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A polished heart is better than a polished tongue.

If you want to be a strong Christian just study Christ until you have learned how strong He is.

From the manner in which some people speak of Jesus Christ we can easily tell they are not acquainted with Him.

It is not the great spell-binding orators who are doing the work for Jesus, but those who are consecrated and filled with the old time power.

When you hear a man abusing denominations other than his own, don't become offended, but just feel sorry for him because he doesn't know Jesus.

We have many people in the world who think they are good enough without the church, but if Jesus could die for it, it is good enough for any common man like you or me to die for.

Our love of our avocation comes from our knowledge of it. No man can succeed as a merchant unless he understands and loves his business. The same applies in law and in the practice of medicine and in preaching.

The man who has no moral ideal is only removed from the beast through mind and speech; morally he is a leper, and every one who associates with him will sooner or later awake to find he has the same loathsome disease.

You never in your life saw a man who knew and loved Jesus who was not reasonable, courteous and kind. It is beginning to be understood now-a-days by sinners as well as saints that no man or woman has the proper polish who has not been trained in the school of Christ.

The devil has persuaded the ignorant and the weak to believe that to follow Jesus is weak and effeminate, and millions are perishing because they are afraid it will show weakness to profess Jesus in their ideal. But He is the strongest character in the world's history. Satan offered Him the whole world to serve him but He refused.

It is said the French Navy has nineteen flags and those nineteen flags can be woven into sixty thousand different combinations; and just think of the infinite combinations and infinite variety into which we can weave the twenty-six letters of the English alphabet in speaking of Jesus, the Light of the World. It is my daily prayer to become a great soul winner. If I can win souls to Christ I do not care whether I can preach or not.

When God lays His hands on a man and says, "Go preach," man had better be careful in trying to re-mould that man. The time has come for every man to be his own architect as to the way his sermons should be preached; let him be led by the Spirit; let him go to God, to Jesus the Light of the World, for that help that always brings results. A true preacher is like a true artist. He doesn't give the shades and coloring of his picture as given by others, but gives the natural current from his own life. The artist may receive his impressions from the landscape, but he paints out of his own soul.

READY

In his account of the trip around the world, Dr. Mott gave increasing desire for the awakened heart.

When he made his first trip around the world fourteen years ago it was often difficult to get a hearing or secure a public place for a meeting. In recent years all this has changed. Now, the announcement of Dr. Mott's addresses brings throngs of students in Russia, Turkey, India, China and Japan. They come at inconvenient hours and pack the largest rooms. They are not simply curious, but are real seekers after truth. President Yuan of China invited Dr. Mott to a personal conference. When he accepted the invitation and they sat together in the palace the president said: "I have heard much of your methods. Now tell me your message." Then he preached Christ to the ruler of all China. At the close of the interview the Chinese President said: "Dr. Mott, I want you to remain in China and take the message not only to the large cities, but the small places as well." The president contributes liberally to the work. Dr. Mott gave thrilling testimony of Jesus Christ in his own life and in the meetings which he held, and showed how triumphs had been won as the result of intercessory prayer.

When the nations are ready for our Christ, when they are pleading for light, how shall we who know Him excuse ourselves longer if we withhold the men and means necessary to carry the message? Let us "Pray the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

A JUNIOR CHURCH AND AN EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR.

Dr. J. A. Rice, pastor of the First Church, Fort Worth, Texas, has organized something new in Texas. It is a junior church, according to press reports, and its aim is to develop the youngest blood of the church.

Rev. E. E. Stanford, his assistant, is in charge of this work. As educational director Bro. Stanford, with the aid of his assistants, will so grade the Sunday school that every class will be suited to the age of its students, and every teacher will be trained for work. The eleven o'clock Sunday service of the junior church will have sermons preached that will meet the needs of boys and girls from 4 to 14 years of age. One plan is to bring all the societies and church organizations to bear on the same points of interest and work.

On Wednesday nights Bro. Stanford will conduct a "Teacher Training Institute." The program will be: 1. The usual period of worship shortened to 15 minutes. 2. A half hour Bible study conducted by the pastor, Dr. Rice. 3. Four classes for the study of the four subjects for the season. The pastor will lead a class in Systematic Bible Study. There will be a course in the Psychology of Child Study, one in Church History with a special emphasis on religious education, one on Missions with special reference to the needs of the home field.

The Institute will be open to all who wish to attend and it is understood that teachers and church workers from all our churches in the city will attend. The duties of an educational director of a church, according to Bro. Stanford's report, makes him the administrative officer in charge of the religious work of the church, which includes instruction, active service and worship. The first duty of the director is the correlation of all forces, classes, grades and departments in the Sunday schools with

THE GOSPEL.

Student Volunteer Convention hopeful statement of the knowledge of Christ among

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one another, the young people's societies and the boys and girls' clubs with the Sunday school and church.

Is it useless to say that this is a good thing if the plans are carried out. We must confess that some plans of religious instruction has been greatly needed, and this appeals to us as a solution of the problem if made a permanent part of our church organization. It will place the proper training in reach of all church workers where a class is able to carry it on or where two or more in the same town or city can do so jointly. It will give institute work to every department of the church—less the hot air that is so common and repellent. In short, it gets down to business.

PRAYER FOR COLLEGES.

The following appeal is from Bishop Henderson, of the Northern Methodist Church, to the churches of that great denomination. It might profitably be applied to our own churches. Certainly our colleges and college students deserve the prayers of the whole church. The day appointed is Thursday, February 5.

"In the churches throughout our entire Methodism let specific supplication be made that the presidents and faculties of our institutions may have not only the strength of scholarship, but the power of such an unswerving loyalty to Jesus Christ as shall unconsciously lead all the students of the classroom not only to respect Christ, but to yield to Him as supreme Lord. Let prayer be made that all pastors and churches in student communities may be especially equipped by the Spirit of God to guide the young life of the church into saved relation with Christ and serviceable relation to the Kingdom. In Methodist homes everywhere let prayer be made that Methodist parents will count it a crowning honor if God will call their sons and daughters to any field where Christ is needed. Let it be known, O fathers and mothers of Methodists students, that God may have need of your son in the gospel ministry or the foreign missionary field; that He may have need of your daughter as a foreign or home missionary, or a deaconess, or in some special form of sacrificial service, and if He have need of the brightest and best child of your bosom you will regard it as an honor which God has bestowed upon you in choosing your child for such service! Let prayer ascend from every Methodist hearthstone that no Methodist parents shall hinder God or their children in doing the will and work of God, anywhere, at any time, and in any field. To the host of Methodist students; to the army of Methodist pastors; to the multitude of Methodist followers, I send the summons to you to make the Day of Prayer for Colleges in 1914 a day spent with the Lord."

In New York the longest water tunnel in the world has been almost finished after nine years of labor. It is the Catskill aqueduct and will bring water to New York city 111 miles from its source in the mountains. It has cost \$160,000,000 and nearly 200 lives, and will be finished in two years from now.

Rabbi Kopald, of Buffalo, N. Y., in his address during the Twentieth Assembly of the Jewish Chautauqua Society in Philadelphia, plead for a re-awakening of religious consciousness among Hebrews, and deplored the spread of agnosticism among the American people of all creeds.

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scribers.

Rev. J. Abner Sage, of Dermott, Ark., sends us
the first issue of his Weekly Bulletin. He has
made a fine start at Dermott.

On Sunday, Jan. 18, several visitors from the
Winfield Church, Little Rock, were in our Conway
Sunday school inspecting the work being done
there.

Director Harris of the Census Bureau issues a
statement that employes are not to drink whiskey
in any form, else they will be promptly asked to
resign.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, has raised more than one hun-
dred thousand dollars to build a home for the
Young Men's Christian Association in that progres-
sive city.

The officials of Bellefonte charge, Arkansas Con-
ference, passed a resolution at the first quarterly
conference this year to put the Western Methodist
in every Methodist home in the circuit.

Rev. J. E. McConnell, pastor of Tigert Memorial
Church, Tulsa, Okla., is making good. The public
congregations are increasing. All the departments
are looking up. The prospect for the year look
promising.

The P. E. of Little Rock District, Rev. Forney
Hutchinson, brings in new subscribers to the "West-
ern" nearly every week. He reported this week
three new and three renewals from Lonoke and
Cabot.

Circuit Judge Hennings, of St. Louis, Mo., has ap-
pointed Miss Catherine Dunn and Mrs. E. C. Runge
to serve as Judges in the Juvenile Court when wo-
men or girls are on trial for delinquency or de-
generacy.

We are in receipt of a Directory of the Methodist
Church at Waldo, Ark., Rev. W. D. Sharp, pastor.
This neat little booklet contains also a pastoral
address in which the pastor urges his people to
greater faithfulness, especially in prayer.

The funeral of Dr. G. D. Dickerson was held from
the Presbyterian Church, Conway, Ark., Jan. 25,
at 2 p. m. Dr. E. R. Steel preached the sermon.
Dr. Dickerson was a Scottish Rite Mason and his
body was buried with Masonic honors.

The oldest Sunday school teacher in point of
continuous service in the United States is said to
be Mrs. Anna B. Bruen, Belvidere, N. J., who has
been a teacher for seventy-eight years. She is a
teacher in the Presbyterian Sunday school of Belvi-
dere.

The Western Methodist has just reached our
desk. It has made such a remarkable advance
along many lines within the last few weeks that we
want to mention it in our columns. We are prouder
than ever of our own conference church organ.—
Editor Church Bulletin, Conway, Ark.

Bro. F. M. Daniel, secretary of White River Con-
ference, was a pleasant caller Thursday of last
week. He was just from a meeting of the curators
of Galloway College and reports that school at
its best. About \$68,000 have been secured on the
endowment.

The experiment of the Cotton Planters' Associa-
tion of Scott, Arkansas, in selling cotton direct to
manufacturers has proved satisfactory. The plan
was suggested by the U. S. Department of Agri-
culture and is likely to be adopted in other South-
ern States.

Rev. G. M. Byers, the pastor at Adair, Okla.,
commended a meeting there on Jan. 19, with Rev.
Jerry Jeter, conference evangelist, and his wife, as
helpers. I less than one week there were 47 con-
versions and reclamations. The Sunday night con-
gregation was the largest that ever assembled in
that church.

The first issue of The Record, a neat little folio,
published semi-monthly at Fort Towson, Okla., in
the interest of the church there, has come to our
desk this week. It contains good editorials and
news items beside the bulletin feature. We quote
one editorial this week with the caption: "For
Non-Church Goers."

Because they were duplicating work in the same
city Harvard University and the Massachusetts
Institute of Technology have agreed to combine the
work in their engineering departments. Each is
strong enough to continue to do this kind of work,
but it would be wasteful and almost useless. It is
an important step toward educational co-operation.

Dr. J. W. Cline and A. O. Evans were pleasant
callers Monday. Dr. Evans has just returned from
Hot Springs. Dr. Cline was on his way to Nash-
ville, Tenn., where he will meet with a commit-
tee from the United Laymen's Missionary Move-
ment, which is planning a campaign in Alabama,
Mississippi and Florida for the month of February.

We note that Judge Paul J. Cella of Texarkana,
is a candidate for prosecuting attorney of his dis-
trict. The friends of prohibition in that district
will not forget that Judge Cella was the man who
stood on his constitutional right as a county judge
and refused to issue liquor license in Texarkana.
Such men are worthy to be remembered by all who
stand for civic righteousness.

Judge Harvey, of Lincoln county, has refused to
issue saloon license in that county. This was one
of the plague spots of Arkansas. There were eleven
saloons in the county last year and at several places
it would only take the signatures of from three to
nine white people to give a majority. The Going
law did not fit this place, but the judge has said
that under no circumstances would he issue license.

The Good Roads Convention was held in Little
Rick recently. It was a great meeting. There
were a number of fine speeches, much excellent
music, some sight-seeing, etc., etc. The attendants
went away saying they had a good time and a
fine outing. Every Arkansan admits the need of
good roads, viewed from every standpoint. But
when will they finish their wind-works and get
down to business? That is the question asked by
a number of those who attended.

The efficient pastor of Pulaski Heights, Little
Rock, Rev. S. R. Twitty and his board of stewards,
have planned to make February a Western Metho-
dist month. They will put it in every home in
his church. The editor (H.) had the pleasure of
preaching to his congregation Sunday night. To
date he has received 27 new members and has a
class of 20 to be received next Sunday.
The editor also preached to a good congregation
at First church, Sunday morning. The pastor, Bro.
Richardson, is a very busy man and is now in his
fourth year in this great charge.

The Survey gives some "Don't's" for Associated
Charities, among others, this: "Don't take children
away from parents whose only fault is their
poverty."

OKLAHOMA NEWS AND NOTES.

L. C. Craig.

Bokchito.

Bro. Puckett, the pastor, and I had a very pleasant
cavass at Bokchito on Saturday. He is in favor
with his people at Bennington and Bokchito, and he
has a mind to do things. He seemed very much
pleased with our cavass. With their new church
out of debt, and such a pastor they have the pros-
pect for a good year. We were placed under last-
ing obligations to Bro. Ball, and Mr. and Mrs. Rid-
dle for kindnesses extended to us. We had a very
pleasant visit with Sister Blair, whose home has
always been the home of Methodist preachers. I
enjoyed my associations with Bro. Puckett very
much.

Boswell.

A burnt bridge detained our train to Boswell, and
I missed the appointment Sunday at 11 a. m. The
congregation at night, called together by "phones,"
was an excellent one. Bro. J. W. White was in
deep sorrow, caused by the death of his wife, and
he was almost entirely engaged with a sick child.
But in the midst of his grief and solicitude he was
patient and resigned. He is in great favor with
his people, and they have shown their appreciation
of him and his family in many ways. I think I
have never seen a community respond so cheerfully
and substantially to the occasion, as they have in
the sickness and death of Sister White. God will
reward them abundantly. Miss Mary Grubbs vol-
unteered to assist me in the cavass for the Metho-
dist. She furnished horse and buggy and rendered
very valuable assistance in one of the best days'
work so far in my cavass. Bro. and Sister Snipes,
with their two bright boys, added much to my
pleasure, with their delightful entertainment.

Hugo, First Church.

Because of Bro. White's afflictions, I left Soper
to be worked later. I found Bro. and Sister Black-
burn and family in the parsonage at First Church.
Bro. Brannon, in the absence of his wife in Cali-
fornia, is rooming at the parsonage and taking his
meals out. He placed me next to several of his
officials, and Bros. Duncan, Margrave and Ham-
monds assisted me in looking after the interests
of the Methodist. Bro. Brannon is getting hold
of the situation here, and he and the people seem
very much pleased with their relations. They are
arranging to enlarge the parsonage and hope to
build a new church. The Sunday school is rapidly
growing and their Men's Class recently organized,
is already making a fine showing. Bro. Blackburn,
the new P. E., is making a splendid impression all
over the district. He is a great preacher, and is
throwing himself into his work with all his strength.
Of course he is already succeeding. He is getting
things organized and moving in all his large field.
The solid piety of his godly wife enables him to
give better service. They have been very kind to
me, and I heartily appreciate their hospitality and
fellowship.

Hugo, St James.

Bro. Blackburn preached at night for Bro. C. M.
Myatt last week at the West Side Church. I ex-
changed appointments on Wednesday night with
Bro. Blackburn and Bro. Myatt and I looked after
the interests of the Methodist. I came back yester-
day (19th) to assist Bro. Myatt this week in his re-
vival. This is a difficult field, but Bro. Myatt is
giving himself wholeheartedly to the development
of it, and the building of a church. I believe we
will have a gracious revival. If the brethren who
desire my help in their meetings will write me at
once, I can arrange to assist more of them. I can
give at least two weeks in each month if properly
arranged.

Antlers.

Between trains I was enabled to look after the
paper at Antlers. Bro. S. G. Swimme, the pastor,
was looking out for me. He had prepared break-
fast for me and also served an excellent dinner.
His wife was in the hospital at Hugo. He is cer-
tainly a hustler. With his other duties he is get-
ting out a small church weekly. He was looking
forward to the coming of Bros. Cassidy and Kirby
for a great meeting. Their meeting is on, and I
pray God they may have a great revival. We suc-
ceeded fairly well with the Methodist.

Ft. Towson.

Bro. W. A. Frazier, our pastor at Ft. Towson, is beginning his year's work under very favorable circumstances. He is a fine preacher, and his people know it, and appreciate it. His library is rapidly filling up with valuable books, which he is reading and digesting. He and his wife made my stay very pleasant in their home. The way was not open for a thorough canvass for the paper, but will be later. Ft. Towson is a growing town. They hope to build a church and are already arranging for a new up-to-date parsonage.

Idabel.

Idabel is a rapidly growing town, the county site of McCurtain county. This county has opened up more farming land in the last two or three years than any part of Oklahoma I have yet visited. Bro. W. V. Teer was returned to Idabel. He and his wife were very kind to me. They are splendid people, originally from Alabama. Bro. Teer had just returned from a visit to his father and relatives in Alabama and Mississippi. He enabled me to place fifteen Methodists into new homes. The Baptists were holding a very interesting meeting in Idabel. I preached for Bro. Teer in Idabel at 11 a. m. Sunday and also at Shults, his afternoon appointment, at 3 p. m. We had good services. The town was sad Sunday night. Bro. Hutchinson, superintendent of our Sunday school there, died at 5 p. m. I spent Friday night at Haworth. I expected to find Bro. J. D. Edwards in a meeting there but he did not begin until Sunday. Our people have recently organized at Haworth.

Valliant.

My introduction to Valliant was very pleasant. Under appointment to preach Sunday night, the train reached Valliant at 7:45 p. m. Bro. Herndon met me and piloted me to the church, where I preached to a splendid congregation. Bro. R. F. Wilson entertained me and he and Bro. Wilkinson made it possible for me to look after the Methodist in the absence of Bro. J. F. Russell, their pastor. I believe they will have a good year at Valliant. Rev. Brannon of Guthrie, brother of Rev. A. M. Brannon, is expected to begin a meeting there Saturday with Bro. Russell.

ARKANSAS NEWS AND NOTES.

By D. J. Weems.

Magnolia.

As is indicated by the name, Magnolia is in the Sunny South. Flowers bloom nearly the year around. The winter is so mild vegetation is still green. The early gardens are being planted. This is a fine market for cotton. There is compress, cotton seed oil mill, three banks, fine court house, five blocks of general business houses, excellent public school. An Agricultural school with seven brick buildings, seven cottages, hot house for early plants and flowers, two barns and a full school. There are brick churches. Ours has recently been rebuilt. It is a gem of beauty. We also have neat parsonage. Rev. A. Turrentine is in his third year. He and his lovely family are in much favor. Percy is a graduate and is principal of the high school, two others in college. Bro. and Sister Turrentine deserve much credit for giving their children a college education. He is one of the best preachers of his conference. Hon. Wm. Askew is the efficient superintendent of the large Sunday school. Magnolia is the home of Rev. T. J. Reynolds and Rev. T. J. Reynolds, two of our worthy preachers. This is strictly a moral town, of excellent citizens. The Western Methodist comes into about fifty homes.

Magnolia Circuit.

Sunday was spent with Rev. T. H. Crowder preaching at Philadelphia and Harmony at attentive congregations. We secured five new subscribers. Bro. Crowder has nine appointments, covering a good farming section. The farmers have nice bank accounts. This circuit had gracious revivals last year. The pastor preaches well, is strong, both physically and mentally, and is blessed with an excellent wife and six bright children at home—others have gone out to build homes for themselves. This is his second year. The Camden district had two-thirds of its pastors returned. This is good for both the preachers and the church. We cannot

build up the church or develop the preachers by changing them every year.

McNeil, Waldo and Buckner.

These three towns constitute a fine circuit. Rev. W. D. Sharp is pastor. He is accepted as an extra good preacher. Looks well after every interest of the church. His people speak of him in high terms. He and his cultured wife have trained three lovely daughters. He has published a directory, giving names of the officials and their offices, and of each member of the church. Has also general information of the church, and request that all should take Western Methodist and Christian Advocate.

McNeil is at the junction of the Cotton Belt and Louisiana roads. It has grown into a good size town. Has bank and two blocks of business houses. Excellent hotels. The Hicks and Mendenhall hotels do a nice business. The proprietors are all Methodists. By invitation we enjoyed an excellent supper at the Mendenhall. They certainly feed well. We also enjoyed a nice dinner with Bro. and Sister McDonald. We had pleasant service on Monday night, and shaping the old secured four new subscribers. Dr. G. P. Sanders is Sunday school superintendent. The stewards at McNeil are Dr. Sanders, Dr. Souter, J. H. Horton, W. E. Atkins, J. W. Rowe and F. L. Hodge, all except one readers of the Western Methodist.

A half day was spent in Waldo. With the pastor's aid we renewed the old and secured five new subscribers. We have good church and neat parsonage, free from debt and well located. Waldo is an excellent business town. Two banks, three blocks of business houses, splendid school and some most excellent citizens. The officials are Chas. Clark, M. D. Clark, J. D. Nash, Dr. A. J. Souter, W. J. J. Jarvis, W. F. Moreland, G. W. Owen, W. E. Dickson and P. H. Alsobrook.

We had fine congregation of young people at Buckner and several older persons. The official board are R. E. Gantt, H. B. Pipkin, J. B. Hardcastle, J. A. Gantt and D. L. Fincher. We did fairly well for the paper. Bro. and Sister Snyder keep a good hotel. They were very kind to me. They have a bank, half dozen stores, large two-story brick public school house and three teachers. The church is to be repaired at once.

Stamps.

One of the many large mill plants in Arkansas is at Stamps. The mills run day and night with a double shift. The output of lumber is 150,000 feet per day. Besides the large company store there are several other nice business houses. They have electric lights, waterworks, bank, two railroads, Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches, with a nice school. We have an excellent church, and a new parsonage is the talk. At the week-night prayer meeting there was a good attendance, being as many or more men than ladies. We had a spiritual service. This church has several first class members. We have nice list of subscribers and added four others. Rev. M. J. Rhodes and his cultured wife are returned to the delight of his people for the second year. He is a graduate both of Henderson-Brown College, and an A. M. of Vanderbilt. He preaches well and is capable of efficient service, having had experience in Y. M. C. A. work. Stamps is a most desirable charge. Bro. C. L. Cabe, the manager of the mercantile department, sends the paper to five persons on his own suggestion.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT NOTES.

The announcement was made in the last issue of the Methodist that Rev. C. C. Green had been appointed pastor of the Swan Lake circuit. This announcement was correct, but it turned out that after the appointment was made, and before Bro. Green had time to reach the work, he suffered a relapse of his old trouble with his throat. For this reason he decided that it would not be prudent for him to undertake regular work and so the appointment was canceled. I have now appointed Rev. E. F. Wilson, another of our worthy superannuates, to supply this work and he expects to move his family there next week.

The preachers of the Pine Bluff district are called to meet at Carr Memorial Church, Pine Bluff, Monday evening, Feb. 2, at 7 o'clock. This will be

the beginning of our district preachers' meeting. We will close the following Wednesday at noon. No definite program will be arranged and the preachers are called together simply that they may counsel concerning the work of the district and arrange plans for the furtherance of the same. We would be pleased to have a representative of the Methodist with us.

A typographical error in the paragraph concerning the work at DeWitt in the last issue of the Methodist makes the name of Bro. M. H. Almond appear as M. H. Arnold. J. A. Sage.

FROM CHICKASHA DISTRICT, WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

The Missionary Institute for half of the Chickasha district convened at Waurika Jan. 20-22. The Institute was highly entertained by the good people of Waurika and their enterprising pastor, Rev. H. B. Ellis. He is now serving Waurika the fourth year and his people are only sorry that the church law is such that he cannot stay longer. Great is Ellis at all times. The presiding elder directed the work of the Institute perfectly. The carefully prepared program was sufficient to arouse interest in all the needs of the district. Enough enthusiasm was generated to produce a general forward movement along all lines.

The pastors of Chickasha district are all determined to pray down a gracious revival and to have all collections in full. The pastors and laity are willing to fully co-operate with the presiding elder in his plans for the year's work. Peace and harmony every where prevail, with indications for the best year Chickasha district has ever known.

The opening sermon was delivered by the writer. Able sermons were delivered by Bros. Lamar and Ailor. The sermon by J. S. Lamar of Duncan on tithing should be printed in the columns of our conference organ that all our readers might know fully the teaching of the Scripture concerning the means we possess. We trust the editor will ask for this sermon and give the laity the privilege of the same in the Western Methodist. Stirring addresses were delivered by C. S. Walker, J. C. Jones, J. S. Lamar, H. B. Ellis, E. J. Ailor, G. P. Rice, W. M. Spain, M. T. Allen, Mrs. W. M. Spain and others. We have reasons to believe the presiding elder has adopted Mr. Livingstone's motto, "Fear God and work hard." The preachers and laity of the district are highly pleased with the presiding elder and his good wife and none of them have the faintest desire to do away with that all important office. Where dissatisfaction prevails it usually arises from men who have never served in the office of presiding elder and know themselves to be incompetent to occupy that all important position. Our Moss Weaver, weaves perfectly, "Long may he weave and never waver." The Institute at Waurika was a great success. Only nine months until the final report. Let our motto be, "A pure gospel and collections overpaid."

B. A. McKnight.

LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA PREACHER'S MEETING.

Jan. 27. Present: Workman, Hundley, Rogers, Buhler, Mann, Twitty, Hutchinson; Duckworth of Scotts and Keo, Butt of Alabama.

Pulaski Heights.—Ten additions; teacher training class doing excellent work; 51 at prayer service; Dr. Hays of the Western Methodist preached to large congregation at night and took six subscriptions for paper.

Hunter Memorial.—League room crowded; beautiful spirit manifested in church; services well attended; the power of the Spirit felt at night.

Highland Park.—Bro. Rogers preached to children at 11 a. m.; 179 at Sunday school; four additions; Hutchinson preached to packed house at night.

Twenty-Eighth Street.—Large attendance at prayer meeting and night service; 154 at Sunday school; Rev. L. C. Beasley preached strong sermon at night.

Capitol View.—Sixty-three at prayer service; Sunday school has not missed having new scholars each Sunday for six months; teacher training class, which meets Wednesday evening before prayer service with supper, has not missed a meeting

in 20 months; church packed at night; League overflowed.

District.—Hutchinson was at Galloway College Wednesday; held quarterly conference at Pulaski Heights at night where he found the church in excellent condition, the pastor, Bro. Twitty, pushing things. He held quarterly conference at Mt. Tabor on Austin circuit Saturday and Sunday with dinner on the ground. This circuit has the stewards of all the churches in a circuit organization; they raised the pastor's salary \$100; the trustees are also organized for the entire circuit. The quarterly conference record bears the distinction of being the most accurate and carefully kept in the district. The pastor, Bro. Lassiter, is doing an excellent work. There are many Christian laymen on this circuit whose life is telling for Christ.

Duckworth.—Large attendance at Sunday school and congregational service at Scotts at morning hour; crowded house at Keo at night.

Winfield Memorial.—Large attendance at both services; excellent League service. Bro. Workman is bringing things to pass.

Bro. M. E. Butt was at First Church in the morning and Winfield at night, where he enjoyed the services very much. He got the cream both times.

Drs. Richardson and Evans are in Hot Springs taking the baths.

PASTOR'S CONFERENCE.

At the call of Bro. W. M. Hayes, our P. E., the preachers of the Prescott district came together Jan. 20 at Gurdon, Ark. There were nine present. E. M. Pipkin, a member of the White River Conference, Dr. Monk, P. E., of the Arkadelphia district, Bro. Hanson, local preacher and J. H. Waters, Conference Lay Leader, besides some of the lay brethren, met with us.

The conference was opened about 9 a. m. After song and Bible reading an earnest talk by the presiding elder and a season of prayer, the meeting was thrown open for business. Bro. Waters gave a talk upon his work, and a general discussion of the laymen's work ensued. The raising of the general collections come in for a share in the discussion.

Bro. Hayes led the devotional services in the afternoon, after which Bro. Monk gave us a helpful talk. F. C. Cannon was elected reporter for the Prescott district. Most of the preachers reported that they expect to raise their collections in full.

Bro. Pipkin brought a message of good will from Dr. Crowell, president of Henderson-Brown College.

The brethren discussed freely revival work. A motion was made and carried that the P. E. make arrangements among the preachers to help each other in meetings. A motion was also made and carried that we get all our official members to take the Western Methodist. Bro. A. B. Few was chosen as the unit of communication in the reading of books among the preachers of the district. Bro. Owen preached Monday night; Bro. Pipkin Tuesday at 11 a. m., and Bro. Few Tuesday night. The meeting was very helpful. It made us feel more keenly our responsibilities as pastors.

F. C. Cannon, Secretary.

APPEAL FOR AID FOR YOUNG MEN.

Dear Brother Hays: May I through your columns make an appeal for a number of young men who are studying for the ministry and are greatly in need of a little financial assistance? I have on hand applications from students in the following schools and colleges:

Trinity College, Emory College, Rutherford College, Weaver College, Wofford College, Reinhardt College, Young Harris College, Emory and Henry College, Hiwassee College, Millsaps College, Southern University, Hendrix College, Henderson-Brown College, Southwestern University, and Clarendon College.

Many of these students will not be able to carry on their work until June unless assistance can be secured. The Department of Ministerial Supply and Training is doing its best to help them, but its funds are exhausted. I want, therefore, to make an appeal to your readers in behalf of these men. Will not some pastor undertake to raise \$50 or \$100 to help some one student? Will not some

liberal-minded laymen help us to meet this urgent need? Contributions may be made to Dr. Stone-wall Anderson, Secretary of Education, or to the undersigned. I shall be glad to give further information on request.

Hoping there may be a hearty response to this appeal, I am

Very sincerely,

J. L. Cuninggim.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 17, 1914.

BATTLESHIP "OKLAHOMA."

Dear Western Methodist: For the satisfaction and information of all our people in Oklahoma please publish the following, which I have just received concerning the ceremony of christening the Battleship Oklahoma. This in response to special inquiry and request of the builders as to the time of launching and the element to be employed in the ceremony. Following is their letter.

Yours cordially,

W. L. Anderson.

Sayre, Okla., Jan. 20, 1914.

"Dear Sir: We have your letter of January 10, with enclosed letter from the Governor of Oklahoma, which we return herewith.

"The Battleship 'Oklahoma' will probably be launched in March, although this is not yet certain and no date has been fixed.

"We note the various things which you mention concerning the so-called ceremony of christening this vessel. We wish to advise you concerning any ceremony which may take place at the time the vessel is launched, that such ceremonies are merely a matter of courtesy on the part of the builders due to long established custom, but which they are under no obligation to have. It is by no means sure that there will be any elaborate function at this particular launching (it having been the desire of almost all shipbuilders of late years to either abolish such ceremonies or keep them as simple as possible).

"We shall, in any case, be governed by what we consider the most appropriate for the occasion from all points of view.

Yours truly,

"New York Ship Building Co."

READING COURSE OF THE VANDERBILT BIBLICAL INSTITUTE 1914.

Dr. W. F. Tillett sends us the following reading course, with his comments, which we publish for the benefit of all who are anticipating attending the Vanderbilt Biblical Institute and who desire a list of good books for their library.

The God We Trust. The deeply devotional and wonderfully illuminating lectures on the Apostles' Creed contained in this volume comprise the Cole Lectures for 1913 by Dr. G. A. Johnston Ross of Union Theological Seminary, New York. Dr. Ross never fails to put the emphasis at the right place to make the truth spiritually impressive. \$1.25.

Philosophy and Religion. Dr. Hastings Rashdall of Oxford, England, has crowded into this small volume many of his strongest and best thoughts on some of the great facts and problems of philosophy and religion. Brevity, clearness and strength meet in this volume. 75 cents.

The Preacher and His Work. Dr. J. H. Jowett, late of England, now of New York, is regarded by many as the greatest and most influential preacher and pastor in the English speaking world today. This volume gives this great preacher's conception of the greatness of the vocation of the Christian preacher and of his equipment for his work. \$1.25.

The Heart of John Wesley's Journal. In this volume the reader will find the heart not only of the voluminous journal kept by John Wesley but also an insight into the heart of the greatest preacher and religious leader of the eighteenth century. There can be no better preparation for preaching the gospel in the 20th century than the reading of this marvelously fascinating and deeply spiritual volume. \$1.50.

Religion in Social Action. If any one wishes to know what social service means for Christian men and women today let him read this latest and best volume by Dr. Graham Taylor of Chicago, who stands foremost among the Church's great representatives and leaders in the work of Christian social service. \$1.25.

Winning the Fight Against Drink. There is no fight in which the Christian men and women of America are engaged today that is so important and so imperative in its claims upon them as the fight for States-wide and Nation-wide prohibition. Every up-to-date Christian preacher wants to read a volume like this by Dr. E. L. Eaton, which presents in brief compass all the important facts which he needs to know concerning this great fight which is now being waged in every city, town, village and rural district in America. \$1.00.

The Greatest English Classic. No one who reads this charging and instructive volume by Dr. C. B. McAfee, who is one of New York's most popular and influential Presbyterian pastors and preachers, can fail to have a new and deeper sense of the greatness of the English Bible and of its influence upon the life and literature of the Anglo-Saxon race. \$1.25.

Great Issues. We have here a discussion of twelve great subjects by one of the ablest and most spiritual divines of the Congregational Church in England, Dr. Robt. F. Horton of London. The author is not only a man with a message, but he has rare power to impress alike the head and the heart both of his hearers and his readers. He who reads this interesting volume will get a new and stronger grip on some of the great issues of religion and life. 60 cents, reduced from \$1.50.

These books may be ordered postage paid, at the prices named, from Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn.

CHOTEAU, OKLA.

Dr. A. C. Miller spent last Sunday, Jan. 18, with us in Choteau. He was our presiding elder two years and a half while we were a member of the Little Rock Conference. A cleaner, fairer, squarer man could not be found among the sons of men. He made but few promises and filled all he ever made. He was a wise, faithful and devoted officer of the church. We always looked to his coming to our home with much pleasure. It seemed like old times to have him with us in our new field last Sunday. His sermons were always strong and interesting. But he has evidently grown. His sermon here last Sunday we have rarely heard surpassed. For depth of thought, simplicity of style, length and spiritual force it was up to the high water mark. His educational talk at night to a crowded house will unquestionably live and bear fruit long after he has gone to his reward. His work here stamps him as a master in Israel. His address to our public school on Monday was greatly appreciated. The Methodists of Oklahoma were certainly wise in securing Dr. Miller to preside over our Methodist College at Muskogee. This institution is a necessity to the well-being of our church in Eastern Oklahoma, and Dr. Miller is the providential man to preside over the college. My people were delighted and will welcome his return at any time. While I am writing I wish to say that the Bishop and his cabinet were very kind to me. We live among a fine class of people and our church here has been wise in building and buying church property. We have a good home, good church, no debt and a loyal cultured people to serve. We have a splendid lot of preachers in the Vinita district and guided by one of the best and strongest presiding elders in the whole church. The promise and the prospect are for a great year.

J. C. Hooks.

NOTICE.

The Board of Missions of the Little Rock Conference is called to meet at 9:30 a. m. February 17, at Asbury Church, Little Rock, for the purpose of planning the year's work, and for the further discussion of plans by which our Conference will be in harmony with the General Board in its work. I beg the brethren to be punctual and prompt as we have but one day in which to consult. The evening hours will be given over to the Conference Secretary, Rev. Forney Hutchinson, for an address.

Any one wishing entertainment will write the secretary.

A. O. Evans,

Secretary.

January 16, 1914.

James Thomas,
Chairman.

CANDIDATE FOR COMMISSIONER OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS IN OKLAHOMA.

Rev. Wm. D. Matthews of Winnewood, chaplain at the State Training School is a candidate for Commissioner of Charities and Corrections, subject to the action of the Democrats in the August primary. He is one of the best known of men and ministers, not only of Oklahoma but in the West. If he succeeds in being elected there is no doubt in the minds of any who know him best as to his meeting every demand that the great State of Oklahoma will make upon him in that capacity just as he has wherever he has been placed by church and state. The Pauls Valley Enterprise has the following to say of him:

"There are few men in the state of a riper experience, and we believe not a single one in the state with better qualifications for the office to which he aspires. He is a native of Mississippi and entered the Confederate army at the age of 15 years as a member of Co. F. Second Kentucky Cavalry. He was licensed to preach and joined the North Mississippi Conference M. E. Church, South, in 1872. He was a regular preacher for forty years, serving in Mississippi, Arkansas, Missouri and Oklahoma. In this state he has served as pastor at Guthrie, Norman, Pauls Valley, Atoka, Purcell and Davis and was for four years presiding elder on the Clinton district in the West Oklahoma Conference.

"At the opening of the Fourth Legislature he was elected chaplain of the Senate, a position which he filled with dignity and honor. It was said of him that there was scarcely a member of the Senate who knew more about what was going on or who was more intimately acquainted with each of the members. While serving in this position he met prominent men from all sections of the state and it was here that he received many solicitations to enter the race for the office which he is now seeking.

"It would indeed be hard to find a person better fitted for the duties of the office of Commissioner of Charities and Corrections, than is Rev. Matthews. His many years as a preacher of the Gospel, his experience with people of all stations of life, his work among the laboring classes and his excellent work with the boys in the state training school, have shown him to be peculiarly fitted for this kind of work."

PROHIBITION IN POOR KANSAS.

The following is taken from the reports of the governor and attorney general of "Poor Bleeding Kansas":

Young men and women over 21 years of age who have never seen a saloon in that state, 500,000; newspapers publishing liquor "ads.", none; decrease in illiteracy since prohibition began, 47 per cent; paupers in state, 1 to 3,000 population; insane in 87 of 105 counties, none; feeble minded in 54 counties, none; inebriates in 96 counties, none; inmates of poor houses in 38 counties, none; inmates in 53 county jails, none; prisoners serving sentences in 65 counties, none; county jail at Hugoton rented our residence; some counties have not had a jury to try a criminal case in ten years; one county has had no grand jury for 25 years; increase in saving deposits in banks: in 1880, \$30,000,000; in 1911, \$200,000,000.

Kansas is first among all the states in per capita valuation of property. In 1907 the state sent \$50,000,000 to New York to relieve the money market. Missouri sent nothing. Death rate reduced since prohibition began from 17 to 1,000 to 7 1-2 to 1,000.

Under prohibition Kansas is the healthiest state in the union.

Surely we should be sorry for a great state that is deprived of the luxuries of ignorance, jails, grand juries, paupers, insane, inebriates, and the heavy tax for prosecuting criminals.

It is well to contemplate upon the goodness of God. It is a source of joy unspeakable and will clear the vision of any discouraged soul. It will strengthen faith and beget a hope that is immortal.—Ex.

CHRISTENDOM'S DEBT TO A GREAT SCHOLAR.

When Professor James Orr died last September a notable figure passed from contemporary theological and religious life. Left an orphan at nine he struggled for years with poverty. His early occupation was bookbinding, but amid his exacting duties he found time for preparatory studies and laid a solid foundation for his great learning. At the University of Glasgow he won many honors, and was especially distinguished in metaphysical studies. His prize essay on David Hume was considered the best ever written on the subject. He became assistant in Logic and examiner in Philosophy. Yielding to the call to the ministry he took his theological course at the United Presbyterian College in Edinburgh, and became pastor of East Bank Church, Harvick. He soon took rank as a powerful preacher and a useful and welcome pastor. His large humanity, strength, and kindness attracted and made friends, and his early difficulties enabled him to be the sympathetic friend of the poor.

In the midst of his arduous pastoral duties he continued his studies and literary labors. His reviews and scholarly articles won for him wide reputation. In 1885 he received the D. D. degree from Glasgow, being one of two who ever reached this distinction by examination. In 1891 he was called to the Chair of Church History in the Presbyterian College at Edinburgh and soon delivered the first series of Kerr Lectures on the subject, "The Christian View of God and the World." At the union of Free and United Presbyterian Churches he became professor of Apologetics and Systematic Theology in the U. F. C. College of Glasgow. From this church he addressed a world audience and exercised a continually increasing influence. He lived in an era of mental unrest which affected men's beliefs in every department of life. It was a time of revolt from authority and of unusual development of the critical spirit. All theories and doctrines were called in question and forced to defense. Many notes of depreciation of Christian faith were heard. It was ridiculed as antiquated and insufficient for educated and progressive men. There was difficulty in harmonizing its doctrines with modern thought and the supernatural elements in Christian history were constantly discredited. The attitude of skepticism became popular and respectable. Dr. Orr was true to his age. He took nothing at second hand, but subjected every demand for credence to close investigation and keen criticism. His method was extreme and radical, and he was able to furnish the needed corrective to the disposition to establish wonderful theories on vague and glittering generalities. The strongest critics became uncomfortable under his searching analysis of their positions. As a result of his method he discovered the solidity and strength of the fundamental Christian virtues, and made it his task to state, illustrate and defend them. His marvelous philosophic talents, his deep sense of the unity of knowledge, and his clearness and coherency of thought enabled him to treat each problem in its true relation to the whole and remove it from dangerous isolation and partial view.

His great work, "The Christian View of God and the World," gave him place among the foremost theologians. It made a distinct impression on the religious thought of the time. "The strong positive note and decided personal conviction revealed in the book made it one of the strongest modern apologies in defense of Christian faith. It is orthodox to the core, but is written in full view of the facts." He mastered the critics in their own writings and weighed them in his own scales, and was his own authority.

He closely studied theological movements in Germany, and in 1898 published his study of "The Ritschlian Theology and the Evangelical Faith." He did full justice to this system which severs faith from historical testimony and sees no reality in miracle except for religious experience. He had no use for the vague and nebulous thinking so fostered, and vigorously exposed its inner contradictions.

His book, "The Problem of the Old Testament Considered With Reference to Recent Criticism," is

probably the most formidable attack upon the Graf-Wellhausen hypothesis. It is the result of forty years of profound study. He treats the problem with open mind, full knowledge, and sanity of judgment. He ever desired the right and endeavored to reach it in all of his writings and in his dealings with men. Dr. Denney has said: "He was a great gift of God to the Church in a perplexed and anxious time, and many will be inspired as long as they live by the memory of his laborious, magnanimous, and truly Christian faith." An American pastor said that whenever he was troubled with intellectual difficulties in Bible study and a temptation to think the critical view reasonable, he always found the remedy by reading Dr. Orr. Dr. Griffith Thomas has said that it was Professor Orr who may be said to have commenced the turn of the tide from destructive criticism to constructive. The Bishop of Durham expresses the hope that Dr. Orr's death may quicken interest in the remarkable books he has written, and asserts that no serious student ought to neglect any of them.

REV. R. D. SMART, D. D.

Whereas, God in his all wise providence has called our former beloved pastor, Dr. Smart, to his final reward; be it

Resolved. 1. That we, the Missionary Society of the First M. E. Church, South, of Little Rock, Ark., bow in humble submission to his will. "Even so Father for it seemeth good in thy sight." 2. That in the death of Dr. Smart the church has lost a faithful, earnest and efficient minister, who not only gave himself but sons to the service of our Christian religion. 3. That it is with loving gratitude we remember his stay with us. 4. That we extend to the bereaved family our deep and abiding sympathy in this their time of sorrow.

"Now hear and believe, ye weary and worn,
Who for others do give up your all.
The Savior has taught us the seed that would grow,
Into earth's dark bosom must fall;
Must pass from the view and lie away
And then will the blade appear,
And that which seemeth lost in the earth below,
Will return many fold in the ear.
By death comes life, by loss comes gain,
The joy for the tear, the place for the pain."

5. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and that a copy of same be spread on the minutes of this society.

Mrs. W. H. Pemberton,
Mrs. Fred Watkins,
Mrs. Pratt Cates, Committee.

GREAT REVIVAL AT ANTLERS, OKLA.

The revival meeting previously announced to be held in our church at Antlers, Okla., began on Sunday, Jan. 18, with Rev. M. A. Cassidy as evangelist and Rev. S. E. Kirby as evangelist singer and soloist. The meeting has run one week and the results—visible—including the second Sunday of the meeting, were 45 converted and reclaimed, with the church greatly revived and a large number of dead church members brought to life who have not yet made public confession thereof. We are expecting a most wonderful meeting during this week. The town is being stirred as never before. We are praying for and expecting not less than two hundred conversions. Pray for us.

S. X. Swimme, Pastor.

Antlers, Okla., Jan. 26, 1914.

WAGONER, OKLA.

Dear Methodist: We are in a great meeting at Haworth with Bro. Hewie Darrow as pastor. This is a new town and building up rapidly. Bro. Darrow is getting the work well in hand, his people speak well of him. We have been here one week. There are forty professions to date; thirty joined the church yesterday; baptized two babies. It was a great day. Bro. Darrow will have the church in good shape by the time this meeting is over. Praise God for the old time revival. J. D. Edwards.

A pear tree in California has been insured for \$30,000 by the Lloyds of London. The tree last year brought \$3,206 in pears and sprouts which was sold to fruit raisers.

SALOONS GRANTED LICENSE IN FORT SMITH.

Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 20, Judge Ezra Hester ruled that the petitioners had a majority of the white adult inhabitants of Fort Smith on their petition and that he would grant license for saloons in the city. In less than two hours between forty and fifty saloons were open on Garrison avenue and great mobs of men were crowding in and around each one clamoring for something to drink. This ruling of the judge came in the face of facts and estimates which to many of us it seemed impossible to pass by and in the hearing of the most eloquent temperance speech ever heard in the city—a jail which had been empty nearly all the time for 20 days since the saloons closed Dec. 31.

For the information of those who desire to know I enclose some statements of testimony given in the court room and eight propositions which I deducted from these figures and estimates. All of these propositions except the seventh I happen to know were placed before the judge some days before his decision was rendered. It is not contended that any of these figures is absolutely correct, though as nearly so as was possible to obtain. Poll tax figures are for the year 1912, the latest obtainable.

It is agreed that the number of white men and women in Fort Smith are equal, though doubtless the women are in the majority since their legal age is 18 and that of men 21, counting begins three years earlier.

The poll tax books show 6,780 white men in Fort Smith liable to poll tax; 3,357 of these paid. Of those who paid about 1,011 are on the list of the petitioners; 2,346 of the poll tax payers, or voters, did not sign petition. The petitioners had about 30 per cent of the voters and the anti-saloon side 70 per cent.

Counting the saloon petition (the names of 100 men at a time) in six different places, there are about 182 women to 600 men. If the petition contains 7,400 names, this ratio gives 1,720 women and 5,680 men.

Using the above figures we deduct the following propositions:

First Proposition.—5,680 men signers plus 2,346 non-signers equals 8,026 men in the city. But the women equal the men in number, or 8,026. Therefore the petition of 7,400 is short of a majority by 627.

Second Proposition.—There are in Fort Smith liable to poll tax 6,780 white men; 2,346 of those who paid poll tax did not sign the petition. (Surely some of those who did not pay poll tax did not sign the petition.) Now, 6,780 minus 2,346 equals 4,434, the highest possible number of men left to sign even if all the non-poll tax payers signed. But the petitioners have 5,680 men on their petition. Therefore, 5,680 minus 4,434 equals 1,246 names of men who should be erased from their petition, according to their own contention.

Third Proposition.—From proposition 1 there are in the city 8,026 men. But the petitioners maintain that the white adult male population is not more than one half of 11,091 (the number fixed by the court) or 5,546, since the number of men and women are equal. Therefore, from their argument 8,026 minus 5,546 equals 2,480 names of men should be erased from their petition.

Fourth Proposition.—The petitioners maintain that the white adult population of Fort Smith is not over 11,091 (they really contended for much less), and since it is agreed that the number of men and women are equal, 5,546 is the highest possible number of men who could rightly be on the petition if they had every man in Fort Smith on it. But there are at least 2,346 poll tax payers, or voters, who are not on it. Now, if you take the number of men whom we know to be in the city not on the petition—2,346 from 5,546—who constitute all the white men in the city, you have left 3,200 men which the petitioners could have on their petition. Hence, it is clear from 5,680 minus 3,200 equals 2,480 names of men which should be stricken from their petition according to their own argument.

Fifth Proposition.—Since from No. 4 the petitioners claim the white adult male population is not over 5,546; and since they have on their petition

5,680 names of men, it is clearly evident that they have on their petition 5,680 minus 5,546 equals 134 more men than the whole number of white men in Fort Smith. Now, one of two things must of necessity be true: Either the male population, which is one half of the whole population, must be far greater than that fixed by the court, or else there must be removed from the petition the number of men who did not sign the petition plus the number which exceeds the whole white adult male population, 2,346 plus 134 which equals 2,480.

Sixth Proposition.—Since the petitioners maintain that there can be only 5,546 white adult men in the city, and since at least 2,346 of these are not on their petition, they could only have 5,546 minus 2,346 equals 3,200 names of men, and since the number of women on their petition is 1,720, their whole number could not be over 3,200 plus 1,720 which equals 4,920.

Seventh Proposition.—According to the petitioners the white adult male population of the city is 5,680 signers plus 2,346 poll tax payers whom we know did not sign, which equals 8,026 men. But the number of women equals that of the men, or 8,026. Therefore, the total population of the white adults is 16,052, or 4,961 more than that found by the court.

Eighth Proposition.—Does it not seem fairly reasonable that if the poll tax books show 6,780 white men in Fort Smith liable to poll tax, that the whole white adult population is that number plus an equal number of women, which equals 13,560, or 2,469 more than that fixed by the court.

I think these propositions will clearly demonstrate some of the absurd contentions of the saloon men and that we were justly entitled to the favorable decision of the court. How he could rule as he did I cannot understand.

J. M. Hughey.

THE CHURCH'S GREATEST NEED.

This question is much discussed. There is no agreement. "I, also, will show you mine opinion." We need not trouble about higher critics. The Church has taught some things that she must cast away. The iconoclast is needed to demolish some human devices which the Church has set up in the name of the Lord. Our theology is our interpretation of God's revelation. The interpretations are not infallible. Any modifications that increased knowledge may demand will only be the winnowing of the chaff from the wheat. Let such as are able serve the cause of God in sifting out from our faith error and superstition. But God, and moral government, and future destiny, and salvation by grace through faith in Christ remain unshaken and unassailed. What we need is to stand on this ground and, instead of speculations and negations, preach from our pulpits of sin, righteousness, and judgment. There is in men the same conscience to be touched and the same heart hunger to be satisfied. Too many of our preachers are standing at gaze, contemplating the conflicts of the critics, giving out echoes of the progress of the battle as they understand it. There are wonderful things transpiring, they say, and they are eager to tell us about it, but they are like Ahimaaz who was out of breath to bear tidings and then had nothing to tell but "I saw a great tumult but I wist not what it was."

The pulpit is not the place for speculation, and the things which pertain to salvation are not involved in the speculations of the scholars. Let the preachers cease to be mere spectators of conflicts which do not relate to their commission. Let them turn to established truths and resume work on the old lines. A good point from which to resume is the saving power of Christ, verified through twenty centuries. Contemplate it, brother, and if you have lost heart see if you can not get a fresh start from the text, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation unto every one that believeth." Do not attack the opinions of devout men who know much more than you, and who humbly think they have brought to light important truths. To declare that such ideas if established would destroy faith in God and in Christ would be reckless and very pernicious. There has been much of that sort of

declamation from time to time in the past, but the preachers of today are compelled to square their teaching with the findings of the critics and scientists which they once denounced.

But the more clamor we have from those who assail some of our traditional theological defenses the more we need to say, "I determined not to know anything among you but Jesus Christ and him crucified; that your faith might not stand in the wisdom of men but in the power of God." Let the work of the scholars and critics go on but our preachers have other business than standing at gaze as the battle goes forward.

Kirkwood, Mo.

J. E. Godbey.

REMARKABLE SITUATION IN NEW YORK.

A real estate man, Ernest Tribelhorn, president of a large company which has charge of many rentals, was convicted of maintaining a disorderly resort because of the fact that he permitted tenants of a bad reputation to occupy property of which he had control.

Justice Collins, in fixing sentence, according to a report given in the New York World, had this to say:

"The case is important because there is no doubt there are many apartment houses where apartments are rented to women of dissolute character, who ply their vocation in them. This is the first conviction of this nature for many years, and in so far as its relative effect upon the public is concerned we have come to the conclusion that a fine would not be an adequate punishment.

"Our reason for this position is that there is a great temptation to do this thing because of the rents and profits that are involved. It appears that there are, unfortunately, in our community, persons who hold their heads high in social life, who may be described as principals, who do business through real estate agents and allow women to ply the vocation of prostitution in places which they own. Five hundred dollars would be the extent of the fine that this court could impose and if a fine only were imposed it would not be effectual as a restraint upon others.

"We appreciate that the defendant is a business man of long standing in New York, a man of good antecedents and having a number of friends in the city, but we have reached the conclusion that we ought in the performance of our duty to impose more than a fine."

All honor to this Justice!

This example of law enforcement will have its effect and a general cleaning up will inevitably follow the example of this one man who is not afraid to go the limit of his authority in a matter which has ordinarily been hushed up and covered up.

A CORRECTION.

The minutes of the White River Conference show a debt of \$600 on the parsonage at Haynes and Madison charge. It should be that amount shown as expended on churches and parsonages last year.

M. N. Johnston, P. C.

A CORRECTION.

As Auditor for the Conference I find the Augvergne and Weldon charge credited with six dollars paid on the Superannuate Endowment Fund, which has already been checked out to the Joint Board of Finance. It is probable a typographical error in the minutes which gives credit for only three dollars for that charge.

Jan. 17, 1914.

Yours sincerely,
W. J. LeRoy.

ATTENTION!

To the preachers of the Prescott district. As I have been elected district reporter to the Western Methodist, please mail your reports to me on Monday if you desire them published at once. Send any item of interest concerning the work in your charge.

F. C. Cannon.

An assassin's bullet, aimed at Rev. R. E. McClure, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, Blairsville, Pa., struck a Bible in Dr. McClure's pocket and did him no injury. This minister had been active in the fight against saloons.

UNITING ALL FAITHS TO RESTORE BIBLE READING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

"The Australian system provides definitely for regular Scripture lesson—parents alone can object to their children receiving same—whereas in many American states and provinces of Canada, the law says the Bible shall not be excluded from the public schools, but no law exists to provide for its regular reading."

"Even the opinion of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin allows the reading of portions that are not sectarian."

America could have similar text-books prepared with selections from the Bible that might be used as classics, and selections to be made by broad committee with such care they would not be objectionable to any one.

For a long time we have thought it a most unfortunate matter that selections from the old classics are used so extensively in our schools, while no similar readings have been culled from the Scriptures to be used as a part of the education of our youth.

"The absence of moral and ethical training is the most potent way to say that it is non-essential."

"The system is accepted in Australia by all denominations as a happy solution of the religious difficulty."

"There was no objection on the part of Roman Catholic teachers to reading the lessons."

"I know nothing that has done so much to remove sectarian bitterness and religious misunderstandings."—Bible State Schools League.

PETER CARTWRIGHT BREAKS THE ETERNAL DECREES.

In the early nineties of the last century, the writer was a pastor in Quincy District, Illinois Conference. A short acquaintance with that portion of the country sufficed to show that one of the most popular men who ever visited it was the lamented Peter Cartwright. Many are the stories told by that people of the adventures of this illustrious soldier of the cross. One which I have never seen in print but is, I believe well worthy of preservation, was told me by a Presbyterian of the village of Huntsville.

He remarked that he had heard some complain because, in recounting the life of Cartwright only his victories were mentioned—the defeats were apparently forgotten. Said he: "I don't really believe that that man ever knew what defeat looked like." Then in proof of that statement he related the following incident: "When Cartwright was presiding elder of this district I was an unconverted man, and enjoyed very much a theological controversy. We had in our midst an ultra-Calvanistic Presbyterian preacher. I heard that Cartwright was coming to Huntsville to hold quarterly conference, and bestirring myself secured both preachers to spend a day with me. I expected them to very soon enter into a controversy, but, though they came early in the morning, to my surprise they spent the entire forenoon in talking over the things both held in common. It was past noon when the Presbyterian, true to his aggressive nature, launched out on his favorite theme—the eternal decrees. They sat down to the table discussing this subject, Cartwright sitting at the end of the table, and the Presbyterian at the corner to his right. As the Calvinist talked he warmed up to his subject, and to illustrate and emphasize

his ideas, took a piece of meat on his fork, and, holding it up, he said: 'Yes, Brother Cartwright, I believe so much in God's eternal decrees that I believe that God Almighty has decreed from all eternity that I should eat this identical piece of meat. More than that, I believe that God has decreed just what part of the animal this piece of meat should occupy, just what the animal should eat, just—'

Cartwright had not said a word, but here I saw his eyes sparkle, and knew that something was coming, though what I could never have guessed. 'Hold on, brother,' he cried. 'Don't eat that meat just yet. You say you believe that God has decreed from all eternity that you should eat that identical piece of meat.' 'Yes, sir,' replied the Calvinist stoutly. 'I believe it—and more—I know it.' Just then Cartwright made a sudden motion with his hand, snatched the piece of meat from his opponent's fork, and when it was safely deposited in his own mouth exclaimed: 'Then I break the eternal decree of Almighty God.' Calvinist glanced at his fork, looked puzzled for an instant then joined in the general laugh at the quick wit his opponent occasioned. Neither preacher again mentioned the mooted question that day—and the mention of this doctrine so common in former days has always made one Presbyterian feel like smiling right out loud."—R. N. Hathaway, in "Northwestern Christian Advocate."

A MEDICAL OPINION ON UP-TO- DATE DANCES.

The latter-day dances have been discussed and criticized from almost every standpoint. To complete the list, The Journal of the American Medical Association has recently raised its dignified and professional editorial voice in gentle warning. "It seems somewhat late," it says, "to enter a mild protest against the fervor with which the newest 'so-called' dances have been taken up by a public already saturated with various nerve and mind-destroying amusements and caprices. It seems unnecessary to call attention to the fact that the tango, the various waltzes, the maxixe, etc., are being ardently cultivated by callow youth and calloused old age. The problems created by these dances differ according to the age of the participants; for the young the question of morality is paramount; for the old the possibility of too great a strain on a dilated heart or an arteriosclerotic vessel is apparent. The physician will do well to caution the stiff-jointed, aged patient, who derives too great a pleasure from those—to him—potentially harmful amusements."—Press Bulletin, American Medical Association.

FINDING OUT.

A belligerent apostle of peace and quiet calls for swift and permanent elimination of all political and professional investigators. "Whatever comes of investigations?" he demands. "Nothing is ever done. Nobody is ever punished. Millions of useless and troublesome words get into print, and that's the end of it." Not quite the end. There is one result: intangible, immeasurable. The public gets information. When Congress investigates the lobby, and the lobby and its employers dig impassionedly into each other's mutual records, the man on the street sees a gleam of light shed on the underground government. When Tammy impeached Sulzer, the sheeplike voter learned a little something about the kind of men he has foisted upon him by the bosses—and used his in-

formation at the polls. Information is strong meat for the human sheep. In the last few years America has been absorbing information in considerable dosage. The "investigation mania" is not purely a Congressional epidemic. Rather it is the voicing of a nation-wide desire to understand what's what in our Government, and why. The Progressive party was born under the sign of the Question Mark.—Colliers.

LUX.

Every generation raises its crop of fine old crusted Tories—some of them in the humbler walks of life. And at all times they oppose light—even as they once tried to resist lighting what Longfellow called the "street lamps of the ocean." The instance we have in mind is noted in Emerson's "Journal." Sixty years ago the philosopher visited Nauset, on Cape Cod. "Collins, the keeper, told us he found resistance on Cape Cod to the project of building a lighthouse on this coast, as it would injure the wrecking business." Did you ever stop to think that our lighthouses have utterly ruined what used to be a vested interest?—Colliers.

During the visit of Gen. Bramwell Both to this country he became reconciled to his brother, Gen. Ballington Booth, head of the Volunteers of America. The brothers had not been on friendly terms for years.

Much has been said about the President of the United States and his attendance upon the Thanksgiving mass. The following gives the Catholic side of the question, and our readers are always interested in having the facts on "both sides." This Catholic editor says some unkind things about "Protestant ministers" which we do not quote, confining our quotation merely to facts:

It is the effort on their part to make this mass "official" that looks suspicious, and since the Presbyterian services referred to in the latter clause of their article were in no sense "government" affairs, the attendance of Presidents on these occasions can in no sense be compared to such presence at this Thanksgiving service in question.

Every one remembers occasional rumors that Mars is exhibiting signs of life and scientists speculate on the possible habitation of this planet. The latest sensation reports that "flashes of light" have been seen and some one has used his imagination and concludes that the Martins are signaling us. Dr. Samuel Phelps Leland in Christian Herald explains such a possibility in the following paragraph:

"The prevailing color of Mars is opal. When seen by daylight, there is a mingling of this color with a pearl white, a rose saffron, and a robin's-egg blue. When the sun's rays stream along its surface at certain angles, flashes of curious light are produced that resemble somewhat the color rays of a flashlight. These have, doubtless, been mistaken by the curious for flashing signals. They are nothing new."

Colliers gives a photo of Mrs. Hetty Green, the New York capitalist who has celebrated his 78th birthday. For a long life she suggests, "A clear conscience," saying that people who find early graves usually do so through worry, which comes as a result of a stricken conscience.

LEAGUE PAGE

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

WARING SHERWOOD Editor

QUESTION BOX.

Address all items for the Question Box to Mr. DeWitt Davenport, 210 State Bank Building, Little Rock, Ark. We desire especially to make this an interesting department of the Epworth League work in Arkansas and Oklahoma, and we urge you to send in questions and reports as often as you can. tf

FEBRUARY 8.

John:

GENTLENESS WITH VEHEMENCE.
Hugh D. Hart.

This lesson presents a character study. It deals with the character of a man who had a fiery and tempestuous temper. He was one of those men that we see so often, who on certain occasions would do more than get angry—he would actually get "mad" as the common expression goes. One time he got mad at a man who was not of the inner circle of Christ's apostles, because he was performing miracles. Another time he got mad at a whole village of people because of their hostility to the Gospel, and wanted to go in and "do them up." At the same time it deals with the character of a man who was very gentle. He gave up his life time occupation, in order that he might go about with Christ doing good. He "took a liking" to Christ one day, and he threw down his hopes and his plans that he had been years in building, and became the bosom companion of that Wondrous Man. So gentle was his nature—the same nature that sometimes stormed with such great passion and temper that Christ called him a Son of Thunder—that he of all the twelve in that charmed circle of the Christ-selected captains, stood closest in the personal esteem of the Master. He was intensely human, too. No doubt he knew that Christ regarded him as a favorite. So thinking He meant to establish an earthly kingdom, he got a political notion in his head, he and his brother, and broached it very tactfully to Christ, asking Him who was going to sit in the two highest offices of the kingdom. No other thought could

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have been in his mind, than an expected answer like this: "Why you and your brother, of course." I fancy in his fisherman mind, he dreamed some beautiful visions of pomp and power, while he was picturing his anticipated place in the new earthly kingdom.

Such was the character of John. You cannot read about him without admiring him. You think of him as being a great big loyal true hearted enthusiastic, impetuous overgrown boy, ready to undergo any personal sacrifice for the sake of a friend, willing to give his life in service to the Master. The thing I want to impress is that John was a man with a fine personality. He would have made a splendid politician—this Man of Thunder. How the masses would have harkened to his voice—indignant with their wrongs, against their oppressors, gentle in sympathy towards them for their misfortunes. In our Christian teachings we do not attach enough importance to personality. Did you ever go to an Epworth League meeting led by some good Christian person, virtuous and consecrated, but who was a perfect bore? Such a person looks to me like a bad advertisement for religion. Why couldn't that person cultivate charming and ingratiating manners; learn to think quick, to speak with firmness, to flash the eyes with enthusiasm, to be in fact, magnetic? Not long ago I talked with a convict, who was under sentence of five years for having perpetrated a confidence swindle on a millionaire. He was one of the most engaging persons I have ever conversed with. He had developed to the fullest his personality, so that I didn't wonder that he was able to defraud, even a man smart enough to make a million dollars. And I have been thinking since, that if a crook found a good personality an excellent asset in his business, certainly the Christian ought to let the light of his religion beam through a happy smile, an infectious laugh, a sparkling eye; he ought to cultivate an attractive personality, in other words.

Perhaps I am too hard on those phlegmatic Christians, who are to be found in every church, in every Epworth League, who are so meek and docile and lamblike; but I think that the trouble with the churches and the Epworth Leagues is that they contain too many dead ones and too few live ones. Let a great moral question vitally affecting a community, come up, and these docile creatures are too tame, in many instances, to openly throw themselves on the side of right; they are afraid they will cause a stir; they are afraid they will hurt their business. If it hurts ones business, playing the part of a Christian, bankruptcy ought to come into popularity. John wasn't one of those halfway sort of fellows. He was a positive character. His temperament was an admixture of fire and thunder with devotion and meekness and gentleness. Let me suggest that the leaders draw a distinction between a contemptible, bad disposition, and a great nature like John's, that became indignant at wrong, at injustice. The one becomes angry on pretext; the other becomes indignant over the violation of a principle. It will be interesting to discuss the great men of history, with reference to their temperaments. Take Washington. His benign coun-

tenance, so familiar to every American school child, displays no evidence of that tremendous fire that blazed into thunderous rage at times. But it was a rage that flared up against wrong, and thus became an instrument of righteousness. A temper can be made a factor for good if it be rightly controlled, and rightly applied; or it can be made a factor for evil, if it be not controlled, and allowed to have its own way, in all directions.

Last of all, should be noted the fact that when John's temper was roused, he would go straightway to Christ for counsel. There is where the gentleness of his nature displayed its sovereignty over those sterner traits of his. He went to Christ about the village matter that had enraged him; he went to see Christ about the man who was performing miracles. Christ advised or admonished him, and he followed Christ's counsel. Let me leave this as a practical lesson to you Epworth Leaguers of Oklahoma and Arkansas—the next time you feel disposed to flare up and grow angry, even though it be in a worthy cause, do not act upon that temper, until you have followed John's example and have gone to Christ for counsel.

JANUARY MEETING OF LITTLE ROCK UNION OF EPWORTH LEAGUES.

The meeting was held at Scott street and it was a great one for the young life of our church. A representation was present from all the churches except First Church. It seems they were frozen up in the ice. About 225 Epworth Leaguers were in attendance.

Capitol View, Forest Park and Scott Street each had 100 per cent present. The award of the 1913 cup could not, therefore be made, because of the tie between Capitol View and Forrest Park. It will be decided in favor of the first one gaining the advantage by having a larger percentage present. The new cup for 1914 was displayed by the cup committee; also report was made by the cup contest committee. They recommended that the contest

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February 8. STANDING BY OUR COLORS. Matt. x. 32.

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However bad as it may seem to fail to stand by the colors of our school, it is many many times worse to fail to stand up for Jesus. Yet, there are some people, who, when they are with Christians, pretend to be Christians, also; but when their associates are wicked people they will be untrue to Jesus. Jesus said that when people do not own Him as their Savior He will not own them before God. On the other hand, when we are true to Him He owns us to be His.

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DAVIS, OKLA.

Editor Methodist: Would have written sooner and invited you to come and preach for me for a week, but we have had such bad weather and quite a lot of sickness. Our work has been hindered some on account of these troubles. Still it is progressing nicely. Have received three new members and have all departments of church work well organized. A good Sunday school with a fine superintendent, Senior and Junior Epworth Leagues, Missionary Society, both Home and Foreign departments doing good work. We observed the "Week of Prayer," had a good time and sent a collection to the Mission Board. Our first quarterly conference was held on the 10th inst. with a good financial showing. Bro. Witt, our "beloved" was with us and with his usual carefulness, looked into every detail of the work, and left us feeling good. We are always glad to have him with us. There are few finer men than he. The preachers of the Ardmore district are getting along well. We have a fine set of men.

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SALADO, ARK.

Dear Brethren: I have been for more than a month on the Salado and Oil Trough circuit and am beginning to feel at home again. This is a new work. Salado and Rosie are two points which were on the Salado circuit last year and Oil Trough and Elmo were on the Jacksonport work. These four churches have been made into one circuit and we are about to get organized and started in on what we truly believe to be a good year. We find a good people here, and they seem to be in earnest about our Master's business. We have good church buildings at all four of the points. We have good Sunday schools at all points except one, and have begun the organization of the young people into

the Epworth League work. We are going to have a good year for the Lord wills it and I know that He answers prayer. Pray for us that the church may be strengthened and that many souls may be saved during the year.

J. M. Harrison, P. C.

Jan. 22, 1914.

FT. COBB, OKLA.

Mr. Editor: We had our Week of Prayer in this charge at Verden and Ft. Cobb. The amount of collections for both places was \$6.05. This is very good for this appointment. Everything moving on nicely. Received in the church by certificate since Conference 19 members. Have three Leagues and three Sunday schools organized now.

R. H. Denny, P. C.

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THE HOUSE BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD.

I see from the house by the side of the road,
From the side of the highway of life,

The men who press with the ardor of hope,
The men who are faint with strife;
But I turn not away from their smiles or their tears,

Both, parts of an infinite plan.
Let me live in my house by the side of the road,

And be a friend to man.

—Sam Walter Foss.

LAYING UP TREASURE.

With great interest we are watching the establishment of Savings Banks for the children in our public schools.

The object of this movement is not so much that they may accumulate a few dollars during the sessions but that they may learn lessons in thrift which will be invaluable in years to come. As their pennies grow into dollars, the children will see good reason for saving them.

The statement of economics that ours is the unthrifty nation is based on the fact that in proportion to their earnings Americans have less money deposited in savings banks than do other nations. Our money is placed in banks where it may be withdrawn easily. The hurry to spend it precludes increasing it with accrued interest from savings banks. We are not out-stripped in making money, but the habit of saving it has not gripped us.

We have almost forgotten Benjamin Franklin's wise precepts which were the out-growth of his own experiences.

We have thrown frugality to the winds until prosperity has become a menace to our civilization. We have come to consider luxuries every-day necessities. We no longer appreciate the comforts of life; they are taken for granted.

Men are doomed to delve year in and year out to supply the demands of their extravagant families. Jeffersonian simplicity may not be necessary, but moderation in living would cure many evils which now beset us. While it is well that our children be taught thrift in the schools, all good lessons should begin in the home. That is where character is formed and the foundation of the child's career is laid. There's where she may be taught, mainly by example, to justly estimate the value of spiritual as well as material things. Far beyond dollars which are of great value in life are wholesome thoughts, pure aspirations, cheerful memories and visions of beauty beyond the natural eye. The home is the child's first school. What a child learns in the home follows him all the days of his life. He may wander afar, but the remembrance of the righteous life of his parents and their

trust in God will help him come back to paths of safety. Never in the history of the world was it so important to start children aright.

Evil seems to fly on the wings of the morning. The day is filled with temptations. In darkness the devil appears in the guise of an angel.

Well may parents tremble for the safety of their children. Yet, under the guidance of our all-wise Father these may be led in paths of safety and taught to lay up treasure that fadeth not away.

BIBLE READINGS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The women of Little Rock are circulating a petition asking the School Board of the city to allow Bible readings in the public schools. These petitioners desire no comments by teachers but that a portion of God's Word may be given to the pupils daily. Many patrons of the schools hope the petition may be granted speedily.

Some Christians decline to sign it because the "Jews are opposed to such movement." But does the desire to please our neighbors cancel the obligation to our children.

True, the Holy Scriptures should be studied and taught in the home. And if this is God's country, His Word should be a part of our educational system. The Holy Bible should be exalted in our national life. Newspapers report that at the great meeting held in Philadelphia recently by a noted Hebrew Association a distinguished Rabbi from Buffalo, N. Y., deplored the lack of religious consciousness among the Hebrews of today and the growth of agnosticism among Americans of every creed.

May not this sad fact be due largely to the lack of religious instruction in public schools which for several generations have supplanted the schools in homes wherein children were taught to fear and reverence God? Our hope to save our nation from agnosticism and unbelief is through teaching God's law, and the acceptance of His love as revealed in Jesus Christ, the Savior of mankind.

Bible readings in the public schools would not only benefit our children but neighbors as well. Devout Jews and earnest Christians realize the need for a closer walk with God.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Last week we gave a fine report for the last quarter from our Young People's Societies to the Home Department. We are now pleased to learn, through Mrs. Moffett Rhodes, they also raised \$93.18 for the Foreign department, making a total of \$174.08 sent to the treasurer. Besides, they did much good work in local affairs.

Mrs. E. M. Alcorn, Cor. Sec. of Twenty-eighth street church, Little Rock, sends us the roster of their newly elected officers, with Mrs. J. W.

Mann, president, and Mrs. C. C. Ridenhour, press agent.

The Arkadelphia Auxiliary held its regular meeting the first Monday with Mrs. Hart, first vice president in the chair, our president, Mrs. W. E. Barkman, being on a visit to her mother in New Orleans.

As some of our members felt unable to hold office this year, several vacancies had to be filled on the first meeting. We also projected our work for the year, which was principally our pledge. We pledged \$300 for this year. We are educating our members to observe the command of our Lord, "Freely ye have received, freely give." We hope to see this year a greater offering to our work than we have ever given before.

The second Monday is our regular Study Circle afternoon, and it is composed of eleven members. Our society numbers 75 members. Mrs. Babe Thomas is leader of the Study Circle.

We are starting off the new year with bright anticipations, and the presence of two Conference officers, Mrs. A. Y. Hearn, first vice president, and Mrs. Chas. Evans, pub. supt., strengthens our forces materially.

On the first Tuesday of the new year, our pastor, Bro. T. D. Scott and his wife at home to their friends from 3 p. m. to 10 p. m., assisted by Mrs. Mitchell of Hope and Mesdames Riggan and Charley Thomas of Arkadelphia. In the afternoon more than 200 guests met the cordial handclasp and cheering smile of our pastor and wife. They all came, both the young and the old. Grandma Henderson, mother of our former superintendent, Capt. C. C. Henderson, now of El Paso, said she hadn't had such a good time in twenty years. The evening found the young men and their wives and the young men and their sweethearts thronging the hospitable home with the same good will prevailing. The parsonage is ours, the pastor is ours, and we all seem to feel that all prevailing spirit of love and good cheer which surrounds the home and its occupants.

Mrs. R. W. Huie, Jr.,
Aux. Publicity Supt.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE. (Mrs. R. S. Satterfield, Supt. Pub.)

Executive Meeting.

At the recent mid-year executive meeting of the West Oklahoma Missionary Society, held in St. Luke's Church, Oklahoma City, Jan. 6, all the officers were present except Mrs. Whittington, treasurer of foreign department, and Mrs. Wright, first vice president.

Foreign Department.

Even though the difficulties of each officer were brought up and discussed a note of optimism prevailed and all felt that the women are gradually coming into a greater knowledge of the work and that a steady advance is being made along all lines. One of the most gratifying reports was that of the Foreign Department. Fifty-five auxiliaries were reported paying dues to the Foreign Department this past year, as compared with eight paying to this department three years ago.

Quarterly Executive Meetings.

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Our Student at Scarritt.

By motion it was proposed that the personal expenses (one hundred and fifty dollars) of Miss Abbott, who is now in the Scarritt Bible and Training School on a scholarship from the West Oklahoma Missionary Society, should be taken up with each auxiliary immediately, and each asked to assume its proportion and to raise it among the young people, if possible.

District Meetings.

It was decided to hold the district meetings in October this year, asking the Council for a worker to make a regular itinerary of the different districts at that time. It is hoped that holding the district meetings after the heat and inactivity of the summer will mean increased zeal in the districts and auxiliaries.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting to be held at Sulphur, Okla., was fixed for April 30-May 4, immediately preceeding the General Conference, which convenes in Oklahoma City May 6.

Federation.

Representative ladies of Oklahoma City Southern Methodism held an all-day session in the parlors of St. Luke's Church, while the executive meeting was being held, and completed the Federation of the Missionary Societies of the M. E. Church, South, of Oklahoma City, electing Mrs. Watkins of Epworth Church, president. At noon lunch was served by the St. Luke's auxiliary to the Conference officers and visiting ladies.

Installation Service.

In the afternoon the impressive installation service of the new officers of St. Luke's Missionary Society was conducted by Mrs. Campbell, the Conference president, followed by an address from Mrs. S. T. King, the newly installed president of the auxiliary. The Conference officers were then presented and each responded with a few appropriate words.

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At Foss the church is taking on new life. Our Sunday school is growing in interest. Preaching services are better attended each Sunday. We have just organized an Epworth League with a glowing interest to start with. Collections in full, by cash and subscriptions. The two young men who serve as stewards are big hearted Christian gentlemen and true to the core. They literally aid their pastor.

At Page we have our largest membership. We find among this people whole-souled, thoroughgoing Christian men and women. They have remembered their pastor and his family very often in a substantial manner. The stewards here have not flinched in any part of the forward moves. Page has determined not to be remiss along the line of her Christian duty and so have just organized an Epworth League. The Sunday school is in fine shape and growing. Collections partly on the way.

The people at Jones have also endeared themselves to us very much indeed. We have here some of as fine Christian workers as it has ever been my pleasure to see. They are endeavoring to co-operate with their pastor in expediting matters pertaining to the cause of God. It was here that I found the only League on the charge when I came. They are still enthusiastic about this work and carry

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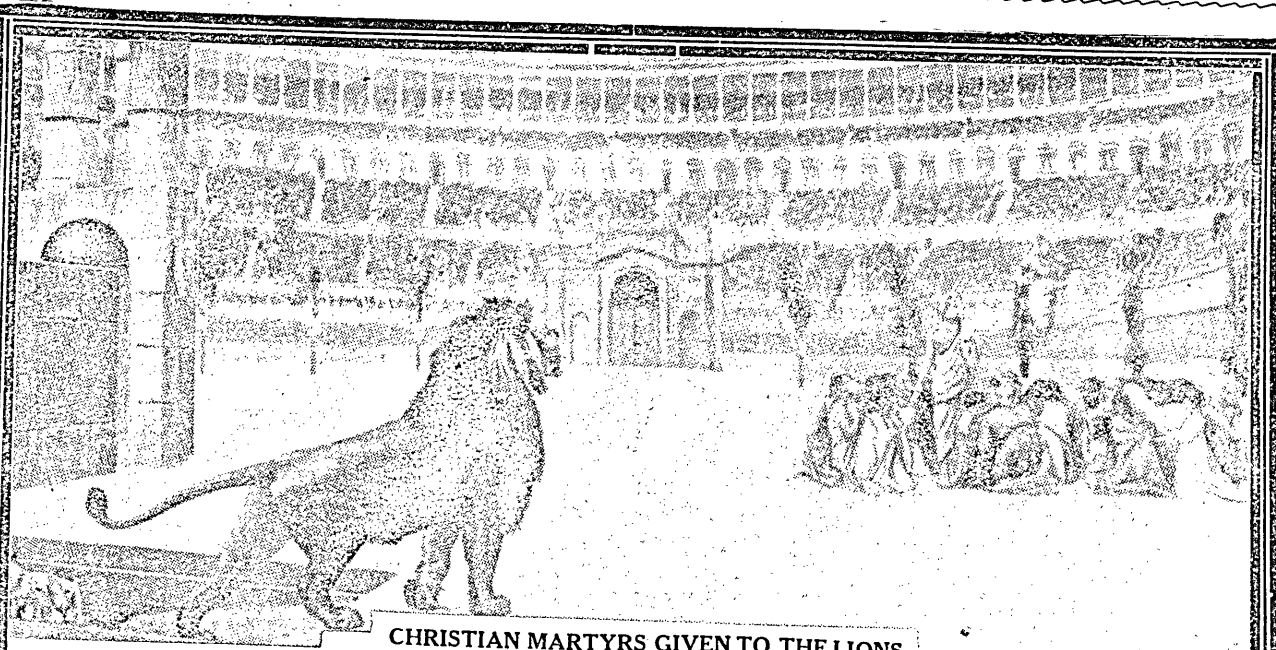
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it on in a creditable manner. It is especially interesting to observe the working of their Sunday school. The stewards at Jones have been loyal all the way, and told me at last quarterly conference to depend upon them. Collections mostly in hand, in cash and subscriptions.

In many respects we have a very wonderful people at Stafford. Under the generalship of their former pastor this people loyally rallied to the

cause and the result of the conquest is a magnificent church edifice. This building is now completed, ready for services and we will paint and paper it soon. We have at Stafford some loyal Christian soldiers, and they are not all in our church by any means. But, thanks to our Maker, they are all working in harmony for the Great Cause. There was a misfortune that came to this people in the way of a deficiency of \$105, but the building

committee paid it without a word, one of whom was not a Methodist by name. We have recently organized an Epworth League here and a sharp interest is manifested. The Sunday school is alive. No stewards could do more for their pastor than those courageous men at Stafford. Stafford will come up with her part of the collections in due time. Our prayer is that this may be the greatest year of our lives.
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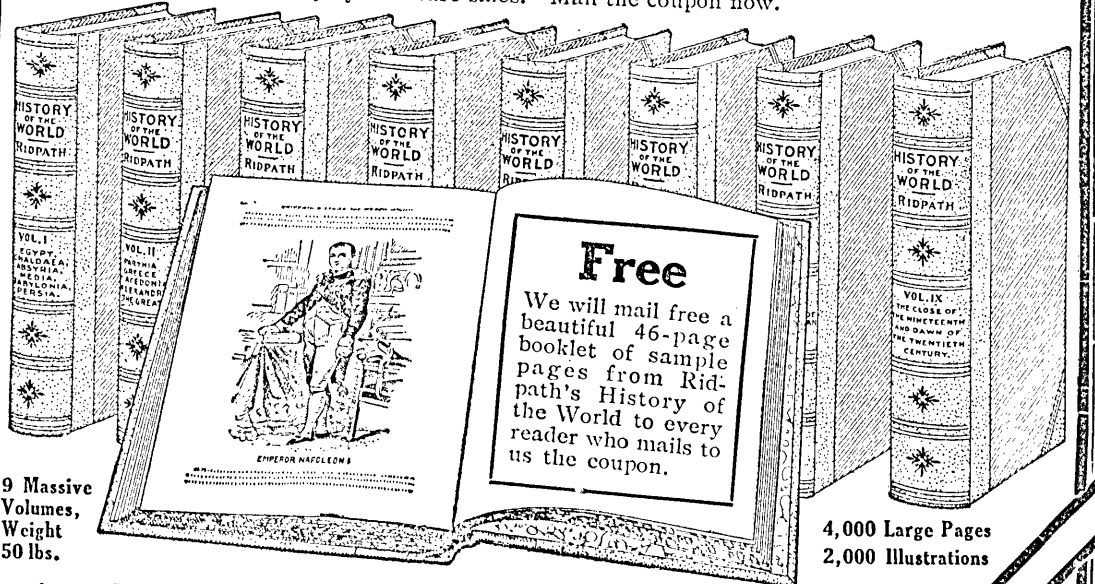
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Children's Page

(We shall be glad to have all the children contribute to this page. Let all letters for this page be addressed to Miss Hazel Barrett, care Western Methodist, Little Rock, Ark.)

GOLDIE'S CROCUSES.

Benjamin Keech.

One bright morning in October, the expresman left two big packages on Miss Westcott's porch. Upon examination, they proved to contain the hyacinth, crocus, and tulip bulbs that Miss Westcott had previously ordered.

"O auntie, what will you ever do with so many?" cried Goldie Severn, her niece, peering interestedly into the sack of bulbs. "There must be just hundreds of them."

"Yes," laughed Aunt Katherine, "there are one hundred crocus bulbs alone, besides the extras. I shall plant most of those on the lawn; you know I have never planted any there yet. The tulips and hyacinths go in those beds in the flower garden that I had prepared last week. The narcissuses are to be set in clumps among the shrubbery. 'My! I have lots of work ahead of me, haven't I?'"

"I should say no!" exclaimed Goldie. "And I'm going to help you if you will let me."

Miss Westcott lived in a comfortable-looking brick house in a large, beautiful yard, on the corner of an avenue and a business street, in the little city of Harmony. Besides Mrs. Brooks, her housekeeper, and Mr. Brooks, her gardener, little Goldie was the only one who shared Miss Westcott's beautiful home.

Goldie was an orphan. Her parents died when she was four years old, and for six years she had shared the love that her good aunt had previously bestowed upon her flowers.

Goldie had been with Miss Westcott and Mr. Brooks so much that she understood quite a bit about the culture of different plants. For instance, she knew how deep and how far apart such bulbs as tulips ought to be planted, it was her delight to tuck away underneath a covering of mellow brown earth, a number of these beautiful hardy flowers. She called it "putting them to bed for the winter."

So it was next day, when Miss Westcott and Mr. Brooks were discussing the arrangement of a ribbon bed of hyacinths, Goldie readily got permission to plant some crocuses on the lawn.

"I know just how to do it," she pleaded. "You dig a little hole—no, an excavation—and then you tuck in a bulb and press the soil back again. You keep on planting them that way, and if you want to, you set some of them in thick clumps, so they'll look as if the sun had spilled some sunshine on the grass."

"All right," laughed Aunt Katherine, "I guess you can do it. And Goldie, here are over one hundred crocuses, assorted colors, that the seedman sent me extra. I don't know what to do with them, and you may have them if you wish."

"O goody!" cried Goldie, "I must think up some lovely way to plant them." And she darted away to find her trowel.

Goldie, who was small for her age,

was sweet-faced and sweet-tempered. She had blue eyes, and long, curly, golden hair, which hung down to her waist. Perhaps it was her hair that had made people begin to call her Goldie. Her real name was Madeline.

There was another noteworthy fact about the little girl. She was a real, practical Christian. At this time, however, she probably did not realize the fact that so much as others. But if ever a child had the true spirit of Christ, it was little Goldie. Some of her friends, of whom she had a host, averred that, because of her naturally good disposition, every one loved her so much that she simply couldn't help being sweet. But if Goldie herself had been questioned with regard to the prompting of many of her beautiful, unselfish acts, she would probably have replied, in her usual, sweet, unaffected manner: "Why, it's Jesus, I guess. I've taken him for my pattern, you know."

And from the time that Goldie had taken Jesus for her pattern, she had proved faithful. It was one aim of her life never to let a day pass without doing a kind, helpful deed for somebody. And one can do quite a good many in the course of a year. Goldie was an active Missionary Volunteer, and her aunt, who had never tried to be an especially active Christian, was secretly proud of her little niece.

Today, as Goldie, unmindful of either curious or approving glances of passers-by, was busy planting crocus bulbs on Miss Westcott's lawn, she was trying to think of some original, lasting deed she could do to glorify God. She felt sorry for that part of the world that seemed so sad and so sinful. She felt especially sorry for her own little city, and she longed to do something that would touch men's hearts and point even a few to a loving Heavenly Father.

That very morning she had asked earnestly to be shown a way to help; and, after planting a number of dozens of bulbs, as she straightened up to rest her back, God unexpectedly answered her prayer. Her apron caught on her basket of bulbs, which overturned. And about a dozen of those big, fat crocuses formed themselves into a plain, distinct letter,—the letter G.

Instantly a bold, beautiful plan flashed into the little, active mind. "I'll do it," she whispered, joyfully. "I'd rather not say anything to her about it, but I guess I'd better get her permission. O Jesus, it was just beautiful of you to show me that way! Thank you! Thank you!"

She ran immediately around the house to find her aunt, who was potting bulbs for winter flowering. "O auntie," cried Goldie, throwing her arms around Miss Westcott's neck. "I've got something perfectly grand to tell you, or rather, something to ask you." Then she breathlessly unfolded her generous little plan, while Miss Westcott, at first amused, soon grew interested.

"Yes," said Miss Westcott slowly, after her niece had pleadingly concluded, "I think you may do it, Goldie. It is certainly an original way to serve God. I don't know what some of the neighbors will think, but I don't care. It's a fine idea, so go ahead and do it."

"O, thank you, auntie!" cried Goldie,

giving Miss Westcott a hasty kiss. "I just love you." Then she darted away to begin her joyful task.

That afternoon, if the most curious had observed her closely, they would have seen that Goldie was planting crocus bulbs in the form of letters, and that those letters, when completed, formed three separate words. Just what those words were, however, was to remain a happy secret between Goldie and her aunt until spring. Then those crocuses were to come up and speak for themselves, in beautiful, flowery language.

Goldie was instinctively an artist. The letters were nicely spaced, of uniform size, and each letter was as wide at all parts as three crocus bulbs planted about a half inch apart would make it. Goldie worked all the afternoon, and was a tried but happy little girl when she finished her motto. It was planted on the "business" side of her aunt's lawn, about five feet from the sidewalk. There was a fence to protect it from the too curious.

Goldie afterward thought that if she had first cut the necessary letters out of cardboard, placed these on the ground as desired, and cut around them with a knife, she could have done the work much quicker and easier.

The winter snow came and covered Goldie crocuses with a white slumbering robe. In time the warm spring sun returned and wakened sleeping nature. One day in late March, Goldie discovered the first little crocus pushing its inquiring head upward. "Now we shall see a sermon in flowers," said Aunt Katherine, as she and Goldie stood in the window looking out at the promising crocuses. And in a short time they did. From the very first God favored his child's beautiful plan. The weather was mild and sunny. Daily, for nearly two weeks, those crocuses bloomed magnificently and whispered tender messages to those who would pause and heed. "G-O-D," said the yellow crocuses; "I-S," continued the white ones; "L-O-V-E," concluded the bright purple crocuses.—Youths Instructor.

VINSON, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

The work you are doing in your page interests me, so I thought I would tell you something of our home. We have a growing Sunday school of about 100 with good teachers and a splendid superintendent, but the greatest thing we are doing is saving souls, for that was the chief command God gave us. Last summer our Sunday school class had a picnic. Well picnics are always fun, but we had an unusually good time. We took ropes and hung swings when we got there and as it was near a creek we went in swimming, and dinner, such a dinner as our mothers had fixed for us. We almost killed ourselves eating. After dinner we were all too lazy to play so we sat around in the shade to tell stories for a while, but we were so interested in them that we told stories till time to go home. We all crowded in the big wagon and went rumbling off. The worst thing that happened to us was the falling of a boy out the back of the wagon, but he got up laughing. So you see our day was a complete success. Well cousins, I must close as I have promised some boys to go to see a new boy that has just joined our

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class, so must hurry, but I will surely write again. With love to you all.

Scott Dungan.

Dec. 28, 1913.

Children, now isn't this a splendid letter. It is so different from the rest of ours. Let's all try to write something interesting like this hereafter. Tell some of your own experiences as this boy did. We like to hear of your good times. In your letters you might tell of a picnic or a walk you have been on and perhaps tell again some short story that you have heard. Just be yourselves. I believe if we try this, it will make our page more interesting. Don't you?

Miss Hazel.

BIGELOW, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you let another little Arkansas girl join your happy band. I hope all readers enjoyed Christmas as well as I did. I received many nice presents. I am nine years old today. I haven't missed a Sunday School in two years. This is my first letter. If I see this in print I will write again.

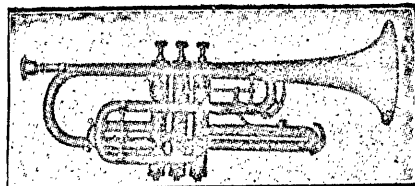
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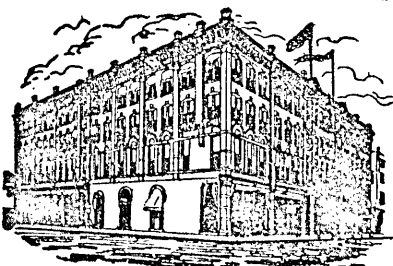
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LEEDEY, OKLA.

Leedeey is in the Clinton district. Rev. L. L. Johnson is our P. E. This district is composed of a hard working set of pastors and they seldom boast of what they are doing. But you can very easily find out that they are doing some good things if you will only cast your eyes this way occasionally. Some very fine revivals were held last year and the increase in membership speaks well for the spiritual state of the church. The finances of the district came up in good shape considering the drouth under which the people labored. Leedeey figured her share in all the good things accomplished over the district during the past year. Our net increase of membership was about 90 and the total expenditure was \$1,819. To add to all this the good people took us on surprise two different times and gave us a generous pounding. This was highly appreciated because we knew that it came from hearts of love. We may not have as smooth ground to travel over as some of the pastors of West Oklahoma but I am sure that we have as good people to serve as any of them.

On returning from Annual Conference we found our people ready to take up the work for another year with renewed zeal and everything bids fair for a glorious year. We are sowing the charge down with literature on Missions and Church Extension and are planning a campaign for the Western Methodist. Our Board of Stewards have set to work to raise the pastor's salary each month and so far at the close of each month my check was ready for me. They are a noble set of



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young men and it is real inspiration to watch them work. Best wishes to the Methodist and its force.

Earnest C. Webb, P. C.

COLBERT, OKLA.

Dear Methodist: At the late session of our East Oklahoma Conference, after a number of years in the local ministry, I was readmitted into the Conference and appointed by Bishop Mouzon to the Colbert and Calera charge. This gave us a short move of only fourteen miles across the country in wagons. We arrived at the parsonage at Colbert Saturday before the first Sunday in December and entered at once upon pastoral duties. We have met a very cordial reception, both at Colbert and Calera. So far we are well pleased with the charge and in love with the people and entertain the hope that this sentiment is reciprocal and mutual and that it may deepen and strengthen and ripen into the closest bond of Christian fellowship and fraternity. We read in the Methodist of the numerous instances where the storm clouds have gathered and like tornadoes have swooped down on the inmates of the parsonages with cyclonic suddenness and confusion; and left heaps of good things for the physical man in their wake. The like of this makes pastor and people alike feel good, and brings them closer together and begets greater mutual interest and ought to be much more universal and frequent. No such "calamity" in the proportions referred to above have "damaged" the parsonage here, but a "storm cloud" no bigger, perhaps, than a "man's hand" gathered "without observation" soon after we came here, and it began to "rain," and hasn't ceased yet; and so far as our observation goes it may not "let up" at all. God bless our people, and our ministration to them and association with them, and give us a great year.

Bro. L. C. Craig, field editor of the Methodist, came to us briefly, and he and I made a two days canvass and secured right good lists of subscriptions at both towns. I have met my appointments regularly since the first of December and have received five accessions on professions and two by certificate. We have a good Woman's Missionary Society at Colbert, and had Sister M. E. Mack, the district secre-

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tary, with us Sunday night and had public installation of officers. A good Woman's Aid Society at Calera; and these good women are doing a splendid work. Good Sunday schools at both places and the work moving along encouragingly. We are praying, working and hoping for a great year.

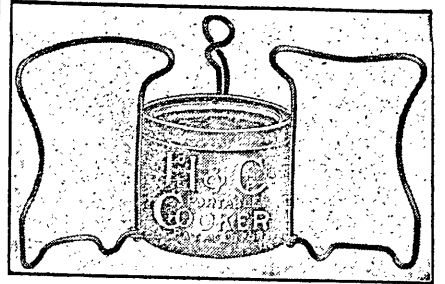
C. M. Keith, P. C.

STIGLER STATION.

The people of this charge had expected and very much desired the return of Bro. A. M. Brannon who was sent to Hugo. Bro. Brannon had two successful years here and the people will remember his services with continued appreciation. I was fortunate enough to have him with me the first Sunday after Conference and he was much help to me in starting. The people received us with all the consideration that is due the new preacher coming in and made us feel welcome from the very beginning. A minister was asked to join a young couple in marriage. The minister asked the young man if he really loved his intended. "I do," was the quick response. "Well then, does she love you?" the minister asked. The young man answered, "I don't know sir; but she do like she do." We are indebted to several states for giving us some of the best people they had and Arkansas is entitled to more than a double share. This church has an official board made of good solid men who look after all the interests of the church. They not only provide well for their preacher but they plan for the regular collections. Our offerings amounted to \$23.35 to aid in sending out twenty new missionaries. Our W. M. society put a new cook stove in the parsonage for Christmas and it made eating good ever since. They are beginning to plan some real substantial improvements in the parsonage. A neighbor's house burned Friday night near the parsonage and we had a very close call but little damage. Our new presiding elder, Rev. Chas. L. Brooks, has started the year well. He made a very favorable impression on this people and I know he is going to make good throughout the district. With good wishes for the Methodist and all of its readers, I remain,
J. M. Cantrell.

A DANDY LITTLE COOKER.

Every housewife experiences times when she would like to prepare some warm dish or drink for the evening meal and yet not care to go to the trouble of building a fire in the stove. Not infrequently, hot water is needed at night for some sick one, when the



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OBITUARIES

(We find it impossible to publish manuscripts in this department containing more than 200 words. We therefore ask our contributors to limit their obituaries to that amount of space. Two hundred words will be published free, but all over that amount will be charged for at the rate of one cent per word which must accompany the manuscript.)

DANIEL.—Lois, daughter of Edmond and Ethel Daniel, was born December 28, 1905; died October 7, 1913. Little Lois was one of the brightest of all earthly jewels; one of the fondest of all earthly ties; one of the sweetest in all of her ways and one of the noblest in all of her deeds. She was kind and true, patient and loving. She always spoke gently and acted wisely. She was well known and dearly loved, both by relatives and friends. Her little life was as full of fragrance in her home as the "Rose of Sharron." She was in the school room and among her playmates as the "Lily of the Valley." Saying all that might be said in a few words—she had all of the characteristics of girlhood which are necessary to develop a strong and noble character in the form of womanhood. It was so hard to give her up. But never were there any parents more willing to be wholly resigned to the will of God than Brother and Sister Daniel. When God said, "Let little Lois come unto me, and forbid her not," the father and mother answered, "Thy will, and not ours, be done."

T. M. Hughes.

SIMPSON.—Mrs. W. H. Simpson (nee Sallie Dodson) died at Prairie Grove, Arkansas, January 17, 1914. She was born in the State of Mississippi, October 31, 1858. While yet in her childhood she professed conversion and united with the Methodist church. Her relation to the church was one of constancy and efficient service. Twenty-two years ago she came to Arkansas and four years ago was married to Bro. W. H. Simpson, one of our most substantial men. There was a tie of unusual tenderness and thoughtfulness for each other binding their hearts together. Sister Simpson was a woman of marked intelligence and piety, and was a woman of great usefulness to the church. She was a Sunday school teacher for years, and held the office of president in the Woman's Missionary Society for about twenty years. Her co-workers loved, trusted and honored her. Not only her devoted husband and relatives mourn her going from us in body, but our church has suffered a great loss. Her beautiful Christian life will ever abide with us. We know she abides in a city not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

W. B. Wolf.

GOODMAN.—Ella C. Goodman (nee Davis) was born Nov. 27, 1861. Was married to J. S. Goodman Dec. 25, 1889. Was converted and joined the Presbyterian church when very young, but after her marriage she joined the Methodist church and lived a consistent member for 18 years and then she departed this life and no doubt is with the faithful over on the other shore

where sickness and sorrow pain and death are felt and feared no more. She was sick for about one year before she fell on sleep, but she never complained. She said there was nothing in her way. She leaves a husband, an adopted daughter, Belle, and many relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Sister Goodman is gone, but we know where to find her. Weep not dear loved ones, heaven is dearer to you today than ever before.

L. M. Powell.

LAFEVERS.—Rose Lafevers was born May 16, 1853; died January 17, 1914. Sister Lafevers professed religion and joined the Methodist church at the age of 14, in which she lived a consistent Christian life until her death. She was married to Alexander Lafevers June 7, 1893. He preceeded her to the glory land about seven years ago. Sister Lafevers had no children of her own to call her mother. She lived with one of her step-sons. You could not tell but that they were her own children by the way they treated her. They were so good and kind to her. It was my privilege to visit her in her dying hour and the most of her talk was going to meet her blessed Savior. She said that she hated to leave the three little children that were in the home, but she told them to be good and meet her in the "Sweet By and By." Sister Lafevers made no big profession of her religion but was just the same every time you met her. She leaves one brother and one sister and six step-children and a host of friends to mourn their loss. But our loss is her eternal gain. Burial service were held the 19th of January at Mt. Pisgah church in the funeral services was conducted by the writer. May God bless all of the relatives and friends of the deceased. If we live as true to our God as she did we are sure to die right when death shall call for us.

J. W. Copeland, P. C.

WELCH, OKLA.

I am writing to give a little report of our work here. We have been praying and planning for a great religious awakening and now we are in the midst of it. It is impossible to seat the crowds that fill the church every night. Deep conviction is seen in every sinful heart. Men are coming to the meeting who have never been seen in church by the oldest people of the town. Rev. C. H. Buchanan and the pastor are doing the preaching. Bro. Buchanan is the best pastor-evangelist I know. He preaches the truth in the Methodist way. His flights of eloquence, his pathos, his simplicity of speech and logical conclusions reach the heart of the child as well as the hardest hearted man. Sister Buchanan is a great worker with the children. Bro. E. G. Phillips and wife are at their best. Their work cannot be surpassed. Bro. Phillips is a great singer as well as the greatest of personal workers. Phillips has power with God and man. He reaches men who have been hardened in sin. Sister Phillips' work among the ladies and at the piano is good as could be. Can not tell now when the meeting will close. In all we are having a great year. We were glad to report every thing in full at Conference with a raise in salary of \$200. Our laymen are well organized. If any of you preach-

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ers are in need of a layman preacher I might loan you one occasionally. Our layman's banquet was a great success and we very much appreciate Judge Park's address to the men on this occasion. We are having a great year so far and we are planning and praying for larger things for Methodism in these quarters. Will all who read these lines pray for our work here.

LATER.—Last Wednesday night we closed the greatest meeting that was ever held in this part of the state. Our town has been stirred from center to circumference. Men who were gray with years were converted. Boot-leggers, pool hall keepers and the like gave their hearts to God. The meeting was great for the number of men who were converted. And we are not discounting the children and young people for more of them were already in the church. We did not keep count of the number of conversions. There were 29 men who have joined our church, with others making a total of 68. We were assisted by Bro. and Sister Buchanan, Bro. and Sister Ed. Phillips and our presiding elder, Bro. Sweet, rendered us valuable service in preaching two great sermons. We had a great day Sunday, preaching to a crowded house. Our helpers were well paid by a free will offering. The pastor received as a token of brotherly love a fine solid gold watch of the best make. We are rejoicing in the Lord. To Him we give all the praise.

A. P. Johnson, P. C.

OAK GROVE, OKLA.

Dear Methodist: At Conference we were read out to Oak Grove in Chickasha district. We set to work at once to locate it, but failed until our P. E., Bro. Weaver, told us where it was and how to get there. To make a long story short, we moved about 150 miles. Have not missed an appointment. We were heartily received by the people. The stewards met and arranged for a house in Comanche where we have been very pleasantly located until now we are cozily sheltered in a four-room bungalow parsonage, one of the best houses in this part. Will furnish the paper with a photo soon. We are planning, working and praying for a great year. More anon.

C. C. Williamson.

Comanche, Okla., Jan. 23, 1914.

MIAMI, OKLA.

My Dear Methodist: Like all other gentlemen, I see you do not go where you are not invited, so I have decided to give you a cordial invitation to come to see me. My name is S. C. Nunley; my postoffice is Miami, Okla. The work here is doing nicely. The parsonage has been papered and completely overhauled on the inside. The

people are very kind to the preacher and his family. The congregations at the regular services are from three to four times what they were at the beginning of the year. The Sunday school has increased 25 per cent in attendance and 50 per cent in interest. Fifteen have been received into the church since Conference. This is a great field, and there is much to be done, but by the help of the Lord and the good people we are going to gain the victory. Fraternally,

S. C. Nunley.

MIGHT BE DEAD TODAY.

Garden City, Kas.—In a letter from Mrs. James Hamner, of this city, she says, "I firmly believe that I would not be alive today, if it were not for Cardui. I had been a sufferer from womanly troubles all my life, until I found that great remedy. I feel that I can't praise it too highly." Are you a woman, suffering from some of the troubles, to which a woman is peculiarly liable? If so, why not try Cardui, the woman's tonic? You can rely on Cardui. It is purely vegetable, perfectly harmless, and acts gently but surely, without bad after-effects. 'Twill help you. Ask your druggist.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

WHITE RIVER

SEARCY DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Griffithville Mission, at Griffithville. Jan. 21, 22
Cato Ct., at Bethel Jan. 24, 25
Cabot and Jacksonville, at Cabot Jan. 25, 26
District Stewards will please meet me at Kensett, Tuesday, 10 o'clock, a. m., February 3, 1914.
R. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Lorado Circuit Jan. 31, Feb. 1
New Liberty Circuit Feb. 4-5
Old Walnut Ridge Feb. 7-8
Reyno Circuit Feb. 8-9
Corning Station Feb. 14-15
Knobel Mission Feb. 15-16
Boydsville Circuit Feb. 21-22
Piggott and Rector Feb. 22-23
St. Francis, Miss Feb. 28, March 1
District Stewards will please meet at Walnut Ridge Friday, January 2nd, at 3 p. m. This meeting is an important one. I hope every charge will be represented.
M. M. SMITH, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Turner Mission at Turner, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Hulbert and Council Feb. 4-5
Devew and Howell at Wiville, Feb. 7-8
Cotton Plant Station Feb. 8-9
Hamlin Circuit at McCrory Feb. 14
McCrory Station Feb. 14-15
Wynne Station Feb. 22-23
Parkin Station Feb. 22
J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Harrisburg Ct. at Pleasant V. Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Harrisburg Sta. Feb. 1-2
Vandale Ct. at V. Feb. 6
Earle Feb. 7-8
Crawfordsville and Vincent, Feb. 8-9
Oseola Feb. 15-16
District Stewards will meet at 1:30 p. m., December 30, at First Church, Jonesboro. All pastors are urged to attend this meeting.
W. L. OLIVER, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Calico Rock, Circuit, at Flat Rock Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Central Avenue and Bethesda, at Central Avenue Feb. 1-2
Floral Circuit, at Pleasant Plains Feb. 7-8
Desha Circuit, at Desha Jan. 8-9
The District Stewards will please meet me at the Methodist church in Batesville on Tuesday, December the 30th, at 2 p. m.
A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Pea Ridge at Pea Ridge Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Rogers Station Feb. 1, 2
War Eagle Ct. at War Eagle, Feb. 7, 8
J. B. STEVENSON, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Midland Heights Feb. 1, 2
Central Church Feb. 8, 9
JAMES M. HUGHEY, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Oak Hill Ct., at Oak Hill, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Bryant Ct., at Bryant Feb. 7, 8
Lonoke Station Feb. 14, 15
DeVall's Bluff and Hazen at DeVall's Bluff Feb. 15, 16
FORNEY HUTCHINSON, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Eagle Mills Jan. 31 and Feb. 1
Camden Feb. 2
W. P. WHALEY, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

Ft. Smith Ct. at Lavaca Feb. 14-15
Greenwood Feb. 22
Van Buren Ct., at Long Bell March 1
Hartford and M., at Hartford, 11 a. m. March 8
Huntington and M., at Mansfield, 7:30 p. m. March 8
Kibler Ct., at Kibler March 14-15
Hackett Ct., at Bonanza March 22
Ozark Sta., at Pleasant Grove, March 28
Dodson Ave. March 29
Midland Heights April 5-6
Mulberry Ct., at Dyer April 11-12
Alma Sta. April 12-13
First Church April 13-26
Van Buren April 14-26
Beech Grove Ct., Oak Grove, April 18-19
Charleston Ct., Charleston, 1 p. m. April 21
Central Church April 27
The District Conference will convene at Charleston on the night of April 20. The first day will be devoted to an institute for Sunday school superintendents and teachers.
J. M. HUGHEY, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Prescott Ct. Feb. 7-8
Prescott St. Feb. 8-9
Emmett Feb. 14-15
Hope St. Feb. 15-16
Center Point Feb. 21-22
Mt. Ida Feb. 28-Mar. 1
Caddo Gap March 1-2
Orchard View March 7-8
Bingen March 14-15
Murfreesboro March 15-16
Okalona March 21-22
Nashville March 28-29
Washington April 4-5
Delight April 11-12
Amity April 12-13
Columbus April 18-19
Mineral Springs April 25-26
Hope mission May 2-3
Gurdon May 9-10
Harmony mission May 9-10
W. M. HAYES, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Lockesburg Jan. 31, and Feb. 1
Umpire Ct., at Pinkerton Feb. 3
Texarkana, First Church Feb. 8
Fairview Feb. 8, 9
J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Delight Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Murfreesboro Feb. 1, 2
W. M. HAYS, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

First Church, Pine Bluff, Feb. 1, 11 p. m.
Humphrey Feb. 1, 7 p. m.
Grady Feb. 8
Rowell Ct., at Center Feb. 14, 15
Sherrill and Tucker at Tucker, Feb. 22
Lakeside, Pine Bluff March 1
J. A. SAGE, P. E.

HARRISON DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Yellville Ct., at Yellville, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Cotter Ct., at Cotter Feb. 7, 8
Mnt. Home Ct., at Mnt. Home, Feb. 8, 9
W. T. MARTIN, P. E.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Traskwood at Traskwood, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Princeton at Macedonia Feb. 7, 8
Arkadelphia Ct., at Hollywood Feb. 14, 15
Ussery at Hughes's Chapel Feb. 21, 22
Epworth League Miss, at Gum Springs on Hot Springs Ct. March 13, 14
Arkadelphia District Stewards and pastors are hereby requested to meet in the Methodist Church at Malvern at 1 p. m., January 15, 1914. The pastors will all please see to it that their District Stewards are apprized of the meeting and urge them to attend.
All other places will be announced.
Hot Springs Ct., Cedar Glades, Bear and Sims, are all expected to meet in one Conference at Gum Springs, March 13-14.
ALONZO MONK, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.
(Second Round—in part.)

Warren station Feb. 8-9
Tillar Ct. Feb. 14-15
Crossett Sta. Feb. 22-23
Lasey Ct. Feb. 28-Mar. 1
Dean Ct. March 7-8
Wilmar Sta. March 15-16
Arkansas City March 22-23
Mt. Pleasant Ct. March 28-29
Monticello Sta. March 29-30
Hamburg Sta. April 5-6
Dermott Sta. April 12-13
Eudora Ct. April 18-19
McGehee April 26-27
I will publish the rest later.
R. W. MCKAY, P. E.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

MANGUM DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Blair Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Dryden and Red Hill, at Medcalf Feb. 7-8
Duke and Victory, at Victory Feb. 8-9
Vinson Ct., at Union Feb. 14-15
Pleasant Hill and Bethel, at Bethel Feb. 21-22
Mangum Ct., at White Flat Feb. 28, Mar. 1
Carnegie March 7-8
Mountain View and Mt. Vernon, at Mt. View March 8-9
Cloud Chief and Bois, at Cloud Chief March 14-15
Hobart March 15
Prairie Hill and McNight March 21-22
Hollis March 22-23
Gotebo and Star, at Star March 28-29
Delhi Ct., at Delhi April 4-5
Brinkman and Deer Creek, at Brinkman April 11-12
Martha April 12-13
Eldorado April 18-19
Olstee April 19-20
Mangum April 21
District Conference at Mangum, April 22-25. Opening sermon by Rev. C. F. Shepherd, 7:30 p. m., April 22. Let every pastor be able to report assessments for missions in hand by that time.
C. F. MITCHELL, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Paoli at Paoli Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Piedmont at Piedmont Feb. 7-8
Guthrie Feb. 14-15
Perry Feb. 15-16
R. E. L. MORGAN, P. E.

LAWTON DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Indian Work at Anadarko Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Lawton Feb. 1, 2
The District Stewards Meeting and Preacher's and Laymen's Conference will meet at Altus, Monday night, Jan. 12th. The District Stewards will hold their meeting following the sermon Monday night. The Preachers and Laymen's Conference will adjourn Wednesday noon. Every preacher, traveling and local, is expected to be present, with a good delegation of laymen from each pastoral charge.
J. A. OLD, P. E.

CHICKASHA DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Terral, at Fleetwood Jan. 31-Feb. 1
Waurika Feb. 1-2
Tuttle, at Amber Feb. 7-8
Cement, at Cement Feb. 14-15
Letitia Mission, at Cannon Feb. 15-16
Bally, at Purdy Feb. 21-22
Kilgore, at Round's Creek Feb. 22-23
Maysville, at Maysville Feb. 28-Mar. 1
Lindsay March 7-8
Alex, at Alex March 8-9
Anadarko March 14-15
Ft. Cobb, at Ft. Cobb March 15-16
Chickasha Mission, at Ninnehab March 21-22
Harrisburg, at Alma March 28
Duncan March 29-30
Oak Grove, at Woodlawn April 4-5
Marlow April 5-6
Rush Springs April 11-12
Ryan April 12-13
Comanche April 18-19
Chickasha April 19-20
District Conference at Marlow April 24-27
MOSS WEAVER, P. E.

CLINTON DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Hammon at Hammon, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Elk City Feb. 1, 2
Port at Retrop Feb. 7, 8
Sentinel Feb. 8, 9
Strong City at Strong C., Feb. 14, 15
Cheyenne Feb. 15, 16
Rocky at Rocky Feb. 21, 22
Cordell Feb. 22, 23
L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.
Clinton, Okla.

ARDMORE DISTRICT.

Sulphur, First Church Jan. 30, Feb. 1
Marletta Feb. 1, 2
Ardmore, Broadway Feb. 6, 8
Ardmore, Carter Avenue Feb. 8, 9
W. U. WITT, P. E.

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

CREEK DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Okmulgee Ct., at Tulsa church Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Broken Arrow Ct., at Halkey's Chapel Feb. 7-8
Honey Creek Ct., at Little Cusitto Feb. 14-15
Seminole Ct., at Thlophlocco Feb. 28, Mar. 1
THOS. F. ROBERTS, P. E.

MOALESTER DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Cameron Ct. at Tarby's Prairie, Feb. 1
Poteau Feb. 1
Krebs and Halleyville at Krebs, Feb. 4
Howe and Hester at Howe Feb. 8
Heavener Feb. 8
W. M. WILSON, P. E.

MADDILL DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Colbert Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Durant, Grace Church Feb. 7, 8
Woodville Feb. 14, 15
Aylesworth Feb. 21, 22
The District Stewards will please meet in the Methodist church at Maddill at 2 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, January 21. All pastors are invited to be present.
JAMES W. ROGERS, P. E.

HOLDENVILLE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Vanocs at Vanocs Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Ada, First Church and Asberry, February 7 and 8. The District Stewards and pastors are called to meet at Holdenville on Tuesday, December 30th, at 2 p. m.
N. L. LINEBOUGH, P. E.

TULSA DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Tigert Feb. 7-8
Boston Ave. Feb. 8-9
Stroud Feb. 14-15
Davenport Feb. 15-16
Sapulpa Feb. 21-22
Bristow Feb. 22-23
Okmulgee Feb. 28-Mch. 1
Henryetta March 1-2
Haskell March 7-8
Broken Arrow March 8-9
Coweta March 14-15
Porter March 15-16
Bald Hill, at Natura March 21-22
Okemah March 28-29
Prague and Paden, at Paden, Mch. 29-30
Beggs April 4-5
Red Fork and Mounds, at Red Fork April 5-6
Bearden April 11-12
Okfuskee April 18-19
District Conference at Okmulgee April 21 to 23. First service on Tuesday 21 at 7:30 p. m.
J. H. BALL, P. E.
Tulsa, Okla.

VINITA DISTRICT.

Afton Feb. 1, 2
Miami and Fairland, at Fairland Feb. 1, 2
Wyandotte Feb. 2
Wagoner Ct., Q. C., at Wagoner, Feb. 7
Wagoner Ct., at Thompson's, 11 a. m. Feb. 8
Wagoner Station Feb. 8, 9
Chelsea Feb. 15, 16
District Stewards' meeting, Vinita, January 8, 9:30 a. m.
E. M. SWEET, Jr., P. E.

TULSA DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Red Fork and Mounds, at Mounds Jan. 31, Feb. 1
The District Stewards and pastors of the Tulsa District are called to meet in Sapulpa, Okla., on Thursday, January 8th at 2:30 p. m.
J. H. BALL, P. E.

HUGO DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Grant Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Soper Feb. 7, 8
Bennington Feb. 8, 9
Freeny Feb. 14, 15
Kemp Feb. 21, 22
Cloudy Feb. 28, March 1
R. T. BLACKBURN, P. E.

CHOCTAW AND CHICKASHA DIST.
(First Round.)

Jesse Ct., at Salt Spring, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Rufe Ct., at Black Jack Feb. 7, 8
McCurtain Ct., at Kenta Feb. 14, 16
District Stewards will meet me at Hugo December 18th, 1913.
J. A. KENNEY, P. E.

HOLDENVILLE DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Tecumseh Sta. Feb. 14-15
Shawnee Ct., at Mt. Vernon Feb. 15-16
Maud and Seminole, at Seminole Feb. 21-22
McCloud and Earlsboro, at Earlsboro Feb. 22-23
Holdenville Sta. March 1
Sasokeo, at Yeager March 1-2
Wanette Sta. March 7-8
Asher, at Asher March 8-9
Wanette Ct., at Hills Chapel, 11 a. m. March 10
Trinity, at Sparks March 14-15
Stillwater Sta. March 15-16
Ada Ct., at Steadman March 20
Allen, at Atwood March 21-22
Lamar March 22-23
Union Chappel, at Johnson, March 28-29
Shawnee, First Church March 29-30
Ada, First Church April 4-5
Konawa Sta. April 5-6
Vanocs Ct., at Friendship April 11-12
Ashbury Sta. April 12-13
Wewoka Sta. April 18-19
Wetumpka Sta. April 19-20
Weleetka Sta. April 25-26
Dustin Sta. April 26-27
The District Conference will be held at Weleetka April 23-26. Rev. W. L. Broome will preach the opening sermon April 23, at 8 p. m.
I announce the following committees:
License to Preach—S. H. Babcock, J. C. Curry and G. L. Crow.
Admission and Re-admission—E. T. Campbell, R. E. Early, and A. C. Pickins.
Deacons Orders—J. A. Parks, B. L. Williams, and M. L. Sims.
Elders Orders—T. P. Turner, M. C. Hays, and S. F. Chambers.
N. L. LINEBAUGH, P. E.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Boynton and Morris, at Boynton, Feb. 4
Westville, at Westville Feb. 7-8
Park Hill, at Freewater Feb. 10-11
Tahlequah Feb. 14-15
Fort Gibson, at Fort Gibson Feb. 17-18
Muldrow Feb. 21-22
Hanson, at Atkins Feb. 24-25
Sallisaw March 1
Stillwell March 3-4
Muskogee—
Augusta Avenue, 11 a. m. March 8
First Church, 7:30 p. m. March 8
Circuit March 11
Saint Pauls March 14-15
Checotah March 18
New Hope, at Dalonega March 21-22
Keota, at Powell's Chapel March 25
Stigler March 28-29
Tamaha, at Eureka April 1
Whitefield, at Whitefield April 4, 5
Vian and Webbers Falls, at Vian April 8
Fawn April 11-12
Wahwright, at Augusta Avenue, April 15
Warner and Porum, at Porum April 18-19
District Conference at Porum April 23, 9 a. m., to close of services Sunday evening, April 26. J. H. Rogers will preach the opening sermon of the Conference Wednesday evening, at 7:30, April 22.
The following are the committees:
License to Preach—A. B. L. Hunkapillar, E. C. Wallace and G. W. Martin.
Deacons's Orders—Cornelius Pugsley, G. W. Damon and T. O. Shanks.
Elder's Orders—J. M. Peterson, Orlando Shay and L. R. Jones.
Admission and Readmission—D. M. Geddie, T. G. Peterson and J. C. Cooper.
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Our Colleges

HENDRIX COLLEGE NOTES.

The work on the campus is going steadily on. The president's home is well under construction, the cement conduit for the pipes of the entire heating system are nearing completion, and the sewer pipes are being laid. It is gratifying to see work of such a permanent nature being carried on. But the hum of industry does not cease on the campus when the laborers, who are employed in the work of improvement, have laid aside their implements for the day. Almost the entire student body returned after the holidays and the dormitories are still crowded with one of the busiest and best student bodies Hendrix ever had. There is an earnestness and enthusiasm in lesson preparation that is seldom surpassed, and the determination to succeed even among those who met partial failure in the first term, is the marked quality of the entire body.

In the student activities the spirit of harmony and unity of action prevails and there is not a publication nor an enterprise that is not supported by individual pledges of the whole number. The preparation for the publication of the college Annual is the latest interest and the editors and officers just elected are very busy in their new positions, letting contracts, getting subscriptions, and gathering material for publication. Basketball is the chief athletic sport of this season and the two coaches are kept busy during the hours set aside for practice. At least forty men are out in suits and while all do not hope to make the team they do hope to get good healthful exercise and training and make somebody else make a team.

The Y. M. C. A. boys are pushing the Bible study course. A Bible rally in which Prof. McClurkin assisted the students was held at the first regular meeting after the holidays and the number engaged in this work increased. There are now ten well organized classes with ten sincere faithful leaders.

Our business manager is spending his time in closing up the last endowment notes to the college. He is expecting to report the payment of all these by March 1, the time set for financial settlement. If his expectations are realized the college will then receive the last payment of the \$75,000 gift from the General Board of Education and the entire endowment fund will then be ready to be put into operation.

Hendrix was well represented at the International Student Volunteer Conference at Kansas City during the holidays. President Reynolds and Messrs. A. L. Miller, Grover Cleveland, and Homer Hudson attended.

Work on the president's home is progressing rapidly. The foundation and frame work are completed and the contractors are beginning work on the roof.

Hendrix people are making an effort

to close out in full the contract with the General Board of Education of New York City for the endowment fund. March is the time limit fixed. All endowment subscriptions must be settled by that time otherwise the college will suffer a loss of part of the \$75,000 promised by the General Education Board.

President Reynolds spent the second Sunday in this month with the First Methodist Church at Texarkana, and the Monday following with Dr. Hyer at Dallas studying the plans of the Southern Methodist University.

Dr. C. W. Garrison, director of the movement to exterminate the hookworm in Arkansas, addressed the students of Hendrix January 22 on public health.

The students elected last week the staff of the Troubadour, the college annual; J. H. Bishop is editor-in-chief, and W. M. Harton business manager. The young women of the college recently organized a literary society.

Rev. M. N. Waldrup of Fayetteville is conducting evangelistic services at the college this week.

President Reynolds will address the teachers of Jackson county next Saturday.

FEBRUARY CENTURY NEWS NOTES.

Dr. Francis Landey Patton's prayer at the dedication ceremonies of the Princeton Graduate College is quoted in the editorial section of the February Century Magazine, under the heading of "The Spirit of the Century." The editor calls this prayer a noble exemplification of the spirit of truth seeking which is the note of these days of changing conventions.

An example of ultra-modern sculptures is shown in the Midwinter Fiction number (February) of The Century. It is a bust of Rembrandt by Emile-Antoine Bourdelle and is reproduced in tint.

A young American artist, Charles S. Chapman, has not only illustrated but has decorated in a truly Japanese fashion the latest romance by John Luther Long (author of "Madam Butterfly"), "The Temple of the Countless Gods" in the February Century.

HENDERSON-BROWN.

When you receive this, we will be in the midst of a series of revival services in the college. It is for the religious development of our boys and girls. The meetings are held for an hour at 11 o'clock and 7 o'clock, each day. Rev. C. N. Baker, of Wesson, Ark., is doing the preaching, and Rev. L. C. Beasley, of Foreman, is leading the singing. Bro. Scott, our pastor, and Dr. Monk, our presiding elder, with Brothers Pipkin and Rhodes, are lending valuable help.

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A painting by Anna Whelan Betts, reproduced in full colors with the timely title "A Valentine Fantasy" is the frontpiece of the February Century.

What the newspapers would call a "beat" or "scoop" is the reproduction by The Century Magazine in its Midwinter Fiction number (February) of an unpublished portrait of Benjamin Franklin, recently discovered in Biskra. This interesting portrait, showing a rather elderly Franklin, is attributed to the great French painter, Fragonard.

Photographs that combine the composition of paintings with the accuracy in detail of the camera are those by H. Ravell of "Old Churches in Mexico" printed in tint in the February Century.

BELLEFONT, ARK.

The Western Methodist: The first quarterly conference of the Bellefonte circuit met at Roger's school house, Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bro. Martin, our beloved presiding elder, was with us, although weak from a recent attack of

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la grippe. Bro. C. W. Lester was present and preached an able and helpful sermon at 11 o'clock, after which a bountiful basket dinner was spread and enjoyed by all present. The business session commenced at 2 o'clock with a large representation from all of the classes, except one. The reports were excellent. Salary in advance of last year, about one-fourth paid and also the claims paid in advance of last year. The prospects are bright for a successful year along all lines. At the close of the session, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That each official in this circuit use his utmost effort to put the Western Methodist in every Methodist home in the session."

The session adjourned with every one feeling that it was one of the best quarterly conferences they ever attended.

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