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SPIRITUAL EQUIPMENT.

Most failures in the religious life are from a lack of spiritual equipment. Equipment means resources. No man in his own natural strength has the resources necessary to a successful battle against the wrongs with which he must war. There are wrongs both within and without. The wrongs within are of perhaps more concern than the wrongs without, for it is the first duty of every man to keep himself pure and strong. The impulses to evil, the solicitations of the evil one, constitute a constant source of battle. When the field has been won on one point there will be some other point of attack, so that as long as we are in the flesh we must battle. The route to heaven lies amid battlings and struggles. The very law of development requires that we should struggle. There is no hope that we shall ever be able to lay our armor down till we have passed beyond the mortal state.

It is the doctrine of the gospel that a man must have the quickening power of a new life come upon him before he can make even a successful beginning of the religious life. "Ye must be born again!" It is the special teaching of St. Paul that the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus makes us free from the law of sin and death. He tells us plainly that the Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will quicken our bodies, and this is true not merely in our literal resurrection from the dead, but it is constantly the condition of our spiritual life. Let us get this definitely settled, that in order to overcome we must be quickened constantly, spiritually quickened by the indwelling of the spirit of God. If we can comprehend this, if we can but realize upon the theory of it, so that it becomes more than a theory, becomes an actual fact for us, we have in the fact the condition of triumph against any and all powers of evil. It is no longer ourselves, left to fight it out alone; it is the power of God within ourselves—and that power can do all things.

How shall this be done? How shall we maintain within this spiritual quickening? A fixed resolution to live near to God will find the way. It is the way of self-renunciation; it is the way of much prayer; it is the way of communion with God.

ATROCIOUS WASTE.

We waste \$772,000,000.00 annually in loss of income through diseases that injure people on account of the nature of their work and the unsanitary conditions under which it is carried on. We waste \$1,500,000,000.00 a year by loss of life and sickness to workers by preventable disease, accidents, and carelessness. In Germany, where intelligent effort is made to prevent such loss, the average expectancy of human life is ten years more than in America. We waste 1,465 lives annually in coal mine accidents, 1,058 lives and the cost of 14,179 injuries in railroad casualties, 7,473 lives and the cost of 80,247 injuries in industrial accidents, making tens of thousands of widows and orphans. This is only a partial estimate of the fearful waste of human life.

Much has been said of late about the conservation of our waters, mines, lands, and forests, and yet we do not appreciate the magnitude of the problem. We waste annually from \$50,000,000.00 to \$200,000,000.00 in forest fires. We are wasting a billion cubic feet of natural gas

daily, enough to supply all the large cities of the United States. We waste every year \$22,000,000.00 in gas in manufacturing coke, an equal value in ammonium sulphate, tar worth \$9,000,000.00, and other by-products worth \$55,000,000.00. By improper methods of mining we lose an enormous amount of coal, copper, gold, silver, and other metals; also one-third of all the coal used for power and a still larger proportion of coal and wood used for heating. The water-power available and unused is worth \$600,000,000.00. In losses from floods and overflows we waste \$238,000,000.00, most of which could be prevented by levees, dams, and ditches. Of our soil \$500,000,000.00 worth is lost by erosion. Every year noxious insects, which multiply because of careless agriculture, destroy \$660,000,000.00 in crops, fruits, and stored products, and flies, ticks, and other insects cause a loss of \$267,000,000.00 to animal life, while wolves, rats, and mice destroy a value of \$100,000,000.00. Then the annual fire loss of \$400,000,000.00, and the extra cost for water and fire departments necessary to prevent still greater loss is \$400,000,000.00. The per capita loss from fire in our country is ten times as much as in European countries, and yet we wonder at the high rate of fire insurance. We waste \$650,000,000.00 by mismanagement of our railroads and a still greater sum in manufacturing establishments. In the careless handling of eggs alone \$40,000,000.00 are wasted, and much more in the careless handling of freight, express, and baggage. Through inefficiency of administration in cities, towns, State, and national governments, due to ignorance, graft, and bad contracts, we are wasting millions and allowing our morals to degenerate. It is estimated by experts that the total avoidable waste of the American people amounts annually to ten billions of dollars, or an average for each wage-earner of \$300.00. This is two-thirds of the actual earnings of the laboring man.

We think that we are a great and efficient people, but it is only the vastness of our natural resources that saves us from poverty. Is it not time we were waking up and applying ourselves to the problem of stopping such atrocious waste?

MUCH TO DO IN SHORT TIME.

Within two and a half months from the time this paper reaches its readers the Annual Conferences will have met and the pastors will have turned in their reports of the work of the year. What remains to be done must be done quickly. If we are to have good reports Zion's hosts must move with steady tread. We will not miss the mark very far if we state that in most sections of our Zion the more than nine months of the year already gone have been months of financial depression and dullness. While our people in most instances had means enough to live still there was nothing but uncertainty ahead of them and they were prudent when it came to dividing their substance. But under the blessings of a kind Heavenly Father the outlook has improved. Most of our crops are better than for several years past. There are two reasons why our people should pay to the Lord and his cause. First, the cause must be sustained and God looks to those whom he has blessed to give freely of their substance. Second, our people are in better position to give than they have been in recent months. But the chief object of this article is to urge those who have the Lord's business in

hand to rally and make a supreme effort to relieve the financial needs of the church. Not only do the present requirements need to be met but means to carry forward the plans of the future must be gathered. An empty treasury means that our present undertakings will be fruitless and it means that our plans for the future must be abbreviated. Shall we retrench or shall we obey the command of our God and "go forward."

The matter is very largely in the hands of our pastors. Either they must themselves raise the means, the collections, or they must organize the forces that will collect in abundance the needed cash for the Lord's business. Observation has convinced us that some preachers cannot raise money. They have tried it and failed. They have tried ever so earnestly and faithfully and yet they have failed. Many of this class are good preachers. Many of them have succeeded in leading many to our Christ and into the folds of his church. They are not failures any more than those who can raise the collections and yet are not able to have a revival without an evangelist. They should not consider themselves failures on this account. Nor should they be considered failures on this account by others. There is yet a way to succeed for these men. If they can successfully organize their forces these matters may be brought out in good form. Let them consider this prayerfully. Let them undertake it in the same spirit and determination that they undertook their revival meetings. Let them lose no time in organizing their forces. The king's business at this time requires haste. Let the membership of the church co-operate. Are there any who have seen the earnest labors of their pastor in behalf of the spiritual interests of the church willing to stand idly by and witness a miserable failure in his efforts to raise the collections and bring up the other interests of the church? Surely there are none. His interest is your interest. The responsibilities of the church are not his alone. When you joined the militant hosts of the Lord you vowed a vow that you would support the institutions of the church. This vow is very comprehensive and is as binding now as ever it was. The opportunity is at hand. The church needs your help. Will you remember your vow, will you join in with the army and do your part? Let there be a united effort, an effort all along the line, an effort by each individual to make this the best year in the history of our Zion in the bounds of the Oklahoma and Arkansas Conferences.

It is easy to start a row; it is true that rows ought under some circumstances to be started—they are better than dishonor; but let whoever figures on starting a row remember that rows are very expensive. We have seen great enterprises destroyed by them. They usually burn up as much energy as would be needed to make an important enterprise succeed, if all the energy involved were combined in efforts that look in the right direction. Better figure on this, if you are meditating starting a row with somebody who is in charge of an enterprise important to the church.

The Methodist was hardly off the press last week when the announcement of sweeping changes was received from Bishop Candler. This completes the list and the date of every Conference in our patronizing territory has been changed. These changes should be carefully noted by all our pastors and people.

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CHANGE OF DATES OF CONFERENCES.

At the request of a number of the Presiding Elders and others, and in view of the lateness of the crops, and to avoid a conflict of dates between the West Oklahoma Conference and any other Conference in my district which is thought to be desirable, I change the dates of the Conferences as follows:

East Oklahoma from November 6 to November 20.

Arkansas from November 13 to November 27.

Little Rock from November 20 to December 4.

White River from November 27 to December 11.

WARREN A. CANDLER.

The appointments of the Montana Conference show Rev. T. L. Rippey transferred to the Los Angeles Conference.

Rev. C. C. Burton, Central Avenue, Batesville, is having success. He is a consecrated young man and has a bright future.

Rev. C. F. Hively, Sulphur Rock, is closing his fourth year, which is proving the best of the four. He is a very valuable preacher.

Rev. A. T. Galloway, Augusta Station, is having another prosperous year. He is full of energy, a faithful pastor and an excellent preacher.

Rev. W. F. Blevins and Rev. Ed Forrest have been in a good meeting at Auvergne. They make a strong force for good. Both are choice preachers.

Dr. T. Y. Ramsey, Batesville First Church, is happy over the prospect of a \$30,000 modern building. The plans are drawn and work will begin soon.

Rev. M. B. Umsted has accepted the Salado charge until conference. He certainly is a fine preacher and has done excellent work wherever he has gone.

Rev. W. A. Pendergrass, an honored local preacher from Cabot, made us a brotherly call Wednesday. He has spent a few weeks visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Rev. W. F. Wayman, pastor of Jacksonport, is a zealous preacher. He rejoices in a great revival and knows how to bring them about. He has done well on his work.

Rev. J. Abner Sage, one of our promising young preachers, has re-entered Hendrix College for the term and would be glad to have his correspondents address him at Conway, Ark.

Rev. Thomas A. Hearn, one of our missionaries from China, an Arkansas man, is home for his second furlough, after another seven years' service. His headquarters will be Nashville.

Rev. A. H. Dulancy, of Newark, is being assisted in a good meeting by Rev. V. T. McCafferty, of Swifton. The County Sunday School Convention met with them last Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. W. W. Christie is happy and successful in his work at Lockesburg. He knows everybody. They all know and love him. He has a fine parsonage, of which he has been too modest to tell.

We have been furnished with a program of a meeting on September 26 and 27 of the White County Sunday School Association, which indicates a great and growing interest in the subject.

Rev. Moffett Rhodes, DeQueen, can entertain an editor about as well as if he and the whole family were at home. His wife has been in New England for some weeks. Our stay in DeQueen was most pleasant.

Rev. H. H. Watson, pastor of our First Church, Jonesboro, and Brother Tol Tatum are having a great meeting at Warren. There were 40 conversions last Sunday, most of them men. The town is stirred. W. C. Watson is pastor.

Rev. B. L. Harris, Newport Station, has done wonders in building a first-class church, and providing for the finances. They are looking forward to the meeting of the annual conference with pleasure. They will take first-class care of it.

Rev. B. L. Wilford, presiding elder of the Batesville District, is doing a great work in that hill country. He is out for several weeks at a time and giving all his time and energy to his work. Setting a fine example to his young preachers. His work is telling for good.

Rev. T. O. Owen, of Camden, preached the opening sermon for Hendrix College last Sunday morning and the Y. M. C. A. sermon at night. They were strong, earnest, faithful deliverances from the head and heart of one of our truest and best men. The congregations that packed the church greatly appreciated the spiritual message of this loyal alumnus of the college.

Rev. Edgar Seay and his people are making progress at Foreman, Ark., where this editor recently spent a day and night. The pastor was out in the country engaged in a meeting. The brethren were agreed that a good work is doing in that charge. In the absence of the pastor we fell into the hands of two staunch laymen, Mr. Jesse L. DeLoney and Rev. G. N. Cannon, who did for us all that could be looked for out of the most loyal Methodist laymen. We heard an accusation brought against Brother DeLoney: That he would do more for a Methodist preacher than he would do for his wife. He must forgive us for telling this on him in so public a way. His apology for the situation is that he has great reason for his "weakness" toward Methodist preachers. We can tell him that there is at least some reciprocity in the case. It was a special pleasure to the editor to meet the mother of our Cannons. Any woman who was early left a widow and who has succeeded, without much of this world's goods, in rearing seven such boys as she brought up, is worth knowing.

The seventh annual convention of the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterway Association met at the Auditorium in this city, September 24, 10:00 a. m. The addresses of welcome by the mayor and governor were appropriate, instructive, and adapted to the occasion. President Kavanaugh's address was read by Hon. Steele Hays, of Russellville. The address of Hon. A. J. Barchfield, member of Congress for Pittsburg, Pa., was a compendium of facts on the subject of waterways and showed a statesman's grasp of the subject. The people of Arkansas may justly feel proud of their governor and his utterances on such occasions as this. The keyword of the convention is: "Federal supervision of the levees of the Mississippi River, and the canalizing of all the tributaries." "Deepening the channels and revetment of the banks," is the method of procedure outlined. It is the question of importance for the

Mississippi Valley, and rises above all other questions in demanding immediate congressional consideration. The convention remained in session for three days and several important matters were considered but our space is too limited to permit further notice.

A BRAVE ACT.

A few days ago, after many weeks of patient consideration Governor Donaghey pardoned a negro who had been convicted and condemned to death for assault on a white woman. Because of the prejudice involved in a case of this kind the Governor was severely criticised by certain people and papers and was even hanged in effigy in Little Rock where the negro lived. As our readers well know it has been our fixed policy to praise or condemn the official acts of public officials only when some extraordinary issue was involved. On general principles we condemn the free use of the pardoning power as it is commonly exercised for personal or political advantage. Two years ago we applauded the refusal of Governor Donaghey to pardon an influential criminal when much political pressure was brought to bear upon him during a heated campaign. It then required courage to refuse. However, in the case of the negro Armstrong, poor, helpless, belonging to a race that did not vote for him, a race that the Governor legally through the "Grandfather Amendment" sought to disfranchise, convicted of a revolting crime that stirs the white man to cry for vengeance, Governor Donaghey had everything to lose politically by granting the pardon and nothing to gain but the approval of his own conscience and the gratitude of the weak and lowly. It was a peculiar case. On the direct testimony of the woman the negro was convicted. On a technicality the Supreme Court remanded the case for a new trial which with the same evidence resulted in a second conviction. The Governor was petitioned for pardon on the ground that without questioning the woman's honesty a momentary flash of light, for the crime was committed at night, made positive identification impossible, and reasonable proof of an alibi was presented. Stay of execution was granted and the Governor spent many weary hours in consideration of the case. Meanwhile the notorious "Jack the Shooter" was killed and his handwriting was declared by experts to be the same as that of an anonymous letter of confession previously received. Therefore, when eighteen of the twenty-four trial jurors acknowledged that they believed that they had convicted an innocent man, and, with thirty-four officers of Pulaski County and several hundred good citizens, petitioned for the negro's pardon, the Governor felt under the highest moral and official obligation to exercise executive clemency. In justifying his action Governor Donaghey said:

"After reading the undisputed letter of 'Jack the Shooter' to the effect that he had committed the crime, after reading in the transcript the brief evidence, so doubtful, however honest it may have been given, when his conviction was secured, I believed with all my heart and soul that the negro was innocent, and so believing I consider that I would have been a heartless tyrant to have permitted the sacrifice of the life of a lowly, helpless, and friendless human being in the name of a civilized people, and as base a coward as ever occupied a governor's chair. As I saw it Armstrong deserved his freedom in spite of the fact that he was a negro, in spite of the existing popular prejudice growing out of his race and the nature of his crime, in spite of the loss of political advantage to me."

These are brave words. Governor Donaghey has done only his duty as he saw it, but it was a disagreeable duty, and he deserves the approval and moral support of the law-abiding people. It was for just such a case, a possible perversion of justice, that the Governor was given the pardon-

ing power. It should be used sparingly, but conscientiously. Hanging in effigy is cowardly and to be condemned. It involves the spirit of assassination. Let us be thankful for men who are able and willing to do their duty even when it is unpopular.

THE EDUCATIONAL MEETING AT OKLAHOMA CITY.

On September 19 there was called together at Oklahoma City, by Bishop Mouzon, a mass meeting, looking to the interests of Oklahoma Wesleyan College. Representatives of the church came from over the State and great enthusiasm was shown in the matter. Bishop Mouzon was at his best and delivered several addresses on the subject of education, especially in reference to the place of the church school. President R. S. Hyer, of Dallas, Texas, Dr. Stonewall Anderson, and Rev. J. M. Peterson, of Dallas, were present and entered into the spirit of the meeting. It was planned to raise the sum of \$100,000.00 with which to pay off the obligations of the college and finish the administration building, and a subscription of \$5,000.00 was taken to start the matter, and quite a number of others have indicated their purpose to contribute.

The outlook for the college is brighter than it has ever been, and we are very optimistic of the future. Two commissioners are to be put into

18th inst. the Japanese envoys not only selected their ground, but accepted the deed to same at the hands of President Moore of the exposition committee. The occasion was made one of unusual importance, with military parade and naval salutes. Thousands of citizens witnessed the dedication ceremonies, while our government and that of his imperial majesty clasped hands, and the white doves of peace soared high over their heads.

The representatives of the Sunrise Kingdom announce that on the site a typical Japanese tea garden will be one of the features, and that it will be presented to our government after the exposition, as a token of the kindly feeling and relations existing between Japan and America.

The political situation in California is everything but pleasant. Party feeling is running high. It is reducing itself to a matter of personal and not so much party campaign. On the surface the Democrats appear united. Can't tell what is going on under the surface. The other parties are torn into factions, and personal mudslinging is the order of political gatherings. It is often that the speaker in open and unmistakable English pronounces the other fellow a "liar," "thief," and many such terms.

The work in our charge has gone on with perfect harmony and with some measure of success this year. Something over 50 members have

pleased with the location, and Doctor McMurry expressed himself more than pleased when we showed him the lots in the spring, while visiting our section of the church.

We have some splendid people in the membership of this church, and others who are able financially as well as in other ways to assist are to join as soon as it is seen what the coming session of our conference will do.

Mrs. Sims, who has been very ill all the year, is now on the road to recovery, and after her very critical operation, which was successful, the doctor expresses every hope of permanent relief, and the return of perfect health. Cordially,
W. J. SIMS.

MINISTERIAL UNREST AND DISCONTENT.

By REV. W. J. MOORE.

No. III.

WHY SO MANY CHANGES IN THE PASTORATE?

In a previous article we discussed the causes of unrest and discontent in the ministry. That article might again be read, and all the causes of unrest mentioned might be set down as reasons for changes in the pastorate also. But we purpose to be more specific in answering the question which stands at the head of this article.

It is admitted on all sides that there is a great loss of time, opportunity and money in these frequent changes. Time is lost in moving; in getting acquainted with the work and the people; in working out plans that give permanency to the work. A preacher can scarcely get acquainted with his people and their needs in one short year.

Let us make a brief estimate of the loss in money. Suppose it costs each family \$50.00 to pay moving expenses. And that is a very conservative estimate. In our West Oklahoma Conference there are 106 pastors on their charges for the first year, 24 for the second year, one for the third and 2 for the fourth. There have been 20 changes since Conference. Here is the estimate:

106 pastors, \$50.00 each for moving expenses	\$5,300.00
12 pastors, one-half of the 24 two-year men	600.00
20 pastors changed since Conference ..	1,000.00
Total	\$6,900.00

I did not take into account the three- and four-year men. Do you not think that the above figures, indicating the amounts paid out of small salaries of \$600.00 each, should cause "cabinets" to sit up and see if they cannot institute a non-moving policy in the church? Are we not losing and wasting too much of time, money and opportunity by pandering to the popular demand for annual changes in the pastorate?

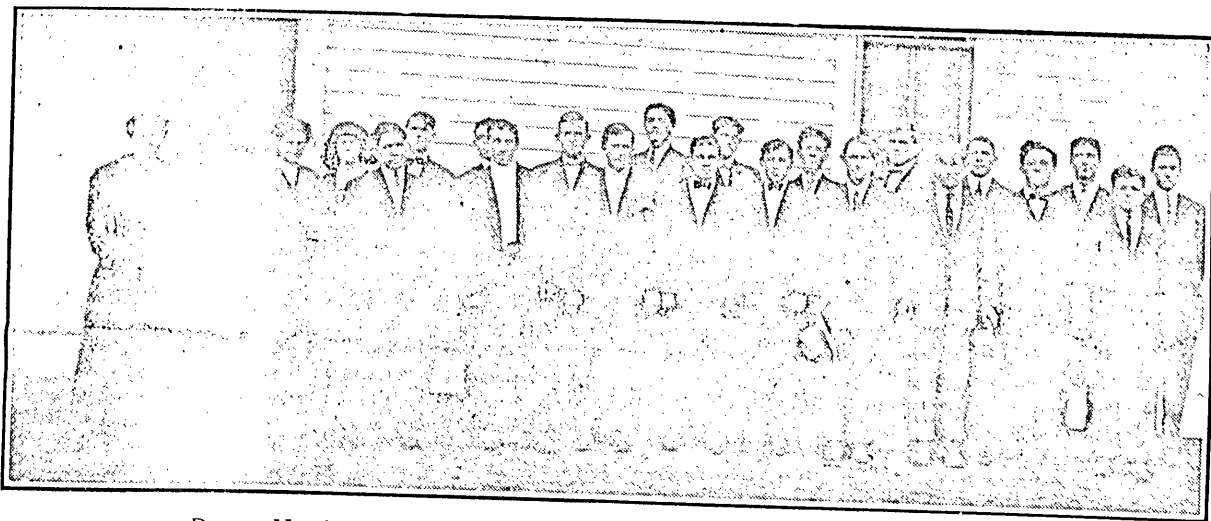
One elder said that the reason for so many changes in his district was the severe drouth in that section, and hard times. Well, we inquire, "Did not as many other men who were sent to take their places have to face the situation?" Besides, they had to spend \$50.00 in moving.

We draw again from the numerous letters we have received on the subject.

1. Changes are often made without sufficient cause or reason. A few dissatisfied and disgruntled persons may make a loud noise, and impress the elder that "a change ought to be made." This writer knew an acceptable pastor to be moved to give place for another where the latter was so familiarly known as to be called "Jim." The former pastor lost \$500.00 by having to go away from a college where his son was attending. One of the elders said afterwards, "I did not think of that." Well, the elders, and all the rest, ought to be "thinking" and praying about that very thing.

"And as a result of such changes without sufficient cause the preachers and people have be-

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PROF. H. A. BRUENS' SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS, ELDORADO, OKLAHOMA.

the field to raise the money, and it is expected that the college will open under favorable conditions in 1915. We are expecting the enthusiastic support of every pastor and loyal layman in the entire State of Oklahoma.

W. A. SELTON, President.

OAKLAND, CAL.

It is now only about three weeks until the Pacific Conference meets. The year has gone by in a rush. One hardly feels that they have time to even begin the work, especially where so much is expected.

The climate is all that anyone could desire—never cold, never hot, always cool and pleasant, with the sea breeze and soft sunshine, making this a very delightful residence city.

Business and commercial life is very active, and I presume will be until after the great exposition, in 1915.

The city hall new being constructed in this city will be the most imposing city administration building on the coast. Its cost will be but little less than two million dollars.

Many skyscrapers are to be seen in course of building in many directions, and street improvements, with residence building, the continued enlarging and repairing of factories, the construction of ships, and the car and Pullman factories, together with the multiform life growing out of our great port and sea relations, make this a center of no mean importance.

The exposition officials announce that eight foreign countries and 30 States have selected their sites for representative buildings. On the

been received, the Sunday school is in splendid working condition, while the Epworth League is the best I have ever had as a pastor. They have in many ways assisted me in this difficult charge.

The old property has been sold. We are to retain the parsonage building, also the Sunday school end of the old church building, these to be moved off the ground within 90 days from date of sale, which will be not later than December 1.

The board of stewards and trustees have voted without a dissenting voice in favor of the purchase of the northwest corner of Thirty-seventh Street and Telegraph Avenue, where we are to get 100x110 feet for the church, and at the rear end facing Thirty-seventh Street we get 40x150, giving us 100x150 for church and parsonage, this with a six-room house which will serve for parsonage for \$20,000. This deal will be closed perhaps before this is in print.

This will place us in the very heart of the community where we have our Sunday school following, also nearer the larger per cent of our members, and on the most prominent street or avenue in the city, leading from the business part of the city of Oakland to the University of California in Berkeley, and will locate us some 15 blocks from the First M. E. Church, 13 blocks from the First Presbyterian Church, and 15 blocks from the First Baptist Church.

It places us with a community of anywhere from 10,000 to 15,000 without any church near, except a small Congregational, and one small German Methodist church.

Our people are a unit, the bishop is well

Finishing up the World

NORTHERN ITALY—THROUGH AND OVER THE ALPS.

BY DR. W. B. PALMORE.

No. LXII.

The Creator seems to have anticipated the ferocious spirit of the Northmen in building for Italy an Alpine fortification all along her northern border. This Alpine barrier for a long time muffled the herculean energy and strength of Napoleon himself. But the steel drill, with 14 years of time, fifteen millions of dollars, and a sacrifice of many lives, has penetrated the strong heart of the Alps and opened a gateway into northern Italy, called the Mont Cenis Tunnel.

Late in the afternoon our train entered this tunnel at the chilling elevation of 9,600 feet above the level of the sea, with the snow but little above us. We were twenty-eight minutes going through eight miles of solid rock. Emerging suddenly, we found ourselves breathing Italian air, looking up on pied montese rocks, and chasing the leaping, laughing waters of the Dora as we rapidly descended its valley. Here and there along this valley were hemp fields interspersed with corn and potatoes. The peasants along the mountain sides looked as if they were cultivating mansard roofs, having terraced every arable and available spot. With the old reaf hooks they were gathering their ripening wheat.

Descending so rapidly from the cold altitudes of the mountains to the warm twilight of the valley we became quite drowsy, and as we looked out of the car window up to the castle crowned mountain tops, where the light of the setting sun was gliding the falling tower and crumbling battlements, with thirty centuries looking down upon us, we drifted into dreamland to wander amid the scences of the long ago; until suddenly awakened by the yell of the hotel runners and hack drivers of

THE CITY OF TURIN.

Here we were amid the novelties and gaities of one of the most modern and wealthy of Italian cities, with a population of nearly two hundred thousand. With broad streets running at right angles, brilliantly lighted. Out door cafes and concerts with orchestras and duets and quarettes of superior voices were making music in the air. While your ear and eye are so constantly arrested by melody and beauty, your olfactories encounter the most obnoxious of odors. However, you have the advantage of the law of compensation. Here and there you meet groups of fair patrician ladies who seem to have been baptized in the spray of the Attar of Roses, Night-Blooming Cereus, or White Pond Lilies. These ladies are richly and tastefully dressed, some wearing French hats, while many are bare-headed, with a gossamer mantilla around their shoulders, with one corner pinned over the back of the head.

Some of their flashing black eyes show passion and peril sleeping in their depths, tempest and sunshine slumbering side by side; a strange mixture of animal fierceness and animal tenderness; a volcanic force which at a moment's warning may break forth into explosions of love, hatred, jealousy or revenge! Some of the streets, like the Rue Rivoli in Paris, have the second story of the buildings to extend out over the pavement, resting on arches or columns on the outer edge. The river Po, which

LORD BYRON

has immortalized in song, flows through this city. In his poem he represents himself as standing near its source, the lady he loved as living near its mouth. He communicates his measured

thoughts to its flowing waves, which were to mirror to her the secret of his heart:

"Thou tendest wildly onward to the main,
And I to loving one I should not love.
Both tread thy banks, both wonder on thy shore,
I by thy source, she by the dark blue sea."

With all this poetic glamour in our minds we hastened out to see this river in the light of the early morning. Think of our disappointment! Imagine our chagrin at finding that it was wash day in Turin! And hundreds of women were kneeling upon rocks at the water's edge, with an inclined rock for a washboard. Just think of Byron's sweetheart standing on the banks of the Po, where it empties into the Adriatic, with her emotions all on tiptoe of excitement and expectancy, watching the silvery surface, to catch the measured sentiment of such an enthusiastic admirer, then to have all her hope and dream to end in the bursting soap bubbles from the washboards of Turin!

Our next halt was at the old city of Genoa, where we looked out on the great Mid-earth sea, as its name, Mediterranean, so well expresses, around which the great civilizations of antiquity were built, of which Moses wrote and

HOMER SANG,

whose waters were plowed by the ships of Tarshish and the iron-beaked galleys of Rome. A

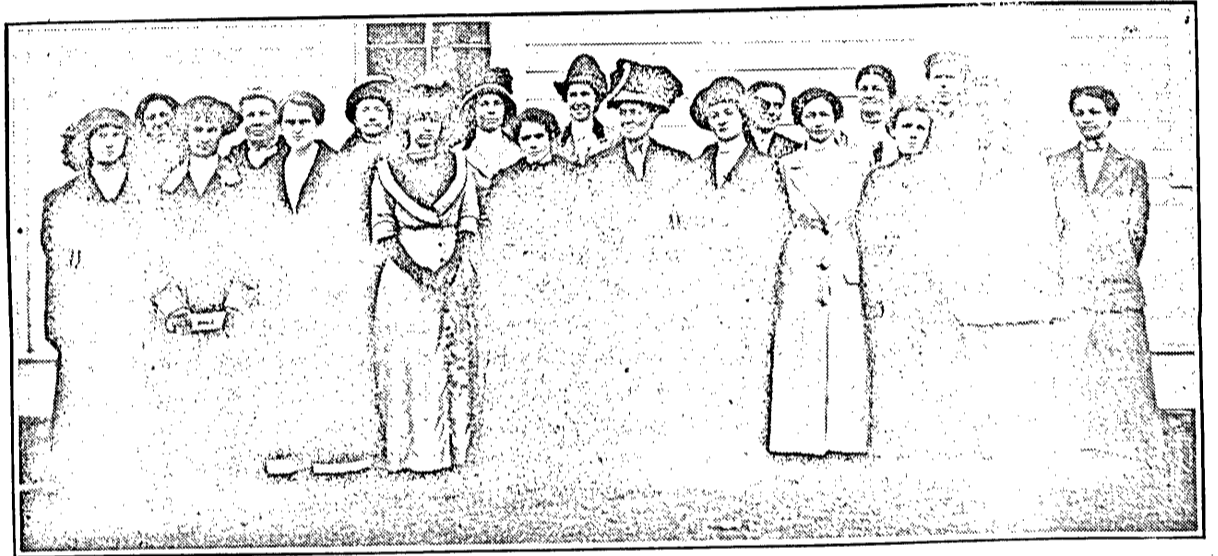
brass lamp still hangs in the Cathedral, the vibrations of which suggested to Galileo the law of the pendulum.

THE LEANING TOWER,

which has been standing more than 700 years, is a marvel of brightness and beauty. In the atmosphere of London it would be dark and dingy in seven years, but in Italy seven centuries leaves much of its polished whiteness undisturbed. Near this bell tower of the Cathedral is the Baptistery, a vast dome like the Pantheon in Rome, whose clustered columns and arches are a bedley of gothic and corinthian art. Its echo is as remarkable as that of the Echo river in the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky. The verger will sing or whistle a few notes, which seem to vanish into endless undulations. Thin and clear, thinner, clearer, further going, "our echoes roll from soul to soul and grow forever and forever."

Milan, like Turin, is remarkable for its broad streets, modern appearance and beautiful environments. The Cathedral here is the climax of all the world's gothic architecture. Henry Ward Beecher said that the first time he was ever tempted to worship the handiwork of man was when he saw the Milan Cathedral.

" 'Tis only in the land of fairy dreams,
Such marble temples rise bright in the gleams



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few miles from Genoa Christopher Columbus was born, whose splendid monument is the first object which greets the stranger as he alights from the train. Never were two cities much more unlike in appearance and plan than Genoa and Turin. Genoa like Naples is built in a mountain amphitheater with the sea in the foreground. Her narrow streets are a labyrinth of bewilderment. The houses are so high that many people live over the same spot of ground. And when they come down out of these tall buildings and crowd into the narrow streets they remind you of bees working through a vast honeycomb.

From Genoa to Pisa is a remarkable link in the chain of travel. The route is a long, mountainous and picturesque coast of the sea. In going one hundred miles we passed through eighty-five tunnels. We were constantly excited with the kaleidoscopic scenery. One moment we would be watching the movements of a child in an inland villa, the next flitting through the darkness out onto the seashore. Now in a lemon grove, fig orchard and oleander blossoms, then into the darkness again. Some of the passengers thought it must be the "Holy land." One thought it was a great "bore," and all concluded there was more of darkness than of light.

Pisa is one of the oldest cities in Europe, having a record of more than thirty centuries. For the first crusade she equipped 120 ships. Her university, in which Galileo was professor of mathematics, was once the center where the greatest scholars were wont to gather. The old

Or golden sunshine. Truth here now repeats
What fancy oft has pictured forth in sleep,
And gives substantial forms to airy flights.

How bright, how beautiful the turrets peep
In snowy clouds while statues crown their heights.

Oft does the night these towers in moonlight steep.

Stirring the soul to poetry's delights."

It is 355 feet high. From its summit is one of the finest views in all Europe, enabling you to see the entire plain of Lombardy, from the Apennines on the south to the Alps on the north, overlooking the battlefields of Lodi, Novaro, and Magenta. We left Italy over

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by that marvelous road which Napoleon built to take his artillery into Italy. We were traveling in an old French stage coach, drawn by six horses, carrying more than a dozen passengers. From a wild nook in the mountains a group of children appeared selling wild flowers. Among these little ragged, bronzed creatures was an Alpine girl about eight or ten years old, with a face and figure as handsome as Titian's Venus or Raphael's Madonna. We had a pocket full of small Italian money, which would have been of little value to us north of the Alps, so we indulged a freak, which a friend pronounced extravagant. One by one we priced the little bouquets of this little waif, giving her just double the price she asked for each. Her excitement increased as her flow-

ers decreased! She had followed us miles when her flowers and our Italian small change were both exhausted. By this time her excitement was almost unbounded!

The crimson of her dimpled cheeks was slightly showing through the bronze. Her hair falling in unkempt crimps and curls over her face, and with her sparkling eyes she was as wildly beautiful as her own mountain flowers! Standing in the middle of the road, with her arm lifted to shield her eyes from the sun, she gazed in wonder at us, while all the passengers were gazing in rapture back at her. Far above her in the background was snow, and beyond her were rugged rocks, trees and a cascade or small waterfall. The stars slowly climbed a heavy grade and curve in the mountains until she was lost to view. We have framed that picture, and hung it in the picture gallery of memory. And we call it Gratitude.

FACTS AND THE FUTURE.

By Rev. Ed F. Cook, D.D.

In view of the approaching close of the conference year, we wish to bring to the attention of our pastors and their people some facts about the missionary situation:

I. This is the day of God's power, a time of providential opportunity, and 107 brave, true men (with their wives and children, making 392

hence, all are creditable on assessments for missions. Our basis of business, therefore, is the missionary assessment. Whether we are to advance, hold our ground, or retrograde in our missionary work in 1913 depends wholly upon what our missionary offerings shall be for the present conference year.

VI. These missionary men, with their families, represent the whole church. They have gone to the mission fields to do the work to which God had commissioned the whole church. Is not every man, woman and child in the church, therefore, under obligation to share the burden which these men bear in heathen lands?

VII. The supreme need today in mission fields is more men—big, strong, well-trained men for the leadership of the church, the training of the native ministry, and for the channelling of the mighty movements now on for the kingdom of Christ. The situation in every field calls loudly for Christian statesmen for the planting of the kingdom and the building of nations.

VIII. The missionary church is the live church. The nonmissionary church the decadent church. It is a matter of demonstration that the congregation, district or conferences which places large emphasis upon the missionary interest, obedience and offering, secures response not only in missionary gifts, but in revival power and in the growth of pastors' salaries and payments to all

demonstration of Christianity and to compel belief in its universal and divine claims, it is today." The bigness and urgency of our missionary opportunities were never so compelling as now.

With these facts fresh in memory, surely every pastor and congregation in Southern Methodism will unite in a resolute effort to meet the obligation which now falls to Southern Methodism before the ever-widening doors of opportunity, the urgency of human need and the repeated calls of God to advance.

The following exhibit of missionary offerings for this year may be of interest to readers of this paper:

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

1912—Assessed for Foreign Missions, \$4,500; to August 1, 1912, paid to treasurer of General Board, nothing. There remains, therefore, \$4,500 to be raised before the conference session.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

1912—Assessed for Foreign Missions, \$4,500; to August 1, 1912, paid to treasurer of General Board, \$681. There remains, therefore, \$3,819 to be raised before the conference session.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

1912—Assessed for Foreign Missions, \$5,700; to August 1, 1912, paid to treasurer of General Board, \$100. There remains, therefore, \$5,600 to be raised before the conference session.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

1912—Assessed for Foreign Missions, \$9,200; to August 1, 1912, paid to treasurer of General Board, \$529. There remains, therefore, \$8,671 to be raised before the conference session.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

1912—Assessed for Foreign Missions, \$5,700; to August 1, 1912, paid to treasurer of General Board, \$186. There remains, therefore, \$5,514 to be raised before the conference session.

Sending out an army of well-trained men into the heat of a mighty battle and delaying food and raiment and the sinews of war imperils the success of the whole campaign. The General Board of Missions is compelled, between January and October, to borrow on interest large sums of money to keep the force on the field and the machinery in motion. The next few weeks will determine our missionary status for 1913. Our only hope of solvency and success is prompt and heroic leadership on the part of every pastor in Southern Methodism in martialing the force God had committed to his hands, and delivering its full strength of faith and offering upon the missionary enterprise. May God honor every honest effort with success.

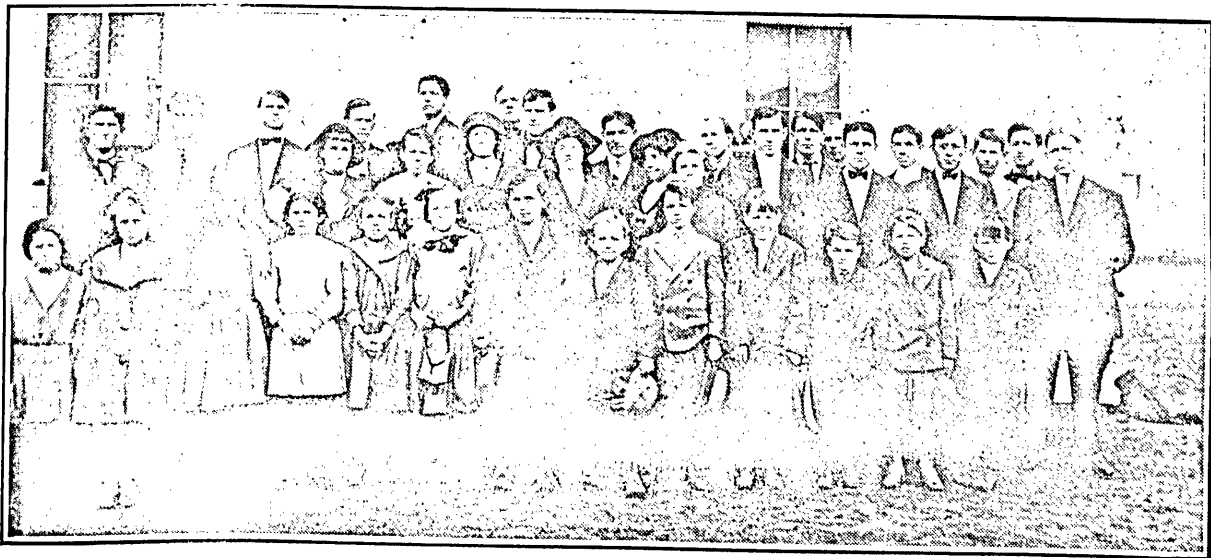
DOES THIS FIT YOU?

By A PASTOR.

Get your Discipline and read Paragraphs 134, 135, 136. As a pastor I have served five charges. On leaving each charge I have furnished my successor a complete roll of the members, giving information as to where each lived, the amount paid by each on the Conference collections, the baptized children, and other information, all of which I should think would be quite helpful to a man entering upon a new work. Am sorry to have to say that I do not know of what value such information is, not having ever found such a record prepared for me, neither have I ever received a word of appreciation for having left such.

One of the last things, too, that I do before leaving an old charge is to go through the church register and make any needed corrections. On coming to a new work I have found but one register in which a record of marriages had been kept during the pastorate of the man I followed, and I have not found a register in which a record of infant baptisms had been kept or an "Annual Summary" entered.

Get your Discipline and read Paragraphs 134, 135, 136.



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persons) represent our Church on six great mission fields.

II. These 392 souls are wholly dependent for support upon what the church pays on the annual missionary assessment.

In the above are not included the 134 single women, who represent the Woman's department of the board in mission lands, nor the education of girls—the work to which the women chiefly devote their labors and finances. The work of the women is superb; their missionary offerings liberal. These offerings, however, through the Women's Missionary Societies do not aid in paying the assessments for missions nor help in maintaining the general lines of church work on the mission fields.

III. In the mission field these missionaries promote all the lines of church activity to which we are accustomed, viz., evangelistic, educational, medical, literary, and benevolent. Our Mission Board has to finance there, all the departments of church activity cared for by the other General Boards at home.

IV. The equipment of the church in mission fields is dependent primarily upon these annual payments to missions. This equipment includes church buildings and parsonages, schools and colleges, hospitals and dispensaries, presses and publishing plants, and the necessary equipment of all these institutions.

V. Under the present financial policy of the board, all specials are taken from the budget;

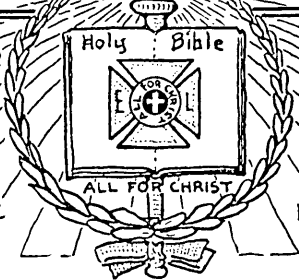
other connectional interests of the church. Placing the emphasis where the Master placed it, appealing to unselfishness, and drawing the church into sympathy with the dominant purpose of the Master's ministry, is the secret of success.

IX. The crop reports and general business aspects of the South are this year unusually good. God is opening to us his bountiful hand. It is but another chance for the church to render a long-delayed obedience to the Great Commission, which obedience God has been making easier and more expedient each year.

X. The success of our missionaries during the past ten years is unprecedented in the history of the church. The fullness of time is surely at hand. With Japan engaged in the sublime task of seeking for a religion; with China turning from her ancient heathen faiths, taking republican forms of government, and founding her new life upon Biblical principles; with Korea swept into the kingdom by a mighty revival; with the large areas of Africa accessible and her benighted people responsive to missionary effort; with every sign of decay and disintegration in the heart of heathenism; with Latin America in revolution against Roman Catholic dominance and welcoming Protestantism as being a promise of national progress and religious liberty, we face a situation so extraordinary, so thrilling, and so big with missionary possibility as to compel the attention and the interest of the church. "If ever our preachers had an opportunity to offer a

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OCTOBER 6: "HEALING THE BLIGHT OF SPIRITUAL DEFECTION."

(Mark 1:21-28; 5:1-18; Ps. 1.)

THE TOPIC.

For the fourth quarter of 1912 we have for our thought, "The Work of Jesus." To say that the topics will prove of much interest to Leaguers is stating it mildly, for we are sure that all live Epworthians feel a keen interest in learning more of the lowly Nazarene. It is true that these same themes have been gone over in the Sunday school from time to time, but the League is not the Sunday school; we should study the topic with the aim of putting them into practice in our every-day life. Likewise the thought for the month of October, "A Study in Conservation," holds a place in the minds of the American people today that is sufficient to draw more than our passing attention to this sub-theme.

In taking up the topic for October 6 we would divide it into two parts: "Blighted Spirituality" and "The Cure."

I. *Blighted Spirituality.* Humanity sympathizes with deformity or blight wherever it is found. The normal spirituality turns naturally to God for spiritual strength; it is the abnormal that gives the trouble in this life. It is for the abnormal man that we build our prisons and maintain our police force. It is the abnormal man who despoils the home. His nature is blighted with the curse of sin. Sometimes our young people are led unsuspectingly into the snare of the fowler, where the viper's fang fastens deep. The venom spreads and soon the life is a waste—spiritually blighted. The desire once warm for higher and better things is dead. We scoff at things once held sacred. We call those who would check our downward plunge "old fogies."

II. *The Cure.* There is a verse with this thought in it: It takes as long or longer to rid ourselves of evil habits as it did to contract them. The way back is tedious and slow, but it will pay to retrace. The man with the unclean spirit, whose example is used in connection with the topic for today, needed the contact with Christ's spirit to rid him of the blight upon his life. The practical lesson we can get out of this is that today we are the means through which the Holy Spirit operates. By being always ready to heed the call and to do his work we are doing the works of him that sent us.

It is a fact that dire poverty is many times the cause of the blighted spiritual condition, and then it is our duty to help remove the cause before applying the cure.

This is a good place for the second vice president to work. The good done by holding cottage prayer meetings is far more practical for saving the lost than the regular devotional meetings. There we come in contact directly with human woes and ills and the bond of sympathy not only lifts the ones visited, but has a strong effect on the spiritual life of the visitors.

TOPIC DISCUSSION FOR SEPTEMBER 29.

(Note.—Mr. Hart, owing to business engagements, was not able to supply this article in time for last week's League Page, but it is too good to miss, so we run it this week that you may

have its help in preparing for the services Sunday night.—Ed.)

THE ETERNAL PERSISTENCE OF PERSONALITY.

By Hugh D. Hart.

One morning two thousand years ago the Oriental sun rose upon a scene of crude simplicity. Three Jewish women were trudging sadly along an ancient highway, silently and with a mien of subdued solemnity. With downcast countenances and slow step they walked, having the air of a trio deep in meditation upon some theme that was pressing heavily on their hearts. There was nothing about their appearance which to the casual observer would inspire awe. No applauding multitudes followed in their wake; no heraldry of music attended their footsteps; apparently no significance attached to the unpretentious journey of the three women; yet the grand march of Caesar's conquering legions, and the pompous tread of Napoleon's victorious army were but ignoble spectacles as compared with the immortal pilgrimage of the two Marys and Salome to the tomb of Jesus. They were to look upon a scene such as the world should never again witness. They had been chosen, unbeknown to them, as the first who should see the evidences of the kingship of Christ over death.

The whole world is familiar with the story; how, approaching the sepulcher to do homage to the memory of the crucified Galilean, they found that the heavy stone which had sealed his grave was out of place; the grave was empty; and near the sepulcher an angel sat and told of the resurrection of him who had three days before been buried there. How, perplexed and excited, they went away, and were met by the risen Christ himself, the same who had so recently lain among the dead.

History does not present a parallel to this matchless triumph; it is the victory of a personality deriving its strength from its humanity, as well as from its divinity; consider the adversity in which his lot was cast; a child of poverty, of toil, without the prestige of influential friends, proclaiming himself the Messiah, whose coming was looked for with expectations of pomp and grandeur by the Jewish race; and having his announcement met with contemptuous scorn; hearing the blandishments of the credulous, the empty praise of those who sought some favor, the mutterings of doubt by the general populace, and the outspoken denunciation by the coarse and vulgar of all classes; seeking to overthrow the hypocritical customs which centuries had rooted deep in the lives of the Jewish people; trying to establish a new religion among men who deemed their religious ideals, their highest racial attribute; denouncing the morals of those who held themselves up as exemplars of piety, ridiculing their false pretensions to godliness, upbraiding their vain observance of the letter of the law, while wantonly disregarding its spirit; condoning no institution that controverted the gigantic plans which he had set about to accomplish, respecting no persons, no offices, that disparaged his unimpeachable ideals. Who can conceive of the tremendous power of a personality that could persistently and with ultimate triumph, combat such overwhelming difficulties?

Perhaps we can better understand the reason

for the potency of his personality when we comprehend just what personality is. The elements that make character are the same that make personality. Character is a man's inward make-up, personality is the outward expression of that character. There are some men whose character is stronger than their personality, and others whose personality is stronger than their character, just as there are some men who can tell more than they know, while there are others who know more than they can tell. Personality, in other words, is to character the same that language is to intellect, it is its medium of expression. In Christ we find the only example, where the personality accurately and truly expressed the character. The two were in perfect harmony; his character was as strong as God himself could create, for it was perfect, being the symmetrical union of all that was good in humanity, and all that was best in divinity; and since, as above stated, his personality was an accurate indicator of his character, it naturally follows that his was the most powerful personality which ever exerted an influence on this earth. It reflected in its influence all of the depths of love which radiated from his character; all of the calmness that constituted the poise of that character; all of the sincerity that drove that life with unrelenting energy to its high and difficult work. When he spoke his voice must have sounded with tones of love, calmness and sincerity, blended into a magnetism that charmed believers, confounded opponents, and convinced doubters—a voice so soft as to soothe the sorrowing, yet so firm as to humble the proud. His actions, physical, mental and spiritual, reflecting the perfection of his character, could only have revealed the most refined gracefulness possibly attainable. How splendid a charm must have attached to so graceful a personality.

With power and magnetism, then, he undertook the task that lay before him. He overcame poverty with labor and added a dignity to toil, that should be the proud boast of every working man on earth, he took influential men into the holy sanctuary of his friendship, and they emerged from contact with him, surcharged with a portion of his own personality, and were thenceforth men of great influence; he announced his own high mission, not with a loud hurrah, yet with dispassionate courage, such as befitted its lofty importance, and he quailed not at the storm of opposition it aroused; finding time-worn custom which were openly corrupt, he hesitated not a moment to replace them with new and righteous ones; clinging zealously to do the ancient faith of his fathers, so long as it did not conflict with the principles he came to implant, yet shrouding their observance with a halo of truer sincerity and hope; stopping not with criticism of men's morals, but appealing to their better natures with clearness, force and logic, to "repent and be saved." He was not only a great iconoclast, invading with high hand every temple of corruption, every institution of evil; he was more truly, the great Constructive Critic, the Practical Problem Solver, with unerring dispatch overcoming difficulties of vital moment to the race, or with divine efficiency building a foundation of morality and religion, on which men could securely and everlastingly stand. How persistent were his efforts in all these works.

Love, sincerity and calmness marked his every move. There is not one action of his that displays a selfish motive; there is not one instance where he spoke to please the crowd; Christ was no politician. He never lost his head, but maintained his calmness, temper and poise when all about him were in a wild tumult of passion. It is not therefore strange that his influence on those with whom he came in personal contact was tremendous. Even men of ordinary greatness are somewhat influential over those who live contemporaneously with them. Let them die;

their influence at once begins to diminish; a few generations pass and if their personalities are not entirely forgotten, their influence has perceptibly decreased. How many lives does the personality of Socrates influence today? Where is the magnetism of Cæsar? The charm of Voltaire? The irresistibility of Napoleon? Yet while they lived, their personalities exerted great power over those who knew them. On the other hand, the personality of the lowly carpenter of Nazareth, after almost twenty centuries, persists with even greater force in moulding the lives of men, and shaping their destinies, than it did in the days when that voice, that eye, that countenance, displayed the power, the grace, the charm of him who seemed more manly than a man, more god-like than a god. Ages have not diluted the strength of that personality; diffusion among thousands of people of all stations, and the marvelous transformation wrought in the life of every man whom that personality has even remotely touched, give undeniable evidence of its persistence and immortality.

We cannot explain all the reasons why his personality differs from the personality of every

MINISTERIAL UNREST AND DISCONTENT.

(Continued from page 3.)

come restless," says one. Says a prominent layman, "I think that 50 per cent of the changes are made without taking into consideration the interest of the preacher or the congregation."

"The presiding elder listens to a few of the leading business men instead of finding out the real situation," says another. On the part of the bishop, others say: "A lack of intelligent knowledge concerning the men and the places." "A listening too much to leaders, or those who are assuming to be leaders." "A disposition to transfer men who have not made good elsewhere, and giving them the best and largest places." Of course, that means more changes.

One of the most unjust and objectionable changes that can be made is the "line-'em-up" plan or scheme. For an elder, or any other man, to secure place and position for his friends, those who will "stand by him," is doing an injury to some others, and doing much toward the organization of factions in the conference. It

willing to accept his appointment in good faith, if he believes that the powers that be have dealt with him in an impartial and brotherly manner. An appointment made in such a spirit is, in my judgment, purely providential; and the preacher can safely accept it as coming directly from God. But when facts are suppressed and conditions are misrepresented in order to gratify personal ambition or private malice, it is a matter of trafficking in sacred things, and the men who engage in it belong to the same class whom our Lord drove from the temple, denouncing them as thieves and robbers."

4. Discord between pastor and people. So say several letters. A mutual dislike between them. Such a state is a great misfortune to the church and to all concerned, when we forget that "we be brethren," and that we all ought to be working harmoniously in his kingdom.

5. Lack of study, a failure to keep up with the movements of the day, religious and secular. No man needs to read more good books, and to be more studious and thoughtful, than the preacher. He must keep abreast of the times in his thought and methods. Simply because he has "a message from the Lord" to deliver is not an absolute guarantee that he will succeed. He must put his message in an attractive form. Some men are superannuates at 30. Others not until they are 80. When a preacher ceases to be a diligent student he lays himself on the shelf. The conference does have to do that unpleasant task. And he wonders why the people have asked for a change.

5. "Hunting for better jobs and easier places," is given as another reason for many changes. Bishop Hoss says, "There is no easy place for an honest man in this world." We ought to be honest. If we pastors would only determine to make that bad job a good one, we might save the cabinet some trouble, and the trouble of a change, too. One of the most foolish things a pastor can do is to give out the idea that he has been humiliated in his appointment, but that he will try to stand it one year.

"Some of our preachers are on the hunt for conditions that do not exist, hoping to find them in this town or that, always to their utter disappointment," says one of the observant writers.

6. Both pastor and people have come to expect changes to be made. We have changed so much and so often that this state of things seems to have become our normal attitude. One says, "General gossip about changes is a fruitful source of these conditions." We ought to quit that sort of talk. Let us rather expect to remain, and exhaust the time limit if possible.

"Of course," as one says, "we must expect more changes in a new conference. The works themselves change so much that moves are caused by it." True, but we ought to reduce these changes to the minimum.

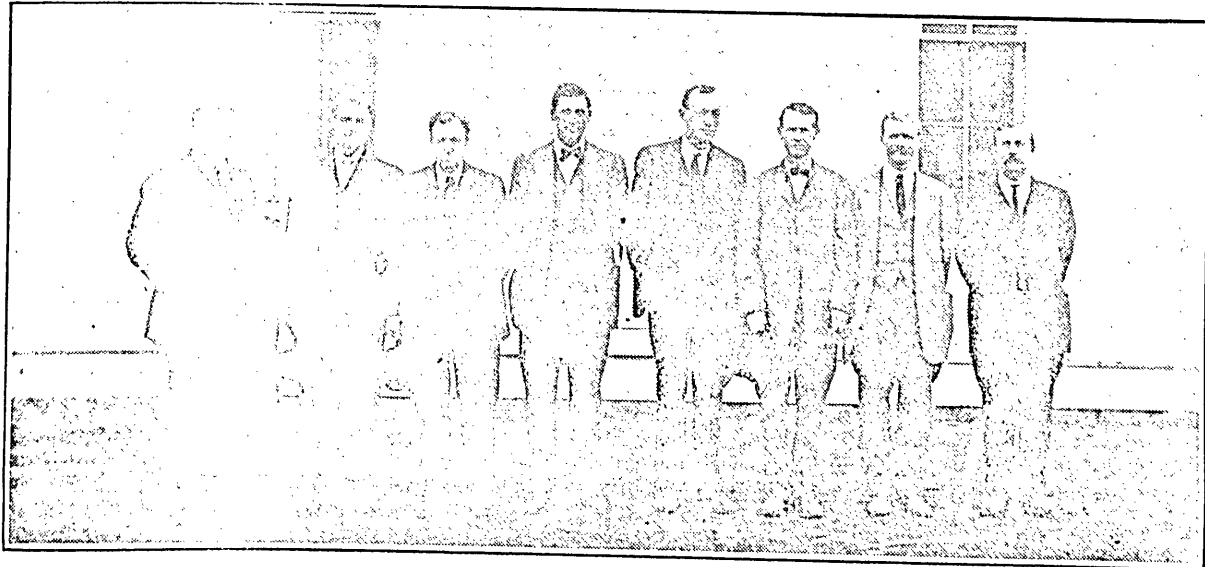
7. "False standards of success," "anxiety to make rapid advancement," "ambition to make a reputation," "unwillingness to sweat in sermon preparation and hard study," are some of the many reasons given for so many changes. "Then again the presiding elder sometimes tries to please the men who ask for promotion."

8. Misfits. Yes, misfits. Of course, these grow out of a lack of knowledge on the part of the elder and bishop, concerning the men, the places and the conditions; or from a disposition to yield to the importunities of the men who seek the places.

I fully agree with the statement found in one of the letters: "If the truth were known I believe it would show that the preachers themselves are about as much to blame as the administration."

The next article, and the last, will try to answer the question, "What are the remedies suggested for changing these conditions?"

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other man; we simply know that wherever men have permitted their lives to come under the spell of that personality they have truly learned to live; they have ceased to dread to die. But how do we know that the sway of his personality is always thus to continue? What guarantee have we of its eternal persistence? For the answer I point you back to the picture I described at the outset; follow the three women to his sepulcher, look with them into the empty grave, then behold the form of the risen Savior. Then who shall doubt that the same personality that persisted in its adherence to the ideals that an angry and sacrilegious world so savagely opposed, that persisted even over that dark king called death which the hissing populace had invoked to destroy him, has power to perpetuate the potency of its dominion, to render its persistence eternal and everlasting?

ATTENTION, LEAGUERS!

There is one point we wish to get before the Epworth Leaguers of Arkansas and Oklahoma. It is the fact that the 10-cent assessment for 1912 is now due and has been due for some time. The central office reports show that a very small per cent of the Leagues from our section have remitted this assessment, thereby greatly embarrassing the work at headquarters. This is worth more than a passing thought; it is of most vital importance to every League Chapter. The League can not go on without maintaining a central office. We all readily see that this cannot be done without some expense, so the 10-cent assessment is authorized to meet this. The very first obligation due is this one, so if you have not attended to it, do so at once!

ought not to be done. Let it stop.

2. "Inefficient pastors" is given as a reason for changes. No man has to adjust and readjust himself more frequently than does a preacher. He must be made all things to all men that he might save some. This inefficiency may arise from a lack of studious habits; lack of gifts and graces, natural and acquired; peculiarities of dress, manners, speech, etc.; lack of organizing ability, and the power to enlist and to enthuse his people. "Lack of pastoral visiting," says an elder, "is one of the reasons why people ask for a change. They want stirring workers out of the pulpit." And have they not a right to demand it?

"They do not study to show themselves approved. Hence, they soon run their course, and have to be moved," says another elder. A progressive layman says, "The preacher must be a progressive man. He must modernize his methods or fail. If he does not study carefully the conditions as they exist and then try to meet these conditions, he cannot be popular with his people."

Listen to another elder: "The pastor's failure is seldom due to the field of labor, but to his own unfitness and inefficiency for the work he is pretending to do." Pretty plain words; but are they not true?

3. Lack of loyalty to the authority of the church on the part of the preachers and the laymen. "They are not as loyal as they once were," says one of the letters. Why not? Because they have seen this authority misused and abused so often, and have come to doubt that the hand of the Lord is at the helm at all. We quote here an item from the pen of "Gulliver," which item appeared in the Texas Christian Advocate recently:

"The average Methodist preacher is generally

A HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY FOR COMMON PEOPLE.

By J. H. RIGGIN.

FOURTEENTH CENTURY—A. D. 1328-1429.

A. D. 1334.—Bitter strife between the Pope and the monarchs of France and Germany.

A. D. 1334.—Irreconcilable strife between the Pope and the King and Parliament of England.

A. D. 1356.—John Wycklif published his Last Age of the Church.

A. D. 1380.—Wycklif published his English New Testament.

A. D. 1381.—John Wycklif formally denies the doctrine of Transubstantiation. This was as yet an open question, having ever been declared by any council to be a doctrine of the church.

A. D. 1400.—By this time all Europe had become nominally Christian.

A. D. 1401.—Statute for the burning of heretics passed in England.

A. D. 1412.—The Taborites of Bohemia reject the doctrine of Transubstantiation.

A. D. 1517.—Luther opened war on the sale of papal indulgences. Era of the Reformation.

A. D. 1521.—Luther excommunicated by the pope of Rome.

A. D. 1521.—Church of Zurich in Switzerland organized independent of the pope, under leadership of Ulrich Zwingli.

A. D. 1524.—New Testament translated into the Danish language.

Conrad Grebel baptized Blaurock, pouring water from a dipper; this is the first instance on record of anyone baptized in infancy repudiating the baptism and demanding a second baptism.

A. D. 1525.—Anabaptist churches organized in Switzerland. They denied baptism to infants, and baptized by pouring. Also at Waldshut in Germany, where Hobbmeyer rebaptized over three hundred of the members of his church with water brought in a milk-pail.

A. D. 1526.—Tyndall's English New Testament published.

A. D. 1527.—Lutheran Church definitely organized in Germany.

A. D. 1538.—English Bible ordered to be read in churches. Before this time the Scripture reading as well as all the church service was in Latin.

A. D. 1539.—Dissolution of the monasteries in England. And it was high time. The day of their usefulness had passed. They had become haunts of idleness and vice, and often of political intrigue.

A. D. 1541.—Reformed Church organized by Zwingli and Calvin in Geneva.

A. D. 1542.—Swedish Bible published.

A. D. 1543.—Society of Jesus (Jesuits) sanctioned by the pope.

A. D. 1543.—Spanish New Testament published.

A. D. 1546.—The King's Primer issued in England. First sketch of the Book of Common Prayer.

A. D. 1549.—Francis Xavier missionary to Japan.

A. D. 1550.—Spanish Inquisition established in the Netherlands.

A. D. 1551.—Polish New Testament published.

A. D. 1556.—Martyrdom of Ridley, Latimer and many others burned at the stake in England.

A. D. 1558.—Elizabeth succeeds Bloody Mary as queen of England.

A. D. 1560.—The Parliament of Scotland casts off the papal yoke, and the church, guided by John Knox, takes Presbyterian form and is Calvinistic in doctrine.

A. D. 1561.—Polish Bible published.

A. D. 1563.—Council of Trent.

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A. D. 1415.—John Huss, eminent Bohemian reformer burned at the stake.

A. D. 1416.—Jerome of Prague burned.

A. D. 1431.—Joan of Arc burnt at Rouen.

FIFTEENTH CENTURY—A. D. 1429-1529.

A. D. 1439.—Purgatory declared to be a doctrine of the Roman Church by the General Council at Ferrara.

A. D. 1443.—Kings College at Cambridge founded.

A. D. 1453.—Constantinople taken by the Turks. End of the Eastern Empire.

A. D. 1455.—Mazzarine Bible published—the first printed book.

A. D. 1467.—Moravian Church organized. Michael Bradacius, their first Bishop, consecrated by Bishop Stephen of the Waldensian Church.

A. D. 1480.—The Spanish Inquisition founded. The most terrible engine of oppression ever devised by man.

A. D. 1492.—End of Mohammedan authority in Spanish territory.

A. D. 1498.—Savonarola, the great Italian Reformer, hanged and burnt.

A. D. 1508.—Era of Raphael and Michael Angelo.

A. D. 1527.—The church in Denmark, and likewise the church of Sweden separated from Rome and became Lutheran.

SIXTEENTH CENTURY—A. D. 1529-1629.

A. D. 1529.—Protest of the Elector of Saxony and others against decree of Diet of Spire gave the name of Protestant to those who denied papal supremacy.

A. D. 1534.—Luther's German Bible completed.

A. D. 1534.—Church of England cast off the papal yoke. Afterward the Protestant doctrine gradually prevailed.

A. D. 1535.—Order of Jesus (Jesuits) organized by Ignatius Loyola.

A. D. 1538.—Coverdale's translation of the Bible into English.

A. D. 1535.—Olivetan's Translation of the Bible into French.

A. D. 1536.—John Calvin's Institutes of Theology published.

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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.)

Junction City, Ark.

Dear Cousins: I am a little girl nine years of age. I have two pets, a horse and a kitty. Do you like to make visits? I have visited in Little Rock, Hot Springs, Texarkana, New Orleans, Lerado and a good many other places. Lerado is on the line of Texas and Mexico and while I was there I went over into Mexico, so I have been out of the United States. We have a large school in Junction City, and good teachers. My sister is eleven years old and in the seventh grade. I am in the sixth. We have a baby brother eight months old. My father owns a grocery store. There are twenty-four stores, two banks, four churches and two school buildings in our town. I go to the Methodist Sunday school. All of our family are members of the Methodist church, even my little brother. He was baptized a few months ago. Brother B. F. Scott is our pastor. Well, I hope my letter will not fall in the waste basket.

Your friend,
Lillian Hearin.

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Altus, Okla., July 5, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: This is my first to the Children's Page. I am a little girl of ten summers, and am in the fourth grade. Miss Effie Frost is my teacher. I like her very much. I love the Sunday school and the church. I joined the Methodist church last summer. I want to make a good member. My papa, K. C. Johnson, has been the Sunday school superintendent in Altus several years. Brother W. F. Dunkle is our preacher. We children want him to preach one Sunday each month to us. I have no small brothers or sisters, but I have two Maltese kittens and their mama. They are certainly cute and playful. I also have pretty Bantam chickens. There are so many wild flowers that

produce seeds, birds and chickens get fat on them. I love to read the Children's Corner in papa's Western Methodist. I have read several good books: Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, The Strange Family, Bible Stories, Jessica's First Prayer, and others. My papa has a large hardware and implement store. When I am not in school, some days I help them. I meet the people at the door and show them what they want. I sell them too, and ask them to call again. Brother Weems spent a night with us. He told us about his son and grandchildren in Korea: David, Clarence and Rupert. Here is my riddle: "Humpty dumpty sat on the wall, Humpty dumpty had a great fall, all kings' horses and all kings' men could not put Humpty dumpty back again." The answer is the fifth and seventh letters of the alphabet. I hope you have lost the waste basket.

Your new and true friend and cousin,
Eunice Johnson.

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Fayetteville, Ark., July 3, 1912.

Hello Cousins and Miss Katherine: Did I scare you? Well I admit my hair is red and that would scare anybody. Did you ever see such hot weather? It is dreadfully hot here. I think it would be nice to have our pictures on our page, don't you Miss Katherine? We could get better acquainted then. I live on a farm about a mile from town. We have lived here for seven years and I like farm life fine. Our farm is surrounded by mountains, and just such beautiful scenery it is, so restful for the eyes.

I will be thirteen years old the 20th of October. If anyone wants to send me a card it will certainly be answered. We went away out in the country the other day and spent the day picking huckleberries. My, but we went over some rough roads. We went about eight miles. I will be glad when school begins again in September. I will be in the seventh grade. My ambitions are to graduate from the University of Arkansas and then be a writer. Let me tell you what I like: Music, flowers, and plenty of books to read. I just love to read good books. I think it helps to get an education. Well I guess I have out stayed my welcome, so I will take my leave, with love to all the cousins and Miss Katherine, I remain,

Your new cousin,

"Arkansas Dream Girl."

A splendid letter. I hope you realize your ambitions. Miss Katherine.

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Arkadelphia, Ark., July 31, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Let me join your band. I am fourteen years old. I have brown eyes and black hair and weigh 117 pounds. I go to Bethlehem school. I am in the seventh grade. I have picked lots of blackberries this summer. How many of you cousins like to pick berries? We live about six miles from Arkadelphia. We are having a new school house built. I would like to have Miss Katherine and Ruth Carr's pictures. As this is my first time to write I will close, hoping to see this in print.

Your new cousin,
Celeste Parker.

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Prairie Grove, Ark., July 8, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine: I am a little girl nine years old. We live in the same house with my auntie, and she takes the Western Methodist. I like to read the Children's Page. I go to the Methodist Sunday school. My teacher's name is Miss Mabel McNeal, and our pastor is Brother F. A. Lark. I only missed one day in the past nine months of our school. My teacher's name is Miss Lizzie Patterson. I have one sister, six years old, and one little brother, three years old. I think I have the best papa and mama of any little girl. I will close by asking a riddle: "Everywhere it goes it walks on



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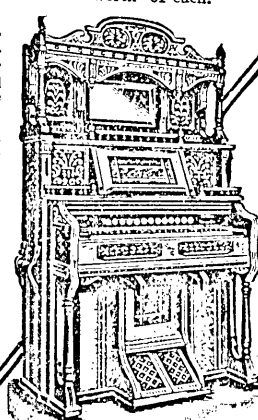
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its head." I will close hoping to see this in print.

Your new cousin,
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Leslie, Ark.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: My papa takes the Western Methodist and I love to read the letters my cousins write. I am in the fourth grade and love to go to school very much. For pets I have a pony, and I certainly am crazy about him. I have lots of other pets too. But next to my pony I love little white bunny rabbits. I love to read the cousins' letters in the Western Methodist. Well I will close by asking some one to guess my age.

I am your cousin,
Kittie Macvane.

Will send a postal to the one who guesses my age. My age is between nine and twelve.

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Leslie, Ark., July 9, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine: I will write a letter to my cousins. My papa takes the Western Methodist. I like to read the letters that all the cousins write. I have one pet, it is a cat. She is just like a tiger. I am going to ask a riddle: "Over the rocks, over the hills, comes home and sits on the shelf at night." I wonder who will guess my riddle. If this does not jump in the waste basket I will write again. I will tell my age. I am ten years old. I will close, hoping I will see this in print.

Your new cousin,
Esther Van Camp.

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Leslie, Ark., July 9, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine: I have seen so many letters in the Western Methodist from little girls about seven years old, and as I am seven, I thought I would write you a letter, too. I go to school and I go to Sunday school too. I have a sweet Sunday school teacher. I have one brother and two sisters. I have for pets a dog and two kittens. I hope that the waste basket has gone out for a walk this pretty afternoon so that I will get my letter in print. As this is the first time I have ever sent our cousins a letter I will write again if my letter is in print.

From a loving cousin,
Marie Hall.

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Willow, Okla., R. 1, July 6, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: I will write a few lines to the dear old Methodist. What have you boys and girls been doing today? I ironed. How many of the cousins like to iron? I am going to let the cousins guess at my age. It is between twelve and sixteen. The one who guesses my age will receive a postal. How many of the boys and girls like to go to school? I do for one. I am in the sixth grade. I

am going to make something of myself if I can. That is what every boy and girl ought to do. How many cousins can play an organ? I can't play much. I like to hear an organ. Come on Ruth Carr, with some of your letters; they are very interesting to me. Now don't you boys and girls laugh at my letter, as it is my first time to the Children's Page. Well, if one of the cousins will hand me my old sun-bonnet I will go, hoping the waste basket has gone on a visit. Love to all and Miss Katherine.

Your new cousin,
Artie Nance.

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Reed, Okla., July 5, 1912.

Dear Cousins: It has been some time since I have written to the cousins' page. I hardly suspect that any of the cousins will know me. I have moved since then to Green county, eight miles west of Mangum. My father is a minister of the gospel. He is serving the Mountain Park circuit this year. Last year he served the Minco charge. Well, how many of the cousins are chopping cotton this year? I have been chopping now for nearly two months. Well, come over, all of you cousins and bring your musical instruments, and let's have some music. I have a guitar. I went to an ice cream supper on the night of July 2nd and took it with me there. We had violin, mandolin and two banjos. We surely had the music. Well as Miss Snow White has gone, I will go.

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FROM THE TREASURER.

Dear Co-workers: Our third quarter is nearing its close and I am anxious to have full and prompt reports. I want to ask you to put forth special effort on the Pledge Funds. This is our real work for this year, the place where we can show our earnestness and zeal for the advancement of the work. What we give is only the expression of our real interest. Do we care enough to sacrifice for the cause.

I think we should ask for our offering on this fund from every woman in the church. Most of them are willing to help, even when they do not feel that they can belong to the auxiliary. Let us do our very best.

Sincerely,
Mrs. F. C. Floyd,
Treasurer Little Rock Conference.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

For seven years the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Arkansas Conference supported Miss Maggie Rogers as a Missionary in Soochow, China. Then her work was confined to West Soochow Day Schools, and the Davidson Memorial. Since we gave her up to her own home church she has been doing evangelistic and teaching in one of our chapels, near the center of the city. Miss Denton sent this letter which she recently received from her, and I thought others might like to read it.

Lila G. Rollston,
Conference Press Superintendent.

EXTRACT FROM MISS ROGERS' LETTER.

My dear Miss Denton: Have you and all the Arkansas ladies forgotten me entirely? I don't deserve to be remembered, however, for I have had to neglect my friends, it seems.

Being placed in charge of new work when I returned from furlough, made it hard on me, and I'm just beginning to know where I am (as the saying is).

I was given a new place to work up and there certainly is plenty of work to do. It seems marvelous to me to see what the Lord can do when people are willing to let Him.

The situation is most advantageous and every move made cautiously, has proven to be in His favor, when we see the results.

We set to work on the women probationers of the 1910 tent meeting as our beginning. The Bible women have done faithful work and these women have been taught; some have been received into the church, some are still not ready, taking only the first step toward a new life and content to stop there; others were mistaken as to what it meant to become a probationer.

This year we found some most promising women among the new probationers and some two or three have already been received into the church, as they had had previous training or advantages and knew what they were doing when they determined to become Christians. Many Chinese men in Soochow have put aside their restrictions and opposition to their wives and daughters becoming Christians. Of course this is a new thing and a number who were held down are at last taking a stand.

We have a kindergarten of twenty children and a school of thirty-five

girls now, both of which just came of necessity.

I am trying to make the most out of the old buildings of our property at Kong Wong church. Wish you could see my girls and know my teachers and Bible women.

I am getting another school teacher to help in the little school; she has just graduated at Miss Waters' School in Sung Kong.

All four of my teachers were pupils of mine before I went home on a furlough. Of course I enjoy seeing them develop into useful workers and I am glad to have them help me.

I am to have a new assistant Bible woman also this fall. She is a woman who came into the Industrial School soon after I came to China. She is quite a lady and such an earnest Christian, and her mother-in-law has become inclined toward Christianity and so is allowing more freedom than before.

Six of us from China are spending our month's vacation in Japan, in its most beautiful and renowned city of Nikko. We are enjoying it very much and we are surely gaining strength and energy and shall long remember these beauties in Nature which the Lord has prepared and thank Him for the privilege of seeing them.

My mother's visit was perfect, we think. At least, it was a great privilege to have her and she enjoyed it more than can be told. She liked the Chinese and they were so fond of her. She returned in May, and the family is very much relieved to have her at home again.

With love,
Maggie J. Rogers.

BOXES! BOXES!

The close of the year is almost here and very little has been done in the Supply Department of the Woman's Missionary Society of the West Oklahoma Conference. This has been an unusually strenuous year, and a number of our preachers on the hard charges should be assisted at once. Every auxiliary in this conference has been sent a letter requesting a box. Only eight have responded. Headrick sent the first box, their contribution going to the Virginia K. Johnson Home, Dallas, Texas. Several others are preparing boxes for preachers in need. I have the name of a number of others whom we must help at once. Without assistance they will suffer. I am depending upon the women of the West Oklahoma Conference to meet their need, and so are they. May we be merciful as we expect to obtain mercy.

Mrs. S. H. Landrum,
Supt. Supply Dept. Woman's Missionary Society, W. Okla. Conference.

OCTOBER MEETINGS IN WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

The Annual District Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society will be held in each of the five districts in White River Conference at the following places on dates named:

Jonesboro District at Blytheville, Oct. 7-8.

Paragould District at Walnut Ridge, Oct. 9-10.

Batesville District at Newark, Oct. 15.

Searcy District at Searcy, Oct. 16-17.

Helena District at Wynne, Oct. 17-18.

All of these will be Forward Movement meetings and the programs have been carefully planned, with a view to

condensing into one or two days, the most practical and helpful material that can be offered to those who shall attend.

Miss Daisy Davies, of the Woman's Missionary Council, who is well known and appreciated in Arkansas, will be present at each of the meetings and add to their interest and value.

Each auxiliary, united, Home and Foreign, is entitled to two delegates, its president, if possible, and one other member, and other visitors, from auxiliaries, charges without a missionary society, etc., are invited to be present. Any of the preachers will be welcomed.

The members of the society in all of the districts are urged to be much in prayer for the success of these meetings.

Mrs. J. M. Hawley,
Secretary Foreign Department.
Batesville, Ark., Sept. 21, 1912.

PARKDALE AND FARMINGTON.

It may be that some of our friends would like to know about our work. We are closing our third year on this charge. Our Parkdale church is about finished. It is a model church and well located. Expect to have it dedicated soon. Recently, Rev. J. R. Ashmore, of Belleville, Ark., rendered us good service with his tent in a revival meeting. The benefits of the meeting abide with us. Brother Ashmore deserves much credit for his zeal, energy and faith. He can make brick and "furnish the straw." Parkdale church will always remember him for his good work here.

Our Sunday school and League are the living branches of a vine well planted. At Farmington we have a neat church house in good repair. This is the home of father Engels, whom many of the preachers and others know. Like the big red apple of this country, he is almost ready for the gathering time. G. W. Rogers is our faithful Sunday school superintendent. J. M. Kinnibrough, with his helpers, looks well to the finances of the church.

Last year we had a special tent meeting conducted by Brother W. B. Wolf and may not hold one this year. They want a meeting soon after conference. At both places the many faithful women, always at work, are the pillars of the church. Helping the poor and needy, teaching in the Sunday school, praying with the penitent, these elect ones are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We think that the next preacher will find this charge, though small, in a fair condition.

Thirty-seven years ago today Mrs. Tucker and I began our life's work at Atkins, Ark. We expect with much pleasure to attend the Annual Conference there in November. I have never missed a roll call. Hope we shall be ready "when the roll is called up yonder."

O. H. Tucker.
Fayetteville, Ark., Sept. 20, 1912.

BAUXITE CHARGE.

We have recently closed at old Sardis camp ground one of the best meetings that church has ever witnessed. Rev. F. F. Harrell from Lonoke did all the preaching for us, and it was the gospel of Christ that he preached. It did not consist of "graveyard stories" and "death bed scenes," but the pure gospel of our Lord. He did not try to tickle the fancy of men, but preached Christ and pictured sin as a damning factor to the human soul. I thank God for such preaching as he did. It was a resolute determination of the sinner to accept Christ, who listened to his practical and spiritual preaching. The church was generally revived and eleven joined the church. Of these, some were hardened sinners and heads of families. The meeting was of intense interest from start to finish. The best singing we could ask for. It was sweet. Brother Frank Caple lead the singing. He is a man

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filled with the love of God and knows how to sing with the spirit. God bless such sweet Christian characters. He was ably assisted in the choir by Christian young men and young women. These good people will never forget Brother Harrell for his great and good sermons. Seed were sown that will yet yield a great harvest. This is a sacred spot to many people of Arkansas, for numbers have gone out from Sardis who are today filling noted places in life.

J. Mayne Mann.

Bauxite, Ark.

BENTON STATION.

Yesterday was somewhat of a rally day with us after the summer vacations, outings, election and so on. Three accessions to church last Sunday, three yesterday, and expect some five or six next Sunday. Received forty-six this year so far. The Lord has blessed the country with good crops, so there is no reason why the church should not prosper financially as well as spiritually. I wish every family would take and read their church paper.

Cordially,
S. C. Dean.

Sept. 23, 1912.

ATLANTA, ARK.

Brethren we have had a great meeting on this charge. There were twenty-seven accessions, twenty-four on profession of faith, three otherwise. More could be said, but the Lord knows what it was. There was a deep pathos that dominated the meeting throughout. I find that the advice of my presiding elder, W. P. Whaley to hold the meeting alone was good and wholesome. I love him for it.

J. C. Sampley, P. C.

ALMA MEETING.

Brother Lovic P. Law came August 25 to assist in a union meeting, the Baptists and Presbyterians taking great interest in the meeting. Brother Riley, the Presbyterian pastor, was present and assisted during the meeting. Brother Gathright, the Baptist pastor, was engaged in a revival meeting and was unable to be present. Brother Burrow was called to Altus on account of the illness of his father. Brother Law did the preaching and he is a great gospel preacher. The meeting lasted two weeks. There were sixty conversions and several reclamations. All the churches shared in the grand victory. Eighteen joined the Methodist church, fourteen the Baptists, and ten or twelve the Presbyterians. There was a great pouring out of the Divine Spirit. As a result of the meeting, the prayer meetings have increased one hundred per cent in attendance. Brother Law won the hearts of all the people. The big tent was crowded at the night services. The business houses closed for the day service.

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KONAWA, OKLA.

As pastor of the good people of Konawa, Okla., I am closing out my second year. During this time this people has not been represented in the Western Methodist, relative to their work. Yesterday, Mrs. Blackburn and I bade them farewell. Today, we are rushing toward Memphis, on our way to spend two or three years in Yale University, taking post graduate work. It was with sad hearts we left the faithful church.

The Board of Stewards evinced their good will and loyalty by settling up the salary in full for the year with pastor and presiding elder. The Layman's Board has been active in providing for the conference collections, most of which is already in the hands of the Teller. This Board will let nothing stand against the church unpaid. All the organizations of the church are on the aggressive side. The Home Mission Society is preparing for special work this fall. The Senior and Junior Leagues, with a total enrollment, of eighty, are doing active spiritual work. The Sunday school has an enrollment of two hundred and twenty, with a mission school in the country, which has about forty enrolled. This year the church has had about seventy-five conversions and reclamations. Fifty-two have been received into the church, forty-five on profession of faith, and seven by certificate. The present total membership of the church is two hundred and twenty.

Several of the brethren of the Ada District have very kindly consented to fill my pulpit till conference. Many pleasant days have we spent with this people. In their happiness we have rejoiced with them. In sorrow we have wept with them, and they with us. Indeed, our hesitancy in leaving just now would be very great, did we not realize the opportunity means better preparation for the Lord's work. Upon this church in our absence as pastor we pray God's continual blessings.

W. L. Blackburn.

Sept. 17.

WARREN REVIVAL.

We have been running a meeting at the Methodist church here for a week; assisted by my uncle, Rev. H. H. Watson, and Brother G. T. Tatum, both of Jonesboro, Ark. The congregation has been good from the beginning, and increasing from the first. But yesterday, Sept. 22, they were immense at every service. At eleven o'clock as the minister preached, a great conviction seemed to seize the audience, culminating in a great stampede so to speak at three o'clock in the afternoon when two hundred and fifty men gathered at the church in a men's meeting. After being addressed by Brother Tatum more than fifty men came to the altar for prayer, when eleven strong men were happily converted to God. At the Baptist church simultaneous with the men's meeting at the Methodist church, Rev. H. H. Watson preached to the women and a similar result followed. As near as we could arrive at the fact there were about thirty-five or forty conversions during the day and the end is not yet. Pray that God will save this town. Watson and Tatum are doing great work for us.

W. C. Watson.

BLYTHEVILLE, ARK.

Sorry our county voted against Statewide prohibition; but am glad to tell you that the north end of the county in which Blytheville is located, voted for Act. No. 2, by a good majority. Every precinct but one, so I am told, in the northern district of the county, voted for Statewide. Your visit here, Dr. Anderson, and the work we tried to do in the country around, shows for itself. Three precincts in which I made speeches and scattered temperance literature went almost sol-

idly for Statewide. And the city of Blytheville gave a nice majority for Statewide too.

I have just finished my summer's work and can report another gracious revival out at Yarbrow, where I assisted Rev. W. M. Duncan. We had twenty-nine professions, and fifteen accessions to the church. That makes eighty-one conversions that we had had in the meetings in which I have helped this summer outside of my own charge, and I have kept up my work here as far as possible. Was not absent from my pulpit but one Sunday. Our work moves on nicely here. Have received sixty-four members into our church this year, and have ten more to receive by letter right soon. All our finances are up in fine shape.

We have paid off a deficit of \$400 on our incidentals; also a deficit of about \$80.00 on Sunday school supplies and have about fixed, in cash and notes, for the indebtedness on the church and parsonage. This indebtedness was nearly \$12,000. In addition to this we have had a new class room fitted up in the basement of the church at a cost of \$60.00; carpeted the galleries in the church at a cost of \$50.00 and put in a few dozen new chairs for use in the Sunday school and church services. Come up and spend a few days with us.

A. E. Holloway, P. C.

Sept. 23.

METHODISM IN HOT SPRINGS.

Present at the Preachers' Meeting: Bulkley, Dickerson, Burnett, Keadle, D. Bruce Holmes, of Crossett Mission, R. M. Laing, local preacher of Tigert Memorial, and Robert Penderson, layman of Central Church. Brother Holmes led in prayer and the following reports were made:

Burnett had a good prayer meeting Wednesday night, one hundred and ten in Sunday school, fairly good audience Sunday morning, smaller at night, one accession to the church.

Bulkley had organized an Epworth League and Woman's Home Mission Society; good congregations Sunday and two accessions to the church.

Keadle commenced a protracted meeting at Tigert Memorial Sunday night, but being unable to preach was assisted in the first service by Fred Murray, an exhorter. Will have the assistance of other preachers during the meeting.

Dickerson reported a glorious time at Third Street Sunday all day. One hundred and ninety-two in Sunday school, good congregations and good services during the protracted meeting through the past week, the meeting to continue through this week. Three accessions by letter and one on confession of faith during the week. Brother Holmes is assisting in the meeting.

Hutchinson being absent there was no report from Central, but we noticed on the bulletin board there were 316 announced in attendance at Sunday school.

O. H. K., Secretary.

FASHION AND PROSPERITY.

While the character of French exports makes them particularly profitable, it has the drawback of being subject to financial depression abroad, writes James Davenport Whelpley in the October "Century," discussing "The Trade of France." It might be added also, to change in the fashions; for the Lyons silk industry suffered a very heavy decline—nearly twenty per cent—through the introduction of the narrow skirt for women. This might, however, be looked upon as retribution, for it was the French dressmakers who decreed its appearance.

French exports are a measure of prosperity elsewhere. When times are bad in America, the sale of luxuries decreases; hence there is less demand upon France, whose people supply a large part of them. Works of art, jew-

elry, laces, silks, and expensive wines, which form a considerable portion of French exports, are not bought by a people concerned as to finance or in the doldrums of a dull stock market. It is not alone politeness or international amity which prompts the French people to wish us strength in our trade.

MARRIED.

On the 4th day of July, Miss Annie Rogers and Mr. Ed. Spraggins, at the bride's home.

On September 22, Brother David Rogers, Jr., and Miss Beulah Harrison were united in holy wedlock, at the bride's home.

All of Brother and Sister Rogers' children have gone out into the world for God and self; all are Christians; two are in the Little Rock Conference and another is a local preacher in Henderson-Brown College, preparing for the itinerancy. Eternity alone can tell the great good that old Brother and Sister Rogers have accomplished and will accomplish by living here. He is a man that rises when the church begins to fall. He is one that God has placed on his pocketbook, in that the tenth of what he gets goes to that purse. It constantly has something in it because behind it is the great power of God, a fountain that never runs dry. We pray God's richest blessings to be continued unto them in their last years and that in the day of days they will receive life eternal and a crown with many stars in the city of God.

J. O. Adcock, P. C.

Fordyce Mission.

Sept. 24, 1912.

CATO CIRCUIT.

It is a great pleasure to report a successful week's revival at Concord, Cato circuit, the second for this year. Our faithful pastor, J. H. Gipson, did the preaching. Visible results, eight additions to the church, five infants baptized. The spiritual state of the church was much improved. Some very remarkable noon hour services, especially marked by divine presence and power. This year closes Brother Gipson's pastoral quadrennium. He is in high favor with us. We love him with real

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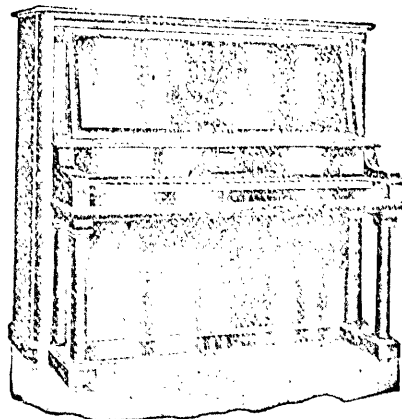
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FROM OUR FIELD EDITOR.

Rev. D. J. Weems.

Lonoke, Ark.

For many years Lonoke, the county site of Lonoke county, has been a good and substantial town. The recent rice culture has greatly improved the values of land and has brought many new people into the county. They have a large rice mill, court house, five or six blocks of business, large two-story public school house. We have neat parsonage and good brick church, Rev. F. F. Harrell, pastor. He is quite acceptable among his people and has been helping his brethren in protracted meetings. His home is blessed with a good wife, noble son and charming daughter. While in Lonoke I was glad to meet Brothers B. Brown, A. C. Curtis the polite postmaster, E. O. Griffin, D. A. Hutchinson, and E. L. White, merchants, G. Rule, editor of the county paper Hon. J. B. Reed, lawyer, Brother J. W. Spencer, of whom all speak well, C. G. Miller, and other readers of the Western Methodist. A pleasant night was spent in the new hotel. The new depot is about finished. Shaping up the old subscribers, I hurried on to

Carlisle,

which is a prosperous town on the Rock Island road. This is in the heart of the rice and dairy business. Perhaps no part of the State is more prosperous than Lonoke county. Carlisle has two banks, nice stores. Perkins Brothers have large lumber yard. Some of the prosperous business men and readers of the Western Methodist are J. H. Griffin, J. A. Humphries, C. C. Saunders, Charles King, D. B. and R. A. Perkins, W. E. Crane, and a nice list of country brethren. Dr. C. L. Crawford has recently located here, coming from New Mexico. He subscribed for the paper. We have neat church and parsonage, Rev. D. C. Holman, pastor. He is every way worthy and doing a fine work. He has a nice family to cheer his home life. He was spending the week at Salem camp-meeting.

Des Arc.

It was a pleasure to spend a day and night at Des Arc, with the cheerful and sunny Rev. S. W. Rainey and his equally cheerful family. He and wife have trained four charming daughters. Two have gone out to build homes of their own. Des Arc is quite a mill town, manufacturing the fine timber of White river bottoms for various pur-

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poses. They also have a large gin and cottonseed oil mill, two banks, several blocks of business, four churches and two-story public school house. We have elegant new two-story parsonage and a real nice church, Rev. S. W. Rainey, pastor. He has two country churches, at each of which he has had a good meeting. Brother Rainey preaches well, and is full of energy. With his aid we shaped up the old and secured seven new subscribers: Miss May Music, J. M. Harmony, T. G. Roe, Mrs. J. F. Kirk, Mrs. B. E. Norfleet, Mrs. Fannie Dickson and M. W. Purcell.

Brinkley.

A pleasant night was spent at the Arlington hotel in Brinkley. The Cotton Belt and Rock Island cross here. There is also a Rock Island branch to Newport, and Iron Mountain into Helena. The town is growing. Several new houses the past year. Large new depot about ready for service. We have nice parsonage and elegant new brick church, which was to be dedicated in a few days, Rev. F. Barrett preaching the sermon. Brother W. F. Walker is the popular pastor. He is a fine man and excellent preacher. He did fine work in the fight for State-wide prohibition. He says the negroes deceived him. They promised to vote against the saloon but voted with the whiskey people, forsaking their best friends. Sister Walker was cheerful but not very well. Shaping up the old we secured one new subscriber: Mrs. N. P. Lawrence.

McCrory.

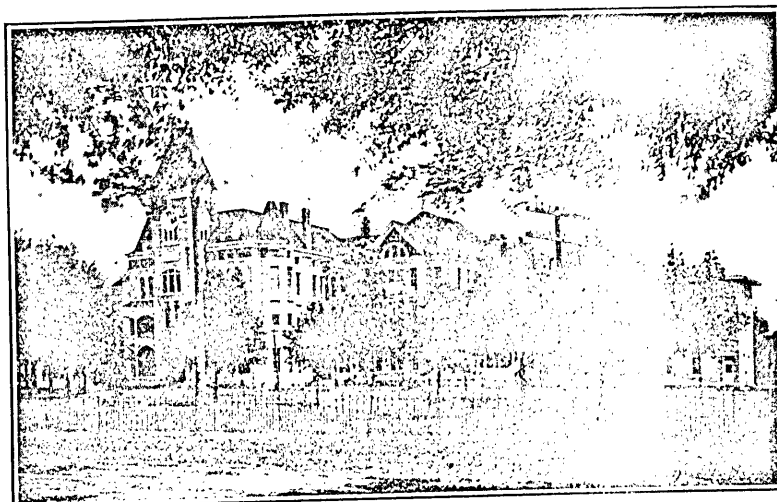
Sunday was spent most pleasantly with Rev. W. A. Lindsay at McCrory. The locating of new mills and the railroad to Jelks, has given new life to the town. It is in a very fine farming section, early crops are good. Cotton cut short some by the late drouth. There are two banks, four blocks of business, and some most excellent citizens, extra large public brick school house, three churches. We have comfortable parsonage and fairly good church. They are talking a new and better church. We had pleasant service Sunday morning but dismissed the night service to attend the Baptist revival.

Brother Lindsay is certainly a very choice preacher. He has had two successful years on this work. He recently held an excellent meeting at Fakes chapel, resulting in twenty-five professions and twenty accessions. Having licensed him to preach I am very proud of his success. He is blessed with a real preacher wife and three sweet children. They contributed much to the pleasure of my visit. An excellent dinner was enjoyed at Dr. Fakes, whose entire family take much interest in the church. McCrory neighborhood are sending twenty-two young people off to school: Claud Harris, Walter, Pauline and Ottie Huff to Henderson-Brown; Ruth Hailey and Minnie Barber to Ouachita; Joe Arnof, Oscar Winfree and Willie McCain to University of Arkansas; Pauline McFall, Olive and Mildred Patterson to Galloway; Miss Terry Bull, Central, Baptist; Elma Wilder, O. C. Jeffries, Earl Winfree and Thos. McFall, Agricultural School of Jonesboro; Dave Angus, Little Rock High School; Glen Harris and Turner Fake to Vanderbilt. Shaping up the old subscribers, we secured eight new ones: Rev. W. L. Blackstone, R. E. Holden, J. P. Taylor, Romie Crossett, J. A. Cullum, Miss Lula McCrory, C. B. Cook, and Mrs. J. H. Crossett. I was pleased to meet Rev. H. T. Rainey who for many years has been a local preacher, and takes a deep interest in the church.

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TELLER'S NOTICE!

To the Pastors and Presiding Elders, West Oklahoma Conference.

Dear Brethren: This is to remind you of two items.

First: We are all called of God to go now in earnest after the collections ordered by the Annual Conference. We have excused ourselves thus far on the ground that there was no money in circulation. This will not now excuse any longer. Tell your membership that you must have a divide of their first fruits as the matters of the church will not wait. Conference is one and one-half months away. A very small per cent for any cause is paid now. Don't think of falling below the standard set—less than "In Full"—because you are now behind. The conditions have partly forced us to wait till now. But we can't wait any longer without great loss to the church. I am sending to you all remittance blanks. If any fail to receive theirs please drop me a card. Please use them in remitting.

Second: Please don't wait till Conference to send in what money you have on hand before October 8. It will reach me in time to be posted and thus save me sleepless and laborious hours at Conference.

Teller's office will open at Frederick Tuesday, November 12, 8 a. m., and close Wednesday, November 13, at 5 p. m., promptly. Money not in hand by that hour will not get in this year's accounts and the Boards will fail of that amount for this year's appropriation. This simply must be observed, brethren, so that I can settle with Treasurers of the Boards and have my books audited before Friday night of Conference week. Fraternal and cordially,

W. L. Anderson, Teller.

A BEAUTIFUL WEDDING—A WORTHY COUPLE—AN INTERESTING COINCIDENCE.

One of the most beautiful weddings that it has been the privilege of this writer to witness was celebrated at First church, Muskogee, on the evening of the 20th, in the presence of a great audience of friends and admirers when Charles R. Gilmore of Tulsa and Miss Dana Smith of Muskogee were united in marriage. The contracting parties are most worthy in every respect, and

deservedly popular. Mr. Gilmore is one of the stewards in Boston Avenue church, Tulsa; and the bride has been the pipe organist in First church, Muskogee, for several years. They are both devout Christians, and we pray and wish for them a long life of joy together, and of service for the Master.

The interesting coincidence is the fact that the brides father and mother are former pupils of the officiating minister on this occasion, and performed the marriage ceremony for them twenty-seven years ago. He, therefore, felt a double pleasure and honor in rendering the service on this latter occasion.

W. J. Moore.

Sulphur, Okla.

REVIVAL AT HOWE, OKLA.

We have just closed a very successful meeting at Howe, Okla. Thirty were converted. Twenty-five were added to the church. The larger part of those received were young people. New interest was quickened in the membership of the church.

Brother D. A. Shaw of Canadian was with us and did the preaching. Brother Shaw is a strong evangelist and everybody was well pleased. He is a hard worker, ready speaker and strikes straight from the shoulder.

The tabernacle of the McAllister District was used for holding the services. The crowds were said to be the largest in the history of the town.

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TUCKERMAN, ARK.

I will report about our meeting here at arbor by Decker storehouse.

Brother Louis of M. E. Church of Cave City and Brother Roberts of M. E. Church, South, pastor of Tuckerman, did the preaching and did it well.

They began the first of this month and preached eight days. We never attended a better meeting. Interest increased from beginning to end. The interest was so great the last night of the meeting both saint and sinner thought it ought not to have stopped. There was an average of five conversions or reclamations a night, making forty in all. There was a division in the neighborhood, which made the success more praise worthy. Several joined the M. E. Church, South, and others will join other churches. Some will be taken in by immersion. Will close, wishing the Methodist much success, I am

Yours in Christ,
L. M. Conditt.

September 15, 1912.

WALDRON STATION.

We are on the "home run" now. Less than two months until Conference at Atkins.

This has been an exceedingly busy year with me, and not altogether without results. Had good meeting in the spring; have added seventy-six to our church roll and there will likely be others to follow. We have paid the old parsonage debt and built a nice new six-room parsonage on the lot where the old one burned, and the same is now occupied by the pastor. Our parsonage property is well worth \$1,500.00 now. It will meet the demands of this charge for a quarter of a century.

We are putting on the every-member campaign system to get our general claims. We are going to try to "clear the decks," though the drouth has hit us awful hard.

We did our best for the short time we had to work, in Scott county, for State-wide prohibition. I made some twenty-nine different speeches and scattered prohibition literature everywhere I went. The county was saved for No. 2, and against license, but it seems the State has gone wet. You are not surprised when you take into consideration the money and methods used by the whiskey trust. The State has entered into perilous times when

the whiskey power can take money and subsidize the secular press and send out carloads of literature full of falsehood, buy the irresponsible negro and white vote, hire run-down politicians and renegade lawyers to execute their hellish plans and, in this way, overcome a clear majority of 25,000 against saloons and defeat the measure for State-wide prohibition, and thwart the will of the best people in Arkansas, who are in a clear majority under any sort of fair campaign methods. The defeat is unfair, and temporary only. We will try them again. I am in favor of beginning at once. I am ready now. We will see you at Atkins this fall. I am delighted to attend the Conference at this good town. There I spent four of the most profitable and pleasant years of my ministerial life.

The Lord bless you. Fraternally,
D. H. Colquette.

Sept. 19, 1912.

CONDOLENCE.

Arkansas City, Sept., 10, 1912.

Mrs. I. S. Johnson, City.

My dear Madam: Permit me for myself and family, as close neighbors, and long time friends, to express to you our sincere condolence, and heartfelt sympathy for you and your family, in the death of your honored husband, Brother I. S. Johnson.

I also wish to state with knowledge of the facts, that the departed, for over a quarter of a century past, was the active steward of the M. E. Church, South, of this place, and that he has as such, assumed and performed the responsibility of seeing that the pastor's salary, as well as all other assessments upon the church were fully paid each year before conference.

For over a quarter of a century past, he was the active superintendent of the Sabbath school and to him, more than to any one else is due the Christian training of the youth of this city.

For many years past he has been an active worker of the Free and Accepted Masons. In the lodge of which he arose to the honorable position of Worshipful Master, and ever adopted the three great virtues of the order—Faith, Hope and Charity. He expressed, and taught faith in God, our Maker, protector and preserver.

Hope in the immortality of the soul, that after death, would come eternal life to the faithful, and charity in its fullest extent to all people everywhere.

Such was the confidence in which the people of Desha County held him, he was elected and served for ten years as County Treasurer. He had no difficulty in making the large bonds required of him, and no one of us who signed his bonds had the least fear of a default. He administered the duties of this office in the strictest integrity, honesty and efficiency.

It is well known to all of us, that he was ever a most loving husband, and devoted father, and exhibited the most harmonious and loving family circle. In all his acts, as citizen, steward in the church, superintendent of the Sunday school, member of the Masonic order, Treasurer of the county finances, in the rearing of a loving family, he exhibited to the world a loyal activity to truth, honesty and virtue, advocacy of the right and opposition to the wrong, a strong devotion to the Fatherhood of God, and the brotherhood of man. He was truly a man among men, and stood in the highest esteem of all that knew him. He died expressing his belief in God and his salvation. Thus passed away a good man. His place will be difficult to fill. His bereaved family and many friends may console themselves that to him it was not death, but only a transmission from this world of care, to a haven of rest with God and the angels above.

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After ten weeks hard work my meetings are over. I began at Bethel the first of July. Had a good meeting. This is our home church and we have a fine people to serve here and the best church building I have ever seen in the country. After closing here I went to Red Hill on the Dryden charge. Held there two weeks. Had a very good meeting with Brother J. W. Hooper. Thence to Pleasant Hill. Had a good meeting there and I closed out at Gould. My meeting was not so good there. We had only boards for seats at the beginning of the meeting, but before we closed had the house well seated. We received fifteen members at Gould. We have received eighty-one members this year. Will say I had good singing. My son, Wesley Armstrong, of Oklahoma City, conducted the music. I have been feeble for one week. Our church was struck by lightning last night, so we can't have services for a while.

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EVANGELIST GEORGE R. STUART
ENTERS THE PASTORATE.

To save large and useless correspondence please allow me to say through your columns that after I enter the pastorate the first of October I cannot make engagements outside of my own conference for evangelistic work.

My singer, J. Dale Stentz, who has had charge of my singing and is one of the best soloists and choir leaders I have ever had, will assist pastors in revival work. Any pastor needing some one to take care of the entire singing proposition can secure this man, whom I unreservedly recommend, by addressing him at Cleveland, Tennessee.

Very truly yours,
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Sept. 20.

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Altus, Okla.

BETHEL CAMP MEETING.

Please note that the camp meeting at Bethel camp ground, near Umpire, will begin the eleventh of October.

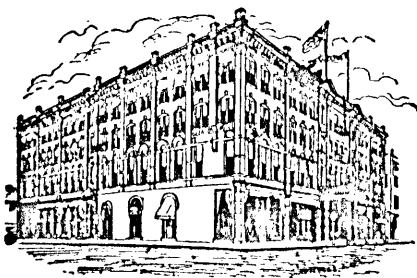
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A BROIL BETWEEN TWO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES.

It was noticed a Sunday or two ago that there was somewhat of a flurry or excitement with two of the classes in the Sunday school at the First Methodist church. Sometimes it happens that broils and dissensions in religious matters greatly stir up and divide a community. But we did not fully realize the extent and meaning of this broil between the classes which was stirred up on last Sunday until consummation on the Friday evening following.

Both classes are large and influential and each vied with the other for victory. The intense feeling ran high; and, in fact, some blood was shed. But we are glad to report that the whole matter was amicably settled when the two classes met at the Ramsey Lake on Friday afternoon with a number of interested friends.

Mrs. Butt is the president of one of the classes, and Rev. R. W. Cummins is the teacher. Dr. H. M. Banning is the president of the other, and C. B. Emanuel is the teacher. There are about twenty-five members in each class. With W. W. Butt and V. C. Wall as masters of ceremony, E. W. Fagan as judge, with the ladies on hand with their smiles and good cheer, and the "fixins," a most pleasant occasion was enjoyed by every one, and all departed "too full for utterance"

over the happy consummation of the famous broil between two prosperous Sunday school classes.

It was a chicken broil at the Ramsey Lake. That was all. It was a great success. Brother Moore, the pastor, said he felt very much like a Georgia preacher who claimed that he had as much chicken as he wanted. So a friend took him out to his country home, and fed him chicken morning, noon and night for three weeks. On the preacher's return he made the following report to some of his friends who inquired about his success: "I had chicken young, and chicken old; Chicken hot, and chicken cold; Chicken tender, and chicken tough; Thank the Lord, I've had chicken enough."

—Sulphur Democrat.

WAPANUCKA, OKLA.

We have just closed our revival meeting at Milburn, Okla. Owing to the busy season of the year we continued only six days. We had six additions to the church. Rev. J. W. Rogers, our pastor at Madill, Okla., assisted in the meeting. He is certainly a fine character and an excellent preacher. He greatly endeared himself to all. We shall hope to have him with us again soon, at a more leisure season when all the people may have the benefit of his helpful ministrations.

We are now through with our revival campaign for this season. We are not fully satisfied with results but feel very grateful to God for what has been done.

We are closing our second year on this charge, and can see enough "unfinished business" to keep us busy for two more years. Now the next thing is to get Bishop Candler to entrust us with the "unfinished business."

Hope to have a full report at Holdenville, November 6. As I missed the last Annual Conference on account of sickness, I am exceedingly anxious to see the "brethren." Fraternally,
W. S. Lee, P. C.
Wapanucka, Okla., Sept. 24, 1912.

HOLLIS, OKLA.

A little more than one month ago we were appointed by Bishop Mouzon to this work. We found a great people here in one of the best towns in Western Oklahoma. The ladies of the church had arranged a cordial reception for us, and my wife and I have already learned to love our people. We couldn't help if we wanted to and besides we don't want to help it—they are so good to us. We feel like we have the best people in the district.

We find strong and influential men and women in the church. Men and women who have together with church pride the old fashioned religion. We have received twelve new members the last two Sundays, and have quite a number of prospectives by letter. Every service brings an increased attendance.

The Sunday school is growing rapidly. At the present time the enrollment is two hundred and thirteen, with an average attendance of about eighty per cent and all serving summonses on their friends, pushing for the three hundred mark, nineteen new members last Sunday. The school has an efficient superintendent in Mr. R. D. Miller, a wide awake lawyer. He and the pastor are very busy classifying and grading the school. We now have a place for every one from the Cradle Roll, down to the preacher. The business men's class is getting dangerously near to its first goal—fifty members.

C. C. Barnhardt, Pastor.

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SMITHVILLE MISSION CHARGE.

We received our appointment to this charge on December 10, 1912, at Blytheville, Ark., the last sitting of the White River Conference. We came with a glad heart and found some of the best people that this earth grows. We have only had one death in our membership during the year; of three hundred and fifty. We have six regular appointments of this charge; have taken on one during the year, making a total of seven appointments at present. We have held five of our revivals. The first being held at Jessup with Brother B. L. Harris, of Newport (the place for our next Conference) doing the preaching. Brother Harris did me some of the best work of any man in my life. We had eight conversions in this meeting, with the church greatly revived and lined up for work. The next place was at Flat Creek. In this meeting the pastor did all the preaching, with Brother Horn, our pastor of the Powhattan Circuit, we had six conversions with a great spiritual up-lift to the church. The next place being Marvin. The pastor did the preaching there, with six conversions. Then to Rancey's Chapel. At this point Brother S. F. Brow, our pastor, at Black Rock, did almost all the preaching. Brother Brown is an excellent preacher, a very fine helper, and one of the most lovable characters I have ever been associated with. We had seventy conversions. This is one of the greatest meetings of all my ministry. People were born into the kingdom, ranging in years from 55 down to 10. Then we came to Smithville. At this place we were met by Brother Wilford and family (our much loved Presiding Elder). Brother Wilford did all the preaching for about a week, when one of his children was stricken by illness, when he had to leave. The pastor continued the meeting about a week, resulting in eight conversions, with the church greatly revived. The pastor was stricken with a severe spell of continued fever from which we are fast recovering.

We ask the prayers of the entire connection.

W. M. Jones, P. C.

ASH FLAT CIRCUIT.

I sent you an account of our Ash Flat meeting, which began on the fourth Sunday in July, before the notice of the Corinth meeting, but it must have been lost in the mail, so I will speak of it again. We were assisted in this meeting by Rev. W. O. Franks of Batesville. We truly had a good meeting. Brother Franks preached with power. The house was filled to its capacity night after night, and on Sunday night before the services closed the house filled long before time for service.

Brother Franks is an able revivalist. He speaks the truth fearlessly, and convincingly. The church strengthened and there were eighteen conversions.

We closed our meeting at Pleasant Hill church Sunday night, September 22. The Lord blessed us here also. The Christians were revived and there were nine conversions. Brother W. J. Martin of Hardy, assisted us.

Our next meeting will begin at Liberty Hill, September 28.

J. M. Harrison, P. C.

CARTER AVENUE, ARDMORE, OKLA.

Dear Methodist: We are still moving along nicely at this place. The congregations have been good through all the hot weather. Last Sunday we had fine congregations, received one into the church. I have been sick but am up now. Yesterday I sent a check to Rev. W. L. Anderson, which pays off my Conference collections in full for this year. Brother Mayberry has been placed on the Ardmore Mission and he is doing a fine work, having already held some very fine meetings. Brother Mayberry is one of our old men, yet he still has that revival power about him that he had twenty-two years ago when he received me into the church. This was in Dallas County, Texas, when he was on the Mesquite Circuit. That year he had over four hundred conversions. May God's blessing be on Brother Mayberry and his work.

Love to all the brethren.

George W. Lewis.

CADDO, OKLAHOMA.

We have just closed the greatest revival Caddo has ever had. Rev. John B. Andrews, of Siloam Spring, Ark., and his singer, Rev. L. C. Smith, of Chicago, Ill., were our leaders. We had about one hundred conversions. A number of the leading business men have aligned themselves with the church as a result of this meeting. Brother Andrews, Miss Ruby, his daughter, and Smith make a splendid revival team. This old town is shaken as never before. The towers of sin are tottering and falling. We are going to be able to report everything in full at conference and about one hundred additions to the church. Caddo will take its place as one of the desirable appointments of the conference. Pray for us.

W. V. Teer, P. C.

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NOTICE EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren: We are now making preparation to give you a hearty welcome to Holdenville, November 20. This, however, is going to tax our capacity, but we will be ready for you. If any preacher contemplates bringing his wife he will please notify us at once.

I have written the presiding elders for the names of their lay delegates and supplies. So far I have received replies only from Revs. S. H. Babcock and W. M. Wilson. Now, brethren, if I do not hear from you at once you know what inference I shall draw.

Yours fraternally,

R. K. Triplett.

Holdenville, Okla., Sept. 24, 1912.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

ARCADEPHIA DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Arkadelphia Ct., at Hartsville.	Sept. 28, 29
Lono, at Clear Creek.	Oct. 5, 6
Malvern, 8 p. m.	Oct. 6
Hot Springs Ct., at Lonsdale.	Oct. 12, 13
Tiger Memorial, 8 p. m.	Oct. 13
Dalark, at Dalark.	Oct. 19, 20
Cedar Glades.	Oct. 26, 27
Holly Springs, at Launius Chapel.	Nov. 2, 3
By W. F. Evans.	
Princeton, at Zion.	Nov. 2, 3
Ussery, at Caney.	Nov. 9, 10
Traskwood at Traskwood.	Nov. 16, 17
Benton.	Nov. 17, 18

Other places will be announced.

T. D. SCOTT, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Emmett at Emmett.	Oct. 5, 6
Washington at Ozan.	Oct. 6, 7
Delight at Delight.	Oct. 12, 13
Columbus at Blackland.	Oct. 19, 20
Mineral Springs at Mineral Spgs.	Oct. 20, 21
Okolona at Center Grove.	Oct. 26, 27
Gurdon at Gurdon.	Oct. 27, 28
Hope Mission.	Nov. 2, 3
Harmony, 3 p. m.	Nov. 3, 4
Center Point.	Nov. 7, 8
Nashville, 8 p. m.	Nov. 7, 8
Nashville, 8 p. m.	Nov. 7, 8
Sweet Home.	Nov. 9, 10
Bingen.	Nov. 10, 11
Murfreesboro.	Nov. 12
Prescott Station.	Nov. 13
Prescott Ct.	Nov. 14

W. C. HILLIAR, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Gillham Mission at Grannis.	Oct. 2
Lewisville Ct., at Walnut Hill.	Oct. 5, 6
Patmos Ct., at Mt. Ida.	Oct. 9
Horatio Ct., at Chapel Hill.	Oct. 12, 13
Paraloma Ct., at Hickes S. H.	Oct. 16
Vandervoort at Pleasant Grove.	Oct. 19, 20
Mena Station.	Oct. 20, 21
Cherry Hill at Waters.	Oct. 23
College Hill Station.	Oct. 26, 27
Lockesburg Ct., at Gravelly Point.	Oct. 30
Bright Star Ct., at Doddridge.	Nov. 2, 3
Umpire Ct., at Greens Chapel.	Nov. 6
Foreman Ct.	Nov. 9, 10
Texarkana Ct., at Harmony.	Nov. 16, 17
Texarkana, First Church.	Nov. 17, 18

J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Rison Ct.	Sept. 28, 29
Edinburg Ct.	Oct. 1, 2, 3
Sheridan Ct.	Oct. 6, 7, 8, 9
De Witt Station.	Oct. 11
Grady Ct.	Oct. 19, 20
Redfield Ct.	Oct. 22, 23, 24
Macon Ct.	Oct. 27, 28, 29
Humphrey Ct.	Oct. 30, 31
Star City Ct.	Nov. 3, 4
Rowell Ct.	Nov. 7, 8, 9, 10
Altheimer.	Nov. 12
Swan Lake.	Nov. 13
Hawley Memorial.	Nov. 14
Carr Memorial.	Nov. 15
First Church.	Nov. 17, 18
Lakeside.	Nov. 17

Z. D. LINDSAY, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Fordyce Mis.	Sept. 28, 29
Wesson.	Oct. 5, 6
Junction City.	Oct. 6, 7
Strong.	Oct. 12, 13
Huttig.	Oct. 13, 14
Magnolia Ct.	Oct. 19, 20
Thornton.	Oct. 26, 27
Chidester.	Nov. 2, 3
Atlanta.	Nov. 9, 10
Camden.	Nov. 11

W. P. WHALEY, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Snyder.	Sept. 28, 29
Crossett.	Sept. 29, 30
Mt. Pleasant.	Oct. 5, 6
Watson.	Oct. 12, 13
Dermott.	Oct. 13, 14
Wilnot.	Oct. 19, 20
Blissville.	Oct. 20, 21
Eudora.	Oct. 24, 25
Hamburg Ct.	Oct. 26, 27
Hamburg Station.	Oct. 27, 28
Lacey.	Nov. 2, 3
Johnsville.	Nov. 9, 10
Hermitage.	Nov. 10, 11
Monticello.	Nov. 15, 17

Will not each pastor carefully examine the discipline and have every report ready? Select your stewards with care and have your lists ready.

R. W. McKAY, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Carlisle Mission, at Hamilton.	Sept. 29, 30
Carlisle Station, p. m.	Sept. 30
Bauxite Ct., at Bauxite.	Oct. 5, 6
Benton Ct., at New Hope, p. m.	Oct. 6
DeVall's Bluff and Hazen, at Hazen,	Oct. 9
Oak Hill Ct.	Oct. 12, 13
Bryant Ct., at Salem, p. m.	Oct. 13
Maunelle Mission, at Roland.	Oct. 19, 20
Twenty-eighth Street, p. m.	Oct. 23
Tomberlin Ct.	Oct. 26, 27
England, p. m.	Oct. 27
Mabelvale Ct., at Primrose.	Nov. 2, 3
Highland, p. m.	Nov. 3
Highland Quarterly Conference, p. m.	Nov. 4
Lonoke Station, p. m.	Nov. 6
First Church, a. m.	Nov. 9
Asbury, p. m.	Nov. 9
First Church, quarterly conference,	Nov. 10
Asbury Quarterly Conference, p. m.	Nov. 11
Capitol View, p. m.	Nov. 12
Pulaski Heights, p. m.	Nov. 13
Winfield Memorial, a. m.	Nov. 17
Winfield Memorial Quarterly Conference, p. m.	Nov. 14
Hunter Memorial, p. m.	Nov. 15
Henderson's Chapel, p. m.	Nov. 18

ALONZO MONK, P. E.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round in Part.)

Branch Ct., at Lowes Creek.	Sept. 28, 29
Paris Station.	Sept. 29, 30
Gravelly Ct., at Gravelly.	Oct. 5, 6
Walnut Tree Ct., at Egypt.	Oct. 6, 7
Waldron Station.	Oct. 12, 13
Waldron Ct.	Oct. 13, 14
Parks Ct., at Parks.	Oct. 15

W. T. THOMPSON, P. E.

MORRILTON DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Lanty Ct.	Sept. 28, 29
Morrilton Station.	Sept. 29, 30
Holland Ct., at Bethlehem.	Oct. 5, 6
Quitman Ct., at Sulphur Springs.	Oct. 12, 13
Quitman Station.	Oct. 13
Lamar Ct., at Lamar.	Oct. 19, 20
Clarksville.	Oct. 20
Morrilton Ct., at Hill Creek.	Oct. 27, 28
Plumerville.	Oct. 28
Damascus Ct., at Steel Chapel.	Nov. 2, 3
Springfield Ct.	Nov. 3, 4
Conway Station.	Nov. 9, 10
Conway Mission at Conway.	Nov. 9, 10

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

HARRISON DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Yellville Ct., at Oakland.	Oct. 5, 6
Cotter Ct., at Gassville.	Oct. 12, 13
Mtn. Home Ct., at Mtn. Home.	Oct. 13, 14
Yellville Station.	Oct. 19, 20
Lead Hill Ct., at Pyatt.	Oct. 26, 27
Eureka Springs Station.	Nov. 9, 10

W. T. MARTIN, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Huntsville Ct., at Huntsville.	Sept. 28, 29
Pea Ridge Ct., at Bright Water.	Oct. 5, 6
Rogers Sta.	Oct. 6, 7
Springtown Ct., at Mason Valley.	Oct. 12, 13
Bentonville Sta.	Oct. 13, 14
War Eagle, 11:00 a. m.	Oct. 15
Springdale, 8:00 p. m.	Oct. 16
Viney Grove.	Oct. 19, 20
Prairie Grove.	Oct. 20, 21
Lincoln Ct., at Lincoln, 11:00 a. m.	Oct. 21
Parksdale and Farmington.	Oct. 26, 27
Fayetteville Sta.	Oct. 27, 28

J. B. STEVENSON, P. E.

FT. SMITH DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Hartford and Midland, at M.	Sept. 29
Van Buren Ct., at Long Bell.	Oct. 6
Mulberry Ct., Oak Grove.	Oct. 12, 13
Alma and Kibler, at Alma.	Oct. 13, 14
Dyer Ct., at Dyer.	Oct. 19, 20
Midland Heights.	Oct. 21
Dodson Ave.	Oct. 23
Greenwood.	Oct. 27, 28
Beech Grove.	Oct. 30, 31
Ozark Mission, at Gar Creek.	Nov. 2, 3
Ozark Station.	Nov. 3, 4
First Church.	Nov. 7
Van Buren Station.	Nov. 8
Central Church.	Nov. 11

(Fifth Round.)

Charleston Ct., at Weaver, Nov. 9, 11 a. m.	
Huntington and Mansfield, at M.	
Hackett Ct., at Bethel.	Nov. 7, 9 a. m.
Hartford and Midland, at M.	Nov. 6, 11 a. m.
Van Buren Ct., at Long Bell.	Nov. 8, 3 p. m.
Mulberry Ct., at Oak Grove.	Nov. 4, 10 a. m.
Alma and Kibler, at Alma.	Nov. 5, 9 a. m.
Dyer Ct., at Dyer.	Nov. 4, 3 p. m.

J. M. HUGHEY, P. E.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Heber Station.	Sept. 28, 29
McRae Ct., at Copers Springs.	Oct. 5, 6
Beebe and Austin, at Beebe.	Oct. 6, 7
Auvergne and Weldon, at Tupelo.	Oct. 12, 13
Newport Station.	Oct. 13, 14
Vilonia Ct., at 16th Section.	Oct. 19, 20
Augusta Ct., at Gregory.	Oct. 26, 27
Augusta Station.	Oct. 27, 28
West Point Ct., at Dagwood.	Nov. 2, 3
Cabot and Jacksonville, at J.	Nov. 9, 10
Dye Memorial.	Nov. 10, 11
Cato Ct., at Cato.	Nov. 16, 17
Gardner Memorial.	Nov. 17, 18
Bradford and Bald Knob, at B. K. Nov. 23, 24	

A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Paragould, East Side.	Oct. 6, 7
Gainesville Ct.	Oct. 9, 10
Rector Ct.	Oct. 13, 14
Boydsville Ct.	Oct. 15, 16
Paragould Ct.	Oct. 19, 20
Paragould, First Church.	Oct. 20, 21
Knobel Ct.	Oct. 21, 22
Corning Station.	Oct. 23
Old Walnut Ridge Ct.	Oct. 26, 27
Walnut Ridge Station.	Oct. 27, 28
St. Francis Mission.	Oct. 29, 30
Piggott and Nemmons.	Oct. 31
Mammoth Spring and Hardy.	Nov. 2, 3
Imboden.	Nov. 3, 4
Ravensden Springs Mission.	Nov. 6
Black Rock, Portia and Hoxie.	Nov. 8, 9
Pocahontas Station.	Nov. 9, 10
Reyno Ct.	Nov. 10, 11
Maynard Ct.	Nov. 13, 14
Pocahontas Ct.	Nov. 16, 17
Lorado Ct.	Nov. 20, 21
New Liberty Ct.	Nov. 23, 24

Note: This round is necessarily short. Pastors please see that all the officials meet at this quarterly conference. We want to make the best selection possible for stewards and superintendents of Sunday schools. You don't want stewards who can't or won't attend the quarterly conference, when it is right at their door, if we can do any better. Where there is a probability of any change in the boundaries of a work we would be glad to have all the officials present to consult about the matter.

M. M. SMITH, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

La Grange Ct., at La Grange.	Sept. 28, 29
Marianna Station.	Oct. 6, 7
Helena Station.	Oct. 13, 14
Mellwood at Barton, 4 p. m.	Oct. 13
Holly Grove and Marvell at M.	Oct. 19, 20
Clarendon Station.	Oct. 20, 21
Brinkley Station.	Oct. 26, 27
Howell and Deriew at Howell.	Nov. 2, 3

Cotton Plant Station.	Nov. 3, 4
Hamlin Ct., at P. Bend.	Nov. 9, 10
McCrory Station.	Nov. 16, 17
Wynne Station.	Nov. 23, 24
Parkin Station.	Nov. 24

J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Monette and Macey at Black Oak Sep. 28, 29	
Lake City Ct. at Beech Grove.	Sept. 29, 30
Harrisburg.	Oct. 5, 6
Blytheville Ct., at New Hope.	Oct. 12, 13
Manila and Dell at Manila.	Oct. 14, 15
Barfield Ct., at Tomato.	Oct. 17, 18
Blytheville.	Oct. 19, 20
Luxora and Rozelle at Luxora.	Oct. 20, 21
Bay.	Oct. 23
Harrisburg Ct., at Bay Village.	Oct. 26, 27
Vandale Ct. at Pleasant Hill.	Oct. 27, 28
Kellor and Forrest Home.	Nov. 2, 3
Gilmore and Haefner.	Nov. 3, 4
Earle.	Nov. 9, 10
Crawfordsville and Marion at C.	Nov. 10, 11
Oseola.	Nov. 16, 17
Wilson.	Nov. 17, 18
Bardstown Ct.	Nov. 23, 24

Let Trustees of church property be prepared to answer question 32 of Discipline.

W. L. OLIVER, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Salem Station Mis.	Sept. 28, 29
Camp Mis., Mt. View.	Sept. 29, 30
Ash Flat Ct., Liberty Hill.	Oct. 2, 3
Cave City and Evening Shade Ct.	
Evening Shade.	Oct. 5, 6
Sulphur Rock Circuit, Mt. Gap.	Oct. 10, 11
Jacksonport Ct., Jacksonport.	Oct. 12, 13
Tuckerman Sta.	Oct. 15, 16
Swift and Alicia, Swifton.	Oct. 16, 17
Powhatan Ct.	Oct. 19, 20
Charlotte Mis., Pfeiffer.	Oct. 21, 22
Newark Sta.	Oct. 23
Bethesda and Desha.	Oct. 25-27
Marcella Mis.	Oct. 26, 27
Mt. View and Guion, Guion.	Oct. 31, Nov. 1
Calico Rock Ct.	Nov. 2, 3
Salado Ct.	Nov. 5, 6
Wolf Bayou Mis.	Oct. 9, 10
Batesville, First Church.	Oct. 16, 17
Smithville Mis., Flat Creek.	Oct. 23, 24

B. L. WILFORD, P. E.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Paoli, at Paoli.	Sept. 28, 29
Paul's Valley.	Sept. 29, 30
Epworth.	Oct. 6, 7
St. John's.	Oct. 6, 8
Piedmont.	Oct. 12, 13
Capitol Hill.	Oct. 13, 14
St. James.	Oct. 16
Geary.	Oct. 19, 20
El Reno.	Oct. 20, 21
St. Luke's.	Oct. 23
Guthrie.	Oct. 26, 27
Perry.	Oct. 27, 28
Blanchard.	Nov. 2, 3
Norman.	Nov. 3, 4
Arcaida.	Nov. 6
Moore.	Nov. 7
Franklin.	Nov. 9, 10

Pastor's Day with the P. E. Sept. 19, 9 a. m.
A review of the work up to date. What I expect. Dinner with the P. E. Final campaign. A clean record for conference.

O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

ARDMORE DISTRICT.

Petersburg.	Sept. 28, 29
Cornish.	Oct. 5, 6
Ardmore Mission at Baum.	Oct. 12, 13
Berwyn.	Oct. 13, 14
Elmore at Fair View.	Oct. 19, 20
Woodford at Hennespin.	Oct. 20, 21
Hickory.	Oct. 26, 27
Thackerville.	Nov. 2, 3
Overbrook.	Nov. 3, 4
Wynnewood.	Oct. 31
Davis.	Nov. 1
Sulphur, Vinita Avenue.	Nov. 4
Sulphur, First Church.	Nov. 5

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Randlett Ct., at Randlett.	Sept. 28, 29
Temple Station.	Sept. 29, 30
Mt. Park Ct., at Mt. Park.	Oct. 5, 6
Headrick Station.	Oct. 6, 7
Walter Ct., at Walter.	Oct. 12, 13
Lawton Station.	Oct. 13, 14
Grandfield Ct., at Grandfield.	Oct. 19, 20
Davidson Ct., at Davidson.	Oct. 20, 21
Manitow Ct., at Jack Creek.	Oct. 26, 27
Snyder Ct., at Snyder.	Oct. 27, 28

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MANGUM DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)

Vinson Ct., at Metcalf.	Sept. 28, 29
Pleasant Hill and Gould at Bethel.	Oct. 5, 6
Dryden and Red Hill, at Dryden.	Oct. 6, 7
Carnegie and Bois, at Carnegie.	Oct. 12, 13
Mt. View and Gotebo, at Gotebo.	Oct. 13, 14
Cloud Chief Ct., at Buck Creek.	Oct. 19, 20
Hollis Sta.	Oct. 23
Prairie Hill Ct.	Oct. 24
Rocky Sta.	Oct. 26, 27
Hobart Sta.	Oct. 27, 28
Mangum Ct.	Nov. 2, 3
Brinkman and Deer Creek.	Nov. 3, 4
Eldorado Sta.	Nov. 9, 10
Olustee Stat.	Nov. 10, 11

OBITUARIES.

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

METHODIST 1 Obituaries.. . . .

COTHAM.—W. H. Cotham was born in Hohenwald, Tenn., March 23, 1889; died in Erick, Okla., August 31, 1912, of typhoid fever. Was married to Annie Lomax September 17, 1908. To this union was born one child, Nellie May, who with the wife are living. Will is gone from us and we all miss him so much, but our loss is his gain. His mother from Tennessee came as soon as he was taken ill; and she, the wife and little girl baby, carried the remains back to his old home in Tennessee. One sad feature was that he had written his mother when he was first taken sick, that he was coming home. Yes, he went home—but it was to his heavenly home. He had planned and prayed and worked for our League Rally Day, but when that day came he was in Heaven having his rally around the great white throne. May the God of peace and love dwell with the wife, mother, father and sister. Amen.
Marie S. Hoyle.

SAPPINGTON.—Mrs. M. A. Sappington was born in Ohio on April 1, 1830; died calmly and peacefully in South West City, Mo., August 12, 1912. She was reared in Illinois. She married T. P. Sappington in 1854, who died in June, 1885. She was called until late years in life to bear more trials and sorrow than usually falls to the share of one frail woman. She had been almost entirely deaf for years and this excluded her from all social pleasures, but she loved to have her friends visit her and to see them laugh and talk. Four sons, one daughter, four step-children, two sisters, a number of grandchildren, great grandchildren and a host of friends are left to mourn her death. She was fortunate in having a home the last twelve years with her son, W. P. Sappington, at which place she died, and who with his family, smoothed life's pathway for her and ministered as lovingly and tenderly to her wants, during an illness of fourteen weeks, as human hands could do. She was a lifelong member of the Methodist church, (her husband having been a minister of that denomination) a pure and sweet spirited Christian. She was laid to rest in the Manning cemetery, beside her husband, where they sleep beneath the shade of a large mulberry tree which he planted to mark the spot of his last resting place.
Mrs. G. M. Byers.

Grove, Okla.

GILLILAND.—In memory of C. W. Gilliland, Jr., born July 11, 1910, died July 3, 1912; son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gilliland of Hollis, Okla. C. W.

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was just a little rosebud, sent by the Father, for a little while, that the world might be brighter and sweeter on account of his presence. Light, joy, and gladness with him came, and always showing that he was of heaven, he led us on the upward way, growing sweeter with each day, as the beautiful ray of the morning sun that gives us brighter hopes for each, so little C. W. or "Pete" has shone in upon us, a beautiful ray from God's white throne. We will try to follow those tiny feet that now have reached the goal, where the little rosebud is blossoming within the fold.

Lula May Myers.

CLICK.—William Henry Click, son of Joseph E. and Kate Click, was born on June 23, 1889, in Howard county, Ark., and departed this life on September 7, 1912, at the home of his parents in Kingston, Oklahoma. When eight years of age deceased was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at old Shiloh church, in Howard county Ark. being received into the church by Rev. Robert Rappahord of the Little Rock conference. In 1906 the family moved to Kingston, Okla., and moved their membership to the Methodist church in this place, a member of which deceased remained till the day of his "ascending up on high." Henry Click was a model young man, upright, honorable, Christian—respected and admired by all who knew him. His qualities of head and heart won him many friends and enabled him to retain them. Shortly before he "fell asleep" he asked that his pastor be brought to his bedside, and there in a sweet and hallowed interview he again stated his saving faith in Christ and his "sure trust and confidence" that when his fever-parched body failed he would be at rest with Him. With his last words he assured those about him that he was dwelling in perfect peace. His parents and two brothers—all Christians—and three little sisters survive him. God's comfort to the living; His peace to the dead.
His pastor,
S. X. Swimme.

WALLACE.—A few days ago I received a letter from my friend, Mrs. J. E. Wallace of Bismarck, Okla., telling me of the death of her beloved father, and my life long friend, Brother J. G. Fair. He passed away at the home of one of his children in the State of Oklahoma, August 3, 1912. He was born May 11, 1842. I have not data concerning the place of his birth or the details of his early life. When I first knew him he was living at Hope, Ark., where he conducted a wagon and carriage shop for a number of years and was superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school. He held this position in the church at Hope for several years and at that time was one of the leaders among the laymen of that section of our State. He was frequently a delegate to the District and Annual Conferences and was known by practically all of the preachers in the Little Rock Conference. After some years he moved with his family to Polk county, Ark., where he lived for quite a while. Here our paths converged again during the years in which I traveled the Hot Springs District, 1894 to 1898. I found him the same faithful and active worker I had known in the days of my boyhood. He was still especially interested in the work of the Sunday school and never failed to have a good Sunday school in the community where he lived. He had reared a large family, had met with many reverses in business and had a hard struggle oftentimes to keep his head above the waves of financial misfortune, yet he was the same earnest, consecrated Christian and the same tireless worker in the cause of Christ which he had been in the earlier and more prosper-

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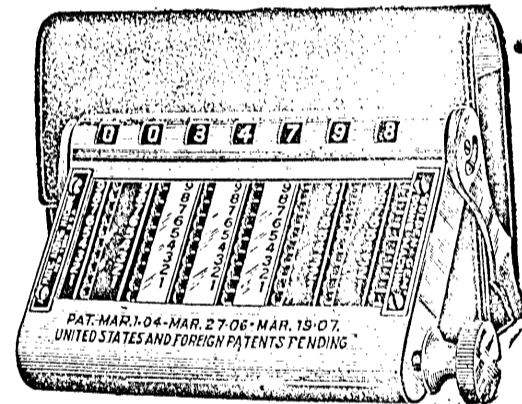
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ous years of his life. A few years later he moved to Oklahoma and I had known but little about him until the letter referred to above came announcing his death. From this letter I learn that he was faithful and true to the end and passed away in triumphant hope of heaven and immortal life. He was my Sunday school superintendent and my close and sympathetic friend at the time I was converted and joined the church and I loved him as I have loved but few men. I am glad to bring this modest, yet unworthy, tribute to his memory. Many of the older preachers, and laymen as well, will, when they read this notice, recall the memory of dear Brother "Green Fair." Gentle,

affable, courteous, wholly consecrated to God and to his service in the church which he loved as his own life. We shall meet him again when we reach the city of God.

J. A. Sage.
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