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## Arkansas Conference

### DAILY JOURNAL.

The Arkansas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in its seventy-sixth session in the church at Booneville, Ark., November 8, 1911, at 9 a. m., Bishop J. H. McCoy presiding.

Hymn 547 was sung, the Bishop led in prayer, read from I Timothy, second chapter, and addressed the Conference thereupon.

Henry Hanesworth was elected Secretary, with F. M. Tolleson, G. McGlumphy as assistants; D. H. Colquette, Recording Secretary, and G. E. Patchell and E. Dyers Statistical Secretaries.

The following brethren were introduced to the Conference: Dr. S. Anderson, Secretary of Education; John Anderson, a transfer from the West Texas Conference; W. F. Dunkle of the West Oklahoma Conference, I. G. Campbell of the Publishing House, A. C. Millar, President of Hendrix College; J. M. Williams, President of Galloway College; L. M. Broyles, a transfer from the North Mississippi Conference; J. H. Hubbel, Business Manager of eHndrix College; James Thomas, Commissioner of Education; Gross Alexander, book editor.

The names of J. Cox and C. H. Gregory were called. It was announced that they had died during the year and their names were referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

The names of the following were called, their characters examined and passed, and their names referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relations, viz: I. L. Burrow, O. J. Beardslee, J. H. Cummins, G. W. O. Davis, W. B. Johnsey, S. S. Key, Z. W. Linzsay, A. Mathis, T. A. Martin, C. H. Nelson, R. M. Traylor, J. H. Torbett, J. E. Woodruff, J. W. House, S. F. Dykes, G. W. Evans.

The Committee on Public Worship announced preaching at 3 p. m. by W. F. Dunkle and at 7:30 by John Anderson of Leslie. The doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Alexander.

### SECOND DAY.

The Conference met at the stated hour, Bishop J. H. McCoy in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by the Bishop, L. M. Broyles leading in prayer. Luke 12:13-30, was then read, the Bishop commenting especially upon the 15th verse.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

Resolved, that it is the sense of this Conference that the various Conference boards in apportioning the assessments to the presiding elders' district should use the plan formed in paragraph 406 of the Discipline, the statistics of the current year being the basis.

F. M. TOLLESON.

G. MCGLUMPHY.

J. H. O'BRYANT.

A communication was read from Dr. J. S. Shibley inviting the conference to visit the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium near this city, and it was accepted with the understanding that Dr. Shibley be requested to address the Conference at 2:00 p. m. tomorrow, and that at its close we visit the institution in a body.

Question 1: "Who are admitted on trial?"

Answer: H. L. Wade, of the Fayetteville District; J. W. Haeger of the Fort Smith District; W. A. McKee and E. M. Kelsey, of the Morrilton District.

Question 2: "Who remain on trial?"

Answer: D. U. Cline, C. H. Bumpers, E. Faulkner, T. C. Steel, W. V. Womack, and J. W. Haley.

B. M. Nance, and L. W. Fair not having been before the committee, their characters passed and they were continued in the class of the first year.

Question 3: "Who are discontinued?"

The character of J. E. Snell was passed and he discontinued at his request.

The name of F. F. Cotton was called, his presiding elder reported that he had not taken the work assigned, and on motion he was discontinued.

Question 5: "Who are readmitted?"

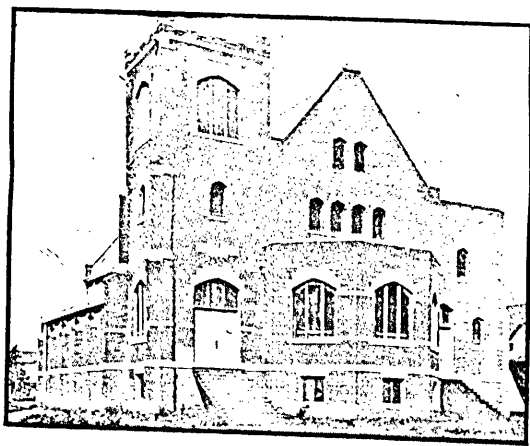
Answer: None.

Question 6: "Who are received by transfer from other conferences?"

Answer: J. H. Bishop, in the class of the fourth year, from the White River Conference.

Question 9: "Who are the deacons of one year?"

Answer: J. D. Roberts and H. L. Nance have-



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ing passed examination before the committee, their characters passed.

M. A. Fry, C. E. Gray and F. N. Villines not having been before the committee, their characters were passed and they continued in the class of the third year.

Question 15: "What traveling preachers are elected elders?"

Answer: Elisha Dyer, Henry Huey Griffin, William Watson Albright having passed approved examinations, their characters passed and they were duly elected.

J. R. Ashmore, R. A. Robertson, J. T. Gossett and J. H. Bishop not having been before the committee, their characters passed, and they were continued in the class of the fourth year.

The name of G. W. Hively was called and his character passed.

Question 18: "Who are located this year?"

Answer: G. W. Hively, at his own request.

The secretary presented a petition from the North Mississippi Conference requested the restoration of the credentials of J. B. Myers. A motion to concur with this was lost.

It was then moved that the secretary be instructed to convey to the North Mississippi Conference the action of this body, the reason therefor, and a full statement of the case from our standpoint, with the assurance of our willingness to comply with his request when Brother Myers satisfactorily adjusts certain financial obligations.

The names of the following were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations:

For the supernumerary relation: M. A. Fry,

S. M. Godbey, A. B. Williamson, W. H. Dyer, G. M. Barton.

For the superannuate relation—G. L. Horton, J. E. Dunaway, L. A. Blevins.

A. Turrentine and Frank Barrett, of the Little Rock Conference, and J. B. Morgan, superintendent of the Southwestern District American Bible Society, were introduced to the conference.

J. M. Williams, president of Galloway Female College, and J. B. Morgan addressed the Conference. The credentials of W. H. Traylor, surrendered to J. M. Hughey, presiding elder of the Fort Smith District, were filed with the secretary.

The Committee on Public Worship announced preaching at 3:00 p. m. by A. Turrentine, and at 7:30 p. m. by W. Sherman.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

### THIRD DAY.

The Conference met at the appointed hour, Bishop J. H. McCoy presiding.

Religious services were conducted by the Bishop, E. B. Chappell leading in prayer. John 6:66-69, inclusive, was then read and an exposition of the same given.

The following brethren were introduced to the Conference, viz.: Dr. E. B. Chappell, H. A. Dowling, Dr. I. N. Ivey, F. C. Sterling, T. D. New (pastor of Belleville Baptist Church), W. J. Hinsley (pastor of the local Baptist Church), M. C. Culbreath, P. R. Eaglebarger of Western Methodist.

Question 10: "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?"

Answer: J. E. Lark, M. R. Lark, C. H. Sherman, T. Martin and W. M. Adcock having passed approved examinations, their characters passed and they were duly elected.

J. W. Howard and G. C. Johnson, not having been before the committee, their characters passed and they were continued in the class of the second year.

Question 1: "Who are admitted on trial?" (Resumed.)

Answer: B. E. Robertson, of the Harrison District; W. M. Warren, of the Booneville District.

Question 12: "What local preachers are elected deacons?"

Answer: Hugh Bradley Flippin and Samuel James Fair, of the Booneville District; Henry Lynn Wade, of the Fayetteville District; Albert Maywood Tally, E. Byron Harwell, and James B. Carter, of the Morrilton District.

Question 16: "What local preachers are elected elders?"

Answer: None.

Question 6: "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?"

Answer: F. C. Sterling, an elder from the White River Conference, and G. L. R. Crook, an elder from the Little Rock Conference.

The Bishop announced that the class for admission into full connection would be received at 11:00 a. m. tomorrow.

The Conference was addressed by Dr. E. B. Chappell Sunday school editor; H. A. Dowling, secretary of the State Sunday School Association; Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Christian Advocate; P. R. Eaglebarger, of the Western Methodist; Frank Barrett, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, and Dr. J. S. Shibley, superintendent of the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

On motion the time was extended.

It was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet at 7:30 p. m. to hear the report of the Board of Church Extension.

The Committee on Public Worship announced preaching at 3:00 p. m. by Frank Barrett.

The usual notices were given and the Confer-

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## Notes and Personals

## OUR CONFERENCES.

LITTLE ROCK, FORSYCE ..... Nov. 15  
WHITE RIVER, BYRNEVILLE ..... Dec. 6

Revs. G. W. Evans, S. S. Key and J. C. Ship, superannuated, were present at the Arkansas Conference. Their cheerful, sunny spirits are a benediction to the younger brethren.

We desire to make grateful acknowledgments for an invitation to the silver wedding of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. McIntosh, Luka, Miss., November 10. May another 25 years, at least, be granted this good pair!

The brethren of the Arkansas Conference were greatly pleased with the administration of Bishop McCoy. He had done his work so well last year that little needed to be done this year. Never so few moved, we believe, and all seem happy.

We had the pleasure of a visit from Dr. John Anderson, as he returned from the session of the Arkansas Conference. He transfers to his old conference, the Missouri. He has made a most pleasant impression among us, and we regret to see him leave.

Rev. Frank Barrett, of Little Rock, delivered a great address at the Arkansas Conference last week at Booneville. The conference heartily endorsed the Anti-Saloon League resolution to submit State-wide Prohibition at the next general election. There was only one vote against the resolution.

Dr. W. T. McClure, presiding elder of Kansas City District, writes us that the three places in his district needing pastors have been filled. He desires to express thanks for all the applications made. Two of the places are filled by Arkansas boys: Rev. J. B. Carter, of Damascus, and Rev. S. G. Watson, of Gainesville, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Bailey, of Alma, Ark., have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mattie Elizabeth, to Mr. Charles Sumner Reves, November 21, at the home of Mrs. S. E. Howell, grandmother of the bride. We express appreciation for a bid to this wedding, and wish our young friends all manner of happiness.

Bishop J. H. McCoy presided over the Arkansas Conference with perfect satisfaction to all. He is wise in administration, brotherly in association, and highly instructive in suggestions. His morning talks in opening the conference and his sermon on Sunday were a rich treat and greatly enjoyed.

Rev. J. B. Stevenson, presiding elder of the Fayetteville District, stated he had not missed an appointment all year, nor been late getting to his appointments, and had not taken a Sunday train. He has 18 pastoral charges. If we use Sunday trains we can't preach against running trains on Sunday.

We will dare to say that no layman who attended the West Oklahoma Conference went away believing that Methodist preachers are not held to a strict account for their conduct. When your new preacher arrives you may know that he has a clean bill of health, just issued by his conference.

ence. You may take hold of him, and go to work with him.

There were five received into full connection into the Arkansas Conference. Bishop McCoy ordained 11 to the order of deacons, viz.: W. M. Adcock, J. E. Lark, M. A. Lark, Thomas Martin, C. H. Sherman, H. B. Flippin, S. J. Fair, H. L. Wade, A. M. Talley, E. B. Harwell, and J. B. Carter. Three were ordained elders: E. Dyer, H. H. Griffin and W. W. Allbright.

Rev. S. S. Key is the senior member of the Arkansas Conference, having had an unbroken record of 46 years, and effective 41 years. He and our field editor, Rev. D. J. Weems, have roomed together at conference for 15 years. They are as Jonathan and David. They were entertained this year in the elegant home of Brother and Sister Yates.

Rev. F. E. Dodson proved to be a fine host. He was quite faithful in caring for the brethren. The Arkansas Conference was never better entertained. Booneville is a good town of 2,000 people. The new brick church is elegant, and is a credit to the taste and liberality of the town. The auditorium is large and has beautiful memorial windows. Cost about \$15,000.00.

All the presiding elders and most of the pastors of the Arkansas Conference were returned to their same work for another year. This is good and shows a happy state of the Church. We cannot build up the Church, nor develop the preachers by too frequent changes. Four years should be the rule. Less than four the exception.

A letter from Rev. Clarence N. Weems, of Songdo, Korea, states he has with his college work (English language study and the Bible) a small circuit of 13 churches and a number of unevangelized villages. He walked 40 li, or 13½ miles, to his first appointment, taking David, his 8-year-old son, with him. His outside man carried their food and bed. They went out Sunday and returned Monday.

"Uncle Cline" Griffin, of Leslie, Ark., who bought the old church when we built a new church in the town of Leslie, in another part of the town, offers to turn back the old property to the Church for \$250.00 less than it cost him, in order that a mission may be established at the old place. "Uncle Clint" is liberally disposed, is well-to-do, and may yet conclude to do something even more handsome than this.

Bishop Collins Denny had a most difficult task in getting all adjustments made in Oklahoma this year. The division of the Oklahoma Conference was not really consummated till this fall, and many things had to be adjusted. No doubt all things were not so done as to please all parties; that were an impossible thing. But Bishop Denny has commended himself as being intensely desirous of doing the right thing, and he has labored most intensely at the task set before him. He has also commended himself as a courageous and able preacher. If any are dissatisfied, we would suggest that a man so placed, and who has shown himself so sincere, is entitled to the sympathetic co-operation of his brethren.

At the recent session of the Arkansas Conference, when a collection was being taken to provide for the last dollar that Conference had pledged to take care of the debt on Hendrix College, Rev. F. E. Dodson, of Booneville, arose and said: "This is the first time in my life I have ever come through the conference year with a net balance over living expenses; I have \$100.00 more than it has cost us to live; I will give that, and come out like I have always come out—broke." The chairman of his board of stewards, Dr. J. G. Murphy, who was present, went to him and said: "Such heroism as that appeals to me, and I will tell you that if this board of stewards will not shoulder that subscription, I will." There is a genuine pathos in this incident. More heroic giving upon the part of preachers than that occasion brought out, Bishop McCoy said he had never seen. Dodson did the heroic thing; he was not alone by any means; and it would pay some other lay brethren to step up as Dr. Murphy stepped up, and get under loads

their pastors are bearing in this very matter. That were infinitely better than to be saying that preachers are bad financiers. Soberly, would it not be a means of great grace if a number of stewards, on meeting the preacher just after conference, would each make a little inquiry as to the load his preacher carries?

## HENDERSON-BROWN NOTES.

BISHOP MCCOY'S VISIT.

Bishop James H. McCoy's visit to Henderson-Brown College and to Arkadelphia was a matter of intense interest to the institution and of far-reaching consequence. Both the college and the people were inspired and strengthened by the presence of this man of God and by his wise counsels. We had looked forward to his coming with great anticipation, and our expectation was fully realized.

The Bishop arrived Monday night, October 31, one day earlier than expected, preferring to rest in fair Arkadelphia than to waste away the time in the whirling noisy city, Fort Worth, which preference was our joy and gladness. Tuesday was hastily decided to be a day of outing for our guest. It was to be in the nature of a fishing party at Skillern's Shoals, on the Ouachita. A dozen or more joined the party with our good friend, and fished and joked and jollied, and camped and cooked, and ate by the stream. It was one of those real days about which you read or dream.

Wednesday morning at 10:00 o'clock the inaugural exercises began. The program from start to finish was one continued measure of success and excellence.

The Bishop, with Board of Trustees and other distinguished visitors, was received at the campus gate under military salute by the battalion, and at the front door he was met by the girls who were lined up on either side of the hall extending to the auditorium door, and who gave him the Chautauqua salute and sang "Dear Old Henderson."

On arriving at the rostrum he was received by the faculty, after which the students marched into the auditorium, the girls leading, singing, "Henderson! Henderson!" followed by music by the band and nine "rahs" for Bishop McCoy. The scene was one of inspiration and soul stirring.

After some excellent music, Captain Henderson, in his pleasant way, introduced the Bishop, who delivered a most powerful address on education, touching the place and work of a Christian college, closing with the idea that men are not only called of God to give their all in loving sacrifice and service to him in the pulpit; but also they are set apart to make money and acquire wealth to lay upon God's altar for colleges and churches to his greater glory—and the latter is, perhaps, as far-reaching and imperative as the former.

Following this great utterance were a number of impromptu speeches by such men as Captain Huie, Dr. Bowers, Dr. Richardson, Rev. Alonzo Monk, Rev. W. F. Evans and Rev. A. O. Evans—all of which were rich, rare and racy.

The balance of the program for the day consisted of the luncheon to the Bishop, the Board of Trustees, and the visiting brethren, with the girls, the reception at 2:30 o'clock by them given in his honor, the review of the battalion and the tea with the boys in their dining hall at 6:00 o'clock. The dinner was plentiful, savory and daintily served, the reception was unique, the dress parade and review was a moving picture, and the tea was very enjoyable.

It was a time of seed sowing, of sentiment making, of favor getting. The prevailing sentiment is dear Henderson-Brown has not yet had a bigger day and one fraught with mightier consequences. The Bishop expressed himself as being greatly pleased, that he perceived sure enough that we had here a genuine college spirit, high standard of excellence, and tone and character.

Thursday was spent in visiting Ouachita College, our rival, conference with members of the board, dining and supping with the brethren.

The purpose of his visit was that he should see Henderson-Brown as it is, which he did, and

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# West Oklahom Conference

## DAILY JOURNAL—FIRST DAY.

The first session of the West Oklahoma Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened at First Church, Mangum, at 9:00 a. m., November 8, 1911, Bishop Collins Denny in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by the Bishop, and included the singing of "Children of the Heavenly King" and the reading of Eph. 3:14-21.

**Roll-Call**—R. S. Satterfield, assistant secretary of the last session of the Oklahoma Conference, called the roll.

**Secretaries**—Upon nomination R. S. Satterfield was elected secretary, upon whose motion R. L. Ownbey and J. F. Russell were elected assistants, with the following statistical secretaries: W. C. Savage, R. A. Crosby and W. A. Randle. The presiding elders named the following district statistical secretaries: Ardmore District, W. A. Govett; Oklahoma City District, R. K. Triplett; Chickasha District, E. R. Welch; Clinton District, W. J. Stewart; Lawton District, M. T. Allen; Mangum District, H. B. Thomasson.

**Teller**—W. L. Anderson, teller, nominated Floyd McNeil as assistant and he was elected.

**Transfers**—Question 6 was called, "Who are received by transfer from other conferences?" and the Bishop announced the following thereto: W. H. Martin, of the Columbia Conference; J. C. Hooks, Little Rock Conference; C. R. Gray, of the Los Angeles Conference, and Charles Leslie Herring, of the Alabama Conference.

**Introductions**—The following were introduced to the Conference: Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Christian Advocate (Nashville); Dr. W. F. McMurry, Church Extension Secretary; Dr. E. B. Chappell, editor Sunday School literature; Dr. O. F. Sensabaugh, coming into our Conference by transfer after the session of 1910; Rev. S. L. Hogan, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Mangum; Judge B. S. Tisinger, mayor of Mangum, who made the address of welcome in behalf of the city of Mangum, responded to by Bishop Denny; Rev. J. L. Hawkins, pastor First Baptist Church, Mangum; Rev. J. M. Culbreth, assistant Epworth League Secretary, and Dr. G. B. Winton, editor of the Missionary Voice.

**Editor of Minutes**—On motion of W. J. Moore, R. S. Satterfield, secretary of the Conference, was elected editor of the Conference.

**Address**—At this juncture Dr. W. F. McMurry addressed the Conference in the interest of Church Extension.

**Resolution**—The following resolution was introduced by N. L. Linebaugh and adopted:

**Resolved**, That this Conference join with the Texas Conference in inviting the Board of Church Extension to hold its next annual session at Dallas, Texas.

"N. L. LINEBAUGH.

"W. W. WILLIAMS.

"L. L. JOHNSON."

**Superannuates**—Question 20 was called, and the characters of the following were passed, and they were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuate Relation, viz.: A. C. Briggs, H. J. Brown, M. A. Clark, J. K. Florence, R. H. Grinstead, M. D. Long, P. T. McWhorter, J. J. McThvin, J. A. Rowan, A. J. Worley, J. T. Hall, F. C. Mabery, C. F. Roberts and J. W. Kizziar.

**Supernumerary**—Question 19 was called, and the characters of the following were passed, and they were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Supernumerary Relation, viz.: W. A. Dickey, W. T. Freeman and J. C. Morris.

**Trial Committee**—Under Question 22 the name of G. M. Dilbeck was called and his presiding

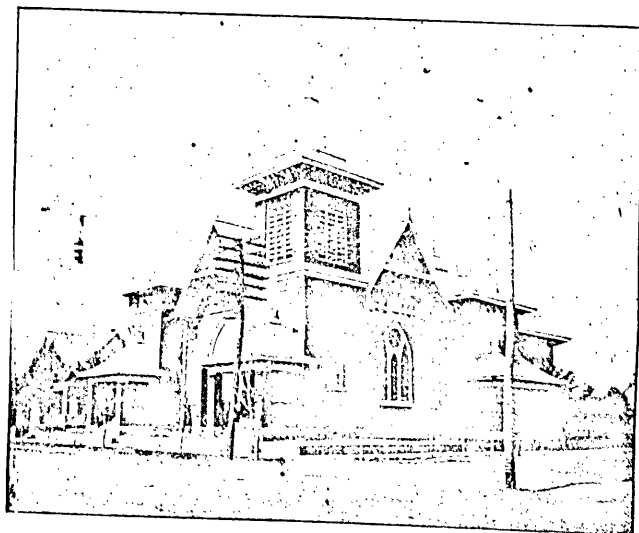
elder, L. L. Johnson, presented his credentials to the Conference, and they were accepted. Charges having been preferred against him and the committee of investigation having reported a trial necessary, the following trial committee was appointed by the Bishop: W. D. Matthews, G. R. Wright, W. E. Humphries, J. G. Blackwood, J. J. Shaw, R. K. Triplett, C. W. Craig, M. T. Allen and W. J. Moore. D. V. York was appointed chairman, and E. A. Townsend, on nomination of R. S. Satterfield, was elected to act for the Conference as secretary in this case.

**Located**—The name of W. R. Rosser was called, his character passed, and he was located at his own request.

**Epworth University**—On motion of O. F. Sensabaugh, trustees of Epworth University were given the privilege of the floor to represent the institution.

**Announcements**—The Committee on Public Worship announced that Rev. J. M. Culbreth, assistant Epworth League secretary, would speak in the interest of the League at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, and that the Sunday School Anniversary would be held at 7:30 in the evening, Dr. E. B. Chappell to make the principal address.

The Conference adjourned with the singing of



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the doxology, and the benediction by Dr. T. N. Ivey.

## SECOND DAY.

The Conference was called at 8:30 a. m. by Bishop Denny, and after the singing of a hymn Rev. R. K. Triplett led in prayer. The Bishop again read Eph. 3:14-21 and commented upon same.

**Transfer**—Under Question 6 Bishop Denny announced the transfer of T. J. Taylor, an elder from the Arkansas Conference.

**Withdrawn**—Under Question 22 the name of S. M. Sartin was called and it was announced that he had withdrawn from the ministry and membership of the church.

**Credentials**—The credentials of Leonidas F. Waters, an elder, were filed with the secretary of the Conference. The credentials of T. A. C. Durr, local preacher, were filed with the secretary and announcement made of his withdrawal from the ministry and membership of the Church.

**First-Year Class**—Question 2, "Who remain on trial?" was called, and the character of Robert H. Denny was passed, and he was advanced to the class of the second year. G. B. Barton and R. S. Chambers not being before the examining committee, their characters were passed and they were continued in the class of the first year.

**Discontinued**—The character of Charles L. Cole was passed and he was discontinued on motion of his presiding elder. The character of Henry H. Ellis was passed and he was discontinued at his own request.

**Third-Year Class**—Question 9, "Who are the deacons of one year?" was called and the characters of the following were passed and they were

advanced to the class of the fourth year: C. C. Barnhardt, H. C. Gullledge, James F. Hendry, W. W. Robinson and Thomas H. Ward. The characters of J. C. Morris, E. C. Wallace and C. C. Williamson were passed and they were continued in the class of the second year.

**Second-Year Class**—The characters of the following were passed and they were advanced to the class of the third year: Charles E. Galloway, George Leslie Gilbert, Matthew C. Hamilton, Miles F. Sullivan and Albert Mack Miller. The characters of the following were passed and they remain in the class of the second year: Isaac W. Armstrong, Gordon B. Carter, Avery H. Dickerson, D. L. Shaffer, John Vilas Stanley and Thomas E. Williams. The characters of the following were passed and they were discontinued at their own request: E. H. Driskill and Willis B. Stanley.

**Trial Committee Report**—The Committee on trial in the case of G. M. Dilbeck submitted its report, as follows:

"We, your committee to try G. M. Dilbeck, after careful and prayerful consideration, find him guilty of immorality as charged, and fix his punishment at expulsion from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

(Signed) "D. V. York, Chairman; E. A. Townsend, Secretary; J. G. Blackwood, W. D. Matthews, W. E. Humphreys, G. R. Wright, C. W. Craig, R. K. Triplett, J. E. Martin, M. T. Allen, J. J. Shaw, Committee."

**Fourth-Year Class**—Question 14, "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" was called, the characters of the following were passed and they were elected elders: George Washington Hooper, Charles A. Long, James Thomas McBride, James Edgar McConnell, Joseph Furman Russell, William Madison Spain and James Ward Nelson.

**Local Elders**—Under Question 16, J. H. D. Terrell, local deacon, was elected to elder's orders.

**Local Deacons**—Under Question 13 William Pierce McMichin and John Allen Puckett, local preachers, were elected to deacon's orders.

**Admission on Trial**—Under Question 1 William Pierce McMichin and Thomas Cullen Steele were admitted on trial.

**Announcements**—The Committee on Public Worship announced that Dr. G. B. Winton would preach at 3:00 p. m. and the Board of Education hold its anniversary at 7:30, Dr. Stonewall Anderson to speak.

The conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. E. B. Chappell.

## THIRD DAY.

The Conference was called to order at 8:30 a. m., Bishop Denny in the chair. The devotions included the singing of "Amazing Grace," and prayer by W. A. Shelton, after which Bishop Denny continued his comments upon Eph. 3:14-21.

**Hargrove President**—Rev. W. H. Martin, president of Hargrove College, Ardmore, was introduced to the Conference and made request for books for the Hargrove library.

**Superannuate Endowment**—Rev. John R. Stewart, agent of the Superannuate Endowment Fund, was introduced and made a brief address in the interest of his work.

**Home Missions**—Bishop Denny called J. M. Gross to the chair. Dr. John M. Moore, secretary of Home Missions, was presented to the Conference and spoke in the interest of Home Missions. Bishop Denny then resumed the chair.

**Deacon's Orders**—Under the call of Question 12, Benjamin F. Taylor, local preacher, was elected to deacon's orders.

**Third Year**—Avery H. Dickerson of the class of the second year, was advanced to the class of the third years.

**Admitted on Trial**—Under Question 1 Ronald Otho Stewart and J. W. Trevett, Jr., were admitted on trial.

**Reformatory**—Rev. B. N. Hultzman, superintendent of the State Reformatory for Boys, Granite, Okla., was introduced and spoke briefly in the interest of his work.

**Epworth University**—The order of business set for 10:00 a. m. was taken up, and Judge C. B. Ames, of Oklahoma City, a member of the board

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## ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

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ence adjourned with the benediction by E. B. Chappell.

## EVENING SESSION.

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment at 7:15 p. m., J. M. Hughey presiding. Religious services were conducted by the president, J. J. Galloway leading in prayer.

R. E. L. Bearden presented the report of the Board of Church Extension, and after an address by Bishop J. H. McCoy it was adopted.

M. N. Waldrip addressed the body on the subject, "Arkansas on Wheels."

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by W. V. Womack.

## FOURTH DAY.

The Conference met at the appointed hour, Bishop J. H. McCoy in the chair. Religious services were conducted by the Bishop, read II Cor. 6, and F. C. Sterling lead in prayer.

Question 7: "Who are received from other churches as local preachers?"

Answer: W. H. Edwards, an elder from the Methodist Protestant Church, received and duly recommended by the Morrilton District Conference, signifying his agreement with us in doctrine and discipline, and assuming our ordination.

Question 48: "Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?"

Answer: Atkins, Eureka Springs and Leslie were placed in nomination, and Atkins receiving the largest vote, on motion the vote was made unanimous.

Question 19: "Who are supernumerary?"

Answer: M. A. Fry, W. H. Dyer, G. M. Barton, S. M. Godbey, A. B. Williamson, on recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations.

Question 20: "Who are superannuates?"

Answer: I. L. Burrow, O. J. Beardslee, J. H. Cummins, G. W. O. Davis, S. F. Dykes, G. W. Evans, W. B. Johnsey, S. S. Key, Z. W. Linza, A. Mathis, B. Monk, T. A. Martin, C. H. Nelson, R. M. Traylor, J. H. Torbett, J. E. Woodruff, J. W. House, L. A. Blevans, J. E. Dunaway, R. S. Lawson, and G. L. Horton, on recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations.

Question 47: "Who is elected Conference leader?"

Answer: G. W. Droke.

Dr. G. B. Winton, editorial secretary of the Board of Missions, and M. H. Ellis, of the Mississippi Conference, representing the Methodist Hospital to be located at Memphis, Tenn., were introduced to the Conference.

J. H. O'Bryant, Conference missionary secretary, and Dr. G. B. Winton spoke to the report of the Board of Missions.

The hour for the order of the day (the reception into full connection of the class of the second year) having arrived, the brethren were called before the Conference and addressed by the Bishop, who then called Question 4: "Who are received into full connection?"

Answer: J. E. Lark, M. R. Lark, C. H. Sherman, T. Martin and W. M. Adcock having satisfactorily answered the disciplinary questions propounded by the Bishop, were severally, by vote of the Conference, admitted into full connection.

On motion it was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet at 3:00 p. m.

The Committee on Bible Worship reported as follows:

Preaching tonight at 7:15 by R. E. L. Bearden, and Sunday services as below:

Methodist Church—9:30 a. m., love feast conducted by S. S. Key; preaching at 11:00 a. m. by Bishop J. H. McCoy, followed by ordination of deacons; memorial service, 3:00 p. m.; preaching at 7:15 by L. M. Broyles, followed by ordination of elders.

Baptist Church—11:00 a. m., G. B. Winton; 7:30 p. m., J. B. Stevenson.

Presbyterian Church—11:00 a. m., E. R. Steel; 7:30 p. m., M. N. Waldrip.

Sanatorium—3:00 p. m., J. F. E. Bates.

Carolans—11:00 a. m., J. H. O'Bryant.  
Lyal's Chapel—11:00 a. m., W. K. Biggs.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 3:00 p. m., Bishop McCoy in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by Dr. G. B. Winton, who read the fourth Psalm, announced Hymn 538 and led in prayer.

Question 23: "What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?"

Answer: Local preachers, 96; members, 27,570. Total, 27,666.

Question 24: "How many infants have been baptized during the year?"

Answer: 219.

Question 25: "How many adults have been baptized during the year?"

Answer: 1,351.

Question 26: "What is the number of Epworth Leagues?"

Answer: 65.

Question 27: "What is the number of Epworth League members?"

Answer: 1907.

Question 28: "What is the number of Sunday School officers and teachers?"

Answer: 237.

Question 29: "What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the year?"

Answer: 1,899.

Question 30: "What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the year?"

Answer: 22,452.

Question 31: "What was assessed by the last Conference for the superannuate preachers and widows and orphans of preachers?"

Answer: \$3,258.00.

Question 32: "What has been collected on the foregoing and how has it been applied?"

Answer: \$3,223.00, applied to claimants.

Question 33: "What has been contributed for missions?"

Answer: Foreign, \$5,940.00; Domestic, \$4,038.00.

Question 34: "What has been contributed for Church Extension?"

Answer: \$2,278.00.

Question 35: "What has been contributed for the American Bible Society?"

Answer: \$349.00.

Question 36: "What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge?"

Answer: Presiding elders, \$8,963.00; preachers in charge, \$50,037.00.

Question 37: "What has been contributed for the support of Bishops?"

Answer: \$842.00.

Question 38: "What is the number of societies and houses of worship owned by them?"

Answer: Number of societies, 311; houses of worship, 237.

Question 39: "What is the value of houses of worship and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?"

Answer: Value, \$504,500.00; indebtedness, \$26,505.00.

Question 40: "What is the number of pastoral charges and of parsonages owned by them?"

Answer: Pastoral charges, 90; number of parsonages, 82.

Question 41: "What is the value of parsonages and what is amount of indebtedness thereon?"

Answer: Value, \$95,300.00; indebtedness, \$6,587.00.

Question 42: "What is the number of districts and of district parsonages?"

Answer: Number of districts, 5; number of district parsonages, 5.

Question 43: "What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?"

Answer: Value, \$16,200.00; indebtedness, \$2,750.00.

Question 44: "What number of churches have been damaged during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage?"

Answer: Number of churches damaged, 2; amount of damage, \$1,380.00.

Question 45: "What are the insurance statistics?"

Answer: Insurance carried, \$129,200.00; losses sustained, 311; premium paid, \$1,068.00; collections on losses, \$1,069.00.

Question 46: "What are the educational statistics?"

Answer: Gentry Hendrix Academy, value \$13,000.00. Together with a joint interest in Hendrix, value \$79,000.00, endowment \$225,000, professors 11, pupils 205, and in Galloway Female College, value \$114,500.00, professors 22, pupils 187. Paid on assessment, \$1,872.00.

The following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby tendered (1) to the citizens of Booneville, for their bountiful hospitality extended so graciously to the members of this body; (2) to Brother F. E. Dodson, the pastor, for his untiring attention to and care for the entertainment and comfort of the Conference; (3) to the pastors and official boards of the churches of the city for the use of their churches during the session.

H. HANESWORTH.  
F. M. TOLLESON.

On motion it was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet in memorial session at 3:00 p. m. tomorrow.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by S. S. Key.

(This report omits routine matter and runs only up to Saturday night, as far as the journal had been completed.)

## THE APPOINTMENTS.

## BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—W. T. Thompson.  
Adona Circuit—Supplied by H. G. Flippin.  
Booneville—F. E. Dodson.  
Booneville Circuit—L. W. Fair.  
Belleville and Ola—J. R. Ashmore.  
Bigelow Mission—H. L. Wade.  
Blue Mountain Circuit—J. C. Shipp.  
Branch Circuit—W. M. Adcock.  
Cecil Circuit—Supplied by R. N. Davis.  
Danville—W. B. Wolf.  
Dardanelle—F. M. Tolleson.  
Dardanelle Circuit—J. M. McAnally.  
Gravette Circuit—To be supplied.  
Magazine and Havana—J. C. Weaver.  
Paris—H. Hanesworth.  
Perry Mission—Supplied by M. A. Fry, supernumerary, and J. H. Golson.  
Parks Circuit—Supplied by H. H. Jones.  
Plainview Mission, C. H. Bumpers.  
Prairie View Circuit—W. E. Bishop.  
Scranton Mission, supplied by J. F. Glover.  
Waldron—D. H. Colquette.  
Waldron Circuit—Supplied by S. J. Fair.

## FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—J. B. Stevenson.  
Bentonville—C. W. Lester.  
Centerton Circuit—H. L. Nance.  
Elm Springs Circuit—Supplied by J. H. Ruble.  
Fayetteville—M. N. Waldrip.  
Goshen Circuit—W. H. Dyer, supernumerary, and J. M. Haley.  
Gravette and Gentry—G. L. R. Crook.  
Huntsville Mission—Supplied by W. J. Harris.  
Lincoln Circuit—W. E. Reid.  
Parksdale and Farmington Mission—O. H. Tucker.  
Pea Ridge Circuit—Y. A. Gilmore.  
Prairie Grove—F. A. Lark.  
Rogers—J. H. O'Bryant.  
Siloam Springs—J. M. Williams.  
Springtown Circuit—J. D. Roberts.  
Springdale Mission—A. L. Cline.  
Viney Grove Circuit—H. A. Armstrong.  
War Eagle Mission—Supplied by H. Young.  
Winslow Mission—Supplied by L. R. Huddleston.  
Missionary to Japan—C. B. Moseley.  
Missionary to Korea—A. W. Wasson.  
Conference Missionary Secretary—J. H. O'Bryant.

## FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—J. M. Hughey.  
Alma and Kibler—B. M. Burrow.

Beech Grove Mission—J. W. Harger.  
 Charleston Circuit—Thomas Martin.  
 Dyer Circuit—G. C. Johnson.  
 Fort Smith: Central—L. M. Broyles.  
 " Dodson Avenue Mission—C. E. Patchell.  
 " First Church—W. Sherman.  
 " Midland Heights Mission—H. H. Griffin.  
 Fort Smith Circuit—D. N. Weaver.  
 Greenwood—Jefferson Sherman.  
 Hackett Circuit—B. M. Nance.  
 Hartford and Midland—W. V. Womack.  
 Huntington and Mansfield—J. E. Lark.  
 Mulberry Circuit—C. E. Gray.  
 Ozark—G. McGluphy, A. B. Williamson, supernumerary.  
 Ozark Mission—J. H. Sturdy.  
 Van Buren—J. F. E. Bates.  
 Van Buren Circuit—J. S. Hackler.

## HARRISON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—W. T. Martin.  
 Alphena Circuit—Supplied by F. C. Harrell.  
 Berryville—M. F. Johnson.  
 Berryville Circuit—Supplied by L. C. Raper.  
 Bellefonte Circuit—G. B. Griffin.  
 Cabanal Circuit—Supplied by J. C. Snow.  
 Clinton Circuit—Supplied by G. W. Hatchett.  
 Cotter Mission—T. C. Steel.  
 Eureka Springs—J. L. Bryant.  
 Edgemont Circuit—To be supplied.  
 Dennard Circuit—Supplied by J. E. McCrew.  
 Green Forest Mission—J. A. Reynolds.  
 Harrison—J. A. Womack.  
 Leslie Mission—F. C. Sterling.  
 Leadhill Circuit—Supplied by D. M. Jeffers.  
 Marshall Mission—Everett Faulkner.  
 Mountain Home—F. C. Villines.  
 Osage Mission—J. N. Villines.  
 Valley Springs Mission—B. E. Robertson.  
 Yellville—D. U. Cline.  
 Yellville Circuit—J. W. Griffin.

## MORRILTON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—F. S. H. Johnston.  
 Altus and Denning Mission—A. E. Goode.  
 Atkins—W. J. Faust.  
 Clarksville—J. J. Galloway, G. M. Barton, supernumerary.  
 Clarksville Circuit—W. M. Warren.  
 Conway—E. R. Steel.  
 Conway Circuit—R. A. Robertson.  
 Damascus Mission—Supplied by J. G. Carter.  
 Dover Circuit—W. A. McKee.  
 Hartman Circuit—C. H. Sherman.  
 Holland Circuit—J. F. Etchison.  
 Lanty Mission—Supplied by J. L. Lucas.  
 Lamar Circuit—Elisha Dyer.  
 London Circuit—J. W. Howard.  
 Morrilton—R. E. L. Bearden.  
 Morrilton Circuit—E. M. Kelsey.  
 Plumerville—H. W. Wallace.  
 Pottsville Circuit—J. T. Gossett.  
 Quitman—M. R. Lark.  
 Quitman Circuit—W. K. Biggs.  
 Russellville—G. G. Davidson.  
 Springfield Circuit—Supplied by J. E. Snell.

## OTHER APPOINTMENTS.

Editor Western Methodist—I. A. Anderson.  
 Field Editor Western Methodist—D. J. Weems.

## TRANSFERRED.

H. J. Rand and W. W. Allbright, to Southwest Missouri Conference.  
 John Anderson, to Missouri Conference.  
 J. T. Taylor, to West Oklahoma Conference.  
 S. M. Godbey, to Florida Conference.  
 J. H. Bishop, to Little Rock Conference.

## LITTLE ROCK METHODISM.

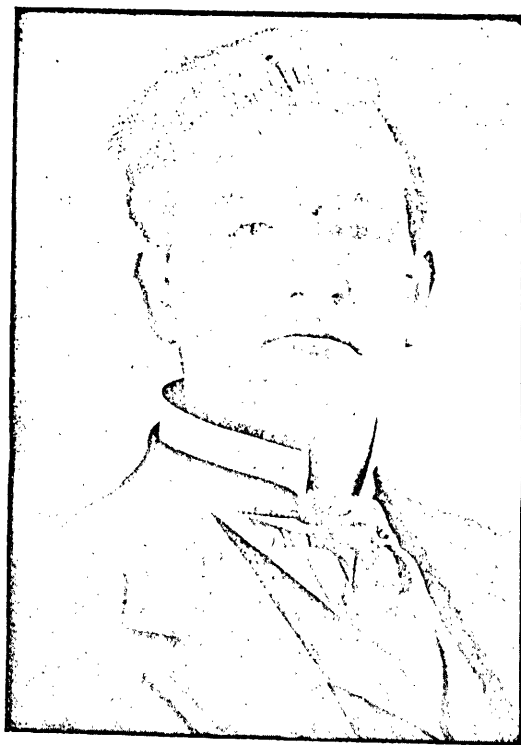
## REV. P. C. FLETCHER.

Rev. Alonza Mond, D. D., has given to the Little Rock District a year of strenuous, efficient and able leadership. No interest of the work has escaped his conscientious attention. His preaching has charmed and inspired the people. A number of the official boards have shown their desire for his return by adopting strong resolutions, commending his administration. Dr. Monk Followed the royal hearted Dr. A. C. Millar,

who gave to the district nearly four years of his able leadership.

Rev. A. O. Evans is closing out a monumental year at the Asbury Church. He is a man before whom difficulties vanish like snow under the warmth of the noonday sun. He had just begun to climax a feature of his great work, when, on June 24, the new chapel, in which his congregation had worshiped for several years, was destroyed by fire. Undaunted, he and his heroic people laid gigantic plans for a new building. By the last of October he was preaching in a portion of the new structure. The building is being pushed to completion. His membership has about raised their \$5,000 pledge. He has preached for months in a large tabernacle to great congregations, and has received 80 person into the church. On last Friday Bishop McCoy was charmingly entertained by the pastor and official board. Brother Evans' return was earnestly requested.

Rev. B. A. Few has had a very prosperous year at the Hunter Memorial Church, and his loyal official board passed resolutions highly commend-



Rev. F. E. Dodson, the Conference Host.

ing his administration and asking for his return. It has been a year of harmony and progress. He has received 89 new members, largely the result of personal work. Twelve babies have been baptized. Some annoying back debts have been paid, and everything will be paid in full along the line of salaries and benevolence. It has been a very fruitful year.

Dr. W. H. Richardson, who took charge of First Church last fall, has had a splendid year. He has emphasized the spiritual side of the church and has done some very effective preaching. About 100 persons have been added to the membership. The great Sunday school, under the leadership of Attorney De E. Bradshaw, has enrolled over 1,100 pupils. A balance of \$3,000 on the church debt has been provided for. Harmony and progress have characterized the year. Dr. Richardson came to Little Rock from the Tulip Street Church, Nashville. He has quickly found his way into the hearts of his people. His board passed strong resolutions, commending his able ministry. Prof. Forrest Dabney Carr, of Virginia, has recently taken charge of the music.

Rev. Marion S. Monk is closing out a second very fruitful year at the Twenty-eighth Street Church, notwithstanding the fact that not a few difficult problems confronted the church. He will report everything paid in full. The indebt-

edness upon the church has also been materially reduced. He has received 31 persons into membership and baptized a number of babies. His official board has unanimously requested his return.

Rev. A. O. Graydon has had a fine year at Capital Church. Harmony has prevailed and progress has marked all of the activities of the church. He has added 21 persons to the membership. It has been the best financial year in the history of that growing congregation. He will make a full report at conference. The Sunday school has done a remarkable work under the skillful superintendency of Rev. P. R. Eaglebarger of the Western Methodist. The pastor is held in very high esteem.

Rev. H. F. Buhler is concluding his third year as assistant pastor of First Church. So able and efficient have been his labors that the entire church wants him returned for the fourth year. He is held in lofty esteem by all, especially the young people. He has shown an eminent fitness for his chosen work. The League has prospered under his skilful oversight. During vacation of Dr. Richardson he filled the pulpit with marked ability.

Rev. S. W. Rainey has done a most excellent work at the Highland Park Church, which has grown to considerable proportions under his tireless pastorate of two years. This year he and his heroic people have built and paid for a very beautiful chapel, which for the present meets the demands of the situation. He will make a full report at Conference and will show a large number of accessions. The Sunday school, under the talented young attorney, Brother Fred Isgrig, has done a great work.

Rev. Dr. Alexander Crawford, of Henderson Church, has done a noble year's work, and in the face of difficult problems has been brave, devoted and cheerful. The church has prospered under his ministry, and he has a very warm and safe place in the hearts of his people. He will be able to make a very creditable report at conference. He is a man of scholarly attainments and performs most faithfully his work.

Rev. John P. Lowery, whose name is a household word among thousands of Southern Methodists, has held same very successful meetings for the brethren of Arkansas, Oklahoma and other states this year. For nearly a quarter of a century he has devoted his life to evangelistic work, and in that time has seen thousands converted under his ministry.

Rev. Dr. John E. Godbey, who has recently moved to St. Louis to make that city his home, after spending seventeen years of his rich and beautiful ministry in Arkansas, will be greatly missed from Little Rock, where he is so well known and so deeply loved. His brethren of the ministry feel that his departure from the city is a distinct loss.

Winfield Memorial Church has enjoyed a fruitful year. It has also been a year of the sweetest harmony. Progress has characterized every department of the church. The great Sunday school, under the leadership of Brother J. W. Holland, has enrolled about 1,000 pupils. The pastor has received 136 new members and baptized 34 babies, and made nearly 3,000 pastoral calls. A church debt of over \$7,000 has been provided for, and a number of important improvements have been made. Everything will be reported in full.

The great Missionary Jubilee, under the enthusiastic and able direction of Mrs. George Thornburgh, proved a decided success in all of its features. Miss Daisy Davies, a queenly woman of our Methodism, charmed and inspired all to whom she spoke. It is believed that a decided impetus was given to the missionary cause, as represented by the women of the city and state.

# LEAGUE PAGE

ALL FOR CHRIST—OUR MOTTO  
WARING SHERWOOD, Editor.

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## EPWORTH LEAGUE DEVOTIONAL TOPIC.

NOVEMBER 26: "METHODISM'S RESPONSIBILITY TO AMERICA."

(Numbers 14:14; Psalms 33:12; 142:20.)  
(Home Missions.)

### SUGGESTED PROGRAM.

(The hymns suggested below are from "Revival Praises No. 2.")

- I. Silence.
  - II. Invocation by leader.
  - III. Song service:  
No. 30, "Singing and Trusting."  
No. 60, "Volunteers to the Front."  
No. 167, "With Heart and Voice."
  - IV. Several prayers, at the close of which sing softly, heads still bowed, one or more verses of No. 217, "Nearer, Still Nearer."  
Reading of Scripture lessons by three Leaguers, and introductory talk by leader.  
Duet, No. 100, "There's No Love Like His Love to Me."  
Discussions of subject.  
Free discussions.
- NOTES: If you use the "Revival Praises No. 2," and are not familiar with the songs suggested, a little time in practice will be well spent. As much material as can be used may be found in the Church Extension Hand-Book. Your pastor has it.

### THE TOPIC.

BY MISS MARGUERITE ENGLISH.

"Home missions does not mean home missions for home alone. It means missions that begin at home and continue for all the world. We want America for Christ because we want America to help win the world for Christ."—Henry Van Dyke.

Christ's last command was, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all the nations." If we are loyal soldiers we must obey; we must stop marching in a circle with our heads in the air, singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers," and refusing to see the poor and ignorant at our feet. Thousands of poverty-stricken children, ignorant mountain whites, Indians, negroes and immigrants are clamoring at the doors of churches and Christian homes for material aid and spiritual uplift. God will hold us responsible if we do not heed the cry. Relief will come through three channels—education, prayer, gifts.

### I. Education—information.

We are seldom interested in those things about which we are ignorant, hence it becomes our duty to study conditions in our own and foreign countries and their significance. The following statistics are dry and of no value to the uninformed and uninterested person, but if taken in connection with social and economical events of the day they become intelligible.

Immigration—United States: 1901-1909, 7,753,816; 1910, 1,041,570.  
Average increase: 1901-1909, 1,500 daily; 1910, 2,853 daily.

In books, in the steerage, coming into Ellis Island these immigrants are curiosities; in foreign countries, objects of pity and prayer; but when they settle in our midst they become a peril. Christ would not have regarded them as such; then neither should we. His was essentially a gospel of social service: he would have gone among the unfortunate, ministering to their wants, teaching and uplifting them. We must first learn, then we can teach them to become better citizens and servants of Christ.

### Methods:

1. Missionary education in the Sunday school.
2. Use of one Sunday a month in the League for missionary topic.
3. Missionary library.
4. Mission Study Classes.
5. General reading and study.
- II. Prayer.
1. Definite, daily, individual.
2. Prayer circles.
- III. Gifts.
1. Money.

"Ye cannot serve God and Mammon, but ye can serve God with Mammon."—From Laymen's Missionary Conference.

2. Missionary boards and societies.
3. Literature.
4. Consecrate yourself to God's service.

"He is greatest who serves best."

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### PRACTICAL POINTS.

1. Surely God has never blessed a church more bounteously than he has the Methodist. Surely she has been led by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. In America, doubtless, has she found her richest field. America has afforded Methodism a place of freedom and expansion. In what better way can Methodism show her appreciation to America than by making her citizens realize that Jehovah is in the midst of this people. To make a Christian nation we must make its people Christian, and in no way can we make the people more truly Christian than through Christian education. To this end we Leaguers are putting forth our feeble efforts to bring light into our rural districts. Our work may seem small, but with God's help we can make it great. If our aim is "America for Christ," God will surely bless us. Blessed is the nation whose God is Jehovah!

2. While God has blessed Methodism he has he has also blessed America. Methodism's greatest ambition for America should be that she might be Christian in deed and in truth, as well as in name. To do this shall we begin with her officials? An official of a Christian nation should be as thoroughly a Christian as an official of any Christian institution. But our work would be in vain if we should wait for him to get in office before we try to make a Christian of the man.

### IF I WERE THE LEADER.

1. "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Prov. 14:34.

It is the duty of every American citizen to make of his country the best country possible. There is no surer or better way of strengthening a nation than by making Christians of the rising generations, and leading to lives of usefulness and high moral principles the boys and girls who will some day guide the affairs of their country. That is the responsibility of not only Methodism but of every Christian in our land. It is the duty of him who has to give to him who has not. If there is anything that one person can do to brighten or make happy the life of another, it is his duty to do it. The Lord will guide the workers just as he guided the children of Israel. There are many, many lines of work in which we can be of service in making our nation a better and a stronger one. It is our duty to make of this a thoroughly Christian nation for there is no country where the progress in material development has been greater or more rapid. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." "Happy is that people whose guide is the Lord." Psalms 144:15.

2. I would use Miss English's topic as the

basis of my work, also bringing out the above thoughts.

3. As a summary of the evening's lesson, or to fix some special truths more firmly in the minds of the Leaguers I would use the Practical Points and Side Lights.

### SIDE LIGHTS.

A public school teacher in Pennsylvania is instructing a large class of adult Italians in Bible study and English. Two evenings a week is given to this class and the results are most gratifying.

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There are something like 40,000 Indians in America who know nothing of God and his love. Ten thousand of them live in Southern California, and yearly practice their heathen religious customs. Our responsibility to our red brother cannot be neglected. He is here among us and demands attention.

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Stephen Herben says: "A gift of God, whatever it may be, has vitality only so long as it is rightly employed. That is true of Christians if they neglect the gift that is in them, implanted in their hearts and minds by God; if they neglect the opportunity for service offered them by God's grace and wisdom, if they wrap their talent in a napkin and lay it away where it cannot possibly be used for any good purpose, they are laying themselves open to the disfavor of God as well as to the charge of unfaithfulness."

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES.

#### CLASS OF THE FIRST YEAR.

The class of the first year will please meet the committee at the Methodist Church in Blytheville promptly at 9:00 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, the 5th of December.

Come prepared for written examination.

W. F. Walker, Chairman.

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#### White River Conference.

#### CLASS OF THE THIRD YEAR.

The Class of the Third Year will meet at Blytheville, Dec. 5th, in the Methodist Church.

Harvey H. Watson, Chm.

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### WHITE RIVER ANNUAL CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.

All members of the White River Annual Conference who expect their wives to accompany them at Conference, please, at once, notify the pastor of First Church, Rev. F. W. Gee, Blytheville, Ark.

### HENDERSON-BROWN COLLEGE NOTES.

(Continued From Page 2.)

he found a property worth \$100,000.00 belonging to the Church, large and commodious buildings, well adopted to school purposes and in good repair, with large and airy bed-rooms and beautiful dining halls, a quiet, clean, restful, and picturesque campus, a distinct college of arts and science, a clearly defined high school, giving the 14 units of entrance, an excellent conservatory of music, a school of art, domestic science, four literary societies, and Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Also 200 boys and girls—Methodist boys and girls—in quality and character not to be excelled, all in the care and guidance of a very excellent faculty.

And he remarked to Rev. Mr. Harrison, "This is one of the best schools that I have yet seen." The second quarter begins November 16.

### FACULTY CONCERT.

The twenty-first annual faculty concert of Henderson-Brown College will be given Tuesday evening, November 21, at 8:15 o'clock in the college auditorium. A very rare treat is promised to all, having Jay Harry Aker as director and pianist, Miss Amanda H. Dye, soprano, Miss Hallie V. Scales, violinist, Miss Ruby Ector Harper, pianist, and Miss M. Virginia Moss, reader.



# WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

(Continued From Page 3.)

of trustees of Epworth University, was introduced and addressed the Conference in regard to the history and status of the university.

**Announcements**—It was announced that Dr. James A. Anderson, editor of the Western Methodist, would preach this afternoon at 2:30, and that the Missionary Anniversary would be held tonight at 7:30, Dr. John M. Moore speaker.

The doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. John M. Moore.

## FOURTH DAY.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 2:30 p. m. by Bishop Denny. The devotions were led by C. T. Davis.

**Conference Relations**—W. M. Taylor was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation.

**Located**—Under Question 18 R. E. Davis was located at his own request.

**Place of Meeting**—Frederick was selected as the place for holding the next session of the Annual Conference.

**Readmitted**—Under Question 5, George Washington Day, an elder, was readmitted.

**Memorial Session**—Sunday afternoon at 2:30 was fixed as the hour for holding a memorial session.

**Bible Board**—The Bible Board submitted its report. Rev. J. I. Morgan, a representative of the American Bible Society, spoke to the report and it was adopted.

**Collection**—An offering was taken for C. F. Roberts, superannuated, amounting to \$239.42.

**Introduced**—John R. Steele, colporteur in Oklahoma for the American Bible Society, was introduced to the Conference.

**Evening Session**—Moved and carried that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 7:30 p. m.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by W. D. Matthews.

## FOURTH DAY.

### EVENING SESSION.

The Conference met at 7:30, Bishop Denny in the chair. J. D. Massey led the devotions.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

**Reports of Boards**—The reports of the Board of Church Extension, the Board of Missions, and the Board of Education were read and adopted. (See reports, 1911.)

**Commission**—The Bishop appointed a Commission on Education as follows: O. F. Sensabaugh, R. E. L. Morgan, C. F. Mitchell, J. M. Gross, Moss Weaver, W. B. Watkins, F. M. Bailey, S. S. Waters, E. S. Lane, and John A. Fain.

**Vacancies**—Vacancies on the Board of Education were filled as follows: A. W. F. Lee in place of G. W. Kirby; R. L. Ownbey in place of M. L. Butler; J. R. Abernathy in place of A. M. Brannon.

**Publication**—C. F. Mitchell and O. W. Stewart were elected as a Publication Committee.

**Church Extension**—C. F. Mitchell was elected a member on the Board of Church Extension to take the place of N. L. Linebaugh.

**Adjournment**—It was ordered that the next business session of the Conference be held following the religious service Sunday evening.

The doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by C. R. Craig.

## FIFTH DAY.

### MEMORIAL SERVICE.

The Conference convened at 4:30 p. m. Sunday, J. M. Gross in the chair, for the purpose of considering the report of the Committee on Memorials.

Question 21 was called, in answer to which the chairman stated that but one member of the Conference, Brother W. B. Bayless, had died during the year.

W. J. Moore read the report of the committee, consisting of resolutions relative to the life and work of Brother Bayless. Words of love and

appreciation for Brother Bayless were spoken by R. E. L. Morgan, W. M. Spain, W. D. Matthews, C. R. Grey, John M. Moore, and C. F. Roberts.

R. E. L. Morgan read an obituary of the wife of Brother D. A. Gregg, to which he and W. J. Moore spoke.

W. D. Matthews introduced the name of J. W. Nigh, a supply who had died during the year. He suggested that the obituary of Brother Nigh, written by J. E. McConnell, be spread upon the Conference minutes.

The Conference expressed its sympathy for Brother J. S. Lamar, whose son died recently, and Brother R. A. Baird, whose little girl died this summer.

The report was adopted and the Conference adjourned with the singing of "In the Sweet By and By," and the benediction by Dr. John M. Moore.

### EVENING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by Bishop Denny, W. D. Matthews read the eighty-fourth Psalm and led in prayer.

The Bishop submitted a certificate of ordination showing that the following persons were ordained at the morning service.

William Harp took the vows as a Local Deacon.

Question 6 was called, and the following transfers were announced: R. E. Goodrich, from the Northwest Texas Conference, and H. B. Vaught, from the East Oklahoma Conference.

The Bishop named a Commission on Entertainment consisting of the following: C. H. McGhee, W. A. Sheyton, C. L. Herring, D. R. Welch, and J. E. Martin.

The Bishop announced the following as a Southern Methodist University Commission: O. F. Sensabaugh, R. E. L. Morgan, James A. Fain, and W. B. Watkins.

The ladies attending the Conference offered a resolution of thanks.

A resolution of thanks was passed by the Conference.

On motion of N. L. Linebaugh the Conference ordered that a summer school of theology be held this Conference year and that W. A. Shelton be dean of the school.

The Statistical Secretary read report answering minute questions.

N. L. Linebaugh offered a resolution asking the Bishop to call a meeting of the Presiding Elders of the Oklahoma Conference in January. Carried.

Under Question 6, W. A. Frasier was announced as a transfer from the East Oklahoma Conference.

**Appointments**—After a talk by Bishop Denny and an earnest prayer by Brother M. A. Clark, Question 49 was called, and the appointments read (which see), after which the Conference adjourned without day.

COLLINS DENNY, *President*,  
R. E. SATTERFIELD, *Secretary*.

### ARDMORE DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—W. U. Witt.  
Ardmore: Broadway—C. R. Gray; W. T. Freeman, supernumerary.

" Carter Avenue—To be supplied.  
" Mission—W. A. Fletcher, supply.

Berwyn and Daugherty—E. D. Farrish, supply.  
Cornish and Loco—J. F. Russell.

Davis and Oak Ridge—W. D. Matthews.  
Elmore Circuit—Charles E. Galloway.

Hickory Circuit—Charles Mann, supply.  
Leon Circuit—I. D. Knox, supply.

Lone Grove Circuit—G. B. Barton.  
Marietta Station—W. A. Govett.

Overbrook Circuit—H. P. Robertson, supply.  
Woodford Circuit—H. L. Mauldin; J. C. Morris, supernumerary.

Thackerville Circuit—D. E. Shaffer.  
Wynnewood Station—J. M. Gross.

Sulphur: First Church—W. J. Moore.  
" Vinita Avenue—M. C. Hamilton.

President Hargrove College—W. H. Martin,

member Broadway Quarterly Conference.  
District Missionary—B. F. Taylor, supply.

### CHICKASHA DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—L. L. Johnson.  
Rush Springs and Ninnekah—W. P. McMicken.

Comanche Station—J. T. McBride.  
Alex and Verden—John H. Scott, supply.

Tuttle and Amber—T. Y. Hearne, supply.  
Banner Circuit—W. A. Lowry, supply.

Marlow—W. C. Savage.  
Ering Springs Circuit—M. J. Ivie, supply.

Velma Circuit—J. S. Moore, supply.  
Waurika and Terral—H. B. Ellis.

Ryan—W. C. Fleetwood.  
Maysville Circuit—C. K. Ray, supply.

Wallville Mission—E. C. McBride, supply.  
Lindsay Station—W. M. Spain.

Chickasha Station—C. S. Walker.  
Duncan Station—E. R. Welch.

Criner Circuit—J. P. Aston, supply.  
Cement and Fletcher—To be supplied.

Sugden Circuit—W. E. Lee, supply.  
Anadarko—W. E. Humphreys.

Fort Cobb—To be supplied.  
Agent American Sunday School Union—J. D. Canady, member Lindsay Quarterly Conference.

District Missionary Evangelist—R. J. Deets, supply.

### CLINTON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—Moss Weaver.  
Burmah—C. C. Williamson.

Butler—H. C. Garrett.  
Carter—Jesse Crumpton.

Cheyenne—E. A. Townsend.  
Clinton—G. L. Taylor.

Cordell—Robert Hodgson.  
Custer City—G. W. Lewis.

Delhi—J. L. Davis, supply.  
Dill City—C. A. Martin, supply.

Doxey—L. D. Hawkins, supply.  
Elk City—C. L. Herring.

Erick—To be supplied; W. M. Taylor, supernumerary.

Foss—W. W. Robinson.  
Grow—James Arvin.

Hammon—G. W. Day.  
Leedy—H. H. Windham, supply.

Port—H. K. Monroe, supply.  
Roll—J. B. McCance.

Sayre—H. B. Vaught.  
Sentinel—J. G. Blackwood.

Texola—W. C. Driskill.  
Weatherford—W. J. Stewart.

President School for the Blind—C. W. Stewart, member of Clinton Quarterly Conference.

### GUYPON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—Robert A. Baird.  
Boise City Circuit—G. L. Gilbert.

Ellis Circuit—W. D. Nichols, supply.  
Grand Valley Circuit—J. D. Z. Munsey, supply.

Guyton—C. T. Davis.  
LaKemp Circuit—W. F. P. Munsey, supply.

Mutual Station—To be supplied.  
Hooker—M. T. Allen.

Camargo and Ioland—W. P. Meador.  
Texhoma and Goodwell—R. A. Crosby.

Tyrone—M. F. Sullivan.  
Woodward and Tangier—T. S. Johnson.

### LAWTON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—R. E. L. Morgan.  
Davidson—T. J. Taylor.

Frederick Station—C. H. McGhee.  
Tipton Circuit—H. A. Stroud.

Grandfield Circuit—G. R. Wright.  
Hastings Station—H. B. Thomasson.

Hastings Circuit—T. B. Steele.  
Indian Work—B. F. Cassaway, supply.

Lawton Station—J. S. Lamar.  
Manitou—R. H. Denny.

Mountain Park—G. W. Martin.  
Randlett—T. H. Ward.

Snyder—Mallory Flanagan.  
Temple—J. R. Brooks.

Walter—W. A. Greer, supply.  
Altus—W. F. Dunkle.

Elmer—H. C. Gullledge.  
Headrick Station—A. H. Dickerson.

### MANGUM DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder—C. F. Mitchell.  
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# EASTWARD

*Around the World*

FROM MOSCOW TO SIBERIA.

BY DR. W. B. PALMORE.

NO. XVII.

THROUGH RUSSIA.

The people, the Russian people,  
God grant their night is past,  
And the gloom of their weary waiting  
Lost in the dawn at last!  
From the Baltic to the Okhotsk Sea  
The stars have heard their wail,  
And the steppe-wind borne their prayers to  
heaven  
That Right may yet prevail.

The people, the patient people,  
They are the strength, the power—  
Their hearts are true to the Russian Land  
Though darkest clouds may lower.  
It was Yermak, the valiant Cossack  
Who broad Siberia won;  
Through Minin, peasant of Nijni,  
Were the tyrant Poles undone;

And Archangel's Lemonosoff,  
Child of the common throng,  
A fisher lad, was first to shape  
The sounding Russ in song  
The people, the trusting people,  
God grant their night is past,  
And the gloom of their weary waiting  
Lost in the dawn at last.

—Edna Dean Proctor.

In a recent letter we told of our first business transaction on our first entrance into Russia, which was with a Jew. We have had very much less sympathy for the Russian Jew ever since. Our first business transaction on this, our second visit to Russia, was also with a Jew, which has transmuted our sympathy into contempt.

We had a first class ticket to the City of Moscow, and was under the impression that our car and train ran all the way through without a break or change. On reaching the City of Warsaw we suddenly discovered that we had to make a hurried trip from one entrance of the city to the opposite extreme to catch a train. The large number of passengers who knew that such a change had to be made, and who spoke the language, had secured about all of the available carriages before we got out of the train. We finally secured a carriage and made a rush of miles to the other extreme of the city. When we reached the station and attempted to pay our coachman we were embarrassed to find that we had no Russian money, but only English gold!

The first man to make his appearance in such an emergency, as if he had suddenly dropped down out of the clouds, or popped up out of the ground, was

THE UBIQUITOUS JEW!

Our first need was to know what the rate of exchange was on that day between English and Russian money. The Jew said that a pound sterling was worth eight rubles in Russian money. We handed him an English pound in gold and received from him eight rubles. On further inquiry we soon discovered that the rate of exchange on that day was that an English pound in gold was worth nine and a half rubles instead of eight!

With a first class ticket we were refused admission to the train, with the demand that we buy or pay for "a place" on the train! We asked: "If a first class ticket does not entitle a man to 'a place' on the train, what does it entitle him to?" We were answered with a

shrug of the shoulders! We then discovered a long line of people passing a ticket window to buy "a place" on the train. We fell in at the rear of the line and moved slowly, a long time, before we reached the window, and was then told that the tickets for "places on the train" were all exhausted, there being many more passengers than places. The regular price for the tickets for "a place" on the train was one and a half rubles. We asked a number of those who had obtained a ticket for "a place on the train," how much they paid; they had all paid three and a half rubles. In addition to the regular price of one and a half rubles they had each given two rubles to the Jew! The two rubles graft were, of course, divided between the Jew and the seller of the tickets. We have never known exactly what it was to be "between the devil and the deep blue sea," but we know that it is to be between

A RUSSIAN RASCAL

and a remorseless Jew. Just before the train started the same Jew came to us and said: "For five rubles I can put you on this train!" We felt like slapping him in the face for such unblushing and brazen audacity or impudence, but what could we do? There was no way of appealing to the officials of the road. To wait until the next day meant additional loss of time and then, possibly, to repeat the same experience. We felt something like an accomplice in crime or fraud, but at the "eleventh hour" consented to give the "pound of flesh" or "five rubles." The Jew had a whispered conference with the conductor. At the very last moment the conductor grabbed our baggage and rushed on the train and we after him! The Russian rascal and the Shylock Jew divided the spoils. How can we have any respect for the Russian government or sympathy for the Russian Jew!

A mother, with her baby, quite innocently and ignorantly started through Russia without a passport! An apparent impossibility, but a Jew learned of her embarrassment and set his price. The price was paid and the miracle was performed! The woman went through the Russian empire without a passport!

On a bright and sunny afternoon we walked into the Kremlin in Moscow. About one hundred yards inside the gate was an imposing cross, erected since our former visit. On the granite base of this cross we sat down to rest, from which we were soon ousted by a Russian officer! On inquiry we found that this cross had been erected in memory of

GRAND DUKE SERGIUS,

which stands on the very spot on which the dynamite bomb exploded which killed him. We were told of the tragedy by a teacher in Moscow, one of whose pupils was an eye witness. This young lady had just entered the Kremlin and was passing along on the sidewalk, when a stranger said to her: "Move rapidly, young lady, and get out of the way." She was very much insulted and responded: "How dare you, a stranger, to speak to me?" He then said, "It will be better for you to move rapidly away." There was something so ominous in his voice and tone that she did quicken her step, but kept her eye on him. In a few moments the carriage of the Grand Duke dashed into the Kremlin gate. When it reached this spot the man threw the bomb which blew the occupant of the carriage into eternity in the twinkling of an eye! The man did not run, but stood still, until arrested. He was tried and sent to Siberia for life. He escaped from prison and from Siberia and is supposed to be alive today somewhere in America.

We saw a portrait of the wife of this Grand Duke in the art gallery of Moscow. She was one of the most beautiful women in Europe, and

is a sister of the Czarina. She has recently taken the veil and is now a nun. She was the nominal head of the Red Cross Society in Russia during the

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR,

her husband, however, transacted the heavier part of the business. An Englishman told us of an episode which gives some idea of Russian integrity in high places and in the handling of sacred trust funds. This Grand Duke in behalf of the Red Cross Society sent out an appeal for contributions to make the soldiers comfortable on the battlefields of Manchuria. A patriotic and great-hearted manufacturer contributed 50,000 blankets. A few weeks or months afterwards a stranger met the manufacturer, who was selling blankets. When the stranger exhibited his samples the manufacturer discovered that they were of his own make! He asked the stranger how many he had for sale. The stranger answered "forty thousand," which he proposed to sell for three rubles each! It was a regular five-ruble blanket, which cost four rubles to manufacture. The manufacturer bought the whole lot and thus revealed the rottenness of his government and one of the reasons for its failure either in war or peace.

The evening we halted by the cross to rest we were on our way to hear the famous Sunday afternoon song service of the nuns of the Kremlin, which lasted about two hours. We would advise every American who spends a Sunday in Moscow to hear this singing. The singers are not visible, but behind a screen. It is the most wonderful blending of voices in pathetic and perfect harmony we have ever heard in any part of the world.

CATHERINE THE SECOND

projected and endowed here the largest founding home in the world. We would like to write of our visit to this immense and remarkable institution, and of many other phases of this city of Asiatic and barbaric splendors. In fact we might write a dozen letters on Moscow, of its great variety of dazzling domed churches, its parks and gardens, where the people of many nations gather in the evenings and sing, play, frolic and feast the larger part of the night. Of its palaces, museums, great bells, the largest in the world, of the devout peasants and reckless rich, of the repression of thought and the stifling of freedom, but we must hurry on to far away Siberia.

There are now quite a number of large and comparatively comfortable hotels in Moscow. We stopped at Hotel Billo, which is not so high in price as some others, but for people of simple life, who do not care for an excess of glare and glitter and is quite comfortable. It is on the European plan. You can get a good room for from a dollar to two dollars a day and eat when, what and where you please.

Moscow, Russia.

THE SALOON AND MURDER.

The 62 greatest saloon counties in Texas, having but one-sixth of the total population of the state, have, according to the last attorney general's report, covering the years 1907-08, 331 murders, or nearly one-third of all the murders in the State, or twice their proportionate share. The dozen strongest prohibition counties of the state, also containing one-sixth of the population, furnished but 71 of the murderers, which is but one-fifteenth of their proportionate share. The group of saloon counties had five times as many murderers, population considered, as the group of prohibition counties—American Issue.

"Rastus: "What yo' tink is de mattah wif me, doctah?" Doctor: "Oh, nothing but the chicken-pox, I guess." Rastus (getting nervous): "I 'clare on mah honah, doctah, I ain't been nowhar I could ketch dat!"—*Medical Times*.



## THE PROHIBITION SITUATION.

Right now is a serious time with our prohibition situation in Arkansas; to our mind the most critical in our knowledge. This results from several different things. Prominent among these is the publicity given to the corruption of legislators by the whisky forces, the attitudes assumed by the candidates for governor toward prohibition, the adoption of the Initiative and Referendum as a part of our constitution and the divided sentiment among prohibitionists as to methods and the probable effects of the governor's race on this sentiment.

That we are on the eve of a forward prohibition wave that presages victory seems to be omened by some of these things. For once again we have a candidate for governor who espouses the cause of prohibition and is talking it from the platform in every speech. We have another candidate who has ventured far enough to say that he will vote for Statewide prohibition and who is waging war on the corrupt domination of State politics by the liquor leaders; and the other candidate halts on present action but says that if it must be why should he not enforce it as well as any other? Not a man is wholly silent, and not a candidate has lifted his voice to apologize for whisky's evil effects. The bid seems to be for the prohibition vote this time; or else these men, all mum before, would not speak out now. This argues that prohibition sentiment has made headway; or that the liquor forces through corruption have downed their own cause. Heretofore the effort has been to placate the temperance forces; and daily for the liquor vote. But even this indication of good has in it dangers. Of some of these we wish to speak.

First is from the present aspects of the governor's contest. Mr. Norwood comes out for Statewide statutory prohibition rather than the initiation of a bill to be voted on at the next election and urges that Statewide statutory men be elected to both the Senate and House. Mr. Donaghey favors the submission of the question to the people and says that he will vote for Statewide at the polls, but has not yet said that he will do all he can for its success. Mr. Norwood, though looking with disfavor on initiation, goes so far as to say he will support the bill both by voting and doing all he can for its success. That Mr. Robinson, too, will get votes of prohibitionists is a foregone conclusion, unless a mighty change comes.

The possible acrimony growing out of the espousing of the causes of men and the bringing into the prohibition ranks, as antagonistic, things that are not antagonistic are our dangers. The Lord deliver us from ourselves at this critical point. Our greatest danger now is not our enemies but ourselves.

No one will charge the Advance or its editor with having been idle or compromising on the liquor issue. It is also a well known fact that the Baptist Advance four years ago at the risk of criticism, (little of which we ever heard) championed Mr. Hine-mon for governor, because he declared for Statewide prohibition. We also opposed submission:

1. Because the legislature was the only constitutional law-making body;
2. Because submission had dangers in its way in the manipulation of the negro vote.

There we stood and fought our fight.

Later came on the Initiative and Referendum amendment which we opposed as pernicious in its present form. We still believe that our greatest menace today from a legislative standpoint is the present form of that amendment.

But it was adopted and a new condition came. Before the power to

make laws resided in the legislature; now "we the people" can enact a law or repeal a law and so there you are. The legislature can now pass a law and by the emergency clause keep it from the people; but what "emergency" means may yet be up for decision in the courts. But let it mean that any law by the mere tacking of the emergency clause on to it cannot be referred, that does not keep the people from voting on that measure at the next election. Eight per cent of the people can initiate a repeal and kill the law if the majority wish to kill it. A negro vote counts as much on repeal as on enactment.

This puts a new face on things for prohibitionists. Two methods are before them for a Statewide bill. One is to make the law as they want it and initiate it; and the other is to allow the legislature to make it and run the gauntlet of possible injurious amendment by the liquorites at some points where they can divide the prohibition forces.

We say this as incidental for the other things we are about to say. There are rancorings of the old Statutory and submission fight. To us there is not the shadow of reason for such a thing as this. The success of the cause and not the triumph of "my" particular idea should be the prompting of every heart. With more avenues of approach than one why should we refuse any except one road? And why should I criticize others if they prefer to make use of all roads? Why should I show more zeal in fighting the travelling of one road that goes to the same place as does another than I really use in trying to reach the place by the one I choose?

## No Need of Conflict.

The initiation proposition and submission are not the same things now as three years ago; neither does a statutory law mean now what it meant then.

Then submission and statutory were antagonistic or exclusive. Submission was the death of statutory and statutory was the death of submission and their antagonisms gave the enemy a chance to kill both.

Then a statutory law could only be repealed by the legislature and now it can be repealed without it or over its head. Then submission was questioned as to its constitutionality; while now it is a constitutional prerogative only prevented by the emergency clause on every measure and then not as a complete blocking of it.

Now initiation is the people's way to enact a law regardless of their law makers; while statutory as used here is the legislature enacting the law. If the people fail to do such a thing by vote that does not hamper the legislature in the exercise of its prerogative. The methods are cumulative and not contradictory. Then our solution is to

## Press Both

and not try to force them into seeming antagonisms.

But says one, "If we initiate that will call out the negro vote and bring the negro back into politics. The negro will defeat us."

Suppose this statement is true. Will that hurt the enactment of a statutory law? Cannot the legislature go on and give us a statutory law?

"Yes," he will reply, "but they will argue that it was tried at the polls and that should settle it." Some may answer that way; but does it not stand to reason that every man who can be induced to vote for statutory without a popular vote can be induced to vote for it after a vote has been taken? Will not the man who wishes to find an excuse to hide behind find one in the fact that you refuse to submit the question to a vote, because you fear

you would fail at the polls on account of the negro vote? Does not the argument as to the negro become a proven fact then and hence of more force to a white Democrat than is the mere cry that such and such will be the case?

If we initiate and win we will not need "statutory;" for we will have what we want. If we fail at the polls we will have the practical demonstration of the liquor corruption and of the negro in politics so demonstrated that the man at all favorable to Statewide will vote it then with firm will and with an urgent constituency behind him. We will only be in better fighting trim for that battle.

But suppose we stop now and stake all on statutory, refusing the other way, then what?

We will have turned the liquor forces loose to use their money to fix another senate knowing that to be all that is needed. It puts the sole battle of importance to them the one thing of a few senators and some of our driest senatorial districts have done some mighty fool things regarding senators. When that is over and they have it fixed, then where is your hope? Nothing for two years except the slow and expensive grind of petitions.

But will not initiative take the fight off the question as to the right kind of men for the Senate and House? We think not. The liquor forces will have "we the people" on hand for September and a bigger job will have its effect on the one not so big.

**Tie the Cause to No Man's Cart.**  
Let's tie this cause to no man's cart. Let no politician form our plans; we cannot afford it. Novices in prohibition agitation should not be taken "ipse dixit" fashion; but let us support the men who stand for most with prospects of bringing most to our cause.

I am for statutory. Are you? Then we are agreed. I am for dry senators and governors. Are you? Then agreed again. I am for an out and out prohibitionist for every place from governor to constable. Are you? Then we agree again. I am for initiation too; but you say, "No, not now." Now don't say it any more. Let us keep it so hot for the saloon in Arkansas by every means of lawful antagonism, that it can find no rest day nor night until it goes hence.

E. J. A. McKinney.

## SOME STARTLING STATISTICS.

According to the census report, the total consumption of liquor in 1907 reached the stupendous figure of two billion gallons—that is, twenty-five gallons for every man, woman, and child in the United States.

The annual average expenditure for intoxicants during the first half decade of this century was more than \$900,000,000.

More than 2,000,000 people are supported by the liquor traffic in the United States.

The United States government receives from revenues from the liquor traffic about \$300,000,000 annually; but for every dollar received it costs the government at least twenty-two dollars.

The liquor traffic murders more than 100,000 people every year, three hundred every day, twelve every hour.—Exchange.

## WATCHING AND PRAYING.

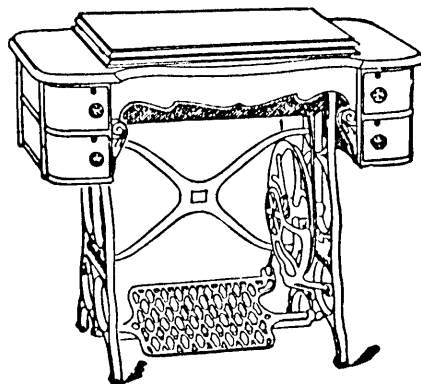
When you say, "Lead us not into temptation," you must in good earnest mean to avoid in your daily conduct those temptations from which you have already suffered. When you say, "Deliver us from evil," you must mean to struggle against that evil in your hearts which you are conscious of and for which you pray to be forgiven. . . . To watch and pray is surely in our power, and by these

means we are certain of getting strength. You feel your weakness, you fear to be overcome by temptation; then keep out of the way of it. This is watching. Avoid society which is likely to mislead you. Flee from the very shadow of evil. You cannot be too careful. You had better be a little too strict than a little too easy; it is the safer side. Abstain from reading books which are dangerous to you. Turn from bad thoughts when they arise.—J. H. Newman.

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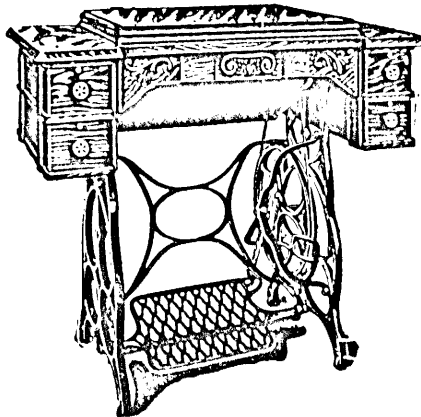
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## CHILDREN'S PAGE.

(We shall be glad to have all the children contribute to this page. Let them address letters to Miss Katherine Anderson, Box 284, Conway, Ark.)

Charlotte, Ark., Oct. 21, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you let me join your happy band? This is my third time to write. How are you all this rainy day? I have been reading the children's page. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My teacher's name is Mrs. Yates. I like her fine. My papa and mama belong to the Methodist church. Who will guess my age? It is between 11 and 14. I have two brothers. The oldest one is Floyd and the other one is Marvin. I am the only girl. I belong to the Methodist church too. I like to read the Bible. I guess I had better close. Hoping this will escape the waste basket. Love to you all.

Your cousin,  
Virginia Jernigan.

Mineral Springs, Ark., Oct. 22, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine: Will you allow me to write again as I have written once before? How are you cousins enjoying cold weather? I am going to school and like my teacher fine. His name is Mr. Holcomb. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. I have such a good teacher that I hate to miss. I am in class No. 5. I am a member of the Methodist church. Come again Ruth Carr; your letters are so interesting. I will guess Clarence Scott's age to be thirteen. I hope I am right. Our town is moving the depot. I am real glad. The one who guesses my age will receive a post card. It is between ten and fifteen. I would like to exchange post cards with any of the readers. I will answer all I receive.

Your cousin,  
Cora Mae Reed.

Doxey, Okla., Oct. 29, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine: Will you allow another little boy 7 years old to step in for a chat. I am going to school and I am in the second grade. I like to go very much. I love to read the letters in the Methodist. I have never tried to write to your paper before. Come in, all you cousins, let's not let the advertisements take our page. If they take it, it will be our fault. I will close by asking a riddle: Why are posts in the ground like seeds? Your cousin,

Hugh Hawkins.

Smithston, Ark.

Miss Katherine and Cousins: How are you today? It is cold here today. As all describe themselves, I will also. I have dark complexion, dark eyes and dark hair. I go to Sunday school and church every Sunday. I think everybody ought to take interest in Christ's work, don't you, cousins? I like to go to school. Our school will open Monday. My age is between 14 and 17. Any one who guesses it will receive a post card. I want all of the Arkansas boys and girls to write so the Oklahoma boys and girls won't beat us. With love to the cousins, I will close.

Handsome Lily.

Violet Hill, Ark., Oct. 23, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: How are you all this beautiful day? I am just fine, hope you all are the same. Well, what have you cousins been doing? It has been pretty cold here for the last day or so. I had a nice time during vacation. I went to Mammoth Springs, Ark., to the Reunion and surely did have a nice time. Some again, Leila Jones, your letter was just fine. Dew-drop, I remember you. Why didn't you answer my card? Margie Lauvins, I will answer your riddle. It is a stone. I hope I am right. How many of you cousins pick cotton? I do. I am not going to school now, are you all? Miss Katherine, what are you doing these days? Why don't you write a piece to us? Miss Ruth Carr, why don't you

write us another nice letter? I think your letters are just fine. How many of you all go to Sunday school? I don't. I live about two miles from Sunday school and I don't get to go very often, but I like to go. Come on Arkansas girls and boys. You boys don't write much. I believe you all are too bashful. I wonder why the Texas boys and girls don't join our happy band. I will ask a riddle and then close: As I went up trilda trollda I looked through milda molda, I saw Mr. Hinkum Pinkum eating my comparents. If I had my handsome gansome I would make Mr. Hinkum Pinkum leave off eating my comparents. To the one guessing this riddle I will send a nice post card. I will close hoping to see my letter in print. With love to you all. Lochie Forrest.

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Doxie, Okla., Oct. 29, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: It has been a good while since I wrote so I thought I would write again. Our school has begun here. I am in the fourth grade. I have read two books in the library at school. The names of them are Little Teddy Bears and Robinson Crusoe. I am reading Plant Life and Easy Steps. One of my grandmothers lives with us. I will answer some of Butterfly's riddles. How many bees in a bushel. There is one b in a bushel. If a postmaster should go to a circus and a bear should eat him, what time would it be? Eating time. Am I right? I will close by asking one riddle: Why is marriage like the letter E?

Your cousin,  
Effie Hawkins.

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Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you admit a little eight year old girl in amongst you? I am in the fourth grade at school. My mother has taken the Western Methodist all my life. I like to read the letters and stories in the Western Methodist. I haven't missed Sunday school in over four years. If I see my letter in print I will write again. I will close.

Your new cousin,  
Ganeath Crane.

This is a good letter for so small a girl to write. There was not a mistake in it.

Miss Katherine.

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Hoxie, Ark., Oct. 22, 1911.

Dear Methodist: I will write another letter as I have not written any in so long. Well cousins, how many of you live on a farm? I do. I enjoy living on the farm. I have been picking cotton. My school hasn't started yet. My teacher's name is Miss Bessie Hite. I went to Sunday school today. My papa is superintendent. Our Sunday school is not very good; there is not much interest taken in it. We live about ten miles from Walnut Ridge, Ark. There were two evangelists who came there and held a meeting. Their names were Burke and Hobbs. That meeting just about broke our Sunday school up. All the people quit going to Sunday school and went to the meeting. I will answer Margie Lauvin's riddle: It was a cook stove. I will answer Thelma Homer's question: What word occurs only once in the Bible? It is Reverend, and is found in the 111th Psalm, 9th verse. I will ask a question. How many times is the word "quail" found in the Bible?

Willie McBride.

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Berlin, Okla., Oct. 29, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine: Will you admit another little Oklahoma girl into your happy band of cousins. My age is between seven and thirteen. The one that guesses it will receive a post card. Our pastor's name is Bro. Walters; we all like him fine. My mama takes the Western Methodist. I have been reading the children's page a long time. I am in the fifth grade at school. Thelma Horner, I will answer your question. "Success" is only

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found once in the Bible and it is in Joshua 1:8. Ruby Brookman I will guess your age to be thirteen. I hope I am right. I have five brothers and no sisters. My papa, mama, three of my brothers, and I belong to the Methodist church. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My teacher's name is Mrs. Tucker. She has a daughter 12 years old and her name is Vera Tucker. The superintendent of the Sunday school is Mrs. Tucker. My school teacher's name is Mrs. White. If I see this in print I will write again.

Jewel Watson.

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Montongo, Ark., Oct. 10, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine: Will you let me come in and chat a few minutes? I have written once but my letter was not printed, so you know I couldn't get up enough courage to write again soon. What are you all doing this rainy morning? I am waiting on my sisters; they are both sick. I will guess Olwen Timberlake's riddle. It is a sister. Am I right? I will guess Beckie Copeland's age to be 10. Am I right? Hand me my old hat and I will be going. Hoping to see my letter in print, I'll close.

Tom Boy.

I wish Miss Katherine, you were here to eat turkey with me. Miss Katherine would like nothing better than to be with you.

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King Mill, Ark., Oct. 18, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: As I have not seen any letters from here I thought I would write one. My grandfather takes the Methodist and I like to read the children's page. I will let you guess my age; it is between eleven and fourteen. Who has my birthday, August 2? How many of you cousins like to go to Sunday school? I do. Our pastor's name is Brother Taylor. As my letter is getting long I will close, hoping to see this in print. Your new cousin,

Florian Rogers.

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Carlisle, Ark., Oct. 21, 1911.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you admit another little Arkansas boy? I will be in the fourth grade next term. Cousins, who will guess my age? It is between nine and thirteen. I will close by asking a riddle: "I've four legs and feathers and feet; I'm neither beast nor bird. With love to all.

Catsy Gentry.

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Dear Children: For a long time I have wanted to write to you but Miss Katherine was overflowed with the letters that were crowding for publication that I thought I would just wait awhile and give each of you dear ones a time to be heard; but last week Miss Katherine said she was "short" so it is now Ruth Carr's time to come in for a little while.

I have been asked several times to continue "The Trials of the Twins," so after this week I shall begin with their "ups and downs" again.

Most of you children have found out where Ruth Carr lives, but I may soon play a trick on you and move to another place, for you know Methodist preachers don't stay long, but as the policeman says to the tramp they must "move on."

But I must not write more now, for I send a story that I think you will laugh over.

Lovingly,  
Ruth Carr.

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### IN THE NICK OF TIME.

By Ruth Carr.

"O, come on, Tom, you're such a little sissy; he won't hurt much."

"I don't want to."

"Yes you do, but you're 'fraid of Mr. Steel."

"No, I'm not afraid," urged Tom

who was stung by the accusation.

"Then why don't you go? I'd do it just to show him I wasn't afraid."

"Let him alone," said "Chip" Barton, "he's a little sun-bonnet sister and afraid he'll tan his skin."

Smarting under the taunts of his school chums and halting between a desire to be obedient to the teacher, and a desire to have a good time with the boys, Tom walked away from the group hoping to have a quiet time to consider which course was best.

Every day for a week the boys had slipped away and gone in swimming at Thornton's Dam half a mile away, and yesterday the teacher had said it should not be allowed any more as some of the parents were afraid there might be trouble. A punishment had been attached and a big bunch of long keen hickories stood in the corner to help the boys appreciate the truth of the promise.

"I'll go if any other fellow will go with me," said big Ned Newton who cared nothing for rules, but no one volunteered.

"I'll tell you what to do, kids," said ring-leader Nick.

"What?" came a chorus of voices.

"Let's get Tom Atkins to go with us, and Mr. Steel won't whip us, for he wouldn't thrash him for anything."

"He will, too," said Tom, who overheard the remark.

"Well I'll dare you—I'll double dare you to go with us."

"An' if you take a dar' you'll eat a sheep an' chaw his ha'r," said Sol Guber, a simple-minded boy who didn't study much but mischief.

"O let the little thing alone—we don't have to get him to go along for protection; who cares for an old whipping—I've had enough to make my back tough."

"As well try to hurt a turtle's back as mine; come on boys I'll risk it if anybody else will, and let little sister stay here and crochet lace for her aprons."

This last remark was the hardest for Tom to bear and he flushed crimson. The boys all hated him, so he thought, because he tried to keep the rules and so was a favorite of the teacher's, but aside from the boyish taunts which were given in fun, there wasn't a boy among them who didn't consider Tom a tip-top fellow.

"I'll show 'em I'm not afraid," suddenly decided Tom regardless of what the results would be, and dashing after the fast retreating bunch he was soon in the lead.

"Look fellows, old Tom is going in," cried Buck.

"Now I know we won't get thrashed, for Mr. Steel wouldn't hit his sweet little sugarplum."

"Hush, Ned" said Ted who saw that Tom was stung, for his ears were crimson.

As they were nearing the dam the boys were beginning to take off their clothes for the usual cry had already been sounded, so Sol sent it ringing down the line again: "Last one in 's a rotten egg."

Tom had outrun all the boys and after leaving a pile of clothes on the bank, sprang head first into the pond causing a great splash.

Ned followed with "Chip" close to his heels, and the rest fairly rolled into the water in their haste to avoid being the last.

"Sol's it—Sol's it!"—screamed Ned, "he's always the cow's tail."

"Don't, Ned, don't make fun of him, he can't help it," said Tom as he looked at the simple minded boy with pity.

Sol was considered "queer in his head" and sometimes had shaking spells on the school-grounds, that invariably frightened the boys. Although he was fourteen years old he was still in the third grade, and the teacher was always lenient with the big boy with the baby mind.

The boys were glad Sol came today, for with Tom and Sol both breaking the rule the punishment was likely to be very light. The boys continued their round of pleasure never thinking of what they felt sure they would be up against when the hour ended, but perfectly satisfied to enjoy the present.

"My stars! Look yonder, kids," said Ned pointing across the meadow. "Let's run and hide."

"Where'd we go I'd like to know with no clothes on."

Almost up to the bank whereon lay the piles of clothes was the teacher with a book and pencil in his hand.

"Let's dive," cried Fred.

"'Twon't do no good now—got to come up some time and he'd get us then."

"It's all up with us now; let's stand and take it like men," suggested big Frank.

By this time the teacher had reached the bank and was writing the names of the boys in his blank book. Poor Sol went under thus hoping to avoid detection, not realizing that he would be compelled to come up soon.

"Come up, Sol, 'taint no use to dive now—he's got us."

When the teacher had taken all the names in his book he closed it and returned it to his pocket; standing for a moment as if he hardly knew what to do next he looked at the row of wet faces and white shoulders that showed above the water.

"Report to me at once at the school house," said he as he turned on his heel and started across the meadow.

"Let's every fellow go home," suggested Ned.

"No, it would be all the harder on us when we did go back."

"The fun's all over now, and we'll have to take the medicine."

"Well," said Tom, "we've had a good time and it is right that we pay for it."

"Sure glad old Tom's here—be lighter on us."

"Misery love's company and I am glad Sol's here, too; if he could manage to have a 'spell' we might all get off."

The boys were very much slower getting into their clothes than they were in getting out of them, and not a single mud ball had been thrown at the first one out, as was the usual custom.

"Let's put it off as long as possible." "No, let's hurry and get through it, so we won't be dreading it."

As they got in sight of the school house they discovered the teacher standing in the cool shade of the big oak, and beside him lay the long bunch of hickories that had stood in the corner.

"Druther he'd git me fust," said Sol with a sickly smile, "so's I'd be done with it an' could laugh at the rest of youz."

"Druther he'd get me last, for his arm would be tired an' he couldn't hit hard."

"Wisht I had my gogify in my back—then I wouldn't feel it," said big Frank, who had aforetime been through the mill of correction and knew it was no small matter to fall into the hands of Mr. Steel when his law had been broken.

"Look at Sol—he's fixing to have a spell—catch him, Ned."

Ready hands took hold of the swaying figure just as it was falling to the ground, and while he was jerking in every limb they bore him to the place where the teacher stood with a plait of keen switches in his hand.

"What's the matter," he asked as the boys laid the limber form on the grass at his feet.

"Guess he's got a fit cause he's so skeered," said Ned.

"Rub his hands, Frank; Ned you go for some water in the wash-pan."

Sol must have known that he stood

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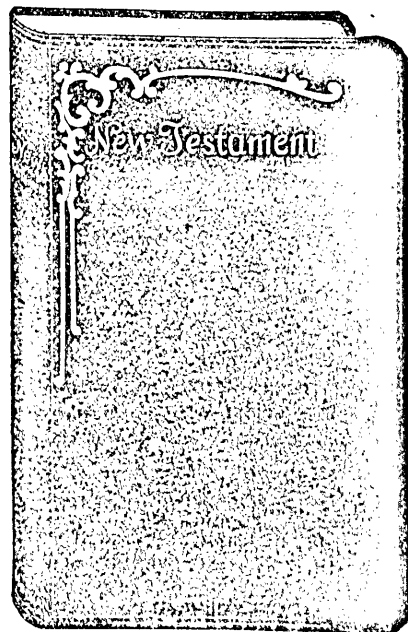
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heard that, said, This man calleth for E-li-as. 48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. 49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether E-li-as will come to save him. 50 ¶ Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. 51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; 52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose. 53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. 54 Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God. 55 And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him: 56 Among which was Mary Mag-da-le-ne, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebe-dee's children. 57 When the even was come, there came a rich man of Ar-ma-tha, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus's disciple: 58 He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. 59 And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth. 60 And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. 61 And there was Mary Mag-da-le-ne, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre. 62 ¶ Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. 63 Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first. 64 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as you can. 65 So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch. CHAPTER 28. 1 The resurrection. 16 Jesus appears to his disciples. 17 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day

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a chance of "cooling the teacher's wrath" by a prolonged spell, for he lay limp and quivering for a long time, while the boys looked first at the teacher and then at the pile of switches on the ground, wondering when the fight would begin and who would be the first victim.

It surely wouldn't do to whip Sol now, for it might make him have another spell, and it wouldn't do to whip one and not another for all were equally guilty. Ned was hoping that Sol would make a long spell of it, for already he saw signs of weakening in the teacher who had laid down the plait, and was feeling poor Sol's pulse. At this moment the boy sat up and looked around in a dazed sort of a way with a silly expression on his baby face.

Surely Mr. Steel wouldn't whip him now when he couldn't even stand up; oh no, Mr. Steel was no brute as he stood looking down at the helpless child. The boys saw a look of kindness come over his face in place of the stern one he had worn a moment ago.

"Now, boys," said he when he knew Sol was conscious, "each one of you deserve to be punished for willful

disobedience, but it would not be right to whip Sol under the circumstances, and it would not be right to whip one of the guilty party and not another; besides, there are some here who have never disobeyed me before,"—looking at "Tom"—and as this is the first offense I think I shall excuse you for this time."

"Said he wouldn't lick us if Tom was along," whispered Ned.

"Now let's have an understanding about this matter," said the teacher. "I do not oppose you swimming, but I do oppose you going in every day, so if you will agree to go in only twice a week I will grant you permission," remembering how he used to like to swim in the old mill pond.

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1st. It is a policy agreed upon by the Anti-Saloon League and declared by its Legislative Committee, during the session of the last Legislature, in the event that Legislature refused to pass a State-wide bill, or submit the question to be voted on at a special or general election.

2nd. The initiation means the largest possible agitation of the demerits of the liquor traffic, and therefore the education of the people to a better knowledge of the enormity of the evil, with its deep entrenchments and strong fortifications in the political, moral and business life of our State.

3rd. The liquor interests of our State are uncompromisingly opposed to any method of fighting their business which tends to agitate the public mind on the question of the evils of their traffic, that is why they are opposed to the initiation of a State-wide bill.

4th. The initiation of a State-wide bill means the forcing of the issue in the discussion of State and local issues by the candidates for the State and local offices which will in any way have to deal with the liquor question in the discharge of their administrative duties.

5th. State-wide Prohibition secured by a majority vote of the people is better than secured by statutory enactment, for the reason that the law can better be enforced when it is known that a majority of the qualified electors of the State are back of the law.

6th. The initiation of a State-wide bill will, more certainly than any other method, secure the election of Prohibition men to the Senate and House as well, for the reason that every candidate will be called upon to commit himself as being for or against State-wide Prohibition, and the people can know what to expect from their votes.

7th. About ninety per cent of the population and territory of the State is dry by a vote of nearly twenty-five thousand majority of the qualified electors of the State, and with proper agitation and education on the question the same vote may be cast for a State-wide bill.

8th. If it were possible to get a statutory bill with the Emergency Clause attached, then of course the liquor people would at once declare a majority of the people did not want such a bill, and would at once initiate a repeal bill, and while that was being considered they would flood the State with blind tiger liquor and over run the law (as in case of Memphis) and the first two years under the new law would be so obnoxious that when the election came on the repeal bill would carry.

9th. Since it must in the end be voted on by the people then let the people vote on a Prohibition bill instead of a repeal bill submitted by the liquor people.

stead of a repeal bill submitted by the liquor people.

## Some Objections Answered.

Some object to the initiation of a State-wide bill on the ground that the liquor interests will buy up the negro vote and defeat the bill.

In the first place if they could buy the negro vote to defeat the bill, they could buy it to repeal a statutory bill, if one were enacted, and a repeal bill were initiated by the liquor people.

In the second place Woodruff, Crittenden, St. Francis, Mississippi, Monroe, Craighead, Little River, Greene, Poinsett, Miller, and Jackson counties and others in the so-called black belt are already dry. In fact, more of the black counties are dry than are wet.

In the third place the appointment of election commissioners this time will be in the hands of three men, two of whom are candidates for governor and have declared for State-wide, and the other man is known to be a prohibition man, so the liquor men will not have the machinery this time as they have had in the past.

In the fourth place if the returns of the election should show that the State-wide bill was defeated by the vote in the black belt, and a good majority of the white vote was for the bill, then certainly a Senate elected on the issue would, with the House, pass a Statutory bill, if it were satisfied that a majority of the white vote was for State-wide.

Another object is urged on the ground that it is easier to elect a Senate than to elect a State-wide bill.

This is the liquor man's argument, for he knows he can buy four or five men in the Senate easier and cheaper than he can buy a whole State. The liquor people have money enough to buy a man and run him on a State-wide ticket for the Senate if they need to, and then have his vote delivered after he gets into office. Some men have been elected to office in this State, who the people thought were prohibitionists, but when the time came they voted the other way.

Why not make a fight for State-wide both in the initiation of a bill and in the election of a Senate as well. If we get either, we are then safe, whereas, if we try only for a Senate, and the abundant funds of the liquor men get their candidates through, under the guise of State-wide men, then we have lost all. We have been fooled so often on the statutory proposition, it is time now to take advantage, not only of this method of getting State-wide, but of the initiation as well. Let us have no division in our ranks. This policy of making a fight for both the bill and the Senate, has been agreed upon by the organized temperance forces of the State, now let us have no division in our ranks. Let no man's candidacy for governor turn us aside in our plans to get State-wide prohibition. The plans and policies mentioned above were agreed upon and adopted by the Anti-Saloon League long before any man announced for governor. If a half dozen men want to get on our platform and run for governor, let them do so; we will tie our prohibition car to no candidate's train.

Frank Barrett.

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One fine morning a baby duck came to the door of one of the upper rooms in the little house. He stood there awhile, looking up and down the shore. It seemed too good a day to stay in, so the little duck waddled slowly down the sloping board walk, dipped his bill into the water to see if it was warm, and then started to swim away. He had gone nearly to the end of the island and was having a happy time, when out from behind a big bush swam an old drake, big and strong, and very cross.

The little duck was, of course, much frightened. He tried to turn round and swim back; but he just pounded the water with his feet and beat it with his small wings without going ahead any.

The big duck swam right up to him and gave him a hard thump with his bill, which drove his head clear under the water, so that he got his mouth full and almost choked. This big duck followed him and kept rapping him with his bill. Not until he was almost back to the little house did the old drake leave him. He went away quacking crossly.

The little duck crawled out of the water and lay on his side on the warm sand, trying to get his breath, and too tired to move or even stand. Just then he saw something that filled him with terror. Out of one of the lower doors in the house a big gray rat was creeping. His tiny black eyes were shining like beads, and he was looking right at the little duck. Nearer and nearer the rat crept. The duck tried to get up on his feet. He was so frightened that he cried, "Peep! peep!" as loud as he could.



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The rat had stopped now, as if he did not quite know what to do, and just as the drake reached the shore the rat turned and started to crawl back under the house. He was just too late. One rap of the old drake's bill sent him over on his back. Before he could get up he had hit him another rap, and, squealing loudly, he ran in under the duck house, glad to get away.

The rat family had no dinner that night, and the old father rat had to stay in bed for three days. As for the little duck, he was happy enough to have his mother take him by the wing and drag him up the board and into the nest.—Hugh Kavanaugh, in Youth's Companion.

"Father," asked eight-year-old Alice, returning home from school, "are you good at punctuation?"

"Yes," replied the father.

"Well, tell me, please, how would you punctuate 'The wind blew a \$5 bill around the corner.'"

"Why, daughter, I would simply put a period at the end of the sentence."

"I wouldn't," said Alice mischievously. "I would make a dash after the \$5 bill."—National Monthly.



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"It's a tough old world, anyhow, Jerry, and seems to me as if things ain't divided even—leastwise they ain't divided to my notion."

"How'd you like to have 'em?"

"What the use of askin' that when you've heard me say time and agin that if I jest could, I'd make my way in this world an' be somebody. But what's the use o' tryin' when everything is agin a body. It's wash and iron and tote home the clothes and draw the little dab o' money and spend it for victuals and cloths, an' th next week do the same thing all over."

"I b'lieve you're gettin' weak necked."

"It's enough to make any body weak necked. Here I've been at it year in and year out ever since I could remember, and ain't no nearer a session in school than I was this time last year."

"I've heard 'em say it's a long lane as don't have no turn, so there may come a chance 'fore long. We're young yet—ain't quite fifteen, so maybe you can git a year's schoolin' 'fore we git grown. As for me, I don't expect to ever git one of them graduation tickets and I'd as lief settle down here to live the rest o' my life, for it's good enough for me."

"No, it ain't good enough, Jerry. Can't you see the difference 'tween the folks as come here to the 'Sembly Grounds every summer and us?"

"Why, shore I see the difference, but them's rich folks." "Not all of 'em. For I've heard 'em say as lots of poor girls that work all winter teachin' school an' writtin' on them typewriters an' all, come here to learn things from the lectures."

"Well, why don't you go to the lectures if you're so dead for book larnin'?"

"'Cause every time I've been there this summer, somebody has made fun o' the way I was dressed, an' I don't like it."

"Why didn't you dress up, then?"

"I did. I wore my red flowered lawn and that new yellow bow in my hair."

Well, you looked a sight better'n them city girls with their long pillow-case dresses on."

"Oh, Jerry, them's all the style. I read it in a paper."

"Maybe so; but I'm glad you ain't in the style if that's it. And sich hats as they wear! Plum sights! They ain't none of 'em as pretty as your sailor."

"Oh, Jerry, you're such a comfort to me, and I'd ruther have you for a brother and live on this mountain side forever, than to lose you and have all the fine dresses and hats and style."

"What's all this talk about style, children?" said their mother as she entered the door. "Much either of you'n know about it. Jerry, you can git up the cows, for it'll soon be milkin' time. Jemmie, you'd better bring in the clothes, 'fore the dew takes the starch out'n them."

With the obedience rarely lacking in typical mountain children they left the room.

Fifteen years ago they came the same day to have their hungry little mouths filled, and to bring gladness to this mountain home. Jeremiah and Jemimah they had been christened, but long ago the cumbersome biblical names had been dropped for the more befitting ones of "Jerry" and "Jemmie."

As far back as the children could remember people had been coming every summer to the mountain to spend the summer and enjoy not only the cool, invigorating mountain air, but to have the benefit of the splendid platform attractions as well.

Jerry was kept busy driving passengers from the station to the inn, while Jemmie helped her mother with the huge

bundles of laundry for the guests on the mountain.

Content to always remain a driver of the carriages, Jerry was hoarding his meager wages in a tin snuff box, expecting some day to be able to purchase a small farm in the valley.

His twin sister was more ambitious, and year by year she grew more and more dissatisfied with the life of a mountaineer and longed to "go somewhere, do something and be somebody," but circumstances seemed to be against her, for since her father died, she and Jerry must help support the family, as there were three other children younger than themselves.

"It's an unfair old world, I say again," said Jemmie, seating herself on the front steps, and giving expression to the thought ever present in her mind.

"What's the use of allers a sayin' that Jemmie," said her mother, as she wiped her hands on her apron, and pulled down her sleeves over her fat red arms, "it don't git you nothin' and jest helps to make you more and more miserable; what's the use a pinin' and a pinin' for somethin' you ain't likely to ever git. You might jest as well be satisfied to settle down and marry Jeff Akers, as is a dyin' to git you."

"Oh, maw, I can't—I can't—I'll never be satisfied nor happy with Jeff; he

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"Well, you don't have to," said a familiar voice at the gate, "for any day you say the word you can go to my new house, for hits a needin' of a good housekeeper like you."

"That you, Jeff? Light and rest your saddle; that hitching post is rotten—tie your mule to the fence," said Jerry.

Jemmie's heart gave a bound as she recognized the tall form that came striding up the walk with the characteristic plod of the mountaineer; struggling between a desire to flee to her own room and a determination to always be polite to a guest, she arose and extended her hand.



"Jemmie....covering her face with her arms," etc.

ain't got no education—can't even write his own name so's a body can read it."

"Well, nuther can I, and me and your pap has allers got along somehow, and never has went in debt for nothin'; Jeff's got a good farm in the valley and a bran new log house with three rooms, and where's the girl as wouldn't be glad to have such a chance—why, he's the very pick of all this country."

"But maw, I don't want him, nor nobody else—all I want is to get some education and be somebody."

"Lawdy massy, child, you've got the best education of all the girls in these parts, and have been to all the schools that were taught on the mountain, and had one session in the village school besides."

"Well, all that has only made me want more, and besides that, I'm not old enough to marry."

"You're as old as I was when me and your pap was married."

"That may be, but I don't want to—oh, ain't there any other way—can't I see my way out—will it always be this dark?" Jemmie could say no more, so covering her face with her arm she burst into tears.

"Don't cry sis, you don't have to marry Jeff less'n you want to, though he is a tip-top fellow and any girl ought to be glad of the chance to get the likes o' him."

"But Jerry, since I've had a glimpse of the outside world and seen how other folks live, I just can't—I can't—oh, I'd rather be dead than to live here

"How's everybody gittin' along?" said Jeff, as he seated himself on the step beside Jemmie.

"We ain't got nothing to complain of I reckon," said the girl.

"I 'lowed you had, by what I heard as I rid up, ain't I right?"

"No—yes—well, I'd better tell the truth and shame the devil for everything is wrong, and I'm the most miserable girl in all the world."

"Why, child," moving nearer to her and speaking tenderly, "I don't see no cause for you to be miserbul, and you know I'm jest a-dyin' for a chance to make you happy—ain't it so, Mis' Judson?"

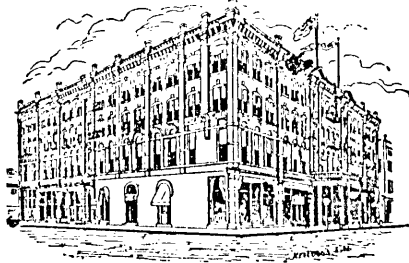
"Yes, Jeff, I've hearn you say so more'n onet, but Jemmie has got a lot of high falutin' notions in her head, and I 'low we'll have a time with her yet."

"Maw, please don't say that, for I feel like I can't bear another word to-night; I know you're all kind to me, and I don't mind the work, but it's the awful grind of this dull life year in and year out, with never any show of a better day."

"I'd be powerful glad, little gal, to give you a better day if you'd only say the word."

"Do please hush, Jeff, I don't want to marry nobody now—leastaways not you, and I don't want to tell you so another time."

"What ails you tonight, Jemmie?" said her mother, "you don't seem to be like yourself; I do believe pine blankly that you've got your head turned by



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"What do you mean, Jeff Akers?" said Jemmie springing up, "I've had enough of your talk, and am tired to death of your hanging around here, and I tell you once for all I never expect to marry you and you'll oblige me very much if you don't come here any more."

As the quick, hot words fell from Jemmie's lips, she walked hurriedly in the room, slamming the door behind her.

"My stars, don't she strut, and don't she aim high for a pore mountain gal? Well, all I got to say is that she looks down on her betters."

"Mind how you speak, Jeff, for she's my sister, and though me and you has been friends for a long time, yet if you harm her, me and you must part company. She and any other girl has a right to say who they will marry, and if she wants to git educated and be above us, 'tain't no matter of yourn."

"Oh, she's a high sailor, she is, but I'll see to it that she shall repent for this night's doings," and walking down the path he untied his mule, plunged his spurs into the animal's sides and was soon out of sight.

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(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.)

**BROWNE.**—Mrs. Mary. Pauline Browne (née Foster) who was the wife of Mr. Eugene Brown, departed from this life on the 14th day of October, 1911. She was born August 30, 1882; married to Mr. E. D. Browne eight years ago, the 17th of last June. There were born to them three children, one boy and two girls. She was fondly devoted to her husband and affectionately attached to her children. She joined the M. E. Church, South about nine years ago, from which time she lived an exemplary life for her Lord. She was loved by all her friends and associates. She always filled her place in church. The preachers always found a hearty welcome in this happy home. Yes, truly, she will be sadly missed at New Hope, her home church, by all who knew her. As her pastor I was frequently in her home and there she ever sought to make all who entered feel welcome. She was interested in the welfare of her church. The large concourse of friends who gathered at her funeral in Riverside cemetery bear witness of the high esteem in which she was held. Many said the day of her burial, that a truly good woman is gone. 'Tis sad to see a mother called away from her small, almost helpless children, but we should cling to him who doeth all things well and some day we can understand the things which puzzle us now. She was a true friend, a devoted wife, a loving mother, an exemplary church member. Her vacant place in the home will forever cause her loved ones to look on high, where in a short space of a few fleeting years there may be a happy reunion. After services conducted by the writer her body was laid to its resting place in Riverside cemetery.

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**NENNLIST.**—Miss Arvada Katie Nennlist was born January 16, 1897 at Hanaford, Ill.; died near Walker's Store, Ark., October 14, 1911. Age fourteen years, nine months and twenty-nine days. She leaves a father, mother and six brothers to mourn her loss, besides a host of friends. She was frail and feeble in health for some time. We all dread suffering and make a constant fight against disease till the grave claims us for its victims. The brittle threads of life are easily broken and man is powerless in the hands of death. Earth's life is for preparation, active labor, endless work and if we put on Christ our life ends in complete victory. A large crowd of friends and loved ones attended her burial at Dogwood cemetery, October 15, 1911.

Her loved ones seemed deeply grieved by her sad demise. Funeral service from the text, "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death"—were held by the writer, followed by her burial.

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**BOYD.**—Willie Murrell Boyd, daughter of Mr. Garland Boyd and Mrs. Frances Boyd of Belcher, Ark., was born March 3, 1908, and was called away from earth October 10, 1911. This was the third death in that home in less than a month.

The grave is dreaded by all, yet we know that God does not forget the sleeping dust of our leaders. Death stops all human work, builds a mound over our lives, breaks into many of our plans, robs human strength of its power, softens many a hard heart and gathers us to our eternal home. The

realm of work is while we live and can think. Many ways are given to childhood days in which to show their appreciation. While this child had spent such a short life with her parents, she will always be missed.

As the child fills its place in the home so God has a place for it in his home. Religious services were held in Dogwood church in the presence of sorrowing friends and broken hearted loved ones after which we deposited the little coffin in the cemetery.

Wm. S. Yarbrough.

**LUSTER.**—John R. Y. Luster, born August 1, 1830, died November 2, 1911. His death occurred in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Love, in Izard county, Ark. My acquaintance with Brother Luster was limited compared with that of a number of preachers of the White River conference, especially those who have been pastors in the Batesville district. Brother Luster was a Methodist, and served long as an official member of the church, whose home near Pleasant Valley church, during the life of his wife, was the home of the Methodist preachers. He was a pillar of the church, ever true and faithful as an official, rendering both moral and material support as he was able. His health began to give way several months before his death, but he never murmured, was patient and resigned, and his end was peace. Truly he was a good man, served well his day and generation, is now at rest, "and his works do follow him."

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**BEATY.**—The subject of this sketch Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Beaty (née Spain) was born May 18, 1859, in Prentiss county, Miss. Converted in early life, afterwards uniting with M. E. Church, South, of which she lived a consistent member until the day of her death, which occurred October 22, 1911, in Beckham county, Okla., after eight weeks of intense suffering.

She was married to J. T. Beaty November 19, 1895. To this union were born eight children, five of whom preceded her to the city beyond, leaving three sons with husband and mother and one sister to mourn her loss.

Weep not dear ones for "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." She is gone but we know where to find her. May the grace of God sustain and comfort the bereaved in this hour of sore trial and at last lead them to the beautiful gate, where she stands ready to welcome them home.

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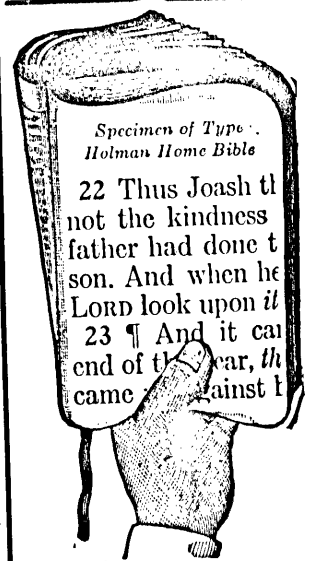
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The fourth vice president of the W. H. M. Society is the most important officer in the society with regard to the local church. In the old order of things she was allowed a committee of sixteen members, divided into four sub-committees: Church Committee, Parsonage Committee, Visiting Committee, and Charity and Helps Committee. The new "Helps for Missionary Societies" does not specify the number of members but divides the committee into two sub-committees; Committee on Local Work and Committee on Social Service. The Local Committee supplies flowers for the altar, sees that the church is properly cleaned, solicits funds for the interior repairs and finishing of the parsonage, provides for cottage prayer meetings, visits sick and strangers and helps the pastor as he may need them.

The old and the new "Helps" indicate to my way of thinking the true way of getting the parsonage fund. It is not only the duty of every member of the church to contribute something toward the care of the church and parsonage, but a privilege which they ought to be allowed to enjoy. The Parsonage Committee used to be expected to solicit funds for this purpose; now the Local Committee is to solicit. Every church member old and young, rich and poor, should be asked for a contribution once a year. No amount has been stipulated, so it may be left to the giver to determine the amount, or the Auxiliary may vote a stated sum, as 25 cents, 50 cents or \$1 per member a year. If a member feels that the assessment is too great, let that member give as much as he or she will. I am confident if this plan was faithfully carried out every parsonage in our conference having a W. H. M. Society, would be comfortably furnished and kept in excellent repair. The Board of Stewards are expected to look after the repairs on the church and also to hire the janitor. It has always seemed to me to be almost impertinent for a committee of women to superintend the work of an employee of the Board of Stewards. The janitors usually resent

any criticism of their work from the women as little short of meddlesomeness. If the women are to "see that the sexton sweeps and dusts well," it seems to me they ought also to hire him, if they expect him to heed anything they say to him.

The new "Helps" states that the Parsonage fund is to be used for "interior repairs and refurnishing." I judge from that clause that the Board of Stewards are to keep up the outside repairs. At an Annual Meeting some years ago the question of furnishing parsonages came up for discussion. The matter was discussed pro and con by preachers' wives and women of the congregations represented. One woman was opposed to furnishings of any kind, because "what one preacher's wife was glad to get the next one wouldn't use." One preacher's wife quietly reminded the women that things would wear out, get broken or grow faded and shabby, and she asked the women not to fall out with a preacher's wife and say unkind things to her and about her; if her stove was better than the one in the parsonage, or her curtains were fresher and prettier than those in the parsonage, or her carpet superior to the soiled, dusty well worn parsonage carpet, and she stored the parsonage furniture and used her own. Another suggested that the furniture of some parsonages was of all sorts, kinds and degrees both as to quality and age. In the end it was recommended that the Home Mission Auxiliary be requested to furnish their parsonages with stoves, dressers, bedsteads and mattresses, book cases, tables and all heavy furniture, also window shades, but to leave the preacher to provide window draperies, rugs, carpets, dishes, bed and table linen, as tastes differ, and these last articles are easily worn out, broken or abused, it might be better to let the preacher's wife provide them herself. The committee will of course always buy the best they can get for the parsonage, just as they do for their own homes. Nice furniture looks and wears far better than cheap. A preacher's wife has always had my sympathies along this line. She can never have a home really her own, to beautify and add to, because she must move at least every four years. Her husband comes before the people as their leader. His work is largely outside his home and the fact that the home is not so comfortable as it should be doesn't force itself upon him as it does upon the wife. The poorer the church, the weaker the membership, the greater the need for a well-furnished parsonage. The preacher has the souls of his people to care for, and really ought not to have time to think about parsonages and furnishings.

Cottage prayer meetings! I wonder if some of our Auxiliaries have ever given this phase of our work any serious thought? Jesus said: "That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." If Christian women really believed that saying of Jesus, what wonders might be accomplished in needy neighborhoods, through the simple agency of a cottage prayer meeting. "If two of you shall agree." It doesn't require but one other and yourself. Think of the ruined and wasted lives that might be renewed; of the evils that might be abolished, of the joy that could be brought to sorrowing hearts, the peace to anxious souls, the rest to weary, burdened men and women. Ten righteous were required by Abraham as necessary to the salvation of Sodom. Jesus' promise is to two. Aren't there two women in each Auxiliary willing to act as watch-

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on the walls of their communities? Let us put God's power where it belongs, and trust His power and goodness rather than methods of the world and the wisdom of men. He has said, "Ask and it shall be given unto you." Be careful however that you do not ask that your work be prospered, that your influence may be increased, that the workers may be glorified, or that your church be exalted above others. A cottage prayer meeting with only two present may be very effective, if those two are earnestly bent upon the uplift of the people and believe God will keep his word. A roomful of people may make a fine showing, the prayers may be very beautiful, very eloquent, very direct, but unless they are earnest prayers they will never be effectual. Did your Auxiliary ever have a cottage prayer meeting? Did it fill you with a desire to do something for Christ's sake? Was it a cold formal service? Was it faint-hearted, full of doubt and fear? Note the effect of the "cottage prayer meetings" in the "Acts of the Apostles." Hunt them up, find out why they were held and note the effect. Perhaps you will find out why your prayer meetings never bring results. In Acts these prayer meetings were not called "cottage prayer meetings." The first one was held in the "upper room, where abode Peter, and James and John," and others—note, "these all continued with one accord." The discords in our memberships largely account for our failures in prayer meetings.

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