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GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTES.

The opening session of the Seventeenth General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, was called to order Wednesday, May 6, by Bishop A. W. Wilson, senior Bishop of the Church. In his opening remarks the Bishop said:

"Brethren, the Conference will be opened with the stroke of a gavel reminiscent of those who have gone before us. The daughter of Bishop Paine of Georgia has sent for the opening service a gavel made of a cedar tree that shadowed the window of Bishop Paine's study, and requests that it be used in opening the General Conference. We are glad to be reminded of those who have gone before us. We have a goodly heritage from them. Recollections of their services and sacrifices ought to stimulate us, and, at the same time, ought to make us cautious, deliberate, wise, lest we spoil the work of their hands. I pray that the blessing of God may rest upon all our deliberations and that we may have grace, wisdom, and power from on high."

Bishop Waterhouse announced Hymn 560, "And Are We Yet Alive" etc.

Bishop Murrah offered the opening prayer.

Bishops Denny, Kilgo, McCoy and Dr. Jno H. McLean took part in the opening exercises.

A. F. Watkins, of Mississippi, the secretary of the last General Conference, called the roll, after which he was unanimously elected secretary for the present session.

The Episcopal address was read by Bishop W. A. Candler who wrote it, and was received as one of the clearest, timeliest and most statesmanlike deliverances ever submitted to our General Conference.

Among the memorials presented to the Conference were the following:

Arkansas Conference:

Memorial on Boundaries, referred to the Committee on Boundaries.

On the Vanderbilt Situation, referred to the Committee on Vanderbilt University.

Little Rock Conference:

On the Readmission and Reception of Ministers from Other Churches.

On Raising Standard of Education, to the Committee on Education.

On Episcopal Residences, to the Committee on Itinerancy.

On the Expression "Holy Catholic Church," to the Committee on Revisals.

On Making of Boundaries, to the Committee on Boundaries.

On Removing Phrase "Holy Catholic Church" from the Creed and substituting "Christ's Holy Church," to the Committee on Revisals.

West Oklahoma:

On Change of Church Name, to the Committee on Revisals.

On Representation in Districts in Annual Conferences, to the Committee on Revisals.

On Relation of Superannuate Preachers, to the Committee on Itinerancy.

Concerning Educational Institutions, to the Committee on Education.

Woman's Missionary Council Concerning Laity Rights, to the Committee on Revisals.

Memorial on Junior Churches.

White River Conference:

On Appointment of Assessment for Education, to the Committee on Education.

On Classification of Colleges, to the Committee on Education.

East Oklahoma Conference:

The Committee on Missions to Create an Indian Mission.

On the Change of Name, to the Committee on Revisals.

ing Washington City Delegation, to the Committee on Church Relations.

ning the Course of Study, to the Committee on Revisals.

urning the Use of Tobacco, to the Committee on Temperance and Social Service.

On the Vanderbilt University Controversy, to the Special Committee.

Tribute to Dr. Hunter.

Rev. W. P. Whaley in presenting a gavel to the Conference said:

"Bishop, in the name of the Little Rock Conference I wish to present this gavel in memory of Rev. Andrew Hunter, D.D., for sixty-six years the foremost citizen of Arkansas and the leading Methodist preacher of that state. He was born in Ireland one hundred years ago last December. He came to the United States when he was four years old. At twenty-three he came to Missouri. At twenty-four he came to Oklahoma to teach in a mission school which the Methodists had established for Indians. In the same year, 1835, he was licensed to preach by a quarterly conference composed of Indians. He preached his first sermon to a congregation of Indians, and in the fall of 1836 he joined the Arkansas Conference, which included all the State of Arkansas, one large district in Oklahoma, and other territory. For sixty-six years he preached the gospel all over Arkansas. He was for fifty years regularly a member of this General Conference. Five times, in the absence of the bishop, he presided over his own Conference. In 1867 he was elected a United States Senator, but declined to take the ironclad oath. In 1872 he was nominated for Governor of the State, but he said that no office within the gift of the people was equal to the high calling of a Methodist preacher. This gavel was made by his grandson, R. Hunter Field, from a cherry tree that shaded the porch of Dr. Andrew Hunter's home in Collegeville. The grandson says: 'My prayer is what I know my grandfather's would be—that the Holy Spirit may prompt in all the deliberations of your body.'"

The Bishop: "Brethren, I accept, in behalf of the General Conference, this gavel reminding us of that honored man, who did his part in laying the foundation of Christian civilization in this State of Oklahoma—a man of great personal dignity, of great force of character, and a most useful minister of the gospel."

But little business was transacted during the first week of the Conference, other than the organization work. We hope to give our readers some account of the work being done by the Conference in our next issue.

Bishop Lambuth and Other Missionaries.

The presence of a number of missionaries at the General Conference is a feature of the occasion. J. W. Cline, Soochow, China; S. A. Stewart, Hiroshima, Japan; J. L. Gerdine, Seoul, Korea; J. W. Terrell, South Brazil; R. C. Elliott, J. A. Phillips, and D. W. Carter, of Mexico, and E. E. Clements, of Cuba, are in attendance. Bishop W. R. Lambuth has just returned from Africa, where he went with three missionaries and their wives to plant the Congo mission. There is universal rejoicing over his safe return, and he will be heard during the Conference with great delight.—Daily Advocate.

LIVES OF THE BISHOPS.

In the following table will be found the men who have served the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as bishops. There have been 36 men elected to the episcopacy of whom 14 are living. Of the living bishops, Bishop E. D. Mouzon of Texas is the youngest, being now about forty-four years old. He was elected when he was forty. Bishop McCoy of Alabama is next to the youngest, having been

forty-one when he was elected four years ago. Bishop Joseph S. Key of Sherman, Texas, is the oldest bishop in point of years, being now in his eighty-fifth year. He was elected in 1886. Bishop A. W. Wilson of Baltimore, while not as old in years as Bishop Key, his age now being eighty years, is called the "Senior Bishop," because he has been a bishop longer than any man in the church, having been elected in 1882. Of the four bishops elected at that conference, he is the sole survivor. He is still on the active list, but Bishop Key is superannuated.

Another interesting fact is noted in that Bishops J. C. Granbery and R. K. Hargrove were almost exact contemporaries. Both were born in 1829, both were elected bishops in 1882, and the former died at the age of seventy-seven and the latter at seventy-six. Of the four bishops who were born in 1829, Bishops Granbery, Hargrove, Key and Fitzgerald, only Bishop Key of Texas is among the living.

Another striking fact in connection with lives of Methodist bishops is the high average of the length of the lives of those who have died being just about sixty-eight years.

Bishop Bascom, who was elected in 1850, died in the same year, as did Bishop Tigert, elected in 1906. Bishop Ward of Houston, elected at the same time with Bishop Tigert, lived only three years after election. Bishop Joshua Soule, the first bishop after the separation of the church in 1844, holds the record thus far for tenure of office, his term lasting for forty-six years.

Our Bishops.

(1)—Age when elected bishop.

(2)—Age at death.

(*)—Still living.

EPISCOPAL STATISTICS.

Name	1	2
Joshua Soule	43	86
J. O. Andrews	37	76
William Capers	56	65
Robert Payne	46	82
H. B. Bascom	54	54
G. F. Pierce	43	73
John Early	68	87
H. H. Kavanaugh	52	82
W. M. Wightman	58	74
E. M. Marvin	43	54
D. S. Dogget	56	70
H. M. McTyeire	41	64
J. C. Keener	51	87
A. W. Wilson*	48	—
Linus Parker	52	55
J. C. Granbery	52	77
R. Hargrove	52	76
W. W. Duncan	47	69
C. B. Galloway	37	60
E. R. Hendrix*	39	—
J. S. Key*	57	—
A. G. Haygood	51	57
O. P. Fitzgerald	61	82
W. A. Candler*	41	—
H. C. Morrison*	56	—
E. E. Hoss*	53	—
A. C. Smith	53	57
J. J. Tigert	50	50
Seth Ward	48	51
J. A. Atkins*	56	—
Collins Denny*	56	—
J. C. Kilgo*	48	—
W. B. Murrah*	57	—
W. R. Lambuth*	54	—
J. H. McCoy*	41	—
E. D. Mouzon*	40	—
R. G. Waterhouse*	54	—

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Rev. M. C. Hays is assisting Rev. D. A. Dawson in a series of special services at Weleetka, Okla.

In our Southern Methodist Mission in Japan there is about one woman worker, Japanese or missionary, to 35,000 women.

Rev. J. A. Sage, P. E., Pine Bluff District, called at this office this week and reported everything prosperous in his district.

Rev. D. A. Dawson, our pastor at Weleetka, Okla., preached the Commencement Sermon for the Oke-mah (Okla.) High school Sunday, May 10.

Quite a stir was created in the General Conference when a petition protesting against laity rights for women was presented from Memphis, Tenn., signed by 480 women.

Rev. Boone L. Wilford pastor, Newport, passed through this office last week enroute to General Conference. He reports everything prosperous in his city and church.

Mr. Homer W. Priest and Miss Fay Thomas of Tangier, Okla., were united in matrimony on the seventh day of May, 1914, at the home of the bride, F. M. Miller, officiating.

The Sunday school at Plainview, Arkansas, recently passed suitable resolutions touching the death of Mrs. Mary Stevenson, of which sad event mention was made in these columns last week.

Bros. W. T. Merritt and R. E. Glascock, both staunch laymen from Concord Church on Cato Circuit, were among our visitors since last issue. These brethren are always welcome at this office.

Rev. D. J. Weems, Field Editor for the Western Methodist, has in a little over seven years, by the aid of the pastors, secured 10,000 new subscribers for the Western Methodist. In this time he has not lost an hour on account of personal affliction.

All our readers will do well to secure Dr. J. E. Godbey's book, "Lights and Shadows of Seventy Years." But few men in our church are better writers than he. In this book he is at his best. It is full of information and thrilling experiences.

During the past quadrennium in the M. E. Church, South, in China, there was an increase of 80 per cent in Church membership 105 per cent in Sunday school pupils; 72 per cent in students in schools and colleges; 95 per cent in contributions.

The Morrilton District Conference elected the following delegates to the Annual Conference: J. W. Johnson, J. A. Torrence, Robert Bennett, J. J. Montgomery. Alternates: J. P. Womack and H. M. Wakefield. Next District Conference goes to Quitman.

Rev. B. B. Thomas of Stuttgart is first to send in his Children's Day fund, \$11.00. Those who have not ordered programs should do so at once. Send all orders for programs and all collections for children's day to J. M. Workman, 1504 Center St., Little Rock, Ark.

James Deering, a prominent Methodist of Chicago, has just given \$1,000,000 to the Wesley Hospital at Chicago in memory of his father and sister.

Mrs. Cyrus McCormick is arranging to give \$750,000 for buildings at the Presbyterian mission colleges at Tsinan and Nanking, China.

We note that Rev. E. A. Holloway, pastor of our Church at Blytheville, Ark., recently preached a sermon on dancing, which was printed in full in the Blytheville News-Herald, a local paper of that city. We read the sermon and commend it as a fine deliverance on that subject. It doubtless did great good.

Revs. M. A. Cassidy and S. E. Kirby are now engaged in a revival at Dublin, Texas, Rev. Sam G. Thompson pastor. These men are doing great work. They have just closed a very successful meeting at Vinita Avenue Methodist Church, Sulphur, Okla. After closing at Dublin they will go to Clinton, Okla.

Among the assignments of ministers by the General Conference last Sunday W. B. Hays, one of the editors of this paper was assigned to Davis, Okla., where he preached to splendid congregations both morning and night. Plans were made with the pastor, Rev. R. A. Crosby, to put the paper into every home.

We acknowledge our indebtedness to Rev. W. M. Hunter, D. D., pastor of the Associate Reform Presbyterian Church of this city, for several interesting communications giving an account of his travels in the Holy land, where he is now spending his vacation. We regret that lack of space forbids the publishing of these letters at the present.

Recently there was held within the chief university in Japan, the Tokyo Imperial University, a mass meeting of its Christian teachers and students, including some recent graduates. They decided to begin aggressive Christian work among its two thousand students. There are in this university 16 Christian professors and over 300 Christian students.—W. K. Matthews, Kobe, Japan.

The church at Candler College, Puentes Grandes, was recently organized with 12 members. H. B. Bardwell, the president of the college, is pastor. Rev. J. C. Elkins, of the Candler College faculty, preaches in his home several blocks from the campus, every Wednesday night. Thus our big school is becoming a real evangelical center for that entire community.—Evangelista Cubano.

Rev. John P. Lowery called to see us on Tuesday of this week to correct the impression made on the minds of some of his friends that his sickness of two years ago had left him an invalid. Far from it, as he "tips the beam at 164" and is available and ready to engage in his loved employ—assisting the brethren in holding meetings. Address him at 1019 Center street, this city.

More than 100 members and candidates on the Guantanamo charge are weekly contributors to the support of the church. Rev. W. M. Mullen, the pastor, is educating his people in systematic paying. The Remedios Presbyterian Church, South, recently assumed \$35.00 a month of the pastor's salary, besides their regular expenses and missionary contributions. Self-support is coming in Cuba.

The Pilot, published by the Gurdon League, Q. O. Rorie, pastor, and the Methodist Visitor, El Dorado, W. A. Steel, pastor and editor, came to our desk this week. They give the local news of the church which the members should know. Forty-one members have been received at Gurdon since Conference and 18 more have applied for membership. Thirty-seven have been received at El Dorado, with others to follow.

At one of the services at our new chapel at the East Gate, after five of us had talked, and the hour was getting late, an appeal was made by Brother Tsa, the presiding elder, for all those who felt their sins and were willing to repent and believe on Jesus. Sixteen stood up before the crowded house in response to his appeal, remained until the meeting was dismissed, for further talk, and all became enquirers.—J. A. G. Shipley, Shanghai, China.

Rev. P. C. Fletcher, pastor First Church, Texarkana, delivered his great lecture on "Love, Courtship and Marriage" at the Capitol View Church, this

city, last Thursday evening to a crowded house. Dr. Fletcher recently served his quadrennium as pastor of Winfield Memorial Church this city, and no pastor was ever more loved and respected than was he. He will always get a great hearing and glad welcome when comes this way. He will lecture at Hendrix College, Conway, this week, going from there to General Conference.

ARKANSAS NEWS AND PERSONALS.
By Rev. D. J. Weems.

Dardanelle.

A few hours were spent in Dardanelle in transit to the Morrilton District Conference. We found an interesting meeting in progress. Dr. H. Hanesworth, the pastor, was doing the preaching and the three Wisdom sisters were conducting the singing. They were charming the town with their excellent singing and personal work. Dr. and Sister Hanesworth have won the hearts of their people. He is not only a fluent speaker, but is intelligent and has a high sense of Christian life. It was a real pleasure to meet several friends of other days, when I was their pastor. Rev. S. S. Key, my conference chum, assisted me in securing several renewals and four new subscribers to the Western Methodist. Bro. Key is a candidate for chaplain of our next State Senate. He is truly worthy of this place. For 47 years he has been a faithful preacher, without the slightest shadow over his Christian life. A purer man cannot be found.

Morrilton.

The Morrilton District Conference was held in Morrilton May 28-30, Dr. F. S. H. Johnston, P. E., presiding. The secretary will report the Conference. It was well attended. Pastors all present but one. About forty delegates and local preachers, and many Epworth Leaguers. With Rev. J. J. Galloway and Rev. J. H. O'Bryant we were delightfully entertained in the elegant home of Bro. and Sister Bob Earl. Rev. J. F. E. Bates, the pastor, looked well after the comfort of all. He is closing his fourth year in this, one of the best churches in the Conference. He is a four-year man, which speaks for his ability as a pastor and preacher. The Church may rejoice to whom he is sent. Why not make him presiding elder? He would make a good one. We did a very nice business for the Western Methodist. Morrilton is a splendid town, four banks, excellent churches and public schools.

Conway.

The best school town in the state is Conway. Four colleges, Hendrix, Central, State Normal and Prof. James Business College. Hendrix has enrolled 265. Of these 29 are young ladies and 43 are ministerial students. The president's \$15,000 brick home is about completed. The \$60,000 Methodist church is steadily going up. We are all proud of our new brick depot. There are three banks, oil mill, compress, and excellent general business. No better place in the state to train a family. Rev. E. R. Steele is closing a term of four years as pastor. His church would vote to remove the time limit so he could remain longer. He impresses every one with his deep piety and earnest spirit. Dr. F. S. H. Johnston preached a most excellent sermon on Christian Evidence of the Future State. He is loved and trusted by all who know him. He is chairman of the Arkansas delegation to the General Conference. He was here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary Wilson Stevenson, wife of Prof. Baxter Stevenson, whose untimely death saddened all our hearts. Bro. Stevenson Sr. is quite a favorite in Conway. He was pastor here six years and also presiding elder. He is now in his fourth year on the Fayetteville district. Prof. M. J. Russell is superintendent and Rupert H. Weems is associate superintendent of the Sunday school. The Men's class of eighty or more of the leading citizens is worthy of special mention. Bro. T. R. Douglas is president and Prof. W. O. Wilson of Hendrix is teacher. We have about 120 subscribers in Conway to the Western Methodist.

OKLAHOMA NOTES.
By L. C. Craig.

Chelsea.

Rev. W. T. Ready, pastor at Chelsea, and his family put me under many obligations to them. We

secured all but three on club proposition, according to his announcement. I preached to a small, but appreciative congregation Monday night. Chelsea is a good town, with many excellent citizens. Our church is to the fore-front in the town, and has a loyal, growing membership. Bro. Ready and family occupy a prominent place in the hearts and lives of the entire church.

Claremore.

Rev. A. S. Cameron, pastor at Claremore, had gone to the reunion at Jacksonville, Fla. Bro. Ezzard and Bro. Robbins rendered all the assistance in their power to enable me to look after the interests of the Western Methodist in the absence of their pastor. Everyone spoke highly of Bro. Cameron.

Warner.

I spent a few hours at Warner, Wednesday. The pastor, Rev. Harris, was at Tulsa visiting a married daughter. I spent the rest of the week at home resting up.

LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA PREACHERS' MEETING.

Present: Evans, Butt, Richardson, Mann, Twitty, Hundley, Selle, Lowery, Buhler.

Hundley, Hunter Memorial.—Prayer meeting spiritual; Sunday school in splendid condition; morning service given to interest of Western Methodist; "Mothers' Day" observed at the evening hour. Big revival to begin first Sunday in June with Hunter Memorial Rally and Home Coming day.

Mann, Twenty-eighth Street.—Five children baptized; excellent League service; night service given to reports by delegates to Missionary Conference. Mothers' Day celebrated at morning hour with much interest. Two young men are going to ask for license to preach.

Selle, Scott Street.—More than 200 in Sunday school; large congregations at both services; five accessions; finances in good condition; services very spiritual, music good.

Twitty, Pulaski Heights.—Mothers' Day observed at morning hour, ladies having charge of service. One man came to altar for prayer; League engaged in attendance contest.

Evans, Asbury.—Bro. Evans was at Lonoke Sunday, where he preached morning and night the close of the home-coming week. This was his first charge, being sent there in 1883, where he remained four years. Bro. Barrett preached at Asbury at the morning hour. Several names of children to be received into the church on Children's Day. Church generally in flourishing condition.

Richardson, First Church.—Good Sunday school; fine attendance at the morning service; League had charge of the night service in the interest of the McKelvey mission; the music was exceptionally good. Miss Kathleen English made an excellent address on this field.

Bro. Butt preached at Highland Park both morning and night to packed house. Services very spiritual. Bro. Rogers is out assisting in a revival.

Buhler, Capitol View.—Church packed for Mothers' Day service at the morning hour; Sunday school overflowed building, two classes held in parsonage; five additions to church; fine League service. Church crowded at night.

Bro. Lowery was present and is in good health again and ready to assist in meetings. Bro. Lowery is a very valuable man in the evangelistic field.

CHANGE OF NAME.

The General Conference of 1866 first thought to change the name of our Church by simple resolution. The vote was to adopt "Episcopal Methodist" and stood 86 to 38. The minority, dissatisfied with this, succeeded in getting, some days later, a reconsideration, on the ground that the change of the Church name was a change of constitution and so must take the course required for such changes. The vote was then taken the second time and stood 102 for the new name and 42 against it. The question was then submitted to the Annual Conferences and 1168 votes were cast to adopt "Episcopal Methodist Church" and 409 against it. This lacked 15 votes of being the required majority of three-fourths so the measure was lost.

The proposition to admit lay delegation, submitted at the same time, got but 31 votes more than that for change of name and was adopted.

In 1878 memorials for a change of name brought the matter again before the General Conference. The memorials were submitted to a committee, of which Dr. O. P. Fitzgerald was chairman. The report of the committee was to the effect that the question had been disposed of by the former action and advised that there be no further agitation. This the General Conference adopted. But agitation continued and in 1885 memorials on the subject were again submitted to the Committee on Revivals. This committee again recommended that the name of the church be changed to "Episcopal Methodist." After a prolonged debate a substitute prevailed to submit the name "Methodist Episcopal Church in America." This was adopted—ayes 105, nays 40. In 1886 the Episcopal Address stated that the vote of the Conferences on this proposed change showed ayes 91, nays 3415, and expressed the hope that a "name first introduced by Bishop Paine and adopted in the report of the Committee of Nine in the General Conference of 1844, and which was further recognized in the Convention at Louisville and in the formation of the first General Conference in 1845, etc., will be accepted fully and forever as the primal and final designation of our beloved Methodism."

But the matter of a change of name of our Church will not down. Hence, at the last General Conference, it was resolved to submit the question again. It was contrived to submit the name so signally rejected before. This was doubtless with the hope of defeating the measure. Nevertheless, we have this result—the Montana, East Columbia, Columbia, Illinois, Missouri, Southwest Missouri, St. Louis, New Mexico, Pacific and West Texas Conferences return a majority for the adoption of the name proposed, though it is not the name preferred. Our foreign mission conferences also prefer a change of name. These Conferences represent our future field of work and the larger field. If the name of the Church trammels her progress in these fields, as those who labor there assure us it does, it is unwise to refuse to change it. If a "solid south" defeats our efforts to secure the change we can no longer deny that it is a mere sectional sentiment which the term "South" now represents. How can we deny this in view of the returns from the Conferences? This we should also bear in mind, our border Conferences have been developed under the name M. E. Church, South. Those who constitute them have been drawn to us under this name, and if any people in these regions would be ready to stand by the name surely they would. If the name is objectionable to a majority of our own people three conclusions are suggested (1) with another name we should have a larger constituency in these Conferences, (2) if a majority of our own people in these Conferences prefer a change, the public sentiment outside of the Church must favor it far more. (3) No matter how well satisfied with the name those within the fold may be if those without object to it the fold is doomed to a feeble and languishing life in these regions.

One says, "If you change the name won't people ask, 'Is not this the old South Methodist Church?'" Certainly! and the answer is "Yes, but it is not now bounded by division lines, political issues or sectional prejudices, and does not propose to challenge the prejudices of any with the word 'South.' The conditions which suggested this title no longer exist, and the Church repudiates the charge of being in any sense sectional."

Kirkwood, Mo.

J. E. Godbey.

SOME NEEDED LEGISLATION.

Before this article is in type the seventeenth session of the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will have convened in Oklahoma City. Our membership is looking for this body to make some needed changes in our Discipline. The continued prosperity of our work and missionary development make it necessary for us once in four years to make such additional legislation as will best conserve the kingdom of our Lord. Our foreign mission fields will occupy the most earnest and praiseworthy consideration of our General Conference. Bishop Lambuth will bring cheerful news from Africa. The note of progress will be sounded by every delegate from the Foreign field. At home our work has prospered. Some things need to be done to increase our usefulness at home:

1. Change the law limiting the number of pastoral charges in a district to fifteen, with the

proviso that all charges that may be organized in contiguous territory in the interim of an Annual Conference be recognized as a part of the district until the Annual Conference meets.

2. Fix the salary and traveling expenses of the presiding elder at twice the average salary of the pastors and let a special steward be delegated in each class to collect it.

3. Make it the duty of the presiding elders to help evangelize the district by assisting in revival meetings within the district.

4. Increase the number of our Bishops to sixteen active men and make it the duty of a Bishop to visit all the charges possible within his district, thus giving great inspiration to our work in the towns and rural places. Under our present system thousands of our members never so much as see a Bishop.

5. Give laity rights to our women with a proviso that where men can be secured in our charges to do good work the number of women holding office in a charge shall not exceed the number of men.

6. Make our superannuates connectional and provide that each shall receive at least \$300 per year and that each widow of a deceased minister shall receive a similar amount.

7. Appoint a committee to arrange for a new Hymnal and make it compulsory for us to use it when brought out, in all our churches.

8. Change the words in our creed from "the holy catholic church," to "the church of Good."

T. O. Shanks.

Vian, Okla., May 5, 1914.

CHICKASHA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Convened in Marlow, April 25, 26 and 27. All of the pastors were present and a goodly number of the lay delegates.

It was a great occasion. It reminded one of the old time revival. God's power and the influence of the Holy Spirit were manifest from the beginning. Bro. Allen, our pastor at Rush Springs, preached the opening sermon Friday evening. He gave us a very helpful and practical sermon.

During the conference sermons were preached by Lamar, Ellis, McBride, Denny, Crumpton, Spain, Humphries and the writer.

Bro. Weaver, our P. E., preached a strong and helpful sermon Sunday morning.

The love feast Sunday morning which was led by Bro. Humphreys, was a gracious service, sweet and precious were the testimonials given by the children of God. The young folks' rally Sunday afternoon, led by Bro. J. C. Jones, was a splendid meeting. To hear those young folks testify was a treat indeed. The laymen's service was a special feature of the conference. It showed a marked interest on the part of the laymen of the district. Bro. R. A. Thompson, the district lay leader, was present and rendered efficient service.

Six young men were licensed to preach and three were recommended for Deacon's orders.

The reports from the various charges showed quite an advance over last year. A great many conversions and additions to the church were reported. Epworth Leagues and Sunday schools are moving forward. The district bids fair to pay everything in full this year. Bro. McKnight, the conference host, and his good people certainly made us feel at home. Marlow knows how to entertain.

Bro. Weaver fills the chair with grace and dignity and makes a well rounded chief pastor. The conference adjourned Monday afternoon to meet at Duncan next year.

B. M. Nelson.

Cement, Okla.

THE TRUE CHRISTIAN SPIRIT.

Visiting a college in Ceylon Dr. John R. Mott found a band of students so poor that sixteen of them occupied one room. Near the building was a banana plantation which these youths cultivated. "What do you do with the money that you earn from this fruit enterprise?" inquired Dr. Mott.

For answer they took him down to the beach and pointed to an island out at sea on the horizon.

"Two years ago," they explained, "we sent one of our graduates there. He started a school which has since developed into a church. We are going to send him to another island this year."

They also said that they required the cook to lay aside every tenth handful of rice, which they sell in order to have Christ preached a little more widely.

"Besides these publications (the Christian Advocate, Methodist Review and Epworth Era), which issue from our Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn., we have papers published to serve a single Annual Conference, or a group of Annual Conferences, and which are commonly called 'Conference organs.' These periodicals render most valuable service, and they constitute an important interest of the Church, which should receive careful attention. None of them receives the support which it deserves, and the circulation of all of them falls below what the highest success of the Church requires. The matter is commended to your consideration with the expression of the hope that some effectual means may be devised to promote the advancement of this increasingly important interest. These Conference organs ought not to be treated as personal enterprises and private concerns and left to languish through indifference and neglect upon the part of our people."

“The circulation of the Christian Advocate has increased from 14,700 in 1910 to 16,650 at the present time. This circulation is far smaller than it should be when we consider the number and wealth of our membership and the connectional character of the paper. The Agents have tried every plan that has occurred to them to increase its circulation to 50,000 or more, which it should have, but have found it impossible to do so. For many reasons the matter of circulating religious newspapers is one of great difficulty.”

Let our Church establish and maintain, instead of the Nashville Advocate, a great Church News Bureau, which shall gather and edit the matter that now goes into that general organ, and send it out in matrix or some other form to go as a part of every Conference organ in the whole Church. Then instead of the general organ matter, reaching 16,000 as it does now, it would reach the combined circulation of all of the Conference organs, and they would have at least half of their space filled with the very best news and correspondence matter obtainable, and their readers would practically get both papers in one for the price of one. The number of papers necessary to reach every family in our Church would require a comparatively small increase in our local church assessment, and the results obtained from the enlarged publicity of the plans and enterprises of the Church would more than pay for the investment made. Let the editorial and business management of each Conference organ be under the supervision of persons elected annually by a publishing committee appointed by the patronizing Annual Conferences. Let all funds accumulated above the actual cost of running these Conference organs be turned over to the General Board for the maintenance of the General Bureau, and the enlargement of its service to the Church.

1st. It would raise the standard of every Conference organ in the Church by securing the very best editorial and business management for each paper, and enable the paper to carry to its readers, along with its local news and correspondence, the very

We cannot afford to longer neglect the publicity work of our Great Church. Let steps be taken at once to organize the Methodist press of the Church into a great religious newspaper system that will be second to none in the world. Dollars invested in circulating our Church papers in the homes of our people will not only increase the Church loyalty and deepen the piety of those homes, but those dollars will bring back to the Church hundreds and thousands for its larger work and enterprises.

Rev. I. E. Thomas.

The model mother is a crowned and sceptered queen. Her reign is universal. Her empire of influence is eternal. Her presence is a constant inspiration to her children while she lives, and her memory is most sacred when the flowers bloom over her sleeping dust. A mother's love is a magnetic power that attracts her child heavenward. It gathers to itself additional power in death. She may die in our infancy, yet that love will live and charm our hearts amid all the varied scenes of a long and eventful life. Unlike other things which is effaced by distance, the years of separation but embellish and make more real the smiles, the caresses, the kisses and the prayers of mother. These blessings, let them be in fancy or in fact, never fade from memory. The wayward wanderer in all his wanderings, never passes beyond them. Let him roam through the waving forrests of the western wilds, sit down amid the silent glaciers of the distant north-land, or stand upon the gentle slopes of the sunny south; yet ever and anon, thoughts of mother will steal softly into his soul, and in the reveries of memory he lives over again the happy days of childhood, when he had a home and a mother. These visions of mother lingers with him. They are like the memory of a happy dream. They are his most valuable treasures. Behind a rugged

From some of your lives, mother went away in the long ago. Recollections holds but a faint fact of her having had an existence. Yet fancy pictures one in the form of an angel bending low to kiss your infant lips. It seemed just as you would smile upon her for the first time, death rushes in and takes her away, and you were left upon life's sea with no pilot to direct you. Others remember well the happy days of mother's life in the home. At eventide, when the days work was done, you sat at mother's side and watched the setting sun, and saw the day fade softly into night. The birds ceased to sing, and all was very still. You drew your little chair close to mother's knee and there learned from her lips that "God was in the sky, that He looked down on all you did, with an ever watchful eye." You climbed upon her lap and was soon borne above the bar into the garden of dream-land, where you saw all manner of golden winged birds and bees nestling in flowers and trees. You did not know when mother put you to bed and knelt and prayed God to keep and bless her child. Little did you think that the time would come when you would pass from the portals of home, and launch out upon the sea of life, without those gentle hands to guide you through the storms of after years. But there came a time when mother went away and did not come back. You remember how strange was that stillness where once was song. You saw little garments lie unmended. Others gave you the good-night kiss, or perhaps there was no one to kiss you. You felt lonely, and you have never ceased to realize that mother was really dead! But have you not felt a thousand times she is your mother still? That she, being dead, yet speaketh to you? Perhaps she went away in your very infancy. You have no remembrance of having seen her. Nevertheless she has since painted her in fancy and she

CONWAY, ARK.

This class under the able presidency of Mr. T. R. Douglass and the efficient teaching of Prof. W. O. Wilson is making rapid strides towards the front ranks of organized Bible classes. All branches of the class work is being carefully looked after and it is expected that much will be accomplished before the year is out. A class banquet is being planned in the near future and a general get together and get acquainted time is expected.

Arthur L. Jones, Class Reporter.

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THE VANDERBILT CASE.

If the findings of the Supreme Court of the State of Tennessee are irreversible, as contended by many able jurists, it occurs to the mind of one unskilled in legal matters that the claim of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to the Publishing House and all other property in the State of Tennessee, is, at best, nothing more than a claim. According to the terms of that decision, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is not known, and does not have any legal existence capable of owning and managing property of any kind, under the laws and constitution of the state. It has no legal existence; it can have no legal existence.

If that be true, our quarterly conference, in the State of Tennessee, are not competent to elect Boards of Trustees to hold property for and in the name of the Church. According to that decision, the Church has no corporate existence or name, and she cannot have any. All property, therefore, our Church claims in Tennessee, though it has even purchased with her money and deeded it to her by warranty title, containing the trust clause, is not hers. To whom it belongs no one on earth knows. The eminent jurists who decided the Vanderbilt case do not know. They have the power to deprive the Church of it, but they cannot give it to another. The trustees, possibly, might be given power to let the Methodist Church use it, or any one else use it who might so want to do. They might be granted the power by the courts of Tennessee to let the great Scotchman, Andrew Carnegie, use it. He might be given permission to enter into the courts of the Lord's house, to count his millions of gold and then deny the servants of the living God to conduct divine worship therein, on the ground that they will teach the people how to be sectarians, but not how to be Christians.

But the question arises: If the decision of the Supreme Court of Tennessee in the Vanderbilt case is legal, according to the constitution of the State of Tennessee, is that constitution itself constitutional?

Under the constitution and laws of the United States, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has all the legal rights of a corporate institute. She can sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in her own name and self constituted authority. Very much of the property that she claims to own in the State of Tennessee, was adjudged to her by the Supreme Court of the United States, when her property rights were in litigation.

When the Publishing House matter was in litigation in the Supreme Court of the United States, the defendant, the M. E. Church, raised the objection, that there were no proper parties to maintain the suit. To this the court replied: "We think the objection not well founded. The rule is well established, that where the parties are numerous, and the suit is for an object common to them all, some of the body may maintain a bill on behalf of themselves and others; and a bill may also be maintained against a portion of a numerous body of defendants, representing a common interest."

Now in that case there were sixteen Annual Conferences, with their Conference and Church membership represented by a few men, William A. Smith and others. So the court further held, that "the rule applied to the case in hand." It said: "The case in hand illustrates the propriety and fitness of the rule. There are some fifteen hundred persons, represented by the complainants, and over double that number by the defendants. It is manifest that to require all the parties to be brought upon the record, as is required in a suit of law, would amount to a denial of justice. The right might be defeated by objections to parties, from the difficulties of ascertaining them, or, if ascertained, from the changes, constantly occurring by death or otherwise."

Now, the above is the finding of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, vs. the Methodist Episcopal Church. But the Supreme Court of the State of Tennessee, in its finding and decree in the case of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, vs. the Board of Trustees of Vanderbilt University, says that the nine Annual Conferences were incompetent to appoint men to represent them in the founding and chartering of Central University of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. "The Conferences, whether incorporated or mere voluntary associations, were incompetent to form an association with

each other for the purpose of incorporation, or, without express statutory authority," to act as members of a corporation.

Now it is well known, and universally admitted, and so held and stated by the United States Supreme Court, that the Methodist Episcopal Church, out of which the two Churches, as held by the court, were evolved and developed, each having a common origin and common rights, was an unincorporated institution prior to 1844, when the General Conference of the aforesaid Church, by the adoption of an instrument known as the "Plan of Separation," authorized the formation of the two churches, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Episcopal Church. Previous to that time, it was an unincorporated and voluntary association. So held the court. And that being true, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, one of the two Churches so formed, was an unincorporated institution, composed of sixteen Annual Conferences, which the Supreme Court of the State of Tennessee, according to its findings in the Vanderbilt case, would have declared incompetent to form an association with each other for the purpose of incorporation. That is the way it dismissed the chartered claims of our Church, concerning the nine Annual Conferences in the Vanderbilt case. It held that these Conferences were incapable of empowering the twenty-four men named in the charter to represent them in the founding and chartering in Chancery Court of Davidson county, State of Tennessee, an educational institution for the said Conferences, under the corporate name of Central University of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. But in the United States Supreme Court, William A. Smith, et al. represented the sixteen Annual Conferences.

Which now, of these two decisions, is the real law of the land? Logic says, that if one is right, the other is wrong. Both cannot be right. The writer has always been under the impression that no state could enforce a law that is at variance with the laws of the United States. If that be true, logic says that the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, as interpreted by her Supreme Court, is unconstitutional. Their decision, so far as the State is concerned, is law; for they have the right to interpret and apply the law of the state. But the law of the state, when its provisions are contrary to the laws of the United States, is unconstitutional, and a State Court would be without jurisdiction to render a judgment in direct conflict with a decree rendered by the United States Supreme Court. But should it be granted that the State of Tennessee can enforce a law on her own citizens that is at variance with the laws of the General Government, can she enforce it upon the citizens of other states, depriving them of their rights of equity and justice, as these rights have already been determined by the Supreme Court of the United States?

The Court of Tennessee holds that the nine Annual Conferences named in the charter could not form an association, that would give the men, whose names are given in the charter, authority to represent them; but the Supreme Court of the United States holds that they could. (See the decision of the United States Supreme Court, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, vs. M. E. Church.)

But the writer would be glad to know what law, constitutional or statutory, of the State of Tennessee gave the legal existence to the Board of Trust of Vanderbilt University as a corporation? They were never incorporated in their own names to do business for themselves alone. The only corporate existence they have is given them by the Chancery Court of Tennessee, in answer to the prayer of the twenty-four men, asking to be incorporated as the representatives of the nine Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and by charter name of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, itself. Hence the corporate existence of said Board of Trust is without legal authority, according to the decision of the Supreme Court of the State of Tennessee. According to that decision, it holds property and transacts business in violation of the Constitution of the State. Very truly the court held that the men named in the charter did not represent the Memphis Convention or the nine Annual Conferences named in the charter, but the charter, as said Chancellor Allison, "Shows on its face that the persons making the application, did so as the representa-

tives of the Memphis, Tennessee, North Mississippi, White River, North Alabama, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Little Rock Conferences." The charter's affirmation of this, is quite as categorical, as is the court's denial, and having the logic of the whole situation to support it, will in the near future, if not now, have much more weight and authority in public opinion.

The above are the offhand opinions of a layman. What do our lawyers say?

D. M. Geddie.

ROME, ITALY.

By Rev. W. M. Hunter.

We must also see Rome, what a flood of memories as we enter the shattered walls of this imperial city? The land of Virgil, Cicero, Julius and Augustus Caesar. For over half a millinium she ruled all that bordered the Mediterranean and flung out her conquering legions beyond even to England. There was a providence in it. She gave laws far-reaching, built roads, temples as Baalbek and her citizenship was a safe passport.

Here Paul preached and doubtless was martyred. A branch of the church centered her administration on these hills and controls a world wide propaganda.

From this city decrees went out that started influences in the remotest province. An humbled family lived in Nazareth. Augustus Caesar signed a document that all his great empire should be enrolled for taxation. This sent Joseph to Bethlehem with his espoused wife.

A Greater King had also written: "Oou of Bethlehem shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel: whose goings forth have been from, of, old, from everlasting."

On the Sistine Chapel, a part of the Vatacan, is Angelo's painting of the Last Judgment. It fills one whole and probably 45 feet square. Near the center is Jesus on a throne. On the right are the righteous, on the left the wicked, on the left were some carrying the column to which he was bound when scouraged, on the right others were carrying the cross. It was very impressive. In another section God was represented as separating light from darkness, creating the sun and moon and giving life to Adam. There are statutoary that seem to breathe and paintings that almost speak.

The Vatican has three stories, has plain walls, 11,000 rooms and 22 yards. The Pope resides here. September 20, 1870, temporal power was taken from him. A later law made his person sacred and gave him independence and his ecclesiastical property free from taxation. He is lord of all he surveys in this immense structure of thirteen acres with a court of 1,800. The Swiss Guard is his special protection. Saint Peters stand near, the richest and finest temple in the world, arising from Nero's circus. A small building was first erected in honor of Peter. Constantine much enlarged it. After 1840 a greater plan was put into execution. Several Popes with the help of Angelo and Raphael completed it.

We spent the afternnon of April 22 at the Colosseum. Colossal indeed. It was begun by the Emperor Flavius Vespariano. In eight years it was dedicated to his son Titus. The material is mostly brick, as also city wall, 12 by 12 and some two inches thick. This circular rim four stories encloses a circular arena. The whole embraces some six acres, 200 yards in diameter, 500 yards in circumference and 170 yards high. The inauguration of this great structure "was with plays and fights between Gladiators and ferocious beasts and on this occasion 5000 wild beasts and many thousands of gladiators were killed.

On the platform was placed the Emepror's Tribute. On the right and left were seated the vestal virgins, white dressed, who had free will on the life and death of the now gladiator. At a sign given by the Emperor the Roman Perfect gave order that the performance should begin, then the blood began flowing on the arena.

As we sat there imagination pictured the hungry lion advancing on kneeling, praying Christians. Why? Because they declined to bow the knee to Baal and kiss his image.

This ruin is a death glow to persecution as Baalbek is to idolatry. We wonder why this waste of solid granite and sculptured marble. Because on these ruins he can build a spiritual temple of more enduring material.

LAWTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Seventh Annual Session of the Lawton District Conference, held at Snyder, Okla., April 20-22, was one of the best of its history. It was notable in several particulars, two of which deserve special mention, first, because of the large number of delegates present—an even hundred, with as many visitors; second, because of the great spirituality of the gathering. On this point, both in the opening address and in the subsequent proceedings, the P. E., Rev. J. A. Old, placed the emphasis. After a strong exposition of Rom. 21-1-2, he opened the meeting with an old time experience meeting which was a love feast indeed. The spiritual tide ran high, predominating all the way through, and reached its culmination the second day at the close of a splendid sermon by Rev. J. T. Armstrong, when the old time shout and hallelujah rent the air. It was a great occasion and good to be there.

As to the routine work, this was left to the discretion of the P. E., who directed that all business be conducted in the committee of the whole, with the exception of necessary work delegated to special committees. Practical Sunday school plans were discussed, ably led by Rev. W. H. Roper. Decision Day stressed as the goal of all Sunday school instruction. "The Necessity of Preaching and Teaching the Doctrines of Methodism" was urgently emphasized by Rev. R. P. Witt and others.

The Conference went on record as favoring the "Junior Church" idea, and a memorial to the General Conference favorable thereto was introduced by Rev. E. R. Welch and adopted. A memorial was also addressed to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, asking their support of the Shepherd-Hobson National Prohibition bill. By resolution, Gov. Cruce was commended for prompt and strict enforcement against gambling, bootlegging, etc.

The following were elected delegates to the succeeding Annual Conference: C. E. Hall, J. A. Fain, F. M. Sweet, and O. H. Searcy; alternates: J. N. Oliver, DeLos Lonewolf and S. L. Ripley.

The following were granted license to preach: Frank M. Sweet, Charles David Freeman, DeLos Lonewolf, John H. Dodson and Llewellyn Jones Richardson.

The following were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial: Frank M. Sweet, E. C. Keith and E. U. Robinson. The following for Deacon's Orders: William Evert Lee and Walter Scott Burns.

M. E. Woodbridge of Altus was elected District Lay Leader.

Perhaps the most interesting single question that came up for solution was whether the district parsonage should be located this year. Since the district does not own the residence which the presiding elder occupies, this question possesses an absorbing interest for the competing cities, Lawton, Frederick and Altus, but in view of the uncertain crop conditions and the probable change of conference boundary lines by the present General Conference, and the subsequent change in district lines, the question was referred to the Board of District Stewards with instructions to report back to the next District Conference.

The Conference passed a resolution endorsing our Bishops in the Vanderbilt controversy, and expressed the further sentiment, that unless the Church has recourse in the Federal Courts, it favored the withdrawal of all connection with Vanderbilt and the removal of our Publishing House to some city where our rights and interests would be respected.

With a nucleus of \$100.00 left over from a former District Conference, a District Loan Fund Committee was created to raise additional funds, and handle the same according to the terms of the Constitution and By-laws outlined in the resolution creating the committee. Rev. C. T. Davis, chairman of the Conference Church Extension Board, was introduced, and delivered a splendid address.

The Conference voted a resolution of thanks to the Snyder people for their generous hospitality, and to the Baptist people for the use of their church in which to hold the sessions of the Conference, our church being too small to accommodate the great crowd of delegates and visitors, and adjourned to meet next year at Walters.

Although this Bro. Old's first District Conference, he presided like a veteran, and commended

himself to the brethren for his wisdom, statesmanship and deep spirituality.

C. D. Montgomery, Sec

GUYMON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The eleventh session of the Guyman District Conference met in our church at Woodward, Okla., May 1, 1914, with Rev. W. J. Stewart, P. E., in the chair.

Rev. T. C. Steele of Tyrone was elected secretary with C. V. Boyer, a layman of LaKemp as his assistant.

Bro. Stewart had prepared a program for the Conference, which was adopted and carried out in full. All the charges but four were represented by the pastors, and delegates from several. The reports were good from all over the district. Finances are a little short at present but every one hopes to bring up a clean sheet at Conference next fall. License to preach was given to two, Walter C. Cunningham and J. Y. Callahan. O. H. Corbin and E. H. Shirley were recommended to the Annual Conference for Deacon's orders.

E. O. McCance, G. B. Grumbine, C. F. Rose, and Guy Speakman were elected as delegates to the Annual Conference.

Rev. W. D. Mathews of Wynnewood, Rev. Pyrtle of Higdon, Texas, and T. S. DeArman, Conference Lay Leader, were visitors to the Conference and rendered valuable services during their stay. Bro. DeArman is a layman full of energy and zeal for the success of the church.

The Welsh resolution memorializing the General Conference to change the Discipline so that we may have a "Junior Church" was passed by a majority of one. I believe the General Conference will make some better laws governing our junior departments, but I do not believe that it will adopt this form as Bro. Welsh and others have mapped out. I believe that all our junior work ought to be under one head, thereby consolidating and simplifying the work.

We endorsed the resolution of the Annual Conference memorializing the General Conference to change the name of the Church to "The Methodist Church."

We asked the General Conference to withdraw all patronage from Vanderbilt University, since the Supreme Court of Tennessee decides that that institution does not belong to us, and, to establish a Theological school or schools in such place or places as it may seem good to that body.

We also passed a resolution memorializing the General Conference to detach the "Panhandle Strip" of the Guymon District from West Oklahoma Conference and attach it to the Northwest Texas Conference.

The next District Conference goes to LaKemp.

The preaching was of a high order and was done by Brothers W. D. Mathews, E. E. Grimes, W. J. Stewart, N. A. Phillips and T. C. Steele. Bro. T. S. Johnson and his people did the handsome thing in the way of entertainment. This is Johnson's third year at Woodward and his people want him returned for the fourth year. He is doing things over there. Woodward is a fine town and is always glad to entertain religious assemblies of any denomination.

H. B. Wilson.

Hooker, Okla., May 9, 1914.

ANADARKO, OKLA.

Editor of the Western Methodist:
I have never seen anything in your columns from the "Blanket Indians" and will send you a line which you may publish if you see fit.

The term "Blanket Indians" is applied in Oklahoma, to the Kiowa, Comanche, Apache, Cheyenne and Arapachoe tribes, all located in West Oklahoma Conference. These tribes a very few years ago wore only "leggings" "breech cloths" and "blankets"—hence the name. Thanks to the gospel of Jesus, many of us now are like the demoniac of Godara "clothed and in our right minds," and only here and there an extremely old man will be found clinging to the old style in dress and customs. However a large number of our people still cling to the old superstitions, worship the "Taime," the "Peyote," the "Ghost Dance," and various idols, but I am glad to inform you that quite a large number of these tribes have accepted the gospel of Jesus, and are now true worshippers of the true God. The M. E. Church, South, has a mission for my tribe—the Kiowas. We have a church building at Mount Scott.

Have one near Carnegie and we are trying to build another on Hog Creek, southwest of Anadarko. Our people are in poor condition financially, nearly all of them, in debt, and not having learned to be skilled farmers and being poor financiers, and many designing men taking advantage of our condition and ignorance to get us deeper in debt, charging enormous per centage on short time loans and taking mortgages on all our property. We need help from our white brethren. Those among us who are the best Christians are generally in the best condition, and we who are members of the church are doing what we can to get the gospel of Jesus to those who have it not. We need the church on Hog Creek very much and when we get it, expect to see a great forward move among those who are now in sin and superstition. We have raised over \$300 among our own people. We hope the Church Extension Board will help us some, and would be glad if the brethren who read the Western Methodist would send us a contribution.

We beg an interest in your prayers, that the gospel may prosper among us and that all our tribe may soon be brought under the influence of the religion of Jesus.

Your brother,

Clyde Cocoa.

BY REQUEST.

By request from a steward and prominent layman in our church we republish the following article which appeared in the Western Methodist some months ago. This layman has filled nearly every office in the church except that of pastor and says the most effective and liberal service is given to the church by those who are best informed on what the church is doing. Our church has a "world vision" for the kingdom of God. In the language of Bishop Galloway, it "stands for a sanctified and world-wide imperialism." No man can put a proper esteem upon the church, nor feel its claim upon him, who does not know what the church is doing and planning.

"A" KNOWS. "B" DOES NOT.

A and B are both members of the same church. A knows the names of all the Bishops in his church. B does not.

A knows the names of all the Presiding Elders and pastors in his conference, and where they are stationed each year. B does not.

A knows when and where the quarterly, district, annual and general conferences of his church meet. B does not.

A knows the total number of church members and the net gain or loss reported at his annual conference each year. B does not.

A knows about the revivals, churches and parsonages built, and the general progress other charges in his conference are making. B does not.

A knows the number of Sunday schools and the general progress the Sunday school work is making. B does not.

A knows what the local Woman Missionary Societies are doing in the bounds of his conference. B does not.

A knows about the general boards of his church, Missions, Sunday school, Epworth League, Education and Church extension, and knows what they are doing, and why his local church is called upon each year to pay its part of the "conference collections" which go largely to support the work being done by these general boards and their auxiliaries. B does not.

A knows about the foreign mission fields and the missionaries that are working there. B does not.

A knows the best Christian college in which to educate his children. B does not.

A knows about the dangerous and deceptive doctrines that are being preached, and that are likely to lead astray the unwary. B does not.

A knows the names of the great men of his church, living and dead. B does not.

A knows why he is a Methodist. B does not.

A labors skillfully for the upbuilding of his church, because he knows and loves it. B does what he does for his church in a bungling way, and does that because he feels like he must do it to keep his standing in the church. He works sparingly, gives grudgingly, and all because he does not know.

Query: Why does A know so much and B so little?

Answer: A READS HIS CHURCH PAPER. B does not.

OUR CHURCH HONOR ROLL

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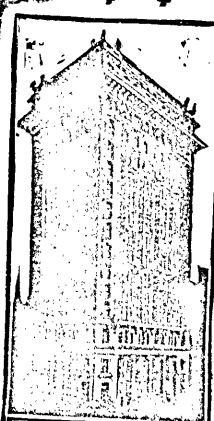
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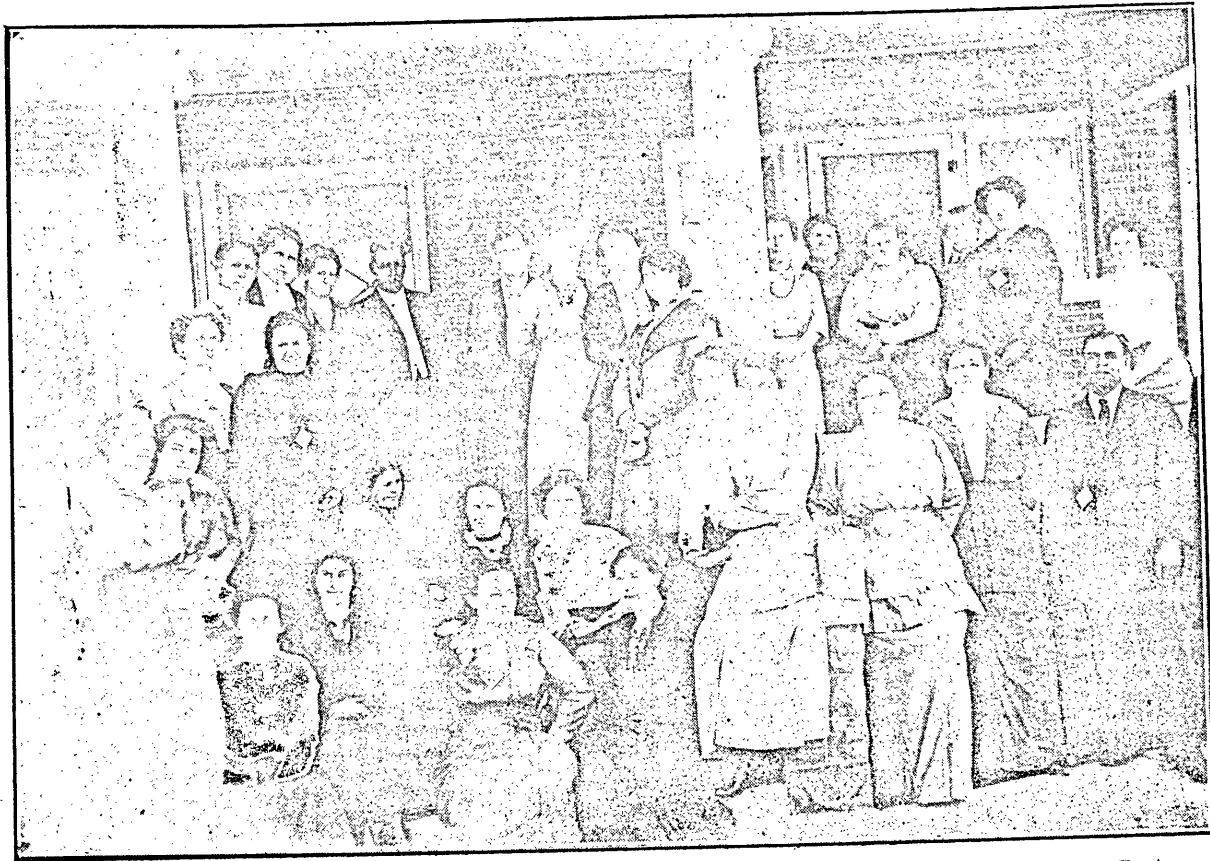
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NOTICES

TWO GOOD DATES.

Plans have been so changed on my slate for the year that I now have two open dates for meetings. One to begin on the second Sunday in June and one the second Sunday in July. Any pastor desiring my help in a revival at either of those dates may write me. I will be glad to furnish references to any one who does not know me and my work. Either of these meetings could run two weeks. I desire to labor in a revival some where at that time. Who needs the help?

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RESOLUTION.

The following resolutions were passed by the Ardmore District Conference:

Whereas, under the law of the Church, the term of office of our able and efficient presiding elder, W. U. Witt, expires with this conference year; and

Whereas, he has greatly endeared himself to our people of the Ardmore District by his pure life, his consecration to the work committed to his hands and by his able, fearless and efficient work in every department of Church work; therefore

Be it Resolved, by the members of the District Conference in session at Wynwood, Okla., this April, 1914, that we part with Bro. Witt at the close of this Conference year with profound and sincere regret, and we commend him to the good people of his new field of labor, wherever that may be, first of all, as a man of pure and spotless life and character, as a preacher who has caught the vision of the world's need of the gospel, and the power of the gospel to meet every need of Adam's race and as a presiding elder who is wise in counsel and pre-eminently able in the administration of the affairs of the Church; and as a leader whom all can follow with implicit trust and confidence.

W. D. Mathews,
Geo. W. Lewis
W. J. Moore
G. W. Baker
H. E. Snodgrass,
C. R. Gray,
T. F. Gafford.

By vote of the Conference these resolutions were to be spread on the minutes of the Conference and a copy furnished the Western Methodist.

R. A. Crosby, Sec.

MAUD AND SEMINOLE.

When I first began to preach I was certain of things of which I only have opinions now, and these intuitional judgments of men and things were often wrong. So after some years of experience I am more deliberate in reaching my conclusions, and more often right. During the 28 years of my ministry I was never treated with more kindness and consideration than by the good people of Maud; they have done all that could be expected of

them on this line and I certainly have appreciated it. The good people at Seminole have been equally kind, but they have not had as good an opportunity as I did not live in their town. It would be hard to find a cleaver or more appreciative audience than greets me every Sunday. The Women's Missionary Societies have done and are doing well at both places, the Sunday schools have increased in attendance and power for good. Had a good meeting at Seminole and will begin one at Maud July 5th under a large tent with Rev. M. A. Cassidy leading the hosts of Israel. This is to be a meeting not only for Maud but for the surrounding country, we anticipate a great meeting.

I have nearly all my Conference collections provided for and will send the Teller a check for the Home and Conference Missions in a few days. This charge will pay all claims in full and each town will ask for a resident pastor next year. When we consider the size of the membership and of the towns I know of no churches in the state of Oklahoma that are doing better than Maud and Seminole. I had almost forgotten to mention that they are both in the honor roll with reference to the Western Methodist. May the Divine Spirit lead in the affairs of our General Conference is the prayer of

A. C. Pickens.

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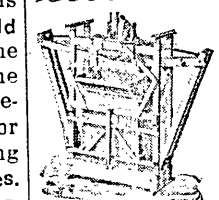
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WARING SHERWOOD Editor

A SONG OF RELIGIOUS ASPIRATION.—(Psalms 42:11-11.)

"As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my heart after thee, O God."

This beautiful language describes in the most forceful way the deep yearning of the true heart turned Godward.

The fresh breath of nature permeates the scene. The hart, heated from the chase, perhaps, seeks to quench its burning thirst in the cooling stream. Maybe the brook is miles away, yet the thirst continues and only the waters of the stream will satisfy its desires.

The hart has drunk from this stream before and well knows where the thirst-quenching pools lie. This memory only puts a keener edge on his appetite and he will not turn aside in his course for any fancy which may be temporarily placed before him.

David's intimacy with the trials of the hart gives him the power to thus strongly depict in simple language the panting, insatiable desire of the stag for the brooks of his familiar haunts.

From this nature lesson the young Epworth Leaguer is to draw his lesson.

So should pant our desires after the true and living God as revealed in his son, Christ Jesus. We lament that just the reverse of this is true in so many, many instances. The tendency seems to be in the opposite direction, owing to the allurements held out by our enemy.

Religious aspirations is found only in the heart which has known by personal taste the satisfying qualities of the Water of Life.

"I will tell you of a water which if ye drink of, ye shall never thirst again." So said Jesus to the woman of Samaria. In her heart was this longing, panting, for the eternal water. And she would not be satisfied until she had drunk from the fountain.

Let us ponder these truths in our hearts and see if we cannot find the reason, if there be any, why we should not "so pant for the true and living God."

WEST OKLAHOMA EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The following is the program of the West Oklahoma Conference Epworth League, which is to meet at Chickasha, June 4-6:

Opening service, 8 p. m.

Greeting, 20 minutes.

Address, "The Sin of Play," Rev. B. M. Nelson.

First Day.

9:00 to 10:00.—Senior Section Voluntary Bible Study. Discussion, led by Dr. E. H. Rawlings. Junior Section, Junior Study Course. Rev. J. M. Culbreath.

10:00 to 11:00.—Organization of Conference. Appointment of committees; enrollment of delegates. Report of Conference officers. President's address.

11:00 to 12:00.—"The Moral Value of Play." Rev. J. M. Culbreath.

3:30 to 5:30.—Senior Parliament. Topic, Social Service and Recreation, Miss Katherine Vaught. Junior Parliament. Topic, "Recreation and Helpfulness," Mrs. Satterfield.

5:30 to 7:30.—Recreation.

8:00.—Address, "The Value of Re-

creation in the Training of Boys," Rev. J. M. Culbreath.

Second Day.

9:00 to 10:00.—Senior Section, "Cultural Mission Study," Dr. Rawlings. Junior Section, "The Juniors and Missions," Dr. Culbreath.

10:00 to 11:00.—"A Constructive Program of Recreation for a Community," Miss Jessie Young.

11:00 to 12:00.—Reports. Address, "What Amusements May our Young People Enjoy," Dr. Rawlings.

3:30 to 5:30.—Senior Parliament. "Recruiting and Training Teachers and Helpers," Rev. Culbreath. Junior Parliament. Mrs. Satterfield and other Junior Superintendents present.

8:00.—Reports. Address, "The World Parish," Rev. R. E. Goodrich.

Third Day.

9:00 to 10:00.—Conference Topic, "Wesley Classes in Leagues," Rev. Culbreath.

10:00 to 11:00.—Business section. 1. Report of committees; 2. Election of officers.

11:00 to 12:00.—Address, "The Church's Responsibility for the Recreation of its Young People," Dr. Rawlings.

3:00 to 5:00.—Senior Parliament. "The Devotional Meeting," Dr. Culbreath. Junior Parliament, "The Hour of Worship," Dr. Rawlings.

5:30 to 7:00.—Recreation.

9:00.—Consecration. "I Do Always Those Things that Please Him," Rev. Edgar Neal.

NOTICE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE EPWORTH LEAGUES.

Chapters organized since November Annual Conference have not been furnished cards on which to report names of delegates and other important information requested. If you have not received your report card, ask your pastor if he has it in his pocket; if not, write me and I will mail you one. We are very anxious to have all Leagues report in full, using the same form. It is especially important that names of delegates be furnished at once, and also that you instruct delegates fully as to the amount you will pay 1914-15 on what ever mission work the Conference may decide upon. Don't forget your Conference dues.

Miss Clarice Baker,
Secretary

Malvern, Ark.

PROGRAM.

Texarkana District Institute Epworth League.

Saturday Night, May 30.

7:45.—How to consolidate and promote League interest over the District, Rev. J. H. Cummings.

8:15.—The Junior League, and How, by Rev. N. F. Brewer.

8:45.—League Social, by Lewisville League.

Sunday Morning, May 31.

9:30.—Love feast. Mr. I. W. Holmes.
11:00.—The Relation of the Youth to the Church, a sermon by Rev. J. A. Biggs.

Sunday Afternoon.

2:30.—Best Methods of working up a program, by Rev. S. T. Baugh.

3:00.—How to prepare and give a Missionary program, by Rev. L. C. Beasley.

3:30.—The Work of the Third Vice-President, by Mrs. Mary Cook.

3:50.—An Ideal League Program, rendered by Foreman Epworth League Sunday Night.

7:45.—What the Epworth League has done for the Church, by Rev. F. P. Doak.

8:15.—How can we make and keep

the League worth while to the young life of the Church? by J. Morgan McGregor.

8:30.—How can we secure efficient leaders? by Rev. J. J. Mellard.

8:45.—What kind of entertainment can we furnish the Leagues and not imperil their spiritual life? by Miss Allie Belle Wadley.

9:00.—How can we hold the interest in the devotional services and make them religious? by Miss Mabel Lee.

FOR THE JUNIOR LEAGUERS OF ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

My Dear Juniors: The time for the annual Epworth League Conference at Van Buren is coming quickly. You remember it is to be the 15th to the 18th of June. How many are planning to go?

Each Junior League ought to send two delegates; and as many visitors as can go. As there will be some mark of honor given the places sending the largest number each of you must help your place try to have the largest representation.

If you only knew the pleasant things we are planning for you every one would want to go. It would take too much time and space to tell you all the things, so you will have to go to find out what they are. How many are going?

Yours lovingly,

(Miss) Kate Cargile,

Jr. Sup., Ark. Conf. E. L.

Bentonville, Ark.

CAPITOL VIEW CHAPTER CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY.

At the evening service at the Capital View Epworth League on Sunday night, May 3rd, was celebrated its eighth anniversary.

The church auditorium was beautifully decorated in white and gold and the motto, "All for Christ" was displayed on a huge silk banner. The Rev. H. F. Buhler gave the entire evening hour for this service, dispensing with the evening preaching service.

JUNIOR SUPERINTENDENTS.

Please send in your Junior Reports immediately—having the report to include membership, average attendance, members taking active part, dues collected and age of chapter. This call is for all Junior Leagues in the Little Rock Conference, and I urge that all give an immediate response.

Mrs. Joe A. Goetz,

2020 W. Third St., Little Rock, Ark.

ATTENTION FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT LEAGUERS.

The Fayetteville District League Conference will meet at Prairie Grove, May 22-23. The date as postponed from May 4 on account of conflicts. Let every League send the names of the delegates to Miss Julia Zellner, Prairie Grove. Each League is entitled to five delegates. On account of the schools exercises in so many places, it was found to be almost impossible to get the League Conference and the District Conference scheduled for the same day. We trust, however, that everything will work out for the good of the League.

Let every League be sure to fill out the District report blanks which were mailed out some time ago. It is very essential that these reports be ready to hand to the secretary at Prairie Grove.

Let every Leaguer work for a "greater League."

J. M. Henderson, Sec.

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The Alumnae of Harrell-Spauldning have reorganized and are very anxious to have the names and present address of all former students. Please to send them to me or to the secretary of the association, Mrs. Mattie Murphy Bailey, 920 North C St., Muskogee, Okla.

These favors will be greatly appreciated by A. C. Miller, president Oklahoma Methodist College, 903 Barnes Bldg., Muskogee, Okla. 17-4t.

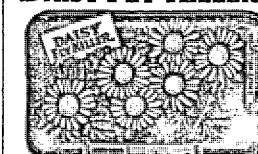
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DAILY PORTIONS.

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth—fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

If I work with marble, in time it will crumble; if I work with brass, after awhile it will corrode; but if I work with the mind, I work with that which will grow brighter all eternity.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

Miss Lochie Rankin, of China, plead for Day Schools. Universities for the few, Colleges for the hundreds, High Schools for the thousands, but Day Schools for the millions. Above everything else we need in China Christian teachers for these schools.

Miss Mabel Head, then Educational Secretary, said in her report to the Council:

"Mission study classes have grown in numbers, and the character of work is decidedly better than at the beginning of the quadrennium. Many more auxiliaries are taking the whole course—that is, study the text on both home and foreign missions. More normal classes are being held and more attention is given to public and social meetings for the purpose of passing on the information.

"Upon every mission study class has been urged the necessity for larger offering if the Church is to meet the great opportunities of the hour, also the greater need of more definite prayer.

"The educational work is vital to our growth—an essential factor in every step toward efficiency. We are seeking to give to our entire membership that information which will make them feel not only the needs of the world, but God's dependence upon them to meet that need. The nucleus of well-informed people in every Church is a missionary dynamo. To increase the number of that group and to deepen the passionate concern that makes them one with the Master is the privilege of every missionary woman.

"To be a missionary woman is to be a world power. To be a world power in the truest sense of the word means that those who stay in the rank and file shall make as many sacrifices for the work and shall pray as intelligently as those whom God has called to a place of special service."

ANNUAL MEETINGS.

This is the season of Conference annual meetings for which we have planned and prayed all during the year.

Many things are said and done in these meetings which are not only of interest but would be helpful to our Methodist people. We hope soon to hear from all the Conference meetings in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

ANNUAL MEETING LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE W. M. S.

Our annual meeting in Magnolia, May 1-5, was notable in the annals

of this society.

Mrs. T. P. Gantt, Mrs. Goode Renfro and other representative ladies, some of whom were accompanied by their husbands, met us at McNeil and escorted us the rest of the way.

The good people of Magnolia entertained us with beautiful hospitality akin to that of the Old South.

The organist and choir of the Methodist church, assisted by friends from other churches, delighted us with fine instrumental music and vocal solos, duets, anthems and choruses.

Exquisite flowers around the chancel daily bespoke the loving forethought of Mrs. H. B. Askew, president, and the members of Magnolia auxiliary. These co-workers and our pastor-host, Rev. A. Turrentine, did much to help insure the success of the meeting.

The address of welcome by Mrs. N. J. Gantt and the response by Mrs. W. H. Arnold were greatly enjoyed by the large audience. Seventy-eight delegates and a goodly number of visitors were in attendance.

The theme for the Conference, chosen by the president, Mrs. Jas. Thomas, from Romans 8:37, "Conquering through Christ," gave us insight into (1) The Army or Organization for Conquest, (2) "The Arms of Conquest," (3) "The Fields of Conquest."

On Saturday the noon-day Bible study was impressively given by Deaconess Willena Henry, who has been several years at Crossett. Miss Henry's early departure for Oklahoma was deeply regretted, and our best wishes will follow her into her new field of labor in the mining district near McAlester.

On Saturday evening, Miss Lily Stradley, a returned missionary from Brazil, gave an interesting address which impressed the need of a pure gospel in that country so wonderful and beautiful in its natural resources.

Rev. J. M. Cline, D. D., president of our Methodist University in Soochow, China, preached the annual sermon from text found in Psalms 118:23-24, "This is the Lord's doing it is marvelous in our eyes." "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

Dr. Cline reviewed the marvelous changes he has seen wrought by Christianity in China during his seventeen years of service there as missionary and teacher. He said these were God's movements brought to pass through state diplomacy, international commerce and the labors of Christian missionaries, and our so-called "interference" has been justified.

China with its history, by millenniums; its literature and language, the heritage of a mighty past, its vast territory; its wealth of soil and minerals, and its millions of people make it worthy of our best effort to give it the Gospel of Christ.

(2) China needs our interference that her ancient civilization may receive re-inforcement of life, and may gain a new conception of man and what he is to be.

(3) We need to interfere in China

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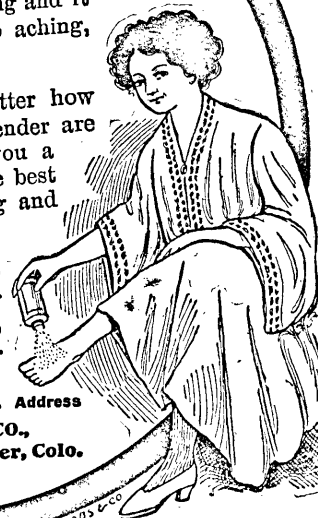
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for the development of our own national life; that we may become less provincial and greatly enlarged.

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(4) Our interference is justified because it is effective and successful. This is an era that makes us glad for it it God's Day. Since the gospel is permeating her mind and heart, China is experiencing social regeneration; she is giving up the opium traffic; has abolished foot-binding and is uplifting her womanhood.

Our confidence in future work for China is based on our success in the past. Christianity is now not only adding to, but is multiplying her converts in China.

On Sunday afternoon Mesdames A. G. Hearne and Moffett Rhodes, assisted by the distinguished visitors, held an interesting mass meeting for the young people and children.

The address of Miss Mabel Head, Foreign Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Council, on Sunday evening was a fine presentation of the missionary work of the women of the M. E. Church, South, in the homeland and across the seas.

Miss Head was an honored guest three days, and she brought to the Conference inspiration as well as much information.

The missionary exhibit arranged by Mrs. Moffett Rhodes, was interesting and instructive, and through it much valuable literature was sold and will be distributed throughout our Conference.

The privilege of using the Mac McKinzie endowed scholarship for deaconess in Scarritt Bible and Training School next session was accorded Miss Whiteside who accepted it very graciously.

The Conference determined to raise an endowed missionary scholarship in Scarritt School as a memorial to Mrs. Lon A. Hotchkiss. Mrs. Jas. Thomas was made custodian for this \$3,000 fund, and friends throughout Arkansas are to have the privilege of contributing to it.

Among the charming social entertainments were the afternoon reception tendered the Conference in the flower-bedecked parlors on Saturday; and a beautiful tea in honor of the young people at the residence of Mrs. T. P. Gantt on Monday afternoon.

The reports from Conference officers and district secretaries showed increase in many lines of work.

Special stress was laid upon the necessity for full payment of dues, the pledges and other obligations in finances and increased membership. The pledges to be raised by Dec. 31 are \$3,000 for Home department and \$5,000 for Foreign department.

Monticello was the Banner district because it had in the exhibit reports from every auxiliary. Little Rock district come next to Monticello, and it received honorable mention.

The Conference tendered a vote of thanks to the Western Methodist for space generously accorded the Woman's Missionary department, and pledged renewed effort to increase its subscription list.

Officers elected are: Honorary president, Mrs. Jas. Thomas; president, Mrs. F. M. Williams; 1st V.-president, Mrs. Moffett Rhodes; 2nd V.-president, Mrs. C. A. Evans; 3rd V.-president, Mrs. H. C. Rule; 4th V.-president, Mrs. A. R. Stover; home sec., Mrs. W. H. Pemberton; foreign sec., Mrs.

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Invitations for meeting in 1915 were extended by auxiliaries at Ashdown, Carlisle, DeQueen, First Church Texarkana, Hamburg, Prescott, and Warren. Carlisle receiving the largest number of votes was made the unanimous choice.

Sec. Home Dept.

WHITE RIVER MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

One of the most pleasant and profitable sessions of the Woman's Missionary Society of the White River Conference was held at Augusta, May 5-8. The pastor in charge, Rev. H. H. Watson, with the local auxiliary left nothing undone for the comfort and pleasure of the delegation. The trains on which the visitors arrived were met by automobiles, conveyed to the church where homes were assigned. The attendance was indeed fine. The address of welcome was given most cordially by Mrs. H. H. Watson Wednesday evening; response by Mrs. P. O. Echols, Blytheville, followed with annual sermon by Rev. J. D. Hammond of Helena. "Stewardship to Jesus Christ" was the theme. Every word sank into the hearts of those present with a greater determination to be a real steward of Christ. Music was rendered throughout the Conference by the local choir. In addition to the speakers of the Conference, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb of Nashville, Tenn., Home Base Secretary of Missionary Council; Miss Lilly Stradly, returned missionary from Brazil; Miss Julia Wasson, returned missionary from China; Miss Grave Hemingway, deaconess at Marvell and President J. M. Williams of Galloway College were with us.

The instruction and advice given the women of the body by Mrs. Lipscomb will be carried to the different auxiliaries with fervent zeal and aspirations for greater things in the future. Her Bible lessons were a feast to the soul, each one seemed better than the one before given. Life in Christ which is the fruitful life was her principle theme. She impressed her listeners with the fact of being saved by faith but judged by works. The judgment test, As ye did it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me. The least of those present heard with the joy of knowing the result of such a life is eternal peace and happiness. What your hands find to do do it with your might. The addresses by the missionaries were excellent. The greatest need in heathendom is Jesus, that embraces all things. Christianity is growing rapidly in the foreign lands, this is the age of universal unrest, now is the time for a larger number of earnest workers. How beautiful are the feet of those who follow in His steps. God's laborers in the home land should ever keep those who are laboring in the foreign vineyard at the throne of Him who rules the universe. Intercessory prayer is the great need of the Church. The devotional services held by Miss Hemmingway reflected the beauty and service of one given to Him for Jesus' sake.

President Williams' address on Stewardship and the Home Schools,

was an earnest appeal for the young life of the country. Our obligation to the home schools are treated with almost total indifference. He told facts concerning our own state that were astounding. He compared the schools of today to those of twenty-five years ago. Just a chance is what our boys and girls of Arkansas need.

The key-word for the Conference was "Stewardship," it was preached, it was sung, it was prayed, it was talked and it was felt, truly God's children love to serve him.

Through the untiring efforts of the Conference officers, our work has advanced since last year. We pray that the guiding hand of God will bless our

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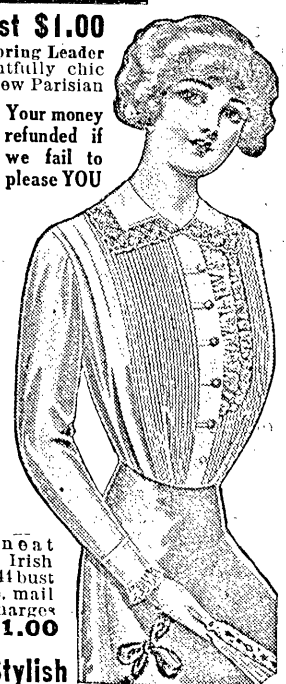
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Children's Page

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

COWETA, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

I am a little Oklahoma girl with light hair and blue eyes. My age is between 10 and 15 years. Who will guess it? I have one brother and one sister older than I am. My brother will graduate at Vanderbilt this spring and my mother and I may go to see him then. I hope I will get to go for I am very anxious to see my brother. If I do go I will write and tell you of my trip. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Gill. I am in the sixth grade at school and my teacher is Miss Campbell. My mother is the superintendent of our Sunday school and my sister and father are both teachers. Our pastor is Rev. R. O. Stewart. We like him very much. I am a member of the Church, Sunday school and Junior League. I will close by asking a Bible question: What is the shortest and the longest verse in the Bible?

Your cousin,
Mildred Leslie.

MCNEIL, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

My papa takes the Methodist. I like to read the children's page. I go to Sunday school every day I can. My class is No. 3. My Sunday school teacher is Miss Eva Atkinson. The pastor is Brother Sharp. My mother is the teacher of the lady class. I go to school every day. My teacher is Miss Lecy Ketchens. I am in the fifth grade. I am 10 years old. I like to go to school. Our school will be out the 29th of April. We are not going to have any thing at the last of school except the graduating class and a few songs. We have a society in our room every other Friday. My teacher is going to carry us out to the Magnesia Springs and carry our supper and have our society out there the last Friday after school. I have light hair, fair complexion, and blue eyes. I have three sisters and one brother. I have one pet. It is a turkey. Wishing to see this in print I will close.

Your new cousin,
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Your cousin,
Lucile Swilley.

TUSKAHOMA, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

I will write to the children's page again. I am in school today and I like my school fine. I am in the third grade. I will pass in the fourth read or next year. My teacher is Miss Bernice Kelley, and my Sunday school teacher is Miss Kate Stricker. I like them fine. I have about five school mates. Their names is Sudy Dyer, Mariel Hart, Gladys Barnhill, Francis Taylor and Ora McGee. We sure do have some fun. We have some swings. I have dark eyes, dark hair, dark complexion. I am 11 years old. My birthday is the 30th of November. How many of you cousins like to go to school? I have two sisters here at school with me. I will close for this time.

Your cousin,
Zona Potts.

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Gertrude Parker.

MALVERN, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

I thought I would write to the children's page once more. I go to Sunday school. I haven't been going to school for about three weeks. I had the measles. Five of us were in bed with the measles at once. I expect to go to school next Monday. Our pastor is Bro. G. L. Leonard, and I like him fine. Verma Gray, I guess your age to be nine. I have two sisters and five brothers.

Your sincere cousin,
Grace Elizabeth Behrens.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you let another little Arkansas boy join your happy band. My papa takes the Western Methodist and I enjoy reading the children's page very much. I have one sister. We live on a farm one-half miles from King's river. Come up cousins and we will have a time fishing. I have light hair, blue eyes and light complexion. I will let the cousins guess my age. It is between 6 and 10. For

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Your new cousin,
Homer T. Hadley.

Homer, let me congratulate you on the neat appearance of this letter.
—Miss Hazel.

DELARK, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you let another little Arkansas girl join your happy band. I am nine years old and in the second reader. I go to school at McCaskill school house. I have to walk three miles and a half. We live in two miles of our church, and I go to Sunday school and preaching every Sunday I can. My teacher is Miss Nell West. I like her fine. There are thirteen in my class. I think we will go fishing pretty soon. For pets I have a hen and some little chickens and five little kittens. Well I will close with much love.

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

MALPASS.—Mrs. Minerva J. Malpass was born in Tennessee, March 16, 1873, and died at Red Fork, Ark., April 8, 1914. Her father, Calvin Stroud, was one of the pioneer settlers of Desha county, Ark., where he moved with his family when the subject of this sketch was a small child. In her early womanhood she was married to Frank Malpass. They had six children but only two lived to maturity. Louis R. reached manhood but soon fell a victim to that dreadful habit, drink. His death in 1884 was a blow to his mother, from which she never fully recovered. One daughter, Mrs. J. N. Burnett, survives her. In 1889 her husband died and for several years she continued to manage the farm with marked success, but in 1896 she went to live with her daughter at Red Fork where she remained till her death. She was a strong character, the product of the environment of the early settlers. She loved the society of young people and possessed the power in a wonderful degree to impart to them the impress of her strong personality. She was a devout Christian and staunch member of the Methodist church and she regarded its ministry as the highest calling to which a man can aspire in this life. It is in a large measure due to her influence that the writer of this sketch sought membership in one of its conferences. She was uncompromising even to severity in her opposition to wrong. She would condemn an evil doer and forthwith reach out a hand to help him upon the slightest evidence of repentance.

Her advice to the young was, "always aim high, and if you fail to reach the mark aimed at you will be none the worse for the effort."

When the writer of this sketch was a boy 13 years old, without home or friends, this good woman gave him a home and the first touch of home life he had ever known. She started him upon the road to a life of usefulness, and if he ever accomplishes anything as a minister of the gospel it will be because of her influence and good counsel in the formative period of his life. The good that men do lives after them, and continues to live and bless the race till the end of time. The world is better for Aunt Minerva's having lived in it.

George Fox.
Waterproof, La., April 25, 1914.

JONES.—Ray the son of J. T. and Zula Halk Jones was born near Cherry Valley, June 28, 1911, and died April 28, 1914. Ray suffered many weeks with tumor of the liver and while mother and father used every means love and money could procure yet this little patient sufferer was called to his long home. He is safe in the arms of Jesus. Safe in his tender care. Safe from the cares of this world, safe forever safe. In the grave yard the little form was placed, but he is waiting and watching to welcome father and mother, brethren and sister to the home of the pure and the good. Let us all strive to meet on the beautiful shore.

His pastor,
C. F. Wilson.

BELL.—Dr. Vincil B. Bell was born in Vermont county, Mo., Oct. 5, 1880, and died of pneumonia in Prairie Grove, Ark., April 13, 1914. He professed religion and joined the Methodist Church, South, in youth while attending the Polytchnic College at Ft. Worth, Texas. A few days before his death he had returned from the Chicago Veterinary College, where he had attended for two years, preparing himself for his life work. He was true to principles of right, courteous, kind and sympathetic to all. He loved his home and fellow man as was shown in his many sacrifices. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn his departure. But earth's loss is heaven's gain. He was buried in Prairie Grove cemetery beside his father to await the angel's trumpet when time shall be no more.
D. C. Bell.
Gotebo, Okla.

BELL.—J M Bell was born in Callo-way county, Mo., Aug. 8, 1832, and died of pneumonia in Prairie Grove, Ark., April 12, 1914. When a boy 17 years of age he gave his life to Christ and united with the Methodist Church, South. He was married Aug. 12, 1858, to Miss J. J. Norfleet of Miller county, Mo. To this union were born four children, three of whom survive him. At all times in life, on questions of church and state he stood for Christian principles. By his untiring zeal and labor, by his example and exhortation, he has been the means of bringing hundreds of souls to the kingdom of God. His life has been a shining light, this faith steadfast, his hopes ever brightening and when nearing the entrance to our home beyond was asked if he was ready, replied: "Oh, yes, I have long been ready and waiting. I am living on borrowed time." The battle is fought, the victory won, he has gone from us but we shall see him again.
D. C. Bell.
Galibo, Okla.

ARDMORE DIST. CONFERENCE.
The twenty-fifth session of the Ardmore District Conference met in session in the first Methodist Church at Wynnewood, Okla., April 27, 1914, Presiding Elder W. U. Witt in the chair. The opening sermon was preached the evening before by Rev. W. A. Govett, pastor of Maryetta, Okla.

For two days and nights the work of the Conference was carried forward with care and dispatch. A splendid program had been prepared by the presiding elder, which in the main, was carried out. Every interest of the Church was considered with care. The characters of the local preachers were passed and license renewed. Bro. Moses Whittington was licensed to preach and Bro. G. S. Dowdy was recommended for admission into the Annual Conference. Due consideration was given to the preaching of the Word. The following brethren preached: W. A. Govett, R. A. Crosby, Geo. W. Lewis and Dr. Frank Barrett of the Western Methodist force. Dr. Barrett's sermon was great, as he knows how to preach. We were glad to have him with us.

The report of the preachers showed a forward movement in the work of the Church. In many charges revival meetings have already been held with gratifying results. And a revival campaign was mapped out for all other places. With all this was one of the best District Conferences that the writer has had the privilege to attend. The royal entertainment of the good people of Wynnewood, the

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good fellowship of all who were present and the wise direction and good counsel of the presiding elder made this a great meeting. The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference. T. F. Gafford, Sulphur; W. A. Frost, Wynnewood; W. N. Lewis, Davis, and W. S. Wolverton, Ardmore. W. N. Lewis of Davis was elected District lay leader. The next District Conference will be held at Thacker-ville, Okla.

R. A. Crosby, Sec.

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THE NEED OF A METHODIST HOSPITAL.

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of the hospitals in our city to my own home. Two other Methodist preachers were in the institution at the same time.

Two days ago another Methodist preacher, fresh from evangelistic work in Arkansas, died at one of the Memphis hospitals after a very brief illness.

Rev. R. A. Clark, pastor of our First Church in Jackson, Tenn., has just undergone a serious operation in the same hospital.

Sister Shepard, wife of the president of our Hospital Board, is in another hospital at this time, having undergone a painful operation which will keep her in bed two or three weeks.

The hospitals of Memphis are full of our people, probably seventy-five or one hundred now, and Methodism is making no return of like service to others, nor can she till our own hospital is built and operating.

Can our Methodist people be indifferent to this situation?

A contribution or subscription for the hospital of their own church will be the best answer.

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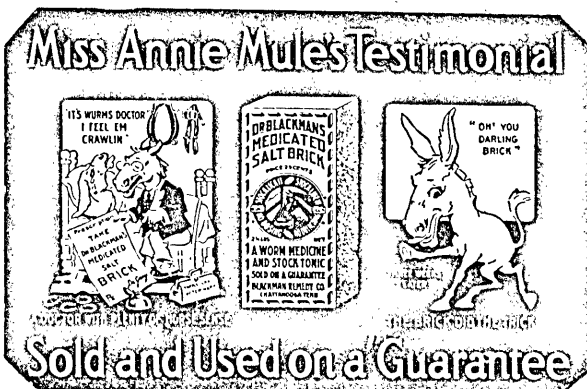
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Sunday School Notes

REV. W. J. MOORE, Editor.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

Lewisville, Ark., May 28-29, 1914.

Thursday Night, May 28.

7:30.—Song service, local choir, led by Rev. L. C. Beasley, Foreman.

8:00.—Devotional service, Rev. J. F. Taylor, Umpire.

8:15.—Our Sunday School Outlook, Rev. J. M. Workman, Little Rock.

8:35.—The Organized Adult Bible Class, H. E. Lufkin, Little Rock.

8:55.—How our School Grew, Miss Etta Hard, North Lewisville.

Friday Morning, May 29.

6:00.—Consecration service, Rev. Jessie Mitchell, Texarkana.

8:30.—Song service. Local Choir.

9:00.—Elementary division, Mrs. W. B. Ferguson, Little Rock.

9:20.—The Teacher and his Work, Mrs. C. A. Steel, Texarkana.

9:40.—The Man and the Boy, Judge J. S. Steel, Ashdown.

10:00.—Definite Sunday School Ends, What? Why? and How, Rev. J. M. Rhodes, Stamps.

10:20.—Conference Building up the Teaching Force, Mrs. W. B. Ferguson, Little Rock.

11:00.—Sermon, The Sunday School and Missions, Dr. Jas. Thomas, Pine Bluff.

Friday Afternoon.

2:30.—Devotional service, Rev. Samuel Gay, Cherry Hill.

3:00.—What when and to what should our Sunday schools give? Rev. J. M. Workman, Little Rock.

3:20.—The story of one school, Mr. J. W. House, Texarkana.

3:40.—The Sunday school superintendent at his work, Mr. Floyd Thompson, Texarkana.

4:00.—Our strong and weak points as a Sunday school Church, Rev. J. A. Biggs, DeQueen.

4:20.—Conference on Sunday school management, H. E. Lufkin, Little Rock.

Friday Night.

7:30.—Song service, Local Choir.

8:00.—Sermon, The Uncultivated Field, Rev. P. C. Fletcher, Texarkana.

9:00.—Has the Institute Been Helpful to You?—District organization.

A GOOD REPORT FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

A report from Acting Secretary James L. McLaughlin, at the head of the Sunday school work in the Philippines, shows that he returned from the World's Sunday School Convention at Zurich fired with enthusiasm. As a result, by the writing of six hundred letters and by careful organization he was able to promote the best Sunday School Convention ever held in the Philippines, with a registration of 365, representing 160 different schools from 37 different provinces. After a remarkable convention a farewell Sunday afternoon meeting was held in one of the big theatres. The outlook for the Sunday school work in the Philippines continues to grow brighter. The World's Sunday School Association is planning to grasp the present strategic opportunity and put a secretary in the field on full time in the near future.

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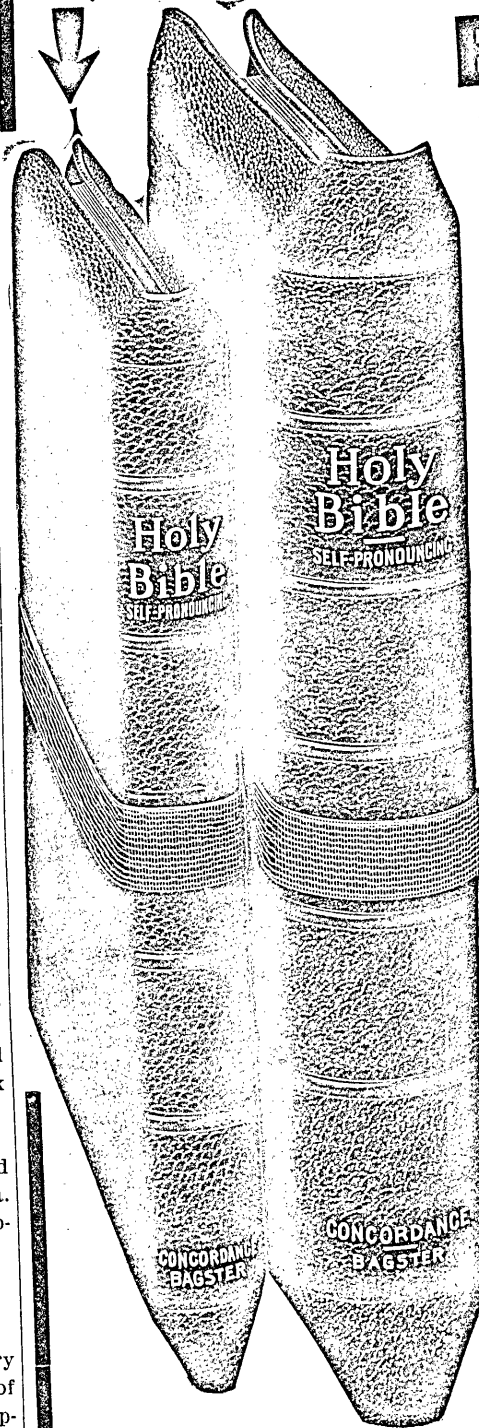
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SUNDAY SCHOOL EFFICIENCY.

The Colorado State Sunday School Association is making a special effort to interest the public school teachers in Sunday school work. This is one partial solution of the problem of Sunday school efficiency. In our opinion one way to secure this end is to make Sunday school more of a real school. Good school teachers feel a natural revolt against educational inefficiency. The method of conducting many Sunday schools is so foreign to a trained teacher's ideas of such work that many teachers decline to teach in such schools, because they feel that to try to do so would be to waste time and energy. While we do not agree to this view, we can see enough in it to render it plausible. But modern methods, such as the departmental school and the graded lessons, appeal to competent teachers. If we would

attract such people to the Sunday school we must cease to ask them to come to nothing.

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and out. Rev. Dr. Jas. H. Felts, First Church, Corinth, Miss., with us ten days and did the preaching and did it well. He is a great preacher and withal a royal good fellow. We are moving onward and upward in Roff. 5-8-14 E. S. Harris.

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THE ALMIGHTY DOLLAR AND THE REBUILDING OF HENDERSON-BROWN.

How hard to part with the dollar! the rich man holds on to it harder than the poor man. It appears like it is as easy for a camel to go through the eye of a needle as for him to turn it loose. The poor man, feeling his dependence upon God more keenly, divides more readily. He has no thought nor expectation of storing away. He is free, frank and charitable.

The difference is due to the attitude and the attention of the heart. The rich man is so completely absorbed in business and so completely occupied in his attention to his plans and methods that he forgets his obligation to his neighbor and to his God, and soon lapses into being self-centered and grasping. He becomes filled with the love of money getting so that when approached for charity or philanthropy, in the kindest, most pleasant and most positive way, apparently without feeling, says, "I do not think I should give," and then proceeds to render excuse:—

If a banker, "The entire responsibilities and liabilities of the bank are his individually, or he is just ready to contribute to the building of a church, or to render some public service."

If a lawyer, "I have a case in the Supreme Court in which there is a nice fee and I will give you a hundred dollars if I win the case."

If a doctor, "I do not have the money now. Collections are poor. Later, I will help you. But make your subscription now, payable at the time convenient. "No, no, I don't like to have paper out. When I get it, I will send you a check."

If a merchant, or furniture man, or lumberman, "I would like to help you. Your cause is a worthy one. I am greatly interested in it. Don't be discouraged. I hope you will be successful. I think you will. I will think about it. I am in debt and I want to fix up my yard or cover my house. I owe some yet on my church. Later, I will help you."

If a stingy man, "I don't have the money to spare now. I must be just before generous. It may be in six months I can help you. I think I will."

If a man of great means, "I am wholly tied up. I am making only one dollar now where I made five a year ago. I would like to help you, but I just cannot. I don't have it. I haven't even given to my own church college. I must help them. I know I ought to give, I know I am stingy, but—I don't have it. I will have to pass you by today."

If an un-Christian, mean man, "I would not give a cent to build a school anywhere but in my own town. The people in your town get the benefit of the school, let them build it. We have too many schools anyway. It is burdensome to the people. I am tired of being called on for money, money, money."

Here is the danger. We love our money, or we are absorbed in our business, or our possessions, or in our plans of gaining more, until we forget God and his cause, and think of nothing else but our own ease and pleasure and personal gratification. In its last analysis, we become supremely selfish, so much so that we marvel at the man who has a big, charitable soul though he may have but little of this world's goods and though his salary be very small, divides with the Lord's cause, even go-

ing so far as to borrow the money that his Lord's cause may go on.

It is all a matter of the heart. If one's heart is fixed on this world, there is his treasure; if fixed on heaven, all he is isn't too much to give, and he gives freely, ungrudgingly, "pressed down, shaken together, running over."

The one is centered in temporal pleasures, shrouded in personal desires, covered up with the burdens and embarrassments of self; the other is love, joy, peace, unselfishness, freedom in service.

This study of human nature, since we have been in the field, has so impressed us that we think almost constantly of the story of the rich man who was wrapped up in himself and who was just getting ready to pull down his old houses and barns and build bigger ones, when it was said, "This night thy soul is required of thee;" and the holy, divine, self-sacrificing spirit of the widow in the giving of her mite found in multitudes, not trusting in the goods of this world.

When the end comes, the one will be so terribly occupied in self as to be thrown into great confusion and distress for the want of time, while the other will go off immediately and without doubt, shouting into glory.

In the rebuilding of Henderson-Brown, we have held on to the original plan as determined upon at the Board meeting a few days after the fire.

A Building Committee was appointed to raise funds and to prosecute the work. The committee decided it would be best to find out what Arkadelphia would do, hoping that she would contribute forty or fifty thousand dollars, when it would ask the friends of the college and the Conference to raise a like amount. This, with the asset in hand, would rebuild a plant, beautiful, permanent and worthy the Church.

With comparative ease, Arkadelphia gave forty thousand. We are, now, in the field for forty or fifty thousand more that we may have the desired amount of one hundred thousand dollars to rebuild the plant.

We are receiving subscriptions, encouragement, sympathy, excuses, and information as to hard times, indebtedness and personal burdens. Our subscriptions have amounted, since Thursday a week ago, to four thousand dollars in cash, and encouraging prospects of several thousand more.

We are not daunted. We should have been further along. We were held back by some who would not give and by others who took time to think. We expected Arkadelphia to say forty thousand sooner, but she is always sure.

Our building committee met Monday with our architect and authorized him to proceed at once to make plans and specifications of the Girl's Dormitory and Administration building, the Boys' Dormitory, the kitchen and dining halls, the heating plant and for finishing Key hall. Plans and specifications for the girls' dormitory and administration building will be ready the 18th. Contract for this building will be let immediately thereafter. The aim is to begin work at once and build rapidly to completion. We will be ready with the Administration building and the girls' dormitory of 75 rooms, for 150 girls by September 10th. We are, now, ready for 150 boys. There is no doubt about this. Let no one say we will not be ready.

We WILL, and that ends it. We will have the largest, the fullest year, next year, ever.

Two hundred and fifty thousand brick are cleaned from the old ruins and stacked in close proximity, together with great piles of bats, for immediate use. Indeed, the old foundation is now ready for the contractor, and the contracts for the kitchen and dining halls and heating plant will be let, later, and the Key Hall and Boys' Dormitory, will follow.

We never expect to stop until the last brick is in. God is with us. He has given us a worthy cause, faith in the same, steady nerve, infinite patience, tireless energy, and a will to do or to die. We see in it opportunity for the Church, and for the privilege of being of real service unto the rising generations. Therefore, we have steadfastly set our face to complete the job.

We write to ask you, dear reader, not to get in our way, not to hold us back, not to shut up your bowels of compassion toward us, but a thousand times do we ask you to think of us and our cause sincerely, soberly, interestedly, intensely, prayerfully, until you forget the world and your positions and, before you know it, aid us liberally out of God's part of the stores which he has committed to you, as His steward.

It is hard for us to put in the time and effort which we are giving. It is hard to be so completely given over to the work as to leave home and family almost wholly out of one's thoughts. It takes heroism to leave your little ones to fate in faith, so far as investment and provision for this world's goods are concerned. Only a few can or will do it.

But, we love a hard job. We have never known anything else. We never expect to know anything else. We are happy on way in the work. All we ask is your love, active sympathy and a part of the treasures of God which you hold, so that His cause may not suffer, but proceed rapidly, and that we may have rest and pleasure by and by in the execution of the same. We are looking to a better country, an heavenly, and how you can hold on to the dollar until the eagle squalls, and the possessions of this world until the devil gets you is hard for us to understand.

Geo. H. Crowell, Pres.

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PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

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Bingen June 20-21
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Nashville July 5-6
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Okolona, Dist Conf July 15-19
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Harmony Mission Aug. 15-16
Delight Aug. 22-23
Columbus Aug. 29-30
W. M. HAYES, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)
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Salado and Oil Trough, at Oil Trough May 23-24
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Sulphur o'Rock Ct., at Sulphur Rock May 30-31
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Viola Mission, at Vidette July 25-26
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Cave City Ct., at Barren Fork, July 29
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A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)
Tillar June 6-7
Crossett June 14-15
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Hamburg Sta. June 21-22
Dean Ct. June 27-28
Warren June 28-29
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R. W. McKAY, P. E.

CLINTON DISTRICT.

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Hammon, at Sandstone July 18-19
Rocky, at Boggy July 25-26
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Sentinel Aug. 2
Custer, at Custer Aug. 8-9
Cordell Aug. 9
Strong City, at Red Top Aug. 15-16
Cheyenne Aug. 16-17
L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.
Clinton, Okla.

LAWTON DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)
Davidson, at Sanford May 23-24
Elmer, at Carmel May 30-31
Hastings, at Olive Star June 6-7
Tipton, at Albian June 13-14
Fredrick June 14
Temple, at Gregg June 20-21
Randlett, at Taylor June 27-28
Headrick, at Midway July 4-5
Altus July 5-6
Lawton July 7
Manitou, at DeYoung July 11-12
Mt. Park, at Mt Park July 18-19
Grandfield Aug. 1-2
Loveland, at Hollister Aug. 8-9
Walter Ct., at Roseland Aug. 15-16
Walter Sta. Aug. 22-23
Indian Work Aug. 29-30
J. A. OLD, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

(Third Round—In part.)
Emmett Ct., at Pleasant G. May 23-24
Hope May 24-25
Caddo Gap, County Line May 30-31
The District Conference will be held in Okolona July 16-19. All necessary announcements will be made later.
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SHAWNEE CIRCUIT.

Dear Brethren: I thought maybe a word from the Shawnee Circuit would not be out of place just at this time and maybe some one would like to hear how we are getting along over here. We think everything is moving on very well except the finances, which is all behind both the salary and conference claims. We have three appointments beside one evening appointment. I preach twice a month at Bethel at which place we have a Senior Epworth League that is among the best for a country League, and a Home Mission Society doing fairly well. Our young people of the League are among our best and most loyal members of the Church and their influence is going to be felt for years to come in this part of the moral heritage. On last night, May 3, notwithstanding the rain, they had a League service that any town League might well have been proud of and it is to be remembered that the League was only two months old May 3rd. We have some things that are hindering the work some, there being some pretty bad sickness in the country among which is that awful dreaded disease among Christian people known as "Morbus Sabaticus," that is said to attack them on Sunday morning just after breakfast and last them till Monday morning, at which time they are able to go to work. This pastor has been very busy since we sold 14 acres of our parsonage land and having to move the barn and reset the fence so I have not done much other pastoral work for two weeks but we are hoping this may be off our hands soon so we may get out among the people again. Our District Conference held

at Weleetka April 23 to 26 was good and we had some very fine preaching that was inspiring. We have not held any revivals yet, as our work is all in the country we can not hold any revivals till the farmers get through with their crops. Have received one on profession of faith and nine by certificate. Dismissed eight by certificate. We are hoping to have some great revivals by and by and round out everything well in the end.

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DERMOTT, ARK.

Western Methodist: We are having a fine year. Our Sunday school is constantly growing under the zealous superintendency of Bro. L. F. Etter. The congregations at all preaching services fill the house. The good

women of our Mission Society have remodeled the interior of our church building and it is now a really comfortable and beautiful little temple. The contractor is figuring on the plans for a new and modern parsonage. We must have the old one for Sunday school rooms.

Sunday, the 3rd of May, we observed as Mother's Day. It was a beautiful service. At the close of the 11 o'clock hour I received into the church a class of seventeen on profession of faith. They had made application on Easter Sunday, which was Decision Day in our Sunday school. About twelve of this class were boys from six to fifteen years of age. Many of them are members of my Knights of Ezalah band, and by the way, that is the greatest organization in the world for boys. I wish some of our fellow laborers would organize a camp and arrange a joint meeting with my boys.

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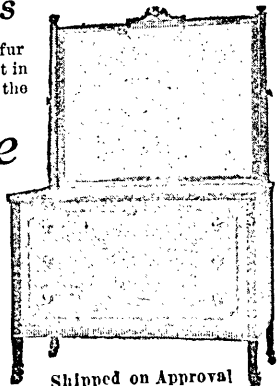
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