenient and by proper management may be made a little cheaper. Let no one be deterred by fear that room may be lacking. We can make room for a large increase. Members of the faculty who have been at the university or elsewhere are coming in and all will be on hand several days before the opening. Contract for steam heat has been let and the plant will be ready before cold weather. We can use the stoves for a few weeks during the fall. The delay has been unavoidable.

A. C. MILLAR.

THE ASTOR - FORCE WEDDING.

Col. John Jacob Astor and Madeline Talmage Force; both of New York, were married at Newport on September 9. Several ministers had declined to perform the marriage ceremony. Dr. Joseph Lambert, pastor of the Elmwood Congregational Temple, Providence, R. I., officiated.

The laws of New York in regard to divorce and remarriage grant divorce only for adultery, and prohibit the party thus divorced from remarriage, taking ground rightly that one who had been unfaithful to marriage vows is incapable of being bound by them. This law is sane from any point of view, so far as remarriage is concerned. It has official sanction in the rules of the leading churches of the land.

There is a higher society in this country than that which is based upon wealth.—G.

DIVORCE.

When it comes to pass that there is one divorce for every eleven marriages in the United States, and one for every four or five marriages in some of our communities, we are face to face with a situation that is simply terrible, and we are face to face with a future whose possibilities for evil are simply incalculable. We of the American nations are in this predicament at this moment. A remedy must be found.

Four or five years ago, in an editorial on this subject, we pointed out that the evil lies deeper than the mere fact of divorce. There are conditions of domestic life when divorce is a duty and a virtue. Where there has been an utter and a hopeless moral dissolution of the marriage tie, attended with beastliness of one of the parties, something is due the children of that family, and divorce is the remedy. There may be other circumstances that would justify it, circumstances which destroy possibility of the proper bringing up of children. The root of the trouble is in such marriages as bring on these conditions. At bottom it is the light and flippant view of marriage that makes the trouble. Just so long as we have marriages that are of the nature of a frolic, marriages that are the result of a passing fancy—any sort of marriages other than those entered into "reverently, discreetly and in the fear of God," we are surely destined to have divorces. Our remedy must address itself to this point.

We desire here to suggest that flippant marriages are the fruit of general flippancy in the lives of our young people. There is a great lack of dignity and propriety in the bearing of young people toward one another as compared with former years, and there has been a steady process of breaking down of the conventionalities that used to indicate the respect in which men held women. The old forms required a constant exhibition of

respect. Thirty years ago no clerk in a store—not in the South, at least—would dare step forward to wait on a lady customer with either his coat off or his hat on. It would have been an unpardonable offense to have attempted to walk down the street in shirt sleeves with a lady. If a gentleman desired to call on a lady, or to accompany her out to church, or some other place, he addressed a note in very formal terms, sent it by hand, and received a reply also in very formal terms, expressive in both cases of deep respect. It was the usage before introducing a young man to a young lady to ask that young lady's consent to the introduction. There were any number of such conventionalities. They did not make life stiff, but they did serve to keep up everywhere a sense of dignity and propriety—the very sense in which our modern life among the young is most lacking. These conventions have been swept out; for them we have no substitutes. It is a "Hello!" over the telephone, or a similar salutation on the street or in the market places. It is frequent meetings at moving picture shows, which shows have not on the whole elevated the tone of American life. It is the flippant and slangy post card. There has been a general breaking down of all the symbolism of respect as between the sexes; women are becoming common things, in occupation, in social intercourse, in all of life. They ride astride; they go where they please; they enter all sorts of occupations—and men are taking them at their own estimate of themselves.

It may be pleaded that many of the conventions of the past ought to have been laid aside. It may be even so; but we are paying for it. At this very hour the best defence any young woman has is to demand that she be approached with dignity and with propriety; and the best assurance we can have of a happy marriage is to know that the alliance, from first to last, has been based upon that deep respect which requires dignity and propriety. And when the marriage is so based, we shall have less of divorce—never otherwise and never other-when.

THE HONOR TEST.

It sounds strange to hear that many of the convicts in the Oregon penitentiary are being tested under the honor system. A beginning was made by proposing to a specially selected number to work out daily on neighboring farms under promise of return at night. The men were given to understand that upon their conduct and fidelity to promise would depend the treatment of those who later came as prisoners. Several were even let out on parole to go home and harvest the crops upon which their families depended for support. Out of 150 men thus trusted only two have broken parole. One was caught and now not a single prisoner will speak to him. It is a strange experiment totally subversive of the age-long idea of punishment, yet there is large room for experiments that seek to improve our penal methods toward a system wherein crime prevention and criminal reform may meet.—*Southern Christian Advocate*.

To live content with small means—to seek elegance rather than luxury, and refinement rather than fashion, to be worthy, not respectable, and wealthy, not rich—to study hard, think quietly, talk gently, act frankly, to listen to stars and birds, babes and sages, with open heart—to bear all cheerfully—do all bravely, await occasions—never hurry; in a word, to let the spiritual, unbidden and unconscious, grow up through the common. This is to be my symphony.—*W. E. Channing*.

There's no slipping up hill again, and no standing still, when once you've begun to slip down.—*George Eliot*.

EASTWARD

Around the World

BY DR. W. B. PALMORE.
No. VIII.

Walking in the footprints, or about the haunts and homes of literary men, makes the pages of their books seem much more real. Stroll in the footprints of Tennyson, along the shore, and the white waves seem to say, as they dash against the rocks:

"Break, break, break, on thy cold gray stones,
O Sea!
And I would that I could utter the thoughts that
arise in me."

In the extreme north of Scotland we were strolling on foot alone, back of the city of Oban, late in the afternoon, and was much surprised when we came upon working peasants talking to each other in the old Gaelic language. They were reaping and raking the hay in the valleys, while the black-faced sheep were grazing along the heath-covered mountain sides. The sun was going calmly down in the west, spreading a broad pathway of golden glory on the face or surface of the motionless sea. To the east a black cloud was hanging over the purple or heath-covered mountains, from which rain was falling straight to the earth. Against these silvery streams of gleaming water the sun was painting the most magnificent rainbow we had ever seen. With the heath-covered mountains in the distant background, the busy peasants and grazing, black-faced sheep in the foreground, the picture, over-arched by this rainbow, surpassed all the art galleries of all the ages. As we stood and gazed in wonder and ecstasy it suddenly occurred to us that we were in the haunts and home of the Poet Campbell, and that here in the heavens his Creator had painted for him an illustration for the opening stanza of his "Pleasures of Hope:" ?

"At summer's eve when heaven's ethereal bow
Spans the bright arch, the glittering hills below,
Why to yon mountain turn the musing eye
Whose cloud-capped summits mingle with the sky?

Why do those cliffs of shadowy tint appear
More beautiful than all the landscape smiling
near?

'Tis distance lends enchantment to the view
And gives to the mountain its azure hue."

Campbell was a brilliant writer and gifted poet, but he could hardly have painted this word picture without having first seen the real picture hanging in the clouds.

We feel very much at home, up here in these Highlands, from the fact that some of our remote ancestors figured with Rob Roy, when they took pleasure excursions to the South, and drove back whole herds of the lowlanders' cattle. Taking only one ox, cow or calf would have been considered very disgraceful, but driving away a whole herd made it quite respectable. Our Highland ancestors were quite respectable in their days, but they are now called robbers! And the day will come when many of the leaders and manipulators of the first corporations and trusts in America will also be called robbers! Stealing or robbery by wholesale is no more genteel or respectable in the sight of God and truth than retail plunder or robbery.

Many of our people visit Scotland without going through the Caledonian Canal, or seeing much that is most thrillingly interesting in the extreme North. The islands of

STAFFA, IONA AND MULL,
lying between the north shore of Scotland and the Shetland and Orkney Islands, we found to be in-

tensely interesting. They are so far north that in midsummer the darkness of the night is very brief. There are ruins on Iona, reaching evidently far back into prehistoric time. Fingal's Cave in the Isle of Staffa, has exactly the same geological formations as are found at the Giants' Causeway in the extreme north of Ireland. The latter, so exposed to the roll of the sea, through the centuries, does not retain the clear-cut angles in the rocks like those in Fingal's Cave, which are somewhat protected from the roll of the sea. This formation here in the Isle of Staffa is doubtless connected beneath the sea with that in the north of Ireland. William Jennings Bryan was so much impressed with the peculiarity of these formations that he took one of the heavy stones from the Giant's Causeway to America.

Glasgow, Scotland, and Belfast, Ireland, are the building places of the largest and greatest ships of the world. On a calm morning the sound of hammers on some enormous new ship on the Clyde is suggestive of the building of the ark to save a sinking world. Glasgow is now the second city of the British Isles, with about one million of inhabitants. It is doubtless one of the most economically governed cities of its size, in the world. It owns about all of its public utilities and controls them. Street cars, waterworks, gas and electric systems, and all sanitary devices and departments. At one point, however, like our American cities, Glasgow falls down ingloriously, and that is in her failure to control the uncontrollable—the legalized lawlessness that we call the liquor traffic. The best and only way to control

MAD DOGS AND RATTLESNAKES

is to kill them. The city, however, surpasses us in consuming or destroying the smoke from its many smokestacks and factories. One great system of iron works makes considerable money from by-products made in the consumption of the smoke.

The new city hall in Belfast is sufficiently imposing in its exterior to be a national capitol, but its interior is nothing like so fine as the city hall of Glasgow. Every visitor to Scotland should see the interior of this building, especially the alabaster halls and stairways and many varieties of fine woods from distant parts of the world. Two rooms are finished in red and black mahoganies from Cuba and the West Indies, one in satin wood from Ceylon, one in white walnut, from Canada, and the banquet hall, in teak wood, from Burma. All of which are polished to a high degree. In front of this building is the famous George's Square, containing majestic monuments of many of the great and heroic people of the British Empire.

The immense Presbyterian Cathedral with about a thousand years of history, should also be seen by all visitors. In it is a complex and clustered group of Gothic arches, which to us is an architectural puzzle. The windows are also very large and interesting. The glass in one of them cost about \$15,000.00. Overlooking this historic building is the lofty cemetery, which is surmounted at its highest point by a tall monument to John Knox. In the neighborhood is one of the oldest buildings in the city, once occupied by Mary Queen of Scots. An interesting object in the exposition here was the old hand printing press, on which the first of Scott's novels were printed.

To lovers of charming scenery and of Walter Scott there are few, if any, more fascinating trips in all the world than the one from Glasgow to Edinburgh, by rail, stage coaches and steamers, over mountains and lakes, and through the Trossachs.

LOCH KATRINE.

is now not only a poetic enchantress, but has also come to be the handmaid of human industry. Through an immense tube or tunnel under the mountains, 35 miles long, she now furnishes a million people in the city of Glasgow their entire

supply of the finest of water. Our first voyage over this lake in the long ago was on the fairy-like little steamer, called the "Rob Roy," which is still here, but enjoying a "superannuated" relation. The new steamer on which we now travel is the "Walter Scott." Records may fade, monuments fall, and flowers, though carved in stone, may fade or crumble in the autumn of time, but so long as the stars mirror their westward march in the blue waves of Loch Katrine, so long will there be something which speaks of Walter Scott.

As our steamer approached Ellen's Isle, lying like a half-submerged bouquet on the calm surface, we could but listen,

"For though, upon her speech there hung
The accents of the mountain tongue,
Those silver sounds, so soft, so dear,
The listener held his breath to hear."

We not only intensely listened, but eagerly looked,—

"For ne'er did Grecian chisel trace
A nymph, a naiad or a grace,
Of finer form or lovelier face;
What though, no rule of courtly grace
To measured mood had trained her pace,
A foot more light, a step more true,
Ne'er from the heath flower dashed the dew."

As our four-horse coach dashed along the glen where Clan Alpine lay in ambush, a loud tone from a bagpipe, high on the mountain side, suggested the

BUGLE BLAST OF RODERICK DHU.

"Instant, though copse and heath arose
Bonnets and spears and bended bows,
On right, on left, above, below
Sprang up at once the lurking foe;
From shingles gray their lances start,
The bracken bush sends for the dart,
And every tuft of broom gives life
To plaided warrior armed for strike!"

Our stately, grown-up readers, with mature tastes, must not criticise these letters too severely, for we are writing especially for our boys and girls. And we are glad to know that so many thousands of them are accompanying us on this long journey. We are not only trying to give geographic, biographic and historic glimpses, but here and there a literary suggestion or hint. We hope our little readers will realize the many disadvantages in thus writing on the wing. In quoting from memory as we do, we are liable to grossly misrepresent the authors from whom we quote. Look up such quotations and mark the points at which our memory has betrayed us.

The two eyes of history are geography and chronology—the place where and the time when a thing happened. If our little friends will read not only our letters, but all biography and history, with a map of the world open before them, they will find that they will read much more intelligently and retentively.

Melrose, Scotland.

AN APPEAL TO OUR PRESIDING ELDERS.

Dear Brethren: I am sure you realize quite as fully as I do the importance of our Sunday school work, and that it is your purpose to do everything you can to aid in extending and up-building it. It may be possible, however, that you do not altogether realize how necessary it is that both the Conference Sunday School Boards and the General Board be furnished with the names and addresses of all our superintendents. If our own literature is to be put into our schools; if they are to be furnished with leaflets suggesting improvements in organization and methods, and if they are to be brought into co-operation in carrying out such plans for development and extension as may from time to time be set on foot, then we must be able to reach them through their

superintendents, and the only way to secure lists of our superintendents is through the presiding elders.

Because I know something about the heavy burdens our presiding elders are compelled to carry, I regret the necessity for calling upon them for this extra service. But because in this instance I am absolutely dependent upon you and because the matter is of such great importance to our Church, I am sure you will agree that my insistence is justified. Will you please, therefore, try to find time to fill out and return at once to their chairman of your Conference Sunday School Board the blank directory that has been or will be furnished you.

Many of our presiding elders who have been rendering this service promptly and faithfully may wonder why this appeal is necessary. The explanation is simple. Out of our 40 home conferences there are 14 from which we have received no report at all this year. Some of these have sent in no reports for several years. Then there is one conference with six districts which has sent in a report from one out of the six, and still another which has failed to report for three districts out of nine. In quite a number of cases reports have come in so late as to be practically useless. It is easy to see that so long as this state of things is allowed to continue we shall find it exceedingly difficult to carry out successfully any large plans for the development of our Sunday school work. Fraternally,

E. B. CHAPPELL.

MISSOURI LETTER.

Most of your readers know that Joplin is near Arkansas and Oklahoma. Wholesale houses in this city do a large volume of business with merchants in those two States. Last fall an Ozark Interstate Exposition was held here and another is to be held this fall. It will be held in Electric Park in the western part of the city. The profitable feature of Electric Park is a beer garden. While plans for the Exposition were being shaped a meeting of ministers and laymen of Joplin churches was held to protest against the holding of the Exposition in connection with a drinking resort. That protest is disregarded, and whatever the Exposition may lack there will be no shortage of beer. It is well for good people in Arkansas and Oklahoma to bear in mind that during the Exposition Joplin will not be a school of virtue for their sons and daughters. In this mining district there is a population of nearly one hundred thousand and Joplin is the center for the vice which abounds under such conditions. Saloons are numerous and prostitution is appalling if the Chief of Police is correct in his statements.

By the help of Church Extension funds and friends outside of Joplin we hope to be able to save our \$40,000 church, but the salary and the collections must be sacrificed in large part in order to save the church. For twenty-five years I have never served a church without raising more than the assessments every year. But the assessments are so much higher in proportion to salaries that it is becoming increasingly difficult for pastors to raise collections in full. I told the district stewards last fall that Joplin church was in grave peril and the assessments should have been largely reduced in that emergency; but the trouble is every other charge in the district felt overburdened and I cannot blame them for not giving us relief. The recent large increase in all assessments is making the work of collecting in full very difficult and in the thirty years that I have been receiving collections from the pastors I have never known such a wide-spread feeling that they are overburdened with the demands upon them. Today I received a letter from my successor in the best charge I ever filled and although Conference is only four weeks in the future he has not yet secured all his collections. He will succeed, but it will require harder work

than was necessary for me to collect more than the assessments every year for four years. The amounts asked for these various funds are not as great as our people are able to pay, but the ability of the people to pay and the ability of the pastors to collect are two very different propositions, and I fear that some times our Boards confuse them in their estimates. As it is our preachers are the best collectors to be found among the churches in these parts. Recently I compared the latest Minutes of the two Methodisms in Southwest Missouri. Five districts of the Methodist Episcopal Church and six districts of our Southwest Missouri Conference cover about the same territory and are nearly equal in numerical strength. Their collections in each case for pastors' salaries and general benevolences amounted to about the same sum, \$135,000. But the pastors in the M. E. Church received \$108,000 in salaries, and raised for the collections twenty-five per cent of that sum, or \$27,000, while our pastors were paid \$98,000 and collected \$37,000 or thirty-seven and one-half per cent. In some instances the effort to relieve the pastors of the burden of taking the collections is disappointing. Yesterday I received a remittance from a presiding elder which was less than half the assessments on a charge in his district. That presiding elder has been unusually successful in raising the collections and could have raised the greater part or all of the collections at the quarterly meeting if the stewards had not been in his way. Only a few days ago a pastor prevailed on his stewards to reconsider their plan of raising all claims in one budget, as up to that time not one dollar had been paid into the Conference Treasury. Now he is working to raise more than six hundred dollars and has begun paying his collections. In sixteen years' experience as a presiding elder I never knew but one church in which that omnibus plan was a success, and that church, St. John's, St. Louis, paid its Treasurer to do the collecting.

C. H. BRIGGS.

520 W. 7th St., Joplin, Mo., Aug. 16, 1911.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

By REV. W. J. MOORE.

Conference Sunday School Secretary.

"NO LESS A REVIVAL."

"We have no less a revival today than our fathers had. It is of a different character. It appeals more to the intellect, and not so strongly to the emotions."—J. Marvin Culbreth, at *The Oklahoma Methodist Assembly*.

We talk much about the "old-time revival." Did not the old-time revival have its beginning in and permanent basis upon the faithful teaching of God's Word? The whole system of types and shadows and ceremonies of the Old Testament had the teaching element. Hence St. Paul, in looking back over the whole plan declares that, "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ." The function of a schoolmaster is to teach.

The emphasis is given to teaching throughout the Bible. It is mentioned three or four times as often as the preaching function. That sermon that has not at least three-fourths of the didactic element is not as good a sermon as it ought to be.

The point in this paragraph is that this effort to teach God's Word is no less a revival than the long-time effort which we usually call a revival. Do not disparage the one or the other. Let them be the right hand and the left hand of revival effort; but let the right hand be thrust forth first, to get hold of the children and other young people. Then there will not be so much for the left hand to do.

The Savior commands, "Go ye therefore and teach." This applies quite specifically to the Sunday school. And with all this, we shall need the revival, the Decision Days, and other special effort to save all the people—the young and the old.

Every child ought to be saved and in the church before he is 12 years old. If our efforts at home

and in the Sunday school and in the church were directed as they should be this happy result would largely obtain. Here is thought for the pastor and other Sunday school folk to take into consideration.

A GREAT RALLY DAY.

The Sunday school at First Church, Muskogee, observed its Fall Rally Day on the first Sunday in the month. It was truly a great occasion. All our Rally Days ought to be observed and great occasions made of them, as in this case. Of course, not many schools can have these occasions so elaborately and successfully; but nearly all can have a service that will help the school in many ways.

Dr. Bonnell, the very efficient superintendent, in a private note, gives the Secretary the following items concerning the day:

"We had a great day yesterday. Our Missionary Committee had arranged a program. A general statement of missionary operations in Japan of all denominations was made. Then a statement of the operations of our own church followed. Two little girls sang one verse of 'Bringing in the Sheaves,' in Japanese. Miss Bonnell taught it to them. (Miss Bonnell is supported in Japan by this school; and is at home just now for a rest.—W. J. M.) Our collection was \$159.77, with perhaps \$10.00 more to come in. The service was one of profit to us all. We will pay our pledge in full."

We certainly congratulate this school and rejoice in its great success.

REVIEWING THE LESSON.

Should a Sunday school have a review of the lesson each week? That depends. If you have a superintendent or other person who can present the main truth of the lesson without dissipating the good teaching that has been done in the class, it may be done. It should be brief, lively, pointed, if at all. This writer is very much in doubt as to the practical benefits to be derived from a review of the lesson. He has so often seen the whole lesson dissipated by a long, rambling review. It is a most difficult thing to adapt a review to all the grades of a school.

We saw not a great while ago all the grades thrown together after the lesson period for a review by a learned physician. It was Temperance Sunday. He gave an address of fifteen minutes to a scientific discussion of alcohol and alcoholism. Not one in ten understood what he said. Far better for each teacher to have presented the subject of Temperance in a way adapted to the capacities of each class, and then left it to "soak in."

And since the Graded Lessons gives the various classes different subjects for each Sunday, we see it is still more impracticable to have these general reviews. And this is not an item against the Graded Lessons, but rather in their favor.

Our Aim: "Every member present every Sunday, on time, with his own Bible, a liberal offering, a studied lesson, and a mind to learn."

PREPARATION—DECISION—TRAINING.

There are just three periods of human life as it relates to the kingdom and to the development of Christian character. They are indicated by the three words at the heading of this article. Period of Preparation, Period of Decision, Period of Training.

This division of human life, if such division is philosophic, should put every religious teacher and leader to the study and the discovery, if possible, of the best plans by which the spiritual needs of each class or division may be met. That is the first thing to be done. The man or woman who studies the Bible only or the text, without studying the nature, the environments, the predilections of the persons to be taught is about as wise as the physician who studies his medicine case only, and not the patient at all. Both are as apt to kill as to cure.

1. *Period of Preparation*—1 to 12 years. The child comes into the world a bundle of faculties and capabilities. He is ready for the plastic

(Continued on Page 8.)

LEAGUE PAGE

ALL FOR CHRIST—OUR MOTTO
WARING SHERWOOD, Editor.

ASSOCIATE EDITORS
MISS LOUIE AUDIGIER BYRON HARWELL
MISS JUANITA BARNES MISS BERTHA HICKS

EPWORTH LEAGUE DEVOTIONAL TOPIC.
SEPTEMBER 24: "THE EXEMPLARY LIFE."
(1 Tim. 4:12; Ps. 15.)

SUGGESTED PROGRAM.

1. Quiet meditation and prayer.
2. Song, No. 42—"It Is Well With My Soul." (Standing.)
3. Song, No. 174—"Steadily Marching On." (Seated.)
4. Prayer by the leader.
5. Fifteenth Psalm, read collectively.
6. Reading of lesson and remarks by leader (ten minutes).
7. "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," sung to the music of "Silver Threads Among the Gold." This is pretty as a soprano-alto duet.
8. Three talks by Leaguers, based on the discussion below.
9. Open meeting: "What Things Most Hinder My Living the Exemplary Life?"
10. Three prayers for aid in living the exemplary life.
11. Song, No. 58—"All for Jesus." (Standing, with heads bowed.)
12. Benediction.

THE TOPIC.

Not the heroic—although the true hero is not to be despised, and affords a worthy example for emulation—but rather the quiet, every-day life, lived in perfect poise and balance, furnish the elements which constitute the Exemplary Life.

A person living the exemplary life does not placard himself, nor does he have his approach heralded by trumpet blasts and flying colors. More often we find the exemplary life in persons in secluded estate, modest and unassuming, unaware of any extraordinary accomplishments.

But however humble your station in life, the gracious privilege is yours to minister unto our Lord through living such a life "that others may see your good works, and glorify our Father which is in heaven." (Matt. 5:16.)

The pulpit's power is limited and restricted. At best it can reach only those who come directly under its ministry. But that life which is "pure in word and conversation and perfect in charity"—unhampered by the cloak of the clergy—such a life is mighty in power. Any preacher will tell you that more good is accomplished in this way than by all the combined efforts of the ministry.

There are two dangers to be avoided in living an exemplary life: (1) Becoming satisfied with living in a passive state, and (2) covering up your sins—still pretending to lead a true life. The first of these dangers is likely the most common. To avoid this we should remember the example afforded us by the Great Example by his life among men. A busier man never lived than our Lord. Surely if we pretend to be followers of his we will not be contented to lay idly by, satisfied with the thought that we are yielding a good influence, and thus bringing men to God. The second condition mentioned is a wretched condition, and, while not so common as the first, is found in places one would least expect it. You may say, "How can an impostor have any influence over others? They will find him out." This sounds plausible, but if we had not known of such a case we would not have mentioned it. Possibly the fear of detection is responsible for the imposition. They started in to live the Christian life. Everybody had confidence in them and they did a good work. But they had not gone far until their old habits led them to sin. Rather than let those who had confidence in them know that they had erred, they covered up their sin and continued to live as an example. They had taken the first step and the fear of detection so enslaved them that they continued their double life. How

shameful such a state! Abusing one of God's tenderest gifts. Let us do the manly thing and live up to all that our friends suppose us to be.

PRACTICAL POINTS.

What? How? Why?

1. What? An exemplary life; a true, noble, upright, high, Christian life; a life that every one can have, but a life which so few possess—this life is the masterpiece of character-building, whose foundation is in Christ.

2. How? If every man can attain this life, how is he to do it? St. Paul, to whom we are indebted for pointing out so much of the way so clearly, says: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers in word, in conversation, in charity, in faith, in purity." Here are the guiding plans by which we can build a character that will count. Let us determine to have this life, and have it! It will be of no consequence, however, if we so determine and depend upon ourselves to carry out our resolutions. How? Through Christ, and Christ alone.

3. Why? Why do not more attain the exemplary life? Because they do not start right. Their foundation is not founded on the Rock. Here is the perplexing question. Why are our intelligent youths so short-sighted that they cannot see into their future? We, as Leaguers and young people, are living in the character-building age. While we build let's build so that when our building is completed we may have a masterpiece—an exemplary life! In deed and in truth may "All for Christ" be our motto and the cornerstone of our character building.

IF I WERE THE LEADER.

The main thought in the lesson for today is that the true Christian should want to live a life that will be an example to others. A person's influence reaches a great deal farther than he has any idea. We never know who is watching us and is being influenced to a greater or less extent by our actions. There are many things which we could do and not be harmed by them, but yet there is probably some person who is being guided unconsciously by us who would carry this same amusement, whatever it may be, to excess.

If we want our lives to count for something in God's work, the greatest thing that we can do is to lead some soul to a higher vision of life. The life that is of the most service is the one that can be held up as a model. The Christian religion, as all others, is judged by its followers. If a man lives his religion in his home his business and at all times, the greater will be his influence for good; but if he practices his religion only on Sundays he not only loses his own influence, but he is lessening the faith of the unbeliever in Christianity. The unbeliever wants something that is practical, something that will be of use to him throughout his life. Let us then be examples of the believers in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

The above are the thoughts that I would bring out if I were the leader.

As to the rest of the lesson, I would be guided by the suggested program and the exposition and other suggestions that are given on this page.

SIDE LIGHTS.

There is a lady living in an Oklahoma town who truly lives an exemplary life. Her very countenance radiates happiness and good cheer. The sorrowing ones flock to her for peace and comfort and are not disappointed. Her calm hap-

piness in times of victory lends a dignity to rejoicing that is recognized in very few of God's children. Her beautiful hope that "a better day is coming" puts the grumbling man to shame. With a wonderful trust in the Master, and a will to do things, her life has become a blessing to all with whom she comes in contact, and we are reminded of the words of Henry Ward Beecher, "God bless the good-natured, for they bless everybody else."

* * *

"Oh, I have something dreadful to tell you," said a young lady in a certain Eastern college, to her room-mate; "it is about that horrid Blake girl—"

But the room-mate's hands were over her ears instantly. She shook her head and smiled.

"No," she said, "I won't let you tell me anything horrid about anyone. You know I don't repeat those things, and do not care to hear them repeated. Let us try and look over the dreadful things and see only the good."

Can anything be of more value to the suspected one than a friend who shields them from the slanderous tongue.

* * *

Confucius says: "When we see men of worth we should think of becoming like them; when we see men of a contrary character, we should turn inward and examine ourselves."

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE EPWORTH LEAGUE HOME MISSIONARY.

At the sixth annual session of the Little Rock Conference Epworth League, which met at Crossett in June, it was unanimously agreed by the Leagues then represented to pledge and raise the sum of \$850.00, to be paid to Miss Bessie Bunn, Fourth Vice President, Fordyce, Ark., on or before November 15, \$100.00 to be used if needed for the purpose of enlarging our organization within the bounds of the Little Rock Conference. Of the above mentioned amount \$750.00 is to be used to pay the salary for the ensuing conference years of a home missionary somewhere in the bounds of the Little Rock Conference. The field of labor for this missionary is to be selected by Dr. O. E. Goddard, superintendent of our Home Mission work in Arkansas and Oklahoma.; Rev. Forney Hutchinson, Conference Missionary Secretary, and, of course, the presiding elder in whose district the proposed field might be located.

Those who were fortunate enough to hear Dr. Goddard at the Crossett Conference, as well as those who have read his letters in the Western Methodist, know something of the need of the pure gospel in some of the great industrial camps, as well as some of the rural districts of Southwest Arkansas. As an illustration, in one county in our conference there are only two regularly authorized preachers—one Methodist and one Baptist.

At a small mill town only a few miles from one of the chief towns of our State there are three saloons and no religious services of any kind. These facts indicate that we are due something to our own people as well as to the stranger across the seas.

The larger part of the necessary sum has been secured in good pledges from live Leagues and interested individuals and will be paid in due time. We need about \$200.00 more and appeal to every Leaguer and League to come in with us in this great work. We want the money in sight

at the session of the annual conference which meets at Fordyce, so that we can ask the bishop to make the appointment and to give us a good man to establish an Epworth League Mission.

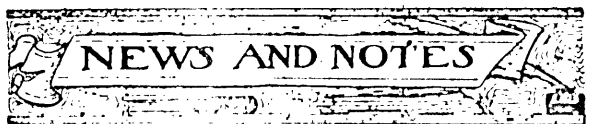
This plan has the indorsement of Brother Goddard, our Home Mission Superintendent, as well as that of several of the leading preachers of the conference.

Let's wake up and do something for Arkansas. If you want a share in this take it up with Miss Burns or the writer.

T. B. WARWICK,

President Little Rock Conference Epworth League.

Room 14, Y. M. C. A. Bldg., Little Rock.



RELIGIOUS.

The Presbyterian Church will follow the lead of the M. E. Church, South, and consolidate The Missionary, published in Nashville by the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions, and the Home Mission Herald, published at Atlanta by the Executive Committee of Home Missions. The consolidated magazine will be issued January 1, 1912.

One of the things which the Methodist Ecumenical Conference is expected to do is to prepare and send out an address to be read in every Methodist Church on the same Sunday.

There were transfers from the Missouri Conference as follows: J. W. Budd to Southwest Missouri Conference; C. S. Rennison, to Little Rock Conference; G. M. Gibson to North Texas Conference; U. G. Foote, to Louisville Conference; J. O. Coppage, to Texas Conference; Joseph Drane Randolph to Florida Conference; E. C. Morgan to New Mexico Conference; Charles Wesley Webdell to New Mexico Conference; J. W. Ezell to Southwest Missouri Conference.

The Missouri Conference of the M. E. Church, South, reports loss of 884 members the past year.

Local preachers from Sweden began about 30 years ago to preach in Finland, and now Bishop Burt has organized in that country a Methodist annual conference.

Y. M. C. A. PLANS FOR ENLISTED MEN.

The Army and Navy Department of the Young Men's Christian Association will open its new Newport building in October. President Taft had been expecting to assist at the function, but new plans came in, and so the program at the moment is incomplete. The building, unlike some others of the department, in that it is for both army and navy, cost \$250,000.00, with \$10,000.00 more for furnishings. The building was given by Mrs. Mary Emery of Cincinnati, and the furnishings by individuals and organizations. Many women resident in different cities have furnished rooms as memorials.

The department expects to erect at Panama an association building that will equal, perhaps surpass, the Newport one. No money is yet in sight for it, but the need will soon be, it learns, since the canal fortifications are to surpass in extent almost any other American naval station. Locations have not yet been decided upon by the government. The department is also hoping to erect a great building at the Presidio in San Francisco, for there coast centralization is to be made, and at least 10,000 men will be stationed there.

One of our exchanges tells us that "when a preacher is unsuccessful it will be found that the

reason is that he fishes without bait." Don't know about that. Expert fishermen use a decoy instead of bait. We have known preachers to fill their churches by this trick. After more than 50 years' constant work in the Church and observation of the Church, we are not convinced that the best way to have a worldly good time is to be religious, or that the best way to build up a large church and get a large salary is to preach the gospel of salvation to be attained by repentance, faith and obedience.

SECULAR.

It is claimed that the United States Navy now has a gun which will destroy any aeroplane. It was designed by Rear Admiral Nathan C. Twing, and is a one-pounder.

An industrial school for white children of the South, to cost \$5,000,000.00, is to be located at Ragland, Ala. That city agrees to give 5,000 acres of land and 200 town lots. The school has been located by the Southern Bureau of Education. The funds are furnished chiefly by Mr. Rockefeller, Mrs. Russell Sage, and Mrs. E. H. Harriman.

There is need of all the efficiency which education and training can give in the work of the Master, but when it comes to be accepted that only those who are thus trained are expected to work at all.

The only way to get ready for the life to come is to live the life which God gives us here and use it to his glory bravely and joyously.

Carlyle says: "Do you want a man not to practice what he believes, then encourage him to keep often speaking it in words. Every time he speaks it the tendency to do it will grow less."

This from President Snyder, of Wofford College expresses a great need in Arkansas: "We simply have too many weak, inefficient schools, whose work is a travesty on education. We are thereby scattering our energies and wasting even the little money we have to spend. It is neither good sense, sound logic, nor wise practice to maintain for a comparatively few months in the year several poor schools, when it might be possible to bring them together into one good school."

"IMMEDIATE METHOD AND ULTIMATE IDEAL."

The Chicago Vice Commission composed of 30 persons, after "a profound study" of the social evils of that city, recommend "constant and persistent repression of prostitution, the immediate method, and absolute annihilation the ultimate ideal," as the remedy to be applied. And it is the "ultimate ideal" that the "immediate repression of prostitution" ought to seek to accomplish without any intervening compromises, such as some city governments supply in the way of segregating criminals. To say that "road houses" and "red-light districts" are safety valves to a city is untrue. They help to corrupt and debauch the people, and no municipality has the moral right to license their existence any more than they have the right to license the violation of any other of the commandments. And to say that such diabolical institutions are necessary for the protection of the decent homes of a city is a slander of said homes. If the moral condition of a city becomes so great as to endanger the good homes in it, the most logical and effective defense of them is a shotgun properly aimed when the time of defense comes. Such moral degenerates care but little for city ordinances when they come in the way of their vile purposes.

Holy writ has marked out the best and only way to bring grace and purity to a people. Any

deviation from its teachings will bring sin and shame on any people. It is significant when a great daily newspaper finds it necessary to frequently urge its patrons to "know where their daughters go when they leave home of nights." The thought is revolting, but newspaper reporters often know more than they dare publish outright. The time is now here when our pulpits ought to repeat the warning.

THEO. F. BREWER.

Norman, Okla.

INCONSISTENT.

According to the report recently made by the National Model Saloon League, every distiller and beer maker ought to be in favor of the extension of prohibition to every State in the Union, as they claim that the consumption of "bug juice" and beer has continued to grow as prohibition spread. But their statement and the amount of money used to influence elections on prohibition does not appear to consist. They spend hundreds of thousands of dollars each year to prevent the question from being voted on or to carry the elections, therefore their statements don't seem reasonable.—*Hope Gazette*.

OSCAR PENN FITZGERALD, BISHOP.

BY REV. AND MRS. R. S. SATTERFIELD.

I met the Bishop on Vanderbilt's lawn,
His face aglow like glow of summer dawn;
His hands in blessing on my head he lay
And bade me godspeed upon life's highway.

My life was little past youth's bright morn;
I wished to live, my own name to adorn,
And serve the Master—debt of love to pay;
But what to do, for answer I did pray.

The Bishop said, "You're gifted, son, and strong;
A mighty power to fight against the wrong.
In God's name, I commission you today:
Go preach free salvation, without delay."

His touch and words to my will gave new tone;
"My Lord," I said, "I will fully enthrone;
His call I'll heed—go preach without delay."
Sweet peace my soul did fill and doubts allay.

Ten years have passed, I've mingled with the throng,
Faced sorrows deep—life's purest joys among;
His mellow radiance has been my stay,
The light of victory in many a fray.

His days are o'er, fourscore and two years long,
In loving service spent—one grand sweet song;
Now hushed the voice that spoke from mortal clay,
Yet liveth he and speaketh day to day.

(This may be sung to Tune 50 in the Standard Hymnal.)

OUR ITINERARY.

Weatherford	Sunday, September 17
Stroud	September 19, 20
Bristow	September 21
Tulsa	September 22-24
Wagoner (a lecture)	September 25
Idabel	September 27
Garvin	September 28
Fort Towson	September 29, 30
Hugo	Sunday, October 1
Boswell	October 2
Bennington	October 3

These services will begin at night of the first date, except those to be held on Sunday. It is hoped that we can have three good helpful sessions at each place.

W. J. MOORE,

Conference Sunday School Secretary.

Knowledge and timber shouldn't be much used till they are seasoned.—*Holmes*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

(Continued From Page 5.)

hand of some "master builder." Happy that man or woman who can take this potter's clay and mold a vessel of honor.

The child at this age is so susceptible of good or bad influences, the character and destiny of the child are largely determined in this period. The child has faith in father and mother and God, until we deceive that child. If we were as true and consistent as we should be, the child might be so directed in his religious life as never to know a time when he did not love God and have faith in him.

II. *Period of Decision*—12 to 18 years. By the time the child reaches the age of 12, yea before, he ought to be ready to make a definite decision for the Christian life. If the period of preparation has been what it ought to be, he will make this decision. All the teaching, every influence, has been focalizing toward this point.

This period is filled with mighty impulses, with greatest ambition for the heroic. It includes the "storm and stress period" of human life.

The fact that childhood reaches its last "high point" of susceptibility to religious impression only emphasizes the importance of getting a commitment as soon as possible. About 70 per cent of young people go away from the Sunday school and the church before they are 16 years of age never to return. Carefully compiled statistics show that 80 per cent of those in prison were sent before they were 20 years old.

What shall we do about it? Let the pastors see to it that revival services and decision days are held with special reference to the young people. We are doing about one-tithe of what we ought to be doing on this line.

III. *Period of Training*—18 years and upward. Every period of life is one of training in a general way; but this period is specifically so. The period of preparation and that of decision having been successfully appropriated, we enter a new field of endeavor. We do not mean to say that we are to leave off preparations and decision; but there must be a concentration of what has gone before into Christian activity and service. It is education—and more. It is a time of training—the fullest development of all the powers and faculties of the soul, and consecration to his service.

And this is largely the work of the Sunday school. The home, in so many cases, does not direct the child in a religious way, and the church does not reach him. So the great responsibility and opportunity of this blessed work is placed in the hands and upon the hearts of the Sunday school people.

Shall we be faithful to the task?

Rev. Jesse Crumpton, Rocky, reports:

"We observed Children's Day and secured a good collection. We have organized a Cradle Roll, and have 20 names. Have Home Department literature and will soon start it. As soon as my meetings are over we will endeavor to organize Teacher Training Classes at both points."

Those schools will move on successfully. When the pastor gets under the school and into it in this way, it means success.

THOUGH LATE.

Though late for us to be urging any delinquent schools to observe Children's Day, it is not too late. If any school has not held the service, we suggest that it be done by combining some of the Rally Day features with the program of Children's Day and make the occasion serve the double purpose. Not too late.

THE HOME DEPARTMENT.

"Properly handled the Home Department is the Sunday school's most successful recruiting force. Have you a Home Department? If not, suppose you send to Dr. Chappell for full information and start one."—E. Hightower, in *Texas Advocate*.

There is little information needed. Get some Home Study quarterlies and strike out to see the shut-ins and the shut-outs. They all will be glad to get into the study. It will prove an arm of

strength to any school. Dear pastor, don't wait to find some one to start it. Do it yourself; and while you are doing this, look out for some to take the place. You will be rendering a double service at one time.

Any pastor can start this department if he only wants to, and with but little trouble or time. He can do it in his pastoral visiting largely. Try it.

"NO RIGHT TO DO SO."

"And a school has no more right to divert the Children's Day collection from the legally specified channel than a congregation would have to take the missionary collection to pay the salary of the pastor. Our Bishops have held for years that no pastor has a right to report all collections in full unless the report includes a Children's Day offering. Bishop Mouzon takes the same position in the *Advocate* of August 24."—*Sunday School Notes*, in *Texas Christian Advocate*.

We are glad to say that very few of our schools in Oklahoma have diverted or withheld the Children's Day offering. All seem to understand the object of this fund to be missionary, for Sunday school extension, etc. He is quite right in saying no one has a right to do so. And no one who thinks about it will do so.

THE RALLY DAY PROGRAMS.

The programs for the fall Rally Day are now out. And they are fine. We hope the schools all will get them and hold the service at the most convenient time before Conference. The usual time, and the best time, is the last Sunday in September. If you cannot get ready for the service at that time use another date. We ought to make much of this Rally Day. Send at once for programs to E. E. French, Department Sunday School Supplies, Nashville, Tenn.

A PROMOTION SERVICE.

Mrs. Hamill has prepared and our house has published, a most beautiful and impressive program for Promotion Day. This service is intended to be included in the program of the fall Rally Day; but it is extensive enough for a service of its own. It is a very appropriate program, and now is a very appropriate time for its observance. You can have the service at the Sunday hour, if you use it only.

But be sure to have this promotion service. Children like it. Make an ado over their promotion, and thereby let them know that this business is worth while.

You can get the programs from our house.

PLENTY OF MATERIAL.

We hear the hue and cry everywhere that we cannot get people to take hold of the work of the Sunday school. They are not qualified or unwilling to superintend a school or to teach a class, or to do anything. But the question arises, What are we doing to encourage them to take hold of the work or to develop them for it? There is plenty of material in nearly every community for the work. If we only knew how to get hold of these persons and were willing to put forth the effort to get them into it.

Get hold of your man with one hand and the Lord with the other with a firm, patient grip on both. Ask him to help you to put the matter upon the man's heart until he sees his duty, yea privilege; and you will succeed. The Lord has put us in this ministry to lead the people into the kingdom and to train them for his service. Don't be impatient. Plenty of material.

THE GRADED LESSONS.

There ought to be little controversy over the practical utility and adaptability of the Graded Lesson system. It is the only method by which we can teach the child as he ought to be taught. The very aim of this system is enough to commend it. The first aim is to meet the needs of the children as fully as possible, and to adapt the lessons to their capacity. It is practically impossible to teach the same lesson to a child six years old and to one eighteen.

The great International Sunday School Con-

vention at San Francisco was a unit in praising Graded Lessons, and it was agreed that it was doing more to bring children to Christ than any other agency. That is to be expected, as the child is made the center of interest.

We hope as many of our schools as can do so will introduce the Graded Lessons, beginning the first year for each grade, and adding the others year by year.

Yes, it will need competent, up-to-date teachers; but does not the Uniform Lessons need them too? You can get along with poor teachers as well with the one as with the other. Our church has adopted the Graded system and it is our duty as loyal Methodists to chime right in and get all the benefits out of it we can.

There is more faith in honest doubt than there is in some men's beliefs. But we had better have a care that the doubt is honest. We had also better have a care that we do not turn heedlessly from that form of doctrine and that form of words which have been shown to exercise a saving influence on the lives of men. Salvation preached in the very terms of the Bible is still a possibility in this world, and is likely to continue to be so. Even if the terms are differently understood, as compared with a former time, they are yet the power of God unto salvation. It is perfectly safe to preach the gospel in the terms St. Paul used, leaving all modern philosophies to take care of themselves.

"There are 500,000 college students studying the word of God in organized Bible classes in this country."—J. Marion Culbreth.

Sunday School Literature.

To ANDERSON, MILLAR & Co.,
Little Rock, Ark.
Send Sunday School Literature

as follows, for the.....quarter

To.....

Postoffice.....

State.....

Sunday School Roll and Record, the best on the market for the rural school, containing blank record space for fifty-two Sundays. Price, postpaid, 50 cents.

COPIES	Mo.	Dola.	Ct.	3 Months	Y
S. S. Magazine				124c	50c
Adult Student				12c	35c
Home Dep't Quarterly				7c	25c
Senior Quart'y				31c	12c
Intermediate Quarterly				31c	12c
Junior Lesson				31c	12c
Little People				3c	10c
Primary T'cher				12c	40c
Children's Visitor				10c	40c
Boys and Girls				8c	25c
Olivet Picture Cards				24c	10c
Bible Lesson Pictures				75c	\$3.00
Reward Cards				10 to 30c pk	
Stand'd Cate'm				\$1.20 per doz.	
Junior Cate'm				60c per doz.	
Methodist Catechism No. 2				40c per doz.	
Child's Cate'm				40c per doz.	
Roll and Rec'd				50c and \$1.00	
Class Books				5c each	
Star Charts				30c each	
Stars				30c per box	
Envelopes				20c per 100	
Total					

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.)

Calico Rock, Ark.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: I am a little girl 7 years of age, and as today is the grand old Fourth of July I will say, Hello, cousins! What have you been doing today? Had a picnic, I guess. I have been at home all day. But my two baby sisters and I have a picnic every day, mamma says. We have no school now. I went to school last year and was not absent a single day the whole session of eight months. My brother Roe, who has been page at Little Rock, is at home now. I will run because I believe I see the wastebasket coming. With much love to all, your new cousin,
CLORA WHITFIELD.

Mineral Springs, Ark.

Dear Miss Anderson and Cousins: I have never written to the Children's Page, but often thought I would while Miss Lillian was there, and she is now a cousin of mine by marriage.

How many of the cousins go to Sunday school? I do, and enjoy it very much. My teacher's name is Miss Katie Ward, and I like her very much. Do any of the cousins go to school now? Our school was out Christmas. I am in the eighth grade. I will let the cousins guess my age. It is between 13 and 18. Come on, Ruth Carr, with another story. I enjoy reading your stories fine. Minnie Hall, I will answer your riddle: It is a watermelon. Am I right?

Well, as I haven't any trips to tell about, I will close, and if I see this in print I will write again.

I hope Mr. Wastebasket has gone for a visit.

With lots of love and best wishes to all, I will close. Your new cousin,
Bob.

Bob, you have another cousin now by marriage: Little Mary Lillian Evans. She and her mother have gone to the coast now. —MISS KATHERINE.

Batesville, Ark., July 10, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and all: I would like to step in and have a little chat. How are you this sunny afternoon? I am fine. How many cousins like to go to school? I like to go very, very much. Did all have a nice time the 4th? I did. I wish Ruth Carr would write oftener. Don't you?

I guess you are wanting to know how I look. I am a brunette, have brown hair and eyes. What do you think of me? My sister will go away to college tomorrow. I guess we will be very lonesome.

Brother Neehouse is our pastor. Think he is a fine preacher. For pets I have three dolls. I suppose the cousins like to play with dolls. I have two sisters and one brother living and one brother gone to rest long ago.

Oscar Patty's riddle: "What State

is it that is round at each end and high in the middle?" Ohio. I will answer Arkansas School Girl's riddles. I-n-k spells colored water. H-a-y spells dry grass. Who will guess my age? It is between ten and thirteen. I will close by asking a riddle: "As I went over London bridge I met people, but they were neither men, women nor children." Beulah Vanzant hand me my sun-bonnet and I'll be going. I hope Mr. wastebasket is slumbering.

Sincerely yours,

Flora Cavenar.

* * *

Steele, Mo., July 6, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you admit another Missouri girl? My papa is a Methodist preacher; his work is in Arkansas. I have two sisters. They have just come home from Cape Girardeau where they have been attending Normal School. I am always glad when they come home. I do not have to wash dishes then, very often. I like to go to school. I am twelve years old and in the eighth grade. For pets I have three little ducks and two kittens. With love to all I am,
Your new cousin,

Gladys Duncan.

* * *

Perry, Ark., July 14, 1911.

Dear Cousins: As I haven't written to the paper I will try to write. I am not going to school. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My age is between eleven and fifteen; the one that guesses it will receive a post card. I will close by asking a riddle: "Six set and seven sprung, from the dead the living come." As my letter is getting long I will close.

Your new cousin,

Dewdrop.

* * *

Humphrey, Ark., July 11, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: I have been reading the children's page for some time, and I thought I would like to join the happy band of boys and girls. Come on, boys, and write more. We girls like to read your letters. Well, we always want to know how anyone looks when we read about them, so I will describe myself: I am five feet five inches tall, have black hair, gray eyes, fair complexion and weigh about 110 pounds. I will name some of the books I have read: "The Trail of the Lonesome Prairie," several of the Alger books, "Black Beauty," "St. Elmo," "The Daughter of Anderson Crow," and many more. I will let you guess my age. It is between fourteen and eighteen. The one guessing it will receive a card. Joe Smiley, I will guess your age to be seventeen. I hope I am right.

I will also guess Dorcas Stewart's age to be fifteen. My papa is the pastor of Humphrey. Rev. J. D. Hammons is our presiding elder. He certainly is a fine man.

For pets I have a dog named "Buster." I will close by answering Minnie Hall's riddle: "Upon that hill there is a green house; in that green house there are a whole lot of little black people." It is a watermelon. Much love to Miss Katherine and the cousins.

Lovingly,

Carrie Bradford.

* * *

Beech Grove, July 17, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: As I have just finished reading the interesting letters of the children's page I thought I would write to the dear old paper again. It has been some time since I wrote last. Two of my little sisters wrote some time in the winter, but their letters were not printed. So they were unlucky. Well, how is Sunday school with all of you? We have a very good Sunday school here; my papa is superintendent. Brother Buchanan is the pastor of our church. The Nazarine meeting begins at this place tonight. Their pastor, Brother Linza, and Brother Haney are going to hold

the meeting. How is school with all of you. Our school begins the 8th of August. I will be glad. I will ask for a post card shower on that day. I will answer all cards received. I will ask you all to guess at my age. It is between twelve and eighteen. Sadie Tucker I guess your age to be sixteen and Myree Wallace to be fifteen.

I went to a picnic at Sugar Creek school house Saturday and had a nice time. The singing class went from here and sang for them. Well, now, I will quit. With best wishes to all,
Della Breckenridge.

* * *

Perry, Ark., July 14, 1911.

Dear Cousins: As I have not seen any letters from here, I thought I would write. I have read the children's page and I think it is nice. Come on Arkansas boys and girls and let's put Oklahoma boys and girls in the rear. I am twelve years old. I am in the sixth grade. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. My Sunday school teacher's name is Miss Nora Spencer. For pets I have none. I have a father and a mother, three brothers and one sister. If I see this in print I will write again. I hope the wastebasket is asleep when my letter reaches it. As my letter is getting long I will close by asking a riddle: "Long legged, short thighs, bald headed and no eyes."

Your new cousin,

Willie Mosley.

* * *

Elmer, Okla., July 17, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine: How are you all this rainy day? Come on all of you Oklahoma boys and girls, and let us do our best. I sure think we have a fine paper, and we sure ought to be proud of this page. I belong to the Methodist Church. Bro. Craig is our pastor and we all think lots of him and we also thought lots of our pastor last year! His name was Taylor. Sadie Tucker I guess your age to be fifteen. Am I right? Terry Conney's age is eleven and the answer to his riddle is, The chicken wanted on the other side of the road. Minta Clark your age is fourteen. I will ask a riddle: "Over water and under water and yet never touches it." You can guess my age. It is between thirteen and seventeen. I would be glad to receive cards from all the cousins. If this dodges the wastebasket I will write again. Your cousin,

Nellie Dean.

R. F. D. 1, Box 10.

* * *

Bucklin, Mo., Aug. 27, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: This is the first time I have written. I like to read your letters very much. I have just read a letter from Mary Emma Hood. Your father married my papa and mama. He was the pastor in Bucklin then. I can not guess the riddle but I will be glad to exchange post cards with you and the other cousins. I have a sweet little brother and sister. Papa got us a shetland pony for our birthdays and we have lots of fun. I wish all of the cousins could come to see us and take a ride. My papa is an evangelist.
Mary London Martin.

* * *

Grandfield, Okla., July 8, 1911.

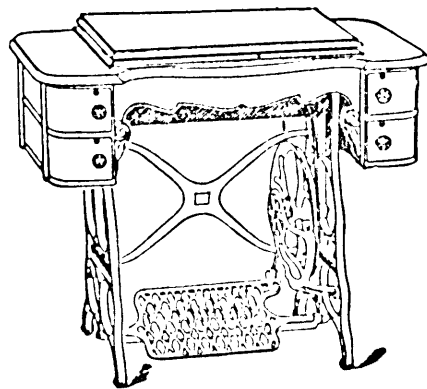
Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Father takes the Western Methodist. I enjoy reading the children's page. I am a little girl nine years old and in the fourth grade at school. I have a pet calf, two colts and a kitten. I also have a pony that I ride. I have a little sister Laura who is five years old and a brother John who is seven. We are all saving money to get a saddle for our pony. Our uncle in Missouri is helping us. We used to live in Missouri. Father preached in the Missouri conference a long time. We are living on our farm four miles from Grandfield. I haven't missed Sunday school for

three quarters. My Sunday school teacher's name is Miss Milly Davidson. Mother teaches a class in the Sunday school. We went to Epworth by the sea last August. We had a good time camping, going to church and bathing in the bay. I will close by asking a riddle. Big at the bottom, little at the top and something in the middle going flipity flop. Another Oklahoma girl,
Adelaide Taylor.

SEE THIS!

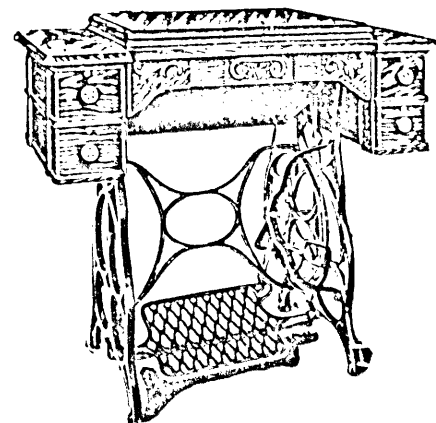
WHY PAY TWO PRICES FOR A SEWING MACHINE?

The Western Methodist announces to its readers that we have made arrangements with a reliable factory to put out sewing machines of the highest quality, which for beauty and general up-to-dateness cannot be equaled for the money. These machines are made expressly for the Western Methodist, and are known as Western Methodist Sewing Machines. They will be shipped on our order direct from the factory to our customers. They are not sold like so many machines are sold, through agents who must make a profit of 100 per cent, must get two prices in order to make a living. We guarantee them to come up to all we represent them to be, and our manufacturers stand back of our guaranty. They are in two grades, as follows:



WESTERN METHODIST NO. 1.

Our Western Methodist Machine No. 1 is an unequalled combination of the best features in sewing machines. It has a beautiful quarter-sawn oak cabinet, piano polish, ball bearings, steel Pitman, automatic lift, improved high arm head, best attachments and accessories. This machine is warranted by the manufacturers for ten years and will give the best of service and satisfaction. Price, \$27.50.



WESTERN METHODIST NO. 2.

Our Western Methodist Machine No. 2 is a good sewing machine at a very low price. It is a neat, strong, serviceable, full high arm machine. We do not claim this machine is high grade, but is the very best low-priced machine on the market today. It is complete in every detail and supplied with a full set of attachments, accessories, instruction book, and warranted for ten years. Price, \$15.00.

Order of ANDERSON, MILLAR & CO., Little Rock, Ark.

TEN CENTS NOW

Many more people want Ice Cream than we expected, and the price of

JELL-O Ice Cream Powder

has been reduced from 15 cents to 10 cents a package, so that everybody can have it.

Now you can make the most delicious ice cream for 9 cents a quart or 36 cents a gallon with Jell-O Ice Cream Powder.

Vanilla, Lemon, Strawberry and Chocolate Flavors, and Unflavored, as desired.

Each kind 10 cents a package at grocers.

Beautiful Recipe Book Free.

The Genesee Pure Food Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

MT. PLEASANT CAMP MEETING.

The most timely and interesting thing in Drew County's Methodism has come and gone, which is the old Mt. Pleasant camp meeting.

The people of all churches are more or less interested in the old camping place. There were some camped this year who had been camping fifty-eight years, and whose earliest memories are associated with the old camp ground when Drs. Hunter and Winfield did the preaching. To these the camp meeting is a great occasion.

The meeting, all say was a great success and we could not expect anything else with such men as T. O. Owen, who came to do the preaching, and it was to us all great because he gave us things new and old out of the word of the Lord.

All know where J. A. Sage goes there is much to learn and enjoy and his good preaching was a great uplift to all.

The meeting was a great uplift to church and people in that community. There were about fifteen conversions as we counted them and many reclamations, each church member resolved to live a better life and do more in the future for his Master's cause.

As for myself, I shall forever feel grateful to Bros. Sage and Owen for the great good accomplished in that community.

I think next year there will be many new camps go up, and the old camp ground will look like it did many years ago.

J. D. Dunn.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT NOTES.

The Prescott District is moving in the right direction. I think the outlook is very good for a splendid showing at the approaching Conference. Building, repairing churches, parsonages and such like, seems to be taking on new life. At Nashville at the second quarterly conference a committee was appointed to provide a parsonage at once. This committee removed the old parsonage from the beautiful lot and at the third quarterly conference this committee reported that their work had been accomplished. Think of it! A parsonage built—new from "center to periphery and from base to apex." And another unusual thing about this new building at Nashville is, that not one cent of indebtedness is on it.

Prescott is undertaking to provide better quarters for their pastor. They are not satisfied with the present situation or building. Many other items of interest could be mentioned of our district's work, but will wait and let the pastors report at Conference. Come down and visit us.

Wherever I go I hear people say that the Methodist is improving with each issue.

Yours truly,
W. C. Hilliard.

AN OPEN LETTER TO METHODIST PARENTS THROUGHOUT ARKANSAS.

Dear Fathers and Mothers: Are your boys and girls going to attend the University of Arkansas this year? Are they members of the Church? Do they work in the Epworth League and Sunday school? Can they sing? How may I best serve them? Command me. Write me fully and freely from your hearts. Your servant,

Marion Nelson Waldrip,
Pastor Central Methodist Episcopal Church, South.
Fayetteville, Ark., Sept. 9, 1911.

In Jackson County, one of the best counties in Oklahoma, where the citizenship is the very best, and where the people are prosperous and healthy, there lives a hardware man who, on account of his age, is selling off a goodly number of farms, in lots of 40, 80, 160, and 320 acres. Write R. C. Johnson, Altus, Okla., for prices and terms.

DELHI MISSION.

The people of Delhi Mission are hard at work. We have completed a nice church and parsonage on this work with a three-acre block to build on. We are serving a people who are willing and ready to do things to help God's cause.

Have had two revivals; held a three-weeks' meeting at Delhi school house, beginning the fourth Sunday in July, closing the second Sunday in August. Bro. J. M. Moore of New Mexico was with me the last week. Results: Thirty-two conversions and thirty-one accessions to the M. E. Church, South. By the aid of God I organized a class at Delhi, May 14, 1911. Since that time forty-one have been received into the church by vow and baptism. There was no regular preaching at this place neither any church organized seven months ago. But the Spirit led me to that place and today we have a membership of eighty-six and praying that God may make it a hundred by Conference.

Brethren, don't overlook the weak and deserted places. God, by your aid can and will make the weak places strong. I never met with a more friendly and sociable class of people. They were hungry for the word of God. The Christian people worked so faithful that God gave us the "old time religion" and many were saved from sin.

The second revival began at Center Point the third Sunday in August and closed Friday night before the first Sunday in September. Bro. J. P. Lowry of McLean, Tex., was with us part of the first week and did a great work for us. Bro. Lowry is certainly a good preacher. The results of the meeting: Twenty-one conversions and fifteen accessions to the church. Bro. R. H. White of Vinson, Okla., was also with us and was loved by all and a great help. The Holy Spirit did work with the unsaved from the beginning. The "Holy Ghost" power was strongly felt in our midst and many hard-hearted sinners were saved "from sin." The conversions were made up from grown people with the exception of two. There were two under 16 years of age. The Spirit was striving more with the old than with the young. We feel very thankful for His love and power which have been so strongly felt during these series of meetings. Other denominations worked "hand in hand" so that we all pressed on to victory.

Our fourth quarterly conference was held Saturday, September 2. Good attendance and dinner on the ground for all. Our P. E., Bro. M. Weaver, was present and preached three fine sermons for us during his stay. The P. E. and P. C.'s salary was provided for in full. We have certainly got a class of people in Delhi Mission that do their work right and at the proper time. I pray that God may richly reward this people for their much love and loyalty which they have shown me and God since my first acquaintance.

Ask the prayers of all God's children for me and this band of faithful workers.

J. L. Davis, P. C.

MULDROW STATION.

Dear Methodist: Our fourth quarterly conference is in the past. Bro. Wilson was with us Saturday and Sunday, and did some fine preaching. We had a real good communion service, the first we have had in a long time. We reported twenty-four additions for this quarter, and eighty during the year. We will receive others next week. The general state of the church is a little better than it was. I read the general rules Sunday night to a good congregation. I am trying every means possible to get our people to return to the old paths. I have three calls for meetings in the school houses around here. May the Lord bless our work. We have some good people here.

J. H. Callaway.

Muldrow, Okla., Sept. 11.

OUR PREACHERS AND LAYMEN'S MEETINGS AND ELSE.

In order to consult on important matters in closing up the year's work on the Paragould district, the district has been divided into two sections, East and West and two preachers' and laymen's meetings will be held, the one in the Eastern division at Marmaduke September 27-28, the one in the Western division at Pocahontas October 4-5. Suitable programs will be arranged by competent committees and plans will be adopted to push vigorously all the interest of the work in the district during the last quarter.

Our district lay leader, Bro. Isaac Ebbert, is actively and vigorously pushing the every-member campaign and also evangelistic lay work. If he does not accomplish great good it will be because the lay leaders of the charges and missionary committees do not co-operate with him. I trust our laymen will see the opportunity and help push the work. May I call attention of the laymen to the very great neglect to report on Church Registers and Records of Church Conferences. At our second quarterly conferences we appointed committees to examine these books. I am now nearing the close of the Third Round. I will ask the committees that have reported to stand up and answer I. This is very important work; has to do with the preservation of the history of the local church and should be a labor of love. Wonder what the experience of other P. E.'s is at this point.

We cordially invite the Methodist force and other interested visitors to our preachers' meetings.

M. M. Smith.

A CORRECTION.

In last week's Western Methodist, in our tribute to our dear Sister J. F. Giles, it was inadvertently stated that she resigned as Conference Corresponding Secretary of W. F. M. S. Little Rock Conference "a year and a half ago" when it should have read "a half year ago." It was only last February (1911) that she relinquished the office.

In a personal note since her death, Mrs. James Thomas, Conference President, says of her: "This was the last work that she gave up, she clung to it so tenaciously—it was a part of her very life. She was so true, so capable, so willing, so consecrated, always ready to do her best for those about her and for her Lord. This world is much poorer. In her death I sustain a personal loss for we have been so closely associated in our church work for nine years."

Mrs. George Thornburgh,
Corresponding Secretary.

SPRINGFIELD CIRCUIT.

We just closed a very great revival at Shady Grove on the Springfield circuit, Sunday, September 3. The Lord very graciously blessed us. We had about fifty conversions and seventeen accessions to the church. Rev. A. E. Goode did the preaching. He is a very able preacher and a great revivalist and the Lord wonderfully blessed his labors at this place.

We had our P. E., Rev. F. S. H. Johnston, with us at the morning service Thursday, August 31 and also on Sunday morning, September 3. At the Sunday morning service, he preached a very powerful sermon on "Methodism; Its History and Work." After which a collection was taken for the building of a new church. The amount subscribed was about \$500. The new building is to be a \$750 one and we hope to push it to completion before Conference.

Yours for Christ,
Joe F. Rogers, Pastor.

GOSPEL TENT FOR SALE.

I have a gospel tent to sell at a great bargain. I. F. HARRIS.
Waxahachie, Texas.

Don't Take Harsh Purges
Bond's Pills Are Safe
25c ALL DRUGGISTS 25c

AUSTIN CIRCUIT.

On the first Sunday night of this month we closed our camp meeting on Austin circuit. We had a glorious victory. Fifteen were added to the church, a number of backsliders reclaimed and the Christian people greatly revived. Bro. Marion S. Monk, of 28th St. church, Little Rock, did most of the preaching. He completely captured the people with his earnest, eloquent sermons. He and his excellent wife won their way to the hearts of all who attended the meeting. Dr. Alonzo Monk, our P. E., came out at the close of the meeting and did some fine preaching. Rev. Bascom Monk, Rev. H. H. McGuire and Rev. Brothers also rendered splendid service in the meeting. We are planning to revive the old camp ground in the near future.

I have just held a very successful meeting at South Bend on my charge and have two other meetings to hold yet.

Fraternally,
W. C. Toombs, P. C.

TEXHOMA AND GOODWELL.

Dear Western Methodist: We have just closed another great meeting on the Texhoma and Goodwell charge at Goodwell. There were more than fifty professions and thirty-eight additions to our church and four go to the Baptist church and I have four more names for membership. The church was greatly revived. My wife was a great help in every service in the singing and personal work. She has a hold on the young leaders that is marvelous. A young ladies' prayer meeting was organized. Whole families were saved and family altars established. The membership of the church has more than doubled on my charge this year. We have received ninety-six into the church since conference. This has been one of the best years of my ministry. To our Father be all the praise. Hope to send you some subscribers for the paper soon.

Your brother,
R. A. Crosby, Pastor.
Guymon, Okla., Sept. 9, 1911.

A GREAT AWAKENING.

Many are turning and being saved, and the church is at work in the wonderful revival that is sweeping this section of Van Buren County at Denard, Ark. Bible reading revived, family altars erected, Epworth League organized, people joining the church and a house of worship—Methodist—will be built.

Cordially,
Irvin B. Manly.

720 Pine St., Texarkana, Tex.

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, celled 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.

W. H. M. SOCIETY.

EDITED BY

Mrs. J. A. Looney, White River Conference
Wynne, Ark.
Mrs. Edgar Wyatt, Little Rock Conference
Hot Springs, Ark.
Mrs. G. G. Davidson, Arkansas Conference
Russellville, Ark.
Mrs. R. K. Triplett, Oklahoma Conference
1214 N. Geary Ave., Oklahoma City.
Send all communications to the editors.
Mrs. M. E. Mackey, East Oklahoma Conference
Durant, Okla.

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Mrs. W. H. VanRiper will hold her District meeting for the Home and Foreign Societies at Durant the last of September. Program and date will appear next week. Every auxiliary in the district should be represented. Elect delegates at once. We are hoping and praying for a good meeting.

Mrs. M. E. Mackey,
Superintendent.

Durant, Okla.

HASTINGS CIRCUIT.

Our protracted meeting season has come and gone, and many yet unsaved but taking everything into consideration I believe everything is all right and that the Hastings circuit is on the upbuild. We began our first meeting at Cash Valley, and we had with us at this meeting Bro. Claud B. Smith, of Caps, Texas, a member I think of the Northwest Texas conference, and a very able preacher. Our people were taken away with his preaching and I think his preaching is bearing fruit, as we have had two accessions to the church since he left. This meeting was held under trying circumstances, but all in all it was a good meeting.

We begin our next meeting at Lone Star. Bro. T. E. Williams of Cement, Okla., was with me in this meeting, and did us some fine work, although we were hindered on account of rain as it rained nearly all through the meeting and we could not get two services together hardly. Bro. Williams was not satisfied with results, but we did the best we could and the meeting will always live in the minds of some.

Our next meeting was held at Liberty Hill. Brother Weeks of Nocona, Texas, was with me in this meeting and preached us some fine sermons but did not stay long as he had to go back to his own appointment and on account of the train service at this point he had to leave a day sooner than he intended. Bro. Weeks made some warm friends while with us and I can say he is a safe preacher. His preaching did the church good and will bear fruit I am sure. This also was a good meeting. I carried the meeting on over Sunday and had fine interest when we closed.

Our last but not least meeting began at Martin's Chapel. This is where our church has a house that cost in the neighborhood of \$1500. Bro. Stroud of the Frederick circuit was to help me in this meeting, but his wife got sick and he couldn't come. So I procured the help of Bro. Allen of Hastings Station. He preached for me from Sunday night till Saturday at noon and he had to go back to his appointment. Bro. Allen is a fine preacher and was liked by our people fine. We had one or two conversions while he was with us and added to the church several. I carried on this meeting until Monday, had one sermon preached by Bro. Steel, a superannuated preacher from Texas and now selling Bibles for the American Bible Society. Bro. Steel preaches well and was liked by my people fine. I baptized five and received into the church eight during the meeting. I think this was a fine meeting as many expressed themselves in this way. I have received since I came on this work sixteen new members and have the promise of several more, and where one comes into the church I am pastor of, they are very apt to be Methodist and

will do the church good. I don't go on the rousation plan. People can make too much noise sometimes and I think this is very often the case and I don't care to follow one of those preachers who get up rousations. After the storm has blown over the people are very hard to reach for some time after. Thus I find on this work they have heard so much of that kind of stuff till you cannot hardly get them to take hold of something more substantial. Preach the gospel of Christ in its purity, and when people turn by the preaching of the gospel and not by excitement it will be lasting and then they will come right into the church. Give me an honest, sincere people to serve and there is no trouble about getting people converted. Give us more common sense and less fuss, and we will have a better Methodism.

R. H. Denny, P. C.

MELBOURNE CIRCUIT.

Since our last report we have held one fine revival at Newburg. And it was a glorious meeting. The Lord was with us at every service. The church was greatly revived; old scores settled; backsliders renewed; the moral status of the surrounding country built up, and twenty of the brightest conversions I have ever witnessed.

Young men who were converted one day conducted the prayer and praise services the next day, and every one who was saved—from the youngest—seven years old to the oldest, about twenty-one, testified to the saving power of the Holy Spirit. We had ten to join our church and more will follow. The prayer meeting was revived and in place of having prayer meeting only on Sunday nights they will also have one every Wednesday night.

The Lord was able to use the feeble efforts of the writer, in the preaching and leading the workers in this great meeting. People had been saying all along we could not have a meeting and that the "fodder pulling" would interfere, but the Lord certainly knocked all opposition out of the way and we have been able to render thanks and praise to God for the victory. The local preacher rendered valuable help.

We go to Pleasant Grove Wednesday for a ten days' meeting. Pray for us. Quarterly conference also meets there Thursday and Friday.

Our meeting at Melbourne begins on the 17th by the observance of a week of prayer and song to prepare for earnest effort by the 23d. Evangelist Ira H. Russell will help, beginning on that day and continuing until October 4.

We are expecting to report 100 conversions, at least, at Conference.

Pray for us that we may stay at the feet of Jesus and may be used by him for the salvation of the lost.

Melvin L. Mack, P. C.

KOONKAZACHEY NEWS.

On the last Sunday in August we began a meeting at Koonkazachey, a point belonging to the Hester and Lugert charge. It is beautifully situated in the Wichita mountains of Kiowa County, about ten miles south of Hobart. We were assisted by Rev. C. H. Armstrong, pastor of our church at Mountain View, under whose ministry the church at that place was organized about two years ago. He had already won the hearts of the people, and they received him gladly. Bro. Armstrong is a fearless preacher, and presents the truths of the gospel in their simplest and plainest forms. He is a faithful co-laborer and a zealous worker, and it was a delight to have him with us. We staid among these good people for ten days, and God's power was with us in every service. Young persons and old persons were regenerated and born again by His Spirit, and the whole church was lifted on to a higher plane. The membership of the church was doubled, and a number of persons will join other churches as a result of the

HENDRIX COLLEGE

Established by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, stands for distinctively Christian ideals. For a quarter of a century, without endowment, Hendrix deliberately maintained high entrance and graduation standards, regardless of the effect on enrollment. Now, with endowment which will soon approximate \$300,000.00, the requirements will be even more exacting. As there are few students in Arkansas really prepared for college, we do not expect a large enrollment, yet the Freshman Class last year was the largest in our history. Our students are picked men from among the choicest youth of the whole State. Being prepared, they are able to do the highest grade of real college work.

Hendrix College is not a university, and offers neither technical, professional, nor postgraduate courses. It simply provides liberal training for the making of men. Its former students, successful in many vocations, demonstrate the value of such education. Weaklings are not wanted. Strenuous work and the formation of right habits and character confront the entering student. It requires capacity and courage, costs effort and sacrifice, but it pays. The youth unwilling to meet the demands should avoid Hendrix. He is unable to walk the rough road to success. Poverty and lack of early advantages are no bar to the genuine college spirit. Hendrix welcomes every really worthy youth and helps him to realize his noble ambition.

An Academy is maintained, because mature, but poorly prepared, students need special advantages.

All good high schools are accredited, and their students are received on certificate without examination.

Women may enter, but the organization and the administration of the curriculum are for men.

Our graduates are in demand. Last year all graduates had secured good positions before graduation.

Advantages considered, expenses are moderate. Many pay expenses by work.

Conway is an ideal educational center, having the Woman's College for the Baptists, the State Normal, a Business College, and a fine public high school.

Hendrix seeks to serve Church and State. Help us to secure 250 of the best youth of Arkansas.

Details furnished and inquiries cheerfully answered.

A. C. MILLAR, Conway, Ark.

meeting. No pastor ever served a more loyal, faithful and consecrated people than are found in our church at Koonkazachey. May God's blessings be upon them.

J. W. Trevette, Jr.,
Preacher in Charge.

WYNNEWOOD, OKLA.

I write to say that on the last day of August we moved into our beautiful new nine room parsonage. It is a thing of beauty, and will be a joy for many years to come.

The good women of the church have started well in furnishing. They have placed some splendid furniture with more to follow. By the kindness of some friends both in and out of town, we have placed a nice tub in the bath room. Things are looking good about this preacher's home.

I am glad to say that Miland is rapidly recovering from typhoid fever. We landed home two weeks ago after a long, hard trip for her. Pullman cars made the trip possible. The railroad people were as kind as could be. When they see a man in trouble they help him. It looks now like Miland will soon be herself again. She could not walk—indeed she can scarcely do so now. But she is so much better. We thank God for his goodness to us. And we are under many obligations to the official board and church at Wynnewood. They did their part. I must not forget to say she was sick in one of those splendid Tennessee homes where everything was done for us that could be done. Bro. Richardson and wife and children did all they could for us. God bless them. Then that splendid nurse, Miss Beard and Dr. Read—there is no better. All did their part. We are at home and are thankful.

Suffer me to say that news has reached us that Rev. Charles Mann, our pastor at Elmore, was thrown from a buggy and one of his limbs badly crippled, ankle torn up and will in all

probability be stiff for life. He is a good man and was doing a splendid work on that circuit. He may need some help. We must help him.

J. G. Blackwood.

Any man wanting a home in a rich prairie country where there is no malaria, negroes, Indians, nor Mexicans; and where you can raise corn and hogs, alfalfa and mules, and cotton without crabgrass, should write R. C. Johnson, Altus, Oklahoma, for prices and terms on his lands which he is now selling in 40, 80, and 160 acre blocks.

CHANGE OF PASTORS.

Rev. C. M. Reeves, our pastor at Piggott and St. Francis, one of our best, brightest and most consecrated young men has resigned his charge to enter Vanderbilt University this fall. I have moved Rev. C. C. Burton from East Side, Paragould, to Piggott and St. Francis and appointed R. A. Owen, a young local preacher in Bro. Burton's place.

M. M. Smith.

Paragould, Ark., Sept. 9, 1911.

GREENWOOD, ARK.

We are in the midst of a great meeting. The human agencies have been the local church, a few strong sermons by my P. E., Bro. Hughey, and some more by Bro. Bates. The chief factor is Bro. G. T. Tatum. For power to touch the heart life I have not met a greater. The work is spreading. We trust it will sweep the town. The battle rages but victory must come.

J. M. Williams.

Greenwood, Ark., Sept. 8, 1911.

Why not procure you a good farm of 80 or 160 acres of R. C. Johnson, Altus, Oklahoma? He has some real bargains and on easy terms. Write him.

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

ALTUS, OKLA.

As the name indicates, Altus is a high point, county seat of Jackson County. Population, 5,000, and increasing every year. There are four railroads, several mills, railroad shops and public works. Four banks, splendid business, both retail and wholesale. The new three-story court house is one of the largest and best in the State. There are several churches, none of them in keeping with the large public school buildings, business houses, public library and elegant homes.

We have a good two-story parsonage, but very much need a new church. This, however, they know and will build in the near future.

Rev. Robt. Hodgson, our pastor, was on a visit to his father in California. Mark, his intelligent son, was my guide. Bro. Hodgson is a fine preacher and a most excellent man. I have a profound respect for him. He is blessed with an extra good wife and intelligent children. They were so nice to me. My chief work was shaping up the old subscribers.

This is the home of Rev. J. W. Kizziar, an honored superannuate. It was quite a pleasure to meet with him and to know that he keeps so cheerful; also Rev. C. R. Hardy, who has a position in the postoffice. Others with whom I had pleasant business dealings were A. J. Thompson, R. C. Johnson, Sunday School Superintendent Lee Chism, T. M. Robinson, B. R. Kimbell, H. W. Fagin, Dr. S. P. Rawls, W. H. Kizziar, and Elmore Barker.

The Baptists were having a great meeting. Rev. Sid Williams of Texas helping.

MANGUM, OKLA.

Everybody I hear speak of Mangum says it is a good town. What everybody says must be true. The census report gave them 3,667. This is the county seat of Greer County, one of the best counties in Oklahoma. There are two railroads, four banks, large brick school house, and three-story court house. The Baptists are building a very fine church. We have an elegant new brick church, well equipped, which is a great credit to the town.

We also have a nice parsonage. Rev. J. S. Lamar is closing his fourth year. He has done a great work in Mangum and commands the respect of every one. He is strictly a first-class all-round preacher and will succeed anywhere. He has a lovely family, but a great sorrow has come to them in the death of a precious son several weeks ago. While here I enjoyed a good dinner with Brother Lamar at Brother R. E. Jones', and a night with Rev. C. H. McGhee, the gifted presiding elder. He has an excellent wife and three lovely daughters. Dr. McGhee gives a hopeful report of his district. Thanks report will be full by conference.

I was glad to meet Dr. Johnson, the presiding elder of the Chickasha District. He is cheerful in his great work. He is a very lovable character. A union meeting of all the pastors (except the Baptist) was being held in the court-house yard. It was my pleasure to worship with them twice, having charge of one of the services. Rev. Sol Kirby conducted the singing. He is quite gifted in song and altar service.

With the aid of the pastor and Brother J. H. Hamilton, I collected well from our large list and secured 12 new subscribers: C. C. Tillman, J. R. Trisler, Mrs. Nettie Womack, C. A. Sessions, I. W. Phillips, Mrs. M. H. Mills, G. W. Norvelle, L. H. Brown, J. M. Murray, J. H. A. Walling, G. C. Gibbons, and S. F. Wright.

ELK CITY, OKLA.

On the Rock Island road, in Beckham County, is Elk City, the county seat. Population is 3,165, with a

healthy growth. There is also a cross-road coming up from Altus and Mangum. The town is well supplied with banks, stores, gins, shops, laundry, broom factories, light plant and water works, and has two large brick school houses. Prof. J. T. Tucker is superintendent. There are some nice churches. We have both church and parsonage. Rev. C. L. Herring is pastor. He and Rev. I. K. Waller exchanged places. He was out on the prairie helping a brother in a meeting, so I did not see him. His brethren spoke highly of him, which I was glad to hear. He has a good wife and a large family—too many for the parsonage. A large house was provided.

Collecting from the old, I secured three new subscribers: Mrs. A. M. Vanderslice, Mrs. S. A. Hayes, and H. T. Wilson.

FOSS, OKLA.

Met on the train by Rev. E. H. Driskill, a short stop was made at Foss. We soon rounded up the old and secured three new subscribers: D. M. Briant, F. R. Murphy, and Mrs. Joe Willey.

Foss has some excellent department stores, is a good business point, with good surroundings. Neat hotel, large public school building. We have parsonage (but need a better one), and a neat church. This is a half station. Brother Driskill is a consecrated, faithful preacher, and is doing much good. He is of the sort of whom his Lord will say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." That above everything do I desire to hear when I shall have come to the end of the ways. A refreshing supper was enjoyed with Brother Driskill and family. His is a happy home. A consecrated wife and four sweet children of whom the parents are justly proud are his companions in the circle.

CORDELL, OKLA.

Taking an early train, Cordell was reached about day. Rev. R. S. Satterfield was at the train to see Brother James off, who had been aiding in a good meeting.

We rushed around, and by 9:30 had our list in fine shape for another year. Brother Satterfield had recently sent in eight new subscribers. If all the preachers would do this we could soon have 20,000 subscribers to the good Western Methodist. In this connection I want to say I hear a great many speak of the improvement of the paper. Dr. Anderson's editorials, "Where Rest Can Be Found," and Dr. Palmore's travels "Eastward Around the World" are alone worth the price of the paper. Brethren, call attention to this and send in a long list of new subscribers before your annual conference. The paper will be a great blessing in the home.

Brother Satterfield is in Class A among his brethren in all respects. This is his third year at Cordell. He has done a great work and is held in high esteem. He and his lovely family are enjoying the new parsonage which is quite neat. We have a good church, well located.

The new \$70,000.00 court house is the most imposing building in town. There are three banks and other business in like proportion. Fine citizens and a good country.

CUSTER CITY.

Last May Rev. J. C. Hooks and wife transferred from Little Rock Conference to Western Oklahoma Conference, and were stationed at Custer City. This is an excellent town of about 1,000 people, and one of the finest farming countries in the State. Everybody has a good home. All white people and a good class. Brother and Sister Hooks are perfectly delighted and the people are highly pleased with them. We have a neat parsonage and beautiful brick church. There is one nice country church to whom one Sunday is given. Shaping up the old, we secured four new subscribers: Mrs. T. P. Stone,

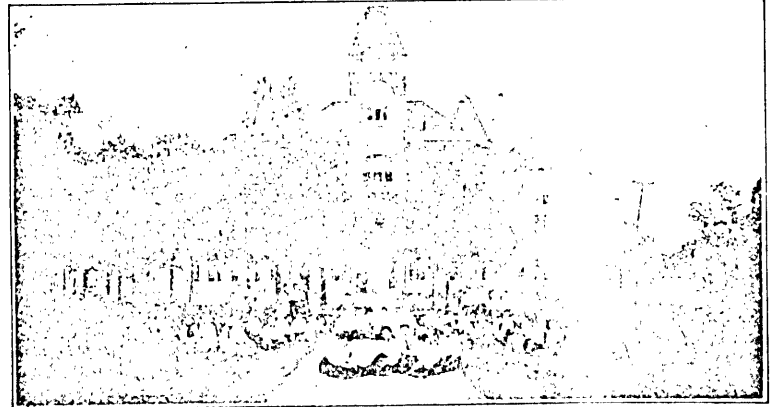
Galloway' College

The most thorough school for young women in the Southwest is
a safe place for your daughter.

For information address

J. M. WILLIAMS, Pres.

SEARCY, ARKANSAS.



Henderson-Brown College, Main Building

An ideal school for young men and young women. Coeducational. Located in healthful Arkadelphia, Ark. Large and commodious buildings. Splendid equipment. Cultured and Christian instructors. Preparatory Course. Regular College Course. Exceptional advantages in Music, Art, Oratory, Domestic Science.

A rich Christian tone, high standards, and ideals, manly sports, honest athletics, good government and discipline by personal love, sympathy and contact with the students.

Write for catalogue and information.

GEORGE H. CROWELL, Ph.D., Pres.

Mrs. I. A. Wilson, H. N. Wise, and Mrs. T. H. Miles.

Brother Hooks is a strong preacher. He is a fine scholar and capable of doing excellent preaching. His good wife is cultured and a devout Christian.

CLINTON, OKLA.

One of the coming towns of Oklahoma is Clinton. They have four railroads and speak of others building. It is in a very fertile country, and I see nothing to prevent it making quite a large city. They have about 3,000 people and others keep coming. There are three banks, beautiful stores, two large brick school houses, cotton seed oil mill, other mills and gins, water works and sewers. We are building a church second to none west of Oklahoma City. They expect to have the roof on by conference, and will want the conference to meet with them next year.

Rev. A. M. Brannon is pastor. A better man for this place could not be found. He has sense, religion and energy, and knows how to do things. Rev. O. W. Stewart had begun to build and would have succeeded (for he never fails at anything he undertakes), but as he was called to Fort Gibson to superintend the School for the Blind. It was next to being in my own home he had. Sister Brannon and their sweet little daughter make their home ideal. It was next to being in my own home to spend a night with them. Shaping up the old, we secured five new subscribers: J. F. Nickle, Mrs. W. Koontz, E. H. Shumate, Mrs. J. Fentress, Mrs. E. C. Gallop.

Brothers McIntosh and Phillips are engaged for a meeting here in a few weeks.

It was quite a pleasure to meet Ed Pittsworth and family and to know they are all deeply interested in the new church.

WEATHERFORD, OKLA.

The location of Weatherford, in the eastern part of Custer County, on the



BELLS, PEALS, CHIMES
Made only of best selected Copper and East India Tin. Well known for their full rich tone and durability. Write for catalogue.
E. W. VAN DUSEN CO. Prop'r Birkley Bell Foundry
(Estab. 1837). 515 E. Second St., CINCINNATI, O.

ESTABLISHED 1858
CHURCH AND SCHOOL BELLS
Write for SPECIAL DONATION PLAN CAL. NO. 2
THE E. W. BELL COMPANY, HILLSBORO, O.

Rock Island road, is very beautiful. There is a high ridge upon which the State Normal school buildings in grandeur lift their lofty domes. No better location could have been found for this school, which begins the fall session this week. A very fine class of young men and ladies attend the Normal. This school alone will hold a fine class of people in Weatherford. There is also a very large public school, three banks, general merchandise stores, two large roller wheat mills, water and light plants, sewers, and other public works. The population is 2,118. There are plenty of churches. We have a parsonage and an elegant new brick church, occupied the first Sunday in September for first time. Large Sunday school and congregations morning and evening. The pastor, Rev. W. J. Stewart, preached the first sermon, which was appropriate and well received. It was my privilege to preach in the afternoon. A full house enjoyed a delightful service of song at night.

Brother Stewart and his people deserve great credit for building this church under the pressure of the financial condition of his people. But they are all glad they did it. Brother Savage did much in preparing the way, getting them in the notion to build. Brother Stewart is not only a good preacher, but a great worker. He was indeed the right man for Weatherford. He is blessed with an intelligent Christian wife and four precious children.

They were all very nice to me. I also enjoyed the hospitality of Brother and Sister E. G. Whittenburg. Bailey, their noble son, was my faithful guide. Collecting well from the old, we secured nine new subscribers. Mrs. Carrie Milward, Mrs. M. Reynolds, F. H. Tathwell, Miss Lula Norman, Mrs. Ida Britton, Mrs. T. H. Wansley, Mrs. W. R. Hill, Mrs. C. W. Steward, and Miss Lulu Roberts. Brother Stewart had to leave on the early train to help Broher Driskell in a meeting at Page.

Brother Randle, son of Rev. W. A. Randle, is the efficient superintendent of the Sunday school. Thus ended the most successful week in several months.

MARVEL MILLS CARRUTH.

M. M. Carruth was born in South Carolina Feb 6, 1836; and died at his home near Marvell, Ark., Friday, July 28, 1911.

When a child his parents moved to Marshall County, Mississippi where he lived until 1861. He was married to Rachel Jeffries, who survives him, in 1857; and four years later he came to Phillips County, Ark.

Of ten children born to the young couple, two only survive—Sophie, wife of J. L. Howell, of Bentonville, Ark., and Bessie, wife of Rev. Fred Little, of Paragould, Ark.

Mr. Carruth was a Confederate soldier and was with General Price in his campaigns in Missouri and Arkansas; he was a born fighter and won distinction for courage and resourcefulness. After "the surrender" he returned to his home to engage thereafter in merchandising and farming. He was the founder of the town of Marvell, much of which was built on his own estate, and he lived long enough to see it grow to a prosperous little city.

He was converted and joined the Methodist Church, South, about twenty-three years ago, and from the first became an active official member. For fully half a century Brother Carruth took an active and useful part in the affairs of the community, county and State. There is no other man in that vicinity whose death will make a wider gap, or whose loss will be more universally felt in all the affairs of life.

He was a born leader of men and of affairs and this to the extent that others regarded it as the proper thing to await his action and to fall in line. So much of his time and strength were spent looking after the interests of others, and so faithfully did he discharge all arising obligations that in time he came to be regarded as belonging to the general public.

Rich and poor found him a friend and helper. Had he been less unselfish, had he devoted all his time and energy looking after his own welfare, instead of the comfortable competence which he amassed, he would have died a very rich man; but he would not have been so sorely missed. Who will bury the dead and look after the suffering living around Marvell now that he is gone?

The writer was his pastor for three years and during that time he learned to love the sterling qualities of his great heart and soul. He really loved the church and its ministry as many of us can testify. He believed in God, he believed in the prayers of God's servants, and no man ever lived who more thoroughly appreciated the ministry of the church than he. "Blessed is the servant whom his Lord when he cometh shall find so doing." I hope to meet him in that city which hath

foundations whose builder and maker is God. His remains were laid to rest in the Marvell cemetery with those of his children. The Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, of Helena, reading the funeral service, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Johnston of the Presbyterian church. May God bless the aged wife and the two dear daughters whose joy it is now to comfort her.

J. K. Farris.
Forrest City, Ark., Sept. 5, 1911.

FROM BRO. EDWARDS.

Dear Methodist: We are now in the midst of a good meeting, not a sweeping revival among the sinners, (yet quite a number have been saved) but the church is being revived and putting on new life. Our church is small in numbers here at Stroud, but I believe I can say it comes nearer being a model church than any I have served for some time. I think by the time this meeting is over every member or nearly so will lead in prayer and speak in public, and Bro. Sasser thinks they will now. Bro. Sasser is doing a fine work here and the people all love him very much. He is enlisting the missionary spirit into his membership by distributing missionary tracts and preaching to them along that line. Among the ones saved and reclaimed is a fine young lady (Bro. Holder's daughter, our district lay leader) who feels she is called to the mission field and I predict she will be a power for good. The Lord direct her. The meeting that Mike and I held here over 4 years ago still abides. The fight was on then to put out the saloons and that meeting had a big part in putting the saloons out. Some people say that prohibition don't prohibit. Well it makes a cleaner and better town and if those fellows would look back at Stroud and see the town then and stand on the living streets now they would be forced to say it makes a great change for the better. I well remember on one Saturday of our meeting four years ago in this little city I counted over 20 drunk men on the streets and they had put men in the jail until they did not have room for another, but thank God last Saturday I walked the streets about three hours and they were crowded and not a drunken man did I see. Well, if it makes that much of a change I say let's have prohibition whether it prohibits or not. I see we are going to have the battle opened up again and I am in the fight now with all my powers and the Lord will give us the victory. Praise His name. Join in the battle for right against the wrong.

Bro. H. K. Monroe did a monumental work here. He established the M. E. Church, South, here and today proves to be the church that the people take to for spiritual help and the blessings of God be upon that dear man, and all of those who have come after him and have builded upon his foundation.

J. D. Edwards.

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM
Take the Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in tasteless form, and the most effectual form. For grown people and children, 50c.

WALDRON, ARK.

A new church is being built at the Leming Cemetery, three and one half miles northeast of Waldron.

A church building has been contemplated at that place for forty-three years. About that far back, a subscription of six hundred dollars was made to build a church there, but it all failed.

This week the foundation was laid, and the walls are going up now. We expect to hold our first service in the church the fourth Sunday in this month. The building is 30x40 with fourteen foot walls. Very truly,

D. H. Colquette.

September 2.

Why Cough Ask your doctor about coughs. Ask him if your own is necessary. If not, then why cough? Does he recommend Ayer's Cherry Pectoral? Ask him, and let his answer be final.

J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

The Ideal Spot for Health and Pleasure—Hot Springs, Ark.

Nowhere else in the world will you find such marvelously curative waters, which doctors say will cure or materially benefit any known ill, with the exception of fevers or advanced lung trouble.

Whether you seek Health, Pleasure, or merely rest, go to Hot Springs, Ark.

BEST REACHED BY THE

Iron Mountain Route

Superb accommodations: Pullman Observation Standard Sleeping Cars, electric lighted; Dining Cars serving the most delicious of meals, "Our Own," a la carte.

The "HOT SPRINGS SPECIAL" is famous for its magnificent equipment.



For further information, write or see

J. G. HOLLENBECK,

Assistant General Passenger Agent,

Union Station, Little Rock, Ark.

Methodist Benevolent Association

The Connectional Brotherhood of Ministers and Laymen. Life or Term Certificates for \$500 to \$2,000. Benefits payable at death, old age, or disability. \$100,000.00 paid to widows, orphans, and disabled. \$14,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc.

J. H. SHUMAKER, Secretary

Nashville, Tennessee

BOONEVILLE, DISTRICT.

Dear Methodist: Possibly a few words from the Booneville district will be of interest to your readers. The revival fires are burning all over the district. Almost every charge has experienced a healthful awakening. There has, as yet, been no casting up of numerical results, but think that we can estimate, from reports received, at least a thousand conversions. Also there has been more than the ordinary number of our converts, who have joined our church. The work has been most largely done by the pastors, assisted by our missionary evangelists and brother pastors. The station men have, without an exception, thrown their lives into work of helping their brethren on the circuits in revival work. We shall make a very good report on finances, as present indications seem to promise.

Sincerely,
W. T. Thompson, P. E.

DORA, ARK.

We have a nice Sunday school at our new school house three miles from Dora. Our pastor, Brother J. H. Callaway of Muldrow, came out here the Fourth of July and preached the first sermon that was ever preached in the new school house. He preached some fine sermons. He is a good pastor and earnest worker. He goes to see everybody. We like him so well we would like to have him back next year. He is doing some good work, and will give us a meeting first Sunday in next month. God bless him.

Gladis Shafer.

September 4.

BETTER THAN SPANKING.

Spanking does not cure children of bed wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 205, South Bend, Ind., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

DE WITT CIRCUIT.

I have just closed a meeting at my Ruffin church, assisted by Rev. J. D. Hammons, our Presiding Elder, and Bro. C. N. Baker of Gillett. Although it rained most every day the meeting was a great blessing to the church, and quite a number were added on profession of faith. Both these faithful brethren did faithful work. Bro. Clem is certainly following in the foot steps of his Presiding Elder as an evangelist. I am now closing up my year's work and shall start soon to Vanderbilt for two years hard study.

Your brother,
J. D. Baker.

Don't Suffer With Piles.

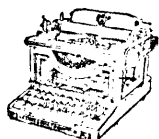
When you can get a pot of Gregory's Antiseptic Ointment by mail for 50 cents stamps that will cure you. After using if not cured or you have not made satisfactory improvement, your stamps will be returned on notice, less mailing expenses. First treatment will help you. Address Gregory Medicine Co., Little Rock, Ark.

Mention this paper.

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.



BEAT THIS \$27.00 CASH

for No. 2 Smith Premier and No. 6 Remingtons; former price \$100. Sold at \$3 per month at an advance. Guaranteed for one year. Ready for use. No. 3 Oliviers, \$29; L. C. Smith and Underwoods, \$57. Sold over 3,500. Write for catalogue. PARKIN-LONGLEY CO., 206 Louisiana St., Little Rock.

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.)

SHOUSE.—Died, February 7, 1911, at her home, eight miles south of Harrison, Ark., Miss Leona Shouse. She was 24 years old. Womanhood, with all its endearing and softening influences, had just crowned her life. Disease, in early girlhood, had claimed her as its victim, and the cold hand of affliction had pressed heavily on the frail bosom that heaved with glowing inspiration, yet this queen of the mountains stood at the threshold of life clothed in garments of native originality, and her brow crowned with the laurel wreaths of victory. In early life the sunshine of opportunity fell sparingly on her pathway, and the clouds of dire dismay hung low on the horizon of her life, yet by dint of energy, amid a throng of earnest competitors, she burst asunder the shackles forged by the cruel hand of penury, and gallantly ascended the hills of intellectual freedom and viewed the possibilities of life with that ecstatic appreciation that makes us akin to God. With that divine impulse of soul, she brought a halo of light into the home as she mingled her sweet girlish voice in songs of praise to the God whom she loved. With a profound philosophy, polished by years of affliction, which is the mother of deep meditation, she freely discoursed of the problems of this transitory life and the beauties of the life to come. As I sat and looked into her emaciated face, and talked of that preparation for death, I could see in those sunken eyes that calm resignation to his will, as she said, "If I can get well I will give him my life, with all that it means." As a teacher, she left her imprint on the lives of her pupils. Welling up in their hearts, and mingling in the fiber of their character, is the glowing personality of meek Leona that will not down. On the plains of Heaven, mingled with the embellished strains of angels, will the voice of her student body sing praises to him for the benign impulse of soul planted by her life.

Her life, brief as it was, passed out

AWFUL PAINS FULLY DESCRIBED

A Lady of Pizarro Tells Story of Awful Suffering That Cardui Finally Relieved.

Pizarro, Va.—"I suffered for several years," writes Mrs. Dorma A. Smith, "with that awful backache and the bearing down sensations, so fully described in your book.

"I tried doctors and other medicines and found little relief, until I was induced to try Wine of Cardui, when I found instant relief and today I can heartily recommend Cardui to all suffering women and think there is no other as good."

In some instances, Cardui gives instant relief; in others, it may take a little time. But in all cases of female trouble Cardui can be depended on to be of benefit, as it is a specific remedy for women and acts in a curative way on the womanly organs.

As a general tonic for women, to build up your strength, improve your appetite, bring back rosy cheeks and make you look and feel young and happy, nothing you can find will do so much for you as Cardui.

Your druggist has it.

N. B.—Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

not as the sun receding in the west at the close of day, but as it gathers the sable curtain of night about his face and sinks to rest in the oblivion of darkness, but as the morning star as she lifts her smiling face, dripping with the dews of peace, reaching forth with her tender fingers, and unlocking the gates of the Orient; and with her magic wand breaking the prison bars of night. So this little life, transient as it was, is gleaming in a better world than this. As the little flower bloomed, faded and fell in the valley, unnoticed by human eye, untouched by human hand, left its fragrance on the desert air.

Weep not for her! She is in the presence of him who doeth all things well. Her exit from this world left a shadow: a chair is vacant, a voice is still; but on the radiant hills of celestial bliss there dwells a life that is beckoning come; the unseen hand of God is gloved with the cruel pangs of death and momentary separation that he may lead us into the fruitful realm of Christian activity.

Father, mothers, brothers and sisters, may your life be so hid with Christ in God that when the summons comes you may say, as did Leona, "All is well." And when death has kissed your eyelids down, and the light of this earth has faded from your view, may you have glorious entrance into that upper, brighter and better kingdom where you may see and enjoy the presence of this saint of God who said as she left this world, "Weep not for me, but for yourselves." Written by her uncle,

O. E. Fowler.

Ada, Okla.

FOSTER.—William Houston Foster was born in Gibson County, Tennessee, July 17, 1843; joined the Seventeenth Tennessee Regiment in 1861 and served through the entire war as a Confederate soldier. After the war closed he returned to Humboldt, Tenn., and married Miss Sue Lannom, in 1866, and with his father, Andrew P. Foster, and his family, they came to West Point, Ark., in 1868, about which time the subject of this sketch became a member of the Methodist Church in which his father and mother were much interested and assisted materially in building the church which now stands in West Point. To Mr. W. H. Foster and wife were born four children. Two died in infancy, the other two being Clint Foster, of Lexington, Ky., and Mrs. C. V. Tapscott, of West Point, Ark. Two sisters and one brother survive Mr. Foster, they being Mrs. James A. Bevell, of Kensett, Ark.; Mrs. Annie B. Foster, of Houston, Texas, and Andrew L. Foster, of Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Foster, his wife having died in June, 1906, he was left to round out his life on earth without the counsel of his loved companion. He took an interest in the development of his town and served same as its mayor. Through his influence sidewalks were built, which add to the value of the town. He attended service at his church when able and responded to all claims presented as he could. He passed from the earth life to the realm of spirits the 27th of March, 1911. By tender and affectionate hands he was laid to rest in beautiful Riverside Cemetery to sleep in peace beside his loved one till the great awakening day, when all the dead shall be called again into life. To the sorrowing ones I would commend God's love and the word of his grace saying trust in Jehovah for he doeth all things well.

WILLIAM S. YARBROUGH, P. C.

MILLER.—Margery Miller was the youngest child of Dr. W. J. Miller and wife, who are residents of Griffithsville, Ark. Little Margery was born October 3, 1909, and was called away from her happy life in her father's home on the 11th night of July, 1911, being, as will be seen, less than two years old, but she had during her short stay so impressed herself upon the mind of her loved ones as never to be forgotten. Her sickness was of short duration. Loving hands

tenderly administered to her wants and medical skill did its best, but she was soon called out of her suffering to the bright world that lies out beyond the grave. God had a place for little Margery and so in his own way he took her to himself.

To the sorrow-stricken family: Trust in the Lord Jesus, follow in his steps, be faithful to God, live religiously and some good time in the future you can all be together again.

After funeral services held at Mr. John Ladd's residence (the parents of Mrs. Miller) in Judsonia, Ark., the little casket was carefully put away in the grave prepared in Evergreen Cemetery, for angels to watch over till the resurrection day.

WILLIAM S. YARBROUGH, P. C.

A GREAT SPECTACLE.

"In the Andes, half a thousand feet higher than Pike's Peak, is to be found the Peruvian Garden of the Gods' admired by every traveler fortunate enough to visit it," writes William V. Alford, F. R. G. S., in the September Century, in an article entitled "The Andean Garden of the Alps." "It is locally called the Rock Forest, though in no sense of the word is it a forest; it simply resembles one when viewed at a distance of ten miles. The traveler may be forgiven the error of thinking it a forest as he sees it for the first time, and forgets that he is no longer where trees grow, but within half an hour's ride of the highest city in the world, Cerro de Pasco, perched, like a condor, on the high peaks of the Andes."

"The Garden of the Gods in Colorado boasts of a few spectacular rocks; but they are few in number, and the area which they cover is not large. The Andean Garden covers nearly a hundred times the ground, and in beauty and interest surpasses its Northern counterpart in the same ratio."

DORA, ARK.

Our pastor, Brother Callaway, made a good speech last spring, and we started up a Sunday school here. But are not doing so well now. Hope Bro. Callaway will stir us up again. He is doing some good, earnest preaching here now. He preaches straight and hits sin hard. He is loved by those who love the highway of holiness. He read the general rules, and gave us a good lecture from them. I think we should speak a kind word for our pastor.

Yours for Christ,

Mrs. Rena Eoff.

Box 65, Dora, Ark.

WEAVER SCHOOL HOUSE.

Dear Methodist: Bro. Thos. Martin, P. C., Charleston circuit, has just closed a ten days' meeting at this place with twelve conversions and ten additions to the church.

The church was greatly revived spiritually. Bro. Martin did good, earnest preaching and is loved by all who know him. We have a good Sunday school at this place with eighty-five enrolled.

We hope in the near future to build us a church house.

Yours in Christ,
M. P. Jones.

STROUD STATION.

We have just closed a gracious revival of religion at this place. There were about twelve conversions and renewals, together with a spiritual uplift of the church. It was as far-reaching as the people would permit it by attendance. Rev. J. D. Edwards did the preaching except half of first week done by myself. He has many other good points but it may be truly said of Brother Edwards, that he is humble, true and good. I never had better work done by any evangelist. He assisted me also at Davenport in July where we had eighteen conversions and about twenty joined the church. We are expecting to be ready for Conference by the first of October and then take a

AN IDEAL STOCK FARM.
Consisting of 520 acres, Situated in Little River Co., Ark., Three and One Half Miles West of Foreman.

Three hundred and twenty-five acres of this tract is under a most excellent woven wire fence, substantially built with bois d'arc posts eight feet apart, and is especially suitable and valuable as a acres in a very fine Bermuda pasture, 100 acres in Johnson grass, seventy-five acres in good, tillable land, and the remainder in woods and natural pastures. A portion of this property is well adapted to growing of alfalfa.

This tract has one well built, substantial seven-room house and six smaller dwellings, one splendid double barn and a number of other buildings. The place is well provided with an ample supply of good water, there being two excellent cisterns, five good wells, and one large stock pool.

This is unquestionably one of the best and most suitable places in Little River County for a desirable country home, and in every respect a first-class stock farm. There are also thousands of acres of woods land on Red River near this farm that could be used as an open range for stock.

Special price, 520 acres \$12.50 per acre, \$6,500. Terms to suit reasonable party.

HOLMAN REAL ESTATE COMPANY,

Little Rock, Arkansas.
Phone 1207. 215 W. 2nd St.

visit to North Carolina and return by Conference. This has been a glorious year.

Respectfully,

W. D. Sasser, P. C.

BOYS AND BOYS.

Just because a boy bubbles up with animal spirits, boils over with all sorts of mischief, does a few things that are bad, he is not a bad boy. Boys cooped up must be given a chance to study, have fun, be fair, understand team play, learn to be useful, develop self-reliance and civic pride. A home-made boy is the best to have. As one of Judge Lindsey's boys puts it: "A friend is a fellow who knows all about you, but likes you just the same."—Exchange.

Everybody Sing Since using that unexcelled Gospel Hymn Book

SONGS FOR THE KING'S BUSINESS Hundreds of Churches and Sunday Schools have greatly improved their singing.

WHY NOT YOURS? A returnable copy for examination sent upon application.

F. G. FISCHER,
602 Lakeside Building, Chicago.

All Down and Out

YOU NEED A GENERAL SYSTEM RENOVATOR.

GREGORY'S VEGETABLE VITALIZER (Laxo Blood and Nerve Tonic) will do just what you want, make you well if you have enough life to build on. It reaches the Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, Bowels and Mucous System, eliminates poison from the blood, and soon makes pure blood, and then you are well.

Three \$1.00 bottles will do the work. Remit \$2.50 to GREGORY MEDICINE COMPANY, Little Rock, Ark., and we will ship you by express, under our positive guarantee that it will not disappoint you. We will send free a bottle of GREGORY'S ANTISEPTIC OIL to test. Better send today before disease gets a death grip on you.

For responsibility we refer to Anderson, Millar & Co., publishers of this paper, or any reliable business firm in Little Rock.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Mineral Springs, at Saratoga	Sept. 16, 17
Prescott Ct., at Moscow	Sept. 21, 22
Okolona, at Center Grove	Sept. 23, 24
Sweet Home, at Sweet Home	Sept. 25, 26
Murfreesboro, at Murfreesboro	Sept. 27, 28
Bingen, at Doyle	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Washington, at Ozark	Oct. 1, 2
Center Point, at Center	Oct. 7, 8
Nashville	Oct. 9
Hope Station	Oct. 10
Caddo Gap, at Caddo Gap	Oct. 14, 15
Caddo Ct., at Cedar Bluff	Oct. 14, 15
Amity Sta.	Oct. 16
Mt. Ida, at Mt. Ida	Oct. 21, 22
Gumden at Bierne	Oct. 24
Emmet	Oct. 26
Hope Ct.	Oct. 28, 29
Harpone	Nov. 4, 5
Pike City	Nov. 11, 12
Prescott Sta.	Nov. 11, 12

W. C. HILLIARD, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Roe Ct., at Roe	Sept. 17, 18
Redfield Ct., at Redfield	Sept. 23, 24
Star City, at Star City	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Macoon, at Sulphur Springs	Oct. 7, 8
Rowell, at Center	Oct. 14, 15
Altheimer, at Wabash	Oct. 21, 22
Humphrey, at Humphrey	Oct. 22, 23
DeWitt	Oct. 25
DeWitt Ct., at Pleasant Grove	Oct. 26
Gillett	Oct. 28
Stuttgart	Oct. 29
New Edinburg, at New Edinburg	Oct. 29, 30
Rison, at Moore Church	Nov. 4, 5
Hawley Memorial	Nov. 6
Lakeside	Nov. 7
First Church	Nov. 8
Douglas and Grady, at Grady	Nov. 9
Sheridan, at Sheridan	Nov. 10

J. D. HAMMONS, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Foreman	Sept. 16, 17
Vandervoort	Sept. 23, 24
Gillham	Sept. 24, 25
Cherry Hill	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Mena	Oct. 1, 2
Dierks	Oct. 7, 8
Lockesburg	Oct. 14, 15
Lewisville	Oct. 21, 22
Horatio	Oct. 28, 29
De Queen	Oct. 29, 30
Patmos	Nov. 4, 5
Stamps	Nov. 5
Bright Star	Nov. 7
College Hill	Nov. 8
Texarkana Ct.	Nov. 11, 12
Fairview	Nov. 12
First Church	Nov. 13

THOMAS H. WARE, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Crossett Sta. and Mission	Sept. 23, 24
Lake Village and Ludora at Concord	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Tillar and Dumas, at N. Chapel	Oct. 7, 8
Lacey Ct., at Prairie Hall	Oct. 14, 15
Monticello Sta.	Oct. 15, 16
Mt. Pleasant Ct., at Rock Spr.	Oct. 17
Watson and Halley, at Richland	Oct. 19
McGehee and Arkansas City	Oct. 20
At Arkansas City	Oct. 20
Dermott and Portland, at P.	Oct. 21, 22
Parkdale and Wilmet, at W.	Oct. 22, 23
Hamburg Ct.	Oct. 26
Snyder Ct., at Snyder	Oct. 28, 29
Hamburg Sta.	Oct. 29, 30
Wilmar Sta.	Nov. 1
Hermitage Ct.	Nov. 3
Johnsville Ct.	Nov. 4, 5
Warren Sta.	Nov. 5, 6
Collins Ct.	Nov. 19

J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Carlisle Ct., at Walter's Chapel	Sept. 16, 17
Carlisle Sta.	Sept. 17
Maumelle Ct., at Roland	Sept. 23, 24
Austin Ct., at Concord	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Capitol (evening)	Oct. 3
Bauite Ct., at Sardis	Oct. 4
Hickory Plains Ct., at Hebron	Oct. 7, 8
Highland (evening)	Oct. 10
Bryant Ct., at Salem	Oct. 11
Tomberlin Ct., at Humbley's Chap.	Oct. 14, 15
England	Oct. 15, 16
Des Arc	Oct. 21, 22
DeVall's Bluff and Hazen, at H.	Oct. 22, 23
Twenty-eighth Street (evening)	Oct. 25
Lonoke (evening)	Oct. 26
First Church (at 11:00 a. m.)	Oct. 29
Winfield Memorial (evening)	Oct. 29
First Church Q. C. (evening)	Oct. 30
Winfield Memorial Q. C. (evening)	Oct. 31
Henderson Chapel (evening)	Nov. 1
Forest Park (evening)	Nov. 2
Sherill and Keo	Nov. 4, 5
Asbury (evening)	Nov. 7
Hunter Memorial (evening)	Nov. 8
Mahelvale Ct., at Olive Hill	Nov. 11, 12

ALONZO MONK, P. E.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Bellville Ct., at B.	Sept. 2, 3
Booneville Sta.	Sept. 4
Danville Sta.	Sept. 10, 11
Dardanelle Sta. (conference at 8:00 o'clock Monday night)	Sept. 11
Bigelow Sta., at Bigelow	Sept. 16, 17
Houston and Perry, at H.	Sept. 17, 18
Dardanelle Ct., at Oak Grove	Sept. 23, 24
Ola and Plain View, at Ola	Sept. 24, 25
Branch Ct., at Caulksville	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Paris Sta., at P.	Oct. 1, 2
Waldron Ct., at Fair's Chapel	Oct. 7, 8
Bates Ct., at Bates	Oct. 8, 9
Adona Ct.	Oct. 14, 15
Havana Ct., at Moore's Chapel	Oct. 15, 16
Roseville and Webb City, at Ollie's Chapel	Oct. 21, 22
Prairie View Ct.	Oct. 22, 23
Gravelly and Rover	Oct. 28, 29
Walnut Tree Ct., at Walnut Tree	Oct. 29, 30
Perryville Ct.	Nov. 4, 5

All pastors please see that the reports for the Quarterly Conference asked for the fourth quarter be ready for submission at the conference. The report of the trustees and women's societies is vitally important. Try your utmost to secure a full attendance of all the official members. Please try to secure as

much of your conference claims as possible by the session of the conference.
W. T. THOMPSON, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Thornton Ct.	Sept. 16, 17
Stephens Sta.	Sept. 17, 18
Kingsland Ct.	Sept. 23, 24
Waldo Ct.	Sept. 24, 25
Locust Bayou Ct.	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Hampton Ct.	Oct. 1, 2
Atlanta Ct.	Oct. 7, 8
Wesson Sta.	Oct. 8, 9
Eldorado Ct.	Oct. 14, 15
Junction City Sta.	Oct. 15, 16
Magnolia Ct.	Oct. 21, 22
Magnolia Sta.	Oct. 22, 23
Strong Ct.	Oct. 28, 29
Huntz Sta.	Oct. 29, 30
Buena Vista Ct.	Nov. 4, 5
Camden Sta.	Nov. 5, 6
Chidester Ct.	Nov. 7
Beardon Ct.	Nov. 11, 12
Fordyce Sta.	Nov. 12

Let all the preachers note carefully the questions marked (see Supt.) and let every question be answered.
R. W. McKAY, P. E.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Melbourne Ct., at Pleasant Grove	Sept. 7, 8
Cable Rock Ct., at Macedonia	Sept. 11, 12
Viola Ct., at Vidette	Sept. 14, 15
Salem Station Mission	Sept. 17, 18
Bexar Mission, at Wideman	Sept. 22, 23
Cave City Mis., at Pfeifer	Sept. 27, 28
Bethesda Sta.	Sept. 29, Oct. 1
Jacksonport Ct., at Oil Trough	Oct. 6, 8
Newark Sta.	Oct. 8, 9
Mountain View Ct.	Oct. 13, 15
Swift Ct., at Swift	Oct. 21, 22
Swift Ct., at Swift	Oct. 20, 22
Tuckerman Sta.	Oct. 22, 23
Ash Flat Ct., at Hickory Flat	Oct. 27, 29
Smithville Mis., at Rock Cove	Oct. 30, Nov. 1
Sulphur Rock Ct.	Nov. 3, 5
Desha Ct.	Nov. 7, 8
Batesville, Central Ave. Mis., Cushman	Nov. 11, 12
Evening Shade, at Evening Sh.	Nov. 18, 19
Wolf Bayou Mis.	Nov. 25, 26
Batesville, First Church	Dec. 3, 4

B. L. WILFORD, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Centerton Ct., at Centerton	Sept. 16, 17
War Eagle, at Oak Grove	Sept. 23, 24
Rogers Sta.	Sept. 24, 25
Pea Ridge Ct., at Bright Water	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Bentonville Sta.	Oct. 1, 2
Gravette and Gentry, at Gravette	Oct. 7, 8
Siloam Springs	Oct. 15, 16
Huntsville Ct., at Huntsville	Oct. 21, 22
Elm Springs Ct., at Harmon	Oct. 28, 29
Winslow Ct., at Brentwood	Nov. 1, 2
Parkdale and Farmington	Nov. 4, 5
Fayetteville Sta.	Nov. 5, 6

J. B. STEVENSON, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Hackett Ct., at Jenny Lind	Sept. 16, 17
Van Buren Ct., at Mt. View	Sept. 23, 24
Hartford and Midland, at Midland	Oct. 1
Mulberry Ct., at Graphic	Oct. 7, 8
Van Buren Mis., at City Heights	Oct. 8
Alma and Kibler, at Kibler	Oct. 15
Van Buren Sta.	Oct. 15
Dodson Ave.	Oct. 23
Midland Heights	Oct. 24
Beech Grove, at New Enon	Oct. 27
Ozark Ct., at Gar Creek	Oct. 28, 29
Ozark Sta.	Oct. 28, 29
First Church	Nov. 6
Central Church	Nov. 7

J. M. HUGHLEY, P. E.

MORRILTON DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Conway Mis.	Sept. 16, 17
Plumerville Sta.	Sept. 17, 18
Pottsville Ct., at Pleasant Grove	Sept. 23, 24
Atkins Sta.	Sept. 24, 25
Morrilton Ct.	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Morrilton Ct., at Lewisburg	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Russellville Sta.	Oct. 7, 8
Lamar Ct., at Lamar	Oct. 14, 15
London Ct., at London	Oct. 21, 22
Dover Ct., at Dover	Oct. 28, 29
Appleton Ct., at Sunny Side	Oct. 31

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

HARRISON DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Marshall Station	Sept. 16, 17
Cotter Ct., at Flippin	Sept. 23, 24
Yellville Ct., at Yellville	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Gassville Ct., at Oak Grove	Oct. 7, 8
Mountain Home Ct., at M. H.	Oct. 8, 9
Lead Hill Ct., at Fayette	Oct. 14, 15
Harrison Station	Oct. 15, 16
Osage Ct., at Osage	Oct. 21, 22
Eureka Springs Sta.	Oct. 28, 29

W. T. MARTIN, P. E.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Paragould, First Church	Oct. 1
Old Walnut Ridge	Oct. 7, 8
Walnut Ridge Sta.	Oct. 8, 9
Corning Sta.	Oct. 11, 12
Paragould Ct.	Oct. 14, 15
Black Rock and Portia	Oct. 21, 22
Mammoth Spring and Hardy	Oct. 22, 23
Imboden Ct.	Oct. 24, 25
Boysville Ct.	Nov. 4, 5
Rector Ct.	Nov. 5, 6
Pocahontas Sta.	Nov. 11, 12
Reyno Ct.	Nov. 12, 13
Pocahontas Ct.	Nov. 15, 16
Maynard Ct.	Nov. 18, 19
Piggott Ct.	Nov. 22
Knob Ct.	Nov. 25, 26
New Liberty Ct.	Nov. 28, 29
Lorado Ct.	Nov. 29
Paragould, East Side	Nov. 3, 4

Note.—This will be a busy business round. Pastors, please advertise it well. Request all officials to be present. Read carefully the Quarterly Conference proceedings. See the questions to be asked and answered. Question 31 is a new one, but an important one.

Pastors will call attention of trustees to Question 32. Let all be ready.
M. M. SMITH, P. E.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Pangburn Ct., at Oak Grove	Sept. 16, 17
Wilburn Ct., at W.	Sept. 23, 24
Heber Sta.	Sept. 24, 25
McRae Ct., at Lebanon	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Auvergne and Lebanon, at Tupelo	Oct. 7, 8
Newport Sta.	Oct. 8, 9
Vilona Ct., at Hammonsville	Oct. 14, 15
Beebe and Austin, at Beebe	Oct. 21, 22
West Point Ct., at Dogwood	Oct. 28, 29
Belcher Ct., at Belcher	Oct. 29, 30
Cabot and Jacksonville, at J.	Nov. 4, 5
Cato Ct., at Cato	Nov. 11, 12
Augusta Ct., at Revell	Nov. 18, 19
Augusta Sta.	Nov. 19, 20
Gardner Memorial	Nov. 25, 26
Dye Memorial	Nov. 26, 27
Bradford and Bald Knob	Dec. 2, 3

A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

La Grange Ct., at La Grange	Sept. 16, 17
Haynes and Madison, Millbrook	Sept. 23, 24
Forrest City Sta.	Sept. 24, 25
Marianna Sta.	Oct. 1, 2
Council Ct., at Trinity Chapel	Oct. 7, 8
Cotton Plant Sta.	Oct. 14, 15
Brinkley Sta.	Oct. 15, 16
Ly Grove and Marvel	Oct. 21, 22
West Helena and Melwood	Oct. 28
Helena Sta.	Oct. 29, 30
Colt Ct., at McElroy	Nov. 4, 5
Wynne Sta.	Nov. 5, 6
Hickory Ridge	Nov. 11, 12
McCrory Ct., at Morton	Nov. 18, 19
Parkinson Sta.	Nov. 19, 20
McCrory Sta.	Nov. 25, 26
Deview and Howell, at Howell	Nov. 26, 27

J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Harrisburg Ct., Pleasant Valley	Sept. 16, 17
Harrisburg Sta.	Sept. 17, 18
Earle Sta.	Sept. 23, 24
Crawfordsville and Minor, at C.	Sept. 24, 25
Brookland Ct., Pleasant City	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
N. Jonesboro and Lake City	Oct. 1, 2
Barfield Mis., Barfield	Oct. 7, 8
Manila and Dell, Manila	Oct. 8, 9
Vandale Ct., Vandale	Oct. 14, 15
Marked Tree and Tyrone	Oct. 21, 22
Gilmore and Turrell	Oct. 22, 23
Trinity Ct.	Oct. 28, 29
Blytheville Ct., N. Sawba	Nov. 4, 5
Blytheville Sta.	Nov. 5, 6
Luxora and Reids	Nov. 11, 12
Oseola Sta.	Nov. 12, 13
Wilson Sta.	Nov. 18, 19
Hardstown and Richland	Nov. 18, 19
First Church, Jonesboro	Nov. 25, 26
Cotton Belt	Nov. 29

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

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Webber's Falls and Porum, at P.	Sept. 17, 18
Stigler, 7:30 p. m.	Sept. 22
Whitefield Ct., at Whitefield	Sept. 23, 24
Warner Ct., at Warner	Sept. 24, 25
Cowington Ct., at Keota	Oct. 1, 2
City Mission, Muskogee	Oct. 2, 3
Fort Gibson, 7:30 p. m.	Oct. 3
Tablequah Ct., at Ball Hill	Oct. 7, 8
Wauhillia Ct., at Welling	Oct. 8, 9
Tablequah Sta., 7:30 p. m.	Oct. 9
First Church, Muskogee	Oct. 10
Wainwright	Oct. 11
Morris	Oct. 14, 15
Bald Hill Ct.	Oct. 15
Boynton, 7:30 p. m.	Oct. 15
Oakdale 10:00 a. m.	Oct. 18
Checotah, 8:00 p. m.	Oct. 18
Hulbert Ct., at Hulbert	Oct. 18
Muskogee Ct., at White Church	Oct. 22
St. Paul's	Oct. 22
St. Paul's	Oct. 25

Reports will be expected from the trustees and from the women's societies. Every official will be expected to do his part in bringing up a full report. A pull altogether now means much.
W. M. WILSON, P. E.

VINITA DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Prvor (8:00 p. m.)	Sept. 17
Chapel (8:00 p. m.)	Sept. 18
Peggs (8:00 p. m.)	Sept. 19
Bearys Prairie	Sept. 23, 24
Grove (8:00 p. m.)	Sept. 24
Adair	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Spavinaw (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 1
Vinita	Oct. 7, 8
Chelsea	Oct. 7, 8
Fairland and W. (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 15
Welch Sta.	Oct. 15
Welch Ct. (3:00 p. m.)	Oct. 22
Blue Jacket (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 22
Centralia (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 22
Vinita Ct. (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 25
Vinita (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 25
Needmore (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 27

Pastors will please see that the trustees, missionary societies and exhorters have written reports, and furthermore, that every item of business required at a fourth quarterly conference is in readiness.
JOHN W. SIMS, P. E.

DURANT DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Valiant	Sept. 23, 24
Fort Towson	Sept. 24, 25
Hugo	Oct. 1
Antlers	Oct. 1, 2
Grant	Oct. 7, 8
Soper	Oct. 7, 8
Rethel	Oct. 14, 15
Woodville	Oct. 15, 16
Grantham	Oct. 21, 22
Madill	Oct. 22, 23
Bennington	Oct. 28, 29
Durant	Oct. 29, 30

T. P. TURNER, P. E.

THE RETIRED VETERAN OF THE LORD.

A recent article from the pen of Rev. W. F. Dunkle, of McAlester, Okla., regarding the fate of our retired veterans, the superannuates, should appeal with force to every minister of the Methodist connection. What we do not do for our superannuates is little short of sin and disgrace on the part of the church.

Let us have a few figures more, in addition to those submitted by Brother Dunkle. Last year the sum contributed by the districts which now compose the East Oklahoma conference amounted to \$2,232; with the other charges which are now in the Ardmore district, but will be in the East Oklahoma conference, the sum will be about \$2500. Figure out what that will be for the nineteen superannuates in the East Oklahoma Conference.

What do you think, brethren, of this proposition: Let us begin this year and make monthly payments to the Teller of a sum equal to five per cent of our salaries, to be applied exclusively to the superannuate fund. On the basis of the salaries actually paid in the districts composing the East Oklahoma Conference last year for presiding elders and preachers in charge, amounted to \$3,991.70; which added to the collections for superannuates would have made a total of \$6,223.0. This claimants would have given them each \$37.00.

I only offer this as a suggestion, but I really think that by resolution that at the next General Conference it should be made a law. It would not be necessary, in the course of time, perhaps, to exhaust the fund at each conference, and it is possible that in time such a fund could be built up so that we could at least relieve our retired veterans of the feeling of being paupers. Poverty may not be a disgrace to an old preacher, but it is at least inconvenient, and is not an enticing future for the preacher to see "at the end of the road."

(Mrs. Swimme moves to strike out the words "sin and disgrace," at the end of the first paragraph above, and substitute the word "SHAME," in capitals. The writer does not accept the amendment, but if the brethren think—). S. X. Swimme.
Wainright, Okla., Sept. 2, 1911.

REVIVALS ON THE MORRILTON CIRCUIT.

I closed the last meeting on my work Sunday night at Hill Creek. We had four meetings on the work this summer. We began at Lewisburg and then went to Sardis, and then to Oak Grove, and from Oak Grove to Hill Creek. We had 12 conversions at Lewisburg, about six at Sardis, about 20 at Oak Grove, and two at Hill Creek. There were about 40 conversions and restorations all told. The churches have been revived very much. The League was reorganized at Lewisburg and is doing good work. We have a class of 11 at Sardis. We received four at Sardis, one by letter and three by baptism; three at Oak Grove, two by vows and one by baptism and vows.

On account of failure in the cantaloupe business we may not be able to secure the whole amount of the conference assessments, but we will do our best. God has blessed us in our work and we have been greatly strengthened. Our constant prayer is that the good seed that has been sown may produce an abundant harvest. Faith is the victory. O. D. Langston.
September 6.

YOU CAN QUIT.

But you need help. Haggard's Tobacco Tablets afford the needed help. Follow directions. If not satisfied, certify that directions were followed, and money will be refunded. Send \$1.00 for box to P. H. Millar & Co., Sole Agents for Arkansas and Oklahoma. Box 675.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT REVIVALS.

We are just closing the summer revival campaign of the Pine Bluff District. As presiding elder we have held seven meetings, in each of which we have had from 20 to 75 accessions to the Church. Brother J. F. Rodgers, who has been working for two months and a half as district evangelist, has held several good meetings, and ten other preachers of the district have held two meetings each in places where the presiding elder has directed. Although the rain has very materially interfered, all of these meetings have been a marked success. We are under many obligations to these brethren for the success that has attended the revival campaign this year. There cannot be found anywhere a more loyal and efficient body of men than the pastors of the Pine Bluff District.

The preachers are all enthusiastic for "all the collections in full" from the Pine Bluff District this year, and there is every indication that such will be the case.

Rev. O. E. Goddard, assistant missionary secretary for Arkansas and Oklahoma, is now engaged with Brother Davidson in a meeting at First Church. There are indications of a gracious revival. May the Lord grant that boon to old First Church. Yours in the work, J. D. Hammonds.

AN OPEN LETTERS TO PASTORS OF ARKANSAS, LITTLE ROCK AND WHITE RIVER CONFERENCES.

Dear Co-Laborers: Please send me the names of all Methodist boys and girls who will attend the University of Arkansas this year from your charge. Give me the following information:

Are they members of the Church?
Are they active?
What can they do best?
Do they sing?
Can they teach in the Sunday school?
How can I best serve them?
Write me fully and freely. Do it today. Don't delay. Cordially,
Marion Nelson Waldrup,
Pastor of Central Methodist Episcopal Church, South.
Fayetteville, Ark., Sept. 9, 1911.

DR. W. S. MAY.

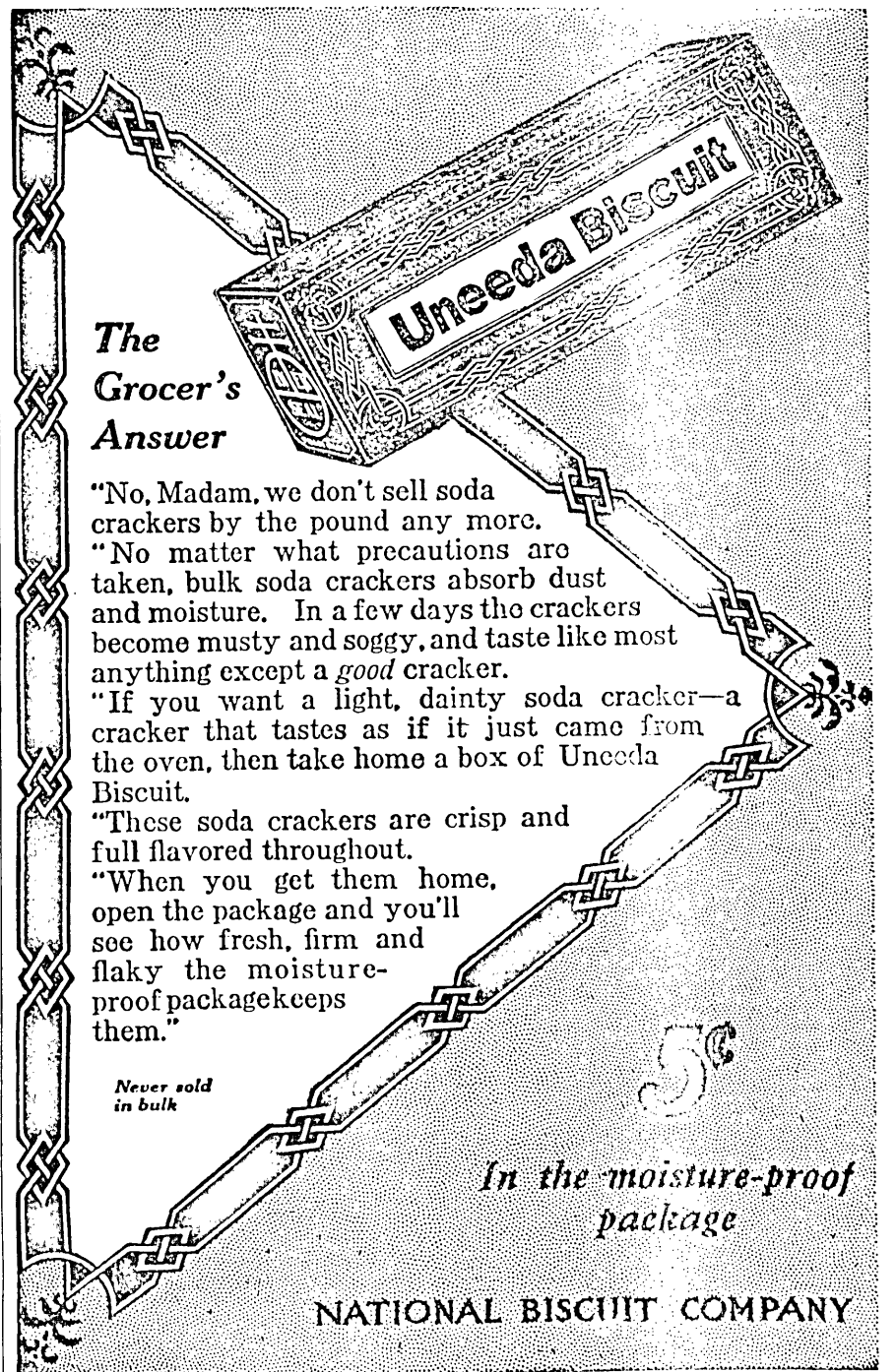
Eye, ear, nose, and throat. Office rooms 14 and 15, Masonic Temple. Hours: 9:00 to 1:00, and 2:00 to 5:00; Sunday, 9:00 to 11:00. Little Rock, Ark.

BERRYVILLE STATION.

We closed a week's meeting last night, Sept. 3rd, at Pleasant Valley, 3½ miles of Berryville, with 13 conversions. We received six persons yesterday by baptism, not in the water either. Others will probably join. A superannuated minister, Bro. Powers, visiting in the neighborhood, gave valuable aid in the meeting. All the members stood loyally by their post and the church has been greatly revived. It was said to be the best meeting held there for a number of years. We thank God and take courage. M. F. Johnson.

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 Grocer's Answer

"No, Madam, we don't sell soda crackers by the pound any more.
"No matter what precautions are taken, bulk soda crackers absorb dust and moisture. In a few days the crackers become musty and soggy, and taste like most anything except a good cracker.
"If you want a light, dainty soda cracker—a cracker that tastes as if it just came from the oven, then take home a box of Uneeda Biscuit.
"These soda crackers are crisp and full flavored throughout.
"When you get them home, open the package and you'll see how fresh, firm and flaky the moisture-proof package keeps them."

Never sold in bulk

In the moisture-proof package

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

LUTHER'S GREATEST SERVICE.

"Luther's greatest service to the modern world," says Dr. McGiffert in the September Century chapters of his serial, "Martin Luther and His Work," lay in his recognition of the normal human relationships as the true sphere for the development of the highest religious, as of the highest moral, character. He performed an incalculable service in dignifying married life and ascribing to it a sacredness above the career of monk or nun. Instead of a temptation to a less perfect way of living, as woman was too commonly represented by the religious teachers of the middle ages, he saw in her one ordained of God to be the companion and helpmate of man, and in their union, not in their separation, he found the ideal life. Religion had been making too much of the abnormal."

A CORRECTION.

Editor Methodist: In the list of the contributions to the building of the Methodist Orphanage there appeared last week an error in giving the amount of \$2.50 as the contribution of the Joint Board of the White River Conference. The amount was \$50.00 and not \$2.50. Yours truly,
George Thornburgh,

FOR SALE.

Two beautiful residence lots, size 50 x 150 feet each, in Searcy, Ark. County seat of White County, population 2,500. Six blocks to Galloway College, one block to family grocery, and in the most desirable resident part of the city. Title perfect. Price, if taken at once, \$150.00. Address Pastor M. E. Church, Yale, Okla.

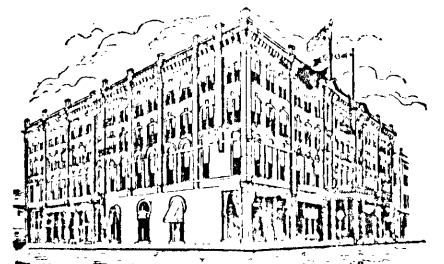
MARRIED—At the home of the bride's father, on the third day of September, 1911, Mr. A. A. Ryburn and Miss Artie Hamilton, M. K. Rogers, P. C., officiating.

The Stuttgart Training School

A school for Boys and Girls. Prepares for college or for living. Careful attention, quiet surroundings. Every pupil recites every lesson every day. Moral and Christian environment. Rates reasonable. Write for catalog.

C. OREAR, A.M., Principal.

Stuttgart, Ark.



Gleason Hotel

NEW MANAGEMENT

T. P. MURREY, Prop.

European Plan

Corner Second and Center Streets
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.