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PRIVATE ENTERPRISE VS. PUBLIC ORGANIZATION.

In the beginning of nearly all departments of church service effort depended upon private enterprises. As a later stage the organized church got back of the effort.

It was so with reference to our educational work. Seeing the need for Christian education, some good men, here and there, established a Christian school. Such effort was amply worth while, and such men did good, lots of good. They pioneered the way. They ought to be held in everlasting remembrance. But their efforts did not and could not reach anything like so far as the organized efforts of the church have since been reaching. There is a vast difference between the power of a private school, based upon private resources, and the power of a great Christian college or a great system of Christian education, with the organized church behind the college or the system.

It was so with missionary effort. Men went out not knowing whither they went. It was a question of getting somebody to "hold the ropes" while the missionary descended into the deep well of a heathen world, and men had first to dare make that descent with little public support. But when the organized church came to see that missions was her business, we then began really to do some business.

It was so with the first efforts at church extension work. A brave band of our own church out in Montana began this work. They got as far as they could. But no private effort could do this work. The church took it up, organized, got behind it, and then something began to happen.

Sunday schools began the same way. It was private effort. They did good, but manifestly the movement could not rest upon private effort, and it has not rested on private effort; the church is behind it; and what a power Sunday schools have become!

The publicity department of the church, the press of the church, has not yet emerged from this initial stage of private enterprise. It is true that most churches know they must have their publishing houses and that they actually have them, but it is also true that the larger part of the church press is still sought to be run on the basis of private enterprise. It will infallibly be found that private enterprise can never adequately do the publicity work of the church; it can no more do it than private enterprise can do the work of missions, of education, of church extension, of Sunday schools. Right here is the weakest spot in all our church machinery. We invite the attention of all men of sense to the situation. A moment's thought ought to convince any man that the situation is an absurd one.

There is not a mission secretary, nor an educational secretary, nor a church extension secretary, nor any other sort of secretary, nor any other sort of worker who may have a message, that has any means at all of reaching more than one-third of the membership of our church with his message, nor more than one-third of the membership of the church in any given Annual Conference. This is for the simple reason that not more than one-third read any church paper, and aside from the church paper there is no means of getting the message to them. Let any man think of this, and let any man figure what it means.

Our readers are advised that the Western Methodist is seeking now to get on a wider basis, to get the organized church in its territory under the paper and back of the paper. We are organizing it into a stock company. Dr. John Anderson has charge of the movement. We want it understood that something far more important than anybody's personal interest is involved. We need to have sense. We need to know that we can never develop people we do not reach. We need to understand that private resources will never reach the untouches two-thirds of our membership. We must provide the resources necessary to reach them. We ought to make permanent our dollar rate for new subscribers. We ought to have a man in a buggy canvassing constantly our circuit people, helping to bring them into touch with the paper and through the paper into touch with the church and its work. It is a question of only providing the resources. This is the meaning of Dr. Anderson's campaign. We want our people to take this stock, not for us, but for the sake of Christ and his church. We want ample resources to do a great work.

CONSTITUTIONAL WHISKY!

The liquor people of Arkansas have so far recovered from the staggering blows of the present Legislature as to begin once more to show signs of life. There was talk that they would ask to have the referendum applied to the recently enacted law putting the sale of whisky under the control of the white people in the communities concerned. But they did not have the nerve to raise that issue. The law as passed is a local option law, and that is what they said they favored. It is a law providing that white people shall determine the moral status of the country, and they are the people that raised the issue of negro rule. They have caught it on both ends of their own game. They are scarcely in position to repudiate local option; they cannot afford to push the issue of bringing in the worst elements of the negro race to determined a moral issue.

In the circumstances they make a bold deal. They invoke the initiative for a constitutional amendment, to write into the Constitution of this State the perpetual right to sell liquor! They mean to exalt liquor and the saloon, and give the traffic a dignity never dreamed of before in any land, Christian or heathen, throwing the high sanctions of constitutional law around this sacred trade!

We will be bold enough to advertise their business for them just a little, and publish herewith the petition they are circulating. We have not the least fear that they will ever be able to put the matter through. For this opinion we shall give ample reasons at a later stage. Here is what they propose to write into the Constitution of Arkansas:

Be It Resolved By the People of the State of Arkansas:

That hereafter the question as to whether intoxicating liquors shall be sold in any town or city in the State of Arkansas, shall be determined by the votes of the qualified electors in such respective towns or cities, and if a majority of such qualified electors are in favor thereof no act of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, now in force or hereafter enacted, shall be operative to defeat the sale thereof. And said question shall be submitted to the qualified voters of

said towns and cities respectively at the general election for town and city officers next ensuing after the passage of this amendment to the Constitution, and thereafter once every two years at such general election. And the ballots shall contain the words "For License" and "Against License;" and if the majority of the votes cast at such election, in such respective towns and cities be in favor of license, then the county court of the proper county shall grant license for the sale of such liquors in said respective towns and cities to all reputable persons who shall apply therefor and pay the proper license fees then in force; and the proper officer or officers of said respective towns and cities shall also issue license for the sale of such liquors in said respective towns and cities to all persons to whom a county license has been granted, upon the payment of the proper license fees then in force therein. And the granting of said licenses shall not be arbitrarily refused by either the proper county court or city officer or officers, and may be compelled by the proper courts.

LATER: The Legislature has blocked the effort of the whisky people by submitting a third constitutional amendment, three being as many as can be submitted at one election.

Whoever shows us beauty shows us one side of our Heavenly Father. He is the author of beauty as truly as he is the author of righteousness and of salvation. And he makes much of beauty, as witness the richness of color in which nature often riots, and as witness the tens of thousands of lines of beauty to be found in our world. When our Father was providing a habitation for his children, he did not build a pig sty; he made us a beautiful world. Beauty has its place, along with piety, in the divine economy. No man has a right to ignore it as a factor in life.

You say you are "dead tired" of having the church call on you for more money every year; had it ever occurred to you that a church that does not need more money every year is simply a church that is making no progress at all? How could it possibly widen the sphere of its operations without increasing its expenses? Whenever the Methodist Church ceases to want more money year by year we want to get out of it and get into some church that is proposing to go forward.

LOOK UP.

When old sorrow comes a-knocking,
Seeking entrance to your heart;
When the future all seems hopeless
And the joys all depart;
When you feel your life's a failure,
Since you know that you have erred;
Then lift up your heart to heaven,
God will hear, for He hath cared.

When the days are dark and dreary,
And you're worn with toil and strife;
When your heart is sad and weary,
Sorrow seems your all in life;
And the tempter softly whispers,
"Thou hast failed, all hope is gone;"
Then look up and God will help you;
He will guide and keep His own.

ALTA WATERFIELD.

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Rev. P. B. Summers, who is now in one of the churches of Austin, Texas, reports himself, in a private note, as doing well.

Rev. D. V. York writes that he is in a great revival at Wewoka. He also states that his post office address is again Earlsboro, Okla.

Rev. Forney Hutchinson, Presiding Elder of the Little Rock District, is at home at 210 North Spruce Street, Pulaski Heights, Little Rock, where his friends may reach him by mail.

Dr. C. C. Godden, who has spent several weeks in and about San Antonio, returned home this week. He speaks of the great development of San Antonio since he was there several years ago.

Rev. J. W. Williams, Swan Lake, Ark., passed through this city this week on his way to Hermitage to bring home his wife, who, we are glad to say, has improved very much in health since we mentioned her condition a few weeks ago.

Rev. L. W. Evans, Bearden and Millville charge, was in to see us for a brief while yesterday. Matters were never doing better on that charge than they are doing this year. Evangelistic work, financial work, and church work have all been going forward in fine shape.

Mrs. McClure, wife of Rev. I. D. McClure, pastor of the Gardner Memorial Church, of Argenta, is recovering from a long and dangerous illness. The church rejoices with her husband that the life of this good woman was spared. She is now able to be up and about the house.

Just before going to press we received a note from Rev. T. D. Scott, informing us of the death of Rev. G. W. Logan, at Arkadelphia. Our readers may of course expect to see a more extended notice of the life and death of this faithful veteran of the Little Rock Conference.

Rev. H. H. Watson, pastor of our First Church at Jonesboro, reported 19 additions to his church during the month of February. The membership of the church and Sunday school is growing so rapidly that they are now planning for a new church. This is Brother Watson's fourth year as pastor.

Dr. A. C. Millar, President of Hendrix College, was called to St. Louis last Sunday to attend the funeral of an aunt, who has been long an invalid, and who has passed peacefully away. We did not know her, but she could not have been less than a greatly good woman and yet be a true member of that family.

Senator J. P. Clarke, of Arkansas, has been selected as President pro tem. of the United States Senate, defeating Senator Bacon, of Georgia. It is a high honor to any man to have been selected over Senator Bacon, but Senator Clarke is recognized as one of the ablest of all the men in the Senate. Arkansas feels honored in his selection, of course.

We had the pleasure of a call yesterday from two of our Methodist representatives in the House of the Arkansas Legislature, Hon. G. M. Connell and Rev. W. W. Gibson. These gentlemen have stood loyally in their places during this session of the Legislature, and have recorded their votes aright on every moral question.

On the 8th of this month that noble layman, Mr. R. H. M. Mills, of First Church, Pine Bluff, celebrated his eighty-second birthday. Perhaps it would be more appropriate to say that his devoted family and his friends celebrated it for him. He is still actively engaged at his office every day, and our readers may be assured that he will be active in the work of the church as long as he lives and is able to be about.

American Episcopal Methodism is paying good round sums for superintendence. Dr. Mains, the Treasurer for the Episcopal Fund of our big sister Methodism, is urgently calling the attention of his church to a probable deficit in that fund for this year, and he tells his people that it will require \$243,810.88 to meet the budget for the year. The annual budget for the Southern Church is about \$90,000.00.

Many old friends in Arkansas will be pained to learn of the death of Mrs. B. T. Crews, wife of a former and much beloved member of the Arkansas Conference, now for several years a superannuate member of the Louisiana Conference, living in Shreveport. A good and faithful woman, sharing joyfully the lot of her preacher-husband and faithful in all the duties of wife and mother and church member, she passed away on the 4th. She had been a sufferer for two years, and she died in great peace.

Our brethren are just getting started in the March campaign for the Western Methodist. During the past week the following have sent in clubs of five or more: J. H. Ross, 5; J. O. Adcock, 5, and E. W. Crump, 6. Many brethren whose names have not appeared in these reports dealing with clubs of five or more, have nevertheless sent in fine lists, less than five names at a time. For example, Rev. J. H. Bradford has sent in all 22 new subscribers, as we happen to remember.

Colonel J. C. Colquitt, for years prominent in Arkansas politics, died at his home in Magnolia, March 12. He was a native of Georgia, but spent most of his life in Arkansas. He served in the Confederate army, was three times a member of the Legislature, Speaker of the House, and was bookkeeper in the Auditor's office or Deputy Auditor for about twelve years, and in a very close race last year was defeated for the office of Auditor. He was a good man and a faithful official.

Another great revival has just been closed at Frederick, Okla., Rev. A. L. Scales, pastor, and Rev. W. M. McIntosh, evangelist. There were 200 conversions and reclamations. Rev. E. G. Phillips and wife were also on hand, doing fine work. Our church receives about 100 new members. It is not common for two great meetings to come so close together in the same church. It has been only about two years since Brother McIntosh was at Frederick in a wonderful meeting with Rev. W. A. Shelton, a meeting that revolutionized this town.

The political whirl in Arkansas has of late been like the movements of a kaleidoscope. Governor Robinson, who had been elected United States Senator, and whose resignation as Governor was not expected before the adjournment of the Legislature, suddenly resigned last Saturday, and left for Washington. The governorship devolved upon the President of the Senate, Mr. Oldham. The Senate has elected as Lieutenant Governor Senator Futrell. The State Constitution provides that the Acting Governor shall immediately call an election for the office of Governor.

BETTER STILL.

The Legislature of Arkansas has passed a bill prohibiting the sale of liquor after this year in any locality of that State save in those communities where a majority of the adult population say it can be sold. The telegraphic columns of the big dailies have significantly headed the Associated Press dispatch carrying this fact as follows: "Arkansas goes for Statewide Prohibition."—*Wesleyan Christian Advocate*.

We did better than that, Doctor Lovett; the law provides that a majority of the white inhabitants must petition that liquor can be sold, and that the names of all petitioners must be published in some paper for two weeks in advance, and that the court shall give due opportunity to hear remonstrance against the petition.

A QUESTION OF COURTESY.

It is not uncommon for people who seek the services of a minister or speaker for commencement occasions, or other occasions, to ask for a bill of expenses. We wish to suggest that this is never the proper thing to do. The man has given his time, often very valuable to him; has paid his expenses; he does not feel like handing out an expense bill even when asked to do so. The proper thing to do under all such circumstances is to simply hand the invited man a liberal allowance for expenses, unless you wish to pay for his time, and ask him no questions at all. It is scarcely right to seem to want to split hairs with one who has rendered you a service you needed. Commencement occasions are coming on, and this hint may be taken by the wise. You may depend upon it that if your invited speaker does not wish to allow you to pay anything, he will hand back your money upon its being presented to you; then both you and he will feel easy. But on the other hand, there is no reason at all why a man should be called upon to quit his own business and come to yours without decent compensation. At any rate, put him where he can be the judge of such a matter.

HOW TO ACCOMPLISH IT.

A pastor asked, "What is the best way to present the church paper?" The reply was: "Understand clearly, first of all, that you are the pastor of your people, and that you are as much responsible for directing their religious reading as you are for directing their missionary activities. You must assume leadership in this matter as really and as truly as you do in any other matter affecting their religious living. When you have really assumed this attitude you will be able to tell your people squarely that you cannot consent for them to be uninformed, and you cannot consent for their children to be undeveloped as to the interests of the kingdom of God, and that you want every one of them on the spot to get into line on the church paper. You will meet excuses; they are worth just as much, and no more, than excuses for not getting religion; worth as much, and no more than excuses for not giving to missions. It is your business to brush all such excuses out of the way—take none of them, so far as you are concerned. This attitude, kindly and intelligently maintained, will get subscribers to a church paper, precisely as it will accomplish any other church work."

BE THOU MY GUIDE!

BY HARVEY WRIGHT DOBSON.

Manhood's years before me roll.
Holy Father, guide my soul;
Lead me gently by thy hand
Safely through Temptation's land.

Ever in the bloodstained way
Which the blessed Savior trod,
Let me walk from day to day,
Drawing nearer to my God.

THE OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE.

We have had much occasion to congratulate the Legislature of Arkansas on the good work done this session. A week spent recently in Oklahoma enabled us to get into closer touch with the doings of that Legislature also. We are, besides, in receipt of a communication from Rev. W. D. Matthews, Chaplain of the Oklahoma Senate, giving some data. We are greatly gratified over the general character of that Legislature. The church element overwhelmingly predominates, and it does not, in our eyes, of course, hurt the situation that the Methodists lead. The church preferences are given as follows: Methodists, 15; Baptists, 7; Disciples, 7; Presbyterians, 4; Evangelical Lutherans, 2; Christian Union, 1; Episcopalians, 1; no church preference, 7. This for the Senate.

We noted that the Legislature is disposed to "thin down to a stand" the officeholders in Oklahoma. We are after nobody's official scalp in saying it, but there were entirely too many offices created in framing government for that State. And the Legislature is entirely correct, in principle, when it weeds out useless or unnecessary offices. We should be very glad to see them thin down their schools also. These seem to have been established on what is called the "pork barrel" principle, wherein part of the pork was to be distributed to this town and to that. In saying this we wish it understood that we are not after any particular town; we are simply insisting upon an economical and efficient State school system.

On moral issues this Legislature has done itself great credit. They have impeached two State officials. We know nothing of the merits of these cases except what has appeared in the public prints. Both cases were based on charges involving moral turpitude; the House of Representatives, of course, brought the charges, and the Senate convicted. We mention the matter here to point out the fact that the Legislature does not propose to be asleep on moral issues. But we ought to say in passing that it will be better for the State of Oklahoma when the "probe" business can be less active. No doubt there has been occasion for probing into official conduct, in that State, as elsewhere; but the public mind in Oklahoma has been agitated by suspicion to an undue extent; it is not wholesome. All officers ought to be held to a strict account, but the presumption of the law, as also the presumption of common sense, is that a man is innocent till there is proof of his guilt. We have thought that the actual presumption existing in the public mind of the people of Oklahoma comes far too near to being that every man ought to be watched, especially if he holds office. This is distinctly bad, and we do not believe that it is warranted by the facts.

The Oklahoma Legislature has further shown its moral temper by its temperance legislation. The difficulty of administering temperance laws in Oklahoma has always been confessed. The liquor gang do not lie down; they are bold, defiant and unscrupulous. Despite all the power of the State Government and despite the drastic measures of the National Government in Eastern Oklahoma, it is undisputed that liquor gets into Oklahoma. This is no argument against prohibition, however. Wicked men violate all the laws we make, from murder down. It is only a reason why we should go after violations with a more stringent hand and look after them with a more watchful eye. Whenever in any country of the world sorrow is made speedily and surely to follow sin, men will in the same ratio cease to sin. This is the lesson we have to learn; it is the lesson that liquor men have to learn. The Oklahoma Legislature is minded to give them line upon line on this subject, and the Legislature is entirely correct. The recent bill put through the Oklahoma Legislature is known as the Mitchell-Franklin bill, by Mr. Mitchell, of the House, and Mr.

Franklin, of the Senate. It passed the House by a vote of 77 to 7, and the Senate by a unanimous vote. It provides that all property seized under the act shall be forfeited to the State; that upon adjudication it shall be destroyed; provided that any property of lawful use may be sold, the proceeds to go to the court funds, except that 25 per cent of same shall be paid the party prosecuting the suit. It provides that for the second conviction the penalty shall be a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$2,000.00 and imprisonment for not less than 30 days in the county jail nor more than five years in the penitentiary, and it shall be mandatory upon the trial judge to pronounce sentence within ten days from the date of conviction. It provides, further, that any person selling any liquor, for the sale of which a Government license would be required, to a minor, to a feeble-minded person or to a habitual drunkard, shall suffer a like penalty. It provides, further, that any person who shall be convicted of keeping or renting a place for such sales shall suffer like penalty. It provides a like penalty for any person who shall be convicted of being an agent in any manner whatever for any liquor establishment, and it makes the payment for a Government license prima facie evidence of an intention to violate the State law. It provides, lastly, that the keeping of more than one quart of any sort of liquor, except by bonded apothecaries, pharmacists and druggists, who may keep one gallon of spirituous or vinous liquor and one cask of malt liquor, shall be prima facie evidence of an intention to violate the law.

These are pretty stringent provisions. The prison sentence will bring them to it, if the officers of the law will enforce it. And the bill has been passed by majorities so emphatic that officers will likely feel that they have due instructions as to their duty.

It is not to be thought of that a great State will surrender its right to protect its people against law-breakers such as nearly all liquor men have shown themselves to be. No matter what the difficulties, Oklahoma will make good its temperance laws. So will every other State. We shall never abdicate in favor of one of the most pernicious traffics that ever cursed the human race. The man who thinks it need to think again—that is all.

KEEP THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN JUNE OPEN.

In view of the importance of the General Missionary Conference set for June 25-29, the Presiding Elders and Pastors are respectfully requested to make no special appointments on their districts or charges for the fifth Sunday in June. The Great Missionary Conference will be held on the Southern Assembly Grounds on that Sunday. Leave your people free to attend without conflict with other appointments at home. Please do not set church dedications or District Conferences or Quarterly Conferences for that time, if it can possibly be avoided.

W. R. LAMBUTH,
Chairman Program Committee.
ED F. COOK,
Chairman Steering Committee.
C. F. REID,
Secretary.

Wherever a weak and inefficient financial system exists in an old and settled Methodist congregation a number of preachers are to blame for it. They may not be the only ones to blame, but they are to blame. For it is the business of a pastor to develop Christian character, and no high type of Christian character is possible where men will not contribute liberally and systematically to the support of the kingdom of God.

Rev. W. A. Pendergrass, a local preacher of Cabot, made us a short visit early last week.

SOME NOTES ON EUROPE.

REV. IVAN LEE HOLT, PH.D.

Ten days after leaving New York the first land sighted early Sunday morning was a group of island off the northwest coast of Scotland. From this time until Sunday afternoon at three we were in sight of land. It was just about noon that we began the three hours trip through Pentland Firth. The rocky coast of northern Scotland with quaint farm houses here and there and occasionally some great estate with its rolling meadow lands running down almost to the sea—these are faint indications of the interior's beauty. Out of sight of land for many days the travelers very naturally feel that the first land seen surpasses all others in beauty. I have heard tourists comment on the beauty of the rock of Gibraltar. After spending several days in the plains and forests of Palestine a noted Scotch traveler came upon the hills of Moab. The view from here so impressed him that he was never able to find any other section half so beautiful. I remember seeing a card from him once when he first visited the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, in which he stated that this sight is second only to the hills of Moab. One who has seen these two sections knows that as far as scenic beauty is concerned the Colorado Canyon far surpasses the hills of Moab. There were not a few on board who were ready to declare that Sunday afternoon that the northern coast of Scotland is the most beautiful in the world. That opinion was modified, however, as we approached the west coast of Norway on Monday afternoon. The first port at which we stopped was the town of Christiansand on the extreme southwest point of Norway. This is a town of some 15,000, the seat of one of the five Norwegian Bishops and was founded in 1641. The harbor is very difficult to enter because of the projecting rocks and points of land. The environs are picturesque; about the town are hills and rocks and waterfalls; to the north of it stretches a little valley, some 143 miles long, inclosed throughout its length by great mountains on either bank. Passengers who were bound for the towns on the west coast, or who were intending to make the trip to the North Cape left the boat here. After two hours' wait we were again under headway for Christiania. By this time we had become accustomed to the long days; at 11:00 o'clock it was light enough to read on the deck without a light. Many sat up until they could get a glimpse of the great northern lights; we were not far enough north at this particular time to see the play of the rainbow colors. However, between 1:00 and 2:00 o'clock the whole northern sky looked like one of our glorious western sunsets.

About daylight we entered the mouth of the Christiania Fjord which extends north for 50 miles. Geologists differ as to the causes of these rents in the primeval mountains; they are in the realm of nature what artists would call a continual study in heights and depths. Here and there one finds a transverse break in the mountains on either side of the fjord; sometimes fishing villages are nestled in the little valleys thus formed; sometimes another fjord is seen leading back into the mountains and the interior.

The country is full of waterfalls. In fact one cannot understand how many waterfalls a country can possess until he goes to Norway. In the western part of our land, in the Pyrenees Mountains and in Switzerland there are magnificent falls; in Norway there are more than in all of these regions. And many a Norwegian cataract that would draw thousands of tourists in Switzerland is without renown and perhaps even without a name. One traveler tells us that he counted 160 separate falls on a drive of three days. So mountainous is a great part of Norway that railroads cannot be built. In most sections of it,

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A NEW QUARTERLY.

G. B. WINTON.

A rapid examination of the first number of "The Constructive Quarterly" just from the presses of George H. Doran & Co., edited by Mr. Silas McBee, leaves with me the impression that here is a publication which no careful student of religion in our day can afford to overlook. Its purpose is roughly indicated in the name chosen. It proposes to gather up from their choicest representatives records of what all the branches of the Christian religion in the world are doing and seeking to do. These writers from the various sections of world-wide Christendom are to speak with only two restrictions upon them: First, they must deal with positive and constructive matters, not with negations; second, they are to avoid polemics.

The conception is a broad one and at once arouses interest. Mr. McBee is a layman of the Protestant Episcopal Church, a Southern man, though a long-time resident in New York. For a number of years, and until recently, he was editor of *The Churchman*, a leading weekly of his denomination. He has long been deeply interested in the promotion of Christian unity. In developing the plan of this magazine he has associated with him some of the leading figures in the various divisions of modern Christianity. The members of this editorial board will principally concern themselves with securing contributions from those best fitted to represent their several churches. The names that appear in the list are a guarantee that no trifling is intended. To have secured the co-operation of such men attests the editor's fitness for his exceptional undertaking.

The first number is promising. Roman Catholics, Greek Catholics, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists and others rub shoulders in its pages. Most of them write amiably, though a French Catholic is rather bitter in his attitude toward his government and has a fling or two at "the sects" besides. There is a most interesting and lucid account of Presbyterianism in Scotland, and a fair and kind discussion of "The Pacific and the Warlike Ideals," by Dr. William Canday. Two noteworthy articles are that of Bishop McConnell on "Conversion," and one by Dr. Shailer Mathews on "The Awakening of American Protestantism."

The new quarterly will scarcely fail to be a positive influence in the future religious thinking of America, perhaps even of the world. It looks to irenics rather than polemics, which is in harmony with the spirit of the times. But when people are allowed to speak for themselves and for their cherished beliefs there is little danger that the color and definiteness will disappear from denominational discussions.

The Constructive Quarterly is sold for 75 cents a number, two dollars and a half a year in advance. Address George H. Doran & Co., 38 West Thirty-second Street, New York.

WE SAY AMEN.

We have a letter from a widow who was left some years ago with the care of five small children, besides an aged father and mother. The case is so apt as an illustration of conditions for which States have been slow to make any provision that we gladly give it to our readers without using the name.

The note and comment in our issue of June 6, to which the writer refers, is as follows:

A poor method of fighting Socialism is that of condemning everything Socialists teach. The fact is, Jesus taught many things which, to some people, seem like Socialism, and for this reason they are opposed. The State of Illinois now has a law, which becomes operative in the counties on their initiative, granting pensions to mothers who are left with little children to take

care of, either by the death, desertion or abandoning of the husband and father. The law has been accepted in several counties, and it is expected that it will extend throughout the State, notwithstanding the opposition to it on account of its Socialistic character.

Referring to this Illinois Statute, the *Christian Guardian* says: We have a theory that any mother of children has the right to a chance of bringing them up in some measure of comfort to good citizenship and a good opportunity for life. And if the natural provider of that chance is no longer available, it is perfectly legitimate that the State take his place. This is not paternalism, but simply a good square deal both for the mother and the children. After all, mothers are the greatest bulwark of the State, and they ought to be one of its greatest cares. The theory that somehow it is better for the State that such a mother go out washing for a livelihood while her little children are left untended at home, does not seem to have any very solid foundation. The fear of pauperizing such mothers has been so great that we have robbed the children of their legitimate right to a mother's supervision. To avoid one unwise thing we have done something still more foolish.

Suggested by the above, the letter to which we refer was written and reads as follows:

"Dear Brother Blair: In June of 1912 (I think it was June 5) in your 'Notes and Comments' you published an article concerning the State's responsibility to the widows and orphans. Please publish it again.

"Our women are crying for their rights, but I do not think it is the vote they want so much as the privilege of living. Do you know that we read in the Bible of the Egyptian bondage, and we do not realize that the laws of our own fair State are almost as bad. Our lawmakers, as a rule, are Christian men, yet they have never felt called upon to lighten the burdens of the overworked widows, struggling, with no income, save the labor of their own hands, to feed, clothe and educate those little ones God has intrusted to her care. She needs a home to shelter their defenceless heads—if possible, to keep them together. If home is left, what a blessing! If the State would come to her rescue and exempt the home from taxes, in turn those mothers would work during the day and burn the midnight oil to give to the State educated sons and daughters. The privilege of keeping the home would be all 99 out of 100 would ask of the State.

Home is woman's realm. It means more to the woman than to a man. A true woman does not go to hotel lobbies, pool rooms, clubs, etc., when her day's work is done, she asks nothing better than to go home. There she sews, cooks, and in a thousand ways makes herself useful preparing her children for the responsibilities of life.

"Brother Blair, I cannot tell what this means to me individually. I was left with a mortgaged home and five helpless little ones (the baby about a year old) my mother and invalid father. I went to work at once learning how to provide the necessities of life. How to do that and keep my children in school was a problem too great for me to solve. I worked hard to keep them in school. I tried to sell my home even, I learned a profession by which I hoped to be able to put some of them through school. Sickness and death came to the aged loved ones. Sometimes there would be weeks and months when their lives seemed to be in a balance, when I could do nothing but nurse and watch and pray. Then it was hard to live. God saw fit to take my father and mother to himself to a home where there is no sickness, sorrow or death.

"I must keep on struggling with the taxpaying problem. The house needs a roof, and just when I think I will be able to breathe a little

easier some other trouble presents itself. The holiday work is my busiest season and I had all I could do when my child took sick and the doctor quarantined her for scarlet fever and kept her in a month.

"Now here are only a few facts from the actual experience of one woman, stated as briefly as possible. And if anything I can do or say will lighten the burdens of some other woman similarly situated I will feel that my struggles have not been in vain."—*North Carolina Christian Advocate*.

CHARITY.

BY ERNEST COOMBS.

(Read at a League meeting.)

In choosing this subject I do not expect to throw much light on the word, but for the purpose of urging more charity towards each other. You know that the word is defined as that kind of love which moves people toward acts of kindness, not only for friends but even for those whose ways are so rude and bad that you cannot like them. It is our act which makes us friends or enemies, but every act which was intended to be good does not make us friends, for, even Christ who always did right was hated without a cause. Some people seem so set against others that a kind act has no good effect on them, but still it is our duty to live with kindly feeling toward all, for charity toward others will elevate and refine our own natures. It makes the soul beautiful and naturally attracts those who have even a spark of that which is noble in their natures. Charity is a kind of love that may be cultivated.

If you do a kind act toward anyone you feel more interest in him than you did before. The best way, then, to multiply our kind feelings toward another is to multiply our kind acts, but if we wish to be hated by the community in which we live we only have to live a hateful, mean, selfish life. Christ says also: Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness that when you fail on earth they may receive you into everlasting habitations. He means that if we have plenty in this world that it is our duty to give to those who are less fortunate and in need of help. It is by this means that we lay up treasures in heaven for ourselves. Christ says that if those whom you have helped should die and go to heaven before you, that when you die they will be standing at the gates of heaven and receive you into everlasting habitations. This is what the Bible means when it says: Now abide faith, hope, charity, but the greatest of these is charity. We sometimes sing Kind words can never die. It is true, kind words and acts are remembered in our favor in the Spirit land. Christ says that when those who love God and love their fellow-man shall stand before him in judgment he will say: Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you, for I was hungry and you gave me meat, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you took me in, naked and you clothed me, sick and in prison and you visited me, for, inasmuch as you did it to one of these the least of my brethren, you did it unto me.

There are said to be 4,600 students at the Imperial University of Japan in Tokio. According to a recent religious census they were classified as follows: Shintoists, 8; Buddhists, 50; Christians, 60; atheists, 1,500; agnostics, 3,000. It seems that the old religions of Japan have lost their hold on the student body, but what next?—*Exchange*.

And what will be the situation in China 20 years from now, if we let China slip away from us, as we did Japan in the hour of her awakening?

The pastors' assistant—the church paper.

AN OLD POEM.

Some years ago my friend, William Hayes, now presiding elder of the Prescott District, asked me to write him a copy of the following poem, which has lived in my mind for over 40 years. I found it in some school book and have entirely forgotten the author of it. Thinking that it might be good for other preachers as well as my dear old friend, William Hayes, I desire that you publish it in the Methodist, and in this way he can get his copy. Having met the old gentleman tonight for the first time in some years brought it to my mind:

"Once upon a time a paper kite
Had mounted to a wondrous height.
There giddy with its elevation,
It thus expressed self-admiration:
'See how yon crowds of gazing people
Admire my flight above the steeple.
How would they wonder if they knew
All that a kite like me can do!

If I were free I'd take a flight,
And pierce the clouds beyond their sight;
I'd brave the eagle's towering wing,
Might I but fly without a string.
It tugged and pulled while thus it spoke,
To break the string. At last it broke.
Deprived at once of all its stay,
In vain it tried to soar away.
Unable its own course to guide,
The wind soon plunged it in the tide.

"Ah, foolish kite! thou hadst no wing;
How couldst thou fly without a string?
My heart replied: Oh, Lord, I see,
How much this kite resembles me.
Forgetful that by thee I stand,
Impatient of thy ruling hand,
How oft I've wished to break the lines
Thy wisdom to my lot assigns.
How oft indulged in vain desire,
For something more or something higher,
And but for grace and love divine,
A fall thus dreadful had been mine."

I cannot recall the author's name.

JOHN MCMURROUGH.

Stamps, Ark.

WARM THOUGHTS.

I once knew a young preacher, who, when asked to preach, somewhat excused himself, saying: "I have as yet mastered but two subjects."

I don't know that I ever did get along that far, but I am certain that I have often had on hand subjects that mastered me enough to make me get down upon my knees and exclaim: "Who is sufficient for these things?" and this is one of them—family religion. The nearest approach to a miniature heaven on earth, as I conceive it to be, is a good large well-ordered and God-fearing family, none of your Twentieth Century little families, where there are only one or two children, "and no more, if it can be avoided." Such planning is not only foolish and unworthy common sense parents, but a daring approach to the most flagrant wickedness. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Whoever gives himself to honest, conscientious thinking upon this subject, will soon see it looming up in such vast proportion as to overwhelm him with a sense of its importance and solemn responsibility. The family is of God. "He setteth the solitary in families." "He setteth the poor on high, and maketh him families like a flock." "Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house, they children like olive plants round about thy table."

The headship of this family is, by divine right, vested in one man and one woman, "no more twain but one flesh," father and mother, one in

faith and purpose, "that their prayers be not hindered."

If there are any two souls on earth that ought to dwell together in unity, "perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment," it is father and mother. I tell you, if there be disagreement and wrangling here, the children will be the first to find it out and mighty apt to govern themselves accordingly, and that accordingly will not always be in accordance with their best interests. It does seem to me that the work lying before these parents, work which neither one can do by themselves, work upon which life and destiny may depend, ought to induce perfect harmony and concert of action. Only the grace of God can achieve so desirable an end.

Induction into the office of parenthood is not one whit of less importance and moral grandeur than the inauguration of an ideal President, or the enthronement of a king.

I wonder that Christian fathers and mothers do not go often into their closets and "pray with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit," that the Almighty may be their sufficiency in the infinitely momentous work of teaching and training their children for God and heaven. Strange way some brethren have of turning this work over entirely to the mother, as though it was never written, "And ye fathers." Grand indeed would it be if some good brother would get up "The Fathers' Movement," in the interests of family religion. God bless the dear mothers. I believe many of them would hail this movement with a good old-fashioned Methodist shout. O that I could "seek out and set in order acceptable words, even words of truth," that might set the fathers to thinking, until they clearly apprehended religious duty in this premise. It is a deeply felt conviction with me, that there are mothers bowed in deepest sorrow over fallen children because fathers failed to come to their help. Here, right here, is the grandest rescue home on earth, only get God in the home and the "mutual faith" of parents co-working with God, and you will hear no more of the deplorable and blighting curse—the white slave traffic. The domestic hearth, as a factor of National righteousness, is more potent than the Whitehouse, and all Congress. Yes, I believe I will say it, than all the colleges and universities on earth.

I said something in a former letter about mothers being prayed for. A thousandfold more do the fathers of this nation need praying for.

Family religion in time, will yield a glorious dividend in eternity. Many children in your crown of rejoicing will not be objectionable then.

Reverently, and with full consciousness of my own imperfections, as a father, I beg to say to all parents, for God's sake and for the sake of your children's best interest for time and eternity, "Do not err."

JAMES E. CALDWELL.

Tulip, Ark.

ONE THING NEEDED.

What I have to say on this subject is not for any other reason than that I love the Methodist Church better than any other church in the world. I believe everything the Methodist Church stands for. It has always been a great force in the world for the spread of the gospel. I think we are trying to carry out the commission to go into all the world. I would not withdraw a single missionary. I would send more. I would not favor giving less money, but a great deal more. We cannot do everything we would like to do, but I think there are some things we could do that we are not doing. This is what I have in mind now. We hear other people boasting that they are in the lead in Oklahoma. They are in the lead, but not much. It is not because they have

any better. They haven't anything better. But they are offering what they have. Where they are doing their work, and gaining more rapidly, is in the country. Now we are not doing our part by the country. We appoint our men, Conference and district, but they don't go into the country where people do not hear preaching, but they go to the cities and towns, where we have a good pastor and a well organized church. With every department in fine working order. Where the normal condition of the church is conversions all the time. Now a pastor ought to be able to have a revival in a church of that kind. And I think if he can't on that amounts to a great deal can't be had. Now here is what we need. A certain church has employed a man for this county, paying one thousand dollars a year. This is just one case. He stays in this county. He is going all the time. For some months he didn't hold any meetings but just rode this county over. Preaching in every schoolhouse, praying in every home, and by so doing has won many to his church. He has been on the field five months, has held meetings two months of that time. He has raised, so far, about fifty dollars a month on his salary, for the five months. We pay out lots of money for help every year, but here is what I think we ought to do. We could put a man in each district in this Conference, pay him a good salary, put him in the country to work, let him stay in the country, preach, pray, visit from house to house, hold meetings, and we would soon see our church coming to the front.

We need a man in the district now to do this kind of work. My church will help support him.

W. C. FLEETWOOD.

CAUSES FOR GRATITUDE.

Those of us who make our homes at Galloway College have had several causes for gratitude to Almighty God recently. Since the Christmas holidays we have had smallpox among the students; that is, we have had three cases. Such a trouble in a girls' boarding school could easily cause an entire exodus of the students. But the trouble is now over and we have had two girls to go home, though their absence cannot really be charged to the trouble. Both parents and students stood nobly by us and we have come out practically unscathed.

Our second cause for gratitude is found in the success of Brother Watson in his work for the college. To date he has raised \$11,550.00. We confidently expect to see this amount grow to \$25,000.00 within the next eight weeks. With each newly announced donation the hearts of students and teachers breathe a prayer of thanksgiving. Our faith is stronger every day that the men of Arkansas are preparing to give their daughters a chance at large things within our own borders.

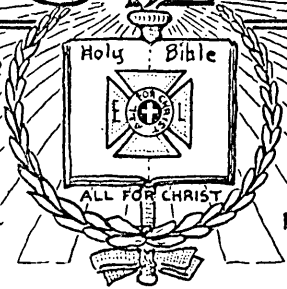
Our third reason for thankfulness is because we have had recently a great spiritual blessing. Twenty of the girls declared their allegiance to our Lord and the whole school has felt the power of his presence. These seasons of uplift in school life mean a great deal to both teachers and students and all of us feel we have a new hold on God for a better life.

J. M. WILLIAMS, President.

Robert Louis Stevenson's "Morning Prayer":
"The day returns and brings us the petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to play the man, help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces; let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to go blithely on our business all this day; bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonored, and grant us in the end the gift of sleep."

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Sentence Prayers.
Song.
Talk, by the Pastor, on Easter and its Significance.
Easter Duet.
Open Meeting.
Song, "It's Just Like Him."
Benediction.

THE TOPIC.

At the City League Union meeting held with Asbury Church last month, the Rev. J. L. Cannon in a speech said that one trouble he found with the themes and subjects of discussion in the League devotional meetings was that they were too deep for the time and thought given them. We agree with Brother Cannon.

We approach with great diffidence and awe this topic for today—Easter. However, we feel that it is an obligation on our part, and we are going to do the best we can with it.

The two men on their way to Emmaus were sorrowful and downcast in the belief that all hope regarding the coming Messiah was dead and that the tomb was sealed forever and aye against their hope in Jesus as the Christ. A stranger appeared unto them and entered into conversation; he inquired as to their sadness, and they told him the reason. Little did they realize that the subject of their dejection was the stranger in their midst. So it is with us. Oftentimes Jesus stands with us and talks to us, but we fail to recognize him.

Jesus did not see fit to reveal his identity just at this time, and it was not until they had constrained him to abide with them because of the approaching night that they discovered in the stranger their lost Savior. Would that our powers were great enough to picture this solemn scene. How rejoiced these men must have been on discovering their risen Lord!

To us today comes with ever-increasing vividness the certainty of the resurrection and the great truth that Christ is indeed risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of them that slept. To us today this Easter hope means infinitely more than words can express. On the belief of this great hope hinges the very foundation of our Christian religion, for if Christ be not risen from the dead, what have we on earth or in the world to come?

Let us join in one great psalm of praise and adoration to the Christ who broke asunder the bonds of death and intercepted the strangers on their way to Emmaus.

PRACTICAL POINTS.

1. As the disciples were sad at the apparent loss of Jesus, so is everyone who does not feel the presence of Jesus. A man without Jesus is hopeless. A man without hope cannot be happy. "Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord, his God."

2. The question is not, "Are we going to be lost?" but "Are we saved?" We are already lost, and if we do not accept Jesus we always will be lost. Our only hope is in Jesus. "Blessed be the

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which, according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

SIDE LIGHTS.

Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf of springtime.—*Luther*.

Heaven-born, the soul a heavenward course must hold; beyond the world she soars; the wise man, I affirm, can find no rest in that which perishes, nor doth he lend his heart to aught that doth on time depend.—*Michel Angelo*.

Life is the soul's nursery—its training place for the destinies of eternity.—*Thackeray*.

The body, that is but dust; the soul, it is a bud of eternity.—*Culverwell*.

The soul on earth is an immortal guest,
Compelled to starve at an unreal feast;
A pilgrim panting for the rest to come;
An exile anxious for his native home.

—*T. More*.

The seed dies into a new life, and so does man.—*G. McDonald*.

All men's souls are immortal, but the souls of the righteous are both immortal and divine.—*Socrates*.

For the great hereafter I trust in the infinite love of God as expressed in the life and death of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.—*J. G. Holland*.

The belief that we shall never die is the foundation of our dying well.—*Turretin*.

I feel my immortality o'ersweep all pains, all tears, all time, all fears; and peal like the eternal thunders of the deep, into my ears this truth—thou livest forever!—*Byron*.

A BOON TO LEAGUEDOM.

"The Little Hymn Book," published at the suggestion of our Board of Missions, meets a long-felt want of Epworth Leagues and country and village churches. In many of our Leagues and smaller churches the learning of hymns has been neglected; consequently in these communities a few gospel songs are repeated Sunday after Sunday till they have grown monotonous and dull. Many of these songs are frivolous and fantastic, and actually co-operate with the picture show and the cheap novel in creating among our young people a taste for the light and trivial.

Quoting from the preface, "The Little Hymn-Book," of modest mien, enters upon a mission of love and duty. Worship, praise, and thanksgiving; joy, comfort and communion with God; warning, appeal and prayer, aspiration, consecration and assurance—all the deepest sentiment of the human heart, it seeks to express in its melody and verse. Its 165 hymns and 35 spiritual songs have been thoroughly tested in the experience of God's people; and their sweetness, like that of an old violin, increases with the growing years. All except 16 are in the Methodist hymnal. . . . All these hymns and all these tunes should be or become familiar to every Methodist."

Some time ago I saw a notice from Brother T. D. Scott calling attention to this book. I ordered a supply, and am highly pleased with the book. They are cheap: \$12.50 per hundred. They also contain the Order of Worship and the Psalter.

Order from our Publishing House.

BYRON HARWELL.

SOME NOTES ON EUROPE.
(Continued From Page 3.)

however, there are splendid roads along the edge of lakes or watercourses at the foot of a great precipice or mountain. Each of these roads is divided into sections of about 10 miles each and each section has a station or hotel where travelers secure food and lodging and get fresh horses. The vehicles used for travel are carriages or small single-seated carts; the Norwegian ponies are able to make long journeys and seem to have more endurance than many horses that are much larger.

It was early morning when we entered the mouth of Christiania Fjord. It was noon when we reached the capital city after that most picturesque six hours' ride. The city is situated at the foot of pineclad hills and though it has suffered severely from fires it is today a beautiful city of 230,000 people; it is the gate to Norway and one-half of the imports with one-fourth of the exports of the kingdom pass through it. The principal street (Karl-Johans Gade) leads from the railway station to the palace at the west end; one passes the University and the Norwegian Parliament House on this street as he goes to the palace. The University celebrated last year its one hundredth anniversary; it has 65 professors and 1,600 students. In one of the museums there was on exhibition a boat of the Vikings which had been recently found; it was estimated that the boat was probably 1,000 years old. Of course, on never goes to Christiania without visiting the popular resort and park of Holmenkollen. This resort is something over one thousand feet above the sea level and it is on these hills that there is held in winter the Norwegian National Festival of ski-racing. From here one has a fine view of Christiania and the Fjord, a view that can hardly be surpassed. Norway is a land in which one would like to spend every vacation period; at present it is not crowded with tourists as some other countries of Europe and for that reason in addition to its magnificent beauty and the restfulness of its natural scenery, it will some day be the great vacation ground of Europe. The people are poor; there is very little land that can be cultivated, and Norway can never support any very large population. It seems to have been fashioned for a resting place for travelers from other lands.

After a trip of some 20 hours back down the Christiania Fjord and across Kattegat one reaches Copenhagen; for miles the western coast of Sweden is in sight on the left. Copenhagen is a city of 514,000; it is the center of more than one-half of the kingdom's trade; its harbor is entered every year by 10,000 steamers and over 8,000 sailing vessels. There is no cleaner city in the world; it is a city in whose streets one would hesitate to drop a small bit of paper, not for fear of punishment but from a desire to respect its cleanliness. Here are narrow, winding streets which will recall the eighteenth century and many buildings which exhibit the beginnings of that style of architecture which is characteristic of Copenhagen, known as "Christian IV." Just as there has been some interest in America in the Colonial style of Domestic Architecture, so in Copenhagen there has been revived recently an interest in the primitive Christian IV type.

The center of the city and of its life is the Kongens-nytorv (King's New Market), a large open square. Around this square are the Charlottenborg Palace, the Royal Theater, the Foreign Office, the Commercial Bank and several large office buildings. The Charlottenborg Palace was built in the Seventeenth Century and is today the home of the Royal Academy of Art. The home of the present reigning family is the Christianborg Palace; the present King of Norway is a Danish prince and the relationship between the two countries are as close as those of their Royal

rulers. Sweden holds aloof from both of these lands. The relations between Norway and Sweden are still rather estranged as a result of the trouble that led to the establishing of a separate Norwegian Kingdom and nothing seems to provoke a Norwegian any more than to call him a Swede.

Copenhagen will always have a place in the world of art because Thorvaldsen lived here. There is a museum in Copenhagen erected to preserve his works. Some of the best of his art has been kept her. In close proximity to each other is the University with its 2,000 students and the Church of Our Lady. Within this church are found the statutes of the Twelve Apostles executed by Thorvaldsen. Of course, every city in the world has its amusement centers; one finds amusement parks all over Europe. There are many Trivolis but here seems to be the original from which the others in Europe are copied; it was founded in 1843. There are many pleasant drives and walks. The city has so much water all about it that there is a strong wind blow most of the time. For this reason and because of its progressive spirit one might well term it the Chicago of Europe. The trade and commerce of the city is surprising when one remembers what a very little land Denmark is. It is so small that an American would term it a county rather than a State. A trip along any of its country roads will show the substantial nature of its public improvements. The roads are always in splendid condition. The farm houses are clean and neat; there are no dilapidated houses and broken down fences. In spite of the fertility and productivity of its soil Denmark could hardly furnish maintenance for its cities and its foreign trade. Like the merchants of another small land of Europe, Holland, the cities of Denmark furnish carrying vessels for many of the larger countries.

In its cities there is very little suffering among the poor and there are no dirty tenements. Charity committees and philanthropic citizens are very busy in looking after the needs of their people.

HOW CAN THESE THINGS BE?

BY HUGH RUSSELL FRASER.

We read in the Bible that God is infinitely wise, infinitely loving, infinitely powerful. Then we go out to actual life, and we come in contact with incidents that at least puzzle us, and oftentimes cloud our faith. A child is born a hopeless cripple, and drags out a helpless life to the end of its days. A mechanic, a good man and the only support of his family, slips, falls from the roof, and is a bedridden man till death releases him twenty years later. A ship sinks at sea, and sixteen hundred lives are lost in a tragic struggle with the pitiless elements. We are distressed. We ask how can these things be consistent with the wisdom and love of an omnipotent God. Let us attempt the answer.

This world is a world of law. It can be stated thus: Given certain causes and conditions, certain results will always follow; or, Given the same causes and the same conditions, the same results will always follow. Fire always generates heat, never cold. Water always seeks the lower levels, never the higher. Gravity always pulls toward the center of the earth, never in the opposite direction. These are commonplace illustrations of a tremendous fact which we call the uniformity of nature and the invariability of natural law. This is a fact beyond any question in our day, and, let me now add, a blessing from God inconceivably great. If fire were not what it is, and its action always the same under the same conditions; if water were not what it is, and its action always uniform, we would not only suffer, but die. If fire sometimes generated heat and sometimes cold, there would be no use putting a heating apparatus into our dwellings to minister to our comfort, and millions of people would literally freeze

to death every winter month. If water sometimes sought the lower levels and sometimes the higher levels, the city's water system would be a cruel mockery, the ocean would come up tomorrow and drown us all. To state the truth here contained in generalized terms, if the uniformity of nature and the invariability of law ceased tomorrow, life would be an agony while it continued, and, in fact, would quickly be extinguished.

In the light of these truths, let us now look at one disaster, typical of all, such as clouds the faith of some, perhaps many, leading them to ask, How is it consistent with the wisdom and love of God? The Titanic, with 2,300 lives on board, collides with an iceberg off the banks of Newfoundland, and sinks in a few hours. Sixteen hundred lives are lost. Hundreds of homes are bereaved, and the earth itself is filled with sympathy and sorrow. Why does not a loving God interfere to prevent such appalling suffering and loss of life? Let us consider what such interference would mean. Our study will involve an ascertainment of at least some of the causes of the disaster.

Investigation reveals something like this: Shipbuilders have not conquered the dangers of the deep, as the seagoing people believed they had. This is human ignorance. Risking precious human lives for money is sin. For the rest of it, the awful disaster occurred through the operation of the laws of nature; *e. g.*, the impact of a tremendous mass upon a smaller and more fragile body injures the latter in proportion to the force of the impact, and water extinguishes, always extinguishes, submerged human life.

With what, then, shall God interfere? Shall he interfere with the operation of the laws of nature? Shall he interfere to prevent the larger and stronger mass from producing its natural injury upon the smaller and weaker? Or shall he interfere to prevent the boat from sinking or water from drowning those cast into it? It will take only a little thought to realize that if he did so in one case he must needs do so in other cases in which suffering and death arise from water's normal action. He would then prevent its normal action in thousand thousands of cases every day. This would destroy the uniformity of nature, and the result would be infinitely more suffering and death than the interference relieved.

Shall, then, God interfere to supernaturally enlighten ignorance? Shall he, *e. g.*, supernaturally enlighten the ignorance of the lookout, enabling him to see the iceberg in time to forestall the disaster? If he did so in this case, he must needs do so in all cases in which human suffering

and death result from ignorance. This would mean the giving of supernatural light to millions of cases every day. Would this be wisdom or love? Most assuredly, no. It would, on the contrary, condemn the race to perpetual intellectual childhood. Reflect a moment—how has the race been intellectually developed? When we review the past, we find it something like this: God has given us an intelligible universe—intelligible *because it is a world of law*. He has given us minds capable of understanding and unraveling the laws of this intelligible universe. He has set us to work to discover its properties and its laws. We enter meanwhile into the profits and joys of success in this pursuit, or suffer the bitter consequences of failure. Man needs these stimuli; he does not struggle upward without them. And men are solving their problems. They are coming to understand, and by the very struggle are becoming a grander race. The result justifies the means.

Once more, Shall God interfere to prevent sin? Shall he interfere to prevent the sin of the ship-owners in risking two thousand human lives for love of gain by sending the ship through a dangerous zone at a high speed? If God interfered to prevent this sin, must he not interfere to prevent all sin? For there is no sin that does not entail suffering sooner or later. This would ignore and destroy the freedom of the human will and render all human goodness an impossibility. If God coerces us into goodness, then we become good machines, not good men. God is too wise, too loving, to do this.

I believe that I have now presented a reasonable answer to the question propounded in the first paragraph. If, however, the reader before he lays down this article asks one more question, viz., What, then, does God do to overcome man's sin? we can only, in the space allowed, suggest the direction in which the answer lies.

God leaves the freedom of man's will untouched. He presents to that will, at great cost to himself, the most powerful motives leading man to choose to be good. (Man can become good only by the exercise of his own free will.) By these motives, shining everywhere in earth, but most resplendently in the Incarnate Son, and by his Spirit he wooes the free man and—waits in love.—*Outlook*.

Jesus' works have never ceased. People are still learning and profiting by his great preaching and teachings. Broken lives and hearts and depressed spirits are healed and uplifted by him. Jesus is and was and ever shall be the same un-failing friend.

ADVICE TO STUDENTS.

January 22, 1913.—Mr. Earl Cranston, Jr., East Side High School, Denver, Col. My Dear Mr. Cranston: You may quote me as saying: A request for advice from a student to one who has passed middle life can best be granted by a response which will be useful, and the obligation to make such answer is the greater, when, as in this case, it is to reach a large number of students.

I need not dwell upon the necessity for education; it may be assumed that those to whom these words are addressed already appreciate the vital importance of mental training. They need rather to be warned against the temptations that come with education, and there are two which most deserve consideration:

The first temptation is to forget God; the sin of the first pair in the Garden of Eden grew out of a determination to trust the head instead of the heart. They could not see why limitations were placed upon them, and therefore they resolved upon disobedience. The mind must not think of itself too highly; it is not the commander-in-chief of man's destiny. Faith is greater than reason. Pascal truly says that the heart has reasons that the reason can not understand, because the heart is of an infinitely higher order. Learning is good, but remember always that "the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom." Religion is the most practical thing with which man has to deal, because it alone gives him a conception of life, and furnishes a foundation upon which a moral code can be built.

The second temptation is to put selfish interests above the common good—the temptation to regard education as a means of getting ahead of others rather than as a means of larger service. Let not the training of the mind wean you from sympathy with your fellows. Education will make you stronger; put that larger strength at the service of those who are weaker and learn a lesson of paramount importance, namely, that life is measured, not by what we get out of the world, but by what we put into the world.

I venture to offer these two suggestions for your annual, in the hope that they may, in some small degree, strengthen your readers for a large contribution to the welfare of society and thus justify a large return from society. Very truly yours—W. J. Bryan, in *Commoner*.

KENTUCKY EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION SETS HIGH MORAL STANDARD.

We not only think that some of the sentiments in the following resolutions will benefit the secular press, but if adopted by the editors of the religious press would help these also:

"1. Realizing the necessity of having the source of political power uncontaminated, that the will of the people may be expressed without being stifled by force or thwarted by corruption, we, the Democratic Editorial Association, do hereby covenant with ourselves and with the people for whom we speak to advocate absolute fairness and exact justice in the conduct of party affairs and of elections, and to expose promptly and condemn vigorously any unfairness, fraud, or corruption by whomsoever perpetrated.

"2. We further covenant and bind ourselves to maintain a high standard of courtesy in the discussion of public questions and of the claims of candidates for public office, and to insist that all candidates for public office shall conduct their canvass on the high plane of courtesy that is imperative upon gentlemen seeking the support of their fellow-citizens for the gratification of their ambition to serve the State. We deprecate such canvasses as in the past have led to bitter personal controversies and factional divisions and for the good of the party, insist that in the future issues and not personalities shall be the subjects of public discussion.

"3. Recognizing the obligations of our party to give to the nation, to the State, and to each political subdivision the services of men of character, probity and ability, we urge such men to offer their services to the public and pledge ourselves to support for party nominations only such men as by reason of probity and ability we believe best fitted to serve the public.

"4. We condemn the custom that has been prevalent in Kentucky of appointing men to positions requiring special knowledge or training because of their political services, and will urge that hereafter men be selected for such positions solely because of their special fitness to discharge the duties thereof.

"We urge all Democratic editors in Kentucky, who agree with us in the views herein expressed and are willing to subscribe to pledges herein made, to send their names to the Secretary of this Association."—*Central Methodist Advocate*.

LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA METHODISM.

The Methodist pastors of Little Rock and Argenta met in the lecture room of the First Methodist Church, Monday morning, March 10, at 10:00 o'clock. Rev. A. O. Evans, the Vice President, presided. Rev. R. L. Duckworth led in prayer. Those present were: Forney Hutchinson, A. O. Evans, A. C. Graham, J. L. Cannon, I. D. McClure, J. L. Leonard, R. L. Duckworth, F. P. Jernigan, J. W. Mann, and P. C. Fletcher. Dr. John Anderson, of the Western Methodist; Rev. James Thomas, of Texarkana, and Rev. Horace Jewell, Chaplain of the Arkansas Legislature, were also present.

Dr. W. R. Richardson, of First Church, received the sad news Monday morning of the death of his brother, Dr. James M. Richardson, a prominent physician of Anderson, S. C. This is the third or fourth sad affliction that has come to the heart and home of Dr. Richardson in the past few months. He was unable to attend the meeting of the pastors Monday, the news having reached him just as the brethren were convening.

Rev. A. C. Graham reports Henderson Church as prospering. Over 100 scholars were in the Sunday school last Sunday. He is soon to begin a series of revival meetings, led by Rev. John P. Lowry.

Rev. J. L. Cannon is doing some vigorous work at Hunter Memorial Church. The task is one which calls for the best consecrated manhood of which a Methodist minister is capable. He serves a noble people.

Rev. J. L. Leonard is pushing the matter of a new building for Highland Church, and his enthusiasm and energy will achieve success. He hopes to soon begin work on the edifice. He received 7 new members last Sunday.

Rev. I. D. McClure has been doing some very effective work at Gardner Memorial Church, notwithstanding the fact that for three months his consecrated wife was at the point of death. She is now much improved.

Rev. J. W. Mann is making things happen at Twenty-eighth Street Church. His Sunday school and League are both flourishing. His people are standing by him nobly in his efforts to have the best year in the history of that vigorous congregation. Rev. Forney Hutchinson preached for him Sunday morning, and the occasion was one of rejoicing.

Rev. R. L. Duckworth is having a very successful pastorate at First Church, Pulaski Heights. He preaches to fine congregations. His Sunday school and League are rapidly growing. He has received 25 persons into the church since Conference. The Sunday school has doubled in attendance.

Rev. Frank P. Jernigan is rejoicing in the fact that his new church building will soon be under way. Eighteen of his members have subscribed \$2,500.00 toward the new enterprise. He speaks of his people in glowing terms.

Rev. A. O. Evans, who has been in touch with Little Rock Methodism for a quarter of a century, believes that the outlook is the very best he has ever seen in the capital city. Asbury is, of course, prospering. He began a series of revival services this week, to run till Easter. He is being assisted by Rev. Forney Hutchinson.

Rev. Forney Hutchinson reports that the Little Rock District is moving forward under the faithful work of the vigorous corps of pastors. At every point there is life, even to the extent of enthusiasm. He regards the outlook as most encouraging.

Rev. P. C. Fletcher is in the midst of a "Personal Work Campaign," which will culminate with Easter. Some very beautiful work is being done in a quiet, but effective, way. All of the departments of the church are highly active. Rev. Forney Hutchinson preached last Sunday night to a congregation that taxed the capacity of the building almost.

Rev. James Thomas, pastor of First Church, Texarkana, was present at the preacher's meeting, and discussed at some length the educational interests of Arkansas Methodism. He has back of him the co-operation of the pastors of the Little Rock District in his worthy efforts in behalf of Hendrix College. Dr. Thomas has formed the success habit.

Dr. John Anderson and Rev. Horace Jewell each made brief remarks. Dr. Jewell was many years ago pastor of First Church for four years. Dr. Anderson represented the interests of the Western Methodist as prospering. Many new subscribers are being secured. The paper is in high favor.

Rev. H. F. Buhler was not present at the ministers' meeting, but it is understood that Capitol View Church is making rapid strides forward. He is pushing the completion of the chapel, and in the meanwhile is preaching to excellent congregations and gathering in new members.

REV. L. L. JOHNSON RAISES A POINT.

Dear Editor: I am not a critic. There are many things I do not know and many things I would like to know. One is, how we preachers in the West got into the way of unmethodistic phraseology? It is this: In speaking and writing and making reports of church members moving, it is a common thing to say that such and such a number, "have been dismissed by letter." "Dismiss" and "letter" do not appear in any authorized book, or register, or report blank of Methodism, but always say, "Removed by certificate." Does not that sound better? Is it not far more correct? Do we ever discard, discharge, or reject members in the above sense? Do we not rather permit them to move away, or to change place of church membership, by giving them a "certificate," and not a "letter?"

Now some one may say "that is a very little matter"—a "tempest in a teapot"—but you remember the long-ago lines,

"Little drops of water, little grains of sand,
Make the mighty ocean and the solid land."

L. L. JOHNSON.

Clinton, Okla.

"The Labors of Jesus" is a very fit subject for us as Leaguers and beginners in life. Our lives cannot be a vacuum. They must be filled with something. Let it be such works as Jesus did.

Labor is rest from the sorrows that greet us; from all their petty vexations that meet us; from sin promptings that assail us; from the world-sirens that lure us from ill.—F. S. Ogden.

One of his greatest labors was to appoint men to carry on his work, thus giving us an opportunity to serve him and bless others. "Be a blessing."

CHILDREN'S PAGE.

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

Eaton, Ark., Dec. 23, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: How are you? I am fine. Will you admit another little Arkansas girl into your happy band of cousins. How many of you cousins like to go to school? I do for one. My teacher's name is Miss Sadie Pettyjohn. I like her fine. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My Sunday school teacher's name is Mr. Sam Jean. My seatmate at school is Mildred Montgomery. Well, I will describe myself. I have dark complexion, dark hair and have blue eyes and am thirteen years old today. Well, as this is my first time to write I will close. With best wishes.

From a friend,
Nettie Weir.

Magnolia, Ark., Dec. 21, 1912.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you admit another little Arkansas girl from Magnolia to your happy band of cousins? My grandpapa takes the Western Methodist and I read the letters. I go to Sunday school and my teacher's name is Miss Luella Futch. I like her just fine. I am eight years old and I will graduate from the primary Sunday school next year. Your father was here to see us last year and my mother knew you when you were my age and we want you to come to see us too. I will answer Didewow's question that John the Baptist's father was Zacharias. Will close by asking a riddle. When is a doctor most annoyed?

Your new cousin,
Margaret Askew.

Thank you for your kind invitation. I am sure I would enjoy knowing you and all of your family.

Miss Katherine.

Greenwood, Ark., Jan. 26, 1913.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you please admit another child into your happy band? Children, did you all have a nice time Christmas? I sure did. I went out to my grandmother's Christmas day, and my mother and her sister gave her a surprise dinner. In the afternoon my friends came to see me. We played snowball, then went skating. Greenwood is a nice, clean town. It is the county seat of Sebastian county. We have three churches: Methodist, Baptist, and the Presbyterians. The Methodist is known to be the strongest church. Two banks, an electric light plant, one printing office, two hotels, two restaurants, two barber shops and twenty stores. We also have a fine school, a good principal and a good lot of teachers. There are between four and five hundred pupils enrolled.

I think we have a nice little town, don't you cousins? Well I will close. I remain, your new cousin,
Mattie Bassett.

Monette, Ark., Jan. 28, 1913.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: How are you all enjoying this rainy weather? I like it fine. I go to school every day. My teacher's name is Miss Herreld. I like her fine. I am in the fifth grade. Prof. Henry is the principal. He is a good Christian man. We all like him very much. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. Mr. Culver is my teacher. He is a good Christian man and we like him very much. Our Junior League will meet and reorganize next Sunday. Daddy is our pastor. Hoping to see this in print I will close.

From your friend,
Myrtle Barrentine.

Mangum, Okla., Feb. 2, 1913.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you let another little Oklahoma girl join your happy band? I go to Sunday school when I can. Our pastor's name is Brother Sims; he is a fine preacher. I go to school most of the time; am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss Norma Clay. I like her fine. I am ten years old; have two sisters and one brother. As this is my first letter I will close.

Your new cousin,
Clara Bradshaw.

Searcy, Ark., Jan. 25, 1913.

Dear Miss Katherine and Cousins: Will you let me join your happy band? I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My Sunday school teacher is Miss Norma Neal. We all like her because she is so good. I go to school. My school teacher is Miss Lucy Sinclair. I go to the First Methodist church. I will tell you what grade I am in and also how old. I am in the third grade and was ten years old the 11th of November. My papa is a missionary. I will close for this time.

Your new cousin,
Mary Lea Ricks.

Amity, Ark., Jan. 17, 1913.

Dear Methodist: I have been reading the Children's Page and thought I would write once more. I sure enjoy reading the letters. I am going to school now. We have a fine school at Amity. I like my teacher fine. Her name is Miss Ethel Yblood. She is a fine teacher. I like to go to Sunday school. My Sunday school teacher's name is Mr. John W. Thompson. We all like him for a teacher. Well, nearly all the children like to go to school and Sunday school, but how many like flowers and like to work with them? I do for one. I think flowers make our homes much brighter and happier. I have learned to bud roses and care for them. We have many kinds of roses and other kinds of flowers with many kinds of evergreens. I wish some of the cousins could be here to see the flowers and plants grow and bloom. Well, as my letter might get too long I will close and write some more

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again if I see this in print. I must tell you cousins who our preacher is. His name is Rev. W. R. Harrison. We all like him.

Your cousin,
Eunie Spurlin.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 19, 1913.

Dear Cousins: You need not think I had forgotten you, because I was so long in writing. I have been so busy with my school work and music that I just couldn't find time to write any sooner. Mother and I are alone now. Papa is away for a month or so. We get real lonesome sometimes but I am kept very busy with my studies, and helping mama.

We have taken the Methodist for two years and I always look forward to reading the Children's Page with much pleasure. I will be nine years old in March and am in the fourth grade in school and the fifth grade in music. I have attended Sunday school almost every Sunday since I was five years old and enjoy it just fine. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Nina Hopkins. My literary teacher is Miss Rose McCray, and my music teacher, Prof. J. J. Keller. I love them all very dearly. We have a literary club in my room at school and have a nice program twice each month. We all enjoy it very much and each tries to excel the other. We are going to have a special program Valentine day and will also have a Valentine box. I hope to get some pretty Valentines. Old Santa brought me a basket-ball for Christmas and I am having a fine time playing with it.

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PRESCOTT DISTRICT BULLETIN.

Dr. S. R. Twitty, the popular pastor at Hope, preached to a crowded house both hours last Sunday.

The congregation at Hope has completed their canvass for \$25,000 for the erection of their new church edifice.

Brother Durham, pastor of Hope circuit, has about completed arrangements for purchase or building of a parsonage at Fulton. Fulton is one of the very old towns of South Arkansas.

Its citizenship is composed of some choice spirits, and now that they propose to rise up and build the servant of God a home that he may live among them is a prophecy of a great future. Brother Hayes, presiding elder, had a great day at Prescott last Sunday, preaching two great sermons.

The pastor at Prescott was sent by the presiding elder last Sunday to preach for Brother Paul Q. Rorie and his splendid congregation at Gurdon. He enjoyed the service very much. At the evening hour Mr. James E. Congden, the boys' man of the Y. M. C. A. delivered an address and he ran up to Arkadelphia and had the esteemed privilege of worshipping with the congregation of Brother Wheeler. Prof. Willis, professor of Biblical Literature in Henderson-Brown College, made an interesting address. Monday morning he had the pleasure of looking in on the college and its work. Dr. Crowell and his assistants are doing fine work for the church in Henderson-Brown College. Brother J. C. Rhodes, the good and the true, the always friend of this institution sees only the bow of promise spanning the horizon, presaging only good for it in the future. He believes with this writer and other friends that Henderson and Arkadelphia Methodist has saved South Arkansas to the Methodist church. Without it occupying this vantage ground as it has, Ouachita College would have taken hundreds of bright boys and girls from our Methodist homes who could not and would not have gone to either Hendrix or Galloway that would have been lost to Methodism.

Editor.

THIS WILL INTEREST MANY.

F. W. Parkhurst, the Boston publisher, says that if anyone afflicted with rheumatism in any form, neuralgia or kidney trouble, will send their address to him at 7042 Carney building, Boston, Mass., he will direct them to a perfect cure. He has nothing to sell or give; only tells you how he was cured after years of search for relief. Hundreds have tested it with success.

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WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE W. M. SOCIETY.

In response to the call of the president, Mrs. Roussan, four members of the executive committee of the White River Conference Woman's Missionary Society, met in Jonesboro February 20, to give a day to special consideration of its affairs, other officers being unable to be in attendance. A morning in the district parsonage and an afternoon in the home of the Conference third vice president, Mrs. A. L. Malone, were devoted to a review of some parts of last year's work, and to a discussion of some plans to enlarge the activities and increase the usefulness of the society in the present year.

Mrs. W. L. Oliver, conference organizer and secretary of Jonesboro district, brought a gratifying report to the success of her six weeks of working days, in which time she had visited twenty-one charges, added 300 members organized Adult Young People and children's auxiliaries, and taken free-will offerings amounting to nearly \$200.00. The rest of this work having been done in the Jonesboro District.

Provision was made for a definite campaign of personal visitation in the other four districts by their secretaries to organize auxiliaries and build up those needing help and encouragement, and these district secretaries were asked to give two months before Annual Meeting to this special effort.

Mrs. E. K. Sewell was appointed as secretary to fill vacancy in the Batesville District till Annual Meeting.

Mrs. W. O. Beard's resignation as recording secretary was regrettably accepted and Mrs. Preston Hatcher was elected to fill unexpired term.

The Home half of dues spent for extension of work having met with such satisfactory returns in the organizer's work, it was ordered that with consent of the Council such part of that conference asset as should be needed should again be used for "Extension" in 1913.

May 10, 11, 12, 13 was chosen as time for Annual Meeting in Paragould, program to be announced as early as possible.

It was decided that auxiliaries should be instructed to send two representatives to annual meeting, one of whom should be the president, or her alternate, if she is unable to attend or by virtue of conference office is already due at that meeting.

Mrs. J. M. Hawley,
Secretary Pro Tem.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Treasurer's report of the West Oklahoma Conference Woman's Missionary Society for the year ending December 31:

Adult dues	\$ 330.09
Young people's dues	4.90
Junior Division dues	8.21
Baby Division dues	2.25
Retired Missionary Fund....	8.60
Scarritt Training School	10.00
Rio School	30.00
Offering for China	2.95
Mexico City	3.60
Bible Woman	2.00
Thank offering	24.35
Jubilee Fund	259.52
Pledge	451.17
Conference expense	54.38
On pledge too late for this year's report	8.00

Total for 1912 report.....\$1,200.02
Total for 1911

It is with a heart full of gratitude to God and our good women of the West Oklahoma Conference that I submit the above for publication. While our figures are not equal to many older and stronger conferences, we rejoice that during the past year we have not been idle, but made some advancement in our Foreign Department, and we are praying, hoping and

trusting to double it this year. Shall I be alone in my prayers and efforts? Ponder the above question! It is for every woman in the West Oklahoma Conference. Re-read the above report. Have you contributed a penny toward those figures? If you have not, you can't rejoice with those who have. In the quiet of your closet, ask your loving Savior if you have done all that is required of you? Let us forget Home and Foreign lines and be real, true missionary women. You believe in doing your whole duty as much as I, then why not make the effort to do it? The few dollars it will cost you to put your name on the Foreign department will bring the greatest blessing you will have during the year. Try it. Will each District Secretary please send me at once, the addresses of all her corresponding secretaries? Have written to them but some have failed to reply.

Mrs. W. F. Whittington,
Treas. For. Dept., Ardmore, Okla.

MISSIONARY FEDERATION.

The third annual all-day meeting of the Women's Missionary Federation of Tulsa, was held in the Boston Avenue M. E. Church, South, March 6, from 10:00 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. This meeting was vitally interesting to all the missionary societies of the city, and the Presbyterian, Baptist, Christian and Methodist societies were well represented and worked in a noble and united effort for the general good of all. Each society has had almost the same line of study for the year, and there was a general review and discussion of the work up to the present time on the two subjects, "Mormonism—the Islam of America," and "The New China." In addition there were many very interesting papers read. At noon this assembly of nearly 200 enthusiastic missionary workers was served luncheon by the Boston Avenue Missionary Society. The Federation fostered the spirit of Christian fellowship, and all the missionary societies are working for the same thing—the Christianization and betterment of the world, and let us ever remember "that in union there is strength."

MRS. E. FORREST HAYDEN.
1312 S. Baltimore, Tulsa, Okla.

LIVINGSTONE CENTENNIAL.

At Paul's Valley the Susanna Wesley Bible Class organized a Mission Study Class and chose "Daybreak in the Dark Continent," Livingstone edition, preparatory to giving a Livingstone Centennial program at the church, Sunday evening, March 23. The program given below has succeeded in interesting a number of young people in missions, and by the close of the program it is hoped young and old will be inspired to a larger vision through the celebration of the birth of the hero of the Dark Continent.

Any second vice president who has not a copy of "Daybreak," or a short life of Livingstone, can still get up a most interesting program on short notice by sending 15 cents to the Tullar-Meredith Company, 14 W. Washington St., Chicago, for a copy of "David Livingstone—A Service of Song and Story." Divide the life of Livingstone into as many parts as you have young people, and use the hymns suggested from the hymnal. It would be better to order two copies so one can be clipped.

Livingstone Centennial Program.
Hymn 655—"Greenland's Icy Mountains."

Psalms 121; 135.

(The psalms read by Livingstone at the family altar on his departure for Africa, November 17, 1840.)

Prayer.

Hymn 636—"Watchman, Tell Us."

Map study—Africa 1805 and 1905.

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"The Home Life of a Pagan" (see "Daybreak," pages 50-70).

"Slavery—Domestic and Foreign" (pages 117-123).

"Paganism," chapter 3.

"Mohammedanism," chapter 4.

"Early Life and Preparation of Livingstone."

Hymn 640—"Go, Ye Messenger" (one stanza).

"Work in Africa to the Time He Sends the Wife and Children to England."

Hymn 458—"Jesus, I My Cross" (one stanza).

"Life Until Death of Wife."

Hymn 583—"Asleep in Jesus" (solo—one stanza).

"Close of Life—Burial."

Hymn 597—"Servant of God, Well Done" (first and third stanzas).

"Our New Field" (see January Voice—"Doctor Lambuth in Africa," and Christian Advocate, February 28, page 24).

Hymn 348—Consecration Hymn, by class.

Benediction.

Ten persons take part in the above, time from three to seven minutes each.

Dear Co-workers of the East Oklahoma Conference: The first quarter of 1913 draws rapidly to a close and we are anxiously awaiting the reports, so that we may see somewhat of the plans the auxiliaries have made for the year's work and the success they have had during this quarter. I have written to each of the district secretaries asking for lists from the auxiliary secretaries of the pledges made at the beginning of the year for the Foreign Department. I must have these amounts before the Council meeting in April. I think there is no auxiliary too small and weak to give something on this pledge, for by making this assessment early in the year, and paying small sums monthly or quarterly, we will have much in the aggregate at the close of the year.

I am sure we all enjoyed the Institutes held by Miss Davies in our conference, and I think time alone will tell the great good accomplished. The attendance was fair and the enthusiasm great and I am sure each delegate returned home with a determination to make this the best year in our East Oklahoma Conference. I wish to bring before you the cause of the Missionary Voice, insisting upon more of our women taking this magazine. We have in our Conference 27,901 church members, 2,534 members of the Mission Society, 602 subscribers to the Voice, a proportion of one to every four members. Can we not stress this matter and push forward into the ranks of the banner conferences having one to every three members?

The district secretaries have had some trouble securing reports from the Foreign Departments of auxiliaries. Please let us have all reports in full for this quarter and start off the New Year with everything complete, hoping to have it so each quarter thereafter.

Let us not be satisfied until we have every woman a member of both departments and wage our membership campaign incessantly. By increasing our membership we increase our offerings and advance the work on all lines. May we plan largely for this year and make it a great year in our lives.

MRS. H. J. FOWLER,
Corresponding Secretary, Foreign Department, East Oklahoma Conference.

TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF MRS. A. J. SNODGRASS.

For more than a quarter of a century Mrs. A. J. Snodgrass was a member of Winfield Memorial Church. She was an active and untiring worker in all of its departments. In her death we recognize the Woman's Missionary Society has lost a beloved and loyal member whose place can never be filled. We shall miss her at our meetings where she was always present whenever possible, where her presence was like a benediction. The beautiful writings from her pen were an inspiration to all who heard them.

While the God whom she loved and served has called her home we can thank him for her consecrated Christian life and strive to emulate her example and meet her in the sweet beyond.

Her life at home was so beautiful that her children adored her. She never left anything undone that was for their good. She reigned supreme, each child thinking that whatever she did was well weighed before doing.

It well may be said of her that her bond was her word.

Always bright and cheerful and ready with advice for each and every duty of her children. We can see the fruit of her daily living by coming in contact with her noble children.

Her every day life at home was so sacred and sweet. No words can express the sweetness of her every day life in her home. It was smooth and peaceful, full of serenity. Her every day life was so bright and joyous that the memory of it will be a constant source of delight. She was always on the alert, lending a helping hand to those who were in trouble or sorrow. She was constant in her private devotions, praying a great deal. So when the summons came she was ready. Our hearts were often filled with gratitude for her untiring efforts in assisting us in hours of bereavement. Her thoughtfulness and consideration we can

never forget, and our appreciation is unbounded.

Often when unable to go to her friends, she was willing to instruct, encourage and help all who came to her home.

While the home life of our beloved sister was so filled with cares for her own dear ones, while her life stood as the exponent of the ideal Mother yet her sympathetic, responsive nature heard the call as well from the world outside the charmed home circle.

Many received the kindly hand clasp and word of encouragement as well as material help which cheered the discouraged heart and pointed the dispairing one to a plain of living worth while.

In the later years of her life she found more time to devote to work in the various organizations of which she was a member, the demands being most frequent upon her intellectual life.

Her fluent pen was ever ready with service for her friends and through this channel she touched the very heart life of her hearers, giving to them ideals of that which is truest and best in life.

She was strong in her convictions of right and wrong, with the courage to manifest them.

Her life and death will shine forever. She had an experience that did not fade, but grew in luster as the shadows lengthened.

Human life is a fearful conflict and by this loss which we feel so keenly God means to inspire us to nobler efforts to conquer and meet our loved ones in heaven.

Mrs. Arthur R. Stover,
Mrs. Thomas S. Buzbee,
Mrs. Ben D. Brickhouse, Jr.,
Mrs. S. C. Morton,
Committee.

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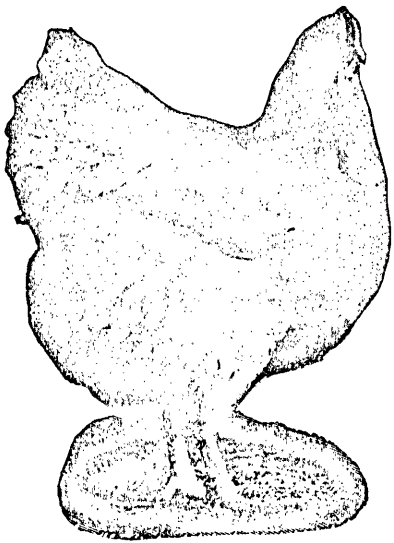
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W. L. Anderson,
Pastor M. E. Church, South,
Martha, Oklahoma.

CLAREMORE STATION.

The report from Claremore had to be passed over at Conference because the pastor was unable to remain until his name was called. Many of the preachers, especially those who have served this charge, I know are interested to know how we are getting along.

The church here is evidently increasing in strength. The labors of such men as A. M. Brannon, and G. W. Lewis are producing fruit. The Sun-



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F. S. Hezekiah

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day school is close to the 200 mark, with new pupils each Sunday.

The Epworth League is the most active and spiritual body of the church. From it we are having conversions every week.

The missionary workers are united and at work.

The parsonage now, is all made modern, and with the gas and electricity, living is made as convenient and comfortable as anywhere in the Conference.

There is a band of laymen who are here to stay and as loyal and liberal as any Christians anywhere.

The pastor and presiding elders' salaries are paid in full. We have had six strong conversions and accessions since Conference. We are having preaching each evening, by the pastors of the town, at our church, preparatory to the coming of Brother Arch C. Holder of Shreveport La., next Sunday, March 16. The spirit was splendid last night, when Brother McNeely, pastor of the Baptist church, delivered a masterful sermon on Eternal Punishment.

I ask the prayers of the brethren for our meeting.

Fraternally,
A. S. Cameron, P. C.

AFFLICTED PEOPLE, TAKE NOTICE.

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S. W. Alexander, Frederick, Okla., writes: "I have been wearing Electro-Galvanic Rings three weeks for headache and rheumatism. I have not been bothered since and have taken no medicine. I think they are the most wonderful remedy on earth and can't praise them enough."

J. H. McCombs, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, writes: "This is to certify, I bought two Electro-Galvanic Rings eight months ago for rheumatism. I could not walk without my crutches. I can walk all day now. People doubting this, write or phone me."

F. N. O'Neal, Pride, Texas, writes: "I have now worn two Electro-Galvanic Rings forty days; the rheumatism pains have left me after suffering twenty-five years. My kidney troubles are about cured. Hence I commend you as a benefactor to mankind. Use this if you like."

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BEARDEN CIRCUIT.

I see so many reports from all parts of Oklahoma from the different pastors, I will say a few words that all may know that we are still in the field and at work for my Master. We are doing our best for lost souls. We got to our new field of labor the second week in December. The people gave us a royal welcome. As we haven't any Methodists in our little town the Bap-

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tists people gave us a nice pounding. We have a Methodist church and a parsonage and a membership of eighteen, but they all live in the country. The work is taking on new interest; congregations are good, and at one point they have two prayer meetings a week. Brother French, our beloved P. E., has held our first quarterly conference, preached two fine sermons and has completely captured our people. The people on Bearden circuit are very kind to us. This is a very needy field and among as fine people as I ever saw anywhere and some as loyal Methodists as ever lived in any country and they stand by the pastor and if we had enough of these loyal men and women this country would be taken for our Lord in a fortnight. We have held no revivals as yet. Will begin our revivals in early summer. We begin our year with great faith in our God and the pastor and people are praying for a greater manifestation of God's power and love all over Bearden circuit. I close with best wishes to the Western Methodist.

W. M. Leatherwood,
Bearden Circuit, Okla.

NOTICE DISTRICT SECRETARIES WEST OKLAHOMA.

If you have not sent in a report of your district meeting to the Press Superintendent, please do so at once, so all reports can come out at once.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Please announce that the Booneville District Conference will meet at Casa, Ark., April 16. Opening sermon Wednesday, 11 a. m., by Rev. H. L. Wade.

Committees.

License and Admission—J. H. O'Bryant, W. B. Wolf, and C. H. Bumpers.

Deacons and Elders Orders—W. E. Bishop, H. Hanesworth, and D. H. Colquette.

Respectfully,
W. T. Thompson, P. E.

March 11, 1913.

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DAVIS, OKLA.

I feel that a report is due from Davis. Things are moving nicely in this charge. The pastor and people are expecting a good year, and are working toward that end. We have received twelve members this year, and the church work in every line is progressing nicely. Our Sunday school and Missionary Society especially, are growing in numbers and interest.

We have just had a week's lectures in the church to stimulate interest in church work. The house was filled every night with an appreciative audience. Rev. R. E. Goodrich lectured on "Methodism, and The Drift of the World's Belief." Rev. W. J. Moore on "The Sunday School and the Modern Method." Rev. J. F. Roberts, on "Our Aim in Missions." Rev. C. R. Gray,

on "The Macedonian Call." Rev. R. S. Satterfield, on "Our Mission as a Church."

The information and inspiration brought to us by these men was, indeed worth while.

Mr. Editor, we are accessible this year, and if you or any of the Methodist force come this way, we shall expect a visit from you.

Success to you in your great work.

Your brother,

R. A. Crosby.

March 10, 1913.

ENGLAND STATION.

Our cause at England is progressing reasonably well. Our congregations are growing, and there has been a large increase in the attendance upon the prayer meeting service.

Rev. W. C. Watson recently spent a Sunday with us, preaching two good sermons. Many here remember him as a former pastor. Brother Watson does not take public collections for Gallo-way College, but takes up this interest in a private way. None need hesitate to have him represent his work. His preaching was helpful.

T. P. Clark.

DREAD OF AN OPERATION.

N. Manchester, Ind.—Mrs. Eva Bashore, of this place, says, "I suffered female misery of every description. Two doctors attended me, and advised an operation. I lost weight until I weighed only ninety pounds. I dreaded an operation, and, instead, began to take Cardui. In a short time, I gained 25 pounds, and feel as well as I ever did. Cardui, I am sure, saved my life." Cardui is today used in thousands of homes, where it relieves pain and brings back strength and ambition. It is a woman's medicine, for women's ailments, and you are urged to try it for your troubles. Ask your druggist. He will tell you about Cardui.

WARNING ORDER.

State of Arkansas, ss.

County of Pulaski.

Stella Reynolds Kegler, et als., Plaintiff, vs. A. M. Morton, et als., Defendants, in the Pulaski Chancery Court.

The Defendants Ferdie, also known as Serdie Reynolds or Randalls, Sam Crawford, Patsie Leak, Eliza Smith, and Frances Eleby, Martha Leak, Bettie Leak, Wheeler Leak, Charley Leak and Bascomb Crawford, are warned to appear in this Court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Stella Reynolds Kegler, et als.

February 5, 1913.

J. S. MALONEY, Clerk.
F. A. Garrett, D. O.

Marshall & Coffman, Solicitors for Plaintiffs.

CONFIRMATION OF TITLE.

Notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of February, 1913, Charles A. Doak filed in my office as Clerk of the Pulaski Chancery Court his petition to said court praying that said court by its decree confirm and quiet his title to the following described lands situated in Pulaski County, Arkansas: The Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section Two, Township Three North, Range Eleven West.

All persons who claim any interest in any part of said lands are hereby called upon to appear in said cause and show cause why the title of the petitioner should not be confirmed.

Witness my hand as such Clerk this the 13th day of February, 1913.

J. S. MALONEY, Clerk.
Marshall & Coffman, Attorneys.

FROM OUR FIELD EDITOR.

Rev. D. J. Weems.

Grady.

A few hours were spent in Grady renewing the old and securing Mrs. M. S. Hastings as a new subscriber. We have a real neat church and parsonage. A nice front room has recently been added to the parsonage. This is the fourth year Rev. M. O. Barnett and his good wife have served this work. They are excellent people and are in much favor with their church. This speaks well both for them and the church. Grady is a prosperous trading railroad town in a very rich part of the State, which is steadily improving.

Dumas.

It was a pleasure to meet a good week night congregation at Dumas. They always give me a good hearing. Brother W. D. Meader and his excellent family always have a welcome for the Field Editor. Brother Meader and his brother have a nursery at Dumas and Hot Springs. They are reasonable in prices and fully reliable. Now is a good time to give them an order for fruit or shrubbery. Dumas is a substantial town, fine farming country. They have a neat brick school house, Prof. Steel, principal; Miss Jessie Mattmiller and two other teachers. We have beautiful church, extra good choir and Sunday school. Shaping the old, we secured four new subscribers: Mrs. S. Lane, Miss Jessie Mattmiller, B. Peacock, W. O. Harkey. W. I. Fish is the Lay Leader. Rev. P. S. Herron is pastor here and at

Tillar.

He is one of the coming preachers. Full of energy and push. He is developing into a fine itinerant in the best way. He has plans for the new brick church. Work will begin when the spring opens. He has fine early garden, growing beautifully, and lovely home comforts. Sister Herron, with their four sweet children, make this indeed a happy home. Tillar is one of the best towns in Eastern Arkansas, with an extra fine class of citizens. We have large central lot for the new church, quite near the parsonage. Shaping the good list of old, we secured two new subscribers: L. G. Haislip and T. A. Prewitt.

McGehee.

In a few years McGehee has developed from a small station to a town of large proportions. It is a railroad division, with shops, Y. M. C. A., and roads coming in from five points of the compass. We have neat church and parsonage. Rev. J. B. Sims is pastor for the second year, having developed

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the church into a station. He is not only a good preacher but faithful pastor and an excellent man. His home is blessed with a consecrated wife, lovely daughter and a typical baby boy. Having secured thirty new subscribers here last year we added six this time: Mrs. J. M. Graham, Mrs. A. H. Bradley, Mrs. W. G. Lacey, Mrs. A. Coke, Mrs. G. W. Griffing, Mrs. J. C. Ligon. Rain prevented us from having a service. They have a large two-story brick school building.

Arkansas City.

A few hours were spent in Arkansas City with Rev. A. T. Clanton, shaping the old and securing three new subscribers: Mrs. Fred Beighton, E. L. Harvey and E. P. Nichols. Brother Clanton is one of our most fully consecrated young preachers, and will do well wherever sent. He and his good wife have a son and a baby girl. They are very happy in their new charge. Arkansas City is an old river town, on the bank of the Mississippi river. It has taken a second growth. Several new buildings going up the last few years. They have several mills, court house, excellent public school, comfortable church and parsonage.

Warren.

The county site of Bradley county is Warren, one of the best towns in this part of the State. There are three large lumber mills, each having a large supply store superintended by a member of our church. There are two banks, general business, three public schools, Prof. J. A. Presson, superintendent, with a Presbyterian training school. We have most excellent property in both a new parsonage and large modern church, built while Rev. W. P. Whaley was pastor. This is one of the most desirable stations in the conference. Rev. W. C. Hilliard is the popular pastor. No one seems to be in greater favor with all classes than this preacher. He has proven himself worthy and successful whether on circuit, station or district. He and wife have trained a large and nice family of children. With his aid we shaped up the large list of old and secured ten new subscribers, viz.: S. K. Watkins, F. G. Watson, Mrs. J. J. Right, Mrs. Sue Turner, J. H. Cunningham, H. E. Bond, E. E. Packard, J. C. Scobey, W. A. Williams and W. D. Reed.

Hon. A. W. Douglas is the efficient Lay Leader. Brother Carl Hollis, cashier of one of the banks, was quite helpful to me. This church has quite a number of excellent members.

Wilmar.

Sunday was spent most pleasantly in Wilmar with Rev. W. W. Nelson. He is much pleased with his work and the people are delighted with him and Sister Nelson. If they were not it would be a sad reflection on the church. Brother Nelson is well equipped as a preacher and personal worker, having had training in the Moody School. Walter is a fine boy and Harry, that was crippled two years ago, is improving. He is doing well in school, reads a great deal, can play ball with the boys, some one running for him. A. W. Judd is Lay Leader and Sunday school superintendent. They have a fine Sunday school and Epworth League. Brother Anderson, the old nestor, is feeble and quite cheerful. Judge I. A. Bird is quite active. J. D. McClure has the advanced Sunday school class; Brothers Seymour, McLeod, Cormack, Sims, Daniels and Moore are readers of the Western Methodist. Also Brothers Guddy, Anderson, Judd, McClure. We secured four new subscribers: R. A. Teeter, Mrs. J. M. Johnson, W. S. Owens and Mrs. T. A. Rice. Wilmar is a fine sawmill town. Well systematized. Fine class of men in charge of each department, and a moral set of hands. Brother Moore, McLeod, and Daniels and their families administered to my comfort, as did Brother and



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Sister Nelson. Thus ended the best week I have had this year for the paper. We have an excellent church and quite a good deal of work has been done by Brother Nelson on the parsonage and the garden and yard. He likes to fix up things about him.

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NOTICE TO MANGUM DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUES.

Let all the Epworth Leagues of the Mangum District elect two delegates to the District Conference to be held at Hobart, April 17-20. The purpose of this meeting is to organize the district and to elect officers for the year. A suitable program will be arranged for Saturday afternoon and night.

C. F. Mitchell, P. E.

NOTICE.

Brother Anderson: I need the following for one of our young preachers who is on a hard work and wishes to apply for admission into the Conference this fall:

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 - One copy Manual of Christian Doctrine by Banks.
 - One copy Wesley's Sermons, Vol. 1.
- Will you help him to get them by publishing in the Methodist? Books may be sent to me.

J. M. Workman.

Malvern, Ark.

NOTICE TO PASTORS MANGUM DISTRICT.

Let all the pastors of the Mangum district see to their Mission collections and be able to report them in full at the district conference. Our people have money now—the Boards are in need of funds.

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Abanompeshi ya Holisso Holitopa yat "Chukfahpoba apesachi" yo achi hoke. Chukfahpoba apesachi at kanihomi ha hinla ka Holisso Holitopa yat ottaninchi ka yakohmi hoke. Proverbs 27:23, "Chi nampowa hat kanihmit aiasha ka ish akostinicha chi kat achunnachit afanalichit ish pihisashke." Anonti Ezekiel 34:1-6 yammak pisah; anonti Lewi im Atalowa 23:1, 2 aiena ka pisah' Chukfahpoba yat ai ittapeha ya achaffona kia ai ifillammi hokma, hoy a kat "nanih fokaya hikkia" hinla, nanih foka achi yammak aiashachika yako achi hoka yohmi tuk osh ahayuchikmat, "nayukpat isht iabannali" yammak lksa ya hikkia tuk kia kanimma kat yoshoba hokma falama hokbano ahnit atoksahanli tuk o falama hokma, nayukpa micha i hullo isht alhpisa mak osh isht iabannala hinla achi hoke, ilappa Mahlu 18:12 micha Luk 15:5 at ottaninchi hoke. Chukfahpobushi micha hochito aiena ka epita chi ho Chitok-

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aka yat ottaninchi tok Chan 21:15 and 16 at ottaninchi hoke. Nana kat yakokmi ho atoksala chi hosh alhtoka tuk osh hikkia, yohmikma 2. Timohii 2:4 yamma episa ma "Hatak kana kia akaniohmi ka isht ataklama keyu, tashka atokoli tok ako yukpala chi hosh yammohmi hoke," achi hautko lksa ehieli kak osh isht ahimpkot aya chi hokano il apela he alhpiesa hoke. A. S. Williams.

IN MEMORY OF MOTHER.

When a sweet, loving mother begins to grow old and we know she must soon pass away and our anxious hearts beat with longing to be near her and comfort her old age, and duty calls us away sometimes far removed from her loving presence, how our hearts ache to think that sometimes soon we are to part with mother for the last time. We persuade ourselves that we have given her up and have reconciled ourselves to the inevitable, yet one day a telegram comes, we try to be brave, but we forget all our resolutions and hasten to her bedside and see her who has given up her life for her children and so unselfishly, too, as to never once mention it to them. We look upon the emaciated form, and see the death mark already stamped upon the noble, patient face. Her body wasted with pain but her mind still clear and bright and her soul glowing with the freshness of buoyant youth and hopeful still, she converses with the same intelligent interest upon religious and political problems and gives calmly her advice to her children who are all middle age and older, as to how to live upright and useful lives. Mother's heart was ever young. She kept in touch with her children and even grandchildren by thinking for them and sympathizing with them. She was an invalid for forty years, a great deal of the time confined to her bed, but she was visited by the young people and children, and was not considered a burden to her children and grandchildren, but was as the honored guest in the home.

Her Christian life was not of the demonstrative kind, but modestly she moved along through life and left the impress of the Christ touch everywhere. Even the negroes went to her for advice, which was given with the old-time dignity of the Southern gentlewoman.

Harriett Price Miller was born January 19, 1841; converted and joined the M. E. Church, South when fourteen years old; was a member of Jacksonville, Ark., church for nearly fifty-eight years; married Thomas B. McBride in September, 1856. He pre-

ceded her to the better world twenty-five years.

She was the mother of ten children. Eight lived to mature age; six children still survive, and nineteen grandchildren. Our loss is her gain, but all her children were devoted to her. The oldest son, Will, cared for her during her widowhood of more than twenty-five years, with the true devotion of a loyal son. A true mother has passed away but her children rise up and call her blessed.

Rev. W. T. Wilkinson held the funeral service in Jacksonville church. His talk was so good and helpful. We laid her body to rest beside her husband in the Bayou Meto cemetery to await the resurrection day.

May we dry our tears and meet her in the "Home of the Soul." Mother peacefully passed away January 6, 1913, at her home, Jacksonville, Ark.

Her loving son,
Joseph T. McBride.

Comanche, Okla.

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By the Rev. S. W. Gamble. This book gives a history of the Sabbaths of all nations, including the Jewish and Christian, and proves by the Bible that Sunday is the true Sabbath of God. Cloth bound, 200 pages. Sent postpaid for \$1.00. Money refunded if not satisfactory. Rev. Frank Hopkins, 1873 First Ave., Butte, Montana.

WALDRON METHODISM.

Congregations small Sunday on account of bad weather. Arranging for spring meeting, and Missionary Institute some time in May. We are buying new piano for church.

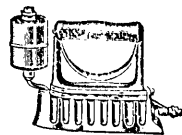
Brother R. N. Davis preached at Bates and Weeks Sunday. Good congregations, good interest. Paid off church debt at Bates. Outlook hopeful.

D. H. Colquett.

(Delayed one week.—Ed.)

TOMBERLIN CIRCUIT.

We came to Tomberlin charge in December. We found a good parsonage, but no furniture, no stove, no nothing but the house and debt of \$457.50 against the parsonage. I want to say we have the parsonage debt in full and our trustees have the note and mortgage. Thank the good Lord for that. I want to say while I am writing that we have paid one of our churches out of debt which was \$85. So you see, brethren, we have been successful in paying debts. I do thank God for a place in the vineyard. We have plenty of work to do and we are doing all we can. We have had one accession to the church since we came



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on this charge. We have organized one Woman's Home Missionary Society with eleven members. We have two Sunday schools and they are doing good work. We have one prayer meeting at Tomberlin that is fine. We are preaching every Sunday and Sunday night when the weather will permit. Our congregations are growing all the time. Brethren, in your prayers, breathe a prayer for me. My song is "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow."

S. B. Mann, P. C.

A PREACHER WANTED.

I want a pastor for a nice station in the Guymon District, in a railroad town, and will pay about \$475.00 for support, for the rest of the conference year. It has a splendid parsonage, well furnished. Send recommendations at once, if you apply for it.

W. J. Stewart, P. E.

March 7, 1913.

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Manager's Column.

The Methodist church in Hot Springs—six in number—are aggressive and awake to the opportunity thrust upon them. The pastors are diligent and successful. The Hot Springs Methodists subscribe for and read their conference organ and are with us for a greater paper.

Mrs. S. M. Sigler, the popular and successful teacher of a large organized class of young women in Central church was very thoughtful and far seeing in planning to have the purpose concerning the paper presented to her class. This class of splendid young women will be heard from and large things will come to pass through this instrumentality.

How about those official members who do not read the church paper? Can an official member serve the church efficiently who does not read the literature of his church? Is it not time for the pastors to select for standard bearers those who love the church and have enough interest in it to learn how the battle goes?

All the troubles connected with the making of a church paper vanish when the circulation reaches the point of adequate support.

We cannot get the paper into the homes of the people without the assistance and co-operation of the pastors.

If the pastors decree it shall be done, it will be done.

The advertisement of Brother Sigler, superintendent of the Central church Sunday school, appears in this issue. Our readers will find a friend, courteous attention and be sure of a square deal if they call on or write to him. See advertisement.

The Central church of Hot Springs ranks with the great churches of the South, and Rev. Alonzo Monk, D.D., the pastor, is one of the great preachers of America. The visitors and the citizens crowd the building, and such preaching is rarely heard in any country.

It is enough to say the city of Hot Springs is with us handsomely for a "Greater Western Methodist."

The cures effected at Hot Springs are wonderful, some of them past belief. The sufferers come to these healing waters helpless, and return home vigorous and strong. So many kinds of ailments are cured that we do not undertake to give information in detail. The recent legislation and the determination of the better citizenship to rid the place of the undesirables who congregate thither to catch the unwary, will make for the improvement of conditions in that city in which the whole country is interested.

A DEPLORABLE SITUATION.

No matter what it is, how important or necessary, or whose life may depend upon it, at least two-thirds of the members of the church in the five conferences cannot be reached except by personal communications. No matter what may be the occasion, or how great and overwhelming the appeal, only about one-third of the members will ever see or hear of it. And many of these are standard bearers, leaders of the hosts, princes of Israel, officers of the church. To reach them by personal interviews or communications is impossible. Is it not a deplorable situation?

HOT SPRINGS METHODISM.

Present at Central Church, March 10: C. O. Steel, S. C. Dean, Dr. A. Monk, D. B. Bulkley, A. M. Robertson, D. P. Orsythe, J. G. Ditterline and O. H. Keadle, with B. H. Wellden, a visitor.

Orsythe was at Rockdale Sunday morning, but owing to the rain he failed to have a congregation. He preached at Tigert Memorial at night. He is getting his new parsonage under

good headway on the circuit and expects to move into it in the near future.

Ditterline closed his protracted meeting at Tigert Memorial last night, resulting in some real good services during the two weeks' meeting, having one conversion and accession, with Forsythe and Bulkley assisting during the last week.

Park Avenue, Robertson—Threatening weather interfered with the attendance at the morning service; good interesting League service and good interesting services at night, with larger congregation than at morning hour.

Bulkley, Malvern Avenue—Wendell held his mid-week prayer meeting, fairly good crowd at morning hour, much better at night; three applicants for membership.

Dr. Monk and Central Church—Very fine prayer meeting Wednesday night, not the largest attendance, however; splendid Sunday school; great crowds morning and night, four accessions during the day; getting on slowly but surely with his pastoral work and hopes to catch up with that part of the work soon.

Dean had a delightful visit to the opening of Fairview Church, where he was formerly pastor at Texarkana, splendid mid-week meeting at Third Street; fairly good congregations Sunday, considering the weather; three accessions to the church and one applicant for membership. He preached at Gardener school house in the afternoon.

Keadle.

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THE ORPHANAGE.

Since my last report in the Western Methodist I have received as special contributions to the Orphanage the following: From Oak Grove Sunday school, by J. E. Buchanan, P. C., \$3.70; J. W. Hazlewood, Harrisburg, \$5.00; George Goodrich, McRea, \$5.00; J. T. Lyon, McRea, \$2.50; J. R. Taylor, Paragould, \$5.00; Rev. S. F. Porter, Jonesboro, \$5.00; and B. F. Walker, Nettleton, \$5.00.

We have received one box of nice bed linens, and quilts from the Missionary Society at Blytheville, by Mrs. H. A. Webb, President; and one package of clothing from Mrs. Edward B. Overton, Little Rock.

We have received into the Home, since October 1, which was the beginning of our Orphanage year, eleven orphans, and have placed eight in good homes.

George Thornburgh, President.

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FROM REV. J. M. HOLT.

Dear Brethren of Oklahoma: I feel much concerned about you, and as I so seldom see anything from any of you in the Western Methodist, the organ of our great church in Oklahoma, we often wonder how our preachers can expect a great paper, and for the world to know what our great church is doing in that great country. Brethren, Brethren, let us know through our great paper what you are doing. I am now located at 230 W. Heron St. Have had la grippe all winter, but am on the mend, going all the time. Denison is a good place to live; many good people are here, yet much wickedness abounds. Our preachers are hard at work with good prospects of a prosperous year. Let me say to the P. E's, if any of you have a hard appointment that can't support a preacher, just let me know, I would love to have it. After twenty years in active work and ten years in Oklahoma, I still love that people. I have the Bible that I have used for ten years and have most every page marked. I believe it is good for ten years more and I would love to

A New Book

Religious Unrest—Its Remedy.

BY JAS. A. ANDERSON, D.D., LL.D.

This book is a recast of a series of articles written by Doctor Anderson for the Western Methodist a little over a year ago. The articles were run under the titles, "Theological Unrest" and "Where Rest Is Found." They attracted wide attention at the time, and brought many requests that they be put in book form. The requests were so numerous and proceeded from sources so respectable that the author did not feel at liberty to ignore them. The Revells have just sent the book from their presses, in handsome form. The author has only 500 copies assigned to him for sale. These will soon be gone. The net price is 75 cents, but while the 500 copies last the book will be sent postpaid at 75 cents, if cash accompanies the order. Order of

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wear it out in the active work. Wishing you all a happy and a prosperous year,
J. M. Holt.

SPRINGDALE, ARK.

These are new quarters for me, but I am here only temporarily, being called here to see a sick brother of Mrs. J's. This is the headquarters of the big red apple of the world, and is also where other fruits and berries are in abundance. No cotton, nor negroes, and not many big Missouri mules. The town has a good, genteel looking citizenship and the moral tone is first-class. There never has been an open saloon here, and I have not seen a man who looked like he was a drinker, and I have not heard an oath, and I have been on the streets, around the depot and other public points. There are nine church buildings and organizations. Two Methodists, three Baptists, one "old" Baptist, and two "new" Baptist, one Lutheran, one Adventist, one Christian order, one Presbyterian. But in the face of all this "the world, the flesh and the devil" have a large crowd. Brother A. L. Cline is our popular pastor, and I say "popular" not because I could not say something else as expressive of his good favor here, but because I want to add emphasis to being a good fit for the situation. A Sunday school room is being added, indicative of its growth. While here I ran down to Fayetteville. Had not been in the town in thirty-nine years, and my! what these years have wrought. Then the town had about two thousand or twenty-five hundred; now it has seven thousand inhabitants. A great change in the residence and business buildings. Some were good when I was there last, but the good have been exchanged for better, and the better for the best. These thirty-nine years have made the greatest change in the church buildings. In 1874 there were but four church buildings in the city. Catholic, two Methodist, and a Christian order. While I do not know the exact number now, I do know there are some very superb edifices. And I am to make this letter the forerunner of a series, I have often thought I would give to the public in regard to the great revival held there by Rev. John J. Roberts in 1874. That revival saved one church there for a score of years, and it became the basis of other churches from which they have built their elegant temples of worship, as well as ours. I cast one look at the old brick church (now used as an apple house) where this great meeting was held for the period of nearly four months. On this visit I met a few of the old guards. Hon. C. W. Walker and his wife, who was a Jernigan; Mr. Will Stirmon, also whose wife was a Jernigan; Mrs. Josephine Davenport, who was a Jernigan; Hon. With. Walker, Mr. Ben Stone, and Uncle Dan Jobe, who, when he met me, said, "And is this the real Jim Jernigan?" "Yes." "Well, I am one of the old 1874-ers, and I have never backslide." God bless you Uncle Dan. Then came Tom Nesbitt, Will Buck, and Jeff Davis. These three are Independence county boys. Then at the depot I met Jim Moon of Sulphur Rock, who is attending the A. I. U.; Ben Arnold, Ped Magness, and the two Rawlings boys at the

same school, but I did not get to see them. My visit impressed me that Fayetteville is one of the best towns in the State. Fact is, I have liked it since 1874, but strange to say I have not been there in nearly forty years. By your consent I want to write up that historic meeting, and will begin right soon. Some wonderful things happened during the meeting. It is an imperishable monument to the memory of the gifted John J. Roberts.

Jas. F. Jernigan.

PINE BLUFF PREACHERS' MEETING.

The preachers met at the parsonage of the First Methodist Church, March 10, at 9:30 a. m. Present: Moore, Moody, Menard, Harrell, and Dr. John R. Stewart, of Nashville, Tenn.

Car Memorial, Moody—A very fine prayer meeting on Wednesday evening last. It was the most spiritual service we have had. We raised a shout in the camp. Sunday school and preaching service well attended considering the rainy day.

Hawley Memorial, Menard—Good prayer meeting, good services on Sunday; Epworth League doing well.

Lake Side, Moore—Small attendance at prayer meeting, which was led by Brother Sage, the presiding elder. Congregations small on Sunday; good League service. Received three into Sunday school, and good attendance at the church at the morning hour by letter. Dr. J. R. Stewart, of Nashville, preached at the evening hour.

First Church—Another very busy week; good prayer meeting; both League services well attended. Dr. John R. Stewart, of Nashville, was here looking after the Superannuate Endowment Fund. He preached a very helpful sermon at the morning hour. Sunday school a little off because of rain. One new member by letter.

J. W. H.

BOYDSVILLE, ARK.

Seeing so much reports of the brethren of their charges, I thought it not amiss to report my charge (the Boydsville circuit) I came right to the work from Conference at Newport. However we did not get into the parsonage for four weeks on account of work being done in overhauling the old part and building two new rooms to same. The parsonage is not yet quite completed but we are living in it, and when it is completed it will be one of the best country parsonages in the Paragould District. I have six appointments and six good commodious and comfortable houses of worship. It has never been my privilege to serve a more pleasant charge and none with which I was better pleased. We have been cordially received. Good congregations at all of the appointments. Some of the brethren have reported the usual pounding, but we can report two, the first at the residence of Aunt Alice Webb, near Rector, by the good people of Mary's Chapel; the second at the parsonage by the good people of Boydsville. We can truly say that the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places. I am trusting for the best year's work of my life.

Yours for the work,

L. F. Taylor, P. C.

March 10, 1913.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)

Austin Ct., at Smyrna	March 15, 16
Twenty-eighth Street (p. m.)	March 19
Hickory Plains, at Bethlehem	March 29, 30
Capitol View (p. m.)	April 2
Maumelle and Oak Hill, at Mar-	
tindale	April 5, 6
Pulaski Heights (p. m.)	April 9
Carlisle Mission, at Rogers Chap.	April 12, 13
Devalls Bluff and Hazen, at Hazen	
(p. m.)	April 13
Highland Church (p. m.)	April 16
Tomberlin Ct., at Tomberlin	April 19, 20
England Station (p. m.)	April 20
Henderson's Chapel (p. m.)	April 23
Bryant Ct., at Salem	April 26, 27
Forest Park (p. m.)	May 7
Mabelvale Ct., at Primrose	May 10, 11
Hunter Memorial (p. m.)	May 14
Des Arc, at New Bethel	May 17, 18
Carlisle Sta. (p. m.)	May 20
Lonoke Sta. (p. m.)	May 21
Winfield Church (p. m.)	May 22
Bauxite Ct., at Ebenezer	May 24, 25
Asbury Church (p. m.)	May 26
First Church (p. m.)	May 27

FORNEY HUTCHINSON, P. E.

HERMITAGE, ARK.

Not often do we see news from Hermitage and especially from the Society. Nevertheless we are wide-awake Methodists. Our new parsonage is near completion and Brother Lewis is counting the days until he can move into it. It will be something for us all to be proud of. A neat little five-room house and in fifty feet of the church. Some one said we had the least prospects of building a parsonage of any people in the world; another said, "Give us fifteen cents to begin on and we would build one." The first Sunday in April is set aside for Decision Day. Brother Lewis will make a special talk to the young people of our Sunday school. The third Sunday in May is Dedication and Children's Day combined. The dedication service and the sacrament will be in the forenoon and the program at night. We are expecting Brother McKay with us on that day.

A baby girl came to Rev. J. W. Williams and wife on the 25th of January and one to Brother Lewis on the 29th.

A shadow was cast over our town Monday afternoon when one of our school boys was taken from us. Carl Forrester, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Forrester. He was seventeen years old; was not a member of any church but of a Methodist family, and was buried yesterday by Brothers Spann and Lewis conducting the funeral services.

The ladies made their organization a Society of Conference in February, and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Childs, president; Mrs. Coma Phillips, first vice president; Mrs. James, second vice president; Mrs. Smith, third vice president; Mrs. Norris, treasurer; Mrs. Gaddy, recording secretary; Mrs. Attie Phillips, corresponding secretary; Mrs. McKennie, agent for Missionary Voice.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Attie Phillips.

March 9, 1913.

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FREDERICK, OKLA.

Last Sunday night we closed another gracious revival meeting in Frederick. The campaign lasted three weeks, and was led by Evangelists McIntosh and Phillips. This community was what is commonly known among revivalists as a "burnt district," two successful meetings having been held here within the last two

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years, one of these being the remarkably great McIntosh and Phillips revival of two years ago. As a result of the two former meetings, most of the material directly under the influence of the Methodist Church had already been brought into her membership. Only two of our High School students present on a recent morning did not claim to be Christians. Notwithstanding these Christians, we had perhaps two hundred professions, and a gracious spiritual quickening of the membership generally. Our church will probably get eighty members as a result of the meeting, and the Baptists, who co-operated heartily in the meeting, have already received a goodly number.

Brother McIntosh delivered a series of strong, earnest, thoughtful messages, some of them being exceptionally powerful and convincing. His great faith, his tenderness, his passion for souls, his bright, vigorous intellect and his refreshing humor, combine to make him a great winner of souls. To know him is to love him, and the memory of his association lingers as a spiritual benediction. Brother Phillips was at his best. He rendered splendid service as leader of the choir, and his solos were by far the best I have ever heard him render. In his own inimitable way he leads the great congregation to join in the singing and with his own voice sings the gospel into many hearts. He is a master workman in winning to Christ men who are "down and out." He has a burning passion for the souls of men of this class, and seems never so happy as when he is placing some "diamond in the rough" in the hands of Him who is able to make it shine with a heavenly luster. Some cases of this character were reached in our meeting, and the transformations wrought were similar to some you read about in books. The fact is, one who has been accustomed to witness Methodist revivals, and to observe their effects, does not need to read "Down in Water Street," "Twice Born Men," "Other Sheep," etc., in order to know of God's wonderful saving grace. Mrs. Phillips was also with us in the meeting, and rendered exceptionally fine service at the piano and in her addresses to the women and girls. Her two-fold ministry brought blessings to many hearts, and the silent influence of her consecrated life will abide as a gracious benediction.

These great revivals leave many responsibilities upon the pastor and membership. This pastor will try to be faithful and he has a company of loyal helpers. There are great possibilities in this charge, and we are endeavoring to develop and unfold them as best we can. Our Baraca class, a fine bunch of fifty-one young fellows, under the leadership of Prof. A. A. Rogers, is one of the most promising features of the charge. We are planning better and larger things for this class. The indebtedness of the church is being handled nicely. Good rains are encouraging the hope of abundant crops. The pastor is having the best time of his life with great books. With faith in God and love for mankind, we press forward with joy and hope.

A. L. Scales, Pastor.

March 8, 1913.

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UNITED STATES LIQUOR LICENSES.

While the number of United States Revenue Licenses for the sale of liquor is smaller this year than last, in Arkansas, yet too many have been issued. Several have been for the purpose of selling liquor illegally, in dry territory. I have a list of the licenses issued up to February 11, 1913, and will be glad to give the names to anyone interested, especially to officers whose duty it may be to suppress blind tigers. I call attention of our people at Beebe, Cotton Plant, Des Arc, DeWitt, Eureka Springs, Forrest City, Huntington, Harrison, Hope, Hartford, Hamburg, Luxora, Mulberry, Ola, Plumerville, Parkdale, Paragould, Russellville, Stamps, Stuttgart, Texarkana, Tupelo, Warren and Wynne, that

STATEMENT, COMPTROLLER'S CALL.

The State National Bank of Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 4, 1912

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Discounts.....\$1,782,181.80	Capital Stock.....\$ 500,000.00
U. S. Bonds and Premiums.... 305,000.00	Surplus and Net Profits..... 56,885.48
Other Stocks and Bonds..... 147,622.52	Circulation..... 800,000.00
Real Estate, Furniture and	Bills Payable..... 500,000.00
Fixtures..... 42,655.50	DEPOSITS..... 1,715,604.13
Stock in State Bank Bldg Co.... 165,000.00	
Five Per Cent Fund..... 15,000.00	
Cash and Due from Banks..... 615,079.77	
Total.....\$3,072,489.59	Total.....\$3,072,489.59

THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS CORRECT.

W. H. GARANFLO, President

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COMPARATIVE GROWTH IN DEPOSITS

Deposits September 4, 1910.....	\$1,094,804.90
Deposits September 4, 1911.....	1,424,699.19
Deposits September 4, 1912.....	1,715,604.13

license have been taken out for these places recently.

I furthermore call attention of the good people of Yell County, and especially of the officers of that County, that one man has several licenses in different parts of the County, and is doubtless debauching almost the entire County, by the illegal sale of whiskey. The Sheriff of that County ought to put a stop to that man's shameful career.

George Thornburgh.

NOTICE!

Change in Date of Meeting of Executive Committee of Conference Board of Church Extension.

At the request of some of the preachers the date of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Conference Board of Church Extension is changed and called to meet in Oklahoma City, March 19, 1913. We will meet in St. Luke's Church at 4 p. m.

Please let all get their applications to the secretary, Robert Hodgson, as soon as possible.

C. T. Davis, Pres.
Robt. Hodgson, Sec'y.

VALUABLE INFORMATION FOR THE ASKING.

The National Government at Washington employs over twelve thousand scientists in research for the benefit of the general public. The results are published monthly in bulletins, which our readers and all others may have for the asking. If you want the latest information on any subject of interest to you, such as poultry, bees, dairying, preservation of foods, or in matters of health, such as getting rid of flies, mosquitoes, etc., write a postal to the Honorable Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., stating the information you wish, and you will receive free of charge, the bulletins treating on that subject.

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The Publishers respectfully, kindly, earnestly, urgently ask the Presiding Elders, Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, League Presidents, Local Preachers, Exhorters, and all official members and laymen, (including the women) who read these lines to help us to get 500 new subscribers on Easter Sunday at \$1.00 the year, cash with the order.

Please, brethren give us a hand now. One from each pastoral charge and we have the number and more.

NEW LITHOGRAPHS BY PENNELL.

Joseph Pennell's new series of lithographs—one of the features of The Century for 1913—will begin in the March Century with six views of the Capitol at Washington. Last year Mr. Pennell was commissioned by that magazine to go to Panama and illustrate the progress of work on the Canal in a manner that would give a clearer idea of the magnitude of the task than previous illustrations had done. The Century was the first to reproduce his pictures, of which it selected eight. They caused much comment at the time. Canal pictures from Mr. Pennell's collection not selected by The Century have since been used in newspapers, and recently several were



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bought by the Italian government. So striking was Mr. Pennell's success in the Canal pictures that The Century again commissioned him to draw the series now beginning. In addition to the Capitol at Washington he will draw for forthcoming issues of The Century scenes in Philadelphia, San Francisco, the Yosemite, and the Grand Canon.

The Northern Presbyterian Church maintains an endowment fund for ministerial relief of \$2,100,000. and is endeavoring to increase the amount to \$6,000,000.—Nashville Christian Advocate.

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LEGAL NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, March 28, 1913, or as soon thereafter as a hearing can be had, the undersigned, as guardian of the person and estate of Adolph Cross, a minor, will apply to the Pulaski County, Arkansas, Probate Court for an order of sale of all said minor's interest in the following lands in Pulaski County, Arkansas, viz: E½ of NW¼ of SE¼, Sec. 27, Tp. 1 North, Range 13 West, except one acre off the northeast corner of said tract formerly sold to R. L. Edgworth, as shown in Deed Record Book 46, page 104, in said county containing nineteen acres; and the NW¼ of NE¼ of Sec. 34, Tp. 1 North, Range 13 West, except two and one-half acres deeded to T. J. Compton as shown in Deed Record Book 47, page 259, in said county. Said sale is to be made to raise money to educate and support said minor.

MABLE CROSS,
As Such Guardian.

February 26, 1913.
Marshall & Coffman, Attorneys.

CAPITOL HILL CIRCUIT.

I want to say I am doing my best for the church in a general way. I found the work in an awful shape. I have been laying the foundations since I came on this work. There were given me five appointments, one of them we had no place of worship and one Methodist man, another place there were some eight or ten so-called Methodists without any system; another place a federation church; so Mr. Editor, you understand how that is. Another place with our old church torn down so that left us without a place of worship. Thank God we have one Methodist church that is right well with a good Sunday school, a fine Home Missionary Society, but the pastor's salary away behind, but I hope by the grace of God to do something for this charge. We are planning for a grand revival on Oklahoma City Circuit. So I will ask the readers of the Western Methodist to pray for the preachers of the Oklahoma City circuit.

J. W. Williams.

CAMERON CHARGE.

We were appointed by Bishop Chandler at last Conference to this charge, and came at once to the work. We were welcomed by the good citizens to this church and treated to a nice pounding soon after our arrival. We found a fine class of people here, a quiet town to live in and an attentive people to preach to. We have a splendid school here, not excelled, we think by any town of this size, with Prof. Oats in charge and Miss Mary McMurtry and Mrs. Webster, assisting. I have made two rounds on this (Seven Point) charge, and am well pleased with the outlook. We start in with the earnest desire and prayer and expectation of a good year, and why should we not have it; with a good, helpful wife, a good, loyal people, a great church (none as great with a great and glorious head and Master, with boundless resources and willingness to help, what but a good year could come. Our first quarterly conference was held February 9. The beloved P. E. not being able to reach us on account of quarantine by the town against smallpox, the humble pastor held it, the first in a ministry of twenty-four years. Pray for us that success may attend our efforts. To God be all the glory. Amen.

J. M. Hively, P. C.

Feb. 22, 1913.

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HOWELL AND DEVIEW CHARGE.

I had thought of writing some time ago, but have only now got to the point. I have an ideal charge, the best in Helena district, I think. The people gave us a warm reception when we came and lots of good things to eat, but on last night after prayer meeting the parsonage was stormed by the good people of Wiville, who left our pantry in a very substantial condition. This was our first real pounding that most Methodist preachers receive. I felt embarrassed, proud, thankful and am afraid acted like a chicken when the preacher comes. But I suppose I will get accustomed to poundings if I preach in the Methodist church very long, which I expect to do. I think we have made a good start over here and it is my intention to make this year count for our Lord. I have a very faithful and good people to serve and am glad my lot is cast with them. The salary has not been paid in full although we have received enough to live on and more. The church is progressing along all lines and I am doing fairly well on my course of study. Pray for us, brethren, for we need your prayers. May God bless the Western and all its readers.

Your brother in Him,
A. L. Platt.

CLINTON DISTRICT NOTES.

J. B. McCombs, pastor of our church at Cheyenne has had a gracious revival there recently, a good many were converted and added to the church as a result of the meeting. Rev. W. A. Randle, of Cloud Chief charge, did the preaching and it was well done. Cheyenne church is on higher ground now and moving along nicely with its work.

Leedy church, under the pastorate of Rev. E. C. Webb, has had a genuine old time revival of religion. 15 converted Sunday night. Some of the hardest sinners of the town were happily and truly converted to God. And the shout of praise and victory was heard in the sanctuary of the Lord. Rev. T. S. Johnson, pastor of our church at Woodward did the preaching. He is a good revivalist and any of the brethren needing help would do well to secure him to assist them.

Rev. Claude S. Harkey, pastor of our church at Clinton, has been at Matador, Texas, conducting a revival meeting recently.

Rev. Robert Hodgson, pastor of our church at Cordell, is to preach three sermons this week at Butler for Rev. H. L. Mauldin to refute some Adventist teaching in that community. Am sure that the subject will be well handled by this able and successful pastor.

District reporter.

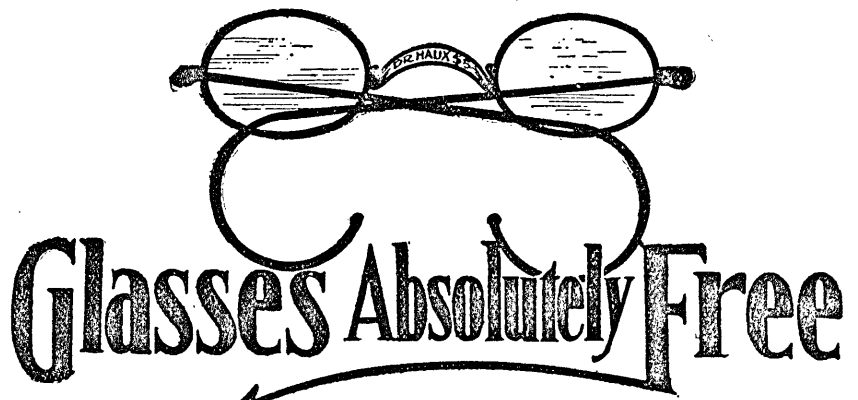
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LEEDY REVIVAL.

Doubtless many who have been watching the movements of the church in Leedy will rejoice with us when they learn, through the columns of the Western Methodist, that Methodism in Leedy has been the recipient of a grand and glorious old time revival. Rev. T. S. Johnson, of Woodward, Oklahoma, came to us on February 16 and began a series of revival services. We labored under many difficulties and it seemed that Providence had nothing in store for us but cold bad weather. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather our church was full to overflow most every night. The meeting resulted in a revival of the church, the salvation of 60 souls and an addition of 72 to the church. This is the first revival Leedy has ever had.

Of course I could not close without ascribing a few words to our most excellent Brother Johnson. He is a man in every sense of the word and is a revivalist second to none. He walks with Jesus daily and when he enters the pulpit and begins to tell the old, old story strong, stalwart men cannot but accept the Christ as their Savior. He did us a great work and Leedy Methodism shall be indebted to him for the future glory of her church.

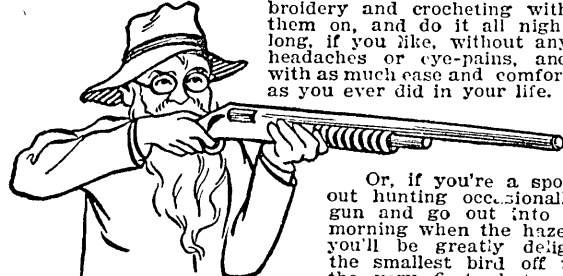


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Blessings on the cause and our prayer is that this may be the best year in the history of the cause throughout the entire conference.

Rev. E. C. Webb, P. C.

HUNTINGTON, ARK.

Following is the report of our Sunday school for yesterday: Enrollment, 235; present, 208; offering, \$6.31; Bibles brought to school, 116; new scholars, 9. This is the best we have had for some time, but our attendance has been good all winter, averaging about 175. Our average offering since the first Sunday in December has been \$5.64 per Sunday. We think this is very good in a town of two thousand, and three other Sunday schools going. We also have a Home Department of 45, and a Cradle Roll of 33.

Yours truly,
Geo. W. Moore, Supt.

March 3.

DR. W. S. MAY.

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