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THE LORD IS EXALTED; FOR HE DWELLED ON HIGH; HE HATH FILLED ZION WITH JUDGMENT AND RIGHTEOUSNESS; AND WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE SHALL BE THE STABILITY OF THY TIMES AND STRENGTH OF SALVATION; THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS HIS TREASURE.—Isaiah 33:5-6.

TIME FOR FAITH IN GOD.

The Christian as Christ's interpreter should be different from the mere worldling. The Christian must not allow himself to measure success with the commercial yard-stick. Business prosperity may be the result of the purely selfish demands of ungodly people. Reverses may mean a reaction from fast and unnatural living. The Christian Education Movement is a challenge to our faith in the highest values. It is intended to promote sanity in thinking and purity of life. It seeks to spiritualize the material. Fortunately the Movement was not launched last year when men were thinking of big crops and big prices; but it was projected when we were on our knees asking God to save the world from the catastrophe of war, and it was expected that it would be put through in a period of poverty and exhaustion, for we had no assurance in 1918 that the war would speedily end. Have we less faith than we had while we were spending our billions on war? Two years of unparalleled prosperity led us to trust in Mammon. It is now time again to have faith in God. The activities of this great Movement will restore courage. Let us get close to God and He can and will answer our prayers.

AN AUSPICIOUS INAUGURAL.

On January 12, with true democratic simplicity Hon. Thomas C. McRae took the oath of office as governor of Arkansas and delivered an inaugural address which is noted for its clarity and fearlessness. If it is characteristic of the man—and we think it is—we now have a governor who does not profess to know everything, but has carefully matured opinions on the chief public issues and the courage to stand for them. The inaugural address rings true. We may not agree with all of the governor's positions, but we respect his attitude and have confidence in his sincerity and patriotism. While it is the duty of the chief executive to recommend measures and to approve or veto those that come before him, still it is his primary and constant duty to administer the law. If he fails at that point, however good the laws may be and however faithful the courts may be, the government is practically inefficient. Because it is so easy to promise new laws, the politician has fed the American people on glittering promises; but, because it requires courage and honesty and discrimination to administer, and the successful politician often lacks these virtues, we have the minimum of law enforcement. If much of our technical law were repealed and good men were elected to administer and they were allowed reasonable discretion in interpretation and had the backing of the moral element of our citizenry, we would have a new era in public affairs. The governor, as the chief administrator, sets an example and creates an atmosphere which is as a tonic to the other officials. If Governor McRae is politically wise, after properly recommending his measures, he will leave the responsibility of law-

making with the Legislature, and will lead his colleagues in the executive department in eliminating friction and waste and in the rigid and impartial enforcement of law and in cultivating respect for law. His attitude on pardoning is preeminently correct. It is his duty and his alone to pass on applications and he needs no help. If he will assume, as he has a right to do, that judges and juries and prosecutors understand the facts and will let their decisions stand, unless it is made clear that new and vital facts have developed, he will not be troubled by pardon-brokers, and will restore confidence in the ability of government to maintain dignity and order. These be troublous times. Lynching, race-riots, and labor quarrels menace every day. It is gratifying, therefore, to realize that our chief executive is a man who may be expected to rise above personal and party relations and act ever for the welfare of the whole people. With a governor of Grover Cleveland's honesty and courage we can feel safe. Then, if he never leaves his desk, except for needed recreation, and stays safely within the confines of the State, ready for all emergencies, he will not hurt the feelings of his constituency.

DEMAND IT.

Everywhere indignation is stirring our people on account of the fact that in many moving pictures Protestant ministers are constantly belittled and ridiculed, and certain newspapers in cartoons depict the prohibitionist as a pharisaical preacher. It is easy to understand why this is done, because the Protestant preachers have so vigorously fought the liquor traffic and the indecencies of the movies. Undoubtedly there is a studied and persistent effort on the part of certain classes to discredit our preachers. Our people should demand that this shall stop and make their protest so strong and practical that it shall be felt. The forces of vice and lawlessness are afraid of our preachers and are deliberately planning their assaults to weaken the influence of the Protestant pulpit. Let us wake up and put these cowardly villifiers to flight.

THE CAMOUFLAGE OF THE SALOONIST.

In the Baltimore Sun of December 28 appeared an advertisement of which the following is part: "The Volstead law is visionary, unnecessarily drastic, ineffective and blasphemous. No appropriations of public money can possibly be large enough to provide for even a semblance of enforcement. It has made law-breakers of a large proportion of our population, and is helping to create a nation of liars, sneaks, and hypocrites. The illicit liquor traffic, with its new types of crimes and criminals, is a result of it. . . . It will be repealed if those opposed to it will join our association and merely let themselves be counted, so that Congressmen may know how many of us there are."

It is stated that an association has been formed and the names of some of its members are given. Efforts are being made to organize in all the states and all kinds of pressure will be brought upon Congressmen to repeal or modify our national prohibition law.

The charge is made that the Volstead law has made law-breakers of a large proportion of our population. This charge is ludicrous. Statistics running back for many years show that long

before prohibition came crime was increasing and that in our larger cities where the saloons were most numerous crime ran riot. Then the saloons were prolific crime-breeders, but they covered up many crimes and tried to protect the criminals and used political influence to escape punishment. Now it suits the former saloonists and their sympathizers to call attention to crime and then to charge it all up to prohibition. In addition, the joke-makers find flings at prohibition a prolific source of cheap amusement. It requires no genius or even ordinary ability to perpetrate banal jokes on prohibition.

No, instead of prohibition being the cause of crime, the present outbreak is the result of the spirit of lawlessness and defiance of decency which the liquor traffic has for fifty years been creating. When the saloonist and his apologists point the finger of scorn now at the crime which is in some measure associated with the prohibition law, they are merely exposing their own shame and shamelessness.

Our national history shows no amendment more generally demanded nor more fully indorsed by the people than our national prohibition amendment, and the Volstead law is merely the necessary and logical sequence. It was to be expected that the men who fought it and who, before it became effective, had for the most part been law-breakers in various degrees would still resist enforcement and seek to make it ridiculous. They are running true to form and have not disappointed us. They, who trained a generation of law-breakers, are responsible both for the present violations and for the hue and cry with which they hope to deceive the other people.

Let us not permit ourselves to be deceived. The amendment is good and the law is right. If we prevent repeal, stand for rigid enforcement, show the facts, and wait until the effects of the saloon are eliminated from the physical and moral systems of the former drinkers, we shall learn that a people can free themselves from a slavish and degrading habit and rise to new moral heights. For the present, let us beware of the camouflage of the saloonist.

PROVIDE FOR THE PASTOR.

It is gratifying to learn that practically none of our charges have reduced the salaries of their pastors and in many cases the salaries have been considerably increased. This augurs well, because it indicates a proper appreciation of the worth of the pastor and a determination that the church will take no backward step in this time that is testing men's faith and loyalty. However, it is reported by certain presiding elders that some of the circuits are, as yet, paying little or nothing and their pastors hardly know how to meet their obligations. It is to be hoped that stewards on the circuits will exercise diligence to see that the pastors are not allowed to lack the things necessary to their comfort. If money can not be raised, provision and fuel should be brought in and credit secured with the merchants. Conditions are bad, but should not be made worse by neglect of God's representatives.

Ministered by the Holy Spirit our Lord Jesus Christ spiritually feeds and fills his faithful followers today.

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PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Rev. J. R. Ashmore, who was appointed conference evangelist, has been appointed pastor of Perry Charge.

Dr. Ivan Lee Holt, pastor of St. John's Church, St. Louis, has been elected president of the Church Federation of St. Louis.

Bishop E. D. Mouzon authorizes the announcement that after January 21 his address will be 1819 East Fifteenth street, Tulsa, Okla.

In its campaign for new subscribers the Christian Advocate (New York) has secured 13,505, and they are coming in at the rate of 200 a day.

The wife of Rev. F. R. Power, our pastor at Wilmar, is seriously sick. Brother Power came to us from the Louisiana Conference recently.

It is announced that Sanford H. Steele, who recently died at Pinchurst, N. C., left a bequest of \$300,000 to Dartmouth College as a memorial of his brother.

Cheap labor cheapens the moral, spiritual and physical powers of the underpaid man or woman, and in the end is the costliest labor.—Manufacturers' Record.

Mrs. Cochran, widow of the late Rev. S. L. Cochran, after spending some time in Southern Alabama, has returned and is again living in North Little Rock.

Rev. C. E. Gray of Mulberry writes that the new year is starting off better than last and there is promise of better things even though there is financial depression.

Rev. M. P. Timberlake, a transfer from North Arkansas Conference, has received a warm welcome from his new charge, Blair and Midway.—Oklahoma Methodist.

High wages, full salaries, high prices for farm products are a thousand times better than low wages, low salaries, and low prices for farm products.—Manufacturers' Record.

Rev. John P. Lowry, who has had much evangelistic experience, offers his services to those who need help in protracted meetings. Address him at 708 East Seventh street, Little Rock.

From Rev. J. C. Williams, the pastor at Bingen, comes a notice of the death and funeral of Dr. J. R. Wolff, a good man and one of the leading laymen of that church and community.

Rev. J. H. McKelvy, having been released from pastoral duties until next conference, would like to help his brethren in protracted meetings. Write him at Bloomburg, Texas, and make arrangements early.

Rev. C. F. Wilson, who has been appointed pastor of Huntington Avenue Church, Jonesboro, wishes his correspondents, until further notice, to address him at Hoxie, Box 193. He is well pleased with his new charge.

Rev. S. K. Burnett had a long move from Ashdown to Dermott, but he is now sheltered on one of the prettiest parsonages on the Monticello District and preaching to the delight of large and appreciative congregations.

Last week Dr. H. A. Boaz, president of Southern Methodist University, called. He is happy over the success of his million-dollar endowment campaign and is greatly interested in plans for the proposed Western Assembly.

Rev. J. M. Harrison of East Side, Paragould, writes that the parsonage was beautifully "pounded" early in the year, and his charge has sent \$20.25 to our Orphanage and paid \$56.63 for the benefit of the European sufferers.

His brethren and many friends will be grieved to learn that Rev. J. H. Gold of Washington has fallen and fractured his hip. Everyone loves this sunny superannuate and he will have much sympathy and prayer for his safe recovery.

Rev. S. R. Twitty has been splendidly received at the beginning of his fourth year in Monticello. His salary was increased \$300, new furniture was bought for his rented home, and they had a housewarming in the form of an old-fashioned pounding.

Rev. J. D. Baker is beginning his pastorate at Warren in a very promising way. His board made a \$300 increase in the salary. He is preaching to unusual congregations, and his people are very much pleased with both the preacher and his wife.

The Conferences, which own and control this paper, have decided to keep the price at the old rate, although practically all other papers have increased their price. The object has been to increase the circulation and the usefulness of the Conference Organ. There is no profit. No high salaries are paid. The paper is run wholly in the interest of the Church. Will each reader bear that in mind and by prompt renewal help the Church to do its work?

Our Gotebo Church has taken on new life with the full-time pastorate of Rev. M. M. Monk, who took charge on November 1. The salary has been increased 200 per cent and there is every indication of a good year ahead.—Oklahoma Methodist.

By the terms of the will of Mr. Francis Hendricks, a member of the board of trustees of Syracuse University, the College of Medicine of the University is to receive securities that will amount to between \$1,000,000 and \$1,225,000.—Zion's Herald.

God works through human agents, and the human agent is not ready to attempt great things until he has become so terribly in earnest that denial seems death. It is the fire-flamed man who is not daunted by the devil.—The Methodist Protestant.

McGehee is a splendid and most interesting railroad city of about 4,000. Rev. B. F. Musser was specially selected at our last conference for this peculiar and inviting field. The report comes that he fills the bill exactly. A new girl has come to be a sister to little Ben.

Rev. Raymond T. Ross is our new pastor at Dumas. This beautiful little town was cut off from the Tillar Circuit at the past conference and set up to housekeeping for themselves. They are enthusiastic over their young pastor and have made his salary \$1,500.

At the University of Illinois, February 13-15, a program will be executed in connection with the dedication of a building of the new Wesley Foundation. Some day, it is hoped, there will be a similar building at Fayetteville for the use of Methodist students at our State University.

Dr. W. C. Watson, pastor of First Church, Blytheville, writes "Since coming here five weeks ago I

have received 42 persons into the church. Have two great audiences every Sunday. The two Missionary Societies have pledged \$600 this year. The educational campaign is receiving proper attention."

Missouri Baptists propose to put \$250,000 into a church house at Columbia where there are 500 girls in Stephens College and 800 Baptist students in the Missouri University. Of this amount \$75,000 will be given by the church at Columbia and \$175,000 by the Baptists of the State.—Baptist Record.

The editor had the privilege of worshipping at Winfield Church last Sunday morning and heard a very helpful sermon by Rev. W. B. Hogg. The congregation was large, filling every pew and requiring additional seats. At night many are turned away. This strong church is evidently taking on new life.

Rev. R. L. Duckworth, Sunday school field secretary of the Memphis Conference, once an appreciated member of Little Rock Conference, writes that he has many friends in his present field and is enjoying his work, but has not forgotten his old friends and fellow-workers in Arkansas. He sends love to the brethren.

Rev. J. D. Fomby, who was appointed to a charge near Dallas, in order that he might attend S. M. U., found that the work would not support him, and has been released by his presiding elder. He is back in Arkansas, and has been placed on the Palestine Circuit in the Monticello District. His address is Hermitage, Ark.

Rev. E. D. Galloway of Forest Park had the Men's Bible class of First Church, fifty strong, with him Sunday morning. They are standing behind him in his work. He hopes to build an addition for Sunday school purposes, and feels that the prospects are fine for a good year. He preaches once a month at Halstead.

The Baptists of the South have two of the largest theological seminaries in the world, and 140 other educational institutions. The student body totals more than 20,000. The money value of the buildings and equipment is \$25,000,000. They have fifteen hospitals, sixteen orphans' homes, and a tuberculosis sanatorium.—The Baptist Record.

By some unaccountable of the daily paper we were misinformed last week when we announced that Rev. C. W. Drake had been elected chaplain of the House of Representatives. He is one of our best men and we were feeling happy over his supposed good fortune, and now we are disappointed to learn that he was not the successful candidate.

So long as men reap enormous profits from the manufacture and sale of intoxicants, and buy their way to freedom by the payment of small fines, the problem never will be solved. The way to put an end to the illicit manufacture and sale of liquor is to make it unpopular; and certainly the chain-gang for convicted violators would do that.—Atlanta Constitution.

The Christian Advocate has the following from Dr. M. N. Waldrup of McKendree Church, who is now at El Paso, Texas: "I am really improving. My general health is much better, and my voice is improving. The doctors say they are confident that I will get all right, but two more months of absolute rest is necessary. Most of this time I shall spend in bed."

Rev. H. V. Johnson, having withdrawn from our ministry, thereby creating a vacancy on Booneville Circuit, the presiding elder has appointed Rev. R. T. Cribb of Carrizozo, New Mexico, as pastor of Booneville Circuit. Brother Cribb is a graduate of Birmingham-Southern College, and was also for some time a student in Southwestern University. He will take charge of the circuit as soon as he can arrange his affairs in New Mexico.

The American Monthly, formerly The Fatherland, edited by the notorious pro-German George Sylvester Viereck, in its announcement on December 31, says "In the last election our magazine crystallized the sentiment of Americans of German descent. They delivered a smashing blow to Wilsonism, and turned a Republican victory into a Republican landslide, in addition to giving a million protest votes to Debs and Christensen." Now these

"The Arkansas Methodist in Every Methodist Home In Arkansas"

people are claiming representation in Harding's cabinet. It is to be hoped that President Harding will be patriotic enough to refuse.

A meeting of alumni of Hendrix, Galloway and Henderson-Brown Colleges was held in this city January 11 in the interest of the Christian Education Movement. Seventy-five representatives were present and inspiring addresses were made by Dr. James Thomas, Dr. J. M. Workman, Prof. T. S. Staples, Mrs. Clyde Page and Dr. W. W. Black. Hon. Farrar Newberry presided. There were also musical sections and readings by representatives of the several colleges.

Under the inspiring leadership of Rev. W. F. Blevins, Hartford and Mansfield, with which places Abbott is also joined, the three constituting a pastoral charge, has bloomed out with such immediate development that the presiding elder has divided the charge, Hartford making good provision for the support of the present pastor, Rev. J. W. Schooley of Des Moines, Iowa, being placed in charge of Mansfield and Abbott, which have also made decent provision for their pastor.

Rev. W. T. Thompson reports a remarkable day at Pulaski Heights last Sunday. The attendance at Sunday school broke the record. Mr. H. D. Cridland, state secretary of the international Sunday school work for Arkansas, who is a member of Pulaski Heights, is teaching the Men's Wesley Bible class and is building up a fine organization. The finances of the church are well organized and plans for visitation are on foot. Fourteen members have been received since conference.

It is a fact that if any one man could make himself master of every newspaper in the United States for a period of about three months, he could get the people to insist upon him being their master and establishing a dynasty to rule them. Such is the power of the printed word, and popular distribution of the printed word is being used today as a ladle with which to stir up again and again the emotions of the people without giving them a sane, constructive direction.—The Rotarian.

In the Saturday Evening Post from December 4 to January 8 a story, "My Son," by Corra Harris, has been running. If there has been any ground in the past for a just criticism of her stories as being in some measure unfair to the Methodist Church, that criticism cannot stand against this story. The tone of this is positively helpful to the cause of genuine old-fashioned religion. It ought to be read by every Methodist. The philosophy is keen and searching and the spiritual insight deep and revealing.

Some idea of the contribution which the Methodist Episcopal Church is making to the educational life of the country may be gained from the fact that thirty-eight colleges and universities under the auspices of the Board of Education report a total enrollment to date of 38,116 students. Boston University leads this group with approximately 8,000, Northwestern is second with over 6,000, Syracuse third with 5,500, and the University of Southern California fourth with 2,116. In these thirty-eight colleges there are 368 foreign students enrolled.—Zion's Herald.

Six tests of knowing whether you are educated were put forward by Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, when he addressed the students from all the schools of the Morning-side institution at the first college assembly of the present term. By these six tests, said Dr. Butler, one may determine whether he is being educated, or whether he is accomplishing in the university what he set out to do, or whether the university is doing what is expected of it. These tests are as follows: "Ask yourselves, am I gaining in correctness and precision in the use of the mother tongue? Am I gaining in those refined and gentle manners which are the expression of fixed habits of thought and conduct? Am I gaining in the power and habit of reflection? Am I gaining in sound standards of feeling and appreciation? Am I gaining in the power of growth? Am I gaining in the power to do more efficiently?"

The Pastors Are Responding Rapidly with the Information Cards. That is Good.

Brother Pastor, if You Do Not Promptly Return the Card Sent You Last Week, We Shall Be Disappointed, as We Need It in Order to Help You to Prepare for the Special Circulation Campaign. Remember that This Campaign Closes March 1.

Some careless but cocksure speaker in Scotland during the recent temperance campaign stated that there had been a large increase in crime in the city of Chicago since prohibition came in, and offered to give his check for £1,000 to any one who would disprove his statement. Mr. W. E. (Pussyfoot) Johnson cabled Chicago for the official figures, which were found to quite contradict the claim made by the speaker in question. Mr. Johnson received the £1,000 and handed it over to the Scottish Temperance Association. It is pretty nearly safe to call the liquor man's bluff at any time.—Christian Guardian.

Southern Baptists are soon to erect a theological seminary and a publishing house in Rome, as a part of the enlarged program of evangelism which they are planning to conduct in Italy. The entire Piazza Barberini has been purchased by the Foreign Mission Board as the headquarters of its larger work, and the seven houses on the square will give way to the seminary, the publishing plant, and residences for the mission workers. The site, which is on the Quirinal, is said to be one of the most desirable in Rome. The Southern Baptist Church contemplates taking over the work that has been done in Italy heretofore by the English Baptists.—Zion's Herald.

We make bold to say there is not a Methodist preacher on this continent who knows anything about the holy agony of prayer, wrestling with God for his own soul, and the souls of his people, who has been caught with the craze for movies, theatricals, broom drills, and the many things claiming the attention of lean and shady souls, who know nothing of the holy grip and Jacob wrestle that cries, "I will not let thee go until thou bless me." Think of the immortal John Knox crying out to God, "Give me Scotland, or I die," and then chasing around among the giddy young sisters, getting up a theatrical party for the church. Such a thing is unthinkable.—Pentecostal Herald.

It is not well to live in the past, but the past is the only foundation upon which the present may be built; for of the future we know nothing for the guidance either of ourselves or the state. Until we make use of the great treasury of experience we have inherited from the past, we will be always the victims of what seem to be modern, altruistic and brilliant experiments in government, but which have been tried over and over again in many kingdoms, republics, and empires, and over and over again have proven futile. True progress can not be found on theory; its practicability must be based upon the safe rock of comprehension of human nature and its fundamental reactions.—The Rotarian.

Recently a Tammany member gave expression as follows: "Tammany is nothing but a shell now. Prohibition, in closing the saloons of Manhattan, closed three thousand Tammany clubs. We can't keep up an organization without meeting places, and we can't keep up meeting places without taxing the boys. If the saloons are out of business for good, Tammany is out of business." This is pretty plain and direct language. It links a certain brand of politics up with the saloon, and declares that the first cannot live without the second. Very well, let it pay the penalty of such conduct by a speedy death—the speedier the better. The United States has no need for any political organization, or so-called political organization, which is conducted for the purposes that universally have been assigned to Tammany Hall. In New York it stands for everything that promises largely or slightly to

debauch the country with liquor rule. It knows nothing better, and is insensible to any higher call. Tammany's plight is a national blessing.—The Telescope.

A NEW MEMBER.

For some reason the first issue of the Oklahoma Methodist, the new organ of our Oklahoma Conferences, failed to reach us, but the second number is at hand. It is printed on good paper and is well edited. Rev. D. H. Ashton is the editor and publisher, and Bishop Mouzon and Drs. R. E. L. Morgan, L. F. Sensabaugh, Frank Barrett and J. M. Peterson are announced as contributing editors. We give a hearty welcome to this new member of our fraternity and trust that it may prosper and meet the needs of our vigorous and growing church in Oklahoma.

BOOK REVIEWS.

Church-Going Pays. By Edward E. Keedy. Published by Horace Worth, Boston. Price, 50 cents.

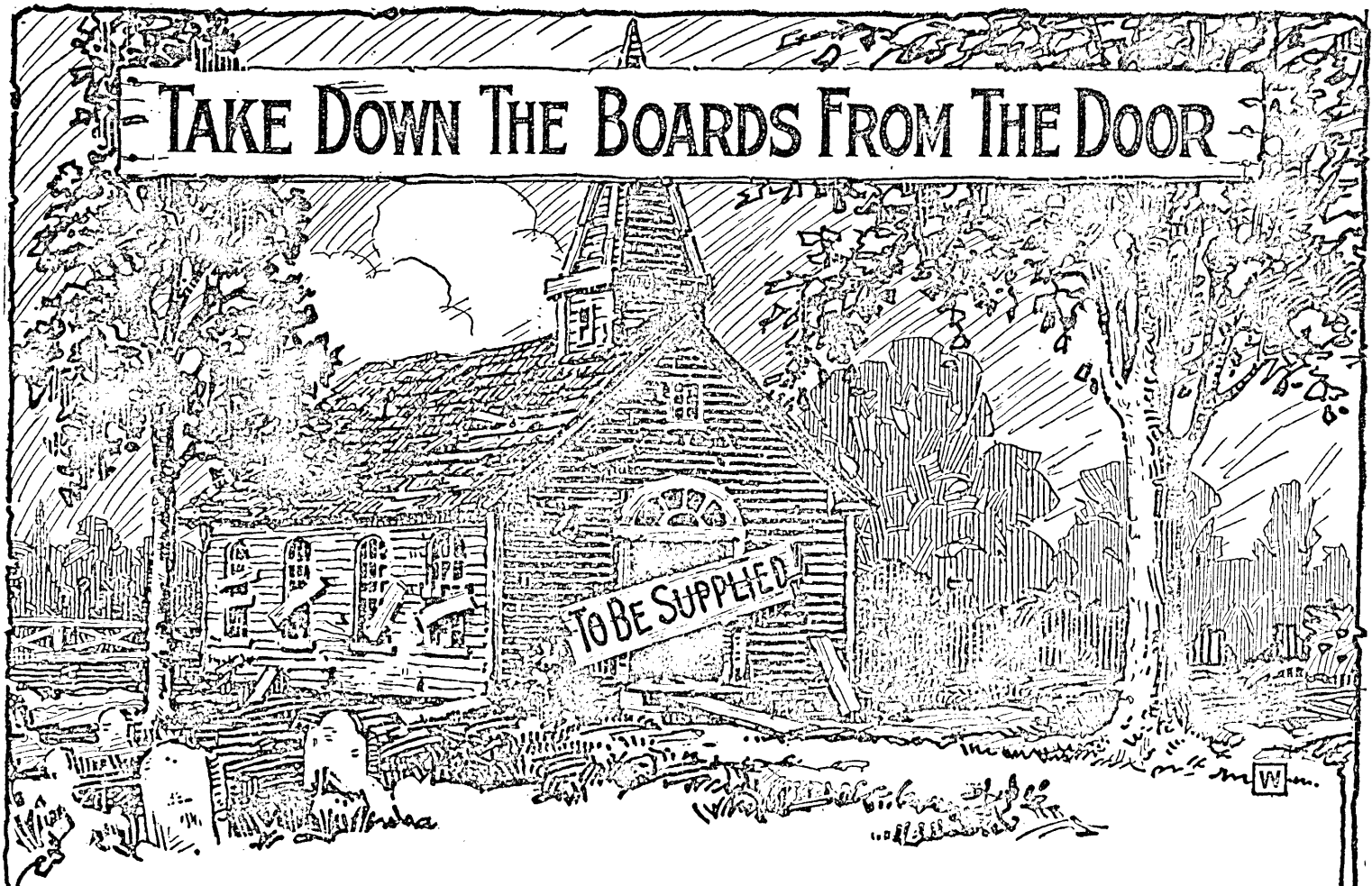
The subjects treated in this little book are: Education Pays; The Church Is for Education in Religion, The Worth Which Is Salvation, The Great Satisfaction, Church-Going and the Foundations of Society, Church-Going Pays All Parents, Church-Going Pays Financially, The True Oneness of Ideal and Life, Right Character Apart From Church-Going, Church-Going Pays in Future Good—Endless and Boundless, "I Do Not Like to Go to Church," "Others Will Keep the Church Going," "I Do Not Have Time to Go to Church," "Making the Start." A pastor can afford to give these little books to the careless people of his community.

Serbia; by L. F. Waring, B. A. (Trinity College, Dublin); with a Preface by Jovan M. Jovanovich, Serbian Minister in London; published by Henry Holt & Co., New York; price, 60 cents.

Servia, as the dominant factor in the newly organized Jugo-Slav State, is a country of which we should know more. Its situation is favorable for the development of a great people, but its proximity to powerful and grasping nations has been its bane. The people are such lovers of liberty that in spite of cruel oppression their spirit has never been broken. As the nation with which Austria picked the quarrel that led to the world war Serbia figures large. As a people who are rapidly recuperating and organizing for self-government the Serbians deserve our admiration and support. So little is generally known of their interesting history and tremendous struggles that this book is commended as worthy of consideration by the student of world affairs. In the preface it is said: "In your book you have put before the British public very clearly these main lines of Serbian history and pointed out the reasons for the eternal warring of a peaceful people."

The College and New America. By Jay William Hudson, Ph.D., professor of philosophy, University of Missouri. Foreword by Henry Suzzallo, president of the University of Washington. Published by D. Appleton & Co., New York. Price, \$2.00.

This is a thorough appraisal of the American college and university, a discriminating critique indicating weaknesses and suggesting remedies. Dr. Suzzallo says: "The volume here presented is the work of a professor of philosophy, academically broad and socially minded. With sympathy and justice he shows us our ancient institutional defects, notes accurately our civic obligations and sends us on our troubled but fruitful way filled with inspiring and constructive thought. No volume on higher education which has thus far appeared from the press is more stimulating or useful than the one now offered. It should be read by every college teacher and administrator, for it reveals the ineffectiveness of many of our sacred presuppositions and uncriticized academic ideals, and points the way to a better scheme of conscious values and deliberated practices." The reading of this book will keep our leaders in the Christian Education Movement.



There are 1,048 charges--perhaps 5,000 congregations--in the M. E. Church, South, which have no itinerant preachers. Does this fact mean anything to you?

All of these churches are closed most of the time. Many of them are closed all of the time; abandoned, they are falling into decay. Those which have any kind of ministry are served by "supplies" who have few qualifications for their task; often these "supplies" preach as a "side line" to blacksmithing, or something else.

These abandoned churches indicate a lowering community morale and moral decay.

Where Shall Workers Be Found?

If the Church secures a sufficient number of trained preachers for all the pulpits, they will come from our Christian colleges. No other schools produce them. If we had all the ministers produced by every state university in America during any given period, they could not supply the churches of one annual conference.

The Christian Education Movement is the only hope.

It will take down the boards from the door of the little church. It will "fix up around the place." It will place trained and godly preachers in every pulpit.

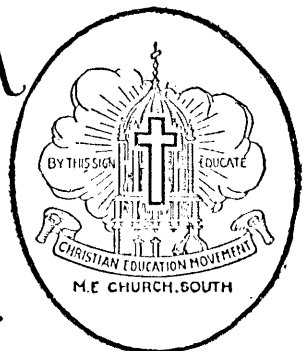
How will all this be accomplished? Thousands of life service volunteers will be enlisted. A great fund will be raised to educate them. And the schools and colleges will be equipped to receive them--a thing which they cannot now do.

Then these little churches which are now closed will again become dynamos of spiritual life, springs of living water, altars of God's Mercy, centers of community service, radiative centers of moral power and civic virtue for state and nation.

The Church Must Educate or Die

Christian Education Movement

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CHINA FAMINE FUND.

Our appeal for the starving millions in China is meeting with a prompt response. Already we have received \$31,000. More than \$4,000 was received yesterday in 142 separate contributions. Contributions are coming from individuals, churches, Sunday schools, missionary societies and Epworth Leagues. Bishop H. C. Morrison contributed the first \$100. Twenty-two men and women have sent as much as \$100 each. The Y. W. C. A. at Macon, Ga., sent \$100. The students in Scarritt Bible and Training School have resolved to dispense with butter for a month and give the amount thus saved to the starving Chinese. Memorial Church, Lynchburg, Va., contributed \$1,500; Main Street Church, Danville, Va., contributed \$500; First Church, Memphis, Tenn., contributed \$603. Many smaller churches and Sunday schools are doing quite as nobly.

We have already cabled \$25,000 to China. Bishop Lambuth wires that this saved 9,000 lives.

All news indicates that the situation grows worse. Bishop Lambuth wires that 1,000 men, women and children froze to death one night at Kalgan. Children are being sold or killed by their mothers in agony and despair.

W. H. Valliant and Brother, Bellevue, Md., have offered to contribute a carload of "Tomato Pure" delivered in New York.

Let it be repeated with all emphasis that what is done should be done quickly and liberally, if the barest necessities of this dire situation are to be met.—W. W. Pinson.

LET US PAY THOSE PLEDGES.

As members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, we are facing a situation which is unusual and, it must be said, soul-testing in its character. We are in the midst of a supreme endeavor to rehabilitate and vitalize our educational institutions. The fact that such rehabilitation and vitalization are absolutely necessary now is sufficient to make Christian men and women of true faith only gird their loins more closely in the presence of admittedly hostile circumstances. We must go, as only God's hosts must go, and that is forward. To pause would be to make a tragic mistake.

A mistake equally tragic, however, would be for us to be indifferent to the necessity of making prompt payment of that part of our Centenary subscriptions which is due. With a superb faith and spirit of enterprise we are preparing to assume new financial obligations before we have discharged those which we assumed nearly two years ago. Well, this is according to human experience. It is what we do every day in our private lives. It is the principle which business follows. It is according to a robust faith in God—the only faith that amounts to everything. The time has come for us to realize that the third installment of our Centenary pledges is due. Soon the appropriations for another year must be made. They must be made from the payment of the first and second installments. Have you paid yours? We can not afford to fall short of the splendid achievements which have been outlined. The thing to do now is to stretch every nerve to make the payments of our

Centenary subscriptions answer "Present!" to the call. That call is now being sounded. By answering it the church can be kept moving on the great march, and the large purposes of the Christian Education Movement can be more easily and profitably realized.

Let us all strain a point, if necessary, to meet those Centenary subscriptions.—Christian Advocate.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION A SPIRITUAL UNDERTAKING.

By Rev. I. P. Martin.

The Christian Movement undertakes the same task which the preacher, the Sunday School teacher and the Christian parent are engaged in performing. All alike are trying to save souls.

We sometimes talk about saving souls as if we thought the work of saving souls was altogether done when we have seen them converted. This is without question the hour of all hours in the life of a Christian. The hour when old things pass away and all things become new. The moment when the lost sheep is found is the moment of dramatic interest; but the lost sheep must be carried back to the fold; and its wounds must be dressed; and it must be fed and shepherded; else it might as well not have been found at all.

In saving souls there is, therefore, the process of nurture and development. This is just as essential as the work of finding the lost.

Now the Christian Education Movement undertakes to inspire and promote this process. It says to parents: "You have a very solemn duty to perform in bringing up your children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. You have also a holy privilege; for God gives you a larger share in shaping the destiny of your children than any one else can have."

It also says: "Reading the Bible and praying with your children is the best way in which you can start them toward useful Christian service."

The Christian Education Movement says to the Sunday School: "Your work is highly useful. If well done it is second only to that of Christian parents. You must help parents to give Christian training to their children. It is not yours to take the place of parents, but to take a place with them. These children, whose parents seek your aid, have now come to the place where the Christian community must give them inspiration and instruction in the Kingdom of God. You stand at the threshold where the child passes into the larger world. You must interpret that world in the light of God's Word. Now, in order that you may be better prepared to do this work we pledge to you the definite help of our colleges and universities."

The Christian Education Movement says to the colleges and universities: "Your task is the task of making scholarship minister to the training of men and women for the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. You are not to minify learning, but to magnify Christ. And you must give to the church young men and women of the highest culture who have so learned Christ as that His service is the passion of their souls."

It says to the whole Church: "If the best ambitions of the Christian home are to be realized; and if the labors of the Sunday School are to be

fruitful; and if the colleges and universities are to turn out trained workers for the Master, there must be a revival of prayer and intercession. There must be a secret prayer and family prayer and public prayer. There must also be a revival of the dedication of homes and of lives to the service of the Lord. There must also be a revival of the dedication of money to the Lord in order that the schools may be able to live and do this work of training men and women for the service of God."

This is why I say that the Christian Education Movement is a spiritual undertaking. It does not propose to do the work of those agencies which from the beginning were ordained of God, but it undertakes to help these agencies to understand and perform the tasks which God has given them.

This is an undertaking worthy of a great Church.

THE NEW EMPHASIS ON PRAYER.

By P. L. Cobb, Secretary Spiritual Resources Department.

"In the morning, he rose early, while it was yet quite dark, and leaving the house, he went away to a solitary place and there prayed."

Prayer had a large place in the life of Jesus. He not only rose early and went out to a quiet place, where he could pray alone, but "He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer". Luke 6:12.

Other prayers of Jesus brought to him some of his richest experiences. It was while he prayed at his baptism that the descending dove and the Father's voice proclaimed him the Son of God.

Before the difficult and arduous task of preaching the sermon on the mount and selecting the twelve, upon whom the success of the kingdom should depend, from among his followers, he did not seek a refreshing night's rest, but instead, gave himself to prayer the whole night through and the sermon and the work of the twelve show the wisdom of his course.

It was while he prayed in the presence of the Greeks, brought by Andrew and Philip, that the tender voice of the Father again broke the silence and gave him the vision of the whole gentile world coming, as typified by these anxious visitors, and enabled him to say, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

Again as he prayed his form was illumined in the transfiguration and his very clothes were glistening as no fuller on earth could whiten them.

It was prayer that nerved him in the loneliness of the garden to drain to the bottom the dregs of the bitter cup.

On Calvary's rugged cross, when every human prop had fallen from under him, it was prayer that held him up until the task was finished, and he could gasp with his last breath, "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit."

From the very depths of our anguished spirits let us cry, "Lord teach us to pray". Luke 2:1. May there go out from us a constant stream of prayer that will release the spiritual power necessary for every great task the Church is undertaking. Let us follow his example and that of the Psalmist who said, "Evening and morning and at noon, will I pray and cry aloud; and he shall hear my voice." Ps. 55:17.

YOU WILL EVENTUALLY, WHY NOT NOW?

By P. L. Cobb.

This well known advertising phrase is very applicable just now to the church-wide effort to enroll every church member for daily Bible study and prayer. "You will eventually, why not now?"

You cannot afford not to enroll. Your very spiritual life, in its growth and power, depend upon it. You cannot allow your whole life to be dwarfed by failure to give a little time each day to the culture of your soul.

There is no round-about way, no short cut to spiritual excellence. Drinking deep from the fountain of God's Word and lingering long in intercession are the everlasting foundations upon which to build. Anything else is as the shifting sand.

"Deeper than the need for men, deeper than the need for money, aye, deep down at the bottom of our spiritless life is the need for the forgotten secret of prevailing, world-wide prayer."

During this week more than two million Southern Methodists will be asked to enroll with us for daily Bible reading and prayer. More than two million people will have the opportunity to go each day from their knees to the great tasks of the Church.

The Missionary Centenary started with the slogan: "When two million Methodists go from their knees to any task, it shall be done." Let us go, not once, but daily, through the weeks and months and years and the victory shall be ours. Christ shall reign at home and abroad.

Think of what good fellowship you will miss, if you do not enroll. The readings selected are from the International Sunday School Association and the Daily Home Bible readings are being used around the world. They relate to the Sunday School lesson and aid in its preparation. The Prayer Meeting topic is one of the Home Readings of the previous week and every lesson and the Sunday School lesson will give us something to say at the meeting and better prepare us to appreciate and understand what we hear.

This is such a good thing you just can't stay out. "Come in while the coming is good." Remember: "The night cometh" and the door of opportunity will be shut.

"You will eventually, why not now?"

FEDERAL COUNCIL ACTION ON PROHIBITION.

One of the most interesting and significant actions of the Federal Council at its recent Quadrennial meeting was the action taken on Prohibition. The report of the Commission on Temperance was referred to the Business Committee, where it was referred to

Cured His RUPTURE

I was badly ruptured while lifting a trunk several years ago. Doctors said my only hope of cure was an operation. Trusses did me no good. Finally I got hold of something that quickly and completely cured me. Years have passed and the rupture has never returned, although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There was no operation, no lost time, no trouble. I have nothing to sell, but will give full information about how you may find a complete cure without operation. If you write to me, Eugene M. Pullen, Carpenter, 113-G, Marcellus Avenue, Manassas, N. J. Better cut out this notice and show it to any others who are ruptured—you may save a life or at least stop the misery of rupture and the worry and danger of an operation.

a sub-committee composed of Rufus W. Miller, Howard H. Russell and James Cannon, Jr., which committee reported a series of ten resolutions to be acted upon by the Council. The report after an interesting discussion was unanimously adopted.

The resolutions call for prohibition for the Philippines; for prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicants by American citizens in consular districts in foreign countries; for greater care in the issuance of permits for medicinal and manufacturing purposes; for concentration of intoxicants in fewer warehouses; for passage of a law to secure greater fidelity to their oath of office by federal and state officials on penalty of forfeiture of office.

Three of the resolutions are fundamental in their nature, and as expressive of the attitude of united Protestantism in its official gathering are given in full.

"1. Prohibition of the liquor traffic should be judged not by results where the law is flagrantly violated, but by its results in communities where the law has been efficiently enforced. In order that the will of the people in the adoption of the 18th Amendment may be carried into effect we urge that an appropriation be made by Congress of whatever amount may be necessary for the effective enforcement of National Prohibition.

9. We rejoice in the spread of temperance principles throughout the world and we hereby express our hearty sympathy with temperance workers in all lands and our desire to co-operate with them in every suitable way to banish from the entire world the traffic in intoxicating liquor and debasing narcotic drugs.

10. We would emphasize the necessity for a continuance of the educational program, which has been so effective in the destruction of the legalized liquor traffic. The effects of the use of intoxicating liquor upon the individual and society, the beneficial results which follow efficient enforcement of the prohibition law and the evils which follow the violation, should be clearly taught from the platform and by the printed page, by text book, posters and circular, and we hereby record our appreciation of the efforts of those church and interchurch agencies which have carried on this work and our convictions of the necessity for the continuance of their great work until the 18th Amendment is effectively enforced throughout the United States."

It is fundamental that the will of the majority shall be enforced. It may and will require a strong force of men and ample funds for a few years. But wherever the Prohibition law is honestly enforced it will be justified by the results. The desperate criminals who are violating the Prohibition law for gain and with assurance of pay and protection from men with large interests at stake must not be allowed to defy the Government any more than the Whiskey Rebels in Pennsylvania in the time of President Washington. At whatever cost the law must be enforced, and no cost will be great compared with the billions spent for intoxicants before Prohibition came into effect.

The Council also emphasized its belief in co-operative effort by temperance workers throughout the world,

and urged the continuation of the educational program, and of the great agencies which have been so efficient in securing the passage of the Prohibition law, until the law is efficiently enforced throughout the country. This is no time to talk of disbanding our forces. The next four years will require the best thought and effort of our experienced leaders to checkmate and finally defeat all the efforts of the lawless liquor forces, which have entered upon a desperate even murderous campaign of nullification of the Prohibition Amendment.—James Cannon, Jr.

EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

Mass Meetings to Be Held.—During February there will be held in thirty-six of the more important cities of our connection great mass meetings in the interest of Christian Education. These gatherings will be for the general public, being held in some central auditorium in the various cities. The programs of the meetings will be of a popular character, planned for the purpose of presenting the cause of Christian Education in the most effective manner possible. Prominent educators will speak and the moving picture which the publicity department is getting out will be shown.

The Program for January.—In the program for January of the Christian Education Movement emphasis will be placed on Bible reading and prayer by the individual, by the family, and by the church in all its departments. January 23-30 will be enrollment week, when every member of the church will be given an opportunity to sign a card, similar to the one signed in the Centenary Campaign. Cards can be secured on application to Rev. P. L. Cobb, Secretary, 160 Fourth Avenue, N., Nashville, Tenn.

Fall Quarter Convocation, Emory University.—Fourteen men were graduated from Emory University at the fall quarter convocation late in December. The degree of Bachelor of Divinity was conferred upon three young men and certificates in theology were awarded five. The degree of Master of Science was conferred upon one candidate; the degree of Bachelor of Arts upon one, the degree of Bachelor of Science upon two, and the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy upon two. The convocation sermon was preached by Bishop McMurry.

THE CHINA FAMINE.

The Cause.—The present famine is differentiated from all which have occurred during the past forty years by the fact that it is due to drouth, whereas those of previous years were caused by floods. The difference is of great significance. In famines due to floods the entire area affected could be known almost at the outset, the area in the worst cases has been fairly limited, and the nearby regions have generally had fairly good crops. In a famine caused by drouth there is naturally a much larger area in which conditions at any given time may be described as bad, worse, worst; but, as the partial crops of the more fortunate regions are exhausted, the area labeled "worst" (where actual famine conditions prevail) is bound to be a steadily enlarging one.

The average annual rainfall in North China is about 30 inches per year. This rainfall comes usually between the first of April and the end

of September. Such favorable climatic conditions, together with the industry of the Chinese farmer, permits in most sections the production of two regular crops each year, and in some regions three.

Beginning with the early Fall of 1919 there has been an extraordinary decline in the rainfall; in some large areas there has been less than two inches in fourteen months. From this as the smallest amount, the precipitation has over great areas varied up to a third or even a half of the normal rainfall.

Extent in Area and Population.—In sections such as North Honan no crops have been harvested since the Fall of 1919. Here actual famine conditions developed in the early Summer in an area estimated at 5,000 square miles, with a population of approximately 4,000,000. By August the Summer crops had failed, and available food resources had been exhausted in much larger areas, so that estimates rose in September to 40,000 square miles of land and 20,000,000 of people. This estimate as to the number of people concerned was contained in an official cablegram by United States Minister Crane to the Department of State.

It soon became evident that the area affected was increasing very rapidly, as the small food supplies hoarded from partial Spring crops became totally exhausted, and the latest estimates indicate that actual famine conditions prevail now in a territory of approximately 1,000,000 square miles, and that beyond this district are great areas comprising the larger part of five provinces with a total area of 575,000 miles, in which an actual shortage of food now exists and where famine conditions may easily prevail during the latter part of the Winter.

Taking these facts into consideration, the latest advices from China indicate that a conservative estimate of the number of people who will require assistance is 40,000,000 to 45,000,000. One of the international committees at work on the matter has given larger figures than these, estimating that 30,000,000 people will suffer "from bad" conditions, while another 19,000,000 will be in a condition described as "not so bad."

What Famine Conditions in China Are.—I quote from the representative of Reuter's, the well-known and reliable British News Agency, under date of October 1. Reuter's representative states: "They told me that they ate chaff, and that three-fourths of a pound of this had to be enough for six people for a day." In another village, the correspondent says: "Those who had not left are giving their children away." Again, "I have seen one farmer carrying on his back the entire yield of six acres of corn."

In general it may be said that in the famine regions now the only available food is a cake made from pressed leaves of trees, grass and weeds, chaff of the millet, and the ground bark of willow or elm trees. In North Honan, in one county with a population of 200,000 people, a careful survey was made at the end of October. It showed that within four weeks there would be a complete exhaustion even of such food supplies as are indicated above. In many areas reports come in that children are being given poisoned food in order to save them from the pangs of starvation. Everywhere children are offered for sale, girls be-

ing sold into houses of ill-fame at the rate of \$4 apiece. Large mass movements of people starting in sheer desperation to walk hundreds of miles in order to find some place where there may be food are reported. The majority of those will die by the way.

The famine conditions include not merely the loss of food supplies, but of fuel, clothing and shelter. The normal food supply of the average peasant in North China is the average of the large millet, of which this year there is none. His winter clothing is a garment heavily wadded with cotton, and the cotton crop has been a complete failure. During the Summer, to purchase small quantities of food at tremendous prices, tens of thousands of families sold all but the garments which they wore. As fuel was exhausted, the doors of houses, and even the beams supporting the roof, were used to cook the little food available.

Far-Reaching Possibilities.—If adequate relief measures are not promptly carried through, the situation may result in something near to a collapse of civilization throughout this enormous area. Famine is carried to a considerable extent by the use of draught animals, cows and donkeys. These are being killed or sold out of the country. Hence, even if climatic conditions in the Spring are favorable, it will be almost impossible to put in a normal acreage of farms. A complete collapse of trade throughout the North of China is a possibility, if adequate relief is not secured. This would, in turn, create serious financial conditions for other large sections of China, and might result in the default of interest on approximately \$300,000,000 of money (largely from the West) invested in railways.

Bandits and robbers have already appeared in large sections, and the disorganization of society looms up as a real possibility.

Relief Measures.—It must be recognized there is little or no hope of capable action by the Chinese government. Even if that government were efficient, its resources are too small for the task. In all probability, some direct governmental action on the part of Western nations, particularly the United States, Great Britain and France, may be necessitated. In the meantime, since any such action will necessarily be long delayed, the chief hope for the people of North China lies in the generous giving by the people of the United States.

Chinese private benevolence has reached an extent never before known. \$1,600,000 (Mexican) has been subscribed in Shanghai alone. This exceeds the total contribution of Chinese government and private benevolences in the famine of 1906-07. A similar response has come from other cities and other parts of China.

Steps are being taken to centralize the administration of relief. It must be understood that the actual distribution of relief, in very large measure,

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must be carried on through the foreign missionaries, as they are the only foreigners with a knowledge of the language. There are in North China a total of 225 mission stations, and not only the missionary residents in these, but doubtless scores—perhaps hundreds—of missionaries from other parts of China, will be drawn into the relief work. This, in itself, constitutes a great appeal to the Protestant churches of America.—Bulletin.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MOVEMENT.

Minute Men.—Beginning April 3. Minute Men will speak on Christian Education in all the churches of our connection, each Sunday for eight weeks. Thus the work of these men will be concentrated into two short months, adding without doubt to their effectiveness.

Financial Organization Meeting in Memphis.—A Financial Organization Meeting will be held in Memphis, February 2-3 in the interest of the Christian Education Movement. The Bishops, Conference financial directors, Conference educational directors, and a few representative laymen will attend. Plans for the financial organization of the movement will be presented and discussed. This meeting will be very similar in character and purpose to the one held in Memphis in December. The December meeting was for the purpose of discussing the plans for the carrying out of the cultivation program while the one in February will be for the purpose of discussing plans for the attaining of the financial objective.

Moving Picture Tried Out.—The moving picture which will be used by the Publicity Department in the Christian Education Movement was shown to the leaders of the movement and a few invited guests on January 10, in Nashville. The picture proved highly successful and was accepted by the Commission. Several copies of the film will be made and the picture will soon be shown in all the more important cities of the South. The picture was made by the International Church Film Corporation and is said by them to be one of the finest they have ever produced. Be that as it may, it tells a story that should move every Methodist to untiring effort in the task which is before us.

The Prayer Program.—(Some messages from the field to Rev. P. L. Cobb, Secretary of the Department of Spiritual Resources):

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"If the Church by praying would release the power of God, the Pentecost would come and one sermon would win 3,000 souls, whereas 3,000 sermons now win only one soul. Praying and preaching are God's twin powers through us for a world's salvation."—John Moore Crowe.

"We have a real prayer meeting for the first time in my seventeen years of ministry. The men of the church have charge and they are working at it. They have a committee on programs and they appoint a leader and assign a subject a week ahead. The interest has been good from the start and the attendance is inspiring."—W. S. Hendricks.

"Your literature just received. So I am starting with myself and sending in my cards. You are on the right lines and this Movement ought to usher in a new era in the spiritual life of our church. Thus far I have held two of my District Group Meetings and the spiritual tide went very high. Victory is just ahead of us, God bless you."—Albert S. Lutz.

NO MORE SHIPMENTS OF CLOTHING TO NEWPORT NEWS.

Miss Daisy Davies, who has had charge of the Polish Relief Work for our Board of Missions, requests that announcement be made that there be no further shipments of clothing to Newport News, Va. Cash contributions for relief work both in Poland and in China are needed, and amounts should be forwarded promptly to J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

PRAYER MEETING SUGGESTIONS, JANUARY 26.

A Lofty Aim With a Lowly Spirit of Greatness Through Service.—Mark 10:32-45, I. Cor. 13:1-3.

Leader's Introduction: This conversation takes place on the journey to Jerusalem. On that walk Jesus has been beset by many questioners, who by way of testing him have sought his answers on matters of legal or moral details, Jesus always gives them as answers, general principles of right doing that throw them back to their true relations to God. He has also tenderly explained to his nearer friends, the disciples, many matters that perplexed them. (See all of Mark 10). Finally he tried to tell them about what was going to happen to him up in Jerusalem. They, still thinking he was surely then to come to his own and establish his kingdom, allow the jealousy, pent up in their hearts during their association together, to break out (Give story of the lesson). Jesus meet this situation with a simple lesson on real ambition for high, noble ends that must still be unselfish and lowly in spirit.

Topics for speakers:

1. Man's way. Mark 10:37, 41.
2. The way of the Son of Man. Mark 10:45.
3. The Test of True Greatness. Mark 10:43, 44.
4. The Motive of all True Service. I Cor. 13:4-8.
5. The world's need.

1. Man's Way—the desire for pre-eminence. Dr. Jowett says, "It is always our peril that we hunger for place more than for character. The disciples wanted to be great and prominent; the Lord wanted them to be pure and good. They longed to be

Prime Ministers; the Lord purposed that they should be glad to be ministers, working contentedly in an obscure place. They wanted to be King's cup bearers; he offers them to drink of his cup. They call for sovereignty; he asks for sacrifice. They seek a life of getting; he demands a life of giving."

"A Missionary in Alaska used a number of well-trained dogs to draw his sled. There was one fine dog who always led and very proud was he of his place at the head of the team. The missionary thought it wise to train another dog to lead, so that, in case anything happened to this one, he might not be without a leader. The first time he harnessed his second best dog ahead of the first, the first dropped to the ground and refused to rise. When he had been forced to get up and go on, he gnawed the harness of the new leader till that one was freed, and he was again at the head of the pack. Several times he did this and then his master took him out of the pack, tied him up and forced him to look on while the other dog received his training. This so angered and grieved the dog, that he soon died of a broken heart. He must have first place or none. Sometimes boys and girls, little and grown up, act like that dog. Did you ever know anyone who must have the important place in every game, club or choir, or he wouldn't play? Or if he did play, would do it very ungraciously? Even John and James, two of the disciples, wanted for themselves the best places in Christ's Kingdom. Christ taught them how they might be truly great and they were willing to pay the price.

2. The Way of the Son of Man. Mark 10:45.

He came not to be served, but to serve. Suppose Jesus had said to himself: "Go to now, I will go up and down Palestine and I will preach a progressive religion to the people that will surround my name with glory. I will espouse the liberal cause that my name shall resound, as long as men tread the vestibule of eternity, my fame shall be heard of men." Jesus would long since have been forgotten. It was because he was so great and good he could pray for his persecutors, "Father forgive them;" it was because he could consort with the fallen and the sinner, because he could go to them and comfort them when so called decent men refused to go, because in a word, Jesus served his father in heaven without asking reward, without seeking notoriety he is as little forgotten nineteen hundred years after he is dead, as he is greatly loved and worshipped." From Rabbi J. L. Levy.

3. The test of True Greatness. Mark 10:43-44.

Greatness is measured by the service it renders. Jesus spent himself wholly in the service of humanity. The giving up of his life was a continuous process—not simply a single incident; his ministry of self-sacrifice was perfected and crowned in his act of final surrender. Jesus had learned the mysterious secret of history, that the world's true advancement is secured by suffering, pain and sacrifice. Many have followed him and learned his secret. He that would be great shall become your servant in love. "The gifts of selves are mile posts in

history. They have made epochs in time. David Livingstone was not the only man that ever went to Africa, but because he gave himself away that Africa might be lifted into civilization, his name will remain above all others in the modern history of that continent. India was controlled for a long time by mercenary men. They were there for personal profit and their names are unknown. William Carey gave himself to India and he will ever remain among the first in that empire. For three hundred years before Christ thousands had been crucified, and thousands since, but that which makes the Man who was crucified on the "green hill far away" the most fascinating personage of all ages, is that he literally and absolutely gave himself away for the good of mankind.

4. The World's Need. I. Cor. 13:4-8.

"The supreme need of nations today is a true idea of greatness." The world needs those today great enough to know that the issues of the kingdom hold the greatest opportunities for work and service in the world and that the greatest honor will be to lose one's life for and among God's little ones or those who know Him not. As never before God needs the best trained to carry His message and share His glory. Several colleges have for their mottoes the words or thought of verse 45 (Non ministrari sed ministrare) and hundreds of trained men and women have gone out to give their best to the least. Today more response is given by college students to the appeal for life service than has ever been known. In the work of popular estimate where applause is given or withheld according to the judgment of the many it was never so plain that if a man would be great, he must serve." (Tarbell's notes).

Our Prayer: "Father we thank thee for this lesson which shows us that we may have lofty aims with a lowly spirit, that the right kind of rivalry is rivalry for noble ends. We may compete, not for honor, but for usefulness in Thy kingdom. May life be to us a school in which we learn how best to serve how best to be true followers of our great Servant-Redeemer whose mission on earth was to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many, in whose name we ask this."

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STATISTICAL TANGLES.

There was a sense of disappointment to the preachers of the North Arkansas Conference when the statistical report showed an increase in membership of only 1,071. We had confidently expected a much larger showing as the reports came in from the different districts. The disappointment is not in actual facts, but in faulty statistical figures. Reports show that there were received on profession of faith 5,852, and by certificate and otherwise 5,434, making the total number received 11,284. There were dismissed from the church 4,235. This would leave a net gain of 7,049. The present total membership as reported this year is 58,574. This does not take into account the membership on seven pastoral charges which made no report on present membership. The minutes of last year show that these seven charges have a membership of 2,156. This would bring the present total membership to 60,726. These figures would give us a gain in membership for this year of 3,223. Again, we find that the membership reported for last year is 57,503, and to this the total gain by districts this year 7,049, and we have a membership of 64,552, which seems to be the correct number. Statistical reports seem to be very elusive. There are a number of other errors to which attention might be called, as, for instance, the parsonage at our First Church, Fort Smith, is valued at \$155. The real valuation is \$5,500. There are a number of ways by which an error like this may get into the printed record. The question of vital interest to us is how to reduce these mistakes to the vanishing point. I have a remedy which I will furnish on application.—G. G. Davidson.

NORTH CAROLINA LETTER.

We have been in North Carolina for one year. We are beginning to feel very much at home. The brethren have been very kind and we no longer feel as a stranger in the Conference. Bishop Darlington assigned us to First

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Church, Rocky Mount, and returned us to the same good Church for this year. The people have been good to us, showing every kindness and consideration. First Church is a good, strong, active Church, with a good membership and a body of strong, well-trained laymen. We have the largest membership of any Church in the city.

Rocky Mount is in the eastern part of the State, is a railroad center, is also in the center of the best agricultural section in the State. We are 50 miles from Raleigh, the historic city and capital of the State, just 120 miles from Richmond, Va., and the same distance from Norfolk, Va. North Carolina has no large cities, but has many towns of 15,000 to 50,000 in population. It is remarkable how close these towns are together and how many there are of them. Rocky Mount is a wealthy city and is growing very rapidly.

It was our pleasure to be the host of our recent Conference session. Methodism is strong and well established in the State. The North Carolina Conference has a lay membership of over 100,000, and the Western Conference is still larger. We have about 210 pastoral charges. The average salary of the pastors last year was more than \$1,850. Only one Conference in the Church leads ours, and that is by just a little, and that is the South Carolina Conference. Our Conference session was about all that could be asked. Bishop Darlington presided for the third time over this Conference. He has traveled throughout the Conference till he knows every preacher by name and where he is, and can call the names of most of the laymen who are anyway active in church matters. This is true of the men of the circuits as well as of the stations. He is very popular, both as a presiding officer and as a preacher. He places very great emphasis upon the evangelistic interests of the church, but does not do it to the sacrifice of other things. Dr. H. C. Morrison contributed greatly to the spiritual power of the Conference by his great preaching. He has a real message to preachers, and happy is the Conference that has him to do the preaching each day. We have a strong body of preachers, and a strong body of young men coming on. Trinity College, possibly the strongest and best-equipped college in Southern Methodism, is doing her full work in her contributions to Methodism in the old Tar Heel State. Dr. Few, a layman and a kinsman of the Fews in Arkansas, is the president, and is proving himself worthy to succeed the men who have gone before him in this capacity.

Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe has just been elected chief editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Dr. Rowe was once connected with the teaching force of Hendrix College. He is a very finely equipped man, is quite happy on the platform, has a winning personality, and is a good writer. He with his associates will make, it is felt, a high class paper. He is a member of the Western Conference. Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Christian Advocate, is an honored member of this Conference. This Conference is conservative, and moves with caution, but it moves. One of the impressive services of the Conference is its Historical Society. On Tuesday evening of the Conference this society holds a public meeting and some one reads a paper

or a well-written address on some outstanding character of the past days in Methodist history of North Carolina. This is the custom of both the Conferences and there is being collected a wonderful history of Methodism. It is interesting to know that just 40 miles from here is Louisburg, and there is the Green Hill home where the first Methodist Conference was held in America. I have been to see the home and driven over the grounds, and did it with uncovered head. To think of what has come from such a small beginning! There is a commission appointed to buy this property and keep it as a Methodist shrine.

We are living in a very beautiful part of North Carolina, rolling ridges all covered with pine and other timbers, touched here and there with holly trees, and some cedar. My family's health is much better, and we are happy in our work. Last year we received 120 into the church, 70 on profession of faith, and had no special meeting. The salary which is sufficient for comfort, was increased last year and was increased again this year, without the request of the pastor; in fact, over his protest this year. We are in the midst of holidays and so many personal kindnesses are being shown us that it assuages our hunger for Arkansas friends and loved ones, which usually comes pretty strong at this season. One of the most welcome visitors that comes to us is the Arkansas Methodist. The whole family enjoys the reading of it. Through it we keep in touch with the happenings in Arkansas. And no better or stronger paper of its kind comes to our desk. The editorial and news pages are really out of the usual. The Educational program was well received by the Conference and plans are being perfected by those who have been charged with the responsibility, to "put it over." We often see people from Arkansas and have many neighbors and friends who have loved ones and friends in Arkansas. So we do not feel very far away.—J.F. E. Bates.

A NEW YORK CHRISTMAS AS SEEN BY A COUNTRY WOMAN.

Having accepted an invitation from my son, who offered me a trip to the great metropolis, I found myself standing with bulging eyes and sinking heart where I got off the train at the Grand Central Station. I was just wondering if my telegram had miscarried when a strong pair of arms grabbed me and I was folded to the bosom of my ex-soldier boy.

We went at once into an elevator and started down, down into the earth till it seemed to me that we were heading for China, but just before we got there we got out at Manhattan. We were still ten stories under the ground and I wondered how on earth all those hundreds of people on the long train of street cars could find their way out into daylight again. I didn't know which direction to go—east or west, or over the cuckoo's nest.

We are situated near the famous and beautiful Riverside Drive and I find much pleasure in watching the boats come and go on the Hudson. May get a boat ride some day.

I have often wanted to see New York in her Christmas dress and yesterday I took a bus—afraid to try the subway alone and rode to Fifth avenue just to gaze and gaze till my eyes hurt. I was afraid to get out and

walk around, for the many terrible things I have read about New York crimes and pickpockets were fresh in my mind. I think I expected to be held up any minute. How did I know something awful would not happen to a "cracker" like me.

I rode down stairs in the bus till we started back, then I went on top so I could get my money's worth of seeing the great crowds. My jaw surely did drop and I lost myself at the strange experience I was having. Thousands of shoppers went hurrying by—rich women dressed in handsome fur coats and carrying fluffy little dogs, while close behind came poor women with shawls over their heads and carrying paper shopping bags, all alike intent on getting Santa for the little ones at home. I've always been sorry dear Santa Claus made discriminations in his gifts, and I wish each child might share alike. That may be a selfish share, but I learned when my little parsonage kiddies had to be satisfied with a new cap and 25-cent tie, while Col. Goldbag's boys, across the street, came dashing over Christmas morning displaying all the wonderful things that a boy longs to have. Many times have I seen the parsonage boys turn to look out of the window as they tried to control their lips which behaved as if they had the palsy. I've known their mother to have a sudden call to the little kitchen with the same thought in mind. But I'm side-tracking what I meant to tell of New York.

A great many clubs and brotherhood organizations here made great times for the little children at orphanages, hospitals and other places where many children are kept. In one hospital for crippled children 500 little ones were carried from their beds into a great hall where a large Christmas tree had been fixed for them. Each dear little one received a nice gift beside a stocking filled with goodies. Many orchestras from theaters down-town went from one hospital to another singing and playing for the sick ones who were able to sit up. They also went to jails, prisons and places where disabled soldiers were staying. Happiness and good cheer

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seemed to be in the very air and on every side one could hear the glad cry of "Merry Christmas." Once I heard a voice call "Christmas gift," and I knew it was a Southern person and immediately I felt homesick.

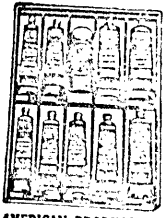
I found a Methodist Church near us and went to service. It was a "Northern Methodist," but I am part Yankee, so it fit me. The pastor used the first ten minutes of the service to preach to the children, then, while the choir sang, the children with their teachers quietly slipped out. I liked the plan. It works well and trains children to remain for service.

I have always had the idea that all city folks are "stuck up," but they are not at Chelsea Church, on Washington Heights, for the pastor, the deaconess and about a dozen of the members saw I was a stranger and introduced themselves and asked me to come again. I had many invitations to the church societies, and the pastor and deaconess have since called on me. I've already been enrolled as teacher in Sunday school while I stay here.

Three snows have fallen since I came and the ground is now white. It is a new sight to me to watch sleighing, skating and other winter sports to which I have hertofore never been introduced, and I am enjoying it all.

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DAY OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS, FEBRUARY 18, 1921.

"O Word of God Incarnate!" is the basis for the program prepared by a joint committee of the Federation of Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and the Council of Women for Home Missions for observance of the Day of Prayer for Missions, February 18, 1921. This program will be found to link readily with both foreign and home study books, "The Bible and Missions" and "The Church and the Community." It is now ready and will be sent from denominational woman's headquarters.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Mrs. H. C. Faber, Van Buren, has been appointed secretary for the Fort Smith District, Woman's Missionary Society, to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. W. J. LeRoy, who has recently moved from the district.

A letter from Conference Superintendent of Study and Publicity:

Dear Co-Workers: The records of 1920 are closed and while the reports are not just what we would have them, yet we are very grateful to note much progress in the Study and Publicity department. The reports show almost double in number of study classes and of members in them. We are glad so many in the conference are in the study classes. And yet there is room for more. We urge that the presidents of the auxiliaries give more place on their programs for the building up of the study class. We urge the superintendents of study and publicity to form classes if they only have five members. We urge those who are studying the mission books to take up a Bible study also. The Bishop of Durham has asked "That the year be observed with special reference to study and distribution of the Bible throughout the world." "The Bible has been translated into 500 languages. It has penetrated all literature. Five thousand persons are giving full time to the distribution of the Scriptures. Every Christian should feel it his duty to give the teaching of the Bible to his neighbor." Orientals on the battlefields of France asked: "What is the Book the president of the United States and the general of the army want every soldier to have?" This is the question in the heart of men today.

We are greatly impressed with the fact that all things are changing. Since the war the world is taking new shape. The severe demands of this

new day will be met save by men and women thoroughly equipped to live and serve. One of the writers of the Bible tells us that this is exactly what the Book is for—to fit us for living our life in the best possible way: "It is profitable for teaching, for correction, for instruction—that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work." (II Tim., 3:16-17.) There is value in Bible reading, but it is small compared with that which comes from real study. The Bible yields its best values not to careless and occasional use, but to conscientious, regular and persistent attention. Let's study it, learn it, love and live it, as it is God's best gift to the moral and spiritual life of man. We can understand the Bible more clearly if we will take the time to devote to it. The new books that are meeting approval with a great number of classes are "The Bible and Missions" and "Medical Missions." We trust all the auxiliaries will study these two books specially, this year. I request auxiliaries in the North Arkansas Conference to send me the name of its superintendent of study and publicity. There have been many changes in the officers, but if each society will do this I can make up my mailing list properly.—Mrs. John W. Bell, Superintendent of Publicity, North Arkansas Conference, W. M. S.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, W. M. SOCIETY—LETTER FROM THE CONFERENCE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Dear Friends and Co-Workers: An Executive Board meeting was held in Little Rock on Friday, January 14, by the president, Mrs. F. M. Williams, who led in a short prayer service. The members present were Mesdames C. F. Elza, W. H. Pemberton, S. W. C. Smith, E. R. Steel, H. L. Remmel and W. P. McDermott. The unavoidable absence of Mesdames James Thomas, T. M. Thompson and T. P. Gantt was much regretted.

The program for the annual meeting, to be held in Lakeside Church, Pine Bluff, in March, was discussed and partially arranged.

In a short survey of last year's work the Conference treasurer, corresponding secretary, vice president and superintendent of social service and study and publicity reported progress in the various departments.

Mrs. C. F. Elza, who ably led the Young People's Societies during the four years preceding and kindly finished the report of 1920 for Mrs. Savage, again, to our regret, urged the election of a superintendent of young people's work, and Mrs. Curtis Stout of Little Rock was chosen to fill this place of honor and responsibility. Mrs. Stout, formerly Miss Hawley, is well known, well beloved throughout Arkansas, and our people are to be congratulated. Mrs. Stout will be a capable and enthusiastic leader for them. Her address is 906 North Martin street, Little Rock, and we bespeak for her the earnest and enthusi-

astic co-operation of all auxiliary superintendents of young people's work.

Reports from our district secretaries for the past quarter are encouraging. But, shall I tell you a secret? Every one of these faithful district secretaries tells of difficulties and disappointments through the failure of auxiliaries to send reports on time.

There are other evidences that some good people in our organization do not bear in mind the laws of our Woman's Missionary Society, and I again urge a careful reading of the Constitution and By-Laws which will be published in this department very soon, probably in this issue of Arkansas Methodist.

On Honor Roll.

The auxiliaries reported for fourth quarter are as follows: The Adults of Camden, Junction City, Arkadelphia, DeWitt, Pine Bluff First Church and Lakeside, Little Rock First Church, Winfield Memorial, Lonoke Bauxite, Broadview and Portland.

Juniors of Camden, Stephens, Central, DeWitt, Lonoke, England, Winfield, Tillar and Portland.

If there are other auxiliaries who failed to report themselves worthy to be placed on the Honor Roll, I hope they will inform their respective district secretaries at once.

By districts, the Week of Prayer was observed by seven auxiliaries in Pine Bluff, eight in Prescott, 12 in Arkadelphia, 16 in Camden and Little Rock each, 17 in Texarkana and 18 in Monticello district.

Subscribers to Missionary Voice by districts are: Arkadelphia, 154; Camden, 162; Texarkana, 189; Monticello, 209; Little Rock, 249; and Pine Bluff and Prescott (each), 227.

In local work Arkadelphia district reported \$679.60; Pine Bluff district, \$2,550.31; Prescott district, \$1,582.41; and Monticello, \$1,719.81. Reports of money raised for local work in the other districts have not reached me yet.

The amount raised for special, conference pledge, dues and other connectional work, as reported by district secretaries, is tremendously fine, but as only the figures from the conference treasurer are final, I hereby remind you to read carefully and gratefully the grand report I hope to have from Mrs. S. W. C. Smith for publication in next week's Methodist.

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ITEMS FROM AUXILIARIES.

Hazen.

Mrs. S. A. Robertson, president of Hazen auxiliary, writes for literature and a full supply of pledge cards. She has presented a yearbook to each member, and says:

"I want our Missionary Auxiliary to be the most alive of anything in the community."

Mrs. Robertson sets a fine example in thought and deed.

Foreman.

Mrs. G. T. Covington, superintendent of study and publicity of Foreman Auxiliary, writes:

"As we look over our work for the past year, we see many more things we might have accomplished, but the year has not been a failure. We had a liberal donation for the Polish relief, 653 pounds of clothing. Our Week of Prayer was observed and our offering was \$22.50. We missed the honor roll on account of not having two departments organized. More than two-thirds of our number are subscribers to the Missionary Voice. The society has recently finished two quilts, this work being done in the basement of our church by a goodly number of our women. Refreshments were served each afternoon, making the quilting parties very pleasant occasions. Our Christmas social in the home of Mrs. Wash Yafger was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed. Our pledge was easily paid in full. Our newly-elected officers are beginning the new year right, and we contemplate great things for the new year."

Ashdown.

The new year, 1921, promises to be one of growth and usefulness for the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, if the attendance and interest of the first meeting of the year is an omen. This was the occasion of the installation of officers at the home of Mrs. Ethel Sims and Mrs. R. E. Huddleston, with 22 members in attendance. The service was opened

by singing, "I Need Thee Every Hour," after which verses on the subject of prayer were repeated by the members. The president, Mrs. Briant, read a very impressive paper on prayer, emphasizing the importance of seeking divine help in performing our duties at home and in the church during the coming year. "Something For Thee" was sung in the spirit of prayer. Brother Lindsay conducted the impressive and solemn installation services, making Mrs. C. L. Briant president and Mrs. C. S. Watkins treasurer, and these assisted by a full corps of efficient officers will do fine work in Ashdown Auxiliary this year.

A real experience meeting was enjoyed, our consecrated and efficient president leading the way by telling what prayer had meant in her daily life and as president of the society. Others told of their own experience in relying upon God. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Briant, for her untiring service during the past year. Mrs. J. M. Johnson read "The Afterglow of Christmas." Mrs. C. S. Watkins read the financial report for the past year, which, in spite of hard times, was the best we have ever had in connectional work.

An appeal was made for the starving Chinese and \$22.85 was collected in addition to \$6.00 collected at the previous meeting and \$10.00 voted to be paid out of the treasury.

The new yearbooks were distributed, also the mission study books. The names of Mrs. Z. D. Lindsay, Mrs. Dick Boyer, Mrs. Charles Henderson, Mrs. Frank Lambright, Mrs. B. C. Phillips, Mrs. Book Phillips, Mrs. Grace Lydick were enrolled as members.

The hostesses served dainty refreshments and we adjourned feeling that we had been spiritually blessed and inspired to undertake greater things in His name.

READ WITH CARE—CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS FOR ADULT AUXILIARIES.

Constitution.

1. This society shall be called the Woman's Missionary Society of the ——— Church, auxiliary to ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

2. The object of this auxiliary shall be to hasten the coming of the kingdom of God throughout the world by enlisting the women, young people, and children in a study of the needs of the world and in active missionary service; by raising funds for the evangelization of mission fields at home and abroad, for the maintenance of the institutions under the care of the Woman's Missionary Council, and for the betterment of civic and social conditions.

3. Anyone may become a member of this auxiliary by giving prayer, service, and a contribution to the annual auxiliary budget.

The auxiliary shall assume the responsibility of payment of a budget, the total amount of which shall include annual dues of \$2.40 per member, a contribution to the Conference expense fund from each member, and the retirement and relief fund from each member, and a pledge from the auxiliary. The dues, pledge, and any other undirected funds shall be prorated by the Council, 40 per cent for the home and 60 per cent for the for-

eign work. Opportunities shall be given for offerings to be directed by individual donors for the support of special work. These special offerings by individuals shall not be prorated.

4. Any one may become a life member of the auxiliary by the payment of \$25.00, an honorary life member by the payment of \$100, and an honorary life patron by the payment of \$300, provided the money is paid for that special purpose. It shall not be included in the pledge nor in any special assumed by individuals or that has been assigned to the auxiliary. Such membership should be considered an honor and should not release the holders from the obligations of active membership.

5. A name may be placed on the memorial roll by the gift of \$25 for this specific purpose.

6. Every auxiliary member shall pay toward the relief and retirement fund and the conference expense fund.

7. The auxiliary shall carry on local work, which shall consist of the care of the parsonage and the charity work of the church. This work may be done through a committee, the funds to be raised as the auxiliary directs.

8. The officers of the auxiliary shall be a president, a vice president, a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, a treasurer, an assistant treasurer and superintendents of young people's work, of children's work, of study and publicity, of social service, and of supplies.

9. The auxiliary shall hold one or more meetings during the month for the transaction of business and for the study of the work. The first regular monthly meeting of the year shall be devoted to the consideration of plans and financial pledges for the new year and to the installation of officers. At the last business meeting of the fiscal year the annual election of officers shall be held.

By-Laws.

1. The president shall preside at all meetings of the auxiliary and shall actively advance its interests. In her absence the vice president shall assume her duties.

2. The vice president shall preside in the absence of the president and shall actively promote the interests of the auxiliary.

3. The corresponding secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the auxiliary, and shall promote Christian stewardship. She shall send to the district secretary full reports by the first of January, April, July and October. She shall also send to the district secretary and the conference corresponding secretary the names and addresses of all newly-elected officers of the auxiliary. She shall send her books to the district meeting for examination.

4. The recording secretary shall keep a record of the regular and called meetings and see that each meeting is properly announced.

5. The treasurer shall collect all moneys of the auxiliary, keep an account of the same, and make an itemized report monthly to the auxiliary. She shall remit to the conference treasurer on the first of January, April, July and October, giving an itemized statement of the amount, a duplicate of the same to be furnished the auxiliary corresponding secretary. The books of the treasurer shall be audited annually.

6. The assistant treasurer shall

have charge of local funds. She shall make a monthly report to the auxiliary, and she shall furnish the treasurer a quarterly statement to be included in her report. She shall pay out money from the local treasury only upon an order signed by both the president of the auxiliary and the chairman of the local committee. The auxiliary as a society shall not assume obligation for the assistance or support of outside organizations, such as orphanages, hospitals, travelers' aids, Y. W. C. A., etc.

7. The superintendent of young people's work shall be responsible for the organization of the young people's auxiliary and shall develop and direct its work. She shall send reports when required by the conference superintendent of young people's work.

8. The superintendent of children's work shall be responsible for the organization of the children's auxiliary and shall develop and direct its work. She shall send a quarterly report to the conference superintendent of children's work.

9. The superintendent of study and publicity shall be responsible for the organization of mission study and Bible study classes and prayer circles and for the dissemination of missionary information through the church and secular press. She shall report quarterly to the conference superintendent of study and publicity.

10. The superintendent of social service shall stimulate and direct the study and investigation of social questions, and shall seek to bring about social reforms. She shall report quarterly to the conference superintendent of study and publicity.

11. The superintendent of supplies shall superintend the sending of boxes and necessary supplies to ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and to institutions in the home and foreign fields under the direction of the council. She shall report each box sent and its value to the conference superintendent of supplies.

12. The vice president, secretary, treasurer and superintendents shall make written reports at the regular meetings.

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LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE NOTES.

The Centenary Collections in the Sunday School.

The following facts regarding Centenary collections in the Sunday school are of interest:

Up to December 31, 1920, Little Rock Conference Sunday Schools had paid \$18,046.43 on Centenary pledges.

Out of 38 conferences the Little Rock Conference is the thirtieth in the total amount paid on the Centenary, while in Sunday school payments it is in the eleventh place.

The Sunday school has paid a little over 8 per cent of the total amount collected for the Centenary in the conference.

The Centenary offering should be collected one Sunday in each month in the Sunday school and should be forwarded at once direct to Col. John E. Edgerton, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. Note that the Sunday school payment goes direct to Nashville and not through the local treasurer of Centenary funds.

Those schools that have not directed their Centenary payments to a special should do so at once. For information regarding specials in the Sunday schools write "Centenary Bureau of Specials," 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. Payments on Sunday school specials should be made same as above, to Col. Edgerton, but the sender should be very careful to state specifically the name of the special that the payment is to be applied to. All superintendents should be supplied with the regular blanks for use in sending in these Centenary payments. Those who are out of them can get a supply by writing to Col. Edgerton.

The December report shows a new Sunday school special taken by Mrs. R. E. Craig's class at Hamburg. It

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is a \$75 special, which takes care of one-half the support of a missionary nurse in the Ivey Hospital, Songdo, Korea.

Texarkana District Sunday School.

The field secretary met with Dr. I. F. Betts, field secretary of the Texas Conference, and the executive committee of the board of managers in Texarkana Saturday night of last week to plan for the second session of the Texarkana District Standard Training School. The date set for the school is October 3-8. The committee agreed upon a "Seven Unit" school and is going after strong instructors for each course. This is to be a joint school for the two districts centering in Texarkana. In addition to a large enrollment from the seven Texarkana churches a strong effort is to be made to bring representatives from all the charges in the two districts to this central school. This should be one of the very best schools in the connection this year. Rev. J. D. Hammons is chairman of the board of managers.

Training School for Malvern.

The field secretary spent last Sunday with Rev. R. R. Moore and his good people at Malvern. Found a good, live, growing Sunday school under the leadership of Brother Blakely, the fine superintendent. Had a houseful to talk to at the 11 o'clock hour. Arranged for a week's training school to be held with the workers there beginning the 5th of February. Prospects good for a great class of 25 or 30. Brother Moore is doing things right down there. We are looking forward to a good week in this delightful charge.

Get Your Training Books From Brother Colquette.

Rev. D. H. Colquette, our American Bible Society man, is rendering Arkansas Sunday school work a valuable assistance by handling the books in the Training Course. Those in need of any book in the Standard Training Course should write him at 714½ Main Street, Little Rock. Brother Colquette will also handle the book store for us at our various Standard Training Schools this year.

Annual Meeting of Field Workers in Tampa, Fla.

Last week, from the 11th to 15th, the annual meeting of Sunday school field workers and Annual Conference board chairmen was held in Tampa, Fla. As this is the one time in the year when we all can get together and talk over our common problems it is needless to say that the Little Rock Conference field workers wanted to attend this meeting. But the expense of going so far was great and our work is doubled this year without an increase in assessment so we had to forego this pleasure. We are using the money that would have been taken to go to this meeting in promoting a "Conference School of Sunday School Leadership," to be held in connection with the Little Rock Standard

Training School, to be held here in March. Reports from the Tampa meeting indicate a good attendance and a helpful program. We wanted to go, but stayed at home "for the good of the work."

Brother Fowler in the Arkadelphia District.

A personal letter from Brother Fowler indicates that he is doing some splendid work in the Arkadelphia District. The four days of his campaign were spent on the charge of which Brother Jesse Speer is pastor. Among other things a new Sunday school was organized. This campaign will continue according to schedule till the whole district is covered.

Mrs. Salter to Be at Arkadelphia Training School.

We have just received the good news that Mrs. T. M. Salter of Memphis, Tenn., will teach the course for primary workers in the Arkadelphia District Training School, February 28-March 5. Mrs. Salter is primary superintendent in Mr. John R. Pepper's great school at First Church, Memphis, and we are indeed fortunate in securing her services.

NEWS FROM THE FIELD.

Charley Goodlett, the untiring secretary of the Prescott District, has already begun his campaign to win the Sunday School Day banner for his district again. His first letter to all of his superintendents has already gone out from his office and it is a "dandy letter," too. Charley has also undertaken to raise in the Sunday schools of his district a "One Hundred Dollar Special for Our Orphanage." And he will succeed at that as he does everything else.

Rev. J. H. Cummins, the new presiding elder on the Prescott District, at a recent quarterly conference at Trinity, on the Center Point Circuit, organized a teacher training class of 11 members. The text used will be "Life in the Making." This is fine and just what we expected of so good a Sunday school preacher as is Brother Cummins. He is also assisting the field secretary by reporting regularly the status of Sunday school work in the charge after each quarterly conference. Rev. A. W. Hamilton is pastor and Mr. Joe Whitmore the superintendent at Trinity.

Rev. J. C. Evans, our pastor at Atlanta, writes: "Please send me full plans for teacher training work. I hope to get two classes started soon." Brother Evans was among the preachers who took work in our Texarkana school last fall.

Rev. A. T. Clanton, at Grady, won his Blue Seal Diploma at conference and is now taking his "specialization" units. He writes that he expects to have his Gold Seal by April 1.

Rev. J. E. Cooper, recently appointed to the Stephens Charge, writes: "Our work is moving off nicely here. This is a great field and the harvest is white. We need a few more reapers—and better trained." We prophecy that under Cooper's leadership Stephens will soon have those trained leaders. No better band of college-trained young people anywhere than at Stephens, and Adams, the superintendent, is O. K.

Rev. Fred Roebuck, writing from Bearden, says: "The work is going well here. We have good interest in

our Sunday schools. Our new church was completed last Tuesday and you can imagine how glad we are. We shall be moving in as soon as the floors are dry and the pews are ready. I shall always be glad I was sent to Bearden."

Rev. J. W. Mann of the Tillar Charge, writing appreciatively of his new work, says, among other things: "The more I know the people here the more I love them. Brother Jeff Harrell is a consecrated young man for superintendent, and I find him deeply interested in the welfare of the Sunday school, craving advice and help that he may make the best superintendent possible. You know it is encouraging when you find a young fellow like this."

Rev. J. H. Glass, with his accustomed enthusiasm, is pushing the Sunday school work on the Waldo Charge. A charge-wide Sunday School Institute is being planned for the fifth Saturday and Sunday in this month.

Rev. W. T. Thompson, at Pulaski Heights, is a new man among us, but he has already won a big place in the heart of the Sunday school secretary. He begins the year with the organization of a training class, with Hon. J. L. Bond as teacher.

HIGHLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL ON EGGER CIRCUIT.

This school is four and one-half miles northeast of Egger. It was organized 28 years ago under a bush arbor by the writer under the pastorate of Brother R. G. Rowland. Later a log house was built. After some years this was replaced with a better house. This school is very much alive and our motto is, "Push Onward and Upward to Better Things." Among other good works done the past year we adopted the plan of reading the Bible and reporting by classes the number of chapters read each week. Beginning with the first Sunday in January, 1920, the classes reported upon the year as follows:

Class No. 1 read 885 chapters.

Class No. 2 read 2,721 chapters.

Class No. 3 read 2,313 chapters.

Class No. 4 read 1,937 chapters.

Class No. 5 read 433 chapters.

Class No. 6 read 1,310 chapters.

Making a total of 9,599 chapters read by the school during the year, or enough chapters to read the Bible through eight times and a little to spare. This Sunday school has an enrollment of about 100, and we hope to make this the greatest year in Sunday school work since we organized 28 years ago. We are organizing the Sunday school into a prayer league, and aside from holding prayer service we expect to look after the sick and needy and any other work of the church that needs us. We wish success to the Sunday schools of our great State, and hope that we shall make this the greatest year for Sunday schools we have ever had.—John Simpson.

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POVERTY WEED AND PREPARATION.

It seems that only yesterday a vast acreage in the eastern part of our State was a prairie waste, barren and worthless. The only thing which would grow on it was "poverty-weed," and that was of the puniest grade. A man felt that he had made a good trade if he could sell it for \$1 per acre.

One day a farmer, disgusted with seeing such a vast area lying useless, set aside a small plot of this dry and dusty "weed patch," and by a simple experiment in irrigating and planting some rice seed, he carefully attended his doubtful venture till harvesting season. When crop gathering time came, he reaped a reasonably profitable crop of rice. He was surprised! His neighbors were even skeptical. But the next year he set aside a little larger piece of land for this same purpose and one or two of his neighbors did the same. The result was again profitable and encouraging.

Today, when you go into that same section of Arkansas, you'll find hundreds of pumps flooding thousands of these once useless acres of land, which now yield one of Arkansas' largest and most profitable crops, worth millions of dollars every year.

Survey your own seemingly barren and useless life. Human clay isn't so very much different from plain dirt, after all. It's the use which God has for each which makes one of so much greater concern to us than the other.

Have You a Definite Purpose?—Is there some "cause" to which your

loyalty involves, if need be, the sacrifice of every other, lesser allegiance?

We know that three-fourths of America's youth of yesterday are today merely average or below the average in intellectual development, and real achievement, because they lacked a definite purpose.

In setting aside your life for active service in God's kingdom, whether it be as layman, social worker, preacher, or missionary, you have a definite purpose.

But, just as the mere "setting aside" of the barren plot of ground for the first crop of Arkansas rice was not sufficient in itself to make the land productive, so the mere consecration of purpose alone is inadequate for productive results in the kingdom of God among men.

That Purpose Must Be Made Active. —The cannon is useless without the powder and projectile in it, and the gunner to fire it.

As Epworth Leaguers, many of us have consecrated our lives to God's service. It is our purpose, as far as we know, to make the principles of Jesus the guiding principles of our lives. The cannon is aimed in the right direction. The next step in which too many consecrated lives have made the tragic mistake which doomed their lives to a field of service far smaller than it could have been with a little time for preparation. We can't expect the cannon to be of much use in the Christian offensive if there is no ammunition. During this period, a thorough, persistent, reverent study of God's Word, faithful and constant prayer, the use of our every opportunity to serve our enemies' and neighbors' needs. The pursuing of our regular school work, through high school, and Christian college, these are activities which are vital to our continuing growth, and are legitimate dynamic consecration! There is only one consecration greater than that of preparation. Jesus Christ didn't begin his short term of eternal service till he had spent more years in preparation than many of us will spend in years of service. Prepare!

By now the little plot of land which you set aside for a definite purpose has been cultivated by constant study and preparation, and irrigated by the Divine Guidance. The crop is about ready to be prepared for a harvest of infinitely greater value than any rice harvest. The cannon which you have aimed correctly, by purposing to do God's will, is now loaded with the projectile of thorough preparation and sensitiveness to God's will. The cannon which is loaded with the biggest shell, the most dynamic Christian experience, is the one which will accomplish the most strategic results in the offensive for Jesus Christ, when fired by the love of God for man.

The Crowning Day of All Has Come. —We are ready to serve. The consecration of our lives to God for service, wherever the field be, and we go to our task, singing:

"Lead on, O king eternal; the day of march has come!

Henceforth, in fields of conquest, Thy tents shall be our home.

Through days of preparation Thy grace hath made us strong,
 And now, O King Eternal, we lift our battle song!"

—James W. Workman, 713 Harkness Memorial Quadrangle, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

FINE PROGRESS AT CHURCH CHURCH, NORTH LITTLE ROCK.

With an average attendance of 40, the Friendly Epworth League of the First Methodist Church of North Little Rock is breaking down all barriers in a contest for more, efficient, loyal Leaguers. This contest was begun November 2 and will end February 20, at which time we expect to have the best League in our conference. This contest is more to improve the old Leaguers than to enlist new ones. A point is given for each of the following things: Three calls on the sick or strangers; for each 20 present at the weekly prayer meetings; for beginning the service on time; for "all talkers, and no readers"; for anything that requires special effort or sacrifice. This contest has caused a marked increase in attendance and in each department of the League, especially in the visits paid to the sick and strangers.

A mission study class has been started with an enrollment of 12.

This was one of the two Leagues to receive a Gold Seal at the last conference, and, so far, our records indicate that we will receive the same honor next year.

A prayer meeting was held Thanksgiving morning, after which fruit was taken to the Methodist Orphanage.

The League has taken the responsibility of the chorister for the church. —Leah Barlow.

HERE AND YONDER.

Brother H. H. Hunt and family have the deepest sympathy of the Leaguers in the death of their daughter, Miss Corra Nell, who passed away on Christmas Day, 1920. Resolutions of sympathy were passed by the Searcy Leaguers, of whom she was one, and by whom she will be sadly missed.

Leaguers organizing a mission study class for the purpose of studying "Serving the Neighborhood" can obtain copies of the book, while they last, from Rev. D. H. Colquette, agent American Bible Society, 714½ Main Street, Little Rock, Ark. He has a small supply left over from the assembly last summer.

Miss Bess McKay, the Prescott District secretary, is in Little Rock, where she has been called on account of sickness in the family. Leaguers wishing to get in touch with her during the next month can reach her at 2105 West Eleventh street.

Unless notified to the contrary, the Little Rock Conference Epworth League Cabinet will hold its first meeting for the new year at 7:30 Saturday evening, January 29, at the office of the Arkansas Methodist, Sixth and Scott streets, Little Rock. A 100 per cent attendance is desired.

An interesting "Attendance Contest" is being carried on by the Winfield Memorial Leaguers, Miss Effie Bannon being captain of one team and Mr.

Maurice Quilling captain of the other. The victorious team will be given an entertainment by the losers. The contest is resulting in fine attendance on the part of the Leaguers, and the splendid programs that are being given will insure the attendance being kept at the high mark attained during the contest.

The Leaguers who have attended the institute at First Church, Little Rock, for the past week, have been greatly benefited by the classes in charge of E. O. Harbin of the Central Office, Nashville, Tenn., in the work of the First, Second and Third Departments, and Clarence Meux and W. H. Keeton of Henderson and Pulaski Heights Churches, respectively, in the work of the Fourth department. The object of the meeting was to increase the efficiency of the Epworth League in all its branches of service, and how well the Leaguers have absorbed this fine instruction will be brought out in the increased efficiency of the Little Rock Chapters in the months to follow.

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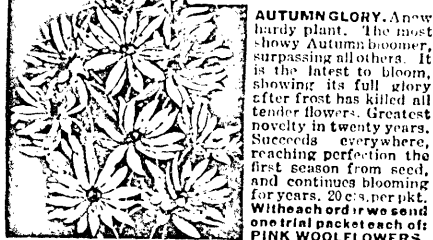
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Rebekah's name with Isaac's
Is evermore entwined.

'Twas mother's love and sister's wit,
Away in Egypt's land,
That saved the baby Moses' life
Against the king's command.

There's Naomi and loving Ruth,
And Jephthah's daughter, too;
There's Hannah full of faith in God,
Fair Esther, brave and true.

The Christ himself knew mother love
As Mary o'er him bent,
And with him to the very cross
The faithful women went.
—Emma B. McKean in Bible Record.

WHAT SECURED THE POSITION.

"I came in answer to your advertisement for a typist," said Lulu Becker, as she timidly approached the superintendent of the employment bureau of a large department store.

"Yes, miss," said Mr. Beale, "please be seated a moment until I can talk with you."

Seating herself in one of the richly upholstered chairs, Lulu could not but reproach herself for taking up her time in seeking a position she felt sure she could not win. She recalled the five or six young women whom the manager of the business college had sent to be interviewed by Mr. Beale, and each of whom had returned to the college saying that the superintendent had told her he could not employ her. She had hesitated when the teacher had suggested to her that she might try, and only the fact that her widowed mother and younger sisters needed the support she hoped to earn impelled her to strive for the place.

"I will be glad to talk with you now." The voice of the superintendent aroused her and she rose and walked to his desk. After asking her name and something about her speed and ability, Mr. Beale opened a book, and, showing the young woman a page, asked her to copy it while he was out of the room. Left to herself, Lulu felt entirely at ease, and, slipping the sheet of paper into the machine, she wrote rapidly and without error. When she finished the task the superintendent had not yet returned to the room, and she continued to sit on the typewriter chair with her eyes intent on the typewritten page. So oblivious was she to her surroundings that she did not know that Mr. Beale had re-entered the room until she heard his voice at her side. Hastily scanning the sheet she handed him, as though it were hardly necessary, the superintendent said: "I have decided to give you the position, Miss Becker; you will please report for work tomorrow morning. The salary to start will be ten dollars a week, with the promise of an increase as soon as you earn it by strict attention to business."

All this was said so quickly that Lulu was hardly aware of what was transpiring. She had expected to be asked a number of questions, to have to undergo the ordeal of writing before a stranger, and, finally, to be told that she could not have the position;

but here were the superintendent's words to the effect that the position was hers. Ten dollars a week to start! That was more than she understood the position was worth.

As though divining the question she would like to ask, Mr. Beale said: "I suppose you would like to know why I gave you the position after refusing a number of others, and why I have fixed your salary at a higher figure than I promised the manager of your college. I will tell you. I went out of the room in order that you might feel at your ease, but also that I might observe your actions when you thought you were alone. Through that little-used window I noticed that, in the case of every one of the other applicants, each one looked all over my desk and even examined some of the papers I purposely left on top. Not content with that, some even opened the drawers of the desk, and showed a very undesirable curiosity. When you had finished your task, you sat quietly and attended to your own affairs. This, together with the fact that your work is neatly done, has gained you the position at a higher salary."

"The work I have for a typist is not hard, but it is of a very confidential nature. Likewise, I have at all times papers and documents on my desk that are private business arrangements that do not concern a typist, and, if their contents were divulged, might prevent our house from closing a contract. In the past I have had excellent young ladies in my employ, but, without exception, they were so prying that I decided that I would never employ another one unless she could pass the test I have devised. You have passed it with flying colors, and you have no idea how pleased I am to find that there are some typists who are well-bred. Good morning."

"Oh, mother," exclaimed Lulu as she rushed home to tell the good news, "how thankful I am that you brought me up to respect the rights of others, and how thankful I am that I profited by your training!"

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

PREACHER WANTED.

Lake City Station is open. It is a county site town of about 1,500 people. It pays a salary of \$1,000, has a nice little five-room parsonage, furnished with most of the heavy furniture. A good opportunity for a wide-awake man. Send references with application.—R. E. L. Bearden, P. E., Jonesboro, Ark.

SHALL WE DO IT.

He has just left the office. He is tall (six feet, one). He has a clear head, learns rapidly, thoroughly. He works in the college truck patch with other men and cleans the elevator, feeds the hogs with dining-room scraps and so closely is he occupied that he has in twelve weeks been to town only three times. He had, after paying his first term's board and fees, \$12 left for books and laundry. He has not spent one cent for luxuries, and yet this young man, because of not being able to realize on his part of the family cotton crop may have to leave college. This physically fit, mentally alert young man preparing himself for the ministry in the Southern Methodist Church, says, "I must stop my education for lack of money."

Without endowment, without any income save that of tuition and fees, but with the backing of a great church, I told this young man he could "not pass" from Henderson-Brown College. My only financial ground on which to base this statement is that he must be trained here now, but what about his expenses? All I request now is, that we pray.—J. M. Workman, President.

LETTER FROM LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT LAY LEADER.

Dear Brother: Having been appointed lay leader for the Little Rock District Conference, I am addressing each charge lay leader, asking for their hearty co-operation in the following important matters in your respective churches. I am also asking you to for you to keep a report of the attend-

co-operate with your pastor, that he may assist you in bringing these matters forcibly before your people.

First. Urge the necessity of the regular attendance of the membership at the preaching services, Sunday school, League and all meetings, that will up-build the spiritual in your church and community.

Second. In case you only have preaching once or twice per month, you should try and interest your members to give spiritual talks on Sundays you have no services. You will find this very helpful, and encouraging to all and will keep up interest and attendance on the part of both church members and outsiders. If you have no one who will do this, and you think it will be helpful, let me know and I will try to get some one near you who will help.

Third. You should co-operate with your board of stewards to see that all financial matters are promptly attended to, thereby relieving your pastor of this trying and unpleasant duty, and it will enable him to give all his spare time to visiting membership and the community.

Fourth. I suggest that you bring before your church the great importance of family prayer. I think this neglect has made more lukewarm churches than any one thing. I know your pastor would be glad to preach occasionally on this subject. You will find a good praying member, invariably a good paying member.

Fifth. Our church paper, the Arkansas Methodist, should be in every home. I think your pastor has some low rates for new subscribers for the next sixty days, help him all you can to get it among the people.

Sixth. The Centenary pledges should be looked after and collections made when possible, the work of the church will be greatly retarded if we fail to collect this fund.

These are only a few suggestions, there is no rule to guide, therefore, handle the matter in the way that will bring the best results. I would like to bring the best results. I would like to bring the best results. I would like to bring the best results.

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ance of all meetings, and the progress your church makes in all its auxiliaries. I shall want a report from you the last week in April, so I can be ready for the District Conference that meets at Lonoke on May 4 this year.

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HOT SPRINGS PREACHERS' MEETING.

The Methodist preachers of Hot Springs met in regular session in the pastor's study of Central Church at 10 o'clock Monday morning, January 17. All the members were present except Brother Monk, who was in Little Rock. Brother Steele presided. J. W. Thomas led the opening prayer.

After discussing some of the phases of our church problems, reports were made as follows:

Central Avenue.—No report (pastor absent).

Park Avenue.—Brother Rorie reported that a new era had dawned at Park Avenue. He is preaching to large congregations, especially large at night. Organized a Junior League since last report. Had 10 pupils in Sunday school Sunday.

Third Street.—Thomas reported a good day Sunday. Sunday school the largest in years, growing rapidly. Organized teacher training class, with Miss Jewell Freeman as teacher. League room crowded at League service. Received one member by certificate since last report.

Brother Steele reported that he had visited Third Street and Park Avenue Churches and found the pastors in

high favor and churches growing and outlook favorable.—J. W. Thomas, Secretary.

OSAGE CHARGE.

Osage is still on the map. The good bishop was kind to us at last conference and sent us Brother Biggs, a man of God, whom we have quickly learned to love. We are planning great things this year under his noble leadership. He delivered two great soul-stirring messages last week to large congregations on Christian Education. I think every life was touched and this great move is at high tide in this community. The spiritual life of the church has already been quickened. We are moving forward.—A Steward.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT GET-TOGETHER MEETINGS.

The preachers and laymen on the east side of the Arkansas river will meet at Stuttgart on January 27 at 7:30 p. m. and hold over till noon the 28th. Also, on February 3, a like meeting will be held at Sheridan for a day, beginning at 9 a. m. The meeting at Sheridan is for the preachers and laymen on the west side of the river, including Pine Bluff. We hope to see every preacher in these meetings. Brethren, be on hand and bring with you one or more of your best laymen. These meetings are in the interest of our Christian Education Movement. The Pine Bluff District must not lag behind, so let us push to the front. We can, and we must. So get with these meetings. Conference men connected with the movement are expected to be with us.—J. W. Harrell, P. E.

ATLANTA CIRCUIT.

On our arrival at our new post we met a goodly number of fine, loyal, zealous and earnest church folks who made us believe that we were among our friends, and we have not yet discovered that we were mistaken. This young pastor congratulates himself on having that fine, agreeable, sweet-spirited old superannuate, Rev. David Bolls, for a "pilot." He and his good wife know what to do when a new preacher comes into a new community. One of the first things in the way of an introduction was a get-together meeting at the school auditorium, where quite a crowd most heartily enjoyed themselves in the playing of a few old and unique games, after which was served a splendid supper. Then followed a few pieces of music on the violin by Mrs. Porter Simmons. Then a short address by the pastor, followed by that staunch layman, Bro. R. H. McLendon. Then all seemed to leave for their homes. But soon after the pastor and family arrived home, a mighty storm swept down upon the parsonage, leaving in its wake many good things to eat, all of which is greatly appreciated. We were loath to leave the good people of the Spring Hill Circuit, but we find others just as good. My second round will have soon been made. My congregations are increasing all the time, a considerable gain in church activities which indicates life. We are trying to set on foot plans which, if carried out, will mean much for the cause of Christ. We have already put down a new well and are arranging to put many new things into the parsonage. The auxiliaries of the church are do-

ing a splendid work. We are hoping and praying that this will be a great year for the Atlanta Circuit.—J. C. Evans, P. C.

PRECOTT DISTRICT SET-UP MEETING.

The set-up meeting for Prescott District was held at Hope, December 29. There were 16 of the 20 preachers and six laymen present. The morning session was opened at 11 with Presiding Elder J. H. Cummings in the chair. Jess Galloway was elected secretary. After an opening song there was prayer led by Dr. J. M. Workman of Henderson-Brown College. The program of the day was outlined by the chair, after which another song was sung and Rev. M. S. Monk of Central Avenue Church, Hot Springs, led in prayer. Rev. J. L. Cannon having arrived led in the morning devotion, using the subject "Prayer," and brought a wonderful message from the text, "Lord, teach us to pray." Luke 11:1. He said the lesson for the world to learn is to pray, to renew the old estimate of prayer that the prophets and even our fathers had. Till this is done, he reminded us, no movement is a success and will be of no profit. There is a real profit and gain however we come to the proposition of prayer. In learning or teaching to pray we need an example, so the example of all Christendom is the prayer of our Lord. His prayer made God our Father, and as a Father He will do what is best, but, like a father who might be a surgeon, He may have to probe pretty deep sometimes to relieve our wounds. No achievement in church or state that is worth while comes except through prayer. When we have prayed, what ought to be done, will be done. After a motion that we meet again at 1:30 p. m. we were adjourned after prayer by Dr. Workman. At 1:30 p. m. the session was opened by a song, after which Rev. J. L. Cannon led in prayer. Dr. Stonewall Anderson then explained what it was we were trying to set up. It was the spiritual resources of the church being set up in a definite program for three months, as outlined in the Handbook for Preachers. The first month to be given to prayer, the second to life service and the third to stewardship. These properly followed should secure 5,000 young people for life service, should deepen the spiritual life of the people and would promote liberality and true stewardship among the people. He then emphasized the importance of Christian education. He read a statement by Judge Gary relative to the attitude that men of means must take or else be forced to lose what they possess. "He must use his money for the good of humanity or in defending himself."

Dr. Anderson then described much of the unrest and crime of the world and of America. He traced much of it to be the result of wrong ideals that have been implanted in our schools. He referred to the large number of professors in the institutions of learning who have no adequate conception of God or who are infidels, agnostics or skeptics. He continued even to more detailed cause, the lack of religious environment and instruction in the home. He charged the common picture shows with a large portion of crime and immorality that is just now cropping out.

He then reasoned that to overcome

and counteract all these wrongs, necessitated a substitution of something better. This something better is the Christian school which he defined. The first, he said, we need to notice is that the "Christian school, unlike the State, makes not only good citizens as did even Germany, but makes Christian citizens. The next factor in Christian education is Christian instruction. The heart of Christian instruction is the Bible, and the heart of the Bible is the New Testament, and the best of it all is the teachings of Christ, what Jesus said. This can not be taught in State schools. To promote these ideals and to teach the Bible requires the church school. The three sources of all knowledge are found from the world, from man and from God. The church must see that all these sources are open.

Dr. Workman then made an address on "Prayer, Life Service and Stewardship." On prayer, he made the statement that the great events in the world's history were settled in the prayer room and that we have a God to whom and with whom we may talk.

He reminded us that to supply all demands, that we now need 1,068 young men in the ministry who are really trained. He also said that the tithe would sufficiently care for all our financial needs.

Talks were made upon the relationship of the different departments of the church to the educational movement. The relationship of the Sunday school by Rev. Clem Baker, the League by Miss Bess McKay, the Woman's Missionary Society by Mrs. Thompson, and the Laymen by Mr. Bert Johnson.

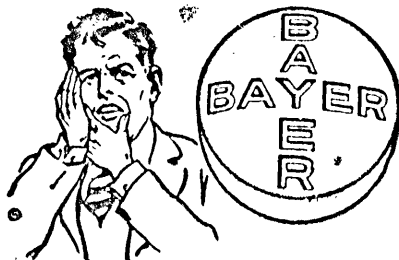
Mr. Irvine, director of the Centenary, made a brief statement. Among other things, he said that where real efforts had been made, according to the plan, collections had been good. He also said if our pledges to the Centenary failed it would mean an utter defeat of the Educational Movement.

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were present, but not a graduate to represent Prescott District by appointment.

It was a day of great interest and all expressed deep concern, and every pastor pledged himself to try to carry out the standard plan. Our presiding elder already has the good will and co-operation of all his preachers and we everyone know he will do his part.

Bert Johnson said Prescott District hasn't learned how to fail yet, and that we will not this time.—Jess Galloway, Secretary.

WESSON CHARGE.

I was returned to the Wesson Charge for another year. I am to give half time to Wesson and half to Fredonia, as Merryville was put back on Atlanta. Since coming here the attendance at Wesson church has more than doubled in every way. And it goes without saying that Fredonia is always doing her part. We have a good Sunday school and Epworth League there. From that church alone we have received seven (yes, seven) hogs. Whoever heard of a preacher having seven hogs? Seven hogs and no two teeth fit very well, but I really believe that I am more hog than man just now. I am sure we will have a great rooster for the Little Rock conference baseball game at Conway Summer School. This shows what can be done when a church wants to do things. I would like to pause right here to say that there are hundreds of churches in Arkansas that could do as these good people have done. Dear brother stewards, let me urge you to give this a trial and see how the people will respond, and think what it will mean to the preachers and their families in these trying times if you stewards will do your best, and what it will mean if you fail. Sam Jones once said there never was an effect without a cause. So let me point out some of the causes: First, the steward who leads in this was reared by parents who had a family altar; second, he has prayers in his home; third, he reads the Nashville Advocate and Arkansas Methodist; fourth, he has never missed a quarterly conference since he has been on the board of stewards; fifth, he seldom ever misses a preaching service; sixth, he has a good people to work among; seventh, he has faith to believe it can be done; eighth, he has time to do the work; ninth, he is no kicker. I did not hear of but one objection. One of the stewards said he had a hog but it was too fat for a

preacher; it would give him indigestion, but he sent the hog just the same. Shucks! I like to have forgotten to say I got a whole live turkey off the Christmas tree here at Wesson. No, brethren, none of you can have my place. I will try to put the Methodist in every home.—R. H. Bamberg.

THIRD STREET CHURCH, HOT SPRINGS.

Our church is starting the new year with very bright prospects for one of the most successful years in the history of our church. Brother and Sister Thomas, who came to us from the Leslie Station of the North Arkansas Conference, have taken hold of the different departments of the church work, and they are adding their full strength wherever they find a weak point.

The Epworth League has been reorganized and has taken on new life. The Woman's Missionary Society has started off well and has bright prospects for the year. The Sunday school is growing, both in interest and in numbers, and we find it growing so rapidly just at this time that we will be compelled to make some additional improvements to take care of it. This we are planning to do in the near future.

Our presiding elder was with us Wednesday night, January 12, and held our first quarterly conference, and made a very strong appeal on the educational campaign. The different departments of the church all made good reports as to the progress of the church thus far. We had received ten additions to the church, increased the pastor's salary \$200, and were paid up in full to that date.

The chairman of the official board called together all the different departments of the church the first of the year to discuss the plans of the church for this year. At this meeting each department was permitted to make its own plans just as it thought best and then were called together again and made a full report of what it purposed to try to accomplish this year, and it was wonderful to see the fine spirit manifested and to listen to the good reports made from these different departments, each one pledging to help the other. It was a great meeting, well attended and a fine spirit manifested throughout the whole meeting, and we believe that Third Street Church is going to work this year as it has never done before. We ask the prayers of all Christian people that we may make this a banner year for the upbuilding of God's kingdom in our church and in Hot Springs.—R. L. Keith, Chairman Board of Stewards.

BERRYVILLE.

After spending two very pleasant and profitable years at Centerton, the bishop read us out for Berryville at our recent conference at Rogers. We regret very much to leave our friends at Centerton, for they had shown us many expressions of kindness and love, and we shall never forget them. We arrived in Berryville on Thursday evening after Conference, and our reception was most cordial. The many expressions shown since then have convinced us that we are among friends, and those who love and are loyal to every interest of the church. On Thursday before Christmas the

"pounding" came in "due and ancient form." Late in the evening the people began to come and they kept coming until the parsonage was almost filled with them. They brought many good things to eat, money, etc., as gifts. These expressions touch us deeply and we pray for grace and wisdom to minister to them in spiritual things. The outlook is indeed very encouraging for a fruitful year. The interest and attendance in the Sunday school is increasing, the Epworth League is taking on new life, the Woman's Missionary Society has been reorganized, and the good women are planning an active year's work. The attendance upon the regular services of the church is large, and the indications are that new interest is being taken in every department of the church. The stewards have unanimously fixed the salary at \$200 above last year for the pastor, and are paying it monthly. Our first quarterly conference has been held and the reports were good. Everybody is glad that Brother Oliver has been returned to the district for another year. He is a wise and efficient leader. We are planning forward movements in every department of the church, and the people are loyally co-operating, and we pray that God may lead us by His Spirit to deeper experiences and greater achievements this year than ever before. The Berryville Circuit, under the leadership of Rev. R. E. McLeod, is also moving forward.—J. M. Fryar, P. C.

WASHINGTON AND OZAN.

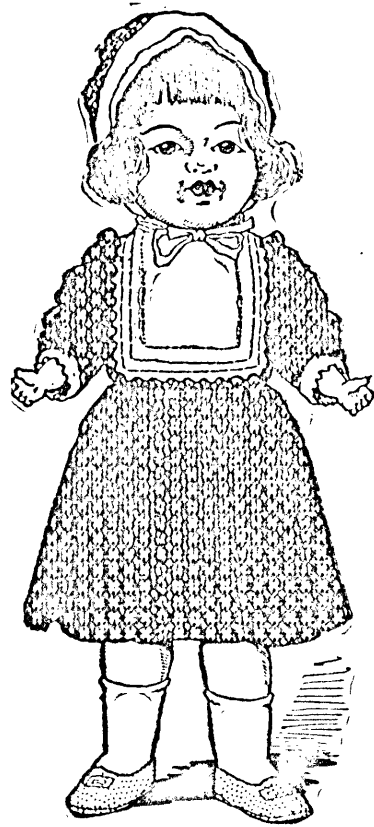
The Washington and Ozan Charge received their pastor with full love on Thanksgiving night. For what was the day of our arrival. We found the Missionary Society trying to get things in shape for us, so we went to work also and soon had things in living order. But in the meantime Washington showed their appreciation by

"pounding" us to the limit, Brother Gould making the welcome address, which was very tender and full of much love, of which this sweet-spirited man of God has plenty to spare. The first appointment was with Ozan and St. Paul. We found some of the finest peoples at these two appointments to be found in the Conference and we were made happy by their reception. The first Sunday in December we stood before our people at Washington, where also we found a fine people. Three Sunday schools, one Epworth League and two Missionary Societies. Now the time has come to organize teacher training classes for Washington and Ozan schools, and we are going to do this at once. Attendance upon the services increasing very rapidly. The Spirit of God is manifested in the services. Our presiding elder, Rev. J. H. Cummins, held our first quarterly conference the 15th and everything is all right for this year. The revival fires are already burning on family altars.

Our town was much touched by the news that Brother J. H. Gold had fallen and broken his hip. He is getting along just fine, and we are praying that his face will come among us again, for we miss him very much. The drive for the Methodist will be made soon.—L. C. Gatlin.

SET-UP MEETING OF HELENA DISTRICT.

President Williams delivered an address that was electrifying. Without a hint of despair, he led straight up to the fact that the world was facing the day of its greatest crises. Recalling some of the customs of social relationships and the wealth of materialism the speaker made an analogy between the present day and the day preceding the fall of Rome. "Rome could not stand this thing. And America can not stand it," he said. He urged the reorganization of the



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Brother Tolleson, the Director for the two Arkansas Conferences, headed the team and explained the scope and program of the campaign.

Brother William Sherman, the presiding elder of the district, presided over the meeting and also spoke as an official member of the team. His subject was "Stewardship." His speech was uncommonly good, but not unusual for him.

The team and their subjects: Rev. F. M. Tolleson, director, "The Scope and Program of the Campaign"; President J. M. Williams, "Spiritual Aspects of the Campaign"; Rev. William Sherman, "Stewardship"; Rev. J. Turpin Willcoxen, "Life Service." Dr. F. S. H. Johnston was a member of the team, but was detained at home and did not reach the meeting.

Enthusiastic—no, hearty—sympathy with the campaign was manifested by the pastors present. These expressions were joined by several laymen present, among whom were Elmo Moss, who spoke on behalf of the Epworth Leagues of the district, and Mrs. Green, president of the Woman's Missionary Society of Forrest City.—B. C. Few, Reporter.

CALICO ROCK.

We arrived in Calico Rock, December 4. We were met at the train by quite a number of our people and were taken to the home of Sisters Pearl McGinnis and Maggie Noe. During the evening several of our members called to get acquainted with us, which made us feel welcome. We were detained at this home for several days on account of the illness of our baby. We did not lack for anything during this time, either from this home or the other church members. Dr. Smith, who is one of our official members, gained a warm place in our hearts by his attentive and effective care which soon brought baby back to good health. We came to the parsonage, December 9, and on the evening of the 10th footsteps were heard on our porch and opening the door our house was filled with people with smiling faces and arms full, and soon

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our pantry shelves were full to running over. The evening was spent in getting acquainted. Before they went home we all sang and had a prayer together.

These good people not only remembered their pastor, but also gave our superannuated preacher and his good wife, Rev. and Sister G. B. Griffin of this place, a liberal pounding during Christmas week.

We have a good Sunday school with an average attendance last quarter of 119. We are using the graded literature. We found a teacher training class when we came studying their fourth book. We have succeeded in organizing our present teachers into a training class. We found the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Leagues organized and doing good work. The church services are well attended.

These people have increased the pastor's salary from \$1,000 to \$1,200. We especially appreciate this "good faith in spite of the scarcity of money caused by the collapse of the cotton market."

Brother H. L. Wade, our presiding elder, who is much loved by everyone, called his district stewards to meet here December 28. On Monday evening, December 27, Brother O. D. Langston, pastor at Mountain Home, preached a great sermon. Brother I. L. Claud of Yellville also preached a great sermon Tuesday evening.

May God bless the former pastors and the good people of Calico Rock who have brought this church to her present standing. I covet your prayers for her continued success.—D. H. Holland, P. C.

STAMPS.

I am now installed at Stamps, one of the most desirable appointments in the conference, good town, splendid citizenship, a well-organized church with a loyal membership, fine Woman's Missionary Society, good League in good working condition, one of the very best Sunday schools I know. Brother Simmons, our new presiding elder, was with us last Sunday night, preached a good sermon and held our first quarterly conference. He is a good presiding officer. He was painstaking as a pastor looking well after all the interests of the church, and I feel sure he will make a fine elder and will look well after every interest of the church. He left this church in fine condition. We have a perfect financial system. All the money is cared for in the budget. The way seems to be open for a good year.—J. A. Biggs.

DALARK.

While the preachers of the Little Rock Conference, at the close of the session recently held at Camden, were receiving their appointments and disappointments, we received an appointment to Dalark Charge; and it was not a disappointment to us, for we feel hardly worthy of it as a pastorate. We had a very cordial reception on arrival, November 30. Expressions of appreciation and satisfaction over our presence as pastor and helper had been continual since the hour of our arrival for the good ladies had a very fine dinner on the table. On the evening of January 10 we heard music and singing on the front porch, and as we were greeting the serenaders, as we thought, we found that it was a forerunner of the entering of that

storm that destroys not the preacher and his family, but supplies their needs in many ways, and begets within them a greater spirit of loyalty and service to God, the church, and the people, and brings the people and them closer together. This was a pounding like that which Dr. Millar and the city preacher would like to see again in their homes.

While we have very favorable conditions here in this charge, we have just had some very serious happenings, in that Mrs. M. Ohls, a beloved member of the Dalark Methodist Church for many years, a well-loved and helpful wife and mother of one of our best homes, died after several days of illness, January 2. From the evidences of her life, she went to take up her abode with the Heavenly Host. Mrs. Frank Parker, a member of Bethlehem Church, a sweet-spirited wife, mother and friend, after an illness of nearly two years, died December 30. She, too, we feel, is with God, receiving that heavenly sweetness. And Mr. Frank Pearson, an ex-sheriff of Dallas County, a good citizen, husband, and well liked by every one who knew him, several years a member of the Baptist Church, died very sudden. The bereaved all have our sympathy.—L. T. Rogers, P. C.

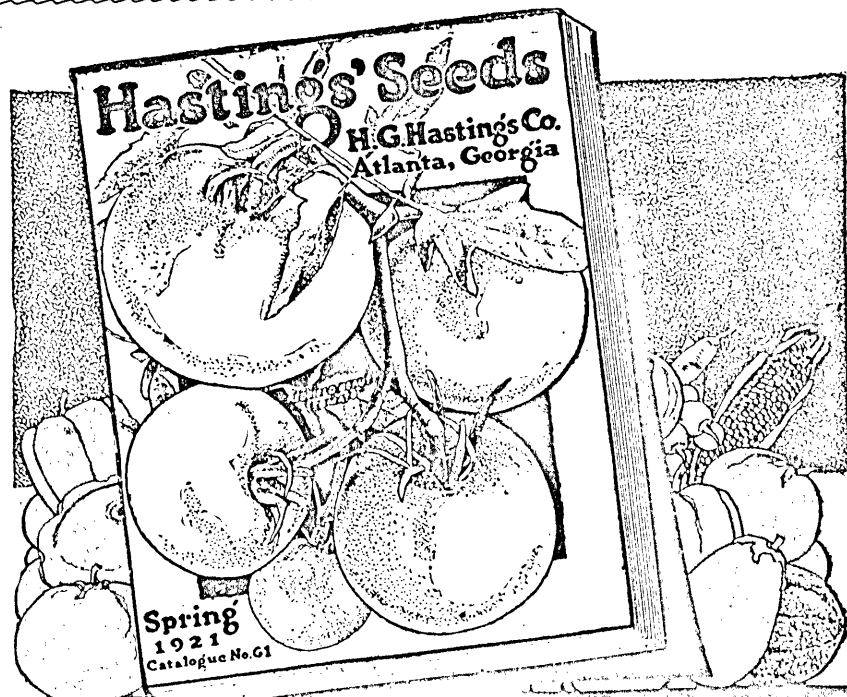
OBITUARY.

McCLURE.—Mrs. J. D. C. McClure died at her home in Wilmar, Ark., December 20, 1920, at 10 p. m. She was called suddenly, which was a great shock to the family and her many friends. Mrs. McClure was not only an acceptable and useful member of the Methodist Church at Wilmar, but was a most excellent, cultured Christian lady. Her daily walk and beautiful life adorned our Christian profession. Her beautiful home, which she made more beautiful, was always open to our preachers and church workers. She was known by many and had scores of friends, for to know her was to hold her in high esteem. She and Brother

McClure were married March 29, 1873, and for over 47 years had they walked the way of life together in affectionate companionship. He now mourns her departure, yet he has great faith in God, and fully intends to continue the good fight in which he is now actively engaged for the church, and finally meet her in the "Beautiful Beyond" when his work for his Lord is done. Sister McClure was the mother of six children, three of whom preceded her to the "better land." Three daughters survive her, Mrs. C. C. Gates of Pasadena, Cal.; Mrs. F. C. Seymore and Mrs. W. E. Burroughs of Wilmar, Ark.; also 14 grandchildren; and, though their hearts are broken, still they rejoice to know they can be associated with her again in "our Father's house of many mansions," where parting will be no more. Funeral services were held at the residence at Wilmar in the presence of a large congregation, conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. F. F. Power, after which we repaired to Oakland cemetery, Monticello, where we laid her remains to rest with short closing services while many beautiful floral offerings were brought, covering the grave, reminding us again of that new life in the resurrection morn and the blissful immortality.—R. A. McClintock.

CARTER.—Lydia Pearl Mills was born near Aurora, Ill., of English parentage on July 14, 1881, and died at Gentry, Ark., December 29, 1920. In 1899 she was married to F. W. Schuman of Brooklyn, N. Y., who died at Havelock, Neb., August, 1909. September 4, 1911, she was married to Dick Carter at Omaha, Neb., and moved to Gravette, Ark. For nearly a year she has made her home in Gentry, Ark. Sister Carter leaves to mourn her departure, her husband, father-in-law, three brothers and two sisters, and a large circle of friends. Sister Carter was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and had been at one time an active member. In her death, December 29, 1920, she was resigned to the providence of God. Rev. C. H. Sherman of Gentry officiated. We pray God's blessing on her lonely husband.—W. H. Gayer, Pastor.

BALLARD.—Brother Walter Edward Ballard passed away in Pine Bluff, December 23, 1920. Brother Ballard was sixty years of age, was born in Marshall County, Mississippi, and had resided in Pine Bluff many years, during which time he was a member of Lakeside church. He was laid to rest in Belwood cemetery. Four children, Messrs. R. C. and W. E. Ballard, and Mesdames C. L. Shrantz and J. E. Townsend, and their mother, Mrs. Walter Edward Ballard, remain to mourn their loss. Brother Ballard expressed confidence in a personal Saviour into whose hands he commended his spirit, after a life devoted to the ideals of purity.—H. B. Trimble.



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