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GHOULISH TASTE.

The prize offered each year by The Nation is this time awarded to Scudder Middleton for a poem called "Jezebel." The versification is fair. In that respect it is superior to the former prize poems. It is less vulgar, is not so brazenly repulsive as the poem of last year; but it is really a glorification of sinful dreams, and is intended to suggest that we are guilty in sleep of that which awake we do not think. It slanders God and good men. It says "God is hard," and makes men hypocrites, saying, "We have torn off the lying masks we wear, and sown without the fear that we must reap." Either the poems are all so rank that only a rotten one can be selected, or the judges have the taste of ghouls. Faugh!

A COMPLIMENT AND A QUESTION.

The editor of Forbes Magazine compliments the South and the West on their cordiality of manners, but raises the question as to whether such manners will continue after business competition becomes strong. Read what he says and ponder it. "Does business tend to crush out politeness? Westerners and Southerners often complain that they find New York and Chicago and other metropolitan cities, especially in the East, sadly lacking in courtesy, politeness, consideration, hospitality, kindness. Is there danger that Southerners and Westerners themselves will lose some of their cordiality, some of their attentiveness to others, as the business and industrial pace quickens and competition becomes severer in their midst? As the struggle for existence grows keener, is the temptation to pursue one's own affairs more intently and more selfishly? Does there develop a disposition to look out solely for Number One and to leave the other fellow to hustle and fight for himself? Does the heart turn colder as the chase becomes swifter? Happily the West still retains its whole-hearted hospitality and cordiality. Happily, too, the South has not lost its historic graciousness and charm and courtesy. But what of tomorrow? What of the future? Will they allow the growth of industrialism, the intensification of competition the crowding of population to drive away, to crush out some of their old-time and present-day kindness and consideration for others? Would 'progress' won at such a cost be worth calling progress? Does not living consist of more than business? Must competition kill the finer things of life? Let us hope and pray that the South and the West will show us a more excellent way."

There is a real danger here. The writer has recently noticed on certain crowded trains that several elderly ladies have had to stand, or sit on the arm of the seat. Something had caused the gentlemen to forget their usual quick consideration for womanhood and age. What was it?

THE SOUTH AND RAILROADS.

In a recent issue of Forbes Magazine the following observation was made: "One thing noticeable in mingling with the people of the South is their friendly attitude toward their railroads. The South manifestly looks upon its railroads as a part of itself, as members of the Southern community, not as alien-owned, Wall-Street bossed, cruel, inconsiderate, soulless corporations, bent upon robbing the people. Wherever you go you are told of this, that and the next creditable thing being done by the Southern Railway, the Atlantic Coast Line, the Louisville and Nashville, or other roads. The time made by certain northbound freight cars is much boasted about. The Southern Railway seems to be regarded—with pride—as a peculiarly Southern property and possession. Its service, you hear on all sides, has been wonderfully improved. Its relations with its workers have been made harmonious. Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern; Henry Walters, chairman of the Atlantic Coast Line; and W. L. Mapother, president of Louisville and Nashville, all have apparently earned the respect of the people of the South. Will they please tell some other railroad heads how it can be done? The outcome would be beneficial and profitable for us all."

The writer's experience with railroad men in the Southwest confirms the observations of Forbes. We have found high officials eager and anxious to accommodate and oblige their patrons in any thing reasonable. The following incident was recently witnessed: An assistant general passenger agent, alighting from his train, saw a poorly dressed farmer and wife standing in bewilderment, uncertain about which train they should take. He stopped and carefully directed them, and then picked up

AND WHAT SHALL I MORE SAY?
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ARMIES OF THE ALIENS.—Hebrews
11:32-34.

their heavy, shabby valises and carried them up stairs. It was all done with utmost courtesy and those old people felt that they had been treated royally.

WHY FEDERALIZE?

Consider the wise words of The Dearborn Independent: "Must we go on federalizing our life? Is there not some safeguard to America in the fact that the district school-board functions in its own district, and that the village court dispenses justice, and that the township government regulates local affairs? Must we dispense with the district school-board in favor of a county organization, and then dispense with that in favor of a state organization, and then eventually federalize education altogether? If we do, it is not the American way. Self-government is of the essence of our Constitutional life, and the taking of government out of the hands of the people, the federalizing of all the people's rights and duties is not self-government. The burden at Washington would not be nearly so heavy the cost of government would not be nearly so great, the opportunities of private privilege at public expense would dwindle in number, if the duties of government were distributed, and if the people were taught to look after their own affairs instead of being coddled by officialdom."

THE IMPORTANCE OF AIR SERVICE.

In the February Atlantic Monthly General P. R. C. Groves of the British army gives a description of the growing air power of France and argues that it is becoming a menace to the peace of the world. He shows conclusively that the country with a powerful aeroplane fleet can have every advantage of other countries; and proves that the only defense is air-ships. He quotes an authority as saying: "The command of the air means the command of the surface, whether it be sea or land," and himself says: "It follows from various considerations reviewed above that any great European Power which possesses air supremacy is, 'ipso facto,' in a position to dictate to Europe."

He recognizes the tremendous improvements that have been made in aviation and in high explosives and dangerous gases, and adds: "In such a contest each of the belligerents would be in a position to inflict upon its opponent destruction on a super-cyclonic scale. If they were fairly equally matched, devastation might continue until the collapse of the entire social and industrial system of both combatants. The victor would probably suffer almost as much as the vanquished. The struggle could hardly be confined to the original combatants, for aerial bombardment precludes discrimination. The loss of life and property amongst neutrals residing in the theaters of war would be so great that their governments would find it difficult to refrain from intervention. But, even if the conflagration did not spread, its baneful effects would be world-wide, for, as the recent conflict proved, all States are now in some degree interdependent. It follows that a war of areas between two or more of the leading European nations would involve incalculable damage to the common fabric of civilization. Certain it is that a danger of such war is growing; the explosion may be delayed for a decade or more, or it may flare up earlier; but it is clearly inevitable unless the Great Powers make a concerted effort to prevent it."

We believe that our government should lead in an effort to secure another conference of the great

nations to consider this air menace and take steps to curb unnecessary air armament.

Meanwhile our Congress shows a supreme lack of prudence when it reduces the appropriation for the maintenance of a large and efficient air mail-service. Our danger of attack is much less than that of European nations; but it would be possible for an enemy to get possession of Mexico or Canada or Cuba, and with an air fleet do tremendous damage before we could protect ourselves. The best way to prevent such a calamity is for us to maintain such a strong air mail-service that we would have a large body of trained aviators and planes that could be used to ward off attack. We do not believe in offensive warfare. We should never fight unless attacked or in protection of some weaker nation; but the dire necessity may be avoided by our being so prepared that it would be foolhardy to attack us. Let us demand that Congress maintain an efficient air mail-service; but let us also seek to reduce air armaments throughout the world by fair agreements.

THE CURE FOR THE DIVORCE EVIL.

In several numbers of the Atlantic Monthly the question of divorce has been discussed, and varied views have been expressed, some wise and some otherwise. In the February number, under the caption "The Will to Love, Elizabeth C. Adams, having noted the common assumption that love dies and then divorce becomes almost a necessity for happiness makes the following wholesome observations: "If it were wholly impossible for two persons to control their feeling for each other, marriages would rarely remain happy for longer than five or six years at best, and we might well form our laws to render divorce as easy as marriage. That it is not impossible to foster love for one's wife or husband is being proved every day by thousands of thoughtful men and women, who, though more or less disillusioned as to the angelic nature of their partners in marriage, or at least as to the heaven-made fitness of the match, have turned their attention to whatsoever things are lovely in each other, with the result that a new understanding and respect and even tenderness have grown up between them. It may be claimed that only certain types of minds can perform such feats as this; that the highly organized, temperamental, passionate, or emotional man or woman is helpless before spontaneous feeling. Who has not seen such miracles brought to pass, however, in the case of husbands and wives so temperamentally different that they seemed to speak different tongues? By patient, kindly observance of each other's discernible lovely traits, and faith in the loveliness that lurks undiscovered in all created beings, these believers in themselves have finally built up a comradeship fit for the foundation of the best possible home. That one or both of these persons might not have experienced more rapturous moments of happiness with more like-minded mates, I am not interested to dispute; but is it at all sure that, year in and year out, through periods of the children's teething, or the bank account's running low, or missing trains, there would have been, even in the case of the most heaven-made mates, a tale of uninterrupted joy?..... The step to marriage once taken, one would like to see in the parties to it more of the attitude of the sport, who never gives up until he has not only tried all the ordinary human methods, but also set a higher standard of methods for saving the day. In the case of marriage, it would mean saving the day for homes of beautiful living and reliable loving..... When all men come to be so fortunate as to learn at a mother's knee something of the science of living and the art of loving, we shall have gone far toward eradicating the tendency to divorce, because we shall have struck at its root, materialistic selfishness, and shall have planted in its place the will to love."

The evils of ill-gotten gains and the unholy and worldly use of money will best be corrected when men and women learn that while the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil, its sanctified use is indeed a blessing to the maker and giver of money and is twice blessed, to him who gives and to the world of need, whose misery and sufferings are healed and the multitudes whose souls may be saved.—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

A striking evidence of the subjection of religion to commercialism is the manner in which some anti-Christian people make use of the Christmas season.—Religious Telescope.

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METHODIST CALENDAR.

Booneville Dist. Conf. at Prairie View, Mar. 11.
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Arkadelphia Dist. Conf., at Carthage, May 10-12.
Paragould Dist. Conf., at Mammoth Spring, May 13.
Helena Dist. Conf., at Wynne, May 13-16.
Jonesboro Dist. Conf., at Monette, May 19.
Monticello Dist. Conf. at Wilmar, May 27-29.
Camden Dist. Conf. at Waldo, June 3.

PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Did you go to church last Sunday?

What is your Church doing for the cause of the "Forgotten Man?"

What are you doing to promote the circulation of your Church paper?

Work has made me what I am. I never ate a bit of idle bread in my life.—Daniel Webster.

An experimental rubber pavement laid in Singapore has been found capable of enduring heavy traffic.

If all had done for the paper what you have done during the past month, would your paper be prospering?

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1923, seven states reported the use of no liquors in their hospitals.—Ex.

Rev. W. T. Wilkinson, Magnolia, in forwarding subscriptions, reported Rev. R. J. Raiford as having been quite sick.

In 1914, with 10,000 open saloons, New York City arrested 4,973 intoxicated women. In 1923 the number was 557.—Ex.

You did nothing during the first month of the circulation campaign. The time has been extended four weeks. Will you do your share now?

You cannot run away from a weakness; you must fight it out or you perish; why not fight it out of you now, right where you stand?—Steven-son.

A Baltimore Grand Jury which declared for the return of the saloon also wanted the establishment of a red light district. The two things go well together.—Ex.

Too many try to work religion as they do a slot machine—put in a nickel and draw a heavenly mansion; but it is hard to fool a slot machine.—Religious Telescope.

The trustees of Wesley Memorial Hospital, Chicago, announce plans for constructing on the McKinlock campus of Northwestern University one of the greatest hospitalization centers in the world. At present costs, the total expenditure on the plant will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000.

If the lives of some modern Methuselahs were measured by their spiritual efficiency, their funeral notices would appear in the infant column.—Religious Telescope.

Rev. R. W. Bass, Fouke, reports that all his family have been afflicted with measles, Mrs. Bass in particular having been very sick. However, all are improved at this writing.

Rev. Edward Forrest plans to begin a protracted meeting next Sunday at Gardner Memorial, and expects Dr. O. E. Goddard of Conway to do the preaching, beginning Monday night.

Rev. W. F. Evans has had a great meeting in his church at Wynne, resulting in 50 additions. He was assisted by Dr. O. E. Goddard, who did the preaching, and Mr. A. E. Wells of Dallas, who led the singing.

Nations can be governed to death—underfed by productive industry and bled into anaemia by the tax collector. The United States is not yet in that case, but it is traveling in that direction.—The Youth's Companion.

Rev. L. T. Rogers of Hot Springs Circuit was in the city last week to see his daughter who is in the hospital recovering from an operation for appendicitis. It was expected that she would leave the hospital soon.

Rev. G. G. Davidson, the efficient pastor of First Church, Blytheville, sends the first number of his Church Bulletin, which is intended to keep the church informed about the local affairs that cannot otherwise be presented.

Rev. L. W. Evans, Carthage and Tulip, called last week with a goodly number of subscriptions. He reports everything in his charge moving along well and hopes to be able to report a hundred per cent church before the contest closes.

Rev. J. H. McKelvy has been secured by Presiding Elder W. A. Lindsey to supply Bethesda charge, which had become vacant since conference. Bro. McKelvy is well pleased with his people and anticipates a good year.

Rev. F. P. Doak of Third Street, Hot Springs, has just closed a successful revival, resulting in adding 54 new members. He conducted the meeting himself and was assisted by Mr. A. M. Hutton, the evangelistic singer of Van Buren.

Since he took charge at Pulaski Heights Church Rev. F. C. Roebuck has had fine co-operation. His Men's S. S. Class has built a two-room hall and the church building is being thoroughly repaired. He considers the outlook very promising.

The Immigration Bill reported to the House by Chairman Johnson is admirable and should be enacted. The threat that its enactment may provoke political punishment at the hands of alien groups is simply one other argument for its passage.—Ex.

Dr. W. M. Hayes, Des Arc, called last week. He is well pleased with his work and his people. He stated that his prayer meeting services each week have been unusually well attended, the last service having an attendance of thirty-two, a large crowd for so small a charge.

A meeting of the alumni and former students of the University of Missouri will be held at the Marion Hotel this city on Mar. 15, at 6:30 p. m. to promote the campaign for \$800,000 for a Memorial Stadium. Dr. J. C. Jones, former president of the University will be present.

Rev. B. F. Musser of Rison called last week. He had brought his wife and baby to the city for treatment for the baby who has been in poor health for several months. Bro. Musser is doing good work for the Arkansas Methodist, and makes an encouraging report for his excellent charge.

Tests made in West Texas in drilling for oil indicate that there are vast beds of potash salts within 1,200 feet of the surface. As potash is a prime necessity in soil maintenance and as Germany has hitherto possessed practically all of the available potash, this discovery has tremendous possibilities for our country.

We all need love in our lives, and praise when deserved; yes, and discipline, too. "How is it that you are so well brought up?" we asked a little girl the other day—the only child of doting parents. Her eyes snapped and with a demure smile she answered: "Love and spanks."—Boston Transcript.

Dr. Ismar Ginsberg, chemical editor of the Scientific American, describes a new and mysterious liquid, which he does not name, that produces six times the results of steam with less heat, and the liquid is used repeatedly without loss. This is not the mercury vapor about which much has been recently written.

The Baptist Advance of Feb. 28 was a special edition devoted to the great interests of the Baptist Church in Arkansas. It had thirty-four pages including illustrated covers, and was filled with valuable matter. Dr. J. S. Compere, the able ed-

itor, and Dr. J. S. Rogers, the energetic general secretary, deserve great credit for this splendid edition. In the circulation campaign as reported last week the Advance was ahead. It is a fine paper and richly deserves the support of the Baptists of Arkansas.

The country church and the country preacher have been aided by the Centenary. Scores of abandoned rural churches have been reopened. Last year 17 summer training schools were conducted for the benefit of the rural pastors. Similar schools were held for city pastors and other Christian workers.

The General Education Board has pledged the sum of \$50,000 to Morgan College, Baltimore, on the condition that the school raises its \$1,500,000 for endowment and buildings. Morgan College is one of the schools for negroes under the patronage of the Board of Education for Negroes of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Miss Mary Cline, daughter of Dr. J. W. Cline, former president of Soochow University, is making a fine record at Galloway College. She has just been chosen "May Queen," an honor given to the one who is most representative from the standpoint of service to the student body. Miss Mary is a member of the Senior Class.

Prof. W. E. Simpson, a graduate of Hendrix College, who is well known in Arkansas and Louisiana as an educator, is now located at Los Angeles, Cal., and is representing a life insurance company. He likes the climate and is much impressed with the future possibilities of that fast growing city. His address is 4301 Marmion Way.

Here is a significant fact: When the police send out descriptions of criminals wanted, including mention of "peculiarities," they often say: "Cigarette smoker, nervous," etc. The two usually go together—smoking and nervousness. A criminal who doesn't smoke would be a curiosity. In reality, it is no "peculiarity." It is the thing to be expected.—Bulletin.

In a letter renewing his subscription, our good friend, Mr. A. M. Bell, an honored member of our Church at Monticello, expresses his high appreciation of the paper, but gives the sad information that he has almost lost his eyesight through cataract. By an operation one eye has been helped and it is possible that the sight of the other may yet be restored.

The St. Louis Christian Advocate last week featured St. John's Church, our great church in St. Louis. One of the notable and commendable things about this great church is that it has built four churches, each called St. John's Church, one in St. Louis, one in Brazil, one in Japan, and one in China. The brilliant pastor is Dr. Ivan Lee Holt, an Arkansas man.

At the close of a most interesting sermon last Sunday morning, Rev. C. M. Reves received five members into Winfield Church. Bro. Reves is leading his fine people in many progressive movements. For eleven weeks on Friday evenings carefully selected and educative moving pictures will be shown. The new Sunday School addition and floor and chairs in the basement are attractive features.

Rev. W. C. House, the live presiding elder of Jonesboro District, writes that Rev. F. M. Sweet reports that Manila and Dell charge has paid its first year's quota of Superannuate Endowment Fund; Marion, Rev. J. R. Nelson pastor, has raised the minimum from \$2,057 to \$2,500; and First Church, Jonesboro, Rev. J. M. Hughey pastor, has raised its pledge from \$3,428 to \$5,000 for the five-year period.

The North Arkansas Epworthian is the name of a new periodical, edited by Rev. Byron Harwell, president, and issued to promote the interests of the Epworth League in general, especially the Annual Assembly at Galloway College, to inspire loyalty on the part of our young people to the whole program of the Church, and to engender a "North Arkansas Spirit" that will make the Leaguers discontented with anything short of the highest rank among League Conferences of our Church. The first number is fine. It should accomplish much for the League cause.

Our public officials have been on a spending jag ever since the war, and they have received encouragement from the people. Everybody was having a good time and no thought of the day after, when the fiddlers had to be paid. But the people are tiring of jazz and are beginning to think soberly of the future. Therefore the demand for economy in government and the lowering of taxes. As one means of reducing the cost of government, it is suggested that every department head dismiss about 50 per cent of the employees and insist on the others doing a full day's work for a day's pay.—Farm and Ranch.

Commenting on Bishop Denny's objections to the Unification Plan, Zion's Herald says: "In our own church we doubtless have some men still who would favor no plan that did not mean the utter

absorption of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. They live in the year 1844, and in the years from 1861 to 1865, carrying down into 1924 the animosities which they have inherited and which, too, they have even increased beyond the size of the original inheritance. Not many of these men are left in our Zion. They intend to be good; but they approach the subject of Unification with their prejudice, disguised as reason."

Washington was a farmer at heart as well as in practice, and in all his years as a military commander and statesman his thoughts were never far from the soil. Every year he liked to make some agricultural experiment. In the year of the convention at Philadelphia, when he was dealing with the great problem of the Constitution, he was also trying to work out the best way to raise oats. He divided the fields of one of his farms into squares and sowed different varieties of seed in different quantities. His conclusion was that two bushels of seed gave better results than the four bushels it was then the custom to sow.—Youth's Companion.

On Feb. 28, at his home in this city, Mr. Joseph T. Beal passed away at the age of sixty-seven. Coming from Mississippi to Morrilton 45 years ago, he engaged in mercantile pursuits there and in this city, steadily rising as a financier until as the president of the Beal-Burrow Dry Goods Co. he had become one of the greatest business men of our State. He had been an active and faithful member of the Methodist Church, and for over thirty years an official member of our First Church, and for eight years chairman of the official board. He was public-spirited and interested in every good enterprise in the church and community. A good man, a useful citizen, a Christian gentleman, he will be greatly missed.

The editor of The Baptist, official organ of the Northern Baptist Convention, says that if that paper should employ agents to visit the churches and solicit subscriptions for the paper it would cost \$175,000 a year for salaries alone for enough agents to cover their territory; and this would spell financial ruin for the paper. "The Baptist" depends on pastors and other church workers to promote its circulation and pays no commissions. This is the basis on which the Baptist Advance operates, and we suppose every other Baptist paper in the South operates on the same basis. Unless pastors and churches look after the circulation of the paper it can not circulate as it ought to circulate.—Baptist Advance.

Figures given out by the Census Bureau confirm the belief often expressed in these columns that American municipalities are spending money too freely and running in debt too fast. Credit men have been lately calling attention to the large volume of personal-luxury purchases made on the installment plan and the high prices that are demanded in transactions involving deferred payments. This buying habit which has taken such a strong hold upon individuals is very generally reflected in our cities, towns, and countries. In every part of the country tolerably hard-headed citizens are buying city halls, county courthouses, art museums, public golf courses, and what not on the installment plan.—Saturday Evening Post.

Delegates from many parts of the world are now registering for the Ninth Convention of the World's Sunday School Association which will meet in Glasgow, Scotland, June 18-26. National Sunday School Associations are cooperating in securing the attendance of representative Sunday-school leaders in their respective countries. A delegation numbering more than fifty is already booked from New Zealand and Australia. The South Africa Sunday School Union has arranged a number of tours in cooperation with the general plans of the World's Association, which are under the direct supervision of Thomas Cook and Son, who were the official tourist representatives for both the Zurich Convention in 1913 and the Tokyo Convention in 1920.

Zion's Herald publishes Bishop Denny's criticism of the Unification Plan and in a very brotherly manner refutes his arguments and says: "We like the Plan because it does not attempt too much—leaving the mutual life of the two Jurisdictions to work slowly and surely into a larger mutuality. If this Plan, which provides a living basis of union in a constitution and a judicial court, and which leaves ample room for change and growth, cannot be adopted, we see little reason to hope that any other Plan can be realized in this generation. We trust that we may see the day when Bishop Collins Denny will preside over a session of one of the New England Conferences. If that day comes, we shall be glad to join in a fervent doxology; and we shall expect the good bishop to lift his voice in the same glad melody."

The Scientific American for March, contains an interesting article, on "Harnessing Arkansas Water-Power," which has much information, but is inaccurate in some respects. The writer, Mr. R. E. Livingston, says the entire northern half of the State is mountainous, while the foot-hills rise abruptly here and there, south, to the Louisiana line. Of course, the Northern half is mountainous only

west of the main line of the Mo. P. Ry., and that means about two thirds of the Northern half. Then there are no foot-hills within one hundred miles of the Louisiana line. He says that there are but two high peaks in the State, Mt. Nebo and Mt. Magazine. It is true that Mt. Magazine is one of the two highest peaks, but the other is Mt. Mena. There are many peaks higher than Mt. Nebo, which lacks 1,000 feet of Mt. Mena's height. He overlooks the dams already built near Mammoth Spring, and makes no mention of the possibilities of power on the Caddo and Little Missouri and Saline Rivers. There are pictures of the dams near Russellville and Searcy. It is claimed that the lake to be formed by the dam at Norfolk will be the largest body of artificial water in the world.

We remember years ago hearing some of the older brethren in the amen corner, in an old-time country church, pray that their children might be raised "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." We had preaching only once or twice a month and the church was probably pitted by many for its lack of educational advantages. Fathers and mothers could not offer their children many of the so-called modern advantages. They had no picture shows for their entertainment, and not many novels and magazines for them to read, but they did have homes in which the Word of God was given its rightful place, in which the Sabbath was kept holy, and in which there was taught the proper sense of the relations which men and women should sustain to one another. We rarely ever heard of divorces. The community moved on quiet fashion, undisturbed by salacious scandal. But out of those country churches and from those rugged country homes went many men who were to help shape the destiny of our country. Our nation is great because plain men of other days prayed that their children might be trained in the nurture and admonition of our Lord.—Baptist Standard.

When the conduct of men is to be influenced, persuasion, kind, unassuming persuasion, should ever be adopted. It is an old and true maxim that a drop of honey catches more flies than a gallon of gall. So with men. If you would win a man to your cause, first convince him that you are his sincere friend. His heart is the great high-road to his reason.—A. Lincoln.

FIGHT THE FILTH.

Mr. Hamlin Garland is a virile writer of fiction, who sees life whole and believes in America. He has been so moved by some of the life of the eastern cities that he thus expresses himself: "Seen from the Middle West or the South, Manhattan (New York) is a city of aliens, with a vast and growing colony of European peasants, merchants, and newly rich, who know little and care less for American tradition. It is an occasional investigation of this sort which leads me to deplore the agencies which are sluicing out upon the youth of the village the moral filth of the city. Everywhere I go I find the phonograph belching the brazen clang of jazz, screaming the suggestive songs of the music hall, and bawling the off-colored jests of the Broadway cabaret. The popular magazine with its flashy illustrations, its advertisement heroes and its daring heroines, is on every news-stand, while the moving-picture house offers the villager and the farm-boy inspiring glimpses of the doings of New York's underworld. It is in this way that certain agencies of our great metropolis exploit and corrupt the small town."

Mr. Garland fears that we are being "Europeanized," and, referring to the young writers of the East, he says: "I find myself revolted by an over-insistence on sex themes and by a sad ego-mania in these writers. Their characters whine and shirk. As poets they are obsessed with their own petty concerns. As novelists they have small sense of proportion, and for the most part they are lacking in sound craftsmanship. After reading a few of them I am filled with a disgust of their futility. . . . With those who ask, 'Why should Uncle Sam distribute books and plays which are subversive of law and right living?' I sympathize, although I recognize that this is a still more difficult test to apply to a book or a periodical. It is not merely a question of instruction in vice and crime, it is a question of vulgarizing, cheapening, and standardizing life. The effect on youth of this process of continually exalting useless, flippant, uninspiring types of men and women must be considered."

There is no doubt that the slush and filth of New York is emptied into our own cities and towns through the moving picture, the yellow periodical, and the sex novel. Parents would do well to take an inventory of the ideas that are subtly pouring into the minds of their children. The old-fashioned literature in comparison with much that youth now

Let the news-stands be examined. It will be found that much matter forbidden the use of the mails is sold. Most of the writers of this demoralizing stuff are either of foreign extraction or have been influenced by contact with Europe. Let us guard against this un-American assault on the morals of our youth.

BEATEN BY THE BAPTISTS.

In a fair and honorable contest the Baptists have beaten us in the circulation campaign. We congratulate them, and appreciate their spirit of loyalty. Since many pastors have just begun to get interested, it has been agreed that the contest shall continue four weeks longer.

Now, let all who have not done their full share go into the campaign in earnest. Let us show what we can do.

TWO CASES.

In our last mail came letters from two subscribers who feel greatly distressed to give up their paper, but they are having such a struggle to make a bare living that they are unable to renew. These are worthy people, and their Church paper seems almost as necessary to them as food and clothes, and yet they must be deprived of it for lack of a little money. If we only had a helping fund these deserving people could be made happy. Are there not people of means who would like to contribute to send the paper to those who have been unfortunate?

THE LEAGUE BUILDING.

On Feb. 28 the executive committee of the Western Methodist Assembly conferred at Fayetteville with Rev. Ralph E. Nollner representing the Epworth Leaguers of the twelve supporting Conferences, and plans for a \$25,000 Epworth Building were adopted. This beautiful building of native stone and brick, with stucco trimming and tile roof, is to be located on a magnificent site almost in the center of the grounds. The plans are being drawn, and it is expected that early in April the foundation will be laid.

By agreement with the League leaders the funds are to be secured among the Leaguers on the last Sunday in March. This is a great undertaking, and challenges our admiration. The Leaguers have determined to do this big thing, and we feel confident that they will succeed. All pastors and church officials should encourage this body of live young people to accomplish their purpose.

The work on the building will be pushed so that it will be ready for the opening on June 25. It will add much to the facilities for accommodating the large attendance that is promised.

AN ARKANSAS POET.

Arkansas has many poets, many whose verses are rich and sweet. One there is whose stately measures challenge admiration, whose soft cadences soothe, whose limpid lines illuminate. Six days he joshes in jolly jazz, but on the seventh he sings for Sabbath reading rare and radiant rhyme. These worth while poems, which first appeared in the Sunday issues of the Arkansas Gazette, Mr. C. T. Davis, of the editorial staff, has gathered into a beautiful sheaf and bound them in a tasteful little volume. They are not mere soft-sounding vocables skillfully knit together. They are beautiful thoughts set to the music of the heart, high sentiments nobly expressed, and golden glimpses of celestial climes. They thrill; they uplift; they challenge. "Recompense" recounts the making of a man. "Jonquils" heralds Spring's return. The "Epilogue" reveals "the trust as of a child in all things human, and, over all, unfaltering faith in God." Lovers of genuine poetry, faultless in form, perfect in picture, sound in sentiment, will prize this artistic volume. If you would arouse appreciation for Arkansas talent, buy this book, read it so that you may truly appraise it, and then send it to a friend who loves real poetry. Tell him that Charles T. Davis is an Arkansas man, educated in Hendrix College and working in his native State. The price is \$2. Send your order to S. F. Purser, care of Arkansas Gazette, Little Rock.

BOOK REVIEW.

The Christian Preacher; by Alfred Ernest Garvie. Principal of New College, London; published by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York.

It is said of this book that it was written for the minister desiring to be helped to make the best of his calling as a preacher. The problems with which Dr. Garvie deals are just the questions which he had to face and answer for himself when he was the pastor of a church. Later, in training men for preaching, he further discovered how needful such simple, practical counsels are for men beginning their ministry. The volume is divided into three parts: "The History of Preaching," "The Credentials, Qualifications, and Functions of the Preacher," and "The Preparation and Production of the Sermon." This part is intensely practical. It deals with "The Character of the Sermons," "The Choice of Subjects and Texts," "The Contents of the Sermon," "The Arrangement, the Composition, and the Delivery of the Sermon." Preachers will eagerly devour this book, and re-read and consult it. No matter how many books of the kind a preacher may have, he will want to add this to his library.

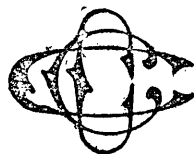
There is far too much talk these days about making life easy. It is all right to take the pain and bitterness out of the struggle; but were you to take the struggle out, there would be no adequate chance for young Americans.—Paul Shoup in Forbes.



The Call of the Conference Claimants

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It Will Be a Lovely Day In Our Zion

The Honor Roll of the Presiding Elders.—And now I have the pleasure of announcing the names of additional presiding elders whose respective districts have reported one hundred per cent on the pink leaf report. These brethren are entitled to a place on the honor roll concerning this matter. They are listed in sequence as they became wholly pink:

23 Missouri Conference, St. Joseph District, Rev. W. L. Scarborough, presiding elder.

24 North Mississippi Conference, Corinth District, Rev. J. B. Randolph, presiding elder.

25 Upper South Carolina Conference, Columbia District, Rev. J. R. T. Major, presiding elder.

26 St. Louis Conference, West Plains District, Rev. W. E. Brown, presiding elder.

27 Alabama Conference, Prattville District, Rev. J. M. Dannelly, presiding elder.

28 North Alabama Conference, Florence District, Rev. J. S. Robertson, presiding elder.

29 Upper South Carolina Conference, Cokesbury District, Rev. E. C. Jones, presiding elder.

30 Western North Carolina Conference, Charlotte District, Rev. J. B. Craven, presiding elder.

Bouquet of Pinks for the "Forgotten Man."—Carrollton charge, Rome District, North Georgia Conference, adds \$135 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$3,500 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. John G. Logan is the pastor.

Antioch Circuit, Clarksville District, Tennessee Conference, adds \$150 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$1,500 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. J. H. Whitfield is the pastor.

Waynesboro charge, Meridian District, Mississippi Conference, adds \$166 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$2,200 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. W. A. Hays is the pastor.

Abbeville charge, Cokesbury District, Upper South Carolina Conference, adds \$220 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$3,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. W. L. Millikin is the pastor.

Big Stone Gap charge, Big Stone Gap District, Holston Conference, adds \$240 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$3,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. B. G. Reynolds is the pastor.

Searcy charge, Searcy District, N. Arkansas Conference, adds \$250 to

its minimum quota, thus accepting \$3,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. H. C. Hoy is the pastor.

Cross Plains charge, Clarksville District, Tennessee Conference, adds \$250 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$2,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. George L. Harwell is the pastor.

Alexandria charge, Alexandria District, Louisiana Conference adds \$400 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$5,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. O. W. Bradley is the pastor.

Jasper charge, Jasper District, N. Alabama Conference, adds \$429 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$5,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. L. F. Stansell is the pastor.

Marion charge, Jonesboro District, North Arkansas Conference, adds \$443 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$2,500 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. J. R. Nelson is the pastor.

Ashland City charge, Clarksville District, Tennessee Conference, adds \$450 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$2,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. W. J. Walkup is the pastor.

First Church, Vinita, Vinita District, East Oklahoma Conference, adds \$500 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$4,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. M. L. Butler is the pastor.

Quincy Charge, Tallahassee District, Florida Conference, adds \$565 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$4,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. W. B. Buhrman is the pastor.

Ocala charge, Ocala District, Florida Conference, adds \$580 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$4,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. J. B. Rooney is the pastor.

First Church, Wichita Falls, Wichita Falls District, North Texas Conference, adds \$1,900 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$10,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. The pastor, Dr. Claude M. Simpson writes: "Observe that we have brought our quota up from \$8,100 to \$10,000. Our committee hopes to raise this entire amount the first year. I feel sure that if they do that they shall be able to raise more than the quota during the period of five years. Unless all signs fail me, this is certain to be done."

Epworth University charge, San Francisco District, Pacific Conference,

adds \$2,570 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$5,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. John R. Score is the pastor. All things considered, this is one of the most notable achievements that has yet come to my attention in this glorious effort for the "forgotten man." It is quite in line with many extremely heartening things coming to the office of the Board of Finance from the Conference in the far West.

Druid Hills charge, North Atlanta District, North Georgia Conference, adds \$5,160 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$10,000 to raise for Superannuate Endowment. Rev. A. M. Pierce is the pastor. Truly we can lift up our eyes unto the "Hills," for they give unto us clear vision, inspiration, and health.

Central charge, Asheville, Asheville District, Western North Carolina Conference, adds \$8,300 to its minimum quota, thus accepting \$15,000 to raise for superannuate Endowment. The pastor, Dr. Ashley Chappell, writes, "Since we have on a great building plan of something like half a million dollars, we decided to pay at least \$15,000.00." So far this great Church has the distinction of being second only to St. John's Church, St. Louis, in the amount accepted to raise for Superannuate Endowment.

A Bit of Startling Information.—Bishop E. D. Mouzon sends me a letter from one of his preachers, Rev. J. E. Woodward, pastor of Centerville charge, Tennessee Conference, from which I quote as follows: "According to our Tennessee Conference Journals for the past forty years, the total amount unpaid on salaries for the presiding elders and pastors is practically the same amount assessed for that purpose last year—that is, the minimum asking for our Conference for Superannuate Endowment (\$282,000) is in reality asking only the payment of an actual debt that has been accumulating these forty years."

I am sure that the condition revealed is these figures by Brother Woodward concerning the Tennessee Conference will prevail in all of the Conferences of the Church.

This means that the minimum asking of the \$10,000,000 for Superannuate Endowment is simply an urgent request for the Church to pay the unpaid amount she promised her active preachers through a period of forty years. It is the most powerful appeal for a hearty response to the Special Effort for Superannuate Endowment that has come to my attention.

CONTRIBUTIONS

A YEAR OF GROWTH IN LEADERSHIP TRAINING.

By J. Q. Schisler,
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General Sunday School Board.
The work of teacher-training has shown a steady growth each year since the adoption of the Standard Training Course by the General Sunday School Board in 1916. A number of the leading denominations in America use the Standard Training Course as the basis of their curriculum for training the Sunday School officers and teachers. The greatest increase in the number of awards on the Standard Training Course ever made in one year by any denomination in America was recorded by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, during the calendar year, 1923.

There has been an increase in the number of credits awarded through each method of training work being carried on by the General Sunday School Board. This growth is indicative of a growing appreciation on the part of presiding elders, pastors, Sunday School superintendents and other officers and teachers as to the importance of Sunday School work and the need of thorough-going preparation for it.

Standard Training Schools.

In 1922 there were 126 Standard Training Schools conducted. These schools awarded 9,007 credits. In 1923 there were 185 Standard Schools, awarding a total of 13,119 credits, an increase of more than forty-five per cent in the number of credits awarded. There are now 325 high-grade instructors on the approved list of the General Sunday School Board for work in Standard Schools. These instructors taught a total of 1,012 weeks in Standard Training Schools last year. The work accomplished in leadership-training through these Standard Schools is the equivalent of what would be done in ten schools of Religious Education, each with a faculty of three specialists running for full nine months terms, with an average enrollment in each school of sixty-six.

Standard Training Course in Colleges.

The texts of the Standard Course are being offered quite extensively along with other texts in the departments of Religious Education in a number of our denominational colleges. Credit is given by the General Sunday School Board to students in these colleges who take courses in Religious Education that parallel the units of the Standard Training Course when such courses are credited by the colleges on degrees. Professors of Religious Education in our colleges have exhibited sincere and growing interest in this work. The total number of credits awarded by the General Sunday School Board in 1923, upon the basis of this work, in twenty-two colleges of the church is 4,195.

Correspondence Work.

The remarkable growth in the number of credits awarded in these schools, has not surpassed the growth of training work which is being carried on through other types of training schools, through local training classes and by individual students. The total number of credits awarded in these phases of work in 1922 was 9,745, including credits awarded through colleges. The total for 1923, not including credits awarded through colleges, is 10,092.

A plan for correspondence work on the specification units of the Standard Training Course was put into operation last year which doubtless has in it great possibilities for development in the future. That is called "Supervised Study by Correspondence." This plan contemplates giving expert advice and suggestions on the lesson papers which are prepared by the students who take these courses by correspondence. For this service a small fee is charged. Though this plan was not put into operation until October 20 of last year there were 188 pupils enrolled for this work by the middle of January of this year.

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the fact that during the past six years more than 51,000 examination papers have been handled in the Office of Training Work and only two papers out of this large number have been lost. Every effort is made to keep every detail of the records of this work absolutely accurate.

Leadership School at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina.

There was a new departure last summer in the Leadership Training School which is conducted annually by the General Sunday School Board at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina. Instead of the usual two-weeks' Leadership School, which has been held annually for the past six years, there were three terms of two weeks each, and a six-weeks' school running parallel. In the six-weeks' school only advanced courses were offered. This plan will be followed again this year. The total enrollment in the school in 1923 was 696. This includes only those students who actually enrolled for work in the school and does not include any visitors. This is an advance of 242 over the highest mark in previous years. The total number of credits awarded was 686, which is 182 above any previous year.

Pastors' Schools.

In 1923, at the invitation of the Board of Missions, the General Sunday School Board, through the Director of Training Work, entered into active cooperation with the Home Department of the Board of Missions in plans for the promotion and support of Pastors' Schools. According to this arrangement, one-fourth of the courses in the curriculum for each school were to be courses in the field of Religious Education which the General Sunday School Board could credit in its Standard Training Course. From two to four of these courses have been included in the curriculum of each of the Pastors' Schools which have been held this year.

The total enrollment for actual class work in these twelve schools was more than 1,200. Many others were in and out; 498 credits in the courses in Religious Education have been earned by pastors in these schools this year.

Total Awards Annually.

The increase of 1922 over previous years, as well as the steady growth of this work, may be indicated by the following figures giving the total annual awards during the past five years: 1919, 6,900; 1920, 11,900; 1921, 16,900; 1922, 18,750; 1923, 28,524. It will be seen that the increase of 1923 over the previous year's record is fifty-two per cent.

These figures for the first three years are approximate, since these calculations are based on the period intervening between the annual meetings of the General Sunday School Board which was not uniformly twelve months. There is, however, no duplication in the figures here given and the figures for the last two years are accurate.

JAPAN THE SPIRITUAL CHILD OF AMERICA.

W. E. Towson

The Japanese are like the islands that compose their Empire, rather volcanic in character, liable at any time and under the least provocation to explode. Generally, however, the eruption soon subsides and peace and quiet reign. They are a sensitive people and have been considerably stirred up under the treatment their nationals have been receiving from various nations and, especially, from the United States and that part of it known as the "Pacific Coast," which has been anything but pacific in its character. The American Government has not yet found the proper solution of its oriental emigration policy. I am not statesman enough to say what that policy should be and recognize there are two sides to the question, but our nation cannot persist in a policy that places a people who have made the wonderful advances the Japanese have, and that sits at the council table of the nations, on a level below the ignorant classes of southern Europe.

While Japan has constitutional government and all her people are equal

before the law, the safeguards that hedge the Constitution, limiting the rights of the people, are numerous and irritating. Liberty of speech, through the press and on the platform, has certain limitations beyond which it cannot go. It is a very frequent experience for the entire edition of a paper or a magazine to be suppressed, or for editors to receive notice that certain matters must not be mentioned until permission is granted. Several of the more important papers have a case before the courts now contesting a fine that was assessed against them for violating the press laws. Some of the papers have "dummy editors" who submit to punishment in case of sentence against them. The police authorities have a large measure of power which is frequently used in suppressing what are called "dangerous thoughts." There is an "Anti-Radical Thought" bill before the Diet which is now in session. The police attend all important gatherings, frequently as plain-clothes men, and, when they think the speakers are going too far, declare the meeting suspended. Frequently trouble ensues, but they always have their way in the end. The distribution of Bolshevistic literature is entirely suppressed. All attempts to spread the principles underlying the organization of Soviet Russia are vigorously opposed. While this is so, Japan has under consideration the making of a trade treaty with the Soviet Government.

At the close of the war and since, though in a lessening degree, a wave of political equality and of the rights of men swept over the country like a prairie fire, affecting all classes. As is frequently the case, this spirit of liberty degenerated into one of license, resulting in excesses. No word has been more frequently on the tongue of public speakers or used in editorials than the word "democracy." The word was taken bodily into the Japanese and became "demo-cra-si." Some foreigners call attention to the last two syllables, which they claim aptly describe the crazy condition into which the thinking of the people has fallen. The working classes, artisans, farmers, laborers, both men and women, organized all over the country. Unions were formed. The struggle between the open and closed shop and other labor doctrines was waged. Numerous strikes were called and even the weapon of sabotage was used. In some instances the strike has been used to a ludicrous extent. Students, whole classes, or entire schools have struck by absenting themselves, as a protest against the management of an institution, or in disapprobation of a teacher. Frequently the students win out, but sometimes only by compromise.

Japan has been very alert to adopt things western. I do not know of an implement of foreign civilization which she has not taken over. In some instances she has adapted them, but in most cases it has been adoption pure and simple. Her slavish imitation of things foreign, especially in manners and custom, has been a just cause of criticism. With the acceptance of our better things has come also the adoption of things worldly and wicked. Foreign liquors of all sorts, including beer in great quantities are being used, while card playing and dancing have entered all circles. This dancing crowd says, "In order to be fashionable and foreign, we must do these things." Just as some weak-kneed Christians at home say, "If we don't go along with the world, we might as well be out of the world. As well be dead as out of fashion." But this is to be said in defense of the Japanese. Those who do these things are not Christians; they are heathen. Our Christians out here do not want to do such things; they have found something better and are "not of the world."

Lately I read an editorial from one of the leading Japanese dailies on "The Danger of Americanization." After referring to the great wealth of the United States, with its large navy, army and coast defenses, the editor says, "It is not these things that trouble us. What causes us real

concern is the Americanization that is going on among the Japanese. By Americanization, we mean that the Japanese have become Americans in spirit. We call them Japanese Americanized who call America their spiritual home. Lord Haldane, in an unguarded moment, made an indiscreet remark, in the course of one of his speeches, describing Germany as his spiritual home, and by this indiscretion he gave his countrymen cause for bitter and enduring complaint. We are afraid that among the Japanese there are many who look upon America as their spiritual home. This constitutes a real danger to Japan. America strongly appeals to some Japanese because of her mighty wealth. Other Japanese consider America to be an ideal state or the home of civilization. If such admirers of America increase among the Japanese people, Japan may become finally annexed by America spiritually, though independent materially. Our opinion is, therefore, that the American menace to Japan is not her wealth, but the shadow of her wealth. The increase of such feather-brained fellows as run after the shadow of American wealth and strength is what inspires anxiety in our minds. There are many kinds of American worship. The most dangerous is the worship of dollars after the American style. When we fear the Americanization of Japan, we fear the Japanese people will become too materialistic, too selfish, and come to love gold too much."

Does not this editor in calling attention to Japan's danger also point out America's? The United States is now the richest nation in the world. It can say with the people who lived in Laodicea, "We are rich and increased with goods and have need of nothing." With this great increase in wealth has come alarming extravagance. The lessons and warnings of history are clear and certain on this point, so clear and plain that "he may run that readeth it." The past is strewn with the wrecks of nations that have gone down and disappeared when, having reached the pinnacle of wealth, they turned to luxury and self-indulgence. Dangers multiplied, social, political and ecclesiastical, are threatening our fair land.

"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small;

Though with patience He stands waiting, with exactness Grinds He all."

God raised up America, I am confident of it, for a special work among the nations and I have read history to little purpose if I am in error in believing that the footprints of the Almighty are plainly visible in our national history; but if America turns away from God, as present indications seem to point, he can set her aside and raise up some other nation or people, even as He did the Jews. Nations and individuals are free and God's beneficent plans can be thwarted, but "sure, ah sure, will the harvest be."

God's people need to stand in their lot, true and faithful, in these days of peril and call mightily upon Him, lest His judgments come upon our nation. The signs of the times are ominous and they should be a clarion call to God's people to come up to the help of the Lord at this time of danger to our beloved land. Kyoto, Japan.

CONGRESSMAN UPSHAW'S TRIBUTE TO PREACHERS

Whenever I hear a blind, stingy parasite say that "a preacher always hears the call where the biggest salary is," I want to be free as a layman to lash him with my tongue or crack him with my crutch and remind him that he is one of the "nuts" that do not pay any of the salary. When I hear a critic of preachers and churches say that "preacher's children are the worst children in the world," I love to be free as a layman to look him straight in the face and tell him "without mental reservation, or purpose of evasion," but that he is an "unmitigated fool or an unforgotten liar, either all or both." (Laughter and applause.)


If one child of a preacher goes wrong, you tell the world; but you tell nothing of the ninety and nine faithful ones who live in the modest beauty and conquering glory of their Godfearing lives, going out from the sacred influences of family altars and sacrificial parental example, making a constant gulf stream of blessing to the social, spiritual, educational and political life of the Nation, fructifying every shore that they touch (applause). Verily the faithful preacher is the packhorse of the community life. He restrains the erring, marries

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the loving, he comforts the sorrowing, and buries the dead, and then he usually sinks into his grave without money enough to buy his own winding sheet, because, like his Master, he has loved truth and humanity better than he has loved worldly preferment or the "yellow glare of gold." But—

As over the hilltops, the valleys, and plains

Tho' the sun hath departed, a glory remains.

Even so does the beauty of the faithful preacher's unselfish, consecrated life throw back its mellowed beams of radiant splendor upon the community sky—a light in which your children and mine walk, thank God, to nobler and grander living. (Applause.) Thinking of how preachers, Bibles, Churches and schools give fundamental value to our homes and property, and everything that is worth while in our civilization, I love to be free as a layman to crown the underpaid preachers and teachers as the most unselfish men and women the world has ever seen. (Applause.)—Congressional Record.

AMERICA: ALIEN OR AMERICAN. The Economic Aspects of Immigration; The Proposed Remedy for a National Menace

By H. E. Woolever

Editor, National Methodist Press

Shall the United States remain an American Nation in character, or shall it yield to alienization? That there is danger of a mongrel alienization of this nation, no one familiar with the facts denies. Therefore, proper remedies are at once imperative, and statesmen are now seeking these.

There is no more important question under the consideration of the Congress of the United States than that of the future immigration policy of this Nation. In order to serve the large group of Americans who desire to play a constructive part at this important juncture in our history, the following effort to epitomize voluminous material on this subject is made.

A Nation Without a Policy.

Perhaps it would be advisable to state the writer's attitude at the outset, lest some ardent advocate of free immigration might fail to read through this article, upon the assumption that it is based upon an anti-foreign prejudice. As a Christian minister, the writer has been a zealous champion of the alien, has served a historic church endeavoring to minister to a large Italian colony, and is now a director in an organization seeking to help alien groups. Justice prompts the statement, that a closer study of facts at the general sources convinces us that the greatest good

to all will be accomplished by checking immigration to this country until time is taken for a careful inventory and for the development of a constructive American policy.

America is the leading immigration country of the world. Despite this significant fact, it is the last of the major immigration countries to consider a definite national policy on this subject. Canada has established a policy for securing settlers for her farm lands. Chile, Argentine, Brazil and other South American countries have sought aliens for definite economic reasons. New Zealand and Australia have selected immigrants with the national good in view and have brought in a homogeneous Anglo-Saxon group. The United States, except for the emergency restriction of immigration since 1922, has had a rather free-for-all policy. Without much regard, on the part of the Government, as to what foreigners did upon arrival here, there was a general belief that the great American melting-pot would assimilate whoever should come. This hope was the only definite element in the undefined American immigration policy. This kind of a policy sufficed for more than 200 years, during which the immigrant came largely from Northern and Western Europe—people of traditions and racial heritage similar to our own and who found no great difficulty in accepting American ideals and institutions, and becoming Americans. In 1880, 72 per cent of the foreign born were of this type, but by 1907, a great change had taken place and this percentage had dwindled to less than 18 per cent, while 76 per cent of the immigrants were from South and East Europe—people who had low educational standards and a political and social background which has made it impossible for any considerable number of them to become real Americans in spirit and manner of life.

The above fact is evident when we recall that there are now in the United States nearly 7,000,000 foreign born who have, as far as possible, transplanted their home countries to America. They are as far from America, except that they work in American industries, as though they were on the other side of the Atlantic. They speak a foreign language, eat foreign foods, give allegiance to a foreign flag and dream of a foreign land.

The Immigrant as a Labor Unit.

There was a time when cheap manual labor was thought necessary to this country, in order to dig ditches, build railroads, etc. Modern machinery, steam shovels, electrical hoists and air-driven tools have done away with the former need of many hands. There are certain industries which have always sought cheap labor, and have given consideration only to the "horses-power" of the alien laborer, without respect to the good of society or the development of a better national character. The copper industries are 63.7 per cent foreign born labor; the iron mines, 66.7 per cent; the hemp and jute mills, 60 per cent; the sugar refineries, 63.2 per cent; the steel industry, 50.3 per cent; and the clothing industry, 66.5 per cent, which is mostly Jewish.

Owing to the war, immigration to this country has been largely restricted for nearly ten years. American industry has adjusted itself to the new conditions with marked benefit to society. The old 12 and 13 hour shifts of the steel industry which made ignorant sorts of the exploited foreigner have been outlawed. The condition of the intelligent laborer was never so good in any country as it is in America today.

Our sorest need now is for more agriculturists. This essential producing group in our national life is in great need of augmentation. Only 8 per cent of the farm labor is done by the immigrant. And the new immigration is less promising than the old. The best agriculturists come from Northern Europe. The influx of foreigners of the last three decades has come from South and East Europe where real farming is not much known. For instance, the Southern Italians have only little patches of ground and, possibly, a donkey and

a wife to do the tilling, and to help to water the patch during the dry season. A real farm is as bewildering to them as a metropolitan skyscraper is to a boy from Bulgaria.

More Producers and Fewer Peddlers.

A progressive farmer from Illinois who came to Ellis Island to study the question of immigration as it relates to the agricultural needs says: "In going through Ellis Island, I found that out of 2,200 foreigners who came in on the ship Columbia, there was but one farm laborer so recorded in the manifest of that ship."

"From July, 1922, to February, 1923, (six months) there were admitted 330,623 immigrants. Of this number, 127,196 were non-producers, those without any occupation—nearly 40 per cent, you might say, practically worthless."

"Now, of the 330,623 admitted, only 15,848 were farm laborers. Such great food-producing states as Iowa, received 1,980 immigrants; Kansas received 895; Nebraska, 1,178; South Dakota, 438; North Dakota, 736; while New York received 91,182. Who were these people, and of what vocations? Last year, 28,635 immigrants were admitted from Poland, yet only 6,357 were Poles. Russia sent 17,143, of which only 2,486 were Russians. From Roumania, 10,287 were admitted, and all but 1,520 were Roumanians. Of what nationality, then was the great per centage? In going through Ellis Island, or looking over the steerage of an ocean liner, it is quite evident who they are. They are the poor, undesirable class of non-producers, who are being assisted to this country through the activities of certain societies. They are the push-cart and shoestrung vendors. What this country needs is more producers and fewer peddlers."

"The class of immigrants that has been coming to the United States the last few years furnishes but little of the brawn and strength that were formerly received and which went into the mills and industries and on the farms of the country. Approximately 75 per cent of these foreigners settle in the cities and largely engage in trade, of a very minor nature, a liability rather than an asset."

These statements which deal with the influx of the Jew are well to keep in mind as they are related to the opposition on the part of Hebrew Societies to the present immigration bill before Congress. This group of people enter the United States under a number of National categories.

It is important that those who advocate free immigration for the sake of cheap foreign labor keep in mind that there are now 250,000 more miners than are needed to produce our coal. This means waste of our present man power and the lowest standard of living, as now the miners are not employed full time.

The development of some process of distributing the available surplus laborers in the country will be of greater benefit to the Nation than an influx of unskilled alien workmen.

Nation Within our Nation.

There are few facts known by the Government or any other organization about the potential and economic benefits of immigration. Americans have always talked in general terms on this theme. The authorities who might be expected to have definite data collected state that it would take three years and a considerable expenditure to make a careful study. Here is the reason why many have thought immigration should be stopped until we find out where we are. We have played with a proposition which has the potential powers of crushing out the American type of civilization.

We have discovered in recent months some of the destructive, economic effects of having within our borders millions of foreigners.

The aliens, coming in large numbers, tend to colonize. They shut themselves away from American influence and prevent that leavening process which must be carried on if they are to be assimilated. The lack of a definite immigration policy on the part of the United States, has permitted foreign countries to take advantage of us. At the present time, there is nothing so in the way of ob-

taining a sound national immigration policy as the activities of the interests, social, religious and economic, which endeavor to exploit the immigrant and this Nation. The foreign born in this country is largely the subject of the Roman Catholic Church, the industrial profiteers, the social agitator, the political opportunist and the foreign land to which he still holds allegiance. The problem is so clouded by the biased, prejudiced and partisan views of classes and groups that it is almost impossible to consider the situation in the light of actual facts.

In our earlier articles, we indicated how the racial, religious and educational aspects of immigration affect the United States. We have here dealt with the economic phase as related to our needs of manual labor. There is just one more aspect of the economic problem which we will touch upon before considering the pending bill. Since the war, the European countries have taken a new attitude toward their citizens in this country. They have, through emissaries and other means, sought to organize them into groups controlled by the old countries, and immune from the Americanizing influences of this country. They recognize the importance of holding the allegiance of their people in this country in case of a war. Not only do they depend upon their man power but their money power. They need American resources to support their heavy armaments and to prepare for new conflicts. Foreign-born leaders have organized foreign banks and foreign stocked stores, and thus they direct the immigrant's trade and gather in his savings to be sent back to the old country. "For where a man's treasure is, there is his heart, also." They, thus keep him out of the American trade channels. During two and a half years, \$250,000,000 in immigrant savings were sent to Europe by only four banking concerns. When all the other channels of forwarding resources to Europe are considered, the amount must be tremendous.

While this is going on, the American tax-payer is supporting dependent aliens who have come to this land of asylum. The cost to the United States of caring for this class in our institutions is 3 1-2 per cent of all the tax money raised in all the states. In New York State, 36 per cent of the tax money collected goes to this purpose. Recently, the State of New York asked for a \$50,000,000 bond issue to provide buildings for the insane, now over-crowded by 13,000. In June 1922, 43.3 per cent of the insane maintained at the expense of the state were foreign born. Of these, more than half were strictly aliens who, for the most part, had never paid a cent of taxes. The fact that these aliens are public wards is not chargeable to conditions existing in America. Congressman Johnson, chairman of the House Immigration Committee, says that New York State is asleep to her rights as nearly all the insane and defective aliens are deportable at federal expense.

Colonization, which is continually fostered by foreign business organizations, the foreign-language press, foreign-language parochial schools, foreign-language churches and chan-

Is Your Blood Starving For Want of Iron?

Without Plenty of Iron In Your Blood
You Don't Get the Strength and
Nourishment Out of the Food You Eat

When over-work, lack of sleep, improper food and impure air sap the iron from your blood and make you feel weak, nervous, irritable and out-of-sorts, it is important that you should at once put more iron into your blood. Without iron the blood loses the power to change food into living tissue and therefore nothing that you eat does you the proper amount of good because you don't get the full strength out of it. Your food merely passes through your system like corn through a mill with the rollers so wide apart that the mill can't grind. Because of this steady starvation of the blood and nerves people often become weakened, tired-out, nervous and run-down and frequently develop all sorts of symptoms. But the moment organic iron—Nuxated Iron—is supplied a multitude of dangerous symptoms disappear in most cases, the flesh becomes firmer, the muscles get back their strength and the roses of health bloom in cheeks that were pale and sickly looking.

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nels of intimate communication with the old land, is absolutely adverse to the interests of the United States of America. Perhaps, much of this has resulted from a lack of appreciation and proper spirit on the part of American business, social and religious groups. This fault on our part, for the sake of the Nation and the alien, should be corrected.

THE MCFARLIN GIFTS.

No such princely gifts have ever been made to the Southern Methodist Church by any Oklahomans as Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McFarlin, of Tulsa, have made. The Memorial church at Norman, which will be the best plant in Southern Methodism, will cost upwards of \$500,000. Now they propose to build and furnish a great Memorial Chapel at Southern Methodist University which will cost approximately \$500,000. These two great buildings will stand for thousands of years and tens of thousands of students in the years to come will profit by the generosity of these two good people.

It is to be hoped that these two great gifts from Oklahomans will mean a better day for Oklahoma Methodism. For the lack of funds, Oklahoma Methodist institutions have gone down until we have become a "laughing stock" to the world. Dr. T. F. Brewer sacrificed thousands of dollars and actually gave his life's blood to launch a conference organ and build schools for Oklahoma Methodism. A few others stood by him but those who had money held it and these institutions that meant so much for our Zion finally "starved out."

Other schools were established at Ardmore and Oklahoma City which had a promising future but when the time came when money was needed we did not have any one whose wealth was available to save the institutions and the good name of the Church. The Northern Methodist Church, a constituency of less than half that of Southern Methodism in the state have built Oklahoma City College that has an enrollment now of over 1,400 students.

Again, the city of Tulsa and Tulsa Methodism promised a bonus for a Methodist college at Tulsa and the Methodists of the state subscribed over \$600,000 for such a school but when it comes to a show down there is no money forthcoming and the school is not yet started. If Southern Methodism wants really to do anything worthwhile for Oklahoma in an educational way, Tulsa is the greatest unoccupied center in the Southwest for a Methodist college. Tulsa Methodists and Oklahoma Methodists have the money and can build this college if they will. But will they do it? If they do not then Southern Methodism in Tulsa and Oklahoma will be discredited before the whole country. He that putteth his hand to the plow and looketh back is not fit for the Kingdom of Heaven. If we do not carry out our program, build our institutions and save our name and self-respect, then others will take our crown. To him that hath shall be given but from him that hath not shall be taken away that which he already hath.

It is to be hoped, therefore, that this worthy example set by our good

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McFarlin, will cause hundreds in Oklahoma whom the Lord has blessed with the material things of this world to think seriously over the needs of Southern Methodism in Oklahoma and put money into the Church and its institutions that the preachers have sacrificed and suffered to establish.—Oklahoma Methodist.

STEWARDS.

The idea is spreading among men of wealth that they owe it to the world to give some of their time, experience and talents to help advance the world. This growing thought—that a man's wealth and talents do not belong to him for his personal enjoyment, that he is simply a steward to administer them for the general good—is bound to work wonderful betterments as the idea becomes more general. We would like to see these ideas matched by workmen recognizing their responsibilities to the public as well as their rights to themselves, and thus have everyone working for the happiness and welfare of mankind.—Ex.

MANUAL EDUCATION

If further evidence is needed of the practical character of the vocational training given in the public schools, it may be found in recent developments in widely scattered cities, says a writer in the Christian Science Monitor. The Atlantic City board of education, confronted with the necessity of building a \$50,000 annex to one of its schoolhouses and unwilling to pay the high wages just now demanded in the building trades, will use student mechanics in the construction work. In Buffalo, pupils of a school did all the work of erecting a shop that would have cost the city \$30,000 if outside help had been employed. The buildings of the Fitchburg Normal School have just been completely renovated inside, the members of the practical arts course acting as interior decorators, and in Portland, Ore., 35 young women students of the State Agricultural College demonstrated the value of their domestic science training by cooking and serving a regular meal for the guests of one of the large city hotels.—Ex.

EDITING A NEWSPAPER.

Editing a newspaper in some respects is like preaching. The gospel truth must be presented in the form of generalism, or some fellow will get hit and howl, says a recent writer. Few persons like the truth even in the homeopathic dose if it hits them. But while preachers and editors are criticized for what they do say, no one thinks of giving them credit for what they do not say. What they keep to themselves constitutes a major portion of what they know about people. Very many people harbor the belief that newspapers are eager to publish derogatory things. This is a mistake. There isn't a newspaper that could not spring a sensation in the community by merely telling what it knows. There is not a newspaper that does not keep under the lock of secrecy scores of derogatory things which never meet the public eye or reach the public ear. Deciding what not to print is the most troublesome part of the newspaper work. How many good stories are suppressed for innocent relatives and for the public good nobody outside a newspaper office has any idea of. In some instances he who flies into a passion because the newspaper prints something about him which he considers uncomplimentary has every reason to feel profoundly grateful to the newspapers for publishing so little of what it knows about him. And often times the loudest bluffer is the most vulnerable to attack. A big noise is often a device employed to cover trepidation. Newspapers put up with more bluffing than any other agency would endure. It is not because they lack the courage; it is because they are unwilling to use their power to destroy or ruin unless the interests of society imperatively demand it. It might be well for some people to reflect upon these truths and in silent gratitude accept mild admonition lest worse befall them.—Danville Democrat.

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INVESTMENT IN PERSONALITY.

I so often think about something Bishop Lambuth told me once. He was propped up on some pillows in the room he was occupying in the home of Dr. Cram at Songdo. He was suffering intensely. Yet he dictated a long letter to me, to somebody in Frisco, asking them to pay especial attention to Miss Kate Cooper, who was on her way home. Miss Cooper had just recovered from typhus and was critically ill. When he finished this letter he said: "Brother Taylor, never allow yourself to do all your work for things and institutions. There is nothing that counts quite so much as your work for personality. Get you an address book and list names there. Work for personality that is what counts.—J. O. J. Taylor

N. ARK. CONF. W. M. S.

At the recent Annual Meeting of N. Ark. Conf. W. M. S., Mrs. B. F. Ellis of Fayetteville was elected Conf. Supt. of Publicity and Literature. We bespeak for her the hearty co-operation of the Officers, District Secretaries and auxiliary Publicity Supts. of her Conference that she may be able to send interesting "news" for this Dept. every week.

Mrs. Ellis will, doubtless, prove the worthy successor to Mrs. Jno. W. Bell who, for years served faithfully in this office, and still carries on the Bible and Mission Study with zeal and ability as Conf. Supt. of that department.

FROM COUNCIL TREASURER'S REPORT.

For the Fourth quarter of 1922 N. Ark. Conf. W. M. S. paid on regular work \$8,676.89 and for corresponding qu. of 1923 paid \$7,725.52

Little Rock Conf. W. M. S. paid \$9,467.05 for Regular Work in 4th quarter 1922, and \$9,439.96 for corresponding qu. of 1923.

OUR COUNCIL BULLETIN.

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FROM TEXARKANA DISTRICT.

Mrs. Seth Reynolds writes of the reorganization of Paraloma auxiliary with seven members, and says she thinks it is going to live this time. Mrs. Allen is the president, and Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Gold are very enthusiastic leaders there.

Mrs. Reynolds appreciates the value of "Builders of a Kingdom" our History of Little Rock Conf. W. M. S., and is making earnest effort to increase its circulation in her District.

N. ARK. CONF. W. M. S.

Mrs. A. H. DuLaney, Chairman of the Belle Bennett Prayer League of the North Arkansas Conference, writes:

"We will have a Conference Roll Book and in this the names of the members of the Prayer League will be inscribed and kept; they are to be known as the Lord's 'Remembrancers.'"

People who have been grieved with the thought that their days of usefulness in the Kingdom were passed, will welcome this open door and find joy in His service once more.

May there be no waste of precious time by any one called to help in this; and each disabled one is to give the favorite verse or selection from the Bible, as well as her name and address, and the hour of prayer.

I feel so inspired about this work that I hope everyone will catch the spirit and help speed the day when

our Conference Roll will have hundreds of names and every Auxiliary will be represented in the list; then will we feel "The Power of the Living Christ."

In loving service,

Mrs. A. H. DuLaney, Ark.

Searcy, Ark.

Mrs. E. F. Ellis, Supt. Pub. adds: "It is hoped that all the women will want to become one of the Lord's 'Remembrancers,' especially those those who for any reason can not take an active part in the Missionary work. Please write to Mrs. DuLaney."

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY VOICE.

From V. Pres. of the N. Ark. Conf. W. M. S.

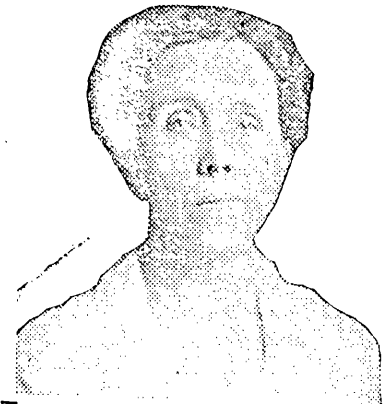
The number of subscribers to the Missionary Voice in the entire Conference is 1,496 an increase of 232 over last year.

The following have made an increase over last year: Batesville 3; Fayetteville 52; Ft. Smith 35; Jonesboro 57 and Paragould 10.

Batesville District reports 153 subscribers which means that 39 per cent of their membership gets the Voice; Booneville 80 subscribers, 34 per cent; Conway 151 subscribers, 20 per cent; Fayetteville 221 subscribers, 48 per cent; Ft. Smith 148 subscribers, 39 per cent; Helena 199 subscribers, 31 per cent; Jonesboro 255 subscribers, 36 per cent; Paragould 146 subscribers, 44 per cent; Searcy 103 subscribers, 26 per cent. Jonesboro District has the greatest number of subscribers and Fayetteville District the greatest per cent.

Auxiliaries which have 50 per cent or more of their membership taking the Voice are Batesville first church, Moorefield, Newport, Tuckerman, Eureka Springs, Fayetteville No. 1, Fayetteville No. 2, Rogers, Siloam Springs, Springdale, Altus, Greenwood, Lavaca, Brinkley No. 1, Clarendon, Forrest City, Marianna, Hamburg, Corning, Hoxie, Mammoth Springs, Pocahtontas, Rector, Imboden, Higginson, McCrory, Marshall. Fayetteville No. 2 has 100 per cent. Each of the above auxiliaries are entitled to five points on the Honor Roll.—Mrs. E. F. Ellis, V. P.

MRS. W. L. TAYLOR.

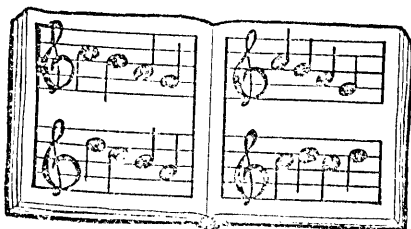


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ANNUAL REPORT 1923 FROM MRS. JNO. W. BELL.

Supt. of Study and Publicity.
At the close of 1922 we thought wonders had been accomplished in our Study and Publicity. And great progress was made. Also a foundation was laid and ready for the year 1923 to enter on.

In this foundation we had the ground work of interest and determination implanted. Interest in Bible and Mission study, Interest in our splendid new books, Interest in doing credit work, Interest in a deeper knowledge of our open fields and our Master's will concerning us. Interest in our Councils plan for us. And this interest culminated in the determination to make use of the allotted time given us in the year 1923. And a goodly number of the missionary societies have grasped the opportunity and have done creditable work during the past year.

And many others have planted well for another year expecting to reap their credits in 1925. The outlook for the future in our study work is very, very encouraging. We expect nothing less than to study three or four books a year. We are proud indeed of the study classes and the methods by which they have been conducted. Not only have we builded with books, but with the open Bible before us we have builded with its message, and come to know the power of the living Christ, and with this spirit prevailing our work every where we probably builded better than we knew. The work done cannot all be seen or measured by numbers. But by 'my Spirit,' saith the Lord, it is His spirit in our work that gives us occasion to rejoice today. We do advance when we study, pray and strive to 'show ourselves approved unto God.' A noted writer has said, 'Give us a nation of Bible students, and that nation becomes a leader and an exemplar among nations.'

Following are the statistics:
Number reporting during the year 411 Adults, 316; Young People, 30; Children, 65.
Number making four Quarterly reports, 75.
Members in Mission study classes, 602 Adults, 4,379; Young People, 468; Children, 1,355.
Number of Bible study classes, 174. Adults, 152; Young People, 12; Children 10.
Members in Bible study classes, 3,366. Adult, 3,015; Young People, 201; Children, 150.

Total members in Bible and Mission

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St. Louis, Missouri.—"I had such a bad case of female trouble that I could not walk because of the pains from inflammation. My back was all done up. I could hardly bend, could not go up stairs because of weakness, and no one could possibly be in worse shape than I was. I have taken twelve bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I am a strong woman now and can work down any of my neighbors. They wonder how I can do so much work. I dare say that I have recommended your medicine to a thousand women. A little book was thrown at my door, and that is how I first learned of it."—Mrs. D. M. BEAUCHAMP, 1104 Morrison Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

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study classes, 9,558.
Number reporting prayer and reading circles, 16.
Number of Societies using the Bulletin, 297.
Number sending news Items to local papers, 127.

IS THIS WILMOT AUXILIARY?

A friend sent the following communication, but failed to give the name of her auxiliary. The name of her Postoffice was blurred on the envelope and we can't read it. Anyhow, we are glad to hear of progress among our friends in Monticello District, and return thanks to our friend who writes:

The meeting of the Methodist Church officials called by the Women's Missionary Society, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Larrison, last Tuesday evening was well attended.

A vital and inspiring program was rendered, covering all phases of official duties. Many new ideas were advanced, and as many new resolutions made by those present; and we feel that we are entering a new day in our church work in our town. We invite all to come to church and "Watch Methodism grow." At the conclusion of the program, the second quarterly conference was held. Reports revealed the fact that all departments of the church were in splendid and active condition. Forty new members having been received during the past month, also all the auxiliaries of the church have been enlarged. Following the quarterly conference delicious refreshments were served by the ladies to Rev. J. A. Parker, presiding elder Monticello District and a number of official laymen. Mesdames C. E. Larrison, J. E. Newton, M. C. Crandall, J. L. Alexander, J. P. DeYampert, G. A. Stovall, J. P. Hosmer, E. A. Jackson, C. A. Englerth, and A. B. Barry were the hostesses.

The spirit of optimism prevailed, and the missionary society was glad to help the Church officials in their work for the Master. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. W. B. Davis.

ANNUAL MEETING, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council will be held in the Hyde Park Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Tampa, Fla., April 9-16, 1924.

The meeting will open with a devotional service at eight o'clock Wednesday evening, April 9. The first business will be called to order at nine o'clock the following morning.

The Executive Committee will meet Wednesday morning at nine o'clock.

The Worker's (Conference delegates) Conference will be held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock.

The program promises to be one of great interest, and the Council members are urged to give publicity concerning the meeting, throughout their respective Conferences, that the attendance may be large.

Reduced railway rates according to the certificate plan have been secured, provided there is an attendance of at least two hundred and fifty (250) persons holding certificates of the standard form showing that the normal one-way fares of sixty-seven cents or more have been paid for the going trip.

Mrs. E. L. Sparkman, 713 South Fielding Avenue, is the General Chairman of the Local Committees.

Further information in regard to Council headquarters, the selling dates and validating dates of tickets, etc., will be given later through the Conference papers.—Mrs. F. F. Stephens, President;

Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker, Recording Sec.

"For all that makes for quiet in the world,

For all that knits the silken bond of peace,

We thank thee, Lord."

OUR PROGRAM FOR MARCH. The New Spirit of Understanding in Race Relations

Hymn 690: "Who Is Thy Neighbor?"
Business: Reports of Officers and Committees.

Report of Social Service Com.

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CHILDREN'S WEEK IN NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

The elementary workers will be glad to know that North Arkansas stands 8th in rank in the observance of Children's Week. Last year 37 churches observed Children's Week. In each case a Parents' or Church School meeting was held; 896 parents were reported present at these meetings; 681 homes were visited during the week and 42 forward steps were taken. Only in the number of Children's Week Observance did we fail to qualify for 5th or 6th place. It is quite possible that we lost rank because some schools which observed the week failed to send in the report to the District and Conference elementary superintendent.

The Elementary Newsletter for February shows that there were 732 churches in our Connection which observed this week with an attendance of 47,168 parents and 29,121 homes were visited. In all 660 forward steps

were taken. Surely this movement is well worth while.

We trust to report not less than 50 Children's Week observances in the year 1924.—H. E. Wheeler.

THE ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER.

The March issue of this helpful little organ of the Elementary Department of the Church contains a splendid write-up of our new elementary superintendent, Mrs. Bessie Carpenter of Van Buren. Elementary workers who are desirous of keeping in touch with the Elementary work of our Church should be sure and get this little leaflet. There is no District in our Conference that has not undertaken to qualify for at least a "C" Standard school during the year, and we believe that no one will work more faithfully and helpfully in realizing this goal for each District than will Mrs. Carpenter. Be sure to let her have a chance to help you in

Roll Call.

Special Topic: "The Superannuate Campaign: An Appeal." (Leaflet)
Missionary News: (Bulletin).
Devotional: Bible Lesson, "Christ and Our Possessions." (I Chron xxix. 10-16.)

Prayer.

Hymn 654: "O, Zion Haste."

Leader:
Missionary Topic: "From the International Observatory."

1. Observing New Attitudes. (Leaflet.)

2. Observing New Activities. (Leaflet.)

Leader:
Prayer.

"Open our eyes, O Lord, to the mystery revealed in Christ, and now proclaimed afresh in the contact of the races; in the mystery of thy kingdom, Gentiles are fellow heirs with the Jews, heathen nations with the Christian. May the day soon come when race pride and prejudice shall vanish from the earth and universal good will prevail. Forgive, O Lord, our narrowness, our selfishness, our pride, and lead us into the fullness of thy own large heart and infinite life. Make us in truth thy children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Additional Suggestions: A social hour at the close of the meeting, at which time Negro "Folk Songs" may be sung or played on the victrola and Dunbar poems read. A copy of Negro "Folk Songs" may be secured from Fiske University, Nashville, Tenn. Price, 54 cents.

Note.—The President and the Social Service Committee should cooperate in the conduct of this program. Send Reports to Conf. Officers.

FROM THE YEARBOOK.

She lives on! Her name
Shall kindle many a heart to equal flame.
The fire she lighted shall live on
and on,
Till all the darkness of the lands be gone,
And all the Kingdoms of the earth be won,
And one.

SPECIAL PROGRAM.

The Belle H. Bennett Memorial Fund
Hymn: Methodist Hymnal No. 197.
Bible Lesson: Isaiah vi. 1-8.
Prayer.

Ten-Minute Talk: "The Call of the Fields for Trained Workers." (Leaflet.)

Hymn: "I Gave My Life for Thee."
Ten-Minute Talk "The Objective of the Memorial Fund."

"Reminiscence of a Great Leader."
Hymn: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee."

Our Auxiliary Memorial Pledge.

SPLENDID NEWS FROM KOREA.

Twenty-five thousand dollars given by a tourist to make it possible to buy a beautiful site for a Union Woman's Christian College in Korea is the latest news from Korea.

The General Boards working in China united their assets some time ago to establish in Seoul the Chosen Christian College for men. A splendid site was secured on the edge of the city of Seoul and buildings erected, and the college is well on its way; but the Korean women have no college. The Japanese government provides no colleges for women. There are no private colleges for women. The Methodist Episcopal Church has a little beginning of a college known as "Ewha." For a number of years the three Woman's Boards working in Korea—the Presbyterian, the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South—have had under consideration a uniting of their forces to do for women what Chosen Christian College does for men. The Woman's Missionary Council indorsed such a development when funds should be available.

Meanwhile friends of the movement have been feeling the deepest concern that money be secured to purchase a site. Just across from the Chosen Christian College on a beautiful hillside and valley was a piece of land wonderfully adapted for a college campus. It was feared that unless it could be secured soon, it would not be available, and it was undoubtedly the very best location. There was, however, no money, and hopes for the college have been about buried. Then came the news that a tourist traveling through Seoul heard of the need and gave \$25,000 to purchase the ground adjoining the men's college for a woman's college. At last it looks as if Korea's womanhood has a chance to come to its own.

many of your elementary problems, and arrange for checking the elementary work in your school whenever it is desired.—H. E. Wheeler.

JUNIOR TRAINING SCHOOL AT BOONEVILLE.

Beginning March 17 Booneville is enterprising a three-unit Training School in which the following courses will be taught: Pupil, taught by Mrs. C. I. Evans; Principles of Religious Teaching, taught by Prof. C. O. Moore; and the Training of the Devotional Life, taught by Rev. E. H. Hook.

Every preparation has been made for the enrollment of a large school, and it promises to be a school of great merit.—H. E. Wheeler.

JUNIOR SCHOOLS.

Scarcely any mail reaches us that does not have some Junior School on the line. In the Fayetteville District particular inquiries have come, and some schools are being planned for an early date, Booneville and Mansfield have already selected their dates, Atkins is planning a three-unit school, and from every part of the Conference this major interest is being given right of way.

The Executive Committee of the Conference has been busy qualifying teachers for these schools, and every school desiring competent teachers will have the choice of a number of competent workers.

Call on your District superintendent of Teacher Training for help and advice, and get your school scheduled early.—H. E. Wheeler.

NEW LEAFLET ON S. S. DAY.

One of the finest contributions which Dr. Shackford has made to our S. S. Program has been his recent pamphlet on Sunday School Day. This will be supplied free to all Pastors and Superintendents in the near future, and to all others making request for it.

Our Conference has taken no backward step in the promotion of its work in the interest of childhood and youth, and we are well pleased with the splendid reports our Districts have submitted to the Conference Board.—H. E. Wheeler.

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(adv.)



SUPT. S. W. ROGERS AND FIRST CHURCH (L. R.) S. SCHOOL.

Our great Sunday School at First Church, Little Rock, has been fortunate in the type of men who have served as superintendents. In the list we find such men as Col. George Thornburgh, Judge George Basham, Hon. De Emmett Bradshaw, Mr. L. C. Holman. The present superintendent, Hon. S. W. Rogers is serving his second year as successor to this list of great men. Brother Rogers is a member of the law firm of Rogers, Barber, and Henry and is one of the leading attorneys of the capital city. He served the state as assistant attorney general during the term of Hon. J. R. Arbuckle. Although a native Arkansan Mr. Rogers has lived at different times outside of the State, but has always found a place to serve his church. While in Washington City he taught the largest class in what is now our Representative Church. Later in Conway, Ark., he was called upon to teach the Atlas Bible Class. Although a member of First Church for only eight years Mr. Rogers is now Sunday School superintendent, a member of the official board, and chairman of the Building Committee for the new S. S. Building. He is a member of the board of managers for the Hendrix Summer School for Ministers. In addition to his other work he gives time to literary pursuits and has recently published that beautiful story of the life of his pastor entitled "The Radiant Phillip Cone Fletcher."

Our Sunday School at First Church reported a total enrollment last year of 1,729. The average attendance (not including Cradle Roll and Home Department) is now running at 750 with an average offering of \$45 per Sunday. This school completed its Centenary payments last year and for several years has made a \$200 offering for Sunday School Day. The two outstanding Adult classes of the school are: "The Elizabeth Rummel" class taught by Mrs. H. L. Rummel and "The Century" class taught by Hon. H. T. Harrison. Both these classes are running around 100 in actual attendance.

Two years ago this school outgrew the church and built an annex known as "Wesley Hall." Now it is overflowing again and finances have already been secured and plans drawn for a \$30,000 Sunday School building which will be started about April 1.

This school took a decided forward step the first of this Conference year when Mrs. C. B. Meyers was employed as full time executive secretary. Mrs. Meyers has offices in Wesley Hall, and gives all her time to the details of the Sunday School and Junior Church organizations. When asked for the secrets of the success of this great school Mr. Rogers listed the following:

1. A pastor whose heart is in his Sunday School.
2. A complete departmental organization with assistants and depart-

mental heads who are intelligently loyal to the school's program.

3. An Annual Session of the Training School in the church.

4. Regular monthly meetings of the Workers' Council.

5. An adequate financial policy.

6. The organization of every class above Juniors as Wesley Class.

7. The adoption of the Program of Work and the Annual Check up.

8. A great corps of teachers taking the training courses.

Mr. Rogers is ably assisted by the following associates:

J. H. Hollis, Mrs. J. D. Pugh, and W. M. Haley—Assistant Supts.

Hon. R. D. Lee, Adult Supt.

Mrs. H. G. Frost, Y. P. Supt.

Mrs. W. P. McDermott, Int-Sr. Supt.

Miss Clara Ellis, Jr. Supt.

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Mrs. J. R. McAlister, Cradle Roll Supt.

Mrs. H. C. Rule, Home Dept. Supt.

C. H. Wickard, Gen. Secretary.

H. J. Burney, Gen. Treasurer.

Mrs. C. B. Meyers, Executive Sec.

Dr. P. C. Fletcher is the happy pastor of this school.—Clem Baker.

MAGNOLIA TRAINING SCHOOL

The Conference superintendent met with the board of managers at Magnolia and assisted in organizing for the second session of the Magnolia Training School which is to be held the week of April 21-25. Five courses will be offered. W. O. Williamson is chairman of the Board and Rev. R. P. James Dean of the school. We look for another good session. One of our best was held there last year. This school takes care of a group of schools under the leadership of Dr. Wilkinson in the west side of the Camden District.—Clem Baker.

ALTHEIMER SCHOOL NEXT WEEK.

Rev. A. C. Rogers reports that every thing is in good shape for the training school to be held at Altheimer next week. The organization meeting will be Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. It is very important that all be there Sunday afternoon to get text book and lesson assignment. Four courses are to be offered. The instructors are Dr. R. W. McKay, Rev. S. R. Twitty, Mrs. F. T. Fowler, and Rev. Clem Baker.

STUTTGART SCHOOL NEXT.

After the Altheimer School will come the Stuttgart school. It will be held the week of March 17-24. Dr. Wilkes is having the programs printed. Stuttgart group of schools has had two good sessions. The third should be even better.

GREAT INTEREST IN LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL.

The Little Rock School has always been large, but this year the interest is even greater than ever. They are coming from all over the State. This is our central school for leaders. Little Rock is getting ready. Enrollments are pouring into the office every day. This is a wonderful opportunity. Do not miss it. Something unusual to have a faculty of ten, a Bishop, and other great leaders in one Training School. The date is March 24-28 with an organization meeting Sunday afternoon March 23.

NOTES ON THE STAMPS-LEWISVILLE SCHOOL.

Prof. H. T. Steel rendered great service as dean of the school and took credit in Mrs. Fowler's course on Teaching.

Rev. R. P. James and wife came over each night from Waldo and both did credit work.

Rev. J. D. Hammons proved that he is a born teacher, rendering great service in his course on the Story of the Testament. He had a large class and all were delighted.

Rev. V. A. Higgs came down from the Spring Hill Circuit and brought Mr. Tom L. Briant with him. Both received certificates.

Rev. J. F. Simmons taught the course on the Methodist Church to an appreciative group. This presiding elder will teach in four schools in his own District this year and is be-

ing called upon for service in other fields where good teachers are needed.

Rev. R. R. Moore brought over a fine group of people from Lewisville, most of whom took credit. Brother Moore took the course on the Methodist Church, taught by Brother Simmons.

Mrs. F. P. Adams and Miss Geneva Vinson came up from the Bradley school and took credit work with Mrs. Fowler.

Rev. R. H. Cannon served as pastor-host of the School, as chairman of the Board of Managers and took credit in Brother Simmons' course.

Mr. H. B. Pipkin, our superintendent at Buckner, brought over several people from his Sunday School.

Mr. F. P. Young, our superintendent at Lewisville, took his first credit unit and promises that it will not be the last. Fred is one of our most promising young superintendents.

Mrs. Dave Purser deserves special credit for her work as chairman of the enrollment committee.—Clem Baker.

STAMPS-LEWISVILLE TRAINING SCHOOL ISSUES 59 CREDITS.

The Training School for the Stamps-Lewisville group, Rev. R. R. Moore leader, closed its first session at Stamps last Friday night. 72 were enrolled and 59 certificates were issued. It was a successful school in every way. 10 Sunday Schools were represented, namely: Stamps (Methodist), Stamps (Baptist), Stamps, (Presbyterian), Waldo, Lewisville, Bradley, Spring Hill, Buckner, Magnolia and a Methodist Protestant. The people of Stamps furnished wonderful entertainment and at the close of the school resolutions were passed unanimously, requesting another school for this group.—Clem Baker.

STILL ALIVE.

"If you say you can, you can," has been the slogan of Mr. W. D. May's class. At the beginning of the recent financial drive in the Capitol View Sunday School, they united their efforts to lead the other classes. Mr. May, the teacher of this class, and his boys attained an unusual record during the five Sundays of this contest. They had two record-breaking Sundays with a perfect attendance, and maintained an average of 89 per cent. Their offering shows that they really put themselves into the contest. They went above the highwater mark, and reached an average of forty-three cents per member throughout the five Sundays.

This unusual record marks the highest goal attained by any class during the contest. The Sunday School as a whole, made a record that will bear mentioning. In the five Sundays a total collection of \$115 was reached, with an average attendance of only 232.—H. R. Coffman, Supt.

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FAYETTEVILLE DIST. LEAGUERS TAKE LEAD IN MT. SEQUOYAH BUILDING CAMPAIGN.

At a District Institute at Bentonville last Saturday, Rev. Ralph E. Nollner presented to the Leaguers of the Fayetteville District the League Building on Mt. Sequoyah. As was proper, this District, the home of Sequoyah, led off enthusiastically by pledging their quota in full. They say they are not going to stop at a mere 50c per member quota, but are going beyond. Mrs. Weaver, the new District Secretary, has already won the Leaguers of her District and they are going to crowd all the rest for first place.—Byron Harwell.

THREE NEW CHAPTERS IN FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Rural Church Has a League.

A new Chapter has been organized at Oakley Chapel, on the Bentonville Circuit. This Chapter is the result of a recent revival in the church in which Rev. A. H. DuLaney of Searcy did the preaching. Rev. O. M. Campbell is the pastor.

Beverly Rakes is president of the League and Dorothy German, Sect. The League starts with some twenty members, all zealous workers, determined to make their League go. They have already decided to send a representative to the Assembly at Searcy, June 9.

Bentonville has two new Leagues since conference, an Intermediate with Mrs. Lester Weaver, Supt., and Virginia Morris, President, and a Junior League with Miss Margaret Miller, Supt. Both Leagues are doing good work.

Our Motto is "A League in every charge before the Summer Assembly at Searcy in June, and a representative from every League at the Assembly."—Mrs. Lester Weaver, Sect. Fayetteville District.

HELENA DISTRICT.

The Helena District League reports for the last quarter shows that progress is being made. Some of the Leagues report promptly each quarter and are loyally supporting their program of work.

Wheatley League grades 90 per cent. They have a membership of forty-three and all are members of the Mission Study Class.

Helena League is doing splendid work. They lack only two points according to the Standard of Efficiency and they expect to gain these points soon.

The Wynne League is well organized and is making progress. They report a great banquet with one-hundred present. This banquet is an annual affair.

Many other Leaguers are doing effective work and we hope to have at least six Standard Leagues by Assembly time. We plan to hold two or three group meetings this spring and discuss our work and arouse interest in our District banquet. The time and place for the banquet have not been decided but the Leagues are discussing it and we hope to have a great banquet resulting in great enthusiasm for the Assembly. We know Helena District will have her quota of delegates because our Leaguers have been to the Assembly before and know what it means for them and their Leagues. We hope this will be the greatest Assembly we have ever had.—Lillian Nelms, District Secretary.

SPECIAL FROM WEST HELENA.

The Senior Epworth League of West Helena was reorganized and revived shortly after the Assembly last year, and we believe we have one of the best Leagues in the State.

Our policy is based on the stand-

ard of efficiency and the League Calendar, and our own local work is being carried out with success.

Our finances are covered by the budget system, and we are at present in good condition along that line. This year we have contributed to Memphis Methodist Hospital, presiding elder's home at Forrest City, Sunday School building, have paid our Africa Special in full and expect to help other causes in our city.

Besides giving an interesting and helpful devotional meeting each Sunday evening we were sent to Elaine with a Flying Squadron to help revive the League there. We have also given a program at Marvell in an effort to interest the young people in organizing, furnishing them with helpful literature and a hand book. Much pleasure is gotten in doing work of this kind. We will be glad to go to any church in our community that it is possible for us to reach and help in League work.

We will be glad to exchange copies of our programs with any of the Leagues and would like to correspond with any of the Leagues in regard to this great young people's organization of the Church.

Will meet you at the Assembly.—Hubert H. Harris, President.

GROUP MEETINGS IN THE CONWAY DISTRICT.

Group meetings will be held at the following places: Plumerville, Mar. 4-5; Beebe March 21-22; Quitman Mar. 28-29. At each of these places the meetings will begin with the evening service of the first day and continue through the second day. Get busy, Conway District Leaguers. We must come strong with our work this year.

RUSSELLVILLE LEAGUE.

"The History of the American Flag," arranged by Mrs. Charles Franklin, was given by the Epworth League of Russellville, February 22. The net proceeds were about \$150 of which \$125 will be put on interest to begin our League Building fund. "Great trees from little acorns grow," and some day we expect to have a new church at Russellville. An account of this pageant will be published in the next issue of "The Epworthian."—A Russellville Leaguer.

TWO LIVE DISTRICT MEETINGS.

Plates were laid for 120 Leaguers of the Ft. Smith District for the second annual District Banquet at Clarksville, Friday night, Feb. 29.

Practically all the Leagues of the District were represented, and several charges where there are prospects for organizing soon. There were dignitaries there a plenty. Rev. F. M. Tolleson next to the pastor Bro. Yancey, of course was the life of the party.

Then there were Ralph E. Nollner of Central office, and Noel Chaney, the popular Conway District Secretary, who would make any League meeting a success by their inspiring talks.

Ethel Taylor, the dependable, is doing a fine piece of work as leader of the Ft. Smith District. With the 100 per cent backing that the P. E. is giving her in the League work—just watch Ft. Smith District.

On Saturday Mar. 1, Mrs. Lester Weaver called together the Leaguers of the Fayetteville District at Bentonville for a day's Conference on the League work of the District.

Eight Leagues had representatives present. Mr. Nollner and the Conference President presented various phases of the work. The Bentonville Leaguers were lavish in their hospitable entertainment of the 40 visitors present.—Byron Harwell.

NEW LEAGUE AT OZARK.

On Sunday night, March 2, I had the pleasure of organizing a League at Ozark with the best outlook I think I ever saw. For intelligence, talent and enthusiasm I have never met a finer bunch.

Following are the officers: President, D. P. King; 1st Supt., Sula Kate Benson; 2nd Supt., Elizabeth Davidson; 3rd Supt., R. L. Austin; 4th Dept., Ella Anderson; Secy., Mary Ford; Treasurer, Lillian Douglas; Era Agent, Jno. Haynes.

They have started to work in earnest for a gold seal. Ozark boys and girls are receiving attention throughout the State. They have a glee club of 50; they won the loving cup in voice, and last week won the state championship in girls' basketball.—Byron Harwell.

A RADIO MESSAGE TO LEAGUERS

On March 23, Rev. Ralph Nollner, known to all Leaguers, will broadcast a message from the studio of the Star Telegram, Forth Worth, to all the Leaguers of Methodism on the League Building Campaign at Mt. Sequoyah.

Watch these columns for further details.—Byron Harwell.

GOOD NEWS TO NEW LEAGUERS.

In a recent opinion handed down from Central office, Leagues organized before the last report is due the District Secretary preceding Summer Assembly, are eligible to try for the Gold Seal. This means that any League Chapter organized before Apr. 10 is in the race. So pastors and District Secretaries take notice. Now is the time to organize that League and have them earn the Gold Seal at Assembly so that they will have this incentive to go to work for one after assembly for next year.—Byron Harwell.

EPWORTH LEAGUE BUILDING ON MT. SEQUOYAH.

Do not forget that March 30 has been fixed as the day on which every Chapter in the Mount Sequoyah territory will be asked to give a special program. The special program will be sent to all Chapters through the district secretaries. At this service each Leaguer will be asked to make a contribution of fifty cents to the Building Fund. The Chapter contribution should be sent to the Conference League Treasurer. As you know this money will be used to erect the first permanent building on Mt. Sequoyah known as the "Epworth League Building."

POSTERS!

No argument is necessary to prove that the old saying, "Advertising Pays," applies also to the Epworth League. There are many ways to get your League before the church, but the best way is by using a poster, hung in a noticeable place in the vestibule. Not the same one every Sunday, but a different one so as to get the eye of everyone, every Sunday. In the Era there are suggestions by which you may make posters appropriate to the subject of the lesson. It is not necessary to have one every Sunday and neither should you have one unless you really mean to have a good program.

The Little Rock Conference Cabinet in order to promote advertising in the local Chapters, has offered a cup to the League having the best display of posters at the coming Assembly at Arkadelphia in June. Be sure to bring all posters, for an exchange of views helps all.—H. T.

EPWORTH LEAGUE RALLY PLANNED.

The following item appeared in a local newspaper:

Plans for an Epworth League night, to be held on Friday, March 7, at the Y. M. C. A., were completed as a conference between Epworth League leaders and Secretary Withee of the "Y" Tuesday night. Those attending the conference were Homer Tatum, Edna Lenox, Birdie Barron, Alfred Williamson, Robert Martin, Chas. E. Boyd, Mary Steadman, Ted Haynes, Carl Kesslie, George Reutz and Matie Neely.

A series of athletic contests will be conducted at the affair, and the League receiving the largest number of points will participate in a contest against one of the Baptist Young People's Union and Christian Endeavor Associations.

A tug of war for both boys and girls, relay basket-ball, potato races, 25 yard dash, skin and snake, nail-driving contest and push-ball will be among the events.

As a part of the program Fred G. Roebuck will give an address on "Leadership."

EPWORTH LEAGUE PRESS.

The chairman of the Epworth Board, Rev. S. T. Baugh, England, Ark., has equipped his church with a printing-press, known as the Epworth League Press.

Quite often you have occasion to get out some programs, letter-heads, or pledge cards, and other printed matter, but the price of printing is quite high. Bro. Baugh will make a special price to all Leagues and Churches, and we should take advantage of this opportunity. Write for a price list in care of Epworth League Press, England, Arkansas.—H. T.

MISS MCKAY HAS FINE START.

Miss Bess McKay, field sec'y. Little Rock Conference, has been busy since her appointment, meeting presiding elders, preachers and League workers in southwest Arkansas. She helped to organize a League at North Lewisville, the church she joined when a child. A co-incidence that her first work should be in the church from where she started.

Bro. Simmons has planned to have three group meetings of all his preachers and members of the Superannuate Endowment Campaign at DeQueen, Ashdown and Texarkana. Miss McKay will attend all these meetings in the interest of the Epworth League. The places already visited are Egger Ct., Hatfield Ct., Stamps, and Mena.—H. T.

MENA LEAGUE.

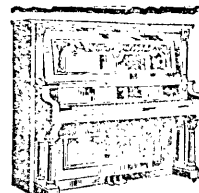
The Senior Epworth League of the First Church of Mena completed last night, Feb. 24, the most successful Mission-Study Class it has ever held. We used for a text, "The Choice of a Career," by Evans and Brown, and found it to be a most excellent book for the course. We secured one dozen copies, and assigned two chapters for each study, taking the regular hour for the meeting on Sunday evening for six weeks. There are more than sixty members, and each one was placed on the program during the study. They all seemed to enjoy the work, and get great good from it. To us this method of conducting the study appears to reach farther and have much greater possibilities than the usual way of the small class.—Verna Sturgel, Fourth Superintendent.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE

THE METHODIST PREACHER MAN
O mother, get ready, he's coming.

I know,
The Methodist preacher-man!
I saw him at Johnsons' a minute ago,
Let all of us children stand here in
a row
With company manners, to greet him
just so.
The Methodist preacher-man!

O mother, and ain't he the friendliest
one?

The Methodist preacher-man!
His eyes how they twinkle with
laughter and fun—
He has always a joke or a riddle or
pun
In each of his stories before it is
done.

The Methodist preacher-man!

O mother, get ready, he's left John-
son's door,
The Methodist preacher-man!
Let's have chicken for supper, you'd
better cook more,
For don't you remember, he ate here
before?

Can we only have tea? Well then,
let me pour
For the Methodist preacher-man!

O mother, he's something like Jesus,
I guess,

The Methodist preacher-man!
For his face is all full of a sweet
earnestness
And his arms draw me close in a
kind of caress,
Like Christ, when he stopped little
children to bless.

Dear Methodist preacher-man!—
Florence H. Resor in N. W. Christian
Advocate.

HENRY'S PRIZE

On their way home from school
one afternoon Henry and three of his
playmates stopped every now and
then to make snowballs to throw at
some spot on a tree or fence or tele-
graph pole. They made believe that
whoever hit the mark would get a
prize.

When they came to Granny White's
house Henry noticed a star-shaped
thing half-way between the two par-
lor windows of the little frame cot-
tage.

"Look, boys!" he cried, pointing to
the spot. "Let's see who can hit that
star!"

"Whee, that's easy!" said one of
the other boys, as he picked up some
snow.

"This time it's my first turn!"
shouted Henry and threw with all his
might. But he had aimed a little too
far to one side and his snowball crash-
ed right against the window-pane.

Frightened at what they had done,
Henry and the other boys ran away
as fast as they could till they were
a long way from Granny White's
house; then they stopped, all out of
breath.

"Let's throw snowballs against that
barn!" called one of the boys, but
Henry did not feel like throwing snow-
balls any more. He kept thinking
of poor old Granny White and the
broken glass. She lived alone, and
he wondered how she was going to
keep warm with a big hole in her
window. "I don't want to play any
more," he said to the other boys.
"I'm going home!"

He walked away as fast as he could
toward Granny White's house. But
when he reached it he could not bear
to look at the parlor window. He
went to the back door and knocked.
Granny opened it with a smile on her
kind old face. "Well, well, if here
isn't Henry!" she said. "Come right
in and get warm."

Henry wondered how she could be
smiling when one of her windows had
just been broken. He sat down near
the kitchen stove and turned to Gran-
ny. "I broke your window, Granny.
But I didn't mean to. I was trying
to hit that star on the front of your
house between the parlor windows,
and I missed it and struck the glass.
I'm awfully sorry!"

Granny White smiled a pleasanter
smile than ever. "You didn't break
the glass, Henry," she said. "The
snow must have been soft, for it did
not go through the pane."

Henry was an astonished little boy
when he heard that the window was
not broken after all, and he was
glad, too. "That's why you are smil-
ing," he said; "you are so glad that
the glass didn't break and let in all
the cold air."

"It isn't that alone. I am happy
that you were honest and manly
enough so that you came back to tell
me you did it, because you really
thought you had broken the window.
I never should have known who
threw that snowball because when I
heard it hit the glass and hurried
to the parlor window there wasn't a
boy or a girl in sight!"

When Henry noticed that it was
getting dark outside and told Granny
that he must be going home she gave
him a big bagful of cookies and said,
"Here, Henry, take home these nice
fresh ginger cookies for your super.
I was just baking them when
you threw that snowball."

As Henry ran home he was very
happy to think that he hadn't broken
good old Granny White's window
after all. But he was still happier
that he had gone back and told her
who it was that had thrown the snow-
ball. Then suddenly, as he hugged
the bag with the warm, spicy cookies
in it he thought of something funny
—he was the only one of the boys
that afternoon to win a real prize and
he hadn't hit the mark either!—El-
ma Knotts, in The Youth's Compan-
ion.

THE GREEDY HYENA.

An African Folk-Tale.

Once upon a time a Jackal, who
lived near a town, saw some men
driving in a wagon loaded with fish
from the seashore.

"I must get some fish," he thought.
So he tried to get some from be-
hind, but he could neither reach the
fish nor jump into the wagon.

"This will not do," he thought. "I
am dead and then men to get my
beautiful skin will throw me in the
wagon. Then I can help myself."

So he ran ahead of the wagon and
lay down in the road as if he were
dead. When the wagon came up, the
leader saw the Jackal and said to the
driver "Here is a fine skin for your
wife."

"Throw him into the wagon," said
the driver, and the leader threw the
Jackal in.

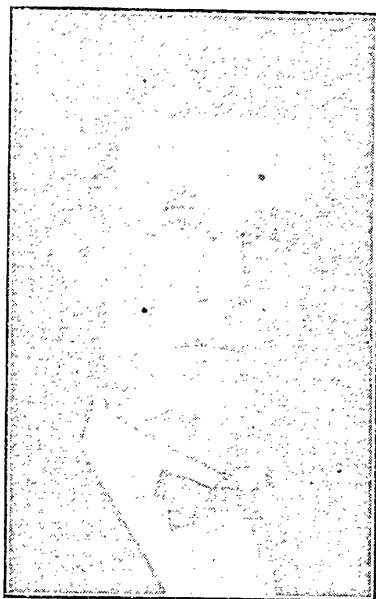
It was a moonlight night, quite light
enough for the Jackal to see to throw
out lots of fish. When he had thrown
out all he wanted, he jumped out and
began to eat the fish. But as he was
eating his way back along the road,
he came upon an old Hyena who had
eaten more than half the fish.

The Jackal did not like this, so he
said, "You can get all the fish you
want if you will do as I did."

"How is that?" asked the Hyena.
"Lie in the road before a wagon
as if you were dead, and keep quite
still, no matter what happens. The

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

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REV. R. W. MCKAY, D. D., P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

The Pine Bluff District is rather
large in territory. We have all of
Jefferson, Arkansas, Grant and Lin-
coln counties as well as the north half
of Cleveland. There are twenty-one
pastoral charges. Nine of these are
stations, five are half stations, and
seven are circuits. Quite half of the
rice belt is in the district as well as
some of the largest cotton plantations
in the State. Both of the State farms
are here, and two of our most effi-
cient pastors have the spiritual over-
sight of these farms. We believe these
prisoners should have the Gospel and
that by the most competent men. I
am sure there were never two men
better fitted in head and heart for this
work.

leader will see you and say to the
driver, 'Here is a fine skin for your
wife,' and will throw you into the
wagon. You will then be a fool if
you do not help yourself."

"I shall try it," said the Hyena,
licking her chops.

So the Hyena lay down before the
next wagon that came along.

"Ugh, what an ugly brute," said the
leader, kicking the poor Hyena.

He then took a stick and nearly
beat her to death.

The foolish Hyena who had been
told not to move no matter what hap-
pened lay still as long as she could,
but at last the pain became so great
that she sprang up and ran off howl-
ing to the Jackal to tell him all that
had happened.

"It is too bad," said the Jackal.

"What a shame I have not a fine
skin like yourself," said the Hyena.

"You should have thought of that
before," said the Jackal, trotting away.
—The Epworth Herald.

MINDING.

"How do you make him go where
you want him?" asked Henry, who
had come from the neighbor's yard
to see the new goat and cart.

"That's easy. If I pull the right
rein, he turns to the right; if I want
him to go to the left, I pull the other
rein. That's all. He always minds,"
replied Jimsie.

"And can you teach a goat all
that?" asked Uncle Wesley, who came
up from the other side.

"Sure," answered Jimsie.

"Queer that boys aren't as smart
as goats," said his uncle.

"They're heaps smarter," answered
Jimsie indignantly.

"So?" questioned his uncle. "Seems
to me I heard somebody's mother
say this morning that her small son
never came when she called him, and
she didn't know what she was going
to do to teach him to mind. Guess
she'd like to be able to pull a rein
to have her boy go where the rein
told him to!"

"Humph," said Jimsie slowly, "I
guess I'll go and do that errand right
now." And before Uncle Wesley
could answer, the goat team had
turned off down the street!—Ex-
change.

Our rice farmers have just passed
through one of the hardest periods
possible. It takes big money to make
rice and a failure in either quantity or
price is hard to get over. These men
are full of grit and if they can make
one more crop at a fair price most of
them will be on their feet again. They
are men of vision and liberal to a
fault. Give them a chance and the
Lord's work will prosper in this rice
belt. Our bottoms, or cotton lands,
are very rich. In ordinary years
there is a large yield. For two years
there has been almost a failure. Some
of our largest plantations have been
taken over by loan companies. Of
course, these have been comparative-
ly few, but all of them were hard hit.
This year will be hard on many, but
they have pluck, the plow is turning
the soil and most of the land will be
cultivated. Labor is scarce and feed
high, but these men never give up.
You can whip them, but conquer
them, never!

Our city and towns seem to be
prospering. The pastors were at their
appointments on time. Every man
knows the particular conditions of his
charge. Some how the spirit of work
seems to possess them. Three parson-
ages have been built, or bought. Two
churches will soon be finished. Debts
on others are being and will be met.
Many new houses are being planned.
The revival fires are burning. Many
are being received into the church.

Our Sunday Schools have grown de-
spite the weather. The Leagues are
full of pep, and they carry on. Our
women are live wires. They never let
up.

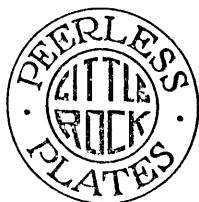
We are on the program of the
church. We propose to carry on as
our leaders direct.

I find there is much work to be
done here—hard work. In these days
the pastor cannot begin to do all the
work. Now he must train men and
women for special work. Large num-
bers are in our Bible Classes every
Sunday. Expert Bible teachers are
needed and must be had. The teen
age demands special attention. No
ordinary man or woman can lead
them. They must not only know how
to teach but how to live, for there
are no eyes that see so clearly or
ears that hear so acutely as those
of the "teen age." Then there are
swarms of children. Special training
for them is imperative. So you see
we are to have three training schools
in this District. I fully expect hun-
dreds to take at least one course this
year. Most of these preachers are
well up on their work. Our schools
and social organizations, as well as
the many pastoral duties, demand
men worthy and well qualified. These
twenty-one men are among the best.
They are not only ready to go, but
they are going.

I hear that never before were there
so many people going to church.
When men of God preach the word,
people flock to hear them. If you
would let the congregations vote for
bishop, they would elect several from
this District. This P. E. is supremely
happy. The P. C's. and people have
made me feel at home. They believe
an elder is worth while and are ready
to give him plenty to do. I look a
little thin, but never having had

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dropsy, all on my bones is pure muscle, and I can work and delight in it. R. W. McKay, P. E.

CARR MEMORIAL, PINE BLUFF.

The Second Sunday in Feb. we began our revival, Brother E. D. Galloway of Keo helping. Brother Galloway did some very fine and helpful preaching. His sermons are of a high spiritual type, such as our church needed and appreciated. His methods were of a very sweet nature and brought forth results. Brother Galloway made many friends here. Our church was greatly revived. Many gave up their old ways of life, trusted in Christ to save them, and were converted. 17 came into the church, all of them adults, save one. We are rejoicing over the outlook of our church. Every department of the church is growing very fast. The congregation is rejoicing and looking forward to greater achievements and making greater plans for this year than ever before. We are proud of Carr Memorial Church. Since Conference we have received 40 into the church. Last Sunday at the afternoon service Brother J. C. Glenn, assistant Editor of the Arkansas Methodist, was with us and presented the Arkansas Methodist, getting some new subscribers. We invite him back. Pray for us in this great field.—J. W. Nethercut, P. C.

THIRD STREET, HOT SPRINGS.

It has been said by several that the meeting just closed is the best this church has had in 33 years or in other words since its organization. There were three deaths and they were among our very best members. Many were sick and there was much rain during the revival, yet the congregations were fine. It was one of these meetings that grew in interest and power from the first prayer service to the close of the meeting. The songs, the prayers the testimonies were all to the point. Prayer-meeting was held every evening for a week before the preaching began. A large part of the membership was ready to do any thing from the first service on through to the end. I have never known a meeting to come so nearly touching every member of the church as this one has. There were some things that needed to be righted in the church. This was done in a satisfactory and, we believe, lasting way. We had three prayer-meetings, one for the men, one for the ladies, and one for the young people, in separate rooms at 7 p. m. each day. Those rooms were not only places of prayer, but they were places of power. No one could enter any one of these rooms without feeling the power. They came out of there saying, like Isaiah, "Here am I send me." They were not only willing to go—they went. It seems to me that no band of Christian workers ever did a better work. The young people, the ladies and the men all deserve special mention for their splendid service. I must say that I have never known of better and more efficient work done by the membership of any church than was done during this meeting.

A. M. Hutton of Van Buren, Ark., did the singing. He was with us for 15 days. To say that he did it well does not half express it. As a choir leader and soloist I do not know of a better one anywhere. As a Christian gentleman and personal worker he is equal to the best. If it becomes necessary he can and will conduct the service for you. He not only sings, but does all sorts of good work. I have already secured his promise to assist me in a meeting next year wherever I may be. If any of you want good help you have it when you have secured him. He is a man that has the confidence of every one in the church and out of it.

We closed out with a packed house and one of the greatest services I have ever witnessed. At this service we had some 18 to 20 conversions and 19 accessions to the church. Most of these were men. There were many conversions and a total of 54 were received into the church. It is unusual to receive a class of 54 and most of them men.

(We gave these new members a re-

ception on Wednesday evening at the church. The church was almost filled with people. The new members were seated together as our guests. At this reception there was a splendid program which was well rendered and enjoyed by all. It was so well done that every one who took part deserves special mention, but space forbids. We all went away looking forward to a successful year in all lines of church work.—F. P. Doak, P. C.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

This is the sixth and last section of my report of the Christmas cash offerings for the Orphanage.

S. S. Little Rock Conference.

Hatfield S. S. by L. A. Alkire,	Pastor\$.60
Portland S. S., by Miss Dorothy Cockeham, Sec.		8.35
Parkdale S. S., by L. A. Finch, Supt.		7.50
Lakeside S. S., Pine Bluff, Ark., by J. M. McCain, Treas.		27.30
Kingsland S. S., by J. A. Bell, Treas.		4.00
Trinity Church, Center Point Ct., by Miss Stone, Secty.		2.25
N. Ark. Conf. Sunday Schools.		
Dyer S. S., W. A. Yates		1.60
Rosebud S. S., by Rev. Silas Russell, pastor		4.30
Springdale Sunday School, by H. H. Backus, Supt.		13.60
Oakley's Chapel, O. M. Campbell, P. C.		5.75
New Home, O. M. Campbell, P. C.		6.25

During the month of February, the following cash offerings were received for the Orphanage:

Gift, Mr. Meren Sligh, Pine Bluff, Ark.	5.00
Susanna Wesley Bible Class, First Church, Texarkana, Ark.	5.00
May Conway Memorial Fund, by Miss Mary Simpson, Secty.	..	10.00
Men's Bible Class, N. Little Rock, Ark.	5.00
Gift, E. P. Reynolds, Camden	5.00

The matron has received at the Orphanage this month the following articles:

One shirt, 11 beautiful new dresses and forty garments, by Circle No. 2, First Methodist Church, Little Rock.

Two Boilers, three dozen cereal bowls, by Circle No. 3, First Ch., Little Rock.

Thirty-four napkins, by Circle No. 4 First Methodist Church, Little Rock.

One bushel turnips, by Martin Dairy, Little Rock.

10. lbs. beans and 19 new garments, by Social Club, O. E. S. by Mrs. W. J. Cotton, Little Rock.

One bushel sweet potatoes, by Geo. Hamilton, Vimy Ridge.

Three dozen plates, three dozen cups and saucers, by Virginia Howell Bible Class, Ashbury Church, Little Rock.

Seventeen Pies, by Wesson Pie Co., Little Rock.

One case toilet soap, by Snodgrass and Bracy, Little Rock.—James Thomas, Supt., Ark. Meth. Orphanage.

FROM BRO. J. D. EDWARDS.

We just closed a good meeting at Salina, Okla. 125 professions, some 50 reclaimed, 65 joined our church, some 40 the other churches in the town. Quite a number of family altars established, also 76 added to the League. Organized a Junior Missionary Society with 80 children. Converted from 65 years old down to small children, almost all of the big school pupils. Salina is a nice, clean town. Should any one that reads this be looking for a location, go to Salina before stopping. Bro. Bryan and wife are fine Christian characters and are doing a great work. I have an open date in April.—J. D. Edwards, Okla. Evangelist, Wagoner, Okla.

PARIS.

One of the most unique affairs of several weeks was the entertainment given at the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Bennett Saturday night when a large crowd was present in honor of the fifteenth or Crystal Wedding Anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Reynolds.

The arrangements for the occasion were gotten up in secrecy and it was a complete surprise to Rev. and Mrs.

Reynolds.

It is a usual custom for the minister and his wife to be invited to the Bennett home to pass the after-supper hour or two with them in social chat and that morning Mrs. Bennett gave them an invitation to call after supper and visit them, which invitation they accepted.

When they arrived about 7:30 that night they found quite a number of guests present, and they were apprised of the purpose of the gathering. They were also greatly surprised when they found their children, whom they had left at home in charge of an old negro woman in the entertainment program.

In the guest-receiving line were Mrs. W. H. Bennett, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Reynolds, Rev. and Mrs. John Winham and Rev. and Mrs. Luther Cole.

The program for the evening was opened by Miss Emma Bennett, who sang beautifully, "Oh Promise Me," and was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. D. R. Thompson.

An altar for a miniature wedding had been prepared in a corner of the beautifully decorated reception room. To the beautiful strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March, played by Lucy Katherine Reynolds, daughter of the guests of honor, Master Jim Reynolds, the groom, and little Miss Sallie Nelle Utley, the bride, marched before the altar. Then they retired to an adjoining room and led Rev. and Mrs. Reynolds to the dining room where the table was heavily laden with all kinds of beautiful glassware, gifts of friends in remembrance of their Crystal Wedding.

Readings were given by Miss Vada Gullet and Mary Ellen Watson and Mrs. Reynolds.

Rev. and Mrs. Reynolds gave short talks expressing their appreciation.

Ice Cream and cake were served by little misses of the Sunday School class, after which a social hour was spent.

Rev. and Mrs. Reynolds have only been in this city about three months, coming from Ft. Smith. Rev. Mr. Reynolds being appointed at the last Methodist Conference as pastor of this church, but in this short time they have endeared themselves to their congregation and to all those who have had the pleasure of making their acquaintance.—Reporter.

WYNNE STATION.

For the past two weeks we have been in a campaign against sin in low places, and in high places, Rev. O. E. Goddard, D. D. did the preaching, which was of the highest type. His sermons on prayer and the Holy Spirit should be put in print with other sermons of unusual force and power. Mr. Alford R. Wells of 5210 Parry Ave., Dallas, Texas, conducted the singing. I have never known better work done among the young people and children than the work done by Brother Wells. About 50 have united with the church and we feel that the work done will abide. Nothing but solid work is manifested in the meeting. Dr. Goddard returned home Thursday night and Brother Wells left for Malden, Missouri, Sunday night. His dates are all full up to the middle of May.

We will make a strenuous effort to put the Methodist in every home in our church, as a final result of the meeting. W. F. Evans, P. C.

JUDSONIA.

When my name was read out for Judsonia at our last Annual Conference I was not sure what kind of a charge I was being sent to; but I find that the Conference sent me to one of the best charges in the North Arkansas Conference. We arrived on the work November 29. Thanksgiving Day, and were met by two of our most faithful members and taken at once to the parsonage where we found a good fire burning, which was very acceptable that cold, rainy day. We had the pleasure of having dinner and supper with one of the members of our church. We have been very kindly received, not only by the members of our church, but by the good people of the town. We feel that Judsonia is one of the very best lit-

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the towns within the bounds of this Conference. The membership and friends of the church have already remembered us with a good "pounding," which makes it certain that the preacher and his family will not go hungry for some time to come. The work here begins well and we hope with the help of God to carry out in an acceptable manner the work of His kingdom in this good town during the year 1924.—J. W. Jenkins, P. C.

PINE BLUFF CIRCUIT.

We have been received royally by this people. The poundings (yes, two of them) have come our way; one from the people of Good Faith and one from the church at Faith.

The good things to eat that came from these congregations have not yet been exhausted.

We have a very loyal bunch of Methodists on this charge. There has been a considerable increase in pastor's salary over that of last year.

We have four Sunday Schools and three Epworth Leagues. Our Sunday Schools are the best organized schools that I have ever been associated with in any rural community, and are doing constructive work in the Kingdom of our Lord.

Our young people are doing effective and inspirational work in the Leagues.

The churches are filled to attend their splendidly rendered programs on Sunday evenings. The people come, great congregations of them, to hear the preacher with his message, and nearly all our membership partake of the Holy Sacrament when given the opportunity.

We are happy in the service here and in love with our people. "The fields are white unto the harvest." Pray for us that we may have a glorious victory with our Saviour and for his Kingdom this year.—A. E. Jacobs, P. C.

AT SUCCESS.

Invited by the genial and popular young pastor, Rev. W. E. Cooper, to fill his pulpit on Feb. 17, at 11 and 7:30, I very cordially accepted, went up on the 16th, and spent the night with Bro. Cooper and his interesting family. He held a surprise for me—"A Radio." and we sat for several hours as audience to different speakers and singers at widely separated cities—Cleveland, Pittsburg, Chicago, Dallas, Atlanta and other places. And according to the book where it says, "for every idle word shall men give an account," I decided the recording angel was kept busy.

While there are many other inventions as mysterious, yet this method of communication seems to be the most mysterious of all. With double receivers at my ears it seemed like the speaker was on top of my head. Wonderful! Wonderful!!

Sunday was not a good day for

church going, neither was Sunday night a desirable hour, but at each service there was a comfortable congregation of good-looking and devout people. More men than women.

The Sunday School is doing good work. Had a fine attendance for a rainy day. Bro. Cooper is his own successor. This is his third year and they are already talking of him for a fourth. Good for you, Willis, and good for your people. I was his pastor at East Side, Paragould, for two years. There I saw in him good timber for service.

I crossed the trail of the popular P. E., Dr. Jas. A. Anderson. They think him a great preacher and love him.

This makes nine sermons for me since conference. Two months' work, and over, to the good. How is this for an old superannuated preacher?

Bro. Hall is doing some fine pulpit work, and I love to sit and say "Amen" when he "scores."

Get up boys and beat the Baptists. It will do 'em good for us to thrash 'em out real good.—Jas. F. Jernigan.

BENTONVILLE CIRCUIT.

I was returned to the Bentonville Circuit for the second year. We received a hearty welcome. The people proved it by the things they gave us.

The outlook is for a better year than last. We had our First Quarterly Conference on Feb. 9, at Oakley Chapel. This was the largest quarterly Conference in my ministry, there being above 60 at the Saturday morning service. Bro. Womack gave us a good sermon. He was not well, he was just recovering from a case of "flu." The Conference accepted its quota for the "Forgotten Man."

We have held two revivals since the Annual Conference. On Jan. 13, we began a meeting at Oakley Chapel, Bro. DuLaney, Conference Evangelist, doing the preaching. This meeting resulted in 26 conversions and recommitments, eighteen additions to the Church and the organization of an Epworth League. The Church was greatly helped.

After a two days' rest we began another meeting at New Home. This meeting resulted in 13 conversions and 2 accessions to the church. Three others gave their name for membership.

Bro. DuLaney is an untiring worker. He is like the little drummer boy; he does not know how to beat a retreat. He charges the enemy all the time. He has been of great help to this charge. He leaves us with a determination to do more for our Master and Saviour. If any pastor is looking for a man of God to help in revivals, I can recommend Bro. DuLaney. He stays until he has done all that is possible to do.

We plan to begin another revival April 27. Pray for us that we may do God's will.—O. M. Campbell, P. C.

ANNUAL MEETING WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council will be held in the Hyde Park Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Tampa, Fla., Apr. 9-16.

The meeting will open with an inspirational service at eight o'clock Wednesday evening, April 9.

The first business session will be called to order at nine o'clock Thursday morning.

Preliminary meetings held on Wednesday will be as follows: Executive Committee at 9 A. M., Worker's Conference at 2 P. M., Session's Committee of the Belle H. Bennett Memorial at 4 P. M.

The program promises to be one of great interest and the Council members are urged to give publicity to the meeting throughout their respective Conferences that the attendance may be large.

Reduced railway rates of one and one half fare, according to the certificate plan have been secured, provided there is an attendance of at least two hundred and fifty persons holding certificates of the standard form showing that normal one-way fares of sixty-seven cents or more have been paid for the going trip. The selling dates for tickets in the Southeastern

Division are April 5-11. From more remote sections, the dates will be sufficiently advanced to admit of delegates reaching Council on time. Consult your local agent. Be sure to purchase ticket within the required dates and secure the standard form of certificate, not a mere receipt. A delegate desiring to leave for Tampa before the first selling date of tickets is requested to buy ticket to point where change of train is made and then re-buy ticket and secure certificate from this point to Tampa. Co-operation is necessary in order to secure the required two hundred and fifty certificates.

Council Headquarters will be at Bay View Hotel.

Mrs. W. C. Spencer is General Chairman of Local Committees and Mrs. E. L. Sparkman, 713 Fielding Ave., is chairman of Hotels and homes and will furnish desired information on these subjects.—Mrs. F. F. Stephens, President, Mrs. Fitzgerald S. Parker, Recording Secretary.

SMACKOVER.

At a meeting of the Board of stewards and Presiding Elder Harrell, of Camden, held at the M. E. Church in this city Monday night, the P. E. appointed Rev. B. A. Few, D. D., evangelist of the Methodist Conference, as pastor in charge of the M. E. church, with full time in this city.

Rev. W. E. Hudnall, who was appointed pastor of Smackover and Norphlet churches at the Annual Conference, has been assigned to duties at Norphlet, Lisbon and Bear Creek, with three Sundays at Norphlet. Rev. Mr. Hudnall made many friends while here, and was doing good work, but unfortunately the Annual Conference listed Smackover as a supply station, and in spite of the fact that this city paid nearly three thousand dollars last year, did not take cognizance of this fact. Rev. Mr. Harrell, who was also newly appointed as Presiding Elder of this District, quickly recognized that Smackover church would require a resident pastor, devoting full time here.

Dr. Few, following his work as an evangelist, held a successful series of meetings here. He liked Smackover so well that he let it be known that he would accept the work here. Dr. Few is one of the strongest men in the Little Rock Conference. He and his estimable family will move from Little Rock to Smackover as soon as the parsonage is completed. Miss Ella Ware, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Few, who made herself so popular here during the meeting, as musical director, will be valuable in the musical and social life in Smackover.

Dr. Few has announced that he will be here to hold regular services Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m. The Sunday school has been showing a great increase in attendance and interest. A men's meeting will be held at the church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.—Smackover Journal.

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH AT CENTERTON.

A month ago, at the regular dinner of the Rogers Community Club, Dean Dan T. Gray of the College of Agriculture, told some of the things that ought to be done to make life in the country districts more attractive. Friday night, in the basement of the Central M. E. Church, the Community Club members heard Rev. W. J. LeRoy, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, at Centerton, tell of the way the community church at that point is actually meeting the needs of the people of that neighborhood in a program that strives to serve them not only religiously, but to aid them socially, recreationally and to help them financially.

At various times in the past year or two, the Democrat has told of the progress of the church at Centerton, and has described the new church building itself. It is almost completed now, but it has been in use for nearly a year. Rev. Mr. LeRoy described in detail some of the social and recreational features of the church, and says they are bringing in men and women, boys and girls, from miles around. Better roads and the advent of the automobile allows them

to come many miles further than before, and they are finding fellowship, contentment and happiness in the basement in front of the big fireplace this winter, and they are finding Christ in the helpful talks of the pastor in the auditorium upstairs.

It is planned that the church shall be the center of the community life. The basement is open for use for agricultural meetings—and a good one was held there early this week. Boxing and wrestling matches are held there by the boys and men, and other forms of athletic exercise. It is open for meetings of the Boy Scouts; of Sunday School classes and young peoples societies; of the women's clubs and debating societies and probably pie suppers and anything else that properly should be held there.

He was agreed with Dean Gray that what the country needs is real ministers of the Gospel—not just preachers on Sunday. The preacher should be a part of the community just as the church basement is—something that can be found when wanted in time of distress and trouble—and also in time of merriment and happiness. It was an inspiring talk—the talk of a real rural district optimist. The only regret came from a realization of how few points in Northwest Arkansas are enjoying the benefits of such a neighborhood plant and such a community leader as Rev. Mr. LeRoy. It is not the first time he has spoken in Rogers, and we hope to hear from him from time to time that we may learn how his plans are working out for still bigger and better results in community work.—Rogers Democrat.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN IN EUDORA.

We began our evangelistic campaign in Eudora, Ark., on Feb. 3, and closed on Feb. 24. From the viewpoint of the Evangelist this was a very successful revival. It was a union meeting between the Methodists and Presbyterians with the Baptists co-operating. The first week of the revival we worshipped in the Methodist Church and the last two weeks we worshipped in the Presbyterian Church where we had a larger auditorium.

We had large audiences from the first to the last service and the interest was very good from the beginning. After one week the entire town was aroused and the meeting had swung clear.

The people of Eudora co-operated in a very fine way and showed in every way possible their appreciation of the Evangelistic Party, and did everything in their power to make the campaign a real success. Every committee appointed served well and seemed to find real pleasure in serving. One of the interesting features of the revival was the splendid personal work by both the men and the women, and especially the men. Many men who have never done personal work before worked to win people for Christ in the church and on the outside, and as a result of their labors many strong men were won to Jesus Christ.

The business people of Eudora proved themselves to be truly progressive people and recognized the value of a real revival meeting in the town, and hence put themselves into it one-hundred per cent strong. They closed the business of the town for one hour each day and attended the morning service.

The pastors at Eudora who coop-

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This extension of time is given because so many of our Rural Pastors have not had an opportunity to put on the Canvass for Subscriptions in their respective charges on account of weather conditions. Then, too, a large number of our leading Station Pastors have not gotten in their lists as yet.

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erated in the revival gave us the very best of support in every way possible. They did everything that was suggested in order to make the work a great success. These men are splendid pastors and are appreciated by their people. During the entire campaign they were real brothers to us and looked after our every need and led their people into the work as only true pastors can do.

There are many things that make us know that Eudora is to be one of the leading church towns in Southeast Arkansas. One thing that indicates this is their special interest in their church buildings. The Methodists and the Presbyterians have splendid houses of worship which are almost new and are modern in every respect. The Baptist people are just now laying the foundation for another great church, which, when completed, will be a credit to the town.

The revival resulted in many conversions and reclamations, and the churches, I am sure, were wonderfully revived, because the pastors, church people and business people of the town cooperated so well in the campaign.

The Evangelistic Party is very happy over the result of the meeting and hopes to have the privilege of working with these splendid people again.—Grover Cleveland, Evangelist.

EL DORADO CIRCUIT.

As I haven't written a letter since I have been on this charge and this is the second year, I thought if I didn't write, it would be treating my people wrong, therefore I come with these few lines.

In many respects it is a pleasure to serve this charge, because we have some mighty good people. They are loyal and faithful and true and they look after their pastor and his family. Last year was a very good year. We had some good meetings and some increase in all lines of the church. Considering the sins that we have to combat in this section of the country, I think we are doing fine. We have six churches with a membership of 374, and three Sunday Schools. We are trying to carry out our program of work, as is given on chart 'C.'

I travel from 26 to 35 miles every Sunday and preach from twice to three times. We have as bad roads as I ever saw, as there are all kinds of hauling over the roads I have to travel. I have three churches in the oil fields. There are some good people here, but not all are good. Lots of times I see things done in the open, for which people ought to be locked up in jail. Some of the men whom I meet following the oil fields are college men from choice homes from Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Mississippi, Louisiana, and from our own State. Some were reared to go to church and Sunday School, but as soon as they come into this country

as a rule they forget the church and Sunday School. It is a pity the way some of our people are doing, and since the oil boom lots of our own people have forgotten the Lord and his Kingdom.

I have been in the ministry almost thirteen years, and on every charge that I have served there has been some bitter with the sweet. I have many things to be happy over, my children are in a good school, and are doing fine. The parsonage is within one block of the West Avenue School.

Through the efficiency of our people we have rebuilt our parsonage at an expense of \$4,000. It was not very hard to do, with men to help like the following: Polk Bell, Will Pickering, J. M. Penderton, J. L. and W. G. Kinard, F. W. Lawrence, R. B. Ripley, D. E. Morgan, Charley Pickering, and others.

We have had our first quarterly conference. The pastor's salary was increased over last year. Our people accepted the minimum for the Superannuate Endowment. We are trying to keep up with the Centenary and Christian Education.—S. B. Mann, P. C.

WALNUT SPRINGS AND WILLIAMSON'S SCHOOL HOUSE.

I have just returned from Walnut Springs, and Williamson's School House. I took an inventory of the Sunday Schools at each of those places and I found one of the best Sunday Schools at Williamson's school house I ever knew where there were so few Methodists. We only have on the church record about 12 members, but we have enrolled in the Sunday School 92, and to my astonishment I found 30 on the cradle roll, and about the same number at Walnut Springs, making a total of 192 enrolled in the two Sunday Schools, besides 68 enrolled on the cradle roll.

I am glad to be able to report that I have never served a people who take more interest in their Sunday School. Mr. and Mrs. Clark and their two noble daughters are a whole team in the Sunday School at Williamson's school house, and others as well. Their collections are good. They all keep nice records of their work in the Sunday school. I have never seen as many on the cradle roll anywhere at two country appointments. I made a great effort at both of these places Sunday at eleven o'clock, and at the afternoon appointment, for help for the starving children in China, and to my astonishment I go over nine dollars at the two places. I will forward it to the proper authorities as soon as I get the address. I have in all in my three Sunday schools, about 225. We are having a real good Sunday School at Garland City now. Rev. B. A. Few, our Conference evangelist, will assist me in a meeting at Garland City, if nothing prevents us. We are praying for an old-time revival there. For it is surely needed.

Some mighty fine people at Gar-

OBITUARIES

WALLACE.—Mrs. Louisa Jane Wallace (nee Lowe) was born in Mason, Tenn., May 9, 1834. In early life she was converted, joined the Methodist church and was a consistent member till death, which occurred at her home in Washington, Ark., Feb. 10, 1924. If she had lived three months longer she would have been ninety years old. On Sept. 1, 1858, at Monticello, Drew County, Ark., she was married to Mr. John Wallace. Four children were born to them, one of whom preceded her to the Glory Land by many years. Surviving are Mrs. Fannie M. Old, Miss Rosa Wallace of Washington, Ark., and Miss Louise Wallace of Chillico, Okla.; two granddaughters, Mrs. H. R. Moore of Dallas, Texas, and Mrs. B. O. Bird of Selma, La.; also four great grandchildren. She spent many years in widowhood, her husband dying in early middle life; but she raised her family in respectability and won a host of friends. No family stands higher in the esteem of the people than hers. Most of her useful life was spent in Arkansas and she has lived in Washington since 1868. Her confinement was long and must have been chafing, as she had led an active life, but she bore it with patience and fortitude till the summons bade her enter the haven of rest where toil and suffering are no more. Funeral services were conducted by the writer assisted by Rev. W. T. Sullivan of the Presbyterian church, and her remains were laid to rest in the beautiful city of the dead at Washington.—J. H. Gold.

FAIR.—Agnes Julia Ann Womack was born in Wilson County, Tennessee, June 1, 1851, and died January 29, 1923. She was married to Stephen T. Fair at the Center Point schoolhouse in Benton County, Arkansas, on March 22, 1868. To this union were born six sons and five daughters, to-wit: Wallace, Mary Ann, an unnamed son that died very young, Ellis Hamilton, Richard Lee, Mattie Edna, Stephen Thomas, Cora Ethel, Emma Vivian, Claude, and Kate Cade. She professed religion and joined the Methodist Church at this place in 1866, being one of the charter members of this congregation, and living a devoted Christian life till the time of her death. She loved the Church and the church people and their association. The three church buildings at this place, each in its turn, was the holy place to her, and the present building, although yet incomplete, was the sacred place to her. Brother and Sister Fair's home has

land City. If we could just get them interested in the church and Christianity it would be a grand work.

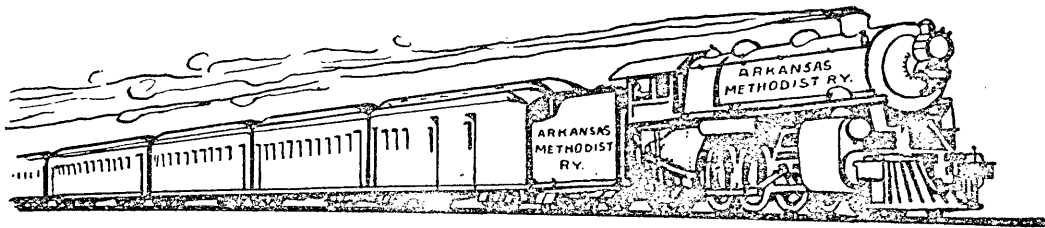
Our number enrolled in three Sunday Schools is 225, besides 68 on Cradle Roll.—J. A. Hall, P. C.

always been the preacher's home up till his death in 1906, and after that time and up till the present time Sister Fair has always welcomed the messenger of Christ. Although Sister Fair was not a person for show, we know that hers was a sweet Christian experience. Centerton misses her, the different branches of the Church miss her, and all her neighbors and friends miss her, beside the great sorrow it is to the members of her immediate family. Three living sons, five daughters, twenty-three grandchildren, a number of nephews and nieces, three brothers, and a host of friends are left to mourn for her.—W. J. Leroy, Pastor.

GARDNER.—On Jan. 18, 1924, from her home four miles north of Paragould, Greene Co., Ark., the pure white spirit of Sister Lillie Gardner, one of God's elect women, a true and faithful Christian, a loyal church member and affectionate wife and a devoted daughter, left the confines of this earth and swept out into the spirit world to occupy a house not made with hands, and to receive the reward promised to the faithful. Sister Lillie, as she was familiarly called, was born, raised, educated, professed religion, joined the church and was married in the community where she died. Here the fragrance of her consistent life remains as a rich and treasured legacy to the whole community. Loved by all with no enemies, Sister Gardner's religious life commenced at the age of 13 under the ministry of Rev. H. E. May. She joined the Oak Grove Church, Gainesville Circuit, from which church her membership was transferred to the Church Triumphant. Sister Gardner was the daughter of Bro. and Sister J. R. Miller. Her home environments were of that high moral type that would produce such a Christian as was this daughter. Bro. Robert Gardner, the now bereaved husband, and Miss Lillie were married about two years ago. Their devotion to each other was beautiful. Their home was a happy home, contentment reigned supreme and was uninterrupted. They both lived to serve. Their hope was securely anchored. They are now separated, but will meet again. On Sunday, Jan. 20, a very cold day, we held her funeral service at New Friendship, and in the cemetery at that place buried the body in the hope of the gospel.—M. M. Smith.

HUFMAN.—On the evening of Jan. 18, 1924, death came to the home of Bro. D. T. Huffman and called the husband and father to the Eternal Shore. Bro. Huffman was born July 5, 1858; died Jan. 18, 1924. Bro. Huffman was married to Marjorie Dourough Oct. 2, 1879. To this union were born six children, two boys and four girls. One son died a few years ago. The other five remain to mourn with the wife and mother the loss of father and husband.—John Simpson, Pastor.

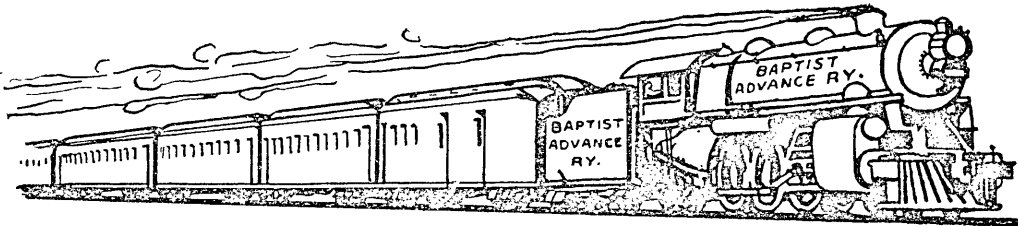
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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Holly Springs (H. S.) Mar. 15-16, Conf. Sat., 2:30 p. m.
Central Ave. Mar. 23, 11 a. m., Conf. 2:30 p. m.
Third Street Mar. 23, 7 p. m.
Sparkman and Sardis (S.) Mar. 29-30, Conf. to be arranged.
Cedar Glades (Buckville) Apr. 5-6, Conf. Sat., 2:30 p. m.
Leola (Hunter's) April 12-13, Conf. 2:30 p. m.
Malvern Sta. April 13, Service 7 p. m., Conf. Wed. 10, 7 p. m.
Traskwood (Hickory Grove) April 19-20, Conf. 2:30 p. m. Sat.
Malvern Ct. April 20, Conf. 3:30 p. m.
Benton Sta. April 27, 11 a. m., Conf. Apr. 29, 7 p. m.
Oaklawn (Lonsdale) April 27, Conf. 4 p. m., preaching 7 p. m.
Princeton Ct. (Macedonia) May 3-4, Conf. 2:30 p. m.
Arkadelphia District Conference (Carthage) May 10-12.
Carthage & Tulp (Tulip) May 12, 3:30 p. m.
Hot Springs Ct. (Bethlehem) May 17-18, Conf. 18, 2 p. m.
Pearcey Ct. (Pearcey) May 24-25, Conf. Sat., 2:30 p. m.
Park Ave. May 25, 7 p. m.
Lono Ct. (Manning) May 31-June 1, Conf. 2:30 p. m. Sat.
Pastors please carry Quarterly Conference Journals to District Conf. for examination. This Quarter is dedicated to the "Forgotten Man."—L. E. N. Hundley, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Cotter Ct., March 9-10.
Lead Hill Ct., March 11-12.
Vellville Ct., March 15-16.
Calico Rock Ct., March 16-17.
Evening Shade Ct., March 18-19.
Cave City Ct., March 20-21.
Desha Ct., March 22-23.
Central Ave., Batesville, March 23-31.
Bethesda Ct., March 29-30.
Melbourne Ct., April 5-6.
Bexar Ct., April 6-7.
Viola Ct., April 8-9.
Wiseman Ct., April 10-11.
Blaine-Oil Trough, April 12-13.
Salado-Rosie, April 13-14.
Unstod Memorial, April 16.
Newport, April 17.
Strangers' Home Ct., April 19-20.
Swifton-Allica, April 20-21.
Pleasant Plains Ct., April 24-25.
Batesville, First Ch., April 27-28.
Sulphur Rock-Moorefield, April 29.
Charlotte Ct., May 3-4.
Tuckerman Ct., May 4-5.
Tuckerman, April 6.
The District Conference will convene at 2 o'clock April 1, at Mountain Home, and will run through the 2nd and 3rd.—W. A. Lindsey, P. E.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Mansfield, March 9-10.
Paris Ct., at Caulksville March 15-16.
Branch and Coles, at Coles Mar. 16-17.
Dardanelle Ct., at Pisgah Mar. 22-23.
Dardanelle March 23-24.
Waldron Ct., at Mt. Pleasant Mar. 29-30.
Waldron, March 30-31.
Abbott and Washburn, at Abbott Apr. 5-6.
Huntington and Midland, at Midland April 6-7.
Magazine at Magazine, Apr. 12-13.
Bentonville, April 13-14.
Scranton and New Blaine, at New Blaine, April 19-20.
Paris, April 20-21.
Prairie View and McKendree, at McKendree, April 26-27.
Walnut Tree Ct., at Egypt, May 3-4.
Danville, May 4-5.
Rover Ct., at Nimrod, May 10-11.
Plainview, May 11-12.
Ola Ct., at Adona, May 17-18.
Perry and Houston, at Perry, May 18-19.
Gravelly and Bluffton, at Gravelly, June 29-30.
District Conference at Prairie View March 11, 10 A. M. Will continue till work is done.—B. L. Wilford, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Atlanta at Atlanta, Mar. 8-9.
Magnolia, Mar. 9, 7:30 p. m.
Taylor at Philadelphia, Mar. 15-16.
Huttig & Strong at Strong, Mar. 22-23.
Junction City and Lawson, at Junction City, Mar. 23, 7:30 p. m.
Waldo, Mar. 30, 11 a. m.
Thornton, Mar. 30, 7:30 p. m.
Kingsland at Camp Springs, Apr. 5-6.
Fordyce, Apr. 6, 7:30 p. m.

Stephens at Mt. Prospect Sat., Apr. 12-13, 7:30 p. m.
Buckner, Apr. 13, 11 a. m.
Camden Ct. at Buena Vista, Apr. 19-20.
Bearden, Apr. 20, 7:30 p. m.
Wesson, Apr. 26-27.
El Dorado, Apr. 27, 7:30 p. m.
El Dorado Ct., May 3-4.
Smackover, May 4, 7:30 p. m.
Chidester, May 10-11.
Eagle Mills, May 11.
A tentative announcement:—District Conference will convene at Waldo Tuesday morning, June 3 at nine o'clock.—J. W. Harrell, P. E.

CONWAY DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Pottsville, Bell's Chapel, March 8-9.
Russellville, March 9, p. m.
Dover and Appleton, March 15-16.
Atkins, March 16, p. m.
District Conference at Atkins March 18, 19 and 20.
Springfield at Oak Grove, March 22-23.
Plumerville, March 23, p. m.
Oppelo, March 30, a. m.
Morilton, March 30, p. m.
Conway Circuit at Mt. Olive, April 5-6.
Vilonia at Mt. Carmel, April 6, p. m.
Rosebud at Mt. Vernon, April 12-13.
Naylor and Oakland at Oakland, April 13, p. m.
Quitman, April 19-20, New Hope.
Morganton, April 26-27, Pine Mountain.
Greenbrier, May 3-4, Friendship.
Jacksonville and Cato, at Bethel, May 10-11.
Cabot, at Austin, May 11-12.
Beche Ct., May 17-18, Floyd.
Beche, May 18, p. m.
Conway, May 28.—W. B. Hays, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Goshen and Sonora, March 8-9.
Springdale, March 9 at 7:30.
Gentry, March 15-16.
Siloam Springs, March 16 at 7:30.
Cincinnati, at Summers, March 22-23.
Decatur, March 29-30.
Springtown, April 5-6.
Lincoln Ct., at Morrow, April 12-13.
Elm Springs at Thornsherry, April 19-20.
Viney Grove at Rhea, April 26-27.
Prairie Grove, April 27 at 7:30.
Pea Ridge at Brightwater, May 3-4.
Eureka Springs, May 4 at 7:30.
Osage Ct., at Friendship, May 10-11.
Green Forest, May 11, at 7:30.
Alpena Ct., at Coin, May 17-18.
Berryville, May 18, at 7:30.
Winslow at Greenland, May 25, at 11 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.
Rogers, May 25, at 7:30.
Bentonville Ct., at New Home, May 31 and June 1.
Centerton, June 1, at 7:30.
Farmington Ct., May 7-8.
Fayetteville, May 8, at 7:30.
District Conference at Prairie Grove April 29 beginning at 7:30 Tuesday evening and continuing until business is finished.—J. A. Womack, P. E.

F. T. SMITH DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Ozark, 11 a. m. Mar. 9, Conf. Sat. before.
Mulberry and Dyer, at Mulberry, 7:30 p. m. Mar. 9, Conf. after sermon.
Alma, 11 a. m., March 16, Conf. 2 p. m.
Kibler, at Mt. View, 7:30 p. m., Mar. 16, Conf. after sermon.
Lamar at Lamar, 11 a. m., March 23, Conf. Sat. before.
Clarksville Ct., at Spadra, 7:30, Mar. 23, Conf. 10 a. m. Monday.
Dodson Ave., 11 a. m., Mar. 30.
East Van Buren, at City Heights, Mar. 30, Conf. after sermon.
Van Buren Ct., 11 a. m., Apr. 6, Conf. Tuesday night 7:30.
South Ft. Smith, at South Ft. Smith, 7:30 Apr. 6, Conf. 2:30 p. m.
Lavaca, at Oak Grove, 11 a. m., Apr. 13, Conf. 7:30 p. m.
Charleston, 7:30, Apr. 13, Conf. after sermon.
Ozark, at Gar Creek, 11 a. m., Apr. 20, Conf. 3:00 Sat. before.
Cecil, at Grand Prairie, 7:30 p. m., Apr. 20, Conf. after sermon.
Clarksville Sta., 11 a. m. Apr. 27, Conf. Sat. before.
Hartman and Coal Hill, at Coal Hill, 7:30 p. m., Apr. 27, Conf. 3:00 p. m.
—F. M. Tolleson, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Aubrey Ct. at Rondo, Mar. 8-9.
Wheatley-Palentine, at Wheatley, 7:30 p. m., March 9.
Forrest City, First Church, Mar. 16.
Colt Ct., at Wesley Chapel, 2:30 p. m., March 16.
Widener-Madison, at Widener, March 23.
Parkin, 7:30 p. m., March 23.

Harrisburg, First Church, Mar. 30-31.
Cherry Valley Circuit, at C. V., 2:30 p. m., March 30.
Helena, First Church, April 6-7.
Holly Grove-Marvell, at M., 2:30 p. m., April 6.
Turner Circuit at Turner, Apr. 12-13.
West Helena, 7:30 p. m., Apr. 13.
Marianna, First Church, April 20.
Hughes-Hulbert at Hughes, 7:30 p. m., April 20.
Lexa-Haynes, at LaGrange, April 27.
Elaine Circuit, at Wabash, 2:30 p. m., April 27.
Crawfordsville, May 4.
Earle, 7:30 p. m., May 4.
Brinkley, May 11.
Hunter Circuit, 7:30 p. m. May 11.
Clarendon, May 18.
—William Sherman, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Lone Oak Ct., at Rosa, Mar. 8-9.
Wilson, 7:30 p. m., Mar. 9.
Whitton and Bardstown, at Bards-town, 2:30 p. m., Mar. 11.
Blytheville, Lake Street, 7:30 p. m., Mar. 12.
Blytheville, First Church, 11:00 a. m., March 16.
Luxora, 7:30 p. m., Mar. 16.
Bono and Trinity, at Bono, Mar. 22-23.
Jonesboro, Fisher Street, 7:30 p. m., Mar. 23.
Jonesboro, First Church, 11:00 a. m., Mar. 30.
Jonesboro, Huntington Ave., at Mt. Carmel, 3:00 p. m., Mar. 30.
Nettleton, at Forest Home, 11:00 a. m., Apr. 6.
Marked Tree, 7:30 p. m., Apr. 6.
Tyronza, at Gilmore, 11:00 a. m., Apr. 13.
Marion, 7:30 p. m., Apr. 13.
Brookland, at New Haven, 11:00 a. m., Apr. 20.
Lepanto, 7:30 p. m., Apr. 23.
Bay, 11:00 a. m., Apr. 27.
Trumann, 7:30 p. m., Apr. 27.
Fisher and Hickory Ridge, May 4.
Manila, at Dell, 11:00 a. m., May 11.
St. Johns, at Minirth Chapel, 3:00 p. m., May 11.
Leachville, 7:30 p. m., May 11.
Lake City, at Black Oak, 11:00 a. m., May 18.
Monette at Monette, 7:30 p. m., May 18.
District Conference at Monette, May 19-21. Opening sermon 7:30 p. m., May 9.—W. C. House, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Bryant Ct., Sardis, 11 a. m., March 15.
Bauxite, 7:30 p. m., March 16.
Kee-Tomberlin, Tomberlin, 11 a. m., March 22.
England, 11 a. m., March 23.
Kee, 7:30 p. m., March 23.
Hickory Plains, Providence, 11 a. m., March 29.
Capitol View, 7:30 p. m., March 30.
Des Arc, 11 a. m., April 6.
Austin Circuit, Concord, 11 a. m., April 12.
Lono, 7:30 p. m., April 13.
Carlisle Ct., Zion, 11 a. m., April 19.
Carlisle Sta., 7:30 p. m., April 20.
Pulaski Heights, 11 a. m., April 27.
28th St., 7:30 p. m., April 27.
Mauumelle and Oak Hill, Oak Hill, 11 a. m., May 3.
Junier, 7:30 p. m., May 4.
First Ch., 11 a. m., May 11.
Henderson St., 7:30 p. m., May 11.
Hazen and Devalls Bluff, 11 a. m., May 18.
Forest Park, 7:30 p. m., May 18.
Winfield, 11 a. m., May 25.
Ashbury, 7:30 p. m., May 25.
Mabelvale, 11 a. m., June 1.
Highland, 7:30 p. m., June 1.
Little Rock Dist. Conf., England, Apr. 8-9. Opening sermon Monday, 7:30 p. m., Rev. W. C. Scott. We are expecting to have Bishop Hay with us during our Dist. Conf.—E. R. Steel, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)
Lake Village, March 9, 11 a. m.
Eudora, March 9, 7 p. m.
Hermitage Ct., at Banks, March 15-16.
Crosscott, March 16, 7 p. m.
Synder Ct., at Bethel, Mar. 22-23.
Hamburg Sta., Mar. 23, 7 p. m.

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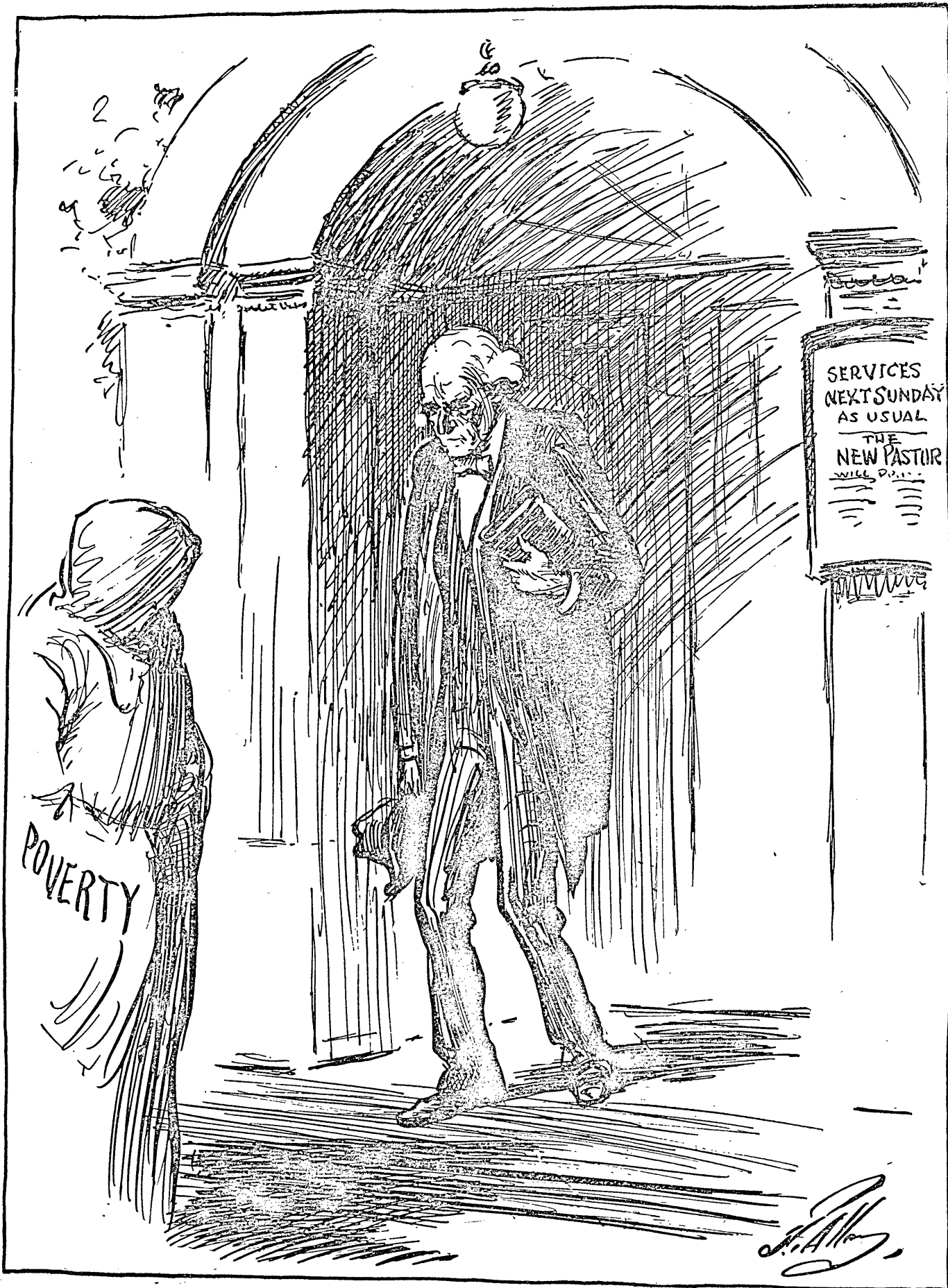
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Tillar Ct., at Winchester, Mar. 30, 11 a. m.
Dumas, Mar. 30, 7 p. m.
Watson Ct., at Watson, April 5-6.
McGehee, April 6, 7 p. m.
Monticello Sta., Apr. 9, 7 p. m.
Arkansas City, Apr. 13, 11 a. m.
Dermott, Apr. 13, 7 p. m.
Monticello Ct., at Cominto, Apr. 20, 11 a. m.
Wilmar Sta., Apr. 20, 7 p. m.
Ingalls Ct., at Jersey, Apr. 26-27.
Southern Camps, Apr. 27, 7 p. m.
New Edinburg Ct., at New Edinburg, May 3-4.
Warren Sta., May 4, 7 p. m.
Mt. Pleasant Ct., at Selma and Mt. Tabor, May 10-11.
Fountain Ct., at Ladelle, May 17-18.
The District Conference will be held at Wilmar, May 27-29, opening sermon will be preached Tuesday night, May 27, by the Rev. A. B. Barry of Wilmore.
—J. A. Parker, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)
Paragould, First Church, March 9, a. m.
Paragould Ct., March 9, p. m.
Lorado, March 15-16.
Stanford, March 16.
Paragould, Eastside Ct., March 22-23.
Paragould, Eastside, March 23.
Rector Ct., March 29-30.
Rector, March 30.
Ravenden Spgs., Apr. 5-6.
Hardy and Williford, Apr. 6.
Ash Flat, Apr. 12-13.
Black Rock and Portia, Apr. 13.
Pocahontas Ct., Apr. 19-20.
Biggers and Success, Apr. 20.
Smithville, Apr. 26-27.
Imboden, Apr. 27.
St. Francis, May 3-4.

Piggott, May 4.
Salem, May 10-11.
Mammoth Spring, May 11.
Gainsville, May 17-18.
Marmaduke, May 18.
Hoxie, May 25, a. m.
Pocahontas, May 25, p. m.
Maynard, May 26.
Walnut Ridge Ct., May 31-June 1.
Walnut Ridge, June 1.
Sedgwick, June 2.

District Conference will meet at Mammoth Spring, 7:30 p. m., May 13. Rev. Luther E. Mann will preach the opening sermon at that hour, and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. At nine o'clock the next morning the Conference will organize for business, and will continue its session as long as may be necessary. Committee to examine all candidates for the ministry will be Revs. J. F. Glover, W. E. Hall and C. E. Grav.—Jas. A. Anderson, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)
Rowell Ct., Mar. 8-9.
Pine Bluff Ct., Mar. 15-16.
1st Church, Mar. 16 p. m.
Sheridan Ct., Mar. 22-23.
Star City, Mar. 30.
Sheridan sta., April 5-6.
Lakeside, April 6 p. m.
Bayoumeto and Little Prairie, April 12-13.
Gillett Sta., April 13, p. m.
Rison, April 20.
Roe, April 26-27.
St. Charles Ct., May 3-4.
DeWitt, May 4, p. m.
Swan Lake, May 11.
Stuttgart, May 13.

Humphrey, May 25.
—R. W. McKay, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)
Bingen Ct., at McCaskell, Mar. 8-9.
Center Point Ct., at Center, Mar. 15-16.
Nashville, Mar. 16, 8 p. m.
Emmet Ct. at Rocky Mound, Mar. 22-23.
Columbus Ct. at Sardis, Mar. 30, 3 p. m.
Orchard View-Highland, Apr. 5-6.
Mineral Springs, Apr. 6, 3 p. m.
Washington-Ozan, at St. Paul, Apr. 13, 3 p. m.
Delight Ct. at Antoine, Apr. 19-20.
Amity-Womble, at Womble, Apr. 20, 3 p. m.
Murfreesboro, Apr. 27, 3 p. m.
Blevins at Friendship, May 3-4.
Mt. Ida-Oden at Oden, May 11, 3 p. m.
Prescott, May 16, 8 p. m.
Hope, May 18, 3 p. m.
—J. H. Cummins, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)
Horatio, Mar. 9, 11 a. m., Conf. 2 p. m.
Spring Hill Ct., at Spring Hill, Mar. 16, 1 a. m., Conf. 2 p. m.
Lewisville, at N. Lewisville, Mar. 23, 11 a. m., Conf. 2 p. m.
Stamps, March 23, at night.
Doddridge Ct., at Mann's Chapel, Mar. 30, Conf. 2 p. m.
Umpire Ct., at Umpire, April 2, 10:30 a. m.
Lockesburg, at Bellville, April 6, 11 a. m., Conf. 2 p. m.
Dierks, April 6, at night.
Winthrop and Gillham Ct., at Winthrop, April 12-13, Conf. Sat. 10 a. m.
Foreman, April 13, at night.
Sat. 2 p. m.
Egger Ct., at Waters, April 19-20, Conf.

Mena, April 24.
Hatfield Ct., at Cove, April 27, 11 a. m., Conf. 2 p. m.
DeQueen, April 27, at night.
Ashdown, May 2.
College Hill, May 4, 11 a. m., Conf. 2 p. m.
Fairview, May 4, at night.
First Church, May 5.
District Conference at College H. Texarkana, May 6, 7, 8. Opening sermon, Tuesday night. Delegates to elected this round.—J. F. Simmons, E.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)
Bald Knob & Bradford, at Bradford, Mar. 8-9.
Judsonia, Mar. 8-10.
McRae Ct., at McRae, Mar. 15-16.
Marshall, Mar. 22-23.
Leslie, Mar. 23-24.
Griffithville Ct., at Dogwood, Mar. 29-30.
West Searcy & Higginson, at Higginson, 30-31.
Pangburn Ct., at Oak Grove, April, 5-6.
Heber Springs, Apr. 6-7.
Gregory & McClelland, at McClelland, Apr. 12-13.
Kensett, Apr. 20.
McCrory, Apr. 26-27.
Augusta, Apr. 27-28.
Scotland Ct., at Mt. Home, May 3-4.
Clinton & Shirley, at Shirley, May 4-5.
Valley Springs, May 9.
Bellefonte Ct. at, Valley View, May 10-11.
Harrison, May 11-12.
District Conference at Valley Springs, May 7-9.—Jefferson Sherman, P. E.