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AND HE SPAKE A PARABLE UNTO THEM, SAYING, THE GROUND OF A CERTAIN RICH MAN, BROUGHT FORTH PLENTIFULLY; AND HE THOUGHT WITHIN HIMSELF, SAYING, WHAT SHALL I DO, BECAUSE I HAVE NO ROOM WHERE TO BESTOW MY FRUITS? AND HE SAID, THIS WILL I DO; I WILL PULL DOWN MY BARN, AND BUILD GREATER; AND THERE WILL I BESTOW ALL MY FRUITS AND MY GOODS. AND I WILL SAY UNTO MY SOUL, SOUL, THOU HAST MUCH GOODS LAID UP FOR MANY YEARS; TAKE THINE EASE, EAT, DRINK, AND BE MERRY. BUT GOD SAID UNTO HIM, THOU FOOL, THIS NIGHT THY SOUL SHALL BE REQUIRED OF THEE; THEN WHOSE SHALL THOSE THINGS BE, WHICH THOU HAST PROVIDED? SO IS HE THAT LAYETH UP TREASURE FOR HIMSELF, AND IS NOT RICH TOWARD GOD.—Luke 12:16-21.

THE PASTOR'S SALARY.

During the next two weeks the stewards and the pastors in Arkansas will meet to fix the salaries for the coming year. There are stewards who ignorantly imagine that they have a right arbitrarily to fix the salary of their pastor; but the Discipline provides that "the salary and traveling expenses of preachers on circuits and stations shall be estimated by their respective Boards of Stewards, after consultation with the preacher in charge." Instances could be cited in which the stewards have met in advance of the preacher's arrival and have settled the question of salary. This is not only illegal, but is essentially unfair. It is true, under the law of our church, that the people do not directly choose their pastor nor does he select his field of labor, but it is supposed that the ability of the church to pay and the necessities of the preacher are known and considered in the making of the appointments; hence it is assumed that the church will undertake to provide an adequate support for its pastor and that he in turn will be reasonable in his demands. In every pastoral charge there are members of different degrees of ability, and according to our rule they are expected to pay according to their several abilities. The stewards are to ascertain how much each member is able and willing to pay, and whatever amount each member agrees to pay, he shall be under solemn obligation to pay. Thus the whole arrangement is supposed to be equitable. If the people are poor they cannot in justice be expected to pay a large salary, and if they are rich they cannot pay according to ability and be niggardly with their pastor. The theory is that the pastor should be able to live about like his average member, neither enjoying the luxuries of the richest nor enduring the privations of his poorest member. He should be empty when his people are empty and full when they are full. It may be admitted, without argument, that few of our churches have paid in proportion to their ability to their pastors. In charges where the pastor receives \$2,500 to \$3,000 there are usually millionaires, and many whose annual incomes range from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year. The best paid preachers among us cannot live on the scale of their leading members. Even if these members are justified in the sight of God in spending vast sums on themselves (and this is questionable), certainly no ambassador of Jesus Christ can afford to live in luxury. However, most of our preachers receive only enough to enable them by strictest economy to maintain simple respectability. Few preachers have enough to permit them to provide wife and children ordinary comforts and conveniences. Books, education, travel must be obtained by tremendous sacrifice and extra labors. If these things have been true when the cost of living was moderate, what must conditions be now? With the advance in the cost of food and clothing the

preacher's meagre stipend becomes less and less adequate. The preacher who barely existed on \$500 will now be forced to study new economies. The wife must remodel the old clothes and the children must be taken out of school, while the preacher himself must be deprived of books and will wear his coat till it shines. The preacher who this year receives only the same salary which was paid last year will in purchasing power have a greatly reduced income. His people are paying more to grocer and clothier; they should also pay more to the preacher. They are getting more for their cotton and corn and cattle and rice, and their pastor should get more for his services so that he may meet the increased cost of his living. If a particular church has suffered by drouth or flood and the people are themselves forced to practice unusual economies, the pastor too will suffer with his people. However, intelligent, prosperous, and honorable stewards will recognize the difficult conditions which their pastor must meet, and they will cheerfully and voluntarily take the initiative in suggesting an increase in salary and assessments. No spiritual and progressive church will desire to stand still, much less retrograde; but the church which does as much relatively this year as last must increase assessments at least twenty-five per cent. Prosperity will test the genuineness of the faith of our people this year. As we abound in material things let us also evidence our spirituality by liberality in that wherein the Lord has prospered us.

OUR CONFERENCES.

As our two Conferences were in session simultaneously, the editor divided time and was not present at either during the whole session, consequently he can not report everything at first hand. However, according to our best information both Conferences were unusually pleasant and harmonious. The Bishops were careful, painstaking, and fair in their rulings and in the making of appointments. There was considerable spirited debate, but kindly feeling prevailed and brotherly love abounded. There was no disposition to repress. No outside influence irritated nor annoyed. Collections were above the average. A goodly number of conversions and accessions was reported. Our total membership in the State is now nearly 110,000. A tone of confidence and hopefulness prevails. Some assessments were increased, and plans were adopted for a forward movement in education. The resolutions on "Unification" show that Arkansas Methodism is deeply interested and more concerned about the fact than the mere form. The vote at North Arkansas Conference was unanimous, and at Little Rock Conference only three or four negative voices were heard. Our people are expecting the Joint Commission to work out a plan which will be fair to all and adequate to the needs of the new age. Without regret or apology for the past our faces are turned toward the future. During the coming year there should be great progress in all departments of church work.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE SESSION.

The sixty-third session met in Malvern, November 29, with Bishop J. H. McCoy presiding. Rev. C. J. Greene was elected secretary, and S. R. Twitty, R. E. Farr, and E. B. Harwell, assistants; L. C. Beasley, statistical secretary; W. T. Menard, J. R. Rhodes, R. L. Cabe, and R. L. Duckworth, assistants; J. L. Hoover, recording secretary, and Geo. Thornburgh, railroad secretary.

After receiving communications and introducing visitors, Mr. A. L. Dietrich, District Sunday School Secretary, was introduced and delivered an informing address.

Dr. Geo. S. Sexton, representing our great Washington City church enterprise, was introduced and

presented that important undertaking in a strong address. Dr. Sexton preached a good sermon at 3 p. m.

During the first day the following recommendations of the presiding elders acting as the Conference Committee on Nominations were presented and adopted:

1. We recommend that all vacancies on Boards be filled according to the law in the Discipline and the custom of the Conferences, i. e., that each Board be composed of one layman from each presiding elder's district and an equal number of clerical members. We call attention to the fact that the law and custom have been overlooked in filling vacancies, and that some of the Boards are not at present properly composed. We make our nominations below to conform to the law and to properly compose the Boards and Committees.

2. We recommend that Rev. W. A. Steel be placed on the Board of Missions in the place of Rev. B. A. Few.

3. For the Sunday School Board we recommend that J. J. Harrison be elected as the lay member from the Camden District; that Rev. J. H. Cummins be added to complete the number of clerical members; that Geo. W. Walker be elected as the lay member from the Pine Bluff District in place of O. A. Graves of the Prescott District, where there is one lay member too many; and that Elmer Riley be elected as the lay member from the Arkadelphia District in the place of R. E. Overman in the Little Rock District, where there is also one more lay member than the law allows.

4. For the Epworth League Board we recommend that Rev. L. W. Evans be left off the Board, as there is one more clerical member than the law allows; that T. C. Hundley be substituted in the place of R. R. Posey as the lay member from the Monticello District; that W. H. Keaton be removed, as the Little Rock District at present has two lay members; and that C. C. Calhoun be elected as the lay member from the Prescott District, and J. Wayland McClurkin be elected as the lay member from the Camden District.

5. For the Board of Education we recommend F. F. Harrell in the place of J. P. Plummer.

6. The Board of Lay Activities will be composed according to the law, of J. H. Waters, Conference lay leader, and the following district lay leaders: J. H. Hicks, J. J. Harrison, J. O. A. Bush, D. B. Niven, and J. S. Steel.

Committees:

Public Worship—B. A. Few, J. W. Harrell, D. G. Allen.

Publishing Interests—W. R. Richardson, Theodore Copeland, J. E. Waddell, A. M. Shaw, M. N. Waldrip, W. B. East, J. B. Sims, N. G. Augustus, Carl Hollis, D. P. Holmes, J. F. Crum, J. C. Griffin, M. R. Atchley.

Conference Relations—J. L. Leonard, S. K. Burnett, J. D. Hammons, J. A. Henderson, J. R. Rushing, Z. D. Lindsey, J. R. Dickerson.

District Conference Journals—O. H. Keadle, J. G. Brown, L. E. N. Hundley, J. L. Hoover, A. O. Graydon, W. T. Menard, A. J. Ewing.

Temperance—Geo. Thornburgh, H. H. McGuyre, T. O. Rorie, W. B. Plummer, J. J. Mellard, E. P. Reynolds, J. L. Cannon, R. Spann, J. J. Colson, C. W. Baldwin, B. E. Mullins, M. B. Sigler, J. F. Simmons, J. L. Deloney.

Conference Treasurer—C. E. Hayes.

Wednesday night Dr. E. H. Rawlings, Educational Secretary of the Board of Missions, delivered a strong address at the anniversary of the Board of Missions.

Thursday morning Dr. James Thomas reported for the Arkansas Methodist Commission, and his report was referred to a special committee consisting of

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PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

East Oklahoma Conference made an assessment of \$6,000 to pay off a debt of \$6,000 on the old Spaulding College property.

Rev. M. N. Waldrip preached the opening sermon of Little Rock Conference Tuesday night. It was a strong deliverance, as were all of his addresses.

A church on the Beebe charge is in the market for second hand pews. If any one knows of such for sale, notify the pastor, Rev. E. Forrest, Beebe, Ark.

Returning from Conference the following brethren called at our office: Revs. R. R. Moore, J. A. Parker, Geo. McGlumphy, C. A. Lewis, J. H. Bradford, J. M. Hughey, J. S. Seneker, H. A. Story.

Thursday night, at Malvern, during the session of the Little Rock Conference, the alumni of Hendrix College enjoyed a banquet with Bishop McCoy and Dr. H. M. Dobbs as guests. It was a delightful occasion.

As a token of their appreciation the preachers of Camden District presented a beautiful gold watch to the retiring presiding elder, Rev. W. P. Whaley, who has the distinction of serving for four and a half years on that district.

Rev. D. J. Weems, during the past year, has worked for the Louisiana Children's Home Society, collecting in cash \$4,427, helping to care for over 100 children and paying for and furnishing the home at a cost of \$3,000 the first year.

Some Louisiana Conference appointments: New Orleans, First Church, S. H. Werlein; Minden, K. W. Dodson; Shreveport, First Church, S. A. Steel; Vivian, B. L. Crews; Commissioner Representative Church at Washington, Geo. S. Sexton.

By action of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church the term "probationer," referring to applicants for church membership who have not been received into full membership, no longer is used. The new term is "preparatory membership."—Ex.

By the will of the late Charles W. Kolb, a Presbyterian layman of Philadelphia, the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions received \$200,000, the Board of Home Missions the same amount, and six charitable institutions of Philadelphia received \$100,000 each.—Ex.

A new civilization is holding up new and better prizes, but he who would win must have a better equipment and a finer training than the past required. If the prizes are greater than ever before, the preparation also must be greater. He only who is prepared for his chance can hope to succeed.—Success Magazine.

In the statistics of the churches for last year, those churches which are called the most straight-laced are also the very ones which have grown

most rapidly. They are the churches which believe their professed doctrines most thoroughly and proclaim them the most vigorously. The large gains have been made by the Southern Presbyterians, Southern Baptists, Southern Methodists, and Lutherans.—Western Recorder.

Bishop B. F. Johnson, in a recent convention address, deplored the tendency to substitute church fairs and other schemes for systematic giving. He said: "There is no surer way to blight the spiritual life of a congregation and to postpone the day of generous, glad giving, each according to his ability, for church support, than short and easy popular schemes for getting money into the church's treasury.—Herald and Presbyterian.

If any Christian who has never tried tithing will make the experiment, following it through to the end in prosperity and in adversity, we predict for him two surprises. First, he will be astonished at the increased amount which by this method he is enabled to give to the Lord; and, secondly, he will be surprised at the increased spiritual and temporal prosperity which the Lord will give him.—A. J. Gordon.

The following changes have been made in Little Rock Conference appointments since the adjournment of Conference: Rev. J. L. Cannon remains at Dermott; Rev. N. G. Augustus goes to Lake Village and Arkansas City, and Rev. M. K. Irvin goes to Magnolia. These changes were made by Bishop McCoy. The presiding elders agreed upon the following: Rev. J. H. Glass remains at Holly Springs, Rev. T. O. Rorie remains at Dalark, and Rev. L. J. Ridling goes to Bearden and Millville.

Dr. George Adam Smith, one of the most eminent Old Testament scholars of the present day, has been named moderator of the United Free Church General Assembly, Scotland. Dr. Smith was an ordained minister during the years of his service as a theological professor at Glasgow; but when he came to the principalship of Aberdeen University, his present position, he, according to Scottish custom, demitted the ministerial office. In the recent General Assembly he was present as a ruling elder.—Christian Advocate.

J. Campbell White, at the recent National Missionary Congress in Washington, made this startling statement: "We have been saying that we could not afford to give \$18,000,000 a year to foreign missions or to send 4,000 men abroad; yet today Great Britain, with less than half our population, is spending \$25,000,000 a day, and Canada, with less than one-tenth our population, is sending 300,000 men to fight and die in Europe. We are asking too little for the cause of Christ and the salvation of the world."

Reports from England indicate a serious effort on the part of church leaders to bring the Nonconformist bodies of England together. For ten years a few leaders have urged such union, but were unable to make headway until war changed the feelings of almost everybody. Within the past six months it is reported that the sentiment has wholly changed and that all bodies stand ready at this time to get together. The movement is headed by Rev. J. H. Shakespeare, one of the best known men of the Baptist Church in England.—Ex.

Henry Sienkiewicz, the Polish novelist, best known in this country as the author of "Quo Vadis," died a short time ago at Vevey, Switzerland. He had devoted much of his time recently to Polish relief work. Born of a Lithuanian family, at Okreya, Podlacia, about seventy-four years ago, Sienkiewicz removed to Poland because of the Russian war, and was educated at the University of Warsaw. His later travels brought him into Central Africa. "The Knights of the Cross" and "Children of the Soil" are two of his more widely read books.—Ex.

It is only by dwelling in love that we can know God. "He that loveth not knoweth not God." God is love, and before we can know Him we must come into the same atmosphere. We cannot find out God by scientific research. We may read about Him and hear men tell all about Him, but we shall not know Him. We must come to Him and lay our hearts alongside of His infinite heart of love, or we shall never know Him. So long as we look at Him through the atmosphere of selfishness or pride or worldliness, we cannot know Him. But when we come into the pure atmosphere of love

we shall know Him, because we shall be like Him.—Pacific Christian Advocate.

Boston University, one of the greatest Methodist schools in the world, has just arranged for a building for its College of Business Administration. This is an important department, which all of our better institutions may have, so that the young men who are to become the leaders in commerce and trade may have the best preparation. Our Christian universities should organize such departments, and thus insure Christian leadership. It is announced that Boston University will have many South American students in the College of Business.

Some East Oklahoma Conference appointments: Durant District, S. H. Babcock, P. E.; Colbert and Calera, W. A. Lewis; Durant, First Church, J. E. McConnell; Konawa, L. M. Daly; Wetumka, E. A. Townsend; Eufaula, T. F. Brewer; McAlester, Barnett Memorial, Frank Naylor; Spiro, L. C. Craig; Wilburton, W. T. Ready; Porum and Fawn, J. P. Atkins; Stilwell, J. W. White; Vinita District, J. M. Cantrell, P. E.; Vinita, N. L. Linebaugh; Afton, A. M. Belcher; Pryor, T. A. Harkins; Welch, C. M. Keith; transferred to Baltimore Conference, J. C. Hooks.

The religious workers in Topeka, Kan., entertain the hope of soon having practically universal Biblical instruction in the high school under the present plan of study. Credit is given in the high school for acceptable work done in voluntary classes in the Young Men's Christian Association, Sunday schools, and elsewhere. The plan is only in its second year, but 216 members of the high school, or one-sixth of the entire enrollment, are in such classes. The First Presbyterian Church has 140 high school students, 124 of whom are enrolled in Bible study for high school credit.—Christian Advocate.

At Louisiana Conference the Board of Education asked for the appointment of Dr. H. B. Carre and Dr. Thomas Carter as professors in Vanderbilt University. As the College of Bishops at its recent session had decided against such appointments, Bishop Hoss, who was presiding, indicated his purpose to adhere to the agreement. After spirited discussion in which the Bishop participated, the recommendation was stricken out. Later Dr. Carre was located at his own request, and Dr. Carter was located by a vote of 73 to 33. Resolutions expressing affectionate regard for these brethren were adopted.

The address of President J. H. Reynolds, Hendrix College, at the anniversary of the Board of Education was inspiring. His address took wide range and deeply impressed the Conference. He said Methodism must furnish leadership for an age which is characterized by enormous material development, by social solidarity, and bigness of enterprises. He addressed himself particularly to the educational situation in Oklahoma, declaring that Oklahoma Methodism must found and maintain her own schools, else the State will be dominated by materialism and Methodism there will not be able to propagate her own spiritual life or maintain her own independence. The Conference listened with great interest to this telling address.—Texas Christian Advocate on the East Oklahoma Conference.

Bishop Kilgo in an address to the student body of Trinity College last week made the statement that twenty-two years ago there were in the institution but nine teachers and 128 students. Then too, there were but eight buildings, \$20,000 endowment and \$40,000 indebtedness, with total assets of hardly \$250,000. Today there are 61 instructors, 874 students, 26 buildings, \$1,595,000 endowment, no indebtedness, with total assets valued at \$2,546,000. This statement was justly applauded and the Bishop stated that now was the time for the alumni to raise a thank offering with which to erect a handsome gymnasium building. The suggestion was at once taken up and presented by Rev. J. C. Moten and \$1,200 was in a few minutes secured as a starter and the \$25,000 needed will be raised without any difficulty.—N. C. Chr. Adv.

The unification of Methodism in America is an insistent demand of the spirit of the times and of the situation in which the Methodist churches of this country now find themselves. To such unification as the age demands and toward which the spirit of Christ points the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South,

have in the most deliberate and solemn way committed themselves. The supreme governing body of each Church has declared itself in favor of the unification of these two churches in accordance with the general plan of reorganization suggested by the Joint Commission on Federation. If unification be not consummated Methodism in this country will be convicted of inertness or impotence in a matter concerning which we have done considerable boasting, and that not without warrant.—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

CORDIAL CO-OPERATION.

The Conferences have expressed their approval of our editorial policy, and have resolved to give even fuller co-operation in supporting the paper. They have agreed that 6,000 new subscribers should be secured, and have designated February as the month for the circulation campaign. We appreciate the confidence and interest of the brethren, and hold ourselves ready to co-operate in every possible way, and to that end we invite and offer suggestions. Some of the pastors made good collections before Conference. Others were so busy closing up their year's work that they postponed collecting for the Arkansas Methodist. They should now, while money is plentiful, press the collection of arrears, because many subscribers who have felt too poor to settle are now feeling easy. Whenever a preacher is ready to collect for the paper, he should send for the mailing list, naming all post-offices where his people receive mail. In order that all the pastors may have sample copies for the campaign, we shall send to a few each week. We can not send to all at once without printing many extra copies, hence we ask each pastor who receives sample copies during the next two months to preserve and distribute them in such a way as to contribute to the success of the circulation campaign. We advise that sermons and addresses on the value and use of religious and denominational literature be prepared and delivered at the most suitable time. We are formulating plans to help promote the campaign. Watch for our announcements from week to week.

ARKANSAS METHODIST COLLECTION.

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| North Arkansas Conference. | |
| Amount due, 1916..... | \$2,000.00 |
| Amount paid previously..... | \$1,502.34 |
| Amounts received since then: | |
| November 28—Clinton Circuit | 3.00 |
| November 28—Manila | 8.00 |
| November 28—East Blytheville | 7.00 |
| November 28—Trinity | 15.00 |
| November 28—Jonesboro Circuit | 5.00 |
| November 28—Tyronza | 6.00 |
| November 28—Harrisburg Circuit | 11.00 |
| December 1—Pangburn | 7.00 |
| December 4—Black Rock, Portia, and Hoxie | 10.00 |
| December 4—North Arkansas Conference.. | 425.00 |
| Total | \$2,000.00 |
| Little Rock Conference. | |
| Amount due, 1916..... | \$2,000.00 |
| Amounts reported previously..... | \$2,364.36 |
| Amounts received since then: | |
| November 29—DeWitt | 10.00 |
| December 4—Ussery Circuit | 4.00 |
| December 4—Hermitage, paid by Woman's Missionary Society | 3.00 |
| December 4—Magnolia Circuit | 7.00 |
| December 4—Mt. Pleasant | 8.00 |
| December 4—Pulaski Heights, Little Rock | 10.00 |
| December 4—Fordyce | 14.25 |
| December 4—McGehee | 10.00 |
| Total | \$2,430.61 |
| James Thomas, Treasurer. | |

HENDRIX ENDOWMENT.

It is with great pleasure that I announce that during the week of the two Arkansas Conferences we received in good pledges approximately \$40,000. In addition to that, the two Conferences unanimously endorsed our movement to get a half million dollars. The Sunday School Board fell into the recommendation for a Department of Religious Education, and agreed to throw to us their assistance in raising \$40,000 for the endowment of this department. Mr. John R. Pepper, Dr. Chappell, Dr. Shackford, and others, of the General Sunday School

Board, have agreed to go into the State to help us in this particular Sunday school movement, whenever we have completed our plans.

Brethren of the ministry, the way is open and the people are ready, and I believe, with the help of God, we can close out this movement within the time given us by the General Board of New York. I have never been more encouraged, and still believe every man, woman and child in the Methodist Church of Arkansas will subscribe something to this campaign. Again, I want to beg the brethren to pray for the team selected to lead in this great work, to-wit, Dr. F. S. H. Johnston, Rev. H. F. Buhler, Rev. W. B. Hubbell, E. D. Irvine, and the writer.

Not a day passes but what we are securing substantial subscriptions for this movement.—James Thomas, Agent Hendrix College.

BOOK REVIEW.

Intimate Letters on Personal Problems; by Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.; selected and arranged by John T. Faris, D. D.; published by George H. Doran Co., New York; price \$1.25.

The author of this book was famous as a lecturer, editor, and church-builder, and accomplished much good through the ministry of letter-writing. He kept the names of all persons with whom he had dealings and wrote to them when sick, when recovering, when on journeys, when good fortune came and when misfortune threatened. He remembered people on birthdays, wedding anniversaries, and on other occasions of interest. "When he heard from acquaintances, during the week, of sickness or death in the family with which he was acquainted—whether in his own town or in distant parts of America, or even in foreign countries—he seized the chance to write a letter. In fact, it was the rule of his life to send each day at least one letter of cheer to some one who was in special need. Seldom, however, did he stop with one such letter; the day's mail from his office was frequently loaded with a dozen or more messages of cheer. The chance word with the street car conductor, or the passenger who sat by his side, or the elevator boy, or the teller at the bank, would give him the hint that prompted a message. Perhaps the morning paper would tell him of some one who had been called to a position of honor; possibly a caller would casually mention the fact that a friend had just been married. Notes would be made of each of these opportunities for a helpful letter—and before the day was done the message was on its way." This book contains selections from the choicest letters of this wonderful writer. They are good reading for their uplift, cheer, and consolation. This book would make an appropriate holiday gift, and is worth studying to master the art of ministry through correspondence.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE SESSION.

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ing of W. P. Whaley, J. D. Dunn, and A. M. Shaw. Dr. Thomas was re-elected commissioner.

An offering of \$188.19 was made to defray school expenses of Rev. Charles Cade, a ministerial student of Henderson-Brown College.

The Conference adjourned at 11 o'clock for Thanksgiving services, and Dr. W. R. Richardson preached at the Methodist Church and Rev. E. R. Steel at the Baptist Church. Rev. A. M. Shaw preached at 3 o'clock. All of these sermons were vigorous and helpful.

Thursday night Rev. Hoyt M. Dobbs, D. D., dean of the Theological School of Southern Methodist University, made the principal address at the Educational Anniversary. It was a strong and timely deliverance on the educational needs of our age. Dr. Dobbs won the Conference by his brotherly manner. He will always be welcome, both for his own sake and for his cause. Dr. Stonewall Anderson, who presided, made a clear and satisfactory statement of the attitude of the Little Rock Conference toward Southern Methodist University.

Friday morning the case of Rev. A. C. Graham, who last year had been located in his absence, was considered, and after a statement from him and several others the action of last year was reconsidered, he was restored, and later took the super-numerary relation.

A report of the Board of Education was made. Dr. James Thomas, commissioner for Hendrix College, made an earnest plea for co-operation in the

endowment campaign which has been launched. The report recommended an increase in assessments for our three colleges from \$1,500 each to \$2,500 each. Several amendments were offered, and the Conference adjourned with the question pending.

At 3 p. m. the American Bible Society Anniversary was held, and addresses were made by Dr. J. J. Morgan, Rev. D. H. Colquette, and Rev. M. N. Waldrip.

At night the Sunday School Board held its anniversary. Brief addresses were made by Dr. J. M. Workman, C. E. Hayes, and Rev. C. N. Baker. The principal addresses were delivered by Mr. John R. Pepper of Memphis and Dr. J. W. Shackford of Nashville. All were good. The occasion was inspiring. The Sunday School Board has done magnificent work and has large plans for the future. Dr. Shackford said that no Board in the whole Church has done more to inspire the General Board.

Saturday morning the educational report was discussed by S. Anderson, A. C. Millar, A. Turrentine, M. N. Waldrip, and others, and the amendment to make the three assessments \$2,000 for each school was adopted.

Rev. W. C. Watson made a brief speech representing Galloway College.

Mrs. Sumpter represented the Woman's Missionary Society in a short and felicitous address.

The Bishop addressed the class of ten received into full connection, giving them sane, wholesome advice.

In order to complete the regular business, the Conference convened at 2 p. m. Resolutions on "Unification" were adopted with only three or four dissenting votes.

Dr. Workman and Dr. A. O. Evans discussed the conditions at Henderson-Brown College, and Miss Mooney of the faculty and Mrs. Workman were introduced.

As it had been announced through the papers that Bishop McCoy and Miss Mary N. Moore were to be married November 9, Rev. R. W. McKay, in behalf of the Conference, presented a token of appreciation and love and expressed the interest of the Conference in the happiness of the presiding officer. The Bishop felicitously responded, and mentioned the fact that Miss Moore had once taught at Hamburg, Ark., and promised that she should accompany him on some future trip to our State.

When the report on Temperance was read by Hon. Geo. Thornburgh, a supplemental report was made by his colleagues expressing the appreciation of the Conference for his noble leadership in the cause of prohibition. He replied in fitting and feeling terms.

The Conference voted to hold its next session at Arkadelphia.

The constitutional amendment to admit lay leaders to membership in annual conferences was submitted, warmly debated, and the vote was 103 for it and 38 against it.

Saturday night Rev. M. N. Waldrip, at the Church Extension Anniversary, delivered an inimitable address on the "Evolution of the Meeting House," provoking tears and laughter and eliciting warm applause.

Sunday at 9 o'clock the "Love Feast" was celebrated. It was an interesting and helpful occasion. At 11 o'clock Bishop McCoy preached a great sermon and then ordained the deacons.

At 3 o'clock the memorial session was held, with Rev. R. W. McKay in the chair. Memoirs were read of Dr. C. C. Godden, Mrs. J. J. Menefee, Mrs. F. R. Canfield, Mrs. J. J. Jenkins, and Bishop A. W. Wilson.

At night the Epworth League Anniversary was held, the speakers being Miss Bess McKay, Rev. T. O. Owen, Rev. T. F. Hughes, Rev. W. T. Menard, Rev. L. C. Beasley, Rev. C. N. Baker, Prof. J. P. Womack, and Rev. J. D. Hammons.

The Bishop then ordained four elders and read the appointments, after which the Conference adjourned.

The attendance at all services was large. The house was generally crowded to its capacity. The weather was ideal. The entertainment was perfect. The addresses and sermons were of a high order. Debates were spirited, but the temper was good. The sessions were a combination of "Love Feast and Chautauqua."

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTES.

(On request of the Editor, reported by Rev. W. B. Hays.)

The third session of the North Arkansas Conference convened in the Methodist Church at Searcy, Ark., November 29, at 9 a. m. In his comments on 2 Cor., 1:1-19, Bishop Mouzon won the hearts of all present. One hundred and fifty-six ministers and seventeen lay delegates answered to their names at the first roll call.

F. M. Daniel of Mammoth Spring was elected secretary.

The editor of the Arkansas Methodist addressed the Conference in behalf of our paper, and left for the seat of the Little Rock Conference. It is the consensus of opinion among the members of the Conference that the paper is now better than it has ever been in its history.

Rev. T. Y. Ramsey of Paragould preached a very helpful sermon in the afternoon, and the evening services were given to the interest of the Sunday school.

Most of the members of the Conference were present by the opening of the Conference on the second day. The commission appointed by the Bishop for the Methodist Hospital at Memphis, Tenn., is composed of J. K. Farris, J. R. Nelson, George A. Lamb, Ed Hamilton, and T. J. Boston.

Bishop Mouzon preached the Thanksgiving sermon Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. His text was, "God Is a Spirit, God Is Light, God Is Love." He said it was not as necessary to enumerate the many things for which we ought to be thankful as it is to know whom to thank. He preached on the Christian conception of God. He said what man thinks of God is of first importance. Some people are asking for more practical preaching and less theological preaching. There is no such thing as practical preaching, except what grows out of theological preaching. God and man do not differ in kind, but in degree. Only the all-holy God is a God of love. No man can truly say "God is love" until he can say "God is holy." The cross is a declaration of God's holiness, because it shows his hatred of sin. The sermon was regarded by those who heard him as one of the few great sermons.

Dr. Casper S. Wright, vice president of Southern Methodist University, set forth in clear and unmistakable terms the status of that great school. The title is vested in the General Conference Education Commission. The trustees, who administer the affairs of the institution, are nominated by the Annual Conferences that are to be served by the university, as planned by the General Conference. This does not make them the Annual Conference representatives, but only keeps the trustees properly distributed throughout the territory allotted to the institution by the General Conference, and when such nominees are elected by the Educational Commission they are the trustees for the whole church. Dr. Boggs of Fayetteville preached a strong and helpful sermon Thursday night.

At the Friday morning session I. L. Claude, H. K. Stewart, R. L. Jackson, W. H. Gayer, John N. Score, Geo. W. Pyles, and A. W. Martin were admitted on trial. Charles Edwards of the Fayetteville District was readmitted. The Conference restored the credentials of W. H. Traylor.

The Secretary of Education of the



Rev. W. T. Thompson, Pastor of Searcy Methodist Church and Host of the North Arkansas Conference.

C. M. E. Church represented the claims of his church and took a collection of about \$155 for Payne College, Augusta, Ga. Dr. J. A. Anderson introduced the following resolution on the unification of Methodism, which was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the North Arkansas Conference does hereby declare its profound interest in the effort now making for the unification of American Methodism; that we do devoutly hope for and pray for a happy consummation of this great design; that we most respectfully call upon the commissioners who represent our branch of Methodism to use every endeavor to find a way to consummate this union, as respects especially the two Episcopal Methodisms of America. We cherish the hope that the process will go forward until there shall be but one Methodism throughout our nation, divided for purposes of administration into such jurisdictional units as may best serve the great purpose for which all Methodism stands.

"Our Methodist fathers of 1844 did substantially right on both sides. The Southern delegates in that great General Conference could not have made any other record than that they did make, and yet left themselves in position to do the work Providence had assigned to the Methodism of the South. It is equally true that the Northern delegates were in a like situation as to the responsibilities of the Methodism of the North. As for the asperities developed in individuals on either side, the wrong things that may have been said and done, men of this generation who have the spirit of Christ ought to remember human frailty, and in the face of the crying need of a united Methodism, forget.

"The divergences that have arisen

since the division of American Methodism are purely matters of polity and practice. Methodism knows no doctrinal schism anywhere on earth. We do not feel called to seek a union based upon the points of polity peculiar either to the North or the South. Certainly it lies within our power to form, if we will, an entirely new constitution, without the least care as to whether its provisions come from the North or the South, provided only we proceed in a constitutional way. It would be thoroughly consonant with the spirit of John Wesley, and, what is even more to the point, thoroughly consonant with the practice of the apostles and with the whole spirit of the New Testament for us to adopt any form of polity that we should judge to be most for the glory of God. It is not in harmony with the spirit either of Wesley or the New Testament that we should present to earth and heaven the spectacle of a disunited church, with the waste and weakness which are inseparable from such a state of disunion. In this we cannot be justified unless we have sincerely done all we could to heal the breach.

Nor should we wait till all have agreed to a dead uniformity in all sections of the Church, doing everything the same way in every place. Such uniformity is not an essential of Christian unity, nor even of organic union in the same body. To demand it is to violate the very genius of the Gospel, as it is also to forget the methods of God when he made men, and to depart from the lessons of human history. For liberty in such outward matters is an essential Gospel principle. God did not make men alike, and history shows that men are more efficient when they wear no such yoke of bondage. There is room with-

in our gospel to express the righteousness of Christ in all the rightful varieties of human life, and we may expect it to be so in the practical outworking of the Gospel; it ought to be so. Our Methodism that is to be must take account of so great a fact, and so accommodate itself to customs and traditions and racial tendencies throughout the world. Its only radical and unchangeable insistence ought to be that we shall all alike be thoroughly loyal to the Son of God. We want a Church big enough and broad enough to allow liberty in all non-essentials. Nothing else expresses the breadth of the Gospel.

"In view of all of which we do solemnly declare that we should be very greatly humiliated to see this effort at union fail upon any ground other than upon the ground of some fundamental principle of Christianity. We declare it to be our conviction that the action of our General Conference ought to be interpreted as suggesting a line of action rather than as technically binding our consciences."—(Signed) James A. Anderson, F. S. H. Johnston, A. L. Hutchins, J. M. Williams.

The Conference assembled in the Auditorium of Galloway College in the afternoon. Dr. J. M. Williams had arranged a splendid program and he made a great speech in behalf of Christian education for girls and for better equipment of Galloway. A reception was tendered the Conference and the young ladies conducted them over the buildings. Galloway is doing the best work of its history.

Dr. J. H. Reynolds and Bishop Mouzon made great addresses at the educational meeting Saturday night. Dr. Reynolds spoke of the rapid progress of the present age and the need of the Church keeping abreast of the times by development of Christian leadership. Bishop Mouzon emphasized the absolute necessity for Christian colleges and for higher Christian education in the South. Our life as a nation and as a church depends upon it.

The address to the class of 10 for admission into full connection into the Conference was out of the ordinary and very impressive.

A steady increase in growth of the North Arkansas Conference is shown by the report of the statistical secretary which was read Saturday. The Conference has 212 local preachers, 59,444 members; 825 infants and 3,832 adults were baptized the last Conference year. There are 143 Epworth Leagues, with 4,637 members, and there are 522 Sunday schools with 4,474 officers and teachers and 49,511 members.

The love feast was conducted Sunday morning at 9:30 by Rev. O. H. Tucker and the Bishop preached one of his greatest sermons at 11 a. m. and ordained deacons. Dr. C. S. Wright, vice president of S. M. U., preached a great sermon at night, which was followed by the ordination of elders.

REPORT ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

(North Arkansas Conference.)

It is gratifying to know that there was a considerable increase in the business of our Publishing House during the past year. While there was a loss on the publication of our Methodist Review, the Christian Advocate, and The Epworth Era of \$11,353.97, yet there was a gain in the sales of our Publishing House of \$121,171.80, giving us a net gain of \$109,817.83.

The circulation of the Methodist

Review is 3,800, The Christian Advocate 15,000, and the Epworth Era 21,000.

Our Sunday school literature grows in favor with our people and its circulation shows a steady increase in volume.

An appropriation of \$15,000 from the proceeds of the business of the Publishing House has been made by the Book Committee for our superannuates, widows and orphans for the present year.

The Methodist Review, under the able editorial management of Dr. H. M. DuBose, should be in the hands of all our preachers and people who can possibly afford to pay the small price of \$2.00 per year. The Christian Advocate, Missionary Voice, and Epworth Era are second to none and are worthy of the patronage of all our people.

We wish, however, in this report to place especial emphasis on the Arkansas Methodist, so ably edited by Dr. A. C. Millar, and so economically managed by our Publishing Commissioners. We think the Arkansas Methodist is now equal to, if not superior to, any conference organ in Southern Methodism. It serves the important purpose of keeping before our constituency, our educational and missionary interests, our Sunday School and Epworth League work and furnishes our people with church news and good reading matter from the pens of many of our best writers. The recent great victory in our state for prohibition was due largely to the strong editorials and other articles on the subject as published in that paper. We ought not to cease in our efforts for its circulation until it is in the home of every Methodist family in Arkansas.

We are informed from the report of the Commissioners that notwithstanding the strictest economy in the management of the paper and the self-sacrificing labor of Dr. Millar, there is a deficit of about \$2,400 in current expenses. There is, however, about \$8,000 due the paper in unpaid subscriptions.

If we are to make the paper self-sustaining it will be necessary for all the pastors in their several charges to look diligently after the interests of the paper in making collections and securing new subscribers.

We, therefore, recommend that the month of February, 1917, be set apart as a "Campaign month" for the Arkansas Methodist, at which time we shall endeavor to secure at least 3,000 new subscribers in our Conference, this number to be apportioned among the several districts by the editor and the presiding elders.

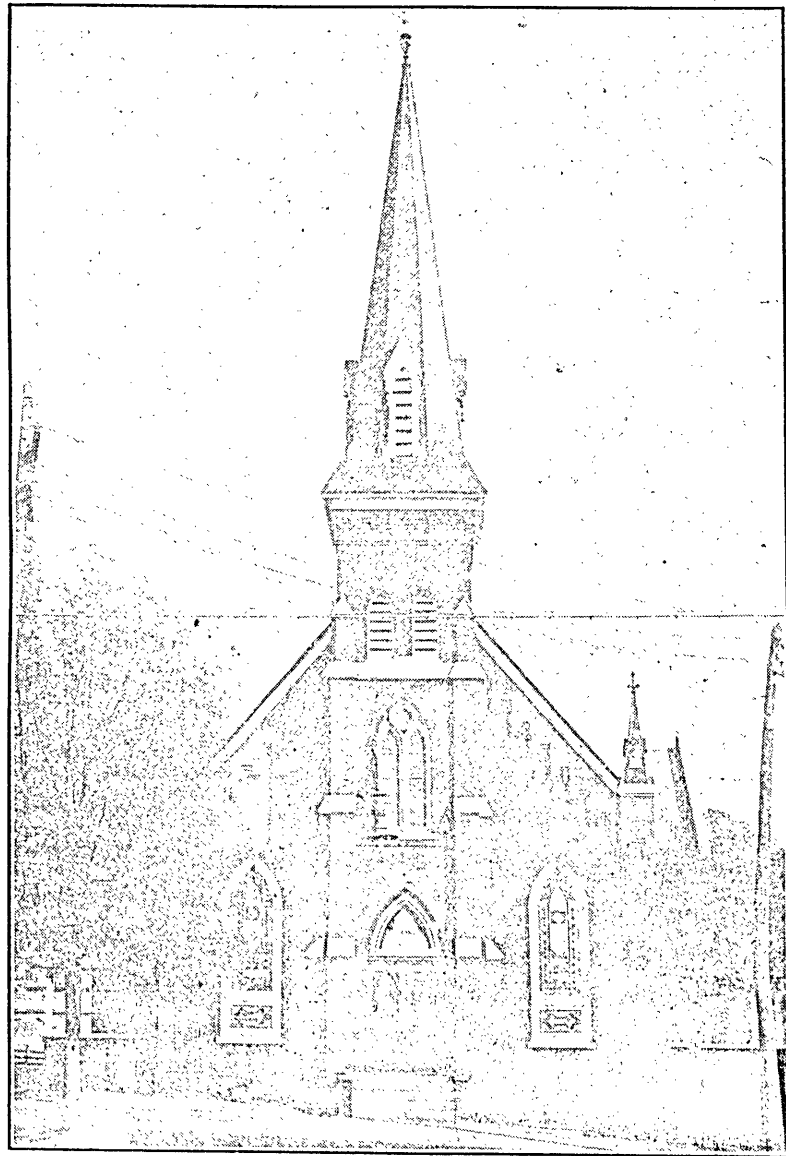
We, furthermore, recommend that Dr. F. S. H. Johnston, J. K. Farris, and J. M. Williams be continued as Commissioners for the paper.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Lynn Wade, Pres.
A. F. Skinner, Sec'y.

BRIEF REPORTS FROM NORTH ARKANSAS PASTORS.

First Church, Jonesboro.—Present membership, 769; received during year on profession of faith, 108, and by certificate, 82. Woman's Missionary Society has raised for all purposes \$1,060. Sunday school has an enrollment of 723, and reports \$420 missionary special. The support of ministry (\$2,400) in full, and Conference claims (\$885) in full with a surplus. Total raised for all purposes during the year, \$10,329.—H. B. Wheeler.

Wynne.—Some very material advancement during the past two years; more than a hundred members have been added. The indebtedness on the church has been greatly reduced. Financially, this charge is in better condition than it has been for some time.—J. R. Nelson.



Methodist Church at Searcy, Where the N. Arkansas Conference Met Last Week.

Hackett Circuit.—We are in advance on all lines this year. Interest in Sunday school and Epworth League growing, and all finances in advance of last year. Congregations good. Three prayer meetings in the charge.—J. S. Hackler.

Augusta Station.—All claims paid in full. Twenty-six accessions. Sunday school attendance doubled. Woman's Missionary Society, Young People's Society and Juniors doing good work. Moneys raised by them, \$400. Prayer meeting well attended; congregations improved 50 per cent. Spiritually, the church is growing.—H. Hanesworth.

Marella and Guion.—We have had a very good year; 68 conversions; 31 additions. Four Sunday schools; 200 enrollment. Two prayer meetings, very well attended. Finances short. Real spirit is not what it ought to be. No great things done.—J. B. Findley.

Huntsville.—Have had 53 conversions and 53 additions to the church—a net gain of 47. Pastor's salary badly behind. Have raised 50 per cent of Conference collections, an increase over last year of 150 per cent. All in all, we have had a good year.—Chas. Edwards.

Springdale Circuit.—Have had 40 conversions, 41 additions to the church, built one church house. The charge is in a much better condition along all lines than in the beginning of the year. Raised \$1,235.65 for all purposes.—J. G. Ditterline.

Springdale Station.—The pleasantest charge in the Conference. Finances all in full, in spite of many discouraging features. Success due to heroic work done on part of stewards and some lady helpers. Sunday school, League and Missionary Society all flourishing.—J. E. Lark.

St. Francis Circuit.—Had 100 members to begin. Tried to do our whole duty; had some success. The work paid last year, to P. C. and P. E., \$222; paid this year \$318.50. Found two copies of Arkansas Methodist taken, and doubled the number.—H. E. May.

McRae Circuit.—This circuit is in the best condition in its history. The preacher's and P. E.'s salaries have been paid in full and a larger per cent of the claims has been paid this year than in any previous year. The spiritual state of the church is in fair condition.—J. M. Hughes.

Mammoth Spring.—There have been eight additions during the year. The principal achievement, however, for the year was the raising and providing for \$1,998 on church debt. This was a great relief. About \$3,000 raised for all purposes.—C. C. Burton.

Calico Rock Circuit.—Have eight appointments; have had 108 conversions and 66 additions to the church; bap-

tized 15 infants; raised \$82.20 for church purposes outside of the preacher's salary. The spiritual condition of the church is fine.—J. W. Copeland.

Conway Mission.—End of third year; 50 members received this year; 22 last. Salem, Macedonia, Graham, Round Mountain, and Lollie paid salary in full. Providence mostly paid. Two Epworth Leagues, 30 members; five Sunday schools, nearly 300 enrolled. One church is being painted; money being raised to improve and paint two others. Some \$300 or \$400 are raised in cash and subscriptions, to build a church at Mayflower. Lost by death three good men during the year—Brothers Watts, Kelsey, and J. L. Thompson.—J. M. McAnally.

First Church, Paragould.—In the main, in good spiritual condition. The congregations are always large and attentive. The prayer meetings are well attended and are times of refreshing. A well organized and enthusiastic Epworth League. The Sunday school enrollment is 585, thoroughly organized and graded. Teacher-training class. Collections in full. Eighteen accessions. Maintain two native helpers in foreign field and two Bible women, and will put another native helper in field next year. Gave \$1,800 to new district parsonage and \$1,000 to Galloway College.—T. Y. Ramsey.

Gainesville Circuit.—Has good possibilities; has many young people who are pious and good church members. The circuit needs to get out of its old ways and get a new vision of what it can do and what it ought to do. No better or more hospitable homes anywhere to be found; six good church houses and organizations in good Sunday school at each church, but need to be more missionary in spirit and practice. No greater opening to do a good work by both people and pastor than Gainesville Circuit.—M. M. Smith.

First Church, Argenta.—Received 110 into church during year, 72 on profession of faith. Baptized 10 infants and 51 adults. Pastor and P. E. paid in full, and an increase in amount raised on Conference claims; \$1,300 raised on church debt. Woman's Missionary Society doing a fine work, and Sunday school and League very much improved. Total budget for the year reaches the splendid sum of \$4,132.—W. T. Wilkinson.

Ozark Circuit.—Have had 223 additions; baptized 200 adults, 125 infants; made 3,100 pastoral visits; prayed in every home and had 530 saved on my own circuit, and 70 off of my circuit. Pastor's salary, \$603.00; P. E.'s, \$88; Conference claims, \$130.—J. L. Shelby.

Harrison.—Have a fine Sunday school and two Epworth Leagues, an active W. M. S. and a harmonious church. We have had a satisfactory revival and have received 92 members into the

church this year. We have raised for all purposes \$4,716 during the year. The year has been a good one.—C. W. Lester.

Beebe and Austin.—Have had 86 conversions; 71 accessions to the church. Preacher's salary increased over preceding years, and paid in full; claims, 80 per cent, an increase over former years. Considerable improvement on church property at Beebe. Church in good working condition, with all the societies organized; Sunday schools doing fine work.—E. Forrest.

Clinton Circuit.—Have received 40 into the church during the year, 28 on profession of faith and baptism. Finished a \$3,500 church at Clinton; paid P. E. and P. C. in full, and the Conference collections are 150 per cent in advance of last year.—W. F. Blevins.

Corning Station.—In February our brick church burned and the parsonage was badly damaged. The parsonage was remodeled and enlarged, at an expense of \$560. The burned church is being replaced by a beautiful \$13,000 brick church, with 14 separate rooms for all necessary Sunday school facilities. We had a good revival, with about 20 accessions. Salaries have been paid in full, but Conference claims not full.—A. F. Skinner.

Forrest City.—Had a fine year. This church is made up of a vigorous body of large business and professional men and superior women. Our strong men are the leading active men in the church. A new church is now being erected, at a cost of \$30,000.—J. F. E. Bates.

Earle Station.—Our church has enjoyed unprecedented prosperity this year. Great cotton crops and high prices have reached high water mark here. Every department of the church is organized and working out its opportunity slowly but steadily. The finances are in full and the old church debt has been paid in full this year. A new and modern equipped parsonage home has been built during my pastorate here, and a great field of service is to be found here just now.—W. J. LeRoy.

Siloam Springs.—In good condition. All claims were paid in full this year, and old debts to the amount of nearly \$800 taken up. We are in fine condition to begin the new year.—A. L. Cline.

Pangburn Circuit.—Week of prayer and self-denial was observed. Much interest manifested. Church conferences were held and reports made to the church from every department of the church work, from the pastor down. Love feast and testimony service held for the first time in the history of the church here. Epworth League organized for the first time. Diversification of Sunday school work is found to be a great advantage to the upbuilding of this organization. This can be in song, short prayers and talks for boys and girls and the school by three different people. The children like this. Salary and claims overpaid for the first time in the history of this work.—Percy Vaughan.

Cotter Charge.—Had 17 conversions, 17 additions; fine growth in Sunday school; \$200 improvement on parsonage; Missionary Society raised over \$200; 11 new subscribers to church paper. Increase in benevolences; 100 per cent increase in pastor's salary.—W. B. Wolf.

Boydsville Circuit.—There has been a marked advancement in all the eight churches along all lines. The storm destroyed one church and parsonage. The church has been repaired. One new society has been formed; one new church in course of erection. Had a good year.—E. Emmons.

Hartman and Spadra.—There has been an advance, we think, along nearly all lines. There is an increase in the financial report over last year, with reference to pastor's salary and the claims. We believe the spiritual condition has improved as well.—Oscar C. Lloyd.

Kibler Circuit.—Have raised about \$1,000 this year. Put natural gas into the parsonage and church. We have a loss in membership, owing to the fact of the action of the Church Conferences, by death, withdrawal, and otherwise. Our work is progressing. Salary was raised for P. C. We are holding hopes justly that we will some day be a station. Our work is known as having the greatest membership of any in the Fort Smith District.—J. D. Roberts.

Rogers.—A church worth \$20,000, new, with a membership of 297; every department of church at work; a revival meeting with 50 conversions and 23 additions; an increase in membership of four. The church is growing.—F. A. Lark.

Oseola Station.—The assessments are all paid; above the regular assessments, two gifts as a special to foreign missions amount to \$140.00. Paid to the Methodist Hospital \$64; bathroom fittings in parsonage, \$140. Five men have subscribed \$5,000 toward the erection of a modern Sunday school and church building. Nine have unit-

ed with the church on profession of faith, and 32 by letter.—E. K. Sewell.

Monette and Macey Charge.—We followed a good man. The church has received some good members this year. Paid old church debts. Improved parsonage and prospected new church house at Leachville. Withal, a good year.—C. T. Wilson.

Clarksville Station.—Our splendid church is completed and our Sunday school is well organized. The preacher and P. E. were paid in full. We raised \$434 for the Conference claims. Material improvements were made upon the already well appointed parsonage. Eight children were baptized. There was a net gain of 35 members. The total amount collected for all purposes was \$4,529.—H. Lynn Wade.

Swifton and Alicia.—Have had a good year. There has been a spiritual growth throughout the charge; 23 have been received into the church, and the church seems to have grown in grace. A move is on foot to pay off a debt on the church at Swifton, and there will probably be a new parsonage erected soon.—J. M. Harrison.

Heber Springs Station.—Completed a new \$15,000 church; received 30 new members. Have two Leagues, with 60 members. Salary in full. Best report in the history of the church.—H. H. Griffin.

Manila and Dell.—Have two good working Sunday schools. On roll at Manila, 100; at Dell, 100. We are going to build two new churches in that charge; one we are building now; all the lumber and ground paid for.—John A. Gowcr.

LaGrange Circuit.—Five appointments; five organizations; four Sunday schools; two Woman's Missionary Societies, 15 members; one Epworth League, 32 members; net gain of 52 in membership; \$200 advance over last year in finances; \$165 in improvements.—M. L. Mack.

Helena.—Year of spiritual prosperity. Great revival in July; 169 additions, 102 on profession of faith. Fine prayer meetings. Church had an active part in great fight for civic righteousness. All collections in full; over \$9,000 raised for all purposes.—C. M. Reves.

Mountain Home Station.—The logical hub of the Ozark Mountain mission field. P. C. and P. E. salaries in full; claims, 75 per cent paid; conversions, 50; additions, 46; one new Sunday school. Four called to ministry, all in school; three in Hendrix. All conversions secured by personal work. There have been five community life accessions which brought 2,000 people under church influences. Have no church house at Mountain Home. The Home Mission Board should station a missionary at this point.—M. A. Fry.

Harrisburg Station.—Have a splendid Sunday school; 212 enrolled; Sunday school paid \$548. We have organized an Epworth League of 39 members; have a splendid Missionary Society of 33 members, and a Mission Study class. Total finances, \$3,069.18; 66 accessions to church.—T. A. Bowen.

Yellville Charge.—Have finished my quadrennium; the last year the best of all. Have rebuilt the parsonage at an expenditure of \$400. Have received 89 members during the four years. We leave a membership of 260. All in all, we have had a pleasant time in Yellville.—W. W. Albright.

Central Avenue and Bethesda, Batesville.—Forty-five conversions; 45 additions. Seven infants baptized. Parsonage furnished; church covered and repaired. Woman's work in excellent condition. Sunday schools and Leagues active.—F. L. Glisson.

Marked Tree and Lepanto.—Salary paid in full. Marked Tree reported all claims in full. Two Missionary Societies organized. Everything moving on well. This charge is now one of the best half stations in the Conference.—J. W. Thomas.

Mellwood Charge.—Have had net increase of 16 during the year. Built a parsonage at a cost of \$600; paid a church debt of \$300. Organized one church. Owing to the fact that the pastor has been laid up with rheumatism for the past two months, the general collections are not paid in full. Salary is overpaid about \$165.—E. J. Slaughter.

Bexar Circuit.—The year has not been all that we would wish. Have a loyal people. Had 65 professions and 40 accessions. Fine Sunday schools are doing good work. One church has been repaired; parsonage repaired; \$75 on hand to pay on church and a parsonage.—J. W. Johnston.

Jonesboro Circuit.—Have served this charge six months; had 39 conversions, 28 additions; bought and paid for one church; completed and dedicated another; paid pastor's salary; 83 1/2 per cent on benevolences. Two churches, Mt. Carmel and Forest Home, paying everything in full. Two young men have been licensed to preach.—J. Q. Schisler.

Vanndale Circuit.—Had 139 conver-

sions; 89 accessions to the church—70 on profession of faith. Paid for all purposes \$1,352. Spiritual condition is very fine. Sunday school and League in fine condition.—J. H. Barrentine.

Blytheville Circuit.—Have finished my fourth year on the Blytheville Circuit. Have received 25 members; built two new churches and repaired two others. A parsonage has been bought and nearly paid for.—Eli Craig.

Marianna Station.—Had a fairly good year. Twenty-six have been added to the church. Finances all up in full. About \$8,000 raised for all purposes during the year. We have a magnificent church building, valued at \$40,000, and the finest parsonage in the Conference, valued at \$8,000.—A. E. Holloway.

Gardner Memorial, Argenta.—Have made an addition to the church, which cost \$1,000; 75 conversions; 58 additions. P. E. and P. C. paid in full. Have had a great year.—C. F. Hively.

Imboden.—I have had the best year of my ministry. Finances in full. A good increase in membership. Good Sunday school. Good attendance at all services.—E. Dyer.

Springfield Circuit.—Have had a good year. Have 251 members, four houses of worship, one parsonage. Have part more on all claims and for P. E. and P. C. than for years. Some preacher will get a good place to do good this year.—G. B. Griffin.

Morrilton Station.—Raised nearly \$6,000 during the year. Received into the church 14. All the assessments paid

with \$2,000 more promised when the new church enterprise is launched. Have a good Sunday school. The adult, young people's and Junior Missionary Societies are well organized and doing good work.—A. B. Haltom.

Colt Circuit.—The circuit has six appointments. At two I preached four times a month. I preached every Saturday night and three times on Sunday. On the east and west sides of the circuit there are miles and miles of missionary territory—lots of white people. We spent for repairing churches this year \$400; built a \$1,600 church.—F. H. Champion.

Viney Grove Circuit.—Had 30 conversions and 17 accessions; paid 78 per cent on claims; 90 per cent on P. C.'s salary. Amount assessed to the circuit for the support of the ministry, \$530; to Viney Grove, \$325, paid \$325; Rhea \$155, paid \$132; Wedington \$140, paid \$84. Claims assessed: Viney Grove \$113.75, paid \$113.75; Rhea \$54.25, paid \$37.00; Wedington \$38.50, paid \$17.—J. H. Ruble.

New Liberty Circuit.—We had 40 conversions and 36 accessions this year. Church work is taking on new life. Our Sunday school is better than a month ago—growing, and is a potent force for godliness. Our churches at Liberty and Morning Star are reading our church paper. At Morning Star every Methodist home gets the Methodist. Our outlook is for better work in the coming year.—T. H. Wright.

London Circuit.—Have had about 75 conversions and 34 accessions; about two-thirds of all the assessments have been paid. Some needed repairs and

Holly Grove and Marvell.—We have had fifty conversions, 25 additions; all finances in full, and two \$6,000 churches planned, with most of money raised. Splendid Sunday schools, Leagues, and Missionary Societies.—H. C. Hoy.

Salado and Oil Trough Circuit.—The church is in good spiritual condition; the Sunday schools doing fine work. One Epworth League—we think one of the best in the district. Our connectional claims short about 20 per cent. P. C. and P. E. about 75 per cent paid. All should have been in full. Have done some special work. Good meetings. A very good year.—W. R. Williams.

Mountain View Station.—Growing in many respects. Especially are many of the inactive members becoming active in some branch of church work. Greater church interest seems to be in the whole rank of the membership. Greater loyalty to Methodism is now being agitated in the church. The general state of the church is better than it has been, perhaps for many years.—J. G. Parker.

Fisher Street Church, Jonesboro.—During the past four years of the present pastorate there have been received 173 into the church. Finances have almost all doubled. Every claim upon the church has been met and the collections are in full. The church is well organized and plans are being made to rebuild the church. Sixty-nine have been received this year.—J. S. Willcox.

Melbourne Circuit.—We have seven organized classes, five church buildings and one parsonage, all out of debt; have had 126 conversions and reclamations, 106 additions to the church—most of these on profession of faith. Have lost seven members by death and five by certificate. We have six Sunday schools with a membership of 300; one Epworth League just organized, with 22 members. Preacher's and P. E.'s salaries paid in full. Spiritual state of the church good.—J. W. Black.

Winslow.—The work in my charge has been very gratifying. This place has not been very successful the last year or two, but the church has been greatly revived. We had a great meeting. The people have shown great interest in the work, and I hope it will continue with God's blessing.—W. H. Gayer.

Ozark.—There are 250 members, most of them loyal and religious. Ozark has a beautiful \$25,000 stone church, pipe organ, and well organized church. The Sunday school, Epworth League and Woman's Missionary Society are doing well. The church, while not so evangelistic as it might be, will respond to devotional leadership.—J. J. Gallaway.

Auvergne and Weldon.—With a small membership this charge has paid all assessments, with a special for foreign missions. A six-room parsonage has been completely overhauled. This is a loyal and progressive people.—M. C. Bevans.

Haynes and Madison Circuit.—Had a great year. Two charges created out of present charge. Brick parsonage, costing \$1,100, for this new charge, and it is now furnished. Had 17 accessions to the church; good Sunday school interest; pastor's and P. E.'s salaries paid in full. Raised for all purposes about \$2,200. Our women are doing good work.—James Gordon Wimpy.

Luxora Charge.—The past two years we have received more than 50 members; about 30 on profession of faith. We have sold our old church and parsonage, and have everything well on the way to build a new, modern brick church which will be a credit to Methodism and greatly advance God's cause.—A. H. Dulaney.

Beech Grove Circuit.—Have had a good year; 76 conversions, 61 accessions to church. Paid on Conference claims, 55 per cent. Paid better than ever before. Spiritual state of church is good. One Woman's Missionary Society organized, with 14 members; all doing well. We have two Sunday schools.—H. M. Lewis.

Marshall.—Our church has taken on new life, and everything looks hopeful. Have a fine Missionary Society. It made its best report this year. Our Junior Missionary Society, with 57 members, is moving off nicely. A good League and a progressive Sunday school.—E. N. Bickley.

Altus Circuit.—Have had a good year; 125 conversions and reclamations, 73 accessions. Sunday school interest is good. One League doing very good work. Have a Woman's Missionary Society with 23 members. They have raised \$221 this year. Are improving.—R. A. Robertson.

Evening Shade Circuit.—Have closed our third year on the Evening Shade Circuit. Have held four revivals this year; had 48 conversions. Have received 32 into the church. Have taken, by subscription, \$355 for the building of a new church, and have one other church building enterprise on foot.—C. J. Wade.

Old Walnut Ridge Circuit.—Have done fairly well this year. Have had



Mr. F. M. Daniel, Secretary of North Arkansas Conference.

in full. The Arkansas Methodist put into several new homes and the subscription list in fine shape. Sunday school, Epworth League and prayer meeting all in good spiritual condition.—J. K. Farris.

Leslie.—The year and quadrennium closing at Leslie are very encouraging. The church has been strengthened along all lines of activity. Quite a number of the leading business men have been added to the church. About 120 have been received into the church since we came to the work. The P. E.'s and P. C.'s salaries have been increased from \$765 to \$1,130, which was paid this year. About \$1,100 paid on church debt, and some improvements on the parsonage. There is a splendid opportunity for the development of a strong church. Mrs. Reynolds and myself will leave there many dear and good friends who have a warm place in our hearts.—J. A. Reynolds.

Aubrey and Moro.—Additions, 55; net gain, 46; raised for paying off church debt and repairs on churches over \$1,900, and for all purposes raised about \$2,000 more than last year. Good congregations; Sunday schools in need of trained workers. Parsonages provided for. Cotton crop raised by Aubrey church was a great success, both in money making and in stirring the people's interest in the church.—John Score.

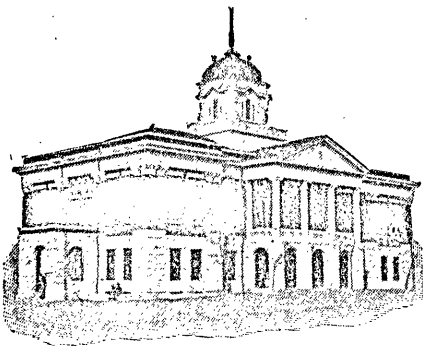
Walnut Ridge Station.—Church lots have been purchased and mostly paid for. Subscriptions were made for a new church, and \$7,500 was secured,

furnishings were made on the parsonage. Have one Woman's Missionary Society. The membership is small, but all are loyal and attentive and are doing some good work. Our Sunday schools are all in fairly good shape. We have one Junior League which is reaching the children in the community where it is in operation. Our attendance at prayer meeting is good.—J. B. Stewart.

Conway Station.—Have received during the year 323, and now have 986 members; have raised for all purposes more than \$20,000. We have a Sunday school of 1,200; an Epworth League of 200. The church is well organized and in very fine condition.—F. S. H. Johnston.

Bigelow Station.—Have had a very pleasant and profitable year. We have received 37 members and report an increase of 33 1/2 per cent in finances. Large and attentive congregations have habitually heard the gospel.—E. S. Harris.

Cave City Circuit.—I came on the Cave City Circuit first Sunday in May, 1915. Since that time we have had 470 conversions, baptized 45 infants, and we are safe in saying that the churches have doubled in strength in every respect. Have made some nice improvements on our church buildings. Also have built one church. We love our people and love this great work for the Master. If I can preach, I learned it here, as I preached the first sermon of my life at Cave City when I came as pastor.—E. H. Hook.



White County Court House, at Searcy.

31 conversions and 26 accessions. Paid P. C. and P. E. \$400. Spent \$530 repairing churches. Claims short. I have served the people this year where I have lived nearly all my life. We hope to build up a great work here in the near future.—C. R. Fain.

Howell and DeWitt.—Have had a prosperous year. Have had 223 conversions; organized two new churches, one with an enrollment of 46, the other a membership enrollment of 33. Have built two new church buildings. Have six Sunday schools doing good work. Pastor's and P. E.'s salaries in full. Net gain of membership, 108.—J. F. Carter.

Nettleton, Bay and Truman.—Had a very pleasant year. Have two Sunday schools, two Young People's Missionary Societies, two church buildings, and now have the foundation laid at Truman for another building, with the lumber on the ground. Had 148 conversions; received 69 members, with a net gain of eight.—O. L. Cole.

Green Forest.—The pastor has closed out his third year. There has been an increase of 150 in the membership, and a new church has been built, at a cost of over \$3,000. They now have two splendid Epworth Leagues and a good Sunday school.—W. H. Neal.

Dardanelle Station.—Dardanelle Station is still on the map. Our church has made history which creates a sense of pride in those who read and know. Her greatest history is before her. With a vision that is not horizoned, she has planned to enter the open door. God leads and the people follow.—Eli Myers.

Carden Bottom Charge.—This charge is composed of six churches, three live Sunday schools and one live prayer meeting. Held five meetings, which resulted in 15 conversions and ten accessions on profession of faith. We have lots of fine people, and they love our church and its doctrines. Have raised 85 per cent of finances for the year.—W. A. Greer.

Lincoln.—Have had 44 conversions and 43 additions. Baptized seven infants. Paid for all purposes \$1,141.—J. C. Gibbons.

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Pocahontas.—Our work has been very satisfactory this year. We have succeeded in organizing both Senior and Junior Leagues, which have done splendid work; also a Young Woman's Missionary Society has been organized. The church is making substantial progress.—I. D. McClure.

Brinkley.—The year has been an exceedingly pleasant one. Every department of the church working in perfect harmony. The Board as well as the members have shouldered all responsibilities, and by their arduous labors have made it possible for the pastor to report everything in fun, with 31 accessions.—James B. Evans.

Fayetteville.—Received 48 members; collected for all purposes \$5,946, with balance of \$2,400 paid on notes made last year to cancel all indebtedness on church.—W. E. Boggs.

Paris.—There has been this year a large increase in membership through the great union revival. The Sunday school and Juvenile Junior work are in a high state of efficiency. The financial record is the best in the church's history. Two of our laymen contributed in cash \$1,500 to Galloway College. Many more good things might be said of this delightful charge.—George McGlumphy.

CONDENSED MINUTES OF THIRD SESSION OF THE NORTH ARKANSAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE, HELD AT SEARCY, NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 4, 1916.

1. Admitted on trial: Iris Lothair Cloud, Hezekiah Stewart, Robert Lee Jackson, William H. Gayer, John Nelson Russell Score, George Wendell Pyles, Albert William Martin, Joseph Luther Shelby, and H. B. Chancellor.
2. On trial: First year, Clarence N. Weems, J. F. Carter, J. H. Gholson; Second year, Elmer H. Hook, Charles

Quincy Schisler, Harry Calvin Hoy, Oscar Daniel Langston, James Gordon Wimpey, William Burton Hubbell, Jas. Franklin Glover, Percy Vaughan, Joseph Wilson Crichtlow, Edward Theodore Wayland, William Thomas Wilkinson, Frederick Lawrence Glisson, Benjamin Charles Few, Henry Burton Trimble, James Beverly Evans, James Marvin Hughes.

15. Traveling preachers ordained elders: J. M. Harrison, J. Q. Schisler, H. C. Hoy, O. D. Langston, J. G. Wimpey, W. B. Hubbell, J. F. Glover, Percy Vaughan, J. W. Crichtlow, E. T. Wayland, W. T. Wilkinson, F. L. Glisson, B. C. Few, H. B. Trimble, J. B. Evans, J. H. Hughes.

16. Local preachers elected elders: Franklin Daniel Alexander.

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18. Located: Charles Henson, G. W. Butler.

19. Supernumerary: G. M. Barton, W. H. Dyer, J. E. Woodruff, J. H. Sturdy, J. H. Dye, J. W. Howard, S. F. Brown, A. M. R. Branson, W. P. Talkington.

20. Superannuated: S. H. Blackwell, H. T. Gregory, F. M. Smith, Cadesman Pope, W. W. Anderson, A. C. Griffin, S. S. Key, L. A. Blevins, Z. W. Lindsey, O. J. Beardsley, W. B. Johnsey, J. H. Cummings, G. W. O. Davis, S. F. Dykes, A. Mathis, T. A. Martin, B. Monk, R. M. Traylor, J. W. Griffin, G. L. Horton, J. S. Watson, H. A. Armstrong, W. E. Skinner, O. H. Tucker, C. H. Nelson, Fred Little, Z. T. Bennett, M. M. Smith, T. C. Steele.

21. Died during the past year: F. A. Jeffett, T. Martin, C. B. Mosley.

22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.

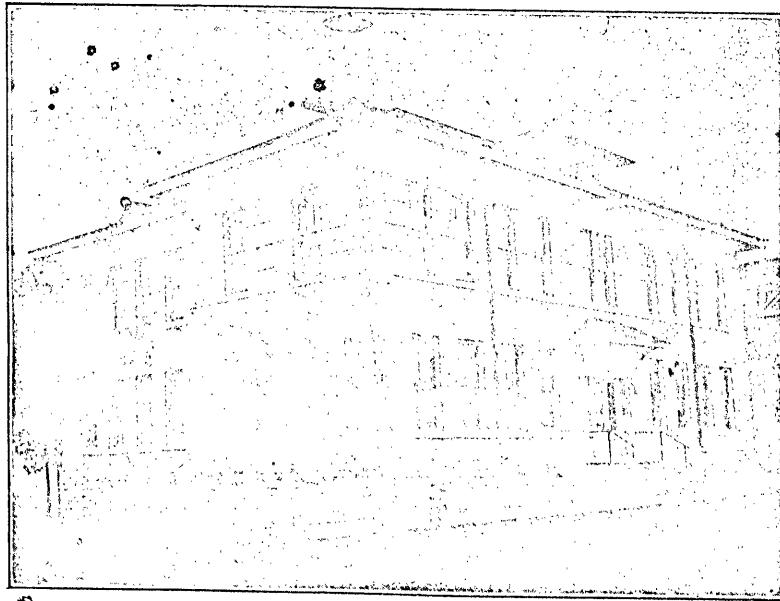
23. Number of local preachers, 212. Members, 59,444.

26. Infants baptized, 825.

27. Adults baptized, 3,832.

28. Number of Epworth Leagues, 141.

29. Number of Epworth League



Searcy High School.

Jackson Wade, William A. Williams, Pizer M. Noe, Henry A. Stroupe, J. R. Parish, Joe G. McCollum, D. H. Holland, J. W. Moore, and Lee B. Hankins.

3. Discontinued: No one.

4. Admitted into full connection: James W. Johnson, Riley Jones, J. B. Stewart, M. C. Bevins, R. A. Bevis, W. J. Williams, G. W. Butler, H. H. Blevins, A. R. Ward, and Guy Murphy.

5. Readmitted: Charles Edwards, John B. Andrews.

6. Received by transfer: U. G. Reynolds, elder, from East Oklahoma Conference; H. B. Chancellor, on trial, from East Oklahoma Conference; G. M. Hill, elder, from Missouri Conference.

7. Received from other churches as local preachers: Julian Foster (local elder, Church of Disciples).

8. Received from other churches as traveling preachers: No one.

9. Deacons of one year: Fourth year, S. G. Watson, I. C. Bradsher, B. A. Moody, J. B. Hendrix, Eli Craig, O. L. Cole, Norris Greer, J. E. Snell, B. E. Robertson; Third year, J. H. Johnson, R. A. Bevis, Riley Jones, Wm. J. Williams, H. H. Blevins, J. B. Stewart, M. C. Bevins, A. R. Ward, Guy Murphy, E. M. Kelsey, T. C. Steele, J. W. Howard, W. M. Adcock, C. L. Castleberry, A. L. Platt.

10. Traveling preachers elected deacons: Richard Alexander Bevis, Walter Jacob Williams, Geo. Washington Butler, Hilary Herman Blevins, Alva Rufus Ward, Guy Murphy.

11. Traveling preachers ordained deacons: R. A. Bevis, W. J. Williams, G. W. Butler, H. H. Blevins, A. R. Ward, Guy Murphy.

12. Local preachers elected deacons: John B. Findley, Walter D. Forrest, James G. Parker, Robert F. Shinn, Albert William Martin, Melvin Lee Mack, Eugene Emmons, William Jesse Martin, James Franklin Smith, Hezekiah Stewart, Iris Lothair Cloud.

13. Local preachers ordained deacons: J. B. Findley, W. D. Forrest, J. G. Parker, R. F. Shinn, A. W. Martin, M. L. Mack, E. Emmons, W. J. Martin, J. F. Smith, H. Stewart, I. L. Cloud.

14. Traveling preachers elected elders: John Martin Harrison, John

members, 11,637.

30. Number of Sunday schools, 522.

31. Number of Sunday school officers and teachers, 4,474.

32. Number of Sunday school scholars, 49,511.

33. Assessed by the last Conference for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers, \$15,159.

34. Collected on the foregoing account, \$8,862, paid to claimants.

35. Contributed for Missions: Foreign, \$7,980; Home and Conference, \$8,160.

36. Contributed for Church Extension, \$4,654.

37. Contributed for Education, \$5,491.

38. Contributed for American Bible Society, \$554.

39. Contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge: Presiding elders, \$21,602; preachers in charge, \$140,771.

40. Contributed for support of Bishops, \$1,687.

41. Number of societies, 668; number of houses of worship, 517.

42. Value of houses of worship, \$1,233,376; indebtedness, \$98,902.

43. Pastoral charges, 208; number of parsonages, 192.

44. Value of parsonages, \$266,800; indebtedness, \$19,605.

45. Number of districts, 9; number of district parsonages, 9.

46. Value of district parsonages, \$34,000; indebtedness, \$2,500.

47. Number of churches damaged, 9; amount of damage, \$2,526.

48. Insurance carried, \$508,849; losses sustained, \$2,526. Premiums paid, \$4,599; collections on losses, \$4,876.

49. Educational statistics not reported.

50. Copies of general organ taken, 425; Conference organ, 4,062.

51. Lay Leader, F. M. Daniel.

52. Next session of the Conference to be held at Helena.

53. The preachers are stationed as below:

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION



John Milford Williams.

President J. M. Williams, of Galloway College for Women.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

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Batesville:
First Church, J. B. Stevenson.
Central Avenue, W. W. Allbright.
Bexar Circuit, J. W. Johnston.
Calico Rock and Macedonia, J. E. Snell.
Norfolk Circuit, J. W. Copeland, supply.
Charlotte Circuit, J. M. Thrasher.
Cotter Circuit, J. G. Parker, supply.
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Evening Shade Circuit, J. W. Jenkins, supply.
Floral Circuit, J. B. Finley, supply.
Kenyon Circuit, E. A. Horn, supply.
Lead Hill, W. D. Forrest, supply.
Melbourne Circuit, J. W. Black, supply.

Minturn Circuit, W. S. Story, supply.
Mountain Home Circuit, M. A. Fry.
Mountain View, E. H. Hook.
Newark, A. B. Haltom.
Newport, W. B. Hays.
Newport Circuit, to be supplied.
Salado and Oil Trough, C. J. Wade.
Sulphur Rock and Moorefield, F. M. Noe.

Swifton and Alicia, J. M. Harrison.
Tuckerman, M. B. Umsted.
Viola Circuit, F. E. Hall, supply.
Yellville Circuit, L. B. Hankins.
Cave City Circuit, A. McKelvey.
Conference Evangelist, W. B. Wolf.

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Adona and Perry, W. M. Adeock.
Belleville Circuit, W. E. Bishop.
Bigelow, E. S. Harris.
Booneville, W. T. Martin.
Booneville Circuit, J. C. Weaver.
Branch Circuit, I. L. Claud.
Cauthron Circuit, I. N. Coburn, supply.
Danville, J. W. Crichtlow.
Dardanelle, Eli Myers.
Dardanelle Circuit, J. P. Wheeler.
Gravelly Circuit, H. A. Stroup.
Magazine Circuit, A. W. Martin.
Ola Circuit, W. E. Hall.
Paris, G. McGlumphy.
Plainview, G. C. Johnson.
Scranton and Prairie View, J. F. Glover.

Waldron, W. A. Lindsey.
Waldron Circuit, J. D. Roberts.
Walnut Tree Circuit, E. M. Kelsey.
District Evangelist, J. R. Ashmore.
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 Dover Circuit, R. N. Davis, supply.
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 Hartman and Spadra, O. C. Lloyd.
 Lamar Circuit, A. E. Goode.
 London Circuit, J. B. Stewart.
 Morrilton, H. H. Watson.
 Naylor Circuit, J. M. McAnally.
 Plumerville, H. L. Wheeler.
 Pottsville Circuit, D. J. Weems.
 Quitman, J. W. Campbell.
 Quitman Circuit, Paul Bates, supply.
 Russellville, W. T. Wilkinson.
 Rosebud Circuit, J. L. Shelby.
 Springfield Circuit, to be supplied.
 Conference Evangelist, J. T. Gossett.
 Business Manager Hendrix College, W. B. Hubbell.
 Commissioner Hendrix College, F. S. H. Johnston.
 Missionary to Korea, C. N. Weems.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, H. E. Wheeler.

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 Bentonville, J. Sherman.
 Berryville, E. W. Faulkner.
 Berryville Circuit, J. H. Henson, supply.
 Centerton Circuit, J. C. Gibbons.
 Elm Springs Circuit, J. F. Carter.
 Eureka Springs, W. J. Faust.
 Farmington Circuit, D. N. Weaver.
 Fayetteville, W. E. Boggs; supernumerary, W. H. Dyer.
 Gentry, B. M. Burrow; S. F. Brown, supernumerary.
 Gravette and Decatur, R. L. Jackson.
 Green Forest and Alpena, C. H. Sherman.
 Huntsville Circuit, Chas. Edwards.
 Lincoln Circuit, J. H. Ruble, supply.
 Osage Circuit, S. D. Carmack, supply.
 Pea Ridge Circuit, J. C. Cullom.
 Prairie Grove, F. R. Hamilton.
 Rogers, S. M. Yancey.
 Siloam Springs, A. L. Cline.
 Springdale, A. H. Dulaney.
 Viney Grove Circuit, E. A. Moody.
 War Eagle Circuit, W. J. Jordan, supply.
 Winslow Circuit, W. H. Gayer.
 Springdale Circuit, J. G. Ditterline, supply.
 Springtown Circuit, H. B. Chancellor; District Evangelist, W. H. Neal.
 Conference Evangelist, J. L. Bryant.
 General Evangelist, J. B. Andrews.

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 Alma, George E. Patchell.
 Cass Circuit, H. M. Lewis, supply.
 Charleston Circuit, C. E. Gray; supernumerary, J. H. Sturdy.
 Fort Smith:
 First Church, H. B. Trimble.
 Dodson Avenue, W. V. Womack.
 Midland Heights, M. F. Johnson.
 Fort Smith Circuit, W. F. Campbell.
 Greenwood, J. A. Reynolds.
 Hackett Circuit, J. S. Hackler.
 Hartford and Midland, J. E. Lark.
 Huntington and Mansfield, C. H. Bumpers.
 Kibler Circuit, G. B. Griffin.
 Mulberry and Dyer, F. G. Villines.
 Ozark, W. J. Leroy.
 Ozark Circuit, H. B. Flippin, supply.
 South Fort Smith, E. T. Miller, supply; J. E. Woodruff, supernumerary.
 Van Buren, W. L. Oliver.
 Van Buren Circuit, W. A. Greer.
 Student to University of Chicago, J. S. Seneker.
 Secretary of Education, J. K. Farris.

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 Brinkley, J. B. Evans.
 Clarendon, C. W. Lester.
 Colt Circuit, F. H. Champion.
 Cotton Plant, B. L. Harris.
 Forrest City, J. F. E. Bates.
 Hickory Ridge and Hamlin, W. O. Esery, supply.
 Haynes Circuit, M. L. Mack, supply.
 Helena, C. M. Reves.
 Holly Grove and Marvell, H. C. Hoy.
 Howell and Wiville, H. V. Johnson.
 LaGrange, H. G. Summers.
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 East Side, J. F. Jernigan.
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 Piggott and Rector, F. P. Jernigan.
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 Pocahontas Circuit, H. H. Blevins.
 Reyno and Success, G. M. Hill.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

(Little Rock Conference.)

We, the Committee on Publishing Interests, beg leave to submit the following report:

We note with pleasure that the total increase in the sales of our Publishing Houses, over those of last year, amounts to nearly \$37,000. We heartily commend the able manner in which our Methodist Review, Christian Advocate, Epworth-Era, Missionary Voice, and our Sunday school publications are edited. We regret that the first three periodicals mentioned are found to run at a financial loss to the church; and trust that our preachers and people may put forth a united and loyal effort to so increase the circulation of said publications as to wipe out these annual deficits.

We have received from Dr. A. C. Millar a detailed statement of the affairs of the Arkansas Methodist, and

Probably no single agency in the state did nearly so much during the recent campaign in the interest of prohibition, and for the defeat of the infamous Act No. 2, as did the Arkansas Methodist.

Resolved, First, That we hereby heartily recommend the editorial policy of Dr. Millar, and express our appreciation of his excellent work.

And, Whereas, It appears clearly that if we can increase the circulation to 15,000 and make reasonably close collections, the paper can maintain its present standard of excellence without increasing the price, therefore be it

Resolved, Second, That we undertake to secure our Conference during the coming year 3,000 new subscribers; that we observe the month of February as a special campaign month for securing the three thousand new subscribers.

Resolved, Third, That the said campaign be placed under the general direction of Dr. A. C. Millar, with full power to work out his own plans, and we hereby pledge him our loyal and earnest co-operation in the execution of his plans.

Resolved, Fourth, That we urge all our people to take and read the Arkansas Methodist.

Respectfully submitted,
W. R. Richardson, Chm.
A. M. Shaw, Sec'y.

BRIEF REPORTS FROM LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE PASTORS.

Hawley Memorial.—Total number of members received, 223 number received on profession of faith, 160; Epworth League raised for all purposes, \$552; Sunday school, \$458; Missionary Society and Circles, \$46; church proper, Board of Stewards, \$1,655; total, \$3,011. Average attendance at League for the entire year was 76, and at the Sunday school for the last six months 272. The increase in finances was 600 per cent. The increase in League, Sunday school, and church attendance taxed the capacity of the respective auditoriums.—H. F. Buhler.

Mineral Springs Circuit.—Advancement along most all lines this year. There were 30 additions to the church; one Sunday school; one Senior League, one Junior League and one W. M. Society organized, and most all are doing good work. Have built a new church at Mineral Springs.—W. W. Mills.

St. Charles.—Have had a good year; 47 additions to the church. Pastor's salary paid, 95 per cent; claims, 71 per cent. Continuous growth on the work for the past two years. We have been delighted with the people.—A. E. Jacobs.

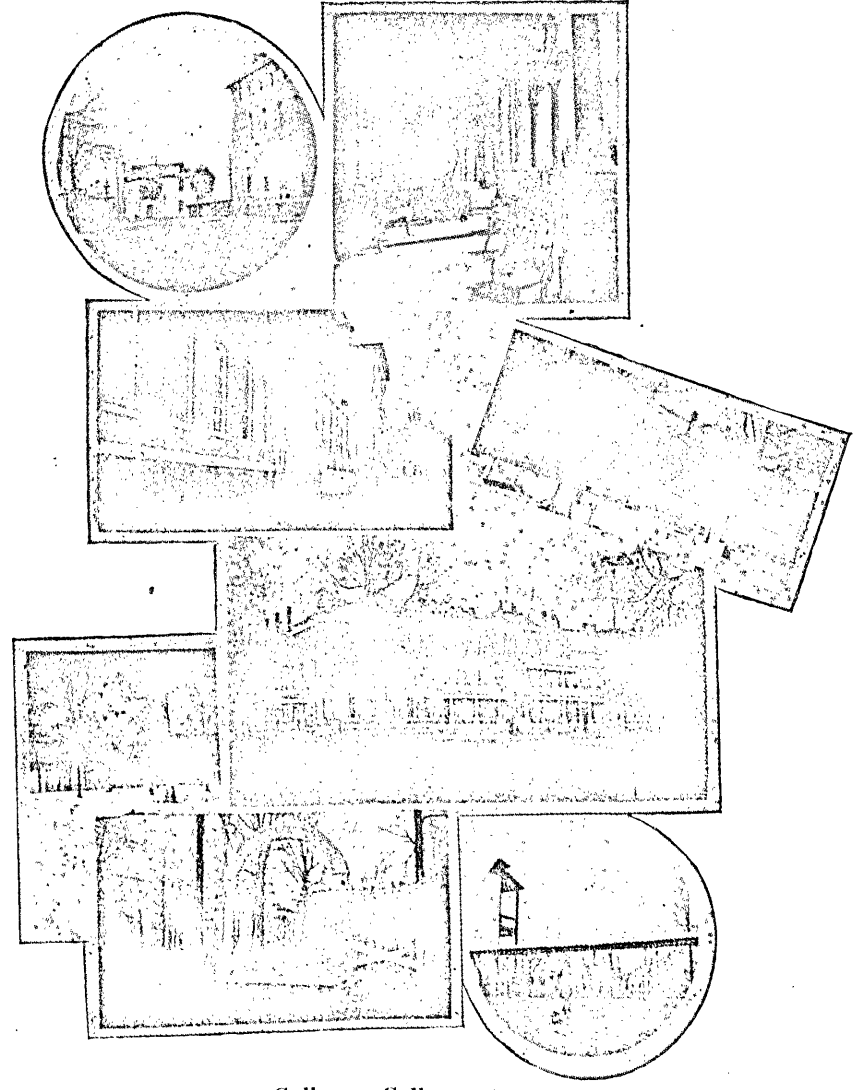
Fairview Church, Texarkana.—Fairview Church is a veritable workshop. The membership is spiritual in life; they are liberal in their giving. There has been a steady increase in membership. The church has a debt which was incurred by building a new church, which is beautiful and modern in every particular. The church has a good location in the growing city of Texarkana. Her membership is loyal and will some day make the church one of the best in the Conference.—L. C. Beasley.

First Church, Texarkana.—This is one of the best organized churches in Southern Methodism, and one of the most progressive, loyal and devoted.

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 Smithville Circuit, W. J. Martin, supply.
 Walnut Ridge, C. C. Burton.
 Hoxie and Portia, J. G. Wimpey.
 Maynard Circuit, to be supplied.

Searcy District.—R. C. Morehead, P. E.
 Argenta:
 First Church, J. T. Wilcoxson.
 Gardner Memorial, C. F. Hively.
 Augusta, J. Hanesworth.
 Augusta Circuit, M. P. Timberlake.
 Auvergne and Weldon, M. C. Bevins.
 Beebe and Austin, E. Forrest.
 Bellefonte Circuit, R. A. Bevis.
 Bradford and Bald Knob, J. E. Buchanan.
 Cabot and Jacksonville, F. E. Dodson.
 Cato Circuit, J. W. Mitchner, supply.
 Clinton Circuit, W. F. Blevins.
 Griffithville Circuit, Thomas Chambliss, supply.
 Harrison, A. E. Holloway.
 Heber Springs, E. T. Wayland.
 Higdon and Sherley, S. G. Watson.
 Judsonia and Kensett, H. H. Hunt.
 Leslie, U. G. Reynolds.
 Marshall, Percy Vaughn.
 McRae Circuit, J. D. Kelley.
 Pangburn Circuit, C. C. Griffin.
 Searcy, First Church, W. T. Thompson; J. H. Dye, supernumerary.
 Searcy Circuit, J. M. Hughes; W. T. Talkington, supernumerary.
 Valley Springs Circuit, J. H. Gholson.
 Vilonia Circuit, J. D. Johnson.
 Commissioner Galloway College, H. H. Griffin.

the management of the same. There is a deficit in the running expenses of this year of \$2,500.00; but there are assets in unpaid subscriptions amounting to \$8,000.

When nearly all the other papers of our Church, and many other Church publications are raising prices of subscriptions, or reducing the size and using inferior quality of paper, we congratulate the management of the Methodist upon the splendid mechanical make-up of our Conference Organ, and the fact that it is still held at the old price, and shows so small a deficit. In this respect it is easily the equal of any Conference Organ in the Church.

Dr. Millar's statement shows beyond question that the paper is being produced at a minimum cost, and is producing the maximum of income that can be had without a larger circulation.

The paper is, we think, editorially stronger than ever before. It is sane, vigorous, sprightly and refreshing.

The past year was one of the most fruitful in its history. We received into the church 165 persons, many of them leading citizens. We had a net gain of 113 in membership. The Woman's Missionary Society reports an enrollment of 210 and \$2,370 raised. The Sunday school is large and up-to-date. The League has a membership of 120. The church raised this year the sum of \$16,685. The most beautiful harmony prevails throughout the entire membership. Thirty-three princely laymen compose the official board. The total church membership is now 725.—P. C. Fletcher.

Delight.—Held four meetings; about 30 conversions; 32 accessions. The charge considerably improved in every way. Four Sunday schools; all made improvement during the year. Sunday school interest good. Our Epworth League in good condition. Dear, good people, all.—J. W. Berry.

Bearden and Millville.—Things have moved nicely on this charge. There has been no large ingathering, and the finances are not in full, but the work has progressed along some lines. This charge is in good shape for a better year's work.—Don C. Holman.

Umpire Mission.—Our work in many ways has been pleasant. About 65 per cent of the salary was paid, and 47 per cent of Conference claims. Have raised and spent \$60 for repairing and furnishing churches and parsonage. We have not had so many conversions as we hoped for. Have had only six additions; two more ready to receive. Have now three Sunday schools against two last year, with an enrollment of 175 against 150 last year.—Bede Pickering.

Lakeside Church, Pine Bluff.—Net gain in membership; pastor's and P. E.'s salaries paid in full. Conference collections in full, and in excess \$136. Special for missions; Woman's Missionary Society raised over \$2,000. Grand total, \$13,684. Church debt in shape that it will be paid in full by end of year 1916.—Marion Nelson Waldrup.

Friendship.—Baptized and received but three into the church on profession of faith; nine received otherwise; have a net loss in membership. Salary a little more than paid; 75 per cent of claims paid; \$6 reported for Children's Day; \$70 for repair of churches and parsonage; one Woman's Missionary Society with four members. Five Sabbath schools. Total amount raised for all purposes, \$1,016.—J. F. Taylor.

Roe Circuit.—Made good progress on the Roe charge. Have a net gain of 105, with the membership greatly toned up, and everything in good condition for greater progress.—David Bolls.

Wilmar.—We have had a prosperous year in all departments of the church. Fifteen members received during the year. Preacher's salary and all the collections paid in full.—R. A. McClintock.

Monticello.—Have had 120 accessions and 104 net increase with a present membership of 504; the Sunday school enrollment, 505, with an increase of more than 100 per cent, and full collections, with 34 per cent increase on pastor's salary. Have a Go-to-Church Band of 117 boys and girls who promised to attend preaching once on Sunday for four months.—T. O. Owen.

Strong.—Have five churches, all with their own houses of worship. Four of the five paid the salary in full; the other paid about 80 per cent of the salary. Have five good Sunday schools, all using our literature throughout. Have bought one house for worship out at Craig's school house, now Harmony. Have done some good, substantial work.

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tial work on other churches. The spiritual condition is much improved. We are looking for great things for the next year. Many good people in Strong charge.—Alva C. Rogers.

Buena Vista Circuit.—Have had a healthy increase along financial lines, far in advance of our past record. A net increase of 30 members; also, our Sunday schools have taken on new life.—A. G. Cason.

Benton Circuit.—In many respects this has been a good year. Received 22 on profession and eight by certificate. Collections all short. This is partly due to the fact that the management at Bauxite is opposed to the Methodist Church at that place. Most of the circuit is in good condition.—J. A. Doak.

Thornton.—We have built one church and paid for it. Have spent \$450 on another. Have received 68 on profession of faith. It has been a great year for Thornton work. The church is alive spiritually and has great prospects. The grand total of finances was above \$2,400, and Sunday schools are doing great work.—J. F. Dedman.

Gurdon.—Our church has never been in such good condition. Some who have been there for many years, working in and supporting the church, say that the church is 150 per cent stronger than it has ever been. We have splendid prospects for the beginning of the new year.—F. F. Harrell.

Rison Charge.—Paid off church debt. Added 85 members. Organized two Sunday schools. Considerable increase in finances. Spiritual state improved.—J. J. Colson.

Malvern Station.—Have had a very pleasant year in this charge. This closes our third year among a very splendid people. We have had an increase in membership of about 15. The charge has paid over \$7,500 this year. Our congregations are growing all the while. We have two of the best Leagues in the country. Our Junior League has 44 enrolled; an attendance of 40. The Senior League is doing a very fine work in every way. Our Sunday school is growing on all lines. Malvern is a very delightful charge for any man.—J. W. Harrell.

Richmond Circuit.—Have made advancement over last year. Paid debt on parsonage, repaired one church, recommended one for license to preach; also one to exhort. League, Sunday school and Woman's Missionary Society are doing well. Outlook fair for the new year. People have been very kind to us.—A. J. Ewing.

Stamps.—Four years. Organ installed; parsonage built; Epworth Hall purchased. No indebtedness. Sunday school average attendance increased 100 per cent. Salary increased \$200. Received in the church 119 members. All claims in full. Grand total for 1916, \$3,848. Grand total for four years, about \$16,000.—Moffett Rhodes.

Arkadelphia.—Added to the church 116; net gain, 60. Finances full; church debt greatly reduced. Parsonage repaired. The college and church worked in beautiful harmony. Large congregations all the year. Sunday school enrollment for the year nearly 1,000. All the organizations large and efficient. One of the best years the congregation has ever had.—A. O. Evans.

Dermott Station.—Dermott Methodism closes the best year of its history. Membership has increased 504 during the two years of the present pastorate. Over \$3,000 has been paid for all purposes the past year. Six rooms have been added to the church building, and the old auditorium repaired and painted during the last two years. The church is ready to build a new parsonage the first thing after Conference. The pastor has served this station five years of the last twelve.—J. L. Cannon.

First Church, Little Rock.—Have enjoyed a prosperous year; 238 have been received into the church. Every collection in full, with a surplus for missions and a gift amounting to \$3,500 for Galloway College.—Forney Hutchinson.

College Hill, Texarkana.—We have closed a very fine year. Received 40 members into the church. Repaired the church at a cost of about \$300. Best financial report in the history of the church. Peace and harmony prevail among the membership, and future prospect is bright.—S. T. Baugh.

Mt. Ida Charge.—Good year; 32 additions; one church seated. All church debts raised. Parsonage free from debt. All collections far in advance of last year. Vital increase in spiritual state of the charge as a whole.—G. M. Yearwood.

Tillar and Dumas.—Have had a reasonably successful year. Small net increase in membership. Sunday schools and Epworth League in growing condition. Collections in full and \$350 special for foreign missions, and \$53 for superannuate homes.—J. H. Cummins.

Pulaski Heights.—A year of splendid growth and religious prosperity.

Every department of the church has made creditable gains. It has been a year of remarkable work along lines of friendship and union. At its end we find ourselves in the midst of financial and religious triumphs.—L. E. N. Hundley.

Oak Hill Circuit.—Eighteen additions; 90 per cent pastor's and P. E.'s salaries. Built a new parsonage and only owe \$55 on it, and think the brethren will complete it.—C. R. Mann.

Bright Star Circuit.—Have had a good year. Pastor and P. E.'s salaries paid in full; 65 per cent of claims paid. Received 39 into the church; baptized 22 infants. Have five Sunday schools, and they are doing good work. Have some of the best people on the Bright Star Circuit that ever lived.—S. B. Mann.

Blevins.—My charge is in fine condition. Have paid for all purposes \$2,000. The people are in love with anything that you may undertake that will advance the interests of the church. Have built a new parsonage that is worth \$1,000; painted a church and are preparing to roof another.—J. D. Dunn.

Cedar Glades Mission.—In better condition than last year. Had only one church and parsonage; now have four churches. Have built three this year. This county was for whiskey one year ago; now it is against it. There is a general spiritual uplift. Have developed some very fine men and women. I think they have paid more to the preacher and claims than before. This will be a good circuit some day.—G. M. Gentry.

Hot Springs Circuit.—Have had a very delightful year. The people have been thoughtful and loyal to pastor and his work. Have received 71 members; lost four. Raised, all told, \$1,168. Our Sunday schools have increased from 160 to 411 members, and are doing very fine work. The Arkansas Methodist has been a great help to us this year in its good Sunday school and church working departments.—W. H. Hughen.

Lacey Circuit.—Has seven appointments with a membership of 322. Received on profession of faith, eight; by certificate and otherwise, 12; removed by death and otherwise, 14; six Sunday schools; 34 officers and teachers; 294 scholars. Contributed for all purposes \$614, which is an increase over anything it has done in the four years I have been on the work.—J. J. Menefee.

Ussery Circuit.—Raised nearly \$500 for all purposes; after lettering out several members, had a net gain of five. Baptized 15 children. Had good revivals at nearly all the churches. Finished one church and improved others.—D. P. Forsythe.

Highland, Little Rock.—Preacher's salary and connectional claims paid in full; 101 additions to church membership.—J. T. Rodgers.

Horatio.—Have had 103 accessions; net increase of 77. All finances in full. Had good revivals. One new church in building. Have two Senior and two Junior Leagues; four Sunday schools with 75 per cent increase in enrollment. One good Missionary Society and another in the making. Parsonage partly repaired. Progressing.—J. F. Simmons.

Swan Lake Circuit.—Twenty-six new members (nearly all on profession of faith) have been received; one abandoned church restored and building repaired; one new church building erected and one new church organized. We have also had nearly 50 per cent increase in finances for all purposes. A big-hearted people await their new pastor here.—Frank Hopkins.

Dalark Charge.—Was never in better condition than today. Some of the best people in the State are in this grand old circuit. For the first time in my life I passed a whole year on this circuit without hearing a single criticism on me and my work.—T. O. Rorre.

Hamburg Station.—The church had good revivals; 25 accessions on profession. Every department made advancement; paid \$3,210 church debt. Bishop McCoy preached fine sermon and dedicated the \$15,000 church, September 24. Pastor's salary overpaid. All other claims in full. Paid for all purposes \$6,285.—S. C. Dean.

Heritage Circuit.—Conditions are better than they were during 1915, closing up with the spiritual state of the church excellent. Finances 30 per cent in advance of 1915. Parsonage and church buildings are in good shape.—J. C. Williams.

McGehee.—The church has made some progress during the past year. The Sunday school is doing fine work. The League work is best in history of place. The women's work, under the supervision of Mrs. J. W. Willoughby, is exceptionally good. Our people are a splendid folk.—John Hoover.

Murfreesboro Charge.—Members, 185; paid for the year, \$1,539; paid per member, \$8; received into the church, 30 members.—W. W. Christie.

Benton.—One of the oldest stations in the Conference, and has been served by some of the best preachers in the

Conference. This has been the most prosperous year in its history. They are planning to erect a \$15,000 or \$20,000 building in 1917.—W. A. Steel.

Leola and Carthage.—The year's work rounded out in advance of any year in the history of that section. The charge is a part of the Princeton Circuit and a part of the old Lono Circuit. There were nine additions on profession of faith and 38 otherwise; \$1,740 contributed to the various causes.—J. L. Leonard.

Lewisville.—Closed out the year's work in fine shape. Everything in full. Missionary Society, Sunday school and Epworth League all making steady and healthy growth. Had a very gracious revival in which we received 38 into the church, 32 of them from the Sunday school.—J. R. Dickerson.

Bryant Circuit.—The charge is in better condition than formerly. Some revival work has been done. Had several conversions and 40 accessions. Seven Sunday schools; four of them are good and moving toward the standard of efficiency. The preacher's and presiding elder's salaries paid in full. Received a little more than 50 per cent of the general claims. Some 25 of my people take the Arkansas Methodist and speak in high terms of it.—L. J. Ridling.

Emmet Circuit.—Seventy-five additions; 46 on profession of faith; 38 removed; 318 enrolled in Sunday schools, which is 23 more than the church membership. The Woman's Missionary Society has raised \$158. About 94 per cent of salary paid and 94 per cent of collections raised; \$4,400 subscribed for new church at Emmet.—F. C. Cannon.

Park Avenue, Hot Springs.—My fourth year at this place. Have received on an average 28 members each year. All departments of the church work are in good condition. The enrollment is 201. Financially, the charge has not grown as it should. Outlook is encouraging. Have been pastor seven years in Hot Springs, and have many friends in the city.—A. M. Robertson.

Fulton Mission.—This mission has five appointments, 109 members, one church house, and some interest in two others. Some good people, but room for improvement in general church work.—A. D. Jenkins.

Hope.—Had 71 accessions; 716 in Sunday school; all claims in full and over \$7,278 paid for all purposes. The outlook is very encouraging. We are planning to build, and expect to begin by spring. The Woman's Missionary Society raised \$1,682; Sunday school \$755; League \$73.—T. D. Scott.

Tomberlin Charge.—Have 70 per cent on P. C.'s and P. E.'s salaries; 79 per cent on claims; paid on church debt, \$150; improvement on churches and parsonage, \$112; 40 accessions.—Hugh Reveyley.

Bradley and Taylor.—Have had two good Sunday schools, but no League. We have had 16 additions. Collections and salary short. One church completed and painted.—M. K. Rogers.

De Queen Station.—Have had a year of spiritual growth. Financial report in advance of several years past. This is a most excellent people, and is one of my happiest pastorates.—Francis N. Brewer.

Wesson.—A mill town in the southern part of Union county, where the Edgar Lumber Co. has large lumber interests. Have served this place two years. It is a good mill town, where live many good and kind people. We have a very good church, five Sunday school and Epworth League. In many respects it is a pleasant charge.—B. F. Scott.

Lonoke Station.—Had a year of progress and prosperity. Have built a splendid new parsonage costing \$2,400, and this, with all other financial obligations, have been paid in full. Have also furnished two splendid young men for the ministry. Brother Clifton E. Rule was just admitted on trial into

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the Little Rock Conference, and Brother J. B. Waddell Jr. is in school at Emory, preparing for the ministry.—B. B. Thomas.

Atlanta Circuit.—Atlanta Circuit is one of the oldest in the Conference. It has a fine body of loyal men and women. The parsonage is well situated and commodious. All the church buildings are in good condition. There are four Sunday schools with an increase in enrollment. One Epworth League. Have served this charge two years.—J. E. Waddell.

Hampton Charge.—Sixty-six net increase in membership. P. C.'s and P. E.'s salaries 12 per cent in excess. Sunday school interest much increased. One Woman's Missionary Society and two Leagues organized, both with a large membership. Considerable repairs on churches and parsonage.—T. L. Rogers.

Harmony Charge.—Have made ready for some good man a nice four-room parsonage, equipped with gas stove and connections and water works, all paid for but about \$200. One new church has been organized, in a rich and intelligent community.—C. A. Fuller.

Crosssett.—Had a great year. Received 102 members into the church. Had more than 15 conversions in our prayer meetings. Crosssett has the best organized Sunday school I have ever known. Our Official Board is among the best. They collect all claims. We do not have any public collections. The League is doing a great work. Our Woman's Missionary Society is a great power for good. All things considered, Crosssett is one of the best churches I have ever known.—J. A. Henderson.

Waldo Circuit.—We had a healthy increase in the finances, a net increase of 25 in membership, over 100 conversions, and some foundational work was done that we hope will contribute to future growth and development.—J. J. Mellard.

Sherrill and Tucker.—Finances are in full, with some overflow. One church has been organized. We have had a net increase of 32. The loyal support of this big-hearted people alone has made possible the work.—James R. Rhodes.

New Edinburg.—Have traveled over 3,000 miles this year, and have barely touched the fringe of duty. This is a great field. It has a great past, but we hope for it a greater future. It has no hindrances but that may be overcome by consecrated effort.—A. O. Graydon.

Bingen Circuit.—Have had a good year; 18 additions; 13 net increase. Finances in advance of last year, but not in full. This is a great field of labor. This will some day be one of our best charges.—T. M. Armstrong.

Star City.—This county has long been known as Baptist, but Methodists are growing, with Presbyterians as yokefellows. There is religious harmony and quietude. Good parsonage and church buildings. All the churches pay all the preachers' salaries. Good opportunity for the right man. Salary always guaranteed. Star City is a growing bottom town.—T. O. Rorie Jr.

Vandervoort Circuit.—Have had a good year. Have built one church worth \$800. Had good revivals at most points. Results, 123 conversions, 89 additions to the church. Raised 50 per cent of salary. No better nor more loyal people.—W. B. Arnold.

Hickory Plains Circuit.—Preacher's salary considerably overpaid. Conference claims paid in full. One new church built; cost \$3,000, with Sunday school department. Received 114 into the church; 96 on profession of faith, 14 otherwise. Has been a great year. Have done a great deal of repairing on churches; have furnished four churches with organs. Have doubled the Sunday schools in number. One good League doing good work.—J. W. Nethercutt.

Arkadelphia Circuit.—Have made some improvements on some lines. Have about held our own in members. The removals have about equalled the accessions. Six houses of worship and seven Sunday schools. Have painted one church and expended money on parsonage. The pastor's salary full and running over. Conference collections in advance of last year, but not all full.—L. M. Powell.

Magnolia Circuit.—Have three local preachers and 382 members. The work is in fairly good condition. The folks as a whole are not as missionary in spirit as they should be. A goodly number love the church and do all possible along lines of church work. Have one Woman's Missionary Society. The Sunday school interest is not good, and the one thing needful is

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leadership. Prayers have been that the Lord would raise up some young men to take the lead in Sunday schools and all the work of the church.—T. H. Crowder.

Junction City Station.—Have finished second year at this place. The stewards made unanimous request for my return. The salaries of P. C. and P. E. paid in full; benevolences about 50 per cent in advance of previous years. Have made a substantial gain in membership. Have a small membership, but a very loyal one.—W. D. Sharp.

Cherry Hill Circuit.—Have received 63 into the church, 18 on profession of faith and 45 by certificate or otherwise. Have two Leagues with 56 members; seven Sunday schools with a membership of 350. About 75 per cent of the assessments were raised. Our vision is enlarging.—Virgil Kelley.

Center Point Circuit.—Am closing my second year here. Have made some advancement materially and financially. The parsonage is newly painted and in good repair. Church houses comfortable, the proper kind and hospitable. The new preacher will receive a hearty welcome.—J. H. Bradford.

Kingsland Charge.—Additions to church, 28; organized four Sunday schools and have one 100 per cent school. Preacher's salary in full. Conference claims 40 per cent. These people have been good to us.—R. L. Cabe.

Warren Mill Camps.—Have received 67 in the church here and organized a church. Have two good Sunday schools and an Epworth League with 23 members. Have one Wesley class with 47 enrolled. Have built a church in each camp this year. Have good attendance and the pastor enjoys the preaching.—W. C. Lewis.

Eagle Mills Circuit.—All collections in full. Pastor's and P. E.'s salaries about \$90 over the assessment. Thirty-nine accessions. About \$20 expended on parsonage furniture. Charge in very good condition.—W. H. Hansford.

Mena.—The church benevolences and the pastor's salary are in advance of several years past. A church debt, \$2,000, of long standing, has been removed. The Methodist Girls' Music Club has just placed a \$225 furnace in the church.—J. B. Sims.

Chidester Circuit.—Have had a fine year. Everything paid in full. The circuit has grown spiritually. The Sunday schools have over doubled their enrollment. Chidester doing exceedingly fine. The next preacher will find plenty of work to do.—L. C. Gatlin.

Altheimer and Wabbaseka.—This charge has made a splendid record, in spite of the fact that it has had three pastors during the year. Eighteen were received at Altheimer and 14 at Wabbaseka. Live prayer meetings are running at both places. A good League at Altheimer and excellent Sunday schools at both places. Salaries of preacher and presiding elder were paid in full, and about \$20 more than last year.—B. O. Womble.

Patmos Charge.—Placed \$100 worth of furniture in parsonage. Hinton's Chapel has been completed, with an expenditure of \$200. Bethlehem has been repaired, with an expenditure of \$100. Received 15 members by certificate, 18 on profession of faith. Presiding elder's and preacher's salaries in full; 50 per cent on the claims. Had a good year.—J. C. Johnson.

Ashdown.—Everything in full. Paid \$12 per member. Received 21 members. Membership 214. Splendid new church and parsonage, with water and sewerage. Good board of stewards; good League; good Missionary Society; good Sunday school; good place for any preacher.—F. P. Doak.

England Station.—The year's work closed in good shape; 33 accessions; net gain, 20. Finances are all running over. Every claim overpaid; \$150 special for missions to support a missionary in Japan. There will be a healthy raise in preacher's salary next year.—J. A. Parker.

DeWitt Charge.—All collections are in full; so also the pastor's and P. E.'s salaries. Fifteen accessions to the church.—R. R. Moore.

CONDENSED MINUTES OF SIXTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE LITTLE ROCK ANNUAL CONFERENCE, HELD AT MALVERN, NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 3, 1916.

1. Admitted on trial: H. A. F. Ault, Henry Hughen, J. F. Townsend, B. F. Roebuck, E. C. Rule, J. W. Clark, B. F. Musser, W. C. Scott, A. S. Daniel, J. V. Kelley, and A. L. Miller.
2. Remaining on trial: L. M. Harp, W. R. Jordan, B. F. Fitzhugh, W. C. Martin, and J. B. Pickering.
3. No one discontinued.
4. Admitted into full connection: J. L. Dedman, R. E. Farr, L. C. Gatlin, A. E. Jacobs, Gay Morrison, T. O. Rorie Jr., T. D. Spruce, C. E. Whitten, and G. M. Yearwood.
5. No one readmitted.
6. No one received by transfer.
7. No one received from other churches as local preachers.
8. Received from other churches as traveling preachers: H. Herrington.

9. Deacons of one year: W. H. Hansford, A. C. Rogers, R. H. Cannon, J. C. McElhenney, C. F. Messer, J. W. Nethercutt, F. G. Roebuck, S. B. Mann, J. A. Sage Jr., and A. G. Cason.

10. Traveling preachers elected deacons: J. L. Dedman, R. E. Farr, Jesse Galloway, L. C. Gatlin, A. E. Jacobs, Gay Morrison, T. O. Rorie Jr., T. D. Spruce, C. E. Whitten, and G. M. Yearwood.

11. Traveling preachers ordained deacons: J. L. Dedman, Jesse Galloway, L. C. Gatlin, A. E. Jacobs, Gay Morrison, T. O. Rorie Jr., T. D. Spruce, C. E. Whitten, and G. M. Yearwood.

12. Local preachers elected deacons: H. A. F. Ault, Grover Cleveland, Isaac N. Cade, Mahlon Williamson.

13. Local preachers ordained deacons: H. A. F. Ault, I. N. Cade, M. Williamson, G. A. Brown, and W. H. Tarver.

14. Traveling preachers elected elders: C. A. Fuller, R. L. Duckworth, J. F. Simmons, and P. Q. Rorie.

15. Traveling preachers ordained elders: R. L. Duckworth, C. A. Fuller, P. Q. Rorie, and J. F. Simmons.

16. No local preachers elected elders.

17. No local preachers ordained elders.

18. Located: G. T. Traylor, C. C. Green and H. Herrington.

19. Supernumerary: C. D. McSwain, J. W. Berry, A. C. Graham.

20. Superannuated: J. E. Caldwell, Horace Jewell, H. D. McKinnon, E. N. Watson, W. J. Davis, A. D. Jenkins, H. Townsend, R. C. Atchley, E. Garrett, J. R. Sanders, O. H. Keagle, J. L. Johnson, R. J. Ralford, J. H. Bradford, C. W. Drake, J. B. Williams, W. M. Crowson, J. J. Menefee, J. W. Vantrease, D. D. Warlick, E. P. Wilson, W. J. Rogers, Hugh Revelly, and S. A. Hill.

21. Died during the year: C. C. Godden.

22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called one by one and their characters were passed.

23. Number of local preachers, 131; members, 49,691.

24. Licensed to preach, 17.

25. Candidates for the ministry, 13.

26. Infants baptized, 652.

27. Adults baptized, 2,354.

28. Number of Epworth Leagues, 114.

29. Epworth League members, 3,086.

30. Number of Sunday schools, 425.

31. Number of Sunday school officers and teachers, 3,736.

32. Number of Sunday school scholars enrolled, 39,741.

33. Amount assessed by last Conference for superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers, \$12,218.

34. Collected on above, \$8,561, paid to claimants.

35. Contributed for Foreign Missions, \$8,561; Special, \$2,698; Home and Conference, \$8,593; Special, \$26.

36. Contributed for Church Extension, \$4,960.

37. Contributed for Education, \$5,336.

38. Contributed for American Bible Society, \$638; General Conference Expenses, \$865.

39. Contributed for the support of presiding elders, \$17,177; preachers in charge, \$117,516.

40. Contributed for support of Bishops, \$1,781.

41. Number of societies, 529; houses of worship, 460.

42. Value of houses of worship, \$1,079,124; indebtedness, \$116,105.

43. Pastoral charges, 145; parsonages, 128.

44. Value of parsonages, \$197,440; indebtedness, \$13,674.

45. Number of districts, 7; district parsonages, 7.

46. Value of district parsonages, \$24,600; indebtedness, \$3,740.

47. Churches damaged, 4; amount of damage, \$480.

48. Insurance carried, \$615,125; premiums paid, \$4,507; collected on losses, \$250.

49. Three colleges; value of property, \$480,635; endowment, \$358,515; professors, 42.

50. Copies of general organ taken, 381; Conference organ, 3,531.

51. Elected Conference Lay Leader, J. H. Waters.

52. Next session of Conference to be held at Arkadelphia.

53. The preachers are stationed as follows:

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.
Arkadelphia District.—B. A. Few, P. E. Arkadelphia Station, W. R. Richardson. Arkadelphia Circuit, L. M. Powell. Benton Station, W. A. Steel. Cedar Glades, G. M. Gentry, supply. Dalark Circuit, L. J. Ridling. Friendship Circuit, J. F. Taylor. Holly Springs, T. O. Rorie. Hot Springs Circuit, J. F. Townsend. Hot Springs: Central Ave., M. N. Waldrip. Park Ave., R. L. Duckworth. Oaklawn, to be supplied. Third St., W. M. Hayes. Leola and Carthage, B. F. Fitzhugh. Malvern Station, J. W. Harrell. Malvern Circuit—Roy Jordan. Piercy Circuit, D. P. Forsyth, supply. Princeton Circuit, J. H. McKelvey. South Arkadelphia and Donatson, Andrew Christie, supply. Traskwood Circuit, C. D. Cade, supply. Willow Circuit, T. H. Crowder. President of Henderson-Brown College, J. M. Workman, Arkadelphia Q. C. Commissioner of Henderson-Brown

College, A. O. Evans, Arkadelphia Q. C. Agent for Superannuate Homes, T. F. Hughes, Central Q. C.

Camden District.—J. A. Sage, P. E. Atlanta, B. F. Roebuck. Bearden and Millville, J. H. Glass. Buena Vista, C. F. Messer. Camden Station, M. S. Monk. Chidester, F. R. Canfield. Eagle Mills, W. H. Hansford. El Dorado Station, W. C. Hilliard. El Dorado Circuit, J. E. Waddell. Fordyce—S. R. Twitty. Hampton, L. T. Rogers. Huttig, A. Turrentine. Junction City, W. D. Sharp. Kingsland, R. L. Cabe. Magnolia Station, J. L. Cannon. Magnolia Circuit, A. G. Cason. Stephens, D. C. Holman. Strong, A. C. Rogers. Thornton, J. L. Dedman. Waldo, B. F. Scott. Wesson, R. H. Cannon. Professor in Hendrix College, C. J. Green, Fordyce Q. C. Conference Secretary of Education, S. R. Twitty.

Little Rock District.—Alonzo Monk, P. E. Austin Circuit, J. W. Nethercutt. Benton Circuit, to be supplied. Bryant Circuit, T. D. Spruce. Carlisle, J. T. J. Pizer. Des Arc, to be supplied. England, R. R. Moore. Hazen and DeVal's Bluff, J. B. Sims. Hickory Plains Circuit, C. R. Mann, supply. Keo Circuit, T. O. Rorie Jr. Lonoke, B. B. Thomas. Little Rock: Asbury, W. P. Whaley. Capitol View, B. F. Musser; E. B. Harwell junior preacher. First Church, Forney Hutchinson, A. C. Graham, supernumerary. Forest Park, W. F. Wilson, supply. Henderson, H. H. McGuyre. Highland, W. R. Harrison. Hunter Memorial, P. Q. Rorie. Pulaski Heights, L. E. N. Hundley. Twenty-eighth Street, J. D. Baker. Winfield Memorial, J. D. Hammons. Maumelle Circuit, to be supplied. Mabelvale Circuit, M. K. Rogers. Oak Hill Circuit, H. A. F. Ault. Tomberlin Circuit, W. T. Hopkins, supply. Sunday School Field Secretary, C. N. Baker, Asbury Q. C. Conference Evangelist, T. P. Clark, Asbury Q. C. Field Agent, Publishing House, R. P. Wilson, Asbury Q. C. Chaplain State Guard, F. W. Gee, Asbury Q. C. Editor Arkansas Methodist, A. C. Millar, First Church Q. C. General Secretary Board of Education, Stonewall Anderson, First Church Q. C. Student in Hendrix College, Jesse Galloway, First Church Q. C. Conference Secretary Missions, Forney Hutchinson.

SALTS FINE FOR ACHING KIDNEYS

We Eat Too Much Meat, Which Clogs the Kidneys, Then the Back Hurts

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness, and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean, and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is harmless to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity. It also neutralizes the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is harmless; inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everybody should take now and then to keep their kidneys clean, thus avoiding serious complications.

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 Arkansas and Southern Camp, T. M. Applewhite, supply.
 Collins, M. B. Corrigan.
 Crossett, Moffett J. Rhodes.
 Dermott, N. G. Augustus.
 Eudora, W. C. Lewis.
 Hamburg, S. C. Dean.
 Hamburg Circuit, L. M. Harp.
 Hermitage, J. C. Williams.
 Lacy, Bede Pickering.
 McGehee, J. L. Hoover.
 Monticello, T. O. Owen.
 Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Frank Hopkins.
 Palestine, R. Spann, supply.
 Parkdale and Wilmot, H. E. Van Camp.
 Portland and Blissville, Roy Farr.
 Snyder and Montrose, H. L. Simpson.
 Tillar and Dumas, J. H. Cummins.
 Warren, R. W. McKay.
 Watson, J. C. McElhenny.
 Wilmar, A. T. Clanton.

Pine Bluff District—W. C. Watson, P. E.
 Altheimer and Wabbaseka, P. S. Her-
 rin.
 DeWitt, A. M. Shaw.
 Grady, J. R. Rhodes.
 Gillette, W. F. Rogers.
 Humphrey, A. E. Jacobs; F. R. Roebuck, junior preacher.
 New Edinburgh, A. O. Graydon.
 Pine Bluff:
 Carr Memorial and Redfield, L. W. Evans.
 First Church, E. R. Steel.
 Hawley Memorial, J. R. Dickerson.
 Lakeside, Theo. Copeland.
 Pine Bluff Circuit, David Bolls.
 Rison, J. J. Colson.
 Roe, John P. Clegg, supply.
 Rowell, H. Herrington, supply.
 St. Charles, S. W. Rancy.
 Sheridan Station, A. M. Robertson.
 Sheridan Circuit, C. A. Fuller.
 Sherrill and Tucker, R. A. McClintock.
 Star City, M. O. Barnett.
 Stuttgart, J. F. Simmons.
 Swan Lake, A. J. Ewing.
 Commissioner Hendrix College, Jas. Thomas, First Church Q. C.
 Assistant Commissioner Hendrix College, H. F. Buhler, Hawley Memorial Q. C.
 Commissioner Galloway College, W. C. Watson.
 Student in Emory University, J. Abner Sage Jr.

Prescott District—J. A. Henderson, P. E.
 Amity and Glenwood, F. P. Doak.
 Ringen, C. E. Whitten.
 Blevins, J. D. Dunn.
 Center Point Circuit, Walter Scott.
 Columbus, W. T. Menard.
 Delight, G. M. Yearwood.
 Emmet, F. C. Cannon; C. D. McSwain, supernumerary.
 Fulton, A. W. Hamilton, supply.
 Gordon Station, F. E. Harrell.
 Hope, T. D. Scott.
 Little Missouri, Isaac Webb, supply.
 Mt. Ida, W. H. Hughen.
 Mineral Springs, W. W. Mills.
 Murfreesboro Station, W. W. Christie.
 Nashville Station, Z. D. Lindsay.
 Okolona Circuit, T. M. Armstrong; J. W. Berry, supernumerary.
 Orchard View, E. C. Rule.
 Pleasant Grove Circuit, Clarence Crow, supply.
 Prescott Station, J. A. Parker.
 Prescott Circuit, J. C. Johnson.
 Alpine Circuit, S. L. Durham, supply.
 Washington Circuit, B. E. Mullens.
 Womble Circuit, Gay Morrison.
 Whelen Circuit, Verna Savage, supply.
 Student in Hendrix College, W. C. Martin.

Texarkana District—J. A. Biggs, P. E.
 Ashdown, S. K. Burnett.
 Bradley and Taylor, P. A. Flower, supply.
 Bright Star—S. B. Mann.
 DeQueen, F. N. Brewer.
 Fouke, L. C. Gatlin.
 Horatio, J. L. Leonard.
 Richmond and Wilton, J. J. Mellard.
 Lewisville, J. W. Mann.
 Lockesburg, J. T. Rogers.
 Paraloma, A. N. Youngblood.
 Patmos, W. F. Laseter.
 Stamps, L. C. Beasley.
 Texarkana:
 College Hill, S. T. Baugh.
 Fairview, R. M. Holland.
 First Church, P. C. Fletcher.
 Umpire, E. A. Brown, supply.
 Vandervoort, A. S. Daniel.
 Hatfield, W. B. Arnold, supply.
 Foreman, R. G. Rowland.
 Mena, J. R. Rushing.
 Dierks, A. L. Miller.
 Winthrop, J. H. Ross, supply.
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 Transferred to Florida Conference, W. J. Nease.

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"I Will Not Forget Thy Word," Ps. 119:16.

Give the Bible a chance. An open faith and a closed Bible never go hand-in-hand.

No Christian life can be strong, beautiful, or fruitful without frequent personal contact with the Scriptures.

Christian faith will grow, Christian devotion will deepen, Christian service will increase, and New Testament evangelism will become a power, as we come to know our Bible better.

What we need is a genuine revival of the Word of God. It will mean a return to New Testament truth for character, conduct and career, and a revival of evangelistic fervor, testimony and soul-winning.

Let us rally around the Word.—Rev. Parley E. Zartmann, D. D.

The Journal and Messenger has an account of a Ladies' Aid that needed to raise quite a sum of money. They talked over different schemes and entertainments, but saw no way to get more than half the amount. Then it was suggested that they pray over it, and after they had prayed they subscribed more than the amount. One of them says they learned that it is better to trust the Lord than to depend on ice cream and doughnuts.—Ex.

ITEMS FROM AUXILIARIES.

Mineral Springs.
 Mrs. H. C. Rule, Conference Superintendent Publicity writes:

"The Mineral Springs Auxiliary organized in the Texarkana District in May by Mrs. R. M. Briant, reports a splendid society. Though but five members in number they must be of more than usual quality. They fittingly observed the Week of Prayer, which was opened on Sunday night by Mrs. Briant, the District Secretary. She spoke to an appreciative audience that filled the new chapel. Their Week of Prayer offering amounted to \$12.10. They now have 16 subscribers to the Missionary Voice. May these new auxiliaries grow in knowledge of the great work they are set to do and prosper in the Lord."

AT CARMEL CHURCH.

A New Auxiliary in Monticello District.

The ladies of the Hermitage Auxiliary with their pastor, Rev. J. C. Williams, organized a new auxiliary at the Carmel Church, Route 3, Warren, Ark., with the following officers elected: President, Mrs. Annie Turner; First Vice President, Miss Bessie Thompson; Second Vice President, Miss Bland Schraft; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Allie Singer; Treasurer, Miss Mary E. Berry; Agent for Missionary Voice, Miss Onice Morris. Mrs. Anderson made an attempt to organize at this church some time ago, but rain prevented. Mrs. Rule asks that the Conference officers will take note of the corresponding officers in this auxiliary that they may soon receive the proper literature for carrying on the work.

HARVEST DAY IN CROSSETT.

Monday, December 4, a Thanksgiving and "Harvest Day" meeting was

held by the Woman's Missionary Society at the Methodist church at 2:30 o'clock. Instead of the usual circle meetings every member of every circle and of the church was requested to be present at this meeting, and with thankful hearts for the blessings of peace and prosperity in this country, pay into the treasury the dues and pledge in full for this year.

Every member was requested to respond to roll call with a verse of Thanksgiving scripture. The business meeting was followed by a social hour.

NOTES FROM THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY AT CROSSETT.

The week of prayer and self denial was observed November 5 to 11, by the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church. The topic for the week was "Latin America" and exceptionally fine programs were given each day.

The Bible lessons for the week were given by Rev. J. A. Henderson and were spiritual and helpful. The leaders for the week were, Monday, Mrs. H. C. Rule; Tuesday, Mrs. Scales; Wednesday, meeting at the prayer meeting hour, was led by Mrs. Thornton; Thursday, Mrs. E. W. Gates; Friday, Mrs. Tarver.

Excellent music was furnished throughout the week under the leadership of Mrs. Trieschmann, by Mesdames Scales, Trieschmann, Porter Bryant, Russell and Wozencraft.

The offering this year was about \$30 and is to be used for girls schools in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and Laredo, Texas.

The Mission Study Class met with a good attendance and completed the first chapter of "Our South American Neighbors."

The social need program will be led by Mrs. Russell.

Excellent music was furnished on a recent Sunday for the Junior Church by the Junior Missionary society, and Rev. James Thomas preached an inspiring sermon.

FROM PLAZA, PATIO AND PALM.

Mrs. Hume Steele, one of the Educational Secretaries of the Board of Missions of the M. E. Church, South, sends us the announcement of a new Mission Study book for young people by Eva Clark Waid. She says: "This book is in line with our theme for the year—Latin America—and the six chapters give a general view of the Spanish-American situation and make a personal appeal for helpful service from other young Americans."

This new Mission Text Book is written for young people from 12 to 20 years of age and is issued by The Council of Women for Home Missions 1916-1917. "From Plaza, Patio and Palm" is a book of borrowings compiled by Eva Clark Waid.

Leaders of young people's organizations will hail with delight this new book on Spanish speaking Americans in Cuba, Porto Rico and the United States.

Full programs are included with helpful suggestions for development and a specially selected bibliography

will open a wealth of information to seekers after a wider knowledge.

The six chapters deal with—
 I. When the Old World Sought the New.

- II. New World Plazas.
- III. Sunshine in the South West.
- IV. The Palms of Cuba.
- V. Porto Rico Patios.
- VI. What the New World Gives the Old.

The author's personal knowledge of the subject, her wide reading, as well as an intimate acquaintance with the group for which she writes have resulted in a delightful study book for the "teen age." It may be ordered from Smith and Lamar, Nashville, Tenn. The price, postpaid, is 30 cents.

DRINK HOT WATER IF YOU DESIRE A ROSY COMPLEXION

Says we can't help but look better and feel better after an inside bath.

To look one's best and feel one's best is to enjoy an inside bath each morning to flush from the system the previous day's waste, sour fermentations and poisonous toxins before it is absorbed into the blood. Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of incombustible material in the form of ashes, so the food and drink taken each day leave in the alimentary organs a certain amount of indigestible material, which if not eliminated, form toxins and poisons which are then sucked into the blood through the very ducts which are intended to suck in only nourishment to sustain the body.

If you want to see the glow of healthy bloom in your cheeks, to see your skin get clearer and clearer, you are told to drink every morning upon arising a glass of hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, which is a harmless means of washings the waste material and toxins from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary tract, before putting more food into the stomach.

Men and women with sallow skins, liver spots, pimples or pallid complexion, and also those who wake up with a coated tongue, bad taste, nasty breath, others who are bothered with headaches, bilious spells, acid stomach or constipation shroud begin this phosphated hot water drinking and are assured of very pronounced results in one or two weeks.

A quarter pound of limestone phosphate costs very little at the drug store, but is sufficient to demonstrate that just as soap and hot water cleanses, purifies and freshens the skin on the outside, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the inside organs. We must always consider that internal sanitation is vastly more important than outside cleanliness, because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, while the bowel pores do.

THE BEST CATECHISM.

The Infant Catechism prepared by Mrs. Thornburgh for young children is the best for giving the little fellows correct ideas on Scriptural subjects. The Catechism No. 2, prepared by Geo. Thornburgh is fine for older children. These have long been used in Arkansas Sunday schools. You need them. A dozen of either kind sent postpaid for 50 cents. Order of A. C. Millar, 200 E. Sixth street, Little Rock, Ark.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR DECEMBER 17.

By Rev. P. C. Fletcher.

Subject: The Holy City. Rev. 21:1-4, 9-14, 22-27; 22:1-5.

Golden Text: Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he shall dwell with them, and they shall be his people. Rev. 21:3.

Introduction: In this beautiful lesson we have a vision of the triumph of Christianity, the accomplishment of its work of redemption in this world. It is well for us to bear in mind at the very beginning that Jesus Christ did not die in vain. His shed blood was not for naught. We are not fighting a losing battle. The Church of the Living God is not shorn of its power. All the prayers and tears and sacrifices and heroism and sainthood and martyrdom of the centuries were not in vain. "The tabernacle of God is with men." It will stay with men as long as there remains an unsaved soul on the earth.

A New Heaven and a New Earth.—We do not, we cannot know much about the future world. None of us who are living have ever been there. Those of our loved ones and friends who have passed hence have never returned to tell us of that "mystic land beyond the sunset's radiant

glow." Yet the Word of God is not silent on the subject. There is an endless life. There is a future home for the soul. There is an eternal rest for the people of God. There is "an abiding city." There is a place where the "tangled threads" of this life will be untangled. There is a place of rewards and punishments. If these things be not true, then here we wander in the dark, and we face only "a black hole in the ground." Ah! death cannot itself change character. Death is not an end, but a new impulse. Death only admits us into another room of God's universal house. Death is the hand that liberates the soul. "Death is a covered bridge."

1. **Is There a Real Heaven?**—Is heaven a place? Yes, as much so as London, New York, Berlin, Paris. Of course, heaven is a locality. God is a personality, and a personality must have a locality. Heaven is the locality of God's throne, though God himself is omnipresent, filling infinite space, and everywhere in all of the perfections of his being. Christ said: "I go to prepare a place for you." He "came down from heaven." He was seen to "ascend into heaven." It was Bunyan who said: "Children, the milk and the honey are beyond this wilderness." I heard a Christian Science lecturer a few days ago and he ridiculed the idea of there being a real heaven, a real throne, a personal God, an incarnate Christ. He declared that all these errors were of "the mortal mind." He even declared that these mortal bodies were only imaginary, that if we could be free from "the carnal or mortal mind" these bodies would immediately disappear. Such nonsense is unworthy of a sane mind. The material is as real as the spiritual. Each has its realm and each is essential to God's universe. Heaven is a dwelling place, a locality, a reality.

2. **But What is Heaven?**—Heaven is a condition. It is a state of knowledge, of holiness, of communion with God, of happiness, of health, of harmony, of progress, of perfect liberty, of perfect love. "Heaven is harmony and hell is discord." Bishop Matt S. Hughes said in a sermon at Pasadena, Cal., "Heaven is a place where we shall do as we please." I believe he was right. Here we find ourselves limited, restricted, headed-off, oppressed, crushed, hindered. Here we often desire to do the very things we should not do. Here we are prevented from doing many things we should do. There is a constant conflict. But in heaven we shall do as we please. Of course, we will not please to do anything that is out of harmony with God's rule and law.

3. **Heaven is Home.**—Yes, "a home untouched by sighs and tears, where waiteth many a well-known face." Christ said: "In my father's house are many rooms." That which comes nearest to illustrating heaven is an ideal home—a home where love, confidence, peace, co-operation, happiness reign. This world is not our home. We are only pilgrims here. At best what a little while we have in this life. "We spend our years as

a tale that is told." But heaven is a home of permanence, spaciousness, and variety. God gave John a vision of "that city which hath foundations." This little corner of God's universe is but the vestibule to the "many mansions."

4. **What is "the New Heaven?"**—"It must mean some consummation or goal toward which heaven has been moving." It may mean the second coming of Christ. It may refer to the change made in the righteous when they are raised from the dead—when "this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality." It may point to that hour when "death is swallowed up in victory."

5. **What is "the New Earth?"**—It is no doubt that earth which "shall be filled with righteousness." This will be a new earth when God's will is done perfectly, when the Golden Rule is lived up to, when brotherly love reigns supreme, when Christ is enthroned in human hearts. All of the efforts of God's people tend toward "a new earth"—an earth where right is might, where sin is hateful, where goodness is applauded, where sainthood is in flower. This will be "the kingdom of God on earth."

6. **The Holy City.**—Yes, that is indeed "a holy city" where "God shall wipe away all tears," where "the tabernacle of God is with men," where "there shall be no more death," where there shall be "neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain," where "the city has no need of the sun, neither the moon, to shine in it," where "the light thereof" is the Lamb, the Christ, the Saviour, the Redeemer, where "the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day, and there shall be no night there," where "there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth." Ah! how unlike our cities is the Holy City. Most of our cities are centers of crime, intemperance, vice, graft, uncleanness, poverty. But "the City of God," "the new Jerusalem," "the Holy City" is "as a bride adorned for her husband." What a beautiful figure of perfection. After reading this magnificent description of heaven, how can any one say that we know nothing of the soul's future estate? "Heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people." Before we enter heaven we can have heaven in our hearts.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES—LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Among the many other good things in connection with our great Conference just closed at Malvern was the splendid recognition given our Sunday school work. Our District Sunday School Charts held the center of attention downstairs while Mr. John R. Pepper and Dr. Shackford of the General Sunday School Board competed with Dr. Waldrip for the honors upstairs. All the Boards held their anniversaries, but our enthusiastic chairman, Caughey Hayes, is authority for the statement that the Sunday School Anniversary was the best. To hear that great Sunday School chorus choir of the Malvern church sing on Anniversary night was worth a trip to the Conference.

Our Divisional Field Secretary, Mr. A. L. Dietrich, was with us only one day, but Dietrich can do about as much in one day as most men in a week, and he did it.

Thirteen members of our Conference Board were present and held five enthusiastic meetings, rejoicing in the progress of last year and planning greater things for the ensuing year.

New Members of the Board.—In the reorganization of the various conference boards, the Sunday School Board received four new men, Rev. J. H. Cummins, Mr. George W. Walker, Mr. Elmer Riley, and Prof. J. J. Harrison. These men are all live wires and we are expecting great things from them in their respective districts.

Texarkana District Wins Two Banners; Prescott District Wins One.—In the beginning of the year the Board offered three banners: One to the district showing greatest number of charges making payment on the Apportionment, and one to the district making the greatest showing on Children's Day offering. Texarkana District, with Rev. J. A. Biggs, P. E., won the enrollment banner; Prescott District the Apportionment Banner, and it was awarded to the Presiding Elder, Rev. W. M. Hayes; and Texarkana having tied the Little Rock District and the Pine Bluff District, by showing Children's Day observed in every charge, was finally awarded the Children's Day Banner by making a greater gain than its rivals in Children's Day observance. The following charges won the honor of reporting the greatest Children's Day offering in

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their respective districts: Holly Springs Circuit, Rev. J. H. Glass, pastor; Emmet Circuit, Rev. F. C. Cannon, pastor; First Church, Texarkana, Rev. P. C. Fletcher, pastor; Eldorado, Rev. W. C. Hilliard, pastor; Pine Bluff Circuit, Rev. J. H. Hall, pastor; Tillar and Dumas, Rev. J. H. Cummins, pastor; and Winfield, Rev. J. D. Hammons, pastor. The highest Conference honor was won by Winfield with a One-Hundred Dollar Offering. I am sure that very few schools in Methodism surpassed this record.

Field Secretary Re-elected.—Very much to the delight of the writer the board re-elected Clem Baker as Field Secretary. It was the happiest appointment I have ever received and those present at Conference remember that I promised to make a bigger secretary than I did last year. I expect to keep that promise with the continued love and co-operation of my brethren in the pastorate and superintendency.

Recommendations.

The following recommendations were adopted by the board:

First. That we press forward our campaign with renewed vigor for increased efficiency and enlarged numbers.

Second. That we proceed at once to the organization of the various districts according to the plans of the General Board.

Third. That we observe the second Sunday in March in all our schools as College Day.

Fourth. That we hold a series of bigger and better District Institutes this year than ever before.

Sixth. That we co-operate with the Hendrix College Commissioners in their plan to endow a chair of Sunday School Pedagogy in Hendrix.

Seventh. That we continue our present financial plan. Yours to serve, Clem Baker.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE.

EPWORTH LEAGUE LESSON NOTES FOR DEC. 17.

By Rev. H. C. Hoy.

Big Jobs Awaiting Us. Ex. 3:1-14.
We have the lesson of Moses being called to a great work. All men are called to great works when needed. Moses was needed and was prepared to fulfil the mission, hence the call. The same is true to this day—wherever a person prepares for a special work he will be in demand.

First, Prepare For Life Work.

1. This is a day of specialization. No man can hope to advance who is not prepared for some special work. As society advances the division of labor becomes greater and competition keener. The unprepared man has little chance, and soon becomes discouraged, with the result that all his hopes are wrecked.

It is not well for one to try to prepare for too many things. It is better to learn one thing well, and confine one's energies to that one line of work.

God prepared Moses for a special work. He taught him how to be a leader of men. Moses spent eighty years in preparation, and when the time came Moses was called by the divine voice into the field where he was needed.

It is far better that one should spend half his life in getting ready for a definite task, than that he should waste all his time in inefficient service. Hence, a warning is good: Do not be in too great a hurry to get out into the field of labor unless one is well equipped for that particular work.

No doubt many people come to the end of life disappointed in themselves, because they have failed through the lack of training. This truth will be driven home more in the future than in the past, since this is a day of specialized training.

Second, The Job Seeks the Trained Man.

1. No one need worry about a place in the world of labor if he is equipped. The prepared man will be in demand. There is more demand for the high salaried man than for the common laborer. The reason for such a condition may be found in the fact that the men of ability for the high salaried places are scarce, while the day laborer is common.

The same conditions prevail in God's kingdom. The person who is ready for the job will be the one who will be sought after.

If one is fitted to be a teacher in Sunday school work, there will be a demand for him in that work, and likewise for all other lines of work in God's kingdom.

2. The keynote of preparation is service. No man should prepare merely for a job. He should prepare in order that he may render service. The day has come when the world demands service. Men make money not for self, but that they may increase their capacity for service. Such men will be in demand and God will see to it that they are blessed with the power to render the greatest amount of service. I believe God helps men who desire to be unselfish in their service to mankind. Hence, let every Leaguer make special preparation for service to God and man.

REPORT OF EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD OF NORTH ARKAN- SAS CONFERENCE.

We rejoice to report the Epworth Leagues organized, strong and aggres-

sive. A splendid conference was held at Newport, Ark., in June, 1916. It completed its work by electing a good body of officers, with E. H. Thomas as president and A. W. Morton as vice president. The Leaguers were enthusiastic and a number gave themselves for definite service. A pledge of more than \$600 was taken for the African special.

The League is one of the greatest organizations in the church for getting hold of the young life. We therefore urge that the preachers give the Leagues special attention, and organize as directed in the Discipline. No preacher has a right to neglect the young life of the church.

We especially commend the Epworth Era to all the members of the League, and urge that they subscribe for the paper. Also, we commend the Arkansas Methodist, and express our gratitude to its editor for the space in its pages.

The Epworth League Anniversary day, ordered by the General Conference (the second Sunday in May) has not been fully observed in our Conference. We again call attention to it, and urge that our pastors and Epworth League presidents observe the day and turn the collections into the hands of the treasurer of the North Arkansas Conference.

We recommend intensive League work by the preachers. There are many fields waiting to be organized, and we pray that the preachers will look to it that they are cared for in such a manner as to make a League possible. When this is done, we feel sure that greater good can be accomplished. We recommend strong and active district organization.

We are glad to note that there has been a substantial increase in the number of Leagues organized this year over last. The Leagues have given more to the church than ever before, and are alive today to the great opportunities at home and abroad for the extending of God's kingdom.—J. J. Galloway, Chairman; H. C. Hoy, Secretary.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

ONLY A DAD.

Only a dad with a tired face,
Coming home from the daily race,
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game,
But glad in his heart that his own
rejoice
To see him come and to hear his
voice.

Only a dad of a brood of four,
One of ten million men or more,
Plodding along in the daily strife,
Bearing the whips and scorns of life,
With never a whimper of pain or hate,
For the sake of those who at home
await.

Only a dad, neither rich nor proud,
Merely one of the surging crowd,
Tolling, striving from day to day,
Facing whatever may come his way,
Silent whenever the harsh condemn
And bearing it all for the love of
them.

Only a dad of a brood of four,
To smooth the way for his children
small,

Doing with courage stern and grim
The deeds that his father did for him.
This is the line that for him I pen—
Only a dad, but the man of men.

—Ex.

GOSPEL SHOES.

Billie Sinclair was lame; there could not be any doubt about it. When only three years old he had had scarlet fever so severely he nearly flitted away into the angel land. Though he had recovered, neither his mother's tireless care nor the doctor's skill had been able to give him strong legs. So he had to learn all over again how to walk with crutches. Since then nine birthdays had come and gone.

At first Billie's delight in getting well had swallowed up any disappointment about his lameness. As he grew old enough to go to school and his useless legs shut him out of the sports boys like, his heart filled with longing. Gradually he learned how to help himself a great deal with his hands and arms. His muscles grew hard and strong. Though he did not appear any bigger than a boy of seven years old, his boy friends soon knew he could beat them in any test requiring only hands and arms.

Still the disappointment became keen, almost bitter. When his brother Jack, captain of the high school football eleven, rushed home with an enthusiastic account of how his team had defeated the Simsburg high school, Billie could not keep his lips from quivering.

"Never mind, Billie," cried Jack. "In class you kick a goal every time. Anybody can play football. I'll see if I can get some tickets for the first game in the Yale Bowl."

"Oh, will you? My, but I'd like that!"

Jack's kindness was a sample of what Billie's schoolmates did constantly. The most careless among them watched out for passing autos or warned him of slippery places or went slowly with him up the stairways. Tom Reese, the one exception, took especial pleasure in playing tricks, some of them cruel ones, too, at Billie's expense. After one unusually savage attack Billie gave him a blow with his crutch. Tom took revenge next morning by pushing Billie to the ground so as to cut his head badly.

"You coward!" cried Peter McGuire angrily. "I'll lick you." And he would have done it, had not Billie interfered. Billie went home and several days passed before he could go to school again.

On the following Sunday the minister read in church about putting on the whole armor of God. Billie understood all of it excepting the part which said, "Your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace."

"Mama, what did the minister mean today when he said 'shod'?"

"What did he talk about?"

"Shod, your feet shod with the Gospel. Yesterday I watched when Mr.



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Thomas had his horse shod; but soldiers are not shod like that."

"True, Billie; but don't you remember the picture of the Roman soldier in Mary's history? Here it is now. See his shoes? They are sandals, pieces of leather tied on the bottom of his feet. When the Apostle Paul went as a prisoner to Rome, chains fastened him to a soldier armed just like this one. He wanted the Ephesians to be brave soldiers of Jesus and use all the armor of a Christian."

The reference to soldiers touched Billie in a tender spot, for he had tried to be brave about his lameness, but it sometimes seemed very hard.

"I wish, I wish I could run and jump like the other boys." Many times he had said it to her.

"Yes, I know you would. But daddy and I are very thankful to our Heavenly Father that He let you stay with us. We should have missed you sorely."

"When shall I get strong, mama? I want to be tall and straight, like daddy, and run with the boys."

She could not bear to tell him that he would never run like other boys. As she remained silent he glanced up quickly and in the tears glistening in her eyes read the thought she could not utter. With a great cry he buried his face in her bosom and sobbed out the sorrow of his heart. Then she talked to him in the loving tones mothers know. She told him the story she heard from a missionary about a young Japanese who had lost all control of his body except his head.

"What, couldn't he move his hands?"

"No."
"Nor his feet?"
"No, Billie, he could only lie on a hard mat all day long. He became a Christian and wanted to be a good soldier of Christ. He learned to hold

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WARNING ORDER.
State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski—ss.
In the Pulaski Chancery Court,
E. W. Hood, Plaintiff,
vs.
Lena M. Hood, Defendant.
The defendant, Lena M. Hood, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, E. W. Hood.
November 22, 1916.
J. S. MALONEY, Clerk.
F. A. GARRETT, D. C.
Green, Kelley & Lusby, Solicitors for Plaintiff.
A. C. Martin, Attorney ad Litem.

WARNING ORDER.
State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski—ss.
In the Pulaski Chancery Court,
Ella Beecher, Plaintiff,
vs.
Everett Beecher, Defendant.
The defendant, Everett Beecher, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Ella Beecher.
November 22, 1916.
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Price Shofner, Solicitor for Plaintiff.
E. G. Shofner, Attorney ad Litem.

in his teeth the little brush the Japanese use and slowly wrote many postcards to his friends to tell them about Jesus."

Gradually Billie forgot his sorrow as his mother showed him that even a lame boy could be ready to do for others. "You do not have to have strong feet, dearie, to wear gospel shoes."

"That Japanese wore gospel shoes, all right, didn't he?"

"Yes, indeed, he did."
For days afterward Billie kept repeating to himself: "our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." He determined, if any opportunity to wear gospel shoes came, he would be ready.

The opportunity did come. Mr. Sinclair owned a flour mill some two miles from home. It ran by water power and had been so placed below the pond that only the fourth story was higher than the top of the dam. The mill had a slow-moving, open elevator, near the top of which a door opened upon a bridge built to the raceway. Between the race and the dam a high ledge sloped steeply at one spot toward the race.

Billie took great delight in visiting the mill. He loved to watch the skillful work of the men and to study the machines. When tired of that he would go up the elevator and out by the bridge to the millpond. On a certain Saturday he started for the pond at the bottom of the shaft for repairs.

"Look out you don't fall into the race," called his father.

"Yes, sir," replied Billie.
When he drew near the pond he saw Tom Reese on top of the ledge across the race. Tom had already seen him and had prepared a handful of stones to throw at him.

"Hey, there, limpy! Go on back, or I'll throw a stone at you," shouted Tom.

Billie was no coward and could see no reason why he should be ordered off of his father's ground. He kept on. Then a stone fell near him, then another and another. Billie turned to go back. But Tom in his eagerness reached too far and with a cry of fear slid into the swift water of the race. Billie saw him and knew his danger. He forgot all about Tom's meanness. He never wanted good legs so badly as then. As he hurried along the race he saw Tom, struggling to hold on to the slippery grating which guarded the head. What should he do? Shouting encouragement to Tom, he hastened by the bridge into the mill. But the elevator was useless. To hobble down all those stairs to the men below would take too long. His thoughts sped on like the water in the race. Without a moment's delay he went to the shaft. Standing on the edge he swung forward, seized the wire rope that carried the elevator and began to let himself down by his hands. He was not afraid. He knew his muscles were hard. The crutches fell to the bottom with a clatter. Mr. Sinclair, at work with some men nearby, ran to the elevator and, cautiously looking up the shaft, feared as he saw Billie rapidly climbing down.

"Hold hard, Billie. Don't fall!"
"Quick, daddy! Oh, quick! Tom Reese fell into the race. I'm all right. Run, quick!" With these words Billie reached the floor in safety.

"I'm going upstairs again and see if Tom is safe," thought Billie. But those stairs seemed to have no end. Would he ever get to the top?

Meantime Mr. Sinclair rushed to the race and found Tom well-nigh

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

REVIVAL AT LUXORA.

The revival held at Luxora by Evangelist W. C. Swope of Charleston, Mo., with Miss Madeline Flannigan, of Osceola, as choir director, was a marvelous success.

The church was greatly revived, and there were about 20 conversions and additions. Great crowds attended the services from the beginning, and

exhausted. Getting down on the beam that held the grating and holding on by one hand and one leg, he reached down toward the drowning boy. At last he managed to get hold of Tom's hand, but he could not pull himself with Tom back again. In a few minutes Billie's head showed over the top of the race.

"Quick, Billie. Go and get Mr. Oviatt out in front of the mill. Hurry!"

But Billie's exertions began to tell upon him. Back he went with teeth set and saying to himself, "I must, I must." Once more he began to descend by the elevator wire, but his hands this time would slip. Mr. Oviatt, entering the mill door, saw the crutches fall and came up as Billie tumbled in a heap on the elevator floor. Billie could only gasp the words, "Father... Tom... racehead," and knew no more.

He came to himself in his own bed. The doctor sat by his side, with father, mother, Mary and Jack nearby.

"He's coming around all right," said the doctor cheerily.

"Bully boy!" and Jack blew his nose loudly.

"Daddy!" and Billie's hand crept out weakly into his father's strong grasp. Later in the twilight hour mother told him how Mr. Oviatt had helped daddy and Tom out of the race, and how that Tom wouldn't give his mother a minute's peace till she had come to ask Billie to forgive him.

"He says he'll not be mean to you any more. Do you remember, Billie, our talk about the soldier of Jesus and the gospel shoes?"

"Yes, mama."
"Well, you wore them to save Tom. He wants to be friends. You had your dear lame feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace."

"Oh, mama! Is that it? I'm so glad." And Billie fell into a long and restful sleep.—H. S. Brown in Western Recorder.

the number and interest grew till the last service in which there were several conversions.

Brother Swope is both a great preacher and revivalist. He captures his audience and holds them spell-bound from the beginning to the close of every sermon. His sermons are thoroughly orthodox and his methods safe and sound. He is fearless in condemnation of sin and worldliness. He is severe in his dealings with all forms of sin, but tender and gentle with the sinner. Some of the hardest sinners of the town, men who were steeped in sin listened intently at his words till they were convicted of sin, then accepted the gospel he preached and united with the church and are making faithful members. The good resulting from the revival cannot begin to be estimated.

Miss Flannigan's singing added very greatly to the interest and success of the meeting. She has a wonderful voice and her spiritual life and consecration make her a power in song which attracts and wins hardened sinners to her Christ.

Brother Swope and Miss Flannigan won the hearts of the people of Luxora, and our prayers go with them to other fields of labor.

Brother Swope came to us under a great nervous strain, and went away nervously broken down. He needs several weeks rest, and must have it, before he breaks down permanently.—A. H. Dulaney.

A GREAT MEETING IN TEXAS.

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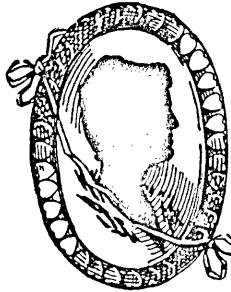
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essions. It has been one of the best years of my life, though not the largest in point of professions. I have assisted pastors in our church meetings and also in union meetings, where I had charge of all the services except the preaching. Have just returned home from a great meeting in Texas near my old home, where I had the happy privilege and personal pleasure of leading my youngest brother to Christ, whom I promised my old mother years ago. I would bring to heaven with me when she left us, this making the last of my own brothers (five) that I have been instrumental in leading to Christ.

This, the last meeting of the season, was one of the best of the year. There were about 75 or 80 professions, most of them grown men and women. The last two night there were 29 men who took a definite stand for Christ and 27 gave their names for church membership. This in the face of three awful storms and cold winds and rain, and dark nights in a black land country makes this one of the historic meetings of my life.

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coming in touch with the men who keep the wheels of Zion moving. I trust that the Methodist and its readers keep the battle raging for God and humanity.—Ed G. Phillips, Evangelist.

Siloam Springs, Ark.

ARMY TESTAMENT FUND.

We have just returned from the two Conferences, one at Searcy and the other at Malvern. At these we held our centennial celebrations, which were interesting and inspiring. Rev. J. J. Morgan, agency secretary of the Southwestern agency at Dallas, Tex., made the principal addresses. Collections were taken at these meetings, which netted nice sums for the Army Testament Fund.

January 14, second Sunday, was set aside by these Conferences as Army Testament Day.

I am planning to have printed suitable envelopes and send them out to the pastors for use on that day. Ten thousand dollars will be required to complete the work of supplying our soldiers on the boarder with the Testament.

By the grace of God and the help of our patriotic people we will do this work. The report is as follows:

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| Former report | \$681.03 |
| Conference at Searcy, Ark. | 22.00 |
| Sunday school, by Rev. H. C. Hoy, Holly Grove, Ark. | 15.00 |
| D. H. Clark, Searcy, Ark. | 2.00 |
| Nazarene Church, Searcy, Ark. | 1.25 |
| Mamie Chandler, Hackett, Ark. | .25 |
| Conference at Malvern, Ark. | 40.00 |
| Dr. Stonewall Anderson, Nashville, Tenn. | 5.00 |
| Total | \$767.03 |

—D. H. Colquette, Field Agent, Cor. Scott Street and Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Ark.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT NOTICE.

The District Stewards of the Arkadelphia District are called to meet at the Methodist Church in Malvern, Ark., at 10 o'clock Friday morning, December 15.

Their names and addresses are as follows:

- Dr. C. A. Evans, Arkadelphia.
- Dr. Thomas A. Ross, Arkadelphia, Route 1.
- W. B. Plummer, Gladstone.
- J. S. Utley, Benton.
- A. L. Hunter, Dalark.
- J. E. Hansford, Donaldson.
- John T. Taylor, Piney Grove.
- H. R. Lavender, Hawes.
- S. W. C. Smith, Hot Springs.
- J. F. Disheroon, Hot Springs.
- J. A. Campbell, Hot Springs.
- D. F. Phillips, Leola.
- G. L. Eldridge, Manning.

- J. W. Lee, Malvern.
- G. W. Collie, Malvern.
- R. K. Higgs, Princeton.
- J. A. Cunningham, Traskwood.
- L. Johnson, Hempwallace.
- C. C. Buler, Hot Springs.

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OBITUARY.

McCLAIN.—Dan W. McClain was born May 31, 1850. In early life, probably when he was but about twenty-one years of age, he embraced the Christian religion and united with the Methodist Church. He lived and died in this church of his choice and was a consistent member till his death, which occurred June 22, 1916. The writer, being his pastor, often had pleasant talks with Brother McClain, during which the old brother not only seemed to feel that the end was near, but he also let it be known that he was ready to meet his God. Up till the very last he said without any hesitancy that he was ready to die. His family appreciated so much the nice talk made at his funeral by Rev. M. S. Monk of Camden. The pastor was very sorry to miss the funeral, but was at Kingsland helping Brothers Cabe and Hopkins in a meeting. Brother McClain was twice married. First, he married Miss Mary Ferrel in 1871. To this union were born six children, five boys and one girl, all of whom survive their parents but one. He was next married to Miss Mary Martin in 1884. Three boys and two girls were born to this union, only one boy and one girl of whom are still living, namely, Frank McClain, living with his mother near Camden, and Mrs. David Reynolds, living in Camden. That God may comfort the bereaved mother and fatherless children is the earnest prayer of their pastor.—W. H. Hansford, Eagle Mills, Ark.

JORDAN.—Mary Catherine (nee Smith) Jordan was born in Ouachita County, March 3, 1851. She was married to W. E. Jordan, December 14, 1871, and to them were born five children, three girls and two boys. All of them are living but the youngest boy. She spent the most of her life in the county in which she was born, but her last years were spent at Fordyce, where she passed from labor and suffering to her reward, February 8, 1916. She was buried at Fordyce, where she awaits the resurrection of the just. Sister Jordan was converted at the age of 13 in a Methodist meeting, and joined that church and lived in it till after she was married. She then joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in order to encourage her husband, who was of that belief. She always had a strong love for the Methodist Church, and loved to worship with its people. She was one of the best mothers and a loving and faithful wife and neighbor. She was a good woman who is missed. The last year of her life she was a great sufferer, but bore it patiently, and spoke of her trust in God. Her children and husband know where to find her. May they trust in the God she trusted in.—B. F. Scott, Wesson, Ark.

WILLBORNE. — Nannie Rodgers was born April 30, 1891, in Scott County, Arkansas. She was converted in early childhood and joined the M. E. Church, South. She graduated in Waldon High School. Her life career was that of a teacher. She won several medals while in school. She was

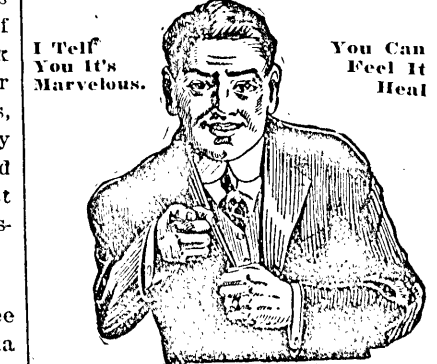
married to S. A. Willborne in December, 1911. To this happy union there were born three little girls, Pauline Marguette and Willie. They moved to Lafayette County, Arkansas, in 1912, where she lived until her death, Sunday, November 12, 1916. Sister Willborne was our organist and one of our Sunday school teachers at the Canal Church. She was a good church worker. She didn't talk religion so much, but she lived it every day. She was loved by all who knew her. She leaves a husband, three little girls, a mother, brothers, sisters, and friends, to mourn their loss. The funeral service was held at her

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home. Afterwards her body was shipped to her childhood home for interment. Weep not, loved ones, she is asleep in Jesus, from whence none ever wake to weep.—S. B. Mann, Pastor.

NICHOLSON.—Mrs. Eliza Nicholson (nee Gamble) was born in Water Valley, Ala., January 10, 1839, and died in Altus, Ark., November 12, 1916. She came to Arkansas in early life and was reared in Conway County. She was married to W. A. Nicholson, March 30, 1865. They have no children of their own, but took Mrs. Head, their niece, own, but took Mrs. Head, their niece, when she was but three years of age and kept her until she was married. Sister Head seemed to them more like a daughter than a niece. She was converted at the age of 29 years and joined the Baptist Church, but afterwards placed her membership in the M. E. Church, South, where she lived and died. Sister Nicholson was a true Christian woman. She loved God and was faithful to his church. Everybody loved her and had faith in her as a Christian, neighbor and friend. Every preacher and family that have lived as neighbor to her will bear me out in the truth that she was a true friend to the preacher and his family. She had been in feeble health for several years, but was able to attend our revival meeting this year, which she enjoyed very much. While it is with sadness that we have had to part with Sister Nicholson, yet we can thank God that we have had such a life lived in our midst. May God's blessings ever be upon the relatives and especially Brother Nicholson and Brother and Sister Stephenson and their little son, Frank, who lives with them. Sister Stephenson is the daughter of Sister Head, of whom we have made mention.—Her Pastor, R. A. Robertson.

THE COUNTRY CHURCH AND THE GOOD ROAD.

Even fiction has failed to give us stories of adventure more thrilling than the actual experiences of men who have braved every peril to carry Christianity into remote places inhabited by primitive and oft times savage people. Missionaries have traversed the frozen Northlands with dogs and sledges and have founded missions among the tribes of equatorial regions. There have been innumerable occasions where they have toiled across wastes or through forests to conduct services for a congregation comprising people so few and so primitive that we are amazed at such manifestation of faith and courage.

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country church and the subject of good roads?

It shows how our interest in potential results frequently causes us to overlook or neglect the fullest development of things already established.

The church provides funds and missionaries volunteer in her service upon the conviction that final results will more than warrant endeavor in this field. But when careful inquiry is made as to the situation right at home it will be found that hundreds of thousands of people in rural districts, taking the country over, do not attend services regularly during what may be termed the bad road season.

To remedy this condition does not require that the church contribute funds for highway improvement. She can, however, do much to influence public opinion in the matter.

Every country church should be easily accessible at all seasons of the year. Any community sufficiently prosperous to establish and maintain a church can afford to have good highways. In many localities much of the social life of the community emanates from, if it does not center in the church, and to make it easy for people to get to church is a most important factor in the progress of the church.

It may be said that failure to attend church because the roads happen to be bad shows only a superficial interest in the church, but such is not the case. Aged people and children, especially, suffer the consequences of the bad road, and it is frequently the case that roads are absolutely impassible. It is surely within the province of the church to awaken public sentiment favorable to good roads—in any event such roads as are used by the congregation in going to and from church.

To improve the leading roads need not be a costly matter. Where old stone or macadam roads are already established they can be transformed into durable, dustless and mudless roads by a simple process and through the use of a substance that goes back to the very beginning of the world.

Make thee an ark of gopher wood, rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.—Gen. 6:14.

The pitch referred to was natural asphalt, and today millions of square yards of city streets are paved with asphalt, its use having extended to remote rural districts. Old stone roads are now given a new surface of stone over which is poured the natural asphalt. The road is then rolled and may be used immediately. Resurfaced roads of this type can be built at half the cost of entirely new roads.

In the case of new roads the most economical thoroughfare, one that promises to become a standard type, has a solid base or foundation of concrete with a two-inch asphalt macadam wearing surface, thus meeting the requirements of both horse and motor traffic. Roads of either type described also serve as splendid sidewalks, owing to the absence of mud and dust.

It may seem irrelevant to refer to specific types of roads when this phase of the subject would not be a part of such good roads propaganda as might emanate from the church, but it is none the less a fact that highway improvement is seriously retarded through lack of knowledge concerning the merits and cost of our sundry types of roads.

In the meantime, however, the

church can unquestionably participate in the good roads movement with profit to all concerned, for once enthusiasm is aroused the battle is practically won.

Automobilists are active in road building propaganda; churches have greater and better reasons for activity in this direction.—Government Bulletin.

WOMAN RAISES COTTON AT 92.

Mrs. Sarah J. Gordon, 92 years of age, who lives near Commerce, Ga., brought to Commerce the other day a bale of middling cotton weighing 595 pounds, which was sold. Mrs. Gordon planted, hoed and picked every pound of this cotton herself, and kept the same stored in her home until it reached the price of fourteen cents, for which she was holding it. How the industry of this woman, within eight years of a hundred, shames the indolence of many young daughters of wealth and luxury who spend their lives on the latest fabric, the newest style of garments, the exciting rounds of amusements and social engagements, as well as those lazy daughters of poverty who sit

around and do nothing while their mothers slave themselves to death for them! The mothers of both wealth and poverty are as much to blame as their indolent daughters. They ought to have sense enough to raise them better. After reading this incident of Mrs. Gordon, it might be well to turn to the Bible and read the wise man's description of the ideal woman in Proverbs 31.—The Christian Herald.

WHO FEEDS THE WORLD?

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside appears the following:

"Wheat is not undisputed king, nor cotton either. The egg crop last year was worth about \$700,000,000.

"The bulk of the poultry is produced mainly by the work of women and children. The supply from the specialized poultry farms is small compared to that from the farms where women care for the fowls and children gather the eggs.

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