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TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE; BECAUSE THEY HAVE A GOOD REWARD FOR THEIR LABOR. FOR IF THEY FALL, THE ONE WILL LIFT UP HIS FELLOW; BUT WOE TO HIM THAT IS ALONE WHEN HE FALLETH; FOR HE HATH NOT ANOTHER TO HELP HIM UP. AGAIN, IF TWO LIE TOGETHER, THEN THEY HAVE HEAT; BUT HOW CAN ONE BE WARM ALONE? AND IF ONE PREVAIL AGAINST HIM, TWO SHALL WITHSTAND HIM; AND A THREE-FOLD CORD IS NOT QUICKLY BROKEN.—Ecc. 4:9-12.

UNIFICATION: ITS POSSIBILITY AND PROBABILITY.

The final meeting of the Joint Commission on the Unification of American Methodism is to be held at Savannah, Ga., January 23. Upon its action the future status of American Methodism largely depends. As American Methodism is the largest homogeneous body of Protestant believers in the world, and as their missions virtually embrace the world, it may be argued, without boastfulness, that their union into an organism which, by its practical mechanism, is capable of delivering the full force of its religious life upon the peoples of the world, would be an event destined mightily to affect for weal or for woe the destiny of the Kingdom of God. As there are no doctrinal differences, there are no such difficulties, justifying conscientious objectors, as confront the several Presbyterian bodies or the Baptists and Disciples. While there are diversities in polity, yet each Methodist organization recognizes the others as truly Wesleyan, and each merely claims to have developed a polity with certain demonstrated excellencies, the admission of which implies no reflection upon those that are dissimilar. Although there are divisions growing out of sentimental and local views and prepossessions, it has been found that these usually melt away with changes of section or the formation of new family relations. When all these things are taken into consideration, it is not strange that the General Conferences of the two chief branches, North and South, have agreed that the "tentative plan contains the basic principles of a genuine unification of the Methodist bodies in the United States, and that the plan is feasible and desirable;" and that each General Conference provided for Joint Commissioners, and authorized them to perfect the plan and submit it to the next General Conferences for consideration. Therefore, in view of the spirit of the age to overlook unessential differences, to bring together forces of like purpose, to eliminate waste, and to promote efficiency; in view of the immense opportunities and tremendous responsibilities growing out of the world crisis and the probability that the combined and unified resources of Methodism will be taxed to their utmost; and in view of the expectation of evangelical Christianity and the desire of a vast majority of American Methodists, it is confidently believed that the Joint Commission, composed of many of the choicest spirits of the two Churches, will be able to formulate a detailed plan which will be workable and so fair that all parties involved can afford, without apprehension or prejudice, to adopt it. When we recognize the vital and far-reaching issues at stake, inviting the approval or disapproval of the great Head of the Church, it surely is meet and right and our bounden duty sincerely to invoke the Holy Spirit to rest upon and abide with these Joint Commissioners in their deliberations.

It is understood that, at the former sessions of the Joint Commission, after full discussion, practical understandings had been reached on all principal questions, except the status of the colored membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church (North) in the United States. This question was naturally

deferred because it would be useless to debate the negro question if agreement could not be reached on minor issues, and, further, because in the solution of subsidiary questions the nature of the negro problem would more clearly appear. This actually happened, and, from their published view it is evident that there are diverse views among Commissioners of the same Church and that representatives on each side have made sufficient concessions virtually to meet the requirements of others. Very properly, as yet, neither side concede all that the other demands, but in preliminary negotiations that is to be expected.

While three different kinds of propositions have been suggested, any one of which might be perfected and accepted, we desire here to elaborate the proposition which we think, on the whole, would prove to be most satisfactory.

I. To state it briefly, it is this: (1) Establish six or eight Regional Conferences for the white membership in the United States; (2) Provide for Missionary Regional Conferences for races or for nations or for groups of nations; (3) Provide for Missions for small and undeveloped groups; (4) Provide that the General Conference for white membership in the United States shall be the supreme Conference, and the relations of its Regional Conferences shall be the same for all; (5) Provide that, under certain conditions and on their own initiative the Missionary Regional Conferences may become independent, but federated, denominations, but, while they sustain the missionary relation, they shall have representation without votes in General Conference and on General Boards, and Bishops elected by themselves but with jurisdiction limited to their respective Regions; (6) Provide that the Missions may be established and administered by the General Conference through the Board of Missions and that the General Conference on nomination of the Board of Missions shall elect Missionary Bishops for the Missions, and that these Missions may later become Missionary Regional Conferences.

II. The reasons for this scheme are as follows: (1) As there are some 6,000,000 white Methodists in the United States and as they will have the financial and chief administrative responsibility for all Methodist missionary operations, they should constitute the governing body; (2) Racial and national differences are natural, race or national consciousness is legitimate and its cultivation is necessary for normal development, and forms and customs adapted to one race or nation may be utterly unsuited to others; (3) Missions for small and undeveloped groups are necessary because in new fields numbers are few and conditions, as in Africa or Borneo, may be so primitive that the members are unprepared for self-government. It would, for instance, be absurd to group together the Afro-Americans and the negroes in Africa; (4) The white General Conference in the United States should be supreme, because, with the rapid growth expected in China and India, these foreign Regions would outnumber the whites and would then dominate, and the relations for these white Regional Conferences should be the same for all for the same reason that each State in our Union has the same legal relations as every other State; (5) It should be possible for a Missionary Regional Conference to become an independent denomination, because, if the negroes of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or the Chinese or Indian Methodists, after they become strong and capable, prefer a separate organization, or prefer to unite with others of their own race or nation, they should have, under legally defined conditions, the right to carry out such plans without the necessity of secession or revolution, but while they sustain a missionary relation they should not have voting representation or Bishops with general jur-

isdiction, because their relation is not expected to be permanent, and the temporary element should not legislate or administer for the permanent element; (6) Missions, without representation, under control of the General Board of Missions, are already found in both Episcopal Methodisms, and missionary Bishops are now legally constituted by the Northern Church, and it cannot be determined in organizing such new enterprises what their ultimate form should be.

III. Certain general considerations are worthy of notice: (1) The Northern Church should not object to this arrangement, because it recognizes race distinctions not simply in the South, but by maintaining Conferences for negroes in the North, and for other races at home as well as abroad. (2) Both Churches have Missions without voting representation in General Conference; and it involves no denial of representation that is not already legal in both Churches, because the General Conference of either could now, if conditions required special administration, create a Mission without voting representation out of an existing membership. (3) By permitting a Missionary Regional Conference to elect its own Bishops with authority limited to that Region, the negroes would have what they do not have now in the Northern Church. (4) By giving the Missionary Region representation without vote the Missionary Regions would still keep in touch with the General Conference and Boards and would receive more consideration than they now do. (5) The provision that a Regional Conference on its own initiative under defined conditions may withdraw maintains the legal rights of the negroes until they see fit to sever their relations and would provide for their ownership of their share of church property. (6) One of the most important points is the fact that this plan, instead of creating another separate negro church on the one hand, or holding a fraction of the negroes in a permanently anomalous relation to the great body of white Methodists on the other, protects the present colored membership while the process of unifying all negro Methodists is going on, and thus assists rather than retards that desideratum. (7) As it is unreasonable to expect the three great independent Colored Methodist Churches, with approximately 1,500,000 members and some thirty-five Bishops, to renounce their independence and come into the white Church, this plan makes it proper for them to negotiate with the Northern Methodist negroes for unification of all the colored Churches, a result much to be desired. (8) This plan should not offend the negroes, because they would be treated exactly as the Methodists in China and Europe and Latin America, but it should please them and the Chinese and others because it would announce our confidence in their ability to manage their own affairs. (9) The plan is absolutely Christian because it proposes to do for the African and the Chinese and the Indian exactly what we would desire if conditions were reversed; for example, if Chinese Methodism were the original and were strong, and America were an object of Chinese missionary enterprise, instead of being forced to become permanently a part of Chinese Methodism, we would prefer, after being helped through our period of weakness, to become an independent American Methodist Church. (10) This plan, by looking toward the ultimate autonomy of Chinese and other racial and national Methodisms, guards against the menace of a world-dominating ecclesiasticism, like Romanism, and the complications and jealousies that would inevitably arise out of the attempt to administer as one system an organization of twenty or fifty millions under fifty different flags and with elements as diverse as Chinese, Indians, Africans, French, Germans, and Americans. If it is not irreligious to be

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PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Bishop Mouzon will preach at First Church, Little Rock, February 14.

WHILE YOU HAVE THE MONEY, SETTLE FOR YOUR SUBSCRIPTION.

It is claimed that every house in Bentonville has in its windows the Red Cross service flag.

The Alumni Bulletin of the University of Arkansas, just received, contains much interesting matter.

YOU APPRECIATE YOUR CHURCH PAPER. SHOW IT BY GETTING YOUR NEIGHBOR TO SUBSCRIBE.

Acting under the War Measures Act the Canadian Government is taking action which will soon give Canada practical prohibition.

The last annual report of President Butler is interesting reading. It shows that last year Columbia University enrolled 22,552 students.

The pastor and his family have been enthusiastically received on the Hampton charge, and the prospects are good for a very splendid year.

Rev. J. C. Johnson of Strong writes: "We like our new field fine and have received two poundings and a nice Christmas turkey from our people."

LOOK AT YOUR LABEL. IF IN ARREARS, PLEASE REMIT WITHOUT WAITING FOR NOTICE. YOUR PROMPT ACTION WILL PLEASE US.

The church building at Hampton is paid out and plans are on foot to have the building dedicated by Bishop E. D. Mouzon in the not far distant future.

Of 323 delegates-elect to the General Conference of 1918, only 102 were members of the General Conference of 1914—63 clerical and 39 lay delegates.

Dr. A. P. Parker, senior editor of the China Christian Advocate, has sailed for America on a furlough. He will study conditions and report to his paper.

Hon. George Thornburgh, who is always remembered in connection with our Orphanage and prohibition, has been quite ill for two weeks, but is now better.

Married.—Mr. Allen R. Williams and Miss Huey Pagan of Strong were married at the Methodist parsonage in Strong, December 29, Rev. J. C. Johnson officiating.

Married.—At the Methodist Church at Portia, December 26, Mr. Victor Sloan and Miss Mayme Burcklin were united in marriage by their pastor, Rev. C. F. Wilson.

Married.—Lieut. John Wilhelm of Pittsburg, La., and Miss Dennie Hays, Little Rock, were married at the Hunter Memorial parsonage, December 28, by Rev. P. Q. Rorie.

Rev. Robert Rouse, a member of South Georgia Conference, within thirty-three days after adjournment of his Conference reported practically all of his Conference claims paid.

Rev. C. W. Myatt, one of the pioneer preachers of Oklahoma, well known among the Arkansas preachers, died December 31 at McAlester. He was a good and useful man.

Rev. Bede Pickering writes: "Everything on

Lacy Circuit moves along nicely. We are now in the parsonage and not, as last year, in a rented house. Every one seemed glad of our return."

The St. Louis Christian Advocate has moved its office from 3504 Washington Ave. to 224-226 Walnut St., St. Louis, which is the Western Newspaper Union Building. This is better for business purposes.

Rev. J. S. Brooke, formerly a member of White River Conference, who has for some years been in Florida Conference, is now a superannuate and lives at Delray, Fla. His New Year's greetings are reciprocated.

Rev. D. H. Colquette has moved the office of the American Bible Society from the Y. M. C. A. building to 312 Masonic Temple, on the same floor with Dr. Thomas, Brother Clem Baker and Hon. George Thornburgh.

The two Georgia Conferences have memorialized the General Conference for authority to create three Conferences in Georgia. This has become a practical necessity with the marvelous growth of Georgia Methodism.

Rev. J. A. Sage of the Camden District is working hard on his first round and making a strenuous effort to have the allowances of his preachers raised to correspond with the high prices they have to pay for everything.

Mr. Henry C. Mathies, a Hendrix graduate, whose home is Wister, Okla., but who for several years has been in business at Hot Springs, has volunteered and been accepted in the navy, and is now in training at Great Lakes, Ill.

Married.—Miss Lois Goddard was married to Lieut. Dale Morrison, December 30, at Beaumont, Tex. They were married by the bride's father, Dr. O. E. Goddard, and will reside in Galveston, where Lieut. Morrison is at present stationed.

Rev. W. T. Thompson writes: "Everything begins well with us at Batesville. A very substantial raise in the salary. A fine board of stewards, who assume all financial obligations. Prayer meeting, League, and Sunday school well attended."

The Board of Trustees of Wesley Memorial Church, Atlanta, will offer to the Church the splendid property known as Wesley Memorial Building, to be used as a Mission Training School. The offer will go to the General Conference of 1918 for consideration by that body.

During January the Louisiana and North Mississippi Conferences will make a circulation campaign in behalf of their Conference organ, the New Orleans Christian Advocate, and in February the Mississippi Conference will take up the movement. It ought to succeed.

Dr. J. M. Workman, who had been called to our city on account of the illness of Hon. Geo. Thornburgh, his wife's father, called Monday. He is enthusiastic over the prospects for raising the Henderson-Brown College debt. He reports that an army officer has been detailed to train his students.

Receipt of a poetic New Year's greeting from our old friend, Rev. A. D. Porter, presiding elder of Corsicana District, is acknowledged. Brother Porter is one of our Arkansas boys who has pushed to the front in Texas. For several years he has been the efficient secretary of Central Texas Conference.

Very properly the press of Northern Methodism abounds in hearty tributes to the character and ability of Dr. Levi Gilbert, for sixteen years editor of the Western Christian Advocate, whose death was announced last week. He was indeed one of the greatest of denominational editors and a rare and beautiful character.

The Billy Sunday campaign, which closed last week at Atlanta, Ga., was pronounced a success. Among the Atlanta reporters who reported the meeting was a son of Rev. Sam Jones, the great Southern evangelist, who with the modern organization, if now living, would doubtless attract as great crowds as Mr. Sunday does.

The Georgia Annual Conferences appointed January as circulation month to secure new subscribers for their organ, the Wesleyan Christian Advocate. With its great constituency, the circulation of that old and excellent paper should be doubled. When doubled it would not have quite the circulation relative to its membership which the Arkansas Methodist enjoys, and yet we expect to increase

our subscribers fifty per cent in the next few years. The Georgia Methodists should do, and will do, more for their great Conference organ.

A movement was launched by the Memphis Conference for its school for women at Jackson, Tenn. A new campus of one hundred acres on the outskirts of the city has been secured, and efforts will be made to secure \$500,000 for buildings and endowment. Jackson is expected to contribute \$100,000. This is a worthy movement.

The January number of our Methodist Review has just been received, but there has been no time to read it. The table of contents is attractive. This splendid periodical should be read by all our preachers and progressive laymen. Send 50 cents to Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn., for this number, and taste and see if it is not good.

The Biblical Recorder, the organ of North Carolina Baptists, one of the oldest and best of Baptist periodicals, issues the statement that, on account of financial stringency, it would be necessary either to use inferior paper or reduce the size, and that the latter alternative had been elected. Most of the Church papers face the same predicament.

At a recent meeting of our State Council of Defense a resolution, offered by Gen. J. R. Gibbons of Bauxite, was adopted to the effect that the railroads should not now be required to carry brewery products when transportation is needed for food, coal, and war materials. General Gibbons, in his logical and forcible way, backed his resolution with striking statistics.

Rev. J. W. Crichlow, who, after serving Danville very successfully for three years, asked for an appointment to Southern Methodist University, is also pastor of Brooklyn Avenue Church, in the suburbs of Dallas. He writes that it is a delightful little charge. His people have given him a hearty welcome and raised the salary over last year. He is well pleased.

Rev. W. H. Huguen of Mount Ida writes: "My people have pledged to pay every obligation when due. We mean to do all we can within our strength and trust God to do the impossible things. Many of my people bring the Arkansas Methodist to Sunday school and Epworth League. I want to collect everything the first of the year and use the last half for good revivals and shouting."

Dr. Arthur M. Harding, professor of Mathematics in the University of Arkansas, has been asked by the Gorham Press of Boston, Mass., to write a series of mathematical text books beginning with high school Algebra and including Analytic Geometry, and also to edit other books of the same character. Dr. Harding is joint author with J. S. Turner of Harding & Turner's Plane Trigonometry.

Miss Margaret Wilson, formerly secretary of the Y. W. C. A. at the University of Arkansas, is now engaged in Association work in India. Due to her superior work at the University of Arkansas Miss Wilson was sent to India without being required to take the one year's graduate work in the National Training School for Y. W. C. A. workers. It is understood that Miss Wilson is connected with a school for the children of English officers.

Dr. O. E. Goddard gives the following summary of his first thirty-one days in Beaumont: "Conducted all the regular services, had five funerals, seven marriages, made more than 200 house-to-house visits and more than 50 in offices and stores, received 31 persons into the church, and, besides the current and devotional reading, read seven new books. The largest book read was 'The Teachings of St. Paul in the Language of the Present Day,' but the most helpful one was 'The Pastor-Preacher,' by Bishop Quayle."

Rev. P. R. Eaglebarger, who was formerly one of the editors of this paper, and who has been conducting a printing business in our city, was at last session of East Oklahoma Conference transferred to Little Rock Conference, and then transferred back to East Oklahoma. He had been a supernumerary of East Oklahoma Conference for several years, and the transfer to Little Rock Conference grew out of a misunderstanding of his relation, and the transfer back to East Oklahoma was merely to return him to his own Conference. He expects to continue in the printing business in Little Rock.

At El Paso, Tex., there was held recently a conference of our missionaries in Mexico and several of the secretaries of our General Board of Mis-

sions. This conference gave to the Mexican situation most careful consideration, and there was full discussion of the various problems that confront the workers of our own Church and of other Protestant churches in Mexico. The conference was practically unanimous in the decision that the wisest policy for our Church is to enter into an agreement with other Protestant churches in Mexico looking to the redistribution of territory and the correlation of all Protestant missionary forces in that country. A striking feature of the conference was a paper prepared by Rev. Jackson B. Cox, in which he proposed the gradual elimination of all the churches as denominational organizations in the interest of the organization and development of one great evangelical Church. We will have at an early date a full report of this conference.

In accordance with the law, the General Committee on Evangelism, at its meeting in Atlanta, December 20, 1917, appointed the following men as general evangelists for the coming year: Rev. John B. Andrews, Siloam Springs, Ark.; Rev. J. M. Bass, Macon, Ga.; Rev. Luther B. Bridges, Gainesville, Ga.; Rev. Henry W. Bromley, D. D., Wilmore, Ky.; Rev. John E. Brown, Siloam Springs, Ark.; Rev. Raymond Browning, Hendersonville, N. C.; Rev. D. L. Coale, Dallas, Tex.; Rev. Burke Culpepper, Memphis, Tenn.; Rev. Albert C. Fisher, Fort Worth, Tex.; Rev. J. O. Hanes, Birmingham, Ala.; Rev. Will J. Harney, Wilmore, Ky.; Rev. Walt Holcomb, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. Arch C. Holder, Shreveport, La.; Rev. Bob Jones, Montgomery, Ala.; Rev. Lovick P. Law, Siloam Springs, Ark.; Rev. W. M. McIntosh, Iuka, Miss.; Rev. Arthur Moore, Macon, Ga.; Rev. H. C. Morrison, D. D., Wilmore, Ky.; Rev. Thurston B. Price, St. Louis, Mo.; Rev. W. C. Swope, Charleston, Mo.; Rev. W. A. Tetley, Fredericktown, Mo.; Rev. S. W. Walker, D. D., Bartow, Fla.

Last Sunday was spent by the editor at Hartford. The trip on the Rock Island trains, which were nearly on time, was very pleasant. As the electric lights were off, the pastor, Rev. J. E. Lark, was at the depot with his lantern to pilot the visitor through the dark to the light and comfort of the parsonage home. On account of the bitter cold and the prospect of no light, the congregations were small, and yet larger than usual under such unpropitious conditions. The Sunday school was fine for a cold day. In behalf of the school Brother Lark presented a pair of cuff buttons to the superintendent, Dr. W. E. Williams, who has so successfully organized and managed the Sunday school. Hartford is a coal mining town, with the difficulties which that implies, and yet Brother Lark, who has been pastor in three mining communities, is hearty in his praise and commendation. His church is loyal and prosperous, and really needs a larger house for Sunday school purposes. The missionary appropriation has been voluntarily and cheerfully relinquished, and the church will endeavor to make good the difference to the pastor. The town has improved much since the last visit. There is a good school building, and Prof. A. E. Pearson, a Hendrix graduate, is the efficient principal. Hartford is always associated in memory with the two Goddards (Revs. S. F. and O. E.), whom old Hartford gave to the church. The severe weather made impracticable the trip to the old town which had been in view. Our interests in this community and in Midland are in safe hands with Rev. J. E. Lark in charge.

GENERAL CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.

The editor of the Alabama Christian Advocate, after visiting Atlanta, expresses doubt concerning the ability of Atlanta to provide hotel accommodations for the General Conference. Those charged with the responsibility reply that they have contracts that will protect the situation; but there is a possibility that there will be crowding and that visitors may find difficulty in securing accommodations. We approved the selection of Atlanta, and trust that nothing will prevent the Conference from convening there. It is due in that part of our Connection, and it is desirable that the Conference should know more of Emory University. However, it is important that ample provision be made and that expenses should be moderate, and it is also desirable that visitors find room. If it should be found necessary to change the location, we shall offer the great facilities and wonderful

attractions of our Hot Springs. It will be possible there at reasonable rates to give the whole Conference rooms, an auditorium, and committee rooms under the same roof. At our Hot Springs we are ready to do all that any other city can do and then add to it for good measure. Give us only sixty days' notice and the General Conference shall have everything it asks for and more. Wake up, Atlanta, and let the Church know exactly what you expect to do. We want you to have this Conference, but stand ready to take it, if another arrangement should become necessary.

FURROW FALLOW FIELDS.

Each pastor expects to carry out the resolution of his Conference to canvass during February for increased circulation of the Arkansas Methodist. Some of the fields are fallow and preparatory breaking will be necessary. Let no one fail to do the required preliminary work to make this campaign bear fruit. The apportionments to the several charges will soon be furnished.

LET THERE BE NO DELAY!

At the suggestion of Bishop Lambuth and those associated with him, our two Conferences agreed to raise \$5,000 each to be used to carry out the plans of our Church in caring for the spiritual welfare of our soldiers. It was also agreed that this sum should be apportioned among the charges and raised during January. The importance and timeliness of this effort cannot be overestimated. We have a great opportunity and a heavy responsibility. Let us respond promptly to the call. Every pastor should without delay present this noble cause and immediately transmit the money to the treasurer of his Conference Board of Missions. Which Conference will first raise its apportionment?

HENDRIX ENDOWMENT.

Our President, Woodrow Wilson, said "Trained mind rules America." I think all will agree that the President is right. The small number of boys and girls attending college in Arkansas is appalling.

Financial embarrassment, poor preparation, the lure of technical schools and universities, lack of desire for broader culture and failure of parents, pastors and teachers to counsel boys and girls, are some of the reasons for these fatal errors. Every loyal citizen and every true Christian should become alive to this situation and seek to remedy it.

Our problem is Hendrix College. We need better equipment and more endowment. Our campaign is now on; if successfully concluded, we will solve all our problems. Failure to secure \$500,000 will set us back many years in all our plans. I surrender to no man or woman in the State on the question of loyalty to our plans, but I am clear in my conclusions in these matters. I know the people will push us over the top.

We will take Liberty Bonds.

We will accept good commercial paper.

We will arrange annuities.

On this last question, brethren, find men and women who want to dispose of money at a good rate of interest on the Annuity Plan. Others may have farms they would give to the college on the Annuity Plan, at a fair rate of interest for life.

We must have \$500,000 for Hendrix College, and we have but a short time, comparatively, to secure it in. Help us and thereby help your State, your Church, and yourself.

On to \$500,000!—James Thomas, for the Team.

BOOK REVIEWS.

Out of Their Own Mouths; Utterances of German Rulers, Statesmen, Savants, Publicists, Journalists, Poets, Business Men, Party Leaders, and Soldiers; published by D. Appleton & Co., New York; price \$1.

If there are still among us those who believe that Germany began the war in self-defense, the reading of this book will disillusion them. There is no comment after the introduction. The Germans are permitted to speak for themselves. The world is today divided into two parties. We must choose between them. There is practically no middle ground. The destiny of mankind depends upon the issue. Our people have been too much under the influence of the German propaganda. We

have been slow to believe that Germany stands for barbarism, and has long planned the attack which is being executed. Read some of the extracts and then get the book. Frederic II said: "If there is anything to be gained by it, we will be honest; if deception is necessary, let us be cheats." Frederick William IV, in 1847, said: "All written constitutions are only scraps of paper." William II (1890): "I welcome with all my heart those who wish to assist me in my work, no matter who they may be, but those who oppose me in this work I will crush." (1910): "Looking upon myself as the instrument of the Lord, without regard to the opinions and intentions of the day, I go my way." (1900): "Use your weapons in such a way that for a thousand years no Chinese shall dare to look upon a German askance. Be as terrible as Attila's Huns." (1914): "I am the instrument of the Almighty. I am his sword, his agent. Woe and death to all those who shall oppose my will." (1915): "The triumph of the greater Germany, which some day must dominate all Europe, is the single end for which we are fighting." Dr. Lasson said: "Between states there is but one sort of right—the right of the stronger;" and "There is no legal obligation upon a State to observe treaties. Treaty rights are governed wholly by considerations of advantage." Prof. Ostwald: "Germany plans to organize Europe. The time has come to rearrange the map of Europe." Pastor Baumgarten: "Anyone who can not bring himself to approve from the bottom of his heart the sinking of the Lusitania, who cannot conquer his sense of the monstrous cruelty to countless perfectly innocent victims and give himself up to honest joy at the victorious exploit of German defensive power—such an one we deem no true German." Prof. Flamon: "If neutrals were destroyed so that they disappeared without leaving any trace, terror would soon keep seamen and travelers away from the danger zones." Ludwig Woltmann: "Papacy and Empire are both Teutonic organizations for domination, meant to subjugate the world. The Teutons are the aristocracy of humanity." Tannenbergh (1911): "The German nation holds a position among the European powers that permits it at once to reach its goal by a single rapid rush. It is Germany's task today to pass from the position of an European Power to that of a World Power." Rudolf Theuden (1914): "Then, as a leading power in a great Teutonia, Germany, after this war, will enter upon the rule of the world." Harden (1914): "Not against our will were we thrown into this gigantic adventure. It was not imposed on us by surprise." Hettner (1915): "The fact that the United States asserts the Monroe Doctrine and practically warns us Europeans out of America does not mean that we must submit to this doctrine." In 1901 Baron Edelsheim submitted a plan for the invasion of the United States.

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a Chinese, it is not irreligious to be a Methodist of Chinese type; but as our Methodism is English in origin and Anglo-American in its development, it may not be adapted in its form and modes to the Chinese or the Indian or the African type of expression. Let us organize American Methodism so that it may be strong for its own development and to help evangelize the world, but let us be liberal enough to provide for the natural self-expression of Methodism in other races. By treating the "Negro Problem" as part of a general problem, we eliminate the offensive elements, free ourselves from petty prejudices, and face the world with a consistent program. In this is no denial of equality in Christian life, but a frank recognition of the right of any race or nationality to organize for the purpose of developing that type of Methodist Christianity best suited to its own genius.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ASSESSMENT.

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North Arkansas Conference.

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FOR A STAINLESS FLAG.

O say can you see through the fierce battle storm
Our temperance banner so gallantly waving?
Like the emblem of hope and redemption its form,
To all whom the minions of Rum are enslaving
It tells of the day when King Alcohol's sway
Shall pass like a vision of terror away,
And our Temperance banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

O say can you hear from mountain and vale,
From city and hamlet the tramp of our legions?
They are gathering strength the proud foe to assail,
And chase the fell fiend to his own gloomy regions,
And conquer we must, for our cause is just,
And this is our motto: "In God is our trust."
And our Temperance banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Ah, why should our National banner yet bear
A stain on its fair folds, over shame's recognition?
Let us wipe out the blot, let us boldly declare,
"No truce to our conflict, but State prohibition."
Then once more on the foe, no quarter to show,
No truce till the demon of rum is laid low,
And the Star-Spangled Banner all stainless shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

—J. E. Godbey, in St. Louis Christian Advocate.

RELIGIOUS WORK IN THE CAMPS.

The declaration of a state of war by our President was followed by a swift response upon the part of the people of the United States. Nor did they act in the spirit of malice. It was the deep and unquestioned conviction of millions of men and women that "the conflict into which we have been irresistibly drawn is one that is so manifestly for the maintenance of righteousness and in behalf of humanity that it should command the courageous and unreserved support of all our people." It has commanded such support and will continue to do so until the world is made safe for democracy, and democracy is written large, in terms of service by the strong to the weak, whether that be the individual or the state. Such a task will not be finished until this has been done in the fear of God, in the strength of righteousness and the spirit of a true brotherhood. This places a grave responsibility upon the church, as well as the nation, since the church is primarily responsible for the moral principles and spiritual forces which make for cleanness of life and nobility of character, of the tens of thousands of young men who under the call of the President and the action of Congress have gathered in our training camps.

At the meeting of the College of Bishops in Jackson, Tenn., the following resolutions were adopted:

"In view of the insistent call which comes from soldiers, chaplains, and pastors of churches near the cantonments, and, moreover, in view of the heavy responsibility suddenly thrust upon us, as a Church, by the presence in the South and West of two-thirds of all the officers and soldiers in training for the United States army and navy, many of whom are our own boys.

"Resolved, First: That the Committee on Chaplains be instructed to take in hand the added work of evangelism, and such other lines of effort, at home and abroad, as they may deem necessary and expedient;

"Resolved, Second: That the committee be authorized to raise the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for war work, by apportioning the same to the Church for voluntary contribution; and,

"Resolved, Third: That, brought face to face with this sudden emergency, it is the sense of the College of Bishops that the Chairman of the Committee, and the Secretaries of the Home Department of the Boards of Mission and of Church Extension should be released, for the present, from other duties for the organization and prosecution of this work, and for the raising of funds, so far as the demands of their respective fields and departments may permit, the Executive Committees of the Board arranging for and being agreeable to the same."

An address to the ministers and members of the church was prepared concerning this important field of religious activity, in which the issue was discussed, and the opportunity and obligation interpreted in terms of "a higher compulsion—a compelling sense of comradeship with all that is highest and best in human civilization."

The war is on. Our boys are assembled in cantonments. It will not be long before they will be ordered to the front. Now is the golden opportunity. They are open to approach as never in their lives. We need experienced men, in addition to chaplains and Y. M. C. A. secretaries, who "are capable of furnishing genuine spiritual guidance." Conditions are not the same in all the communities adjoining the cantonments. In a few cases no outside help seems to be required. In the majority, however, conditions are favorable and the field of evangelism ripe. Let us enter at once. To do it will require men and money. Both must be forthcoming, and without delay.

In some sections where there are large camps the need was anticipated. The presiding elders of the several Texas Annual Conferences assembled in Dallas the last of September resolved to raise the sum of fifty thousand dollars. The New Mexico Conference took action favorable to the raising of \$100,000 and agreed to contribute its quota. The Los Angeles pledged \$600, the Pacific \$2,000, Central Texas \$20,000, Texas \$18,000, Virginia \$15,000. Others have fallen into line, but the specific amounts have not reached the writer. It is to be hoped that prompt reports will be made to Dr. J. M. Moore, secretary.

There is one important point which should not be overlooked. Some of the largest camps are within the bounds of the weaker Conferences. The fund should, therefore, be made available, for application by the General Committee, without as well as within the bounds of the respective Conferences making these contribu-

tions. In every case such application should be subject to the approval of the Annual Conference Committee appointed for this purpose. Soldiers are also being shifted from one State to another or from one camp to another. This is another reason why there should be some elasticity in the application of the fund, and it brings out as well the necessity for a general supervision. Hence the action of the College of Bishops.

The time is short. There is much to be done. It may be now or never with many of these splendid young fellows. Let us act promptly, with a free open hand, and act together taking to heart the almost fatal policy of the allies in Europe during the earlier years of this war. Let there not only be unity in aim, but hearty co-operation in effort.—Walter R. Lambuth, Chairman Chaplain and War Work Committee, M. E. Church, South.

REPRESENTATIVES OF UNITED PROTESTANT FORCES DISCUSS ACTIVITIES OF THE CHURCH DURING WAR TIME.

"Let us not forget the nation's soul," said Dr. Charles S. Macfarland, General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, in closing his report which was presented at the annual meeting of the executive committee of the Federal Council held in Cincinnati from December 12-14, inclusive, and in which he outlined the leading features of the Council's work during the past year.

This was the keynote of the meeting of the committee, which was attended by about 75 of the leaders of the various denominations represented in the Federal Council.

"It is not the business of the Church to run errands for the government. The Church's business is the same as it has always been," said one of the speakers. It will be recalled that President Wilson said to one of the War Time Commissions representing one of the leading denominations, when the Commission waited upon him asking what they might best do: "Go back and strengthen the churches, so that they may prepare the people to respond to the call of the nation."

And here is the challenge which the executive committee sends out to the churches from the Cincinnati meeting: "This is a time of heart-searching and revaluation of present forces and organizations; a realignment of churches in the interest of economy, efficiency, unity, the glory of God and the greater good of mankind.

"The Christian churches of America, with the nation, face world problems today. To meet these problems there must be thrift, co-operation, nation-wide and world-wide vision, and greater unity of life and action.

"Groups of denominations, constituting one family, by reason of history, policy and doctrine, might well seriously and promptly consider the present day providential call to unite, and thus meet the shortage of ministers, overcome administrative duplication, overlapping of territory, and overlooking of the needs of great sections of our land and of nations abroad."

Dr. William Adams Brown reported for the General War Time Commission of the Churches. He gave a brief account of the plans of the Commission's work and the things which they had already accomplished, matters that were pending, lessons learned and things hoped for.

Among the things accomplished, he referred to the survey of religious conditions in the camps and cantonments, which was being furnished to different agencies at work; to the buildings that were being put up co-operatively in the neighborhoods of some great cantonments by the different denominational boards of home missions; to the work that has been done in community organization for the local church; to the activities for increasing the number of chaplains and improving their status, and defining the functions of camp pastors, bringing them into relation one to another and to the other forces that are at work in the community; to the preparation made for the religious care of interned aliens, for the welfare of negro troops and for improving the moral conditions of our soldiers here and abroad. He laid stress on what had been done to bring about personal contact between leaders in the various agencies and to remove misunderstandings between them. He expressed the hope that the result of the Commission's work in the future would give both church and public a greater vision of what the church as a whole is doing, and to prepare the way for the better and more efficient church which must face the task of reconstruction after the war.

Dr. Macfarland, in his report, said that largely owing to war conditions, various committees of the Council have entered into co-operation with committees of denominations not included in the Council's constituency, notably the Southern Baptist Convention and the Lutheran bodies. The special committees appointed from time to time during the year included one on the Interest of the Negro Churches and People, the Committee on the Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, and a special Committee for Religious Work in the Canal Zone. The American Huguenot Committee had had reasonable success in securing funds for the French and Belgian Home Mission Work, and the work of Rev. Henri Anet of the Franco-Belgian Evangelization Committee is highly commended.

The most important action ensuing from the special Washington meeting of the Federal Council was the ultimate appointment of the General War Time Commission. The work of the Washington office was reviewed in its relationship not only to the General Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains, but to the General War-Time Commission and other Commissions.

The war relief movement had been continued in co-operation with the various war relief organizations until the time of the Washington meeting, when it was merged mainly into the American Red Cross Campaign. The co-operative relationships of the Council

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cil had been increased during the year, especially in relation to the government departments and organizations doing war work.

The section of the report entitled, "International Relationships," was of unusual importance, and a new committee was reported to take up the question of co-operation between all the religious organizations doing evangelical work in France and Belgium. The report contained interesting correspondence with French Protestant bodies, with religious leaders in Holland, relative to closer co-operation with the evangelical forces in that country, and various messages of a fraternal nature from Great Britain, France, China, and other parts of the world. Correspondence from Australia reported the organization of a Federal Council in that country.

The General Secretary recommended earnest consideration of the problem of reconstruction after the war, with the authorization to make suitable provision for stimulating and unifying the work of the churches looking in this direction.

The General Secretary had attended over 200 conferences and local federation gatherings, delivering about 200 addresses at these meetings.

Taken as a whole, the progress recorded during the year, especially in the matter of the important developments in connection with the war, is probably greater than in any other year of the Council's history.

Rev. Charles Stelzle, Field Secretary of the Federal Council, reported on the various publicity campaigns which he has conducted in behalf of temperance movements related to the Federal Council—the "Strengthen America" campaign, which will make use of the daily newspapers of the country for an entire year, the campaign conducted in the Washington newspapers while the Senate was discussing war prohibition, and the campaign of paid advertising in the labor papers of the United States. He also referred to the labor temperance mass meeting of working men and open forums conducted by him during the past year in various parts of the country. Studies had been made of cities

of 100,000 population or over, which have been dry for a year or more, for the purpose of finding out how prohibition had worked out. The plans for the Campaign for the Conservation of Human Life, to be carried on during the next three or four years, were also outlined by Mr. Stelzle.

Meetings of the various commissions of the Federal Council, all of whom reported to the executive committee, were held during the progress of the committee meeting. One of the chief items of the report of the Commission on Temperance was the reference to the work of the United Committee on War Temperance Activities in the Army and Navy, which was launched at the Washington meeting of the Federal Council, held last May. Twenty-one of the leading temperance organizations have become affiliated with this united movement, all but four of which have assumed some definite responsibility for the program. The committee is installing stereomographs in the more important training camps, placing attractive posters in the Y. M. C. A. huts, and issuing millions of specially prepared pamphlets for soldiers and sailors. The committee is also sending temperance speakers to the camps. Motion picture films have been made especially for the committee's work. The committee is also operating in France. It is probable that about \$50,000 will be spent for this work during the year. Upon the recommendation of the Commission on Temperance, the following resolution was adopted by the executive committee: "The Council reaffirms its conviction that total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the State and Nation is the path of wisdom and safety and commends the efforts of those individuals and temperance organizations as well as the attitude of these labor unions, manufacturers and business men that encourage total abstinence and favor prohibition. The Council holds that the people of the United States should be given the opportunity to pass upon the question of national prohibition in accordance with the methods provided in the Federal Constitution.

"We recommend that the Temperance Commission be authorized to consider the immediate necessity of co-operation in temperance work in countries abroad and of advancing the temperance cause in missionary lands, and that the Commissions be authorized to confer with the administrative committee on this subject.

"We recommend that the Council reaffirm its position urging the imperative necessity of the prohibition of the liquor traffic for the period of the war, as expressed on pages 15 and 16 of the minutes of the special Washington meeting of May 7, 8, 9, 1917."

It was also voted that the substance of this resolution be telegraphed to Congress.

Reporting for the Commission on Evangelism, Dr. Charles L. Goodell said: "It is the purpose of the Commission to emphasize the importance of a sane evangelism among our federated churches. While sympathetic to every approved method, it desires to put the chief emphasis upon the pastoral and personal evangelism which is the work of the individual pastor and the individual church, federating themselves with all others of kindred purpose. To this your Commission will give itself with earnest purpose during the coming year."

The Commission announced that it would soon secure a man who would

give his entire time to the work of the Commission, for the purpose of carrying out the program of the Commission among the churches.

Reports were also made by the Commission on Interchurch Federations, Social Service, Church and Country Life, International Justice and Good Will, Relations with the Orient, and Christian Education.

Reports were also received from the permanent committees on Foreign Missions, Home Missions, and Family Life and Religious Rest Day.

The Executive Committee adopted a resolution of friendly greeting to be sent to Mr. John B. Lennon, who has served for nearly forty years as treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, but who was relieved from this duty at the last meeting of the Federation, held a few weeks ago. The hope was expressed that Mr. Lennon might devote himself more fully to the task of interpreting labor to the church and the church to labor.

Chaplain Alfred Ernest Victor Monod was formally received by the Federal Council, and he presented a greeting from the Federation of French Protestant Churches. The sympathy of the Council was extended to Chaplain Lauga, who became quite ill while on a speaking trip of the West, and who is now in Denver. The Rev. Henri Anet of the American Huguenot Commission was also presented to the committee.

The General Secretary was authorized to convey the greetings and hearty good will of the Federal Council to the various churches and federated church bodies abroad. The subject of religious work and the needs in Europe after the war was referred to the administrative committee for careful consideration. The General War Time Commission of the Churches was requested to give immediate attention to the question of nation-wide publicity to the work of the Christian churches during the war and in behalf of the war. A special committee, consisting of Rev. Howard B. Grose and Rev. George B. Stuart, was appointed to prepare a statement relative to the spiritual needs of the churches and of the country.

The business committee of the executive committee especially emphasized and commended the closing words of the report of the General Secretary: "Let us not forget that in this hour the Church of Jesus Christ has a task all its own. Most of the things we have been doing are but the preparation for our task, which is yet before us—to bring the nation to the sense of the Infinite and the Eternal, to bring the church herself to the profound consciousness of her impotence to heal the nation with the virtue that goes out from her, as she stands in the plain, with the Master, unless with Him she has continued in the mountain during the night, and entered into the consciousness of his unceasing prayer. Let us not forget the nation's soul."

A resolution regarding the organization of the churches for the promotion and study of Christian friendship was adopted, as follows: "Resolved, That the executive committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America earnestly urges:

"First: That each constituent body of the Federal Council which has not already done so shall form, as soon as possible, a denominational commission for effective co-operation with the World Alliance for Promoting International Friendship through the churches.

"Second: That each denominational Commission which has already been established for co-operation with the American branch of the World Alliance shall take active steps for securing in the local churches of its own group the study at some time during the coming winter of a brief course on Christian Internationalism.

"Third: That each local Church Federation be urged to adopt as an integral part of its regular activity for the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God, the program of the Commission on International Justice and Good Will, as set forth in the report of the Pittsburgh Congress, and to take steps, as soon as may be practicable, to form a committee for its promotion."

Many of the speakers attending the meeting of the executive committee gave addresses at the Cincinnati Church Congress, conducted by the Federation of Churches of Cincinnati and vicinity simultaneously with the meeting of the executive committee. Addressing this Congress, Dr. Roy B. Guild, executive secretary of the Commission on Inter-Church Federation, said: "There are certain elements essential to the success of a federation: First, a strong conviction that community conditions demand Christian co-operative effort; secondly, an organization that mobilizes the churches for continuous and effective action; thirdly, the acceptance of larger responsibilities by the laymen, who have a better chance than the ministers to understand the community; fourth, executive leadership, employed or volunteer; and fifth, a carefully thought-out program for the present and the future. There must be a careful survey of the city, to discover its needs, and an analysis of its resources. The carrying out of any plan to change conditions radically calls for money. Therefore, the sixth essential is a simple but adequate financial plan. The seventh requisite is the spirit that always puts the kingdom of heaven first, the test being not 'What will our church get out of it?' but 'How much can my church put into it?' The eighth essential is the all-essential of success—purpose, and the prayer of Jesus 'that they may be one, that the world may believe.'"

Among others who spoke were Rev. Frank H. Nelson, rector of Christ Church, where the meeting of the executive committee was held, Rev. Henry A. Atkinson, D. D., secretary of the National Service Commission of the Congregational Churches; Rev. Ernest Bourner Allen, D. D., pastor Washington Street Congregational Church, Toledo, Ohio; Frederick Lynch, D. D., editor of "Christian

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Work;" Robert E. Speer, LL. D., chairman of the General War Time Commission of the Churches; Rev. Charles O. Gill, secretary of the Commission on the Church and Country Life, Rev. Frank Mason North, D. D., president of the Federal Council; Rev. James I. Vance, D. D., chairman of the executive committee of the Federal Council; Hon. Carl E. Milliken, governor of Maine, and Rev. Charles Stelzle, Field Secretary of the Federal Council.

THE RECORD OF FIDELITY IN A COUNTRY DISTRICT OF THE VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

At a District Institute called in February, 1917, consisting of pastors of every charge, church leaders, and two key stewards from each church, a quiet and deliberate survey was made of the record of the past year, which was only a duplication of many years previous, which revealed:

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5. A fair average development of Sunday school Bible work.

This revelation of existing facts was unfolded to these good, honest men by the zealous presiding elder, Conference lay leader, and two district leaders. The question was fairly asked how long they were willing to use God's blessings in abundant prosperity, and allow His cause to be thus annually in default; how they could possibly expect their Church to commend itself to the world when they thus defaulted upon their vows to adequately "support the institutions of the church and attend upon her ordinances."

Finally, each charge was asked to pledge itself to a sincere effort for 100 per cent efficiency during the coming year. One by one they did so, declaring that it had not been altogether a lack of loyalty or love for their church in the past, but simply a lack of full understanding of duty, of just what was expected of them, and that, by God's help, they would try to reach the mark of efficiency which this Conference or Institute had fixed for them.

The meeting adjourned after but two hours' effort.

Ten months later the District reported to the Annual Conference, which session closed November 20. Hear the result:

1. Every preacher's salary substantially increased, the average of 24 pastors being \$1,131, or \$411 more than the average of the Conference. One village church with a membership of 150 paid its pastor \$2,000, besides a handsome parsonage.

2. The ready assumption of the support of four full-fledged American missionaries in the foreign field, at a cost of \$4,500 per year, besides many specials in nearly every church.

3. Every assessment of every character met in full without an outside contribution of a single dollar.

4. All eight charges removed from the pension roll of the Conference Board of Missions, and every dollar already raised for the payment of these pastors for the coming year.

5. A vigorously developed Wesley Bible Class for men in 120 churches—very nearly 100 per cent of the number.

This marvelous transformation was quietly accomplished without the least publicity or noise of any kind; simply illustrating, first, the willingness of the men to respond when intelligently advised; secondly, what a live, indefatigable presiding elder can do, assisted by consecrated district leaders.

Truly, it can be done just in proportion to the degree of zeal and desire we are willing to put into it.

This, then, is the record of the Eastern Shore District of the Virginia Conference—a district without a single city in it.—T. S. Southgate, Conference Lay Leader.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

The recent annual session of this body was by every token a notable occasion. One thing that strongly impressed me was the fact that this is a growing Conference. It is composed of strong, noble men, who are loyal to Christ, consecrated to his service and thoroughly furnished unto every good work.

Bishop Mouzon made a favorable impression on the Conference. In his public utterances and official administration he gave evidence of gifts and equipment commensurate with his responsible office. The Bishop's address on Christian Education evoked many complimentary comments. It was indeed a masterpiece, buttressed with invincible logic and fervent with impassioned eloquence. His sermon on Sunday found a deep response in many faithful hearts, for it broadened the vision and intensified the zeal of his hearers. We like him and would be delighted to have him returned to us next year.

Dr. H. M. DuBose, the able editor of the Methodist Review, was a welcome visitor, and added materially to the interest of our session by his speech on Church Extension. In the realm of literature Dr. DuBose has no superior in the ranks of Methodism. He is the author of several books, and his history of Methodism supplementing the great work of Bishop McTyeire is timely and full of interest.

Dr. Stonewall Anderson favored us with his presence and edified the Conference with his stirring appeal for Christian Education.

The entire work of the year proved in every way satisfactory. Missions, Church Extension, Education, Sunday Schools, Epworth Leagues, and other topics were carefully considered by the respective committees, and freely discussed on the Conference floor. There was strong evidence of progress in the past and a hopeful outlook for the new year.

This Conference is especially interested in our institutions of learning, all of which are doing excellent work and most of which are embarrassed for lack of financial strength. It is a matter of history that the small, struggling denominational colleges have in a large measure furnished the men and women who are leaders in Church and State.

This Conference has elected a strong delegation to the General Conference, which will convene in 1918. Dr. A. C. Millar, the chairman, and all the others are men who have understanding of the times to know what Israel ought to do, and all the interests of the Church will be entirely safe in their hands.

The presiding elders gave gratifying reports of their several districts, and are looking forward to still greater conquests in the years to come. My presiding elder, W. C. Watson, made the best report that has ever been made for the Pine Bluff District. There were many gracious revivals throughout the Conference and a large number of converts were added to the church.

The resolution requesting the General Conference of 1922 to hold its session at Hot Springs was highly appropriate. By reason of its central location, its scenic beauty, its delightful climate and its healing waters, Hot Springs is an ideal place for that great assembly. Having been pastor of Central Church, I know from personal experience that the citizens of

Hot Springs cannot be surpassed for genuine hospitality, and their interest in every good cause.

Arkadelphia entertained us in the style of old-time Southern hospitality. The good people spared no pains to make their guests comfortable. If any brother did not have a good home and plenty to eat, he kept very quiet about it. It was my good fortune to be placed in the beautiful home of Mrs. Joe Moore, who also entertained Dr. P. C. Fletcher and Dr. DuBose. The memory of our sweet and sacred association will linger through all the coming years.—Theodore Copeland.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE RESOLUTIONS.

The Anti-Saloon League of America, in convention assembled, this 13th day of December, 1917, expresses its gratitude to Almighty God for guidance and success.

We affirm our loyalty and devotion to the cause of democracy and pledge our fullest co-operation to the government and the President of the United States in the mighty conflict now on between autocratic license on the one hand, and political, economic, moral and religious liberty on the other.

We greatly rejoice in the remarkable progress during recent years as shown in the sustaining of the interstate liquor shipment law by the United States Supreme Court, together with numerous other national and State decisions against the liquor traffic, the defeat of the liquor forces in all efforts to reclaim dry States, the extension of prohibition to 27 States, Alaska, Porto Rico and the District of Columbia, the passage by Congress of the anti-liquor advertising, bone dry and interstate liquor shipment laws, the prohibition of the sale of liquors in the army and navy and to all uniformed soldiers and sailors, the federal appropriations to provide for the recreation and moral welfare of the soldiers in army posts and military camps, the elimination of food stuff waste in the manufacture of distilled liquors, the action by the United States Senate in passing the Federal Prohibition Resolution, as well as other progress toward prohibition and the enforcement of prohibitory laws through the several departments of the federal government and through constituted authorities throughout the nation.

We urge upon Congress the immediate submission of the National Prohibition Amendment to our Federal Constitution, thus enabling the States to take prompt action to ratify the same, and thus write this great conservation principle into the basic law of the nation.

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to prohibit the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages during the war, and for prohibition in the territory of Hawaii.

We express most emphatically our opinion that the welfare of our country requires the complete abolition of the use of food stuffs in the manufacture of beer and wine as well as in the matter of spirituous liquors, and we urge the President of the United States to exercise forthwith the authority conferred upon him by Congress to prevent the further waste of food stuffs, fuel, man-power and transportation facilities by breweries, wineries, and other manufactories of intoxicants.

We most earnestly call upon the President and upon the War and Navy Departments of the United States to impress upon our Allies that while the people of this country are willing to give freely of our money and of our sons to the winning of this war, we cannot agree to lay the sobriety and the virtue of our manhood as a sacrifice upon the altars of drunkenness and vice. We urge the adoption of such regulations for the army and navy outside of the United States, and such diplomatic representatives to other countries as will give to our men abroad equal protection to that which they have at home in the cantonments and naval bases of our own country.

We protest not only against the use of food stuffs in the manufacture of intoxicating liquors at home, but also against the use of food stuffs shipped from this country for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors abroad.

We call upon all good citizens to join in campaigns for the ratification of the constitutional amendment after Congress shall have submitted the same to the States. We protest against any compromise. The worst saloons in America have been brewery-owned or controlled. The propaganda in behalf of beer, conducted by the German-American Alliance, is in harmony with the other recently disclosed activities of that organization, which brand it as an enemy to our country. Wherever alcohol is sold, whether in beer, wine or whiskey, the country is weakened. The only adequate remedy is the annihilation of the whole traffic. Nothing less will solve the alcohol problem and nothing less will give democracy a fair chance in its great work of making men. For this we fight, and to this holy purpose we pledge our sacred honor.

Unanimously adopted by the Board of Directors of the Anti-Saloon League of America in regular session, December 13, 1917.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of winter add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1-4 oz. of glycerine. Any drug-gist 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.

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"Foreign missionaries are God's ordained peacemakers. They carry the message of love across national boundaries to the ends of the earth. They show by their lives that they believe that God has made of one blood all the nations of the earth and that God is going to judge the world by Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Prince of Peace, our Brother."—C. E. Jefferson.

THANKS AND A FEW REMINDERS.

With many thanks to the good friends who have added to the value of the Missionary Department in the past, we again remind them and other co-workers that we wish to hear from every Woman's Missionary auxiliary in Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences during the year.

So far, with less than half a dozen exceptions, the editor has used every communication which has been received. Those not used were items that were too nearly duplicates of something which had already been published in the department, but not seen by the second writer, who wished to help us.

Again we ask that names of contributors be signed to all reports, items and communications sent us. Whoever desires her name withheld from publication may tell us and her wish shall be respected.

Be sure to write on one side only of the paper, and always use a pen unless the ink is frozen.

As far as possible, avoid abbreviations, remembering there are still some Methodists who are not perfectly familiar with our work.

Above all, don't forget to commend the Arkansas Methodist to the men, women and children of the State. It is not only our church organ, but a valuable educator in national and international affairs.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE WM. M. S.—ANNUAL MEETING.

Mrs. F. M. Tolleson, president, writes that the annual meeting of the North Arkansas Conference Woman's Missionary Society will be held in Conway, February 11-15, and that the program will be sent us for publication in this department next week. Let every auxiliary in the Conference elect a delegate at once and do its part toward making this meeting the best one in the good records.

ITEMS FROM AUXILIARIES.

Arkadelphia Young People.

Miss Hazel Clements, corresponding secretary, reports for the year 1917: Number of members, 55. To Conference pledge for work in Japan and on Pacific Coast for Orientals, \$25. This society is correlated with the Epworth League.

Lakeside Young People.

A friend reports for this organization 34 members, 22 in mission study class; that the auxiliary uses bulletins and leaflets, presents Christian stewardship and observed the Week of Prayer. It has a Social Service Committee. The membership offering for the quarter, \$10.20; to Conference pledge, \$5.55; Week of Prayer offering, \$12; spent in local relief, \$36.65; value of supplies sent off, \$25.

Lewisville Adult Auxiliary.

In response to your request as to the success of Harvest Day in the Missionary Societies, I'll report for our auxiliary. Early in November our treasurer said, "I wish we could get the dues and pledge paid before Christmas. It is usually so late in January before it all comes in."

With this wish came the suggestion to observe Harvest Day the first Monday in December, and we did. Our committee had the room artistically decorated with autumn leaves and harvest fruits. Nearly every one paid up before the meeting, and others finished then. Later the treasurer saw the two members who were absent that day, so she was able to send her report off with everything collected before the middle of December. There was a 10 per cent increase in the pledge, and over 15 per cent increase in total funds collected. We used the program suggested in the Missionary Voice, with the addition of an original paper on Tithing. All enjoyed the program and the treasurer felt like a load had been lifted from her shoulders. The funds for the year exceeded any report ever sent from the auxiliary. We certainly want to observe Harvest Day every year.—Mrs. J. W. Mann, Auxiliary Supt. of Publicity.

Texarkana—Fairview Young People.

For the fourth quarter of 1917 this auxiliary sends a good report through Miss Laura Floyd, corresponding secretary, who writes that these young women have started out to do even better work in 1918. Their meetings are held twice a month, and the members are much interested in Bible Study and in "Comrades in Service" of the Mission study course.

They have 17 members, three new ones added during the last quarter, and all are in Mission study class. They have six subscribers to Missionary Voice and two to Young Christian Worker. They use bulletins and leaflets, present Christian stewardship, have a committee on Social Service, and observed Week of Prayer. For the quarter they sent to Conference treasurer, dues, \$1.38; Conference pledge, \$4; Week of Prayer offering, \$1; supplies given away, \$1. At home these ladies call themselves the "King's Daughters," but they will not entirely drop their Methodist family name, Young People's Missionary Society, by which they are known throughout our church.

NOTES FROM MISSIONARY BULLETIN.

War Work Among Foreigners.—At Kansas City the Institutional Church served as the center for the local Board of Exemption for the Fifth Ward, using two rooms in the building for that work. The pastor's study served for office work and the choir room for physical examination and tests. Classes in canning fruits and vegetables were held during the vacation Bible school. The Italian girls' club, the American mothers' club, and the Missionary Society are doing Red Cross work.

What the Mobile Settlement House Has Done for the War.—The Mobile settlement was used as a registration

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center by the Fifth ward of the city, where more than four hundred were registered. The mothers' club organized into a Red Cross unit, working two afternoons a month making hospital garments, and the young women's club organized into a Red Cross unit, meeting twice a month to make bandages, while a third group combined to do Red Cross knitting. The settlement served as a canning demonstration center and also as a food conservation center. All were enthusiastic over this work.

Attention, Young People.—In addition to the material indicated in the Yearbook for the January meeting, we have sent out a song, "Beautiful Japan," which we hope will be used in every young people's society in the Church. Special attention is called to the words of this beautiful song. Sing it in your January meeting and on special occasions during the year. Additional copies may be secured from Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

IF HAIR IS TURNING GRAY, USE SAGE TEA

Don't Look Old! Try Grandmother's Recipe To Darken and eBautify Faded, Streaked Hair.

That beautiful, even shade of dark, glossy hair can only be had by brewing a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray or streaked, just an application or two of Sage and Sulphur enhances its appearance a hundredfold.

Don't bother to prepare the mixture; you can get this famous old recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients for 50 cents a large bottle, all ready for use. It is called Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound. This can always be depended upon to bring back the natural color and lustre of your hair.

Everybody uses "Wyeth's" Sage and Sulphur Compound now because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair has disappeared, and after another application it becomes beautifully dark and appears glossy and lustrous. This ready-to-use preparation is a delightful toilet requisite for those who desire dark hair and a youthful appearance. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

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LESSON FOR JANUARY 20.

By Rev. W. L. Oliver.

Lesson: Mark 1:21-45.

Golden Text: I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day. John 9:4.

Connection and Introduction.—After Jesus had called the four disciples by the Sea of Galilee, he with them went into Capernaum. Thus today's lesson follows immediately after the events studied in the last. We are now studying about Jesus as he was seen in the year of public favor. His work was preaching and working miracles. The theme of his preaching was the "good news" of the kingdom, and by his miracles he did good to the people. In his ministry he adapted his work to human needs. He found ceremonialism in place of service to God; he found sin, disease, and demon-possession of men. His mission was to teach spiritual truth and relieve physical and spiritual distress. In doing his work he avoided no case, no matter how desperate. No situation was beyond his skill. He was equal to every occasion. Mark narrates some of his works to show his more than human power, he himself being the source of the power manifested.

In our lesson we have Jesus meeting human needs (1) by his teaching, (2) by casting out demons, (3) by healing.

Comment.

1. Teaching. Verses 21-22.—Jesus went with his disciples into the synagogue on the Sabbath day. We read elsewhere that it was his custom to attend the services in the synagogue on the Sabbath. The ordinary service there consisted of reading from the Scriptures and adding some sort of comment. The scribes' method of doing the latter was by citing the saying of the rabbis. These sayings and comments of the rabbis had come to have equal authority with the Scriptures.

It was customary for the ruler of the synagogue to invite someone to read and then speak to the assembled people. On this occasion, when opportunity came, Jesus spoke. He did not quote for authority from the rabbis, but spoke on his own authority. His exposition was so clear, so spiritual, and so convincing that his hearers were astonished. The world has not ceased to wonder at his teaching. It has been the astonishment of all the centuries since he spoke. He claimed authority above any who had ever spoken before, even above Moses. That claim, judged by the teaching itself, none can now dispute.

2. Casting Out Demons.—The Cry: The second thing brought to our notice here which Jesus did to meet human needs was casting out a demon. There was in the synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. Luke says "an unclean devil." The "unclean" doubtless refers to the unholy and impure acts caused by the demon. The points to note in this are: (1) The unclean spirit recognized the opposition of Jesus to him. Wherever Jesus went, wickedness at once recognized that he was against it. Evil and bad men have always felt God and righteousness against them;

(2) the unclean spirit demanded that he (they) be left alone. Demons do not want to be disturbed even by the Son of God. They raise a protest against being driven from the places held by them. So it happens today, sin, idleness, ignorance and crime all ask to be let alone. There is entrenched devilry today which raises the same disturbed cry when Christ is presented; (3) the unclean spirit recognized Jesus as the "Holy One of God." Whether men will acknowledge his claim as the Son of God, the devils know him. (4) Orthodoxy is not conversion. The devils might acknowledge Jesus as the Christ and remain devils still.

The Command: Jesus forbade the demon to speak after that first cry, in which he had declared him to be the Holy One of God, lest it might seem that he received the testimony of demons, and thus give occasion to the accusation that he was in league with devils. But Jesus commanded him to come out of the man. And immediately, against his will, the demon came out.

The Deliverance: The man who had been at the mercy of the unclean spirit was by the word of Christ set at liberty. Here we have the compassionate Christ coming to the rescue of demon-possessed man. What greater evidence of the willingness of Christ to break the power of sin over men is needed? And his power is commensurate with his willingness.

The Amazement: The people were greatly astonished at what had been done. They recognized that what had been done was through the word spoken by Jesus; that he needed but to speak a word and demons must yield. But this wonder was not conversion, nor does it seem to have led to conversion. Thus, men may behold and wonder and still not act on the evidence which they acknowledge.

3. Healing. Verses 29-34.—First in Simon's home. After the miracle in the synagogue Jesus, with his disciples, went to the home of Simon. Simon's mother-in-law was sick with a fever, and they tell him of her. Luke (4:38) says that it was a great fever and that they besought him for her. We notice (1) that they told Jesus that she was sick and requested him to heal her. Doubtless he knew before he was told (John 11:11-13), but awaited this act of concern on their part, just as he waits for us to make known our wants to him today. (2) Jesus came where she was. He could have healed her at a distance, as he did in a few cases, but he delighted to go to people in need of him. (3) He took her by the hand when he had gone where she was. He would give proof of his willingness to help by personal contact. (4) He lifted her up. The fever had left her weakened; here was an offer of strength.

Second, in the street. When the report of what Jesus had already done on that Sabbath went through the town there was intense excitement. And when the Sabbath was ended, which occurred at sundown, they came bringing their sick and possessed in great numbers. Jesus refused none of them. Matthew says he heal-

ed them all.

Lessons:

Christ sympathizes with men in all their afflictions.

Christ is able to meet all the needs of mankind.

Men may acknowledge the greatness and power of Christ and still never surrender to him.

Questions:

What was a characteristic of Jesus' teaching?

Why did the unclean spirit say, "Let us alone?"

How did the unclean spirit know Jesus?

Why does Luke say Simon's mother-in-law had a "great fever?"

Why does Mark add, "and she ministered unto them?"

SOME THINGS HAPPENING IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL WORLD.

The Methodist Sunday school at El Dorado, with Rev. W. C. Hilliard pastor and Fred Vantrease superintendent, has adopted ten French war orphans for this year.

The Central Avenue Methodist Church at Hot Springs is fortunate in securing the services of Rev. R. L. Duckworth as director of Religious Education. This is one of the few churches in our whole connection, and the only Methodist church in Arkansas, taking this advanced step. Rev. M. N. Waldrup is the pastor and Brother F. M. Sigler the superintendent of the Sunday school. With this leadership Central Avenue is to have a real School of Religion. The roll of officers and teachers has been trebled in the past six months.

On January 4-5 there was held in Vicksburg, Miss., a meeting of the six Conference field secretaries of the Gulf Division, together with Divisional Field Secretary Mr. A. L. Dietrich and Mr. J. M. Way of the Atlantic Division. Characterized by much prayer and deep consecration, the meeting was very helpful in every way. Plans were made for the promotion of our Sunday school work throughout this division this year. A series of District Sunday School Institutes was provided for the Little Rock Conference.

The Gulf Division, made up of the two Alabama, the two Mississippi, the Louisiana and the two Arkansas Conferences, embraces about one-fourth of the membership of the entire Southern Methodist Church. All of these Conferences, except one, employ a Conference Sunday School Field Secretary.

On an apportionment of \$2,847 for its Sunday school field work, the Alabama Conference paid \$2,563 last year.

Winfield Memorial Sunday School, Rev. J. D. Hammons, pastor, and C. E. Hayes, superintendent, gave a Christmas offering of \$126 to the Armenian and Syrian Relief Fund.

The Little Rock Conference has doubled its Children's Day offering within the past two years.

All four of the lay delegates from the Little Rock Conference to the General Conference are wide-awake Sunday school superintendents.

Mrs. Clay Smith, our Conference elementary superintendent, is spending a month visiting her husband, Lieutenant Smith, at Leon Springs, Texas.

Presiding Elder J. A. Henderson has already begun active preparation for the "biggest and best" Institute the Prescott District has ever had. The time planned for the Institute is the last of April.

Mrs. T. O. Owen of Fordyce has been appointed elementary superintendent for the Camden District to succeed Miss Irene Ramsey, resigned. Mrs. Edwin Scales of Crossett succeeds Mrs. Owen as elementary superintendent for the Monticello District.

The first Year Book of the Little Rock Conference Sunday School Board is now on the press and will soon be ready for distribution. A copy of this book will be sent free to each presiding elder, pastor, and superintendent in the Conference.

Sunday school folks should have their part in the February campaign for 3,000 new subscribers for the Arkansas Methodist. No department of our church work has been more favored by the Methodist than has the Sunday school department. We could not do our work without it. Let every superintendent and teacher subscribe for the Arkansas Methodist and make it a part of his Sunday school library.

One of the most encouraging features of the field work of the Little Rock Conference is the splendid financial support given us by our larger schools. When such schools as First Church, Little Rock, First Church, Texarkana, First Church, Pine Bluff, Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Winfield, Asbury, Lakeside, Camden, El Dorado, Fordyce, Arkadelphia, Hope, Nashville, Prescott, Benton, and a score of others get equally as loyal, get behind our work, and not only pay their apportionment in full, but also give us a great Children's Day offering, we feel that the success of our great undertaking is assured. The absolute necessity of the support of these larger schools becomes apparent when it is remembered that the Field Secretary visits scores of schools where his expenses are three or four times as much as the school is able to contribute to our work.

CALOMEL TODAY, SICK TOMORROW

Dose of Nasty Calomel Makes You Sick and You Lose a Day's Work.

Calomel salivates! It's mercury! Calomel acts like dynamite on a sluggish liver. When calomel comes into contact with sour bills it crashes into it, causes cramping and nausea.

If you feel bilious, headachy, constipated and all knocked out, just go to your druggist and get a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone, which is a harmless vegetable substitute for dangerous calomel. Take a spoonful, and if it doesn't start your liver and straighten you up better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money.

If you take calomel today you'll be sick and nauseated tomorrow; besides, it may salivate you, while if you take Dodson's Liver Tone you will wake up feeling great, full of ambition and ready for work or play. It's harmless, pleasant and safe to give to children; they like it.

ARKANSAS SONG LEAFLET.

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.

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LESSON FOR JANUARY 20.

"Young Christians Reaching Upward." Ps. 63:1-8; Col. 3:1-4.

The Companionship of God.—This takes us to the ultimate source of all life and power. The history of the world is chiefly the record of what men have thought and felt concerning God. The idea which lay at the root of the ancient family and the ancient state was the idea of God. The priest was more powerful than the king. The great epics, the great cathedrals, the great works of art have sprung from a sense of God; and so have the great discoveries and most of the great movements among mankind. The ruling idea of Columbus in undertaking his epoch-making voyage was to extend the powers of the church. When armies partake of the sacrament as they did on the field of Crecy, or when men enter battle singing Psalm's, like Cromwell's soldiers, when a general turns aside to pray as Washington did, or a president begins and ends each day in counsel with God, as Wilson does, we may know that great deeds will be done. The mostly sung hymn today—used by Catholics as well as Protestants—is, "Nearer, My God, To Thee."

The Call of the Heights.—The mere association of an ideal has led many a man to live a life of eminence and excellence; its higher manifestation, aspiration has led him beyond the stars. If the aim be right the life in its details cannot be far wrong. Your heart must inspire what your hands execute, or the work will be poorly done. The hand cannot reach higher than does the heart. "I, too, am a painter", said Correggio when he first looked on Raphael's Saint Cecilia. Demosthenes was so fired by the eloquence of Callistratus that he then and there resolved to become an orator. "If I held truth captive in my hand," said Malebranche, "I should open my hands and let it fly in order that I might again pursue and capture it." God has not created us with aspirations and longing for heights to which we cannot climb. Live upward! The unattained still beckons us toward the summit of life's mountain, into the atmosphere where great souls live and breathe and have their being.

The Vision Essential.—Where there is no upward look there is no life. Everywhere man moves from meanness to nobleness, from limitation to enlargement, from subjugation to freedom, from sin to grace, not through any process of thinking or argument, but by distinct and radiant vision. When the Disciples say one to the other, "We have seen the Lord," their hearts burn within them, and their lives glow with sacrifice and service. In the words of the poet: "A man's

Keeps Our Bodies Warm.

Pure, rich, red blood is a necessity in the production of animal heat. It keeps our bodies warm. We all know very well that when the arteries that carry it to a limb are bound or tied, the temperature of the limb is immediately lowered.

There is a suggestion in this that, at this time of year especially, we should take Hood's Sarsaparilla if our blood is impure, impoverished or pale. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the blood good in quality and quantity. It has an unequalled record for radically and permanently removing blood diseases, scrofula, rheumatism and catarrh, and giving strength and tone to the whole system. It is a scientific combination of roots, barks, herbs and other medicinal substances that have long been used by successful physicians. Get it today.

reach should exceed his grasp or what is heaven for? Too low they build who build beneath the stars."

Room At the Top.

There's ever a crowd in the valley,
For the lower a soul descends,
The more it finds of the smaller minds,
That seek but their selfish ends;
There's companionship in the valley,
With others your lot is thrown;
But the man who tries for the larger prize
Must travel the heights alone.

He must make for himself a pathway
Where no other foot e'er trod,
Till he grows complete in contentment sweet,
As he learns to walk with God;
There is glory upon the mountain,
Though the summit is cold and bleak,
Yet the radiant burst of the dawn falls first,
Like the blowing rose, on the peak.

Then dare the paths of the mountain,
O spirit, with godlike fire,
Whose depths are stirred by an inward word
To struggle and aspire.

Be not content with the sluggard,
In the valley of life to stop,
But with purpose bold heed the adage old:
"There's always room at the top."

—J. A. Egerton.

The World a Whispering Gallery.

"Our world is one vast whispering gallery, yet only those who listen hear the still, small voice of truth," said Channing. Putting his ear down to the rocks the listening geologist hears the story of the rocks. Standing under the stars, the listening astronomer hears the music of the spheres. One of our wisest teachers has said, "The greatest thing a human soul ever does in the world, is to see something, and tell what it saw in a plain way. Hundreds of people can talk for one who can think. But thousands can think for one who can see; to see clearly is poetry, prophecy and religion all in one. Therefore finding the world of literature more or less divided into thinkers and seers, I believe we shall find also, that the seers are wholly the greater race of the two." For vision is greatness. Opening his eyes Newton sees the planets revolve and finds his fame. Opening his ears, Watt hears the movement of steam and finds his fortune. Millet explains his fame by saying he copied the colors of the sunset at the moment when reapers bow the head in silent prayer.

The Secret of True Culture.—It is possible for a youth to go through life deaf to the sweetest sounds that ever fell over the battlement of heaven, and blind to the beauty of landscape and mountain and sea and sky. There is no music in autumn wind until the listener comes. There is no order and beauty in the rolling spheres until some Herschel stands beneath the stars. There is no fragrance in the violet until the lover of flowers bends down above the blossoms.

"I Go With Thee."

"O Master," I cried, "the way is lone,

And dark and chill the night!
Must I go and seek for the missing one?"

He answered: "I am thy light."

"But, Master," I cried, "so long the way,

And storms the heavens rend!
Must I venture out?" And I heard Him say:

"I'm with thee unto the end."

"O, Master," I cried, "so steep and high
The mountain's rugged side!"

"Not steep as the hill that I climbed for thee,"

My Master to me replied.

"O Master," I cried, "forgive my fear,
My thoughtlessness of Thee,
And I'll gladly go!" Then I heard Him say:

"Fear not, for I go with thee."

PROGRAM.

Begin on the dot. Have a good reader read, "My faith looks up to thee", and then standing, let everybody sing it enthusiastically.

Scripture—Eight girls already seated on the front seat will stand and each with her own Bible reads a verse, then four boys in back will read Col. 3:1-4 the same way.

Song—"Look and Live."

Prayer—What to look upward for. Why we need to. Strength of will and backbone to keep upward look.

Solo or Duet—"The Touch of His Hand on Mine."

Three talks on first three of the above discussed subjects.

Recitation—"Room at the Top." (Not to be read from paper but memorized).

Song—"Higher Ground."

Two talks on last two subjects discussed.

Recitation—"I Go With Thee."

Song—"Nearer, My God, To Thee." Benediction.

has enlisted the efforts of the stronger Leagues to both organize and be responsible for the life of the new and weaker chapters. But she really works at the job. She visits some different League every Sunday either by auto or rail; frequently she takes several autos filled with Leaguers from the city to the country or smaller town and presents an entire program. She has taken such parties over a distance of more than 60 miles and return. Her latest method for greater efficiency is to appoint captains in various parts of the District to take care of the work covering some five or ten miles square embracing six or eight Leagues. These captains are responsible to her for the growth of the chapters under their care. However, she keeps up her personal work just the same. This gives a direct touch with almost every League in her district every week.



MR. ROY CUSTER.

Vice President Little Rock Conference Epworth Leagues. Member First Church League, Pine Bluff.

He has held the important office several years and has rendered splendid service. He is intensely interested in the Big Drive, and is going to help his Conference to be the first to get a League in every charge.

136 LEAGUES IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE EACH TO PAY CHAPTER FEE AT ONCE.

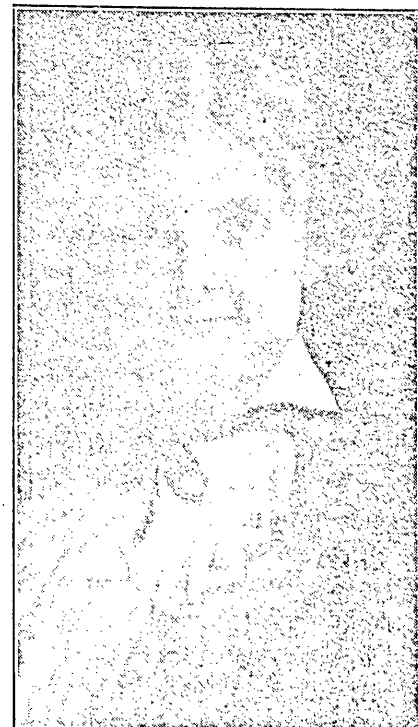
By the time this issue of the Methodist reaches you nearly half of January will be gone. Hurry! Hurry! A large number have already paid their chapter fee (\$2.50) to J. H. Pierce, Box 529, Little Rock. All that is necessary is just to attend to it in a businesslike way. Neglect is the greatest enemy to doing things. Let not a single chapter be on the unpaid list by next week. Remember that both our Conference and the Central Office insist that the chapter membership fee of every chapter be paid in January.

THE BIG DRIVE AND YOU.

You have no time to lose. You can't wait for summer. The big drive closes April 1. If you have a strong chapter, keep it strong by getting out and organizing another and being responsible for its life. If you have a weak League, make it strong

CLEANLINESS.

"Cleanliness is next to Godliness." We are too prone to think that "cleanliness" refers only to the exterior of our bodies. But unless your bowels are kept open and your liver active, you cannot expect to keep your body clean. The perspiration through skin pores is forced to carry off more than its share of the body's impurities. Do not allow constipation to poison you. Cleanse your entire system with Van Lax, which contains no Calomel and no habit-forming drugs. It is pleasant to the taste and produces pleasant results. For sale by the best dealers everywhere. In bottles—price 50c. Manufactured by the Van Fleet-Mansfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn.



MISS LOUIE AUDIGIER,
Secretary Little Rock District. Member First Church League, Little Rock.

Miss Audigier has the high honor and worthy distinction of being, so far as we know, the only District Secretary in the Southern Methodist Church to put a League in every charge of the District. There are twenty-four charges in her district and she has thirty-seven Leagues. She has caught the spirit of organization. She is a busy school teacher, and does not try to do all the work herself. She

by organizing a new chapter where there is none. Please do not forget to send the names of officers of new Leagues to editor League page.

THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE LEAGUE TO THE CHURCH.

1. Church Organizations.—A large proportion of the younger members of the boards of stewards, women's missionary societies and Sunday school forces in many of our congregations have been recruited from the Epworth League.

2. The Laymen's Movement has been traced in large measure to the Young People's Movement, represented in our Church by the Epworth League. Mr. W. B. Stubbs, formerly secretary of the Movement in our Church, the late Dr. C. F. Reid, and Dr. E. H. Rawlings, Educational Secretary of the Board of Missions, testify that the most effective work being done among us is by young men who received their training through the League.

3. The Ministry.—Leaders of the young people's societies in all the evangelical churches testify that the ministry has been recruited principally through the young people's organizations. Thus Mr. William Shaw, secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, writes: "I am continually meeting pastors who state that they are in the ministry because of the training they received in the Christian Endeavor Societies."

The Educational Secretary of a Baptist Association declares that in a certain theological seminary every student had been an active worker in the Baptist Young People's Union, and all counted the Union a factor in their entering the ministry.

The General Secretary of the League in the Methodist Episcopal Church affirms that scarcely a young man enters their ministry but who has been a central figure in some chapter.

And Dr. Du Bose estimates that at least one thousand men are in our ministry through the spiritual work of the League.

4. Missions.—Scarcely a candidate goes forth from the Board of Missions who has not been largely influenced and trained in the Epworth League. Sixteen missionaries from the South Georgia League Conference alone are now in the foreign field.

A secretary of the Methodist Episcopal Church sat down at a breakfast in India with one hundred missionaries who had all come through the League.

The president of the Methodist Training School at Nashville testified that practically all the students in that institution were found and enlisted in some chapter of the Epworth League. With few exceptions the ranks of the deaconess and city mission forces have been filled by young women who had been active League workers.

The Epworth League hastened by several years the opening of Korea, practically made possible the establishment of the Cuba Mission, and today assumes entire support of the work in the Congo Mission, except the Woman's Work.

The gifts of the Leagues for missions during three years of the present quadrennium amounted to \$93,809.96.

Every five years the Epworth League, with only 140,000 members, contributes to the treasury of our Church the princely sum of a half million dollars.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

MY KITTY.

My little kitty loves me so,
He follows everywhere I go,
And often jumps into my lap
And curls up till he takes his nap.

One day he ran away from me;
I cried till I could hardly see,
And called as loudly as I could,
But nothing did a bit of good.

And even when the dark night fell,
Where kitty was I could not tell,
So I just wondered what to do
Till morning came and night was through.

And in the morning, sure enough,
My kitty, looking queer and rough,
Was waiting at the kitchen door,
As he had always done before.

But, oh, he was so cold and wet,
I was afraid that ill he'd get,
I hugged him and I dried his feet,
Then brought him bread and milk to eat.

—Grace Imogen Gish in Southern Churchman.

CHRISTMAS AT THE ORPHANAGE.

Now, who can guess what has happened to your old friend, Ruth Carr? Well, for fear you are poor at guessing, I will tell you in one sentence. I am matron at the Methodist Orphanage and have 34 children. How would you like to have that many in your home? Too many? No, I don't think so, and I am sorry when anybody comes to adopt one.

When I was a little girl I used to play that I was a fairy mother and all the cornstalks in the garden were my children, and I would comb the silks on the ears of corn and send my children off to school. I thought how nice it would be when I grew up to have a great, big family, but I never had as many as I wanted till now.

I wish all you children could have seen the happiness here on Christmas morning, for the good people all over the State had sent us nice things and we had old Santa fill 34 stockings. Somebody sent us some new ones without holes in them. One of the children thought if we didn't have good ones that Santa could put in an orange first, so the other things would not leak out. It might take a coconut to serve some socks, but we did not have that sort. When the rising bell sounded at 5 o'clock Christmas morning every little bare foot in the house hit the floor, and after getting into about half their clothes came down the stairs helter-skelter to see what Santa had brought. Everybody was well remembered and happy, and we had enough good things to last us for days.

When you children come to Little Rock we want you to come out and see us. We will have occasional notes in the Methodist about what we are doing and how we are getting along. I want you to know my children real well, not only by name, but by sight also.

Next time I shall tell you about some of the girls and boys. Good-bye. God bless each of you, and may you have a happy New Year.— Lovingly, Ruth Carr.

This marvelous exhibition of devotion and liberality is explained in part by the fact that nearly ten thousand members of the League have been pursuing courses of study in missions.—F. S. Parker.

TILLY, THE TERROR OF TIP-TOP TOWN.

By Ruth Carr.
Chapter 2.

Old Billy Grissom sat shivering over a bed of coals on his clay hearth one night, while his mind ran back through the years of the past. He was evidently pondering over some unpleasant scene, for his old face was furrowed with deep wrinkles and his dull eyes were suspiciously moist.

"I couldn't help it, old fellow, I thought I was doing it for her good," moaned he, pulling his lean dog nearer to him, as if to ease his aching heart.

"Y-u-m—" yawned the dog, seeming to understand that his master was in trouble.

"If it was to do over I'd—I'd—" the old man stopped and listened when Towser growled, "What was it, old fellow, did you hear somebody?"

Arising from his box Mr. Grissom tottered across the creaky floor and reached for the latch. Immediately there was a sound of breaking sticks on the outside, as of some one running away from the window. Could an enemy be bent on mischief? If so, what could be the motive? Surely not murder and robbery, for there was scarcely a thing in the house that would be worth taking away. Had he an enemy in all the world? No—yes, there was one.

"But Belton is dead, so I heard," muttered he, again running over in his mind the sad incident of by-gone days, a memory that always made a lump in his throat and an ache in his heart.

"If I only had it to do over, how differently I would act," mused he heaping the coals in a pile and covering them with ashes before he went to his bed of straw.

As he lay thinking of the one great mistake of his life he shuddered while the cold wind moaned around the corners of the house and blew in through the cracks, bringing chill and frost to the old body which was already shivering under the light weight of cover.

The storm raged all night and the air grew colder every hour. The miserable old man could not sleep, so he arose before daylight and uncovered his bed of coals, placed a few fat splinters on them and soon blew a bright blaze. After adding heavier wood to the fire he sat down to thaw his benumbed body. When he had grown warm and fairly supple he cooked his little breakfast and walked out into the sunshine which was just beginning to thaw the frozen earth.

Suddenly the old man bent nearer the ground for he had discovered something under the window. It was a track—but whose? Surely not his? No, it was a small track—a woman's!

"What could a woman be doing slipping around here at night? I wonder who she could be? Must have happened when Towser growled."

Study over the matter as he would, he was not able to discover anything that would bring light to the situation, so calling his faithful dog he patted the little track and whispered: "Go after her, old fellow, trail her down—go—go," pointing towards the woods of heavy timber that lay back of the little clearing.

The dog dashed off with his nose to the ground while Mr. Grissom followed as fast as his weak legs would allow. Down through the woods the trail led, but at the little brook it was lost. Repeatedly the dog returned to

SALTS IS FINE FOR KIDNEYS, QUIT MEAT

Flush the Kidneys At Once When Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers
—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which all regular meat eaters should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.

the track under the window, each time following the scent to the same place at the edge of the water. The person had evidently waded through the stream in order to make difficult her discovery. After several unsuccessful trials the old man called the dog and the two entered the cabin. "Could it be—could it be her track?"

Going to an old trunk in the corner, Mr. Grissom slowly lifted the top and took out a bundle of letters which were tied with a black string.

Slowly he unfastened the knot and selected one with a black border around the envelope. Sitting on the side of his low box he read the message over, as if he had not already read it half a hundred times.

"Did he do it on purpose or was it an accident? This letter says it was an accident, but if I could see her I could find out, for she'd know."

Steps sounded on the porch and the old man hurriedly wrapped the string

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No odds how bad your liver, stomach or bowels; how much your head aches, how miserable you are from constipation, indigestion, biliousness and sluggish bowels—you always get relief with Cascarets. They immediately cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour, fermenting food and foul gases; carry off the constipated waste matter and poison from the intestines and bowels. A 10-cent box from your druggist will keep your liver and bowels clean; stomach sweet and head clear for months. They work while you sleep.

about the letters and tucked them back in their hiding place.

"Come in," called he, in answer to a knock.

"It's just Harry and me, Mr. Grissom—we came to get you to help us with our Latin, it's awful hard this time."

"Come in, my lads; it is a very cold day."

"Yes, and before we begin to study we will bring you in some wood."

"That will be a good turn for the old man," said he.

While the boys were out Mr. Grissom dragged two boxes near the fire, and turning an old bucket upside down he seated himself on it.

Pencils and books were immediately produced and the three set to work in earnest. It seemed so easy for the old man, but so hard for the boys. Over and over he read the sentences and over and over the pupils made sorry attempts at the same. Finally, after much patience on the part of the teacher and more perseverance on the part of the boys, the lesson was learned and the books were closed.

"It has been a long time since I taught and I am a little rusty."

"Were you a teacher, Mr. Grissom?"

"Yes, I had the chair of languages for several years in Belnap College, but I had taught a long time before that."

NERVOUSNESS AND DISORDERS OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

The energy that gives life to the body is known to be nerve force. It is this hidden energy that creates the difference between the living and the dead body. It is the indefinable something that the body is robbed of in death.

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Warning Order.

State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski—ss.
In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
Henry Savage, Plaintiff,
vs. No. 22256.
Lillie Savage, Defendant.

The defendant, Lillie Savage, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Henry Savage.

January 5, 1918.

W. S. BOONE, Clerk.

J. A. GIBSON, D. C.

A. J. Newman, Solicitor for Plaintiff.

C. T. Coffman, Attorney ad Litem.

"You had?" showing surprise. "What made you stop it?"

Harry did not realize that he had asked a very pert question, but the moment the words left his mouth he felt sorry of them, for the man's face seemed to grow sad and his chin quivered noticeably.

"Oh, I just couldn't teach any longer—I couldn't! Matters arose which unfitted me for thinking clearly."

Both boys felt that a story lay back of the words and as much as they wanted to know all about it they were too well-bred to ask another question, so the subject was dropped.

The ringing of the school bell made the boys hurry away after thanking their benefactor for his kindness.

"Come again, my lads, I'm glad to help you."

"Thank you, sir."

"Sure's you live, Russ," said Harry when they were outside, "there is some sort of a mystery in that old man's life. It's a sad one, too. I feel sorry for him."

"So do I, and I mean to find out more about it if I can, so that I can help him. Did you notice how pale he got when he told about quitting his school work?"

"Yes, and his lips actually trembled."

"Let's go there lots of evenings and carry in his wood for him?"

"Me for the wood carrier, and maybe some day he will open the box of his information and tell us the story of his mysterious life."

"How does he make a living?"

"Don't make any?"

"But he has to eat and that costs money?"

"Not much for him; but one day I was in the post office and the postmaster cashed an order for him for five dollars. Mart said he got that every month, but didn't know who sent it."

"Somehow I have a sneaking suspicion that Tilly is connected with the old man's trouble. Maybe she sends him the money?"

"Surely not, for she looks as if she needed some one to send her money. Daddy says he believes she actually goes hungry some times."

"Well, somehow I want to connect her with the old man's troubles."

"I don't think there can be any connection, for he has lived here more than ten years and she came only about a year ago, as near as anybody can figure."

At intervals during the day Russell's mind reverted to the conversation with Mr. Grissom and the more he thought of it the more he believed Tilly was connected with the affair, and the more he determined to get at the bottom of it all. When school was out that afternoon he was slow about gathering up his books in order to allow the other boys to get ahead of him so that he could pass by Tilly's hut alone.

Making his way down the street he searched his mind for some excuse to speak to her—some excuse to open a conversation or offer to do an errand for her.

"I do hope the dog is tied," thought he, slowly nearing the gate with lagging step and searching eyes. Much to his delight he spied Tilly in the yard, but his heart almost jumped out when he saw the huge dog lying close by.

"Good evenin," called he pleasantly. No response.

"It is turning colder—looks like it might snow," persisted he, tarrying at the gate. Still no response.

"That's a fine dog you have. Is he full blood bull?"

"Get him, Bulger," commanded the woman with a clap of her hands, at which signal the dog sprang toward the fence, which was old and weak, with pickets gone at irregular intervals.

Russell did not wait to see what the dog would do, but immediately decided that a good run was better than a poor stand, so he sped down the lane with all the strength at his command. When he reached the corner he halted a moment and dared look over his shoulder, half fearing the brute was still in pursuit, but was delighted to find he was mistaken.

"That's a shabby way to treat a fellow, I declare, but I'll not give up—I'll try another dodge before long. I'm bound to find out."

When Russell told Harry of the event, after binding him to secrecy, the latter asked permission to become a companion in the game.

"I'd just love to have some sort of adventure, Russ."

"Well, it is not as pleasant as you might think; but I got off pretty light."

"You bet you did, old man; next time Bulger might get a sample from the seat of your pants for a souvenir."

"Just so he don't get my hide I'll not mind."

"Well," thoughtfully, "what course do you propose to adopt next?"

"Haven't decided, but I'll let you know when I dive in again—got to wait till my heart slows down a bit so I can steady my voice and put up a brave front."

The boys had reached the school grounds, so no more plans were laid concerning their future adventure.

"Don't tell a soul," whispered Russell.

A shake of the head was the only reply, but each boy felt safe that the secret would not be revealed by the other.

That night at the supper table Russell's father discovered that he had failed to post a very important letter which he was anxious to get in the mail early next morning.

"Son, would you mind going down to the office with it?" asked he.

"No, sir," said the boy hastily, thinking of the opportunity it would afford him to go by for Harry and walk down the lane in front of Tilly's house.

Snatching a piece of pie from the plate he took the letter and went down the street. A shrill whistle sounded as he reached Harry's gate and immediately the latter appeared at the door.

"Who's that?" asked he.

"It's me, kid—got to go to the post-office—come go with me, got a plan to tell you."

"All right, let's have it."

The two boys walked more slowly now and soon disappeared around the corner in the dark as they muttered in low tones discussing a plan they hoped to perfect later.

"If it wasn't for Bulger we could manage easy enough," ventured Russell.

"It would be dead easy—say, what about poison?"

"I wouldn't dare—'tain't right anyway. Now my plan is to make friends with the dog, and then the road is clear. Look here," drawing something from his pocket.

"What in the Sam Hill is that?"

"Apple pie—going to give to Bull—make friends with him."

"I'd be your friend for apple pie," laughed Harry.

"Sh—sh—sh," warned Russell, "she'll hear you," as they drew near the dark hut.

Cautiously they peered about searching for the dog, but he was not in sight. They were just on the point of opening the gate when they heard a sound from the room with the dim light in it.

"Who's that talking? I didn't know Tilly had anybody living with her."

"That's a child's voice. Has she got company you reckon?"

"Sounds like a baby. Has Tilly got a baby?"

"Not that anybody knows—listen"

"Somebody's crying. It's not a baby. It cries like a big child—maybe ten years old or more."

"I never saw anybody here but Tilly and Bulger, did you?"

"No. Say, sonny, the plot thickens; let's slip in and look in the window, what you say?"

"You reckon Bulger is inside?"

"Hope so, but I'll give him the pie and maybe that'll quiet him."

"O, say, let's rub our hands all over the pie so he can get our smells and remember that we are his friends who bring him pie and things."

Immediately two pairs of grimy hands were rubbed over the pie crust which was slipped through the fence to the path.

Again the sound of some one crying reached their ears and this time there was a soft voice in reply—a voice as of some one trying to pacify the one in distress.

"Don't cry, darling; I'll try harder for your sake."

There now! These two young detectives were getting closer to a solution of their problem. Oh, if they only dared slip into the yard!

"I'll go if you will," whispered Russell.

"Lead on," was the reply.

Cautiously the boys slipped through a crack and slowly made their way toward the little window. Just as they were beginning to think the victory was near there came a low growl from under the floor and a second later the huge form of a bull dog sprang between the boys and the gate.

(To be Continued.)

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As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.—Advertisement.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

SEARCY DISTRICT NOTICE.

The district stewards are called to meet at Kensett January 15 at 2 p. m. All the pastors are cordially invited to be present also.—J. H. O'Bryant, P. E.

CHINA WAR EMERGENCY FUND, TAKEN AT CONFERENCE AT ARKADELPHIA.

Amount at last report.....	\$533.75
J. L. Dedman.....	5.00
J. H. Waters.....	25.00
J. W. Nethercutt.....	16.00
S. W. Rainey.....	5.00
Miss Ethel K. Millar.....	5.00
J. W. Lee.....	10.00
Moffett Rhodes	5.00

Total\$604.75
—James Thomas, Treasurer Board of Missions.

CONFERENCE WAR FUND, \$5,000. 1918.

Jan. 1—Okolona, T. M. Armstrong\$44.00
The first to respond to this assessment is as above stated. I trust the brethren will send this fund in rapidly, as it is the policy of the church to have these sums in by February 15.—James Thomas, Treasurer Board of Missions.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT.

A young woman student of Henderson-Brown College was given a surprise Christmas morning in her North Arkansas home. She had subscribed \$25 on her college's debt and had written father advising him of her subscription. Under her dinner plate on Christmas was a check. It was payable to the president of the College, and the young woman judged from the amount that it must be for her expenses. But on asking her father if it was for her expenses he replied, "No, daughter; you told me you had promised something to your college, and I wish you to give the \$100." And thus she and the father and the college were made happy.—J. M. Workman, Henderson-Brown College.

GRAVELLY.

Almost a month of the new Conference year has passed by. And with its passing the work on the Gravelly charge has started off well. The people have received us very heartily at all the points on the work. Here at Gravelly they expressed their appreciation in the form of a regular old-fashioned pounding. And at the first quarterly conference the salary of the preacher was raised to \$1,000 for the year. These are indeed a kind and liberal people. And this is not the only step these people have taken

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forward. A macadam highway for the entire length of the valley is now an assured fact. The commissioners took the oath of office last week.

We trust and pray that this shall indeed be a great year for the cause of the Master's Kingdom.—A. W. Martin, P. C.

LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA PREACHERS' MEETING.

Present: Monk, Fletcher, Hammons, Whaley, Hundley, Harrison, Farr, Meux, McGuyre, Robertson, Colquette.

Capitol View (Farr): One hundred in Sunday school; small congregations.

First Church (Fletcher): Good congregation Sunday morning; League overflowed room, moved to chapel above.

Asbury: Four additions. Things in good shape. Salary raised \$200.

Orphans' Home (Robertson): Think we will be pleased; 34 children in Home.

Henderson (McGuyre): One addition; good congregations; salary raised \$100.

Highland (Harrison): Starting off well; salary raised \$50.

Hunter (Rorie): Two additions; largest Sunday school in over a year. Salary raised \$200.

Pulaski Heights (Hundley): Good congregations. Good attendance at League.

Twenty-eighth Street (Meux): Good Sunday school and League reorganized; four additions.

Winfield (Hammons): Six additions; starting off well.

The District (Monk): District stewards met at First Church at 1:30 p. m. January 17.

Talks by Visitors (Colquette): 312 Masonic Temple is new office of our Bible Society. Furnishing American army a million Testaments at cost of \$400,000.

KEO CIRCUIT.

I see a great many articles from new pastors, who, viewing the first Sunday audiences, seize their pen and write of great future prospects, but none from men who return. As I have paid both 1917 and 1918 Arkansas Methodist assessments, and all my members subscribe, I take, as old-time correspondence says, "my pen in hand" to write of my return for the second year.

We landed in Keo one year ago. No parsonage; no excitement. We went to work to get a parsonage. Keo paid in 1916 \$200. We raised here \$1,200. Hubbs school house raised in 1916 a few dollars for a local preacher. In 1917 Mr. C. M. Witherspoon and his workers raised \$780.00. The best appointment, Hundley's Chapel, raised \$225, and paid out for the first time in her history. Members were added at each church. We raise everything they ask. People here pay as easy as they scratch their chins. All you have to do is say you have come to break their hearts and they pull out their pocketbooks and ask how much. So last year, "when the frost was on the pumpkin," I, like the rest of the brethren, lived an Old Testament passage, "The old men began to dream dreams and the young men to see visions." I found my equilibrium when the Bishop returned me.

No raise in salary yet. However, one church voted a raise of \$50 if they returned me another year. We live in a new parsonage. Two years

ago, in another town, our home had slid off the pillars on the old north side. The cook stove stood on three legs and a brick. One eye was gone and a griddle let the smoke out. Let that preacher who is there picture a modern bungalow with a range as big as the pipe organ in First Church. As that stove heats up and the preacher sings like the "Cataract of Ladore," wife and I gaze in mute admiration. The ladies raised \$200 to furnish our home. We have something to cook on that stove, too. We have been given one whole hog, spare ribs innumerable, and about 20 pounds of sausage. I sent some of it to my poor brother Paul, who is pastor of a Little Rock church. He can't stand another hard snow. This is Canaan down here. It seems like the cream of the religious world are here, and they demand fire from the pulpit. Ofttimes when I thought I was preaching like Wesley, just before he ordained Asbury and Coke, a brother would tell me after the service that the sermon was "awful stale stuff." However, he sent us a Christmas dinner in the form of \$20 worth of groceries. As this is my fourth year in the Conference, I desire to labor to enter the Conference as an elder feeling like I came recommended. I told Brother Sage last year that my next appointment would overpay me \$200. The salary was \$700 and they overpaid that \$150.

We are down here in the bottoms where cotton grows a bale to the acre and shines snow white as far as the eye can see. It's heaven here when the west is an oval arch of crumpling gold, fields white and darkies singing as they follow the "turnrow" home. Magnolias encumber the winds with fragrance, and as one sits on his porch listening to the old Arkansas play on its pebbled keys, all that holds a man to corporal reality is the slam of a neighbor's door as she puts the cat out for the night, or the passing of Dr. Davenport's Ford car to care for people guilty of overeating "milk and honey." They say they are not afraid to die, but feel ashamed to.—T. O. Rorie, Jr.

AN ARKANSAS PREACHER IN TEXAS.

As I was for the first thirteen years of my itinerant life in the old White River Conference, it may be that some of my old friends who read the Arkansas Methodist would like to hear from me. I am still among the living, am 70 years old. I have been superannuated eight years. I am in pretty good health; preach some in good weather; teach a class in Sunday school. Stand by my preacher and the church. Have a good little home in the town of Carlton, Hamilton county, Texas, and I am still enjoying the "old-time religion." Would be glad to hear from any of my old friends.—J. C. Carter.

DELIGHT.

I returned to Rison from the Annual Conference as soon as possible after the adjournment and began to get ready to move, so on Tuesday of the following week, about 2 p. m., myself and little boy started through the country, leaving wife and daughters to go by rail. After three days' travel we landed in Delight about 11 o'clock a. m., wife and girls having preceded us two days and over. So we found them at the parsonage trying to get things straightened up. Although I had expressed our household goods, only one box had arrived. That day

WATCH THE BABY.

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the next week before we received the two boxes came, and the next day the balance. But it was the middle of things we sent by freight. But in the face of these trying times the people of Delight, through the thoughtfulness of one of the officials, after helping for immediate necessities, presented us with a check book with checks all made out to the writer to the amount of \$80, and the next day two other officials came with something more than ten dollars each, making in all something over \$100, which lightened our mind and heart, and made us feel like we were among friends and people who loved God and his cause. But this is not all. On New Year's Eve, while quietly sitting in our room, some reading, others musing, lo! we heard the noise of a mighty host, and in a few moments the house was filled not with sound, but with people, and all manner of good things that make a preacher and his family feel that indeed the lines have fallen in pleasant places, and surely they have a goodly heritage. After all had unloaded themselves of their burdens, the voice of supplication, thanksgiving and singing was

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heard and engaged in by all, led by Rev. W. J. Davis of Antoine, one of God's superannuates, and then the pastor endeavored to express his appreciation, and also a desire to make this a great year in spiritual things. We have not gotten around yet, but from the outlook, however much we may have regretted to leave the good people of Rison, we feel that we are still in the midst of a good people, with plenty to do. May God help us and bless all, is my prayer.—J. J. Colson.

DERMOTT.

We are at our post in response to the orders of the Bishop and the cabinet. We were very agreeably surprised when we were read out for this thriving little city of Dermott. I say "thriving," and the word is well said. In the recent Red Cross campaign more than \$1,800 was raised, and Dermott exceeded her quota likewise in the Y. M. C. A. campaign. Whenever the government makes a demand everybody here, both white and black, takes right hold, and they take hold now. The improvements of this town indicate further the progressiveness of the place. There are two as good hotels here as you will find in cities of 15,000 inhabitants. The concrete sidewalks extending several miles are another indication of up-to-dateness.

We are exceedingly glad to cast our lot with these good people, and I have more reasons than one for being pleased. There are more than a score of people here whom I have known for years, some of whom I knew when a mere child, some with whom I went to school in the old country school house, and some with whom I was a classmate in the high school at Monticello. We are delighted also to follow Rev. J. L. Cannon, whose work here will never be forgotten. He was loved not only as pastor, but as citizen. Everybody loved him. I am glad to take up the reins where he left them. We are going to build a beautiful six-room bungalow, and hope to be in it within three months' time. We have rented a beautiful little cottage, and, before we unpacked, the good ladies and men of our church pounded us greatly. We were never so pounded, and things good to eat came in abundance—substantial stuff, like hams, eggs, flour, sugar, coffee, rice, butter, fruit, and many other good things. This is nothing new, however, here. This is the way a new preacher is received. These Methodists make you feel at home. Pray for us and our people.—R. M. Holland.

HOXIE AND PORTIA.

At the North Arkansas Conference we were read out for Hoxie and Portia. That meant to pack up and move from the Monette and Macey charge, where we had labored for the past

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two years. Getting ready to move and moving are different things in this period of the world's great rush of time, but all things come to those who wait. We moved and landed on December 20.

We are now at home in the new parsonage built by Brother Wimpey, and from all indications this will be one of the leading charges in the Conference in a few years.

Last, but not least, on the night of Christmas Eve old Santa Claus and a number of ladies visited us and we were pounded. Yes, "too many good things to mention," and that included, with other things, sugar and meat.—C. F. Wilson, P. C.

THORNTON.

Our first quarterly conference met on December 31, and we are glad to say there was a very fine spirit pervading the entire session. In spite of the cold weather, we had a very splendid attendance, though two of the churches could not be represented. The assessment for the support of the pastor was increased a good deal over the assessment of last year, though that of the presiding elder was not increased, this being due to the fact that he refused to allow any increase to be made in his assessment.

We have received a very cordial welcome to this good charge and are well pleased thus far. The crowds at the preaching services have been large and inspiring. Yes, we have received a very fine "pounding" of the kind that we all enjoy. May God bless those who have blessed us so richly. We have organized an Epworth League at Thornton and are hopeful of good results. Five have united with our church at Thornton by certificate.—W. H. Hansford.

POTTSVILLE CIRCUIT.

We reached our new field on Saturday following the close of Conference at Helena. It was almost zero weather when we arrived and found Brother McNutt and others at the station to meet us, with wagons just ready to transfer our household goods right to the parsonage. The people have received us cordially and we are starting off well. Pottsville Circuit has three appointments and is one of the most desirable works in the North Arkansas Conference. Bell's Chapel and Pleasant Grove are each about five miles from town and about the same distance apart. Pottsville has the parsonage and gets half the preacher's time. There are four churches here, but there is little or no conflict in our church services. Preachers and people are working harmoniously and in Christian unity.

We have good Sunday schools and one Epworth League is in excellent running order, and there is one good weekly prayer meeting. Our people are loyal and progressive and we are working and praying and planning for a great year.

On Christmas night, after all the family but myself had retired and as I was sitting by the fire reading one of Bishop Hoss' best books, I heard a noisy multitude approaching the house. Before I had hardly time to open the door, men, women and children, loaded down with good things for the preacher's family, were marching through the sitting room and on into the dining room. There they piled down flour, sugar, lard, sausage, potatoes, sorghum, meal, fruit, and other things enough to last us several months. God bless these and all good people who show by their acts

that they love and appreciate their pastors.—J. B. Stewart.

MEETING OF ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT STEWARDS.

Meeting of the district stewards, Arkadelphia District, was held at Central Church, Hot Springs, Ark., on December 28, 1917. Meeting was called to order at 2 p. m. by Dr. B. A. Few, presiding elder. Those present: Dr. B. A. Few, P. E.; District Stewards W. B. Plummer, A. L. Hunter, J. E. Hansford, S. J. D. Brown, J. F. Disheroon, M. H. Corley, J. S. Reamey, J. W. Lee, Jesse A. Ledbetter, John Robey, W. S. Sorrels, W. A. Utley. Visitors: Rev. W. M. Hayes, Prof. E. M. Martin, Rev. Percy

Vaughan, Rev. Marion S. Monk, Dr. M. N. Waldrup, Rev. C. A. Fuller. W. A. Utley was elected secretary. Dr. B. A. Few, P. E., discussed the general conditions of the church and of the work being done by our great college, Henderson-Brown, placing special emphasis upon the duties and obligations of the church toward said college in placing it upon a solid financial basis. His report showed that a great work had been done during the year. The raising of a war fund of \$750, as recommended by the Annual Conference, was discussed. The use to be made of said amount was fully explained by Dr. M. N. Waldrup, showing that same was to be used as a fund for promoting church

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work in the various cantonments. The raising of this fund, as well as the raising of the \$210 for the Representative Church at Washington, D. C., was heartily endorsed by all present. On motion, duly carried, the basis for payment of presiding elder's salary was fixed the same as the preceding year.

The assessments for the various churches in the district were discussed and a schedule prepared by the presiding elder was read and same unanimously adopted, and presiding elder and secretary instructed to have said list published for mailing to the various churches. No further business appearing, the session was closed with prayer by Brother W. M. Hayes. Peace and harmony prevailed.—W. A. Utley, Secretary.

FOUKE.

I was returned to Fouke for another year. Last year we received 144 into the circuit membership, holding our own meetings, as we intend to do this year. We found a parsonage debt of \$575, sold it, and am now completing a beautiful house, covered with cypress boards, and it is out of debt, too. Our claims were overpaid and our salary was raised \$200 and then overpaid. We now have one church that pays three times as much as when I came. We are expecting a great year from God's hand, for our people are a responsive lot and it is good to be among them. We now have an Epworth League started and will try to keep it going. We now have nine Sunday schools in nine appointments. We are expecting to carry all our claims up again this year and I have some of the best people to pay claims that I have ever met.—L. C. Gatlin.

POCAHONTAS.

After a long, hard move and two weeks' delay in getting our household goods, we settled down comfortably in our new home. The people have received us very kindly and we are pleased with the outlook. On New Year's eve we were completely surprised by the good people of the church and others, who gave us what I think was the heaviest "pounding" we have ever received, and the spirit of the crowd that gathered at the parsonage on that evening was in perfect accord with its material expression. We are expecting a good year here.—W. J. Faust.

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TUCKERMAN.

When the North Arkansas Conference at Helena made the appointments, Brother M. B. Umsted was returned to Tuckerman Station for his fourth year, to the great delight of the church and to the pleasure of the town and community at large. The board of stewards was called to meet December 27, and on roll call it was found that the following members were present: W. R. Rice, C. E. Harrison, W. S. Armstrong, Dr. L. T. Slayden, Chas. Cook, Albert Coe, J. N. Hout, L. D. Smith and Rev. J. W. Best. Brother Umsted stated the object of the meeting was for the official board to organize and elect officers for the ensuing year. Thereupon the board organized by electing W. R. Rice president and L. D. Smith secretary-treasurer. The board then proceeded to fix the salary of Brother Umsted for the ensuing year, and, in view of the very excellent and faithful services of Brother Umsted for the past three years as our pastor, and the high esteem in which he is held by the church at large, and as this will probably be his last year to ever serve this church as pastor, on motion of J. N. Hout, seconded by Charles Cook, it was voted unanimously by the board that we make his salary \$1,200, a raise of \$200 over last year. The meeting then adjourned to meet next Monday night to make the individual amounts.—W. R. Rice, President.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

(First Round.)
Carthage Ct., at Tulip, Jan. 12-13.
Leola Ct., at Poyen, Jan. 13-14.
Princeton Ct., at Mt. Carmel, Jan. 19-20.
Holly Springs and Sardis, at Holly Springs, Jan. 20-21.
Sparkman Ct., at Sparkman, Jan. 21-22.
Dalark Ct., at Dalark, Jan. 22-23.
Hot Springs Ct., at Gum Springs, Jan. 26-27.
Third Street, Jan. 27-28.
Oaklawn, Jan. 29.
Central, Jan. 30.
Pearcy, at Friendship, Feb. 2-3.
Park Avenue, Feb. 3-4.
Cedar Glades Ct., at Gidden's Chapel, Feb. 9-10.
Tigert and Lonsdale, at Tigert, Feb. 16-17.
Benton, Feb. 17-18.
B. A. FEW, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

(First Round.)
Alicia, at Hopewell, Jan. 12-13.
Swifton and Alicia, at Swifton, Jan. 13-14.
Tuckerman, Jan. 14-15.
Kenyon, at Bandy's Chapel, Jan. 15-16.
Newport, Jan. 16.
Newport Ct., at Jacksonport, Jan. 17.
Evening Shade, at Evening Shade, Jan. 19-20.
Batesville, First Church, Jan. 23.
Melbourne, at Forrest Chapel, Jan. 26-27.
Bexar, at Wesley's Chapel, Jan. 27-28.
Viola, at Viola, Jan. 29.
Calico Rock Ct., at Iuka, Jan. 30-31.
Calico and Norfolk, at Calico, Jan. 31-Feb. 1.
Lead Hill, at Cedar Grove, Feb. 2-3.
Yellville and Cotter, at Yellville, Feb. 3-4.
Mountain Home, Feb. 5.
Mountain Home Ct., at Rockdale, Feb. 6.
Mountain View, Feb. 7.
B. L. WILFORD, P. E.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.

(First Round.)
Danville, Jan. 6-7.
Belleville, Jan. 12-13.
Magazine, Jan. 12-14.
Booneville Ct., Jan. 19-20.
Booneville, Jan. 20-21.
Waldron Ct., Jan. 26-27.
Waldron, Jan. 27-28.
Cauthron, Jan. 28.
Branch, Feb. 2-3.
Paris, Feb. 3-4.
Scranton and Plainview, Feb. 6.
Delaware and Blaine, Delaware, Feb. 7.
JAS. A. ANDERSON, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

(First Round.)
El Dorado Ct., at Bethel, Jan. 12-13.
El Dorado Station, Jan. 13-14.
Wesson, Jan. 15.
Junction City, Jan. 16.
Strong, Jan. 19-20.
Huttig, Jan. 20-21.
Atlanta, Jan. 26-27.
Eagle Mills Ct., at Harmony Grove, Feb. 3.
Stephens, Feb. 3, 7:30 p. m.
Waldo, Feb. 10.
Magnolia Ct., at Harmony Church, Feb. 16-17.

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Chidester, March 2-3.
Camden, March 4.
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CONWAY DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Rosebud, at Rosebud, Jan. 12-13.
Quitman Ct., at Quitman, Jan. 13-14.
North Quitman Ct., Jan. 14, 11 a. m.
Naylor Ct., at Holland, Jan. 16.
Vilonia Ct., at Vilonia, Jan. 17.
Hartman and Spadra, at Hayes, Jan.
19.
Clarksville, Jan. 20.
Altus and Denning, Jan. 21-22.
Lamar Ct., at Lamar, Jan. 22-23.
Greenbrier Ct., at Friendship, Jan. 26-
27.
Springfield Ct., at Springfield, Jan. 27-
28.
Damascus Ct., at Batesville, Jan. 29.
Pottsville Ct., at Pottsville, Feb. 2-3.
Russellville, Feb. 3-4.
London Ct., at London, Feb. 5.
Dover Ct., at Dover, Feb. 6.
Appleton Ct., at Mt. Zion, Feb. 8.
Conway Ct., at Salem, Feb. 10.
District Stewards will please meet
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p. m.

R. C. MOREHEAD, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Farmington, Jan. 12.
Fayetteville, Jan. 13.
Lincoln, Jan. 13-14.
Green Forest, Jan. 19-20.
Osage, Jan. 20-21.
Eureka Springs, Jan. 26-27.
Berryville, Jan. 27-28.
Viney Grove, Feb. 2-3.
Prairie Grove, Feb. 3-4.
Huntsville, Feb. 9-10.
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War Eagle, Feb. 16-17.
Gravette and Decatur, Feb. 17-18.
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FORT SMITH DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Kibler, at Kibler, Jan. 12-13.
Alma, Jan. 13, 7:30 p. m.; Q. C. 3 p. m.
Mulberry and Dyer, at M., Jan. 19-20.
Ozark Station, Jan. 20, 7:30 p. m.
Ozark Ct., at Gar Creek, Jan. 26-27.
Cass, at Oak Grove, Monday, Jan. 28, 11
a. m.
Charleston at Charleston, Feb. 2-3.
Hartford and Midland, at M., Feb. 10;
Q. C. at 2 p. m.
Huntington and Mansfield, at M., Feb.
17; Q. C. at 2:30 p. m.
J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Hickory Ridge, at Hickory Ridge, Jan.
12-13.
LaGrange, at LaGrange, Jan. 19-20.
Haynes, at Haynes, Jan. 20-21.
Helena, First Church, Jan. 26-27.
Elaine and Mellwood, at Elaine, Jan.
27, at night.
Keville, at Shiloh, Feb. 2, 11 a. m.
Turner, at Postelle, Feb. 3, 11 a. m.
and 3 p. m.
Holly Grove and Marvell, at Marvell,
Feb. 3, 7 p. m.
Parkin, Feb. 6, 7 p. m.
Wynne, Feb. 7, 7 p. m.
McCrary, Feb. 8, 7 p. m.
Devew, at Devew, Feb. 9-10, 11 a. m.
Jelks and Howell, at Howell, Feb. 10,
7 p. m.
McLellan and Round Pond, at McLel-
lan, Feb. 16-17.
Cotton Plant, Feb. 18, 2 p. m.
Aubrey, at Aubrey, Feb. 23-24.
Wheatley and Hunter, at Wheatley,
Feb. 24, 7 p. m.
Colt, at Colt, Feb. 27, 2 p. m.
W. F. EVANS, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Earle, Jan. 12-13.
Crawfordsville, Jan. 13-14.
Tyronza, at Tyronza, 2:30 Saturday,
Jan. 19-20.
Marion, Jan. 20-21.
Nettleton and Truman, at Truman, Sat-
urday, 2:30, Jan. 26-27.
Marked Tree and Lepanto, at Marked

Tree, Jan. 27-28.
Lake City, at Lake City, Saturday, 2,
Feb. 2-3.
Monette and Macey, at Monette, Mon-
day, 2:30, Feb. 3-4.
Leachville and Manila, at Leachville,
Saturday, 2:30, Feb. 9-10.
Blytheville, First Church, Feb. 10-11.
Blytheville Ct., at Yarbrow, Saturday,
2, Feb. 16-17.
Lake Street and Dell, at Clear Lake,
Monday, 2, Feb. 17-18.
Luxora and Rozelle, at Luxora, Feb.
23-24.
Osceola, Feb. 24-25.
Wilson, Feb. 26-27.
F. M. TOLLESON, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Hickory Plains Ct., at New Bethel,
Jan. 12-13.
Twenty-eighth St., p. m., Jan. 16.
Austin Ct., at Smyrna, Jan. 19-20.
Capitol View, p. m., Jan. 23.
Benton Ct., at Mt. Carmel, Jan. 26-27.
Henderson Chapel, p. m., Jan. 27.
Mabelvale Ct., at Mabelvale, 3 p. m.,
Jan. 30.
Maumelle Ct., at Martindale, Feb. 2-3.
First Church, p. m., Feb. 4.
Winfield Memorial, p. m., Feb. 5.
Hunter Memorial, p. m., Feb. 6.
Highland, p. m., Feb. 7.
Tomberlin Ct., at Pfeiffer, Feb. 9-10.
Pulaski Heights, p. m., Feb. 13.
DeVall's Bluff and Hazen, at DeVall's
Bluff, Feb. 16-17.
Carlisle, p. m., Feb. 17.
Lonoke, p. m., Feb. 20.
Keo Ct., at Keo, Feb. 24.
England, p. m., Feb. 27.
Bryant Ct., at Alexander, March 2-3.
Oak Hill Ct., at Spring Valley, March
9-10.
Asbury, March 17-18.
Forest Park, 3 p. m., March 17.
The District Stewards will meet at
First Church, in Little Rock, 1:30 p. m.,
January 17. Let the pastors please see
to it that, so far as possible, all their
District Stewards attend this impor-
tant meeting.

ALONZO MONK, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Watson, at Watson, Jan. 13.
Tillar and Dumas, Jan. 19-20.
McGehee, Jan. 20-21.
Lacy, at Fountain Hill, Jan. 25-26.
Crossett, Dec. 26-27.
Hamburg Ct., at Antioch, Jan. 27-28.
Hamburg Station, Jan. 28.
Snyder and Montrose, at Snyder, Jan.
29.
Eudora, Jan. 31.
Arkansas City and L. V., at Arkansas
City, Feb. 1-3.
Dermott, Feb. 3-4.
Portland and Blissville, Feb. 9-10.
Parkdale and Wilmot, at P., Feb. 10-11.
Mt. Pleasant, at Mt. Tabor, Feb. 16-17.
Monticello, Feb. 17-18.
Wilmor, Feb. 23-24.
Warren, Feb. 24-25.
W. C. DAVIDSON, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Marmaduke, at Harvey's, Jan. 12.
Rector, Jan. 13.
Pocahontas Ct., at Clear View, Jan. 19-
20.
Pocahontas, Jan. 20-21.
Maynard, Salem (Conf. 22), Jan. 21-22.
Reyno and Biggers, at Biggers, 7 p. m.,
Jan. 23.
Walnut Ridge Ct., at Old Walnut Ridge,
2 p. m., Jan. 24.
Walnut Ridge, 7 p. m., Jan. 25.
Peach Orchard, at Peach Orchard, 2 p.
m., Jan. 26-27.
Corning, Jan. 27.
J. M. HUGHEY, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Sheridan Station, Jan. 13, p. m., and 14.
Grady Ct., at Grady, Jan. 20, 11 a. m.
and 2:30 p. m.
Carr Memorial and Redfield, at Carr
Memorial, Jan. 20, 7:30 p. m.
Rowell Ct., at Wesley's Chapel, Jan.
26 and 27, a. m.
Rison Ct., at Rison, Jan. 27, p. m., and
28.
Star City Ct., at Star City, Feb. 2 and
3, 11 a. m.
Hawley Memorial, Pine Bluff, Feb. 3,
p. m.
Humphrey Ct., at Humphrey, Feb. 9
and 10.
Roe Ct., at Roe, Feb. 16-17, a. m.
Stuttgart Station, Feb. 17, 6 p. m.
St. Charles Ct., at St. Charles, Feb. 23
and 24, a. m.
DeWitt Station, Feb. 24, p. m., and 25.
Gillette Ct., at Gillette, March 2-3.
Swan Lake Ct., at Swan Lake, March
10.
First Church, Pine Bluff, Jan. 9, p. m.
W. C. WATSON, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Blevins, at Blevins, Jan. 12-13.
Prescott, Jan. 13-14.
Whelen Springs, Jan. 16.
Amity Mission, at Pleasant Hill, Jan.
18.
Delight, at Pike City, Jan. 19-20.
Columbus, at Columbus, Jan. 24.
Washington, at Ozan, Jan. 26-27.
Center Point, at C., Feb. 2-3.
Nashville, Feb. 3-4.
Bingen, at Doyle, Feb. 7.
Emmet, at DeAnn, Feb. 9-10.
Mineral Springs, at M. S., Feb. 14.
Murfreesboro Mission, at College Hill,
Feb. 16-17.
Murfreesboro, Feb. 17-18.
Highland, at Orchard View, Feb. 20.
Hope Mission, at Pleasant Grove, Feb.
23-24.
Hope, Feb. 24-25.
The District Stewards are called to
meet at the Methodist Church in Nash-
ville, Monday, January 14, 7 p. m.
J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

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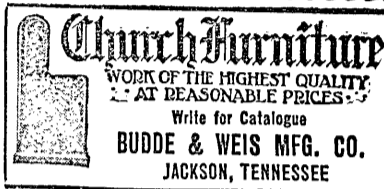
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Sunday schools that have used the Thornburgh Catechisms will be pleased to know that they may be had at 50 cents a dozen from A. C. Millar, 200 East Sixth Street, Little Rock.

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The State School Song
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25c a Dozen; \$1.25 per Hundred.
Arkansas Methodist, Little Rock, Ark.

SEARCY DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Bellefonte Ct., Jan. 12.
Valley Springs Ct., Jan. 13.
Harrison, Jan. 13-14.
Marshall, Jan. 19-20.
Leslie, Jan. 20-21.
Pangburn, Jan. 26-27.
Heber Springs, Jan. 27-28.
Clinton, Feb. 2-3.
Higden and Shirley, Feb. 3-4.
El Paso, Feb. 9.
Cabo and Jacksonville, Feb. 10.
Cato, Feb. 10.
Griffithville, Feb. 12-13.
Bald Knob, Feb. 16.
Beebe, Feb. 17.
McRae, Feb. 17.
J. H. O'BRYANT, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT. (First Round.)

Patmos, at Sardis, Jan. 12-13.
Stamps, Jan. 13, at night.
Foreman, Jan. 16, at night.
Fouke, at Harmony, Jan. 19; preaching
at 11 a. m.; Conference at 2 p. m.
Bright Star, at Doddridge, Jan. 20; Con-
ference 2 p. m.
Paraloma, at Hicks, Jan. 26; preach-
ing at 11 a. m.; Conference 2 p. m.
Richmond and Wilton, at Richmond,
Jan. 27; Conference at 2:30 p. m.
Umpire, Feb. 1-2; preaching Friday
night and Saturday at 11 a. m.; Con-
ference 2 p. m. Saturday.
Dierks, Feb. 3; Conference 2 p. m.
Cherry Hill, at Owen's Chapel, Feb. 9-
10.
Mena, Feb. 10, at night.
Hatfield, Feb. 16-17; Conference Sat-
urday, 3 p. m.
Vandervoort, at Vandervoort, Feb. 17;
Conference 4 p. m.; preaching at
night.
Lockesburg, at Lockesburg, Feb. 22-23;
preaching Friday night and Saturday
at 11; Conference 2 p. m.
Horatio, at Horatio, Feb. 24; Confer-
ence at 3 p. m.
Winthrop, Feb. 24-25; Conference Feb.
25, 2 p. m.
Bussey and Taylor at Bussey, March
2-3; Conference Saturday, 2 p. m.
To the Stewards: Brethren, make
good liberal assessments for your
preachers. Remember the high cost of
living.
To the Preachers: Begin on your
collections early. Remember, this will
make it easy and sure.
J. A. BIGGS, P. E.

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At the Age of 81



Mr. C. E. Brooks,
Marshall, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Less than a year ago I sent to you for an appliance, which came promptly. I at once put it on and it fitted perfectly. I have worn the appliance not quite ten and one-half months. It has cured my rupture.

I tried the other day while the appliance was off to see if I could force anything out of the opening to make a

break there, but I could not, though I tried hard.

Now I think this quite remarkable, as I am in my eighty-first year. I am an old veteran of the Civil War, born and raised in the town of New Boston, State of New Hampshire, from which place I enlisted in the 10th N. H. Vol. Inf. in Co. C, commanded by Col. M. T. Donahue.

I cannot feel but that I owe you this testimony, for I had never expected to be cured. However, thanks be to God I found a cure through the valuable appliance you made for me.

Your friend,
E. A. Richards.

Holly Hill, Fla.

Cured Without Operation

"Was Sure He Would Be a Cripple."

Ada, Minn.
Mr. C. E. Brooks, Marshall, Mich.



Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a picture of my children, and the little man you see seated on the chair is the one who was cured by your Appliance.

He had been ruptured quite a while before we wrote you, and I was sure that he would be a cripple the rest of his life. However, some help-

ing hand showed me an ad in a newspaper, with the result that he was in perfect health through the wearing of a Brooks Appliance for just three months.

The doctor advised an operation, which I would not consent to. Your advice was to put an Air Cushion Appliance on him, and I must say that it is worth ten times what it cost.

I wish you could have seen him before we used the Appliance and now, when he is fully as sound as anyone could be.

I cannot thank you too much for what you have done for my boy.

Yours respectfully,
OLIVER HANSON.

Sent on Trial to Prove It



The above is C. E. Brooks, inventor of the Appliance, who cured himself and who is now giving others the benefit of his experience. If ruptured, write him today, at Marshall, Mich.

Cured In Three Months



Salem, Ohio.
430 Cleveland Av.
Mr. C. E. Brooks,
Marshall, Mich.

Dear Mr. Brooks:

I am sending you a small picture of my son, who is now five years old.

We ordered your Appliance for him when he was only two months old, and yet want to say in about three months all signs of rupture were gone, and he is some boy today.

I shall be very glad to say a good word for you whenever the opportunity presents itself.

Yours very truly,
T. A. McLAIN.

Veteran Cured

Mr. Wm. McAdams of Kansas, Ill., is a veteran of Co. "H," 59th Regt., Ill. Vol., of which he was Second Lieutenant.

He has fought against the suffering and torment of Rupture for years and has finally won the victory as the following brief letter tells:

Mr. C. E. Brooks,
Marshall, Mich:

Dear Sir: I laid your appliance aside March 2nd and have not worn it for twenty-five days, for I think that I am cured. I hope that I may never have to wear it again.

Yours truly,
Wm. McAdams, Sr., Kansas, Ill.

Doctor Pronounces Him Cured

119 Towle Avenue,
Mishawaka, Ind.
Mr. C. E. Brooks,
Marshall, Mich.

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Answering your letter, will say we need no more Appliances, as our son has been completely cured by wearing your Appliance.

We recently had him examined, and the doctor said the opening was entirely closed and that it wasn't necessary to wear it longer.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Yours very truly,
MRS. H. TOLLMAN.

REMEMBER

I send my Appliance on trial to prove what I say is true. You are to be the judge. Fill out free coupon below and mail today.



Ten Reasons Why

You Should Send for Brooks Rupture Appliance

1. It is absolutely the only Appliance of the kind on the market today, and in it are embodied the principles that inventors have sought after for years.

2. The Appliance for retaining the rupture cannot be thrown out of position.

3. Being an air cushion of soft rubber, it clings closely to the body, yet never blisters or causes irritation.

4. Unlike the ordinary so-called pads used in other trusses, it is not cumbersome or ungainly.

5. It is small, soft and pliable, and positively cannot be detected through the clothing.

6. The soft, pliable bands holding the Appliance do not give one the unpleasant sensation of wearing a harness.

7. There is nothing about it to get foul, and when it becomes soiled it can be washed without injuring it in the least.

8. There are no metal springs in the Appliance to torture one by cutting and bruising the flesh.

9. All of the material of which the Appliances are made is of the very best that money can buy, making it a durable and safe Appliance to wear.

10. My reputation for honesty and fair dealing is so thoroughly established by an experience of over thirty years of dealing with the public, and my prices are so reasonable, my terms so fair, that there certainly should be no hesitancy in sending free coupon today.

Pennsylvania Man Thankful

Mr. C. E. Brooks, Marshall, Mich.

Dear Sir:—Perhaps it will interest you to know that I have been ruptured six years and have always had trouble with it till I got your Appliance. It is very easy to wear, fits neat and snug, and is not in the way at any time, day or night. In fact, at times I did not know I had it on; it just adapted itself to the shape of the body and seemed to be a part of the body, as it clung to the spot, no matter what position I was in.

It would be a veritable Godsend to the unfortunate who suffer from rupture if all could procure the Brooks Rupture Appliance and wear it. They would certainly never regret it.

My rupture is now all healed up and nothing ever did it but your Appliance. Whenever the opportunity presents itself I will say a good word for your Appliance, and also the honorable way in which you deal with ruptured people. It is a pleasure to recommend a good thing among your friends or strangers. I am,

Yours very sincerely,
JAMES A. BRITTON.
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