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THINGS TO FORGET.

If you see a tall fellow ahead of a crowd,
A leader of men, marching fearless and proud,
And you know of a tale whose mere telling aloud,
Would over his influence bring a dark cloud,
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

If you know of a skeleton hidden away
In a closet, guarded and kept from the day,
In the dark whose showing or open display
Would cause grief and sorrow and certain dismay,
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

If you know of a thing that will darken the joy
Of a man or a woman, a girl or a boy,
That will wipe out a smile or the least way annoy,
That would leave a pain or gladness destroy,
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.
—Mrs. J. C. Clark, Kiowa, Okla.

WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING.

The Western Methodist, desiring to help all the interests of the church, submits the following for our school builders and those interested in our educational enterprises:

The University of Florida is to have a new law building costing \$35,000.

Bowdoin College will receive \$500,000 from the estate of Edwin B. Smith.

A four year course in commerce has recently been arranged at the University of Kansas.

The Hebrew Technical Institute of Cincinnati received \$50,000 by the will of Abraham Steinman.

Rockford College has just received \$35,000 from Andrew Carnegie toward a \$200,000 endowment.

Governor Hanna, of North Dakota, subscribes \$5,000 to start the \$500,000 endowment to be raised for Fargo College.

Ball Bros., of Unicia, Ind., offer to give \$25,000 to pay the debts of Keuka College, which was founded by their uncle.

Cardinal Gibbons has received \$500,000 for the Catholic University at Washington as a contribution from the Knights of Columbus.

Phillips-Andover Academy is to receive \$300,000 by bequest of Melville C. Day of the class of 1858. He had already given over \$200,000.

Rev. J. W. Cline, D. D., President of Soothcow University, who is on furlough, is spending a few weeks in study at the University of Wisconsin.

Mrs Florence H. Gates has given \$50,000 to Smith College, and Mrs. W. D. Straight gives an equal sum toward a million dollar fund now being raised.

An anonymous gift of \$50,000 has come to the University of Pittsburg for building purposes. H. J. Heinz had already given \$100,000 for the same purpose.

A gift of \$100,000 from an anonymous friend has recently been made to Amherst College for founding a chair of economics in honor of G. D. Olds, the dean of the college.

Although only seventy-seven years old the University of Michigan claims more living alumni than

any other institution in America, having a total of 22,000 31,000 graduates.

Dartmouth College arranges for its professors to give a series of lectures to explain the work done in different departments. The subjects will be treated seriously but not technically.

An anonymous gift of \$50,000 to the endowment fund of Williams College has just been announced. The college hopes to have \$1,000,000 by June. Several large conditional gifts are in sight.

Gifts and pledges amounting to \$350,000 have been made for the development of the Yale Divinity School into a University School of Religion. The endowment will be \$1,200,000, the largest of any theological school in America.

Prof. C. M. Woodward, originator and director of the St. Louis Manual Training School, professor emeritus and dean of Washington University, died Jan. 11, at St. Louis. As a pioneer in manual training he deserves great honor.

In New York City there is an attempt to meet the practical demands in girls' education by offering a course in homecraft. It is both cultured and practical, as it answers the every-day needs of girls who intend to be real home-keepers and affords study for real engagement.

The Third Session of the Southern Sociological Congress is to be held in Memphis, May 6-10, and the National Conference of Charities and Correction meets at the same city May 8-15. This is an opportunity that ought to be used by progressive philanthropists in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

The charter of Goucher College, Baltimore, is to be amended so as to reduce the number of trustees to 33 and make it impossible for trustees to pledge or hypothecate any endowment funds to pay current expenses. It is desired to invite gifts that will be kept sacred for uses intended by donors.

U. S. Commissioner of Education Clopton characterizes the closing of public schools during the summer as primitive and preposterous, and declares that the most important problem of today is to keep the city boys from three months' contamination on the streets. He approves a plan for continuous sessions and favors providing one vocational teacher in each school.

The Cornell faculty is considering a plan to charge \$50 extra for a student who fails to pass on his required work and is allowed to continue on probation, and if he has been dropped and reinstated \$100 extra. This is an effort to eliminate the student loafer. During the last ten years one-fourth of their students have come under faculty disapproval for unsatisfactory scholarship.

The Hobart College authorities will refuse scholarships or any other kind of aid to students who use alcoholic drink. In this they sustain the position recently taken by Pres. Powell to prevent indulgences so common among college students. It was also made clear that the people of the town and local papers are expected to co-operate in removing temptations. It is insisted that Hobart stands for the highest ethical culture and drinking by undergraduates must stop.

There is a strong movement among educators to secure legislation by Congress for the establishment of a National University. It is planned to

utilize the libraries, laboratories and museums now at Washington, estimated to be worth \$60,000,000, and create an institution for original research correlated with all other universities and higher than any other. Geo. Washington left \$25,000 for this purpose and at six per cent compound interest this would amount to \$25,000,000.

VANDERBILT CASE DECIDED.

On last Saturday the Supreme Court of Tennessee handed down an opinion in the Vanderbilt University case, which will doubtless settle the question as to the legal rights involved in the case. The opinion holds that the Board of Trustees is self-perpetuating and that the church only has the right to confirm or reject the new members elected by the board. That those elected to membership on the board by the last General Conference are not entitled by that election to membership, but that those elected by the board are legal members and will remain so until the General Conference or its constituted authority shall reject them.

The opinion further holds that whatever interest the church may have had in the founding of the university it was all legally lodged in the corporation which was composed only of the petitioners who signed the charter. It further holds that since the articles of incorporation does not provide for any other method of electing its Board of Trust it therefore follows that the legal authority for such elections is lodged in the board itself. Under this opinion the only power of control the church has over the university board is the power to unseat the members the board may elect. The church can unseat a member of the board but cannot put one on. The opinion further holds that the relation of the church to the university is just as it has been applied for the last forty years.

GROWTH OF RELIGIOUS BODIES IN THE UNITED STATES.

According to the figures compiled by Dr. H. K. Carroll for the Federal Council of Churches the total gain of membership of all religious bodies in the United States in 1913 was 655,000, a little less than two per cent, or about equal to the gain in population. The leading denominations have made gains as follows: Methodists, 220,000; Catholic, 212,500; Baptists, 64,600; Presbyterians, 45,000; Lutherans, 36,100; Disciples, 21,800; Episcopalians, 16,500. This gives a total gain of Protestants in the United States as 404,600 as against 212,000 Catholic. When we consider the vast number of Catholics among the immigrants to this country, the above figures do not give much cause for alarm as many reports do, coming from different quarters, that the Catholics are to control this country. The above figures show that the Methodists gained a little less than three and one-fourth per cent, while other leading bodies and the Methodist combined only 1.8 per cent. The Catholic gain is a little more than 1.6 per cent.

The churches numbering more than 500,000 are as follows: Catholic, 13,099,534; Methodists, 7,125,069; Baptists, 5,924,662; Lutherans, 2,338,722; Presbyterians, 2,027,593; Disciples, 1,519,369; Episcopalians, 997,407; Congregational, 748,340. There are 2,000,000 Jews; 900,000 of these are in New York city, making the greatest Jewish center of the world. The most hopeful feature in Dr. Carroll's report is that the greatest progress, by far, has been along old orthodox lines. Those who think to get into the "band wagon" by adopting new religious fads, or phases of them, will have to change their tactics and get converted, if they want to be in the line of progress.

The Methodist gain has been more than all the other Protestant Churches combined.

OUR CHURCH HONOR ROLL

Oklahoma.	New names Added
Church—pastor	
SALISAW, Rev. E. C. Wallace	20
BOSWELL, Rev. J. W. White	25
QUINTON, Rev. I. R. Haun	33
DURANT, Rev. O. C. Fontaine	50
COLVIN, J. B. Blackwell	22
WAPANUKA, Rev. W. S. Lee	20
BOKCHITO, Rev. T. R. Houghton	14
CANEY, Rev. H. R. Morris	16
COLBERT, Rev. C. M. Keith	18
CADDO, Rev. J. A. Beard	48
KIOWA, Rev. W. A. Lewis	37
Arkansas.	
WYNNE, Rev. W. A. Lindsey	62
KEO, Rev. R. L. Duckworth	18
TUCKERMAN, Rev. W. P. Talkington	29
JONESBORO, FIRST CHURCH, Rev. H. E. Wheeler	226
JONESBORO, NORTH SIDE, Rev. J. T. Wilcoxen	75
FOUKE, Rev. J. C. Sampley	23
BENTON, Rev. S. K. Burnett	121
PULASKI HEIGHTS, Rev. S. R. Twitty	43
GRADY, Rev. H. E. Van Camp	14
FORREST CITY, Rev. F. W. Gee	65
PARAGOULD, FIRST CHURCH, Rev. J. S. Seneker	125
EUDORA, Rev. J. C. McElhaney	17
WESSON, Rev. C. N. Baker	23

FROM BRO. HUTCHINSON.

To an intelligent Arkansas and Oklahoma Methodist, the Western Methodist is indispensable. To have it come to the family once a week, reminding the entire household of God and the church is of untold value. It helps to create a religious atmosphere and magnifies the place of the church in the home. It serves to put the circuit Methodist on a station and brings him a gospel message once a week. I long to see it a regular visitor to every Methodist in its territory.

Forney Hutchinson, P. E.

FROM MUSKOGEE, OKLA.

I heartily endorse every effort to put our literature in the homes of the people. If all our members would take our church papers and read them it would be a very effective check against the influence of that flood of irresponsible and dangerous stuff now sweeping the country, would elevate the spiritual tone and stimulate interests in all the affairs of the Kingdom.

Your price of \$1 per year on the Every Member plan, puts the Western Methodist within reach of all, and I trust you may be successful in your effort to reach the 20,000 subscribers.

3-11-14. Chas. L. Brooks, P. E.

FROM THE P. E. OF CLINTON DISTRICT.

I heartily endorse the campaign now on to put the Western Methodist into every home. This very thing needs to be done. Many church members are perishing for just such information and spiritual help as is found in their church paper. No pastor need expect to rally and lead forth his people to larger things when they are ignorant of the affairs of their church. To read secular papers and neglect religious reading, is sure to produce spiritual poverty.

3-13-14. L. L. Johnson, P. E.

ENDORSED BY BRO. WHALEY.

I see you are having success in getting new subscribers to the Methodist. I am glad of it. The Camden district had the honor of doing the best work for the Methodist last year, and the paper did good work for us. The report from this district was the best for years, and it was due mainly to the fact that we had about three hundred more papers coming into the district than ever before. A number of our preachers are doing good work for the paper again this year, and it will tell for good in all their work. There ought to be no Methodist family in the world without a Methodist paper coming regularly into the home. I feel comfortable about a Methodist who regularly reads his church paper; but I am all the time uneasy about one who does not. Satan and all sorts of isms are trying to get our people, and many of them are

being destroyed for lack of knowledge; but we do not lose our people who read the church paper. There ought to be some way devised by which every Methodist would receive each week a good Methodist paper. God bless you in the work.

Camden, Ark. W. P. Whaley.

FROM REV. ALONZO MONK, D. D:
Presiding Elder Arkadelphia District.

That is the base to put it upon. Religious business. Let the congregation undertake to see to it that every family receives the conference organ. I have been pushing the Western Methodist at every quarterly meeting. I am truly anxious to see it in every home, as it should be.

FROM J. A. HENDERSON.

Presiding Elder Texarkana District.

You are having marvelous success in placing the Western Methodist in the homes of our people. Every Methodist family should take a Methodist paper. Every Methodist home in our territory ought to take the Western Methodist.

PPRESIDING ELDERS.

It is rather a hard matter for me to realize it, but I am one of the oldest effective preachers in the Little Rock Conference. Was admitted on trial the 24th of November, 1873, and with the exception of one year have been going all the time. Am now serving my seventeenth pastoral charge (and they have all been good ones), have served under nineteen different presiding elders. Most of them were well rounded men, men of much experience; some of them great preachers; most of them very earnest, faithful men. A very few as I saw them were some what indifferent.

Now, after all these years of careful study of the presiding elder and his relation to the church as a whole, I am very much like a negro woman who was being married and the preacher asked her, "Will you take this man for better or worse?" She said, "No sir, I wants him jes as he is."

W. J. Rogers.

Alexander, Ark. 3-10-14.

CHURCH FINANCE.

The mired wheel of the church is hard to locate. Perhaps all her wheels are mired to some extent. However, some changes must be made in our financial methods or we will suffer loss.

To begin with, we must be strictly honest in our relation to the monies of the church. I refer here to preachers as well as laymen. To misappropriate funds is wrong whether it be done by a state or a church official. If money is collected for one purpose and used for another we are not carrying fair with the contributor, much less the cause for which it was contributed. This is true even if the cause to which it is turned be a good one and the entire official board consents to it. That the donor knows nothing of the transfer of the funds he has given, in no way justifies the misappropriation.

This leads one to say that we are suffering because of lack of publicity touching the financial affairs of the church. The church is a corporation and each member is a stockholder and has a perfect right to know its financial condition. That many do not give or if so, do it ignorantly and grudgingly, is no surprise. I am not eager to put my money into an enterprise about which I know nothing. Church conferences should be regularly held and accurate reports made touching the condition of the church treasury. This should be done for the information of the membership and for the protection of the officary. At least once a year the financial records of the church should be passed upon by a competent auditing committee. So far as I know the money of no other institution is so carelessly handled as is that of the church. That thieves are sometimes developed and suspicions often aroused, is no surprise.

In the second place, we need to be more liberal with our means toward the support of the church. I speak now especially of Methodists. Every cause we represent is limping for lack of consecrated money. Not because our people are poor, but because they are unwilling to give. With an occasional beautiful exception, this is universally true. In the country we have to put so many churches together in order to support the preacher that it is physically impossible for him to render them the necessary service. He can get to each church only once a month and it is hard to main-

tain interest when the people so rarely assemble. However, for the service they get (and I speak here of quantity not quality), the people of the country churches are just as liberal toward the support of their ministry as in the city. When it comes to the cause of missions, which is the only unselfish work we ever attempt, the Methodists of the Little Rock Conference pay an average of thirty-four cents per member. How we do need to have our "bowels of compassion" moved toward our brother "who hath need!"

Further more and finally, we need to be more systematic in what we do give. Our conscience touching the support of the church is poorly developed. If we are like the preacher and are kept in a perfectly good humor with everything and everybody, we pay what we are assessed; but preachers and stewards know that there is many a "slip 'twixt the cup and the lip." They may and they may not. It depends largely upon the mood of the individual when the cause is presented, or the fascinating way in which it is presented. In other words, there are so few upon whom we may absolutely count as an asset in every enterprise of the church. The need to develop throughout our church a membership of intelligent, systematic, generous givers. To this end let us pray, preach and teach.

Forney Hutchinson.

WHY THE DECREASE?

Some of our people do not understand why there is a decrease in the number of our local preachers. The minutes of the Arkansas Conference of 1892 reports 228 local preachers; in 1913 only 101, a decrease of 127 in twenty-one years.

To some of us this is distressing showing. There must be a cause for this decrease. To my mind it is obvious.

With the experience of thirty-one years in the traveling connection, I feel sure it is because the law of our church has been so changed as to take the business of licensing of local preachers from the quarterly conference and giving it to the district conference. This is the main cause. Of course the older preachers would not mind to go before a committee at a district conference, but to the average young man there is much more embarrassment than there is in a quarterly conference, and if he be licensed by his own quarterly conference, he would go into the work more readily.

At a point in Harrison district where 56 souls were converted, four young men professed publicly that they were called to preach, and none of them have been licensed yet. I hope and pray that our coming General Conference will so change our book of discipline as to give the quarterly conference right to issue licenses to preach.

Why is it that many of our local preachers refuse to join the conference? Some of the local brethren have given as their reason for not doing so, saying they can get a better salary by taking supply work. Some of our circuits and stations are now being filled with local preachers. Is this right? Is this in accord with our book of discipline?

J. N. Villines.

Goshen, Ark., Feb. 17, 1914.

CLINTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE—SIXTEENTH SESSION.

The Clinton District is the first to report as having held a session in 1914, so far as has come to the attention of this writer. Our resourceful presiding elder, Rev. L. L. Johnson, set the date thus early in the hope of securing the attendance of the larger number of laymen, as the district conference is preeminently a layman's conference; and though there were a goodly number present the results of the early session on this point were not altogether satisfactory.

The opening service Monday 7:45 p. m. was conducted by this writer, who held forth the word in his way to a very appreciative audience of delegates and Weatherford Methodists. For you may not know we were in session at Weatherford, Okla., March 16-18.

Business began promptly at 8:30 Tuesday morning with the presiding elder presiding. Three days had been designated in which to do the work, but the conference voted to finish it in two. This crowded us so full of work that we had little time for preaching. On Tuesday evening Rev. F. A. Downs of Cordell preached a pointed and helpful sermon on World Evangelism.

Connectional visitors were scarce and so the

connectional interests were not emphasized at any time during the session. Except that Missions was given into the hands of a committee, and Education insofar as Oklahoma Wesleyan College is concerned, was represented by its president, Rev. W. A. Shenton, who came to us with a cheerful smile and a word of hope and strength and fidelity that was heartening. Our great desire to reopen this our own college in September gives the cause right ofway in our thoughts. Our educational matters are something of a muddle, when we think of the fact that our one great central university is in the throes; our one effort at male Christian education—Epworth University—is in litigation; and now our one hope for Methodist girls in Oklahoma, since Spaulding failed—Oklahoma Wesleyan College—must suffer the failure of the rest in not having the loyal support of Oklahoma Methodists. But we shall weather out of it all and reopen our college at no distant date and on a sound and reliable basis.

Rev. E. R. Welch, pastor at Altus, Okla., was present and championed the cause of the Junior Church, a feature that he has introduced into his church at Altus with such a measure of success that he thinks the idea helpful and desires to bring the matter to the attention of the General Conference. With this in view the District Conference passed a memorial, by one plurality, bringing it before the General Conference.

We all appreciated Bro. Welch's visit and wish him all the good things that ought to come to a faithful pastor, and especially that his fertile mind may continue to evolve new and useful ideas for the better and more efficient service of the church.

The last afternoon was given to Sunday school work and much mature talk indicated that the Sunday school cause is prosperous in Clinton district and that her presiding elder is all alive to this great interest. All but six of the schools are missionary and all but four have birth day jars. These promised to reform.

Brothers C. G. Welch, Nels Holmsberg, S. L. Darrah, and J. W. Goodrich were elected Lay delegates to the Annual Conference at Chickasha next November. It was difficult to select these among so many able men. A strong delegation this, and it would have been so if others present had been chosen. The personnel of Clinton district measures up, and with such noblemen to man the ship of church in the coming years Clinton district will soon take her place among the advanced districts. The material resources will soon develop and with this we are thankful to feel that the proper men are on the ground to take the best possible care of our Zion.

The next session was voted to Chyenne over three or four contestants. The able pastor there, Rev. J. S. Sessions, is a live wire and will make it a pleasant visit for all who may attend, no doubt.

Weatherford was at her best in entertainment and every citizen seemed to feel that the conference was his special guest. The pastor, Rev. J. E. Martin, is a model host and all his people have the same spirit. We also found here two of our members of conference, Revs. W. A. Randle and H. O. Moore, living in this splendid school town with their families. And that is a fine quartette—the Randles. We also found two of our preacher's daughters teaching in the Southwestern State Normal here at Weatherford, Miss Ursula Lamar and Miss Myrtle Williams. This is as it should be. And when we shall have such teachers as these in all our school of the fate we need have no fears of the Bible being ruled out of the public school.

Twice the conference was brought under obligations to the Commercial Club of the city. Once by a delightful automobile tour of the grounds of the Normal School campus and again at night by a invitation to the Lyceum number at their magnificent school auditorium which were most gratefully accepted by the whole conference. The lecture was scientific and highly interesting and profitable to all who attended, in fact it will be long before many of us busy pastors receive such a privilege again. Thank you, gentlemen! We shall be glad to return to your city when we may.

W. L. Anderson, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following were unanimously voted by the Clinton District Conference at Weatherford, March 18, 1914:

Whereas, There is now pending before the Con-

gress of the United States a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States prohibiting the importation into the United States, or the manufacture or sale of all intoxicating liquors within the jurisdiction of the United States; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the District Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Clinton district, indorse most heartily the proposed amendment and we urge upon our United States Senators and Congressmen the support of the same. That copies of this resolution be sent to Senators Owen and Gore and the several Congressmen representing us in the Congress of the United States.

Signed by Committee.

Attest: L. L. Johnson, P. E.; W. L. Anderson, Sec. P. S. Let every member of the district conference who reads this clip it and send it to a Senator or Congressman.—W. L. A.

Resolved by the Clinton District Conference in session at Weatherford, Okla., March 18, 1914, That it is the sense of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of this district, that the Holy Bible is a proper book to be read in the hearing of our children in the public schools and we deprecate the attempt being made in some sections by school officers and others to exclude the Bible from our public schools.

And we recommend to the next session of the State Legislature the enactment, if necessary to secure this end, of such laws as will take away from school boards or any others the power to exclude the reading of the Bible in our public schools.

Signed by Committee.

Attest: L. L. Johnson, P. E.; W. L. Anderson, Sec. P. S. Presiding elders of other districts please take notice and act on this as seems best to them. Members please send copy to your legislator and secure committal from candidates on the point involved.—W. L. A.

LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA PREACHERS' MEETING.

March 14. Present: Workman, Richardson, Buhler, Mann, Rodgers, Twitty, Walker, Selle, Butt and Bro. S. S. Key of the Arkansas Conference.

Bro. Key conducted the devotional services.

Capitol View.—123 at prayer service; six additions, making total of 67 this year. Missionary society enthusiastic; Sunday school and League growing. Board of Stewards and Trustees wide awake.

Twenty-Eighth Street.—Two additions; large attendance at night; excavation for basement under church completed.

Scott Street M. E.—Bro. Selle met with us for the first time. Three accessions Sunday; large crowd at night with excellent musical program; League and Sunday school doing well; prayer meeting Wednesday night was in the interest of tithing, several were added to the list of tithers in this church. Bro. Salle is making things happen at Scott street.

First Church.—Sunday school and League well attended; Missionary Society specially active; missionary collection will be in by May.

Hunter Memorial.—Services well attended; prayer meeting spiritual; Leagues well attended and enthusiastic.

Highland.—Very spiritual service at morning hour, good attendance at night; missionary money will be paid by May. All departments of church going well.

First Church, Argenta.—Excellent services at both hours; Sunday school little below normal; various organizations of church very enthusiastic.

Winfield Memorial.—Good attendance at both services, the night service especially touched the congregation; several asked for prayer. The prayer meeting Wednesday night was conducted by members of the Lila Ashby class of young ladies.

Asbury.—500 present in Sunday school; the contest with Arkadelphia is to continue three more weeks. Asbury has the lead and hopes to keep it.

Pulaski Heights.—Fine congregations at both services. One accession; Sunday school and League doing excellent work. Missionary Society enthusiastic.

Bro. Butt of Alabama Conference and Bro. S. S. Key of Arkansas Conference both superannuates and co-laborers in former days, but not having seen each other for 30 years, gave much interest to the

meeting. The note of cheer and unwavering faith that characterized their expressions was enough to make the most discouraged take heart and try again. The superannuate relation may not be a coveted one, but ye younger men in the ministry covet the friendship, the wisdom, the tested faith, and the God-given inspiration that these saints of the cross afford us.

ASBURY VS. ARKADELPHIA.

Perhaps our readers have noticed in the secular press some publicity of a contest between the Arkadelphia Methodist Sunday school and the Asbury Methodist Sunday school of this city. The contest began some five weeks ago and three more Sundays will be given to it. The contest is upon two points, attendance and offering. All visitors count. It has been an enthusiastic race. During the five weeks of the contest the Asbury Sunday school has scored an attendance of 2,205, and Arkadelphia 2,195. Asbury's offerings amount to \$352.14, leading Arkadelphia by about \$87. Arkadelphia has long been one of the very best Sunday schools in the quality of its work in Southern Methodism, yet Asbury Sunday school on the two points of the contest is putting up a mighty good race, and whatever the outcome may be Easter Sunday, Little Rock, at least, will know that Asbury Sunday school is "doing things." The two Sunday schools are about equally matched in enrollment, and about equally as to the points in the contest.

The purpose in the contest is to interest parents in the Sunday school who do not attend its sessions; to reach a class of church members who are not in the Sunday school, and to increase the enthusiasm in the Sunday school generally. It seems to us that this friendly rivalry has in it much to commend, and is worthy of emulation. These two schools will evidently reap much good by it. It is also proposed that these two schools meet in a joint picnic on the Saline river. Wonder if they won't be good grazing there for the editors of the Western Methodist? Oscar Murry.

THE PRESIDING ELDER QUESTION.

Rev. P. C. Fletcher.

As the General Conference draws near some very strong and some very weak things are being written about the presiding eldership of our Methodism. In a few instances some very bitter and unjust and unfounded things are being spoken through the religious press. In two or three instances brethren have made sweeping accusations, in the absence of arguments.

The office of the presiding elder is fundamental in our form of church government, and without him our method of supplying the people with the ministry of the Word must greatly suffer.

In the past no man has done more to quicken the ministry of the church, and inspire the young preachers to noble, consecrated action than the presiding elder, as he has marshaled the forces to victory. There may be some men in the presiding eldership who do not "fill" the office, but the same charge can be brought against some pastors, without in any wise invalidating the pastorate. Some men have transcendent gifts for the office of the presiding elder, and as such render the kingdom of God a great and much needed service. Others have peculiar gifts for the pastorate, who would not make successful presiding elders.

I recall now, as a young man in my native Virginia, my life was enriched and my mental vision expanded by the ministry of such presiding elders as Dr. J. H. Waugh, Dr. Rumsey Smithson, Dr. Samuel Rogers, and Dr. R. R. S. Hough, of the Baltimore Conference, each a prince in Israel. And I recall how, when I was a young man in college, I was thrilled and blessed by such presiding elders as Dr. Oscar Littleton, Dr. A. G. Brown, and Dr. J. E. Edwards. I recall how, later in my career, and at the beginning of my ministry, I was fortunate enough to come under the ministry of such presiding elders as Dr. T. F. Pierce—a brother of the Bishop—Dr. W. P. Lovejoy, and Dr. Joel T. Gibson, of the North Georgia Conference.

Nearly twenty years ago, when I came to Arkansas, I had as my presiding elder the now sainted V. V. Harlan, who kept vital touch and sympathetic communication with every man of his district. Not a week passed that he did not write to every one of his preachers, either a card or a letter. He literally broke his heart carrying the sorrows of his brethren. Not till the books are opened on high

will it be known how many and how great the burdens and sorrows of the presiding elder are. I have known personally of beautiful, sacrificial deeds on the part of presiding elders that place them in the class with the saints, heroes, and patriots, if not martyrs.

And during the four quadrenniums I have served in Arkansas, to say nothing of my ministry in California and St. Louis, I have had the good fortune to serve under such presiding elders as D. J. Weems, Stonewall Anderson, Pierce Merrill, O. E. Goddard, F. S. H. Johnston, J. H. O'Bryant, William Sherman, A. C. Millar, Alonzo Monk, Forney Hutchinson, J. A. Henderson—each a man of noble life, lofty purpose, brotherly helpfulness, painstaking leadership and pronounced devotion to the cause of Christ and the church. I dare say, if the facts were told, the same might be said of nine-tenths of the presiding elders of Southern Methodism. Surely then, the Rev. Frank Hopkins, of Richland, Oregon, but formerly of the Little Rock Conference, deals in exaggeration when he says: "About all the elder does, in my experience, is to come at the appointed time of the quarterly conference, preach a sermon or two, hold the quarterly conference, by conducting a very brief devotional service, and asking the questions laid down, taking dinner with some chief member, collecting his quarterage, wishing the pastor well, hopping the train, and skeddaddling."

First Church, Texarkana, Ark.

SUGGESTIONS FOR ECONOMY IN HIGHER EDUCATION.

In order that our Methodist people in East Oklahoma may realize more fully the magnitude of a small college, I give the substance of an address delivered last year at the Council of Church Boards of Education by United States Commissioner Claxton, who being a Southern man and a member of our own church, understands our conditions thoroughly.

"The Department of Education of the United States Government is as much interested in church schools as in state schools, for both are in the largest sense public schools. There are no private schools except in the most limited sense and there can be no rational opposition between denominational and state schools, for the church and state are simply different activities undertaken by the same people. The state is an all-inclusive body and must include denominational schools. The state may not leave to churches, fraternities, or individuals the opportunity of doing in an exclusive manner that which is the work of all. Therefore, I submit the following propositions: (1) Education is a function of the state which it is bound to perform. (2) The state is unable to do all the work of education. (3) The church has its educational function, but the church should not desire to do a work in behalf of all the people, because the church does not contain all of the people. The church college has a function to perform in behalf of thousands of students that cannot possibly be performed by the state. It is therefore my firm conviction that no one kind of school, whether public or private, state or endowed, can provide all the youth of the country with all the education they require in order that they may become ideal citizens."

"On Economy and Higher Education I offer the following suggestions: (1) There should be a standardization of college and university curricula. Variations in the value of the A. B. degree should be eliminated. There are too many worthless degrees. Colleges should of all institutions insist upon telling the truth. When a poor politician carries around a fraudulent college degree he is decidedly more dangerous than one who can not claim to have a liberal education. A French Minister of Education visiting our Department at Washington told us that our degrees meant nothing to the French, and were a laughing stock among the nations of the world. The A. B. degree should have a definite and distinct meaning. It should mean four years in college, based on four years of secondary school work, based on eight years of elementary school work. No college should give an A. B. degree that means less than this. Colleges that cannot reach the standard should cease giving the A. B. degree or tell the exact truth as to the amount of work their students have done. (2) The Freshman class should have a fixed place in the college system. It should mean practically the

same thing in the economy of time, work, and money as it does in another field. If a child must change schools by reason of removal from place to place a great injustice is done if he be compelled to spend five years in doing the work of four. For the same reasons the years sophomore, junior and senior should have a like meaning in our higher educational system. A great economy might be secured by the colleges undertaking to do what they can, and not what they cannot do. This applies to denominational and state institutions alike. Of the 650 degree-conferring institutions 281 have a working income of less than \$50,000, 39 have less than \$10,000, a dozen have less than \$5,000 from all sources. A college having less than \$20,000 annual income can hardly be expected to do full college work. There was a time when Harvard's full course covered only three years. Today colleges should limit their work, some doing one kind, some another. The extremely easy transportation facilities make it unnecessary for colleges to duplicate work within a short distance of one another. There is no longer any reason why colleges should be multiplied, doing in a weak way all kinds of work whether they are fitted for it or not, and all endeavoring to spread themselves over as large an area as possible.

The principle of economy involves the erection of the Junior College. Here is great opportunity for economy in money, time, teaching, and everything else. Of the 650 degree-conferring colleges, 200 might do a great service to themselves and to the country by ceasing to try to do the entire four years work, and becoming two year institutions, giving full time to the work of strengthening the Freshman and Sophomore classes. Such schools should require for admission the same amount of preparation required for admission to colleges doing four full years work. About 50 per cent of the students who entered a certain institution as freshmen failed to reach the junior class. In another 39 per cent of those entering the freshman did not reach the senior class. In many of the little colleges a very small fraction of the students are in the higher classes. In many colleges the freshmen are taught by assistants, tutors, or other students. Suppose that an institution with \$50,000 income or less should cease trying to do full college work, and should require full college entrance and employ big men as professors, say nine men at \$5,000 apiece. It would probably send a large percentage, probably 90 per cent, of the students to the larger college institutions for their higher work. There are many schools spending much money for only three or four or a dozen students, for whose full education they are not equipped. Some colleges ought to be just graduate institutions and much professional work should be of the same kind.

"(4) There could be great economy by better understanding of entrance requirements. There should be no doubling of points required for admission. Work once satisfactorily done before college entrance should not be required again.

"(5) There should be co-operation of the churches in providing religious education in the state schools. I think that each church, where it has several hundred of its students in a state institution, might well afford to send a strong preacher there."

A. C. Millar,

Oklahoma Methodist College.

Muskogee, Okla.

"WE MUST EDUCATE OUR DAUGHTERS."

By Mrs. J. M. Workman, Class '92.

This little article, has been inspired by the needs, which I, as a mother, have felt in my own experience of the rearing of children, and by the mistakes, which I feel so many other mothers are making in sending their daughters to "Finishing schools."

Years ago, when, after finishing a college course, and being at home only a short time, I gave my heart and hand to a poor but ambitious husband. My mother said, as many a mother has said, "Does the sacrifice made for our daughters' education pay?" In the years that have followed, I have been continually answering this question, and blessing the ones who made the sacrifice that I might be prepared, to some extent, for the greatest life that comes to woman—that of being a helpmeet to her husband, and a mother to her children.

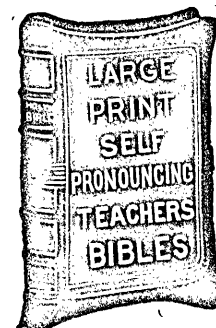
The education that a woman, in any sphere of life, needs is that which teaches her to think, and

thinking, she is able to solve problems that the finishing school has never thought of as coming to her. This education is the only means of preparing a girl for social leadership, if that is the life to which she aspires. She may be graduated, in all the social customs of today, may know all the nice formalities which mark the woman in high social life, and if she cannot think and observe for herself, twenty years from today her children may bring to her remembrance the fact that she is out of date, and she will feel that she really is unfit to advise her sons and daughters. The woman whose education has been fundamental, whose higher powers have been developed, needs not to depend on knowledge of social customs, for her prestige, but on the other hand, can introduce social customs which will be respected and followed, because she is a leader. In the training of her children, and in her social relations, she is looked upon as a woman of influence and criticisms come from those who are her intellectual inferiors and hence pass unnoticed.

Children are wonderful readers of characters, and when a child believes that mother knows nothing it is almost certain that the mother really has not known enough to impress the fact of her capability on her child's mind. Every mother should be able to deal with every problem her child meets in life and if she is not able she should qualify herself; but it is a hard thing to do unless she has had preparation, and I pity those who, through no fault of their own, are forced to recognize their limitations; but happy is the mother who when her child comes to her with the first hard lesson can lead him by artful suggestions to think it out, and on through the grammar grades and the high school she can be relied on to help. Nothing impresses him more with the fact that mother knows, and if she knows these things, she must be right about other questions which affect his moral and spiritual development, and she becomes his counselor as well as friend and companion.

In the work of educating women, our church schools are doing great things. In the communities and cities where I have lived the graduates of our colleges could almost always be pointed out as the women who stood highest in social life as well as in all moral and spiritual undertakings. They think for themselves and about their children's welfare, and they believe in the institutions that made possible their preparation. With many other women in Arkansas, I give honor to Galloway College for the part she had in fitting me to think upon many subjects, and I desire for my daughters that they may be trained and educated and not merely finished.

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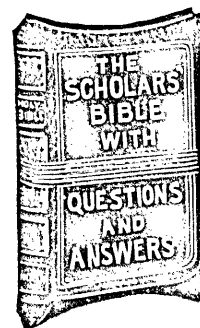
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FROM WYNNEWOOD.

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The meeting continued 17 days, five services a day; and yet no one seemed to grow tired. In fact, there was a general protest against its closing.

Some of the results: Some 125 to 150 conversions and reclamations; 85 names given for church membership (with many more to follow), a general awakening in the church and a new and deeper consecration to the service of God; "old scores" settled, and a new fraternity and fellowship established; the churches all put upon higher ground. Many of our Sunday school pupils were converted and brought into the church. One of the most beautiful sights that I ever beheld was at one of our services where about 30 boys and girls from eight to sixteen years of age assumed the obligations of church membership. It was a beautiful picture, a crescent of roses as they surrounded the chancel, as these young people, with bright eyes and smiling faces, looked up to the pastor as he was receiving them. And they "knew what they were doing."

Rev. W. M. McIntosh, of Iuka, Miss., and his wife, and Prof. Anderson, were the leaders in this great campaign. Dr. McIntosh is "mighty in the scriptures" and knows how to reach the people. He is a strong preacher, loves men, is wholly consecrated, works hard. These four statements tell the story of his success. Prof. Anderson led a large choir most efficiently. He knows how to do it. Mrs. McIntosh is truly a helpmeet for her husband. She had charge of the special services for the women and for the children. Mrs. Ella Southard, of Sulphur, Okla., was a most efficient worker in the meeting. She is a most refined, cultured, consecrated Christian woman, and the Lord blesses her work.

We greatly rejoice that Wynnewood is on "higher ground." Our people made a freewill offering of \$343.50 to the evangelists, besides \$50 for their local expenses.

W. J. Moore, P. C.

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GENTRY STATION.

Bro. McKee, our pastor, has just closed a two week's meeting. At every service he seemed to bring us the message we needed, he shunned not to declare the gospel of Christ full and free to both saint and sinner. No questionable methods were used to induce sinners to accept

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Christ. Some accepted the truth and surrendered to God. The spiritual pulse of backsliders were quickened and the faithful ones were inspired to greater efforts. And we all moved nearer to the cross of Christ, while the mighty spell of God's power rested upon us. The attendance and interest in all the church services, Epworth Leagues and Sunday school has increased wonderfully.

We think we have one of the best Sunday schools in the Arkansas Conference.

The clouds are rifting, the day is breaking, the light of God's truth is shining more and more in the hearts and lives of our people. The days swiftly pass and the years roll away, but our God is the same every day. We are perfectly satisfied with our pastor. We don't want to swap preachers.

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TRINITY CHURCH, SHAWNEE.

We are actively engaged in our Savior's work and believe we are by his help going to do a great year's work, both spiritually and financially. Our city is divided by two railroads and our church is located in the southern part of the city, among employees of railroad shops. The population of our city is 10,000 and probably 3,000 of these are in our community. Plenty with which to work you may say, but when you consider that the majority of them are here today and somewhere else tomorrow, you can readily understand why our membership is small, only 60, and only eight male members, with a limited financial backing. They are faithful Christian men.

The Sunday school is wide awake, with about 150 members, an average attendance of 115. We believe that by God's help and under the able superintendency of Bro. J. O. Brown, our school will continue to grow and prosper.

Our Senior League consists of 25 of the best young men and women of our community. The president, Miss Ila Grace, has done a great work for our community, and by God's grace she expects to do even greater things. The Junior League of about 30 members is very active, willing to assist in any way possible. Their devotional lessons are especially interesting and many older people would do well to listen to the advice given by these children in their "Open Discussions." Their superintendent, Miss Esther Pell, expects to instill into their minds and hearts the fact that God loves them and needs them in his great plan of salvation. They are also assisting liberally in financial way.

Recently we organized a Missionary Society with 14 members, which is making a good start. Already their membership has increased, and interest is rapidly growing. Every meeting finds them busy studying God's Word, praying, planning and working. Their quilting bees are attracting many, and not only assist in a financial way, but are enabling them to become better acquainted, and to love each other as they have never before done.

Wednesday night finds the faithful few at our prayer service, but we hope by the consecrated efforts and prayers of these few to bring about a

great spiritual awakening. When God is for us, who can be against us? We realize the truth of these words and know that soon the fruits of these faithful laborers will be gathered up.

We have repaired the roof of our church, put in new seats, side-walks and carpeted the aisles. And in a short time we hope to repaint it. Best of all, all bills are marked "paid."

Wishing this paper great success we remain, through God's love,

Your brother,

2-19-14. G. W. Groce, P. C.

THIS WILL INTEREST MANY.

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

MONTICELLO DISTRICT NOTES.

The writer never had such enthusiastic crowds before in the winter. Bro. McElhaney is in good favor at Eudora. He serves a loyal and zealous few. I served that charge two years. The memory of it comes to me as the richest of all experiences. The bottom country is preeminently ours. Three years ago our ministers carried the gospel to the cabins of the poor and home of the rich. They sang, prayed and preached, baptized their children, married their young people and stood by their open graves. They are the only ministers who have ever entered many of these lovely homes in the memory of the now living. The beautiful churches in town and country speak the abiding results of the labors of our ministers. Bro. W. C. Watson and I drove over some of their fine farming lands, which have yielded so abundantly. The owners number their wealth by the thousands. The negro laborer has tilled these farms since they were cleared in anti-bellum days. They know nothing but the cabin home. There their ancestors lived and their children came up with little better environment. The land is so fertile that little cultivation gives the laborer a sufficiency to meet his meagre demands with some surplus to spend for strong drink. We were in one town of four white families and three saloons. One can scarcely find a more congenial, intelligent traveling companion than Bro. Watson. Energetic and zealous, he is a success everywhere tried.

Our young brother, J. Abner Sage, is in high favor at Dermott. We rejoice in his success. More than this, there came to the parsonage since conference another from a minister's home, one, who doubtless bears her part in the labors of the husband. I know of none who start in life's journey better equipped for efficient service for God and man.

Bro. McClintock, the efficient pastor at Wilmar, is happy in his work. To be with him even a short time gives one a higher ideal of life. The fraternity of feeling is heightened by association with such men.

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R. Spann.

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JOHNSON-WILLIAMS.

Mr. Austin Andrew Johnson and Miss Mamie Williams were married at the parsonage at Quitman, Ark., March 1, 1914. Mr. Johnson is a resident of Cleburne county, and Miss Williams is the accomplished daughter of Rev. and Mrs. George W. Williams of Quitman.

FT. COBB, OKLA.

Just a few lines for our paper from this place. We had our second quarterly conference. Our presiding elder, Bro. Moss Weaver, presided in his usual way. We had a fine attendance and the entire charge represented. Reports good on all lines. Seven received by certificate and one baby baptized this quarter. We are getting ready for a good revival at all our points. Am sending you four new names.

3-17-14. Robert H. Denny, P. C.

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A special meeting of the stockholders of the Development Publishing Company is hereby called to be held in the office of the company in the Masonic Temple, Main street and Capital avenue, in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, on Monday, April 6th, 1914, to begin at 11 o'clock a. m.

Said meeting is called for the purpose of considering the following named business, to-wit:

First, Whether the Company will proceed to the publication of a weekly newspaper.

Second, To consider the refunding of certain money and notes paid and given for stock under special conditions, which conditions have failed.

This meeting is called by direction of the Board of Directors. This March 3rd, 1914.

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Oklahoma City Dist., Lexington... April 20-23

Arkansas.
Texarkana Dist., Lewisville, May 28-31
Camden Dist., Bearden, June 30-July 2
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Rooneville Dist., Seranton... April 14-16
Paragould District, Snyder, April 28-30
Helena District, Aubrey... May 28-31
Pine Bluff District, Roe... June 25-28

NOTICES.

The District Conference will meet at Snyder, April 28-30. The opening sermon will be preached Tuesday night by Rev. W. C. Fleetwood.

Committee on License: C. D. Montgomery, B. F. Gassoway, E. C. Keith.

Admission: E. R. Welch, G. R. Wright, J. J. Taylor. Deacon's Orders: W. C. Fleetwood, J. T. Armstrong, J. J. Bailey. Elder's Orders: W. H. Roper, R. P. Witt, W. W. Hooper.

J. A. OLD, P. E.

NOTICES.

Some of the brethren have taken up the matter of securing our Conference claims in the early part of the year. The Missionary Board feel solicitous about the Little Rock Conference. There is no good reason why all our missionary claims should not be in hand before the first of May. The writer has tried it and it is so much the better plan. Send your missionary money to me at once, brethren. The following sums received to date:

Fordyce station, J. A. Parker, P. C., Foreign mission, \$90.00; First Church station, Pine Bluff, Jas. Thomas, P. C., Foreign missions, \$205.00. Amt. forwarded to J. H. Hamilton, Treas., \$295.00. First Church station, Pine Bluff, Jas. Thomas, P. C., Domestic missions, \$205.00. Grand total received, \$500.00.

Who will be the next? Lets put our conference along with the most progressive. Send your remittance to me.

James Thomas,

Chairman Board of Missions.

The Joint Board of Finance of the West Oklahoma Conference is called to meet in the Methodist Church, Chickasha, Okla., Tuesday, April 7, at 3 p. m. Some important matters will come before us.

M. T. Allen, President.

To Pastors.

Tulsa, Okla., is rapidly becoming a great cosmopolitan city. It is already a problem to find the folks as fast as they are coming to the city. If you know of people coming from your town or city to Tulsa, write us at once—it will be a service to us and to the cause.

P. R. Knickerbocker,

Pastor Boston Ave. M. E. C. South,
James E. McConnell,

Pastor Tigert Memorial M. E. C. S.

Children's Day Programs.

Pastors and superintendents of the East Oklahoma Conference will kindly order programs for Children's Day through the Sunday School Board. Send your order either to James E. McConnell, Tulsa, Okla., or to Dr. A. E. Bonnell, Muskogee, Okla.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Children's Day is near at hand and programs should be ordered at once from J. M. Workman, 1504 Center, Little Rock, for the Little Rock Conference.

FACTS ON THE BRIGHT SIDE.

A Generous Gift.

The gift of \$50,000 for missions is not so common as to be prosaic. It has happened only once with us. It belongs to the missionary history of 1913. It was beautifully done by a member of another denomination in memory of a Methodist wife. The lofty evangelical sentiments expressed in the letter tendering the gift were as noble as the gift itself. "The Lydia Patterson Institute" in El Paso will stand not only as a worthy memorial to a Christian wife, but as an example of true catholicity and large liberality worthy of all praise. Mr. Millard D. Patterson, the donor, is a member of the Church of the Disciples. His generous gift made through Rev. J. F. Corbin is without conditions, accompanied only by the modest request that it be named for his departed wife, and used for the education and evangelization of the Mexicans. This gift is timely. It meets a need and an opportunity created by the conditions in Mexico and the coming of Mexicans into Texas in such numbers.

I told the Secretary of the Board representing Mr. Patterson's church about the gift. He replied, "I can match it. A good Methodist woman in Indiana has pledged our board all we need for churches in Thibet up to the number of thirty." Surely we are progressing.

The Building Fund.

A quarter of a million for building and equipment is not a big thing for a great church like ours. Yet it looks big till you have got used to it, and until you have really made up your mind not to just measure it but to do it. Even then it continues to be worth while. At any rate, it thrills one to think of its possibilities in heartening and helping the missionaries, encouraging the native church, and increasing the results. The fund continues to grow. The cause makes a strong appeal. We have recently held meetings in fourteen towns and cities in Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee. The results were more than \$30,000 additional pledges to this fund, and some other pledges besides. Subscriptions have also been coming in by mail and from personal solicitations. The amount pledged directly to this fund at Junaluska was \$118,270. The rest of the Junaluska offerings were for other objects. The amount subscriber since the Junaluska

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meeting is \$41,270, making a total subscribed to date of \$159,540. This leaves \$90,460 yet to be secured. Shall we not definitely and unitedly and speedily finish what is so well begun? There had been paid on this fund in cash to March 1, \$36,426. We are putting it into buildings as fast as possible.

Ten New Missionaries.

The Week of Prayer and Self-denial has yielded to date besides a joyous and cheering chorus of responses, a cash result of \$10,328. Over \$2,000 of this came from one Conference, the South Carolina. The money still comes in. In addition to this amount there were numerous specials, including the support of some missionaries that came as a direct result of this Week of Prayer. Altogether we find ourselves able to send out ten new missionaries in 1914, which is cause for great thanksgiving. The observance of this Week of Prayer next year should yield far larger results, both spiritual and financial.

Signs of Progress.

The support of more than half of the new missionaries to be sent has been provided for already. The demand for special objects was never so great as now. We assigned in January and February more than \$12,000 in specials ranging from \$25 to \$1,200. We recently wrote letters in one mail assigning four new missionaries. It is growing common for individuals to support their own missionaries, and quite common for them to support native workers. There are clear indications that a thousand churches in our connection will make the Every Member Canvass this year. This will almost treble the number of those doing it last year, and will mean a great increase in the income for all the benevolences. By the way, why do not our leaders, big and little, help us to stir up the churches on this subject of the Every Member Canvass?

Quadrennial Facts and Figures.

The income from all sources, exclusive of that for Woman's Work, during the quadrennium, January, 1910, to January, 1914, was \$2,561,245, not including Mr. Patterson's gift of \$52,000, which brings the total up to \$2,613,245. This is an increase over the preceding quadrennium of \$335,998. This is a gain over the great financial outcome of a notable quadrennium, which itself registered by far the highest gain ever made in a quadrennium, and is therefore not insignificant.

The figures for Woman's Work when made out will be equally good, if not better, and will put the total increase more than three quarters of a million for the quadrennium.

The income for 1913 was \$749,055, including the Patterson gift. This is an increase over last year of \$95,795.69, which is far and away the largest we have yet had. The income for the last year of the quadrennium exceeded that of the last year of the preceding quadrennium by \$124,603. Yet the tide is not at the full. It is only fairly beginning to rise. And the needs, O the needs, but that is another story with its dark side.

W. W. Pinson.

Rev. Hugh Revely of Doddridge, Arkansas, writes us that he has for sale one gospel tent, near Benton, Ark. Cost \$90, will sell for \$25. The tent is 36x50 feet, and is about half worn. Also 14 folding chairs, 3 gasoline torches and two automatic oil torches. Anyone desiring a good tent should write Bro. Revely, at Doddridge, Ark. 12-2t

THE APRIL CENTURY AN ART NUMBER.

The Century Magazine is performing a public service in attempting to sum up the present situation in the art world, and to explain the whole sensational movement. As it is the Editor's opinion that no one person is capable of a thorough and judicious analysis of this kind, he has gathered about him in this project a group of men of eminence, each with an entirely different point of view. The April Century contains articles by these men with more than fifty illustrations, two of which are in full colors.

TERRIBLE TRAIN OF TROUBLES.

Lake Charles, La.—Mrs. E. Fournier, 516 Kirby street, says: "The month before I took Cardui, I could hardly walk. I had backache, headache, pain in my legs, chills, fainting spells, sick stomach, dragging feelings, and no patience or courage. Since taking Cardui, I have no more pains, can walk as far as I want to, and feel good all the time." Take Cardui and be benefitted by the peculiar herb ingredients which have been found so efficient for womanly ills. Cardui will relieve that backache, headache, and all the misery from which you suffer, just as it has done for others. Try Cardui.

MENA, ARK.

Our pastor, Francis N. Brewer, is again able to fill his pulpit with greater liberty and power than before. During his illness, which lasted about five weeks, we preached for him at 11 a. m. every Sunday and enjoyed preaching to large and intelligent congregations. We also enjoyed the nice pounding they gave us. It was a happy surprise. The good people, lead by Dr. Maxwell, brought many nice presents, saying "We have come to pound our new pastor because we appreciate him and have enjoyed his preaching." I send \$1 money order for Western Methodist renewal. My health is still improving and I hope to be able in the near future to do full work. With best wishes to all.

Yours fraternally,

3-10,14.

D. L. Hines.

EPILEPSY.

The following editorial appeared in the February issue of the Western Christian Union, written by the Rev. E. W. Pfaffenberger, editor.

A Specific Remedy for Epilepsy.

"The useful and beloved city missionary of St. Paul, Minn., has been our warm personal friend for many years. Some years since he wrote us that he had a son, who had been afflicted with epilepsy from childhood, and that, after trying many doctors, his son was finally completely cured of the fearful malady, by Dr. Towns, of Fond du Lac, Wis. We made a little editorial mention of this remarkable cure in the Western Christian Union at that time, which caused some of our afflicted friends to try the Dr. Towns' remedy. Not long afterward he began to receive voluntary grateful letters, profusely praising Dr. Towns and his remedy, and thanking us for having recommended the treatment. During all these years we have not had a single adverse criticism. And, of course, we have profound respect for Dr. Towns and his splendid remedy. Believing that we are rendering a Good Samaritan service for the afflicted, we make this little editorial comment, wholly of our own accord, and without money or price.

On account of the rapid growth in the work, Dr. Towns moved from Fond du Lac to Baltimore about two years ago. The firm name and address is: TOWNS REMEDY CO., 709 W. Baltimore, St., Baltimore, Md. 13-1t.

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Our Colleges

HENDRIX COLLEGE Y. M. C. A.

We feel that you are due to know something about the spiritual phase of Hendrix College life, that you may better understand what is trying to be done for real character building among Hendrix students.

We have just had a great spiritual revival in our student body, both students and faculty working together for the salvation of our boys.

We put the Y. M. C. A. first and strive to make it the dominating spirit here. We have devotional meetings each Sunday, midweek prayer meetings, and other group prayer meetings. We also keep up group Bible study and Mission study. Our motto now for next year is "Every Student a Christian Before Christmas." We are not willing that even one shall join our ranks and go away unsaved. We solicit your prayers and help to this end.

Until last spring our Y. M. C. A. room was poorly furnished. At that time we determined to make it an attractive meeting place. We furnished it with carpet, chairs, table, window curtains, and also repapered it. This cost over \$500, of which we still owe \$60.

Now the most imperative need of the Y. M. C. A. is a piano. The services cannot be made what they should be until we have an instrument to accompany the singing. We must have one.

We feel that you are interested in this great character building agency, and that you fully appreciate the great efforts that are continuously being made for all who matriculate in Hendrix College. And that you would like to have a part in carrying on this work. We therefore give you an opportunity to have a part in it, by contributing a small amount toward eliminating our debt and purchasing a piano for our Y. M. C. A. room. Give us any amount you feel free to and we assure you that it will be greatly appreciated.

We invite you to visit our College and see what we are trying to do. If you could see this band of hard working, consecrated, Christian young men daily working at this character building and soul saving process, we are sure that you would deem it a privilege, indeed, to have a part in it with us.

R. F. Shinn has been appointed by the Y. M. C. A. to solicit your contribution and please address your letters to him in care of Hendrix College.

Respectfully yours,
The Hendrix Y. M. C. A.
Roy Farr, President.

ATKINS, ARK.

Some special work has been done by our people since Conference. The best piece of work is the building of one of the most handsome parsonages in the Conference. It is a thing of beauty and we trust, a joy for years to come. The ladies have furnished it beautifully, expending about two hundred dollars for this purpose.

Many kindnesses have been shown us. Soon after our coming a pantry shower was given us, and the other day a linen shower of the most liberal kind. We have a new brick church and aforesaid parsonage free from debt. Now with a gracious revival we shall be well to the front in all things.

J. M. Williams, P. C.

THE METHODIST HOSPITAL, MEMPHIS, TENN.

Just Stopped to Whistle.

What is the matter with the average Methodist? Why is it he will not believe in possible progress save as he hears the beating of gongs, the clanging of bells, or the screaming of whistles?

Neither my flowers nor my vegetables shout their development, but they do not fail to delight us, the one with beauty and the other with nutriment.

Yet I am constantly meeting the clamorous demand: "Why don't you write up your Methodist Hospital work every week?" "Let the people know what you are doing." "Keep the papers full of it." "Tell the world about it." etc., etc. The brethren overlook those restaurants which furnish music with the evident intent of keeping the minds of their patrons off of what they are given to eat.

Now and then some long-visaged individual eyes me as if I were a sinner above all others (which is too true to be enjoyed when thus announced) and, poking his nose into my face, asks in dolorous tones: "Have you given up the hospital?"

"Given up the Methodist Hospital." Never in the world! The reason we haven't more time for bugle blowing is just that we are so busy GETTING IT UP. Evidently such brethren are not of the helping "WE."

Unfortunately there is only ONE of ME, and that one is slow and dull. If there were only a dozen of me, or twins at the least! Besides the field work I must do and the collection of the subscriptions as they fall due, over six thousand personal letters were sent out from my office last year.

I am just like Sam Jones' little steam boat which had to tie up to the bank whenever it wanted to whistle. Hence I prefer using steam for making headway. But it makes no difference if the boat must tie up and get delayed, she will have to whistle some for the sake of those dear fellows who will not believe she is getting anywhere unless she blows. So I tied up today to whistle. Listen! The signed up subscriptions to the Methodist Hospital now amount to more than \$111,000, of which \$30,000 have been paid. This does not count between twenty-five and thirty thousand dollars which is promised but not yet on the cards.

We are sure to have as pretty a site as can be found, and we expect to be at work on the building before long.

"How long?"

Oh, that depends on what passengers come aboard and what headway we are able to make between the tie ups for whistling.

H. M. Ellis, Field Sec'y.
Memphis, Tenn.

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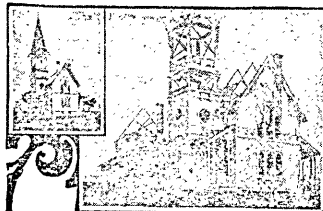
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"Have you found the heavenly light?
Pass it on.
Souls are grouping in the night,
Daylight gone.
Hold thy lighted lamp on high,
Be a star in some ones sky;
He may live who else would die.
Pass it on."
—The King's Messenger.

HOW MUCH WILL IT PROFIT OUR CHILDREN?

Through the press and from the platform and pulpit we are receiving many scientific facts for the social betterment of the human race.

Never before has any generation had such opportunities to learn the necessity for sobriety and godliness of life.

What Religion has taught for centuries is now being demonstrated by Science. "Whatsoever a man sows that shall he reap" applies to the physical as well as the spiritual life. Not only this, whatsoever a man sows shall prove a blessing or a curse to his posterity. Our program for March with the study on "Intemperance and the Individual" has brought these solemn and awful truths home to us.

Some of us never knew before how alcohol hardens the liver beyond repairment; paralyzes the nerves and often causes insanity of the one who drinks it. An egg put into a glass of whiskey becomes "cooked," and a chicken liver immersed in alcohol will become as hard as a rock.

This gives us some idea of the destructive effect alcohol has upon the tissues of the human organism when injected. Statistics from hospitals for the insane report many incurable cases caused by alcoholism. Worse still, the poor tortured drunkard entails physical and mental diseases, often incurable, upon his children and children's children.

Shall this woeful procession of humanity cursed by alcoholism go on forever? It is largely in the hands of the mothers of the race to stop it. Every boy and girl should know, in the first place, that whiskey stunts growth of the body; it prevents development of brainpower and wrecks the nervous system. No young man who indulges in strong drink can hope to succeed in life, for now efficiency

THICK, GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF

Girls! Try it! Hair gets soft, fluffy and beautiful—Get a 25 cent bottle of Danderine.

If you care for heavy hair that glitters with beauty and is radiant with life; has an incomparable softness and is fluffy and lustrous, try Danderine.

Just one application doubles the beauty of your hair, besides it immediately dissolves every particle of dandruff. You can not have nice heavy, healthy hair if you have dandruff. This destructive scurf robs the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life, and if not overcome it produces a feverishness and itching of the scalp; the hair roots famish, loosen and die; then the hair falls out fast. Surely get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store and just try it.

is required in every line of service. For a time railroads prohibited their employees from drinking while on duty, but later they say abstinence at all times is necessary for men who would think clearly and act promptly. And so it is in every department of business. The moderate drinker is universally declared inefficient. The only safe course is to let alcohol alone. Shall our children profit by what we have learned? We can no longer remain silent and be guiltless in the sight of God.

THANKS TO APPRECIATIVE FRIENDS.

A communication recently received for publication had at the bottom of the page "over," and on the other side we read these kindly words: "I enjoy our page so much and anxiously await it every week. I get so much information."

For this and similar expressions which have come now and then the editor of this department and the Press Supts. of the Arkansas and Oklahoma Conferences return grateful thanks. It is our desire to make this page indispensable to our co-workers, and kind words from them encourage and assist us more than they know.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Mrs. C. A. Evans, Pub. Supt.

From our Conference secretaries we have the following:

Our annual meeting to convene in the Methodist Church of Magnolia on Friday evening, May 1, promises to be one of great profit and much enjoyment.

Miss Mabel Head, Educational Secretary Woman's Missionary Council, Miss Willena Henry our Deaconess, and, possibly, other distinguished leaders.

SAGE TEA PUTS LIFE AND COLOR IN HAIR

Don't stay gray! Sage Tea and Sulphur darkens hair so naturally that nobody can tell.

You can turn gray, faded hair beautifully dark and lustrous almost overnight if you'll get a 50 cent bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy" at any drug store. Millions of bottles of this old, famous Sage Tea Recipe are sold annually, says a well-known druggist here, because it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that no one can tell it has been applied.

Those whose hair is turning gray, becoming faded, dry, scraggly and thin have a surprise awaiting them, because after one or two applications the gray hair vanishes and your locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful—all dandruff goes, scalp itching and falling hair stops.

This is the age of youth. Gray-haired, unattractive folks aren't wanted around, so get busy with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur to-night and you'll be delighted with your dark, handsome hair and your youthful appearance within a few days.

ers will be in attendance. Dr. Jno. Cline, president of our Suchow University in China will preach the annual sermon. The memorial service will be held Saturday morning and the names of all auxiliary members who have died since our meeting in 1913 are desired. The District Secs. are to secure, if possible, a delegate, who may represent both Home and Foreign depts from every auxiliary in the conference.

The names of these delegates should be sent in at once to Mrs. T. B. Gant, Magnolia, Ark., that homes may be assigned without confusion. The good people of Magnolia will sustain their reputation for charming hospitality, and do much besides to add to the success of the meeting under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. A. Turrentine.

"Conquering Through Christ," Rom. 8:37, is to be the key note of this meeting, and we are to consider the army of conquest and the fields awaiting it. Let us come together for renewed consecration, fresh inspiration and a broader vision of missions.

Mrs. W. H. Pemberton,
Sec. Home Dept.
Mrs. George Thornburgh,
Sec. Foreign Dept.

Little Rock Conference Pledge for 1914.

Eight thousand dollars for Home and Foreign Missions this year is what we must raise on our Conference Pledge!

Last year we raised on our pledge for Home Missions \$2,555.59 and for Foreign Missions \$3,690.43, which was a considerable and gratifying advance over the previous year. We can do better this year because we understand better how necessary this pledge money is for the extension of missionary work by our council. Let us not fall short of \$3,000 for Home and \$5,000 for Foreign Missions this year. Certainly, we can raise the \$8,000 if we keep at it and get a few more women to help us. Some auxiliaries have made fine pledges to this fund. Let us all do so.

A "Blue Ribbon" District—Monticello. Seven posters for our Publicity Display! Monticello district furnished four. The Young People's Auxiliary sent an attractive water color sketch on "The New America," made by Eric Hardy.

"We have a splendid society at Warren. It is well organized, and the members are earnest and enthusiastic."—Mrs. Louis Ederington.

"The Eudora auxiliary has paid church and parsonage insurance for three years. It has also papered, lighted and carpeted the church. Expenditures for other improvements, \$20.65. One member is supporting an orphan (Continued on Next Page.)

WEAK, COLD SPELLS.

Wilmington, N. C.—Mrs. Cora L. Ritter, of this place, says: "I used to have headaches, and blind dizzy spells, and weak cold spells went all over me. I had different doctors, but they were unable to tell me what was wrong, so I began to take Cardui. I am now all right, in good health, and better than I have been for 10 years." Cardui is a remedy for women, which has been helping sick women for nearly a lifetime. You can absolutely rely upon it. Other people have done the testing, and you should profit by their experience. Cardui has benefited a million women. Why not you? Begin taking Cardui today.

Swamp Chill and Fever Cure takes the place of calomel. All druggists.

YOUR FRECKLES

Need Attention In February and March or Face Will Stay Covered.

Now is the time to take special care of the complexion if you wish it to look well the rest of the year. The February and March winds have a strong tendency to bring out freckles that may stay all Summer unless removed. Now is the time to use othine—double strength.

This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful that it is sold by your druggist under guarantee to refund the money if it fails. Get an ounce of othine—double strength, and even a few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the smaller freckles even vanishing entirely.

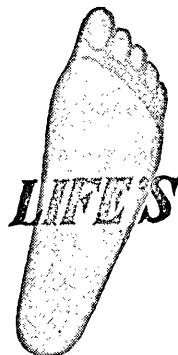
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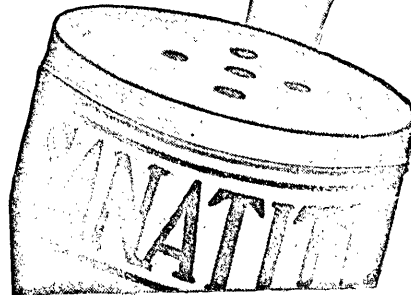
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and has given 25 garments for charitable purposes."—Mrs. W. W. Ward.

In Arkadelphia district nine of the fourteen auxiliaries are not united. Arkadelphia and Malvern societies have reported a year full of work, exceeding their pledges. Dalark and Princeton, the smaller, are faithful. All are on the upward trend. Amount raised in three quarters, \$1,669.07.—Mrs. J. H. Reeves, Sec.

"Thornton auxiliary is increasing in numbers and interest. The members are studying China's New Day."—Mrs. J. F. Simmons.

"Our Circles and Mission Study class in First Church auxiliary have promoted growth and interest more than any other factors. The Circles are well organized with active chairmen. All departments are doing good work."—Mrs. C. S. Swartzel, Pub. Supt.

IN HIS NAME.

"Do all the good you can
To all the people you can,
In all the ways you can,
Just as long as you can."

Miss Bertha Attaway, who went to China in September, writes: "China appeals to me in a thousand ways—as interesting, attractive, romantic, tremendous, and needy a land as the human mind and heart could wish for service. If I as an independent individual were seeking the most interesting place in the world for a dwelling place, I should in my present state of experience most unhesitatingly choose China. It is a storybook land. I love it all—ancient, medieval, and modern—as it can be seen here. Shanghai sets my pulse dancing. I feel myself in the very heart beat of the world on Nanking Road (the principal street in Shanghai) and revel in every moment I spend in that wonderful cosmopolitan city. The women, girls, and children I loved at first sight. My heart's desire is to bring these people to a knowledge of Christ."

OUR JAPANESE ACTIVITIES IN CALIFORNIA.

Eight adult Japanese were baptized in 1913 at Mary Helm Hall. The woman's Bible class enrolls forty-five, and there were twenty-four children who did not miss a single session of the Sabbath school during the year. At Oakland the work prospers, while in several towns our converts have established Bible classes and religious and social centers.

HOMER TOBERMAN CLINIC.

The Homer Toberman Clinic at Los Angeles was opened in March, 1913, and in nine months 1,708 patients

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were treated. The missionary nurse made 1,246 visits to the homes of the sick and needy. The Homer Toberman Co-operative Home cared for 52 young women in seven months. The people are surely being reached at Los Angeles by the women who go out "in His name."

IN DARKEST AFRICA.

Nineteen years ago Mr. Joseph Clark, of Ikoko, on the Upper Congo, visited Mataka and was received by a crowd of cannibals. For a time his life was in great danger, but the sight of Mrs. Clark and her small baby so claimed the attention of the savages that they forgot their violent plans. Soon after this two Congo State officers and a number of soldiers were killed by the people of this same village. In July, 1913, Mr. Clark again visited Mataka to baptize five new converts. After the service fifty gathered at the Lord's table to commemorate his death. There are 35 evangelists and many teacher-missionaries now at work in this territory.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

Rev. W. J. Moore, Chairman.
THE STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The Twenty-first International State Sunday School Convention met in the goodly city of El Reno, Okla., on the 17th inst., and closed on the 19th. It was one of the largest and most satisfactory conventions we have ever attended in the state. Delegates were there from nearly every county in the state to get the good things that had been provided for them.

There were about 1,000 enrolled delegates, and, perhaps, 500 more who attended some of the sessions.

The program had been carefully worked out by General Secretary Nichols and the committee, and a strong array of talent presented the various topics lucidly and helpfully. Our own Dr. and Mrs. Hamill were with us, and rendered most satisfactory service.

Besides the general addresses and conferences held in the main auditorium, special conferences were held on Missions in the Sunday school and on the elementary work.

We came to this convention with all our financial obligations fully met, and a small amount with which to begin the work of another year.

This chairman was again given a high place of honor, service and responsibility.

THE JUNIOR CHURCH.

The idea of a Junior Church, or congregation, is attracting quite a good deal of attention at this time. It indicates one thing, if no more, that our people are awaking more and more to the necessity and responsibility of taking care of the young people. It is a good omen. And they will be more interested as they understand the plan and the purpose of the movement. Read carefully the articles from Rev. E. R. Welch as they appear in the papers.

If our pastors can do no more toward carrying out the plan they can set apart one service each month, and hold it in the interest of the young people. Try it.

A GOOD MOTTO.

No man who is satisfied with his attainments as a Sunday school worker, or with the progress of his school, ought to be placed in position of leadership in any way. It is the man who has the vision of unfolding possibilities

of childhood and youth, who sees that the Sunday school of today will be the church of tomorrow, and who aspires to be and to do the best for and in the Kingdom of God—that is the man for whom we should look. There is nothing that should inspire a man more to do his best than the Sunday school.

And yet there are some who seem to be satisfied with an indifferent sort of service. Rather let our motto be:

"Good, better, best;
But never let it rest
Until good is better,
And the better is best."

There are enrolled in the Sunday schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church 4,326,934 persons.

Mrs. Hamill says that "90 per cent of the spiritual instruction and training is given in the Sunday school." Does not that one fact make the Sunday school worth while?

Wynnewood, Okla.

SAVES LITTLE CHICKS.

Mr. C. O. Woods, a poultry raiser of 305 West Third St., Lee's Summit, Mo., is using a simple solution which he says cures White Diarrhoea and bowel trouble in chicks and little turkeys over night and saves practically every one hatched. He will be glad to tell anyone interested of this remedy which can be easily prepared at home by anyone. 12-2t.

A few drops of oil will often set the machinery to running, when a tun of vinegar would only corrode the wheels and canker the movements.

DRYDEN, OKLA.

We had a good day Sunday, good attendance, attention and fine weather. I preached at 11 on the subject of Home Missions, and Bro. Cole, the chairman of our Committee on Missions, a true man of God, and faithful to the cause entrusted to him, looked well after the financial part and raised our Home and Conference Missions assessments in full, spot cash, and turned it all over to the pastor. This preacher feels good over yesterday's success. The Lord was certainly with us.

Medcalf leads all the points on Dryden charge so far in the finances ordered by the Annual Conference. I sincerely hope that the other three points will take notice and follow their example in this matter. Brethren let's do our best and leave the results in the hands of the Lord.

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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.)

ARKADELPHIA, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

How are you all this cold weather? Just fine I hope. Papa takes the Western Methodist and I like to read it. I go to school every day I can. I am 11 years old and am in the fifth grade. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. I am a member of the Methodist Church. Our pastor's name is Bro. Colson. He is a good preacher. For pets I have a little sister nearly two years old. I must close.

From your friend,
2-14-14. Francis Hunter.

CADDO, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

My sister takes the Western Methodist and I read the cousin's letters. This will be the first letter I have noticed from Caddo. I am eight years old. Today is Valentine day. I received three pretty valentines. I go to Sunday school most every Sunday. We have a large Sunday school and a wide awake superintendent. We are having our parsonage remodeled. It needed it very much. We have a five-piece orchestra in our choir. Our pastor is Bro. Roberts. We had a Christmas tree at the church and Santa gave me a cow boy suit. We have a new automobile. I will answer Marjorie McDonald's riddle. It is a water melon. Who can answer this? How many chapters in the Bible? Wake up, boys! The girls are writing the most letters.

Your new cousin,
2-14-14. Arthur Yates.

MINERAL SPRINGS, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you let another little Arkansas girl join your happy band of cousins? I am a little girl eight years old. Papa takes the Western Methodist and I am always anxious to read the children's page. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My Sunday school teacher's name is Mrs. Suda Smith. I go to school every day and am in the fourth grade and my school teacher's name is Miss Carrie Bradford. I like her fine. Our pastor's name is Bro. Mullins. For pets I have a little black dog. I will guess Sallie Cheatham's riddle to be an egg. Love to all.

2-5, 14. Gladys Whitten.

VANOSS, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

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Olin White.

PARAGOULD, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

I go to the Methodist Sunday school and our pastor is Bro. H. E. May. My Sunday school teacher is Miss Edna May Milwee. I am ten years old and am in the fifth grade. This is my first letter. If I see this in print I will write again.

Lenora Peterson.

(I believe this is the first Paragould letter I have had.—Miss Hazel.)

FOUKE, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

My father takes the Western Methodist, and I enjoy reading the children's page. As some of the other cousins are describing themselves, I will do so. I have dark eyes, brown hair. I weigh 100 pounds. My age is between 10 and 14. Any one who can guess my age will receive a present. I guess May Denton's age is 14. As this is my first time I will close with a riddle. What goes up stairs on its head?

Your new cousin,
-Ruby Idella Kerr.

ROCKY, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

It has been some time since I have

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written to the Methodist. Sister and I wrote together. But God has called her home. I am so lonely without my sister, she and I had great times. We cannot call her back but we can go to her. Some of the readers know what a sweet Christian girl she was. I want to live a good Christian life as my sister did. My little baby sister is 15 months old. She is lots of company to me. My grandma lives with us but she is spending the winter on the coast. Papa is the pastor of this town. I like to live here. We have a good school here and I like my teacher. I am in the fourth grade. I will close for fear of the waste basket.

2-14-14. Hugh Hawkins.

JESTER, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

My papa takes the Western Methodist and I enjoy reading the children's page very much. I have blue eyes, blonde hair, and fair complexion. I am ten years old. Mima Heathercoat, I will answer your question. It is the 117th Psalm. I like Sunday school. I go every Sunday I can. I am in the fifth grade and I like my teacher fine. His name is Prof. Sims. I have five brothers and five sisters and one pet. It is a cat. I will close, hoping to see this in print.

Your new cousin,
3-12-14. Thelma Banks.

MT. ELBA, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

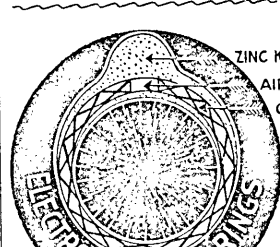
Will you let another little Arkansas boy join your happy band? My papa takes the Western Methodist. I am 13 years of age. I enjoy reading the children's page very much. I am going to school. My teacher's name is Miss Pearl Armstrong. I like her very much. I like to go to school. How many of you like to go opossum hunting? I do. I live about 15 miles from Texarkana. I am a farmer's boy. I love the farm and enjoy riding horseback. I must close.

Your new cousin,
2-19-14. Otie Kemp.

EGGER, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

As I have been reading the letters in the Western Methodist and enjoyed it very much. I have a great desire to write one myself and I hope it will miss the waste basket. I am 13 years old. I like to go to school, and I like my teacher, Mr. Dunn, very much. I also go to Sunday school every Sunday and enjoy studying the Bible. My teacher is Mrs. Lonnada Philkots. I live one mile from the Ouachita river and I will be glad when the pretty



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LEAGUE PAGE

"ALL FOR CHRIST."

WARING SHERWOOD Editor

APRIL 5.

A SONG OF "GOD'S ANCIENT RAPTURE."

By Dr. John A. Kern, in Epworth Era. (Ps. lxx. 9-13; Song of Sol. ii. 11-13.)

The rapture of creative power and love! Does a word recall that ancient day of which it is written that "God saw everything that he had done, and behold, it was very good?" Let it also remind us that this everliving God is the life of his creation today as truly as on any day that has dawned. But for him, indeed, no day could ever dawn.

Think not of this wonderful world as having been created by almighty power and then left to itself. Think of it as an ever new expression of the Eternal Mind, which is the same evermore. Did God make the sun rise in the beginning? Assuredly. But how came it to rise this morning, and why may we expect it to rise tomorrow? Jesus says that it is God's sun and that he makes it rise day by day.

Now it is springtime in that faraway land where the psalm for this early April day was first sung and in our own land as well that tells most sweetly and exaltingly of the perpetual life-giving God. The sun is claiming into the higher heavens, and out of apparent death the earth, arraying herself in leaf and bloom, makes promise of the oncoming wealth of the harvest. It is then that the "hills are girded with joy" and all nature seems vocal with a glad new song unto the Lord. Unto him, because it is he indeed—not nature but nature's Eternal Cause; not the spring, but the Source of the spring—that is Maker and Giver of it

all. "Thou visitest the earth and waterest it;" "Thou providest them grain;" "Thou blessest the springing thereof;" Thou crownest the year with thy goodness, and thy paths drop fatness."

Hence it is not irreverent or unfitting to say that in such a time "God renews his ancient rapture."

The spring makes its appeal through the senses, both the bodily senses and the higher senses of the soul. "The flower appear on the earth."

Herb and shrub and sturdy trees are clothed with their inimitable loveliness. Does any one disregard them because they cannot be eaten or worn? Let him remember that they are at work at all the time to produce these very necessities of life. No flowers, no fruit.

No wonder that the poet Chaucer should tell us that when the month of May came he would rise early in the morning and get down on his knees in the meadow to see his favorite flower, the daisy, unfold its petals to the light, and that the "blessed sight softeneth all my sorrow." Did God ever speak to psalmist and wise men through springing grain and blossoming fig tree and singing birds of their native land? In like manner would he speak to his men and women in England and Japan.

The God of the blossoming earth is the God of the soul. It is for the sake of his human world, then, that something of the gladness and glory of God is shown in the newborn year. And it is from the soul that the responsive song of joyful praise must rise. Here, in the nature psalm which is our subject of meditation on this day of the Lord—

"The pastures are clothed with flocks, The valleys also are covered over with grain,

They shout for joy, they also sing."

It is not the pastures or the flocks that are shouting for joy; it is a man who in the sights and sounds of a Palestinian springtime has caught a vision of the goodness of the Lord to

him and his fellows in the land of the living.

Earth, therefore, in all the glory of her spring time is but "deaf" and "blind" and a "servant to the higher," even to man, who can be made to hear the voice of God, to see the vision of his truth, and to say in reverent love and obedience: "Our Father who art in heaven." "If God doth so clothe the grass of the field... shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?" For, as the Psalmist says: "The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his loving kindness."

And the spring time of leaf and blossom that is coming all about us now from day to day can do no higher service than to help bring into our lives that springtime of the soul in which our God himself will rejoice and be glad. O to have him approve us, to have him take pleasure in us, to be a rejoicing to the God who made us.

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March 29.

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The Lesson.

How hard it must have been to get all the tares from the wheat even after all was cut! But to have good clean pure flour no tares could be ground with it; for as we are told the tares are very bad for being eaten. How

the people must have hated the enemy who sowed the tares.

All about us are growing evil influences that are the fruit of the sale of liquor; in China the out come of opium traffic; and in Africa of witchcraft. The evil one, who started these things is working hard to keep them. We can pray God to help us put them down. We can refuse to use anything containing alcohol; and send out money to help missionaries in China Africa, where but little has been done.

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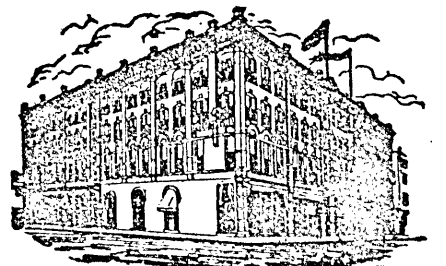
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WALDRON.—Mrs. Flora Gertrude Waldron (nee Wilson) departed this life March 2, 1914, at her father's home near Middlebrook, Ark., age 38 years, five months and six days. She had been at the brink of death for several weeks. All that medical skill and loving care could do failed to bring relief. Her spirit took its flight just as the day was closing and the shades of darkness was covering the earth. But thank God, we truly believe that it was the beginning of a greater and brighter day to her. She early in life gave her heart to the Lord and became a member of the M. E. Church, South at Siloam. She lived a devoted Christian, was kind, congenial and helpful to every one. She leaves a companion, five little children and a house of relatives and friends to mourn her loss. May God bless her broken hearted companion and children. Her body was laid to rest in Siloam burying grounds.

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In early manhood he joined the Methodist Church, which he served half century, both as a member and an official. Bro. Gatling has been called "the father of Methodism in this section of country." By his death the church loses one of its most faithful members and officials; the Sunday school its superintendent; the town one of its most enterprising citizens and mayor; the wife a devoted husband; the children a noble father.

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Jas. F. Jernigan.

THOMAS.—Ive Lenore, infant daughter of Isaac and Minnie Bell Thomas, was born Aug. 4, 1913, died Feb. 14, 1914. On Feb. 2, her head and right arm were frightfully burned. No tongue can describe her suffering, but she is now where suffering cannot come. Our precious ones who died in childhood are saved by Him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." We will meet her in the Great Day. God bless the parents.

Hugh Beverly.

PATTON.—Jessie Patton was born Aug. 5, 1888, was murdered Feb. 26, 1914. He professed religion last year at Doddridge and united with the church at Olive Branch, and lived a consistent Christian, as I have heard nothing but good of him. His tragic death was a great shock to the people, but they had religion and self respect enough to let the law take its course. His father and mother preceded him in death and he leaves four sisters and three brothers. May God bless the sad ones, and bring peace to their hearts. After the funeral services the burial was conducted by the Odd Fellows.

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TWEEDIE.—Mary Hague Tweedie was born in Virginia, April 16, 1842; the daughter of John and Mary Lemley. Her childhood was surrounded with the best of Christian influences, and under the care of a noble mother she grew to womanhood predisposed to faith in Christ. At an early age she joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for over sixty years adhered to its principles. For many years she was a teacher in the public schools in Virginia, where her parents moved in 1868.

In 1880 she was united in marriage with John W. Tweedie; the union was a happy one, and their home was ever open to the wayfarer and the widow and the orphan found no stint in the portion that was rendered them. To this union one child was born, Guy Tweedie of Summers, who cared for his mother since the death of her husband in 1898. The family removed to Westville, Okla., in 1904, and Mrs. Tweedie became a leader in the societies and membership of the M. E. Church, South. About three years ago she removed with her son to near Summers, Ark. Here as was her custom, she took an active interest in church matters. Some two weeks ago Sister Tweedie contracted a severe cold, which developed into Lagrippe. She had partially recovered, but relapsed. Her death occurred Feb. 27. We, among whom her last earthly ministrations were rendered, feel her loss and with sorrow we witnessed the end. She was laid to rest in the cemetery near Summers by her pastor.

H. A. Armstrong.

ROBERTS.—Otis Roberts, son of Rev. J. A. Roberts and wife, was born March 26, 1893. He joined the Methodist Church at Beebe, Ark., at the age of twelve. He was at home with his parents till he joined the United States Navy, at Newport, Va., in May, 1911. The naval fleet, with which he was connected, was in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, when Otis was taken sick. After being sick some time he was removed from the ship and taken to the Naval hospital on the island of Cuba, where he died on the 11th of February, 1914. His mates, the officers, and the chaplain of the ship gave his parents very strong and very substantial expressions of the esteem in which they held him. He was obedient to those in authority, faithful to duty, and upright and honorable in his conduct. Though Otis died away from home, in the bloom of his young manhood, yet his parents have a great deal to encourage them. We trust that he has gone out into that land where sorrow and disappointment never come. The sorrowing parents, brothers and sister, have the sympathy and prayers of their many friends.

His friend,

A. F. Skinner.

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LAWTON, OKLA.

The "Mired Wheel" is beginning to yield, and Lawton station bids fair to come out of the bog. Since Conference we have raised a \$1,600 parsonage debt that has been hanging for six years, and expect to have a "Mortgage Burning" in the very near future, at which time we shall inaugurate a forward movement along all lines. One who has not lived in this drouth-stricken country can not appreciate the difficulty of raising this amount at this, the tax paying season; but it is done, and the people breathe a sigh of relief. To the good women is due a large part of the credit for the success of the undertaking, for they worked and prayed and subscribed until practically the whole membership was enlisted, and then it was done. Our Woman's Missionary Society has made splendid progress, and is working loyally, harmoniously and religiously in every department. The Senior League has held up remarkably well, and with the deeper spirit of consecration that marks the lives of many of our young people as a result of the recent meeting, we expect them to do a greater work. The Junior League, recently organized under the superintendency of Sister Old, is growing and increasing in interest, and with the inauguration of the "Junior Church" last Sunday, we confidently look for the League to do an unparalleled work among our juniors. Now that some of the chief obstacles to progress are removed, we expect to push the Sunday school work more assiduously, which is just now beginning to feel the impulses of the forward movement; we hope to be able to report double attendance by conference. Every department of the work has marked a slow, steady advance in interest, attendance and effect, but we reached the crest of previous attainment in a three weeks revival, recently closed, under the preaching of Rev. J. A. Old, our new presiding elder. The principal work done was within the church, and O, how it was needed! So far as known, there were only three conversions outside the church, but a large part of the membership, prior to the meeting, had either lost their experience, or else had never had any to lose, and here the work was done. Just how many were reclaimed and saved, just how many made reconsecrations—eternity alone will tell. The character of work done by Bro. Old was sane, solid and substantial. The preaching was strong, direct, definite and convincing. The fundamentals, Justification by Faith, Witness of the Spirit, and Holiness of Heart and Life were emphasized. Bro. Old's preaching is eminently satisfactory; and his work, whether as preacher or presiding elder, is emphatically evangelistic. He and his noble family have commended themselves to the esteem and affection of the city and the district. His work starts off well.

C. D. Montgomery, P. C.

NOBLE, OKLA.

In an issue of the Methodist a short time back, Bro. S. in writing an article with reference to our meeting at this place, took occasion to say some complimentary things about me, which I personally appreciate, but at the same time feel constrained to say that it is not myself that "brings things to pass." It is only the "peculiar mercies of God" toward me that grants any measure of success to the work "committed to my trust." To Him is all the glory, all the praise, all the honor, both now and forever.

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We are having quite a struggle on this work on account of smallpox. I have been shut off from some of my appointments almost all the year, which makes it hard on both pastor and people and the end is not yet. It is thought by some that the worst is over, but it has crippled the work to an irreparable extent, but I am hoping that praying that all difficulties will be removed in the near future. I feel sad and discouraged as I write this, for I know what it means to be hindered the first part of the year. But "all things work together for good to them that love God," so it may be well in the end. Where I have been able to reach my appointments we have had good congregations and a good interest. But just think, people without preaching for three or four months, and then soon the regular

rounds of protracted meetings on a large circuit. Brethren who read this breath a prayer for us and if you get time write me a few lines.

Your brother,

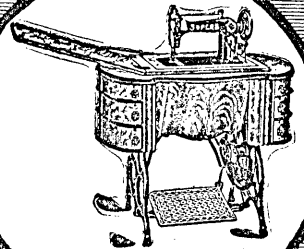
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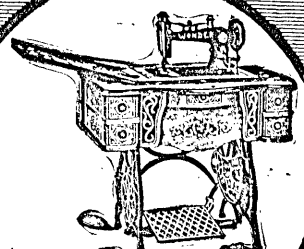
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Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts of Washington, D. C., will be in Little Rock, April 28-30, to attend the State Sunday school convention and will address the business men of the city on civic affairs. Dr. Crafts is at the head of the International Reform Bureau in Washington and is in constant demand in all parts of the world, having just returned from the German and Swiss conferences. Notice of the meeting will be given later.

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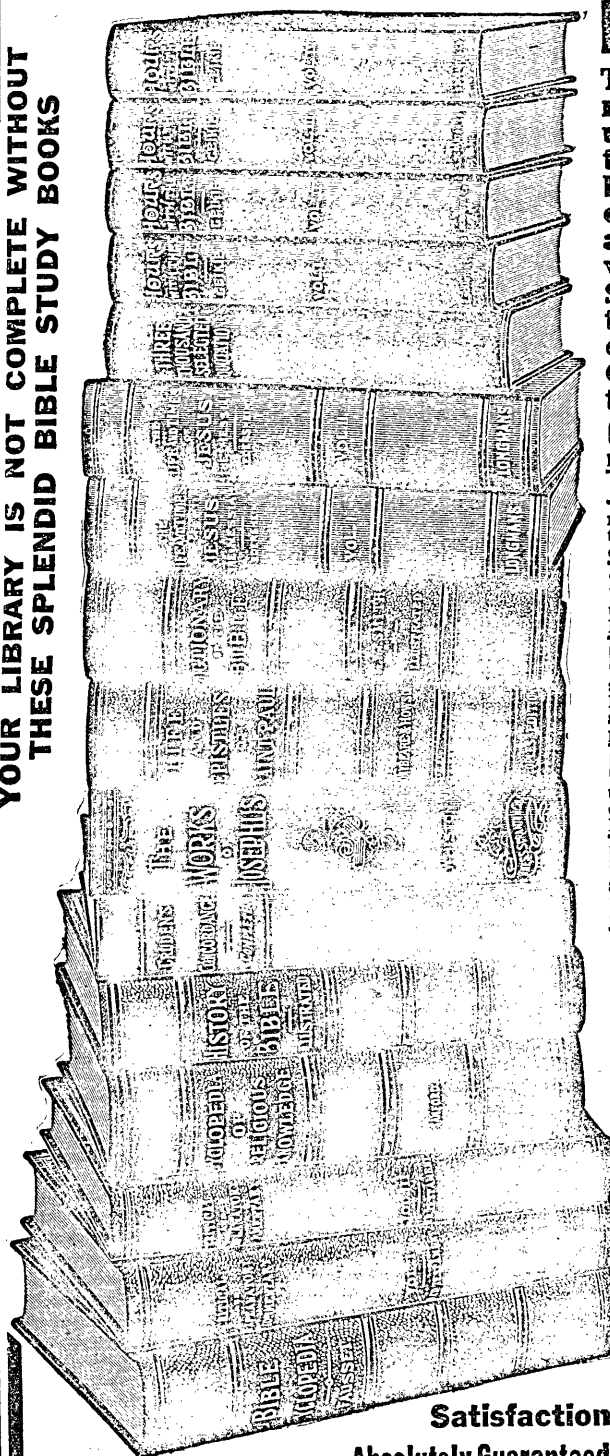
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plished, souls saved and the church taking higher ground. Our finances are slow. We have the best of an excuse for this but our motto is for this year, every thing in full.

Our second quarterly conference will be held on April 11, when we hope to rejoice the heart of the "smiling Irishman" by having a good report. Then we hope for a good district conference and a pleasant trip to General Conference. May the Good Father help our delegates to stop all this rag chewing that is going on through the press for all time to come (Amen,

Editor.) It puts me in mind of the "Bull Moose" party trying to get a platform together for the next fight. What's the matter with the best church on earth anyhow?

Well I'm not a member of this great Conference, but they all have my hearty sympathy if they have to take action on every thing that has been suggested through the different papers of the church. May our prayers be for the best things to be done and may God help us to greater accomplishments in this our own territory. With love to all the brethren and a

prayer for our greater success, I am, Fraternally,

C. W. Craig.

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