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THE LORD HATH DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US; WHEREOF WE ARE GLAD. TURN AGAIN OUR CAPTIVITY, O LORD, AS THE STREAMS IN THE SOUTH. THEY THAT SOW IN TEARS SHALL REAP IN JOY. HE THAT GOETH FORTH AND WEEPETH, BEARING PRECIOUS SEED, SHALL COME AGAIN WITH REJOICING, BRINGING HIS SHEAVES WITH HIM.—Psalm 126: 3-6.

BEGIN RIGHT.

At the beginning of a New Year in business old accounts are closed and new ones opened. If the account has not been settled the balance still due is brought forward and stands against the account as an initial charge to be reckoned with. It is always desirable that this balance should be wiped out so that the New Year may begin with a clear account.

It should be so in all the affairs of life. The New Year will have its own duties and responsibilities. They crowd upon us and clamor for attention. Therefore if there is anything left undone that should have been done in the Old Year, let us speedily get it out of the way lest it hinder us in the work of the New Year.

If we have failed in anything that we ought to have achieved let us not give it up, but take counsel with God and attempt again more bravely and trustfully.

Last year the forces of home, church and state were more or less disturbed by the prevailing unrest and the unstable financial situation. It is time to stabilize, and it must begin with each one of us. Let us not wait for other people and other nations to become normal, but let each one resolve to begin with himself. First, let us get right with God, and then with all around us. Let us resolve to be honest, to avoid deceiving ourselves with false and unreasonable excuses, to put aside vain pomp and display, and live normal, unostentatious lives.

As Methodists let us remember our Centenary and Christian Education pledges, and resolve that God's business as represented in our church shall receive first consideration. Too long have we sought first food and raiment, when we have been commanded to seek first the Kingdom of God, and trust God to provide things needful. This does not mean that we are to sit down and expect God to feed and clothe us, but that our activities are to be planned and maintained in harmony with the needs and purposes of the Kingdom, with an eye single to the glory of God. Then he can afford to bless us, as we make our prosperity contribute to the progress of the Kingdom.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

The National Cash Register Company, of Dayton, Ohio, has such connections with business in all parts of the country that it is in a measure able to know conditions. Its president Mr. John H. Patterson, says: "Indications in the cash register business is that merchants all over the United States and Canada are regaining their confidence and are beginning to view the future optimistically. Cash register sales are often considered a barometer of business conditions, and as our company has sold a greater number of cash registers during the first ten months of this year than in any like period of the past, this fact alone should be very encouraging. Prices are declining and when prices start to come down business will get back to a competitive basis, which is always a healthy condition. Now that speculation is curbed and easy profits are being eliminated, business houses must go to work. When people go to work in earnest they produce, and production always makes for good times. The real fundamentals in the prosperity of any country are an abundance of

crude material, labor, and capital. Real prosperity is impossible without these elements. We have all three of them now. There is no reason why we should not have a real business revival within a comparatively short time."

When Mr. Patterson was asked the reason for the unusual success of his business during the past ten months, he replied: "When the outlook was dubious we continued our advertising campaign. We gave encouragement to our salesmen. We let every member of our organization know that we had full faith in the future and that we intended to do our best to find a market for our goods. We put hard work into our business scheme, and a satisfactory reward follows hard work."

WONDERFUL SUCCESS.

In 1920 the Seventh-Day Adventists in the United States contributed for church purposes \$11,554,401 or a per capita contribution of \$63.92. The secret of their liberality is said to be in the fact that they tithe and circulate their denominational literature. The total sales of their books and periodicals last year amounted to \$5,682,972. They have 2,332 persons employed in canvassing for their books and periodicals. They also have thirty-three sanitariums. Is it any wonder that they succeed? If the 115,000 Methodists in Arkansas gave to the church in the same proportion as these Adventists the total would be \$7,552,000, and the value of the literature would be \$3,622,600. Then our 115,000 Methodists could have some twenty sanitariums and hospitals. What these Adventists have done our people can do, if they will reconsecrate themselves, be honest with God in the handling of their money, and use the literature of the church. Instead of complaining that our church is asking for too much we ought to be ashamed that we ask for so little. Some people think that our asking for the Centenary and Christian Education were unreasonable. If we would give as liberally as these Adventists we would pay our five year pledges for both these causes in one year and then meet all of our ordinary claims with ease. What is the matter with us? We are not poor. Are we deceiving ourselves and robbing God?

A PLEASANT SURPRISE IN STATISTICS.

When the Presiding Elders of North Arkansas Conference, in the brief statements from their Districts, reported that approximately 10,000 persons had been received into the church during the year, there was a feeling of satisfaction and an expectation that the net increase would be about 5,000. Consequently there was intense disappointment when the report of the Statistical Secretary seemed to show a loss of 454.

The journal of the Conference has just been received, and we had the curiosity to examine the statistics to determine, if possible, the real condition. A pleasant surprise followed. The total present membership as given in the recapitulation is 58,120 but there is an error in the addition of the District totals. The correct number is 63,309. If from this membership of last year, 58,574, is subtracted the difference is a gain of 4,735. That this is approximately correct is shown by the fact that adding the net increase in Districts gives 5,236, and adding the net decreases gives 489, and the difference is 4,747, or only 12 more than the net gain shown above. We believe that a careful scrutiny will show that this gain of almost 5,000 is correct, and will demonstrate that the Presiding Elders were accurate in their statements. It is our opinion that, to avoid errors, the figures should always be examined by the Presiding Elders and the Statistical Secretary's report verified before

it goes to record.

This copy of the Journal is a good piece of work. It contains a page of "Errata" from which it is possible to make some corrections of omissions in Statistical Tables. In the recapitulation the heading "Charges" is used where it should be "Discharges."

Secretary Wheeler is to be commended for his rapid work.

OUR EDITORS IN FLORIDA.

At Jacksonville, Fla., I fell in with many others of the editorial fraternity and had goodly fellowship to Lakeland, where we were met by Rev. J. E. Wilson, editor of the Florida Christian Advocate, and Rev. J. P. Bell, pastor of the First Church until a few days before when he was made presiding elder, and other citizens, and assigned to our homes. I was delightfully entertained in the home of my good Arkansas Florida friend, Mr. R. B. E. Key, who, with his family, have a comfortable home there and gave me every facility for enjoying my stay.

The Southern Methodist Press Association held sessions two nights and one day and after discussing other subjects of interest spent much time considering what the next General Conference should do for our papers. A committee of the Book Committee, consisting of Dr. W. B. Taylor, Dr. J. E. Dickey, Dr. R. E. L. Morgan, and Dr. W. E. Arnold, presented a plan for consolidating our connectional papers and the fundamental principles were approved. A committee consisting of Dr. T. N. Ivey, Dr. J. A. Burrow, and the writer, had been appointed at the last annual meeting to present a plan and as a result of consideration of their paper it was agreed to ask the General Conference to provide for a recommendation that the Conference organs be maintained and put into every home. The complete plan will be published later. There was almost unanimous sentiment in favor of promoting an intensive method of working our fields for the Conference Organs, and greatly strengthening our General Organs. The discussions were interesting and profitable.

Dr. C. D. Harris of the Baltimore Southern Methodist, who has been president from the first, presided with ability and on all occasions represented the Association with grace and wisdom. He makes an ideal president, and the Association is determined to use his talent. Dr. A. F. Smith, the secretary, having withdrawn from editorial work, Dr. J. A. Burrow, a born secretary, was elected to fill his place. Dr. H. T. Carley, of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, much to our regret was absent on account of the illness of his mother, but was re-elected vice president.

The following were present: C. D. Harris, Baltimore Southern Methodist; A. W. Plyler, N. Carolina Christian Advocate; W. B. King, Wesleyan Christian Advocate; J. Edgar Wilson, Florida Christian Advocate; L. B. Branscomb, Alabama Christian Advocate; T. N. Ivey, Christian Advocate; G. T. Rowe, Methodist Quarterly Review; E. B. Chapell, Sunday School Editor; R. E. Nollner, Epworth Era; R. B. Eleazer, Missionary Voice; J. S. Chadwick, Educational Bulletin; A. J. Weeks, Texas Christian Advocate; W. H. Nelson, Pacific Methodist Advocate; G. B. Winton, St. Louis Christian Advocate; W. E. Arnold, Central Methodist; D. H. Aston, Oklahoma Methodist; J. A. Burrow, Midland Methodist; and A. C. Millar, Arkansas Methodist.

Thursday night a banquet was tendered by the Polk County Press Association. It was a feast of good things both for the physical and intellectual man, and was greatly enjoyed.

Thursday the Commercial Club provided a motorcade and gave what they called a "motorcade of the

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PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Remember that our office is now 221 East Capitol Avenue, two blocks east of Fifth and Main.

The address of Rev. F. R. Canfield is not Keo as was by mistake announced in last issue, but it is Roe.

Rev. Grover Cleveland of Thornton would be glad to correspond with any pastor who needs him in revival work.

Dr. B. A. Few, who is now one of our evangelists, attended the meeting of evangelists held last week at Birmingham, Ala.

Rev. J. J. Colson writes that he has been kindly received at Leola and is starting out well. He has had the usual "pounding."

The man who makes a point of being ahead of time, stands a good chance of being ahead of the game before he is through.—Forbes Magazine.

There are in this country every year, 350,000,000 more toll telephone messages than telegrams and 6,000,000,000 more communications by telephone than by letter.

Mr. J. B. Thompson of Gilmore writes that Mrs. S. A. Gilmore, who is just past eighty-four has been a subscriber to the Arkansas Methodist during the whole period of its publication.

Rev. R. H. Cannon, presiding elder of Camden District, announces that Rev. Will J. Bruce has been appointed to supply Emerson, the charge for which he needed a preacher.

Rev. C. N. Baker, Little Rock Conference Sunday School Secretary, and his assistant, Mr. F. T. Fowler, are attending the General Sunday School Council at Nashville, Tenn., this week.

It is not he that enters upon any career, or starts in any race, but he that runs well and perseveringly that gains the plaudits of others, or the approval of his own conscience.—Alexander Campbell.

Rev. J. S. Brooke, well known as a member of the old White River Conference, who has for several years been a superannuate of the Florida Conference, is effective again and in charge at Kingston, Fla.

Words spoken into the telephone transmitter travel at approximately the speed of light, between New York and San Francisco, over the latest type of circuit, making the service practically instantaneous.

The many friends of Rev. Fizer M. Noe will be glad to read the announcement of Presiding Elder Sherman published on another page to the effect that the investigating committee has exonerated him.

Rev. Wm. Sherman Presiding Elder of Helena District, announces that the Hunter Circuit has been supplied by Rev. J. J. Decker, and Rev. J. T. Spencer has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the Haghes and Hulbert charge.

Doing something nobody else can do, or doing it better, or doing it for less, or doing something anybody else can do, but doing it with love in your heart—any one of these spells business success.—Business Bromides in the Rotarian.

Rev. Claud Orear who is well known in Little Rock Conference as the popular principal of the Stuttgart Academy is now at Roanoke, Ala., and in a personal note writes that he has a strong church of 600 members and a salary of \$3,000.

While visiting relatives in North Little Rock during the holidays, Rev. C. F. Hively called at this office. Leslie, his charge, is greatly embarrassed by the lack of railroad facilities, but his people are holding on and hoping for a resumption of activity.

Bishop James Cannon, Jr., will soon sail for Africa to visit our Congo Mission. It is a long and dangerous journey, but Bishop Cannon is always ready for hard service. He will doubtless prove to be a worthy successor of the heroic Bishop Lambuth.

Rev. J. W. Harrell, presiding elder of Pine Bluff District announces that Rev. C. C. Green has been appointed to supply Rowell Circuit, and Rev. E. D. Hanna has been released from the Lono Circuit by his presiding elder, Rev. L. E. N. Hundley, and has been appointed to Gillett.

Never mind how long you have been at it! Do not degenerate into a machine. If you do you will get to hate your work as a necessary grind, and the man that hates his work is a slave and will find the contempt that is the heritage of a slave.—The New Success.

Soon after Rev. G. W. Hooten moved to Cato it was decided that the pastor should live at Jacksonville. A house was rented and preacher and family were promptly moved. Jacksonville will now be Brother Hooten's address. He expects a successful year.

Rev. M. M. Smith writes to call attention to the fact that in his article in our last issue our printer made him say "Baptism Is Immersion" in his reference to Dr. Anderson's article when he wrote "Baptism vs. Immersion," the caption of Dr. Anderson's article.

All my business life I have spent more money for advertising whenever a business slump came along, and if I did not get ahead in the race, I kept from slipping back, and was in condition to shoot ahead of my competitors the moment conditions changed.—Cyrus H. K. Curtis.

The big work of man is neither masonry, manufacturing nor merchandising. It is life itself. Incidentally, there are bricks to be laid, wood to be shaped, and goods to be sold; but these are only jots and tittles in the scheme of individual existence.—Richard Wightman.

Passing through to visit his mother in Nashville, Tenn., Rev. E. G. Downs of Prairie Grove looked in last week and reported hopeful conditions on his good charge. The Arkansas Methodist was put into every home last year, and he expects to renew for all in a few weeks.

Rev. J. L. Dedman of Carr Memorial, Pine Bluff, writes: "We have a fine little church here and the best Epworth League I have seen. Every department of the church is well organized. I am expecting a great year. Am following Rev. H. H. McGuyre the most popular pastor I have ever succeeded."

German labor—in a nation faced with want and privation and burdened with a load that will take generations to remove—has voted to do away entirely with an eight-hour day, substituting in its place a ten-hour day, all because of Germany's imperative need of labor and labor's imperative need of an increased livelihood.—Ex.

The annual meeting of the Educational Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held in Evanston, Illinois, January 11 and 12. The program is an ambitious one, and includes many representatives from the colleges secondary schools and theological institutions sponsored by the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Biblical admonition that one must reap what he sows, is nowhere truer than in business life. In 1919 the producers of hogs, corn, wheat, cotton, silk, and leather goods, rubber goods, and steel products prospered immensely through exorbitant prices at the expense of the general public. All of those industries have since paid the penalty of their folly.—Paul Clay in Forbes Magazine.

Business means being busy doing things for others that others have to have somebody do for them. Good business means doing it so well that everybody wants you to keep on doing it. Business that consists in doing something to somebody else before he can do it to you, instead of doing it for him before somebody else does is all out of date. It's against the laws of nature.—Business Bromides in The Rotarian.

Number 1, Volume 1, of "Our Young People" lies on our desk. It is the new paper issued by Smith and Lamar for our youth over eighteen years of age. It is edited by Dr. E. B. Chappell and Rev. L. F. Beatty with W. C. Owen and Lucy Foreman as contributing editors. It is illustrated and filled with stories. Already it has a circulation of 80,000. The price is \$1 to an individual subscriber, or in clubs of five to one address 21 cents each per quarter.

The formative principle of all real human happiness is love. No social order of an enduring nature can be built upon hatred. Socialism became a world menace not because of inherent absurdity of its philosophy; but because its practical program capitalized prejudice, and hatred became the breath of its life. Bolshevism is neither a political doctrine nor an economic theory. It is the ultimate sequence of the socialistic program of hatred.—The Rotarian.

Rev. C. W. Drake writes from 504 Spring St., Batesville: "Since my stroke of paralysis I am a helpless invalid and am planning to go to a hospital or to employ a trained nurse if I can secure financial assistance to do so. I would be glad to hear from any of my brethren and friends." As a superannuate of Little Rock Conference who has given many years of faithful service to the church Bro. Drake is entitled not simply to sympathy but to substantial aid in his hour of distress.

While the railroads may have mistakes to answer for, they have created the most effective, useful and by far the cheapest system of land transportation in the world. This has been accomplished with very little legislation and against an immense volume of opposition and interference growing out of ignorance and misunderstanding. It is not an exaggeration to say that in the past history of this country the railway, next after the Christian religion and public schools, has been the largest single contributing factor to the welfare and happiness of the people.—James J. Hill.

Rev. David G. Downey, D. D., has been appointed fraternal messenger from the Methodist Episcopal Church to our next General Conference. He is an Irishman by birth and is one of the most brilliant leaders of his church. He is Book Editor and a member of the Commission on Unification. At his last General Conference he had a large vote for Bishop and undoubtedly would have been elected if he had not declined to have his name considered. He will ably represent his own great church and will be thoroughly acceptable to our church. We give him a hearty welcome to Arkansas.

The Richmond Christian Advocate has a new editor, recently "promoted" from the pastorate. He lifts up his voice in the following wail: "I have no Aid Society and no members, who remember the pastor on Thanksgiving and Christmas and often between times. I feel like a shepherd without sheep, a man without a country, a dog without a home. I have all these years fallen in the hands of folks, who have loved me and prayed for me, but I do not ever remember hearing a prayer for an editor." To all of which we can only add, The worst is yet to come!—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Major J. J. Harrison, son of Rev. W. R. Harrison of Little Rock Conference, has become vice-president of the Home Life and Accident Company and will be actively in charge of the agency here and will have headquarters in this city. Major Harrison is a graduate of Hendrix College, was instructor in training camps during the war, was three years superintendent of Fordyce schools, organized the American Legion in Arkansas, was vice-president of the H. G. Pugh Printing Co., and recently was

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the successful director of the Forward Education Movement. He is one of our most successful and promising young men.

The weakness of mobs is emotionalism and the same weakness has been time and again the ruin of republican governments. True patriotism is not the fanatical hysteria which imprisons any one who dares to criticize the conduct of government. True patriotism is something which unfortunately has not a sufficient dramatic appeal to an emotional people to be of prime interest to them continually, year in and year out, in time of peace as well as in time of war. Emotionalism is the prime weakness of republics because it enables the judgment of large numbers of the people to be swayed by glib-tongued purveyors of sophistries.—The Rotarian.

Dr. J. H. Reynolds of Hendrix College is to deliver an address before the Association of American Colleges in Chicago next week. He has been selected to discuss the subject of how to build up a permanent financial constituency for a college. The program committee has associated with Dr. Reynolds in the discussion of this subject Dr. J. W. Hancher of New York City, who led the campaign in the Methodist Episcopal Church for \$35,000,000 for her colleges and institutions in 1918 and who is still raising funds for her educational institutions. This association has called upon two Methodists to tell it how to raise funds for colleges—one from the Northern Church and one from the Southern Church.

Dr. W. C. Watson, pastor of First Church, Blytheville, writes: "My church gave us a great reception in the church upon our return for the second year, and, through that great layman, Will Pyles, presented the pastor and wife a beautiful china dinner set of nearly a hundred pieces. The board also increased the salary \$600 for the coming year. This is a great church and a royal folk and I herewith make my politest bow."

Rev. C. T. Mitchell, presiding elder of the Clinton District, West Oklahoma Conference, writes: "The Clinton District begins the new year well. There is general satisfaction on the part of pastors and people. Although times are hard out here, some of the charges have made advancement on pastors' salaries."

That a permanent and appropriate monument will be erected at the grave of the late Capt. W. W. Martin on the Hendrix College campus was decided at meeting of the monument committee in the home of Dr. J. H. Reynolds this morning. Those attending the meeting were Mesdames Effie Lincoln and S. G. Smith and former Governor George W. Donaghey, Mayor W. D. Cole, H. B. Ingram, D. O. Harton, Dr. F. S. H. Johnston, Dr. Reynolds and F. O. Robins. Dr. Reynolds was made chairman of the committee and was directed by it to appoint a sub-committee to procure designs for the proposed monument to be submitted at a later meeting of the whole committee.—Conway Log Cabin Democrat.

The Student Volunteer Movement reports that last year 595 student volunteers sailed for foreign fields under North American missionary societies, which is fifty per cent more than the average for the last ten years. The total number of volunteers sent out from North America since the movement began is 8,742, many of whom are occupying positions of leadership in the various fields. The Movement is making also an important contribution to missionary education in American colleges. Last year 781 mission study classes were conducted in 271 institutions, and 19,289 students were enrolled in these classes. In addition, 4,508 students in 22 institutions attended "World Problem Forums" for the study of international and missionary questions. The Movement is endeavoring to cultivate a thousand institutions of higher learning every year, for which work it employs sixteen secretaries.—Missionary Voice.

There are a few brethren in the South who enjoy keeping in the limelight. They send out syndicated matter telling of some incident that is of purely local interest. If a pastor goes from this state and has something of importance to tell about his work, the Recorder will be glad to give him space. But we must confess that when we publish a communication giving, in glowing terms, some great achievement, and the next week see

FINE WORK.

Just before the session of Little Rock Conference Rev. R. R. Moore sent in the renewals of practically the entire list of subscribers at Malvern.

Last week Dr. E. R. Steel sent in a list of 283 subscribers, thus putting the paper into practically every home in First Church, Pine Bluff.

This is fine. Let it continue. What Church will be next?

The pastors are planning to make a vigorous campaign for collections on arrearages and new subscribers. Loyal members will co-operate. There should be 10,000 renewals within sixty days, and 5,000 new subscribers before April 1.

that same "write-up" in other Baptist papers, we have the "tired feeling" spoken of by the patent medicine men.—Biblical Recorder

TO PASTORS.

Last week a circular letter was sent to each Pastor. Please read it carefully and act on the suggestions. Be sure to return the card with information desired. If you failed to get the letter, notify this office promptly. We are counting on your full co-operation.

DEATH OF REV. E. M. KELSEY.

A press dispatch brings the sad news of the sudden death of Rev. E. M. Kelsey at the office of his brother-in-law, Mr. W. A. Russell, at Conway, Dec. 31. He had at the last session of North Arkansas Conference been appointed to Elaine. He began his work cheerfully and had high hopes of a successful year. In order to educate his children he had his home at Conway and was there when death unexpectedly overtook him. He was born near Conway, Sept. 2, 1880, and spent two years at Hendrix College. He leaves a wife and two daughters who have the sympathy and prayers of his brethren and friends. Brother Kelsey had not long been a member of his conference, but was proving his worth and gave promise of much usefulness. He was a good man, and has gone to his reward.

DEATH OF BISHOP H. C. MORRISON.

After months of failing health Bishop Morrison died Dec. 21 at his home in Leesburg, Fla. He was born in Montgomery county, Tenn., May 30, 1842. His education was obtained in the common schools and under a private instructor. June 25, 1868, married Mrs. M. E. Ray of Kentucky. Entered the ministry and served churches in Kentucky and Georgia. His last pastoral charge was First Church, Atlanta. He was five times a member of General Conference, and in 1890 was elected missionary secretary and served eight years, making a great record by raising money and paying the debt of the Board of Missions. In 1898 he was elected Bishop and continued in that office until 1918, when he asked the General Conference to retire him. He was well known in Arkansas, as he had held our Conferences in 1898, 1914 and 1915. He was a great pastor and pulpit orator and his brilliant campaign while missionary secretary resulted in his election to the episcopal office. He was an advocate of the second blessing theory of holiness and took great pride in his purpose to be fraternal with the preachers. Failing memory made it difficult for him to hold his Conferences during his last quadrennium. After his retirement he regularly contributed helpful sermons to the Florida Christian Advocate. He was most favorably known as a preacher and made his great contribution to the church through his pulpit ministries. He had genuine oratorical gifts and presented a simple gospel in a strikingly effective manner. His ministry was long and his declining years were spent in peace in beautiful balmy Florida. All that was mortal of him was buried in Atlanta, Ga., near his old home. Mrs. Morrison and two sons survive him, and have the sympathy of the church in their bereavement.

NEW CONDITIONS.

Last week we had an opportunity unexpectedly to secure quarters that suit our purpose better; hence we celebrated the holidays by moving the office of the Arkansas Methodist from 200 E. 6th St. to 221 E. Capitol Ave., which is the new name for Fifth street. To reach the present location go east two blocks from the corner of 5th and Main streets. We start the New Year in a new office, with a new assistant Miss Myrtle Greenhaw, and new printers. It will require a few days for all to adjust themselves to new conditions, hence we

beg our readers to be patient. In two weeks everything should be normal. Meanwhile do not forget to mail your remittance to 221 E. Capitol Ave.

OUR EDITORS IN FLORIDA

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or drive, over more than a hundred miles of asphalt roads with another banquet at the elegant club house at Highland Park some forty miles away on the shore of a beautiful lake. At all of these banquets, Dr. Weeks, our humorist, was called out and entertained the diners with his inimitable dry wit.

This drive revealed a wonderful country with little lakes, thrifty groves of citrus fruit, good towns and prosperous farms, all connected by the 300 miles of splendid roads for which Polk county is justly famous. As much of the improvement had been made within ten years it may be seen that this is a progressive country.

Lakeland, surrounded by beautiful little lakelets, is appropriately named. It has a population of 10,000, many tasteful homes and substantial business houses and public improvements. It is the home of the Florida Christian Advocate, ably edited by Rev. J. Edgar Wilson and housed in a good building containing a complete printing plant. The latest acquisition is our Southern College, which after fire and flood, was seeking a new location. Lakeland offered \$250,000 and won the prize. The prospective campus is a 78-acre citrus grove fronting the town and backed by a lake—a wonderfully attractive site. Most of the fruit trees will be preserved and will afford considerable revenue for the college. Backed by the Florida Conference and surrounded by a growing country and a large population, the Southern College, after many vicissitudes, seems to have an assured future. It certainly has one of the finest possible locations.

It is hard to describe the beauties and advantages of Lakeland and Polk county adequately. They must be seen to be appreciated. I do not advise anyone to leave Arkansas; but if any reader is fully determined to change his residence, I would strongly recommend that Lakeland be visited before a choice is made. Write to L. J. Appleyard, Secretary of Lakeland Chamber of Commerce for information.

Leaving Lakeland early Saturday in an autobus a part of the editors journeyed thirty-two miles to Tampa. Here Dr. W. F. Dunkle, pastor of First Church, and his wife and other friends gave us a hasty trip through the city to see our mission work among the Cubans and Italians. It is impossible in this brief space to describe it. Suffice it to say that Centenary money is well invested here in new chapels and community houses, and yet more is needed. It was a great pleasure to meet again Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Mullen, whom I first met in Cuba. They have charge of a Cuban congregation and have a fine little church, but sorely need a larger parsonage. Dr. Dunkle showed us much in a short time and gave us luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. He is the right man in the right place.

After luncheon, Brothers Harris, King and Eleazer, and myself traveled by motor bus some fifty miles around Tampa Bay to St. Petersburg where Dr. W. J. Carpenter, pastor of First Church, piloted us around his city. It is a very popular winter resort for people of moderate means, and provides all things necessary at reasonable prices. It seeks to maintain good moral conditions and is a very attractive city of some 20,000. Our church has a strategic site on the public park and is making such rapid growth that a great building must soon be erected to meet the demands. Dr. Carpenter, who has known St. Petersburg since it was a village, is ready for a forward movement. His courtesies were greatly appreciated.

The return trip was uneventful but gave opportunity to see certain parts of Georgia that I had never passed through in daylight. From Valdosta south through Florida the country is level and much is cut-over pine land, producing nothing of value now, but capable of marvelous development under scientific farming. Florida impresses the casual observer as a poor country, but better acquaintance reveals fabulous resources in soil and climate.

The Press Association had a good time. Our editors know each other better and are prepared for practical co-operation as never before. It was my intention to give a much fuller account of the meeting and the country, but extra duties crowding in have made it practically impossible.—A. C. M.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION.

To the Bishops and members of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session at Hot Springs, Ark., May, 1922.

Dear Fathers and Brethren—Your Commission on the Constitution of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, appointed by the General Conference of 1918, with instructions to report to the General Conference of 1922 their conclusions as to,

First, what is the Constitution of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South? and,

Second, what changes in the Constitution should be initiated by the General Conference of 1922? beg leave to submit the following report for your consideration and action:

First, the Constitution of the Church is contained in paragraphs 42 and 43, as printed in the Discipline of 1918, which paragraphs read as follows:

"Par. 42. Ans. 11. The General Conference shall have full power to make rules and regulations for our Church, under the following limitations and restrictions, viz.:

"(1) The General Conference shall not revoke, alter or change our Articles of Religion, or establish any new standards or rule of doctrine contrary to our present existing and established standards of doctrine.

"(2) They shall not allow of more than one representative for every eighteen members of the Annual Conference, nor allow of a less number than one for every sixty: provided, nevertheless, that when there shall be in any Annual Conference a fraction of two-thirds the number which shall be fixed for the ratio of representation, such Annual Conference shall be entitled to an additional delegate for such fraction: and provided, also, that no Conference shall be denied the privilege of two delegates, one clerical and one lay.

"(3) They shall not change or alter any part or rule of our government, so as to do away episcopacy, or destroy the plan of our itinerant general superintendency.

"(4) They shall not revoke or change the General Rules of the United Societies.

"(5) They shall not do away the privileges of our ministers or preachers of trial by a committee and of an appeal; neither shall they do away the privileges of our members of trial before the Church, or by a committee, and of an appeal.

"(6) They shall not appropriate the produce of the Publishing House to any purpose other than for the benefit of the travelling, supernumerary, superannuated, and worn-out preachers, their wives, widows and children.

"Par. 43. Provided, nevertheless, that upon the concurrent recommendation of three-fourths of all the mem-

bers of the several Annual Conferences, who shall be present and vote on such recommendation, then a majority of two-thirds of the General Conference succeeding shall suffice to alter any of the above restrictions, excepting the first article, which may be altered upon the joint recommendation of all the Annual Conferences by a majority of two-thirds of the General Conference succeeding; and also, whenever such alteration or alterations shall have been first recommended by two-thirds of the General Conference, except as in first article, so soon as three-fourths of the members of all the Annual Conferences shall have concurred as aforesaid, such alteration or alterations shall take effect: provided, that when any rule or regulation is adopted by the General Conference, which, in the opinion of the Bishops, is unconstitutional, the Bishops may present to the Conference which passed said rule or regulation their objections thereto, with their reasons, in writing; and if then the General Conference shall, by a two-thirds vote, adhere to its action on said rule or regulation, it shall then take the course prescribed for altering a restrictive rule, and if thus passed upon affirmatively, the Bishops shall announce that such rule or regulation takes effect from that time."

Second, what changes in this Constitution should be initiated by the General Conference of 1922?

"Whereas, Restrictive Rule No. 2 has been interpreted by the General Conference and by the Annual Conferences, through the required process for mending or changing one of the restrictive rules, to mean that the General Conference shall be composed of an equal number of clerical and lay members and further that the term lay members includes women as well as men, we recommend that Restrictive Rule No. 2 should be changed to read as follows:

"(2) They shall not allow of more than one clerical and one lay representative for every eighteen members of the Annual Conference, nor allow a less number than one clerical and one lay member for every sixty members of the Annual Conference, and that said lay delegates may be either men or women, provided, nevertheless, that when there shall be in any Annual Conference a fraction of two-thirds of the number which shall be fixed as the ratio of representation, such Annual Conference shall be entitled to one additional clerical and one additional lay delegate for such fraction: and, provided also, that no Conference shall be denied the privilege of two delegates, one clerical and one lay."

We recommend further: In order that paragraph 43 may be made to clearly express what we understand to be its meaning, that it hereafter be made to appear in the discipline as follows:

Par. 43. Provided, nevertheless, that upon the concurrent recommendation of three-fourths of all the members of the several Annual Conferences, who shall be present and vote on such recommendations, then a majority of two-thirds of the General Conference succeeding shall suffice to alter any of the above restrictions, excepting the first article, which may be altered upon the joint recommendation of all the Annual Conferences, by a majority of two-thirds of the General Conferences succeeding; and, also, whenever such alteration or alterations (except in the first article) have been first recommended by two-thirds of the General Conference, so soon as three-fourths of the members of all the Annual Conferences shall have concurred as aforesaid, such alteration or alterations shall take effect: provided, that when any rule or

regulation is adopted by the General Conference, which, in the opinion of the Bishops is unconstitutional, the Bishops may present to the Conference which passed said rule or regulation their objections thereto, with their reasons, in writing; and if then the General Conference shall, by a two-thirds vote, adhere to its action on said rule or regulation, it shall then take the course prescribed for altering any restrictive rule except the first rule, and if thus passed upon affirmatively, the Bishops shall announce that such rule takes effect from that time."

Respectfully submitted,

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE CONSTITUTION.

By Bishop Collins Denny.

Were it not so common it would be amazing that so many matters of slight importance receive patient attention and are subjected to careful discussion, while many things fundamental are almost wholly neglected. Nothing that affects the means adopted by the Church for the accomplishment of its mission to proclaim to the world the gospel of our Lord can be more important, more fundamental, than the question of its constitution.

Many times the Episcopal Methodism officially appointed Commissions to investigate the constitution and to report the findings. The last General Conference of our Church appointed a Commission for this purpose, and the report has been published. Is this report to receive from the Church no careful consideration, to be read and not to be discussed? Does it not deserve, does it not demand most careful consideration and discussion? Is the study, the sifting of so vital a question a waste of time? To state the question is to answer it.

The Commission was appointed "to consider the matter of the status of our Constitution," and to answer two questions: "1. What is the Constitution of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South? 2. What changes in it should be initiated by the General Conference of 1922?"

It will be noted that on the Commission was laid the duty "to consider," and then to ascertain a fact. The Commission is not made responsible for the fact it finds. It may have wished the fact had been different, but it must report that fact as found in the exercise of its considered judgment.

The report of the fact found by the Commission is different, widely different, from the findings of every other Commission in the history of American Episcopal Methodism. Our Commission found that the Constitution of the church is contained in two paragraphs of the Discipline relating solely to the General Conference: that and that alone, according to our Commission, is the Constitution of the Church.

If the Commission be correct it has done the Church an inestimable service, for it shows how utterly helpless is the Church, and thus gives possible opportunity for needed defense and correction. If the Commission be correct there is in our Church no constitutional determination even of the qualifications of the electorate of the delegates to the General Conference. What is an "Annual Conference," who are its "members?" If this be the Constitution no preacher or lay-

man has any constitutional rights in an Annual Conference, nor has any layman a constitutional right to be a delegate to the General Conference, or to any other Conference. The next General Conference, under this reported Constitution, can declare that superannuates shall not be members of an Annual Conference, or that all the members of the Church, preachers and laymen, shall be members. The point is not what the General Conference is likely to do, but what it has the power to do. Possession of power tempts to its use. Those whose privileges depend on the will of others have no rights, all they hold is by sufferance. For if any preachers of our Church have heretofore supposed that the fiat of the General Conference could deprive them of all voice in the government of the Church. Yet if our Commission be correct, except for the right of petition, that is the fact. When our men of 1808 adopted the Constitution of the General Conference they did not understand, according to their oft-expressed statements, that they had given all power in the Church to the delegates in General Conference assembled, and have stripped themselves of all reserved rights. On the contrary, till 1833 they reserved to the Annual Conferences, and to them alone, the right to initiate any change in that Constitution. In 1832 they agreed to share that right of initiation with the delegates they should elect, and at the same time made it easier for themselves to amend the Constitution they had adopted. Our Methodism is not now and never has been an unlimited legislative autocracy, as this report would make it.

In the light of this report the time for action, positive action has come, for here is a "supreme and all-controlling" General Conference beyond the dreams of any branch of Episcopal Methodism.

It is to be regretted that the Commission did not give the reasons for its findings. We might have been told why the sole organic law of the Church is that affecting the General Conference, why the General Conference is greater than the Annual Conference which elects its delegates, actually greater than the Church. The Commission does not answer definitely the question it was appointed to answer. Instead of reporting what is the Constitution it leaves the Church wholly in the dark by the cryptic answer that "the constitution of the Church is contained in Paragraphs 42 and 43, as printed in the Discipline of 1918." I frankly admit

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that I do not know what that means. What else is contained in those paragraphs, and what part of the content is the Constitution? Does it mean that only the portions of those paragraphs adopted in 1808 are the Constitution? Possibly that is the meaning, because the Commission speaks of the action of the General and Annual Conferences in making women eligible by the the constitutional process to all Conferences, Boards and lay offices of the Church as an interpretation of Restrictive Rule No. 2. Why not an interpretation of paragraphs not included in the Constitution according to this report, e. g. our paragraphs 32, 33, 34, 35, 44? If that were an "interpretation" what provision passed by the requisite majority of General and Annual Conferences is a constitutional amendment? It would be interesting, illuminating and instructing to be shown in the entire history of our Church a single instance of an interpretation of law given by two-thirds of the General Conference and three-fourths of the members of the several Annual Conferences. Analogy may help: Does it take "two-thirds of both Houses of Congress" and "three-fourths of the Legislatures of the several States or Conventions in three-fourths thereof" to interpret the Constitution of the United States? When those bodies by that majority act they do not interpret the Constitution they amend it. When lay representation was introduced in 1866 the action of the General and Annual Conferences did not change a single word in our present paragraphs 42 and 43. All the changes were in other paragraphs. Not till 1878 did the General and Annual Conferences put into our paragraphs 42, 43 the word "lay," and that in no action changing other parts of

the Chapter on the General Conference.

Since, according to the Commission, the General Conference by its Constitution is limited only by the Restrictive Rules, and since no Restrictive Rule prohibits that Conference from dealing with an interpretation, can the next General Conference exclude the women elected to membership?

Has the Commission found the Constitution?

1. Not in the understanding of the men who were present in 1808 and who after long debate adopted the Constitution of the General Conference.

Henry Smith, a member of that General Conference speaks of "our Constitution and our restrictive rules." (Recollections, p. 277.)

McKendree, elected Bishop in 1808, in his "Essays on our Church Government," "carefully written by him," says Paine, states: "the Constitution says one of the General Superintendents shall preside in the General Conference" (Paine's McKendree, p. 370.) This duty is not contained in the paragraphs mentioned by our Commission.

2. Not according to the study and findings of a Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1888 the General Conference of that Church appointed a Commission of seventeen on the Constitution. (Journal, 1888, p. 468). That Commission spent, not one, but twelve days, in the study of the question, and reported on "the organic law of the M. E. Church," and also on "the constitution of the General Conference," which latter included most of the entire chapter on the General Conference "and the amendments thereto." (Daily Advocate 1892, p. 20). In explaining the report its Chairman, Bishop Merrill, a recognized master

of the law of his Church, says: "The Commission reached the conclusion that the organic law of the Church, and the constitution of the General Conference are not the same, that they differ very considerably. There is a Constitution of the General Conference outside of, or beyond the restrictive rules. We are surprised to find that there are yet living here, there and yonder, individuals who believe that the whole Constitution of the General Conference is found in these restrictions. I thought they were all translated. The view we take of the matter is this: If we assume that these six restrictions are the only Constitution, you may just as well obliterate the rest of the chapter. Suppose you had to organize a General Conference on these six restrictions? How would you go about it? Restrictions to what? On whom? On the power given to a General Conference previously described. What General Conference is that previously described? Not any General Conference or assembly of people that may call themselves a General Conference. This General Conference previously described and provided for, a General Conference consisting of just so many delegates as is described, of just such qualifications as are therein found, forming a quorum as therein described, meeting at just the time and place therein provided for, under just such a presidency as therein provided for—then that General Conference and no other has had conferred upon it, not by itself, but by the whole Church at large, through this instrument which we call a Constitution—that particular General Conference and no other has conferred upon it power, sole power, to make rules and regulations for the Church under these limitations and restrictions. We thought that which constitutes a Constitution. That which organizes is organic. That which does for the General Conference precisely what a Constitution is intended to do is a Constitution. It describes its membership, the qualifications for membership, the mode of election, the quorum, the presidency, power and limitation all in one instrument." (Op. cit. p. 75). But our Commission seems to have found the Constitution of the Church in these six restrictions.

3. Not according to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for that body after a debate extending through three days adopted a report setting forth: "The section of the General Conference in the Discipline of 1808 as adopted by the General Conference of 1808 has the nature and force of a Constitution. That section, together with such modifications as have been adopted since that time in accordance with the provisions for amendment, is the present Constitution." (Op. cit. p. 76).

4. Not according to our own General Conference of 1878 whose action was ratified by the Annual Conferences.

Our General Conference in one report, at the same time, by one vote, amended paragraphs 32, 33, 34, and 42, as numbered in the Discipline of 1818, and the several Annual Conferences voted on the report covering those four paragraphs as a unit and adopted them as a unit. (Journal 1878, pp. 235f).

On what principle is one part of that unit contained in the Constitution and the other parts excluded from it?

5. Not according to the report of the Commission on the Constitution appointed by our General Conference in 1898.

That Commission did not report to the General Conference but it sent to each delegate-elect to the General

Conference of 1902 a printed copy of its report. The Commission says: Section 3, Chapter 1, of the Discipline of 1808 as adopted by the General Conference of 1808, creating a delegated General Conference and defining its powers; and the first paragraph in the report of the committee on lay representations in the General Conference of 1886, adopted by concurrent votes in the General and Annual Conferences, providing for the introduction of lay representatives into the Annual Conference and defining their powers—have the nature and force of constitutional provisions. That said instruments, with such alterations thereof and additions thereto as have since been adopted in accordance with the provisions for amendment therein contained, form the present Constitution of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South." (Report, p. 2).

6. Not according to the unanimous action of the Bishops in three instances: In 1894 the Bishops pronounced unconstitutional an action of the General Conference affecting a matter not contained in paragraphs 42 or 43, but since that matter had received the requisite vote in the General and Annual Conferences, they declared it "became thereby a constitutional provision, which cannot be invaded or changed by any mere ruling, or resolution, or statutory action of the General Conference." (Journal 1894, pp. 235f.).

In 1910 the Bishops pronounced unconstitutional the attempt of the General Conference by a majority vote to change the name of the Church, because "the name is a part of the organic law of the Church," and the name is not found in paragraphs 42 or 43. (Journal, 1910, p. 220).

In 1914 the Bishops unanimously reported to the General Conference that "the law of our Church not only does not regard the Restrictive Rules as our only Constitution principles. It does not regard the entire Chapter II of our present Discipline entitled: 'Of the General Conference,' as adopted by the undelimited General Conference of 1808 and the amend-

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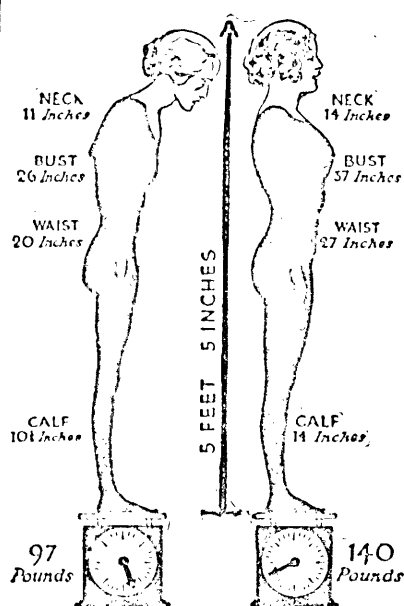
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8. Not according to the Louisville Convention.

That Convention by a vote of 90 to 2 adopted the following: "It is confidently, although most unaccountably, maintained that the six short Restrictive Rules which were adopted in 1898 are in fact the true and only constitution of the Church. It must be seen at once, that the position leaves many of the organic laws and most important institutions of the Church entirely unprotected and at the mercy of a mere and ever fluctuating majority of the General Conference. So far as the Restrictive Rules are concerned, the Annual Conferences are without protection, and might be destroyed by the General Conference at any time. This theory assumes the self-refuted absurdity, that the General Conference is in fact the government of the Church, if not the Church itself. With no other constitution than these mere restrictions upon the powers and rights of the General Conference, the government of the Methodist Episcopal Church as a system of organized laws and well adjusted instrumentalities for the spread of the Gospel and the diffusion of piety, and whose living principles of energy and action have so long commanded the admiration of the world, would soon cease even to exist." (History of the Organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, pp. 222, 199).

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COMMENDATION.

I have read with very great interest and profit Dr. James A. Anderson's articles on Baptism, recently appearing in your columns. I have read nearly everything I could get hold of on this subject, whether in books, or periodicals, and my judgment is that Dr. Anderson has given us the very cream of the arguments in two ably reasoned and succinct and compact articles. I hope that Dr. Anderson will embody these articles in a booklet—for that is all that is needed and all that will be read. People do not read books any more. This age is too fast and people are too much interested in other things. Dr. Anderson has thoroughly sifted the meaning of the two words—bapto and baptizo—from which we have our word baptism. Baptizo is a derivative from bapto, and all Greek scholars know that a derivative diminishes the meaning of its original. So that if bapto means to dip or immerse baptizo means in a less degree. As a matter of fact, the word does not express mode at all. Neither immersion, pouring nor sprinkling express baptism. One may be immersed, sprinkled and poured and still not be baptized. It would be absurd to translate this word baptizo, which occurs seventy-nine times in the New Testament by the word immerse. What would be more ridiculous than this in Mark 7:4 "Except they immerse they eat not." "And when the Pharisees saw they marveled that he had not first immersed before dinner." "And when they come from the market except they immerse they eat not." And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, as the immersing of cups, and pots, brazen vessels, and of tabes." The translators have therefore very wisely refrained from translating this word by our English word immerse. In the seventy-nine times it occurs in the N. T. not one time have they used the word immerse. Nor does the English word immerse occur in the entire Bible.

The word bapto occurs but three times in the New Testament. Matt: "He that dippeth his hand with me in the dish." Does anyone believe that he soured his hand down into the substance of which they were eating? The next reference is where Dives requested that Lazarus might "dip" the tip of his finger in water. The third place is in Rev. 19:13, "And he was clothed with a garment dipped in blood." The American Revised Version which the Baptist have claimed favored their theory have very properly translated it in this place by sprinkle. Common sense favors this translation. The figure is that of a warrior treading down his enemies, stabbing and spearing them right and left and their blood spouts out, be-smears and sprinkles his garments. Dip is clearly foreign to the meaning here.

The theory of immersion rest exclusively on four Greek prepositions—First is Apo which is used 640 times in the N. T. and is translated by ten different English words.

Ek is used one thousand times and is synonymous with eleven different English prepositions.

En is used about 2700 times and is translated by more than thirty English prepositions.

Eis is used nearly two thousand times and is synonymous with more than forty English prepositions.

I have filed Dr. Anderson's articles as being among the best literature on the subject.—J. C. Hooks.

FROM THE PELICAN PINES.

By S. A. Steel, D. D.

There are editors and editors. Some very fine editors in other respects make thier papers the organ of their personal opinions, and will not admit to their columns anything that does not chime in with their views. Others make their papers an open forum for the free discussion of all questions, expressing their own views editorially. I think this is the right policy, especially for a church paper, and a Methodist journal at this time; when the whole church is seething with live issues. As I am opposed to Unification, Higher Criticism, and a lot of other things, and in favor of a whole lot of things, like the "open cabinet," a limited term for the episcopacy, and so on. I am excluded from some of our papers. Now and then a Pelican Pines letter comes back, accompanied with a courteous epistle from ye editor, he does not approve my views! Of course, that ends it, and the Pelican flops his wings to another pool. If I am not mistaken, Millar, you belong to the open forum section. You carry a fine head on your shoulders, and have an enviable reputation for wisdom; but you don't assume to know it all, and are not afraid to let the party of the other part be heard. Good for you.

I had hoped the Unification issue is a dead lion, but it looks like we may still be disturbed by the useless agitation. I am more than ever convinced that if those who favor union with the Methodist Episcopal Church force the measure through, it will disrupt the Southern Church. I have travelled extensively this year among our Southern Churches; and knowing my sentiments about union, people have spoken to me freely on the subject, and they say openly, if it is forced upon us, there is nothing else we can do but set up a separate organization. The true policy is to let the matter drop for once and all, cultivate fraternal relations with our Northern brethren, and quit stirring up bad blood by discussing the impossible. Now if you don't let that go in, I'll think your head is not as level as I have believed it to be.

Do you know, Dr. Millar, that there is a bunch of people down at Clarendon hard to beat? I have not seen the appointments and don't know whether Cole was sent back there or not; but whoever goes there, may say "the lines have fallen to me in a pleasant place." I spent a week there not long ago, and have nowhere had a more appreciative hearing, or received kinder treatment. As I was continued in the superannuated relation by the Louisiana Conference, and left "a fool at large," I hope to return to Clarendon sometime. I enjoy preaching to folks who show, like those Clarendon folks of all churches showed, that they enjoy listening. Cole treated me like a gentleman. He is a fine young fellow, who has escaped infection of the mythological germ of the "new theology," and is sound in the faith.

After being with Bro. Cole a week, I had a fine time in Government Street Church, Mobile, Ala. This church has a strategic location in the city, and has a bright future. Dr. Moore, the pastor, is well-equipped for his important work, but has not yet learned how to unload his burden on other shoulders. No one man can do the work of a big city church now all by himself, without breaking down prematurely. I was surprised to find Mobile such a Catholic city. It was the first time I had preached there. I had a delightful time with the Mobile Methodists.

From Mobile I came to Roanoke, Va., where I have just closed a ten

days' meeting at the great Green Memorial Church, of which Dr. John William Smith is pastor. I was the guest in Roanoke of my son-in-law, Mr. J. H. Creighton, who is the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in this city. This is one of the largest Associations in the South and more nearly fulfills the objects of the Y. M. C. A. than any one I ever knew. It seems to be the center of all the religious activities of the city, is generously supported by all the churches and is a valuable ally to them in their work. I think this is largely due to the fidelity of the Secretary to the Christian ideal of the Association. Green Memorial Church is one of the great churches of Virginia, has over 2000 members, is located in the heart of the city, and is a bee-hive of Christian work. Dr. Smith is one of our strong young men. He is immensely popular and is wielding a fine influence as the leader of this great church. We had packed houses, and besides preaching twice a day, I had to speechify at Club dinners, High School exercises, Preacher's Meetings, and so forth. But I come out of the meeting feeling better than when it began, which is, what every one should experience; for hard work is a panacea for both body and soul. A lady called to see me in Roanoke to get my recipe for perpetual youth! I gave it to her: Eat little, work hard, sleep much, and keep in a good humor.

I am headed now for the Blue Grass Region of Kentucky. Ever been there, Millar? You have been sashaying around lively this season; but you have something ahead in Kentucky. Many years ago there was considerable discussion of having one of our Southern Bishops reside in California. Every one who went out there to hold a conference wrote glowing accounts of the country, but none of them went to live there. I asked Bishop Kavanaugh why he did not go there. He replied, "They have good roads in Kentucky!" And they have good roads in California now, too. Before long we will have good roads all over the country—ought to have had them before now. Christianity owed its success in the beginning largely to the roads of the Roman Empire, and it will help you to evangelize Arkansas, Millar, to get good roads built all over it.

I have heard of several brethren over this way who are having their episcopal ordination suits made. It is a little early. The General Conference will be composed of so many new members that I cannot guess what will be done. I know they won't elect me a Bishop. That much is certain. I hope the Hot Springs baths will boil the Higher Criticism out of

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I would like to hear from any pastor who would like to have my services in revival meetings.—Grover Cleveland, Thornton, Ark.

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The reports to the Pacific Annual Conference, October 1921, show 177 members, 81 probationers, 26 adults baptized, 15 children baptized, 4 Sunday Schools, with 18 teachers (all Japanese) 232 pupils, 48 Epworth League members, \$1,404 raised for expenses, \$360 paid on Centenary pledges, and \$3,182 raised for other purposes. These figures may seem small, but conservative estimates show that in the fifty missions of all

Another difficulty is in Buddhism. There are numerous Buddhist Temples on the Pacific Coast. (The word Temple is used as we use the word Church. Sometimes it means a structure, sometimes an organization, but usually it implies both.) They appeal to the Oriental to adhere to their National beliefs. The priests use the discriminatory legislation as an argument against Christianity, and assert that it is the outgrowth of Christian principles. They imitate all the methods of the Christians. They have Young Men's Buddhist Association fully equipped, Young Women's Bud-

The effect on Christians converted in foreign fields on coming to America and the significance of conservation is illustrated in the case of a Korean mother, who as a Christian worker in her native land was instrumental in bringing a number of her acquaintances to Christ. Her sons determined to come to California, and she visited all her friends and rejoicing told them she was so happy because she was going to "The Jesus Country." As all the white people they had come in contact with were missionaries, the Koreans came to the conclusion they were types of all white people. Some years after, she was in a Korean Woman's meeting in San Francisco, and an American lady who was present describes the scene. When it came this woman's time to testify she began an impassioned talk, and all the other Korean women wept with her. The white lady called on some of the Korean women aside and in

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quired the cause. She replied that the speaker had been in America three years, and had never heard the sacred name of Jesus spoken before except in profanity, and no Christian had ever given her a kindly greeting or invited her to attend church, her sons had told her that there was nothing in Christianity, and her heart was broken. But the meeting had brought back to her a glimpse of the glories of service, and of the love of God she had experienced in Korea.

While the foregoing indicates the difficulties of this mission work, there is a bright side. In ten years the writer has baptized 300 adult Orientals, and an equal number of Oriental children. The adults are required, as a probation, to read the New Testament through, under the direction and instruction of the native pastor. It sometimes takes months to do this, but the result is that they comprehend "The Way of Life" as they term it, and there are very few backsliders. Many of these men and women have returned to the Orient, some are in other lands, and others have settled in other parts of this and other of the United States, but generally they are the centers of Christian light and influence among their country-people. "I know in whom I have trusted," is the general expression. One man prominent in Christian work as a layman, says: "Many years I was a Buddhist, but I had no Holy Spirit for a Guide as I now have."

This is a great field. "Foreign missions is the Home Land," Bishop J. M. Moore called it. A field whitening unto the harvest. May the Lord send in the reapers.

THE REAL TOM SLAUGHTER.

So long as the human animal remains the unpurified being that he is and has been through all the ages, he will show that disgusting curiosity displayed by thousands in Little Rock when men and women stood in line for hours to win a brief glimpse of the shattered face of Tom Slaughter, murderer and bandit, who was killed in Saline county last week. Civilization has not been able to outbreed this vulgarity.

Such morbid curiosity is bad, but it is not nearly so bad now nor nearly so conducive to lowering the respect for the human race in general as the opinion one hears expressed by many concerning Slaughter. Addle-pated men and women are glorifying the outlaw. The Gazette has received poems praising him and has heard several commend his "nerve." They are making a hero of him and in doing so are showing too little regard for the boys of Little Rock. The boy is too prone to be misled by the melodramatic. Apparently these sentimentalists forget entirely the tears of the mothers and sisters of men whom Slaughter murdered, and that among these men is listed an Arkansan who was an officer of the law and who was slain while doing his duty.

It is not possible always to say of the dead nothing but good. Slaughter deserved death and some of the

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people who are now glorifying him breathed a sigh of relief when they heard of his taking off. Maudlin sentimentality should not blind us to the fact that Slaughter was an enemy to society and that there is nothing in his sordid career to justify his glorification. His character was a compound of viciousness, vanity and selfishness. By his hypocrisy he alienated many of those who tried to befriend him. Also there is good reason to doubt his "nerve." Certain it is that his "nerve" failed him and he dogged it in his murderous attempt to escape from the Tucker farm. The yellow streak thwarted him there. He surrendered when he had in his hands a modern rifle and 70 rounds of ammunition. His "nerve" failed him because he was opposed by a game man and a man he knew to be a game man. This man was a convict, but he still carries his fighting spirit.

Now that we have made idiots of ourselves about this commonplace criminal, we should turn to our Christmas shopping and forget him and, if possible, our stepping aside from the path of common sense.—Arkansas Gazette.

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2. The Oklahoma Methodist will inform the people as to their duty in regard to the work of the church and its program. No other paper can do this, for no other periodical can be circulated among the membership as it can be.

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SAVING THE CHILDREN OF RUSSIA.

"The grant by Congress of \$20,000,000 for the purchase of grain for the starving of Russia," says a statement just made by the committee on Mercy and Relief of the Federal Council of the Churches, "by no means offsets the desperately urgent need for private charity. The most recent cables from Colonel Haskell, in charge of the American Relief Administration in Russia, declare that at least \$50,000,000 is imperative."

The appeal to the Churches of the country by the Federal Council is being made in response to a request from Herbert Hoover, as Chairman of the American Relief Administration. The Christmas season, with its note

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"O God, our strength to thee our song
With grateful hearts we raise;
To thee, and thee alone, belong
All worship, love and praise."

—Harriet Auber.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

My wish is that this New Year may bring manifold blessings to the contributors, the well-wishers, proof-readers and printers of this Missionary Department, also to other fellow-workers in the W. M. Society and out of it. A goodly throng is this, and we are thankful for every one of them.

"THE SAME TO YOU."

I would express thanks with appreciation for the cards which brought cheer and good wishes to the desk in the corner of my home.—V. C. Pemberton.

IMPORTANT NOTICES.

The annual meeting of North Arkansas Conference W. M. Society will be held at Blytheville, January 17-20. Delegates names should be sent at once to Mrs. Herman Cross, 407 W. Main St., Blytheville, Ark.

The annual meeting of Little Rock Conference W. M. Society will be held in First Methodist Church, Texarkana, Ark., February 21-24. All correspondence about this meeting should be addressed to Mrs. A. B. Ross.

of sacrificial giving, was made the occasion for beginning the campaign in the Churches in behalf of the Russian children. The month of January, however, is to be the time of special emphasis, as the peak of famine conditions is now being reached.

"Conditions are growing worse by leaps and bounds," according to a dispatch from Colonel Haskell on December 17. "I am thoroughly convinced that half of the population of the Tartar Republic will starve before the end of winter. Unless the outside world awakens to conditions, I doubt if we shall save more than half the children we are feeding today. Conditions took a turn for worse at the beginning of November and will reach a crisis in January." The number of face, women and starvation is estimated at fifteen millions. The first effort is being directed to save the children.

That the Russian government is bending every energy to help save its own people is indicated by its action in appropriating \$10,000,000, its last reserve of gold if reports be true, to the American Relief Administration for the purchase of grain. Cables from Colonel Haskell also testify to the good faith of the Russian government in cooperating with the Relief Administration. "I can state from direct knowledge," he says, "that all relief supplies not only can but actually do reach the children for whom they are intended. We are meeting with no opposition from the Russian government. On the contrary they are assisting us to the best of their ability and are bearing the entire cost of operation inside Russia."

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A NEW AUXILIARY AT CARLISLE.

We are glad to report that the Young People's Auxiliary has been organized at Carlisle with 7 members and the following officers: President, Miss Ebb Miller; Vice-president, Miss Beulah Griffin; corresponding secretary, Miss Mary Zimmerman; recording secretary, Miss Nellie Perkins; treasurer, Miss Mabel Jessup.

The Superintendents of Study and Publicity, of Social Service and of Supplies will be elected later. We welcome the young people to our band of workers and shall expect fine reports from them.

McTYEIRE SCHOOL, SHANGHAI.

This school has the largest enrollment in its history. Forty students had to be turned away this fall. The new dormitory is being built, and, although delayed by the heavy rains of the summer, the work is being rapidly pushed toward completion.

ITEMS FROM AUXILIARIES.

TUCKERMAN.

The ladies of the Methodist Society of the Methodist church observed the Week of Prayer with a service each day. Parts had been assigned different ones ten days earlier, and each one, in her own words, told the story. At the close of each meeting we joined in a circle and each one whispered a prayer of thanks over what had been gleaned from the service. All felt a spiritual uplift in this sweet communion.—Mrs. Alice Graham, President.

SILOAM SPRINGS.

On December 9, the Missionary Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. A. C. Jones for a business session. Twenty members were present and splendid reports were made by the officers.

For 1922 a full corps of officers was elected with Mrs. A. L. Smith president; Mrs. J. D. Brown treasurer and Mrs. Bennett Superintendent Children's Work and Press Reporter, and Mrs. A. C. Jones Superintendent young people.

BEAUTIFUL PARTY IN HOT SPRINGS.

Circles No. One and Two of Central Methodist Missionary Society gave a beautiful party yesterday afternoon in the parlors of the church. Mesdames W. O. Green and A. B. Bolding were chairmen and had prepared a very delightful program.

Two of the conference officers were present and gave greeting, Mrs. E. R. Steel, of Pine Bluff, superintendent of Mission Study and Mrs. W. D. Brouse of Benton, district secretary.

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two readings also little Miss Stitt of Oaklawn which were much enjoyed. Community singing of Christmas songs and the elaborate Christmas decoration presented a holiday atmosphere. Holly tied about each column with large red bows, and festoons of red and green from column to column and on the side walls and a large basket of Christmas blossoms on a central table made the room a bower of beauty and was the work of Mesdames Orlando Gray, W. E. Cox and Ike Kempner.

A delicious ice course was served, carrying out the color scheme of red and green, during which time a pleasant social hour was enjoyed.

The surprise of the afternoon came when the guests were invited into an adjoining room where a real Christmas tree gleamed in all its sparkling beauty and was well loaded with beautiful and useful gifts. In a few choice words Mrs. H. King Wade, the newly elected president, expressed the appreciation of the members of the auxiliary for the splendid work of the retiring president Mrs. Sugg, and the circle leaders, Mesdames V. H. Hallman and C. O. Gray presenting the latter with a gift each from the society.

In a letter from the society and from Santa Claus, Mrs. L. W. Smith made the presentation of the contents of the tree to Mrs. John W. Sugg as an expression of the love and appreciation of the members and friends of the auxiliary she had served so well.

The gifts were many, beautiful and useful and with much feeling Mrs. Sugg showed her real appreciation of the beautiful compliment.

A large number of members and friends gathered to enjoy this most delightful afternoon.

CORNING.

Report for the year of 1921:
Number of members enrolled, 22.
Number of meeting held, 10.
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Total amount paid in for dues\$ 50.00
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Paid in for Mary Neill fund.....117.00
Paid in for Vashiti school.... 3.00
Paid in on District work.... 2.00
Paid in for Scarritt Bible fund 6.00
Paid in for local charities... 15.80
Paid in for Korean boys' education 4.00
Donated 5.00
Money received during
Week of Prayer 9.50
Total amount paid in by
Society \$300.50
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CONWAY.

To those of us in search of ways and means to make the Missionary Society a success the plans of others are often helpful, hence I write of ours. Four or five years ago, after much discussion, and with many doubts and fears as to the results we voted to meet four times a month and now we wonder how we ever did otherwise.

The first Monday is given to the program meeting taken from the Mis-

sionary Voice, under the direction of a general chairman appointed by the President the first of the year. She in turn selects nine sub-chairmen as we have only time for about nine regular programs, Installation of officers, Week of Prayer, and Harvest day taking the other three. The nine sub-chairmen in turn divide the roll among them. In these divisions they are asked to select first a good devotional leader, then their speakers, etc. When the time of meeting arrives the general chairman sends the literature to the sub-chairman and she and her committee are responsible for the whole meeting, invitations, program, advertising, hostess, etc. By this method, the president is relieved, but best of all every woman is given an opportunity at least once a year to serve in some capacity on one program meeting.

Special programs are arranged by special committees.

The third Monday is given to regular routine business tho at every meeting things that need immediate attention are attended to. By thus keeping business up to date we find that we can use this day occasionally for any special meeting we wish to hold. At this meeting is given the news from the bulletin.

The Mission study comes twice a month, every second and fourth Mondays. In this our superintendent uses different methods. In one book she leads every lesson herself, but more often each lesson is led by a different person. This gives variety as each leader is at liberty to use any method she wishes. In these meetings we stress the fact that they are for all the women of the church and not alone for the Missionary Society. Just now an auto race for attendance is proving quite a success in getting the women out and in bringing new members.

At various times during the year we have given special attention to social features. The installation meeting was as impressive as possible.

We've had Dr. Goddard and Mr. Hounshell to address the Society. We have entertained Auxiliary No. 2, and been entertained by them, both using the regular programs. In the summer we gave a moonlight picnic for our husbands having a short Missionary program. In October came the "Talent Search" from September Voice. Every one present was asked to take part. The results were surprising and gratifying. We gained eight new members and it was one of the best meetings we ever had. This month besides the Week of Prayer the vice-president gave program on the Voice with view of increasing number of subscribers.—Mrs. M. A. Simmons.

GROUP MEETING IN THE BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

Mrs. F. M. Tolleson, secretary of the Batesville District, held a very successful group meeting at Newark on Oct. 12, with nine auxiliaries represented and seventy-five ladies and two preachers present. The following "Spiritual Health" program was original, interesting and very helpful. A song "The Great Physician," was enjoyed. Bible lesson "Speedy Health" came from Isa. 58: 6-14.

Papers were read on Sanitation, Social Service and Junior Welfare work.

Special music and a reading were followed by a question box.

"The Healing of Naaman" was the subject of afternoon devotional service and then some of the literature of W. M. Society was discussed, this including Missionary Voice, Young Christian Worker and bulletins. Proper diet embraced finances and prayer—obligations met in full and

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Special music was followed by the dramatization of "How Miss Malviney Became a Tither."

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The ladies of the Newark auxiliary were charming hostesses, serving a well-planned and delicious lunch, furnishing beautiful music and appropriate readings and adding much to the pleasure and success of the meeting.—Mrs. W. P. Jones.

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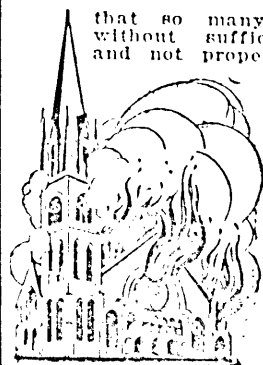
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SCHEDULE OF CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

January-February, 1922.

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Wilmar—Monday, Tuesday, January 23-24.

Warren—Wednesday, January 25.

Crossett—Thursday, Friday, January 26-27.

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Carthage Ct.—Sun., Mon., Tues.,

Wed., Thurs., January 15-16-17-18-19.

Leola Ct.—Fri., Sat., Sun., January

20-21-22.

Sparkman-Sardis—Mon., Tues., January 23-24.

Holly Springs Ct.—Wed., Thurs., Fri., January 25-26-27.

Lono Ct.—Sat., Sun., January 28-29.

Dalark Ct.—Mon., Tues., Wed., January 30-31—February 1.

Arkadelphia Ct.—Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun., February 2-3-4-5.

Hot Springs Ct.—Sat., Sun., February 11-12.

Pearcy Ct.—Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., February 13-14-15-16.

Okolona Ct.—Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed., February 19-20-21-22.

In Prescott District.

Glenwood-Womble Ct.—Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun., February 23-24-25-26.

Mrs. F. T. Fowler in Charge Training Schools; In Arkadelphia District.

Carthage—Sunday to Friday—January 15-20.

Sparkman—Monday to Saturday—January 23-28.

Dalark—Monday to Saturday—January 30-February 4.

New Salem on Hot Springs Ct.—Sun. to Sat.—February 12-17.

Okolona—Sunday to Friday, February 19-24.

SHORT NEWS NOTES FROM THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

MRS. F. T. FOWLER has been elected Elementary Superintendent for the Little Rock Conference and will travel throughout the Conference with her husband this year in the promotion of his work.

A CIRCUIT INSTITUTE was held at Fredonia on the Wesson Circuit by Mr. and Mrs. Fowler on the second Saturday and Sunday in December. Mr. George Sewell is superintendent at Fredonia and Rev. J. M. Cannon is the new pastor.

A NEW SCHOOL was organized at Taylor's Chapel on the Maumelle Circuit on the third Sunday in December. Mr. and Mrs. Fowler assisting Brother Cook, the superintendent, and Rev. W. V. Walthall, the new pastor.

REV. W. W. NELSON of Gurdons writes that he has had the best beginning of any of the four years of

his successful quadrennium in this good charge.

DR. B. A. FEW writes for a supply of Sunday School helps and plans to do some constructive Sunday School work in connection with his revival campaigns this year. This is a wise move that ought to be followed by all leaders in evangelistic campaigns.

REV. B. F. FITZHUGH has had a splendid reception at Eudora. The salary has been fixed at \$1500 with \$135 worth of furniture & \$50 pound- ing, and a new Ford car thrown in to the bargain. He starts the year right by organizing two new Training Classes, one at Eudora and the other at Chicot.

MR. C. E. HAYS delivered an address on Bible Class work at the annual Wesley Bible Class banquet of the Prescott Sunday School on the night of December 19. The Prescott school is awake and knows a good thing. Other schools will do well to use our great Sunday school chairman.

REV. J. R. DICKERSON, after a wonderful quadrennium on the Hot Springs circuit, is happy in his new charge at Fairview, Texarkana. We will watch with interest his leadership at Few Memorial, the new country church attached to Fairview.

REV. L. T. ROGERS, who follows Brother Dickerson on the Hot Springs Circuit, is well suited for carrying on the work there and is happy in his appointment. The magnificent constructive work started by Brother Dickerson will not suffer under Brother Rogers' leadership. His first Circuit Institute will be held early in February.

REV. T. O. OWEN and the people of Mena are mutually happy over this appointment. We have no better Sunday School leaders in the Conference than Brother and Sister Owen and we predict a great quadrennium for them in the beautiful little city in the Ozarks.

REV. J. A. PARKER had the best year in the history of the DeQueen church last year and his people have shown their appreciation by raising his salary \$400 for the new year.

HATFIELD CHARGE is greatly rejoiced over the coming of Rev. J. D. Fombey to them and has raised the salary \$400 over last year.

REV. R. G. ROWLAND has had a gracious reception on the DeQueen circuit. This is a new charge, but we expect it to grow into a robust youth under the wise and experienced leadership of Brother Rowland.

HOW A PRESIDING ELDER IS SOLVING THE QUESTION OF LEADERSHIP.

Rev. J. F. Simmons the popular Presiding Elder of the Texarkana District, plans to teach four or five Training classes of a week each at various points on his charge this year. His first class will be at Foreman during the week of January 30 to February 4, with Principles of Religious Teaching as the text. We congratulate the schools that will be fortunate enough to have Brother Simmons for these classes for he is a specialist along all lines of Sunday School work.

MRS. F. T. FOWLER TO HOLD CHARGE TRAINING SCHOOLS.

Our new Conference Elementary Superintendent, Mrs. F. T. Fowler, is a highly trained Sunday school worker. She has studied in Junaluska and has been active in Sunday school work for several years. For the past three years she has been Teacher Training superintendent for the Ashland, Kentucky, First Church Sunday School. During this time she carried classes through all the eight general units of the Standard Training course. Mrs. Fowler will, during the year, assist

in Standard Training schools and will at other times travel with her husband and hold charge training schools at strategic points in the district while Brother Fowler is holding the District circuit institute. Her first work will be in the Arkadelphia District. We are indeed fortunate in having a worker like Mrs. Fowler to assist us in our conference program and heartily commend her to all our Sunday school people.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW PERIODICALS?

The "Sunday School Visitor" is no more. It was a popular paper, but served its day. With the departmentalizing of our Sunday school work the demand became more and more insistent for a paper that could meet the definite need of the various departments in a way that a general Sunday school paper could not. Our Editorial staff of the General Sunday school Board is to be commended upon the three new papers that take the place of the Visitor. The "Haversack" is a paper for boys 10 to 17; The Torch-bearer" is for girls of the same age; while "Our Young People" is for all in the Sunday school above 17 years of age. The first issues of these papers have just been received and will come weekly. Have you seen them? Have you subscribed for them for your school? The cost will be no more than for the Visitor. Instead of ordering enough Visitings for the entire school just split your order up into three parts and get a paper especially suited to each age group. We sincerely trust that these new papers will reach every school in our Conference. Do not delay. Order now and get the first copies.

GENERAL SUNDAY SCHOOL COUNCIL TO MEET NEXT WEEK

The General Sunday School Council of the Methodist Church, South, meets in Nashville, Tenn., next Thursday, January 5, and will remain in session one week. The Council is composed of all members of the General Sunday School Board, all Conference Board Chairmen, all Conference Sunday School Workers, and all members of the General Office Staff. It is the General clearing house for all Sunday School work of the Southern Methodist Church. It meets annually, having in Hot Springs two years ago, and last year in Tampa, Florida. The program for this year is unusually rich.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATE FIELD SECRETARY OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD FOR 1921.

Number of circuits visited.....	69
Number of schools visited.....	201
Number of meetings held.....	266
Number of schools organized....	14
"Four-Times-A-Year" Circuit Institutes organized	7
Number of officers and teachers reached	1200

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We tried to do some definite work in each school we visited, instructing them in better methods. We have taken into consideration the possibilities of each school and suggested only such work as we knew they could do.

Each school has taken a goal or program of work for the year. The points taken on the goal were: Workers' Council meetings once a month; survey of the community; a definite program for increasing their enrollment and average attendance; observe Sunday School Day and other special days; organize Cradle Rolls, Home Department, Teacher-Training Classes, and Wesley Bible Classes; eighty-nine schools took as one point on their goal to introduce Graded Literature in from one to four classes; definite evangelistic work in the school; "begin on time" was another point that will mean much to those schools which took this point; "Sunday School Every Sunday" was taken by a number of schools that had been running only a part of the year; better records; suitable furniture for beginner and primary classes; curtain the building for separate class rooms.

All the schools have not taken all these points, some have taken only two or three points this time, but when they see what a benefit it is to plan their work, they will take more next year. We have asked these schools to make a chart of their goal and hang it in the church where they can see it every time they come into the building, call the attention of the school to it often, and check up on it at each meeting of the Workers' Council.

We have heard from a number of these schools; some have accomplished more than they planned; some I am sorry to say have failed because they did not try, but we are sure that the schools that have carried out the program are doing more work and better work than ever before.—F. T. Fowler.

TEACHERS TRAINING CERTIFICATES ISSUED TO PREACHERS AT RECENT SESSION OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

The Little Rock Conference maintained her high standing in Methodism in the number of certificates awarded to her pastors at the recent session of the Annual Conference. Many of these pastors earned more than one certificate during the year, several their Bible Seal and one the Gold Seal. The following is the list: James W. Boyers, E. E. Harrell, Lee J. Ridling, John D. Hammons, Francis N. Brear, W. E. Campbell, B. E. Reebach, J. Wayne Mann, C. E. Messer, James T. Thompson, W. Roy Jordan, W. R. Harrison, Roy E. Farr, C. D. Meay, W. C. Davidson, L. E. N. Hadley, T. M. Armstrong, T. O. Owen, A. B. Barry, J. T. Rogers, J. H. Glass, J. E. Cooper, J. C. Evans, P. G. Reebuck, R. R. Moore, A. G. Cason, C. L. Williams, J. R. Dickerson, L. T. Rogers, J. J. McHard, W. W. Christie, H. H. Herrington, J. L. Dedman, E. D. Hanna, H. B. Trimble, A. T. Clanton, B. A. Few, H. H. McGuire, J. D. Rogers, R. M. Holland, S. R. Twitty, W. T. Menard, R. C. Ross, S. K. Burnett, J. L. Hoover, L. C. Gatlin, J. M. Hamilton, J. B. Sims, Jesse Galloway, S. T. Baugh, C. D. Cade, W. C. Martin, M. K. Rogers, A. H. Jacobs, Andrew Christie, J. D. Baker, L. C. Gatlin.

REV. A. T. CLAYTON WINS GOLD SEAL DIPLOMA.

Having completed all of the twelve units required, Rev. A. T. Clanton,

our pastor on the Grady charge, was awarded the Gold Seal Diploma by the General Sunday School Board at the recent session of the Annual Conference. Our Conference now has quite a number of pastors holding this high honor and during the year it is expected that several others will complete the work.

MANY PASTORS JOINING 1922

PREACHERS TRAINING CLASS
The Preachers' Training Class for the new year is already under way. The Field Secretary recently sent the new catalogue and an appeal to all the preachers in the Conference and we give below the names of those joining to date. Pastors who have not yet sent in their cards are earnestly requested to do so before they forget it. Let's get an early start this year:

1922 PREACHERS TRAINING CLASS
L. T. Rogers, Hot Springs Ct., Principles of Religious Teaching; C. E. Messer, Holly Springs Ct., Organization and Administration; B. E. Reebuck, College Hill, Organization and Administration; J. H. Crossett, Forest Park, Organization and Administration; B. E. Scott, Sparkman-Sardis, Principles of Religious Teaching; A. A. Sage, Prescott, The Pupil; J. C. Williams, Amity, Organization and Administration; S. E. Goddard, Stuttgart, Principles of Religious Teaching; B. E. Fitzhugh, Ludora, Organization and Administration; M. K. Rogers, Carthage, Learning and Teaching; J. T. Rogers, Baxter, Principles of Religious Teaching; J. L. Cannon, Arkadelphia, The Methodist Church and Its Work; A. J. Christie, Austin Ct., How to Teach Religion.

ARKANSAS METHODISM LEADS ENTIRE CHURCH ONCE MORE.

The December 1st report from the General Sunday School Board shows that during the preceding month the Little Rock Conference led the church with 214 Teacher Training Certificates won and that the North Arkansas Conference holds second place with 10 certificates.

STONY POINT SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Perhaps you all would like to hear from Stony Point as it has been some time since my last report. Though we have fewer on roll than last year we have averaged ten more in attendance and have tried to carry on the work.

We had a splendid Rally Day program which benefitted our school greatly. Since then Mr. Loyd Reynolds, a member of the Senior class, has been appointed assistant superintendent and the lower classes graded.

Sunday School Day was mobbed because of the absence of our pianist, who spent the summer elsewhere.

We celebrated our Saviour's birthday with a beautiful tree and program. The talk on "The Child King" by Mr. Red Thomas made us realize more fully what Christmas was, and most excellent behavior was had throughout the evening. The Primary Department sent fruit baskets to the ladies, who were too feeble to attend and the children seemed to enjoy pleasing "Grandmother" more than the gifts provided for them.

We are glad to report eighteen honor pupils for the quarter and ten for the year. We have the most loyal officers, teachers and pupils of any school, so we think, and that is why our little band of 75 is looking forward with much enthusiasm to our work for 1922. We are planning to repair the church and equip it with good lights. We hope to do more in every way than we did last year.

Pray for us that we may continue

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THE NEW YEAR.

Christmas comes but once a year. New Year's resolutions do likewise. I am not asking you to make any good resolutions this year; for I fear they would follow those I have made so often, but have always soon forgotten.

However, at the first of the year when all good business firms are taking stock to see how they stand leaguely, would it not be wise for all good Epworthians to check up and see how they stand "Leaguely?"

Do not be discouraged if your financial inventory is not promising. Remember Arkana has been hard hit financially, and it is a fortunate League, indeed, which has not felt the pinch of hard times. However, it is in such slumps as this that true worth comes uppermost; and if you are a good Leaguer, you will only stiffen and get down to work. And after all may it not be providential? The first thing that came into our minds are the e for which we work the hardest. The harder the struggle, the greater the blessing; so prospects are bright after all, if we only do our share and carry on the Master's work. Reporter.

A GOOD RECORD THIS.

From the beginning of the Centenary Movement, the Sunday Schools of the Church have made a splendid record in support of the Centenary program. The record for 1921 will doubtless show a larger amount paid for the Sunday schools on Centenary pledge than was paid in 1920. This will be the showing provided the payments for December come to the December, 1920 standard, and this will be the case if every Sunday school makes report before January 1st of all Centenary monies now in hand, and if the special effort is made to bring the pledge of each Sunday school up to date not later than December 31. Send your Sunday school Centenary money, without delay to Col. John E. Edgerton, Centenary Building, Nashville, Tenn., that your school may be included in the January 1st report. Help to carry the total up beyond the 1920 record.

MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND.

Today more than one thousand of the Sunday schools of the Church have come to the one hundred per cent standard in Centenary payments. This is a record that each of these schools has paid its Centenary pledge to January 1, 1922. This is record worthy of commendation and a most encouraging showing. In addition to the amount added to the Centenary funds, it is the promise for the future of a Church moving on in its spirit and life.

Next time thousand Sunday schools of our church are making progress on Centenary pledges. We doubt not that many of these will come to the 100 per cent standard early in January. Let each Superintendent and treasurer see to it that his report is brought to the attention of their Sunday school and a good effort made to come to the one hundred per cent standard early in 1922. The goal to be reached by March 1, 1922 is "A Round Million Pledge." From the Sunday school we can do it. Let us make the record for the Sunday schools of Southern Methodism.

part. It is my sincere wish that 1922 may eclipse all other years in the good things it brings to you, and that it may greatly improve the way you stand "Leaguely."—Neill Hart.

WHY SHE LOST HER FRIENDS.

She was not loyal to them. She measured them by their ability to advance her.

She was always saying mean things about them in their absence.

She was cold and reserved in her manner—cranky, gloomy, pessimistic. She never thought it worth while to spend time in keeping up her friendships.

She regarded friendship as a luxury to be enjoyed, instead of an opportunity for service.

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A YOUNG MAN'S LIBRARY

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Addison—Essays from the Spectator.

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DeQuincey—Essays, Joan of Arc.

Dickens—A Tale of Two Cities.

Doyle, Conan—Micah Clarke.

Dryden—The Hind and the Panther.

Eliot, George—Adam Bede.

Emerson—Essays.

Fiske—The Campaign in the Mississippi Valley.

Green, John Richard—History of the English People.

Hay, John—Letters.

Hawthorne, N—House of Seven Gables.

Herbert—The Temple.

Hewlett—Richard Yea and Nay.

Holmes—The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table.

Howell, W. D.—Rise of Silas Lap- ham.

Huxley, Thomas—Letters.

James, Henry—Portrait of a Lady.

Johnson, Ben—Tragedies.

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Kipling—The Recessional and the Light that Failed.

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Parkman—All His Histories.

Pope—The Rape of the Lock.

Rhodes, James Ford—History of the United States.

Roosevelt, Theodore — American Ideals and Letters to His Children.

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CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

WHAT ONE BOY THINKS.

A stitch is always dropping in the everlasting knitting,

And the needles that I've threaded, no, you couldn't count today;

And I've hunted for the glasses till I thought my head was splitting,

When there upon her forehead as calm as clocks they lay.

I've read to her, till I was hoarse, the Psalms and the Epistles,

When the other boys were burning tar-barrels down the street;

And I've stayed and learned my verses when I heard their willow whis- tles,

And I've stayed and said my chapter with fire in both my feet.

And I've had to walk beside her when she went to evening meeting,

When I wanted to be racing, to be kicking, to be off;

And I've waited while she gave the folks a word or two of greeting,

First on one foot and the other and 'most strangled with a cough.

"You can talk of Young America," I say, till you are scarlet,

It's Old America that has the inside of the track!"

Then she raps me with her thimble and calls me a young varlet,

And then she looks so woe-begone I have to take it back.

But! There always is a peppermint or a penny in her pocket—

There never was a pocket that was half so big and deep—

And she lets the candle in my room burn way down to the socket,

While she stews and putters round about till I am sound asleep.

There's always somebody at home when every one is scattering;

She spreads the jam upon my bread in a way to make you grow;

She always takes a fellow's side when everyone is battering;

And when I tear my jacket, I know just where to go!

And when I've been in swimming, after father said I shouldn't,

And mother has her slipper off ac- cording to the rule,

It sounds as sweet as silver, the voice that says, "I wouldn't;

The boy that won't go swimming; such a day would be a fool!"

Sometimes there's something in her voice as if she gave a blessing,

And I look at her a moment and I keep still as a mouse—

And who she is by this time there is no need of guessing;

For there's nothing like a grand- mother to have about the house!

—Harriet Prescott Spafford, in the Independent.

DANNY'S POTATOES.

Danny Mellen's heart beat fast as he stooped over and carefully dug the soft earth away from the biggest hill of potatoes in his little garden. It seemed to Danny as if that particular hill had understood that Danny had had the measles in the spring and couldn't get his garden planted early, it had grown so much faster than the other hills. It had blossomed before

any of the others, and the flowers had been almost as pretty as sweet peas or roses—a clear bright rose color. Gradually the stalks had turned brown, and Danny knew the potatoes were ready to dig. It was no wonder that his heart beat fast, for he felt sure that his potatoes would win the blue ribbon and the fine new jack knife that had been offered as an extra prize to the boy who raised and exhibited the six largest potatoes at the Wingate County fair.

The only jack-knife Danny owned had but one blade and that was rusty and broken. It seemed to Danny as if he had never wanted anything so much in his life as that shining new knife with two bright blades that would actually allow him to whittle out boats and whistles and anything else he wanted to. He was thinking so hard about the new knife, that he jumped when the first big smooth potato rolled out in front of his bare toes.

"One, two, three, four, five, six, seven," counted Danny, excitedly. Yes, there was one more than he needed. They were all alike, smooth and firm, with a tinge of the same rose color that had delighted Danny in the blossoms, showing in their russet skins.

Danny could hardly wait for the first day of the fair to come. When it did, he was up at dawn. At last his father had old Boss harnessed to the big farm wagon and the family climbed in and started to the fair. Danny sat on the front seat, beside his father, holding fast to the basket that contained his six precious potatoes. Ahead of them was a long procession of wagons, all bound for the fair. Danny recognized George Hall, one of his schoolmates, in the wagon just in front of him, and the two boys shouted a joyous greeting.

All at once, without any toot or warning, a great red automobile whirled around the turn of the road, and came rushing straight at them, like a huge fiery dragon. Even staid old Boss pricked up her ears and snorted, as she caught a glimpse of the monster. The nervous young colt that was drawing the wagon in which the Halls were riding reared straight up into the air and sprang to one side. The wheels of the wagon went over the steep bank, and in a moment it was overturned in the ditch. Some of those in the wagon would surely have been killed or badly injured if the mud had not been so soft. Danny did his best to brush it from George's clothes as the farmers all stopped their teams and came to the rescue, but the wagon was so badly smashed and the family so muddy, they decided to give up going to the fair and go home.

As Danny was about to climb back to the high seat behind old Boss he suddenly gave a big jump of surprise. There right in front of his toes lay a huge brown potato. For a moment Danny stared at it, wondering if potatoes grew in ditches. "It's George's," he exclaimed, as soon as he had time to think a moment. "He was going to try for the prize, too."

The big brown potato was larger than any of Danny's, and another glance showed Danny an even larger one near it. Should he look for the others and take them to the fair, or should he let them lie there in the

mud? George would surely win the knife if his potatoes were taken to the fair. There was no doubt about it. And Danny wanted that knife with all his heart. But he knew how hard George had toiled in the sun to raise those potatoes, how he had hoed them and kept the weeds out of his potato patch all summer long. It didn't seem fair that he shouldn't have a chance to win the prize after all his hard work. Slowly Danny bent over and groped in the mud until he found all of the potatoes.

The lady who had charge of the vegetable department at the fair showed Danny where he could wash George's potatoes, and helped him arrange them on a plate. She brought another plate for his own potatoes and put the two plates side by side on the long bench where all kinds of vegetables awaited the judge's decision.

Eagerly Danny waited for the judges to come. He saw them walking down the aisle at last, three tall men with little badges on their coats. Tucking himself hastily into a corner, Danny watched. They stopped so close to him that he could hear what they were talking about.

"There are no other potatoes as large as these," said one of them, as they looked at George's potatoes. "They certainly are monsters. Put the blue ribbon on them."

A queer hard lump rose up in Danny's throat as he saw the broad satin ribbon with "First Prize" in bright gold letters printed on it on George's potatoes. He tried to drive the lump away by thinking how surprised and pleased George would be when he found out that he had won the prize.

"I wonder who brought this plate of potatoes," said another of the judges, as he looked at Danny's.

"I did, sir," said Danny, stepping out of his corner.

To Danny's surprise, the man continued to examine the potatoes. "They are the very finest specimens of the early Rose potato I have ever seen," he remarked. "The pink color is unusually clear, and they are as near perfect in size and shape as a potato can be. I'll pay you a dollar apiece for them for seed, if you'll sell them to me."

Danny gladly accepted the offer, and that afternoon he and his father stopped at a store near the fair grounds and bought the best jack-knife they could find, one with three instead of two blades.

"My, but I'm glad I worked so hard to raise my potatoes," exclaimed Danny, joyfully, as he looked at the new knife, "and I am glad I picked up George's potatoes and carried them to the fair for him. It'll be ever so much more fun to whittle out things together than it would be for me to whittle all alone."—Lillian E. Andrews, in Christian Register.

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NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

HOT SPRINGS CIRCUIT

Having become so much attached to the people of Dalark charge, and having such a deep sense of appreciation for the many kindnesses shown us, it was hard for us to leave for our new work. It was only to be loyal to the authorities of the church, which is Methodist, that we could go.

But as we come to Hot Springs Circuit people, we are finding in them that same spirit of appreciation, and a manifestation of interest in their pastor and his family, and in the church, as there were of the people of Dalark charge. This is expressed, first, in their meeting the pastor at the station, with wagons and trucks enough to carry all the household goods to the parsonage at our trip, and all without any cost to the pastor, in their good church buildings, their well organized work, their systematic way of doing things, and last but not least, on the night of December 27, when, from the north, the south, the east, and the west, the people came to pay their tributes of respect, to pastor and family, in the usual pounding, all of which we appreciate much. We spent two hours in singing, talking and prayer and we all had a very delightful evening together. Over these expressions we heartily rejoice.

We sincerely pray God's richest blessings on the Dalark charge people, and their future; and we shall throw our entire self into our new work looking unto God for leadership; and shall expect a hearty co-operation on the part of the people. This we know we shall have.—L. T. Rogers, P. C.

PORUM, OKLA.

I have a good appointment and everything is moving off nicely.

When wife and I came we found the parsonage at Porum swept and garnished, but not empty. The missionary ladies had preceded us with a royal pounding, leaving some of almost everything good to eat. We have a loyal and royal people to serve at Porum, Hoyt and Whitefield, Porum getting half time.

With kindest regards to my friends and acquaintances and to all that might want to know of my whereabouts, I am yours in the work.—J. L. Porter, P. C.

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This includes all the contributions of money until December 29. The gifts other than money will be reported later by the Matron. We had a fine Christmas tree and a good time at the Orphanage. The tree was in charge of the ladies of First Church, Little Rock.—Geo. Thornburgh, president.

HOLLY SPRINGS CIRCUIT.

We are comfortably housed in our new charge. The people here have given us a warm reception, and many tokens of kindness. The night of the sixteenth of December a storm struck the parsonage, doing no harm but left many good things to eat in its track, such as meat, lard, coffee, sugar, sweet potatoes, molasses, canned fruits of many different kinds, etc. For all of these things we are very grateful. I have made my first round on my charge, and everything starts well for a successful year. By the co-operation of this good people, and the leadership of the Spirit of our Heavenly Father, we expect to do a good year's work.—C. F. Messer, P. C.

ROWELL CIRCUIT.

I have closed out my fourth year on the Rowell charge. Four mighty good years they have been. For we have enjoyed our sojourn with those good people and take this means of expressing our appreciation and love to them. We love you one and all.

While there the membership increased over one hundred net, in numbers. We had many revivals and many conversions.

The support of the ministry was increased about 100 per cent during the quadrennium.

The spiritual state of the charge is excellent and the sacrificial spirit shown by many is beautiful to behold.

Our labors for this year will be divided in space, but united in spirit; for the good Bishop saw fit to read my name linked up with the Arkansas and Southern Mill Camps; where we have already arrived and have been royally and graciously received.

Good bye, old friends and greetings to new.—A. E. Jacobs.

SILAM SPRINGS.

After a long move of 400 miles we find ourselves enjoying the beautiful mountain scenery of Benton county again—our home county. We have had a hearty welcome to this new field of labor. The congregation has a beautiful and commodious new church that stands as a monument of achievement to the past and an expression of their faith in the future. Congregations have been especially good at the morning hour. The women of the church are well organized in a large Missionary Society. Since our arrival they have placed nearly \$200 worth of new furniture in the parsonage. The congregation has given us the largest and best pounding we have ever had anywhere. A very pleasant feature of the work here is the presence of the John E. Brown College students and faculty. There are about 140 students in attendance at present and they are fine young people. We are expecting a very pleasant and fruitful year. We expect to look after the Arkansas Methodist at a very early date.—W. V. Womack, pastor.

CAMDEN CIRCUIT.

Upon our return for another year the people received us very kindly. The people at Buena Vista gave us a pounding. All the churches here were represented in it. The people at Union church surprised the pastor last Sunday by bringing well-filled boxes. He thought they intended to spread dinner at the church, or something he knew not what, but found out that it was gifts for the pastor and family. The people at Hawkins Chapel also have made a nice gift. I have not gotten around to all of the churches yet so I do not know what still awaits me. But the best of all is, it seems that God has already begun to richly bless the souls of men and women. We are hoping and praying that this will be the greatest year for God that the people of Camden Circuit have ever seen.—George W. Warren, P. C.

REV. FIZER M. NOE EXONERATED.

Certain rumors affecting the moral character of Rev. Fizer M. Noe, at the last session of the North Arkansas Conference made it necessary for an investigation to be had. The case was left in the hands of the Presiding Elder of the Helena District for investigation. A committee consisting of Rev. W. C. House, Rev. S. M. Yancey and Rev. O. L. Cole looked into the case and finding that Brother Noe had removed the cause of the complaint exonerated him.—William Sherman Presiding Elder, Helena Dist., North Arkansas Conference.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE MINUTES

The Minutes of the Little Rock Conference were all mailed to pastors and other members of the Conference by Dec. 21. They were apportioned to pastoral charges on the basis of approximately one copy to twenty church members. If any fail to be delivered, or if additional copies are desired, let me know and they will be sent promptly.—C. J. Green, Sec., Conway, Ark.

STATISTICAL CORRECTION N. ARK. CONFERENCE

In some way a very serious error appears in the Recapitulation Table No. 1.

It should read: Present total membership, 63,309 instead of 58,120; and show an increase of 4,735 instead of a decrease of 454.

Since I was elected to have the oversight of the work, I shall have to bear the blame, but I am unable to tell how the error was made unless in transcribing from the adding machine list to statistical sheet.—Jno. A. Womack.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

At our Conference I was appointed Educational Secretary-Treasurer in place of Rev. John F. Baggett. My office is 412 Exchange Bank Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Will not every church collector make a note of this and send all monies to me at the above address. I shall be glad to render any help to any of you at any time. Please remember the office has been moved from Pine Bluff to Little Rock. I want to know every collector personally. Our work is helpful and our relations should be delightful.—R. W. McKay, Christian Education Movement, Little Rock Conference.


ABOUT RAILROAD EXPENSES OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Pastors—Please send a statement to your presiding elder of your railroad fare to and from the annual conference, also your railroad fare and express or freight to the place where you moved if you had to move. Please separate the items: railroad fare for yourself and family; freight bill, and express if you shipped anything by either or both methods. Send or give this statement to your presiding elder. Please let the preachers of the Texarkana district do this at once. Thanks.—J. F. Simmons.

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RESOLUTIONS ON THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MOVEMENT

Resolved that we, a group of preachers and laymen from the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences accept the challenge given us at their recent sessions when both conferences declared that the entire educational quotas in Arkansas should be raised and instructed us to lay plans for bringing the cause effectively before all charges that have not raised their quotas before the meeting of the General Conference next May. We believe that every possible effort should be made both by preachers and laymen to complete this unfinished task of quadrennium within the next four months.

The above resolution was adopted at a meeting held in Dr. Thomas' office last Friday by the Conservation Committees created by the two Conferences in Arkansas to plan for finishing this important work of the quadrennium. Members present were Drs. James Thomas, E. R. Steele, R. W. McKay, F. S. H. Johnston, R. C. Moorehead, William Sherman, J. M. Workman, Clem Baker, J. M. Williams and J. H. Reynolds.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COLLECTIONS

We are located in the Exchange National Bank Building, room 407. Our books have been audited and we begin the new year with great hope of success.

Some nice remittances have come in and many others are promised soon. I have gone over the ledger and noted carefully the payments made by each charge. Most of the charges have made some payments and yet quite a few charges are blank. I am sure that since the holidays are past we shall have some glad surprises. We shall be in a receptive mood all the time. We shall be glad to see you at any time and if you cannot come in to see us send in your report and we shall rejoice anyway. Wishing everybody a glorious year,

Sincerely,

R. W. McKay,
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WHAT WILL THE CHRISTIANS OF AMERICA DO?

In an area bigger than our entire Atlantic seaboard—no food! In the region of the Volga today hunger on a vaster scale than known within the memory of man!

At least fifteen million peasants in Russia starving to death! Plain cold facts, corroborated by the head of the American Relief Administration: "The worst famine in the history of the world," Mr. Hoover calls it.

Rubbish carts going around to collect the dead bodies of children every day. Peasants trying to subsist on a bread composed of withered grass or powdered bark. Incredible, but true—confirmed by the representatives of the Quakers in that land of the shadow of death.

And twelve dollars will save a life till harvest time. How many lives of Russian children are we spending in needless luxuries? Surely we need a deeper conscience on the sin of selfish luxury when others are dying for lack of what we recklessly waste. For our own sake we dare not be so callous as to ignore their cry. It would mean a famine of the soul worse than the famine of the body that the

Russians face.

"And then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was an hungred and ye gave me meat."

The standard of judgment is the way we have treated another. What if we should have to hear: "Inasmuch as ye did it not to the least of these my brethren, ye did it not to me."


Dare we say before that Judgment-seat that the Russians are only getting what they deserve? Are we to punish little children for the mistakes of their fathers? Are the peasants to blame for the overwhelming drought? And are we to forget that Russia gave far more lives in the world-war for freedom than any other nation, and gave them in those critical days before we had ourselves come in, gave till utterly exhausted and a suffering people was plunged into revolution?

In a very real sense Russia gave those lives in our stead. What are we now to do for her? In the fine words of President Harding, "We must put aside considerations of international politics and fundamental differences in government. The big thing is the call of the suffering and the dying." To that call the Christian people of America, above all others, ought to make reply.—Samuel McCrea Cavert.

"GO AND TELL."

"When I was sixteen I joined the church," said an elderly lawyer recently. "Several months later, one blustery January day, Deacon Crandall stopped me on the road. There had been a number of fine catches of fish through the ice, and Joe and I were ready for an early start next morning. 'I've been over to Jake Streever's,' the deacon said. 'The folks are all sick, and my wife and

Miss Adams wanted to send over some things. There wa'n't no fire in the house to speak of, Robert, and there ain't a stick of wood in the shed; so I'm going to draw 'em a load of four-foot, and enough stove wood to last 'em over night. Why can't you play the Good Samaritan, and saw it up in the morning?' 'Joe and I plan to go fishing tomorrow,' I replied, 'I guess you'll have to look up somebody else.' 'I see,' the deacon said mildly. 'I didn't know that; I thought it would be a good chance for you. The way it comes to me is that you and me and the rest of us are all the Lord Jesus has left to tell what a good, self-denying Savior he was. If there wa'n't no Christians living up to their high calling, Robert, there wouldn't be a whisper for the Lord—not a whisper—this side of heaven. I thought mebbe



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CHURCHES AND MONEY.

The complaint is sometimes heard that the churches ask for money too often, and that it costs too much to conduct them.

But what are the facts?

A little more than \$200,000,000 was contributed to Protestant churches by members in the United States and Canada last year.

This was about one-tenth as much as Americans alone spent for tobacco in the same period.

And yet churches christen us, marry us, bury us, give us our fine ideals and try to save our souls.

How much have the "complainers" given the church during the past year?

We trust they can name a sum that is somewhat commensurate with the benefits and advantages the presence of the church has been to them and their children.

We are firmly convinced that even the man who contributes nothing to the support of the church would refuse to reside in any town or city in this land where there were no churches lifting their spires heavenward.—Greensboro Watchman.

SPIRITUAL AND TEMPERAL THINGS.

If we would only manifest the same interest in spiritual things as we do in things temporal, how we might grow in grace. It is surprising how we can be indifferent with souls perishing about us. We talk about things temporal as if they would last forever, when we are not certain tomorrow's

sun shall ever dawn upon us. We eat, drink and are merry, and forget the place that knows us now will soon know us no more forever. It is proper to take interest in things temporal but not to the detriment of spiritual life. Our days are beautiful and pure, fresh from the heavenly Father's hand, but how often we sully and defile them. Yesterday is so quickly followed by today and tomorrow is yesterday repeated. Yet of these days a record is being kept and on them our hope of heaven depends.—Christian Intelligencer.

STOP—LOOK—LISTEN.

You people who are tampering with home-brew:

You people who talk of "my boot-legger":

You little women who go about the living room shaking a cocktail mixer:

You editors who are trying to make the law a lie by bringing back wine and beer and the beer saloon:

You politicians who want the old saloon back because you think you need it in your business:

What are you doing?

When your daughter goes down the street after dark her safety depends upon the law and the respect of the people for the law.

Your property, your house, your business, your bonds, your bank, depend wholly upon the law for protection.

Your wife goes about the house in contentment and confidence during the day because of the law.

Your children play around the house and the school and pass through the streets safely because the law watches.

Everything that is in and of America—everything that is worth while in the life of every individual in the United States—rests squarely upon the basis of law and order.

You can't destroy the prohibition law, you can't ridicule and oppose the enforcement of that law, without striking directly at the safety of your wife and daughter, the security of your children, and the stability of your property interests.

Prohibition is a part of the basic law of the United States. It is a stone in the foundation. There is only one way in which it can be gotten out of that foundation without wrecking the structure and that is by the due process of repeal.

The fathers who gave us this glorious country—George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Madison, Ben Franklin, John Hancock—determined how the prohibition law should be put into the Constitution. They said, "If certain things are done in certain ways, they must be accepted by the entire people."

They made it hard to make changes and they expected their children to accept the changes that were made according to the agreed plan of making them.

That plan is the bond of our union, the only thing that holds our people and our States together. Destroy it, convince the nation that the people no longer believe in the rule of the majority, let the people begin to think that it avails nothing to exert the effort necessary to cause the submission of a Constitutional amendment by two-thirds of Congress and its ratification by three-fourths of the legislatures, let them think that there is a minority who will hold that verdict in contempt, and the rule of the ballot breaks down in this country, with unlimited possibilities of chaos in prospect.

There are enemies of the American Constitution, of American law, of American society, at work among us

today. The Bolshevik, the anarchist, the man who wants to destroy all existing social compacts, is here. If he prevails, you men who made money for the first time during the great war while sons of prohibition mothers were making the world safe for democracy, will hear the mob knocking at your door, will see your women cowering in the darkest corners of the basement, will see your newly acquired wealth ripped from your houses to feed the greed of anarchy. Only one thing stands between you and that—the Constitution and the law.

Take your choice, but remember what the break-down of the law will mean to you personally.—Bulletin.

HINDRANCES TO BUSINESS EXPANSION.

One of the chief things that prevent business from expanding is the inevitable risk that a new enterprise imposes. A large proportion of all new enterprises fail for one reason or another to pay expenses out of receipts and therefore cause a loss to those who start them. The proportion of failures is so large as to make any thoughtful person hesitate before embarking on a new enterprise and to consider rather the greater safety of a salaried or a wage-earning worker. If more would embark on new enterprises and succeed, there would be more employment for laborers, and there would also be a slightly smaller number of persons looking for salaried or wage-earning positions. More men would embark on new enterprises if the chances of success were greater or the risk of failure less, and more would succeed. Anything, therefore, that will increase the chances of success or reduce the risk of failure of business enterprises will be of the greatest possible value to those who are seeking salaried or wage-earning positions.

Many risks, such as fire, shipwreck and other calculable things, can be provided for by insurance. In those instances the risk becomes a known cost but that cost as well as other costs must come out of the receipts of the business. Moreover, the known costs mount higher as the risk to be covered by insurance increases, and that makes it harder to pay expenses out of receipts. There are other risks that can neither be covered by insurance nor reduced to known costs, but that must nevertheless be reckoned with. Failing to take them into account heads a business toward bankruptcy just as certainly as failing to take into account the wage bill, the interest charge or a known insurance rate. The risks that cannot be reduced to known costs are the most dangerous, and the ones most likely to cause a prudent person to hesitate before he undertakes them. In short, they are the most frequent cause of failure and do more than anything else to discourage business enterprise.

The risks that cannot be provided for by insurance are of many kinds. A mere change of fashion may make the product of an industry unsalable and therefore make it impossible to pay expenses out of receipts. A new invention in the hands of a competitor may enable him to sell his product at a price that makes it impossible for you, with your older methods, to pay expenses, and so may compel you to discard a mass of old machinery at considerable loss.

Not the least among the non-insurable risks is the risk of labor trouble, not simply in your own business but even in business with which you may have nothing to do. Besides the sympathetic strike, there are other kinds of strikes over which you may have no control and which may cause you serious loss or even bankruptcy. A general railway strike would close

most of the factories of the country, including those in which the laborers had no grievance whatever against their employers. A coal strike would likewise close many factories, though some manufacturers insure themselves against that risk by keeping enough coal ahead to last for several months. Here the risk is reduced to a known cost—the cost of keeping that amount of coal on hand—but like other costs it must come out of receipts. Other strikes may make it impossible for a manufacturer to get raw material, or to sell his finished product, and so make it more difficult to pay expenses out of receipts, which of course would be decreasing the chance of success. Nothing could be more certain, therefore, than the fact that when laborers make trouble of that kind, they discourage enterprise, reduce the amount of employment and increase the number of their own competitors by driving a certain number of men into the safer position of employee instead of the more hazardous position of employer.

When a man is found who has sufficient courage, wisdom and resourcefulness to undertake the risks of a new enterprise and to succeed in it business expands and the number of jobs increases. Where such an achievement is held in high esteem, not only by those who benefit directly from it but by the general public too, men of capacity have a powerful motive for attempting it. Such achievements will be relatively numerous, and business will expand. If such achievements are held in low esteem, and the men who succeed in them are hated, not only by the general public but even by those who benefit from them, there is a less powerful motive for attempting them, and business and employment will expand less rapidly, or not at all. Here is a concrete case where hatred is not only hateful in itself but works to the economic disadvantage of those who are guilty of it. On the whole, it is a pretty safe conclusion that nothing that is so morally wrong as class hatred can ever be of economic benefit to those who give way to it; otherwise this would be a rather illogical kind of world.—Youth's Companion.

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In amount per member paid, the Pacific Conference leads all the rest with a per capita payment of \$12.84. Next in order are the following Conferences holding the first ten places: Kentucky \$9.27; South Carolina \$9.81; Virginia, \$8.83; Los Angeles, \$8.83; Florida, \$7.36; Denver, \$7.24; New Mexico, \$7.23; West Texas, \$7.16; Baltimore, \$7.09. Seventeen Conferences are above \$5.00 per member and below \$7.00. Ten Conferences have paid less than \$5.00 per member. When we take into account the fact that payments to-date cover practically three years of the Centenary period, it does not appear that our Centenary giving has, in any measure, impoverished the Church. The total amount to-date represents less than \$6.00 per member for the three years.

WITH THE METHODIST EDUCATORS.

The Methodist Educational Association, an organization composed of all the educators of the M. E. Church, South, held its annual meeting at Memphis recently under the presidency of Dr. W. P. Few, of Trinity College. The program, the details of which are already familiar to readers of the church press, was of a high-grade, but the most noticeable thing about this convention was neither the program nor the attendance; it was the spirit which pervaded the gathering and dominated all of its activities.

The Presidents of practically all the schools and colleges, the members of the staff of the Board of Education, the Conference, Educational Secretaries, and representatives of various Boards of the Church, were present. The sessions were pervaded with one dominating interest, namely, that these institutions are engaged in the work of an education possessing a distinctively Christian character. Every address expressed the very fundamentals of evangelical Christianity, and the climax of the meeting was reached in the adoption of a series of resolutions which will doubtless be long remembered as the platform of Christian education. These resolutions will be given wide circulation through various channels, and it is safe to say that they will give the whole Church a new conception of the work of our institutions of learning.

This meeting made it apparent that the Christian Education Movement has indeed created a new spirit and attitude throughout the whole Church with reference to Christian education. This was not only the expressed conviction of practically every speaker; it was fully apparent in the very atmosphere of the place. The great Movement in which the Church has for a year and a half been engaged has actually succeeded in de-

veloping in the mind of the Church an adequate conception of the place of Christian education in the life of the Church, of the nation, and of the world. This has been done in two directions: it has awakened the ministry and membership to the realization that our schools and colleges are doing a fundamental part of Methodism's evangelical task; it has made the educators themselves fully conscious that they are not only educators, but Christian educators. No greater gain than this has ever come to Methodism.

One report submitted to the Conference by Dr. Paul B. Kern, Dean of the Theological Department of Southern Methodist University, was most significant. There are in that institution thirty-four student pastors— young men serving as pastors of churches and thus supporting themselves while securing their theological education. Last year, while the university was being severely criticized in certain quarters, these thirty-four student pastors had 1,500 conversions and received 1,270 persons into church membership on profession of faith and baptism. This number was more than two hundred above the number similarly received during the same period in any whole district of the entire state of Texas. Such young men are being trained not only in Southern Methodist University, but in Emory and all other institutions of the Church.

The educational leaders of Methodism look to the future as the greatest era of progress ever experienced in our history. In their resolutions they have asked the General Conference to provide an adequate conservation program for the Christian Education Movement, and even suggested their willingness to merge into one all the Boards and Commissions which are now dealing with any phase of Christian or religious education. They hail with much gratitude the dawn of day when educators and people altogether recognize that Christian education is a means and method of evangelism, when Methodism bids fair to adopt once more the slogan of the great Wesley, "Let us unite the two so long divided—knowledge and vital piety."—Reporter.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

ARCADEPHIA DISTRICT

(First Round)
Carthage, at Princeton, Jan. 7-8.
Leola, at Leola, Jan. 8, 7:00 p. m.
Benton Sta., Jan. 9, 7:00 p. m.
Cedar Glade, at Cedar Glade, Jan. 13.
Hot Springs, at Bethlehem, Jan. 15, 11:00 a. m.
Oak Lawn, Jan. 15, 7:00 p. m.
Park Avenue, Jan. 16, 7:00 p. m.
Pearcy, at Pearcy, Jan. 21-22.
Central Avenue, Jan. 22, 11:00 a. m.
Third Street, Jan. 22, 7:00 p. m.
Arkadelphia, at Mt. Pisgah, Jan. 28-29.
L. E. HUNDLEY, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

(First Round)
Strangers Home, at Hopewell, 2 p. m., Jan. 14.
Swift and Alicia, at Alicia, 2 p. m., Jan. 15.
Tuckerman, 8 p. m., Jan. 16.
Kenyon, at P. and Switch, Jan. 17, 2 p. m.
Evening Shode, at Sidney, 2 p. m., Jan. 21.
Charlotte, 2 p. m., Jan. 28.
Newark, 8 p. m., Feb. 1.
Umsted Memorial, 8 p. m., Feb. 4.
Newport, 8 p. m., Feb. 5.
Wolf Bayou, at Pleasant Plains, 2 p. m., Feb. 11.
Bethesda, 2 p. m., Feb. 19.
Batesville, First Church, 7 p. m., Feb. 23.
Salado and Oil Trough, at Salado, 2 p. m., Feb. 26.
H. LYNN WADE, P. E.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT

(First Round)
Dardanelle, Jan. 5-6.
Danville, Jan. 6, night.
Walnut Tree, Jan. 7-8.
Perry and Bigelow, Jan. 9-10.
Adona, Jan. 14-15.
Belleville, Jan. 15-16.
Magazine, Jan. 18, night.
Booneville, Jan. 19.
Hartford, Jan. 20.
Huntington, Jan. 21-22.
Mansfield, Jan. 22-23.
B. L. Wilford, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT

(First Round)
El Dorado, Jan. 6, 7 p. m.
El Dorado Circuit, at Parker's Chapel, Jan. 7-8.
Strong at Strong, Jan. 8, 7 p. m.
Magnolia, Jan. 11, 7 p. m.
Huttig, Jan. 15.
Bussey at New Hope, Jan. 21-22.
Hampton at Hampton, Jan. 25, 2 p. m.
Thornton at Thornton, Jan. 26, 2 p. m.
Camden Circuit at Union, Jan. 28-29.
Waldo and Buckner at Waldo, Feb. 1, 2 p. m.
Wesson at Fredonia, Feb. 4-5.
Bearden at Bearden, Feb. 12.
Eagle Mills at Eagle Mills, Feb. 12, 7 p. m.
Emerson at Emerson, Feb. 15, 11 a. m.
Kingsland at Kingsland, Feb. 25-26.
Stephens at Stephens, March 1, 2 p. m.
Chidester at Chidester, March 4-5.
R. H. Cannon, P. E.

CONWAY DISTRICT

(First Round)
Boche, Jan. 7 and 8.
Cabot, Jan. 8, at 7 p. m. and 9th.
Cato at Bethel, Jan. 10.
Vilonia, Jan. 14 and 15.
El Paso at Cypress Valley, Jan. 15, 3 p. m. and 16th.
N. Little Rock, First Church—Jan. 22.
Gardner, 22nd, 7 p. m.
N. Quitman, at Pine Mt.—Jan. 25, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.
Greenbrier at Greenbrier—Jan. 24, 1:30 p. m. Preaching at 7 p. m.
Atkins, 29th, 11 a. m.
Morrilton—Jan. 29, at 7 p. m.
Greenbrier, at Greenbrier, Feb. 1st, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.
Springfield at Springfield, Feb. 4 and 5.
Plumerville, Feb. 5 and 6.
W. B. Hays, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT

(First Round)
Poplar Grove, at Poplar Grove, 11 a. m., Jan. 8.
Holly Grove and Harvell, at Holly Grove, 7 p. m., Jan. 8.
Elaine, at Elaine, 11 a. m., Jan. 15.
West Helena, 7 p. m., Jan. 15.
Harrisburg, at Pleasant Valley, Jan. 21-22.
Harrisburg, 7 p. m., Jan. 22.
Vandale, at Cherry Valley, Jan. 23-24.
Wynne, 11 a. m., Jan. 29.
Parker, 7 p. m., Jan. 29.
Helena, 11 a. m., Feb. 5.
Marianna, 7 p. m., Feb. 5.
Hughes and Hulbert, at Hughes, 11 a. m., Feb. 12.
WILLIAM SHERMAN, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT

(First Round)
Rosa and Clear Lake, at Clear Lake, Jan. 7-8.
Luxora, Jan. 8.
Whitten and Bardstown, at Bardstown, Jan. 11-15.
Wilson, Jan. 15.
Trinity, at Bono, Jan. 21-22.
Marked Tree, Jan. 22.
Brookland, at Brookland, Jan. 28-29.
Tyronza, Jan. 29.
Lepanto, Feb. 5.
Bay and Shiloh, at Bay, Feb. 11-12.
Marion, Feb. 12.
Manila and St. Johns, at St. Johns, Feb. 18-19.
Leachville, Feb. 19.
Lake City, at Lake City, Feb. 25-26.
Monette, at Monette, Feb. 26.
Fisher and Hickory Ridge, at Fisher, March 4-5.
R. E. L. BEARDEN, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

(First Round)
Maumelle, at Taylor's Chapel, Saturday, 11 a. m., Jan. 7.
Keo-Tombleria, at Keo, Sunday, 11 a. m., Jan. 8.
Henderson, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Jan. 11.
Hickory Plains, at Cross Roads, Saturday, 11 a. m., Jan. 14.
Lonoke, Sunday, 11 a. m., Jan. 15.
Austin, at Mt. Taber, Wednesday, 11 a. m., Jan. 18.
Bryant, at Bryant, Thursday, 11 a. m., Jan. 19.
Bauxite, Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Jan. 19.
England, Sunday, 11 a. m., Jan. 22.
Pulaski Heights, Sunday, 7:30 p. m., Jan. 22.
28th Street, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Jan. 25.
Asbury, Sunday, 7:30 p. m., Jan. 29.
Winfield, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Feb. 1.
Highland, Sunday, 7:30 p. m., Feb. 5.
First Church, Monday, 7:30 p. m., Feb. 6.
Forest Park, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Feb. 8.
Oak Hill, at Walnut Grove, Sunday, 11 a. m., Feb. 12.
JAMES THOMAS, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT

(First Round)
McGehee, 7 p. m., Jan. 6.
Watson and Kelso at Watson, 10 a. m., Jan. 7.
Lake Village, 11 a. m., Jan. 8.
Eudora at Chicot, 3 p. m., Jan. 8.
Crossett, 7 p. m., Jan. 9.
Hamburg, 7 p. m., Jan. 10.
Tillar, 11 a. m., Jan. 15.
Arkansas City, 7 p. m., Jan. 15.
Wilmar, 7 p. m., Jan. 18.
Snyder, 10 a. m., Jan. 21.
Montrose, 11 a. m., Jan. 22.
Portland, 7 p. m., Jan. 22.
Fountain Hill, Jan. 28, 29.
Hamburg, at Extry, Feb. 4, 5.
New Edinburg, Feb. 4, 5.
District Stewards meeting at Dermott, 2 p. m., Jan. 5.
Preachers meeting at Dermott, 7 p. m., Jan. 5 to noon of the 6th.
W. P. Whaley, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

(First Round)
Lorado, Jan. 8, a. m.
Stanford, Jan. 8, p. m.
Rector, at Jan. 11-15.
Rector, Jan. 15, evening, conference night of 13th.
Pocahontas, Jan. 22, a. m.
Biggers, Jan. 22, p. m.
Maynard, preaching night 23rd and conference 19 a. m., 24th.
Attica, preaching in morning and conference afternoon, Jan. 25th.
Walnut Ridge, at Jan. 26th.
Walnut Ridge, at Conference night, Jan. 27th and preaching a. m., 29th.
Hoxie, p. m., Jan. 29.
Smithville, Feb. 4-5.
Black Rock, Feb. 5-6.
Imboden, Feb. 11-12.
Hardy, Feb. 12, p. m.
Ash Flat, Feb. 14.
Salem, Feb. 18-19.
Mammoth Spring, Feb. 19-20.
Sedgewick, Feb. 20, p. m.
Gainville, Feb. 25-26.
Marmaduke, Feb. 26-27.
Jas. A. Anderson, P. E.

PINE BLUFF CIRCUIT

(First Round)
Swan Lake, Jan. 8.
St. Charles, at St. Charles, Jan. 14-15.
DeWitt, Jan. 15, 7:30 p. m.
Pinewill, at Good Faith, Jan. 21-22.
Humphrey and Sunshine, at Humphrey, Jan. 22, 7:30 p. m.
Roe, at Shiloh, Jan. 28-29.
Stuttgart, Jan. 29-30.
Redfield, at Redfield, Feb. 4-5.
Sheridan, Feb. 5-6.
Rowell, at Prosperity, Feb. 11-12.
Lake Side, Feb. 12, 7:30 p. m.
Star City, at Star City, Feb. 18-19.
First Church, Feb. 19, 7:30 p. m.
Gillett, Feb. 26.
Carr Memorial, Feb. 26, 7:30 p. m.
J. W. HARRIS, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT

(First Round)
Mineral Springs, Jan. 8, 2 p. m.
Nashville, Jan. 8, 7 p. m.
Washington and Ozan, at Washington, Jan. 13, 2 p. m.
Columbus, at Columbus, Jan. 15, 2 p. m.
Prescott, Jan. 20, 7 p. m.
Glenwood and Womble, at Glenwood, Jan. 22, 1 p. m.
Amity and Rosboro, at Amity, Jan. 22, 3 p. m.
Delight, at Delight, Jan. 27, 2 p. m.
Murfreesboro and Sweet Home, at Murfreesboro, Jan. 29, 2 p. m.
Hope, Feb. 5, 3 p. m.
Gordon, Feb. 5, 7:30 p. m.
Mt. Ida and Oden, at Mt. Ida, Feb. 12, 2 p. m.
J. H. CUMMINS, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT

(First Round)
Lewisville and Bradley, at Lewisville, Jan. 8, 11 a. m.
Stamps, Jan. 8, at night.
Dierks, Jan. 19, at night.
Lockesburg, Jan. 11, at night.
Egger, at Egger, Jan. 14-15. Conference, Saturday, 2 p. m.
Mena, Jan. 15, at night.
Fairview, Jan. 18, at night.
Horatio, Jan. 22, 2:30 p. m.
DeQueen, Jan. 22, at night.
Richmond and Wilton, at Richmond, Jan. 29, 2 p. m.
Ashdown, Feb. 5, 11 a. m.
Foreman, Feb. 5, at night.
Empire, at Empire, Feb. 12, 2:30 p. m.
First Church, Feb. 19, 11 a. m.
College Hill, Feb. 19, at night.
J. E. SIMMONS, P. E.

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