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SO THE PEOPLE OF NINEVAH BELIEVED mere handful can obstruct and a small plurality GOD, AND PROCLAIMED A FAST, AND PUT ON SACKCLOTH, FROM THE GREATEST OF THEM EVEN TO THE LEAST OF THEM. . . . AND GOD SAW THEIR WORKS, THAT THEY TURN-ED FROM THEIR EVIL WAY; AND GOD RE-PENTED OF THE EVIL, THAT HE HAD SAID THAT HE WOULD DO UNTO THEM; AND HE DID IT NOT .- Jonah 3:5 and 10.

WAR-TIME PROHIBITION.

Congress is under the highest obligation now to pass a bill providing for complete prohibition during the progress of the war. The American people have cheerfully submitted to food control to help win the war, and they think it is utterly inconsistent to permit any kind of food stuffs to be wasted on intoxicants. There has been some opposition by certain banks because they held liquor in bond as security for loans; but the American Exchange National Bank, although insisting that the revenue from liquor taxes is needed, admits that the banks and distillers have set their houses in order. For them it is purely a question of more or less profit. The argument for revenue no longer has weight, because the people who use the liquor pay the tax, and they can pay more if they spend their money for other purposes.

The spirit of the brewers is expressed in the Brewers' Journal, which argues that beer drinkers would have the right to make an organized rebellion if Congress should prohibit the sale of liquor. Only pro-German beer drinkers would think of such a thing.

Let every reader write to President Wilson and our Senators and Congressmen asking for war-time prohibition to go into effect January 1, 1919.

THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PROPOSITION.

The Union Labor Bulletin replies at considerable length to our recent editorial. It is more reasonable and makes a fairly plausible argument for the measure which it advocates, but it is merely plausible; it is not sound.

The Farmers' Union Convention in session last week passed certain drastic resolutions and sent them to the Constitutional Convention as an ultimatum.

As we have often heretofore said, we believe in organized labor and in farmers' organizations, and we often advocate measures which these excellent organizations propose, and yet we find that we must be constantly on guard because their measures are often prepared from a single viewpoint and do not take into consideration the rights and first reply. Let him answer regardless of our feelopinions of the vastly larger body of people out- ings, as the time has come when the real situaton side of their own membership. Consequently most should be understood. Surgical operations are not of their measures must be carefully modified to pleasant, but there are occasions when they are make them perfectly fair and acceptable to the necessary. whole people. These organizations include far less than a majority, and yet they seek to impose their propositions upon the whole people. By virtue of their organization and their command of publicity they attract attention and often exercise an influence far out of proportion to their real strength. In such organizations there are always theorists and propagandists who gain leadership by advocating some catchy doctrine. Just now the I. & R. is popular, and in its name all sorts of vagaries have been prorosed. The main object is to tie the hands of legislatures and courts and make it possible for an absurdly small number to agitate and force the State to pay the bills.

We are always willing to accept the verdict of a real majority of the people, but we protest vigorously against the specious devices by which a you have never had before.

settle important issues. We are opposed to all class legislation, and, traveling over the whole State and meeting all kinds of people, we are convinced that thousands of the sanest and best people are becoming prejudiced against the I. & R. because it gives such a tremendous advantage to any little group of agitators.

The people want less legislation. They recognize the fact that few changes are needed, and that we need most of all confidence and stability. With the exception of a few score laws passed in recent years, all of our good laws were passed by legislatures. The legislatures represent the people, and usually give the people what a majority want. Of course, the legislature that pleased every one would be phenomenal. It is dangerous to weaken or destroy our system of representative government which has given the world its best laws. In the I. & R. we simply seek an instrument of correction in extreme cases, and the machinery of the I. & R. ought to have only that in view.

We believe in popular self-government and in the principle of the I. & R., but we stand firmly against any devices which make it possible for a few thousand Socialists or other discontented doctrinaires to hold up the measures passed by the people's representatives, and to bankrupt the State in paying the expenses. The Constitutional Convention cannot afford to yield to the clamor of a few visionaries who do not realize that their proposition discredits both representative government and the true principle of the Initiative and Referendum. Let us not destroy our institutions by making them unstable or by framing them to please any mene class. Let the Constitution be for the whole people.

THE CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.

In its issue of August 7 the Central Christian Advocate, under the caption, "The Argument of Throwing Stones," fulfils the expectation awakened in the caption. However, we do not object, but highly appreciate the privilege of examining the boulders of our able confrere.

We thank the editor for the two pages of history and argument, and it is our purpose to publish them in full, because we want our readers to know exactly what the Central Christian Advocate says on this subject. Will the editor of the Central give his readers the opportunity to weigh both sides by publishing our editorials in full?

However, as the Central postponed answering our nine subsidiary questions, we respectfully urge him to answer them in detail, so that we may publish his neply in full in the same issue with his

Our brother seems to object to our raising questions which involve history; but are not all the issues which separate the two Churches historical? Feast as modern research has analyzed it." We want our people to understand the history as presented by the other Church, and if the editor of the Central will patiently and fully answer our questions, it may help our own people to realize the historical attitude of his Church.

He has said: "There are several very obvious reasons why this challenge of the Arkansas Methodist can not just now be allowed to pass. The paper has too many echoes. Accordingly, now that the glove strikes us in the face, we will pick it up and see what it looks like."

All right. Now meet the challenge fully, and you shall have such a hearing in the South as

A NOBLE EXAMPLE.

It is decidedly to the advantage of Holland to be strictly neutral in this war. If she sided with the Entente Allies, her territory would be promptly invaded by Germany. If she joined Germany her immense ocean-commerce would be cut off by the English fleet. However, there is good reason to believe that the little Kingdom of the Netherlands is honestly seeking to be neutral because of her conscientious adherence to the fundamental principles of international law.

While many of Holland's aristocracy are undoubtedly in sympathy with Germany, the vast majority of her sturdy people, who have a proud democratic political heritage, are committed to the cause of the Allies.

On account of the peculiar situation of her domain, Holland has had more crucial tests of her fealty to international law than has any other nation, even Switzerland not excepted. Accepting the principles of her illustrious citizen, Grotius, the first great expounder of international law, Holland has deliberately chosen a position which at present renders her unpopular with all the belligerents, but in the future, when history is impartially written, she hopes to deserve the respect and admiration of the thinking world for her continuous and firm "application of the tonets of international law and the stipulations of international treaties and compacts." While ministering to a large portion of the stricken population of Belgium, Holland has fully prepared for war, if it cannot honorably be avoided, and yet has sought to maintain the high standards for which the Allies are fighting. Recently the little democratic kingdom was sorely tried by the seizure of its merchant ships by the United States, and yet there are no retaliations. Holland is patiently waiting, and studying Grotius. If she can to the end maintain a consistent course, she will have made her best contribution to the sacred cause for which the Allies are fighting, the rights of humanity and the substitution of treaties and courts for the arbitrament of the sword. All honor to the land of Grotius and international

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

In the August North American Review appears an article on "American Liberty and Social Efficiency." The author is Rev. Herbert H. Gowen, D. D., an Englishman by birth, who is professor of Oriental Languages in the University of Washington, and associate rector of St. Mark's Church, Seattle.

Like the article by Rev. John Cole McKim, M. A., D. D., of Wakamatsu, Japan, on "Prohibition versus Christianity," in the July Review, this is a subtle attack on the movement for national prohibition. He refers to the "sweeping epidemic of prohibition legislation," "translating their fanaticisms into law," and makes merry over the opporunity of the Higher Critics to prove that "the aquavinic thaumaturgy at Cana is wholly inconsistent with the psychology of the Master of the

He quotes a Chicago judge as saying that the people of Illinois are the finest in the world, except that every time they hear a good joke they insist on enacting it into law, and adds: "The people of Illinois are not peculiar." He then seeks to belittle our law-making propensity by referring to certain good laws along with others of doubtful propriety. Then he says: "If any possible inhibition has escaped the eye of the legislator, it is due to accident, not to absence of intent. Under such a regime we shall become a nation of social parasites."

After some very excellent reflections on the value (Continued on Page 3, Column 3.)

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IF YOU HAVE A SON OR BROTHER IN THE ARMY YOU NEED THE BEAUTIFUL PATRIOT'S HONOR ROLL DESCRIBED ON THE THIRD

Bishop James Atkins made a profound impression with his opening address at the Missionary Conference on Tuesday night of last week.—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Bishop W. B. Murrah, who is in charge of the Sixth Episcopal District, won golden opinions by his presidency of the Missionary Conference.—St Louis Christian Advocate.

OUR REAL FRIENDS WILL NOT WAIT UNTIL THEY RECEIVE STATEMENTS, BUT WILL PROMPTLY REMIT AS SOON AS THEIR SUB-SCRIPTIONS FALL DUE.

Bishop E. R. Hendrix delivered a notable address on Wednesday night at the Missionary Conference. He is always heard in St. Louis with delight.—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

We regret to learn that Mrs. B. E. Robertson, wife of Rev. B. E. Robertson, of Gassville, is very low and not expected to live long. Their many friends will remember them in their time of trial.

Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, our youngest Bishop, delivered a wonderful message on Wednesday night. His visit to Missouri at this time was a source of delight to our people.—St. Louis Christian Advo-

Rev. J. L. Shelby of Hartman and Spadra writes a jubilant note about his great revival, in which 56 were saved and 46 united with our church. He feels that he is having the greatest success that he has ever had.

Mr. S. M. Plant, one of our old subscribers at Rosebud, writes enthusiastically about his pastor, Rev. H. A. Stroup, and attributes to him much of the good accomplished recently in church and educational work in that community,

Norman J. Radder, instructor in Journalism at the University of Arkansas, is on the editorial staff of the Kansas City Star this summer doing special assignments. Mr. Radder will return to the University of Arkansas this fall.

Rev. W. B. Wolf of Mountain Home reports the recent death of Mr. W. L. Dood at the family home in Mountain Home. For thirty-five years he had been a member of the Methodist Church. He was a man of clean life and noble deeds.

Our presiding elders and lay leaders should remember that on September 16-18 will be held at Dallas, Tex., the Centenary Meeting for the Conferences of the Southwest. We understand that every presiding elder is expected to be present.

Rev. Frank Seay of Southern Methodist University, who recently received an honorary degree from Emory University, has declined to accept it on the ground that such distinctions are essentially inconsistent with the spirit of our democratic insti-

the subject was unanimously adopted at the ses- Rev. Burke Culpepper. The meeting has been in sion of the United Methodist Conference, and the Wesleyan Methodist Conference has taken favorable action.

Bishop Mouzon has appointed Rev. A. S. Cameron, who has been S. S. Field Secretary of the two Oklahoma Conferences, to the presiding eldership of Durant District, recently made vacant by the acceptance of a chaplaincy by the former presiding older, Rev. S. H. Babcock.

Mr. La Verne Noyes, who had already given the University of Chicago its great clubhouse and gymnasium for women, has conveyed to the University real estate valued at \$2,500,000, the income of which is to be used for the education of soldiers of this war and their descendants.

Boston University has established a School of Applied Christianity, in co-operation with the Morgan Memorial and the New England Deaconess Association, to train young people in social service, immigrant problems, institutional activities, rural and city work, and religious education.

Let all pastors read the article by Dr. Reynolds on another page to their congregations next Sun day, as they present the subject of Christian Education, and explain to their people how the Government has made it possible for our boys to make the best possible preparation for army service by entering our own schools.

Wealthy East Indians have given \$7,000,000 for an educational institution for girls in India. In purchasing power there this sum is equivalent to \$84,000,000 if expended in America. The possibilities of such an undertaking are all the greater because 83 per cent of all the Mohammedans in the world are under British rule.—Ex.

When the Czar made his people sober, an unforeseen result was that they were no longer content to be under a despot, even a fairly good despot. Now the keenly observant Kaiser is putting abundant supplies of liquor within the reach of the Russians to expedite a return to their old drunken cententment under tyranny.—Bulletin.

Rev. J. B. Andrews, evangelist of North Arkansas Conference, writes that he is in a revival at Batesburg, S. C., and will begin at Spartanburg the first Sunday in September and at Charleston, S. C., the first Sunday in October. If any of our pastors desire his services they may address him at the above places at the proper time.

The Young Women's Christian Association has announced its intention of campaigning for \$15,-000,000 at the same time that the Young Men's Christian Association is making its drive for \$100, 000,000. This joint drive will probably take place in October, and plans are rapidly going forward to make it accomplish big things for two big causes.

Rev. John R. Nelson, who has had charge of camp pastors in Texas, announces in the Texas Christian Advocate that the War Department has decided to discontinue the camp pastors of the various denominations on account of the greatly increased number of chaplains authorized by recent legislation. A period not to exceed three months will be allowed for the completion of the work already begun.

Hot Springs, called. He and his wife had been in founded our nation in the seventeenth century had the city several days for special medical treatment a God-given conception of the rights of mankind, for their little one, who has been in delicate health and they fearlessly wove this conception into their for several months. Brother Cleveland reports his corporate life. It is the solemn duty of their delive church making progress in spite of the loss of scendants to preserve and protect the ideals that several good members whose work had necessitat- inspired their great work.—Christian Observer. ed a change of location. He had recently helped Brother Crowder in a meeting at Dalark.

Mrs. J. M. Strayhorn of Wainwright, Oklahoma, died at her son's home on August 4. For more than iterial policy from improper influence. As in the thirty years she resided at London, Ark., and many of our preachers remember the interest she took its editorial policy. It is announced that the edin their welfare while they were the pastors to her family. Mrs. W. B. Wolf of Mountain Home, Dr. L. Strayhorn of Texas, Guy Strayhorn of Florida, and Felix Strayborn of Wainwright, Okla., are the children who mourn their loss. Her husband died three years ago.

Rev. T. O. Owen writes: "We are in the midst In Great Britain substantial progress toward the of possibly the greatest revival campaign Fordyce union of Methodism has been made. A report on and Dallas County ever experienced. It is led by shows a faculty of twenty-one officers and teach-

progress eleven days, and already more than 100 have given their names for church membership. The whole town is being moved towards God. The Presbyterian and Methodist churches are jointly leading in the work. We are expecting great things to happen."

After four years of study on the round-headed apple-tree borer and its activities, Prof. George G. Becker of the Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Arkansas, has issued a bulletin in which he recommends several means for the control of the insect. Professor Becker states that this insect is the most destructive orchard pest of the Ozarks. Copies of the bulletin can be obtained by addressing the Director, Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

Many of our readers may be interested in the announcement of the Byron Harwell Shorthand School in this issue. Rev. and Mrs. Harwell, who have charge, are well known to Arkansas Methodists, Brother Harwell having attended Hendrix College three years and being at present assistant pastor of our Capitol View Church, Little Rock. Mrs. Harwell, who heads the teaching force, is a graduate of our State Normal and taught in our city schools for several years. She was for two years the shorthand teacher at Draughon's College.

The National Reform Association offers to all pastors who will discuss the subject of public education in their pulpits on the second Sunday of September—the day of prayer for schools—or a contiguous Sunday, appropriate literature, free of charge. This literature is in advocacy of the training of our youth in Christian morality, and consists of suggestive outlines for sermons, up-to-date editorials and complete program for the proper observance of the day. Address, National Reform Association, 602-604 Publication Building, Pittsburg, Pa.

The U.S. Food Administration asks the people to limit themselves to two pounds of sugar per month, so as to equalize the supplies of those who with us are fighting in a common cause. The people of England will have the same as ourselves, two pounds per person a month, but France willhave only one and a half and Italy one pound. These amounts are not guaranteed, but are the maximum that will be furnished if supplies can be obtained. The success of this program rests on the honor and co-operation of the American people.

"The Soldier's Armor" is a 32-page booklet containing helpful quotations from the Scriptures and other sources, prepared especially for pastors and parents who may desire a helpful tract to enclose when corresponding with soldiers. Bishop Lambuth, chairman of the War Work Commission, endorsed it as follows: "I have given it a careful reading and it is excellent. Will be glad to recommend it." The booklet is compiled by H. H. Smith, Ford, Va., who will furnish it at the following prices: Single copy, 10c; five or more copies, 5c per copy.

A solemn responsibility rests upon America today to keep pure and unselfish its purpose to protect the world's freedom. Our nation has often boasted that America is the only great absolutely independent government in the modern world that Tuesday Rev. Grover Cleveland of Park Avenue, was born Christian. The men and women who

> The Evening Post of New York has been sold to T. W. Lamont, a banker, who has placed the stock in the hands of three trustees to protect the edpast, the Post is to be absolutely independent in itors will continue to form and express their own judgment on all political and finanical questions, on the stern duties of the war, and on the difficult problems which will come with peace. The value of such a journal is incalculable. The former editor, Mr. Villard, becomes the editor of The Nation, an independent weekly.

ers and a student body of eighteen seniors, fourteen juniors, nine sophomores, thirty-one full freshmen, 12 conditioned freshmen, twenty-seven college specials, and eighty-nine in the academic department, 137 in the piano department, forty-six in expression, forty in voice, thirteen in violin, seventeen in art, thirty-nine in home economics, fortyeight in harmony, and eleven in music history. The prospects for our great school for women are bright. For catalog and information address President J. M. Williams, Searcy, Ark.

Another nation has declared war against the Germans. This time it is the Onondaga Indian tribe, whose reservation is near Syracuse. By the terms of a treaty with Gen. George Washington and twenty-three chiefs of the Onondaga tribe in 1783, the Onondagas were declared a separate nation in the United States, and both sides have al ways respected the treaty. War is declared by the Onondagas because seventeen of their tribe were imprisoned in Germany in 1914, where they were at the outbreak of the European war. Every ablebodied man is called upon by the Onondaga chief to enlist on the side of the Allies.—Ex.

Rev. Charles D. Cade, pastor of Friendship Circuit, is now in training at Camp Pike. When registering he did not, on account of his ministerial work, claim exemption, and so was put in the first class. However, some of his friends filed exemption claims for him and had him placed in the fifth class. At the time when he would have been called, if in the first class, he reported, asked to be reclassified, and was sent to Camp Pike. He believes that one who is able to fight should not seek exemption, but should be ready to fight and die for his country. His local board has recommended him for a chaplaincy. He has the right spirit, and may accomplish more in the ranks than in any other way.

There is a shortage of sugar; there will be no famine. Manufacturers and the trade are under rigid restrictions; conservation of sugar in the household is on honor. Supplies permit an allowance for the household of two pounds monthly per person. We cannot in honor compel Europe to do with less while we take more for ourselves. Canning is good economy; sugar for canning may be had on certificates in the discretion of each Fiederal Food Administrator. Therefore, as far as possible, put up fruits and vegetables without sugar; bottle juices and pulps to be sweetened later. The success of this program rests on the honor and co-operation of the American people.-U. S. Food Administration.

At the recent meeting of our General Sunday School Board many changes in organization were inaugurated. The divisional system of field work was abolished and the activities centered at Nashville. Dr. C. D. Bulla was elected corresponding secretary, and Mr. A. L. Dietrich, who has been field secretary for the Gulf Division, has been elected assistant corresponding secretary. He will move from Meridian, Miss., to Nashville, and will continue to contribute special articles to our Sunday School Department. He writes that during his three years' service as field secretary for the Gulf Division he has made many happy acquaintances and will long cherish them in memory. They all have his thanks for the many acts of kindness and courtesy toward him.

Bishop W. F. McMurry was called to Louisville, Ky., on August 4, and after a sermon in the Methodist Temple ordained the following ministers, who have been approved by the Commission on War partment of the United States Government. These brethren are completing their course in the Chaplains' Training School at Camp Taylor: Francis Asbury Buddin, Kingstree District, South Carolina Conference, Deacon and Elder; Bachman Gladstone Hodge, Birmingham District, North Alabama Conference, Deacon and Elder; Clinton Jay Bushey, Hattiesburg District, Mississippi Conference, Deacon and Elder; John Byron Coan, Northwest Conference, Elder; Edwin Earl White, Northwest Texas Conference, Elder.

There are 200,000 Chinese coolies in France, making roads, digging trenches, grooming tanks, and even making munitions. The question that this army of Chinese presents to the Western world is

this: Are these 200,000 to go back from a Christian country, still pagans, still preferring the customs of old China, or are they to return, an army of Christians, alert and understanding in the ways of the rest of the world? The Y. M. C. A. decided not to miss an opportunity for missionary work on such a large scale. They are sending over ninety American and thirty-two Chinese "Y" secretaries to hold educational and evangelistic classes among the coolies. The "Y" men are going to try to make an asset out of the mass of unskilled labor which so far has been one of China's liabilities.-World Outlook.

The hearts of the people of the United States are turning more and more to prayer as the greatest need of our nation in these trying days. A beautiful custom has been established in the little town of Verbena, Ala., of a universal evening prayer, modeled after the famed "Angelus." Every afternoon at six o'clock the bell of the church in Verbena sounds for two minutes, and while its tones float out upon the air the people of Verbena-men, women and children-without regard to creed or church connection, stand and repeat the following prayer: "God bless our President, our soldiers and the nation, and guide them on to victory." At the first tap of the bell the observance of this simple act of worship is universal. Men halt in the street, wagons and vehicles are stopped on the road, women rise from their knitting or pause in their cooking, and the plowman halts his work, and each one with uncovered head repeats the brief prayer. The people of Verbena call it "The Prayer of the Bell," and men who have never been known to pray before answer its call and repeat the simple prayer.—Christian Observer.

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OUR HONOR ROLL.

Since our last report the following pastors have secured the number of new subscribers apportioned to their respective charges: Rev. J. W. Black, Melbourne; Rev. M. B. Umsted, Tuckerman; Rev Paul Bates, North Quitman Ct.; Rev. J. F. Carter, Elm Springs; Rev. Wm. Sherman, Jonesboro; Rev. A. L. Miller, Portland and Blissville. Rev. J. L. Shelby of Hartman, who secured his quota in February, sent in five more last week. Let all pastors remember that now, while their meetings are in progress, is the best time to secure the new mem-Work and accepted as chaplains by the War De-bers as new subscribers. Much good work ought to be done during the next thirty days.

BOOK REVIEWS.

Religion and Common Sense; by Donald Hankey; published by E. P. Dutton & Co., New York; 60

This is a plain, simple defense of the fundamentals of Christianity prepared for those who are troubled over the attacks of rationalism. It is not written by a technical scholar, and is intended for people without specialized critical knowledge who desire sympathetic aid from one who understands the arguments of unbelief. It will fortify the reader in his Christian faith.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN? (Continued from Page 1.)

of development by overcoming temptation, Dr. Gowen offers the usual platitudes of the liquor traffic. There is a specious plausibility in his arguments because he advocates a constructive program as compared with that which is merely negative; but he seems to forget that we may by law prohibit the most serious occasions for stumbling, and then follow with constructive elements. He apparently overlooks the fact that moral development may be achieved by the contest between higher and highest as well as between lower and lowest incitements.

Why does the North American Review feel obligated to furnish a forum for the foreign theologians who are lending aid and comfort to the protagonists of the dying and desperate liquor traffic?

A CHANGE OF MIND.

Many of the German-language papers of this country have seemed lukewarm in their Americanism. It is, therefore, gratifying that the "New Yorker Staats Zeitung," which was for a time pro-German, has been convinced of error, and can now say editorially: "Millions of the people of Germany are firmly convinced, even if they do not dane to speak it openly, that the defeat of the present autocratic Government would be a blessing for them and their posterity. They have at last seen through the motives of their rulers, whose purposes are selfish and aim at the suppression of the ideas of liberty and the forcing of their hated Government upon the whole world. For a long time German-Americans were unable to see the peril, and rude has been their awakening. Their sense of duty showed them the right course to pursue. They point with pride to their sons and grandsons fighting for them under the Star-Spangled Banner. And they will fight on until every danger is removed and the world relieved of a burden which lies upon it like an incubus, for it is only through the overthrow of the present German Government that the repetition of a similar world catastrophe can be presented."

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THE FUTURE.

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Beyond the somber depths of watery graves,

The lights of home.

I see beyond the storm-cloud over there.

All black with war,

A line of blue horizon, calm and fair, And one bright star!

I hear above the din of human hate, Above the strife.

The Voice of One who tends a sheep fold gate,

Proclaiming Life!

I hear above the graves in No-Man's Land

(Where strivings cease),

Above the blood-stained war-lord's harsh command. The voice of Peace!

I see beyond this hell of rage and pain,

This madd'ning fray,

Upon a field where May-flow'rs bloom again,

Children at play!

I hear a voice from out the coming years,

Joyous and free,

From lips that kiss away a sad world's tears.

"Come, follow me!"

-Arthur Madison Shaw.

THE WAR AND THE CROSS.

A few days ago, I sat by the side of a major who was on his way to Washington City. The conversation led to the discussion of motive and purpose. This was his significant remark: "Military men are learning, for the first time, perhaps, what sacrificial service means." It set me to thinking about the words of the Master, "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow

What does this mean but the selfdenial, self-sacrifice, grim determination and high purpose which must enter into all true character and achievements, civil or military. Dr. Fosdick tells the story in his "Challenge of the Present Crisis," how Henry Fawcett. when a boy in England, while hunting with his father, had both eyes put out by an accidental shot. With the blood still trickling down his face, he determined that he would carry out the purpose of his life. That determination helped him work his way through Cambridge University, where he became Professor of Political Economy, and later, when Postmaster General for England, he gave the Parcel Post to the British Empire.

Professor James was right in claiming that we need, in everyday life, the moral equivalent of war. We have it in aggressive Christianity. A pleasureloving people can not continue to be a great people. Hours lengthening out | little fire, boiled some water, filled an into days must be given to earnest, purposeful, sacrificial service, rather it in between the blankets. Knooling than to the playing of bridge, luncheon to country clubs and pleasure rides, which, before this war broke out, in some of our towns and cities, absorbed nearly all the time and attention of many women and of not a few men. That has nearly all gone. (In its stead has come the spirit of patriotism and of devoted effort which is carrying

them into activities which must produce stronger individual character and a more vigorous national life. In the case of the church, the ideal has been there, but the motive has not always been sufficiently adequate. It must be big enough to float a program which can embrace humanity with all its needs, and lend itself to a ministry which shall include nothing less than the redemption and uplift of the human race.

In the recent death of Dr. W. M. Morrison, in Central Africa, the great truth has been brought home to us that a man who loses his life shall find it. For more than twenty years he seemed to be buried in the depths of an unevangelized continent. But what hath God wrought through him and his colleagues! The fruitage of their toil and self-abnegation has been a body of 400 teachers and evangelists, and a native church of 15,000 members rarely equalled in any field. Bishop Brent has well said of a man's life that "to sound forth the deep notes of self-fulfillment, it must be tuned to the Unseen and the Infinite by the constant pressure of profound motives."

Who can estimate the potentiality of a life that follows Christ and bears the Cross? "In hitting blows hard enough to impress the Far-East or Mid-Africa," writes Dr. Mott, "we must certainly develop greater energies with which to do the tasks at our very doors." Such blows are not struck by those who drift, but by those who strive and suffer. While this sentiment was expressed concerning foreign missions, it will be just as true of the situation at home after the war, when the mighty forces which have been awakened by the exertions and sacrifices of our boys abroad, will lead us to greater and higher achievement than we ever dreamed of. Only let us keep in sight of Christ and the Cross. They go before along the rugged path. Both obedience and fellowship must be learned by the things that we suffer. Out of this will emerge the spirit of a true brotherhood which will not only bind man to man in nobler relationships, but the nations of the round earth in bonds of a larger, richer sympathy and united achieve-

A few nights ago, a story came to me direct from the trenches. A Protestant chaplain from Scotland fell into conversation with a Roman Catholic soldier-a mere boy-far away from home and lonely. The sympathy of the older man seemed to cheer and hearten him. Hearing the chaplain say that his blankets were damp, and that he could not sleep because his feet were so cold, the boy slipped away into the shadow and was gone for some time. Night came. While the chaplain was lying in the rude dugout with aching limbs, trying in vain to sleep, he felt a hand slip under the cover near his feet. It was followed by a sense of warmth. The soldier, at the peril of his life, had kindled a earthen jug he had found and slipped by the side of the bunk he patted the cover, and said, "Oh, Padre, isn't it nice, isn't it nice?" The chaplain raised up on his elbow, laid his hand on the lad's shoulder and thanked him. The boy crept closer and leaning over him, tucked the blankets in behind his back and said once more, very softly, "Oh, Padre, isn't it nice?" The chap-

lain, knowing that the boy was thinking of his own trundle bed in Scotland and the bonnie mother far away, said, "Yes, dear Jamie, it is nice." Then the lad went out, for he must soon be at his post. Three days later, the chaplain stumbled over a body lying out under the skies. It was James. Down from his breast ran the crimson tide along which his life had ebbed out. He had not been dead more than a half hour and his body was still warm. The minister lifted upon his knees the lifeless form of the young hero of another faith and another church thanked God for his love, for the great sacrifice he had made for liberty, and commended him to the Father of us all. This is one of the lessons we are learning in this war, that Christ and His Cross are bringing men together who never knew before that they were brothers.

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Sweet wine of youth; gave up the years to be

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The world can not be won for Christ without faith in God-sacrificial faith. The war can not be won for righteousness and for liberty without the Cross. Nothing that is worth while can be achieved without lavish expenditure of the stuff out of which true manhood is made-soul stuff-if you please. It is not the wine saved, it is rather the wine of life poured forth. If our Christianity is greater because it belongs to others, so shall our lives be more noble and fuller of meaning and power when lost sight of in other lives. It is thus and only thus that we shall find our true selves, and, in finding, discover a new and richer relationship the Christ.-Walter R. Lambuth.

OUR REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C., NEARING COMPLETION.

It will be good news to the church at large to be informed that our Representative Church at the National Capital is rapidly approaching comple-

The Commission appointed by the General Conference to erect this great church met in Washington, D. C., on done and to provide for the speedy urnish without cost to the student finishing and furnishing of the struc-

It was found that the work on the congregation can worship in the Sunday-school Assembly Hall by the last Sunday in September and occupy the completed building by January 1, 1918, provided all outstanding subscriptions and pledges are paid at an early day and a few thousands of dollars addtional are secured within the next few months to supply furnishings suitable for such a church.

Even in the present unfinished condition of the building, it is one of the most impressive churches in Washington and represents Southern Methodism more than creditably. It may be described justly as magnificent.

The commission directs me to request all who have made subscriptions, or pledges, to make payment without delay, to the end that the work may be finished free of all debt or encumbrance. This result is within easy reach if all parties will heed this request and if some who have not contributed heretofore will now come to the aid of the enterprise.

Many subscribers have already paid in full their subscriptions. Others have paid in part. Some have not paid anything yet.

The commission has made contracts, relying upon the payment of all outstanding subscriptions and pledges, and these contracts can be promptly met if all parties concerned will send without delay their contributions to the financial secretary, Rev. George S. Sexton, D. D., Shreveport, La., or to Rev. H. A. Boaz, D. D., secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Louisville, Ky. The commission delayed the execution of the building until resources were in hand or in sight to finish the work without debt, feeling that our people could not afford, and would not approve, a debt on his representative church at the Capital of the Nation.

Rejoicing in what has been accomplished, the commission now calls upon the church at large to supply the funds still lacking to complete this noble enterprise without a penny of debt upon it. This can be done, and the commission believes it will be done. Complete success is in sight. -Warren A. Candler, Chairman of the Commission.

THE PENDING DRAFT ACT AND YOUR SON-THE NEW EDUCA-TIONAL POLICY OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT.

Many parents are disturbed over the pending draft act changing the draft age from 18 to 45. This is hurriedly written to assure parents that they need not be unnecessarily disturbed over the act and to state briefly the new educational policy of the War Department. Other statements will be given later as the policy unfolds. The War Department has entered upon what may prove to be a great national educational policy.

1. The War Department is Proposing to Train College Students in College, Not at Cantonments.—In colleges like Hendrix the War Department is establishing a students' army training corps under the direction of competent officers detailed by the Secretary of War. All able-bodied students 18 years old or over may enlist and students under 18 may enroll and neceive August 7 to inspect the work already military training. The government will uniform (including shoes, overcoat and all clothing except underwear." Members of this army corps are a distinct building has so far advanced that the branch of the United States army, subiect to the call of the President, and are on equal footing with infantry, artillery or aviation. For six weeks during the summer these student soldiers will be given intensive military training at a camp with the pay of a private and traveling expenses to and from camp. This plan has the very great advantage of allowing a boy to get his military training in the stimulating intellectual and moral atmosphene of the college instead of at a cantonment with its temptations, a fact which should appeal strongly to parents and boys.

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Soon as He Reaches Draft Age? unless he himself wants to make change. It will be the policy of government to allow the student to main in college until he is 21, but any case until the end of the scho year. We are advised that this will the policy whatever changes may made in the draft age. If a lower draft age is fixed we are advised that it we be for purposes of registration and r for immediate active service. Wheth this applies to boys not in college I not advised.

3. When a Member of the Train Corps in College Reaches Draft / and Desires to Enter Some Ot Branch of the Service, Can He Ma the Change?—Yes; ...more easily t he could if he were not a college dent in the training corps; because will have the sympathetic assistance the president of the college and commanding officer at the colle When the time arrives when a stude soldier would reguarly go into act service under the draft, the preside of the college and the commanding ficer, after conferring with the si dent, will recommend to the comm tee of the War Department in charg of Student Army Training Corps tha he continue his studies to prepare for some special work, or that he go at once to an officers' training camp to prepare for an officers' commission in the infantry, artillery, air service, etc. or that he be assigned to work in the ordnance, quartermaster, or other staf corps. Probably most of the men wil. be transferred to officers' training camps as the war is calling for fouor five times as many officers as wil graduate from all American college and universities. Enlistment in th Students' Army Training Corps is th plainest road to an officers' commi sion. Young men should bear in mir that if Congress does lower the age liability to immediate military servimen of the new ages not already listed either in the active army or a Students' Army Training Corps v probably find it difficult to enter service otherwise than through draft boards. In view of this possi ity, all men expecting to enlist at in the Students' Army Training Co. would do well to enter promptly, s: the committee of the War Departm on education and special training. deed, at present the Students' A Training Corps is the only branck the army or navy which is open volunteer.

4. Purpose of the Students' A Training Corps.—This step repne: a serious effort of the War Depart to make available the large body (lege men as a great military asthe nation. The War Depar states its purpose in the step a lows:

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GOAL: PRAYER, FAITH, AND RESULTS.

my recent letter I referred to our paign for 500 conversions before furlough, and promised to write more fully about it.

his is the way it started: Shortfter Annual Conference in October, iop Kilgo visited us and spoke to congregation on soul-winning. It one of the greatest and most ring messages I ever heard. Tod the close he asked how many alts had been baptized the previconference year. The answer was teen. Then he asked us if we would ay daily for 500 during this year, raise our hands. We all raised our ands, because we didn't know what lse to do under the circumstances. but at that moment very few of us, any, really expected to see 500 conersions in a year. But we had promed to pray, and so in a more or ess desultory fashion we did pray or about three months.

A few days after the Bishop was ere word came that the big Manarin's house next door was for sale, ad the price was \$10,000 (Mex.). I thed together the workers and we Iked it over. It seemed to us that 3 would be ruined if any one olso t that house, as there are streets all the other three sides of us, d this house is the only direction which we can expand. We thought just must buy that house, but ere on earth the money was to ne from we could not tell. Then prayed. Then we talked some e and then prayed again. Finally concluded that the circumstances ranted our making a covenant of ver, and standing on Matt. 18:19 brayed daily at noon for the means which to purchase that property. we all agreed to do, and I think y whole life I have never known earnest praying. As we prayed, estions for working were given

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to us, and we did not leave a stone unturned in our effort to do all that God gave us strength and wisdom to do to help answer our own prayers.

At the end of three months there came from the Board of Missions a cable for \$5,000 (gold). It was a direct, immediate, glorious answer to prayer. On the following Sunday we had a thanksgiving service to praise and laud and magnify His great name for thus revealing Himself as a living Presence among us. The thought uppermost in our minds was not so much rejoicing that we had received the money, as rejoicing in the sense of cooperation with God. This direct answer to our prayer was God's acceptance and approval of us and the work we are trying to do in His name. This was vastly more precious to us than the money itself.

But in the midst of our rejoicing the promise we had made to Bishop Kilgo occurred to us. There with shame we confessed our sin in praying so ardently for more money, and so coldly for the main thing, the thing without which the money would be empty and meaningless-the conversion of souls. Then we talked about it. Then we prayed some more. Then we decided that again the circumstances warranted our forming a covenant of prayer, so, again standing on His immutable promise in Matt. 18:19, we agreed to pray morning, noon and night for the conversion of 500 souls before I go home in the summer of 1919.

Again, as we prayed, suggestions of working and how to work were given to us. And, up to the limit of the wisdom and strength God gives us, we are working while we pray.

First, we called a four days' conference of all the members of the church. We spent a good deal of time in Bible study, we spent a good deal more in prayer for God's guidance and blessing in this tremendous undertaking. At length we decided that in addition to the forms of work already being carried on that we would make three special evangelistic campaigns before I come home-one this spring, one this fall, and one next spring.

The work for this spring is to center around an eight days' meeting to be held April 28-May 5. Miss Mary Culler White, author of "The Days of June," will lead the services for women every afternoon. Rev. Tea Suh-Tz, one of our leading Chinese preachers, will preach at the night services. We will either get a large tent or erect a big mat-shed. This will cost us about one hundred dollars. Where that money is to come from I do not know,

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this work.

We have organized a training class among the church members in order to get ready a corps of good workers. We meet Friday nights from 7:30 to 9. This time is divided into three periods of about thirty minutes each. First, I am giving a series of talks on the Holy Spirit, based on the Acts of the Apostles. Second, we spend a half hour studying a book called "Elements of Christian Truth." This is a book prepared especially for new probationers, and is designed to be used in preparing candidates for baptism. We expect each church member who is studying the book now to teach it to a class of probationers after the May meeting. Our Chinese pastor, Brother Wang leads this group. Third, Mr. Zang makes a talk on personal work. All this is done in an atmosphere of prayer. We hope all through May and June to have 200 probationers in 20 classes, and early in July to baptize a large class. Then in the fall we hope to repeat this same process, baptizing another large class just before Christmas, and during the spring of 1919 repeat it for the third time, baptizing the largest class of all just before I sail for America.

I have written thus fully about our plans to request you and all who may read this to help us daily by prayer for all these forms of service, to the end that Christ may be glorified in the conversion of 500 souls.-L. D. Patter-

Sungkiang, China.

THE METHODIST MEN'S CLUB IN ITS APPEAL TO THE CHURCH.

When we consider the more than five hundred thousand laymen in Southern Methodism, their splendid possibilities of leadership, the latent powers undeveloped, the present challenge to noble service, it is sufficient to enlist the scrious consideration of every thoughtful Methodist Recognizing the stupendous need for so many expressions of Christian service, the Church is calling as it has never called before for the mobilization of our hitherto unrelated re sources. In the organization of the Methodist Men's Club there has been devised a practical working plan for the enlistment of our men in definite service for the Church-a plan that is at once so comprehensive and so adaptable that it may be readily applied to any condition in our connec 'tionalism. No bigger task could claim our attention just now than to organize more completely the lay work of the church to the end that it may attract, hold, and spiritualize our men at home and invite compellingly those who will return to us after the war. In carrying out such a program we must proceed on a basis that will enlist the greatest possible manpower of the Church. It would be a comparatively simple thing to create organi zations with a lot of overhead machinery, but to be effective every organization must have the working power and the driving energy behind it. There must be the plan finding expression in the life of the men of the individual Church—a group of trained and ready servants who stand eager for any service that they might render in spreading the Kingdom of Christ among men.

In nearly every denomination there has existed an organization for the men of that faith, but our Church until recently had no plan for the ex-

our men. Such a need had been for a long time felt in the hearts of many of the leaders of the Church-some plan for the definite enlistment of the men of Methodism in the service of the Church. The plan of the Methodist Men's Club was first put in operation nearly three years ago, and such was the interest and enthusiasm of the men that inquiries began to come to those who were related to the work requesting the plan of organization. Later a decision was reached to extend the work of the organization to all parts of the Church, and the success in the extension work has been beyond the early dreams of the founders. The General Council of the Club held its first meeting in Atlanta on May 3 and elected the following officers: Dr. Henry N. Snyder, president; Dr. A. C. Millar, Dr. Hoyt M. Dobbs, Dr. L. C. Branscomb, Dr. J. H. Therrell, Hon. Fred T. Wilson, Mr. Sam Tate and Mr. John E. Edgerton, vice presidents, and Rev. George Stanley Frazer, Washington, Ga., general secretary. The Council is composed of a number of the conspicuous leaders of Methodism, including Bishops John M. Moore and H. M. DuBose, Drs. T. N. Ivey, Geo. S. Sexton, W. J. Young, W. P. Few, Dr. Mall Shuttles, and others.

This is the day of peculiar opportunity for the Club in the work of the Church. Because of her vast resources in men and money, Methodism has a place of unusual vantage. Nothing could be more in error than to assume that because of many perplexing problems brought about by war conditions this is not an opportune time more definitely to organize our men. The work for which the Church has been commissioned is not second in importance to any other work. Because of the unusual problems that confront us we are forced to bring unusual methods and service into their solution. But no work of organization can be made efficient or permanent that is not based on loyalty, fellowship, and service in the Church. That is a platform broad enough and big enough to enlist the energies of any man.

If the Methodist Men's Club had no other plans at this time save those which are proving so effective in bringing the Church at home to the men in camp and overseas, or the further plans that are being formulated to administer more intelligently to the men after the war, these alone would justify every effort that is being put forth to stimulate the men of the Church. But when we think of its appeal to men, its genuine spirit of fellowship, its service in the work of the Sunday school and in building up the efficiency of the Church by stimulating the missionary, educational, and every other interest of the Church, when we consider its various fields of service co-extensive with the needs of man, then we do not wonder that one of the Bishops of the Church should say of its plans, "Not only is the organization desirable in the local church, but it has become almost, if not altogether, necessary that some such work should be done."

For an example of the power of such an organization as the Methodist Men's Club in any church, we may consider the wonderful achievements of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the Episcopal Church. Organized thirty years ago on a platform of personal service in the spread of Christ's

but God knows, and He is running clusive training and development of Kingdom among men, it has spread throughout the Church and is today represented by more than a thousand Chapters in America and many others in all parts of the world. As an illustration of the recognized power of the organization, we might point to the fact that when the Episcopal Church was considering the most effective means for carrying the Church to the men in the camps, the Brotherhood was regarded as the most practical agency for this work, both because of its demonstrated power in personal service and its peculiar adaptability to present needs and cenditions. It had been organized on lines that were most effective in appealing to the manhood of America. Through its Army and Navy Department, created recently for this special work, sixty-four consecrated laymen voluntarily answered this appeal for personal usefulness; and these laymen, having caught a vision of the power of a life there in the Chapters of the Brotherhood to which they belonged, at great personal sacrifice are giving themselves unreservedly to touching the lives of hundreds of young men in the camps and making real to them the ministry of the Church in these, their days of trial and struggle. Such examples of unselfish service are useful, not for the purposes of invidious comparison, but for a challenge to the Christian manhood of all our churches. We may well ponder the difficulties that we would face in calling for large numbers of our laymen for work involving such sacrifices.

We do not need so much machinery in the Church, nor should we seek a multiplication of the organizations in the Church, but we do need that group in every church of Southern Methodism that would create a closer bond of fraternity in the great fellowship of service. Organization means more than having meetings and rules and a constitution; it rather means every

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part working in harmony with every other part toward the accomplishment of some worthy object. And so in the Church every man should know his place and part and stand ready to respond whenever the King's business calls. Such is the ideal of the Methodist Men's Club in enlisting the men of Methodism in the Church's service. Certainly we have felt the need of just such an organization in all our churches, for there has been in our Church no distinct organization for the training and development of the great lay power of Methodism. This is the day of opportunity, and such an organization will prove its genuineness and usefulness wherever it may be established, even as is now the case in the churches where the Club is in operation.—George S. Frazer, General Secretary.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED.

The Apostles' Creed is so called, not because it was made by the apostles, for it was not, but because it states in the fewest possible words some of the main truths which the early fathers preached. There is a tradition that the apostles composed the creed on the day of Pentecost. Peter began by saying, "I believe in God the Father Almighty"; that Andrew followed by adding, "I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord," and so on until all the 12 had added their part to the creed. But this is only legendary and cannot be sustained. In fact, we know just about when some parts of the creed were made, such phrases as "communion of saints," "eternal life," "forgiveness of sins," and "descended into hell."

The earliest form we have of the creed is known as the old Roman symbol. This form is shorter than the present creed. It was used by the Church at Rome as early as A. D. 150. The following statements of the present creed were not in the old Roman symbol: "Maker of heaven and earth," "descended into hell," "life everlasting," the words "suffered," "dead," and "catholic."

The first use made of the creed was in receiving members for baptism. The candidate was instructed in the faith by the repetition and the explanation of the creed by some teacher in the Church. It is very clearly established that the creed is an enlargement of the baptismal covenant and commission given by Christ: "Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." It is clearly evident that the creed has three main divisions: God the Father, Jesus Christ his Son and our Saviour, and the Holy Spirit. Incidentally here is too sweeping for them. They take in the beginning of the wording of the too much territory. If one of their present form of our Church ritual on baptism and Church membership.

The present form of the creed was in use by the beginning of the sixth century. The Nicean Creed, which is a full statement of the present creed, was completed by A. D. 589. I have very seldom seen this Nicean Creed in print. It is as follows: "I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of

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God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who, for us men and our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall not end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceedeth from the Father (and the Son); who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come."

The first four Articles of Religion in our Discipline contain several phrases taken from the above creed.

The present form of our creed contains 105 words; and of this number, 66 speak directly concerning Jesus Christ, and 21 others are derived from his life and teaching. Thus 87 of the 105 words relate to Christ. The great value of the creed, then, is in the enphasis it places on our Christ.

In this day, when we need to study again the fundamental truths of our Christianity, it would not be amiss to study afresh these truths as stated in our creed. We need to renew our faith in "God the Father Almighty," to be reminded again that "Jesus Christ his only Son" is "our Lord." It is possible that we have repeated with our lips Sunday after Sunday, but not with our hearts, this creed that is so full of precious truths until they mean no more to us than to a victrola.

A somewhat lengthy study of the creed has changed my mind about the phrase "holy catholic Church." Until recently I had favored the change to the present proposed one, "Christ's holy Church"; but now I think the present wording very much the better. Why do not the Baptists use the creed more than they do? It is not because it is not based directly on the Bible, for every clause and word in it is sustained by a number of Bible passages. Neither is it because the word "catholic" suggests the Roman Church. The main reason why they do not make more use of it is because of two statements of the creed-"hoiv catholic Church" and "communion of saints." These two statements are ministers should try to explain the phrase "holy catholic Church," he would have to repudiate some of the doctrines of his Church.

Again, the term "holy catholic Church" will be more easily explained than the term "Christ's holy Church." You will have to use the word "catholic" in explaining the proposed change. There is no better word to use here than the present word. In explaining the term "holy catholic Church" you have a good opportunity to show the fundamental difference between the Methodist Church and the Roman Church.

It may seem strange to some to note that the Apostles' Creed omits some doctrines which man has placed much it and purpose of this Patriotic Seremphasis on during the last few centurios. Much has been written and dollar, dimo and penny contributed at Rock,

spoken on the mode of baptism, which has caused much division in the Churches. But you will look in vain in our creed for a single reference to baptism. Nothing is said about sanetification or repentance or regeneration or the kingdom of God or salvation through Christ. The statement or these doctrines is not omitted because the fathers did not think highly of them, but because during the formation of the creed there was no dispute or heresy concerning these doctrines. Many of the statements of the creed grew out of controversies among the early theologians. The prevailing side would confirm their doctrine by placing a statement of it in the creed. The best example of this is to be found in the account of how the clause "the forgiveness of sins" found its way into the creed. A certain school of writers taught that sins were not pardonable after baptism. These also taught that baptism should be delayed as long as possible, preferably on the death bed. Here, I think, is about the first opposition to infant baptism. The Church would stand for no such doctrine and so placed in the creed the doctrine of the forgiveness of sins, whether committed before or after baptism.

The Apostles' Creed is not a complete compendium of our faith; neither was it of the faith of the early fathers; but it is a helpful guide to it. It is in some sense like a path that a lost traveler comes upon in the forest; it leads him to the open road.

Let us not repeat this creed, parrotlike, every Sunday. If we do, we train ourselves not to appreciate the sacred truths it contains. Let us repeat it not only with our lips, but with our hearts and with our lives during the week days. If we say, "I believe,' 'then may we live a life of faith so that our daily walk will be a repetition of our creed .- J. F. Simmons in Christian Advocate.

PATRIOTIC RELIGION.

It is not only a duty and pleasure to aid in every way possible that our boys on the battle front may have the best of everything needed, but it is a privilege to be allowed to take some part, however small, with them in their great struggle that you and I may live in comfort and peace at home. I am truly glad that we have been asked to set apart this hour. that we may show them our appreciation of the sacrifice they are making for us. We cannot find words to express our appreciation of their heroism in exposing their bodies to shot and shell as they go "over the top" to battle with the enemy who would destroy our institutions, burn our homes, desecrate our churches and outrage our loved ones. Not only do we want their bodies fed and clothed with the best that we can furnish, but we must see to it that their minds and souls are fed with such wholesome moral and religious food as will insure that they will return to us good men-men equipped and ready to undertake the great task of world rcconstruction. And should some never be permitted to return-should their spirits take their flight while they are on duty "over there", and their bodies be laid to rest in French soil, more than ever do we want to know that we surrounded them with that moral and Christian atmosphere which would insure for them a seat on the right hand over there—awaiting every soldier of the Cross. That is the spirvice and the prayer back of overy

this hour. Our boys are fighting not only for the liberty of the American people, but to make the "world safe for democracy", and some day-I hope very soon-you and I will hear the two most cherished words on mortal tongue today-Victory and Peace.

And after that there will be a homecoming. The glad news will be flashed out under the old Atlantic, and from New York down to Arkadelphia, that certain units of our army containing our Arkadelphia and Clark County heroes have gone aboard ship in some French port and that a good old American ship with its precious load has backed out of the ways and turned with her nose to the west, bound for America, the land of liberty, peace and good-will. Soon the glad tidings will be flashed across the United States that she has docked in New York harbor. Then our boys start on the last lap homeward to wife, sweetheart, dad, mother and loved ones in dear old Arkadelphia and Clark County.

There is no need for me to try to picture the scene around the station on that morning. If I could, I would not, for we will all be there and you can now close your eyes and hear the bands playing and see the flags flying and the crowd waiting in happy impatience. And when the train pulls up and stops I want to see wife and sweetheart and dad and mother go up first to greet them, and then I want to go up with the Liberty Bond gaug, with the War Savings Stamps bunch, with the Y. M. C. A. contributors and the Red Cross pushers. And last, but not least, I want to be among the members of Men's Bible Class and this Sunday school and church who worked and prayed at home, while the boys "over there" fought and bled and suffered. Then, when they have time, I want to sit quietly and

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But I see a golden star on our service flag, which reminds me that some of our heroes may not have this homecoming. But I am so glad that there will be for them, and for you and me, a home coming "over there", beyon1 the skies. And when I meet these our boys who laid down their lives in the cause of human freedom, I want to hear them say, it was the gospel of Christ, brought to us by army chaplains and church pastors while we were in camps and in trenches (and in this work the Methodist Church and the Men's Class of Arkadelphia took a part) that enabled us to make a safe landing on the "Right Hand", when we went "over the top" the last time never to return." Then again J will be glad that I was here at this hour to do my best that our boys may come home from the trenches strong, pure. Christian men, or if, in the providence of God, they fall in battle that they shall fall with their faces towards the "Home over there."

(The above is, in part, an address delivered by C. C. Jackson in the Methodist Church, Arkadelphia, Sunday morning, July 14, at a patriotic service; \$105 was raised for War Work.)

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Dear Friends: Although I have been silent some weeks, it is not that I have not thought of you often, for "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now."

A journey to Tennessee gave exercise to a faith founded upon the hope of Christ, as in the loss of a beloved sister I "was sorrowful, yet always rejoicing" in the knowledge of a life well spent and an entrance into the reward of the faithful. A refreshing visit to the beloveds of my own household at Tuscumbia, Ala., was interesting indeed, for the former little sleepy towns in that section have not only been awakened, but overrun by the large forces of workmen engaged in the plants being erected by the Government. After so many years the South is coming into her own, and the hum of the machinery and wheels of commerce are being heard the world around. I was interested to see the home of the wonder woman of the age, Helen Keller, whose name is honored by library and lane, and whose memory is a rich heritage for the little town of Tuscumbia. Would that more of us could enrich the history of our dwelling place by the life we lead and the work we do. But on my return I found our work had gone on, arrangements about perfected for Miss Rosalie Riggin's entrance into Scarritt in September, and good reports from the secretary and treasurer for the quarter. It is very gratifying to know of the constant faithfulness of our colaborers. Yet, my friends, we must make a little stronger pull on the pledge for the next quarter, as we are about \$500 short for the first half year. Let us not lag in meeting any of our obligations, for we are indeed the favored of the earth and should render thanks to Almighty God in gifts as well as in praise. We may not wait for the Centenary Celebration to be upon us, but we may as well be found doing the things already to give expression of our appreciation. The days are hot, and days will be cold, yet we are to be rewarded according to our faithfulness, and we must not fail in the smallest things that make fer the glory of God and the coming of His kingdom in the earth. We are in the radest quarter of the year, and some must do more than their

by those absent from home. And may

we not pray for those seeking rest and recuperation, not forgetting our own boys over there, our great Presiprogram whose objective is a world dent and the nation he rules; these things, and more we should do these busy, history-making days. And may we not hear from each department in these columns right away?-Yours in love, Mrs. F. M. Williams.

A LETTER FROM MRS. MOFFETT RHODES.

East Northfield, Mass.

Dear Friends: It is a pleasure to respond to Mrs. Pemberton's request for further notes from Northfield, for I have some very practical matters on my heart.

The theme of the Home Mission Conference, July 17-25, was "Americanization." It seems that we are not awake to our responsibility in that movement which Uncle Sam is now leading, when I read that there are over 5,000 foreign-born white women in Arkansas, and that 1,000 of them cannot speak English. Some of these at least must live within the reach of our Woman's Missionary Societies. Why should we not undertake this patriotic task to make true the slogan, "English, the language of Arkansas?" The most practical way in which this can be accomplished is for individual women to undertake the teaching of one foreign woman. To do this she will have to go into the home and be a friend to the woman. When the opening is made there will be countless ways in which she can help.

Imagine the position of the woman who does not speak English! She is cut off from the life of her own husband and children. She has no interest outside her home. She is at the mercy of the dishonest butcher and grocer. How would you feel to be utterly dependent in a strange land among strange customs?

The Department of the Interior will furnish bulletins on the subject of Americanization on request. The Delineator has a special department. It is the issue of the bour. Why should not we put Arkansas at the head of the list with not a single foreign-born woman without a knowledge of English?-Sincerely yours, Mrs. Moffett Rhodes.

OUR WOMEN UNDER APPOINT-MENT FOR WAR WORK.

On June 11 our nurse-missionary, Miss Lula Marsh, sailed for France, and is the first of the Home Mission band of workers to enter the active field of war operations. Miss Lula Cason, trained nurse, is located at Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga. Miss Frances Scott was appointed under the Law Enforcement League of Training Camp Activities, and is located at Miami, Fla. Miss Mary DeBardeleben is to enter reconstructive work in France under French local organizations. Miss Ella Kerr Butcher is to have work on the border.

ITEMS FROM AUXILIARIES.

Mrs. H. L. Remmel writes:

"The Missionary Society of the share to even up the loss occasioned First Methodist Church has continued to held one meeting a mouth during B. E. Robertson.

the summer months, and the attendance has been very good. The knitting and sewing units have done splendid service for the Red Cross, but more workers are needed for this work. If nine women can complete 156 articles in the month, think what could be accomplished if an average proportion of the women of the church volunteered for this service.

A most interesting letter has been received from our French orphan.

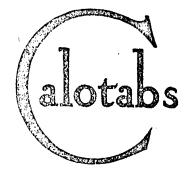
"With so much suffering and sorrow in the world and so much need for the uplifting power of the gospel of Jesus Christ, let us rally our forces for better service in the army of the King of kings.

"'Lead on, O King eternal; We follow not with fears. For gladness breaks like morning Where'er Thy face appears."

TRAINED NURSES IN WAR WORK.

For every 25,000 soldiers landed in France the army must have not less than 400 nurses. These figures allow for no emergency, illness, or fatigue on the part of the nurses. The local churches, Red Cross and other organizations have made every effort for the spiritual and physical protection of the soldiers. A recent visit to one of the training camps revealed the fact that nearly 600 nurses had been at work more than nine months and there had been no opportunity to attend a single religious service. Certainly a big part of the church work in war times is the protection of the trained women who are as necessary to the battle as are the armed men. Do not forget to pray and work for the nurses in the army.

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LESSON FOR AUGUST 25. (By Rev. Ashley Chappell.)

Subject: Christian Testimony. Acts 1:8; Matthem 10:27-33; James, 1:26-27. Golden Text: Every one who shall

confess Me before men, him shall the Son of Man also confess before the angels of God.-Luke 12:8.

The ring of a genuine testimony has always been convincing. It succeeds when logic and argument have no ef-Worth, a Salvation Army captain stood and rattled off a testimony that fell flat. Then came an old Dutchman with a wooden leg, who had quite recently found Christ. He said, with that "light that was never seen on land or sea" beaming from his eyes, "I have great peace mit me since I found my captain." It was not an eloquent testimony, but tears fell from the eyes of those present because they all felt his testimony was true. Many were constrained to seek the captain of whom the old Dutchman had testified. Jesus told His disciples that they should have power after that the Holy Spirit came upon them. The power of testimony is greatly needed by the church. To many testimony is a task. But it Him. "Because of her testimony many has divine aid. The Holy Spirit of God supplies the necessary power to make it effective. The first chapter of Acts tells us the vast sweep of the Christian program. Paul's testimony ended with his witness in Rome, but ours is

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to extend to the uttermost parts of the earth. Teachers and Sunday-school workers, let us look into our own hearts as we come before our classes and see if we really have the power of testimony in our own hearts and lives! A live, burning testimony of three or one moment often accomplishes more than the most eloquent sermon.

Real testimony is like security. Men fect. Once, on the streets of Fort have secured letters of credit because of your testimony. Confession and denial mean more than mere talking. They are really forms of the very character itself. Testimony makes the one who confesses stronger. It is an open commitment that always makes it easier to do the will of Christ. By confession we place ourselves in a position before the world where we must do His will. The poor, timid woman that Jesus healed must come out in the open and confess. After that she is the Lord's before the whole world. Then our testimony is for the benefit of others. There could come no hurt to Jesus like that of denying Him. If we deny Him we close the door through which men are to be led to believed on Him." It is so now and will be so always. God grant us the real power of Holy Ghost testimony!

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL'S PART IN THE MISSIONARY CENTENARY.

All wide-awake Sunday-school folks will be glad to know that the Sundayschool is to have a very definite part in the big five-year Missionary Centenary Drive. At a necent meeting of the Centenary Commission with the General Sunday-school Board a definite agreement was entered into whereby all matters pertaining to this drive in the Sunday-school is to be taken over by the General Sundayschool Board. Some of the vital points in this agreement are:

First. The Sunday-school Board agrees to raise in the Sunday-schools of the connection one-tenth of the thirty-five million dollar goal which means that we must raise in our Sunday-schools for missions seven hundred thousand dollars a year for the next five years.

Second. The Centenary Commission agrees to turn over to the Sundayschool Board one-tenth of all the money thus raised in the Sundayschools to be used partly in defraying the expenses of the campaign and partly in doing Sunday-school missionary work.

Third. The Sunday-school Board agrees to create a department of "Missions in the Sunday-school" which shall, in addition to raising missionary money, conduct a campaign of missionary education throughout the church. (This last item is most vital since an attempt to raise missionary money from the young life of the church without a comprehensive missionary educational campaign accompanying it

at their annual meeting at Lake Ju- tain the exact amount we are giving naluska last month organized for the Centenary Drive and mapped out the program which I give below.

First, Rev. J. L. Neil, formerly Sunday School Field Secretary of the Mississippi Conference, was elected head of the Department of Missions in the Sunday school, with offices in Nashville, Tenn.

Second, a new and complete literature on "Missions in the Sunday School" is to be created at once-this literature to include numerous missionary leaflets, graded missionary lessons for each class in the Sunday school, a pamphlet giving a complete list of graded missionary specials, a revised monthly missionary program, a leastet on the meaning of the Centenary, etc.

Third, the General Sunday School Board is to work through Conference Sunday School Boards and Conference Sunday School Field Secretaries in the carrying out of its policies.

Fourth, the Conference Sunday School Board is to work through Presiding Elders and District Missionary Superintendents-a new officer to be appointed in each presiding elder's district.

Fifth, the district work shall be carried out by missionary superintendents to be appointed in each Sunday school.

Sixth, the local Missionary Superintendent shall see that a Missionary Secretary is appointed for each class in the school, this secretary to be responsible for reaching each member of the class.

Thus it can be seen that every member of every class in every Sunday school in every presiding elder's district, in every Conference in the whole Methodist Church is to be reached.

In organizing for this campaign three general meetings are to be held in January and February of next year: First, a meeting in Memphis with all the Bishops, all the members of the General Sunday School Board, all chairmen of Conference Sunday School Boards, all field secretaries, and the members of the Centenary Commis-

Second, Annual Conference meeting, with the Bishop, all presiding elders, all district missionary superintendents and all members of the Conference Sunday School Board, the Annual Conference Missionary Secretary, the Conference Sunday School field secretary, and a representative of the Centenary Commission.

Third, district meeting, with the presiding elder, the district missionary, superintendents, the pastors, the superintendents of all schools in the districts, the superintendent of missions in each school, and the chairman and secretary of each Conference

In addition to these three general meetings, there will be such additional meetings of charge and local school workers as will be necessary to complete the organization.

It will be seen from all of the above that we have a big program ahead of us in the Little Rock Conference. I am writing about this early in order that we may begin to get ready for it. This program calls for an annual missionary contribution of fifty cents for Little Rock Conference Sunday schools. Last year our missionary contribution through our Sunday schools was 12 cents per capita. I gether with the field workers present shall soon send out blanks to ascerpostpaid.

this year. Can we quadruple our offerings? Do not say no. But begin to pray. The Lord will show us the way. The Little Rock Conference Sunday school hosts must not lag behind our Church in this, the biggest movement of the century .- Clem Baker, Secretarv.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD PLANS FOR A GREAT QUADRENNIUM.

At last our great Church is awake to the importance of its Sunday school work. For the first time in the history of the Church the General Conference at Atlanta made adequate provision for financing its field work. With this added encouragement the General Board and the field workers at their recent meeting at Junaluska laid out a program for the next four years that should challenge the very best that is in every lover of the Sunday school cause. Under its new plan the General Sunday School Board will maintain seven strong (departments at Nashville; an Editorial Departnent, a Teachers' Training Department, an Extension Department, a Missionary Department, an Elementary Department, a "Teen Age" Department, and an Adult and Young People's Department. Specialists have been placed in charge of each of these departments whose duties shall be to develop our Sunday school interests along their various lines. The office of Divisional Field Secretary was discontinued and hereafter it will be the policy of the General Board to assist the various Annual Conference Sunday School Boards in putting in a Conference Sunday School Field Secretary through whom both the General and the Conference Sunday School Boards will work. It is expected that each Conference in our whole connection will have a field secretary within the next year.

Two distinct lines of field activities will be pursued. First, Sunday school extension work under the direction of Dr. C. D. Bulla and Mr. A. L. Dietrich assisted by all conference field secretaries. It will be the purpose of this department to organize a Sunday school in every one of the three thousand churches that now have no school and to lay the foundation for future churches by the organization of Mission Sunday schools. This is Methodism's one hope of winning back ther lost prestige in the neglected rural sections of our territory.

Second, This promotion work is to be carried along side by side with a campaign of education under the direction of the Teacher Training Department assisted by the several de-Lartmental specialists and all field workers. The work of this department will be carried out through the establishment of two great Central Training Schools-the one at Lake Junaluska and a similar one to be established west of the Mississippi,

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Of course, all the above program is to be under the direct supervision of our Dr. E. B. Chappell, whose fertile brain and untiring energy is responsible for the entire forward movement.

And thus the movement grows. Its objective is an entire church studying God's Word under an intelligent leadership, and not only this, but an entire church reaching out in an interligent way after all the neglected people in our various communities. The field is white unto the harvest. Our General Conference has caught the vision. The Sunday School forces of the Little Rock Conference must not be caught napping when the hour of our opportunity is at hand.-Clem Baker, Secretary.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE LOSES GREAT WORKER.

Mr. R. E. Overman and family have moved from Little Rock to Searcy, Ark. In their going the Little Rock Conference, and especially the Sunday School Board, sustains a great loss. As treasurer of the board for the past four years Mr. Overman has rendered inestimable service. During this time the board has passed through many hard places. Sometimes it has seemed to the field secretary that we would have to give up for want of finances. But each time Mr. Overman and our chairman, Mr. Hayes, have cheerfully come forward and borrowed money on their own security in order that our work might not suffer. Surely the place of a man like this will be hard to fill. But our loss is another's gain. The North Arkansas Conference has made many requisitions upon us, but never have we sent them a better man than R. E. Overman. We heartily commend them to the Sunday school forces up there and wish all the Overmans God's richest blessings in their new field of labor.—Clem Baker, Secretary.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Owing to the removal of our treasurer, Mr. R. E. Overman, we have asked our field secretary, Rev. Clem Baker, to take charge of all our accounts till conference. Let all pas tors and superintendents please take notice and send all Sunday school moneys direct to him at 314 Masonic Temple, Little Rock, Ark. Our treasurer's receipt will be issued by him .-C. E. Hayes, Chairman Sunday School

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REV. J. Q. SCHISLER, Editor.

LESSON FOR AUGUST 18. The Power of the Cross in the Open Country.—Psalm 107:33-43.

Missionary meeting; especial reference to the Epworth League in the Rural Church.

There are many things that make it difficult to maintain an Epworth League in the rural church. In many communities there is a dearth of leaders who are capable of carrying on the League in the absence of the pastor, who can visit each of his churches only once each month. And then sometimes his visits cannot be made to coincide with the most convenient time for the meeting of the League, ond hence the League must be left entirely without his guidance. There are often bad roads, especially in winter, and the young people are scattered so that it is difficult to get them together regularly. Our city brethren who have not labored in the rural churches cannot easily realize the difficulties and perhaps do not always realize the folly of organizing a League in some rural church only to go to some other appointment for two to four weeks and return to find the League dead. It is the sincere belief of this writer that the pastors in the rural districts who are so fortunate as to maintain effective Leagues should be complimented rather than that criticism should be made against those who are unable to do this. And yet the League can be made one of the very best agencies for good in the rural church. And it is being made so in some rural communities. Wherever there are a few young people who can lead, a League should be organized.

We are glad to have this week articles by a rural church pastor who has organized and is maintaining a successful League in a rural community. This pastor is Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh of our church at Carthage, Ark. in the Little Rock Conference.

I. Why Have Epworth Leagues in the Rural Districts?

By Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh.

1. First, that the spiritual life of the young may be developed. The spiritual condition of the young people in the country is appalling. The world is on the verge of the greatest reformation in all its history. At the close of the present war the world will undergo a reconstruction in every phase of life, and the young people of the present generation must take the lead of the reconstruction of the world. The Church must prepare the young people of the rural districts and to develop the spiritual life than in the Epworth League.

2. That the young may be brought to a sense of responsibility.

The thoughtlessness of responsibility on the part of the young people of the rural districts is alarming. The Church is largely responsible for this defect, from the fact that it has failed to educate the young people along this line. The writer recently organized a League in one of the most historical churches in the rural districts, of bright, intelligent young people, and the greatest task that he has is to get the young people to see their

responsibility. Some few months ago the writer noticed a question asked in the general organ of the Church, why the Church was decreasing in the production of ministers. The only intelligent answer that can be given is that the Church has failed to develop the young people of the rural districts. If the Church comes to her own she must educate and train the young people of the rural districts through the League.

3. That the social life of the young may be developed. The social conditions of the young people of the rural districts is not inspiring and uplifting as it should be. It is natural for young people to seek a place of entertainment, and the Church has lost her influence with the young people because she has failed to entertain them in the social life. I am not astonished at the pews being empty at the preaching house, and the theaters being filled with our young people of the rural districts, when conditions of the social life are of such a nature as they are in the rural districts. Young men and young women are running wild, seeking entertainment. The writer being reared in a rural district and without the opportunity of being associated with the Epworth League, has spoken from the science of experience. Then, after drifting into the great Leagues of the city, it was there he had his great inspiration of the call to the ministry. I know no better place to entertain young people than in the Epworth League. May the great Church wake up to her sense of responsibility in

the rural districts. II. How the Town and City Leagues May Help to Organize and Help to Maintain Leagues in the Open Counary.-Dr. O. E. Goddard, our new Secretary for Home Missions, was requested to write for our page on this theme, but on account of other pressing duties he was not able at this time to do so. He has promised for us to "command" him in the future, and we shall do that.

training the spiritual, moral and in-

tellectual life of the young people of

In lieu of his valuable suggestions, some others are offered here with the hope that they will at least provoke discussion of this important field of work for our town and city Leagues.

1. The first thing for the town League to do in making plans for the organization of Leagues in any rural church is to get in touch with the pastor of the church, with the superinyoung people for this great task. I tendent of the Sunday school and with know of no better way to train the other religious leaders, including any young people who may be capable of taking part in League work. Get acquainted with them before you talk League work. It would be better to visit their Sunday school and preaching service before you make known your real purpose, so that you will have some knowledge of the religious situation in the church and community.

> 2. Do not go to any rural church with the attitude of being a missionary or with an attitude of superiority. If you do, they will resent it and will not assist you in carrying out your purposes. Keep off your stilts. Be cordial. Do not leave the

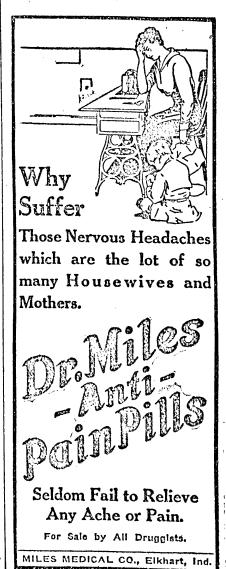
impression that you think them heathen if they do not have a League. Take stock of their difficulties. Look them squarely in the face. Help these country young people to attack them. Be an optimist, but do not be a blind optimist.

3. Do not be in a big hurry to organize a League. By all means do not try to organize a League on your first visit. Give time for sentiment for it to develop. Organizing may be a quickly performed task, but if it is too quickly done the League will immediately die. Better for a few good Leaguers to visit the rural church and conduct League programs for two or three Sunday afternoons. If there are leaders in the community and they become interested, the organization will develop, with your wise direction, within the ranks of these country young people themselves. It will then be a growth and will likely live, whereas an organization which you might perfect and put upon them would be only a garment to be laid off again when you are gone.

4. Do not become impatient and censorious. These country young people have not had as good advantages as you have, but they have brains, and some of your town's future leaders may be among them. It might be conducive to your humility and feeling of equality, when with them, to remind yourself that your town's present leaders (among whom may be your parents) were country-reared.

5. Go in the Christ spirit and you will have a hearing and receive a blessing. Go, believing in your mission, and He will go with you.

6. When a League has been organized, notify the district secretary and the presiding elder. Let a committee in your own League be appointed to visit each League organized as often as possible. It would be well, when unable to visit them, to keep in touch with them by letter to their president or secretary until they be-



come acquainted with the work.

7. This will take time and trouble and some money. But where can these things be better spent? The rural church waits for our more fortu- I know a little girlie, nate young people in the towns and cities to help lead them to better things. It is remarkable how country young people will respond to such leadership if it comes to them in the right spirit. This is practical home missions in one of the biggest fields before the church today. It will help solve the rural problem, for, after all, solving the rural problem is solving the problems of our young people in the rural districts. And it will be a blessing to any town League to give its services in this way.

LEAGUES OF SEARCY DISTRICT.

The Leagues of the Searcy District are going to raise at least one-half of their African special pledge during the month of August.

Some of our Leagues have already started out and are determined to get their money in ahead of any other League in the district. If your League has not pledged to this mission work, let them do so at once. Send pledge and money raised to the Conference way, Ark.—Jessie Lee O'Bryant, District Secretary.

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A little girl met a friend on the street and said: "I want my mamma. Have you seen her?"

A tiny tot stood at the window in charge of an older child and, peering out, said: "Why don't mamma come?"

"Where is mother?' shouts the big boy as he dashes into the house. "Has she fixed that rip in my coat?"

"Where can mother be?" says the big girl who wants her waist all buttoned up behind.

"Where is your mother, children?" asks the husband and father as he comes in from his work and looks about.

Is it not simply wonderful how many people want mother? Is she not the most important person, the most needed person, the busiest person in all the wide world? If she is not at home, how quickly her absence is observed? If she goes out for an evening, she is probably called to the telephone and told to come home quickly, because the baby is sick or Jack has cut his finger or Julia has the headache or papa is lonesome.

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Little boy, little girl, big boy, big girl, I do not know just where your mother is; but wherever she is, she is ministering to you and thinking of you and sacrificing for you and living for you. And if, as it must be in the case of some of you, she has gone out of the home forever, yet believe me, God is true; and as the resurrection is true, your mother, somewhere and somehow, is ministering to you.

The Presbyterian Standard.

THE EXAGGERATOR.

"I'm most dead. It's hot as fire, and I've been over a dozen miles after that colt." Andrew threw himself at full length on the lounge and wiped the perspiration from his forehead.

"Where did you go?" inquired the father.

"I went over to Briggs' and back by the bridge."

"That is a little less than a mile. Is it so warm, Andy? It seems quite cool here."

"No, not quite so dreadful if I'd taken it moderate; but I ran like lightning and got heated up." "You started about five o'clock, And,

and it is now a quarter to six," said his father, consulting his watch. "Yes, sir; just three-quarters of an

hour," answered Andrew innocently. "Does it take lightning forty-five

minutes to go half a mile?" "I didn't mean exactly that, father; but I ran all the way because I expected the whole town would be here tonight to see my new velocipede,"

answered Andrew reluctantly. "Whom did you expect, son? I was not aware that such a crowd was to be here. What will you do with them

"Jim, Eddie, Tim and Sam told me they'd be around after school, and I shouldn't wonder if Ike, too; that's

"The population of the town is about 5,000, and you expect five persons. Well, as you are very sick, I am glad no more are coming. You couldn't play with them at all."

"Sick!" cried Andrew, springing to his feet. "Who says I am sick?"

"Why, my son, you said when you came in you were almost dead. Does not that mean very sick?"

"You are so very particular, father, about my talking. I don't mean exactly what I say, of course. I was not nearly dead at all; but I did some tall running, you bet. There were about fifty dogs after me, and I don't go much on dogs."

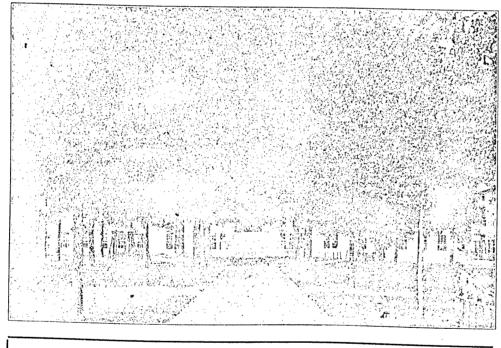
"Quite a band of them! Where did they all come from?"

"There was Mr. Whoeler's sheep dog, and Rush's store dog, and two or three more, and they made for me, so I ran as fast as I could."

"Five at the most. That is not fifty, Andy."

"There looked to be fifty, anyway," answered Andrew, somewhat impatiently. "Carter's ten-acre lot was full of dogs just making for me; and

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I guess you'd thought there were fifty if it had been you."

"Ten acres of dogs would have been many thousands; have you any idea how many?"

Andrew did not like to calculate, so he only shook his head.

But his father continued: I know no better way to break you of the habit of exaggerating than to tell the children of the trouble you had in going after the colt. You ran like lightning, encountered ten acres of dogs, traveled more than a dozen miles to get half a mile; expected 5,000 people here to examine your new velocipede, and when you reached home you were nearly dead."

"Please don't, father; the boys and girls will laugh themselves to death." "Laugh themselves to death at a

simple story like this? I hope not." "But, father, I will never stretch things again if you will not tell them," pleaded Andrew.

"I hope not,, my child, for it will finally cost you the faith of all your hearers. Nobody relies upon the word of one who is given to habitual exaggeration. State things just as they are. Habit grows with years and becomes in time so deeply rooted that it will be impossible for you when you become a man to relate plain, unvarnished truths unless you check the foolish habit in which you indulge of stretching simple incidents into most marvelous tales."-Mrs. W. T. Morri son, in Western Christian Advocate.

THE TIME TO BE PLEASANT.

"Mother's cross!" said Maggie, coming out into the kitchen with a pout on her lips.

Her aunt was busy ironing, but she looked up and answered Maggie: "Then it is the very time for you to be pleasant and helpful. Mother was awake a great deal in the night with the baby.'

Maggie made no reply. She put on her hat and walked off into the garden. But a new idea went with her.

"The very time to be helpful and pleasant is when other people are cross. Sure enough," thought she, "that would be the time when it would do the most good. I remember when I was ill last year I was so nervous that if any one spoke to me I could hardly help being cross; and mother never got angry or out of patience, but was just as gentle with me! I

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NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

GARDNER MEMORIAL.

Everything is moving on nicely at our church. The stewards met yesterday and increased the salary for next year to \$100 per month. The salary is paid up to date for this year. Our fourth quarterly conference convenes Sunday night, August 18. Had a good day yesterday. I have one boy, Robert, in the Naval Aviation Service, doing patriotic work at Hampton Roads, Va. He is doing well. My other son is in the government service at Batesville. So my family and I are contributing in some small way to the winning of the war. Love to the brethren.-C. F. Hively, Pastor.

THE ORPHANGE.

Since my last report in the Methodist I have received special gifts for the Orphanage as follows: One quilt from Bethany Church, Buck Range, by Mrs. W. H. Latimer; two crates peaches from Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Young, El Dorado; a very valuable box of clothing, piece goods, etc., from the Missionary Society and ladies of the M. E. Church, South, Alicia, by J. T. Bottorf: one crate of chickens from some generous person whose name was not given to us. We received \$300 in money as a gift from J. J. Briggs of Belleville, a war:n friend of the Orphanage.-Geo. Thorn-

GREAT MEETING AT WESLEY CHAPEL.

We have just closed a great meeting at this church, one of Rev. W. B. Wolf's points. We were there ten days and there were 53 conversions and 31 accessions to our church. One of the greatest occasions was a midweek service at 11 o'clock, when five young ladies put their lives into God's hands for service to go anywhere He would lead them. May the Lord lay His hand on more of our young ladies. Also one young man told us that he felt the Lord had a great work for him.

Yes, this was a great meeting. One man 84 years old and another of 6^r were saved and on down to children.

ought to pay it back now, and I will!" And she sprang from the grass, where she had thrown herself, and turned a face full of cheerful resolutions toward the room where mother sat soothing and tending the fretful, teething young baby.

Maggie brought out the pretty ivory balls and began to jingle them for the little one.

He stopped fretting and a smile dimpled the corners of his lips.

"Couldn't I take him out to ride in his carriage, mother, it's such a nice morning?" she asked.

"I should be glad if you would," said her mother.

"I'll keep him as long as he is good," said Maggie, "and you must lie on the sofa and get a nap while I am gone. You are looking very tired."

The kind words and the kiss which accompanied them were almost too much for mother. The tears rose to her eyes, and her voice trembled as she answered: "Thank you, dearie; it will do me a world of good if you could keep him out an hour and the air will do him good, too. My head aches badly this morning."

Maggie resolved to remember and act on her aunt's good words. "The very time to be helpful and pleasant is when everybody is tired and cross."--Ex.

This is a great community. It is well represented in our schools also in this great war. While preaching we stood under a service flag which held 16 stars representing the number of boys of that Sunday school who had given their service to help in this great struggle. Alas! one of these stars had already turned to gold!

We have three other meetings to hold for Brother Wolf, but on account of the illness of my wife I'm tied up just now. Brethren, these are very trying times on us. We need your prayers. Remember us.-B. F. Robertson.

PARALOMA CHARGE.

Paraloma charge is not altogether dead, as may be seen from the following report. I have six appoint ments; have held meetings at four of these. The meetings were not as good as we had hoped for, but we are confident at least that some good was done. We rely upon God's promise that "His word shall not return unto Him void." Thirty-three have been added to our church on the charge during the year, nine by baptism, two by vows, the rest by letter, also six infants were baptized. We have two more meetings to hold in which we hope for more and better results. Our finances are coming in a little slow, but enough to hope for a full report by Conference. There are some noble people on this charge and God-has wonderfully blessed them in material resources. The war spirit seems to have affected their spiritual lives and their interest in the church regardless of all prayers and efforts. I was about to forget to state that the people have paid near \$300 of the parsonage debt and \$250 on Henderson-Brown College. Also two Women's Missionary Societies have been or ganized and each promises to do good work.-J. H. Ross, P. C.

LOUISE CHAPEL, NEAR JOINER.

We have just closed a great revival at Louise Chapel, near this place. There have been about sixty conversions and reclamations, of which number a large per cent have been fathers and mothers. A dead church has been made alive; a lost record has been established, and the old membership almost doubled in number.

Rev. Ira A. Brumley, a young man from Blytheville, conducted the meeting to a glorious victory. He has shown himself a great revivalist, and is no doubt one of North Arkansas' coming evangelists. Our prayers go with him from this community. We expect to see him succeed wherever he goes.—R. B. Craig, Pastor.

HAY'S CHAPEL.

Hay's Chapel is one of the five appointments on the Hartman and Spadra Circuit, the other appointments peing Hartman, Coal Hill, Spadra and Mt. Zion, Brother J. L. Shelby was appointed to this work last Conference by Bishop Mouzon. Last winter, during the deep snow ,when almost all churches were "housed in" on account of the severe weather, the pastor held a splendid revival at Hartman, with some forty conversions. The next revival was held at Spadra, where he was assisted by Brother H. L. Wheeler of Lamar, wherein there were approximately 60 conversions in May. The meeting to which we call especial attention at this time, and in which the writer rendered some assistance, was started at Hay's Chapel Fri-

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day night, July 26, and closed Sunday night, August 4, during what has been the severest of our summer weather.

The revival started at the first service. It was not necessary to preach a week in order to get the church interested and the meeting advertised. We have likened Brother Shelby to an automobile running on "high." And the writer assisted only when it was necessary to shift the gear and go over the difficulty on "low." Brother Shelby is an old-time Methodist preacher. He sings and prays and preaches and exhorts in the most or thodox way. Men became uneasy on account of their sins. They would cry out during the preaching. They were converted not only at the altar, but all over the house, in their homes and in the mines at work, about 55 in all. Most of the converts were grown men and women, many of them heads of families. We mention especially the conversion of Brother Cal. Reece and wife, who are both near on to seventy. Another man over sixty was saved.

It is needless to say that the church is encouraged. There were 46 who joined the church, some being baptized by sprinkling and some by immersion, each one being allowed to satisfy his own "good conscience," as we are taught in Scripture that baptism is that, and not the putting away of the filth and sin of the flesh, and not the satisfying of the conscience and creed of some other church or

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WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION person. Two children were christened also, and three new subscribers Some time ago I arranged with Bro. were secured for the Arkansas Methodist.-H. L. Wade.

MOUNTAIN HOME CHARGE.

We have closed a fine revival at Wesley Chapel, three miles out from Mountain Home. There were 51 conversions and reclamations. Thirty joined our church and a few will unite with the Baptist Church. Last Sunday evening I immersed 28 persons, the largest class of deep-water Methodists that I have seen in a long time. The effects of the meeting were farreaching. It was a spiritual work of deep significance, bitter weeping over sins, shouting after deliverance. One man 84 years of age was converted, and, as one man said, the meeting touched from the cradle to the grave.



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William L. Morrison, Defendant.
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W. S. BOONE, Clerk, F. M. OLIVER, D. C. W. H. Pemberton, Solicitor for Plain-

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The entire Sunday school was saved. B. E. Robertson to come and help the out with four meetings in the surrounding country. He has been a great success in the past and continues to grow in usefulness. For ten days he labored faithfully and did a great work for us. We will begin another meeting at Big Pond Sunday. Our expectation and prayer is for two hundred conversions before conference.-W. B. Wolf, P. C.

A GREAT REVIVAL AT GENTRY.

Many of the former pastors will be glad to see a note from these parts, and especially to read of a revival of such magnitude as the one we have just experienced. The meeting was conducted by our district evangelist, W. H. Neal, and his most excellent singer, Prof. Hickman of Kansas City. Our hustling P. C., D. H. Holland, after studying the situation here, the needs of the people, wisely selected these men as the proper ones to meet the requirements. The revival continued for nearly four weeks, in which there were 90 or more conversions. About 50 have joined the M. E. Church, South, and more have expressed themselves in our favor, and we think will soon fall in line, while others will join other churches of the town. The people here were largely moralists. Brother Neal soon took in the situation, and by the help of the Holy Spirit their flimsy foundation was soon swept away. Terror-stricken, some rushed to the altar and found peace. Sunday was the climax of the meeting. At night there were 15 or more bright conversions, and some of these were heads of families. The Junior League, we have heard, was all converted. This work is ably managed by our preacher's wife, Mrs. D. H. Holland. Brother Neal is sound on the doctrines of our church and fearless in defending them. He is no ordinary preacher. He is the friend of the preachers. His singer is a revivalist in song, as well as with the instrument. The two have greatly endeared themselves to the people of Gentry. Brother Holland, his wife, and his faithful body-guard have been working and praying for a revival for some time and are greatly encouraged at the spiritual uplift of the whole church and community. We pray that more may enter the light before it is too late.-S.F. Brown.

OBITUARY.

HOLMES-Mrs. Fannie Henry Holmes, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. P. G. Henry, was born in Jefferson County, Arkansas, June 3, 1863, and died at her home in Rison, Ark., April 28, 1918.

She was married to Mr. Grey Holmes in 1885. Six children were born to their union, five of whom, with their father are still living. The oldest son, Lieut. Geo. H. Holmes, is now stationed at Camp Pike in the service of his country.

She was converted and joined the Methodist Church, in which she was reared, when about thirteen years of age. She had a clear experience of saving faith in Christ and exemplifled in her daily life and conduct the virtues and graces of our holy religion. She was especially devoted to her church and was ever loyal, in the support of its work. Her home was

the preacher's home. Having spent her whole life within

a radius of a few miles of the place where she was born, she had a large circle of friends and acquaintances among whom she was greatly loved and esteemed. She was a good neighbor and well nigh a model wife and mother.

When the end came she was fully conscious of the fact and was perfectly resigned and ready to go. About six o'clock on a beautiful Sunday evening she gently breathed her last and went up to meet her Lord.

She has lived a beautiful and useful life and the sorrowing husband, children and friends may hope to meet her again in the land where there is no death.-J. A. Sage.

KELLOGG.—Elma Edgar Kellogg was born in Spink County, S. D., July 20, 1888, and died at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. J. T. Holden, near Centerton, Arkansas, July 29, 1918. He was married to Miss Effie Holden at Palacias, Texas, in 1913. To this union was born one son. He was converted in 1907 and lived a faithful Christian life until his death. He suffered many months but endured it with patience, realizing that God was too wise to make a mistake and too good to harm us, and realizing that he should exchange the cross for the crown. He leaves to mourn their loss a dear companion and little son, a father, mother, two brothers, one sister, and a host of friends.-J. C. Gib-

GARDNER.-Mrs. Minnie (Hughey) Gardner was born in the Cove near Pottsville, Pope County, Ark., August 9, 1872, and died at her home in Pottsville April 16, 1918. She was the daughter of John and Mary A. Hughey, who indeed made a success in that

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they gave to society and the kingdom of God a family such as they did. The deceased was married to Dr. R. H. Gardner January 30, 1901. They lived happily together in their home at Pottsville from the date of their marriage till her death.

Sister Gardner is survived by her husband, her father, six sisters, Mrs. Dovie Dunlap, Bexar, Ark.; Mrs. Lizzie King, Tercy, Ark.; Mrs. May Eakes, Brinkton, Mo.; Mrs. Mattie Koolbe, Atkins, Ark.; Mrs. Francis Wilson, Harrison, Ark.; Mrs. Nalo Henry of Russellville, Ark., and one brother, Rev. J. M. Hughey, presiding elder of the Paragould District.

In writing of Sister Gardner we feel that we knew her intimately having lived in her home two years while pastor of the Pottsville Circuit and have also visited in the home a number of times since. Therefore I can speak positively of her life and character. She was a superior character. This was seen in the spirit and conduct of her daily life and in the details of her home duties. She kept her home very beautifully and was very thoughtful and considerate that everything be done to make her home a real home and to make those in it comfortable and happy. Then her spirit and manner in the home was beautiful. At all times she was the same kind, sincere, unassuming, happy weman. She was kind and good to everyone, hence she had many friends and

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Her health had been failing for more than a year and for some time she felt that she could not be well again. Some eight months before her death she made her own plans for her funeral and burial, even selecting the hymns to be sung, and the Scripture lesson to be read. She talked very freely and quietly to her husband and others of her loved ones about her

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going. In all this she manifested no fear, no excitement, but a steady and unshaken faith in her Savior. Her's was a beautiful Christian life, a triumphant death and an abundant utterance into the Eternal Home. It was a blessing to my life to live for two years in this good home and come under the influence of this consistent Christian woman.

The funeral was held in the Methodist Church at Pottsville by the write. and her pastor, Brother Stewart, in the presence of relatives and a great company of friends her body was laid away in the Pisgah Cemetery.-J. A. Reynolds.

RUTLEDGE.—Miss Verna Myrtle Rutledge was born July 21, 1898, passed away July 11, 1918. She suffered for months, but bore her affliction with patience, realizing that God would help her in time of affliction. Verna was a favorite among the young people and loved by everyone. She was a faithful member of the M. E. Church, South, at Hebron, and attended the services when she was able and some times when she was not able and was always willing to do her part. She leaves to mourn her going away a loving father, mother, four sisters, and many other relatives. -J. C. Gibbons, Pastor.

ROWLAND.—John Jenkins Rowland, son of Rev. R. G. Rowland, and Mrs. A. E. Rowland, was born October 17, 1891. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, when nine years of age. He has always been religiously inclined. His life has been perfectly consistent. He was always ready to do his part as a follower of the Master. He was married to Miss Coila Lawrence, November 1, 1916. He leaves a young wife and little baby boy named for the father. Jenkins' mother preceded him to the good world eleven years ago. So he goes to meet the mother who waits for his coming at the beautiful gate with many other loved ones. His life was brief, but full of service. His last work was that of secretary and treasurer of his class in the Sunday school. A good true Christian has finished his work, and on July 23, at his father's home in Foreman, Ark., he went to be with God, where he will watch and wait for the coming of the loved one left behind.-J. A. Biggs.

GOODLETT .- Mrs. Mattie Goodlet, wife of Captain D. M. Goodlett of Ozan, was born June 14, 1858. On July 24, not long after her sixtieth birthday, 'she was suddenly stricken with apoplexy attended by cerebral hemorrhage, and in a few minutes was dead. Thus passed one of the sweetest spirits I have known. Two summers ago it was my privilege to help Brother Mullins in a revival meeting at Saint Paul's Church, and I staved most of the time with the Goodletts. They seemed to me then to be an unusually happy group, and I was not long in learning the secret. It lay in the heart of the mother, whose love swept in the whole family, to its most distant relatives, and not only those, but all the community besides. She was a mother to the people of Saint

It is a story that will long be told by those who have witnessed the scene, how on "Uncle Dave's" birthday or her own, or at Christmas time, the children and grandchildren would gather at the parental home for a great dinner, in the preparation of

which she would spend two or three days, and the same number in the work that was necessary afterwards. Such gatherings are always happy times for families who have found the secret of congeniality, and their's were especially so. It would scarcely be possible for loved ones to find greater joy in one another than did they, from the youngest romping grandchild to Uncle Dave himself, whose heart must often have gone up to God in thankfulness for these dear ones. And when the feast was done; they prepared a basket for any member of the family who was absent and then for each sick or needy person in the neighborhood. Their gladness was of the radiating sort, and it was a happy time for the whole countryside. To have such childhood memories as her children have and her grandchildren will have, is a heritage that money cannot buy.

She was not only the provider for their happiness, but also the jealous guardian of their spiritual welfare. She never neglected the family altar, and the prayers that arose from it were wide in their scope, embracing God's kingdom in far away places. The pastor was remembered there, as was the whole Christian ministry.

As her friend I was privileged to know something of her inner life: her spirit was, and is, a source of

power to me. She seemed especially to understand young people; her interest in th young men of the community will burn itself into the memory of each of them, urging them to give their lives to Christ, or, having once found the new life in Him, to grow in it daily.

An incident will illustrate her nabit of thinking of others. It was her wish to be buried in Confederate grey, because that was the color for which Uncle Dave had fought for four torturing years, the color which at one time embodied all the idealism of true Southern hearts. And so she was dressed, in the gentlest of grey, the grey of morning, which was fitting.

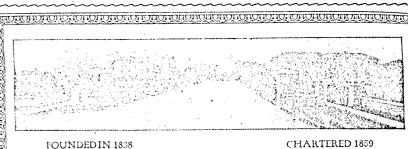
The great crowd of friends gathered about her grave was a living testimony of the extent to which her bright spirit had shed its light. I wish to add my humble testimony to the many others-that I knew her life to be exceptionally beautiful. I know she is in heaven, but I believe her spirit bends low above her children and loved ones on earth.

Her life is reflected in her children. They are loved wherever they are known, and the hearts of their many friends grieve with them in their loss and rejoice with them as they try to rejoice in heaven's gain. They are: Jesse E. Goodlett, D. M. Goodlett, Jr., Mrs. Tom Nelson and Mrs. J. F. Stu-

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art, of Ozan; Mrs. J. F, Price, Mrs. S. B. Dildy and Reeder Goodlett of Nashville, and Charles H. Goodlett of Gurdon. Dave Irvin of Bingen, was a brother.-Her Friend, M. Thornburgh Workman.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

(Fourth Round.)
Hackett Ct., at Hackett, Aug. 25.
Midland Heights and South Fort Smith, Sept. 1, 11 a. m.
Winslow and Chester, at Winslow,
Sept. 1, 8 p. m.
Van Euren Sta., Sept. 8, 11 a. m. East Van Buren Ct., Sept. 8, 3 p. m. First Church, Fort Smith, Sept. 15, 11 a. m. Dodson Ave., Fort Smith, Sept. 15, 8 Lavaca and Barling, at Lavaca, Sept. 21-22. Greenwood Sta., Sept. 29.

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Kibler Ct., at Kibler, Oct. 5-6.

Alma Sta., Oct. 6-7.

Ozark Ct., at Mt. Vernon, Oct. 12-13.

Cass Ct., at Oak Grove, Oct. 19-20.

Ozark Sta., Oct. 20, 8 p. m.

Mulberry and Dyer, at Mulberry, Oct. 26-27. 26-27.
Charleston Ct., at Charleston, Nov. 2-3.
Hartford and Midland, at Hartford,
Nov. 10.
Huntington and Mansfield, at Mansfield,

Nov. 17. J. K. FARRIS, P. E. JONESBORO DISTRICT.

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(Fourth Round.)
Jonesboro, First Church, Aug. 11.
Jonesboro, Fisher Street, Aug. 11.
Hickory Ridge Ct., Aug. 17-18.
Trinity Ct., at Trinity, Aug. 24-25.
Brookland Ct., at Shiloh, Aug. 25-26.
Crawfordsville and L., at Crawfordsville, Aug. 31-Sept. Y.
Earle, Sept. 1-2.
Harrisburg, Sept. 7-8.
Harrisburg Ct., at Form Hill, Sept. 8-9.
Vanndale Ct., at Vanndale, Sept. 14-15.
Jonesboro Ct., at Forrest Home, Sept.

Nettleton and Truman, at Nettleton, Sept. 21-22.

Marked Tree and Lepanto, at Lepanto, Sept. 22-23.

Tyronza and Whitton, at Tyronza, Sept.

Marion Sta., Sept. 29-30. Lake City Ct., at Lake City, Oct. 5-6. Monette and Macey, at Black Oak., Oct.

6-7.
Leachville and Manila, at Leachville,
Oct. 12-13.
Blytheville, First Church, Oct. 13-14.
Blytheville Ct., at Yarbro, Oct. 19-20.
Lake City and Dell, at Dogwood Ridge,
Oct. 20-21.
Osceola, Oct. 26-27.
Luvora and Roz

Luxora and Roz., at Luxora, Oct. 27-28. Wilson, Nov. 2-3.

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PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

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Caddo Gap and Womble, at Caddo Gap, Sept. 8.
Amity Mission, at Smyrna, Sept. 14-15.
Prescott Ct., at Center Ridge, Sept. 2122.

Liberty, Sept. 25. Amity and Glenwood, at A., Sept. 28-

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Mt. Ida, at Mt. Ida, Oct. 1.
Okolona, at Center Grove, Oct. 5-6.
Emmet Ct., at Emmet, Oct. 12-13.
Columbus Ct., at Saratoga, Oct. 19-20.
Washington Ct., at W., Oct. 20-21.
Whelen Springs, Oct. 25.
Gurdon, Oct. 25.
Blevins, at Midway, Oct. 26-27.
Prescott, Oct. 27-28.
Mineral Springs, Oct. 30.
Murfreesboro Mission, Nov. 1.
Delight, at Saline, Nov. 2-3.

Murfreesboro, Nov. 3-4. Highland, at Orchard View, Nov. 9-10. Nashville, Nov. 10-11. Center Point, Nov. 11. Bingen, at McCaskill, Nov. 16-17. Hope Mission, Nov. 23-24. Hope, Nov. 24.

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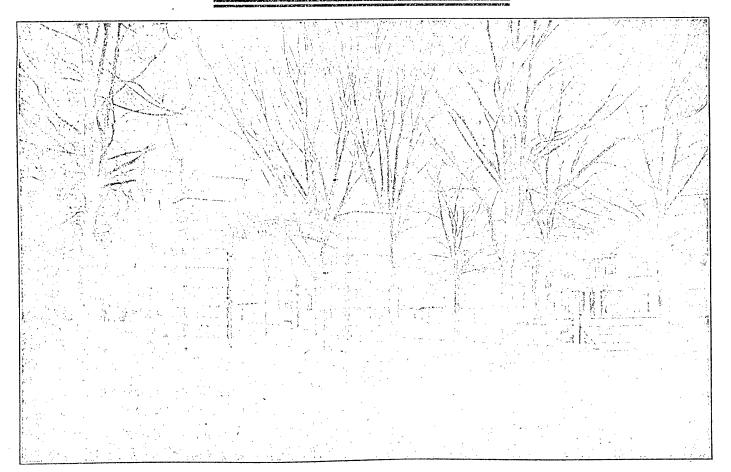
SEARCY DISTRICT. (Fourth Round.) North Little Rock, First Church, Aug.

18. 11 a. m. North Little Rock, Gardner Memorial, August 18, 8:30 p.m. Augusta Ct., at Gregory, Aug. 24-25. Augusta Station, Aug. 25-26. West Scarcy, Aug. 31-Sept. 1. Scarcy, First Church, Sept. 1-2. Judsonia and Kensett, Sept. 7-8. Bald Knob and Bradford, at Bald Knob, North Little Rock, Gardner Memorial, Sept. 8-9. Auvergne and Weldon, at Weldon, Sept.

14-15. El Paso, Sept. 21-22. El Paso, Sept. 21-22.
Valley Springs, Sept. 28-25.
Marshall, Sept. 29-30.
Bellefonte Ct., Oct. 5-6.
Harrison, Oct. 6-7.
Leslie, Oct. 12-13.
Heber Springs, Oct. 13-14.
Pangburn, Oct. 19-20.
Griffithville, Oct. 20-21.
Clinton, Oct. 26-27.
Higden and Shirley, Oct. 27-28.
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