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FINALLY, MY BRETHREN, BE STRONG IN THE LORD, AND IN THE POWER OF HIS MIGHT. PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD, THAT YE MAY BE ABLE TO STAND AGAINST THE WILES OF THE DEVIL. FOR WE WRESTLE NOT AGAINST FLESH AND BLOOD, BUT AGAINST PRINCIPALITIES, AGAINST POWERS, AGAINST THE RULERS OF THE DARKNESS OF THIS WORLD, AGAINST SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS IN HIGH PLACES. WHEREFORE TAKE UNTO YOU THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD, THAT YE MAY BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND IN THE EVIL DAY, AND HAVING DONE ALL, TO STAND.—Ephesians 6:10-13.

HAS COLLEGE DAY BEEN OBSERVED?

Our General Sunday School Board last year decided that College Day should be observed in all our Sunday schools. This action was taken because it is not enough to establish our Christian colleges, but it is necessary to create interest among our young people so that they may seek these institutions. Naturally the Sunday school is one channel through which the youth of our Christian homes should be directed to our colleges. It was, therefore, a happy suggestion, made by our own Dr. J. H. Reynolds, that College Day be established and observed in our Sunday schools. It was provided that the first Sunday in March be observed, or, if that should not be convenient, that another Sunday as near thereto as practicable be used. Doubtless in many churches last Sunday was so observed. If not, let the occasion be not overlooked. Careful preparation and conscientious use of College Day ought to produce large results.

AN INTOLERABLE SITUATION.

During the closing hours of the session of Congress, when seventy-six senators were ready to pass the bill clothing President Wilson with authority to maintain "armed neutrality," and only twelve were against it, by a filibuster two or three men were able to hold the floor until the session expired by limitation, thus defeating the important measure. We believe in full and free discussion of public issues, and have almost uniformly opposed the cloture. We have appreciated the open forum jealously guarded in the United States Senate, and have argued that it was practically necessary to prevent the suppression of legitimate opinion. However, we have never thought that it should be possible in a genuinely deliberative body for a single member merely by physical endurance to hold the floor and so thwart the will of the majority. A body which is expected by majority vote to enact laws owes it to itself not to render itself impotent. While its rules should provide for ample discussion, still it is virtual insanity to permit an impasse, and especially in an emergency. Members who take advantage of a delicate situation, and, availing themselves of a rule of courtesy, prevent an overwhelming majority from acting, have violated the principles of honor and deserve no further courtesy or consideration at the hands of their colleagues. When, as in this instance, men like Senators LaFollette and Stone so far forget the obligations of courtesy, the Senate would be amply justified in expelling them for contempt and contumely. Under ordinary conditions, when it is merely a contest for personal or partisan triumph, such conduct may be tolerated as a kind of buffoonery, but in a national crisis the man or men who forget the principle of noblesse oblige are little less than traitors and deserve the scorn of loyal citizens. President Wilson speaks in moderation when he characterizes them as "a little group of willful men, representing no opinion but their own," and argues that they "have rendered the great government of the United States helpless and contemptible." The President

very properly recommends to the Senate now in special session that the rules be so amended that the body may transact business when an overwhelming majority desires. If this august council wishes to deserve the confidence and respect of the American people, its rules will be speedily and properly revised, because it is not the Constitution nor a law of Congress, but a rule of the Senate alone which permits this intolerable situation.

UNIVERSITY REMOVAL DEFEATED.

The unfair measure for the removal of our State University from Fayetteville to Little Rock, which was introduced in our Senate, has been defeated. This ought to end the agitation; and yet it is probable that it will come up again and again until by some agreement the different elements come together on a just and reasonable proposition. We regret that provision has not been made for a commission to consider all the issues involved and propose an equitable solution. The progress of the University is necessarily retarded while uncertainty continues.

GALLANT ARKANSAS.

On Tuesday the bill granting to women the right to vote in primary elections came up for final consideration in the House and was passed. This is a happy solution of the suffrage question. While full suffrage is favored by many of our people, it is certain that a constitutional amendment would have been bitterly fought and might have been lost. At present in Arkansas the primary elections virtually settle the fate of candidates, hence women will participate in the really decisive elections. If, after a fair trial, our women demonstrate their value in politics, there will be little difficulty in their securing the full franchise. We have never been disposed to force this issue, but have believed that, responding to a growing sentiment, woman suffrage would come. We are, therefore, glad and modestly proud of the fact that Arkansas, sometimes considered unprogressive, is the first Southern State to catch this trend of the age and accord her women this high privilege. Let our women as pioneers give a good account of themselves, and the movement will gain momentum. There are some who doubt the constitutionality of this act, but as the whole question of primary elections is settled by statute merely, there is little doubt that this law will be declared constitutional when it reaches the Supreme Court.

PROHIBITION PROGRESS.

While the constitutional amendment submitting the question of national prohibition to the States was not, on account of emergency legislation, reached by the late Congress, still bills were passed providing for prohibition in the District of Columbia and for the full enforcement of law in prohibition States. This last measure is more stringent and drastic than prohibition leaders had expected, and came as the acceptance of a challenge from the opposition. When the amendment was offered by liquor leaders, it was expected that the prohibitionists would stultify themselves by voting against it or by accepting it render prohibition odious and thus deter other States from going dry. The exact opposite happened. Prohibitionists accepted the challenge and forced their opponents either to reveal their insincerity or to vote for an extreme measure. It is possible that some States may hesitate before bringing themselves under the operation of this drastic law, but an immense advantage has been gained in committing Congress to control of the liquor traffic. If Congressmen justify themselves for supporting this law, they can hardly excuse themselves longer from submitting a constitutional amendment to the States. Prohibition leg-

islation has entered a new phase. The liquor men, out-manuevered, have helped to create a situation which will lead to nation-wide prohibition. It now behooves us judiciously and faithfully to enforce the law and to deepen favorable sentiment so that there may be no reaction.

WISE COUNSEL.

Discussing some of the difficulties in the way of Methodist unification, the Wesleyan Christian Advocate offers the following wise observations: "It involves the highest wisdom and grace, deliberation, care and painstaking thought, particularly if such unification is to be permanent and contribute mightily to the progress of God's kingdom on earth. There is too much at stake for blunders to be made by undue haste. But if a unification of the two churches by reorganization is God's will, and indications pointing in that direction are not wanting, all these difficulties will be overcome. Divine light above all things is needed at this stage. But whether unification comes in two years or ten, or delays its coming even longer, how should our church spend the intervening time? In partially suspending its operations pending the union, or in pushing forward all its enterprises with every ounce of our strength? In our judgment, the latter is the only wise policy, for if we apply our energies to our task with redoubled diligence, should unification come early or late, we would have a larger contribution of material resources and trained leadership to make to the common cause, and on the other hand, should unification never come, we should be that far ahead in God's work. In either case this is the only wise and safe course. 'Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward.' Indeed, our obligation to the Head of the Church leaves no other course open to us."

PROMPT ACTION.

Last week, after an investigation of the bribery charges, the Arkansas Senate, by a decisive majority, expelled the two senators accused. This was not impeachment, as some have erroneously stated. Impeachment proceedings are brought by the House of Representatives against some executive or judicial officer, and the Senate, sitting as a court with the Chief Justice presiding, tries the case. Members of the Legislature are not subject to impeachment, but a member may be expelled by the House to which he belongs, and that House is the sole judge of the necessity or propriety of the action. Expulsion may be for crime or for disorderly conduct or other violation of the rules of the House of which the accused is a member. As expulsion is no bar to criminal action, these senators are now under indictment and will be tried in the Pulaski Circuit Court. Prosecuting Attorney Dunaway deserves credit for his thoroughness in developing these cases, and the co-operation of the public in his effort to discover the facts. If bribery and grafting are prevalent, proper measures to punish the lawbreakers should be supported and applauded.

OUR ELECTION LAW STANDS.

The bill to separate our state and federal elections, upon which we commented last week, came up in the House and was tabled. As the underlying motive was undoubtedly to give the liquor element an opportunity to control the negro vote, all good people should rejoice, and commend the House for its righteous action.

Which is the proper question, Why do the poor fail to go to church? or Why does the church fail to go to the poor?

Do we follow truth or tradition?

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Helena District, at Marianna, April 25-29.

Texarkana District, at Ashdown, April 26-29.

Paragould Dist., at East Side, Paragould, May 7.

Prescott District, at Mineral Springs, May 17.

Monticello District, at Eudora, May 17-20.

Little Rock District, Hazen, May 30.

Fort Smith District, at Lavaca, May 30.

PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Last Saturday our office had an appreciated call from Mr. Ernest Horton of Detont.

Mr. J. H. Benton has bequeathed more than a million dollars to the Boston Public Library.

Rev. W. S. Southworth writes that he is getting along nicely on Ravenden Springs Circuit.

Rev. C. W. Lester writes that the work of the new year is starting off well at Clarendon.

Rev. S. G. Watson reports that everything looks good for a year of progress on Higden charge.

Rev. A. W. Hamilton, pastor of Fulton Circuit, expresses satisfaction with the progress of his work.

Friday Dr. F. S. H. Johnston called. He is busy in the Hendrix College campaign and is confident of its success.

Rev. L. T. Rodgers, in connection with a fine remittance, says that everything seems to be moving well on Hampton charge.

Rev. S. B. Mann writes that everything is going well on Bright Star Circuit. He claims to have some of the best people on earth.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Little Rock Conference is being held this week at Lakeside Church, Pine Bluff.

Rev. J. L. Shelby writes that his work on Rosebud Circuit is prospering nicely. Several persons have been converted and joined the church.

Dr. F. J. Prettyman, chaplain of the U. S. Senate, brings us under obligation for a beautiful illustrated calendar prepared by direction of the Senate.

Rev. J. W. Harrell of Malvern reports that everything is moving on satisfactorily. There are accessions to the church almost every Sunday.

In last issue of the Christian Advocate (Nashville) Dr. Stonewall Anderson has an able article on "Needed—An Educational Forward Movement."

Rev. A. M. Shaw of DeWitt, after grappling with the grippe and its concomitants, is able to take up his tasks, and hopes soon to make up for lost time.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the two Oklahoma Conferences are planning to build two

dormitories, a Methodist Home for Girls and one for Boys, at the State University.

Dr. Irving Babbitt of Harvard University recently lectured at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va., on "Classicism and Romanticism."

The preparatory work for Billy Sunday's meeting is nearly done at New York City, where he will soon begin. He is closing a great meeting at Buffalo.

It is announced that President J. C. Futrall of the University of Arkansas will deliver the commencement address for the State Normal at Conway, May 31.

Hon. J. W. House and Hon. J. H. Hinemon, both of Pulaski County, will probably be candidates from the Fifth Congressional District as delegates to the Constitutional Convention.

On account of financial stringency the Northern Christian Advocate, Syracuse, N. Y., has suspended, and its subscribers will be served by the Christian Advocate of New York City.

The Legislature for the protection of the college students has passed special acts forbidding the maintenance of pool rooms, billiard halls or bowling alleys at Arkadelphia and Conway.

The Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society of North Arkansas Conference, which closed a successful session at Van Buren last week, voted to meet at Conway next year.

Rev. G. C. Johnson reports large congregations and Sunday school at Plainview. Dr. Reynolds of Hendrix College spent Sunday there and delivered a great address on "The New Age."

Rev. R. L. Glasgow, the new pastor of Maumelle Mission, called Tuesday. He recognizes that it is a difficult field, but is identifying himself with his people and expects revivals and progress.

A pleasant personal letter from Rev. Finch M. Winburne of San Antonio, Texas, expresses appreciation of our Anniversary Number, which stirred in him many memories of olden times.

Tuesday Mr. S. C. Reynolds, one of the leading laymen of Ashdown, paid our office a much appreciated visit. On his way to visit relatives in Faulkner County, he was spending a few days in our city.

Last week, on his return from a visit to Conway, Rev. Wm. Sherman of First Church, Jonesboro, called. He begins to feel perfectly at home in his new charge, is delighted with it, and is planning for progress.

A personal letter from Dr. H. Anet, the great Belgian teacher and publicist referred to in Bishop Lambuth's letter, announces that he will visit Little Rock shortly. It is to be hoped that we may respond liberally for his worthy cause, the relief of his suffering countrymen.

In providing for an increase in the salary of the superintendent of the State School for the Blind the Legislature has done right. In relation to other similar positions and the responsibility of the office, the salary of \$1,800 is too small. Such a man as Superintendent Hinemon deserves more.

President Thwing of Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O., has prepared for his trustees a comprehensive plan of development requiring \$3,000,000 and several years for completion. The plan contemplates new buildings and increases in salaries of faculty. Some of the funds has already been secured.

Rev. W. P. Whaley authorizes us to say that the supply of his book, "What Is the Matter With the Church?" is nearly exhausted, and it is not certain that another edition will be issued. If any Arkansas friends wish the book they should order it at once. Address the author, 1205 Schiller Ave., Little Rock, Ark.

The Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society of England is rejoicing because, having asked for \$850,000 last year, it has received the whole amount. The increase over the previous year is almost \$50,000. When we remember how the English are taxing themselves for the war, this liberal giving should put us to shame.

On a recent Sunday the claims of Emory University were presented in practically every Methodist pulpit in Nashville, and the canvass for funds will come later. The Tennessee Conference contributions to Emory University will be used for a memorial fund to the late Bishop McTyeire. The

largest contribution to date to Emory University from an individual outside Atlanta has come from a Tennessee Conference layman, Mr. J. J. Gray, Jr., of Mount Pleasant, Tenn., who gave \$50,000.

Rev. W. H. Huguen reports: "Everything moves well at Mt. Ida. Church was crowded at second quarterly conference. The people have resolved to do something this year. Will begin every-member campaign Thursday night. Have planned the work right and the leaders say that we must put our church up in the top notch.

Old Sam Gompers of the National Federation of Labor has come from under cover and pronounced publicly against prohibition. Gompers is a reactionary and a back number. The laboring men of the country will not follow him in this, and it means his finish at the next election of a Federation leader.—The Texarkanian.

The Methodist Year Book for 1917, edited by Oliver S. Baketel and published by the Methodist Book Concern, New York and Cincinnati, price 25 cents, is a perfect compendium of information concerning the Methodist Episcopal Church. Every one who wishes to keep up with the progress of our sister Methodism needs this booklet.

The Baptist ministers of Little Rock got busy last week on the dancing business in connection with our public schools. They appointed a committee to witness some things being done. Following that, a protest against such things was filed with the School Board. The committee was heard respectfully, and we await results.—Baptist Advance.

Dr. Alonzo Monk, presiding elder of Little Rock District, has supplied the charges left without appointment as follows: Des Arc, Rev. W. S. Butts; Benton Circuit, Rev. J. J. Menefee; Maumelle, Rev. R. L. Glasgow, whose postoffice is Pinnacle. Dr. Monk reports that these preachers have been well received and conditions on these charges are favorable.

The thoughtfulness of our friend, President Arthur Ramsay of Fairmont Seminary, Washington, D. C., in sending the official Souvenir Program of the Second Inauguration of President Woodrow Wilson, is appreciated. He is a distinguished and successful Hendrix College man who never forgets his old friends. He is a member of the Inaugural Committee.

In the opinion of Bishop Kilgo of the M. E. Church, South, "the twentieth century is the shallowest, most undependable, unserious, frivolous, non-producing age from the standpoint of intellectuality that the world has seen in a thousand years." When you come to think of it there is a good deal to justify the Bishop's rather severe arraignment.—Biblical Recorder.

The greatest sins are not the sins of the world, murder, stealing, covetousness, gambling, drunkenness; they are sins of indifference, carelessness, neglect, shirking on the part of members of the church. The world may not appreciate the heinousness of sin. He who sins after Christ has forgiven him, does it in the face of his love, and against the light and knowledge that has been given him, and in defiance of God's command. Christian friend, are you guilty?—Presbyterian of the South.

After eighteen years of experience with the initiative and referendum, South Dakota is told by its new governor, Peter Norbeck, that they are failures. Only one law was ever adopted there by the initiative—that fearful and wonderful piece of legislation, the Richards primary law. It proved so unworkable that the legislature had to repeal it. As for the referendum, it has proved a convenient means of postponing the effectiveness of reformatory laws passed by the legislature.—Minneapolis Journal.

A newspaper editor who has been compelled to increase advertising rates for his journal closes his explanation of his action as follows: "You may be of the opinion that the paper isn't worth \$1.50. Neither is a gallon of gasoline worth 25 cents, nor a dozen eggs 48 cents, nor ten pounds of sugar worth \$1, nor a pound of veal worth 30 cents, nor a bushel of corn worth 80 cents; but these are the prices the people are paying. So don't get mad at us. Goodness knows we didn't start that fuss in Europe."—Exchange.

If all men in the churches had caught the vision, and realized their true relation to God and the

church and the world as some have done, practically all the problems of the church and the world would have been solved. The trouble is that so many have not yet opened their eyes to see the dawn of the glorious day that is coming. The vast majority of men in the church today are asleep and do not realize that fact. Those who are awake must waken others. This can be done by earnest prayer to God and by consecrated lives.—Presbyterian of the South.

The Missionary Training School of Emory University will be located in the Wesley Memorial Building, which has class rooms providing for six or seven hundred students, dormitory room for fifty or more young women, and an auditorium that will seat several thousand people. The church has there an opportunity to equip a great institution for the training of men and women for mission work in the foreign field and at home. There is urgent need for financial aid in providing scholarships for these students. A scholarship is rated at \$250 a year, and these can be provided by individuals or churches. There is offered to our people an investment that is really worth while. Dr. J. A. Sharp is president of the Mission Training School.

Dr. Stonewall Anderson, Corresponding Secretary of our General Board of Education, says: "There are ninety institutions sustaining relations to the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Of this number, 66 are in debt. The debts of the several institutions range from \$1,200 to \$232,000, the total aggregating \$1,840,101. This debt was increased during the fiscal year 1914-15 by \$300,000, and during the year 1915-16 by \$400,000. There were in 1915-16 thirty-five institutions the current expenses of which exceeded the annual income. This deficit in the aggregate amounted to \$87,122. The Church, I take it, is paying annually in interest on the above debt not less than \$75,000. In round numbers, the schools need \$2,000,000 with which to liquidate their debts."

Last Sunday was spent by the editor in the prosperous town of England. Rain, snow, slush, and cold conjoined to create an unfavorable situation, and, as our people there have always been peculiarly susceptible to meteorological influences, the auditorium was not packed. Still, congregations at both services were fair and seemed spiritually responsive. Considering the weather, the Sunday school was especially good. The Epworth League, though not strong, is a body of vivacious young people who are in training for service. Sunday school exigencies will soon force enlargement or a new building. The leaders are considering the situation and will undoubtedly act in the near future. The town, located in a wonderful farming country, has made marked progress in recent years, and is now visibly prosperous. Good school buildings have been erected, macadam roads constructed, and comfortable homes and substantial business houses built. It is a place of great possibilities, and our church, properly developed, will share in the progress of the community. Rev. R. R. Moore is now well adjusted to the situation and is carefully studying conditions so that he may profitably co-operate in organization and uplift. He and the people seem to be mutually pleased, and all hopefully anticipate a prosperous year. All who know England expect it to become one of our leading charges.

OUR CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN.

There is no cause for discouragement concerning the campaign for 6,000 new cash subscribers. Many names without the money have been sent in. These are good, but do not meet the conditions exactly, and hence are not yet reported. Many pastors for good cause deferred beginning their campaign, but write that we may depend on them to secure their number. Our collections are better than ever before. The people who read the paper are responding, and every day many encouraging letters are received. If any readers have not heard the pastor announce his campaign, let them confer with him and agree on plans for co-operation. The Methodist Church in Arkansas is aroused as never before to the necessity of liberal support for the Conference Organ. Let us now, while the question is before our people, press toward the goal. With the desired increase to 15,000 our per capita circulation will be equal to that of any denominational organ.

NEW CASH SUBSCRIBERS ON THE CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN.

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Prescott Dist., J. A. Henderson, P. E.....	24
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Amount due, 1917.....	\$2,000.00
Amount previously reported.....	\$ 934.66
Amounts received since last report:	
February 28—Warren	25.00
February 28—Princeton	10.00
February 28—Millville	2.00
February 28—Amity and Glenwood.....	25.00
February 28—First Church, Texarkana.....	85.00
February 28—Horatio	10.00
February 28—Dalark	10.00
February 28—Magnolia	15.00
February 28—Oak Hill	6.00
February 28—Center Point	10.00
February 28—Hope	40.00
February 28—Malvern	30.00
February 28—Mabelvale	12.00
March 3—Arkadelphia Circuit	5.00
March 3—Lonoke	30.00
March 3—Pine Bluff Circuit	5.00

Total \$1,254.66

North Arkansas Conference.

Amount due, 1917.....	\$2,000.00
Amount previously reported.....	\$ 184.00
Amounts received since last report:	
February 28—Marianna	17.00
March 3—Clarendon	11.00
March 3—Danville	15.00
March 3—Wynne	10.00
March 3—Plainview	10.00

Total \$ 247.00

James Thomas, Treasurer.

HENDRIX ENDOWMENT.

It is with thankful hearts that your Hendrix team announces pledges for an additional \$25,000. The figures now stand:

Amount to be raised.....	\$500,000
Amount of gift of N. Y. Board.....	\$100,000
Amount pledged by Arkansas to date	175,000
Total pledged	\$275,000
Balance to be secured.....	\$225,000

We are now over the crest and one-eighth down the hill toward the goal. In our prayer period and rest day—for we take one day in the month for this service—evidences of success were seen and felt by our party. We send this message to the brethren: Hold us up in your prayers and give us all the aid possible. One of our party secured a substantial gift, some would call it a large gift, from a member of another church than ours. Thinking men see alike, whether Methodists or else. This campaign means more for Methodism in the State, and possibly as much for Arkansas from every angle, than any movement in many years.

Hendrix College is not a pauper. Your agents are presenting the issues of this campaign on high lines, in agreement not only among themselves, but in harmony with thinking men and women of all creeds. It is necessary to secure a half million dollars. Failure would advertise our impotency, our lack of vision, our littleness. We have no time to give to men and women moved only by prejudice

or influenced by local affairs. We are for a greater Arkansas, a greater Methodism, with a more commanding position in the educational world.

The whole thing depends upon our presiding elders and preachers. Pray for us.

On to \$500,000!—Hendrix Team, by James Thomas, Agent.

BOOK REVIEWS.

The Girl's Year Book; by A Group of Friends of Girls; published by the National Board of Young Women's Christian Associations, 600 Lexington Ave., New York. Price 50 cents.

This is a collection of thoughts, prayers, and Bible readings for every day in the year, and was written to help every girl who desires to find God in her world. It is so arranged that at any time in the year one may join in a cycle of reading which hundreds all over the land are pursuing. It is helpful to know that one is reading the same thoughts and suggestions which others are using. Every Christian young woman who seeks to deepen her religious life needs this book.

Creed and Curriculum; by William Charles O'Donnell, Jr., editor Educational Foundations; published by The Methodist Book Concern, New York and Cincinnati. Price 75 cents.

This is a discussion of the question, Can the essentials of religious faith and practice be taught in the public schools of the United States? The need for more and better religious instruction is shown. Opinions of many prominent men are quoted. The conditions of men in different ages and under different civilizations are set forth. The Australian plan is stated and elucidated. The conclusion is that it is possible with wise provisions and careful administration to include religious instruction among the activities of the public school. In view of the paramountcy of religion this study is a valuable contribution.

Pocket Lesson Commentary for 1917: The Gist of the International Sunday School Lessons for Busy Bible Students; by E. W. Thornton; published by The Standard Publishing Co., Cincinnati; price, postpaid, 25 cents.

This is a very excellent vest pocket Sunday School Commentary for busy men; but its denominational bias is evident in the comments on baptism.

A History of Methodism: Being a Volume Supplemental to "A History of Methodism," by Holland N. McTyeire, Late One of the Bishops of the M. E. C., S.; by Horace M. Du Bose, D. D.; published by Smith & Lamar, Agents, Nashville, Dallas, Richmond; price \$2.

As the history of our own times this volume is intensely interesting on account of the appeal of events with which we have been connected. The graceful, almost poetic style of the gifted author adds charm and power. While it is a history of all Methodism, it is peculiarly full of the materials drawn from Southern Methodism. While it is a large volume of almost 600 pages, it is so bristling with facts that twice the space might have been used for elaboration. There are many splendid biographies, and quotations from documents. After the running history from 1884 to 1916, are given "Sketches of Annual Conferences," "Schools of Southern Methodism," and "The Weekly Methodist Press." There is a very complete account of the Vanderbilt episode. A few minor mistakes have crept in, almost unavoidable when thousands of names and dates are introduced. The book was needed, and will take its place in the standard Methodist literature. Every preacher must have it. All intelligent laymen should read it.

Rev. Worth M. Tippy, pastor of the Madison Avenue Methodist Church of New York, the highest salaried pastor in his denomination, has, at a sacrifice of \$4,000, resigned his pastorate to accept a position with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America as associate secretary, in charge of Social Service.

We have received the financial report of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Tex.—Dr. Geo. W. Truett, pastor—showing that during the past year they have raised \$100,440.80 for benevolences, current expenses, missions, etc. Of this vast sum, but \$20,000 was used in Dallas.—The Gideon.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

A FEW SCATTERING REMARKS.

Eighteen years of my itinerant life were connected with Arkansas. Eight years were spent in the White River Conference and ten in the Arkansas Conference. A change in the character of my work took me to another section of the Church, but I have never forgotten my old friends "across the river," and look every week with pleasure to the coming of the *Arkansas Methodist*, feeling sure that I will hear from one or more of them. Now and then I read a message that makes me sad, as I did in the issue of February 15, which announced the death of Rev. Horace Jewell, a man for whom I had great admiration. He went from the Memphis Conference to the Wachita (now the Little Rock) in 1859, the year I entered the ranks. I first saw him at the session of the Memphis Conference in Trenton, Tenn., in 1850. I was a boy looking on—my first sight of the kind. He had just closed his third year. From that date he and Hilien A. Bourland were always associated in my mind. I heard both of them preach at that Conference; both made a fine impression, and I was never able to determine which of the two was the better preacher. Both lived long and worked well.

The majority of the preachers I met first in Arkansas are gone; not one of the old ones is left. Only a few of them that were middle age and young remain, and fewer still are effective. They are three-score and on the Honor Roll. How strange it seems! Even the boys I knew back in those days are now old men. Only M. B. Umsted and J. F. Jernigan remain in the active work. But it is still true that "God buries his workmen and carries on his work." Not only so, but the ranks increase in number and the work expands and the Church flourishes. Where then we had only handfuls of members worshipping in school houses or Shanghai shacks, we now have good buildings and scores of members, and in not a few places there are large and elegant churches and members by the hundred. Newport is an example. I held the first quarterly conference ever held in that town. There was no church building of any kind. We met in a vacant store house. Here Brother M. M. Smith was licensed to preach. The preachers were entertained by a good sister who had just come to Arkansas from Virginia. Old Jacksonport, four miles distant, had not then contributed any of its membership to the building up of the new enterprise. Afterwards the town surrendered to the inevitable and the cream of it moved to Newport and helped to make our church what it is today.

Our church at Jacksonport was famous in its palmy days. It was an old church when I went there in 1872. It had reached its zenith under the administration of Rev. J. H. Dye, who served it four years preceding my coming. If the Iron Mountain Railroad had crossed White River at Jacksonport, Newport never would have been built; but it missed the town four miles, and both the town and church soon began to decline.

As long as Jacksonport flourished it was a power. It was the finest commercial point in all that section of Arkansas. The river afforded water transportation to Memphis and New Orleans, and the trade of the town was immense. The church was strong

and active, and shared in the general prosperity of the town. The official board was composed of strong men, above the average in intelligence—every one devoted to the church. Judge John W. Stayton, one of the most princely men in his bearing I ever knew, was the acknowledged leader. He was secretary of all official meetings and spokesman on all occasions. Dr. John W. Jones was the strongest man financially, and a man of the fewest words. Then followed James Wickersham, W. E. Bevins, Col. Sam Peete, P. Redmon and R. O. Duffer. Side by side, and sometimes in the lead of these brethren, was a host of women—wives and sisters and daughters, besides others too numerous to mention. Outside of the church were a number of clever men who called themselves "brothers-in-law," because their wives were members.

Up to this time I had never met people who put themselves to so much trouble and expense to make a preacher comfortable. The parsonage, though sufficient to accommodate a small family, was not pleasant in summer. This was abandoned and a newly-built house was rented and thoroughly furnished in advance of my coming. This, besides being a thoughtful and generous act, was fortunate, for an overflow of the river in the spring put three feet of water in the church and parsonage. The new house was above high-water mark—at least, the floor of the house was, but only one foot. The water under us was six feet deep. All this was in addition to a liberal salary. And when the brethren and sisters kindly sent supplies to the parsonage, or an outsider gave the preacher a bit of money, no itemized account was required. Such had been the custom in some places, but Jacksonport had outgrown the pioneer ways. And thereby hangs a tale.

At one of the old-time quarterly conferences, when the question of ministerial support was under consideration and the stewards had reported, the presiding elder, turning to the preacher, inquired: "Brother B., have you received anything in the way of supplies during the quarter?" "Yes," said Brother B., "two pairs of socks." "What are they worth, Brother B.?" "They are worth twenty-five cents a pair, I suppose." "I pay fifty cents a pair for all the socks I get," said the presiding elder. "Very well, put them down at fifty cents a pair," and Brother B. deposited two pairs of woolen socks on the table. They added a dollar to the quarterage. "Anything else, Brother B.?" "Yes, I received a load of provisions—corn, fodder, flour, bacon, and some other things." "How much was it all worth, Brother B.?" "It was worth a good deal to me; but I don't know the value put on it by Brother J., who sent it. There he is; ask him." "Brother J.," said the presiding elder, "give us the value of the supplies furnished Brother B." "I'll charge Brother B. fifty cents," replied Brother J. The load was worth twenty-five or thirty dollars. In making the division the preacher pushed the socks across the table to the presiding elder and forced him to take them, saying, "I never pay more than twenty-five cents for socks."

Of my old Jacksonport friends, only four, as far as I know, remain. They are Sister J. W. Stayton, Sister Lou Bell, and Brother and Sister W. E. Bevins. They are still faithful and

looking forward. Brother Bevins is a Confederate veteran, as brave and true as ever went under fire. He has been tried on every ground. He would die rather than surrender a principle.

I could say more about Arkansas and her preachers—good things concerning the living and the dead; about Dannelly and Dye, or Umsted and Jernigan; and Ritter, of Bennett and Talkington; of my old friend H. T. Gregory, one of the most faithful and active men I ever knew, and of B. F. Hall, long gone to his reward, a natural orator and a great preacher. I could tell of Burrow and G. W. Hill and V. V. Harlan; of Julien C. Brown and J. M. Hawley, two bright and shining lights whose suns went down all too soon; and of Anderson and Stevenson, and J. M. Clark. A man once associated with J. J. Alexander could never forget him. He could never bring up the collections, and for that reason was discontinued; but he could bring more golden sheaves into the garner than any man in his Conference. He had wonderful tact in conducting revivals. I saw him one night, after mourners had been called, retire to the back of the church and stretch himself full length on a bench, and carry on the work better than the majority of preachers could do it face to face with the congregation. But I do not commend the method.

And last of all, I could say good things of my friend and brother, Theo Copeland, a new man in Arkansas, but not a stranger to the Church. He is a product of Alabama Methodism, but seems well adapted to other latitudes, having worked successfully both North and South. I have known him a long time; was associated with him a year in New Orleans. He was always gentlemanly and Christ-like, a man of fine social qualities and a preacher of ability. He will do good both as a pastor and revivalist. In revival work he has been very successful. I hope he may be abundantly useful in Arkansas.—J. W. Boswell.

FINANCES OF THE MISSION BOARD.

A statement of the work of the Board of Missions for the year 1916 has just been received from headquarters, and is so full of encouragement that it should be given the widest publicity. At the beginning of the year 1916 the Board was in debt \$177,851.98. On January 1, 1917, this had been reduced to \$113,246.98. The Board is in better shape than it has been for years. When it is known that all of this indebtedness, with the exception of \$41,885.85, is an indebtedness within the Board, that is, money which the Board borrows from itself to carry on its work, in view of independent specials not yet matured, and unfinished transactions which are held up on account of conditions imposed, etc., it is quite true, as Dr. Pinson says, that we can see the shore line of deliverance. The fact is that an increase of a little more than \$40,000 on the income of the Board for this year means emancipation from debt.

The Board is limited to an appropriation of \$400,000 from the general funds to the foreign field until the debt is entirely wiped out. This explains why there has been no extension of the work with increased income. The present income of the Board, subject to appropriation, is now approximately \$500,000. It will be a good day when the Board can with safety and gladness reward the

patience of the missionaries and extend the work of fields so greatly in need.

The Week of Prayer and Self-Denial is fixed this year for the week preceding Easter. The slogan of that week is twenty new missionaries. Special literature is furnished free to all pastors requesting it. Your Missionary Secretary will secure it for you on request. Remember that one-fifth of the Week of Prayer offering will go for home work, so that the call is really for twenty-five new missionaries. Will you not help to send them forth?

There are a goodly number of Sunday schools and congregations that should apply for a share in the special funds raised over and above the assessment. One-third of the income of the Board is now raised by specials from some 1,000 churches enlisted, over against 16,000 churches working on the regular assessments.

There is nothing that promises more in the way of missionary education and development than the every-member canvass. It means work indeed, but the dividends are enormous in missionary spirit as well as increased missionary giving. Where the pastor takes time to train a company of workers for the Every-Member Canvass he soon discovers that missionary conscience outgrows the assessment.

Here are a few statistics on the income of the Mission Board worth reading.

The total income of the Board from all sources for 1916 was \$1,408,638.85. Of this amount the Foreign Department received \$984,306.35. This is the largest income in the history of the Board, and represents a total increase of \$94,052.13 over 1913, and \$170,571.88 over 1914. Of the total income the Woman's Work received \$613,904.83. It will be seen that the goal of a million dollars a year for Foreign Missions is nearly in sight, and perhaps some generous spirit will be led to round out the report before the annual meeting of the Board in May.

The great increase in the income of the Board is from Specials, which is \$32,118.70 over against an increase of \$17,478.06 from assessments. This is a great encouragement in the matter of developing voluntary giving. If to this increase we add the increase of \$12,473.29 from the fields themselves, there is a total increase to be reported of \$62,070.07 for General Foreign Missionary work.

After deducting the variable income and putting together the increase for both Foreign and Home Departments we have the very gratifying figure: \$113,336.83 which can with some degree of certainty be counted on as permanent gain in annual income.—H. E. Wheeler, North Arkansas Conference Missionary Secretary.

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WEEK OF PRAYER, APRIL 1-8.

Do we need a special season of prayer for the whole church? By every voice and sign of the hour we do. Never in human history was the call to humble, penitent, importunate prayer more clear and emphatic. The ferment of the world, the madness, the bitterness, the agony, the cruelty that have turned Europe into a reeking horror call us to our knees in intercession. The situation we face in our own dear land sends a tremor into every serious heart, and calls every Christian patriot to prayer. The strain that is being put upon the Christian Church in America to meet the crushing responsibility it faces, and its spiritual unpreparedness for such a responsibility, call still louder for prayer.

The immediate, clear, and definite needs of our world-wide enterprises that have pleaded and waited so long in vain, call loudest of all. Surely then, no one will question the timeliness and urgency of a week of prayer in every Church in Southern Methodism.

Self-Denial.—Is there any need for self-denial? Why couple this with prayer? Because there can be no true prayer without it, and because our prayers cannot be answered except through the sacrificial life of the Church. It is mockery to pray without the spirit of self-denial that gives and serves. An easy-going, luxury-loving, self-pleasing Christianity that says, "Lord, Lord," and does not His will, cannot meet the needs of an hour like this. The spirit of self-sacrifice must take hold on the Church before it can lay heartily hold of such issues as we face. The Church at Antioch fasted—and sent forth its best.

The Need.—We need twenty new missionaries for the foreign field and five for the home field. We know how to get them, for we have been told by the Master, "Pray ye the Lord

of the harvest." After they have been secured they must be sent. But prayers cannot send them. We can complete our prayers only by furnishing the means by which alone they can be fully answered.

The Time.—Easter week. We shall be thinking of the agony, the shame, the betrayal; of the patience, the tenderness, the divine pity; of the Resurrection, the Great Commission, the Ascension. What more fitting time to renew our faith, our consecration, and our experience, and to "let the Christless millions tramp across our hearts." What better time to test our loyalty, our service, our giving by the standards of His love and sacrifice. May our whole Church hear in the stillness of the secret place, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." May the Master himself say over and over in these days, "If any man will be my disciple let him deny himself."

The Objective.—Twenty new missionaries for our seven foreign fields. They are sorely needed. They have not all been found. This week of prayer should furnish not only the men, but the money. We asked for twenty in our first week of prayer three years ago and were enabled to send out ten. Under far more favorable conditions this year we should not fall short of twenty.

The Home Department needs teachers and equipment for Wilson Institute, our new school for Mexican boys, in San Antonio, Texas. One-fifth of the offering from the Week of Prayer will be used for this purpose.—W. W. Pinson.

A WISE BENEFACTION.

The \$50,000 contributed to the Loan Fund Capital of the Board of Church Extension recently by a citizen of Shreveport, La., the income from which is to go perpetually to the support of the superannuated preachers of the Louisiana Conference, is a benefaction that will accomplish great good.

First. The \$50,000 will be used perpetually as a loan fund to aid church and parsonage building. It will be administered in such a way as to enable congregations who cannot build without aid to use this money at a reasonable rate of interest, and be permitted to pay their loans in convenient installments. This will result in the building of several churches every year.

Second. As an endowment in the interest of the worn-out preachers of the Louisiana Conference the contributor has secured the best possible investment for his fund. There is, perhaps, less possibility of loss in making it a part of the Loan Fund Capital of the Board of Church Extension than any other form of investment that could be selected. The Board loans its funds on first mortgages plus personal security, and is very careful not to invest it in securities that do not amply protect the investment. All such funds in the hands of the Board of Church Extension are exempt from taxation. This annual expense is saved. The administration expenses of the Board of Church Extension are lower than secular financial institutions. There is no loss of time in the earning power of the endowment; there are no commissions to pay, and the draft representing the income will go annually to the Joint Board of Finance of the Louisiana Conference. The eye of the Church, through its Board of Church Extension,

is upon the investment, and the principal and interest are both at work accomplishing the ends desired.—W. F. McMurry.

"NEARER TO GOD OR FURTHER FROM HIM."

In an interview granted by King Albert to Hr. Henri Anet of Brussels, a few months ago, the king made the significant remark: "This war is a dreadful trial. Either it brings us nearer to God or further from Him." These words indicate, upon the part of the courageous ruler of Belgium, an insight into the appalling situation confronting him and his people, and the spiritual forces involved which compel attention. Never, perhaps, have a people been more severely tested. Will they stand the strain? Will they come through it purified? Much depends—in some sense everything depends—upon the sympathetic attitude of Christian people. Are we ready to make good our profession of brotherhood? Will we lend a helping hand?

Much has been written concerning the Belgian sufferers. It is hardly necessary to add one word; the world knows the facts. It is difficult, however, to realize how the very people who opened their homes to our first party of missionaries to Africa—Mum-power, Stockwell, Bush, and their wives—have had their homes destroyed, their personal property plundered, and are now enduring the severest privations; having no meat to eat, their only food rice and potatoes, and some obliged to live on boiled potato peelings. Despite this, and the loss of churches and mission halls, religious work is being carried on by the pastors who are giving consolation and hope to their own people, to Roman Catholics, and to unbelievers who are turning to Jesus Christ as their only hope. Surely this is the hour of supreme need, and one in which succor will count for most.

Rev. Henri Anet, LL. D., is in the United States under the direction of the American Huguenot Committee. He has been for years the distinguished pastor of an evangelical church in Belgium, is an eminent scholar, and one of the Board of Directors of the Missionary Society which, prior to the European war, projected a mission in the Belgian Congo, some 300 miles south of our own mission at Wembo Niama. He made a pioneer journey just before Prof. Gilbert and I entered the Kasai District, and wrote an interesting book in French, giving an account of his travels and observations.

The Doctor stands high in Belgium with the government authorities, and as the official representative of several of the American missions in the Congo has been of invaluable help in their relations to the Belgian government. He was instrumental in securing, through the Colonial Office, concessions of land for the Southern Presbyterians and ourselves. Our church, therefore, is profoundly indebted to him and to his colleagues in Brussels, who generously seconded his efforts, and extended their hospitality to our missionaries while studying French.

The evangelical churches in France, as well as in Belgium, within the war zone, are represented by Dr. Anet. In some cases the congregations are absolutely without shelter, and in all they face financial conditions which may compel them to close their doors. And yet the attendance is larger than before the war. "Never have hearts

been opened as now," says the Doctor, "to the preaching of the gospel. Belgians and Frenchmen are brought closer to God. * * * The patience, the faith, and also the liberality of our church members are astounding. * * * France has found her soul in the struggle for international justice and freedom, but the soul of both nations must still be saved; redeemed by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ."

"May many Belgians and Frenchmen make the discovery of a Belgian lady refugee in England, where she was converted: 'I have lost everything,' she exclaimed; 'my house is burned down, all my belongings have been taken away. I am in exile, but I do not regret all these losses, for I have found a greater treasure—the gospel of Christ.'"

Dr. Anet is making the tour of the Southern States in the interest of these churches. They must be helped until they can return to normal conditions. I commend this brother and the cause he represents to the sympathy and liberality of our preachers and people. If we do our duty this war may, in the providence of God, bring the Belgian people nearer to Him. If we fail to measure up to the standards of Christian brotherhood we shall not only be found wanting ourselves, but may be held responsible for a distressed and heart-broken people drifting away from God. By request of Dr. Anet's committee, contributions should be sent to Edmond E. Robert, Treasurer, 3 Maiden Lane, New York City.—Walter R. Lambuth.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

It seems that we are to have a Constitutional Convention, and this one time the preachers of the State should have a voice, and some of the best laymen. Many things that vitally concern the church and moral welfare of the State will be considered. So I rise to move that Dr. A. C. Millar and Hon. George Thornburgh be elected as delegates to this convention. Who will second the motion?—J. A. Biggs.

STOP THAT PAIN!

The few misguided people who argue against the relief of pain as a first step in treatment, either have never suffered from any pain themselves or else they do not know what they are talking about.

It is all right to realize that pain may be the danger signal for some more serious complaint and it is well to look deep into the reason for pain, but the first step is to gain as speedy relief as possible in a safe way.

Pain is the greatest ally that disease has. Pain is the artillery, it batters down the nervous defenses of the body so that disease can safely take hold of the body.

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HENDERSON-BROWN COLLEGE.

The agent was driven in last week by the severe weather, so a few quiet days have been spent at home. Having had my share of grippe this winter I thought the prudent thing was to keep under shelter until the storm was over. This much I wish to say to you all, brethren, I am on the job and with your good help we must succeed.—Yours in His Name, A. O. Evans.

TELEGRAM FROM WASHINGTON.

Washington, D. C., March 4, 1917.
To Col. George Thornburgh:

Nineteen seventeen will be ever memorable in prohibition annals. The Supreme Court decision, January 8, sustaining the Webb-Kenyon Act, was a veritable challenge to the nation to destroy the liquor traffic as a menace to the public welfare. Congress immediately responded, and, notwithstanding calendars crowded with vital legislation, enacted prohibition laws for Porto Rico, Alaska, the District of Columbia, the anti-liquor advertising and so-called "bone dry" acts, additional prohibition legislation for Indians, provided ten thousand dollars extra for the Anti-Alcohol Congress, and adopted other legislation of minor importance. Nothing but the congestion of legislation caused by threatening war prevented a vote on the resolution for national prohibition. These far-reaching victories were made possible by the loyalty of the churches which gave united support to the prohibition leaders in and out of Congress. We now call with confidence for a united drive to secure the passage of the resolution to submit national prohibition and other prohibition legislation. Final victory is in sight.—James Cannon, Jr., A. J. Barton, Wayne B. Wheeler, Legislative Committee; Edwin C. Dinwiddie, Legislative Supt.

THE FUNERAL OF REV. HORACE JEWELL.

In more than one respect this was a remarkable funeral. The saying that "When the righteous man dieth the city mourneth," was literally fulfilled. Brother Jewell had lived in Hope for about fifteen years and was a great favorite among all the people, both young and old. When it was announced on the streets Wednesday afternoon, February 7, that he had been killed by an Iron Mountain train, the whole city was shocked. Soon the news was flashed over the wires to many towns and cities over the state, and the papers next morning broke the sad news to tens of thousands of his friends and admirers all over the country. Every train from that time until the funeral hour brought to Hope friends and flowers to pay tribute and do honor at the funeral of the faithful servant and minister of God. Long before the hour for the services hundreds were crowding into the church, and when Rev. T. D. Scott, the pastor, rose to deliver the funeral discourse he looked into the faces of a vast throng which filled every available space in the church, while hundreds stood on the church lawn, and the streets surrounding it. Every bank and business house in the city had closed its doors for the funeral, and many who did not go to the church stood in quiet

groups on street corners and conversed in subdued tones. Brother Scott was assisted in the services by Rev. J. A. Henderson, the presiding elder of the district, and Rev. S. K. Burnett of Ashdown. Brother Scott delivered an eloquent and appropriate eulogy and presented from a theological standpoint a discourse well fitting to the funeral of the sainted man of God. The members of the local Masonic Lodge, of which Brother Jewell was a member of the highest rank, attended the services in a body. Also, there were present a large number of the Methodist preachers from over the State. When Brother Scott had finished his discourse he offered an opportunity for others to speak. The first to rise was Capt. C. A. Bridewell, one of the oldest and most prominent Masons in the State, and a personal friend of Brother Jewell for more than fifty years. Captain Bridewell, who has been an elder in the Presbyterian Church for many years, spoke very feelingly of the high regard in which his church over the State had held Brother Jewell, and paid many high tributes to his memory. Captain Bridewell was followed by one of our superannuated preachers, Rev. A. D. Jenkins, who spoke eloquently of the many graces of the beautiful life of Brother Jewell. Rev. LeRoy Thompson, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, spoke on behalf of the other churches of the State in words of tender feeling and highest regard. Others who spoke were: Dr. J. M. Workman of Henderson-Brown College, Rev. B. A. Few of Prescott, Rev. A. O. Evans of Arkadelphia, and Rev. F. C. Cannon of Emmet. The funeral was peculiar in that it appeared so intensely sincere. Hundreds of men, women and children walked back slowly to their business or their homes, with tear-stained cheeks and sad hearts. And the one common expression from all alike was: "If I were as well prepared as Brother Jewell it would not worry me about the future." We witness few such occasions in a lifetime. May the sweet influences of his life and the benediction of his sad, but triumphant departure remain with his friends.—R. L. Broach.

MRS. T. A. HEARN.

Saturday, January 20, Mrs. T. A. Hearn passed from her long suffering to rest. We laid her body to rest in our cemetery lot. I never heard the good old hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," sung with more confidence than the host of friends sang it at the funeral. It was one of her favorite hymns. It was my privilege to be with the family the last days and to conduct the funeral. For a year there has been little hope of recovery, and for most of that time no hope at all. She made a strong fight for life for the sake of her home and her work, but she was fully ready to go and had talked it all over with her family. She was a good woman. She had rare gifts and was deeply consecrated to the service of the Lord. Her religious experience was definite and deep. We feel very deeply our loss as a mission community. Her husband and only son are in deep bereavement, but rejoice in the testimony she bore to the power of her salvation. There will be very many in the homeland, as in China, who will be very sad for her going, and many prayers will be offered for the bereaved ones and for the work she loved.—John W. Cline.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The Woman's Missionary Council convenes at First Church, New Orleans, April 12-20. The general chairman of the Committee of Arrangements is Mrs. W. W. Carre, Washington Apartments, St. Charles and Washington street, New Orleans. The chairman of the Committee on Hotels is Mrs. J. B. Parker, 1520 Audubon Street. New Orleans is making preparations to give royal entertainment to the Council. Misses Bennett and Head will fill two evenings addressing the Council on China, Korea, and Japan. Miss Julia Lathrop, secretary of the Children's Bureau, will speak on "The Nation's Children." Our own Bishop Lambuth will consecrate the deaconesses and foreign missionaries and conduct the devotional hour each day during the meeting. We expect a great meeting at New Orleans.

Marble and granite are perishable monuments, and their inscriptions may be seldom read. Carve your names on human hearts; they alone are immortal!—Theodore Cuyler.

A CORRECTION.

"The Study on Arkansas Laws Regarding Public Health" in this department of last week's Arkansas Methodist should have been credited to Miss Nellie Denton of Fort Smith, who is the efficient and wide-awake superintendent of Social Service of North Arkansas Conference W. M. Society.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We are grieved to learn that ill health forces Deaconess Frances Mann to relinquish her work at Warren that she may seek a bracing climate. She has made many friends in Arkansas, whose earnest and united hope is that a sojourn in the West may speedily bring full restoration of health.

Mrs. R. W. MacDonell, secretary Home Departments of our Woman's Missionary Council, comes to the Little Rock Conference annual meeting in Pine Bluff from Oklahoma, where she has been inspecting our mission work in the new Wesley House at Hartshorne.

LETTERS FROM CHINA.

Watch this department for the first of some very interesting letters from Miss Belle Bennett, president of the Missionary Council, and Miss Mabel Head, secretary of foreign work, written during a recent tour of the Orient to the Juniors of our W. M. Society. Let our women see that the children throughout Arkansas have the pleasure of hearing all these letters.

ITEMS FROM AUXILIARIES.

Rison.

Mrs. H. D. Sadler, superintendent of Publicity, writes:

"The Woman's Missionary Society of Rison did the largest and best work in its history in 1916. The attendance at the week meetings good; all are interested, and the best of harmony prevails. A splendid program is rendered each meeting."

Ashdown.

Mrs. I. W. Holmes, Publicity superintendent, writes:

"Wednesday, February 21, was observed by the Ashdown Missionary Auxiliary as a day of prayer. The program was very impressive, and each member derived benefit from it. We had the afternoon meeting at the home of Mrs. O. T. Graves, for Mission Study. At this meeting we reviewed "Home Missions in Action." We will now take up the study of "Old Spain in New America." We have a very interesting class in Mission Study, with 22 active members. Our society meets every Wednesday afternoon and carries on each branch of the work. On February 28 we held a social meeting at the home of Mrs. O. Lesley, who, with Mrs. W. W. York, was our hostess. The subject for the afternoon being Japan, the house was prettily decorated with Japanese fans, parasols, lanterns, and other things from that country. A very interesting program was carried out, with Mrs. Seth Reynolds as leader. The mission hymn was sung by the society, and the story of its origin and the author was given by Miss Leggett. Mrs. T. B. Cook read a beautiful paper on Japan's Scenery and Architecture. Mrs. I. W. Holmes followed with an interesting paper on The Customs and Religions of Japan. Mrs. C. L. Briant favored the society with a fine piano solo. Mrs. Burnette, Mrs. Frank Lambright, Miss Jetta Lambright and Mrs. John Wimberly read interesting articles, after which a short business session was

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held. The hostess served delicious refreshments."

Banks.

Mrs. H. C. Rule writes:
At the request of one of the ladies of the church at Banks, Mrs. Anderson and I went there last Tuesday, February 5, and organized a Woman's Missionary Society, which has every promise of being a wide-awake and enthusiastic society, judging from the ladies who were present that day. There were ten charter members and one baby girl, a granddaughter of Mrs. Thomas, was promised for the Baby Roll. The officers planned to make a careful study of the Hand Book, their respective duties and the fields before taking up the monthly programs. One enthusiastic lady remarked, "I give one-tenth of my butter money to the church, and I shall put one-tenth of my egg money in my mite box for the pledge." We all know what "egg money" means this year. If every Methodist woman would follow this good example our funds would be greatly increased. We expect great things of this organization, with Mrs. R. M. Childs for president and Mrs. S. E. Smith for corresponding secretary and treasurer.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE. HONORABLE MENTION.

The auxiliary superintendents of Study and Publicity who reported three or more times to the Conference superintendent of Study and Publicity were as follows:

Adults and Juniors of First Church, Batesville; Central and Mountain View; Adults of Danville; Adults of Conway, No. 1; Adults of Rogers, Juniors of Fayetteville; Adults of Fort Smith, First Church, Central Adults, Y. P. and Juniors; Greenwood, Mansfield, and Juniors of Van Buren;

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Mrs. H. C. Rule, Little Rock Conference superintendent of Publicity and Mission Study, writes:

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LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE. ANNUAL MEETING, AT LAKESIDE CHURCH, PINE BLUFF, MARCH 8-9.

Theme—"The Kingdom of God."
Synopsis of Program—Tuesday Afternoon.

Devotional Service—Mrs. W. L. Tankersley.
Organization.
Hymn, "Go Labor On."
Greetings—Mrs. V. S. McLellan.
Response—Mrs. W. H. Pemberton.
Music—Solo by Mrs. James Moore.

Tuesday Evening.
Devotional Service—Rev. E. R. Steel.
Anthem, "Praise Ye the Father" (Gounod).
Hymn—"O King of Kings, O Lord of Hosts."
President's Address—Mrs. F. M. Williams.
Music—Solo by Mrs. Frances Ione Farrar.
Annual Sermon—Rev. Theo Copeland, D. D.
Benediction.

Wednesday Morning.
Devotional and Memorial Service—Mrs. F. M. Williams.
Solo, "The Home of the Soul"—Miss Lucyhearn Broadstreet.
Review of Work by District Secretaries—Mesdames Patterson, Bowes and Goetz.

"Supplies"—Report and discussion led by Mrs. T. P. Gantt, superintendent.
Hotchkiss Endowment Scholarship—Mrs. James Thomas.
Bible Hour—"Righteousness," Deaconess Ida Stephens.
Benediction.

Wednesday Afternoon.
Devotional Service—Mrs. R. H. M. Mills.
Mission Study and Publicity—Mrs. H. C. Rule, Superintendent.
Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Report by Conference Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. H. Pemberton.
Hymn No. 184, by choir.
Reception to Conference—By Lakeside Auxiliary W. M. Society.

Wednesday Evening.
Devotional Service—Rev. W. C. Watson.
Anthem.

The Young People's Work—Mrs. C. F. Elza.

Hymn—O Zion, Haste.
Missionary Address—Mrs. R. W. MacDonell.

Benediction.
Thursday Morning.
Devotional Service—Mrs. C. Davis Drennen.
Hymn, "O for a Thousand Tongues to Praise."

Review of Work by District Secretaries—Mesdames Anderson, McLellan, Bryant and Harper.

Stewardship: Our Pledge—Mrs. R. W. MacDonell.

Hymn, "Oh God, Give Peace Again."
Bible Hour—Peace, Deaconess Ida M. Stevens.
Benediction.

Thursday Afternoon.
Devotional Service—Mrs. James Thomas.
Auxiliaries' Part in Establishing the Kingdom—Discussion by delegates.

Report of Social Service—Mrs. W. E. Barkman, superintendent.
Sole, Miss Lucyhearn Broadstreet.
Reading, "The Iron Cross—Miss Marjorie Sumpter.
Report of Conference Treasurer—Mrs. S. W. C. Smith.
Benediction.

Thursday Evening.
Devotional Service—Rev. Theo. Copeland, D. D.
Music by quartette.
The Children's Work—Mrs. Moffett Rhodes.
Violin Duet—Misses Headlee and Nannie Farrar.
Address, "Social Service and the Kingdom of God"—Rev. N. M. Waldrip, D. D.
Benediction.

Friday Morning.
Hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers."
Devotional Service—Mrs. E. R. Steel.
Reports of committees.
Election of Conference officers.
Hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have."
Report from Committee on Courtesies.
Bible Hour, "Joy"—Rev. W. C. Watson.
"God Be With You Till We Meet Again."
Adjournment.

A LETTER FROM CHINA To the Children of the M. E. Church, South, From Miss Belle Bennett and Miss Mabel Head.

Dear Friends—As we have been going about over Soochow we have often thought of the children in the missionary societies back home who are supporting this work. How we wish you could spend even one day in this old city, for then you would try very hard to get more money for the work that means so much to the happiness of hundreds of homes. You could not begin to see all the work in just one day, for it takes so long to travel over the city. The wall that was built around it many years ago to keep out robbers and in other ways to protect the city is 14 miles around and 30 feet high. The narrow streets are made mostly of cobble stones, and walking is difficult. Riding in a Sedan chair or on a small donkey is the easiest. You know that you are in a strange land when you keep crossing little bridges that are built high over the canals, so that boats can go under them. There are 300 of these bridges in the city. The chair bearers make a lot of noise and the donkeys have bells on, so in either case you make

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go over to the other school they were cutting out all sorts of figures to go in the pretty little houses they had made the day before.

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Back through the gate and across the driveway, through another gate, we find 150 women embroidering. They do most beautiful work on silk and linen. They stop during the morning's work and have a Bible lesson. Many of them were the same women who greeted us in the Missionary Society a few days before. Hundreds of women in China are compelled to work in their homes embroidering or weaving the silk and linen, but the rooms are dark and dirty and many have no chance to learn.

The chairs are at the gate, so we will go to another part of the city. Just outside the gate is an old temple where we see people going to worship. Some of the women from the Embroidery Mission come here to tell the people of the true God. The streets are narrow and crooked, and we would never find our way alone. In a short time we come to a house with a high wall across the street in front of it, put there to keep the evil spirits from coming in the door. The men turn and take us through the door. Another wall is just back of the door, so we must turn to one side. We go through a long, narrow hall, across an open court, and come to the Kong Hong Day School. It is a fine group of 70 girls, not counting the kindergarten. When we asked how many belonged to the Missionary Society a number of them stood. We showed them the pansy pin and told them the story of God's pansies and what the children of our church are doing to help make Jesus known all over the world. Many of them wanted to help too. We told them that many of you in America were praying that they might grow strong in the Lord, and they asked us to tell you that they would be praying for the Pansy children in America too. They sang their national hymn, using the same tune as our own; then we sang one verse of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." We told them that two countries that used the same tune for their national song ought to be the best of friends, and that Jesus was the great Friend that would make us so."

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR MARCH 18.

By Rev. C. M. Reves.

Subject: Jesus Saves From Sin—Temperance Lesson. John 8:12, 28-37, 56-59.

Golden Text: If the Son, therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. John 8:36.

Time. In the fall of 29 A. D., on the occasion of the Feast of Tabernacles. Something like six months have elapsed since last lesson.

Place. Jerusalem, in the temple.

Christ's great sermon on the bread of life, about which we studied in our lesson last Sunday brought on what is commonly called the Galilean crisis. When he made it clear to the vast multitudes which were following him that his mission in the world was not to supply their physical needs, but to give to them the bread of life, there was a melting away of the crowd until only the twelve disciples remained. Nevertheless, he continued his ministry in Galilee and in the region round about until the time came for the Feast of Tabernacles, when he went up to Jerusalem.

The Feast of Tabernacles was one of the feasts of the Jews provided for in the Mosaic law. (See Leviticus 23:34-43). It lasted a week and was an occasion of great rejoicing and hilarity, being the national harvest home or thanksgiving feast. The way in which it was celebrated and the ceremonies which constituted it were designed to accomplish two things: (1) To remind the people that their fathers had wandered in the wilderness and had lived during all this period in tents; (2) To recognize the goodness of God in his gift of the fruits of the harvest. Several of the great utterances of Christ in the 7th and 8th chapters of John's Gospel are to be interpreted in the light of the ceremonies of this feast.

1. Comments on the Lesson.

12. "Then spake Jesus again unto them." Several times during the feast Jesus had opportunity to speak to the people.

"I am the light of the world." In our last lesson Jesus said, "I am the bread of life." Then, the minds of the people were centered upon food. At the Feast of Tabernacles the thoughts of the crowd were upon light. By the ceremonies the people were reminded of the pillar of fire which guided their fathers in the wilderness wanderings. It was, therefore, an appropriate time for Jesus to proclaim himself "the light of the world."

31. "Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him." We are told in verse 30 that there were many who believed as the result of Jesus' speaking.

"If ye continue in my words." If you let your souls take root in the soil of my teaching, if you maintain your relationship of belief, then you are my disciples. Continuing must be the sequel of beginning, else there is no discipleship. Conversion, as great as it is, is only the beginning of a process.

43. "Ye shall know the truth." Notice that this is the result of continu-

ing in Christ's word. He who continues comes not merely to an intellectual comprehension of Christ's teaching, but to a spiritual appropriation of Christ who is the Truth.

33. "We be Abraham's seed and were never in bondage." Being the descendants of Abraham and, therefore, the chosen people of God, they would not admit their bondage. Yet their nation had been in bondage many times and was then subject to Rome.

34. "Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin." In the verse just before this the hearers of Christ were referring to physical bondage. Christ indicates here that he means bondage to sin. He declares that every one who continues to commit sin is creating a master for himself and is reducing himself to slavery. This master, of course, is sin.

35. "The servant abideth not in the house." It was the privilege of the master to sell his slave at any time. Therefore, he who commits sin and in so doing makes sin his master, may expect the fruits of slavery to be found in his life.

36. "If the Son shall make you free, etc." Christ proclaims that he is the source of real freedom. His claim, of course, makes him divine.

37. "I know that ye are Abraham's seed." The Jews to whom Christ spoke were the descendants of Abraham after the flesh, but they were not of the spiritual Israel. They had Abraham's blood, but not Abraham's character.

39. "Abraham rejoiced to see my day." To Abraham had been given a promise that in his seed all the earth should be blessed. This promise began to be fulfilled in Isaac and came to complete fulfillment in Christ. Abraham did see with his own eyes the beginning of the fulfillment; the end he saw by faith. Yet, what he saw by faith was quite as gratifying to him as was that which his eyes beheld, so great was his faith.

57. "Thou art not yet fifty years old." We get no idea from this as to the age of Jesus. What the Jews meant was that Christ was entirely too young to have been seen by Abraham.

58. "Before Abraham was, I am." "I am" was the name which God applied to himself when he appeared to Moses in the burning bush. (Ex. 3:14.) The meaning, then, of Christ's words is: God was before Abraham. But Christ is calling himself "I am." He, then, is claiming again to be divine.

II. Thoughts in the Lesson.

(1). Jesus is the light of the world. Through him the moral and spiritual progress of the race has been made. When he began his ministry on earth, the whole world was in darkness. Paul gives us a picture of the moral degradation of the human family in his letter to the church at Rome. In nineteen centuries the gospel of Christ with its wonderful truths regarding the fatherhood of God, the worth of the human soul, the awfulness of sin, and the redemptive power of the cross has transformed the world. Christ has been the light be-

fore which the darkness has vanished.

It is through the teachings of the New Testament that the exceeding sinfulness of intemperance has become apparent. There we are taught that the body is the temple of God, that eating and drinking, as well as everything else, are to be done to the glory of God, and that consideration for others is the great rule by which our conduct is to be regulated. In the light of these truths temperance becomes one of the great virtues. And it is a Christian virtue, not a heathen. It may be approved by the world and even practised, but it is a fruit of the tree of Christianity. If the world is ever free from the curse of intemperance it will be because Christ as the light of the world has revealed the sinfulness of intemperance.

(2). Christ makes men free. "If the Son shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." Of course, Christ was referring to freedom from the bondage of sin. But his words have a much broader application. He frees the bodies of men. The modern Christian Science is without foundation, so far as the Bible is concerned, but the gospel of Christ does have in it healing for the bodies of men. When we have come to the point where we live the whole gospel, we shall have a greater freedom from bodily afflictions. And Christ frees the minds of men. The greatest intellectual freedom is that which Christ gives. We are accustomed to speak of infidels and atheists as "free thinkers." They are not free thinkers; they are slaves in their thought. The free thinker is the man who thinks after God. He it is who has some fundamental certainties. Then, there is political freedom. One has but to read the history of the struggles for liberty to see what a large place Christ has had in making men politically free. Every great struggle for liberty in the last nineteen centuries has been the result of the teachings of Christ.

This freedom which comes through Christ is the most effective freedom from intemperance. Law has its place in the struggle against intemperance, but it can never bring absolute freedom. Only when the individual and the nation are made free through Jesus Christ are they free indeed from the curse of intemperance.

(3). The freedom which comes through Christ is conditioned on knowledge of the truth. But Christ says of himself, "I am the truth." It is knowing a person, then, rather than knowing abstract truth which makes us free. Conformity is the condition of freedom everywhere. If we want to have our liberty as citi-

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zens of the state in which we live, we must conform to the laws of that state. If we want freedom from sickness and disease, we must conform to the laws of health. If we wish to have freedom in the realm of knowledge, we must conform to those laws by which knowledge comes. So, we have freedom through Christ by conforming our lives to him. We become his bond-slaves and the result is that we are free. If you would know who is the freest man who walks the earth, find that man who is most completely the slave of Jesus Christ. As paradoxical as it may seem, slavery to Christ means absolute freedom.

TEACHER TRAINING ENROLLMENT.

The enrollment of classes and students in the teacher training course of our church for the period from January 20 to February 20, for the Conferences of the Gulf Division, was as follows:

Alabama Conference—One class, at Abbeville, with 12 students; two individual students.

Little Rock Conference—Three classes, at Cato (Cato is in N. Ark.—Ed.), Malvern and Pine Bluff, with 49 students.

Louisiana Conference—One class at Baton Rouge, with 13 students.

Mississippi Conference—One class at Lorena, with 11 students; one individual student.

North Alabama Conference—Nine classes at Birmingham (3), Henagar, Oxford, Ohatchee, Cullman (2), and Haleyville, with 162 students; two individual students.

North Arkansas Conference—One class at Marion, with 10 students.

North Mississippi Conference—Four classes, at Carrollton, Courtland, Mineral Wells and Sardis, with 36 students.

Total for the division, 20 classes and 298 students.

Aggregate for the whole Church, 67 classes and 842 students.

Thus almost one-third of the classes and more than one-third of the students were enrolled from the Gulf Division.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE LESSON FOR MARCH 18.

"The Curse of Cowardice." John 18:15-17.

Cowardice Never Attracts.—The crowd thought less of Peter after he denied his Christ. His personality was robbed of its impressive influence. He lost respect for himself. It was his opportunity to be a hero, but he proved to be a coward. His enemies would have honored him for his fidelity, had he stood loyal, but they ridiculed him for his weakness and fear. Many young people know that certain things are wrong, but they yield for the sake of being with the crowd. If they only realized how much they lowered themselves in the esteem of the crowd they would act differently. Many a young lady permits her gentlemen friends and callers to continue in all the bad habits which they may possess, thinking that to stand against the evil traits would sever the attention of her friends or greatly lessen them, when, as a matter of fact, any young man worth winning thinks infinitely more of the girl who puts right first. Character, courage, righteousness have never failed to win the laurels in the end. It is better to fail with courage than to succeed with cowardice. Robert E. Lee lost no honor, prestige, or character when he was defeated as the chief general of the Confederacy. It was because he was true to the last. His courage never failed him. Benedict Arnold surrendered all when he proved a traitor to courage.

Courage Is Not Without Fear, but Makes Us Stand Though we Tremble.

—The school boy may tremble as he enters a contest in debate, oratory, or athletics, but his courage makes him enter and brings him out a stronger and more efficient young man. The coward is too weak and stays out because he is afraid, and is made less efficient by his cowardice. There are many things that require more courage than to go to war. Just the everyday life to be lived grandly and nobly—to stand by your convictions—to say you are going to win in spite of all odds, requires more strength than facing a cannon.

"I must be about my Father's business." This represents courage, determination, persistency. Christ was not willing that any pleasure, any in-

Division as follows: One first course each at Cortelyou, in the Alabama Conference, and at Buckner, in the Louisiana Conference.—A. L. Dietrich.

KINGSLAND TEACHER TRAINING CLASS.

The teachers and officers of the Kingsland Sunday School were organized into a teacher training class, with Superintendent J. E. McCoy to lead the class. The members are as follows: R. L. Cabe, J. E. McCoy, R. C. Carmical, Mrs. Della McCoy, Mrs. Agnes Elam, Mrs. Dr. Charles Leali, Mrs. W. W. Lea, Mrs. Lester McCoy and Miss Ruth Gibson. At the meeting of the Teachers' Council arrangements were made by which the Kingsland school will now measure up to the 100 per cent standard set by the General Sunday School Board.

dulgence, any entertainment, any selfish pursuit should stand in the way of attending to his Father's business. This was character building to Him. It was putting first things first. It took courage to say no to other attractions. What startling things would happen if the young people of our State would follow Christ's example. "They would have a dry old time." Not a bit of it. Is there any indication that He ever lacked for joy and happiness? Christ was always producing gladness, and the permanent variety, which is impossible without having it come back to the source. Would it not change things, and would we not all be grander and lovelier in our happiness if we used the "I must of Jesus" in our lives? I must go to Sunday school; I must be at League on time; I must do a deed of kindness each day; I must pray daily; I must win someone to Christ; I must attend the League social; I must make all the services of the League helpful and interesting; I must study to show myself approved; I must be interested in missions; I must attend to the finances of the League and church with some system; I must be about my Father's business.

Love Breeds Courage.—We will stand the ground and defend to the last, even unto death, those whom we love. The love of country makes its citizens courageous in its defense. No boy would default in any courage required to protect a mother he loved. If we, then, really love Christ, righteousness, the church, League, we will have the courage to stand by and at all hazard not insult them by the weakness of our neglect.

The Supreme Need.—There is no greater need in our time than that of young people getting a grip on the realities of life—the eternity of living. We are living for self and not for others. The pleasures we indulge in and the appetites we cultivate are for the most part to satisfy our own morbid desires. Have you heard of the young people of any community rising up against any evil or wrong? Have they put their stamp of disapproval on smoking cigarettes in any vicinity? Have they definitely determined to see that the organizations in the church over which they have control are a source of inspiration and a place of development and culture, making them attractive and appealing? Or are they working at these for the most part as a matter of duty, only answering in a meager way the insistent demands of the pastor? We could gladden the world and reach the ecstasy of bliss ourselves if we entered into the work of righteousness with half the zeal that we give to the effervescing fads of selfish desire.

Suggested Program.

Announce your meeting at all the services of the church the day or week previous. Pray for each one on program each day for a week before the service. The president and the chairman of the first department especially should do this.

Make a list of those whom you wish to offer sentence prayers and pray for them likewise, and tell them privately that you want them to respond when the time for sentence prayer comes.

UGH! A DOSE OF NASTY CALOMEL

It Salivates! It Makes You Sick and You May Lose a Day's Work.

You're bilious, sluggish, constipated and believe you need vile, dangerous calomel to start your liver and clean your bowels.

Here's my guarantee: Ask your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and take a spoonful tonight. If it doesn't start your liver and straighten you right up better than calomel and without griping or making you sick, I want you to go back to the store and get your money.

Take calomel today and tomorrow you will feel weak and sick and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work. Take a spoonful of harmless, vegetable Dodson's Liver Tone tonight and wake up feeling great. It's perfectly harmless, so give it to your children any time. It can't salivate, so let them eat anything afterwards.

Begin with song, "I Am a Soldier of the Cross." Put ginger into it.

Another song with courage in it.

Sentence prayers.

Song "Which side are you on?"

Scripture lesson. Have it read by different persons, one representing Peter and one the maiden, and others you can arrange.

Short prayer by leader.

Special music if possible. "Courage, Brother, Courage," is a good selection.

Three-minute talks by those assigned. The topics discussed above can be among those used.

Open for discussion.

Song, "Loyalty to Christ."

Benediction.

Remember That All Pledges to Be Paid in March.—All pledges to home and foreign missions are to be paid in this month, hence let each League get busy. The money is needed to carry on the work at Dierks, Ark., and for the African mission. Please send all pledges to J. H. Pierce, treasurer, Box 259, Little Rock. If you have not made a pledge, make one and send it to the treasurer.

HOW A LEAGUE IN THE COUNTRY SUCCEEDS.

The Pine Grove Epworth League is still on the map. We have a membership of 32 active members. Our attendance for the month of December and February was 90 per cent. We have weekly meetings. Each depart-

THICK, GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF

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

If you care for heavy hair that glistens with beauty and is radiant with life; has an incomparable softness and is fluffy and lustrous, try Danderine. Just one application doubles the beauty of your hair, besides it immediately dissolves every particle of dandruff. You can not have nice heavy, healthy hair if you have dandruff. This destructive scurf robs the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life, and if not overcome it produces a feverishness and itching of the scalp; the hair roots famish, loosen and die; then the hair falls out fast. Surely get a 25-cent bottle of Danderine from any drug store and just try it.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles as the prescription othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from your druggist, and apply a little of it at night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength othine as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

ment gives one program a month. Last Sunday afternoon the fourth department gave a special program on "Christian Stewardship." The Christian stewardship cards were presented; tracts and leaflets on the subject were distributed. The special feature on the program was a selection from "The Victory of Mary Christopher," given in the form of a play. Our new church will soon be completed, with Sunday school and League rooms. The Leaguers have assumed the amount of \$100 on furnishing the church, besides individual subscriptions on church building. Our pastor, Brother Glass, is an Epworth League man. He renders us valuable assistance. We have paid our Africa special and chapter membership fees. We enjoy the League page very much.—Ruth Mann, President.

LEAGUES THAT HAVE PAID CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FEE IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Pine Grove.
Hamburg.
Little Rock (Henderson).
Little Rock (Asbury).
Pine Bluff (First Church).
Huttig.
Tillar.
Little Rock (Highland).
Little Rock (First Church).
Malvern.
Jacinto.
Nashville.
Amity.
Camden.
Prescott.
Benton.
Arkadelphia.
Blevins.
Gurdon.
Traskwood.
Lockesburg.
Pine Bluff (Lakeside).
Sheridan.
Little Rock (Capitol View).

Ten Dollar Prize.—The district getting all the Leagues to pay the chapter membership fee first will be given a prize of ten dollars. That is, the district secretary will be given the prize. Hurry! Let's see who will get it.

CABINET MEETING.

Preserve these rulings and see that each is carried out. Begin now. Keep at it until Conference. Cut this out and post in conspicuous place, so it will be seen every day.

Cabinet meeting of the Little Rock Epworth League Conference met at Arkadelphia February 17, 1917, at 10 a. m., Vice President Roy Custer in the chair. Scripture and prayer by Rev. H. F. Buhler. Mr. James Workman was appointed secretary pro tem. in the absence of Miss Willie Harper. Members present were Mr. Roy Custer, Rev. H. F. Buhler, Miss Louie Audigier, Miss Bess McKay and Mr. James Workman.

Rev. Buhler opened discussion, and the following motions were made and adopted:

1. District secretary write each local president that the chapter membership fee be collected last Sunday in February.

2. Secretaries and officers write each League in regard to paying the pledge, and that it be paid not later than March 31.

3. The anniversary day be the second Sunday in May, and that appropriate posters be sent out in advance.

4. District secretaries arrange with the presiding elders of his district for a time to present the League work to the pastors.

(a) Write Nashville office for free literature to educate Leaguers in the League work.

(b) Keep membership increase need before the League.

(c) Encourage essay "How to Make the League Go" contest.

5. Expenses of district secretaries be paid from money appropriated by League; also any placards or literature be paid for out of this sum.

6. Each district secretary send out quarterly reports to each League president and keep corresponding with the president until they get a response.

7. District secretaries send complete list of the presidents of the different Leagues to the Conference secretary and treasurer.

Sunday afternoon, February 18, Mr. C. C. Arnold, the president, presided and the program for the annual meeting, which will convene in Gurdon June 25-27, was planned. Miss Ethel Young of Malvern was elected junior superintendent. Meeting adjourned.—(Miss) Willie Harper, Secretary.

PRESCOTT LEAGUE.

The subject of our lesson on last Sabbath was "Consecration." There were thirty-five members present. We had for our leader Mr. Marble, a very enthusiastic League worker.

The first number on the program was a talk on consecration by Dexter Bush, which was both helpful and interesting. Following this a short talk on "Personal Consecration" by Mr. Walter Gresham. Then came our president with his helpful topic, "Money and Consecration." Miss Mildred Moss read to us a very beautiful poem entitled, "Consecration To Thee."

Our program for the evening was closed by Mr. Calhoun reading the topic assigned him, "Such As We Have We Give."—Agnes Johnson, Corresponding Secretary.

PINE BLUFF AND DISTRICT DOING THINGS.

We are waking up over here at last. We had a meeting of the City Union at Carr Memorial Church on last Tuesday night, and we had the largest attendance we have ever had. The secretary of this district having received inspiration from the recent meeting at Arkadelphia, told them a few things, I hope, and the result was that chapter dues were promised at the required time, and each one of the churches in the city agreed to take one of the weaker Leagues of this district and be a big brother to it during this year, and we hope that you will hear good things from the Pine Bluff District.

First Church put on a campaign for new members two weeks ago last Sunday, dividing the League into bands of White and Gold, and upon checking up last night we find that we have so far 24 new members, 12 on each side, and old members being present count a number of points, and all old members were present last night ex-

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

THE WISHING GIRL.

She wished she were a princess,
Or, better still, a queen;
She wished to see strange countries
That she had never seen.

She saw the wealthy ladies
And wished to take their place;
She wished for their fine jewels,
Their satins and their lace.

She wished that all her duties
Were changed to play and fun,
Or that, by merely wishing,
Her duties could be done.

But strange, with all her wishing,
She never wished to be
The helpful and unselfish child
That others wished to see.

—Morning Star.

HOW JOHNNY WAS CURED.

Johnny was a great brag. A brag is a boaster. If he heard a playmate tell of something he had done, no matter what it was, Johnny would give a snort, and exclaim:

"Pooh! That's nothing! Who couldn't do that?"

One evening the family sat around the fire in the sitting room. Father was reading, grandma and mother were sewing, Alice and Joe were studying their lessons, when Johnny came strutting in. He took a chair by the table and began reading "Robinson Crusoe."

Presently Joe, who was younger than Johnny, went up to his brother, saying: "Look at my drawing. I did it today in school. Isn't it good?"

"Pooh! Call that good! You ought to see the one I drew! It beats yours all hollow!"

Joe was rather crestfallen, and little Alice, who had a sympathetic heart, pitied her brother, and going to Joe, asked him to let her see his drawing.

"I wish I could do as well as you do,"

cept four. Now, what about that for a record? We have a banner of white with gold letters, and the side winning gets to hold this banner until the other side takes it away. So far they are even, each side having kept it one week.

I am continuing to write the Leagues, and have had a most interesting report from Sheridan League, which is only one month old, and they make a missionary pledge of \$5 and said their chapter dues go in to J. H. Pierce today. Also had a report from Brother J. F. Simmons at Stuttgart, saying that they had reorganized their League and were doing good work and would send in their chapter dues at once.—Roy G. Custer, District Secretary.

EARLE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

We are but a few weeks old and yet we number forty-one. We are growing week by week. Our devotional services are well attended, often having more present than we have members. We have a small orchestra with us every Sunday evening. Our social and literary meetings are full of enthusiasm. Thirteen are taking the Era and several are reading the Methodist. Our Presiding Elder is arranging for an Epworth League Day in connection with the District Conference. Prof. J. L. Bond and other good speakers will be with us. The young people of today are the grown-ups of tomorrow. Let us do our part with them well.—J. J. Galloway.

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Sarsaparilla—Fine Course of Medicine.

Physicians and pharmacists have long known the desirability and difficulty of combining iron—a superlative tonic—in a blood-purifying medicine.

The combination of the iron with Hood's Sarsaparilla has now been secured through the happy thought of prescribing Peptiron Pills in connection with the Sarsaparilla—the latter before eating, Peptiron Pills after.

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What better course of medicine can you imagine for this season? You get blood-purifying, appetite-giving, liver-stimulating qualities in Hood's Sarsaparilla and great strength makers in Peptiron Pills. Buy these medicines today. They also combine economy with merit.

Joe," she said, hoping to revive her brother's drooping spirits.

"Pooh!" sneered Johnny, "you needn't try to draw for girls can't make even a straight line."

It was not long before Mr. Boaster left the room for a few moments. When he came back, everything seemed to be going on as when he left. Father was reading, grandma and mother were sewing, and Joe and Alice were busy with their lessons.

"At last I have finished my hem," remarked grandma, folding the napkin she had been hemming so industriously.

"Pooh!" said mother, contemptuously, "that is nothing. I have done two while you are doing one!"

The children looked up quickly; for who would have believed she would have spoken so? It was not like her to do so.

Grandma picked up another napkin and began hemming it, but said nothing.

"Father, look at my examples,

Sure! High Heels Cause Corns But Who Cares Now

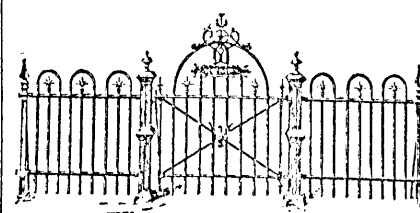
Because style decrees that women crowd and buckle up their tender toes in high heel footwear they suffer from corns, then they cut and trim at these painful pests which merely makes the corn grow hard. This suicidal habit may cause lockjaw and women are warned to stop it.

A few drops of a drug called freeze-one applied directly upon a sore corn gives quick relief and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts out without pain. Ask the drug store man for a quarter of an ounce of freezeone, which costs very little but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet.

This drug is an ether compound and dries in a moment and simply shrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin. Clip this out and pin on your wife's dresser.

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please. I have done every one of them, and haven't made a single mistake," said Alice crossing the room to where her father was sitting before the open grate fire.

"Pooh! That's nothing," replied her father, not even taking her paper to look at it. "You ought to see the way I used to do examples when I was your age!"

Poor little Alice was greatly astonished to hear such a discouraging and boastful remark from her generally kind father, and she was about to turn away when he drew her near to him and whispered something in her ear which brought the smiles to her face.

For a few minutes no one said anything, and work went on as before. Johnny was deeply engrossed in the history of Crusoe's adventures, and the other children continued their studies.

"My flowers look so well! I believe the geraniums are going to bloom again," remarked mother.

"Pooh! They are not half so thrifty as those I used to raise. Why, I had flowers all winter long, and you have only had a few blossoms in the whole winter," said grandma, contemptuously.

"What is the matter with everybody?" thought Johnny. He had never known them to be in such a humor as they were that evening.

When father remarked presently that he had stepped into the grocer's and had been weighed that afternoon, and that he "tipped the beam" at 168 pounds, and that was doing "pretty well" for him, mother said, crossly:

"Pooh! You call that doing pretty well? Old Mr. Benson weighs 225 pounds, and no one ever heard him bragging of it."

Everybody laughed. Father shouted. It was such a surprise, and grandma got up and left the room to keep from choking with laughter.

Johnny saw them all look at him, and after a minute or two began to think.

"Father," said he, "what are you all laughing about? Is it at me?"

"Well, we are not exactly laughing at you. We thought we would try your way of boasting of our accomplishments, and see how you thought it sounded; but mother spoiled our game before we had finished it."

Johnny looked rather sheepish the rest of the evening. He wondered if he was as disagreeable as the older folk that evening when he boasted of what he could do or had done. He was forced to admit that boasting sounded very unpleasant, and he resolved to break himself of the habit.—Our Morning Globe.

REQUIRED FOR HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

It is surprising that it is necessary to repeat again and again that the health and beauty of the skin require that the blood shall be pure. If the arteries of the skin receive impure blood, pimples and blotches appear, and the individual suffers from humors. Powders and other external applications are sometimes used for these affections, but will never have the desired effect while the causes of impure blood remain.

The indications are very clear that Hood's Sarsaparilla is the most successful medicine for purifying the blood, removing pimples and blotches, and giving health and beauty to the skin. It gives tone to all the organs and builds up the whole system. Insist on having Hood's Sarsaparilla when you ask for it. Don't take anything else.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

JONESBORO DISTRICT NOTICE.

The Jonesboro District Conference will meet at Harrisburg, April 24-26. The first meeting will be at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Committee on license to preach, J. Q. Schisler, Joe A. Stephens, Eli Craig; on local preachers, Wm. Sherman, J. B. Hendrix, J. H. Barrentine. This committee will recommend passage of character, the renewal of license, for deacon's and elder's orders and for admission or readmission into the Annual Conference. I call attention to this extract from the report of the Committee on Local Preachers adopted by the last District Conference: "We urge the resolution of the last District Conference, that the license of no preacher be renewed who fails to send in his report, and that the preacher who fails to notify his local preachers of this matter be censured by the presiding elder."

Representatives of Conference Boards cordially invited to present interests of their respective Boards. Let the brethren be ready with nominations for delegates.—F. M. Tolleson, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE, ROGERS, MARCH 13-15.

The Conference will convene at 10 a. m. Opening sermon 11 a. m. by Dr. W. E. Boggs. Subject, "The Call To the Ministry."

The afternoon of first day will be devoted to the Sunday school and Epworth League work. Dr. James Thomas will address the Conference at the evening service.

The morning of the second day will be devoted to the study of our mission problems. Rev. H. E. Wheeler, Conference Missionary Secretary, will preach the missionary sermon at 11 o'clock. The afternoon of the second day will be given largely to the study of our laymen's work. Hon. Thomas B. King will address the Conference at the evening service.

The morning of the third day will be given to the study of the woman's work of the district and to the routine work of the Conference. Every member of the Conference is urged to be present for the opening service.—G. G. Davidson, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA PREACHERS' MEETING.

Present: Baker, Hammons, Hively, Hundley, Hutchinson, Harrison, Monk, Musser, McGuyre, Rorie, Whaley.

In spite of the weather all the churches of Little Rock and Argenta reported good congregation at both services Sunday.

Sunday school was not up to the standard at any of the churches.

A Ministerial Alliance of Argenta preachers was formed Monday night at First Methodist Church, Argenta.

Brother Hammons has added 40 new subscribers in past two weeks to Arkansas Methodist.

Brother Hutchinson reports six additions, four by letter, two on profession of faith.

Dr. Monk reports good Quarterly Conference on Maumelle Circuit. Brother Glasgow is starting off well with his new charge. Held Mabelvale Circuit Quarterly Conference Saturday with small attendance, and drove home in blinding snow.

A SUGGESTION.

After tussling with gripe for two weeks, I am on my feet again. Preach-

ed twice last Sunday with a high fever on me. Rev. "Jack" Taylor spent last night here. He gave his illustrated lecture yesterday at the public school. That lecture should be delivered in every school room in Arkansas. You know "Jack" served as chaplain in the Arkansas penitentiary for several years, and got acquainted with all grades of criminals, and heard them talk. He came away with a message to the boys of this State to keep out of there. I believe we should arrange for Brother Taylor to give his entire time to this work. The Mission Board can arrange for it, or we can do it by private subscriptions. If the latter plan is adopted, I have my money ready.—T. O. Rorie.

ATLANTA.

The people of the Atlanta Circuit received us kindly. We are personally indebted to many for favors. The people of Atlanta sent four wagons to the station, ten miles away, and brought our belongings to the parsonage. Of course they gave us a pounding. A barrel of flour hit the floor with a mighty thud. The young people covered the table with other good things.

Everything is starting off well. We have splendid men for stewards and Sunday school superintendents. The stewards are not letting the pastor's salary fall behind. We are well pleased with our work and are expecting a good year. The people in general are heartily co-operating with us; for this we are very thankful.—B. F. Roebuck, P. C.

PINE BLUFF PREACHERS' MEETING.

An informal meeting of the preachers was called by the presiding elder for Monday morning, February 19. The following were present: W. C. Watson, P. E., T. Copeland of Lakeside, L. W. Evans of Carr Memorial, J. R. Dickerson of Hawley Memorial, P. S. Herron of Altheimer, A. J. Ewing of Swan Lake, R. A. McClintock of Sherrill, and J. R. Rhodes of Grady.

Brother Watson reported for the district that almost universally the salaries of the pastors had been raised over last year. Some building is being done, and more planned. There is a hopeful outlook all over the district. He urged very earnestly that all the preachers give much time to personal work for conversions at regular services of the church, as that was the only way to succeed as a soul-winner. Spend less time in talking war and politics and more in personal evangelization.

Brother Evans is moving on. Has had a revival already in his church. Old feuds are giving way, and the people are forgetting their differences. All the organizations of the church are doing well.

Brother Herron reports everything about as usual, surely, though slowly, progressing toward better days. Good crowds. Sunday school doing fairly well.

Brother McClintock is very cheerful over his work. Had good crowds Sunday, with interest and several requests for prayer at the evening service. Is looking forward to a revival at Sherrill, with Dr. Copeland to help. Tucker Sunday school is doing fine. The outlook is very hopeful and encouraging.

Brother Rhodes reported progress. The Sunday school is being organized. Progress is being made on the new

GLASS OF SALTS CLEANS KIDNEYS

If Your Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers You, Drink Lots of Water.

When your kidneys hurt and your back feels sore, don't get scared and proceed to load your stomach with a lot of drugs that excite the kidneys and irritate the entire urinary tract. Keep your kidneys clean like you keep your bowels clean, by flushing them with a mild, harmless salts, which removes the body's urinous waste and stimulates them to their normal activity. The function of the kidneys is to filter the blood. In 24 hours they strain from it 500 grains of acid and waste, so we can readily understand the vital importance of keeping the kidneys active.

Drink lots of water—you can't drink too much; also get from any pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning for a few days and your kidneys will act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate clogged kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder weakness.

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church movement. Good crowds and interest all over the work.


Brother Dickerson reported fine Sunday school, with average attendance of about 115. Missionary Society has been reorganized. Has a great League. Sunday school is being more fully organized. Hopes for a good year.

Dr. Copeland is planning for a great revival, and cordially invites all the preachers in the district to come and take part. His congregations are growing. Prayer meeting good. Had 70 at League Sunday. Some work has been done on the parsonage.

Brother Ewing is handicapped by bad roads, but reports fair attendance at all services. Good interest. He expects and is praying for a revival on his work, especially in the church.—Secretary.

CRAWFORDSVILLE.

We are moving up in our work here. Our Sunday school is increasing in numbers and interest. We had an increase of eleven last Sunday. Our congregations are holding up well, and more interest is being manifested than formerly. We sent out a call recently to the young people of Crawfordsville to come together for the purpose of organizing an Epworth League. Thirty-one responded, and we organized with 25 members. The following officers were elected: Mr. W. J. Dungan, president; Miss Sarah Wright, vice president; Dr. C. A. Self,



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secretary; Mr. Robert Wallace, treasurer; Miss Mary Brown, Era agent. We secured 18 subscribers to the Epworth Era, with promise of more. We have had two interesting meetings, the second being especially interesting. The first meeting was conducted by Mr. Dungan, who discussed the topic of "Confession" in a very able manner. Several Scripture references were read by members of the League. The second service was led by Dr. C. A. Self, who discussed the lesson in a very forcible manner. A very fine paper was read by Miss Mary Brown on "Using What We Have—Our Literature." Mrs. Whitmore discussed the same topic, emphasizing "Religious Literature," especially the Bible. Miss Stewart discussed the "Use of Our Time," reading a lesson on the subject. Miss Dewelee Campbell read a very pointed paper on "Our Example." Mrs. Morris gave some pointed observations on the lesson. A solo, "Somebody Cares," was rendered by

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This contains both words and music of "My Own Loved Arkansas," published by request of the Arkansas State Teachers' Association for the schools of the State. All schools should have it. Price, 25 cents a dozen; \$1.25 per 100. Order of Arkansas Methodist, Little Rock, Ark.

Mr. Langston. This was a very interesting and instructive service, and the next service bids fair to be better. The young people are very enthusiastic over the work. Our Junior Missionary Society recently had a very beautiful installation service. The Juniors are very enthusiastic over their work. The other departments of the church work are moving along well. We will begin the teacher training course Wednesday evening. The Boy Scouts, under the leadership of Mr. Dungan, are doing good work. The Missionary Society, under the leadership of Mrs. Dolph Smith, is doing well, and they are planning more work, which means progress. The Ladies' Bible Class has taken up Mission Study in connection with the Bible Study. We are doing our best to do something over here, and we are succeeding.—Reporter.

LETTER FROM BROTHER HALL.

I made a trip over above Pine Bluff two weeks ago, and the folks of Bethel neighborhood had me to come over and spend a few days with them. I had the pleasure of meeting Brother W. C. Watson, the presiding elder of the Pine Bluff District, and hearing him preach two fine sermons. I also met Brother Clegg. He and Brother Watson held a quarterly meeting at Bethel, where Brother David Bolls and I had the great revival last October. I preached for the folks, beginning Thursday night in the face of that terrible blizzard, and it was astonishing to see them come to church three and four miles, and the wind whistling right out of the North. I preached for them four nights. I never saw the effects of a revival hold out as well. They still have a fine League and Sunday school and prayer meeting, and the young men and the young ladies conduct any of the services to which they are appointed. Brother Watson told the people in his sermon that it was no trouble to preach to folks like the Bethel people. He certainly knows how to take a collection. He asked for ten dollars for the Arkansas Methodist and got \$7.60 in a very few minutes. He told the people it had been a long time since he attended a quarterly meeting where the people seem to enjoy it as they did. I am longing to see the time when we will see our Methodist people coming back to the old paths and leave off some of the worldly amusements, and give more of their time to God's cause. One of the greatest hindrances to revivals is that we have too much of the world in the church. Too many of our leading members cater to many of the things of this old world. They are afraid of hurting some one's feelings if they take a stand for God and his cause. We are trying to have a revival in our town, Fort Towson. We have one of the Hamilton brothers doing the preaching. He is a very interesting preacher, and a man of God who carries faith with his preaching. This is a hard place religiously. I thank God for His word. He said to Moses, "Is there anything too hard for God?"—J. A. Hall.

SALADO AND OIL TROUGH.

Owing to the illness of my wife and the death of our baby, we were late in getting to our new work, but when we did get here we found a good people, who had been waiting very patiently for us. We also found the work very well organized, having three good Sunday schools, with only one point without a Sunday school. The

Epworth League at Salado is among the best in the Batesville District. The P. C. of the Salado and Oil Trough Circuit and family have plenty of good things to eat, they having received a pounding a few nights ago. We are well pleased with our new charge.—C. J. Wade, P. C.

A CORRECTION.

The report from Council Circuit is short \$5 on Conference claimants. I paid the money to E. A. Hardin, the Conference treasurer, and have his receipt for it.—Fraternally, H. A. Story.

ANNUAL REVIVAL AT HENDRIX Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Hendrix College has for a number of years made it a custom to hold in its hall an annual meeting. The Christian workers look forward to this time as the most serious and determinative period of the school year. No preparation either in time or plans is spared, for all look forward to the time when the new life of the college shall be occupied with thoughts of their destinies and of their relation to Him who created them and who gave His Son for them. This is an overwhelmingly serious time to the Christian men, both of the faculty and the student body—a time when intercessory prayer and communication with God largely occupies their time. Men are led to think of their destinies, of their relation to God, and of the work which Christ would have them do in this life. The seriousness of the moment cannot be pictured because the Eternal is being dealt with and destinies are being fixed. And that is not all; the future history of Methodism in Arkansas is being written.

What we have said above was to try to picture the seriousness with which we regard this annual event. But any effort to picture the state of our own hearts and minds must fail, because the things with which we are dealing are infinite and eternal, and there is no means of knowing their value.

Sunday night, February 18, closed the revival for 1917, and with its closing a number of men settled for time and eternity a life for Christ, some to be merchants, lawyers, doctors, teachers, preachers, and missionaries. The meeting was a success in many respects. Brother H. E. Wheeler, pastor of Conway Methodist Church, did some noble work both in preaching and in personal work. We feel a deep indebtedness to Brother Wheeler, which can only be repaid by lives consecrated to the service of God, to which service Brother Wheeler gladly gives all of his life and thought.

In view of the fact that only 50 per cent of the distinguished professors of American universities are Christians, the students feel very keenly the deep and earnest solicitude which the faculty showed in the meeting. Not only did they show consideration in the assignment of work, but they spent much time in doing personal work among the students. They were present at all the meetings in the evening from 6:45 to 7:45, and their deep earnestness for the unsaved seemed to surpass that of the Christian men of the Association. Arkansas Methodism should be profoundly appreciative of the faculty of Hendrix College.

The closing service was especially attractive. Brother Wheeler preached on "The Claim of the Ministry Upon

Freckles.

To remove freckles the best thing to do is to remove the outer cuticle of the skin, which carries the freckles. This is easily done with Kintho Cream. The Kintho peels off the old, freckled skin, a little at a time, gradually bringing the under layer of skin to view. The new skin is beautiful, soft, clear, white and youthful looking, and, of course, has no freckles.

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Strong Young Men," and at the close of the service twenty-six of the ministerial students in the college were lined up in front of the pulpit.

The Y. M. C. A. requests the earnest and sincere prayers of the Christian people of Arkansas that they may do bigger things in the future than they have done in the past.—Reporter.

WINTHROP.

We fell, rolled or tumbled into Winthrop. Either term will apply. The weather was bad, the roads were anything but good, and we came near being upset several times. Our Zion here is not altogether dead, however much it may seem. There are as good people here as there are in the world. However, there are none quite so good as Enoch and Elijah, as I've not heard of any flying away to heaven. Some of the brethren have spoken of storms. We've had them, too, consisting of wind, rain and snow, and occasionally a piece of fresh meat, also molasses and potatoes. Thank the Lord, we will try and not complain as long as this continues. Brethren, this is a mission field, but it

Glass of Hot Water Before Breakfast a Splendid Habit

Open sluices of the system each morning and wash away the poisonous, stagnant matter.

Those of us who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when we arise; splitting headache, stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, lame back, can, instead, both look and feel as fresh as a daisy always by washing the poisons and toxins from the body with phosphated hot water each morning.

We should drink, before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to flush from the stomach, liver, kidneys and ten yards of bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary tract before putting more food into the stomach.

The action of limestone phosphate and hot water on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast and it is said to be but a little while until the roses begin to appear in the cheeks. A quarter pound of limestone phosphate will cost very little at the drug store, but is sufficient to make anyone who is bothered with biliousness, constipation, stomach trouble or rheumatism a real enthusiast on the subject of internal sanitation. Try it and you are assured that you will look better and feel better in every way shortly.

should not be, as the people here are plenty able to bear their own burdens. The devil has introduced some of his most false teachings here, Mormonism and its bogus literature is scattered and read in many homes. The little band of Methodists are faithful, and we are planning and expecting great things for the Lord. Provisions have been made for securing a good parsonage for the pastor on the work. Everything promises for a good year. The devil is not asleep, we are all very much aware, and sin intrudes its head at unexpected times. To condemn sin on every hand, we realize takes Christian courage and endurance to be a good soldier of Jesus Christ, regardless of lukewarmness and the isms and schisms that exist in these parts. Methodism stands paramount; every unbeliever seems to have a profound respect for the Methodist Church and its ministry.—J. H. Ross.

ROSEBUD.

My work is starting off nicely. My people have snowed me under with kindness. They have given me a nice pounding. I have had some conversions and six additions to the church. Preached at home Sunday, February 11, and one of my neighbors was saved while I preached. I took a class of five into the church Sunday. I think I have the best circuit in the Conway District. We have some of the best people in our town I ever saw. I have visited every home in the town and prayed in every home. Rosebud Circuit has four church buildings, two of which have been built in the last three years, and the nice new churches are a credit to any town four times their size. My people seem to love the gospel. I think we will have one of the best years of our life.—J. L. Shelby, Pastor.

POTTSVILLE.

We are moving along nicely on the Pottsville charge. The people of Pottsville gave us a great pounding on the night of January 2. The church was well represented, all bringing something good to eat. We had singing and prayer and a good time. We had Dr. Anderson with us the 4th and 5th, and had a good quarterly conference. We hope to give February to the Arkansas Methodist.—Jas. B. Carter, P. C.

DESHA.

Our first Quarterly Conference convened February 12. Our Presiding Elder, Rev. B. L. Wilford, was on hand, full of the Holy Spirit and of scriptural logic. He preached us two good sermons. Our finances were short, but far ahead of last year at this time. We are moving on lovely because our folks are so lovable. We received a silver dollar and a pound of butter on the Christmas tree and three silver dollars initiatorial to our pounding by parties that could not be there. We were sitting quietly by the fire and were alarmed by the voices on the porch and a rap at the door. Wife hearkened, like Rhoda of old, and the folks came pressing in with provisions in various forms and loaded the dining table until it cracked under its burden. We had some splendid music, a prayer by our efficient superintendent and exhorter, Brother Wilsie Harmon, then a social hour in conversation, and all returned to their homes. Lovable—yes, they have been pounding us all along with sausage and Plymouth Rock fry-

ers. Those came from a good Baptist sister's home. We are happily located in a good four-room parsonage, large garden, good barn, strawberry patch, an acre or two to plant in cotton; six appointments: plenty to do for the good Lord. The Presiding Elder says it is run down. Well, that just suits me. I am used to it and like that kind. You can hardly know how awkward I felt when I was superannuated and not read out to an appointment, but the good Book says, "All things work together for good to them that love God," and I know that we love Him. Wife and I have economized and out of the \$150 of the superannuate fund we have paid out \$140.63. We have reserved the rest to pay taxes and supplement our salary. Those debts were not the result of luxurious living. They accrued because of serving hard charges. The first seven years I was supplying work my salary was \$137.08 per annum. Then I joined the Little

Rock Conference fifteen years ago and I have received \$234.88 per annum. I thank you, Bishop McCoy and cabinet, Committee on Conference Relations, Board of Finance, for the relation you have permitted me to sustain to the Conference. This is my only means of letting you know that I appreciate what you have done for me; it sent me home with more money than I have had at any one time since I used to sell cotton. A Methodist preacher can do more with less and have more left than any man that itinerates. For the 22 years that we have been in the work we have had 2,745 conversions and 1,837 accessions to our church. What a host will meet me at the pearly gates. Dr. Forney Hutchinson, riding with me in the buggy, said: "Brother Reveley, you have helped to make more young preachers than any preacher in the Little Rock Conference. Humorously I said, 'Yes, while you brethren have

been at the high steeples making sermonettes, I have been in the rurals helping the good Lord dig out the diamonds in the rough." Rev. J. A. Sage said at an Annual Conference once. "You build more churches than any other preacher in this Conference." Such remarks from those sources in eulogy will almost make a preacher shout, at least to himself. I had rather have those good things said about me than to have a monument placed at the head of my grave. Brother Wilford graciously placed us on Desha charge and we have determined to make this the best year of our lives and we solicit your prayers that we may have a sweeping revival all over the work.—Hugh Reveley.

MT. PLEASANT CIRCUIT.

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OLD AGE PENSIONS.

This is the day when nations and municipalities are devising old age pensions for public servants. Recently great stress has been laid on making generous provision for the aged minister. No plan has been found so sure and satisfactory as a policy of endowment to mature at age 65 with a life income as one settlement option. This provides protection during one's active ministry and matures when salary fails to meet the minister's needs. This is the safest supplement for any other plan to meet the needs of old age. Such a policy is issued by the Methodist Ministers Relief Insurance and Trust Association of Boston, Mass.—Advt.

lived here. In this field the sainted Brother Blakely once lived and worked. Sister Blakely, who worked by his side, still resides in the bounds of this charge, making her home with Brother and Sister Mathews at Rock Springs, near Plantersville postoffice, and Brother and Sister Mathews are two of God's choice children. Sister Blakely is growing old now, but she is still saintly and the same sweet-spirited Christian as in former years—a jewel of mighty magnitude. (Mal. 11:17). Brother Carr once preached here—and his name is mentioned, with reverence, by many. Brother Sage was once pastor here, and Brothers Moore, and Harrison, and Dunn, and Cannon, and others. Brother Van Camp served the charge last year. Brother Oliver, now in Missouri, put in two excellent years here. Yes, indeed, we have found the foot-prints of good men! I would like to mention all the others, but their names are not before me now. Brother R. A. McClintock served the work one year, and is loved by all. The people of Mt. Pleasant Circuit love their pastors. They are a good people—second to none.

Selma Church, Mt. Tabor and Mt. Pleasant (the Camp Ground), and Rock Springs and Andrew's Chapel complete the circuit. Brothers Crowder and White once served the work. It reaches from Wilmar to Tillar and from Monticello to Star City (not inclusive). So we are surrounded by good pastors, which helps us. We have Brother Owen at Monticello, Brother Cummins at Tillar, Brother Clanton at Wilmar and Brother Barnett at Star City—our sentinels guarding our forts—and they are all war-horses of the first grade. And the help

ACTRESS TELLS SECRET.

A well known actress gives the following recipe for gray hair: To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1-4 oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

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obtained by coming in contact with the saints of these four pastoral charges, is hard to reckon up. It seems as though Providence has honored us by planting our vineyard in pleasant places.

Our people are good people. They love God, they love the Church, and they love the Presiding Elder and the preacher. We cannot help but succeed. They are good singers, good workers, good Christians—and good payers. The church and the preacher will be taken care of; and the great connectional interests, such as Missions, etc., will not suffer. And we expect nothing else but a great revival of religion. The circuit assessed itself a little more than \$900 for the support of the preacher, besides the presiding elder's support. We are getting new subscriptions to the Arkansas Methodist. We have three live Sunday schools and two Women's Missionary Societies. And we have other things and qualities, too numerous to mention. We are going to work, all of us, to the best interests of the church this year, and we desire an earnest interest in the prayers of the Methodist family. Let us hear from the other charges all over Arkansas.—Frank Hopkins, P. C.

A CORRECTION.

In the Anniversary Number of the Arkansas Methodist it is stated that five was the least number of members I ever received on profession of faith on any charge I ever served, except Ozark Station. It should have been 45. Rev. Geo. W. Hill, who preceded me at Ozark, had a great revival and there was but little available material left. I only received about a half dozen members the year I served Ozark.—D. J. Weems.

GREENBRIER CIRCUIT.

We are still on the map, doing the very best we can. We have a nice work and some very loyal people. We have one of the nicest and cleanest towns we have ever found. Have three churches, Baptist, Holiness, and Methodist, each having a Sunday school doing good work. We are all trying and planning for a great year for our town and country in the way of revivals. Our school, under the leadership of Prof. Butler, is doing some fine work. The band boys are working faithfully on their practice twice a week, so they will be able to render some good music when called upon. We hope to have our new church building ready for the revival in the summer at Union Grove. We have some real propositions to face, but with such men as our Hon. H. B. Hardy, who is making himself known by his loyal work in our Legislature, and other good men with him, we ought not to think of such a thing as failure. By God's help we are going to press on. Sunday, the 18th, was a good day at Greenbrier. Large crowds at morning and evening services. Two of our young people made the start for a better life. Three accessions at the morning service, a

Uric Acid!

Ever since the discovery of Scheele in 1775 that uric acid was found within the body—most eminent physicians agree that rheumatism is caused by it; also many distressing symptoms as headache, pain in back, stomach distress, swollen feet and ankles, gout, etc.

It was Dr. Pierce of the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N.Y., who discovered a new agent—called Anuric, a harmless remedy that if taken before meals will carry off the uric acid from the system and in this way the pains and aches, the creaky joints and all the distressing symptoms of rheumatism and other maladies disappear. You can easily prove this yourself, by obtaining Anuric at almost any drug store, or send Dr. Pierce 10c. for trial package. Try it and be convinced that Anuric is many times more active than lithia and eliminates uric acid as hot water melts sugar.

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You will escape many ills and clear up the coated tongue, the sallow complexion, the dull headache, the lazy liver, if you will take a pleasant laxative made up of the May-apple, juice of the leaves of aloes, root of jalap, and called "Pleasant Pellets." You can obtain at drug store these vegetable pellets in vials for 25c.—ask for Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

father, mother, and son. The last mentioned will be heard of later from our pulpit, being a young man, as he is, and able to do the work he has done for the churches he comes from to us, we feel sure he will be a great power in the work. There is much sickness and some death.—B. E. Robertson, P. C.

FLORAL CIRCUIT.

We arrived at Floral December 14, and found the parsonage ready. It was cold and snowing, but we found a fine lot of good people and were soon located. Our first quarterly conference has come and gone. Brother Wilford, our beloved presiding elder, was with us and preached to the delight of all who heard him. We always welcome him on all occasions. We have received four into the church. Have six Sunday schools and are taking special interest with the children. Three prayer meetings, not as well attended as they should be, and not as spiritual as they should be. We have preached fifteen times; held five church conferences; three more to hold. We have raised \$80 on parsonage debt, and are planning to build a new church house. The assessment for P. C. and P. E. is \$506, and all seem to be well pleased and moving along finely. But Pleasant Plains is not taking on work as it should. We are expecting great things from the Lord this year and praying to that end, and believing it will come.—J. B. Findley, P. C.

MARIANNA.

We are glad to report that the last dollar of debt on the Methodist Church at Marianna has been raised. The debt was something over ten thousand dollars when the Conference year began, and we paid out the last of it yesterday. The people gave us a whole-hearted reception, and every line of church work is progressing nicely. The Woman's Missionary Society is putting on a campaign for the Methodist. We are in the midst of a "Personal Workers' Campaign," and hope to make some great gains in the spiritual life of the church.—John A. Womack.

LETTER FROM DIERKS.

Thinking that you would like to know of the work here, I am writing you how I, a layman, feel about it, and I think I am speaking the sentiment of the Church and community.

Brother A. L. Miller comes to us with the necessary staying qualities of an experienced warrior, and, is strictly looking after the interests of the church. He seems to have his whole life and soul in his work and is

giving out some very interesting as well as inspiring sermons. One thing we all very keenly appreciate is his originality. His sermons are new and full of "pep" which I think will build his audience. He is planning great things for Dierks and I am persuaded will execute the same. I thank you for your aid in sending us a pastor of polish and character, and, I assure you that, when the future strength of this community shall have been developed, the League and its generosity will not be forgotten.—V. L. Masey.

A SINGER WANTED.

I want a young man who is a Christian and a member of the Methodist Church, one who will pray in public and talk to sinners. One who is acquainted with revival praises and can sing our old familiar hymns readily, one that is quick and active, to go with me for seven or eight weeks this summer in revival work. Address J. H. McKelvy, Princeton, Ark.

WARNING ORDER.

State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski—ss.
In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
R. W. Porter, as Trustee, et al., Plaintiffs,
vs.
No. 21149.
William Richardson et al., Defendants.
The defendants, Mattie May McAllister, a minor; Eugene McAllister, a minor; Noble McAllister, a minor; Fred McAllister, a minor, and the unknown heirs of Dollie Burton, deceased, are warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiffs, R. W. Porter, as trustee, et al.
February 27, 1917.
W. S. BOONE, Clerk.
J. A. GIBSON, D. C.
Thos. T. Dickinson, Solicitor for Plaintiffs.
Will G. Akers, Attorney ad Litem.

NOTICE.

Application for Guardian Sale.
In re A. L. Hall Estate.
Mrs. Lenora Hall Beauclair, Guardian.
Notice is hereby given that I, Lenora Hall Beauclair, as guardian of Blanche, May and Reuben Hall, will make application to the Probate Judge of Pulaski County, upon the 16th day of March, at 10 o'clock a. m., for an order to sell the following real estate, to-wit:

The northwest fourth of the northwest fourth, Section 12, Township 1 South, Range 12 West, Pulaski County, in which said minors have an interest. The application for said sale is asked for the maintenance and education of said minors, there being no other property of any kind belonging to said minors, with which funds may be secured to provide for their education. Anyone interested in said minors or sale of said lands are warned to be present at the above time and place to offer objections, if any there be, why said order should not be granted for the sale of said lands for the purposes therein set out. That said sale shall be for cash or upon credit of three months as may be directed by the court.
MRS. LENORA HALL BEACLAIR, Guardian.
GEO. F. JONES, Attorney for Guardian.

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Former Report	\$937.52
Fred Pattee, Little Rock.....	1.00
P. A. Flower, Prescott.....	3.00
J. R. Reynolds, Reyno.....	.25
Mrs. C. A. Virtue, Reyno.....	.50
Tom Wilson, Datto25
P. H. Booth, Reyno25
Geo. M. Hill, Reyno.....	.25
Methodist Church, Morrilton..	10.00
Mrs. Agnes Wright, Stephens..	.25
Junior Dept. Meth. S. S., Conway	2.27
Eagle Lumber Co., Eagle Mills	5.00
M. J. Moore, Eagle Mills.....	.50
Mrs. M. J. Moore, Eagle Mills..	.50
C. T. Titus, Pine Bluff.....	.50
S. M. Lauter, Pine Bluff.....	.50
Mrs. J. R. Dickersn, Pine Bluff	.25
T. L. Culpepper, Pine Bluff....	.25
Wm. A. Lowe, Pine Bluff.....	.40
Geo. P. Leach, Pine Bluff.....	.25
Mrs. T. L. Culpepper, Pine Bluff	.25
Mrs. J. P. Austin, Pine Bluff...	.25
Mrs. S. L. Austin, Pine Bluff..	.25
Barney Studdard, Pine Bluff...	.40
Mattie May Martin, Pine Bluff.	1.00
E. M. Goodwin, Pine Bluff.....	.25
R. C. Martin, Pine Bluff.....	.25
Mrs. R. C. Martin, Pine Bluff...	.25
W. J. Wren, Pine Bluff25
Cash, Pine Bluff25
Frank Smith, Kingsland.....	.25
Dr. S. C. Johnson, Kingsland...	.25
Mrs. G. M. Johnson, Kingsland	.25
May Fortune, Kingsland.....	.25
P. W. Deason, Kingsland.....	.25
R. C. Carmical, Kingsland.....	.25
A. T. Kuksick, Kingsland.....	.50
Lester B. Hunter, Kingsland..	.25
Harry L. Elam, Kingsland....	.25
Cash, Kingsland55
Methodist Church, Fordyce ...	3.25
Rev. L. J. Ridling, Bryant....	.50
Amos Deitz, Millville25
Methodist Church, Bearden....	5.40
Friends from Eagle Mills.....	5.25
Methodist Church, Stephens...	2.50
Methodist Church, Stamps....	7.00

Total

The above is the correct report up
to date of March 5, 1917.

D. H. Colquette, Field Agent.

HAYNES AND PALESTINE.

At the last session of the North Arkansas Conference the Haynes and Madison charge was divided. A new parsonage was built at Widener and the new work was called Widener and Madison, with a new preacher, who brought a new wife to begin in a new parsonage home. So in the new arrangement this charge includes Haynes, Palestine, Bonair and Loni.

Haynes is a nice little town, full of progressive people, who have the good of the community at heart. We have four general stores, two grocery stores, one drug store and grocery combined, one restaurant, two cotton gins and saw mills, two blacksmith shops, one hotel, a good school, two churches—Methodist and Baptist—and a bank equal to the occasion of rendering any assistance to the financial interests of the surrounding country. Our church here is composed of a large number of the best people, who are alive to its interests and are already working out a plan to place the church house in better condition, as well as to do their part in making Haynes and Palestine a 100 per cent charge by Conference.

We have one of the neatest parsonages here in the Conference; five well furnished rooms and in good repair. Palestine is a fine business point on the Rock Island, seven miles west of Forrest City. It has eight or ten general stores, two blacksmith shops, one hotel, an excellent two-story brick

school building. They have a good school employing three teachers. The Methodists, Cumberland Presbyterians, Baptists, and the Disciples are represented there. The Methodists and the C. P.'s worship together. While our church is weak in membership, we expect a good year at Palestine.

The pastor spent about three years of his boyhood here, and it has been a pleasure to renew old acquaintances and to find some old schoolmates taking the lead in church and community interests.

Palestine also has two fine gins and one saw mill.

Bonair is on the Iron Mountain between Haynes and Forrest City. It is a community of fine people, enthusiastic for the interests of the church. They are in the market for some second hand pews. Any church having any pews for sale might be able to dispose of them by writing Mr. L. O. McDaniel, Forrest City, Ark., R. F. D. No. 1. Two gins, two general stores and a blacksmith shop, along with plantation interests, look after the business of the community.

Loni is a country community on the east side of Crowley's Ridge, in St.

Francis county, filled with fine people. The pastor served this church two years ago, and was glad to meet these good people again.

Shortly after arriving at Haynes our people sent the usual pounding, and have since shown their love and interest by keeping it up, for not a week has passed but that someone sent something nice to the parsonage, such as coal, a live turkey, ham, backbones, spareribs, sausage, and an abundance of other good things. Since Mrs. Mack has been sick, the past two weeks, they have been especially kind, and we pray God's richest blessings upon them, and shall strive to do our best to merit their confidence.

Haynes has adopted the monthly payment plan on salaries, and we are striving to get the other places to do likewise. This makes it better all around, and saves many embarrassing circumstances to both people and preacher.

We expect to have our Conference assessments provided for by our next quarterly conference.

We left a good people last year at the LaGrange charge, and were glad

to have good reports from them. As they promised before Conference, they raised their assessment \$200 for this year. We have a feeling of kindness towards them. We are expecting a great year's work at Haynes and Palestine, and ask the prayers of the brethren that it may be so.—Melvin L. Mack, P. C.

WALDO.

Last Conference, at Malvern, I was sent to Waldo charge for this year. The charge is composed of three small towns on the main line of the Cotton Belt railroad, between Camden and Texarkana. It is easy to get to all my appointments on the railroad. We live at Waldo and have a very good parsonage here. We have had a warm reception, and it appears that we have a large field to cultivate. We are hoping by the leadership of the Holy Ghost and the assistance of the people to see the cause prosper under our care. The outlook is hopeful at present. Some of our best men have sown good seed in this field in the past, and we hear good reports of their labors. We have had the kind of a donation that makes a preacher and

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his family feel that they are among friends, and enables them, at least for a time, to live like the well-to-do. I cannot see how any loyal Methodist gets along without his church paper. It is worth many times what it costs to me.—B. F. Scott.

SOUTH FORT SMITH.

We are looking forward to a great year at South Fort Smith. The people are co-operating heartily in the work. There have been two conversions and a number added to the church. The Sunday school has increased more than fifty per cent and interest is growing along all lines of work for our Master. We have just completed the remodeling of the inside of our building, with an expense of about \$75 for material, the work being donated.

We truly rejoice in the progress which we have made and feel that the Lord will bless our efforts with a great year.—E. T. Miller, P. C.

ELM SPRINGS AND ROGERS.

I have just returned from a two weeks' meeting with Rev. J. F. Carter and his good people at Elm Springs. I have never helped in a meeting where I was more royally treated than I was by the people at Elm Springs.

Brother Carter has a wonderful hold on the people there and he and his good wife are loved by all the people of the town and community. I have never heard a pastor more highly spoken of by all his people than this brother is. Brother and Sister Carter are well pleased with their new work and feel sure that the Lord will bless their labor this year with many souls. They are both working hard at their job and I feel sure that their harvest will be great for the Master this year.

Our work here at Rogers is moving on quite well. The Lord is good to us and is blessing us in all our efforts to make His work a success.

Our District Conference will meet here on March 13 and will be followed up by our protracted meeting. Evangelist W. H. Neal will do the preaching. Pray for us that we may win many to the Master.—S. M. Yancey.

TWICE MOVED AND DOUBLY POUNDED.

Having reached Sulphur Springs on the Pine Bluff Circuit we found the parsonage unfit to occupy without considerable repairs, so, while remaining here two months, it was decided to change the location and build at Goodfaith, three miles west of Pine Bluff. We then moved into a rented house near this location, making two moves since Conference and another anticipated when the parsonage is built. But along with those inconveniences we have enjoyed the manifest hospitality of both the Sulphur Springs and Goodfaith communi-

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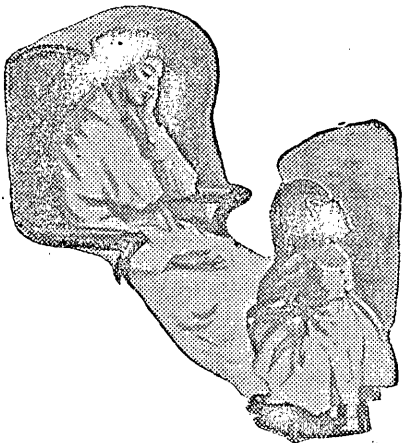
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"There can be no healthy, beautiful, rosy cheeked women without iron," says Dr. Ferdinand King, a New York physician and author. "In my recent talks to physicians on the grave and serious consequences of iron deficiency in the blood of American women I have strongly emphasized the fact that doctors should prescribe more organic iron—Nuxated Iron—for their nervous, run-down, weak, haggard looking women patients. Pallor means anaemia. The skin of the anaemic woman is pale, the flesh flabby. The muscles lack tone, the brain fags and the memory fails, and often they become weak, nervous, irritable, despondent and melancholy. When the iron goes from the blood of women the roses go from their cheeks."

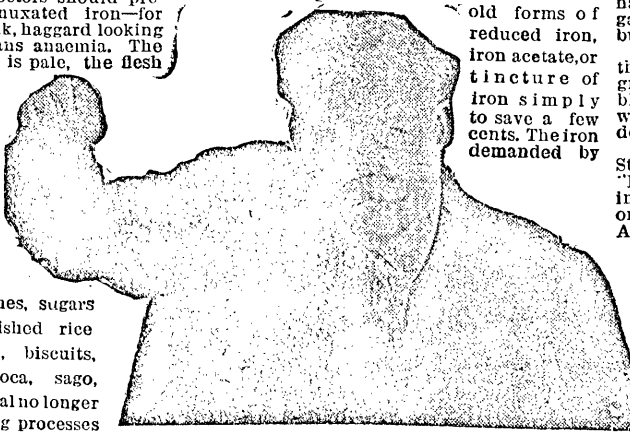
"In the most common foods of America, the starches, sugars, table syrups, candies, polished rice, white bread, soda crackers, biscuits, macaroni, spaghetti, tapioca, sago, farina, degerminated cornmeal no longer is iron to be found. Refining processes have removed the iron of Mother Earth from these impoverished foods, and silly methods of home cooking, by throwing down the waste pipe the water in which our vegetables are cooked are responsible for another grave iron loss."

"Therefore, if you wish to preserve your youthful vim and vigor to a ripe old age, you must supply the iron deficiency in your food by using some form of organic iron, just as you would to use salt when your food has not enough salt." "As I have said a hundred times over, organic iron is the greatest of all strength builders. If people would only throw away habit forming drugs and nauseous concoctions and take simple nuxated iron, I am convinced that the lives of thousands of people might be saved who now die every year from pneumonia, gripe

consumption, kidney, liver, heart trouble, etc. The real and true cause which started their disease was nothing more nor less than a weakened condition brought on by a lack of iron in the blood.

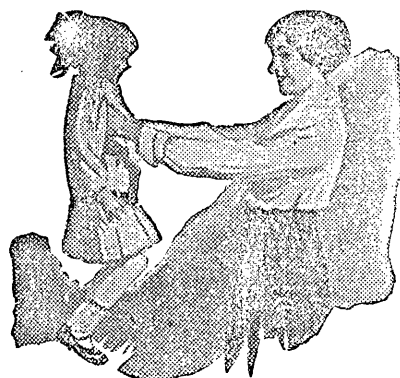
On account of the peculiar nature of woman and the great drain placed upon her system at certain periods, she requires iron much more than man to help make up for the loss.

Iron is absolutely necessary to enable your blood to change food into living tissue. Without it, no matter how much or what you eat, your food merely passes through you without doing you any good. You don't get the strength out of it, and as a consequence you become weak, pale and sickly looking, just like a plant trying to grow in a soil deficient in iron. If you are not strong or well, you owe it to yourself to make the following test: See how long you can work or how far you can walk without becoming tired. Next take two five-grain tablets of ordinary nuxated iron three times per day after meals for two weeks. Then test your strength again and see how much you have gained. I have seen dozens of nervous, run-down people who were ailing all the while double their strength and endurance and entirely rid themselves of all symptoms of dyspepsia, liver and other troubles, in from ten to fourteen days' time simply by taking iron in the proper form. And this, after they had in some cases been doctoring for months without obtaining any benefit. But don't take old forms of reduced iron, iron acetate, or tincture of iron simply to save a few cents. Their iron demanded by



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Dr. Howard James, late of the United States Public Health Service, said: "I have never before given out any medical information or advice for publication, as I ordinarily do not believe in it. But so many American women suffer from iron deficiency with its attendant ills—physical weakness, nervous irritability, melancholy, indigestion, flabby, sagging muscles, etc.—and in consequence of their weakened run-down condition they are so liable to contract serious and even fatal diseases that I deem it my duty to advise all such to take Nuxated Iron. I have taken it myself and given it to my patients with most surprising and satisfactory results. And those who wish quickly to increase their strength, power and endurance will find it a most remarkable and wonderfully effective remedy."

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ties in substantial showers of blessings in great quantities of good things for the nourishing of the physical man and the encouragement of the better nature. The people are good to us, provoking our love and best services.—David Bolls.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

BATESVILLE DISTRICT. (Second Round.)

Central Ave. and Bethesda, at B. Mar. 10-11
Batesville, First Church, Mar. 11-12
Newark Station, Mar. 14-15
Newport Ct. Paroquet, Mar. 16
Kenyon, at Yellow S. H., Mar. 17-18
Swift and Alicia, at S., Mar. 18-19
Minturn, at Arbor Grove, Mar. 20
Charlotte, at Mt. Herman, Mar. 22-23
Newport Station, Mar. 24-25
Cave City, at Cave City, Mar. 26-27
Evening Shade, at Bethlehem, Mar. 28

Melbourne, at Melbourne, April 3
Calico Rock and Macedonia, April 4-5
Bexar, at New Hope, April 7-8
Viola, at Mt. Calm, April 9-10
Mt. Home, at Big Pond, April 11-12
Cotter, at Cotter, April 12-13
Lead Hill, at Bergman, April 13-15
Yellville, at Pleasant Ridge, April 16-17
Norfolk, at Galatia, April 18-19
Mt. View, at Mt. View, April 22-23
Floral, at Macedonia, April 28-29
Desha and St. James, at Locust Grove, April 29-30
Salado, at Salado, May 5-6
There will be a Preachers' Institute at Newark, March 14-15. There will be one also at Calico Rock, April 4-5. These institutes will open on the night of the first day, and will close with the night service of the second day. A program will be sent to every pastor. I expect to have two or three workers with me in all the quarterly meetings. Where only one date is given, let us meet at 10 a. m. and, if possible, bring a basket with enough in it for you and your friends to eat. The District Conference will probably not be held till after this round is finished.
B. L. WILFORD, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT. (Second Round.)

Fort Smith, First Ch., 11 a. m., Mar. 4
South Fort Smith, 7:30 p. m., Mar. 4
Ozark Ct., at Mt. Vernon, Mar. 10-11
Fort Smith Ct., at Lavaca, Mar. 17-18
Greenwood Station, Mar. 24-25
Dodson Ave., 7:30 p. m., Mar. 25
Hackett Ct., at Bonanza, Mar. 31-Apr. 1
Midland Heights, April 7-8
Van Buren Ct., 7:30 p. m., April 8
Kibler Ct., at Mt. View, April 14-15
Van Buren Sta., 11 a. m., April 22
Alma Station, 7:30 p. m., April 22
Mulberry and Dyer, at D., April 28-29
Ozark Station, 7:30 p. m., April 29
Cass Ct., at Yale, May 5-6
Charleston Ct., at Grand Prairie, May 12-13
Hartford and Midland, at H., May 19-20
Huntington and Mansfield, at M., May 26-27
The District Conference will convene at Lavaca Wednesday, May 30, at 8:30 a. m. Opening sermon Tuesday night by Rev. W. J. LeRoy. Candidates will come before the committees for License to Preach, Admission on Trial, and for Orders.
J. K. FARRIS, P. E.