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TAKE THEREFORE THE TALENT FROM HIM, AND GIVE IT UNTO HIM WHICH HATH TEN TALENTS. FOR UNTO EVERY ONE THAT HATH SHALL BE GIVEN, AND HE SHALL HAVE ABUNDANCE; BUT FROM HIM THAT HATH NOT SHALL BE TAKEN AWAY EVEN THAT WHICH HE HATH. AND CAST YE THE UNPROFITABLE SERVANT INTO OUTER DARKNESS; THERE SHALL BE WEeping AND GNASHING OF TEETH.—Matt. 25:28-30.

ARE WE DISCIPLES?

No intelligent, informed, genuine Christian to-day questions that the primary and supreme duty of the Church is to interpret and enforce our Master's farwell commission to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The Church grew and took organic form as the result of this command, and is maintained today for the same purpose. As the inspired record of the labors of those who heard this command is studied, it is practically impossible to discover any form of organization so fully and clearly defined that it must be followed as the only approved plan. It is evident that the fundamental things were "going" and "preaching," and that after the impartation of the Christ principle the spiritual life was left to develop its instrumentalities in conformity with the conditions under which, in different ages and among different peoples, it found itself. If an organization involves no palpable absurdities, no ethical improprieties, no violation of clearly stated Scriptural injunctions, it is measurably doing the Master's will if it provides for going into all the world and preaching the gospel to every creature. The only limitation worthy of recognition is the presence in any particular part of the world of another organization which is fulfilling the command for that part of the world. Thus, denominations which recognize each other as valid units in the Master's evangelistic forces may co-operate to meet their obligations by mutual limitation and exclusion. But however perfect the organization and varied and elaborate its purely local activities, the Church that does not make ample provision for "going into all the world and preaching the gospel to every creature," is recreant, if not positively and wilfully disloyal. The commission is so broad, so general, that it undoubtedly means that the whole world is the object of missionary enterprise. If we seek to limit the scope of the commission, we may exclude ourselves from its benefits. Conversely, the duty of going and preaching is both general and individual in application, and anyone who seeks exemption from the obligation to go and preach may by the same logic be excluded from the benefits. It is true that, by announcing his commission in such broad terms, the Master virtually leaves to each disciple the determination of the details of his personal participation in the supreme enterprise, and, in harmony with this voluntary or elective principle, the Protestant denominations, organizations into which no one is forced and from which any member in good standing may withdraw, largely leave to each member the exact manner and degree of his participation in the missionary program. Where assessment for pastoral support is practical it is always with the consent of the member, and rarely, if ever, is collection on an assessment legally enforced. Because salvation is free in the sense that it cannot be bought either with money or works, most of our church members regard themselves at perfect liberty to give or to withhold their substance. Herein, however, is a fatal mistake which is dwarfing souls and retarding the progress of the Kingdom of God. When a sinner is saved by grace it is because he confesses his sins, repents, believes on Jesus Christ, and becomes a disciple or follower. Certainly this means that the

saved sinner is under a supreme obligation to co-operate with Jesus Christ in his plan for saving the world. The man who denies this cannot make good his claim to discipleship. To become a true disciple one must have the spirit as far as he is capable, the viewpoint of his Master. The spirit of Christ is loving self-denial, is the holding in subjection of all that which ministers to self at the expense of others, the restraint of the carnal nature as it opposes the spiritual, and in helpful service, all in right relation to God. Now, in what respect does the average church member (disciple) differ from the same man when a sinner? If he has been given to lying, stealing, profanity, drunkenness, lasciviousness, gambling, and like sins, of course, he quits; but in doing this he gains self-control and the respect of his associates, and many a man lives free from all these vices and yet is not a Christian. If he was engaged in an illegal or disreputable business, he quits; but that does not make him a Christian. If he had neglected church and other helpful agencies, he now attends and perhaps takes some part, but these things help him to appreciate spiritual things and strengthen him to live a better life. As he derives benefit and belongs to a local organization which involves expense for maintenance, he contributes something for its support; but he does that for his lodge or union, and often pays more liberally to the fraternal society than to the church. If he lost time and impaired his efficiency because of his vices and follies, he now uses his time more profitably and with improved health earns more than formerly. It is possible for him as a church member to do all of these things and get such immediate returns in health, wealth, and honor, that, instead of denying himself, he is wisely gaining. He has not caught the Christ spirit of loving self-denial and service, even among his neighbors, and he is not co-operating to carry out the Master's missionary program. He may be an upright, clean, honorable man and good citizen, but he is not truly a disciple. He is not himself "going and preaching" and he is not paying so that others may go while he remains at his business to make money and enjoy the multitude of blessings which are possible only in lands where Christ has been preached. Oh, to be sure, he may, as a steward, spend one day a quarter collecting, or as a teacher one hour a week teaching a class; but he practically uses his time according to his own pleasure. Yes, of course, it would not be quite respectable to make no contribution to the benevolent or missionary collections and his pastor would feel hurt, and so, if a poor man, he gives a dollar; if rich, five or even fifty. Yet, out of local pride, he would give as much to equip the town baseball team or to keep up the county fair. He is giving neither time nor money in a self-denying spirit and to carry out the Master's program. Now his time and money are the two things which he can control, and his use of them indicates his interests. The man who uses practically all of his time and money in pursuit of those things which bring him comfort and honor and personal gratification, is not denying himself, and yet Christ says: "If any man will come after me (be my disciple), let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily." Now the occupations and recreations of the average church member may not be immoral, but if he wishes to be a disciple, let him ask himself whether with his time and money he is "denying himself and taking up his cross daily." In an age when men had little money or when his own community was the world, there might be reasons for failure to do foreign missionary work; but today our so-called poor men have money for luxuries and China is our neighbor.

Jesus Christ wants men and money to carry out

his program of saving the world. It may not be possible for every man himself to go as a missionary, just as it is impossible for every American to go today as a soldier; but if one man in every hundred must become a soldier to make democracy safe and the other ninety-nine who stay at home must support him, it would be reasonable for Christ's purposes that one in every hundred disciples should become a missionary, and the other ninety-nine should support him. On this basis Southern Methodism would send 20,000 missionaries, and as it costs about \$1,000 to maintain a missionary, we would contribute to missions \$20,000,000 annually, or an average of \$10 per member. Is this too much? Not, if we propose to be as loyal disciples of Jesus Christ as we are citizens of the United States. Can any one give a valid reason for not attempting as great things for the Kingdom of God as for our country? What would happen to our country now if we were giving to its support as we are to the Kingdom of God?

PUBLISH THE REPORT.

While we had no objection to the proposition that the Commission on Unification should admit representatives of the Church Press, still we could see some reasonable objection, hence we did not feel called upon to urge it. However, believing that our General Conference is entitled to ample time for considering the report of the Commission, we confidently expect its publication as soon as negotiations are ended and the report is prepared. Its nature can hardly be kept from the public, and it were far better for us to discuss the document itself.

"SOME UNIONISTIC SOPHISTRY."

Under the above caption Dr. Meek, in the New Orleans Christian Advocate of January 10, reproduces a part of our article, "Some Northern Views," of December 20, and devotes almost two pages to it. Under the sub-caption, "Dr. Millar's Slur," he indulges in personalities which we shall neither quote nor discuss, because Dr. Meek is our brother and we are unwilling to take these expressions seriously.

It would be useless, we believe, at this time to discuss the questions to which Dr. Meek has for months given many pages of his paper. The columns of our paper have been open to legitimate expression of views and the leaders of Arkansas Methodism have had ample opportunity to protest if our editorial attitude has misrepresented them. There are many things in the Northern press which we have not approved; much of Dr. Spencer's editorials we regard as illogical; but, as our General Conference, which is supposed to represent the Church, has declared itself in favor of unification, we have believed it our duty to promote unification; and as our General Conference, first, suggested a modification of the Plan submitted by the Joint Commission, we have not felt free to criticize the Northern General Conference for also suggesting modifications. As our own Commissioners were legally and properly appointed, we have felt under obligation to support them in their efforts to find a basis of agreement. As all that is done by the Joint Commission is purely tentative and is not yet completed, we have regretted any effort, whether in North or South, to hamper the Commissioners. As the Plan cannot become effective until it is adopted by two-thirds of our own General Conference and three-fourths of our Annual Conference membership, and as we have absolute confidence in the loyalty and intelligence of the men who compose these bodies, we have had no fear for the results of their action. As we entertain certain well defined ideas on features of the

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

Rev. I. B. Manly, pastor of McKee Street Church, Houston, Texas, sends us a very attractive and ingenious folder which he is using for church publicity.

Pittsburgh, Pa., has ordered an increase of \$100 each in the salaries of 3,023 school teachers as war emergency remuneration, and Philadelphia will pay \$50 each more.

Rev. J. G. Parker, who was changed from Cotter to Vilonia, writes that he has had a hard move, but has been cordially received and is pleased with his appointment.

Receipt is acknowledged of a beautiful Scripture Text Calendar from Rev. Ben Cox, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Memphis. Brother Cox does not forget his Arkansas friends.

The annual convention of the Religious Education Association will be held at Atlantic City, March 4-6, immediately following the spring meeting of the National Educational Association.

During this week the fourth anniversary of the Memphis Noon Meeting will be celebrated. It was started by Rev. Ben Cox of Central Baptist Church, and has been a source of great blessing to many people.

Rev. J. D. Baker, who was at Twenty-eighth Street, Little Rock, reports that he is well pleased with Mineral Springs and has had a hearty welcome. The salary has been raised about \$375 above last year's assessment.

Rev. H. H. Watson, our pastor at Morrilton, was taken suddenly and dangerously sick December 23, and was critically ill for several days. He is now rapidly improving and hopes soon to be out. Brethren from Conway filled his pulpit.

Wonder of wonders! Kentucky, the State of the corkscrew, the State of Col. Henry Watterson, is the third to ratify the National Prohibition Amendment. As Kentucky was not fully dry, this is a great victory. Hurrah for old Kentucky! Let Texas be next.

The mid-year session of the Arkansas Press Association will be held in Little Rock, January 23, and it will be followed by the Tri-State Press Association (Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee), January 24-25, at Memphis. An interesting program has been prepared.

Rev. F. M. Tolleson writes that work on Jonesboro District starts off even better than usual this year. The pastoral letter which he has addressed

to his preachers shows the mind of a genuine spiritual leader. He hopes to have the circulation campaign pressed in February.

The editor had planned to attend the Hendrix College luncheon for Helena District at Forrest City last Friday night and deliver educational addresses Sunday at Cotton Plant and Brinkley, but was notified that on account of the blizzard which was raging all engagements were called off.

Dr. Theo F. Brewer writes that Brother T. S. Garrison, a layman of Texas Conference, has a record similar to his own in that he has been elected to nine General Conferences and has voted for every one of our present College of Bishops. His experience also began in the Conference of 1886.

The speech of Hon. John N. Tillman of Arkansas in the House of Representatives when the Prohibition Amendment was pending is a strong arraignment of the diabolism of the liquor traffic and a fine specimen of Southern oratory. We rejoice that Arkansas was heard that glorious day.

Rev. A. H. Williams, formerly a member of the Arkansas Conference, who served Main Street Church, Water Valley, Miss., writes that he is now pastor at Cochran, Ala., a good town in Columbus District, North Mississippi Conference. He is well pleased and thinks he has a place of large opportunity.

Rev. W. B. Johnsey, a superannuate of North Arkansas Conference, who is now living at Madrid, Ky., as he is entering his eighty-first year, writes us a beautiful personal letter. He is evidently growing old gracefully and is enjoying the companionship of his Lord and appreciates his brethren and friends.

Every farmer who wants to serve his country will be busy during the next few weeks clearing up a patch for extra crops, corn, potatoes, or peanuts. No less cotton should be raised, but more food for home consumption. Then there should be planning for more pigs and poultry. These things will help to win the war.

In the Christian Advocate (Nashville) of January 11, under the caption, "Some Important History," appeared an illuminating editorial setting forth the correct historical position of our church in its relation to the negro problem. We hope to have space for it in the near future so that our readers may understand our history.

Rev. Thomas I. Beck, who recently transferred to North Arkansas Conference and is stationed at Prairie Grove, writes that he has been cordially welcomed by his people and by the preachers of Fayetteville District, and is looking forward to a good year. He hopes to put the Arkansas Methodist in every home in his charge.

Dr. Bradfield of the Texas Christian Advocate is urging the Governor of Texas to convene the Legislature so that it may complete the work which it was expected to do and ratify the National Prohibition Amendment. We sincerely hope that this may be done. The people of Texas were cheated out of their opportunity to get state-wide prohibition, and now should be permitted to help the national movement.

Prof. J. G. Lile, formerly president of Central College for Women at Conway, and recently professor of History and Economics in Ouachita College, has been elected Education Secretary to carry out the five-year half-million-dollar educational program of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Prof. Lile is a good, true man of high educational ideals. We wish him and his cause great success in this effort to strengthen Christian education in our State.

Last week we had a call by Rev. W. C. Martin, a ministerial student of Hendrix College. He and seven others, students of Hendrix, W. H. Bryant, Stanford Hayden, Perry Herring, E. J. Munn, F. D. Russell, and Porter Weaver, have gone to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., as volunteers to take up medical work in the regular army. We appreciate the splendid patriotism of these young men in answering their country's call, and yet regret that their college careers are thus interrupted.

Last week the lower House of Congress passed the resolution submitting to the States an amendment granting national suffrage to women. Although we have believed in the principle of woman's suffrage, we have never been enthusiastic for this amendment, believing that it was a ques-

tion for each State to settle for itself. However, in view of present world conditions, we think Congress would be acting wisely in getting this matter out of its way, hence we hope the Senate also will act favorably.

Evangelist M. Columbus Hamilton of Sulphur, Okla., is conducting a fine revival for Epworth Church, Oklahoma City, Dr. J. L. Henson, pastor. It is believed that this church, already in high favor, will be one of the greatest in the city when Epworth University is again running. Brother Hamilton, whose sainted father was a successful evangelist, is receiving calls from everywhere because of his unusual versatility. He is his own soloist and choir director in all meetings that do not make too heavy demands upon his preaching strength.

Bishop Mouzon has found it necessary to change his plans slightly for his visit to our city. He will be in Little Rock Sunday, February 17, and hopes to visit Camp Pike on Monday. He is anxious at that time to meet our preachers and laymen who are specially interested in the moral and religious welfare of the soldiers. He has invited Dr. J. R. Nelson, superintendent of work among army camps in Texas, to accompany him. Tuesday, February 19, at 9 a. m., Bishop Mouzon expects to meet all the presiding elders of the two Arkansas Conferences at First Church, Little Rock.

In 1861 it was the boast of the United States that the total tonnage of our ships was almost equal to that of England, and our ocean tonnage carried about 70 per cent of our exports and imports. Later there was a decline, and relatively our merchant marine had become insignificant. It is gratifying to know that when our present ship-building program is executed our tonnage will again approximate that of Great Britain. By the end of 1918 the United States will have built ten times as many vessels as were ever constructed before in an equal period. It is a tremendous task, but for the sake of humanity it must be done.

WHY SECURE NEW SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE ARKANSAS METHODIST? IT IS THE ASSISTANT PASTOR, A WEEKLY VISITOR AND HELPER TO ENCOURAGE RELIGIOUS THOUGHT IN THE HOME, A MOULDER OF HIGH CHARACTER, AND A CREATOR OF RIGHT SENTIMENT. IT BRINGS THE NEWS OF THE CHURCH AND CONNECTS ITS READERS WITH THE CHRISTIAN MOVEMENTS OF THE DAY. THE PRICE OF MANY OTHER PERIODICALS HAS BEEN RAISED, BUT YOU STILL GET YOUR METHODIST FOR \$1.50. HELP YOUR PASTOR TO SECURE THE NUMBER APPORTIONED TO YOUR CHARGE. CONFER WITH HIM ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN.

The Milwaukee Journal, by no means a prohibition paper, made the following comment upon the brewers' activities in politics and their conviction in the Federal Court: "The charge under which these brewers were punished was that they raised and spent a fund exceeding \$1,000,000 to influence the election of a United States Senator and thirty-six members of the lower House of Congress. The whole thing is staggering. Here was an attempt to debauch the electorate of a great commonwealth, to buy seats in the halls of Congress, and to pervert to sordid and selfish purposes the government of the nation. It was not only done in violation of law, but it is destructive of representative government."

Through the prompt action of its Legislature, Mississippi has the proud honor of being the first State to ratify the National Prohibition Amendment. Would that Bishop Galloway, who led his generation in advocacy of prohibition, were alive to rejoice over the action of his beloved State. The Virginia Legislature was the second to ratify. Thus, Dr. James Cannon, Jr., who has made such splendid warfare on the liquor traffic, has the pleasure of seeing his great State near the head of the column. The liquor press of the North is threatening the democracy of the South with political annihilation because the South is leading in this movement. We are proud of the enemies that we are thus making.

The war seems to be stirring the Hungarian Church to renewed activity. This is very marked in connection with the provision and circulation of Christian literature. The chaplains have many

striking things to tell of this aspect of religious work among the troops. Here is an incident, which, along with others, has had a decided effect: In a hospital hundreds of miles from home, a chaplain found a company of Hungarians whose limbs had been frozen off. Words failed him at the sight. But one of the number said to him: "It might have been worse, sir." "Worse—how possible?" asked the chaplain. And to his query came the immediate reply, "Well, sir, we might have lost the sight of our eyes, and then we could not have read the Word of God."—Ex.

A study of the world's history will reveal the fact that no nation ever entirely perished from the earth from forces outside of itself. Destruction has invariably come from internal forces, national corruption and sin. God is the God of nations, and His inexorable law is that nations, as well as individuals, must pay the penalty of their sins. Greece and Rome, and every other nation that has risen to great heights of power, perished because of internal causes. Selfishness, greed, corporate corruption in many forms, so weakened them that they were unable to resist the conquest of stronger nations. Our own country has been greatly blessed of God and has risen to a place of unparalleled power in the world. Its most serious danger lies in the insidious power of sin and disobedience to God. Only as we seek His will and follow His guidance will we be able to maintain our national integrity and independence.—Christian Observer.

COMPLAINTS.

We have had several complaints from subscribers about receiving their papers late or failing to receive them. The delay is easily explained by the condition of the mails, but we are at a loss to understand why subscribers fail to get their papers, and especially in several cases where special copies have been sent. We thank all who report to us, as we want every subscriber to get his paper, and we request every one who is missed to notify us so that we may correct the trouble.

BOOK REVIEWS.

The Last Shot; by Frederick Palmer; published by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York; price, \$1.35.

This novel, written by an eminent war correspondent and student of war, appeared just before the great war burst upon the world. It was in some measure prophetic. Many of the actual experiences were almost anticipated. Much of the method has been followed. It is really a great plea for peace. The heroine Murta is a wonderful character. Abhorring war, she is forced by the exigencies of a tragic situation to become one of the principal factors in winning for her country. At first disappointed, she is at last rewarded by a settlement honorable alike to both countries and promising permanent peace. While the result is far different from that which may be expected in this war, the book is interesting and helpful, and conditions may be appreciated better by reading it.

Why We Punctuate; or, Reason versus Rule in the Use of Marks. By William Livingston Klein, Minneapolis, Minn.; The Lancet Publishing Co.; price, \$1.25 net.

Punctuation is an art not easily acquired. Of course, the main difficulty is in being able to make the fine distinctions which good punctuation implies. However, as there are reasons governing the use of "marks," it is important that the "reasons" be discovered. This is done in the little book under review, and, in such manner that even the ordinary writer may gain valuable aid. To all who have been struggling with this difficult subject, this book is recommended.

The North American Idea. By James A. Macdonald. New York: Fleming H. Revell Co. Price, \$1.25.

Dr. James A. Macdonald, editor of the Toronto Globe, is not merely a great editor; he is a speaker of force and power, who enjoys the respect and confidence of the English-speaking world. In the truest sense he is a preacher of righteousness. In these lectures, delivered last May, shortly after our nation had decided to enter the world contest, he defined the "North American Idea," held in com-

mon by Canada and the United States, as "The right of a free people to govern themselves." This was not born in our "Declaration of Independence," but is a heritage from Anglo-Saxon and Anglo-Celtic ancestry, the product of age-long struggle. It has culminated in America, and now that England and France, Canada and the United States are united in its defense, the prospects for its triumph over the opposing theory are bright. This book is the amplification and justification of this principle. Its just and fair historic prospective is needed; its spirit of internationalism on the basis of genuine fraternity is rightly liberalizing; and its note of the final victory of liberty, democracy, and internationalism is stimulating. No one can read these luminous pages without a growing conviction of the ultimate dominance of the "North American Idea." The author, in conclusion, asks the searching question: "What are you doing with the opportunities that are yours? with the privileges? with the superiorities of which you boast?" * * * "You nation of privileged citizens, you whose free citizenship is a heritage from all the ages of the past, you whose democracy was won for you by all the struggles of America and of Europe through those centuries up from despotism—What are you doing with it?"

Truths That Save: Church House Texts and Talks; by Frank H. Decker; published by The Pilgrim Press, Boston and Chicago; price \$1.

The first ten chapters are essentially accurate reports of typical interviews between the author and the hopeless and abandoned sinners who had sought his help. They are intended to illustrate the personal methods used with a drunkard, a thief, a fallen woman, and others in serious trouble. The forty-two brief addresses which follow are based on texts and are such as the author makes in his rescue mission. They are all virile and vital, and may well serve as suggestive of fuller discussions. They might be profitably used as daily readings by busy people who desire to meditate on Scriptural themes. Their tone is evangelistic and their trend is toward higher things.

The Golden Road. By L. M. Montgomery. L. C. Page & Co., Boston. Price, \$1.35.

This is Miss Montgomery's last book, and possibly her best. Certain it is that the attractive style is just the kind to please the young people who read her works. The characters are chosen from the every-day walks of life and all do the natural things, with nothing of the uncommon taking place. The dialect is of the best and the descriptions are true to nature and given in an attractive style, which makes the reader want to read every word. The timidity of "The Awkward Man" who attempts to make love to Alice is amusing, and the sudden and unexpected appearance of the prodigal who was not wanted caused unhappiness in more than one heart. It is a safe story to place in the hands of young people, who will be delighted with it.

Blue Bonnet Keeps House. By Caroline and Lela Roberts. The Page Co., Boston. Price, \$1.50.

This is the last book of the Blue Bonnet series, and the scene is taken from the life of the heroine, "Blue Bonnet," who has spent most of her days on a ranch in Texas, but who has now reached the age at which she must be sent away to an Eastern college. Her devotion to the "big things" out West is sweet, and the refining influence she has over the cowboys is true to life. But she must leave it all for a season. The character of Gabriel is one of special interest and the attempt "Blue Bonnet" makes to discover his parents helps to hold the interest to the very last page, when John Churchill declared he is "our Gabriel." The story is wholesome, optimistic and girlish, and will be sure to please that class of readers who are just entering college life.

The Dwelling-Place of Light; by Winston Churchill; published by The Macmillan Co., New York; price \$1.60.

This is a story of the tragedy of an imprisoned soul, a strong character who does not understand herself nor the life of which she is a part, and yet has wonderful intuition, and who is cruelly robbed of her soul's opportunities of self-realization just as the way seemed to open. It is an intensely modern portrayal of the perplexing prob-

lems growing out of the struggle for existence in American industrial life. It grips, it shocks, it hurts. It is a social study that is so full of grim facts that one could wish it were pure fiction. The spectres raised will haunt the sensitive soul, because, alas, they are not spectres. Such tragedies doubtless are again and again enacted among us, but we only catch glimpses of the characters as the procession passes. If one may criticize it, it is difficult to conceive of American life without a religious factor, with only elemental morality as the ethical motive; and yet it is startling to think that there are circles in our civilization where vital religion is practically unknown. That is tragedy.

The Social Teachings of the Jewish Prophets: A Study in Biblical Sociology; by William Bennett Bizzell, President A. & M. College of Texas; published by Sherman, French & Co., Boston; price \$1.25.

It is claimed that the Jewish prophet had the view point of the modern Sociologist, because he seemed to be seeking to estimate the value of the various experiences of his people. But he did not stop with mere evaluation. He often sought to control the situation by announcing a constructive program. As men are now studying the Old Testament to discover the message it has for the modern world, it is important that the prophetic teachings be correctly interpreted, so that the applications may be sane and salutary. In the volume under consideration the prophets are examined from the standpoint of the social situation with which they were connected. The political conditions are analyzed and the collateral influences upon the prophets explained. Thus the author seeks to relate the prophet to his own age and find the motive for his social teaching. The significance of the messages for our own day makes the book timely. It may be used to advantage in Bible classes.

Modern Pagans; by Charles M. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps;" published by The Methodist Book Concern, New York and Cincinnati; price 50 cents.

This is a story of a typical American family in comfortable circumstances. While they are wholesome, hearty honest people, interested in society, business, and politics, they are practically pagans. They receive and enjoy the varied blessings of a Christian civilization, but feel none of its responsibilities and undertake none of its duties. The transformation of these modern pagans into genuine and aggressive Christians is the theme of this story. It is well told, and, faithfully portraying conditions that obtain in many elegant and respectable homes in our land, may be helpful reading. Every city pastor needs it. Laymen ought to read it.

Making the Old Sunday School New; by Ernest Albert Miller; published by The Methodist Book Concern, New York and Cincinnati; price 50 cents.

All progressive Christians now believe in the Sunday school, but some do not know the elements of a modern Sunday school and are not able to assist in transforming their antiquated school into the latest and best type. This is not a technical treatise, but a plain and eminently practical outline of the requisites. It should be in the hands of both preachers and laymen, and may be profitably studied by experienced workers for the sake of co-ordinating their plans.

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Plan, which ideas may not be incorporated, it is not probable that the Plan as submitted will be wholly satisfactory, but we propose loyally to accept whatever comes as the result of our constitutional processes. During the whole period of negotiation, it has been our desire to have full and fair discussion of principles and policies free from suspicions and personalities. If we have failed to live up to this ideal, we regret it. While we have not approved of many of Dr. Meek's editorials, we have believed, and still believe, that he is honest, loyal, and zealous, and a Christian gentleman, and that he will stand as true to the decisions of the Church as we propose to do. We are unwilling to owe him anything but love.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCE
MISSIONARY SECRETARIES

The annual meeting of the Conference Missionary Secretaries was held in Nashville, Tennessee, January 2-3. It was conceded the most important meeting ever. Very shortly there will be given to the Press the "Findings" of this body, and therein will be defined the policy of the Mission Board for the coming year. Two matters engaged our attention specially, the work and support of the camp pastor and the plans for the Centenary of American Missions. Much will be published concerning both of these matters, but it may be of special interest to say that a call for 150 picked men in Southern Methodism, representing all her interests, has been issued, and this committee will meet in Memphis in February having before them the duty of fixing a Centenary goal for our Church. With great care the whole field of missionary opportunity and responsibility has been canvassed, at home and abroad, and it is not unlikely that these leaders of our Church will inaugurate a movement to raise something like \$25,000,000 for missions.

The Treasurer of the Board gave the signal for great applause when it was stated that not a penny of indebtedness remains on the Board, and that the income for missions from all sources has gone beyond the \$1,000,000 mark by a good margin.

That Missionary Secretaries on full time will be needed to carry through the comprehensive plan of the Church seems to be the settled conviction of our leaders. The mission rooms of offices are veritable hives of industry, and our secretaries were under the deepest conviction that our Church is on the eve of the most remarkable program of faith and achievement ever conceived.

It will be a matter of rejoicing to know that Dr. Pinson is rapidly improving.—H. E. Wheeler, Missionary Secretary, North Arkansas Conference.

THE CONFERENCE MISSIONARY
SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON FINDINGS.

We are gratified by the encouraging report of the progress made in most of the Conferences. The Virginia Conference still is far in the lead in the work being done. With most Conferences hardly more than a start has been made on what the Church should do for the cause of missions. Our purpose is to push the cause of missions, but not to the detriment of other church claims. Where gratifying progress has been made in the cause of missions we are glad to note that a corresponding advance has been made on these other claims. We affirm anew our purpose to do all possible to secure the payment in full of all assessments, but since the assessment for missions represents neither the ability of the Church on the one hand to pay, nor on the other hand, the work to be done, we again stress the importance of specials. Since one-fourth of the foreign work of the General Board is being carried on through the money received from specials, the Church that stops at the assessment says to the General Board,

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War Work.—The world war is the one stupendous fact that we are all called upon to face today. We are gratified by the position our Church has taken and the support it has given the Government in this fight for justice and righteousness in the earth. We rejoice that our Church is giving in men, money and moral influence its best to make the world safe for democracy. We commend the work done by our Church for the soldiers through the chaplains, Y. M. C. A. secretaries, and camp pastors, furnished by our denominations. The troops in cantonments within our borders place upon us an obligation and furnishes an opportunity of unparalleled magnitude, not only to the soldiers themselves, but to the communities in which the camps are located, and especially to the young women of these communities, the Church most minister with fidelity, tact and vigor.

Home Missions.—There is a crying need for additional Home Mission Specials. The assessment for Home Missions is not large enough to meet the legitimate and urgent demands which are made upon our Home Mission Funds. The needs of our Home Mission Department now require not less than \$200,000. Just as specials are needed to carry on the Foreign Mission work so are they just as much needed to meet the urgent need in the home field.

We heartily recommend that the following Home Mission Specials be pressed by the conference secretaries and boards and raised by the churches during the year:

1. \$7,000 balance on the \$17,000 for the Mexican Institute Building, San Antonio.
2. 25 scholarships of \$100 each to support boys in Mexican Institute.
3. \$2,500 to erect combination Sunday school building and parsonage for Mexican Church, San Antonio.
4. \$1,000 for Textile Industrial Institute, Spartanburg, S. C.
5. \$1,250 balance on the \$5,000 for San Juan Cuban Church, Texas.
6. \$2,500 emergency in drought-stricken section of West Texas.
7. \$2,500 emergency in drought-stricken section of Northwest Texas.
8. \$5,000 for Mission Church in San Francisco, the Church Extension Board giving a similar amount.

We would emphasize the importance of our Conference Boards assuming in a more definite and comprehending way the responsibility for the Christianization and Americanization of the foreign speaking peoples within their territories. We recognize the importance of churches specifically for the foreigners wherein their own language will be used, but we believe the time has come for the preaching in English or through interpreters by the American pastors to all the Foreign peoples. We believe that the American pastor should be brought to undertake this great work and that at the earliest possible date. In connection with such work classes for the study of the English language should be maintained in all communities of foreign born peoples.

The Country Church.—Our Church has done in the past, and is doing today, a great work in the country, but two serious facts we must face. In the first place, some of our country preachers and supplies are unable to meet the ever-enlarging demands of the country churches. Through insti-

tutes and by any other means available, we must exert our utmost to improve this situation. In the second place, many of these pastors, whether competent or incompetent, are compelled to live upon utterly inadequate salaries. The increased cost of living has gone forward by leaps and bounds. The advancement of salaries has not by any means kept pace with the increased cost of living. In most places the country charges are more able than ever before to pay living salaries and every effort must be made to see that this act of wisdom and justice is accomplished.

The Centennial of Methodist Missions.—April, 1919, is the Centennial of American Methodist Missions. In April, 1819, a small group of far-seeing men in the Methodist Church organized a Methodist Missionary and Bible Society. The General Conference of 1890 gave this organization official standing. Through a hundred years this organization has grown in plans, in outlook, in gifts and in service to all of the nations of the earth.

The time of this celebration of the Centennial seems from every point to be providential.

The two great Methodisms of America, working in a Joint Commission representing both churches, have plans well on foot to celebrate in a worthy way this greatest event in the history of American Methodism. The General Board of Missions and the College of Bishops of our Church have most heartily commended this plan of Southern Methodism.

The Centennial Commission has been appointed, of which Bishop James Atkins is chairman, and this Commission is giving itself most earnestly and prayerfully to working out plans that will not only be acceptable to the entire church but will lift Southern Methodism to a higher standard of spiritual life, of stewardship, and give her a far more commanding place in world-wide evangelism. With the Methodist Episcopal Church we are working jointly, first, in the Spiritual Resource Department, second, in Stewardship and Tithing, and, third, in Joint Celebration.

Each church will work through its own organization and officials and according to its own plans in carrying out the work committed to them through the Centennial Movement. The Centenary Commission proposes to work through the Conference Organization of Conference Mission Boards, the Conference Missionary Secretary, the Conference Board of Lay Activities, the Conference Lay Leader, District Lay Leader, and Charge Lay Leader, and to seek the hearty co-operation from the beginning of this Centenary program of every pastor and presiding elder throughout the bounds of our Church.

It is a matter of inspiration to those in charge of this Centennial Celebration of our Church that thus far they have had the most sympathetic expression and co-operation of all the elements of the entire church.

Concerning this Centennial Celebration there is no limit of opportunity. It presents to the Methodism of America the greatest opportunity which has ever come to her in all her glorious history to do a great and worthy thing for the Kingdom of God.

We, therefore, as the Conference Missionary Secretaries of the various Annual Conferences of the Southern Methodist Church assembled in Nashville in the Annual Meeting of the Missionary Secretaries, do most heart-

ily commend this Missionary Centenary, and pledge to the Commission our most sympathetic co-operation in all of the plans which shall be adopted to make effective the program of the Commission, and unite and will unite with the great multitude of Methodists who will join the fellowship of intercession in behalf of this epoch making movement.

Educational Propaganda. — Many Sunday schools and Epworth Leagues are doing an excellent educational work and are making worthy contribution to the cause of missions, but only a beginning has been made. Especially would we urge that all Sunday school contributions for missions be Specials. Institutes, special services, mission study classes, maps, leaflets, and our missionary periodicals, must be used with increasing vigor if we are to lay a sure foundation for the future. We rejoice in the great work being done by the women of our Church and call upon our pastors and people to give them the heartiest co-operation.

Increase of Missionary Assessments.—The following resolution on the increase of assessments for missions was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That we, the Missionary Secretaries request the Board of Missions to make a substantial increase in the Missionary assessments, said increase to be commensurate with our needs in the mission fields, and with the increased resources at the command of our Church.

"C. C. Miller,
"T. N. Potts."

Prayer and Intercession.—Prayer has always been the most vital factor in missionary progress. Not that God needs to be persuaded to co-operate with us in these undertakings, but only by prayer can we attain divine passion for a world salvation, and secure the co-ordination of forces, human and divine, for the achievement of this end. As never before the Church should be in the spirit of prayer.—J. J. Stowe, L. P. Smith, T. N. Potts, W. B. Campbell, H. E. Wheeler.

ALPHEUS W. WILSON—A PRINCE
IN ISRAEL.

This is the title of a volume by Rev. C. D. Harris, editor of the Baltimore Southern Methodist, which is being issued by the Board of Church Extension. The book has been promised ready for mailing by February 15.

Under the action of the Executive Committee of the Board, every pastor in the church who secured his Church Extension collection in full for the Conference year 1916-1917, is entitled to a copy. Many of these have advised the office of their right to the book. Others have overlooked sending us this information. It is important that we receive at an early date, the names and addresses of these brethren.

Bishop Wilson was the last of the charter members of the Board of Church Extension, and I am authorized by the Executive Committee of

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the Board to present a copy of the book to the superannuate members of the several Annual Conferences, and will thank these brethren for their correct addresses.

It is anticipated that the edition will not be altogether exhausted in supplying the above. Anyone desiring a copy may secure it, so long as the supply lasts, by sending one dollar to this office. The cost of the publication has been provided for, and money received from the sale of the book will be added to the Alpheus Waters Wilson Loan Fund.

This is a companion volume in size and style of "David Morton—A Biography", by Bishop E. E. Hoss.—W. F. McMurry, Corresponding Secretary, 1115 S. Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

PROGRESS AT PAINE COLLEGE.

This is proving to be a year of remarkable prosperity at Paine College, our institution at Augusta, Ga., for the colored race. To date 280 students have enrolled, and scores of others have been turned away for lack of room. Among those in attendance are over fifty young ministers of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, preparing for larger and more efficient service in their church.

Paine Annex is filled, too. In fact we could have filled another dormitory the size of Bennett Hall. The ladies of the Missionary Society can tell you what Paine Annex is. Ask them. May God richly bless them for their deep and practical interest in the welfare of their sisters in black!

Our chief hindrance has been the debt of \$15,000. This has hampered the institution for several years. But at this writing the sum of \$7,316 has been raised in cash on the debt, and nearly \$3,000 more in subscription is in hand. Nothing succeeds like success and now it begins to look like this debt will soon be a thing of the past.

One layman has sent us his check for \$1,000. Two other laymen have sent in checks for \$500 each. The North Texas Conference raised in cash and subscription \$1,455. The North Carolina Conference cheered us with \$740, and the Upper South Carolina Conference cheerfully raised \$735. Several other Conferences have made liberal contributions to our work. We are deeply grateful for this encouraging aid.

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AN APPEAL.

To the Members of the Methodist Church of South Arkansas:

When the Little Rock Annual Conference recently met at Arkadelphia, my home town, at the request of Bishop Mouzon and all the elders when in session, I agreed to act as campaign manager for the raising of \$75,000 to pay the indebtedness of your college at Arkadelphia. I realized at the time that it would mean that I would be called upon to leave my law business for a time, but I feel that if some of the best and biggest business men of the nation could close their desks and leave their business for our country in this time of great need, I also could afford to leave my business for a few weeks and give my services to the Lord for the saving of a great Christian college and to help in my meager way to redeem the honor of our great Church by aiding her to pay her honest debts.

I hope you will bear with me in patience while I endeavor to present to you the real facts with reference to the financial condition of your college.

It happens that I am a member of the Conference Board of Education, a member of the Board of Trustees of the college, and as well attorney for the college, so am somewhat acquainted with the situation from the standpoint of a layman.

In assuming the duties of a trustee I did so with the conviction that I was acting as a duly authorized agent of the great Methodist Church, being elected by your Conference, and as truly in God's work as if I had been a member of a board of stewards, or even a preacher of the Gospel. I feel that every layman should, and that nearly all of them do, consider the tasks which they perform in their many church activities as being performed in line of a call to service, as surely and certainly a duty as well as a privilege carrying divine approval.

When the college burned and the question of rebuilding was discussed, it was decided by the duly authorized agents of the Church to rebuild, and a most handsome Administration Building and girls' dormitory were constructed, also a large and well equipped dining room and kitchen, such buildings as could well be the pride of any college in the South. Just after the completion of these buildings I was elected a member of the Board of Trustees and placed on the Executive Committee. Dr. J. M. Workman about the same time left one of the best appointments in the State and responded to the call as president of the college.

As was our duty, we began to discover the real financial status of affairs, and found that there was a debt of practically \$100,000, which had been created principally in the rebuilding and equipping of the college. This debt was a debt of the Church, and we felt that with the matter in the hands of some strong financial representative the debt could be paid and an endowment secured.

Brother A. O. Evans, after much prayer, accepted the call to the position of commissioner of finance for the college, and had just laid his plans and organized his forces for a campaign when he was called to his other home.

If it is possible for any business man to imagine himself indebted to this extent, and to be daily requested by his creditors to pay what he owed them, but without any funds with which to do so, and at the same time being compelled to carry on his business, he can begin to sympathize with the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees and understand what they have been through in the past two years. As a member of this Executive Committee, many times have I been confronted with a creditor who had performed manual labor in the construction of the building, who told me that he had worked for the college because he believed in the Methodist Church, and that it was an honest debt and he ought to have his money. I knew he was telling the truth, but we had no funds with which to pay him. The Church said "Go ahead." We did so. We have stayed on the firing line, have borrowed here to pay there, have personally signed notes and have had many cases continued in courts, and as I stated on the Conference floor, no decent, self-respecting business man would consent to retain the position of trustee were it not for the love of God and his faith in the great Methodist Church which he represented. If it had not been God's work, I would have resigned long ago, and likewise would the other trustees.

The Last Ditch.—We have fought and managed to keep back defeat until we are now in the last ditch, and making our stand. We are sending this call to our Church to whom the college belongs, and to those who placed us on the line. Our appeal was made to the citizens of Arkadelphia and they pledged in three days the magnificent sum of \$38,500, which list was gone over carefully by Mr. W. E. Barkman, cashier of the Elk Horn Bank and Trust Company here, who signed a statement which I now have, stating that he had carefully examined the list, and it is good for not less than \$35,000 in cash. Arkadelphia did this, and when I say Arkadelphia I mean principally the Methodists of Arkadelphia, for the Baptists have Ouachita College here, and it is their duty to take care of their own college, which they have done handsomely. Some Presbyterians helped, but at least \$35,000 of the \$38,000 was pledged by Methodists of Arkadelphia. They did this in the face of the fact that they, with other citizens, had subscribed and paid out recently just \$20,000 to the Red Cross, and \$3,000 to the Y. M. C. A., and they had also paid a large sum on their church debt, upon which there is still due a balance of \$6,500. In the Christmas drive for Red Cross members 3,000 were secured in Arkadelphia, and about 7,000 in Clark County. I mention these facts to show what the Methodists of Arkadelphia have done and are doing, and that they have met their obligations as well. This \$38,500 was, however, pledged to be placed in trust, and is to be turned over to the college when \$75,000 is raised outside of Arkadelphia, and not until then. So that you will lose this subscription of \$38,500 and your college unless the \$75,000 is raised by April I say April because the suits against

the college have been continued until the April term of court under the promise that a campaign would be waged before that time to raise this amount, so that we might have at least a chance. To raise this amount will require hard work, many must make sacrifices which they never knew they could make, but we have promised and promised, and now this must be done or the Church is disgraced and every member will hang his head in shame, because failing the Church is failing God. Before I would agree to leave my business and consent to act as campaign manager I asked the members of the Little Rock Conference, in session, if they would stand by me and give me their help, and they all stood up, to the last man, so I feel that the name of the Church will be redeemed and a Christian college saved to the Church's and God's kingdom. How can it fail with such a corps of godly men behind it—praying men, capable men, men who know what sacrifices are and are willing to make them? In writing to different pastors and circuit preachers for information, I find that all of them meant what they said and are in to win, and I now appeal to you, members of the Methodist Church of the Little Rock Conference, to do your part. I know that the laymen can be depended on. They constitute the body of the Church of the Living God, they are the stewards, trustees, workers, and will be donors of both their time and their means.

In going over this matter in your mind, if you are conscientious, you will say, Why should I give to this cause? I will tell you why.

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change the true facts in the case. The Church (you) owes a balance of \$75,000 on your property, which represents money used in brick, mortar, labor and material in building and equipping it.

It is your debt. This is an honest debt of the Church, and not of any one church locally, but of the whole Methodist Church of the Little Rock Conference, and every church member in South Arkansas is equally responsible for this debt. This debt was incurred by the duly authorized and acting agents of your Church, and, however much you personally may not want to accept this truth, nevertheless it is the truth, and there is no more moral binding obligation on one member than on another to help pay the honest debts of the church.

In the only way you could have acted in incurring this debt you did act, that is, through your Conference and trustees. This places a direct responsibility on you personally, by virtue of the fact that you are a member of the Church which built this college. The question now is, whether you are going to do your part and meet this obligation. Those in authority have said that the Church needs the college; this was settled before authority to rebuild was granted, and so there is now no argument along that line. Relying on the Church, and through faith in it, men have parted with large sums of money, labor, time and material. In my humble opinion, the honor of our Church is at stake. I can see it in no other way, nor can any other man who faces the issue squarely. The Church placed men as trustees to act for the Church, to do the best they could. They have done so, and now the responsibility is shifted and they are putting it up to the members, who, by election and re-election, authorized their acts up to this time. As men and members of the Church the trustees are all willing to do their part in lifting this debt; but it is not right, it is not just nor fair to ask a few men to pay this debt, and it is too big a task; but with every member doing his part, and all praying and working, we can and will save the name and honor of our Church, and at the same time save a great Christian college.

This great institution is worth more than any amount measured in dollars and cents. It pays in LIVES. It makes ministers; it makes missionaries; it makes leaders; it makes teachers; it makes good, honest business men. It makes Christian fathers and mothers, who make Christian homes. It is a great brain and character factory manned by Christian men and women.

It pays from a material standpoint. Again you may question this, but it is nevertheless true. A State or community is successful from an economic standpoint only to the extent that the individual units of that State or community are conservators of its material resources, and use the same to the betterment of living conditions, promoting the happiness and well-being of those individuals composing the State or community. Your college teaches and trains for right thinking and right living; it discourages reckless spending of money by boys and girls, and throws around them such influences of a high moral nature as to train them habits of correct moral living, inducing conservation of material wealth which would otherwise be spent in giving way to

self-indulgence and satisfying the lower appetites, thus spending many thousands of dollars which are absolutely wasted. Such a character continues to be a destructive force and element in any community, while on the other hand a man with correct habits of thought and life is a constructive force in the community, and all these constructive units increase the material welfare of any community or State. In this time of great national awakening to the influence of spiritual ideals this fact should stand out as a most significant one, and should lead big business men from a purely selfish standpoint, if from no other, to do all in their power to develop men of character to whom can be entrusted the welfare of men and money.

A conservative estimate of the wealth of the members of the Methodist Church in South Arkansas is one hundred millions of dollars. Just think of it! How God has blessed and prospered you! And for the Church to fail to pay an honest debt of \$75,000 with so much wealth among its members would be almost a travesty on religion, and God will not and cannot bless any people or any religious organization which does not pay its debts, and you can't blame God, either.

I feel that the trouble and fault lies with the trustees in not advising you of the exact condition of affairs long ago. If they had done so they would have been relieved of great anxiety of mind, many heart-aches, many humiliating experiences; for I know, and every other sensible man knows that when the good, dependable business men of the Church are in possession of all the facts and grasp the real truth that the honor of their Church is at stake, and that an awful and terrible and irreparable injury to the Church and to the many good men and women, boys and girls, laborers and other creditors who have staked their all on faith in the Church, they will come forward as one man, and in a few days the debt will be paid.

I have faith in My Church, and when I say My Church I mean its members, and I know that God has faith in our Church (its members). The foundations of Methodism have been laid too deep to be shaken by the failure to meet its obligations. The principles of honesty, square-dealing, and right-living have been taught too long to its members for them to even hesitate in the performance of a plain duty.

Too many tears have been shed, too many hearts' prayers have been sacrificed for Methodism in Arkansas for its members to do other than what God expects, and honesty demands.

Brother A. O. Evans said: "Tell our creditors they will be paid one hundred cents on the dollar, that Methodism never repudiates an obligation."

Oh, what a glorious faith in you! In You! In You!—each member of the Methodist Church—each member of each Church in our Conference—and he had it or he never would have left the pastorate and given his life for Your College.

I was by his side when he passed away. Men, he believed in You! "Methodism never repudiates its obligations." A weak and unworthy servant of Our Lord, yet with a heart full of love for Him and His Cause, I ask for your prayers and co-operation. —R. W. Huie, Jr., Campaign Manager, Henderson-Brown College.

A SUPERANNUATE REPORT.

In justice to myself and the good cause which I represented last year, I shall try to give an account of my stewardship as an agent for superannuate homes.

After my commission was taken out, all told, I have turned in to the Board \$1,506. This will be enough to pay the indebtedness on the Riffin home. After the mortgage is raised, it will be sold and converted into about three homes, if I have been rightly informed by the men of Arkadelphia. I tried to get the people at Malvern to give me a subscription, but they wanted to do something bigger, and pledged themselves to furnish a home. The people at Warren did the same. They say they will furnish a home any time we will furnish them a superannuate preacher.

The people at Fordyce subscribed \$400, provided we would build a home there. Through the influence of Brother Burnett and Brother Cook, \$100 has been collected. This brother pledges \$250 more, provided the Home Mission Society would raise \$250. This I am sure the women will do, for they never fail to do things. Also, Brother Cook had given seven acres of land for this purpose. A lady at Rison has pledged a lot on which to build a home. Brother James Richards, Tigert Memorial Church, Hot Springs, had promised us five acres of land. Brother Plummer of Gladstone has promised the same.

One of the pastors of Little Rock tells me that he has a man, whose name is not to be given now, who will provide for three homes in his will, which he is to make some time.

Several personal donations were made to the superannuated brethren. Brother Morris of Keo gave personal checks to the amount of \$55. Brother Buchanan, Brother Fletcher told me, sent one superannuate a check for \$100. Brother Cook of Ashdown sent a blank check with name signed to one of the superannuates and told him to fill it out to suit himself. How

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much the good brother made it, nobody but himself, the banker, Brother Cook and the good Lord know. And not being satisfied with this, the same good brother, to the surprise of my life, sent me a check for \$25.

Besides all this, through the campaign which we put on, we helped the brethren to raise \$3,000 more this past year on the Conference Claimants' Fund over the previous year, and possibly all other years.

After summing it all up, I feel that our labors were not all in vain. The Board has elected me for another year as their agent, and I hope the good work may continue to grow until we shall have accomplished our aims.—T. F. Hughes.

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY NOTES.

The Southern Methodist University opened its second term of 1917-1918 with quite a few new students. While during the first term we lost nearly a hundred to the cause of our country, we are sure that it is a valuable investment, in that in them we are giving substantial aid to the one great common cause. The blaze of patriotism is kept well fanned, inasmuch that the girls are in the majority for numbers and are almost all doing Red Cross work.

The school is giving a series of extension courses in which the pastors adjacent to the school and within a radius of fifty miles or more are able to do the work. The plan under which these courses are conducted is as follows: On Tuesday four one-hour courses are offered. This affords an excellent opportunity for a busy pastor to keep his thought stimulated and to bring himself into touch with the varied life that centers in an institution of learning.

Dr. J. L. Cunningham comes to take up his duties as a new member of the Theological Department. He was formerly a member of the Correspondence School of Nashville, and also one of its directors. Dr. Cunningham has recently closed a very successful pastorate in Elizabeth City, N. C., where a large and modern church building, at a cost of \$60,000, was erected and 165 members were added to the church. Dr. Cunningham will occupy the chair of Religious Pedagogy, and will offer courses in "The Religion of the Family" and the management of a modern Sunday school. He has found a warm welcome in our midst, and it is thought by all that the school is fortunate in securing so thoroughly competent a man for the position.

Brother J. W. Crichtlow, from the Arkansas Conference, is one among the new students. He is serving as supply at Brooklyn Avenue Church, in Oak Cliff, and is a fine fit for the place. "A happy people and a happy pastor."—O. L. Cole.

CURED HIS RUPTURE

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MAKE IT A NEW YEAR.

Make it a new year, Lord!
Blot out the sins of the old—
Make of its errors and sorrows and pain
The breath of a tale that is told!

Make it a new year, Lord!
Send a new light on its days;
Lift up the hearts of the sorrowing ones
And lead us along in new ways!

Make it a new year, Lord!
Give us new visions of life;
Wipe out the causes of conflicts and wars,
And make thou an end of all strife!

Make it a new year, Lord!
Set a new star in our sky;
Lead us along with a purpose that's strong,
Eternal, exalted, and high!

—Frances M. Morton.

May we not make this poem of lofty sentiment, by the gifted daughter of our brother, Rev. H. D. McKinnon, our prayer-hymn for 1918?

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE W. M. SOCIETY—IS YOUR AUXILIARY IN THIS LIST?

Dear Co-workers:

Every auxiliary is requested to report the result of annual election for officers to the district secretary and the Conference corresponding secretary early in the new year. So far I have received lists of officers from Mrs. Luther Moffatt for Crossett; Mrs. W. E. Craig for Nashville; Mrs. E. Hosmer for Third Street, Hot Springs; Mrs. S. T. Baugh for College Hill, Texarkana; Mrs. E. C. Cade, for Gurdon; Mrs. J. H. Riffin, for Arkadelphia; Mrs. W. S. A. Jackson, for Lewisville; Mrs. R. M. Kennedy, for Warren, and Miss Lamar Floyd, for Young People of Fairview auxiliary, Texarkana. We hope others "on the way" may soon reach me.—Mrs. W. H. Pemberton, Conference Cor. Sec.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

Expended in local work during the fourth quarter of 1917:

Camden Adults	\$194.35
Camden Young People.....	16.70
El Dorado Adults.....	14.62
Fordyce Adults	28.00
Fordyce Adults sent box of supplies valued at.....	76.10
Fordyce Juniors expended on local work	7.50
Huttig Adults	10.70
Magnolia Adults	70.99
Thornton Adults	70.65

Total

We lost two auxiliaries during the year, so have fewer members, but financially we are ahead of last year. All our auxiliaries observed Week of Prayer.—Mrs. B. M. Bond, Secretary Camden District.

PINE BLUFF.

Resolutions adopted by Lakeside Auxiliary on the death of the president, Mrs. B. L. Willey:

Whereas, the all-wise and all-merciful giver of eternal life hath called

our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. B. L. Willey, from our association and companionship,

Be it Resolved, that our deepest sympathy is felt for her boys, who have lost their loving, Christian, sympathetic mother, and for the husband who has lost the companionship of a gentle and affectionate wife; and for the community that will miss her philanthropy and kindly ministrations—a life devoted to every worthy and meritorious cause. Our Missionary Society, Sunday School, Epworth League, and all other branches of our religious work will miss her interest and faithfulness. Her place in this community will be hard to fill.

"And she whose life is wholly lived for Christ,

Who walks unswervingly the pilgrim way,

Knows not the half of all the good she does

Until the great revealing judgment day."

We bow our heads to the mysterious mandates of a loving and merciful Providence.

Be it further Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread in full upon our records and that a copy be furnished the family of our departed friend, and to the newspapers.—Mrs. George Wells, Mrs. W. C. Watson, Mrs. W. B. Sorrells, Committee on Resolutions.

HOT SPRINGS.

A friend sends the following account of an interesting meeting:

"The Woman's Missionary Society of Central Methodist Church held its annual installation service Friday at 2 p. m. The officers were installed by the pastor, Dr. M. N. Waldrip, in the presence of a large audience. In handing over the gavel to the newly elected president, Mrs. L. W. Smith, Mrs. C. T. Drennen, the retiring president, made a beautiful and inspiring address, after which, in behalf of the society, Mrs. F. M. Williams presented to Mrs. Drennen a poinsettia in bloom, a token of the growing love and esteem in which she is held by the members. Mrs. Williams, in a very happy presentation speech, said:

"In token of appreciation of your beautiful and faithful service as president, the members of this auxiliary present to you this growing plant, emblematic of the growing and increasing love and admiration they bear to you. As the five points of this starry plant have multiplied into many, so your points of excellence have multiplied till they are beyond counting, and in the words of the wisest of all men, we can but exclaim, 'Thou excellest them all; thou art far above rubies.' No hard thing have you shirked; no beautiful thing left undone, and our spiritual lives have been deepened and broadened under your leadership. We could not find words delicate enough, strong enough or warm enough to express our appreciation of the service you have rendered, but if you put your ear up close to this flaming flower, this 'angel of the grass,' you will hear in tones more delicate than tongue can tell, our love, our appreciation for the

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"To this beautiful and touching speech Mrs. Drennen replied simply and tenderly in her own graceful manner.

"Mrs. L. W. Smith, the new president, was then called to take the chair. In doing so she gave a most forceful address, laying upon the hearts of each woman her own individual responsibility for the success of the coming year's work."

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS

From Administrative Secretaries of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Mrs. R. W. MacDonell, secretary of Home Department, writes:

"Your home mission schools have reported increased attendance despite the demand that the war is making upon the older students. Prof. A. W. Mohn was selected as principal of Sue Bennett School, London, Ky., in June. The matriculation is identical with that of a year ago. Brevard Institute enrolled twenty-five more students than it did at this season a year ago, while Holding Institute shows an increase of twenty-nine. Repairs are being made at the Vashli School, Thomasville, Ga., which increase the water supply and enable the cottage system of management to be inaugurated, even though new buildings have not yet been erected. The work at the Virginia Johnson School varies very little from former reports.

"Our Mexican work at Los Angeles is growing in interest. Bishop Denny has appointed a pastor to the little congregation which has been created through the activities of the Homer Toberman Clinic. A new Wesley

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House has been built by the City Mission Board in the Mexican section of San Antonio. The Wesley House workers and the Mexican Church have always co-operated with each other in this work. The great need of a new building at Holding Institute, Laredo, Tex., is more imperative than ever before. I do not see how we can continue to command patronage with our inadequate buildings.

"At Nashville, Tenn., we have secured a good negro kindergarten for the Bethlehem House, which has greatly encouraged the colored people. Prof. W. A. Bell, who has been chairman of the Bethlehem House directors at Augusta, Ga., has gone into Y. M. C. A. war work in the negro camps. We have been fortunate in securing Rev. T. H. Dwelle as his successor. It is a matter of interest that all of this Bethlehem House work in Augusta is conducted by negroes who have been trained in our own school and settlements."

Miss Esther Case, who is acting secretary of foreign work, writes:

"Reports from Brazil tell that our schools are full. Our missionaries at People's Institute, in Rio, and in the evangelistic work at Sao Paulo, are busy ministering to the people in social service. The fund for our school in Rio is increasing, and property will be bought as soon as a suitable location can be found. We are barely holding our own in the number of missionaries we have in Brazil.

"Both our Eliza Bowman School, at Cienfuegos, and Irene Toland School, at Matanzas, Cuba, have begun the new school year with large enrollments. Plans are being made to secure the equipment required by the Cuban government in order to add two years of high school work to the curriculum of the Irene Toland School.

"Our schools in Mexico are still closed, except in Saltillo, where the normal and boarding departments are closed, but the primary and day schools have gone on without interruption under the direction of Prof. I. R. Olivares. Our presiding elders and native leaders strongly urge the return of our missionaries to reopen the work at all our stations, and we hope the way may be clear for them to go in time to begin work next March. Bishop Denny has reappointed Miss Roberts to Saltillo, and she will probably be on the field when this reaches you.

"Recent letters from Japan tell of progress. In Oita, the evangelistic center of our work, the new home for our missionaries is in process of erection.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR JANUARY 27.

By W. L. Oliver.

Topic.—Jesus Forgives Sin. Mark 2:1-12.

Golden Text.—The Son of Man hath power on earth to forgive sins, Mark 2:10.

Connection and Introduction.—The miracles studied in the last lesson, especially the healing of the leper, created so much excitement and brought so many people to seek Jesus, that he was compelled to withdraw into more retired sections for a season. He did not seek publicity, nor did he desire for men to seek him merely because of the sensation created about his power to heal. So he departed from Capernaum for "some days."

The miracle we study today is unique in that it is a double one performed on the same subject, the cure of a diseased soul and an infirm body. The claim that Jesus made at this time brought forth the enmity of the leaders of the Jews, which grew from "thoughts in their hearts" to murder. The student of Mark will do well to note how the hate of the Jews grew as shown in chapters two and three. It ended in unpardonable sin.

Comment.

1. Attraction. V. 1-2.—The excitement that was created by his miracles of healing, and that had induced Jesus to leave, was allowed some days to quiet down. But when he returned again to Capernaum it soon became known and the people eagerly sought him out. A great crowd assembled where he was. Mark says there was no room to receive them. They soon filled the room, crowded about the door and out into the street, as far as they could hear him speak. The center of attraction was Jesus himself. They had come through different motives, some sincerely no doubt, some through curiosity, others to find fault. But there was that about Jesus which drew them. It is true today, men cannot get away from Jesus. He is the center of all kinds of attractions, love curiosity, wonder,

tion, and our workers are looking forward to the time when they can begin the new building for the kindergarten. The Lambuth Memorial Bible School is full of Japanese women in training.

"Chinese girls are being trained as teachers in the Laura Haygood School, as nurses and physicians in our medical work in Soochow, and as evangelistic workers in our Bible schools at Sungkiang; and missionaries and Bible women are engaged in evangelistic work. The great hope for the future of the work on all our mission fields lies in the native workers, who, having been trained by our missionaries, will carry the gospel to their own people. The very success of our work in many places is an embarrassment, because we lack workers and funds to meet the demands for enlargement of work already established and to enable us to seize opportunities for opening new work. Knowledge of these needs should encourage us to make every possible effort to secure workers, gifts, and pledges for our work."

hate, but still they gather about him. Christ did not invite such a throng to come to him, but when they came he did not drive them away. He could read their thoughts, and knew how difficult it was to accomplish good with such conditions, but he would not repel them. His plan was to preach the word to those assembled. There would be some good ground for the seed. This would indicate that, let men come who will, all work worth while must be built on the word of God.

2. Interruption. V. 3-4.—While Jesus was preaching there came four men bearing a paralytic to him. When they could not get near for the people, they with their living burden ascended to the roof of the house, and making an opening in the roof let the man down before Jesus. It will be understood that the roofs of the houses were flat, similar to our store buildings, only the material of the roof was boards or stones laid on the joists and over the whole was a thick layer of earth or tiles to keep out the rain. The stairs went up on the outside. It might seem an inopportune time, but Jesus was accustomed to interruptions and welcomed any one who eagerly sought him. Let men come to him when they would if only they came with a sense of need. This man came in an odd way, but Jesus was much pleased to have him come. For he was not so much concerned about delivering sermons as he was in drawing men to him. The breaking up of the roof and letting the man down into the room must have caused no little confusion. But it was timely, since it was to save a man. The paralytic cared little for all this so he might get to Jesus. The soul intent on finding Christ cares little for formalities, nor does the Savior he seeks. Let interruptions come, if only they be caused by men seeking Jesus.

3. Pardon. V. 5.—This is the first account of Jesus forgiving sins. It would appear from the narrative that what the sick man, with those who brought him, sought was his physical healing. Jesus knew the greater need was spiritual. So far as the record shows neither the man nor his friends speak a word. But Christ read his heart. We should note some things that are indicated in the incident: (1) This man's physical condition must have been caused by his sins. This is suggested in that Christ first dealt with his sins, which indicates that as the cause of his suffering. Of this he must have been conscious himself, and consequently felt a keen sense of his guilt. (2) If this be true, Jesus speaking pardon to him was proof to the man that the state of his heart was known. (3) In dealing with him Jesus did not accuse him of his past sins, but encouraged him to think he had found a friend. His address to the sick was one of tenderness. (4) Jesus honored faith in this case. Whose faith, the paralytic or his four friends? Both. The sick man had faith or he would not have allowed himself to be carried to Jesus, especially hoisted to the roof and then let down into the room before Christ. The four had faith or they would not have gone to the trouble they did.

Christ honors faith. These men believed. While they did not speak, in words, their act spoke loud enough. It was a visible faith manifest in conduct, Fifth, if worth anything, will materialize in work (Jas. 2:18). That the Lord took into account the faith of the four is seen from the statement that "when he saw their faith" he spoke the word of pardon.

4. Criticism. V. 6-7.—There was immediate fault found with Jesus' procedure. We gather from Luke 5:17 that there must have been a committee of investigation present to observe and pass opinion on his work. Since he had become so popular it is likely they had become jealous, hence looking for something with which to find fault, they pretended zeal for God. Were they so jealous for divine honor? Was it not all done to discount him? Their criticism was not, it seems, outspoken at this time. But what was at first only in their hearts soon manifested itself in action.

5. Proof. Vs. 8-12.—The claim of Jesus' critics was that only God could forgive sins, this in the face of words of pardon to the paralytic. We note: (1) The principle of these men was correct when they said that God only can forgive sins. This part of the argument Jesus agreed to in his reply. For sin is against God. (Ps. 51:4). (2) But the conclusion of these men was wrong, because they saw in him only a man. One correct premise does not insure a correct conclusion, both premises must be true or the conclusion will be false. (3) Christ meant for them to understand that he accepted their assertion that God only can forgive sins. It is a divine prerogative to be exercised by no other. But in the face of that he made bold to assure them that he could forgive sins. There was but one conclusion that he meant for them to draw, that he was divine. (4) We note that Jesus did not stop there. He recognized that such a claim was easy to make. Others had made like claim and anyone could claim such power. But he would not stop at the bare claim. He would give proof. And in proof of his claim he would heal the paralytic with his word. The power to forgive in the very nature of the case could not be tested, being an invisible work. But he was willing to have it tested by his power in that which was visible. Hence he commanded the sick man to go forth. But the evidence seems to have accomplished little with the critics. Nothing will convince one determined to unbeliever. The people themselves were filled with wonder. But probably little saving benefit was derived. Did

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not their amazement end in expressions of wonder and surprise?

Lessons. We cannot save our friends, but we can bring them to the one who can save. Physical maladies, as bad as they are, are secondary to the evils of the heart. He who proved his power to forgive the paralytic can forgive us.

Questions. What is the Scripture definition of sin? What is the relation between sin and physical suffering? Why was Christ called Jesus? (Mat. 1:21. How far will our faith go in effecting the pardon of others?

A GREAT SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR JUNALUSKA.

The dates for the Junaluska Training School for Sunday School Leaders have been set for July 23 to August 4.

A stronger array of lecturers and teachers could hardly be gathered together for any great course of constructive work in religious education than that indicated by the following list of well-known lecturers and teachers, who are already engaged for the Junaluska program:

Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, among the greatest and most noted preachers of the world.

Dr. Henry H. Meyer, editor of the Sunday school literature of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and well-known author.

Dr. Edward Porter St. John, author of "Child Nature and Child Nurture," "Stories and Story Telling," formerly head of the Hartford School of Religious Pedagogy and now of the Department of Religious Education in Boston University.

Dr. Henry Frederick Cope, author of "The Modern Sunday School in Principles and Practice," "Evolution of the Sunday School," and a number of other books in the field of Religious Education, also secretary of the Religious Education Association.

Dr. Wade Crawford Barclay, who through his various books and other writings, is already well known to our church.

Dr. Jas. V. Thompson, who is specialist for teen-age work of the Board of Sunday Schools of the Methodist

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Dr. Andrew Sledd, Professor of New Testament Greek in Emory University.

Dr. Hugh H. Harris, Professor of Religious Education in Emory University.

In addition to the above, tentative engagements have been made with several specialists of elementary work; and of course, the officers and specialists of the General Sunday School Board will constitute a part of the faculty of the Training School.

To those who attended last year it is only necessary to say that not only will the high grade work of last year be maintained, but that in accordance with the purpose of the management the program will be strengthened and improved from year to year in order to make the school stand in the very forefront of schools of this nature in America. For detailed information regarding program, entertainment, etc., address John W. Shackford, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

REFINED PATRIOTISM.

The International Sunday School Lesson Committee held its semi-annual meeting in Philadelphia, Pa., December 4 and 5. E. B. Chappell and C. D. Bulla, the representatives of our Church, were in attendance.

The committee approved and released the Improved Uniform Lessons for 1920; a three months' course on "The Aims, Motives, and Methods of Modern Missions"; and a year's course of study for Adult Bible Classes entitled, "The Christian in Daily Life."

At the concluding session Dr. F. C. Eiselen, of Northwestern University, offered the following resolution: "The International Sunday School Lesson Committee in regular session assembled in Philadelphia, this fifth day of December, 1917, desires to convey to President Wilson its keen appreciation of the high Christian ideals set forth in his historic message to Congress and to pledge our loyalty and co-operation in all the efforts of the government to realize these ideals in our international relations."

Dr. J. M. Duncan, of Toronto, Ontario, said: "As a Canadian I second the motion to adopt the resolution." Dr. Eiselen rose and in the solemn calm said with deep emotion: "Mr. Chairman, I made the motion to adopt, and I was born in Germany." The members of the Lesson Committee were thrilled with admiration for a patriotism that cost so much. "He knoweth the way that I take; when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold."—Charles D. Bulla in Christian Advocate.

LET US AWAKE.

In a recent issue of the Nashville Christian Advocate the editor quotes statistics showing that, while the Methodist Episcopal Church (North) has enjoyed a very gratifying increase in membership the past year, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will report no gain at all, or if a gain is shown it will be the lowest reported in years.

I refer to those figures here because I want to invite attention to what I believe is a very vital thing—the connection between these figures and the work the churches are doing in the field of the religious culture of childhood—i. e., in the Sunday school.

In the M. E. Church the Sunday

school enrollment is about 650,000 more than the church membership—16 per cent greater—while in our church the Sunday school enrollment is about 185,000 less than the church membership—9 per cent less. In other words, if we are to place ourselves on an equality with the Northern Church in respect to the opportunity presented in the Sunday school, we must increase our enrollment—in its relation to our church membership—25 per cent.

It isn't that I would advise increased numbers just for the sake of numbers. The real opportunity for the church to grow is in the Sunday school; something like 85 per cent of our gain comes from that field. Therefore it is a sound conclusion that if we increase by a given proportion the size of the field, and maintain our care of the field, our gains will be in like proportion. Therefore, I urge our people everywhere to "go after the folks." Every boy and girl in your community that is not in a Sunday school should be sought by your school—and sought with a determination to get them.

Our sister Methodism is increasing in membership not only because she has a proportionately larger field of young life to cultivate and draw from, but because for the past nine years she has been giving increased attention to that field and intensifying her cultivation of it. Both through her local agencies and by means of her well equipped and strongly supported connectional forces she has been pushing her Sunday school work until today she stands as a strong, vigorously growing branch of the Kingdom's standard-bearing hosts, while before that time she was losing year by year in her rate of growth.

Our church is scarcely fairly started on a campaign of what might be termed intensive extension work for the Sunday school; here and there good work is being done, but it is not widespread enough; its support is not sure enough, and the connectional element that should run through it all is yet too weak. There has not yet come about what might be denominated a church-wide vision of the possibilities that are in the Sunday school, there has not yet been aroused a whole-church consciousness of the need of the work, of the loss through delay.

To help in bringing these things to pass, the General Sunday School Board, through Bishop Atkins, its chairman, announces the appointment of the following committee to arrange an Educational Exhibit to be put on at Atlanta during the General Conference next May: Mr. W. H. Stockham, chairman; Rev. John W. Shackford, Miss Minnie E. Kennedy, Mr. E. E. French, Mr. J. H. Ledyard.

Mr. Stockham is a manufacturer living in Birmingham, Ala., prominently connected with our First Church of that city and actively identified with the Sunday school interests of Birmingham.

Mr. Shackford is a member of the Virginia Conference, superintendent of the Teacher Training Department of our Sunday school work, and author of one of the text books in the Methodist Training Course.

Miss Kennedy is superintendent of the Elementary Department of our Sunday school work and has had wide experience in Sunday school matters.

Mr. French is at the head of the Sunday School Supply Department of our Publishing House at Nashville, and superintendent of McKendree

Sunday school of that city. A man of much Sunday school experience.

Mr. Ledyard is a member of our General Sunday School Board, head of a large manufacturing industry at Tupelo, Miss., and one of the best Sunday school superintendents in that State.

If you who are reading this happen in Atlanta during the General Conference, do not fail to see the Sunday School Exhibit.—A. L. Dietrich, Secretary.

FIELD SECRETARIES' MEETING AT VICKSBURG, MISS.

Upon the call of the Sunday School Field Secretary of the Gulf Division, Mr. A. L. Dietrich of Meridian, Miss., the Conference Field Secretaries of this division met for a two days' conference in Gibson Memorial parlorage, January 1-5. There was a full attendance and there was not a lost minute during the conference, every phase of the field secretary's work being discussed from every angle. If the writer can just step aside for a moment with the understanding that he is not to be considered in what he is about to say, he will venture that the Gulf Division has a coterie of secretaries that will compare with any throughout the connection: Turnipseed, the systematic Alabamian; Gladney, the painstaking Irishman of North Mississippi; Chambers, the new man, a "steady Mississippi; Baker, the thorough, an "Arkansas Traveler;" and the little man from Louisiana, whose name is Breithaupt, pronounced "Bright-up," and that is what it means. There was another uncertain quantity there from North Alabama, yet as uncertain as he may be, the party to whom I refer made himself an heir to all the benefits that might be obtained.

Resolutions were adopted touching the Wesley Class Federation, teacher training, district institutes, and other phases of this church-wide movement. It was the sense of the body that the modern Sunday school movement, as pertains to Methodism, should be impressed upon her membership, as a whole, as a real movement in which every member should be vitally interested; to put on schools of methods in central communities as fast as conference conditions will justify it, and to substitute, as far as possible and expedient, instructional for inspirational work. It was the consensus of opinion that the work cannot

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make the forward stride that it should till the districts in each Conference are thoroughly organized.

District standards were considered and after much deliberation a Third Rank, Second Rank and First Rank were adopted. It was decided to issue at once the Third Rank, which is as follows:

1. All officers required by the plan of the General Sunday School Board, each one reporting quarterly to the Conference Sunday School Board.

2. Annual District Institute held with 50 per cent of charges represented. (Must be distinct from other meetings).

3. Seventy-five per cent of charges paying Sunday school assessment in full and taking a Children's Day offering.


4. One-half of the schools attaining, at least, 75 per cent of the Standard of Efficiency.

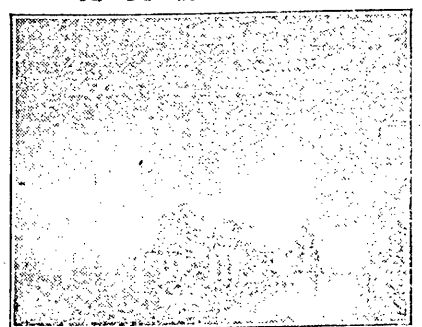
5. All departments of District Organization up to third rank.

The second and first rank standards are similar to the third rank, only that the percentage demanded in the various points increases. The Third Rank Standard as given is to be printed and distributed among the district officers in the various conferences of the Gulf Division.

Mr. J. M. Way, of Spartanburg, S. C., Field Secretary of the Atlantic Division, met with the secretaries, on the invitation of Secretary Dietrich. Mr. Way's division measures from Baltimore to the Gulf, and with his experience in the work up and down the coast as the senior divisional secretary, in service, much profit was derived by his coming to us. Mr. A. L. Dietrich, our Divisional Secretary, is a man with the modern Sunday school idea literally in possession of him. He leaves no detail untouched that is worth considering.—Henry M. Hurst, Secretary.

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LESSON FOR JANUARY 27.

(Missionary Meeting.)

"Young Christians Reaching Outward."—Ps. 19; Eph. 3:1-9.

Suggestions to Chairmen of Fourth Department.—Ask yourself the questions, "Do my missionary services get anywhere? Do they reach the spot? Are the Leaguers any more active in missions than before? What am I trying to do? Does the information imparted grip, or is it just fragmentary time-serving stuff?"

By all means order for this meeting "Big Things in Missions," a set of four charts. Price per set, only 25 cents. Send order to C. G. Hounshell, Box 218, Nashville, Tenn. These charts show exactly how our church is reaching outward, that the Leaguers have had a large part in this work is not questioned. The facts stated in the charts should be read in concert and different ones questioned about them at the meeting.

Include in your order as many copies of "Whose Is It?" as you expect Leaguers present. These pamphlets are free and should be handed by the ushers to each Leaguer on entering the room. Ask also for one copy of the leaflet, "His Plan."

A Quotation or Two.—People seldom improve when they have no models but themselves to copy after.—Goldsmith.

Human improvement is from within outward.—Froude.

I must do something to keep my thoughts fresh and growing. I dread nothing so much as falling into a rut and feeling myself become a fossil.—James A. Garfield.

We can always do what Christ wants us to do, because the power is never ours, but Christ's.—Ed.

Fascinating Missionary Meetings.—Missionary meetings will fascinate others when those taking part are themselves fascinated with their subject—not otherwise.

Those taking part will become fascinated when through study they equip themselves with missionary facts, information and achievement; not until then.

The Fourth Department chairman should be a constant reader and student of missions, assigning reading and study to each on her committees. If she does this she will never want for material that is fresh and that has the appeal that compels attention. Have a few points and drive them home. Insist that what is assigned shall be spoken, not read.

Reaching Outward Through Influence.—What you are reaches further than your voice, your seeing, your hearing, your doing. The fragrance of the rose outreaches its beauty and color, its downward growth of root or upward climb of vine; it even out-travels the falling petal, borne onward by the breeze. So the influence of your life reaches beyond your friends, acquaintances, beyond your occupation, your neighborhood. It goes further than what you say. It makes your prayer reach heaven.

What I am trying to say is that your fundamental effort at reaching outward is conditioned upon the kind of life you are building. The reach of the limb is determined by the strength of the tree. It does little good to in-

vite people to League if you are only an occasional attendant yourself, and if your life is not in keeping with a Leaguer. Your influence precedes what you say. Your talk, your prayer, your song does not get further than your life. Take a person who is absolutely loyal to the church, the right; who sacrifices that others may be made better, and that person's life is known far and wide. Many know of the life that the person never heard of. Such a person grips your attention at once; you trust him, because of the influence that has reached outward. The obedient life, fully surrendered, willing to go anywhere, do anything for Christ, is the life of greatest outreaching influence.

Reaching Outward Through Doing.—The light does the shining, not the lamp. The distance the light shines and its brilliance depends on the condition of the lamp and its elevation. Not much light will pass through a smoked chimney, and the lamp on the ceiling will outshine one on the floor. It takes work to keep the chimney crystal-clear and the oil well supplied and the elevation well perspective. It takes thought, it takes prayer, it takes study, it takes work with hands and feet. The one-talent man was good, but he wouldn't work and hence he was not given the privilege of ruling over any cities. His outward reach was cut short by his laziness. The two-talent man's outward reach was over two cities. The five foolish virgins had their reach of usefulness cut off because of their lack of appreciation of the active side of life. Just singing, praying, and speech-making, though highly essential and necessary, will not save us nor the world.

Some Practical Reaches Outward.—Some ways of working: First, no League should be satisfied with its present membership. Put on a campaign for new members and keep it on for the next ten years in different ways. Second, put system into your finance. Don't belittle giving. God gave His only Son. If we are ashamed of God, then the League we are connected with needs a new birth, and the best time for that is today. Third, go out on Sunday afternoons, not once in a while, but every Sunday, with a group of Leaguers to the home of an invalid, a shut-in, or an aged person; sing enthusiastically some of the old hymns, read a passage from the Bible and have prayer. This done at a definite time and a brief period of 20 minutes will bring wonderful blessings to your League as well as to those to whom you go. Fourth, let the League raise a cotton patch; meet together once a week to work it. The money can be used for any of the demands of the chapter. Buy an organ, piano, paint the church, or increase pledge to missions.

Reaching Outward by Reaching Downward.—The downward reach has reference to the way into one's pocket. John Wesley, when in the first year of his ministry, received \$150, lived on \$140, and gave \$10; the next year, receiving \$300, he still lived on the same amount and gave \$160. So throughout his fifty years of service he continued to contribute on the same generous scale, his gifts aggregating around \$150,000.

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William Carey said that his business was to serve the Lord, and he cobbled shoes to pay expenses. When his salary was five hundred he lived on half that amount and gave the other half to carry on the work. When in later years, as professor of Oriental languages in Fort William College, Calcutta, he received \$7,500. He spent no more on himself than before and gave the rest away. When a student at Princeton William Borden, with nearly a million dollars left to him in his own name, was asked by a fellow-student one day why he did not get a touring car when he could so well afford it. Borden's stern reply was, "Get thee behind me, Satan." It was not the first time the devil had tried to get this young man to follow the popular drift in self-indulgence and extravagance. A little later he went on to say: "How can I allow myself this unnecessary luxury when the money it would cost would build a hospital in China?" With such rigid self-control he went on to the end of his life with the purpose of investing himself and his fortune in the evangelization of the moslems in China, and when he was suddenly called to higher service while completing his preparation at Cairo, he had already made his will, leaving his entire earthly possessions to continue the work to which with such fidelity he had devoted his life.

Reaching Outward by Reaching Upward.—(The speaker quotes the first part of the sixteenth verse of the fifti-ninth chapter of Isaiah: "And he (God) wondered that there was no intercessor." Then he will quote and comment on: "Pray we therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into the harvest." Not commanded to search out men and urge them to go, seeing that they seem fitted for the work, nor yet to find others to urge them to become interested in going, but rather we are commanded to pray the Lord that he will thrust forth laborers.)

Mr. W. E. Doughty, one of the leaders of the great Laymen's Missionary Movement, says: "In my senior year in the university alone in my room, knowing my limitations, I knew there was at least one avenue open in which I could be a master—prayer." He declares that he could not speak in pub-

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lic; there was little use in his contemplating any life work that required a platform man. Neither could he write, he says. But he entered the field that was open to him—the prayer field. He made intercession his life work. God has richly blessed his life. Out of the task he set himself God has fitted him for other work as well. Today Mr. Doughty is one of the most effective speakers in America. Today Mr. Doughty's pen is giving men stirring, gripping calls and everywhere they are answering. But Mr. Doughty became a master in the task he set as a life work. He prayed intelligently. He knew what to pray for. He says: "For several years I have prayed daily with a man of the world before me, cut into seven parts." This means that he knows world conditions, the peculiar need here, the particular need there. Again he says: "Two or three years ago, in a hotel alone, I considered two things for four hours: First, analysis of my prayer program, the parts of the world not in it; second, strategic men I was leaving out." He reminds us of a fact we seldom consider: "Christ has had but one activity since he left earth—intercession—a prayer two thousand years long."

Carry home with you this missionary call, think it through, and then do what your conscience dictates: "Prayer is the only power that can fill the gaps in the thin line of battle." —From the "Era."

Suggested Program:

Song—"Send the Light."

Prayer, by Several—Points to remember in prayer: Africa, our pledge, Dierks, Holly Springs, our boys in camp. As it takes big sacrifices of men and money to win in war, so in fighting sin.

Special music.

Scripture—Have 14 Juniors from the Sunday school each memorize a verse of the nineteenth Psalm.

Standing at the front in order, let each give his or her verse.

Song—"Send the Light."

Story—"His Plan." (To be told, not read.)

Have audience read in concert a statement of our reaching outward as shown on the four charts on the wall.

Two short talks on topics discussed above.

Song—"Let Him Have His Way With Thee."

Have one give the quotations from memory.

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Three short talks on other topics discussed above.

Song—"I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go."

Ask for definite ways in which our League is going to reach outward. Decide on some sure-enough plans which may be put into operation at the Council meeting.

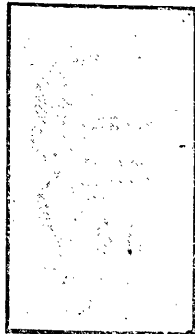
Song—"Rescue the Perishing." Benediction.



MRS. E. B. (Nee Willie Harper) BUCHANAN.

Secretary Texarkana District, Member First Church League, Texarkana.

Mrs. Buchanan was appointed District Secretary last June and during that time she has organized several new Chapters, held a District Institute and traveled extensively over her District. She is planning to put a League in every charge and to bring all finances up in full at the periods designated for payment. She is an enthusiastic Leaguer and is determined with her corps of District officers to win the Loving Cup at the League Conference at Fordyce in June. We would suggest that the Chapters in the Texarkana District interested in having their District win the cup, write their secretary at once pledging their support and asking for suggestions from her as to what work needs most to be done now. Mrs. Buchanan's address is 102 East Seventh St., Texarkana. Permit the reminder that the Chapter membership fee of \$2.50 from each Chapter is due and should be paid at once to J. H. Pierce, Treasurer, Box 529, Little Rock.



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President Arkadelphia League.

Mr. Workman is a genius. Like other great young men, he is in a class all to himself. Nothing ever gets too serious to be humorous or too humorous to be serious with James. The shape of his head, the color of his hair and the expression of his face seem originally to have been hooked up for a smile. He presided at the League Conference at Gurdon last June in a way that would have been a credit to a presiding officer of a ministers' conference. He is also probably the youngest member of the Little Rock Conference Epworth League Board. Mr. Workman has practically guaranteed that his district will be ready with a League in every charge in a short time, and really expects to tie with Prescott

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And if your doll has lost her hair, A brand-new wig and glue Will surely make her quite as fair, And just as good as new.

—Lurana Rownd Wilson, in Christian Observer.

TILLY, THE TERROR OF TIP-TOP TOWN.

By Ruth Carr.

Chapter Three.

When the fierce dog sprang between the boys and the gate, thus cutting off their escape, they started down a path that led through the old orchard at

District for second place. He is going to see that every League in his district pays the chapter fee of \$2.50 in January.

EVERY CHAPTER TO PAY FEES AT ONCE.

The \$2.50 chapter fee is due from each League, both Senior and Junior, at once. The time set for the payment of this fee is January of each year. Please do not delay. It makes trouble when you wait. Order your treasurer to pay J. H. Pierce, Box 529, Little Rock, at once. If you have not the funds in the treasury, then ask ten of your Leaguers for 25 cents, which can be done in less than an hour by phone or otherwise, and send same to treasurer at once. It is highly important that we conduct our finances in a businesslike way. Please do not delay! Act at once!

EDITOR OF LEAGUE PAGE IS ANXIOUS TO KNOW WHAT YOU ARE DOING.

Please send in any items of interest about your League to me. The address is at the top of the League page. When you organize a new League, do not fail to send in the names of the officers, number of members, who organized it, etc. Let us know how many soldiers your chapter has furnished, how you paid your mission pledge, what is your attendance, what per cent of members take part in services, what portion pray in public, what your chapter is doing for the church, what plan you have for socials, is your chapter getting anybody saved and to join the church, and what new or original and successful thing is your chapter doing.

FIRST CHURCH LEAGUE, LITTLE ROCK.

The First Church League is waking up and planning for large things. The attendance has already crowded out the League room and now the Sunday school auditorium is being used. Think of it! Yes, sure enough, First Church leads! Well, you never can tell the limit or measure the bounds of young people's activities when Dr. Fletcher is around.

the back of the house. The weeds were as high as their heads and were already dead and brown from the early frost. They were stiff enough to fairly whip the boys as they ran hurriedly down the path, but little attention was paid to so trivial a matter as these self-appointed detectives rushed headlong toward the fence. Their hasty exit caused quite a bit of commotion at the back of the house, and almost immediately the door opened and a pistol shot rang out on the night air. There was no time to tarry now; no time to be lost in this race, so with the speed of the wind Harry and Russell mowed down the tough weeds and other obstacles in their pathway.

When they reached the back fence they fairly rolled over it just as Bulger sprang against the decayed pickets, which snapped under his weight. Being a firm believer in the motto, "Safety First," the boys were not satisfied to remain near the fence, for they knew the brute might clear it at a single bound and renew the attack, so down the street they ran, determined to put all possible distance between themselves and their foe.

"What's your hurry, fellows?" called a familiar voice.

"Oh, it's you, Mart," replied Russell, almost out of breath.

"Sure it's me. Who did you think it was, the sheriff?"

"No, but we were not taking time to see anybody."

"What's up? What makes you so out-of-breath and what you been tearing around like this for?"

"Getting a little exercise for our health."

"Tell me the truth, fellows. I smell a mouse."

"Let's do tell him, Russ; he could help us," said Harry in a half question.

"Will you promise not to tell, and hope you will drop dead in your tracks if you do?"

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"Sure! Won't even squeal for money. Tell me."

"Walk with us to the postoffice, then, and we'll tell," replied Russell, who began to unfold the plan of the boys to discover the secret of Tilly's life.

"We believe old man Grissom has something to do with it, but we can't just figure out what."

"And we have set to work to be the detectives. Want to be one of us and help?"

"Sure! Let me be the chief," asked Martin.

"No, Russ is chief, 'cause he was the first to think of it, and I am secretary and treasurer."

"Then appoint me chief of the dog department, for I am a real dog conjurer and can soon bring that bulldog to my terms."

"You can? Then I herewith nominate you for that department, for you are the very chap we are looking for. Now, of course, me and Russ ain't to say afraid of no dog we ever saw, but we just haven't got acquainted with this particular dog real good yet."

"Then that's my job. Never saw a dog I couldn't make friends with. Just keep that under your hat, men."

More plans were laid and schemes arranged, until soon the boys felt as important as if they were really members of some secret force with a wonderful mission to fulfill. Russell, the chief, enrolled the three members in a small blank book he had in his pocket, and to each he assigned a difficult task. It was to be the duty of the chief to investigate concerning Tilly, while Harry was to find out all he could about Mr. Grissom; and Martin, whose self-imposed task was to make friends with the dog, was also asked to investigate about any letters, money orders or other matters connected with the mail received by these two parties.

"We must have some sort of signing up of papers, so's it will be like real detectives," suggested the chief.

"I move we sign with our own blood," suggested Martin in a bragging sort of manner.

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"No, 'tain't worth our blood," pleaded Harry. "I move we jest sign it with our toes."

"How's that?"

"That we take off our shoes and hold the pencil between our toes. That will make the promise more binding."

"Nobody could read it if we did. We couldn't even read it ourselves."

"Let's try it, anyway," begged Harry, who did not take kindly to the idea of drawing his own blood in order to sign.

After smoothing out the paper on a board Harry took off his shoe and stocking, and, placing the stubby pencil between his toes, began tracing something he declared was real writing.

"I believe I can beat that," boasted Martin, untying his strings.

"Bet you can't. That's good writing. Anybody could read it. Jest look at that fine 'H.' Don't you see them fancy curlycues to it?"

Both boys bent low over Martin as he attempted to write by the dim light of the lamp in the postoffice window.

When all had signed the important document it was folded and placed carefully in the breast pocket of the chief, who buttoned his coat over it as if fearing he might have his pocket picked in the dark hours of the night.

"What is to be the pass-word?" asked the secretary-treasurer.

"I suggest 'Bull Run.' We had it in our history lesson today."

"That's a good one, too, for Bull certainly did make two fellows run," laughed Martin.

"Oh, we's jest walkin' swift like down the path. That wasn't no sort of fast running like we can do."

"I move we adjourn," suggested the chief, forgetting that he overstepped his jurisdiction. "All who favor, hike."

Three boys skipped in different directions as they whistled to keep their courage up, not that they were afraid of dogs, or—well, of anything else. But then boys just like to whistle after dark when they are alone.

Several days went by without new developments, and, although each detective was busy with his own department of work, they made no discoveries worth while. Martin had been by the home of Tilly every day and had used many means of making friends with Bulger, but none were successful thus far.

"I'm going again when school is out this evening, and am hoping The Terror will be out hunting snakes or something. She always leaves Bulger at home. Wonder if she has gold in her house."

"Surely not; but there must be something or somebody, for we heard somebody talking and crying one night."

Neither of the other boys had anything to report, for, although Harry had made one trip to take in wood for Mr. Grissom, he had found the old man in a very melancholy mood, and, aside from thanking the lad for his help, there was nothing else, so Harry counted that visit a failure.

As soon as school was over Martin picked up his dinner bucket and opened it to see if there had been anything left which he could give to the dog.

"Here's a cold potato and a piece of cheese. Do dogs eat cheese?" asked he of Harry, who was strapping his books together.

"Course they do. Anything with sense eats cheese. Want me to go

with you down there?"

"No; tend to your own job. I'll manage Bulger; don't you worry."

"Not as much trouble to manage Bulger as it is Tilly," laughed Harry.

"I'll have something to report when you see me again," called Martin as he went whistling down the street.

"I've a half notion to sneak along behind him, just to see what happens to him, but he'd get mad, for he insists the dog job is his."

Martin was in a jolly mood, and kept up his tune until he reached Tilly's fence, where he began to approach more cautiously, hoping he might see the object of his search close to the gate. Down the side of the street he walked, looking everywhere for the dog, but nothing could he see of him, so he began to retrace his steps again, whistling carelessly. When he reached the gate he decided to give a keen, shrill whistle, hoping something might happen. Something did happen, but not the thing he was hoping for.

Bulger heard the call and dashed out from under the house as if he meant to do his most violent fighting, but immediately Martin began tossing bits of cheese into the path. Bulger stopped, and, after sniffing suspiciously for a moment, began eating the cheese and wagging his tail. All the time Martin was giving a sort of crooning talk to the dog as he came to the fence wagging for more.

Suddenly the door opened and Tilly rushed down the steps with a red face and eyes that seemed to snap fire.

"What do you mean, you low-down rascal, trying to poison my dog? What have I ever done to you that you want to take out spite on him? Can't you let peaceable folks alone without trying to kill their dogs?"

"I'm not giving him poison. I was just trying to make friends with him, for I like dogs."

"Well, you can just cut it out, for he gets enough to eat without you having to feed him. You had better make yourself scarce around here, I guess, for you might get hurt if you don't. Clear out in a hurry. Didn't you hear me?" asked the enraged woman.

"This street is free, and I guess I have a right to—" Martin stopped, for he remembered that such language would not help him to win his point nor help him become a friend to the woman.

"I'm sorry you think I would do such a mean thing," began he in a more gentle voice, "but I—"

"I don't want to hear a thing from you. Get on off, I tell you. Take him, Bulger; take him," commanded she, but the dog only looked up and wagged his tail.

"I believe you have already poisoned him, for he does not seem natural."

"I have just made friends with him, for he knows I like dogs and would love to stay with him a while."

"Well, you'll not do it, so move on down that fence. Come in the house, Bulger," commanded she, taking him by the collar and leading him away.

Martin felt that he was gaining ground with the dog, even if he had failed to make an impression on Tilly.

"She's not my job, anyway; let old Russ tend to her," thought Martin, as he went home with a light heart, for he could detect a shade of success in his undertaking.

"Let's have another meeting in

your barn tonight, Russ," whispered he on the play ground next day.

"Harry and I ain't got nothing to report."

"But I have."

"Well, it'll keep till we get something."

"I'm just itching to tell about—"

"Hush! Don't tell it till we have a meeting. I'm going by there about dark, and maybe I'll get a chance to talk to Tilly, and then I'll have something to report. I think Harry has been to see Mr. Grissom, but I don't know what happened."

Mr. Grissom had been glad to see Harry, who heard the old man singing before the lad reached the gate.

"You must be happy; you're singing a jolly song."

"Well, not exactly happy, my boy; but my spirits are running high today."

"Must have good news or money in your pocket. Money makes me happy, so I guess it does other folks."

"Money doesn't bring happiness always. In fact, I could not be happy if I had a million dollars," replied the old man.

"Bet I could."

"There are some things money can't buy."

"Buy about everything I can think of."

"It can't buy happiness; it can't buy love. It can't buy a good conscience; it can't buy—what I want."

"What is that?"

"It is my wayward child. She wanders somewhere tonight in the cold world with no money, no friends, and no home."

"Why don't she live with you?"

"Ah, my boy, it's a long story of waywardness and bitterness. It makes my heart too sad to talk about it, so we will change the subject. How did you come out with your Latin today?"

"I got along fine, thanks to your help." Harry was so sorry the subject had been switched off the main thought, but was too polite to return to it, much as he would like to ask some more questions concerning the wayward daughter.

That night when the meeting was held in Russell's barn Harry told of the reference Mr. Grissom had made to his sorrow.

"I believe we are on the right track, kids, and I tell you, it would be a grand thing if we could get the old man to see Tilly. Maybe we could take him there."

"She might even know him. Don't be so quick to jump at conclusions."

"Oh, I'm not, but all good detectives and wise men put two and two together, and first thing you know they have the whole thing unraveled. Now, I believe Tilly is Mr. Grissom's daughter, and I mean to tell him about her the very next time I go there. I will tell him how she came here one dark night, and next day slipped out in the woods and hid as if she were hunting something, and how she slipped up to his cabin at night and looked in the window, 'cause I heard him tell about somebody who did, and I looked at the track and looked at her track inside her yard, and they looked just alike."

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the district stewards' meeting. This latter provided amply for the salary of the presiding elder and for a small indebtedness on the district parsonage. Eighteen of the twenty-three pastors were present. The meeting had been well planned and the program covered pretty thoroughly the whole field of the pastor's work. The addresses were well prepared, and every man received new inspiration for the work ahead of him. Our district lay leader, J. S. Ewalt, of Springdale, was present and made an address. He is determined with the help of the pastors of the district to make his department mean something this year. Our presiding elder and district lay leader are planning some work among the laymen that will count for much in the future.

Dr. F. S. H. Johnston was a welcome guest among us. He delivered an address on "The Need of Leadership for the Future Church." He also laid before us the plans for raising the balance of the Hendrix Endowment. This district will co-operate with these men in raising this fund.

The three new men who are transfers into our Conference made a fine impression upon us. We welcome them among us. They are Revs. A. C. Chappell, Thos. I. Beck and G. L. McNeese.

We had a fine meeting. Our pastors believe thoroughly in the leadership of our presiding elder. They are planning revival work already, and some meetings will begin in the near future. A fine spirit prevails throughout the district. Our slogan is, "Fifteen hundred conversions and every assessment paid in full."—C. W. Lester.

MENA STATION.

We are now comfortably domiciled in our "hired house" here. Our reception has been very cordial. The weather has been unpleasant, but we have had good attendance upon all our regular services. Brother Biggs was with us December 26 and held our first quarterly conference. Had a fine attendance and a good meeting. The official board, with the co-operation of the membership, are planning wisely and liberally for the year's work.

This is the home of Brother W. M. Crowson, one of our beloved superannuates. I find him a brother indeed and in spirit.

As I see it, our own church has a very important place in this city of churches. There is a great body of young life here. We have three great schools—all full. Mr. Wilkerson is superintendent and Mr. Wiggins principal. We have a great church, a splendid Sunday school, under the superintendency of Brother M. P. Olney. A group of splendid young people constitute the Epworth League. It has a wonderful future. We have a company of noble Christian women who constitute the Woman's Missionary Society. Have received six members into the church since Conference.

Brother Rushing is held in high esteem by all. This is the home of his son, Dr. Rushing, whom I have already learned to appreciate.

The interior of our church is now being repainted and otherwise improved.

It was hard to sever relations with the good people of Gurdon, but we expect to find just as happy relations here, and that the church at Gurdon will be just as happy with Brother

Cannon. Such is the "genius" of our Methodism. I hope to do here the best work of my life, so far, as a pastor.—F. F. Harrell.

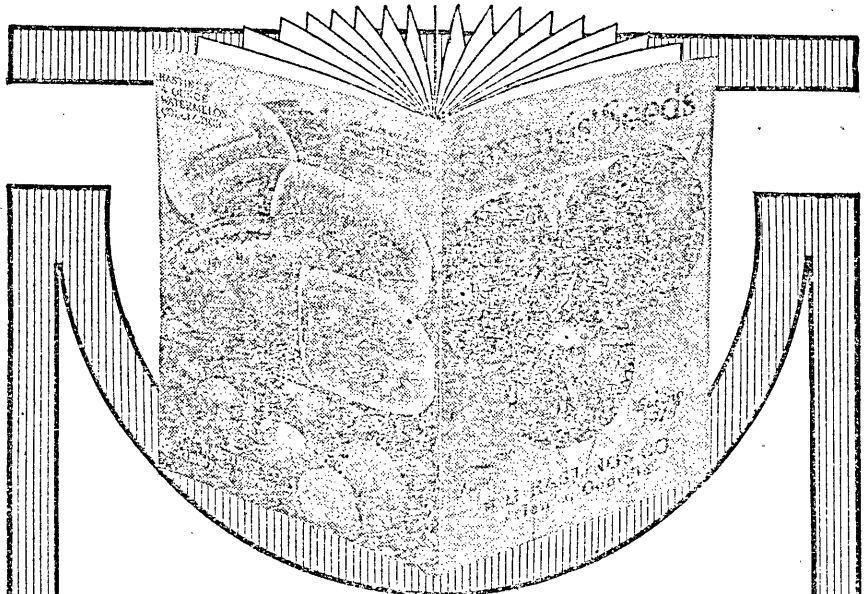
ROE CIRCUIT.

I left Rowell December 18 and got to Roe at 7 o'clock that evening, and after, not the usual pounding, but the unusual, which came Friday night in the form of a rigor which pounded and pounded till the good wife called that noted pounder which is the preacher's friend, to-wit, Dr. Phipps, and after pounding around for some time suc-

ceeded in pounding out a fine case of grippe, and to his great surprise, a case of roseola, and it seems the whole town caught or had the spirit of pounding, for last night the people came in great numbers, loaded with good things, and it was in large quantities; sugar, coffee and flour by the 50-pound sack (at least three such sacks), seven or eight sacks of sugar, sausage, and so many other things to enable us to enjoy life and bring us under obligation to the good people. God bless them all, the man who gave us the wood, Mr. Glenn, the saw

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filer; the pump fixer, Mr. Davis, and so many kind acts. Our prayer is that God will reward them, for who am I that is expected to lead this great and good people? We will preach here at Roe next Sunday, the first Sunday, if the Lord wills, the first on this charge. Brethren, pray for us that this year may be a great year at Roe.—H. H. Herrington, P. C.

MAYNARD.

We have moved into the parsonage at Maynard. The people received us kindly, have given us two poundings and have treated us in a manner that makes us feel at home. I trust that we shall be able to do a good year's work by the help of God and the co-operation of the good people of Maynard Circuit.—S. D. Poe.

PLUMMERVILLE.

Having been appointed to this charge at the last session of the North Arkansas Conference, I landed here on the night of December 8, and fell into the hands of Brother J. N. Harris and his splendid family while waiting for our household goods and the rest of my family. The snow was on the ground and the weather was cold, but after ten days of anxious waiting our goods came, and in a few days we were set up for housekeeping. Then these good people began to show their appreciation of us in a substantial way by sending in many good things to eat. They certainly know how to make their pastor and his family feel welcome, and that they are among friends. We have a splendid official board who do things in a business-like way. They have agreed to pay their pastor \$100 a month, and pay it regularly through the bank. With a live Woman's Missionary Society, an Epworth League, prayer meeting, Sunday school, and such an official board, we are looking forward to a prosperous year. Our predecessor, Brother H. L. Wheeler, wrought well in laying a good foundation on which we ought to build up one of the best charges in the Conference. We are glad to have

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MONTICELLO DISTRICT NOTES.

The Annual Conference made some changes in the personnel of our district. Rev. J. L. Cannon, who served Dermott Station very acceptably for three years, was sent to Camden, a larger field for his splendid abilities. He will measure up to any of his predecessors in the pulpit and social life.

Brother R. M. Holland is our pastor at Dermott. He came back to the district after serving some of the best churches in the Arkadelphia and Texarkana Districts. His ripe scholarship and experience make him a desirable preacher for the fine situation at Dermott. It is one of the most important charges in the district, situated in a rich developing country.

Brother Savage is the new pastor on Watson Circuit. His people are largely farmers and cultivate as fertile land as the Valley of the Nile. It is a field susceptible of growth and will some day be one of our best circuits. Brother Savage is young, energetic and enthusiastic. He wants to succeed. We hope he is the right man and in the right place for a forward movement in the church.

Brother Rogers is another new man in the district. He serves Mt. Pleasant Circuit. He has one of the best circuits in Arkansas, splendid people, large churches, well developed country. He brings to us his promising young life. Secular positions have been offered to him that were financially persuasive. He hesitated not at these, but goes forward in the Master's work. We are glad to have him in the district.

Rev. S. R. Twitty, one of the best educated men in the Conference, is pastor of the best church in the district, Monticello Station. He is in the county where he was born and reared. He is an effective pastor and an untiring worker. In the pulpit he feeds brain and heart. We welcome so talented a man and preacher.

Brother T. P. Clark is pastor at Wilmar. He once served Lake Village and Eudora. We have no stronger pulpiteer in the Conference. He meets the full demand of all congregations. As an evangelist he is among the best. We hope he will give the district the benefit of his labors during the summer. We invite you now, Brother Clark, to come to Palestine in August and stay with us. Three of our station pastors are serving their quadrennium. One circuit pastor, “Cyclone” Williams. These effective pastors will add to any charge.—R. Spann.

STUTT GART.

We arrived in Stuttgart on Friday morning, December 14, three days after I had returned to DeWitt from our conference. The weather was exceedingly cold and disagreeable, and an epidemic of measles had kept school and Sunday schools closed for some time. Yet, in spite of the demoralizing effect of all this, we had a good beginning in the new field. The people gave us a most cordial welcome, and very appreciative and responsive congregations have attended all the services.

Friday, January 4, was a “lucky day” for us. Mrs. Shaw and I had

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spent the afternoon calling, getting acquainted and thoroughly enjoying the fellowship of our new people. Returning home at 5 p. m. we were scarcely in the house, when two of our young DeWitt friends, Mr. Emmet Malone and Miss Gray, who had motored from DeWitt for the purpose, came in and were married by the writer. At 6:30 we were just finishing our supper, when four friends, arriving in a big car, brought us a very generous “pounding” contributed by our people here. Numerous substantial tokens of good-will had already found their way to the parsonage, so the pounding was a complete surprise. An hour later, the board of stewards met at the church. This was the first meeting since conference, and was delightfully pleasant and harmonious. They advanced the assessment for the support of the ministry four hundred dollars over last year, and took action to budget all the collections, taking

them monthly, and thus relieving the preacher of the burden of looking after conference collections. I have never seen more handsome and heroic conduct on the part of a board, in collectively and individually shouldering the burdens of church finances—when five men voluntarily assumed an aggregate of twelve hundred dollars of the whole amount, and all the others present freely accepted their proportionate share of the load.

Brother J. Frank Simmons, who went from here to Stamps, did an excellent work in this field, and is held in high esteem and kindly remembrance by the people. He and his good wife are excellent folks to follow. All records are well kept and in order. Visiting list conveniently indexed. Parsonage property in good shape. I sincerely covet his ability to do things systematically.

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be able, from time to time, to report substantial progress in the work. Especially do we yearn and pray for a year of evangelistic activity and spiritual growth.—A. M. Shaw.

OBITUARY.

PATTERSON.—Mrs. Mary Clayton Patterson was born in Georgia, August 29, 1833, and died at her home in Dallas County, Ark., October 23, 1917. Her parents were Joseph and Elizabeth Key, a cousin of our Bishop Key. She was married to James Patterson October 3, 1852. She was the mother of ten children and raised them all to be grown, and all, save one, are living to mourn her loss. The youngest of the ten is the wife of the writer.

Mother Patterson was converted and joined the Methodist Church when she was quite a girl. She was not very demonstrative in her religious life; hers was a straightforward, quiet Christian life, always and everywhere the same. She was one of those gentle and modest souls whose highest worth is known only by the inner circle of closest friends. She really possessed holiness and sanctification, and yet she did not profess such attainments. She knew Jesus Christ as her Savior and shaped the program of her life with reference to Him and His kingdom. The ten children, all of whom are honorable and clean in their lives and characters, are a living testimony of the greatness of her life. As a mother she was kind and thoughtful; she was always happy to have them home on her birthday anniversary. It was a

fixed rule of her life never to speak unkindly of anyone, even if she disliked them. She told me in August, on her last birthday, that she did not expect to live much longer, and that she was anxious to go home, as she had been here long enough. She always said she did not want to linger in illness, so she got her wish, as she was taken ill at 6 p. m. and sweetly passed to her reward at 1 o'clock that night, in great peace. She loved her pastor and there was nothing on her place that was too good for him, and she was always delighted to have him in her home, as the church of which he was shepherd was the supreme object of her life.—Her Son, S. K. Burnett.

FLOYD.—Brother William Taylor Floyd was born near Springfield, Ark., December 19, 1879. When a small boy he moved with his parents to Yell County, Ark. He was married to Miss Ruby Hunt of Rover in 1905. To this union were born two bright, sweet children, Harry, aged eleven, and Joe, aged eight. Brother Floyd was converted under the ministry of Rev. J. H. Gholson, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of which he remained a faithful member until the day of his death, which occurred on November 29, 1917. Brother Floyd was a good man; his house was the home of the preacher, his hospitality was unstinted, as every preacher who has had the good fortune to be his pastor will testify. For some time he served the church as Sunday school superintendent, and was both faithful and efficient. He

read our church literature and kept himself informed as to the progress of the kingdom of God, and felt a keen interest in every enterprise of the church. Though a great sufferer, he bore it with true Christian fortitude, and when the end came no cloud bedimmed his sky. To the bereaved ones left behind let me say, Weep not as those who have no hope; only be true to God and you will meet him again in the land of the unsetting sun.—W. E. Hall.

NORWOOD.—James Newton Norwood was born at Dalton, Ga., May 1, 1846; was married to Miss Jaynie Slayton at the age of 21. Six children were born of this union. He was married the second time to Mrs. Nellie Crook, with whom he lived till his death, November 5, 1917, at the home of his son in Texas. He was mustered into the Confederate service in 1863, in Company H, Thirty-fourth Georgia regiment, Gen. Cummins' division, Col. Bradley's brigade, Gen. Stevens' corps. Brother Norwood was soundly converted while in the army at Atlanta, Ga., under the influence of a preacher's wife. He joined the church a faithful member of it until his death. Brother Norwood led a quiet life. He was always faithful to every known duty, both civil and Christian. No man could say aught against him. He was a great sufferer for many years, but bore it all patiently. He loved God, humanity, and the Church. To his devoted wife and his grief-stricken children we commend the blessed Christ who will heal their broken hearts.—W. T. Thompson, Pastor.

THOMAS.—The darling little Harvey Samuel Thomas, son of James and Mrs. Thomas, departed this life October 28, 1917, aged three years, one month and four days. He was laid to rest in the old Salem cemetery, near Butlerville, Ark. He was a sweet, darling little child of this young couple. May his going to the heavenly home be the means of leading father, mother, grandfather and grandmother to a new life, that they may meet this little darling in the land of the blessed. We know that the dear child is in heaven, for God's word says: "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." So we should be prepared to meet them on the golden shore.—Their Friend, T. J. Neely.

TUBBS.—Mrs. Sarah F. Tubbs departed this life on December 18, 1917. She was born and lived until her death in Stone County. She was the mother of 11 children, but only two survive her, Zeb Tubbs and Mrs. Dearin of Mountain View, Ark. Sister Tubbs lived to be three score and ten, and most of her life was given to Jesus. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. She is not dead; she has only gone to meet those she loves. Do not grieve, only live to meet her.—Her Pastor, E. H. Hook.

WHERE ARE THE POOR?

People should not find consolation in the expression: "We are poor farmers." Farmers are seldom what would be called rich men, but there are perhaps fewer "poor" among them than any other occupation. While the amount of cash on hand or on deposit among farmers might not compare very favorably with the cash available among people of other occupa-

tions, most farmers have land, livestock, farm equipment, crops, food and other things that it takes money to obtain. They can live and prosper war or no war, high taxes, politicians to the contrary notwithstanding. Poverty is less among farmers than any class that we know of, but prosperity, contentment and exalted citizenship are everywhere notable and commendable. And the wealth of farmers as a general rule benefits society, for it is invested mostly as productive capital to bring larger crops, better homes and better people. Surely few farmers could be called "poor." But they keep up the poor as well as the state and national governments and are proud of it. Most of the poor farmers have changed their occupation for they are not found on farms.—Farm and Ranch.

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State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski—ss.
In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
Henry Savage, Plaintiff,
vs.
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.

100 Years Old

"The kidneys play a most important part in causing premature old age and death—the more injurious the poisons passing thru the kidneys the sooner comes decay"—so says a distinguished physician, who further advises all people who are past thirty to preserve the vitality of the kidneys and free the blood from poisonous elements, such as uric acid—drink plenty of water—sweat some daily and take Anuric before meals.

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Will Arkansas Methodists Submit To the Sheriff's Sale Of Their Only Co-Educational College?

GREAT COLLEGE MOVEMENT.

Henderson-Brown College has entered a new era. During the past two years the enrollment has increased 52 per cent, and is now 253. At the same time its financial affairs have been so managed, since Dr. J. M. Workman has become President, that during the past year all current expenses have been met out of current receipts. A school which can accomplish this in the face of the burden of debt and misunderstanding which it has carried HAS VITALITY and is bound to be a school of which METHODISM CAN BOAST.

CONFERENCE GIVES GREAT ENDORSEMENT.

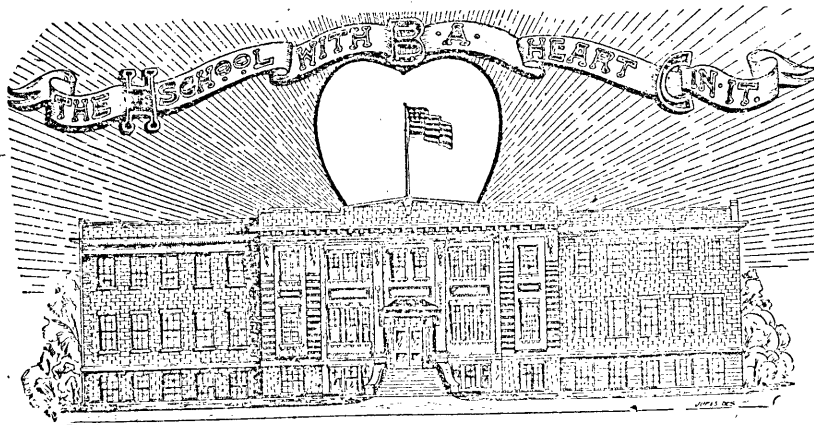
At the recent meeting of the Little Rock Annual Conference the following was extended to me by Bishop Mouzon and the Presiding Elders:

"The Campaign Committee of Henderson-Brown

College came before us, in cabinet session at Arkadelphia, and presented their plan for raising the college debt at once. We heartily endorse their plan and urge the united support and co-operation of our people. At our request Mr. R. W. Huie, Jr., of Arkadelphia, has agreed to leave his law business for ninety days and manage the campaign.—(Signed) Edwin D. Mouzon, J. A. Sage, W. C. Watson, J. A. Biggs, Alonzo Monk, B. A. Few, J. A. Henderson, W. C. Davidson."

So urgent was the call that I felt that I could do nothing else than accept the responsibility of helping to save this great institution to our church. I have therefore closed my desk for three months and ask other Methodist laymen to join with me in securing the \$75,000 which must be raised by April if our church will not be disgraced by having our only co-educational college in the State sold under the hammer of the sheriff.—R. W. Huie, Campaign Manager.

METHODISM MUST HAVE COLLEGES ADEQUATE TO THE NEEDS OF HER GREAT MEMBERSHIP AND THE RESPONSIBILITY IMPOSED BY HER GREAT WEALTH.



OUR ONLY CO-EDUCATIONAL COLLEGE.

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TRUE TO METHODIST IDEALS.

METHODISM CHALLENGED

Great events are before us. They must be faced with the biggest spirit and the greatest energy. Our school history, with its successes, mistakes and misunderstandings, is written. Challenged by the Great War and the reconstruction times that are coming, we must face the future and those responsibilities which our preponderating membership and wealth in Arkansas lay upon us.

There Will Be No Christian Leaders Without Our Christian Colleges

As the Red Cross and the Y. M. C. A. are essential to the winning of the war, the Christian training of our youth is essential to winning in the coming social order a recognition of the claims of Christian life and character. While the attendance at Christian colleges in Arkansas was increasing from 150 to 250, great secular colleges have quadrupled their enrollment.

BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE IN THE IDEALS OF CHRIST;
BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE IN YOUR CHURCH;
BECAUSE AS A CHRISTIAN YOU BELIEVE IN SERVING HUMANITY;
BECAUSE YOU ARE LOYAL TO YOUR CHURCH AND ITS LEADERS;
BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE METHODISM LIVES TO SERVE;
BECAUSE HENDERSON-BROWN IS THE ONLY METHODIST CO-EDUCATIONAL COLLEGE IN ARKANSAS AND THE ONLY METHODIST SCHOOL OF ANY KIND SOUTH OF THE ARKANSAS RIVER,
LET US GET TOGETHER, FOR

HENDERSON-BROWN COLLEGE MUST BE SAVED

Read the article by Mr. R. W. Huie, Jr., on Page 5.