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SOCIAL JUSTICE.

We have heard not a little in the recent political talk of the day about social justice, justice between the several classes of society. With any imagined or real partisan phases of the subject we have nothing at all to do. Certainly no political party would dare profess any lack of sympathy with the general principles underlying social justice or any other sort of justice. If any of the parties have a program better or worse than any other, that is not a matter of concern to us here; we deal with general principles only.

It is claimed that labor and capital are out of balance, and there is an effort to bring in social justice between the two, so that capital will do justice to the laborer, whether he be a union man or a non-union man, and so that the laborer shall not make unjust or injurious demands upon capital, as he is sometimes supposed to do through the power of the labor union.

It is alleged that employing capital in some cases has imposed upon men a seven-day week, requiring them to work 12 hours a day. We believe something like this was actually proven to be the case as regards some men in the Bethlehem Steel Works, and a cry went out to earth and up to heaven against this sort of oppression of one class by another.

It is alleged that women workers are in some places unfairly dealt with, being paid less than their labor is worth, or being compelled to work overtime, or both.

It is alleged that young children are in some places put into the treadmill of labor; that they are denied educational opportunities; that they are stunted in growth mental and physical.

Then comes, as another form of social injustice the injustice done one race by a more powerful race, as when the white race oppresses the Indian or the negro.

How far the outcry on any one or the other phase of this subject is justified by the actual facts it is not the purpose of this paper to inquire. No doubt there is much that needs to be remedied. We desire to make a few observations, to state a few principles which we one and all need to remember.

There is no form of injustice which will not sooner or later recoil upon the doer of it. A man who is willing in his own private capacity to perpetrate an injustice upon any other man has already been overtaken with a sure retribution. He may seem to have obtained the advantage of the other man, and, so far as outward facts are concerned, he may really have the adtage, at least for the time; but the man who is consenting to do an injustice has already suffered a deterioration in his own character for which no outward gain can compensate him. And this is true whether the injustice may be called social, as affecting a class, or private, as affecting only an individual. There are laws in this universe, and there is a God above! The Great Avenger of all wrongs will infallibly come along. We repeat that he has already arrived for that man who willingly perpetrates a wrong upon his fellows.

In the struggle to adjust the wrongs between capital and labor no man can afford to be indifferent and no man can afford to lay the weight of his hand on the wrong side.

In the struggle for justice to women and children every good man must take an interest, and ever good man must be on the side of the oppressed. Woe to a nation that perpetrates or

attempts to perpetrate a permanent injustice upon motherhood or upon childhood! The wrath of earth and heaven will come upon that nation. If there be no human avenging hand, and if there be no bolt out of the heavens, there will be a rotting of character, which is always the harbinger of ruin.

No member of a stronger race can afford at all to give countenance to injustice toward a weaker race. If there were no revelation from God on such a subject there would still remain abundant revelations of history. There never was a nation dealing out injustice to another and weaker nation that the worse damage did not come to the oppressor. There never was a class upholding itself against another and weaker class by unjust means that the stronger did not suffer worse things than the weaker. The thing cannot be done!

What ruined the Spanish nation? When Philip II was king of Spain his possessions were on all the continents, except Australia, and the fond dream of world-empire might well have danced in his brain. But you may write the ruin of that empire in these words: Oppression, cruelty, rapine, lust. It took 400 years to accomplish it, so far as outward facts appeared; but it was already written in the Books of Judgment when Spain got fixed in her heart this policy of injustice.

"The State! I am the State!" said Louis XIV of France. "Let the people eat grass!" said a courtier of Louis XV. Very well, ye silly and blind rulers of oppressed millions; you shall see something one of these days, you and your children! Volcanic forces will burst up beneath your foolish feet, and there will be—French Revolution!

We people of the United States need to consider. If any class among us is oppressed, the wrong must be righted, sure as God lives! We may outvote that class; we may make the laws and we may administer them; but you can not vote into a man intrinsic superiority, nor can you legislate into him intrinsic superiority, nor can you put it into him by the fact that he sits in a seat of power. If your voters and your legislators and your judges and sheriff and attorneys and jurors are personally all the while rotting in their character, and if you are rotting, by reason of injustice in the heart of you, your doom is as certainly coming as time shall run.

Was it not written of old that the nation which kept the statutes of the Almighty should live? God's statutes are not arbitrary nor whimsical; they have to do with the nature of things. Not only is the history of the Jewish nation a commentary upon these statutes, showing them to be true to the facts; the history of all nations is a commentary upon them, showing precisely the same thing.

YOUR BURDENS.

You are sometimes tempted to think that your burdens are greater than you can bear. You perin long to unload them. A world-weariness comes upon you. Life grows meaningless. Peace is nowhere. You groan, saying to yourself that the only rest for you is in the grave.

Well, dear friend, there is weariness and soreness and toil along the way of this life for most of us; to be sure there is. But did you ever pause to consider that your burdens constitute your only opportunity to be of any account in this world? What would a burdenless life mean

attempts to perpetrate a permanent injustice for you? Infallibly it would mean that you upon motherhood or upon childhood! The wrath were worthless. Surely you cannot wish that!

Are you a mother, and do the cares that come to you through a lot of fretful children, with all the petty vexations of keeing the house, weigh you down? Would you repudiate these burdens? Do they not constitute for you your best opportunity to do something and to be something in this world? Suppose they are faithfully borne, this faithfulness, by the grace of God, registers itself in high and beautiful character in those children! Suppose they are unfaithfully borne, and this unfaithfulness, by the grace of the devil, registers itself in the want of character or in the ruin of those children! Will there be any difference in this?

Are you a father, and do you feel sometimes that your shoulders, "like ruined pillars," have already upborne too long the burden of having to provide shelter and food and clothing and a thousand things for a large family? Have you ever thought how little you would mean to the world if you had not this family, and how little you will mean if you do not make something out of this family? Have you ever thought how disastrous it will be if you make a failure here, and how the light will shine for you at evening time if you make a success of this business?

Are you steward in the church, and are you often worried over the indifference of others, out of patience with their stinginess, while they leave you and your fellow-stewards to tussle with the responsibilities of the church? Your stewardship is about your only opportunity to be of any service; it is the work given you to do; it is the noblest work you are making an effort to do, perhaps the only entirely unselfish work you have on your hands—do you wish to lay this down?

There is no need that we should go farther with these illustrations. Let each reader consider for himself what he is doing and what is the relation between what he is doing and the meaning of life to himself.

The plain truth is, we think too much about our burdens and too little about our privileges. We forget that what we esteem burdens are, in their deepest significance, really our highest privileges Consider the man who is out of a job: he soon grows to be the weariest and most restless of men-unless, indeed, he has come to be no man at all. You and I, dear friends, you and I who try to bear the burdens of the church and try to stand in our lots, doing duty, we should be without a job, if our burdens cease. It is a sad time in any man's life when his brethren lay him on the shelf, have no more they think he can do; shall we not manfully stand up in the battle while we have opportunity!

It is not getting rid of responsibility, it is not shifting off our burdens that will make us happy; it is standing like men in the midst of them that will make us happy. Quit whining; quit whimpering, if you are at that poor business, and stand up like a man, and gird yourself for service.

Nor is it getting clear of burdens that will make character for ourselves; it is the surest way to unmake character, if we have character; the surest way not to make character, if we have no character. You can lay down all burdens and become a weak, selfish and driveling fellow; or you can stand up like a man, and become more and more of a man.

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OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

West Oklahoma, Frederick.....November 13
East Oklahoma, Holdenville....November 20
Arkansas, Atkins.....November 27
Little Rock, Hot Springs....December 4
White River, Newport....December 11

Rev. G. E. Holley reports a very successful year at Fort Towson, and says he will have a splendid report to carry up to conference.

Rev. S. M. Yancey, Parkin, has had a most successful year, both material and spiritual. He is an excellent preacher and a very fine Christian worker.

Rev. E. M. Pipkin is delighting his congregations with some good preaching at Osceola. They speak of him in highest terms. Some talk of a new church.

Plans have been accepted for our new \$40,000 church at Batesville, to be builded of Batesville stone and marble, and to be one of the best churches in this State.

The pastor at Hobart, Okla., Rev. J. O. Peterson, and Class No. 7 of his Sunday school picked cotton for a day recently and gave the proceeds on a special for missions.

Rev. O. D. Langston, a graduate of Hendrix College, will be up for admission into the White River Conference. He is a fine singer and promising young preacher.

Rev. W. C. Hilliard is rounding out a very successful quadrennium as presiding elder of the Prescott District, which has advanced along all lines under his administration.

Rev. W. H. Duncan, pastor of Blytheville Circuit, reports over 40 professions and 25 accessions to the church. He is a most excellent and successful local preacher and a faithful worker.

Rev. S. H. Blackwell has had a fairly good year at Wilson, although the high water greatly hindered all work among his people. He is quite affable and is highly respected by his good people.

Rev. W. F. Southworth, pastor of Crawfordsville and Marion, is one of our true and faithful preachers. He stood firm while the great high water was on and will bring up a good report to conference.

Mr. J. M. Montgomery, who is in charge of Young Men's Christian Association work among Southern colleges, was at Conway last Sunday and made an interesting address in behalf of that noble work.

Hon. Q. T. Holloway, father of Rev. A. E. Holloway, Mrs. J. H. Glass, Q. T. Holloway, Jr., and R. A. Holloway, aged 86 years, died in Clarendon, October 29, 1912. He had lived a long and useful life.

Rev. A. E. Holloway has had a most excellent year at Blytheville, shaping up the church debt,

and improving the general condition of the church. Brother Holloway is one of our best and most successful preachers.

Rev. E. K. Sewell and wife are closing another four years' work. This time at Earle. They have staying qualities, which is necessary to success. The time limit alone will move them. That charge will be fortunate to which they are sent

Rev. J. T. Hood has had a good year at Luxora and Rozelle. At Rozelle he was assisted in a gracious meeting by Rev. O. D. Langston, a graduate of Hendrix College. Brother Hood is a true man and is in much favor with his excellent people.

Dr. N. L. Linebaugh, Ada District, throws into a private letter a most optimistic note about his district, saying they will come out in good condition on the year's work, and that the pastors, "a most brotherly set," have without exception been faithful to their work.

Attorney T. S. Buzbee, one of the leading lawyers of the State, and one of the most princely laymen of our Methodism, is president of the Winfield Brotherhood of our Winfield Memorial Church, Little Rock, which is composed of 250 churchmen.

On last Sunday evening, at the regular service, there were 74 young men and young women received into the Epworth League of Winfield Church, making over 125 received into that great young people's society of that flourishing church in the past six weeks.

We have the sad intelligence, through Rev. J. F. Hindrey, pastor, that on Monday night Mrs. Florence, wife of Rev. J. K. Florence, a superannuated member of West Oklahoma Conference, residing at Noble, Okla., died. We extend condolence to our dear brother.

Delegates to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America from the conferences served by this paper are Dr. George B. Winton, Rev. A. L. Scales, Rev. E. R. Steel, and Governor George W. Donaghey. The council meets in Chicago December 4-9.

Rev. J. D. Rutledge, a worthy superannuate, has his home at Blytheville. He hopes to attend conference at Newport December 11. His brethren will be glad to meet him. They remember his great kindness in helping to entertain the conference at Blytheville last year.

Dr. A. C. Millar, president of Hendrix College, goes next week to Spartanburg, S. C., to attend the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the South. He will look in on our institutional work in Atlanta as he returns and will probably stop a day in Birmingham.

We note with sympathetic interest the death at Prairie Grove, Ark., of Dr. S. E. Rogers, one of the oldest members of our church in that country. He was a man of rugged qualities, and a man of honor. We visited him only a few weeks ago, and found him ready for his coming change.

The whole-heartedness, the intellectual brilliancy and the oratorical and literary powers of Bishop Hoss have made him one of the most commanding figures in the modern religious world. We trust that he may be long spared to bless the church by the use of his splendid gifts. —(N. Y.) Christian Advocate.

Judge Frank Smith, who has made one of the very best circuit judges in Arkansas, in surrendering his place a few days ago, to take his new place as one of the Associate Justices on the bench of the Supreme Court, was made the recipient of a very handsome chest of silver, in testimony of the high regard in which he is held in his old circuit.

Brother W. A. Counts, who was one of the leading officials of Winfield back in 1875, when Dr. Alonzo Monk was pastor of what was then called the "Spring Street Church," died this week at his home at Alexander, near Little Roc!, and his funeral was held in this city by the Winfield pastor and Doctor Monk. He was one of earth's noblest men.

Dr. O. F. Sensabaugh, in a private note expresses the good hope that Oklahoma City District will this year show an advance over last year. We are very sure that if it does not show an advance it will not be for lack of grip and grit on the part of the presiding elder. We have heard some one express the sentiment that Doctor Sensabaugh is just about on the top round as a presiding elder.

Bishop Warren A. Candler will preach at Morrilton next Sunday morning, reopening their church, now one of the best plants in the State, since the building of its commodious annex. Bishop Candler goes to Ozark for the night service, where he will dedicate a splendid church our people there have completed. We congratulate our dear brethren and sisters in both places who have toiled and had patience.

We had a much appreciated call Wednesday from Mr. W. H. Hicks, of Lonoke. Mr. Hicks subscribed for the Western Methodist in about 1877, while it was published in Memphis, and has been a constant subscriber since that time. He cheerfully renewed for another year while in our office. We make free to say that if all our church people took the same view of the matter as this good brother there would be no problem about the church paper.

Dr. J. L. Green, superintendent of the Arkansas Hospital for Nervous Diseases, addressed the student body of Hendrix College last Sunday afternoon on the causes of insanity. The address was an admirable deliverance, and ought to do great good. We would that it might be repeated to all the young men of this State—and herein is a hint to other colleges. We consider the State of Arkansas fortunate in having such a man as Doctor Green in so important a position.

We are sorry to chronicle the death of an old and honorable citizen of Arkansas. Such was Mr. J. M. May, of Okolona, who died October 28, at the age of 67 years. His was a beautiful life: he joined the church at the age of 23 and for 40 years was a steward in the church and filled that office at the time of his death. He was a lifelong reader of his church paper and used his information thus gathered to forward the movements of the church. These facts we gathered from his son, Dr. W. S. May, of this city, and we extend condolence to him and the other members of the family of the deceased. We hope a further write-up will be furnished for publication.

WILSON AND MARSHALL ELECTED.

Governor Woodrow Wilson and Thomas Marshall were, on Tuesday, elected President and Vice President, respectively, of the United States of America. Their majority over all opponents was nothing less than a landslide. The Electoral College stands, Thursday morning, Wilson, 387; Colonel Roosevelt, 89, and President Taft, 12. These numbers will be changed by further returns, but they indicate what may be the result. Joe Cannon, former Speaker of the House, was defeated. It is likely that the Democrats will have a clear majority in Congress with an increased majority in the House.

THE BALKAN WAR.

Matters in the Near East have progressed rapidly since our last issue, as we warned our readers they would likely do. The Allies have been simply overwhelming the Turkish forces as thev came to them. As we write these lines-Tuesday-just before leaving the office, the Turks are apparently endeavoring to reform their scattered armies behind their last line of fortifications, within 25 miles of Constantinople, and the Allies are concentrating on that point, having driven back their enemy from all directions, and having captured a large proportion of their artillery. Meanwhile, the Turkish government has appealed in vain to the Powers to put an end to hostilities. The Bulgarians have been unwilling to listen to any talk about mediation; they have matters apparently in their own hands, and propose to make their own terms. The fall of Constantinople seems to us at this writing inevitable. Then what? Well, we shall see.

A NEW DAILY PAPER FOR ARKANSAS.

We are in receipt of the prospectus of the Development Publishing Company, which has been organized with headquarters at Little Rock, for the purpose of establishing a new daily paper, to be issued from that city. The paper is to be "nonpartisan in policy, and devoted to the material, educational, moral, and civic interests of the people of Arkansas."

The Western Methodist unhesitatingly commends such a purpose. A paper of this character is the Tennesseean, which Mr. Carmack established at Nashville, Tenn., and which is one of the greatest moral and civic forces in that State. Another such paper was a year or two ago established at Richmond, Va., and is doing a great work in that commonwealth. We know of nothing that Arkansas stands more in need of than it stands in need of a great secular paper, of Statewide circulation, not afraid to speak out on moral issues, nor afraid to speak boldly on the right side.

The President of this new company is Dr. J. H. Estes, a merchant and planter, of Little Rock. The Vice President is Hon. Clay Sloan; the Secretary is Rev. Frank Barrett; the Treasurer is Mr. W. E. Lenon, the President of the People's Savings Bank. The attorneys are Manning & Emerson. The Auditing Committee is made up of George Thornburgh, M. E. Dunaway, E. J. A. McKinney, Clio Harper, and F. A. Naylor. The directors are: Hon. Clay Sloan, Black Rock; Dr. J. H. Estes, Little Rock; Captain R. W. Huie, Arkadelphia; Dr. V. H. Hallman, Hot Springs: Dr. S. A. Scott, Little Rock; U. S. Bratton, Postmaster, Little Rock; Dr. J. F. Hammett, Little Rock; Hon. H. L. Hale, Hot Springs; Hon. David A. Gates, Little Rock; President J. W. Conger, Conway; J. O. Johnston, Little Rock; D. W. Richie, Pine Bluff; Earl W. Hodges, Secretary of State, Little Rock; Senator T. C. White, Pine Bluff; Dr. John Anderson, Little Rock.

The capitalization is \$100,000.00. Stock is now being sold, and the sale has gone forward rapidly. The prospectus makes it known that none but entirely reputable men will be allowed stock in the concern. The paper is to be launched as soon as all the stock is secured in bona fide subscription, payable 10 per cent on application, and 10 per cent per month thereafter.

money, it would certainly pay to run the paper. We therefore heartily commend the enterprise to our readers.

MORE THAN A HINT TO THE WISE.

The St. Louis Christian Advocate gives us the following about Los Angeles, Cal.:

The plans for the new Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are now practically finished and the work of tearing down the old structure, which was built about thirty years ago, will be commenced in three or four weeks

The proposed edifice, costing in the neighborhood of \$500,000, will be one of the largest and finest structures in Los Angeles. It is to be a nine-story

reinforced concrete building, designed especially for the needs and purposes of Trinity Church. On the first floor there will be a banquet hall with a seating capacity of 1,500, and a fully equipped gymnasium. A cafe also is being considered for this floor.

On the second floor will be located the church, which will seat a congregation of 3,000. Two smaller auditoriums on the same floor will be used for Sun-

day school and lecture rooms.

A large, home-like social hall for young people and a library and reading room will be on the third floor. The fourth floor will be occupied by the various church offices and committee rooms.

The remaining five rooms will be devoted to a young men's home, whose purpose will be to encourage and assist its members by wholesome surroundings, pleasant associations and clean amusements.

Dr. Robert P. Howell, the pastor, is enthusiastic

about the new church and the vast possibilities before it in the larger field of enterprise and endeavor. He believes that the moral forces engendered by the kind of the home that is planned, will have a ten-tency to help not only those with whom it comes in direct contact, but that its sphere of influence will gradually widen until it will become a potent factor in the uplifting and bettering of the city

"It is our purpose in the proposed new Trinity building to minister to the whole man," said Dr. Howell, when asked about the general purpose of the new structure. "We believe that the place of worship should be open each evening for some helpful service to any who might need that service, and that the down-town church at least must do more than keep its place of meeting open on the Sabbath and one or two nights of the week.

"It is our purpose to have a great social hall where young gentlemen may meet young women in a social way any evening of the week and be helped by a clean uplifting atmosphere, instead of meeting in the

dancehalls or some other undesirable place.
"We believe that the church should do preventive work. It is a glorious thing to lift the fallen out of the ditch, but a better work still to keep men from

going into the ditch.
"We wish the proposed structure to bless human life, in making it richer and stronger for all that is right and true, and we want to build an institution that will be a lasting benediction to our beautiful city. It is our plan to offer to as many young men as we can accommodate, who are here without a home, as good a substitute as can be arranged.

"This institution is not proposed as a money-making scheme, but for the good of young life, which is far more precious than fine gold. the institution in every department to emphasize the preciousness of human life. It is for this purpose of holding up the highest ideals and building the true, strong man that this structure is dedicated."

It seems a curious coincidence that just as our eye fell upon this account from Los Angeles it was the very subject that had been most constantly on our own mind for several days. It is simply amazing that in so many of our cities there is no headquarters to which our Methodists can go. There is none, for example, here in Little Rock; there is none in Fort Smith; none in Hot Springs; none in Pine Bluff; none in Texarkana; none in Oklahoma City; none in Muskogee; none in Tulsa—none in any town or city in Arkansas or Oklahoma. A young man drifts into one of our cities, stops at a hotel, maybe with barroom attached; or drifts into a saloon, or a worse place still; and in a single night he is ruined. There ought to be in every one of our cities some place kept open always, till, say, 10:00 o'clock every night, a place to which any Methodist man or woman, particularly young man or woman, can go and find a place to rest, a place to obtain information as to proper boarding house, a place where Christian friends can be found, who will open the way to other Christian friends and to such help as is needed. There ought to be a place where a Christian gentleman can get a We see no reason at all why the proposition room in thoroughly Christian surroundings, a We see no reason at all why the proposition should not be a good one commercially. It ought to pay dividends. But if it paid no dividends in a place can be established, can be maintained, at 6:20 a. m. and 5. p. m. even at a profit. But if it paid not a cent's dividends it would still pay.

Has not Mr. Ogden Mills established in New York thoroughly respectable rooming houses, under Christian influences, where a man can get a room for the low rate of 25 cents per night? and is it not true that the arrangement pays a dividend on the investment. We think it would be easy to get from 50 cents to \$1.00 for at least 50 rooms.

The Western Methodist is itself in position to form a very advantageous arrangement by which

the paper can take quarters in such a plant and manage the same at a minimum expense-an arrangement that would be mutually advantageous. Will not some man or woman whom God has blessed with money and who would like to bless coming generations, write us about the matter?

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Board of Education.

The Board of Education of the East Oklahoma Conference is called to meet at the Methodist Church in Holdenville on the evening of November 19 at Let all members of the Board take notice of this call and plan to be there promptly on time, as matters of importance are to come up at that meeting. Chas. L. Brooks, Secretary.

Board of Missions.

The Board of Missions of the East Oklahoma Conference will meet at our Church in Holdenville at 7:30 p. m., Monday, November 18. The Presiding. Elders will please meet with the Board at 9 o'clock, Tuesday morning.

E. M. Sweet, Jr., Chairman.

Class of Third Year.

The class of the third year will meet the committee in the Methodist Church at Holdenville, Tuesday, ov. 19 at 4 p. m. If there are any who have not taken the Correspondence Course, and intend taking the examination at Conference, please let me know at once.

J. H. Ball, Chairman.

Shawnee, Okla.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Class of Second Year.

Let each member of this class, who has not passed his examinations either in the Correspondence School, or with the Committee of this class, meet in the First Baptist Church, Frederick, Okla., Tuesday, Nov. 12, 9:00 a. m.

E. A. Townsend,, Chairman.

Class of the Third Year.

The class of the third year of the West Oklahoma Conference will please meet the committee promptly at 9:00 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, November 12, in the Methodist Church at Frederick, Okla., prepared to undergo examination or present certificates from the Correspondence School.

H. B. Thomason, Chairman.

Class of the Fourth Year.

The Committee and Class of the fourth year will meet in Frederick, Okla., Tuesday, Nov. 12, at 9 a. m., at the First Methodist Church, South. W. L. Anderson, Chairman.

Board of Missions.

The Board of Missions of the West Oklahoma Conference will meet in the Methodist church at Frederick, Oklahoma, Tuesday, November 12, at 9 a. m. All members of the Board are expected to be present.

O. F. Sensabaugh, Chairman.

C. R. Gray, Secretary.

before the Board.

Board of Education. The Board of Education of the West Oklahoma Conference is hereby called to meet in the Methodist church, Frederick, Oklahoma, Tuesday, November 12, at 9:00 a.m. Every member is urged to be present, as there are some important matters to come

R. E. L. Morgan, President.

W. A. Shelton, Secretary.

Final Notice.

Dr. J. M. Gross, of Wynnewood, will preach the opening sermon Tuesday evening at 7:30, and the ermon will be followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you are not cared for at the depot when you

arrive, come immediately to the church, where further directions will be given.

Be sure to bring your card showing where you

have been assigned.

Frederick, Okla.

Tuesday, November 12, 2 p. m.

For Admission. Class for Admission into West Oklahoma Conference meets at First Baptist Church at Frederick,

> G. R. Wright, J. G. Blackwood, Committee.

Church Extension Applications.

Those who expect aid from the Conference Board of Church Extension must have their applications in the hands of the secretary by the second day of the Conference.

C. F. Mitchell, Chairman.

Finishing up the World

SWITZERLAND'S JUNG-FRAU, RIGI, AND GLACIER GARDEN.

BY DOCTOR W. B. PALMORE.

LXVIII.

In our last letter we spoke of our great disappointment in finding the Jung-Frau enveloped in cloud, but later we had a most enchanting and inspiring view. Interlaken means between the lakes. It is composed principally of large fine hotels extending miles through a long, very narrow valley with prices almost as high as the mountains looking down on such magnificent establishments. However, there are other hotels of lesser proportions and pretensions where tourists can be quite comfortably entertained for much less expense. One of the most popular of all these famous hotels is the Jung-Frau, located immediately at the foot of the unique and majestic mountain after which the hotel is named.

Here you can best see historic Switzerland, with the servants wearing picturesque and gaudy costumes of the long ago and singing the old Alpine songs. With fatigue and hunger from a long day's travel, with hundreds of others we were very much enjoying an evening meal. The evening gloaming of the valley was thickening into darkness, when there was a sudden rush from the table, and the dining room was almost empty in a few seconds. We thought the house was on fire; and we rushed out after the crowd! The base of the great mountain was wrapped in a mantle of darkness, while its snow-capped summit, reaching up through a canopy of cloud was crowned with

A GLEAM OF GOLD!

The multitude gazed in silence and wonder, a few minutes, and then broke forth in a great hymn of praise. Such an earthly vision was too beautiful to last. The sun soon dropped beneath the horizon of distant mountain peaks, and all was enveloped in darkness.

Switzerland is the summer garden and play-ground of the civilized world and the Rigi is Europe's observatory. Our second view from this was much better than the first. Many people have been to its summit many times and never saw a clear sunset or sunrise. It was our good fortune to see the setting sun half above and half below a jagged horizon of snow, and at the same time see a rising full moon exactly in the same position in the East. The next morning it was still clear and the same scene was exactly reversed, with the setting moon in the west and the rising sun in the east. Few visitors have ever been so fortunate.

Several years ago we were traveling in the Rocky Mountains of America with a small party of inexperienced and unpretentions tourists. We had all halted and were gazing in rapturous awe upon one of the sublime pictures of which that range is so replete. Another party approached us of a much more pretentions character, when one of them-a thin-visaged, pedantic looking creature-elevated her glass and rather contemptuously remarked, "that is nothing to what we saw in Italy." Of course, our little party who had never left the Western Hemisphere, at once formed a very exaggerated conception of the grandeurs of Italy. Now since we have seen all the most famous pieces of Italian and Alpine scenery, we have deliberately concluded that she had never seen Italy. No one with any facility in comparison can say that the Alps or Italian Mountains even approximate the Rocky Mountains in solitary grandeur and wildness of sub-

limity. In many places the Alps are superior in the single phase of beauty, from the fact of the bowers and artificial auxiliaries. There is scarcely a square yard of available soil that isn't terraced and cultivated, bearing vegetables, grass, grain, fruits, or flowers, with here and there an old ruin of ivy and moss-covered walls to dignify the picture with an expression of antiquity and romance as well as utility. One morning as we stood upon the extreme pinnacle of the Rigi, we were impressed with the striking contrast in this view and another we once had in watching a sunrise from the top of

PIKE'S PEAK.

The Rigi, a vast mass of conglomerate rock, stands like a sentinel midway between the valley and mountain regions of Switzerland. Peculiar to all the rest in its geologic structure, and but an infant in comparative age, having been thrown up from the bottom of a vast lake, centuries after the others were hoary with antiquity and snow. To the south we could see over most of the ranges and locate the prominent peaks. To the north was a panorama over which our glasses swept revealing a most extensive and crowded civilization. With the unaided eye hundreds of villages and towns could be seen. From the summit of Pike's Peak as we looked west, north, and south, there was no sign of civilization—nothing but the wildest grandeur and the most solemn sublimity—mountains massed upon mountains, rocks reared upon rocks in the most dreary and desolate confusion. Snow and clouds overcasting the whole and lifting the beholder up into a contemplation of the infinite. To the southeast we looked 150 miles down the Arkansas Valley, and to the northeast the valley of the Platte wending its way for nearly 200 miles, and to the east the plains undulating like an ocean with no sign of civilization save a few small towns and scattered ranches only visible through the telescope.

From the Rigi we had a fine view of the fated valley where once stood the town of Goldan. On the second day of September, 1806, at 5:00 o'clock in the evening this town was destroyed by a landslide, the track of which is as plainly visible now as if it were yesterday, when the 457 inhabitants were buried alive. The slide was 1,000 feet long, 300 feet deep, and 300 feet wide. The material of this mountain slide is Negelflue, rounded limestone and flint pebbles, embedded in a calcareous cement, interstratified by layers of sand which was easily disintegrated by rain or eroded by subterreanean waters. The summer of 1806 had been a rainy one, resulting in this great slide, which not only overwhelmed Goldan. but displaced the water of a lake, submerging other villages with water. The disaster is now commemorated annually by a religious service in the neighboring village of Arth. This reminded us of

THE DARJEELING TRAGEDY!

When a mountain slide in the Himalayan range buried alive a large family of the most remarkable and finest children we have ever known of. If any of our readers have never read of these noble and heroic children, they should write and order a biography of them from their parents, Doctor and Mrs. Lee, Lee Memorial School, 18 Wellington Square, Calcutta, India.

The city of Lucerne (meaning a lighthouse) is attractive to the tourist on account of its proximity to the Rigi and Mount Pilate, the Glacier Gardens, and Thorwaldsen's masterpiece of sculpture. Mount Pilate takes its name from the unfortunate Roman Procurator who committed suicide on its summit. We economized our strength and time by examining this peak through a large telescope without making the ascent. The Glacier Garden exhibits the remains of the glaciers discovered in 1872-1875. Professor Heim, of the University of Zurich, says the exhibits here

made date from the earliest epoch of the existence of our globe, from the time when almost the whole of Switzerland and a large part of the Northern Hemisphere, were buried under immense masses of ice, with here and there an oasis lying between, inhabited by animals extinct long ago. After the mound carried along with the moving glacier had been taken away wonderful erosions made by nature were discovered here which the visitor best inspects in the following order No. 1 is one of the gigantic pots of glacier holes, which owe their existence to the whirling of stones driven round by the melted ice.. In geology these holes or pots are known by the name of glacier mills. The stones whirled round by the water ground the rock at the same time they were polished themselves, as the two samples of millstones lying in the mill amply prove. No. 1 is

A GLACIER MILL

with two grinders left as most of them have been removed in order not to impede the inspection of the mill. The spiral windings dug by water whirling around from east to west are clearly visible. No. 3 is a mill that was discovered first of all and had the sad fate of being almost destroyed as the value of the interesting discovery was not yet known. No. 4 is a layer of rocks abounding with petrifications of the sea once covering the whole country situated at the foot of the Alps, which then presented a mere range of hills looking over the surface of the water. No. 5 presents the petrification of a palm discovered by the breaking of a stone near the garden. On this small spot of ground you have before your eyes different pages of the history of the earth. No. 4 dates from the period when the ocean covered the land. No. 5 presents land when tropic heat produced tropic forests. In the various glacier mills we have the debris left by the ice that once covered the northern hemisphere. Thus the aspect of the earth has changed in the convulsions of the ages. But there are so many bewildering complications in all these phenomena that the honest student turns away from the scene feeling that the greatest men know very little about it.

Thorwaldsen's "Lion of Lucerne" commemorates the valor of the Swiss Guard, 786 of whom fell, August 10, 1792, in defending the royal family of Louis XVI of France, from a revolutionary mob. We have never seen anything in art so unique and appropriate as this. The figure of the lion cut in the side of a penrpendicular is 28 feet by 18. The posture of the colossal body lying across the shield, the broken spear, the prone outstretched paw, and the wonderful expression of almost human feeling put into the face are pathetically significant. It is said to be the most appropriate and touching monument in existence, and would be impressive in a cathedral, but it is more so in this sequestered nook outdoors with trickling rills dripping from its mossy edges, and forming a dark, crystal pool in which the lion is reflected. For years a survivor of the heroic Swiss Guard stood here in his patched uniform, a guard to the grotto and a guide to the visitor.

THE NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF ARKANSAS.

To the People of Arkansas:

After a careful and extended study of the condition of public education in the State, the State Board of Education feels it to be its duty to make the following statement:

THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

While many common school districts constantly carry unused balances accumulated at the expense of the schools and amounting in the aggregate to a great sum, a majority of the remaining districts use all of their funds in maintaining schools. Yet the average annual term in the common school districts is a little less

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school districts; the average for all schools of modated in the present building. The school the State being 117.9 days, as against an average needs funds for a large main building, the comof 157 days for the whole country. Longer terms, better salaries, and more complete equipment are imperatively needed to render the common schools fully efficient. Many of them are now facing the proposition of providing high school in instruction for rural boys and girls. Under the present financial limitation they are unable to do this. Better financial support is imperative to enable them to render proper service to the children of the State.

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

An examination of the finances of special school districts discloses the fact that the revenues derived from taxes are in a great majority of the districts wholly inadequate to the needs of the schools. Out of 91 districts replying to questions on the subject, 70 stated that the funds are not sufficient, and 21 stated that they are. But of the latter not more than half-dozen include the item of building and equipment in the statement; for the most part they refer to maintenance only.

BUILDING.

Although a vast amount of building has been done, amounting in the past two years to more than a million dollars, the problem is still insistent. There are perhaps in the State a dozen towns which are now in absolute need of new buildings for the accommodation of children, many of them without sufficient funds to run the school and with none at all for building. In the past few years the erection of buildings in the smaller towns has been followed by a reduction in the length of the school term, a cut in the salaries of teachers, or supplementing the funds by donations. In many districts the free term of from three to seven months is followed by a private term, and in some there is no free term at all, tuition being collected throughout the school year from high school pupils, and in one district from all.

DEVELOPMENT.

There is a general demand for the inclusion of elective courses in manual training, domestic science and art and commercial branches in high school programs, as well as in some of the consolidated and graded rural schools. Equipment for these subjects is expensive. There is no money for it. The available funds are barely adequate to the maintenance of the schools at the present standard. There is none for development.

GROWTH OF SCHOOLS.

Practically all of the towns of the State are growing, some of them very rapidly. This sudden influx of school children imposes a heavy burden upon the town and village schools in the way of additional house accommodations and teaching force. Since increase in taxable property values does not keep pace with the increase in school population and taxes from newcomers are not collected for a year after the children enter the schools, growing districts are unable to keep up with the demands upon its schools.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

The dominant factor in promoting the efficiency of schools is the teacher. He must only have native ability, but training also. The salaries given to teachers are not attractive; if they are not raised the business of teaching children will in a short time fall into the hands of teachers of little ability and training or those who take it up as a temporary makeshift only. If the schools are to be kept to the present standard more money is needed; if they are to be developed in accordance with modern demands much more is needed.

THE STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

than 100 days, as against 153 days in the special 300 students. This is as many as can be accompletion of the unfinished dormitory for girls, and a dormitory for men. In addition, it should get an annual appropriation of about \$30,000 for maintenance, and, as it grows, and it will grow just as fast as accommodations for students are provided, it will need more.

> THE FOUR AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS. are strong claimants upon the State. Their buildings and equipment are inadequate. The schools are unable to pursue a comprehensive course of agriculture for the lack of funds, and are forced to turn away deserving farmer boys and girls who desire an agricultural education. Each school should have sufficient buildings and equipment to take care of the boys and girls in

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

their districts, and each should have at least

\$25,000 yearly for maintenance.

is now 40 years old, and includes four colleges and schools at Fayetteville—agriculture, arts and sciences, engineering and education; two at Little Rock—law and medicine; and one at Pine Bluff—Branch Normal for colored people. All except the law school are claims upon the State treasury. The university has been made to suffer seriously for the last four years on account of the depleted condition of the State treasury. Not only have appropriations been reduced below absolute necessities, but even these inadequate allowances have been heavily vetoed. The State has not erected a building at the university in seven years. A large sum should be made available for necessary buildings at once, and a large farm should be purchased for the agricultural college. On account of the lack of funds the university is keeping pace with the growth of neither the State nor sister State universities

RECOMMENDATIONS.

- 1. That common school district boards are earnestly urged to apply all unused balances to the maintenance of schools.
- 2. That some legal provision be made by which the school revenues in both common and special districts may be increased through: (a) A higher or more equal assessment of taxable property; or (b), a higher maximum district levy, or removal of the constitutional limitation of the district levy; or (c) permission to special districts to vote more than the present maximum levy; or (d) permission to levy a special tax for building purposes in addition to 7 mills; or (e) a special assessment for school purposes.
- 3. That the State University, the State Normal, and the four State Agricultural High Schools be supported by special tax.

Very respectfully, THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, GEORGE B. COOK, Chairman, B. W. Torreyson, Secretary, L. P. ANDERSON, D. A. BRADHAM, FORNEY HUTCHINSON, JOHN H. REYNOLDS, J. W. KUYKENDALL, JOHN P. LEE. Little Rock, October 15, 1912.

"FUNDAMENTALS" APPROVED.

It is with much pleasure that I have read in your recent issues the commendations of the "Fundamentals" by Brother W. J. Moore. I trust that all those who have not already done so will heed his good advice.

While many of the articles contained in these little volumes will be considered elementary by those of our preachers who have done extensive The State Normal School now enrolls about theological reading, the article on "Millennial

Dawn" by Professor Moorehead and the 'article on Mormonism by Rev. R. G. McNeice are worthy of a careful reading by any pastor or Christian worker. Of the former cult I have had little opportunity to learn, but since coming to my present pastorate and finding here a fullfledged Mormon church in operation, I have made a somewhat extensive study of its claims.

Avowedly un-American and manifestly un-Christian, this political oligarchy and false religious hierarchy now numbers its votaries well into the hundreds of thousands—almost one million of our American people, and it constantly maintains 3,000 missionaries in the United States outside of the Mormon strongholds, who, according to the Mormon handbook, baptize into that faith an average of 12 persons each, annually. A very great per cent of which are proselytes from other churches.

Mormonism is one of the most aggressive and dangerous menaces threatening our government. Without deviation the tithing rule is enforced and the annual income of the church is represented at approximately twenty millions. This Joseph Smith, Jr., president, prophet, seer and revelator, together with his counsellors, expend as they may see fit. He is accepted by the Mormon people as the sole vicegerent of God upon the earth, and to ask him to give an account would be the equivalent of asking God to account to man. No monarch ever held more complete sway in his domain than does Joseph F. Smith in the Mormon kingdom. He is supposed to the possessor of such privileges and prerogatives as have never before been vouchsafed to mortal man, including the keys to the kingdom of heaven. The property and even the lives of his subjects are at his command. If he desires he may separate a man from his family to do missionary work, or he may order entire families into any locality where he desires to more firmly establish a "stake of Zion." Not only the tenth is subject to his demands, but he may exact tribute of his people which amounts to confiscation of their property.

You may be assured, brother pastor, that your community will not escape the ravages of these prophets of a false church—these priests of the

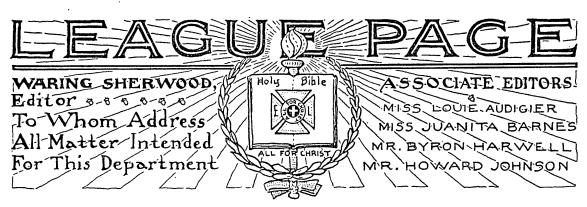
Much is being said and written about Mormonism, some authentic and some very authentic. Ex-United States Senator Cannon's book, "Under the Prophet in Utah," will be profitable reading for any pastor. It is published by the C. M. Clark Co., Boston, and is a reliable exposition of the conditions as they really exist in the Northwest—the Mormon Zion. The author, himself reared a Mormon, does not attack the Mormon faith nor the Mormon people, but mercilessly lays the lash upon the authorities of the church, whom he charges with having broken faith with the government and violating every agreement of the conditions under which Utah was admitted to statehood. He also cites many instances of "new polygamy," and charges that Joseph Smith, the president, himself lives with five women whom he claims as his wives. He graphically sets forth the manner in which the Mormon authorities exercise political power even to the naming of the United States Senators, and how the politics of eight States are absolutely under the dominion of this despotism.

If there are those who wish to enter into a detailed study of Mormonism I will be glad to furnish a list of good books on the subject.

> Very truly, W. A. FRAZIER.

Fairland, Okla.

Please look over the Publishers' Column. We are delighted with the orders coming in for books, some with new subscribers and some with the cash.



NOVEMBER 17.

SENDING FORTH MESSENGERS; DEVELOPING LEADERS BY GIVING MEN RESPONSIBILITY AND CONSTITUENCY.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM.

Scripture Readings: Mark 6:7-13; Ex. 18:13-22. Silent Prayer.
Scripture Readings.
Song Service.
Solo, "Lead Kindly Light."
Announcements.
Sentence Prayers.
Leader's Remarks.
Five minute talks:
The Difficulty of Finding Competent Leaders, by the First Vice President.
Preparation the Essential to Leadership.

Christ's Training of the Twelve and then Sending Them Forth.

Are We Getting the Training for Leadership in the League.

Open Discussion.

Open Discussion. Song.

Prayer by the Leader. Five minutes of "Getting Acquainted."

THE TOPIC.

1. God Has Chosen to Communicate His Will and Extend His Invitations to Mankind by Means of Messengers.

The spread of the gospel through all the ages agone has been through witnesses, messengers, evangels, preachers. It is the most natural thing in the world for us to tell to others the things we ourselves have learned. The Savior sent forth his disciples to tell of the good things of the kingdom. Christianity would soon die if no one talked about it. The lips must express the heart's fullness. A concealed religion is a dead or worthless religion. We speak of the things we think about and love.

2. During Christ's Earthly Ministry He Addressed Himself to the Task of Training Men for Leadership.

He gathered about him a number of unlettered men, in most instances representing the humbler walks of life, and in three years he made out of them heroic leaders in his kingdom. Every Bible student should read Bruce's great book, "The Training of the Twelve." It shows how Christ, little by little, revealed unto his apostles the great fundamental principles of his kingdom, and made out of them Christian heroes, who finally loved their Lord enough to suffer death rather than prove disloyal to his cause.

3. It is a Great Thing to Discover a Man; to Dig Him Up; to Reveal Him to Himself.

Christ discovered Peter, James, John, and the rest of the disciples who were vitally connected with the cause of Christianity during our Lord's earthly ministry. He saw in Peter a man capable of great leadership. Christ saw in him more good than his disciples could see. It was Moody who discovered Henry Drummond. It was Simon Peter Richardson who discovered Sam Jones. It was William Booth who discovered Gipsy Smith. It was Sam Jones who discovered E. O. Excell. It was James A. Garfield who discovered William McKinley. It was A. G. Haygood who discovered Bishop Warren A. Candler. Christ was always on the lookout for men. Christ was ever looking for the good in folks. Love is the great discovcrer.

4. Responsibility Both Reveals and Develops Character.

A man never amounts to much till he gets under the load of responsibility. "Everybody

has a load who is fit to carry one." Hardship and struggle are the things which make men strong and brave and skillful. It is a good thing for a young man to assume responsibilities early in his life—they will call out the best that is in him. Christ sent out his disciples and made them responsible for their conduct and their achievements. They soon became heroes of the cross. They preached to an unfriendly world; they deprived themselves of the common comforts of life; they went from house to house; they cast out devils; they healed the sick. Had they never been thus thrust out they would never have become leaders. There are some things which we can only learn in the school of experience. We can never become morally strong by living the shielded life. There is a vast deal of difference between ignorance and innocence. One can come in daily contact with sin and yet be holy. There can be no real responsibility without struggle and suffering and hardship and risk.

5. The Responsibility of the Religious Leader Is the Greatest and the Most Sacred of Any Known to Man.

The man who sits in the cab of the engine of the fast train has a wonderful responsibilitythe lives of hundreds of passengers. The statesman has a great responsibility—the welfare of the common people. But the responsibility of the religious leader is even more sacred, because he deals with eternal interests. The people came unto Moses to "enquire of God." They did not go to him to enquire of real estate, or of politics, or of questions of amusement, but "to enquire of God." So do the people come to the preacher, the Sunday school teacher, the church leader, the Leaguer. How sincere, how pure, how careful, how sane and level-headed we ought to try to be. Jethro said to Moses: "Thou art not able to perform it thyself alone." None of us are. We must be in league with God.

LESSON TALK. (P. C. Fletcher.)

God needs men for his work just as Christ needed them. Christ selected men who he thought would be faithful, men who would carry on the work just as he felt it needed to be, and men who would feel and realize their responsibility. In the selecting of men for his work God wants just such men today, men who can see the call of duty in the needs around them, men who realize their responsibility to such a degree that nothing can keep them from their duty, and men who are so alive to the needs of the world that they are willing to sacrifice many little whims of their own to carry on the work which they have started.

The opportunities for service are manifold, in the League, in the Sunday school, and in the mission fields, both in your own city and in foreign fields. In all God needs just the same character of men as he needed when he chose the twelve. If in our League and Sunday school work we had more who were awake to their responsibility and duty and anxious to be of greater service every day, our work would grow by leaps and bounds. The Little Rock Conference of Epworth Leagues is blessed with having a number of young men and women within its borders who are doing all in their power for the sending out

of God's Word and who are loyal, faithful servants of the Master.

PRACTICAL POINTS.

- 1. The disciples were mere followers till Jesus called them to him and sent them forth with work and responsibility. They never would have been leaders had they never had some specific work to do.
- 2. Moses' father-in-law was a wise man. Although Moses was a powerful man, he had not the power to judge for all the people. It was wise for him to appoint leaders and rulers among the people, making them worthy of their position by teaching them the laws and showing them the ways in which to go. The vice presidents of the League should take this lesson for themselves. It will not only aid each vice president, but also every member of his department, if he will give each of his committee some specific work and hold him responsible for it.
- 3. Happy should be we Leaguers. No greater movement was ever put forth than when the Epworth League was organized. In the Sunday school we are trained and taught, for the most part; in the League we are given tasks and responsibility, also a place to act and make use of our former training. The League is a great Leader Producer.

RESTITUTION FROM ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

The doctrine of restitution is a most wholesome doctrine, but not so full of comfort. After Malachi had rebuked the Jews for robbing God by withholding or misappropriating the Lord's tithe, they were exhorted to bring same into the storehouse, or make restitution, with the promise of God's blessings being poured out upon them again.

No doubt many who made a good beginning religiously failed to persevere because of the necessity laid upon them by this doctrine. Restore and continue to progress or fail to do so and recede.

So far as this necessity concerns the individual life, it is likely that we will largely be of one mind, but the other phase of the subject, about which I wish to write, seems to be overlooked.

My position is that the church or official board that withholds or fails to pay to their pastor the amount which they upon their honor agreed to pay him for his services, should feel as much under the necessity of making restitution as the individual in ordinary business relations. The moral obligation seems to be the same regardless of the number of parties connected in the transaction. Because it is a church affair and only a moral obligation, or honor debt, is no excuse for unfair or careless dealings with those whom God has sent to publish salvation.

If any difference, an honor debt should be considered more sacred, especially so when we are dealing with those who minister in holy things and who waive all rights to compel payment of even one penny of their salary.

The salary was not paid last year, may not have been for years; may not be for this year's service. It is possible, too, that financial conditions were not the cause of the failure. If so, any worthy preacher would willingly take his share of the failure and forgive any unpaid part of the debt. But it so often happens that some one has the "key to the situation," but has hidden it away and can not be induced to bring it forth.

In such cases is not that preacher's money crying out for its rightful owner, even though it is now in the name of someone else?

It may be that in many instances the preacher is not what he should be, and the church is disappointed in him, but no stipulated provision anticipating such a condition was considered in the contract, and therefore such action was not justifiable.

Think what hardships are thus brought upon the preacher and his family. He has to move, has to borrow money in order to do so; has to pay accounts or do worse, leave them unpaid.

No matter how artistically the choir of such a church may sing "Jesus Paid It All," it will be as a "sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal" as long as that laborer's hire is unpaid. The truth is, Jesus has not paid it yet, and is not going to pay it. He paid all the debt he assumed, and gave the church the money with which to pay his servants, but part of it has been held back, as was done by Ananias and Sapphira. Some church has in her possession a golden wedge or some garments that belong to some preacher and family, and these must be accounted for. The best thing many churches and officers could do would be to hunt up the records and find out how much money they have in their possession which belongs to their former pastors and make full and complete restitution. Think of the great number of superannuated brethren of every conference who have made our churches what they are today, and who, because of their failure to get their salary many times, are now with empty purses and are merely existing. The money due them would make them comfortable and they should have it. True, our Church does not recognize the claim of any pastor after conference, or after he has been removed, but how can the honor of any church be maintained when there are such honor debts hanging over it.

For doing ordinary work no laborer can scarcely be beaten out of his wages, and it seems that any church should covet a clean record in this particular, and especially so since those who serve as pastors have no legal right to compel the payment of their salaries.

Who knows but that the windows of heaven have been locked against some churches, simply because an equitable account has not been made of that with which God has endowed it? Who does not believe that when such a church makes proper disposition of these amounts still due God's servants that the windows of heaven shall be opened and showers of blessings be poured out upon his church?

Read again Gen. 22; Mal 3 and Luke 19. "We ought to give more earnest heed" to these things lest we fall short of the glory of God.

G. E. HOLLEY.

Fort Towson, Okla.

COMING QUADRENNIAL MEETING OF FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA.

Signs multiply that the quadrennial of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in American, in Chicago, December 4-9, from the standpoint of Christian unity, will be the most important meeting ever held on American soil. Delegates have been officially appointed by the highest judicatories and associations representing 30 denominations, representing the larger part of the Protestant constituency of the United States.

The local arrangements at Chicago are in charge of a committee of which Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D.D., is chairman, and a welcome worthy of the city is assured.

The headquarters will be at the LaSalle Hotel, and the day sessions held in its spacious assembly room. The welcome session on Wednesday evening will be held in Fullerton Hall, connected with the Art Institute, the address being given by the president of the council, Bishop E. R. Hendrix, D.D.

Thursday evening in Orchestra Hall Bishop William H. Bell, of the United Brethren Church, will preside, and Bishop Francis J. McConnell, D.D., of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Dr. James A. MacDonald, of the Toronto Club, will speak. The theme of the evening will be "Forward Movements of the Churches."

On Friday evening "The Relation of the Young People's Organizations to Christian Unity" will be the theme. Mr. Robert M. Gardiner, former president of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, will preside. Among the speakers are Governor Marshall of Indiana, a delegate from the Presbyterian Church, Dr. William F. Sheridan, and others.

On Sunday afternoon there will be a mass meeting that will bring to the front especially the responsibility of the churches in relation to social service. Rev. Walter Rauschenbusch, D.D., of Rochester, will make the opening address, and it is expected that the Hon. William J. Bryan will make the closing address.

On Monday evening a banquet will be given by the social unions and church clubs of the city.

This suggests that part of the program which refers more especially to the public meetings. At the day sessions the reports will be received from the chairmen of the Committees on Foreign and Home Missions, Sabbath Observance, Temperance, Family Life, the Commissions on the Church and Social Service, Peace and Arbitration, and Evangelism. In connection with these reports, matters of vital importance related to the united life and responsibility of the churches will be brought forward.

"SHALL WE HAVE EVANGELISTIC SER-VICES AT CONFERENCE?"—A COM-PROMISE SUGGESTED.

The above question has been discussed in our church papers from time to time, and in our Conferences as well. There is still a difference of opinion as to the advisability of doing so. But as the Annual Conference is a business session, largely so at least, it seems that it would not be the best thing to set apart all the preaching hours for such services. We need to hear our connectional brethren on the work they have in hand, and is as much ours as theirs. We need the inspiration of these anniversaries.

Now for the suggestion: Let us have the anniversary occasions at night as heretofore. Let the other services be held in the afternoon of each day. There are a great number of us who are not engaged at that time. Then the people of the community in which the Conference is being held can attend at that time better than at any other. There could be a great congregation for these services, and much good done. I do not like to call them "evangelistic:" for they ought to be on some great themes that would feed and build up the believer. No use to try to evangelize where there are none to be evangelized. The article in the "Western" of the 24th ult. was a very timely utterance, we think; only it did not tell us how to utilize the lost afternoons of an Annual Conference. How do you like my suggestion?

W. J. Moore.

Sulphur, Okla.

THE BIRTHDAY OFFERING—A WORD TO PASTORS.

If you have remitted your birthday offering to Dr. McMurry, please do not fail to bring his receipt with you to Conference. If you do not bring it your offering might not get into the record. I understand that Dr. McMurry has requested the superintendents to send these offerings to him direct. This is not exactly the regular way to manage these funds according to the Oklahoma plan; but if you bring receipt, no special inconvenience will be had. Hope every school in the State will make a contribution to this worthy interest of our church. Remember that these conferences have led all others for several years past. Cannot afford to drop behind now.

W. J. Moore, Chairman Sunday School Board.

Sulphur, Okla.

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If we waste our time on trifles we shall certainly have not time enough for important matters. If we waste our strength on baubles, we shall find not strength enough left for duties. More important still, if we expend our strength on sensuality, we shall bankrupt ourselves in the matter of strength for spiritualities. There is only so much in any one of us, and when we have spent that we have no more that we can spend. There is not merely a moral necessity that we should deny ourselves on the lower side; there is also a deep economic necessity.

THE TABOO ON MODERATE DRINKING.

The use of alcohol is receiving some hard knocks these days. A prominent railway system, not content with the general rule heretofore in force on railways forbidding employees to drink while on duty, now forbids employees to indulge at all in drinking out of employment hours, or in any other conduct which will impair their health or make them less alert and less capable while on duty. The owner of one of the nation's petsa prominent baseball team-announces that moderation in drinking is not sufficient; the players en his team must leave alcohol entirely alone and abandon cigarettes. The justification for such rules may be found not only in the difficulty of being moderate in indulgence, but also in the cumulative and after-effects of dissipation. The world is moving; the old fetich of "personal liberty" at whatever cost of danger to the public at large seems to be losing its power. The Journal of the American Medical Association thinks that the time may come when every man to whom the life and safety of others are entrusted may be expected or even required to be as abstemious as ball-players and railway employees.

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MISSOURI LETTER.

The Lyman Beecher Lectures on Preaching at Yale University have given to the Christian world the ripest thought of some of the strongest preachers of England and America. Only a few of them have fallen under my notice. But I read with great itnerest and much profit, the first three series by Henry Ward Beecher and those by Bishop Simpson and Phillips Brooks. If memory serves, "Verbum Dei," by Horton, is one of the series and the "Cure of Souls," by John Watson, was worthy of its place in that illustrious company. In the last few days I have given a second reading to "Positive Preaching and the Modern Mind," the series delivered in 1907. So far as my observation has gone recent years have produced no more timely book, nor one better calculated to help preachers who are loyal to Christ and yet are alive to the intellectual currents around them. Principal Forsyth shows that he knows what is going on in the world, and yet he makes no apology for the supreme claims of the gospel of Christ.

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I have recently given a second reading to some other strong books—books that perhaps yield more to the second reading than to the first, such as "Jesus and the Gospel," by Denny, and "The Problem of the Old Testament," by Orr. This latter work is the best discussion of the issues raised by the Higher Criticism that I have ever seen.

A book to which I have lately given a third reading, getting more from it than ever before, is "The Central Teaching of Jesus," by Bernard, who delivered the Bampton Lectures, "Progress of Doctrine in the New Testament," in 1864. "The Central Teaching of Jesus" is an interpretation of Christ's last discourse and prayer. John 13-17. Those words of our Lord have never seemed so real to me as they have since I read the book for the third time but a few weeks ago.

If our young preachers would study books like those have named they would be saved from the paralysis of faith which has destroyed the usefulness of some who gave great promise in their

Some years ago a man of more than average ability was in charge of a city church in my district. He came of a godly ancestry and was a graduate of one of our best colleges. I knew his parents and knew him when he was at college. After a few years in the pastorate he took the theological course at Vanderbilt. While serving the church above referred to he was invited to preach the commencement sermon for one of our colleges. It was the last place in Missouri where it was expedient to present the New Theology or expound the beauties of the Higher Criticism, but he had the courage of his convictions and delivered his soul. Hence arose no small stir. The district conference of the district in which the college was located met in a few days and proceeded to save orthodoxy in a vigorous manner. My preacher was not named in the resolutions, but was named in the discussion as I was informed. Next the pastor of the college church wrote to me complaining of the preacher's teaching. I replied that I had heard of the matter and intended to look into it, but the district conference had taken the case out of my hands. The Constitution of the United States forbids putting a man in jeopardy twice for the same offence. The presiding elder who allowed his district conference to teach the young man

with the briars of Succoth was discreet enough success. Brethren, give us your hearty co-operto hold his peace when we met at the annual conference. After serving another station the your sacrifices. preacher went to Yale. While there he served a nearby Congregational church, and later returned to Missouri to become pastor of a Congregational church within two blocks of the Methodist church he served when I was his presiding elder. Only the other day a friend told me that he is no longer a pastor, but is trying to sell life insurance. Strong in body and in mind, well educated, and a man of fine personal character, middle life finds him adrift. Some one has described the Platte of Nebraska as a river "one mile wide and one inch deep.

My second year on St. Joseph District opens encouragingly. On some of the charges there is an advance in the salaries, and several meetings have been held or are in progress, with good results. Our annual conference reported an increase of nearly 900 members last year.

C. H. Briggs. 410 South Fifteenth Street, St. Joseph, Mo. November 1, 1912.

OKLAHOMA WESLEYAN COLLEGE NOTES.

At the approaching Conference in Frederick, Okla., especial attention is to be given to the cause of education. This is, perhaps, the first time that the cause of education has been to the front at our Conference, but no greater cause could possibly be brought before us at this time. Educational matters are attracting the attention of the world as never before in history. So far as methods are concerned, and standards, it would almost remind us of the Renaissance, and our church is not behind the rest of the world in its efforts to make its educational standards equal to any, and to place its institutions where they will be on a par with the institutions of the State and other denominations, and where they will glorify God, and uplift humanity and do the work, generally, that is possible within this field.

The Board of Education of the West Oklahoma Conference has been called to meet on Tuesday morning, November 12, at Frederick, Okla., and the Board of Trust of Wesleyan College is also called to meet immediately following, and it is planned to devote a large part of the day Thursday to the interests of education, with special reference to Wesleyan College. On that day, at 11:00 o'clock, Justice R. L. Williams, of the Supreme Court, will addres the Conference. In the evening, a great rally will be held, at which time, Bishop Mouzon will deliver an address on Christian Education, and take a collection for Wesleyan College. This is only the beginning of a campaign to raise one hundred thousand dollars for the college.

We are calling upon the church in the entire State to respond liberally in this great cause. Throughout the State there seems to be a developing conscience on this subject, which is indeed gratifying. The interests of the college seem, at last, to be on the hearts of the people, and. some are responding with liberal contributions and subscriptions, and we confidently expect, before we are through, that every member of the church in the State will have contributed something to the founding of this great school. The outlook at the present time is very hopeful, and I see no reason why the Oklahom Wesleyan College should not stand at the very forefront within the next few years.

What we need is patience, persistence, and consecration. We are doing God's work, and God will not fail on his part, and I do not believe that his servants will fail us on their part.

Recently, six men have subscribed \$500.00 each, voluntarily, and many other smaller contributions have come without the asking, and we are hoping and praying, and expect that the Conference at Frederick will swing wide the door of mention the Western Methodist.

ation, your confidence, your prayers, and some of

W. A. SHELTON.

A STUDY OF OUR FOREIGN MISSION STATUS.

FROM HEADQUARTERS.

In the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the per capita assessment for Foreign Missions has been increased only five cents during the last twenty years. The aggregate has been increased from time to time, but only in keeping with the increase in church membership. At present the assessments for Foreign Missions is only 21 cents per capita, less than 2 cents a month.

The receipts for Foreign Missions last year from all sources—assessments, specials, quests, Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, Woman's Missionary Societies, etc., amount to only 46 cents per member—less than a penny a week.

During the last ten years the gifts of the Southern Presbyterian Church for the cause of Foreign Missions have increased from 75 cents to \$1.70 per member. In the same period the gifts of our own members have increased only from 30 cents to 46 cents per capita.

The membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the beginning of 1912 was 1,927,309. The assessment for Foreign Missions made at the Board meeting in May, 1911, is \$400,000.00. This, as indicated above, is but 21 cents per member.

The Annual Conferences which have had their sessions already report total collected on assessment for Foreign Missions as follows:

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Columbia	550	\$ 487	\$ 441
Denver	500	370	432
East Columbia	650	459	618
Kentucky	7,500	5,608	6,729
Louisville	11,600	9,072	9,606
Missouri	12,400	7,782	12,005
Montana	450	396	425
Southwest Missouri.	10,200	7,928	9,623
Tennessee	14,500	12,890	15,493
Western Virginia	2,700	1,857	1,854
As anyone can see, th	is is not	t a partic	ularly en-
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The assessment is a minimum. If no church should exceed it, we would have to recall half our missionaries and discontinue half our work.

Nashville, Tenn., November 1, 1912.

OKLAHOMA METHODIST COLLEGE.

The trustees of our college at Muskogee recently decided to change the name of the college from Oklahoma Woman's College to the Oklahoma Methodist College.

We have decided to begin work on the main building immediately after our annual conference. Arrangements are now being made for the material and labor.

The prospects are good, but we need the cooperation of all our people. We trust that all our Methodist people will take the college on their hearts and pray for its success.

S. F. GODDARD.

Muskogee, October 31.

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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.)

Dear Miss Katherine: It has been a long time since I visited the Children't Page. I will tell you a story.

Once when I was at my friend's house we thought we would take a "tub-ride," as we called it. There was a ditch by the house, and we were going to put the tub in the ditch. We got the tub and I was going to ride first; so they let me. I got in the tub and my friend was holding one side of the tub and I was standing on one side. All at once the tub went over and down I went. I got wet all over. It was in the winter time, too. I had to go home then, and we met some folks. I never wanted to ride in a tub any • more. If I see this in print I will write again. I am not an extra writer, so please excuse bad writing. From just, Grace.

Camden, Ark., Oct. 28, 1912. Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: How are you all these pleasant days. I like this weather fine; am going to school now. My teacher is Mr. Doyle Hickey. I like him fine. My ambitions are to be a school teacher if I can, and "Wherever there is a will there is a way." Let me tell you what I like: Music, flowers, singing, good books to read, and going to school.

I will tell you a little story about my experience with an opossum. I spent the night with one of my schoolmates and there wasn't anyone there except Mrs. Crowell, her four children, May-Belle Linebarier, and myself. After supper we were playing blind-fold and the dogs began to bark. We quit playing and Mrs. Crowel made us come into the room and she shut the door. I wanted to go and see what it was, but some of the rest would not do it. Finally we went over to our nearest neighbor, who was Mr. Byrd, and they came back with us. When we got back the dogs had run it in the smoke-house and Mr. Byrd went in there to see what it was, while I held the lamp for him. When we found out that it was an opossum, everybody just laughed

We were so surprised to find out that it was an opossum. One of the boys put him in a box to keep him awhile. He got out and we haven't scen him since. I will get my basket and go to school. Hoping Mr. Wastebasket has gone visiting so Miss Katherine will get my letter. Love to all.

Your old cousin, Lillian Purifoy.

Beebe, Ark., Sept. 15, 1912. Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: As I saw my first letter in print I will write again. I have been going to school this summer. Our school was out September 6. My teacher's name was Mr. John Ealy and I sure do like him. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. I like to go to Sunday school and church. For pets we have two pretty colts. Their names are Prince and Bunnie. Who has my birthday, July 26? Well I will close. With best wishes to Miss Katherine and all the cousins, Your cousin,

Rita Corbitt.

Beebe, Ark., Sept. 15, 1912. Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: As I saw my letter in print I thought I would write again. I am a little bluecyed boy. I went to school some this summer. I had a nice time playing with the boys. School is out now, and I am picking cotton. I like to pick it. It is so pretty and white. Grandpa Corbitt and Cousin Gregory Corbitt came to see us in August. They live in Lonoke county. Grandpa's and my

birthday are on the same day, the 24th of August. He is getting pretty old. I just love him. I only have one grandpa living. For pets I have two black puppies. I will close. Love to Miss Katherine and cousins.

Clyde Corbitt. Gould, Okla., Sept. 11, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: I will write for my first time. I go to Sunday school every Sunady. My teacher's name is Mrs. Combs. I like her fine. I will describe myself: My eyes are brown, my hair is light brown, I weigh thirty-nine and a quarter pounds and my age is between four and twelve. The one who will guess my age will receive a nice post card. I have been attending the Methodist meeting. It is fine; had four conversions and fourteen joined the church. I will try to answer Roberta Russell's riddle. Way down yonder there is a little green house and in that little green house there is a white house, in that little white house is a little red house, and in that little red house are lots of children. It's a watermelon. Am I right? Best wishes to all.

Edith Shrewder.

Altus, Okla., Sept. 15, 1912. Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you admit another Oklahoma girl among you? This is my first time to write and I hope my letter will be in print. Papa takes the Methodist and I always read the Children's Page. I am thirteen years old. My birthday is the 29th of January. I have only one pet and it is a little chicken. Well, I will try to answer some riddles. I think the answer to Margaret Dixon's riddle is a river. . And to May Bell Carder's riddle is a watch. And I think the answer to Carrie Lee Carder's riddle is potatoes. Am I right. I will guess Mabelle Hickman's age to be twelve years. Am I right, I will ask you a riddle. "It comes twice in a moment, once in a minute, and only once in a lifetime." Your new cousin, Flora May.

Little Maumelle, Ark., Sept. 18, 1912. Dear Cousins: How are you all this kind of weather? I am just fine. Our school is out but we are looking for it to begin real soon. I will guess Shellie May Kirkpatrick's age to be fifteen. Am I right? How many of you cousins like to go to school? I will close. Your old cousin,

Cassie Cook. Greenbrier, Ark.

Carl Hinton.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: The letters of all the cousins are very interesting. I enjoy reading them very much. I hope Mr. Wastebasket will have his share of letters before mine reaches you. This is my first time to write. I live in a small town of about two hundred inhabitants.

In the sumer I have a fine time. Father has a car and is a doctor, so I often go with him to answer calls. I will answer Claude Richards puzzle. It is a well. If I have the pleasure of seeing my letter in print I shall write A cousin,

Stillwater, Okla., 920 West St. Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you let another Oklahoma girl join your happy band? How are you all? I am well and hope you are the same. How many of you cousins go to Sunday school? I do. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Minor. Our pastor is Rev. J. A. McConnell. Mrs. McConell

be a watermelon. If I see this in print I will write again.

Your new cousin, Bula Gilbert.

THE REDPLUSH MOUNTAINS. By Judd Mortimer Lewis.

There's a country undiscovered But by one glad little boy And his Ładdy, and 'tis brimming Full of mystery and joy; And the stars up to the attic Lead them to its level floor, And the glamour of it waits them, Just inside the attic door.

From an ancient feather duster, That long since has come to grief, Comes a grand display of feathers For the headdress of a chief; And an old, discarded "settle," That is long and deep and wide, Has become the Redplush Mountains, Where a tribe of red men hide.

And the daddy is the red men, And the boy a hero bold, Who is searching through the moun-

For a vein of yellow gold. And the red men, softly creeping O'er the desert's level floor, Find his trail and chase him, panting, To a nook behind the door.

Then the air is rent with warfare And the popping of a gun, And cork bullets pelt the jackets Of the red men as they run; Till the Redplush Mountains hide them, Then the rag-bag is brought low By a bullet, and the hero Has a feast of "buffalo."

Then there's an enchanted carpet Which they crouch upon and-swish! They are suddenly transported To whatever land they wish. And they cling to one another And go sailing through the air! Then a little boy is sleeping, Limbs thrown wide and tousled hair.

Then the attic is an attic, Rubbishy and dim and bare, And the red man, now a daddy, Lifts a boy with tumble dhair. And goes softly down the stairway From the land of derring-do, And a mother, glad eyes shining, Comes and snuggles to the two.

A CHILD'S BLESSING AT BREAKK-FAST.

By Wilbur D. Nesbit. Lord, bless not only meat and drink, But what we do, and what we think, So that from all our work and play We shall be the better for this day.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

On the 29th of October the citizens of Stillwater voted upon an initiated bill to put pool halls out of the city, and carried it by a good majority. A good deed should not go unrecorded, and the people of Arkansas as well as of Oklahoma, will be glad to know that the man who led this movement is Rev. James E. McConnell, pastor of the Southern Methodist Church in Stillwater. He came to the front where the fight was the warmest openly and publicly showing the evil which usually attend pool halls and other similar places of amusements. On Sunday afternoon before the election, Brother McConnell, by invitation of the good citizens of the city, delivered one of the most convincing, fearless, and truthful addresses ever delivered in is a great singer. I like to hear her sing so much. I will let you all guess my age. It is between eight and twelve. The one that guesses it will receive a post card. Macona Weaver, I guess your riddle to be a saw. Am I right? Roberta Russell I guess your riddle to

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A MEDITATION.

It is one of the most helpful features of present day Christianity that men are becoming sensible that they are not mere individuals but are members of a society, and that they must bear the shame of the existing condition of things in society. Intelligent Christian men now feel that the saving of their own souls is not enough, and that they cannot with complacency rest satisfied with their own happy condition and prospects if the society to which they belong is in a state of degradation and misery. It is by the growth of this sympathetic shame that reformation on a great scale will be brought about. It is by men learning to see in all misery and vice their own share of guilt that society will gradually be To those who cannot own leavened. their connection with their fellow men in any such sense, to those who are quite satisfied if they themselves are comfortable, I do not know what can be said. They break themselves off from the social body and accept the fate of the amputated limb-Marcus

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

East Oklahoma Conference comprises the newer part of the State. Much of the work is in a primitive condition, and many of the officers are new in the work, hence we move slowly. Change of officers creates confusion under such conditions.

Only two Auxiliaries reported to the Conference Press Reporter. Few reported to their District Secretaries. Among those who deserve mention in these columns is First Church of Durant, whose Press Superintendent is our enthusiastic Mrs. M. E. Mackey. That Society besides doing much local work, sent \$42 to the Conference Treasurer in one month. They have also a live Junior Society of 75 mem-

As the time approaches for the observance of our Week of Prayer, let every Auxiliary in the Conference rise above local financial conditions and make a strenuous effort to do something for others; for by helping others we help ourselves, not only spiritually but financially.

Let every woman, especially every officer, feel a deep interest in the results of these two weeks' special services. Have your leaflets read and discussed; emphasize the facts stated in the Bulletin; and stress the needs of our schools and Industrial Homes. Let no woman feel that she can do nothing to advance the work. Every one has her place in the forward move-Keep in mind the forward movement. Keep in mind the words of the master poet.

"Nothing useless is or low, Each thing in its place is best. And what seems but idle show, Strengthens and supports the rest. Mrs. A. Ernsberger.

DISTRICT MEETINGS IN WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

October 8 in Blytheville, Jonesboro District, the meeting opened with the District Secretary, Mrs. Oliver, in the chair. A goodly number of delegates and visitors were present. Miss Davies, Field Secretary, was unable to be present as expected, but the president of the United Societies, Mrs.

Roussan came, the third vice president, Mrs. Malone, and several ministers. Mrs. Oliver, organizer, reported the older auxiliaries as taking up both departments and several new auxiliaries organized. Mrs. Roussan explained Social Service and urged the use of the Bulletins in the monthly meeting, and the necessity of Press Superintendents. Mrs. Malone showed how Mission Study can be made delightful, and stressed Christian Stewardship. The evening meeting was edifying, fine papers, talks and good music.

Walnut Ridge was the seat of the Paragould District meeting. Mrs. Eli Meiser, secretary, held the meeting. Mrs. Hawley, corresponding secretary, Foreign Department, instructed the 15 delegates in the intricacies of union. Mrs. Dowdy, fourth vice president, explained local work, and the relation with the connectional, urging each society to look well after the parsonage. Rev. T. Y. Ramsey preached an able sermon at the night service.

Miss Davies reached Newark in the Batesville District on the 15th and a most excellent meeting was held by the new District Secretary, Mrs. B. L. Wilford, wife of the Presiding Elder. Reports were read from the auxiliaries. The older ones have both departments, the new ones prefer the Home. Mrs. Hawley, Mrs. Barnet, second vice president, Mrs. Neill, press superintendent, each stressed her particular work. Miss Davies explained away difficulties, led the noon hour of prayer, made a most eloquent address in the evening, securing a twenty-five dollar share in Miss Mary Culler White's evangelistic work. The pastor, Brother Dulaney, had aided in arranging for the meting and four pastors from the district were present. This District is bound to advance under the leadership of Brother and Sister Wilford and the able corps of young preachers.

On the 17th delegates from twelve auxiliaries met in Searcy. The secretary, Miss Fuller, had planned well. An excellent program was carried out. Miss Davies gave valuable help and made a stirring appeal at night. She addressed the student body of Galloway College Thursday morning, before going to Wynne in the Helena Dis-

Here the secretary, Mrs. G. L. Carson, had the support of the corresponding secretary of the Home Department, Mrs. Killough. This was the first district meeting and Miss Davies exhorted, instructed, explained and encouraged, until all felt it a privilege to be enrolled in this great organization of women.

The entire conference must feel the impress of these meetings, and we need to if we bring up our pledges. We have only two more months and we are far behind at the close of quarter. In the Foreign Department our treasurer has only \$395.17, dues from 600 members; pledge, \$774.80, and you know we promised at the annual meeting, \$2,000. Home Department, dues, \$720.48, pledge \$140.40, on \$1,000 promised at the meeting. Let every member pay her dues, \$1.20, to each department and 60 cents for Conference Expense and Retirement Fund. The expenses of our last meeting have not all been paid, our officers are faith-

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Yours in love and service, Mrs. Mary A. Neill, Conference Press Superintendent. Batesville, Ark., Nov. 1, 1912.

STUTTGART.

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The fact is, when a boy or a girl is away from the home, the best place is where there is a mother with children of her own, one who knows how to direct and bring up her own children, and will take care of your child as she does her own. This family school is a good safe place for boys and girls, and there are hundreds that should be receiving its instruction and enjoying its advant-There is a place for schools such as this and they should be maintained. The Bingham School of North Carolina, the Webb School of Tennesful, but we should pay their office and sec, and similar schools in other parts

of the country have demonstrated the fact that the need of the adolescents is met in these schools as nowhere else. All honor to those farseeing and generous friends of the church and who bought us with his own blood, who give of their substance to found schools, where the Holy Word may be taught during the period of growth, the character forming period of life.

John Anderson.

HOT SPRINGS METHODISM.

Present at the meeting Monday morning, Nov. 3, Steel, Burnett, Hutchinson, Bulkley, Nelson and Keadle. After prayer by Brother Nelson the following reports were made: Bulkley had 102 in Sunday school, good congregations morning and night and fairly good services.

Hutchinson had a big prayer meeting Wednesday night, 409 in Sunday school, one accession by baptism, 12 infants baptized, large congregations and communion services at both hours.

Burnett reported good congregations at both hours, interesting services, good League, 118 in Sunday school.

W. W. Nelson reported for Third Street, he having filled the appointments there, 134 in Sunday school, small congregation at morning service, better at night, with one accession to the church.

Keadle had small congregation at Tigert in the morning, good crowd at night, local preacher assisted in the service.

Brother Dickerson is at the Ozark Sanitorium, having undergone a serious operation last Saturday. He is reported to be doing well at this writing, considering his protracted illness and the severity of the case.

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TEXARKANA NOTES.

A word from Texarkana will interest many of the brethren. First of all the Presiding Elder of our district, Rev. J. A. Henderson, informs me that we will make the most satisfactory showing at Conference the district has ever made. Large number of conversions and additions and a splendid financial report. He thinks a large majority of the charges will report everything in full. This leads me to say that our men as a whole are among the choicest spirits I have ever associated with. I have heard of no schemes or plans for Conference, and there is an absence of

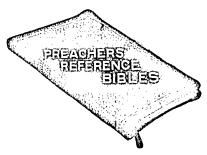
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restlessness as to appointments on the part of all the brethren whom I have met. This arises largely from the fact that our Presiding Elder is so busy preaching the gospel, assisting in the revival campaign, and otherwise contributing to the work of the church that the brethren trust him absolutely. This, in my judgment, is destined to be the most ideal district of the Little Rock Conference.

Texarkaana Methodism is rounding out a record-breaking year. The Central and Rose Hill churches, which are in Texas, with H. D. Hotchkiss at the former and J. E. Morgan at the latter have had good meetings and will have overflowing reports at Conference which convenes this month at Marshall Texas. Brother Morgan took into the church yesterday about a hundred members, the result of a two weeks' meeting. I have never been associated with two sweeter spirits.

On our side is B. C. Few, College Hill, and J. H. Cummins, Fairview, and the writer at First church.

College Hill is separated from the city proper by the railroads, hence I know less of that work than of Fairview. But Brother Few is a bright young man, with a most estimable wife and stands high in the affections of his brethren.

Cummins has done what seemed impossible. He has built a handsome, commodious church-brick-at a cost of approximately twelve thousand dollars. It is a beauty, with modern Sun-day school rooms. The brethren can hardly appreciate the necessity which was upon Cummins and his good people for quick action in order to hold that fast growing territory which had already been pre-empted by our church for years; but which on account of an antiquated old board building was an inviting field for other denominations. Cummins has had a great year.

Our Presiding Elder, with that foresight and common sense which the Conference recognizes, got on the ground and showed the district stewards that he could build a district parsonage with but little more assessment than the rent, which we made an especial assessment for, and they endorsed it. The district conference ratified. Henderson purchased a lot and had built a neat six-room district parsonage, close to the schools, in the center of the town—a splendid neighborhood. He is financing it wisely. The purchase price will be paid and no one will feel it.

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The town of Texarkana is growing substantially and well—no boom; no one wants a boom. Her eitizenship is broad and Catholie; as little penuriousness here as you can find in any town of its class.

We all love the Methodist, and await its weekly visits with interest.

James Thomas. Texarkana, Nov. 4, 1912.

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After much prayer and meditation I have decided to locate at the coming session of the West Oklahoma Conference for the sole purpose of devoting all my time to evangelistic work. The past fifteen years have been about equally given to the pastorate and the evangelistic field. I believe my best work has been done for our church in the latter. Any pastor desiring my assistance may write me at Meeker, Okla. Will gladly furnish references of pastors and presiding elders with whom I have labored to any brother some of these good books.

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Dr. F. W. Gee, the pastor, is accepted as a very fine preacher and his return for another year has been requested by his official board. Brother W. S. Alley brought me under special obligations for kindness shown me. It was a real pleasure to meet Rev. J. K. Farris and his excellent wife and daughter, Annie Lee, and to enjoy their hospitality. Brother Farris is a fine preacher and makes an excellent presiding elder.

Shaping the large list of old, we secured three new subscribers: Mrs. Mary E. Winfield, Mrs. W. R. Cox, Mrs. N. B. Nelson.

Wynne.

At the crossing of two railroads in Cross county, is Wynne, which in a few years has grown into a little city. They have excellent new depot, large court house, several blocks of business, good deal of public works, large two story public school with Prof. H. A. Woodward as principal. This is anextra fine public school. They have a bank in the school which has been operated for a year with fine effect. It teaches the children both to save their money and to do business. I would recomend other schools to adopt their plan. It was a pleasure to conduct the prayer service Wednesday night. I did fairly well shaping up the old subscribers. We have an excellent parsonage and a real fine, new modern church. Rev. A. M. R. Branson, pastor. He has a cultured family, and is accepted as an intelligent preacher. He has a published volume of good sermons.

Colt.

Rev. Alonzo McKelvey has charge of Colt circuit and has had a most successful year; over fifty conversions and twenty-six additions. The parsonage has been improved at a cost of \$200.00. He has several churches. We had a

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pleasant service with a good week night congregation. It was also a pleasure to visit the public school and conduct chapel exercises for them. Colt is a fine business point, half dozen stores, two gins, handle factory, and some most excellent people, located in a rich farming country. Shaping up the old, we secured four new subscribers: Mrs. T. D. Hampton, Mrs. Estelle Peevey, Mrs. M. E. Johnson and Mrs. Ada Peevey.

Brother McKelvey is blessed with a deeply pious wife, a sweet little girl, and a fine boy, the son of a relative.

A splendid supper was enjoyed with Brother and Sister Srum, and Herbert, their smart son. It was a pleasure to Meet Rev. W. W. Anderson, who has recently lost his wife.

Wheatley.

A night was spent in Wheatley, enjoying the hospitality of the parsonage and Sister Heep; who keeps an excellent table. Rev. L. M. Powell is preacher in charge. He is pure gold, industrious, as is evidenced by the way things look about the parsonage. He was still holding protracted meetings. He is blessed with an intelligent wife and three bright children. have desirable property in both church and parsonage. Wheatley is in the heart of the great rice field. Thousands of acres were sown in rice this year, with a fine yield, and a good price, making from \$50.00 to \$75.00 per acre. I suggested to some of them to change the name of the town from Wheatley to Riceville. There is a rice mill, several stores, bank, and good school.

The Baptists were in a protracted meeting. Shaping up the old, I secured two new subscribers: Mrs. J. W. Daniel, and Mrs. Phil Hoelzel. Dr. Bogard is the successful physician.

Aubrey and Moro.

Sunday was spent most pleasantly with Rev. A. L. Platt and his people, preaching at both Aubrey and Moro to appreciative congregations, securing five new subscribers at Aubrey: Mrs. S. A. Thompson, Mrs. W. S. Shackelford, Mrs. R. C. Austin, Mrs. J. W. Matthews, Mrs. Lula Brooks; and eight at Moro: John Rice, Mrs. J. A. Douglas, Mrs. L. A. Spivey, Dr. A. L. Wilsford, W. B. Elledredge, Mrs. F. Crabbe, J. P. Martin and W. V. Jean.

These are each new and growing towns on the Mo. and N. Ark road. Each have excellent brick school house, nice stores, mills and gins and most fertile farming lands. This is a choice part of the State. I very much enjoyed the hospitality of Brother and Sister Shackelford, Brother and Sister R. O. Brown, and Brother and Sister P. H. Westbrook. Brother Platt and his good wife are very popular with their people. My visit with them was both pleasant and profitable.

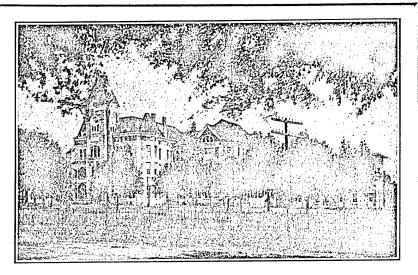
NEWARK DOTS.

The Newark Epworth League at their business meeting October 26, elected the following officers: Mr. J. L. Mahan, president; Mr. Otis Edgar Fried, vice president Miss Iva Baker, second vice president; Miss Mabel Galloway, third vice president; Miss Susie Rogers, fourth vice president; Miss Welborne, treasurer; Miss Lizzie Mahan, secretary; Miss Minnie Martin, Era Agent. Our League has increased its membership since its organization a year ago, from 10 members to 44 members. We hold a public missionary service once a month, and occasionally when the pastor is absent, we take charge of the regular Sunday evening session. We believe we have one of the best Leagues in the White River Conference.

Lizzic Mahan, Secretary.

President's Report.

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formably received next Saturday night, has been remarkably good. A live 13; have held 8 business meetings; mission study periods (Cuba) 2.

First Department, Clarence Propes, Chairman. About 45 devotion 1 meet-Hold meetings weekly on ings held. Sunday, at 6:30 whether leader is present or not. Number of Leaguers joined church, 4. Held 16 devotional meetings at church.

Second Department, Minnie Lynn Martin, Chairman. Number of visits to see sick, over 100. A lot of literature distributed. Number of boquets given, 12; two gifts of charity; numerous plans for the future.

Third Department, Elmira Magness, Chairman. Number of literary meetings held, 1. Attendance good. Number entertainments given, 3. Number socials given, 5.

Fourth Department, Susie Rodgers, Chairman. Number missionary meetings held, 4. Attendance good. Money raised for missions, \$10.00. Expended for missions, \$10.00. Number enrolled in mission study class, 15. As special work we are raising \$40, mission fund.

This is the first year of League. During year have lost 3 members (moved away).: Net gain, 43. Number received from Junior League, 7. Number letters written to absent members, 20. To other chapters, 4. Business meetings held on first Tuesday night each month. Officers make written report.

Junior Department, Mrs. A. H. Dulaney, Superintendent. Finished mission study (Cuba). \$4.07 Bible pledge to children of Cuba. \$1.35 expended for present to Sunday school. Birthday bank. A membership contest resulted in 51 applications for membership. In the midst of these successes the Junior Department was discontinued on account of the illness of Superintendent.

J. L. Mahan, President.

STILLWATER, OKLA.

Our church at this place, under the leadership of Brother J. E. McConnell. has made marked progress during the past year. Forty-three new names have been added to the church roll, doubled itself. The attendance, both bers, 19; Total 33; applicants to be at church services and Sunday school, Arkansas.

Epworth League with Mr. J. B. Robinson, student of the A. & M. College, as president, has recently been organized. The devotional meetings of the League have been highly spiritual and beneficial to our young people.

The prospects for the continued growth of the church are encouraging. The Board has plans for a forward movement next year. These plans will be placed into operation at the opening of the new conference year.

The responsibility of the care of an increasing number of young folk who come from all over Oklahoma to attend the A. & M. College at this place, rests upon our charge here, and we ask the prayers of the whole church that we may be able to meet this responsibility. Fraternally,

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The executive officers of the Arkansas State Teachers' Association announce that the programs for the Forty-fifth session, Little Rock, December 26128, will be the most impressive in its history.

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Dr. Philander P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education. Dr. Claxton was for many years very prominently connected with the educational work in the South and his presence at the association this year will mean much to the educational work of the State.

Hon. O. H. Benson, Specialist in Agricultural Education, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Miss Jessie Field of Page County, Iowa. Miss Field is one of the best known educators in the country and has done a wonderful work for the schools of her county.

Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart of Rowan county, Kentucky, who achieved national prominence in the educational field for her work in establishing "Night Schools" for the adult illiter-

ates in her county.

Miss Florence Ward of Cedar Falls, Iowa, who will present to the teachers the new Montessori Methods in primary teaching.

The attendance last year was the largest in the history of the association and it is planned to make the meeting this year still greater in every way. Other prominent speakers will be included in the General Programs and the Sectional Programs which are now being carefully worked out.

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Delhi is blessed with a faithful band of Christian workers. Many young people help to make this zealous band. They do their part cheerfully and willingly. In other words, they are "awake" to righteousness" bearing their "cross" with willing hands. We spent ten days at Valley View. A deserted place. No religious work in two years. It is located in a very rough country. I had only one Christian mother to help me pray at the beginning and many other hindrances, but I took as a foundation "All things are possible to him that believeth.'

God ever be praised for giving his servants power to do the work. Twelve conversions and reclamations were given us and many church members warmed up.

We were noisy, said some who lived a mile away. They received the "old time religion" could easily be heard one mile away. They now have singing, Sunday school, and cottage prayer meeting at Valley View. May we as preachers divide our time with the neglected places. God will lend a helping hand to those who go where he

Third and last was at Center Point. Here we had a two weeks' meeting. Nine conversions and reclamations. Much good done to the church. Many shouts were heard and much praise offered to God for his goodness to his children. We have a thriving League at Center Point, also cottage prayer. meeting. Delhi charge has four prayer meetings each week. Has as friendly people as can be found. "Brotherly love still continues." They still pound the preacher with many good things too numerous to mention. May the blessings of God be given these good people of Delhi is my prayer. I earnestly request all your fervent prayers. J. L. Davis, P. C.

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I have just returned from a meeting of a week's duration, in Hargrove College. It was a time to be remembered The faculty is one of the most conscientious, careful and painstaking that I know. Dr. Martin and his co-laborers have the salvation of their students more on their hearts than their educa-

We had more than thirty students converted and Dr. Gray of Broadway church took a number of our young men into the Methodist church, in a very impressive manner. Among them was Billie Pickens, a full-blood Chickasaw Indian, who would have been Chief of the Chickasaw Nation, if the tribal government had remained.

At the last service, one of the teach ers, a very fine Christian eharacter, and Dr. Martin's daughter, came forward and volunteered for Foreign Missions. As we all knelt on this occasion, while Drs. Martin and Gray led in prayer, there was a sense of the holiness of God and the deeper meaning of consecration to his service, that was heavenly indeed.

There will be others to join the Mcthodist church besides those taken in during the meeting, while some, doubtless, will go to other communions.

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tion, does not have the endorsement and financial help that it so much

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corn. These questions will be practically answered by the members of the West Oklahoma Conference. This is the only Methodist school in the State of Oklahoma where you can send your boys for a Christian education.

What are you going to do about it, brother pastor?

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TIPTON, OKLA.

We are closing up our second year on the Tipton charge. These have been two of the most delightful and fruitful years of my ministry. God has abundantly blessed our labors. Tipton is a new town, situated midway between Altus and Frederick on the Wichita Falls and the North Western R. R., in one of the best sections of country in the State. We arrived here on Friday morning following the closing of the Annual onference which was held at Ardmore and found that we were the first preacher's folks that had ever made an attempt to locate in the little city. We also found that practically we had a charge in name only, there had been three appointments established but were very poorly organized. At Tipton we found the hull of a church building, worth about \$1,000, with a membership of four on roll. In reality we had about eighteen members. We had two school house appointments in the country that had been established four or five years and were in much better condition than the appointment in town. We rented a house and set to work with the hope of doing something and we have not been disappointed. Just two months to a day from the time we moved into the rented house until we moved into a new four-room parsonage, worth \$1,000, and it well furnished. We have finished the church building at Tipton and seated it with nice new pews. We have church property now worth \$3,500 and it all paid for and have increased the membership at Tipton from about eighteen to eighty-six. We raised, for all purposes, last year \$2,274.00; will raise this year about \$1,700. We expect to report everything paid in full. We believe we could entertain the editor of the Western Methodist and extend a cordial invitation.

H. A. Stroud, P. C.

CHURCH EXTENSION NOTICE, LIT-TLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

It is very important that all applications to the Conference Board of Church Extension for aid, either for churches or parsonages, should be in due form and should be in the hands of the secretary, Rev. Moffett I. Rhodes, before the meeting of the Conference at Hot Springs, Dec. 4. Suitable blanks can be had free of all charge by addresing the secretary at DeQueen, Ark. In applying for blanks be sure to state whether you wish to apply for aid for a church or parson-

The indications now are that the demands on the Board will be very heavy this year and it is of the utmost importance that the pastors give all diligence to see that the claims for Church Extension are paid in full.

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OBITUARIES.

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

OAKLEY .- William James Oakley was born in Granville County, N. C., June 30, 1837, and departed this life in Augusta, Ark., October 26, 1912.

He moved with his parents to middle Tennessee in early childhood, and thence to Misissippi in 1861. He was married on the 4th of March, 1863, to Miss Ellen Mayfield. They moved to Arkansas in 1869. Their union was blessed with three children. One died in infancy, another as a young lady of twenty-two years, and the other, Dr. J. F. Oakley, died in Augusta at the age of thirty-nine.

Brother Oakley was never a strong man physically, and his health was permanently broken during the war between the States, in which he served as a brave soldier in the Confederate army. While not strong in body he was a man of strong character. He was deeply and uniformly religious. professed conversion and joined Methodist church at the age of twenty, and was during all his after life a man of much prayer. He laid great stress upon family and secret devotion, and as a natural result wielde I great power when leading in the congregation. He was unselfish and ever mindful of the happiness and welfare of others rather than his own. During his last illness, even to the end, he was solicitous and tenderly thoughtful for all those about him, specially his wife. Their devotion was touchingly beautiful. She ministered at his side without intermission throughout his long illness, and could not be dissuaded from taking part in the preparation for interment. She believes that special strength was divinely given her for this loving ministration in direct answer to prayer.

It is not strange that a man of such life and character should be universally respected, even honored and loved. All who knew him had implicit confidence in his piety. As his pastor I often visited to cheer and strengthen him, but always came away feeling that I had been the one most helped, having received more than I gave.

Of him it can be well said, "He being dead yet speaketh," as was said of righteous Abel. His influence for good will live a long time after he has gone to his reward. We shall miss him, for we shall not soon see his like again. But we shall know where to find him.

It was of such that the Master said, "I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am there you may be also."

May we be ever ready as was he. We are sure that great grace in answer to his prayers is being given to his grand children and their widowed mother, as well as to his own bereaved companion, as they are all striving to walk in the footsteps of his beautiful life of faith. May the God of all comfort be their solace and stay.

The Christian Advocate of Nashville, Tenn., and other Tenessee papers please copy.

A. T. Galloway.

ROWLAND.-Mrs. Susan Rowland was born in Cincinnati, O., November 1, 1845 and died at Mabelvale, Ark., October 9, 1912. Sister Rowland was a devout Christian and had been a member of the Methodist church for forty-two years. She was not a Christian only by profession, but in walk and in life. She is not dead but sleepeth, and our loss is her eternal gain. She left five children: Mr. Claud Rowland, Mr. Harvey Rowland and Mrs. Cochrane of Mabelvale, Ark., Mr. Nick Rowland of Little Rock, and Mr. Hal Rowland of Hensley, Ark. We extend our sympathy to all of the bereaved ones, and may they all meet her in heaven.

Therefore, be it resolved, That in Sister Rowland's death, our Missionary Society at Mabelvale, of which she had been treasurer so long, has lost an efficient and loyal member.

Resolved, That though God has called her home, yet we can thank him for her life, and that we can meet her in the sweet beyond.

Resolved, That we extend comfort to the sorrowing ones and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to our church paper.

Mrs. W. F. Laseter, Mrs. Baldwin, Committee.

TAYLOR.-William David Taylor was born in Dallas County, Ark., December 13, 1896. Joined the M. E. Church, South in August, Brother David was a very punctual and attentive member. He was Sunday school secretary, and was loved by all who knew him. His views on the scripture were wonderful. He very firm, but always pleasant and had a smile for every one. It was August 21, 1912, that the Lord said, "It is enough, come up higher." Among his last words were, "My way is bright; meet me in heaven." His pastor,

J. O. Adcock.

RICHARDSON.-James A. Richardson was born in Franklin County, Ala., September 11, 1881; died October 28, 1912. He leaves a father, mother and sister to mourn his loss. He was a nice young man, one that was loved by many and had many friends. During his last hours he called his friends around his dying bed and told them he would soon be at rest with God and the angels. He also warned some of his friends to quit all of their bad habits and prepare to meet God. James was a good financier, a hard worker-one that loved home and his country. He will be greatly missed by his friends and relatives. Weep not, dear parents. Your loss is Heaven's gain. Alonzo McKelvey, P. C.

MOORE .-- Mrs. Mittie Moore was born in St. Francis County, Ark., November 21, 1870; died October 10, She was the wife of Brother Creed F. Moore; was married to him in the year 1888. To this union were born eight children, four of whom are still left to mourn her loss. She joined the Baptist church at the age of fourteen years. About five years ago she severed her connection with that church and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and lived a noble, consecrated Christian until Jesus called for her to come up higher. Sister Moore's place in her home and community and church can never more be filled in this life. To know her was to love her. She was always so gentle and kind. Her presence still is so bright in our memory. She was afflicted for several years, but her death was an awful shock to all the community. It came so sudden. Her funeral was held by her pastor. There was a large attendance at her funeral which only speaks the hearts' sympathy of the community in the loss of Sister Moore. tery only a short distance from his that I may be able to sell to the man Weep not dear husband, as those who home. The funeral was conducted by have no hope. Sister Mittie is at rest his pastor, with the angels, and her sweet children who are in heaven to welcome her home, and she is there watching and waiting for the home coming of her dear husband and the other four children together with her dear brother, ried to Miss Rebeca McCord. To this Lawrence W. Srum, our Sunday school union were born five children: two sons superintendent. Her prayers still lin- and three daughters. One son and one

munity. May God's richest blessings rest upon her sorrowing friends. Alonzo McKelvey, P. C.

HUDMAN .- Mrs. Roxey Ann Hudman (nee Nix) was born in Panola County, Texas, October 26, 1869; died in Jackson County, Okla., October 1, Sister Hud-1912; aged forty-three. man became a Christian and church member at sixteen and has been united with the good women in all their loving service in the church until the hand of affliction stayed her zeal and she was forced to desist. At ten years of age, her parents moved to Dallas county, where she lived to be married to Mr. J. T. Hudman. After twenty years of married life they removed to Pottsboro and remained ten years. Thence to Oklahoma five years ago. Seven children were born to this happy union, all of whom live to mourn the loss of a faithful, loving mother. This was most sad, in that, after many weeks of lingering illness, her physicians pronounced her case the dreaded pelegra. Truly it was trying to both patient and loved ones. But they fought bravely a losing fight. Yet not losing, for in the end there was great triumph and she died in full assurance of faith, was taken back to the old home at Pottsboro to await the resurrection in the old family cemetery. Peace to her memory! Courage and hope to her loved ones! They are not deceived. They know where to find her.

> Her pastor and theirs, W. L. Anderson. Martha, Okla., Oct. 2, 1912.

SHARP .-- Mr. G. W. Sharp was born in Winston County, Miss., December 21, 1855, where he lived until 1903, and he came to Bradley county, Ark., where he lived until August 6, 1912, when the Almighty called him home. Brother Sharp was a faithful servant and was ready to receive the summons, 'Well done thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things. I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." Brother Sharp was a consistent member of the Methodist church for thirty years, and died a steward. He leaves a wife and nine children, three brothers, one sister and a host of friends to mourn his death. Weep not, loved ones; he is not dead but sleepeth. His pastor, S. B. Mann.

McKENZIE.-John Christian Mc-Kenzie was born in Arkansas, November 22, 1839, just twelve miles north of Little Rock, where he remained until his death, July 31, 1912. He was married to Miss Alice Martin, February 18, 1873. To this union were born five girls, three of whom are left to survive him. Brother McKenzie was reared in the Presbyterian chruch. We do not know just the date of his conversion, as he made his start in early childhood. He afterwards joined the M. E. Church, South, of which he has lived a faithful member since. Brother Mc-Kenzie has been one of our most consistent workers in the church. He was a friend to his pastor. The church and the community will miss him. The church has already felt the effects of his absence. We would say to his wife and children and the many friends, live true to God and we shall meet him above where sorrow never comes. He was laid to rest in the country ceme-

J. H. Gipson.

MILLS .-- S. S. P. Mills was born December 9, 1844 and died July 25, 1912. January 17, 1867, he was marger near her home, church and com- daughter preceded him to the other

shore. The remaining ones, Mrs. W. M. Sykes, Miss Ada Mills and Joel Mills are all Christians and active workers in the church. Brother Mills was converted about 1873 or 1874 and united with the M. E. Church, South, of which he was a consistent member until his death. He was the preacher's friend and as a steward he was faithful, always bringing up in full the amount assessed for the support of the ministry. At the time of his death he was chairman of the board of stewards of the Richmond circuit.

Truly a good man is gone, but his work abides. He will be missed, but may the life he lived inspire others to put forth a greater effort for the success of the church and the advancement of the cause of Christ.

Brother Mills had been in failing health for some time and everything was done for him that could be done. A few weeks before his death his son took him to the sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich. When it was seen that the end was inevitable he was brought back that he might die at home. He died the day after his arrival. Just as the sun was rising above the eastern horizon the spirit went forth and for him it was sunrise in the other world. The funeral was from the residence, at Wilton, Ark., in the presence of a large congregation both of white and colored people. The funeral was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. L. E. N. Hundley. May the father above comfort the hearts of the sorrowing one and may they continue to trust him and there will be a glad reunion one day in that city "which hath foundations whose maker and builder is God."

Especially do I pray for the comforting influence of the Holy Spirit upon Sister Mills, to whose influence both Brother Mills and children are indebted for their Christian experience. There are many things I would like to write but space forbids.

H. L. Simpson.

CHAPIN.-Mrs. Albert Chapin, (nee Georgia Trout). Georgia Trout was born near Grove, Okla., December 24, 1890; married Albert Chapin, April 5, 1912. She was an angel of comfort and mercy. Her parents and three brothers are heart-broken. God's will, not ours, be done. Her friend, Maggie Renfro, died the same day. Their funeral was preached by Rev. Myers in the Methodist church, August 19th.

Their bodies were laid to rest in the Big Cabin Cemetery. Georgia had lived in Big Cabin, Okla., since childhood. Georgia was a member of the Methodist church and had a Sunday school class. She was sick several weeks, but able to walk about. Her death was a shock to the community. May each and every one be ready to meet dear Georgia in Heaven where there is no sickness, sorrow, pain nor death. There will be no parting there.

Her mother. Martha Trout.

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PASTOR'S REPORT BLANKS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

At last session of the Conference, a resolution was passed asking the secretary to have prepared special blanks The secretary for pastors' reports. submitted the matter to Smith & Lamar. They reported that the expense of such special blanks would be considerable, more than the preachers would be willing to pay, perhaps. They also urged that there should be uniformity among the conferences in the matter of blanks. The Conference made no appropriation to cover the cost of such blanks.

Therefore, the secretary will fail to have such blanks prepared. I am sure the pastors, having on hand already a set of the regular blanks, would rather write in blank spaces simply W. M. Societies. In Table III, we shall write in blank spaces left for the purpose the two items-Orphans' Home and Conference Minutes. These changes can be made with a few strokes of the pen. New blanks would cost money.

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Editor Methodist: Will you allow me just space enough, if no more, to say Amen, Amen! to Warm Thoughts from the pen of that grand old veteran of the cross, J. E. Caldwell, of Tulip. Such thoughts are worth more than a dozen sermons so-called, delivered simply to tickle and cause a laugh. Yes, dear old friend, let's have more Warm Thoughts from off God's altar, and sibility, under the guidance and bless- little will you and I care as to whether ing of God, of arousing the city of we will have to be sung down or not Little Rock as it has never been Would to God that our young people, aroused religiously, the saving of and especially our young preachers, thousands of men and women from sin, would realize fully what the opportunities and enlightenment of today carevery Methodist Church in Little ries with it only increased responsibility. Am I right?

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HOW TO GET YOUNGSTERS TO WORK.

In the "Idea" department of the November Woman's Home Companion appears the following:

"A good way to teach children housework and also give yourself a rest is to let them draw slips on which is written some duty to perform. Call it a new game."

NOTICE.

The Committee on License and Admissions for the Booneville District will meet at Danville, Ark., Nov. 20, at 10 o'clock. All pastors please notify their candidates for either license or admission.

W. T. Thompson.

TECUMSEH STATION.

We had a very fine service last night, the third. Five were received, one by letter and four very promising young ladies baptized at the altar, and received by vows. We are closing our two years at this place very satisfac-E. H. Creasv. torily.

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Editor Western Methodist: Not being able to hold any night services for hearing preaching about two Sunday nights per month at Highland church. ship will soon materialize. Having been the pastor of our own family for twenty-nine years, wife is well pleased with her new pastor, Rev. J. L. Leonard. He gains and gives out new inspiration with and in every service. His sermons October 27, upon "The Time of Harvest," and that at night upon "There shall be Showers of Blessings," were so well and earnestly delivered, and shows he is a man of vision, and received several hearty close of service. The location of Highstreets is most promising. The beautiful new chapel was erected last year under the efficient pastorate of Rev. S. W. Rainey and is now too small for the increasing and overflowing Sunday school and congregation. More would come to Sunday school and church services if there was more room for the children and people. As we see the situation, with West Little Rock growing so fast, and our Highland church also near our beautiful Methodist Orphanage, from which Brother and Sister Bonner come and bring all of the thirty-seven orphans possible to church and Sunday school, something should



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be done at once to build the main auditorium planned to take care of the increasing demands. We are glad to learn that not a dollar of debt is upon the the convicts we have the privilege of | Highland lot or chapel, and we hope the plans for a larger house of wor-

Last Sunday evening we held services at Camp Asher, the Pulaski County convict farm, northwest of Little Rock, where there were 167 prisoners, most of them colored. While there are a majority of them in for misdemeanors from Pulaski county, there are also the other convicts for felonies from the State penitentiary from same county who were sentenced for five years and under, according to handshakes and congratulations at a late new law. All seemed to hear with interest, and many hands went up land on West Twelfth and Cedar for prayers at the close of the service. Pray for us.

J. R. Sanders, Chaplain of Penitentiary.

A PLEASANT OCCASION.

Near the town where I live there is a dear, patient little woman who has been an invalid for ten years or more, and although she suffers much she is always cheerful and bright. It is a perfect benediction to go to her home. She lives with her two brothers and a sister, none of the four having ever been married, though they are all past fifty years old.

Sometime ago when I was there on a visit I felt sorry for the invalid as she sat in a straight chair with a sheep skin acros it, for I knew she would be so much more comfortable in a pad ed rocker, so at the next League meeting we mentioned the matter and took a collection which was repeated next Sunday and when we had enough we ordered a splendid chair, soft and comfortable, and then hired a wagon at the stable, had it filled with hay, loaded it with Leaguers, put the big rocker at the front and let the pastor ride in it, while we drove to the country to have a prayer service with our patient friend.

We left the church about sun-down and reached the home about the time they were lighting the lamps. We took our gift in, lifted the little woman out of bed and sat her in the comfortable chair and then sang "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," after which we repeated secripture verses, had sentence prayers, sang some more songs, by the guitar accompaniment that one of our Leaguers played, then spread out a splendid supper that we had carried with us. As it was warm weather we spread our table on the porch and pulled the invalid's chair out there and it was certainly a feast to us to see how she enjoyed it all.

After supper we sang some more songs, had the pastor make a talk, and after prayer bid our happy sufferer good night.

As we drove homeward we discussed the evening and each Leaguer expressed themselves as having been benefitted by witnessing such patience even in the agony of body. One girl said she meant to be more like the sufferer, and quit complaining about every little thing that went wrong at home; another said she meant to pray more so she could learn to endure; still another said she meant to learn the lesson, "It is more blessed to give than to receive," for this had been one of the happiest evenings of her life.

As we drove through town the guitar again sounded the notes and we sang 'Nearer My God to Thee," and felt that the experience had been a great benediction to us all.

Ruth Carr.

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