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PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

As the natural eye grows dim with age the eye of faith grows strong and reaches far.

If you have forgotten that you were a boy, the boys will forget you.

The thief justifies robbery until he himself is robbed, and then he loudly calls for justice.

Better are the baggy breeches of the praying saint than the pressed pants of the fashionable sinner.

Progress pleases not the man who is left behind; hence he criticizes his progressive neighbor because he no longer walks the old muddy, rutty paths.

Satan causes men to think that the Church is too expensive, that missionary money is wasted, and the cheaper and shabbier the house of worship the better God is pleased.

OUR EPWORTH LEAGUERS.

Our young people are the hope of the Church and the Nation. Many writers and speakers deplore the manners and morals of our rising generation and argue that the youth of today are inferior to the youth of yesterday.

We admit that youth advertises itself, is self-confident, is aggressive. It is true that there are wild, reckless, foolish young people who ignore advice and flaunt their modern follies in our faces. But when was not youth self-confident and adventurous? When were all young people models in conduct and angels in morals? Surely not when we were young. Run over the days of your youth, elderly readers, and see if you cannot recall many young people who were immoral and vile. Call back your own youthful escapades and pranks, and compare them with those of your own children. It may be that the children of the present age will not compare unfavorably with your generation, if you are fair in your comparison.

When we were young were many young people offering themselves as candidates for missionary work and other forms of life service? When we were young, were young people holding prayer and experience meetings? Were they visiting jails and poor-houses? Were they caring for the sick and the stranger? Were they having parties without dancing and kissing plays? Fifty years ago few young people were actively engaged in any kind of church or benevolent work. Today in Epworth Leagues, in Societies of Christian Endeavor, in Baptist Young People's Unions, in Y. M. C. A. and in Y. W. C. A., millions of the choicest boys and girls, and young men and women are active in some form of Christian service. To be sure, among those are some "flappers" and some "jelly beans," but the vast majority are as honest and as earnest in their Christian life as the majority of their elders. They are studying about Missions, and about Christian Stewardship, and about Life Service, and about Applied Christianity; and when their time comes we may have even a better and more practical type of Christians in our Churches.

These young people are having a good time, and why should they not have a good time? Why should they go around with long faces and pretend that they are old? God made them young and expects them to act like young people and not like their grandparents. They believe that religion means joy and service, and that life is a normal and practical existence. The young men and women are courting; but why should they not? Their parents courted, and not always under as favorable circumstances. Surely it is better for our youth to find each other and prepare for life partnerships in the Epworth League than in the dance-hall and the card-party. Certainly young men and women who have prayer together and relate their religious experiences in the devotional meeting, are better prepared thereby for the erection of the family altar.

We are glad that our young people are finding themselves and their life work and their life partners in the Epworth Leagues. These Leagues are the practice schools for the Home and the Church. Let us encourage them. Let us stand behind them in their innocent recreations and amusements, and they will the more readily heed us when we advise against the things that are undoubtedly hurtful.

It is a pleasure this week to give large space to the Epworth League Assemblies to be held at Arkadelphia and Searcy. The young people who meet there are to become our leaders in Church and State and Society. By reason of their study and recreations and devotions they will be vastly bet-

AND THEY FOUND WRITTEN IN THE LAW WHICH THE LORD HAD COMMANDED BY MOSES, THAT THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL SHOULD DWELL IN BOOTHS IN THE FEAST OF THE SEVENTH MONTH; AND THAT THEY SHOULD PROCLAIM IN ALL THEIR CITIES AND IN JERUSALEM, SAYING, GO FORTH UNTO THE MOUNT, AND FETCH OLIVE BRANCHES, AND PINE BRANCHES, AND MYRTLE BRANCHES, AND PALM BRANCHES, AND BRANCHES OF THICK TREES, TO MAKE BOOTHS, AS IT IS WRITTEN.—Neh. 8:14-15.

ter prepared than were we who had none of these things. In a few years they will settle down to the quiet responsibilities of life and we shall have a stronger and more active Church and a saner State and safer Homes. God bless our Epworth Leaguers. Instead of being a degenerate group, they are to be our leaders in reaching nobler things.

LENGTHEN YOUR LIFE.

The doctors and scientists are agreed that, owing to the strenuous manner of life as found among our leaders in business and professional life, there is an abnormal physical and mental condition which is called "Americanitis." Annually some 240,000 of our best Americans are victims. The man who devotes twelve or fourteen hours unremittingly to the care of his business or to professional duties, and then retires at night with the burdens of the day upon him, is bringing upon himself heart disease, or apoplexy, or Bright's disease, or high blood pressure, that will probably cut him off ten or twenty years too soon.

Of course, there are men in other lands who live such strenuous lives, but Americans are peculiarly given to the practices which are sapping their vitality and preparing them for early death. Unfortunately these victims are the men whom we can least spare. They are men with unusual executive ability, who are the natural leaders not only in their own occupations, but become the leaders in church and social life. They are needed to help guide affairs aright. The first thirty years of their active occupational life are spent in reaching their positions. The next twenty or thirty years should be used in the highest forms of service. Their accumulated experience, power and wealth should be given to humanity, and if properly spent will become their happiest years. Nevertheless, several hundred-thousand of the most capable men in our nation are committing slow suicide and depriving themselves of their greatest opportunities for service and the joy of life, by their persistent devotion to their self-appointed daily tasks. They should stop and think. Why should they die young? Why should they deprive themselves and their country of the best period of their lives?

How can they stop this destruction of useful life? The answer is, first, live more simply each day, second, put business away at night and get undisturbed sleep, and third, take the right sort of recreation. We would call especial attention to the last.

Most men in business and professional life do take a short vacation; but it is often spent in ways that are little short of dissipation. The Church, which seeks to do the best for all, is awake to the necessity of proper recreation for its members who are planning to leave home for a few weeks during the summer. At Lake Junaluska and at Mount Sequoyah conditions have been created which provide all that is necessary for the tired Christian business or professional man and his family. Climatic conditions are favorable. The atmosphere is exhilarating and the surroundings are beautiful and inspiring. Provision is made for out-door life and living at moderate cost. Educational and recreational programs are offered. They need not be taken, but are there for those who want them. Golf, swimming, tennis, hikes may be indulged in as desired. The moral and religious surroundings are such that the religious life is strengthened and moral and educational ideals are elevated. The society is such that the children and young people are protected from the gross in-

dulgences that destroy character. Companionships are formed that may be of great value in later life. It is impossible now to maintain the old-fashioned camp-meeting. The Summer Assembly is the Twentieth Century camp-meeting, which can do for our people far more than even the good camp-meeting of the fathers. It is a glorified picnic, that can give wholesome recreation without the dissipation of the modern fashionable resorts.

Arkansas is fortunate in having the Western Methodist Assembly at Mt. Sequoyah, near Fayetteville. At its opening Bishop Atkins, closely connected with the development of Lake Junaluska, publicly announced that he admitted it to the same class with Lake Junaluska as a beauty spot and attractive resort; and he stated that "it was the greatest enterprise of our Church west of the Mississippi." Statements like these from such a man are worthy of consideration. We should build up this enterprise and make it one of the best in the world. It can be done.

There are five-hundred of our best business men, leaders in the Church, in various communities in our State, who need Mt. Sequoyah to help them lengthen their useful lives. They need the Western Methodist Assembly and the Assembly needs them. Many of them should spend a few weeks at the Assembly. Many should buy lots and build cottages so that they and their families may spend the larger part of the summer there. Wives who know that their husbands are about to break down, who need real re-creation, should co-operate in arranging for summer residence at Mt. Sequoyah. If they will build the right sort of cottages there, they can always be rented when not used by the owner. If they are built to withstand the winter climate, they can be rented to people who go to Fayetteville for education in the University. If there are in the family children who wish the University summer courses, let the family spend the summer at Mt. Sequoyah, thus securing a double benefit.

The lots for sale are valuable on account of their relation to the Assembly and University. Owners have all the advantages of sewer and water, electric light and telephone service. These are combinations which cannot be found elsewhere. As Arkansas Methodists let us build up our great Assembly and at the same time get the benefit of lengthened life, improved morals, and deeper religious experience. In charge of this great enterprise is Mr. J. L. Bond, for three terms our State Superintendent of Public Instruction. He and Mrs. Bond are rendering the Church a great service in helping to create this wonderful and uplifting summer resort. If you would lengthen your life and prepare for larger usefulness, get in communication with Supt. J. L. Bond.

ONE CREDIT.

We have felt constrained so often to criticize the foolish and vicious utterances of Arthur Brisbane in his syndicated articles, that it is a pleasure to give him credit for being right one time. We commend his comment as expressed in the following item found in the Arkansas Democrat of May 9:

"Beginning today street car lines of New York will permit women to smoke on open cars with seats reserved for smokers. There is nothing surprising about that. A public opinion that allows women to take off half their clothes in private life and 90 per cent on the stage, will not be excited about women smoking on street cars. You are told that the new rule means equality, and perhaps it does. But there are two kinds of equality—one raises you up to a higher level, as when slaves were set free or women were permitted to vote. The other drags you down, making you the equal of something below you. That's the sort of equality women achieve when they are allowed to smoke in public. They might also be allowed to chew tobacco. Perhaps that will be the next step."

Try again, Arthur. We give one credit for this observation. We would like to add to your credits.

If preachers never preached anything except what the people want to hear, the people would never be what they ought to be.

The world is big enough to make it possible for people to live apart who cannot live together.

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METHODIST CALENDAR.

Paragould D. C., Biggers, June 2-5.
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PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Rev. W. C. Yancey of Glenwood was in the city this week, and while here paid the Methodist office a visit.

Rev. W. C. House, presiding elder of the Jonesboro District, preached the commencement sermon for the Jonesboro High School.

Rev. Horace M. Lewis, our pastor at Valley Springs, is planning to enter Southern Methodist University at Dallas soon to take special work.

He who is false to the present duty breaks a thread in the loom, and will see the effect when the weaving of a life-time is unraveled.—Anon.

Dr. James Thomas delivered the closing sermon for the Hamburg High School, Sunday morning, May 17, and for the Crossett High School that night.

The secular press brings the news of the death at Tampa, Florida, of Rev. C. E. Patillo, D. D., who was during 1894-98 pastor of our First Church, this city.

Catching fire from the home of Mrs. J. R. Beckham, the Methodist Church at Plumerville last Monday was burned and totally destroyed. Plans are under way for rebuilding.

The editor spent last Sunday with Rev. J. W. Harger on Prairie View Circuit, but the crowded condition of our columns causes a postponement of the write-up until next week.

Rev. J. E. Snell, pastor of Central Avenue Church, Batesville, sends in a splendid list from his church this week. Brother Snell is working on a 100 per cent list and will send the rest of names in a short time.

A great Epworth League banquet was held at Morrilton, Friday night, May 15. Miss Vivian Clerget was the "moving spirit" of the occasion. Mr. William Hays served as toastmaster. The Conway District Leaguers are live, wide-awake workers.

Rev. W. W. Nelson of Sherrell called last week. He reports progress in his churches and a good crop prospect. Bro. Nelson, who is chaplain at the State Farm near Tucker, is deeply interested in the welfare of the inmates and is anxious to help them in every way possible.

Rev. R. W. McKay is reported as recovering rapidly from the attack of appendicitis which he suffered last week. On last Sunday he baptized little Betsy Ann Holt, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holt of Russellville, who drove over to Booneville so that Brother McKay could perform this service.

Duke University, entering upon its enlarged program, announces ten fellowship of \$600 each and twelve scholarships of \$100 to \$200 each. These benefits will be open to students of Trinity College and other institutions of approved standards and are intended for graduate students who have already received the bachelor's degree.

Rev. J. W. Workman, student pastor at Fayetteville, attended the Council for Young People which convened at Nashville, Tenn., this week for the purpose of arranging for a great convention of Methodist Young People to be held in Memphis, Tenn., December 31, 1925, at which more than 5,000 Methodist young people will be present.

The associate secretary of the Board of Education in his annual report says "The Secretary-Treasurers of the Christian Education Movement in the several Annual Conferences have been pressing their work diligently....They are strong men, leaders of their respective Conferences and have the confidence of their brethren. It would be difficult to find a finer group of men in the entire Church for this work."

Last week 28,000 acres of cut-over timber land were sold by the Boyle-Ferrell Land Co. to the Louisiana Pulp and Paper Co. of Bastrop, La. This land lies between Little Rock and Pine Bluff. This new use for trees of Arkansas is proper if it does not mean that very young trees will be cut and the further growth of good timber stopped. If this company will cut selectively and prevent fires, it may continue to use its growing timber for many years.

Prof. R. B. Weems, a teacher in our State Teachers' College at Conway, has just issued a book, "Un Verano en Espana," (A Summer in Spain), which is published by D. C. Heath & Co., and is intended to be used as a reading book for students in schools and colleges. It is the outcome of a trip made by Prof. Weems and some of his own students. Prof. Weems is a son of the late Rev. D. J. Weems and a graduate of Hendrix College.

Phi Beta Kappa will celebrate its one-hundred and fiftieth anniversary on December 5, 1926. William and Mary College of Virginia, where this first Greek letter fraternity was founded in 1776, is planning to raise a fund of \$100,000 for the erection of a building in memory of the 50 men who effected the organization. The auditorium is expected to be a replica of the Apollo Room in the old Raleigh Tavern at Williamsburg, where it is believed the society was born.

The secretary of the Christian Education Movement reported at the annual meeting of the Board of Education in Nashville, April 15, that approximately \$6,000,000 had been collected to date on the pledges. This is about one-half of the amount already due. A supreme effort will be made during the next twelve months, which will include not only the last year of the quadrennium, but also the fifth year of the Movement, to collect the major part of the balance of these pledges.

The amount of money subscribed in special campaigns for our institutions of learning over and above that pledged to the Christian Education Movement is about equal to the amount already paid in on the regular pledges. A large part of this "new money" has already been paid in and has helped very much to relieve this financial strain and to maintain academic standards of the institutions concerned. The Duke gift to Trinity College is not counted in this estimate of "new money."

One of the outstanding features of this session of the Baltimore Conference was that they were the first of our Churches within the States to record the vote on the proposed Plan of Unification. We take the liberty of saying here that it is our sincere hope that in no other Conference of our Church will there exist, or be manifest, such intensity of feeling as was in evidence there, nor the use of methods which belong to the political arena and not to the Church of Jesus Christ.—Methodist Advocate.

The Biblical injunction regarding sparing the rod and spoiling the child has one warm advocate in Judge Jack A. Weas of the Municipal Court, who recently ordered two mothers publicly to whip their sons for various misdemeanors. Judge Weas, knowing the two boys would appear in court, came armed with several switches and after hearing the cases ruled that the children should be disciplined in the old way. Both mothers appeared willing to administer the punishment, which was meted out in the courtroom. Judge Weas said that this is the best cure that he knows for wayward children.—Arkansas Gazette.

In these days of high cost of living at colleges and universities, it is interesting to note that a very large number of boys and girls are paying their expenses in full or in part by outside work. At Birmingham Southern College about two-thirds of the 700 students are doing this. They are engaged in a wide range of activities, such as preaching, blood transfusion, detective work, companions for children, firing furnaces, clerking in stores, reading to blind children, reporting for newspapers, barbering, singing, and other things. It would seem that no young person these days need to whine or complain for lack of a chance.

There is a higher percentage of the young people of Maine now enrolled in the secondary schools than in any other state in the Union, according to a report just made by the State Department of Education. "This is a significant fact," states the report, "as Maine is not rich in natural resources, great industries or per capital wealth." Maine had prohibitory laws for more than half a century prior to the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment and now the second generation, reared in the interval as prohibitionists, are of high school age.

A Seventh-Day Adventist preacher recently told Dr. Geo. W. Truett that 200,000 Adventists (all there are on earth) are this year giving \$7,000,000 for foreign missions and \$2,000,000 for home missions. These 200,000 Adventists are actually giving more for these two objects than 3,500,000 Southern Baptists are expected to give for all the work of the Southern Baptist Convention. What boots our orthodoxy if we are not willing to back it with our money? And how long will God tolerate our robbery of him by withholding money that ought to be given for the work of his kingdom? There is encouragement, however, in the fact that we are constantly improving in this matter. Certainly this is no time to begin to take the back track by giving less than we have been giving.—Baptist Advance.

By gradually reducing the production of alcoholic liquors, year by year, the government of Latvia expects to effect prohibition there, according to Miss Dagmar Prior, vice president of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in a recent message to Miss Anna A. Gordon, world and national president of that organization. Recent laws voted by the Lettish parliament include: A ban on all advertising of alcoholic beverages; all beverages containing more than 1.5 percent alcohol are considered alcoholic; the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in the markets, in places of amusement, in shops, on board the boats and in railway stations; alcoholic beverages may not be served at official dinners, and a fund for the fight against alcoholism is to be constituted of a third part of the fines collected and one-half percent of the State's receipts on the spirits monopoly. This fund will serve to subsidize the communes so as to enable them to organize temperance exhibitions and lectures, people's clubs, tea rooms, libraries, musical and choral societies which exclude the use of alcohol from their entertainments.

WELL SAID.

The following suggestive words are from the editorial page of the St. Louis Christian Advocate: "Is it not possible, yea, very probable that we shall have in the American Church a recurrence of the schismatics that divided and disquieted unto distraction the Church at Corinth by too much insistence on doctrines, forms and programs as led by certain individuals or factions? There should be no contention, saying, 'I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.' Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul? Only the impact of a united and brotherly Church, recognizing 'One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father over all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all,' can give inspiration to Christian believers for a great world task, whether in the redemption of society, the purifying of politics, the Christianization of business or the evangelization of universal humanity."

THE ARKANSAS PRESS ASSOCIATION.

On account of a previous engagement I was unable to be in the first day's session of the Association, and thus missed many good things; in particular the trip through the oil field and the banquet at the Methodist Church.

I arrived at El Dorado early Friday morning and expected to go to the hotel, but was met by Mr. C. A. Berry, editor of the Daily News and host of the Association, who informed me that the hotels were all full and arrangements had been made to entertain in private homes; consequently he carried me immediately to the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. McKinney, where I had congenial fellowship. Members of the Association were loud in their praise of the hospitality of El Dorado, as free entertainment in the homes is rather an unusual treat for editors.

At the Friday session my "Oration" was patiently heard, and strong addresses were made by G. L. Caswell, managing director of the Iowa Press Association; Senator W. W. Raney; Robert E. Wait, editor Arkansas Banker; Earle Hodges, editor Arkansas Utility News; and others. Various business matters were discussed, and the election of officers was had. Mr. Erwin Funk, editor Rogers Democrat, was elected president for the coming year. Mr. Funk is one of the sanest and most progressive editors and is deservedly very popular with his fellow editors. His is one of the best papers published in the state. It is clean, full of interesting news, and loyal to its constituency.

At noon on Friday, at the Randolph Hotel, an elegant banquet was given by the Arkansas Petroleum Club and the Forty and Eight Club. Address-

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SUBVERTING METHODISM
By James A. Anderson.

In the history of chemistry it has occasionally happened that a chemical process has revealed a by-product of far more significance than the main product which was being sought. It was so when, in an effort to provide the world with coke, gas was discovered, gas being more important than coke. The controversy over the Unification of American Methodism is rapidly developing, if it has not already developed, a by-product of far more significance than the success or failure of the movement itself. This is nothing less than the subversion of the whole constitutional order of Methodism, a radical alteration of its very sources of authority and government. We wish to discuss this question without in the least saying whether or not we are to have Unification. We covet the earnest attention of all serious men on both sides of the Unification question, and in this discussion leave Unification to stand or fall as it may.

Throughout the whole history of our Church, since the pure autocracy that was in Mr. Wesley was handed, by himself in England and by Mr. Asbury in America, over to the Conferences, we have been under Conference Government. The Conferences represented the people. To this very hour, in both England and America, the Annual Conferences are the ultimate source of all constitutional authority, for on any test as to the constitutionality of a measure, whether the question originates in the General Conference, the College of Bishops, or elsewhere, the final appeal is to the Annual Conferences. It is a mere incident of administration that the Annual Conferences, originally composed entirely of preachers, have now also a lay membership; for it was these Conferences that admitted these lay members, and defined their rights there. It is also an incident that we have, in some branches of our Methodism, General Conferences; for it

was the Annual Conferences which created these and defined their powers.

Before Mr. Wesley delegated his authority in England to the Legal Hundred, and long before he, through Asbury and otherwise, delegated his autocratic power in America to the American Conference, he had, by his own authority and the authority of Conference, settled all essential principles of government, as well as the doctrinal standards. Some of these principles at least were held as vital to the system. Methodism must be administered as a Connection, under Conference government, with an itinerant ministry, themselves obedient to Conference. Without tarrying here to cite the authorities, we say flatly that again and again the Conferences both in England and America, through the unanimous voice of every member, pledged themselves to these principles. There were now and then attempts on the part either of some disaffected preacher or some disaffected congregation to make a breach in these principles, but every such attempt, no matter by whom made, was promptly squelched, and the party to it either came into line or was promptly put out of the Methodist Connection. For example, when, early in the history, the congregation at Barstol, England took it into their heads that they would reject the preacher sent them and choose their own pastor, they raised flatly the issue as to whether they were going to be connectional, under an itinerant system, or congregational and choosing their own pastor. Mr. Wesley and the Conference flatly met the issue and gave them the alternative of submitting or being cast out. And it was ever so. The very titles to all Church property both in England and America were specifically and of set purpose based upon the issue. That is today the reading and the meaning of the "Trust Clause." Any man who will question it is densely ignorant of Methodist history.

We are not here saying whether this is the best form of Church government; we are only saying that it is undoubtedly the Methodist form.

fixed by constitutional law and unvarying practice through all our history. There have always been some who have complained that it is tyrannical. Mr. Wesley always avowed that he had no love for it on account of the power it gave him, but kept to it only because it seemed the most efficient method of doing the work God had committed to him. He always said the Scriptures laid down no precise rules of Church government, and all churches were at liberty to follow whatever plan they judged most for the glory of God. He always had one answer for all who objected to his Methodist plan: No man had been obliged to submit to it, nor was any obliged to continue in it, but if he continued a Methodist at all, he would live by this rule. These are the indisputable facts of history and of constitutional law.

And yet, behold what has now come to pass! A General Conference orders a certain thing to be done; nine out of fourteen Bishops are clear that the conditions specified by the General Conference have been met, and so by something like a two-thirds majority the thing is ordered done. Five Bishops break over the order of Conference, and if by any means they may be allowed their private judgment, as to what the Conference ordered, they break the solidarity of the College of Bishops, break over the rule of a duly constituted majority of their own body which had a right to determine the issue, having had all the rights of a minority within that body; they go out to agitate, and to stir up the people, sowing the seeds of anarchy. Some of them now go through their episcopal districts urging and putting on plebiscites, talking about "the rights of the people!" Some of them denounce the actions of General Conference, or its failure to act, as an abridgment of the rights of the people. And they have stirred up no small following of preachers and people who are talking about the tyranny of Methodist Conferences. The demand is made, for the first time in Methodist history, that delegates to Conferences must be instructed! For

the Conferences, forsooth, are not to be trusted; they will put something over! The result is that confidence in Bishops and in Conferences, not to say reverence for them, is on the road to destruction. The General Conference and the College of Bishops have been the great bands that have bound Methodism together. Our reverence for them has always stabilized us. Where now is that reverence?

Here, precisely here, is the tragic spot in this whole matter, let come what may of Unification. If this thing goes on, if it be not promptly and decisively amended in some way, if that is now by any means possible, we shall find that we have wrecked a Church to save a name. In the name of democracy we shall have instituted what will be for us mobocracy, for our Methodism can never function under any set of principles that subverts its fundamental laws. A free lance in Methodism is a new thing.

Forrest City, Ark.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD
OF FINANCE

By Luther E. Todd, Secretary

The Seventh Annual Meeting of the Board of Finance was held in St. Louis, Mo., April 27, 1925. The following members were present: Bishop W. F. McMurtry, Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, Bishop U. V. W. Darlington, Bishop S. R. Hay, Senator X. P. Wilfley, Luther E. Todd, John W. Fristoe, C. W. Tadlock, W. W. Armstrong, M. L. Burton, H. E. Draper, T. S. Hamilton, J. A. Smith, W. E. Faust, J. C. Wooten, S. P. Cresap, J. Taylor Stratton, J. T. Catlin, J. Harry Bryan.

The meeting was characterized by a beautiful harmony, and all were agreed that the occasion was most happy and helpful. Some of the things which it revealed will make interesting reading for the Church, as follows:

I. Concerning the Routine Work

It was shown that bequests for Superrannate Endowment, amounting to more than \$300,000, had been reported as having been written into wills during the year. Also a considera-

es were made by Senator Robert Knox, Hon. S. D. Crawford, H. M. Jackson, V. W. St. John, and Joe K. Mahoney. Much interesting information was given about El Dorado and the Oil Field, and the response by Mr. Jackson, president of the Association, was wise, witty and eloquent. Friday night, at the Country Club, a beautiful rustic house about a mile north of the city, a pleasant informal reception was given by the hosts of the Association.

Friday morning it was my privilege to address the students of the high school on Forest Conservatory, and Saturday Superintendent Donald MacQueen carefully explained the merits of the magnificent \$385,000 High School building which is nearing completion and will be occupied in September. It is fire-proof and admirably lighted and ventilated. It is arranged with a view to convenience and sanitation. The Auditorium and Gymnasium are so arranged that they may be thrown together, giving seating capacity of 2,500. The entrances are on the level, stairways easy, and corridors wide. Ample provision is made for library, laboratories, manual training and home economics. This building, the result of the most careful studying of Superintendent MacQueen for many years, is as nearly ideal as is possible and will become a Mecca for school officials who are seeking the best in school architecture and arrangement. It is not often that a school board and superintendent are able to carry out such a perfectly wrought plan. Now nine buildings and 26 temporary cottages house 4,452 pupils under the care of 21 high school teachers and 81 other teachers. Mr. Greene of Henderson-Grown College is the capable principal of the High School. Under the leadership of Superintendent MacQueen, who is one of the finest school men in the South, a man of the highest moral and educational ideals, El Dorado's school system is transmuting oil into noble manhood and womanhood. Arkansas is peculiarly fortunate in having at this strategic point a man who does not allow his idealism to be overwhelmed by commercialism and industrialism.

At the High School assembly I had an unusual experience. As two years ago one of my sons had been a teacher in the High School, I was introduced as "the father of Mr. George D. Millar."

In other respects El Dorado is making good use of its oil money. The Methodists and Baptists

have built splendid churches and the Presbyterians are preparing to build.

The growth of this city is phenomenal. Five years ago its population was 3,900, now it is estimated at 30,000. The old town of El Dorado was a good substantial community; but with the discovery of oil it was almost overwhelmed. Four years ago there were hundreds of temporary shacks. Now there are hundreds of the most beautiful homes in the South, and the business houses are modern and substantial. Last year there was no excitement. Now, with the discovery of oil in the deeper sand, there is a new forward movement, and the prospects for the future are bright. In January, 1921, bank deposits were \$1,500,000; January, 1925, they were \$7,766,158. In 1920 the railroad receipts were \$450,000; in 1924, they were \$12,569,000. Last August the railroads handled an average of 405 tank cars a day, which was the greatest shipment of any one commodity in the history of the United States. The record today is still greater and is increasing.

Saturday morning in automobiles the editors were carried through the oil field to Smackover, on the way seeing an immense dead crater caused originally by escaping gas, and a live crater where the mud was being thrown forty feet high by gas. On every hand were oil wells, some pumpers, some great gushers, all indicating a wonderful development.

At Smackover we were served a fine luncheon by the ladies and welcomed by a number of speakers. Smackover was described in my letter of last week.

From Smackover we traveled by automobile to Camden, seeing the edge of the Louann field which is now very active. At Camden we were given complimentary tickets to the Camden-Hot Springs baseball game. It was well played and very interesting. Then we were shown the beautiful city of Camden, which, although not exactly in the oil field, has received much benefit from the activity. Many new homes have been built, all of the principal streets have been paved, new hotels and business houses have been erected. There are signs of prosperity on every hand. Camden, always a good town, is becoming in every way better.

At six o'clock we gathered on the Court House Square, where we were warmly and appropriately

welcomed by Rev. Paul W. Quillian, pastor of the Methodist Church, and the response was made by the writer. Then I had the privilege of presenting, with the appreciation of the Association, a handsome traveling bag to Mr. H. M. Jackson, editor of the Marianna Courier-Index, who by his brotherliness, ready wit, fairness, and gifts as a speaker, had for the past year presided ably over the Association. Rarely does any public body have such a capable and popular president as Mr. Jackson. After the speaking we had the pleasure of eating a fine supper, of which fish cooked on the spot was a chief item. The occasion was pleasant and a very happy ending of the editorial trip.

Before returning to Smackover for Sunday, I had a ride around the city and out to the beautiful Country Club with Bro. Quillian, and with him inspected the improvements on his church. The interior of the Ramsey Hall has been remodeled and is now a thoroughly modern Sunday School building. In the church itself the partition has been removed and the old Sunday School room and auditorium have been united to make a large and well arranged auditorium with the pulpit at the end. The total cost of these improvements is about \$20,000, and the funds are all pledged and in hand as needed. Our church at Camden now has a very complete plant, and is prospering under the able leadership of Bro. Quillian, to whom I am indebted for many courtesies.—A. C. M.

BOOK REVIEW.

"Timber;" by Harold Titus; published by A. L. Burt Co., New York; price \$1.

This is a thrilling romance and at the same time a discussion of Forest Conservation in an attractive form. It is an account of the struggle between those who are destroying our forests and those who would save them and regrow them for the benefit of future generations. Because of the thrilling story of love and adventure this book may find readers who would not seriously peruse a discussion of Forest Conservation. The writer was born and bred in the lumber district, and, loving the forest and its people, is indignant against those who are so ruthlessly destroying the beautiful and rich resources of nature. Get this book as a birthday present for your sixteen-year-old boy, and you will read it yourself and profit by it.

ble amount had been received from bequests of estates which had been settled.

Contributions on the annuity plan, amounting to a total of \$58,088.22, were received during the year. Also several annuity bonds had been cancelled by the deaths of the holders, and the principal of these bonds was thereby released from annuity obligation and added to the General Fund without restriction.

The number of claimants at present was given as 2,391, and 928 of these are superannuates and 1,463 are widows of preachers. The total amount from all sources paid for the support of the claimants for the past year, was \$601,996. The average per capita for the superannuates was \$314, and for widows of preachers \$213. The average per capita the year the Board of Finance began its work (1918) was \$186, for superannuates and \$98 for widows of preachers.

The year's expense for operating the Board (not including the Special Effort Department) was \$20,402.37. The total amount paid to annuitants was \$10,523.56. The total amount of salaries paid the Secretary and three clerical assistants of the Board (not including Special Effort Department) was \$10,076.

The investments were exhibited in a manner which enabled the Board to see at a glance where the Endowment is invested, the character of the security held under first mortgage, and such other information as was necessary to give the Board a clear conception of this part of the work.

II. Concerning Special Effort Department

A history of the development of Superannuate Endowment was given, and it proved of great interest. It revealed that 6,400 Charges, of 6,500 in the entire Church, had officially approved quotas aggregating a total of \$10,500,000 to be raised in five years for the cause.

To March 31, 1925, which was the end of the first year of the movement, 4,500 Charges had paid \$1,270,893.49 on their quotas. Approximately 2,000 Charges paid nothing the first year.

Of the total amount paid as stated, after deducting the expense pro rata, \$603,176.04 was credited to the General Fund and \$610,867.51 was credited to the various Conference Funds.

The total expense for operating the Special Effort Department, for one year of preparatory work and one year of applying the program (two years time), was \$213,879.36. The bulk of this was spent for literature the first year and for publicity in the Conference Organs. The rent for a room and salaries of four young women in this department, amounted to a total of \$6,312.

The amounts credited to the General Fund out of the Special Effort, had raised that Fund to a total of \$1,654,151.03. The amounts credited to Conference Funds out of the Special Effort, had increased the total of these Funds to \$698,788.76. (This refers only to Conference Funds handled by the Board of Finance). The grand total of Conference Superannuate Endowment (including that with the Board of Finance, that with other trustees, and the value of Superannuate homes), was revealed as amounting to \$2,646,194.

III. Concerning Distribution to Claimants

The Secretary's report showed that the total amount available for distribution to the claimants for the current year, is \$109,385.33. Of this sum, \$87,082.74 will be distributed from the General Fund direct to the claimants on the basis of service alone, July 1, 1925. The balance, \$22,302.59, represents the income from the Conference Funds, and it will be sent to the various Annual Conferences at their meetings and referred by them to the respective Conference Boards of Finance for distribution to the claimants on the basis of necessity.

This \$109,385.33 now available for distribution as stated, exceeds the amount distributed from these sources last year by \$40,000. (The amount distributed last year from the General Fund and the Conference Funds was approximately \$69,000, and the amount distributed the year before that was \$40,000). Thus it appears how rapidly Superannuate Endowment is improving the support of the claimants.

If there was ever a financial movement that should appeal to the Church with great force, surely the Special Effort for Superannuate Endowment should. We are faced right now by the real opportunity to support this movement, and not one of us should fail to use the chance.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education held its thirty-first annual meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, Wednesday, April 15. Almost the entire Board were present. Reports of the several departments were made as follows: Dr. Stonewall Anderson, General Secretary; Dr. R. H. Bennett, Secretary of Ministerial Supply and Training and Life Service; Dr. H. H. Sherman, Secretary of the Christian Education Movement; Rev. J. Marvin Culbreth, Secretary of Religious Education; and W. E. Hogan, Treasurer. These reports all indicated a good year's work in the several departments and an encouraging outlook for the educational work of the Church. Some of the outstanding features of special importance were as follows:

1. The classification and standardization of our institutions of learning was given most careful attention. The Committee on Classification was in all-day session on Tuesday in addition to previous sessions and made a very interesting report to the Board, which contained a list of the schools according to their rank as universities, colleges and academies. Some of our institutions are in almost a life and death struggle to maintain their present rank, and every intelligent loyal Methodist who believes that the Church has an educational mission should cooperate to the fullest extent in this work. The completion of the Christian Education Movement will solve most of the problems.

2. A Committee on General Conference legislation was appointed to consider important matters which should come before the next General Conference relative to our educational work. The Board and its Secretaries look with favor upon the suggestion that the work of the Board of Education, Epworth League Board, the Sunday School Board and certain departments of the Board of Missions be combined or correlated for the sake of economy and efficiency. Such a plan would be in harmony with the action of the last General Conference which appointed a Commission on the Reorganization of the Boards.

3. The collection of the Christian Education pledges received attention both in committees and in the full Board. It was recommended that every possible effort be made to complete this Movement during this last year of the quadrennium and the fifth year of the collection period. Bishops, presiding elders, pastors, the Board of Lay Activities, the college presidents and faculty were all called upon to give the cause their fullest support. Approximately \$6,000,000 has been collected of the \$12,000,000 already due on the total pledge of \$17,000,000. Reports showed that about \$5,000,000 of new money had been subscribed, a large amount of which had been paid. This does not include the splendid gift of Mr. Duke to Trinity College.

4. The Department of Ministerial Supply and Training and Life Service showed substantial improvement on a number of different items. Three hundred and sixty-four new names have been enrolled as volunteers for life service. Over \$11,000 has been loaned during the year to students for the ministry and other forms of

Christian work. The loan fund has reached the \$150,000 mark. Three hundred preachers which is above the average, have been admitted on trial, thus decreasing the number of supplies. More undergraduates have passed their courses of study though the use of the two-thirds rule, which in many cases amounts to an abuse in admitting preachers on trial into the Annual Conferences, was a little larger than usual. The Correspondence Schools at Emory University, Atlanta, and at Southern Methodist University, at Dallas, are doing excellent work. The Extension School for Pastors at Southern Methodist University has enrolled sixty-four students during this its first year and promises large things for the future.

5. The new Department of Religious Education, which is seeking to cooperate with Annual Conferences and local congregations in supplying adequate and efficient religious training and influences in our State schools, as well as our Church Schools, brought to the attention of the Board the urgent need and the great opportunities of this field. The subject provoked very earnest discussion upon the part of members of the Board. A larger appropriation than that of last year was made for carrying on this work.

6. The report of the Treasurer showed the finances of the Board in excellent condition, with no debts and a substantial balance carried over into next year.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Notwithstanding the fact that the spirit of evangelism seems to have been abroad in the Church last year, yet there was a decrease in net gain in membership of 7,430 as compared with 1923. Not all of this, we fear, can be attributed to the pruning of our Church rolls, for a survey of the Annual Conference Minutes for 1924 reveals the fact that there were 391 pastors who went to their annual conferences last year reporting no additions to the Church on profession of faith. These pastors making this report are to be found in the following Conferences:

Alabama	7
Arizona	6
Baltimore	9
Central Texas	3
Denver	1
East Oklahoma	17
Florida	10
Holston	22
Illinois	7
Kentucky	14
Little Rock	10
Louisiana	1
Louisville	12
Memphis	7
Mississippi	5
Missouri	27
New Mexico	12
North Alabama	16
North Arkansas	16
North Carolina	7
North Mississippi	4
North Texas	10
Northwest Texas	16
Northwest	16
North Georgia	11
Pacific	9
South Carolina	5
South Georgia	2
Southwest Missouri	16
St. Louis	11
Tennessee	6
Texas	3
Upper South Carolina	3
Virginia	4
Western North Carolina	15
West Oklahoma	14
West Texas	11
Western Virginia	15
Total	391

One singular thing we find in this survey is that some of our larger churches, in our good towns, are reporting no additions on profession of faith. I find, as an illustration, two churches in one Conference, one the head of a presiding elder's District, with 937 members, and one with 652 members, reported no additions on profession of faith.

These 391 pastors represent from one thousand to twelve hundred congregations, with more than seventy thousand members. Certainly this large staff of workers, with all the Sunday School teachers, and officials of the churches, should not labor a whole year and bring no sheaves for their Lord.

During the year closing (1924), there were received into the churches in the homeland 128,268 members on profession of faith, and 141,077 by certificate and otherwise, making a total of 269,345 members received for the year, this being a decrease of 7,430 from the number of members received in 1923.

The returns from the Bishops on the foreign fields concerning this matter have been most encouraging, and the per capita gain there has been larger than in the home Conferences, the gains in Europe, so far as we have knowledge, breaking all records in the history of our Church in additions on profession of faith.

By referring to our report last year, you will notice that we lamented the fact that there were two hundred pastors, representing seven or eight hundred congregations, who made no report of additions on profession of faith. You will see the alarming increase in pastors reporting no additions on profession of faith this year. We are convinced that something must be done to change these figures. Our people need to be called back to the fundamental doctrines of our Methodism, and the original purpose of our ministry—that of calling the people to repentance and to a profession of faith in the living Christ. We must have a genuine revival of pure religion. This is necessary to save the soul of the Church. It is fundamental to all of our missionary and educational programs. We need a revival that will wring the heart and stir the conscience of the people until they will cry out as of old: "Men and brethren, what must we do to be saved?"

If this Board of Missions, with its membership coming from all over the Connection, and which is charged with the duty of promoting evangelism would pledge itself to foster a revival movement, and actively get behind the agencies now set up, with the hope that we would reach every church and community within our denomination in the sweep of this revival movement, it would do much to awaken our pastors and people to the possibilities of such a movement, and would help to create, on the part of our preachers and church workers, a new passion for the souls of the people.

Our General Evangelists and Conference Evangelists have had for the most part a busy year. The General Evangelists reported for the year 1924, more than 50,000 conversions and 17,000 additions to our Church as a result of their labors. They are striving this year to win, in the revivals held by them, 100,000 for Christ and 50,000 to the membership of our Church.

Your secretary, together with Rev. Robert H. Ruff, attended an interdenominational Conference on Evangelism last June, in Northfield, Mass. The burden of that Conference was the absentee member—what can we do with him? How can we reduce the number of those of our members who have no regular church-going habit? It is a vexing problem, but an important one. Your Bureau is undertaking to work out some plans which will, in a measure at least, help in curing this ill. We crave your suggestions and encouragement. If we can induce two-thirds of our membership to form regular church-going habits, we will not have room enough in the churches to seat those who come. While we are recruiting the army, let us, in some way, set to work the loiterers in the camp.

Can we not set aside the months of January, February, March and April as the special months in the year when we will more particularly em-

phasize evangelism in all the Church, urging our pastors to hold evangelistic campaigns and revival meetings everywhere? This is the greatest of all our needs. We ask your endorsement of this special effort during the months mentioned.

We believe with this time consecrated for this program, and each and every agency, the Sunday School, the Epworth Leagues, the Board of Lay Activities, the Woman's organizations, all organized and contributing their influence to evangelism, that God will hear our prayers, know our anxiety, behold our willingness and pour out upon us a gracious refreshing of His presence, and many of our sons and daughters shall be turned to the Lord.

At the meeting of the Association of Evangelists in December, the following brethren were recommended as General Evangelists: John C. Patty, of Chattanooga; W. E. Thomas, Nashville; Earl B. Moll, of Jackson, Miss.; Dan E. Kelley, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Henry T. Young, DeRidder, La.; Grover Cleveland, Pine Bluff, Ark.; and W. B. Hogg, Memphis, Tenn. Rev. L. E. Squires, of Louisville was recommended at the meeting of the Committee on May 4.

There are no more loyal men to the Church, its polity and doctrines than the fifty-eight men who are our General Evangelists. We urge the use of these men when an evangelist is needed.—R. L. Russell, Secretary.

PLEDGERS OR SIGNERS, WHICH?

Thousands have paid in full their Centenary pledges. Thousands would have paid in full, but have had some financial reverses. It is in their hearts to pay this sacred obligation to the Church. They expect to pay just as soon as they possibly can. Many have told me that they are going to pay if it takes ten years to do it. They are grieved because they have not been able thus far to meet their pledges. These two classes of people are the stay of the Church. They are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. They are in the vanguard of progress. I believe that there is an increasing number of these good people. May God richly bless them in basket and store!

But it is of a third class that I am thinking. Those who made pledges to the sacred cause of the Church and who could have paid them and have not. They not only have not paid, but do not intend to pay. They seem to have dismissed this obligation from their minds. Some of them have bought automobiles and have taken pleasure trips and spent much money otherwise that should have gone to pay their sacred vows to the Church. Here is a business man that spends \$50 a year for some club, and yet he pledges only \$100 to be paid in five years and has not paid one cent on his pledge. Here is a woman who pledged \$25 and has paid only \$5 and yet she has spent more than \$20 in one year in entertaining parties in her home. Here is a man who pledged \$300 and has paid \$175 and states that his payment is above the average and is not going to pay any more. Did these people pledge themselves when they signed their names? Are they pledgers or just signers, which?

On numbers of the adjustment reports that have been received in this office appears this statement: "Cards lost. Nothing can be done." These statements have a wider and a more telling significance than this, it would seem to me. For a person to repudiate his sacred pledge or make no effort to pay it, has serious import in it. One cannot so look upon these pledges and go on his way unharmed. I do not think that I am making the statement too strong when I say that in many instances the statement, "cards lost," should read, "souls lost." It is impossible for an individual to thus tinker with his vows and come away uninjured. If this number of people were very large in our Church it would mean that we would soon go to pieces. To count on them is to insure failure.

These are they who said, by their signature, that they would, and yet they do not. They make no effort to perform their vows. It seems that they signed but did not pledge. Some of them say that they are not able to pay and in the face of this they spend more dollars in one year for personal pleasures than they pledged (or signed?) to the Centenary for five years. It is not a question of information altogether; it is a question of downright honesty. It is either this or else a pledge to a Church does not mean what I have been taught that it means. According to this class of pledges (or signers, which?) it means no more than "a scrap of paper."

Some are claiming that the time is out and therefore their pledges are null and void. Have we come to this low standard? If I sign a note to pay a man \$100 and let it go for five or six years and do not pay it, is it therefore canceled? The law may so allow but downright honesty does not. I will owe that man \$100 until I pay it or reach some agreement that will be satisfactory to him. To defer a payment does not pay the debt. We read in the Bible some

very definite instruction on vow-paying. "When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that thou owest." In the baptismal vow we were asked, "Wilt thou then keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same," not "as long as thou art a member of the Church," but "all the days of thy life." The marriage ceremony says, "so long as ye both shall live," and "till death do us part" and not "as long as ye are married," nor "as long as ye shall live together."

I am glad to know that this class of pledgers (or signers?) are not large, comparatively speaking, but the number is entirely too large for the good of our Zion. It is not simply of the hurtful effect on the Centenary that I am thinking, but of the uncertainty of the future. Should this number increase to large proportions our progress as a Church would be doomed. The greatest hurt to the non-payment of Centenary pledges will not be to the foreign fields, but to the Church at home. I do pray God to save us as individuals and as churches from so low a conception of so sacred obligations.

Again let me say that I am not thinking of the many thousands who have not paid in full because of real reasons, nor of those who have not paid but expect to pay just as soon as they possibly can. I am thinking of that too large a number who could have paid and have not and do not expect to try to pay. Let us pray.—J. F. Simmons.

Without the resources which make labor productive, American enterprise, energy, and skill would not in the past have been able to make headway against hard conditions. Our children and their children will not be able to make headway if we leave to them an impoverished country. Our land, our waters, our forests, and our minerals are the sources from which come directly or indirectly the livelihood of all of us. The conservation of our natural resources is a question of fundamental importance to the United States now.—W. H. Taft.

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ON TO CHICAGO

SUPREME LODGE CAMPAIGN

A. O. U. W. of Arkansas

To Conclude June 20, 1925

One of the most successful membership campaigns ever conducted by the Grand Lodge of Arkansas is now in progress. Twenty-two of the leading Lodges of the state have been formed into seven groups and special prizes are being offered for the Lodges writing the largest amount of new business in each group. The groups are:

- Group No. 1—West End, Capitol, Pine Bluff.
- Group No. 2—North Little Rock, Paragould.
- Group No. 3—Stuttgart, Warren.
- Group No. 4—Van Buren, Fort Smith, Jonesboro.
- Group No. 5—Crossett, Fordyce, Greenwood, Germanaia.
- Group No. 6—Hope, Hazen, Newport, Texarkana.
- Group No. 7—Prescott, McGehee, Helena, Clarksville.

The Grand Lodge announces that it will give a free trip with all expenses paid to the Supreme Lodge in Chicago, June 22, to certain officials of the Lodge in each group writing the most business during the campaign. The campaign will close June 20. In addition to this special cash prizes of \$2.00 per \$1,000 for the leaders in each group; \$1.50 for the second, \$1.00 for the third and 50 cents for the fourth will be paid by the Grand Lodge. Every Lodge will get a prize as an incentive to securing new members. The new certificates are opening the eyes of the people who are looking for **PERFECTED FRATERNAL INSURANCE**. The easy-to-pay monthly plan originated by Fraternal societies still continues.

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THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

FAINT HEART.

I chose the upward path because
The sunlight lingered on the hills;
I loved the purple shadows there,
The whispering pines, the silvery
rills.

But Oh, because the road was hard,
Beset with darkness, toil, and pain,
I turned me back along the way,
And started down again.

Till One there came with weary feet,
Whose hands, like mine, were
scratched and torn,
Whose garments hung, mute witness
es
To cruel brier and clutching thorn.

"O love that would not let me go!"
He took the heavy load I bore;
He cheered me, led me upward still,
Along the path, He'd trod before!
—Ruth Weatherway.

TO THE VERY END

The Ephesus Church was not having a very easy time of it. How could it be otherwise? Made up partly of Jews and partly of Gentiles, it might well be expected that there should be a great diversity of opinion about the new way. If we can imagine a church of our day composed of all sorts of people, gathered from the very ends of the earth, all striving, but striving in ways peculiar to themselves, to find the light and follow it, we can understand fairly well how it was that the Ephesus Church should be having a hard time of it.

Paul knew this. Word reached him about it. He was troubled; so he sat down and wrote to the Christians back there one of the sweetest, strongest, most helpful letters he ever addressed to any people. Such kindly advice as he gave to them! No father could be more tender to a wayward boy than he was to the struggling, striving, often half-distracted Ephesians. He quite exhausted his vocabulary of words which might inspire them to be no longer children, tossed to and fro and carried about by every wind of doctrine. He exhorted them to learn of Christ how to put away all bitterness, all malice and wrath and anger and clamor and evil-speaking.

And then, as if to cap the climax, he says: And be ye kind, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God, for Christ's sake, hath forgiven you. It is worth while to tarry a moment over that word kind. Traced back to its derivation, it means to be useful. When we carry that to its ultimate we have the thought of being a slave. When Paul urged the people to be kind one to another it was as if he said, Give the very best there is in you for others, be the cost what it may. If you have to give up everything for your fellows, do it, and do it joyously, with the very spirit of Christ animating your hearts.

This morning on the street I saw a big collie playing with a little bulldog puppy. It would be better, perhaps to put it the other way and say that the bulldog was playing with the collie; for surely the larger dog was

getting the worst of it. The little dog would nip the collie with his sharp teeth, dig his needle-like claws deep into the collie's flesh and pull and haul him about as if he had no feeling at all; and all the time the collie would take it in good part and never make a whimper. He was being kind to his little playmate, forgetting and forgiving the smarts and the hurts for the sake of giving the young dog a good time.

Only a poor picture of what the Christian should do for his fellow. Forgiving as God, for Christ's sake, has forgiven.

Yesterday a letter came to me from a dear sister. She spoke of one who had just gone away to stay. In the home from which the light had fled, sometimes there had been a dearth of loving kindness. And this is what I read in sister's letter: "If we could only think of the time when we can not tell our friends how we love them, and always be good and kind, how much sorrow it would save us! We all have our faults, not always the same; and we are sorry when they show out. So are others when theirs show out. We never can know how many fights they have had and conquered!"

Fighting, conquering! This is the story, from Ephesus to our own church and home, wherever they may be. And why should we not be kind and good and tender and forgiving one to another, even to the uttermost?—E. J. Vincent in Pittsburgh Advocate.

WHY I LOVE THE BIBLE.

Because it glows with the light and love of Christ; because it shows me Him who walked the earth and hung upon the cross that He might save such men as I; because it brings me what He revealed of the living God and Father whom to know is life eternal.

Because it shames me, inspires me and calls me upward. It is the book of faith and hope and love, of comfort, holiness and power, of salvation and eternal life: It is my truest visible guide to the right knowledge and experience of God, the true estimating of my self and my life, and the spirit in which I may live worthily with men.

Because out of it I may gather, and have gathered, a little book most precious, a Bible from within the Bible, which I bind to my heart and carry in my memory and live within lights and darkness, a treasure of the strongest and sweetest words for the soul that were ever known.—William Newton Clarke.

THE UPPER ROOM

Christianity is rugged in the red-blooded virtues it inculcates—common honesty, unpurchasable integrity, uncompromising conviction, zeal for righteousness, and a devotion to truth which does not back down at death. It puts a spine into character. It enables a man to stand alone and face the crowd, "not with eye service, as men-pleasers, but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart." It is stern in its grim and rugged demand for plain devotedness to duty. Christianity teaches that a man must do his duty at whatever cost. The question is not whether duty be pleasant, whether it be popular, whether it be profitable. Is it duty? Then it has the right of way. It calls for that sort of desperate faith which says, "Though he slay me, yet will I trust him." It is rugged with a consecration that has more than phrases to offer, that digs down deep into sacrifice and surrender, that burns all bridges behind it that puts life itself in pawn, and says with Paul: "What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ; yea, doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord." It is rugged in the heroic tasks to which it summons us. It calls for more than a creed subscription. A Christian must do more than shout for orthodoxy and sit back in cushioned

ease on fat endowments, smoking good cigars and defending "the faith once delivered to the saints." These tasks are not finished until Calvary is reached. The kind of saint Christianity produces is not a sallow face under a dim halo, but a heart courageous and a soul heroic, one who judges that because Christ died for all, "then were all dead, and that he died for all that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them and rose again."—James I. Vance, in The Christian Century.

GOOD IS COMING.

Through the stirring discussions and differences of the past good has come to the Church and to the world. Some of the fathers did not mince words in their pommelings of each other. Sharp and stinging deliverances marked many of the controversies even on holy themes. This is not to say that the stinging and the sharpness were always justified, or were always in the best Christian spirit. Indeed, some of the pages of history seem a bit blurred by some of the asperities of the brethren. But out of it all some good has come to the generations of men. Possibly a sense of shame that Christian men could have been so pugilistic in debate is one of the benefits of retrospection.

God is on his throne, and is not to be deposed by the acerbities of some of his sons and daughters down here in a world of smoke and battle. The truth has gone marching on through the hottest of earthly conflicts. It is not for a moment to be believed that truth is to be sunk in the depths of the sea because ecclesiastical belligerency walks abroad in the land. When the smoke and flame have cleared away the throne will be still standing, and God will be still alive. Out of our little differences, or big differences, lessons of profit will come to us and ours.—Methodist Advocate.

HOW LIFE TESTS MEN

The old story of Jesus' trial before Pilate has been up for study once more by those who are following the International Series of Lessons in the Sunday School. And once again it has proved to be no mere old-world story, but one very full of truth and meaning even for the day in which we live. There were several others besides Jesus on trial in the early hours of that morning in Jerusalem two thousand years ago, and some of them stood the testing infinitely worse than He did. But those hours of testing were in no essential way different from similar ones that come to us even in this twentieth century. We also bring Jesus to the trial, and that trial puts us to the test far more than it does Him. And how poorly we stand the testing we ourselves know only too well. Every time any great movement for the uplift of man in the spirit and after the purpose of Jesus is turned aside, what is it but a bringing of Him to trial, with Pharisees crying for His blood and some Pilate or another shirking the issue to save his own skin! We have nothing but contempt for these men of the first century whose insane hatred and unmanly cowardice killed the Son of Man, but often we play a part similar to theirs and find it all too easy to excuse and justify ourselves. But when men today, through selfishness or cowardice, block the program of Jesus, they are crucifying Him in the twentieth century just as the men of the first century crucified Him. Surely this is a day of testing even as that was!—Christian Guardian.

MONEY CONSCIENCE.

It is a heartening sight to see some men and women of wealth making provision for educational and philanthropic causes. Bequests from the dead and gifts from the living are multiplying as the days go by. In some cases substantial foundation funds are set aside—millions to carry on some phase of humanitarian-

ism. Some of the rich are beginning to realize that they have consciences as well as cash, which get in juxtaposition and jointly knock mightily at a soul's door.

The truly wise are coming to see the advantage of administering on their own bequests. The air is raucous with discordances over efforts to break wills and divert benevolent intentions. The dead are often still above ground when near relatives and distant relatives begin to hire lawyers to take sacred family matters into courts. Flesh creeps at the mercenary spirit of scrapping kinsfolk. Truly the wise rich should dispense some of their Christian charity while they can see with their own eyes the execution thereof.

While some of the rich are waking up on this matter of rendering an account at last, the people of moderate means should know that they are not exempt from conscience and that self-same account. Small fidelity is as important as large fidelity, Jesus himself being the Judge. Read the parable of the unjust steward, and see just how the person faithful in little money matters is to be ruler over big spiritual kingdoms. (Luke 16: 1-12.) Conscience over mites is as vital to the soul as conscience over millions.—Methodist Advocate.

MY CREED

I believe in Jesus Christ as Deity and Saviour, and in the Holy Spirit as Guide and Comforter, and in the Almighty Father.

I believe in humanity and that if I would render any acceptable service to Almighty God and His adorable Son, Jesus Christ, it must be by ceaseless ministries to my fellow men.

I believe it possible to lead a chaste and unsullied life in thought, in word and in deed; that each person should help and not hinder; that he should look up and not down; that he should be an incorrigible optimist and fasten his faith to the Scriptural promise that "all things work together for good;" I want to be "a good friend and a poor enemy," with "malice toward none and charity for all."

I believe that industry is more valuable than genius, and that "to labor is to pray," and that the greatest thing in the world is love, and that when love finally is enthroned, all the wars and the woes of the world will cease and all wounds will be healed.

I believe that life is God's supremest gift to me and that it is my surest duty to so live that not only my own life but all lives shall be enriched by my humble and tireless endeavors.

I believe that Jesus Christ is the Inspiration and Interpreter of the True Life; therefore, I solemnly swear that I will give to Him my fidelity, my worship, my love and my obedient service.—Bishop C. E. Locke in Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

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FOR YOUTH.

LITTLE THINGS

It takes a little muscle
And it takes a little grit,
A little true ambition
With a little bit of wit.
It's not the "biggest" things that count.
And make the "biggest" show;
It's the little things that people do
That make the old world go.

A little bit of smiling
And a little sunny chat
A little bit of courage
To a comrade slipping back,
It's not the "biggest" things that count.
And make the "biggest" show;
It's the little things that people do
That make the old world go.

It takes a kindly action
And it takes a word of cheer
To fill a life with sunshine
And to drive away a tear.
Great things are not the "biggest" things
That make the "biggest" show;
It's the little things that we may do
That make this old world go.—Ex.

LET'S PLAY.

In sport there must be a challenge, a contest, a victory, and applause. The thing accomplished is really not so important. The interest aroused in the contest, and enthusiasm, and the applause constitute the vital things in sport. A small ball vigorously driven a great distance over the fairway and skillfully and accurately putted over the green into a hole; a large ball batted from the home base into the distant field over the heads of the fielders; a still larger ball carried through the crowd to the goal, or thrown into the basket at the post; a leap over a pole; a long-winded race or the successful pummeling of an opponent with the fist—all or any of these may become thrilling if the crowd, the enthusiasm, and the applause are present. A ball batted over the fence is the same ball when it is brought back, and nothing was accomplished by knocking it over there except to get it out of the way until a man could run a few yards, touching three bases, and return home. A score and a yell—that's all. In the whole realm of athletics nothing is really accomplished objectively except to furnish an hour of diversion and relaxation to a few tired people and sport for the many who are overdeveloped on the sporting side. Whatever physical development the participants may secure, when compared with the "athletic heart," broken bones, strained and sprained muscles with occasional fatalities, is questionable.

The grand stand and bleachers were packed with fans. Two prominent teams were on the diamond, and fine form and tip-top playing had characterized the game. No score on either side until the seventh inning, when one side brought in the first score, amid tremendous applause; then two others quickly followed. No further score in the eighth and first half of the ninth innings. The successful team had left the bat in the ninth inning with the score 3-0 in their favor. The crises had come. "Ninth inning, two out, three on the bases, and a big hitter at the bat." Everybody leaned forward in almost breathless excitement. "Ball one! Strike one!" Then a ringing crack from the bat and the ball lifted for a fine drive and the applause started: "Over the fence! Home run! Four scores! Victory!" Hats, parasols, bags of popcorn—everything movable went into the air. The crowd yelled to a frog-throat. The game had been won by a splendid stroke at the supreme crisis. That's sport! If two men only had been on the field, and one had pitched and the other had batted, however far the batter might have sent the ball, it would have been brought in with the simple remark, "Good hit." It takes the crowd, the occasion, and the contest.

Is sport confined to physical

achievement? In the present age it has evidently centered there. Three elements constitute splendid manhood and womanhood, moral, mental, and physical, all the fine elements and standing in importance in the order named. In this age the last has become first. In high school, college, and university the big success on the athletic field is the man toward whom the sophs have turned their longing, emulating, ambitious eyes. Every institution of learning puts in big headlines the physical sports. The best performer in athletics is the college hero. Is it possible to transpose this order? To put first things first? The opportunity of the age is to stack up the accomplishments of life in order, putting first things first, and to create the esprit de corps which will make the best come to the front. It is almost as easy to get the young people, and even older ones, to do one thing as another, if it can be brought to a thrilling fashion or custom. The secret is in leadership. Mrs. Doe has returned from New York. She celebrates by giving a luncheon at the popular club. To the surprise of all her guests, she springs a new game. None of her guests can either spell or pronounce its name. Anyhow it gives a rest from bridge and is enough like cards to make it go, and it does. Why? Because Mrs. Doe started it. Sure, that's what made it go. Every woman on the avenue ordered a set at once, and such parties and evenings! Children relegated to the nurses and husbands to the clubs. The younger women catch on. "Mrs. Doe brought it from New York!" Enough said—it's a community fad. This is human nature.

Forty years ago organized, aggrandized, absorbing, and dominating athletics were unknown in college life. Greek fraternities were rare. The supreme, absorbing feats of the colleges were the intermediate and final debates put forth by the two competing literary societies of the college or university. What occasions! For weeks ahead each college fellow had engaged the company of his choice young lady friend for the event. The brilliant scintillations of sparkling wit, masterful arguments, and stirring oratory brought forth the applause. The best debaters, the most brilliant thinkers, the superb orators, were the heroes. What rounds of applause! What exultant enthusiasm followed the announcement of the successful debaters! The flowers, the banquets, the wit, humor, and brilliant repartee! The best occasion for the best folk to take part in the best things! The game over, what's the result? Renowned scholars, charming orators, brilliant editors, authors, lawyers and preachers, great citizens, superb leaders in thought and noble action. What a game! Let's play. Who will lead? Let the right set set forth the right thing and set the right thing right.

In a prominent city several years ago a revival was started. The city was barely large enough to put on city airs. It had a golf club, a woman's club, and a few other city accessories. A prominent young woman, the only daughter of an old and wealthy family, had recently returned from an Eastern college. She had pursued the sterner studies, had taken an extensive course, and was really a strong and brilliant young woman. She soon became a leader in the city. Finding, however, that the young people were little interested in literary matters, she organized them on their own level: Card parties for the young women in the afternoons and dances for both sexes in the evenings. Under the leadership of this strong, prominent, and brilliant young woman the youth of the city were given over to worldly amusements. Intoxicating drinks were later introduced, and seasons of unusual revelry were common. Young men staggering from their ballroom floor and young women answering taunts from their half-intoxicated friends by tossing wine glasses at their heads were loudly applauded. It was a great game, but the results? Time and space forbid. Ask the mothers. Then came the re-

FOR CHILDREN.

GOD WANTS THE BOYS AND GIRLS.

God wants the boys, the merry, merry boys,
The noisy boys, the funny boys,
The thoughtless boys.
That He as gold may make them pure,
And teach them trials to endure.
His heroes brave
He'd have them be,
Fighting for truth
And purity.
God wants the boys.

God wants the girls, the happy-hearted girls,
The loving girls, the best of girls,
The worst of girls.
He wants to make the girls His pearls
And so reflect his holy face,
And bring to mind His wondrous grace,
That beautiful
"he world may be,
And filled with love
And purity.
God wants the girls.—Selected.

CHURCH-BELL BILLY IN INDIA.

It was Sunday morning. But nobody in all that heathen town knew hat Sunday was any different from Monday; yet here was Dr. Drake ready to preach a sermon and Mrs. Drake anxiously looking down the street for the congregation she had been inviting all week long.

"What we need is a church-bell," she sighed (not that there was a church, as yet; but there was the banyan tree, of course.)

"Where will we get a church-bell?" asked Dr. Drake.

"Where indeed?" sighed Bonnie Aunt, when she saw Billy-boy! Why not turn him into one? Very secretly she put him into his baby carriage and handed him the little toy drum which Tim and Tom had sent all the way over the ocean. Then she trundled the carriage down the narrow streets and lanes.

"Thump! Thump! Thumpety-thump, thump!" banged Billy. People came rushing to their doorways to see what in the world was happening.

"We're on our way to church," Bonnie Aunt called out presently, "won't you come along with us?"

"We might," said the Weaver families, tagging behind. "Let's see what it's all about!" said the Potters, dropping their lumps of moist clay and falling into line.

"Mercy on us! Look at the parade!" gasped the Goldsmiths. For the first thing anyone knew the procession had grown to be twenty persons, then thirty, then forty—but Dr. Drake had not time to count them.

He was so surprised to see such a congregation arriving that his sermon vival. The brilliant young leader through the influence of an older woman, was brought under a sermon on "Influence." She became awakened and was wonderfully converted. She went from house to house, store to store, and office to office, and quietly and winsomely stated to her young friends her determination to change her entire program of life. A majority of her young friends followed her. She suggested to a brilliant young lawyer, who had left his former home training to dance with her and who had during the revival rededicated his life to God, that they together organize two Sabbath school classes. She proposed that he should take the young ladies and she the young men, or vice versa; that they plan together with these two large organized classes to enroll all their former friends and associates; that they arrange a series of contests, a series of attractive and brilliant entertainments, with literary, musical, and dramatic features. In a short time the youth of the town were joyous and happy in these brilliant contests, and the finest young manhood and womanhood was brought to the front in splendid leadership. What a game to put first things first. Let's play!—George R. Stuart, in Sunday School Magazine

flew out of his head completely; he said afterwards that the only thing he could think of was the Bible verse: "And a little child shall lead them." So it was a very successful Sunday.

But the next day Bonnie Aunt noticed a pile of Bibles in the bungalow. They had brought them from the big city to sell in the town of the Twisted Tulsi Tree, but try as they would nobody would buy one.

"I do not know how to read," and "Why do you want to give us another god to worship when we now have more than we can count on the fingers of two hands?" were the excuses given.

But Bonnie Aunt remembered Billy-Boy! Might not he be a born bookseller? She put him into his baby carriage with little Bibles all around him; she trundled him down the road-way to a certain shady palm tree on the edge of the market-place; then she opened one of the Bibles and put it in Billy's hands. He looked at it in the greatest surprise, cooing at it and wrinkling up his nose at it, so altogether fascinated that a man passing by said to Bonnie Aunt:

"Mem Sahib, do I believe my eyes? Isn't this white baby reading?"

"It almost looks that way," laughed Bonnie Aunt; and that very moment the baby turned over a page! "You ought to have one yourself," Bonnie Aunt said craftily, and was about to lift one from the bottom of the carriage when Billy-Boy did his second lovely trick; crowing with delight he poked his Bible up into the stranger's face, as if to say: "Just read it yourself, kind sir; it's very interesting!"

You may be sure the Hindus bought the book and everywhere that Billy went, Bibles were sure to go, after that.

One day near the village well, a certain mother said enviously, "A Bible baby is quite different from our babies!"

"Quite different," agreed Bonnie Aunt.

"How do you make a Bible baby fat and pleasant and wise?" the women asked, setting down the great clay jars they had brought to the well for water.

Bonnie Aunt looked at that well; and sighed! It was not like our deep country wells here in America, but more of a pool. And while she was looking she saw strange sights; in the middle of the pool lay a buffalo, wallowing around to cool off. Nearby, the town washermen were soaking the dirt out of their customer's clothes; little boys were bathing in the water, a woman was washing vegetables; and that was the water which the women were carrying home in the clay jars to drink!

"Bible babies are brought up with pure clean water," Bonnie Aunt cried, "that well water is stagnant and filthy. The dirt in it would make a baby blind. It would make a baby sick. It would make a baby unpleasant."

The mothers laughed and said, "Oh, but Mem Sahib, it is all the water we have! We were all brought up on that water. It is good water."

"It is the water, that bad well water," insisted Bonnie Aunt. "If you would only boil the water before you use it, it would be better. The Lord God has sent me to this village to tell you these things, so that you can have Bible babies, too. Fat like Billy!"

Then Billy cooed up into the gentle, wistful brown faces all around his mother. "We-a-a-a!" he remarked solemnly.

And because Billy-Boy was such a fine little fellow all the Hindu mothers went to Bonnie Aunt's bungalow the next afternoon to learn how to have Bible babies, too.—India Ink-lings.

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"My God how endless is thy love!
 Thy gifts are every ev'ning new;
 And morning mercies from above
 Gently distill like early dew."

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. J. G. Moore, Y. P. Supt. L. R. Conf. W. M. S., is now at Trinity Hospital and is recovering from a recent surgical operation. We are happy in the good prospect for her speedy restoration to health.

A large attendance of fine young women of Arkansas is expected for the two Young People's Summer Conferences, at Henderson-Brown June 8-13, and at Petit Jean Camp July 27-August 1.

APPRECIATION.

From a number of co-workers have come expressions of appreciation of the memorial to Mrs. C. F. Elza in the Arkansas Methodist of April 30, and we would extend thanks for them to the Ex. Com. of L. R. Conf. W. M. S., also to the makers of our Conference Organ. One who knows good things said: "Memorial number of Methodist is fine, also the program suggested for auxiliary meetings." Our hope is that every auxiliary will use this program and if not during May as soon as possible.—V. C. P.

Y. P. SUMMER CONFERENCE AT HENDERSON-BROWN.

Each day of our Summer Conference at Henderson-Brown, June 8-13, will be a feature day. Tuesday is set apart as President's Day, and under the able directorship of Mrs. E. R. Steel, Pres. L. R. Conf. W. M. S., every auxiliary president who is in attendance at the conference, will be given special attention on the program and entertainment.

Poster Day will be something different, every part of the program being illustrated by posters, showing the great benefit to be derived from advertising our missionary work in this way.

Mt. Sequoyah Day will be featured by an address by Mrs. H. L. Rammel, who is a member of the Board of Control for Woman's Building.

Life Service Day is always the sweetest and best day of our assembly, and this year will mean much to us, in that the day will be dedicated to the memory of our beloved Mrs. C. F. Elza.

Come and enjoy to the fullest each of these wonderful days with us.—Mrs. J. G. Moore, Supt.

N. ARK. Y. P. CONFERENCE.

Petit Jean Summer Conference for Y. P. M. S. July 27-Aug. 1.

We are sorry to know that Miss Mary Fuller has been detained in Memphis at the bedside of a nephew who has been very ill.

She writes that all plans for the Summer Camp are progressing nicely. Miss Bess Combs, Council worker for the Young People, will be one of the splendid faculty that she has secured. She says "A week in a carefully supervised camp, where every moment is filled with helpful activity, is just what a girl needs to make her vacation worthwhile."

I am sure that it will be the pleasure of the adult auxiliaries to see that as many of the young people take advantage of this wonderful opportunity as possible. It is one of the most helpful experiences that can come into the lives of our girls. It takes them from the distractions

that surround, for a season, and puts them in the atmosphere of things of eternal value. It gives her a new sense of God and helps her to determine His purposes concerning her.—Mrs. R. A. Dowdy, Con. Sec. N. Ark. Conf. W. M. S.

N. ARK. CONF. HONOR ROLL SOCIETIES.

21 Adult, 1 Young People, 6 Juniors, 28 in all.

Adult: Batesville, Booneville, Conway No. 1, Dodson Ave., Danville Earle, Fayetteville, Forrest City, Fort Smith, Greenwood, Helena, Holy Grove, Hoxie, Jonesboro No. 1, Jonesboro No. 2, Marianna, Osceola, Rector, Wynne.

Young People: Greenwood.

Juniors: Earle, Fort Smith, Greenwood, Marianna, Parker, Midland Heights.—From Report of Conf. Cor. Sec.

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

Rural Work.

Miss Bunn's report from Jan. 1st, 1924, to Dec. 31st, 1924.

Visits Made, 600.

Garments to poor, 25.

Revivals:

2 weeks in Turrell-Gilmore Revival.

Visited revivals at Promised Land, Yarbrow and Lepanto.

Special meeting attended:—

Four rural group meetings.

District Conference of Church at Monette.

Woman's District Conference at Luxora.

League and Young People's Conference at Searcy.

Regional Conference and School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah.

Annual Conference at Fayetteville.

Sunday School:

Helped in every way possible.

Sessions taught.

Special Easter program and Easter baskets for children at Turrell.

Mother's Day and S. S. Day jointly observed 90 present.

Promotion Day observed.

Tree & Short program at Christmas.

Turrell and Gilmore entertained Group Meeting of the S. S. District Institute.

League:

1 organized at Turrell.

1 organized at Promised Land.

Two parties and 1 picnic given young people of League at Turrell.

Missionary Societies:

1 re-organized at Turrell.

1 organized at Gilmore.

Week of Prayer observed by both Turrell and Gilmore societies.

Ice cream supper at Turrell, cleared \$34.00, which finished paying off debt on piano.

Visited other societies as occasion demanded.

Mary Catherine Rest Room, Lepanto.

Visits received, 600.

Periodicals distributed, 140.

Special days observed:

Saturday before Easter, Easter basket given to 22 children.

Saturday before Halloo'en, Halloo'en decorations and refreshments served.

Saturday before Christmas, room decorated and Christmas cheer given to visitors.

Boxes of supplies received as follows:

Little Rock Conference, Adult Societies: Gurdon, Prescott, DeWitt, Ris-

on.

Prescott Junior Society, Methodist Maids, Pine Bluff.

Congoleum Rug, no card.

North Arkansas Conference, Adult Societies: Leachville, Marion, Fisher

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boro, Leslie, First Church, Ft. Smith,

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Wilson, Daughter's Missionary Socie-

ty, Jonesboro, Mountain Home, Lepanto, Springdale.—Miss Bessie Bunn, Rural Worker in Jonesboro District.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Fort Smith District Conference was held at Van Buren, Thursday, May 14. Mrs. Milton Harper, District Secretary, presided at the meeting. The devotional was led by Rev. R. T. Cribb. He used the missionary topic for the year in his talk, The Christian Way of Life. After the devotional, Mrs. Harper gave a short talk in which she expressed her appreciation of the co-operation of the societies of the district. There were ten adult societies represented, two Young Peoples and one Junior society.

A duet by Mrs. W. A. Steele and Mrs. W. H. Mitchell of Van Buren, was enjoyed by all. There were splendid reports from all of the societies present. After the reports the audience sang, Take My Life and Let it Be, and were dismissed by a prayer by Rev. C. F. Hively of Midland Heights. Luncheon was served in the basement of the church, by the Van Buren ladies, and every one had a good time. Miss Nina Willis of Van Buren Young People's Society gave several readings at the noon hour.

The afternoon session opened with a song, "Work for the Night is Coming," followed by a prayer by Mrs. McCarroll of Van Buren. The program for the afternoon was as follows:

Address, Bible and Mission Study, Mrs. John W. Bell, Greenwood.

Song by Margaret Garrett, Midland Heights Baby Div.

Address, Stewardship, Mrs. Reinhardt, Fort Smith.

Address, Social Service, Mrs. J. R. Bell, Van Buren.

Solo by Mrs. W. A. Fleming, Van Buren.

Address, Young People's Work, Mrs. Burton, Greenwood.

Address, Finances, Mrs. W. A. Steele, Van Buren.

Address, Children's Work, Mrs. Roscoe McKee, Fr. Smith.

Address, Supplies, Mrs. T. A. Massey, Ft. Smith.

Address, Belle Bennett Memorial Fund, Miss Annette Denton, Fort Smith.

Prayer, Mrs. Gordon.

Ozark is to be the place of meeting for the Fort Smith District next year.

There were more than fifty present at the meeting and a splendid time was had by all. Many expressions of thanks were given to the Van Buren Society for their hospitality.

The meeting adjourned at four o'clock.—Miss Pearl Bittle, Sec.

HOLLY GROVE AUXILIARY

On April 22 we had the pleasure of having with us our District Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Looney, from Helena, who gave us an instructive and interesting talk. We were glad of the opportunity to meet her. She urged us to send items of interest concerning our Auxiliary to the Methodist. We have thirty-eight members most of them active.

We sent, as usual, a delegate to the Annual Missionary Conference at Ft. Smith. She reported a lovely time and gave us a good report of the meeting. We have our Auxiliary divided for this quarter into two circles for the purpose of increasing our funds. The circle that makes the most money is to be entertained by the other circle in July. We are doing good work and are having lots of fun along with it. We have had a Mission Study class this year in which we finished, "Adventures in Brotherhood." We are now studying "The Story of the New Testament" in lectures by our Pastor, Brother C. W. Johnston. We are enjoying it as he presents it in a very interesting way.

We have enrolled five new members this year. We are up on all finances, and got all our reports off on time at the close of the first quarter.

We have a Junior and Young People's organization. We are striving for the Honor Roll as usual.

We keep in touch with our prayer specials. Have had some interesting letters from them.

Our Rural Missionary, Miss Minnie Lee Eidson meets with us occasionally and we always feel that her presence is a benediction. Our pastor says he would hate to run the church without a Missionary Society and that this is a good one.—Mrs. F. C. Nolen, Supt. Publicity.

BATESVILLE.

The W. M. S. of First Church of Batesville was hostess to the auxiliaries of Cave City, Newark, Moorefield, Central Avenue, and "The Daughters" (First Church) on May 7, at 2:30 p. m.

The president Mrs. I. N. Barnett presided, and the following program was rendered:

Hymn—"I Need Thee Every Hour."

Bible Lesson and Prayer—Mrs. H. Hanesworth (Dist. Sec. Batesville Dist.)

Duet, "Watchman What of the Night,"—Mesdames Ben Jernigan and Nels. Barnett, Jr.

Report from the Council—Mrs. R. A. Dowdy.

"Solo, "Just for Today,"—Mrs. G. E. Gathright.

Report from the Conference meeting at Ft. Smith—Mrs. A. E. Hodges (delegate).

After the conclusion of the program Mrs. Hensell mother of Miss Gladys who is in "Scarritt Bible School" was asked to give us the latest news from her daughter, which she did to our enjoyment.

We then heard reports from the visiting auxiliaries, and the Junior Society.

After a song the meeting was closed with prayer by Bro. Lindsey—our presiding elder. We then had a social hour and were served refreshments by the local society.

All left feeling that altogether we had had a very profitable and pleasant afternoon.—Mrs. J. T. Fortenberry, Supt. Pub.

TUCKERMAN AUXILIARY.

On May 13 we had a very interesting meeting of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary with a splendid program. One number was a reading from the Arkansas Methodist. Our topic for the afternoon was Cuba and Brazil. Much interest is shown in our auxiliary this year. After the regular business hour, we were served with lovely refreshments.—Supt. of Publicity.

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Lesson for May 31

PETER AT LYDDA AND JOPPA

LESSON TEXT—Acts 9:32-43.
GOLDEN TEXT—And they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following.—Mark 16:20.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Two Wonderful Things That Peter Did.
JUNIOR TOPIC—The Story of Two Miracles.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Two Great Miracles.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Place of Miracles in the Spread of the Gospel.

In order to grasp the significance of this lesson, we should recall the condition which prevailed in the church as suggested in verse 31.

1. Freedom From Persecution.

Saul, the ringleader of the persecutors, had only recently been converted, thereby disorganizing their forces and causing the church to enjoy a breathing spell. This period of rest was not used for growing lazy, indifferent, worldly and forgetful of God, but for growth in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. Spiritual Growth and Development.

Most blessed will be the results following the times of outward peace if the members of the church will but spend time in building it up. The real meaning of the word, "edified" is built up. This does not mean merely that the members were being instructed and comforted, but that strenuous efforts on the part of individual members, as well as the body as a whole, were being made for the advancement of the divine life. As suggested by another, this metaphor involves:

(1) A Foundation. This is Jesus Christ. No other must be laid (I Cor. 3:12-16).

(2) Continuous progress. This means that a Christian's activities are purposeful, and that the work he undertakes moves forward with the proper progression.

(3) Persistent effort. This means that the present day's work begins the foundation upon which tomorrow's work must be built. Thus day by day his life is being raised higher and higher as each separate round of material is being laid by strenuous efforts.

(4) Completion. Finally the work is done. The building is completed; the top stone is brought forth and placed.

3. Outward Growth.

Building up within the church causes the whole work to be admired and respected by those without, inducing them to come and identify themselves with it.

I. Peter's Tour Among the Saints (v. 32).

This resulted in securing new converts.

II. Two Stupendous Miracles (vv. 32-43).

These were the greatest signs wrought since the days of Christ. The dreadful malady of palsy is vanquished, and a corpse is reanimated by the departed soul. The Lord had promised these signs as they went forth with the gospel message. They were given as encouragements to the disciples to convince them that the gospel did not lose any of its power by being spread, but rather it increased in power.

1. The Healing of Aeneas (v. 32-35).

This man's needy condition appealed to Peter just as men today should appeal to us in their semi-dead state. Like his Master, Peter could not refuse the needed help. In this he does not direct attention to himself, but confidently appeals to the power in

the name of Christ. He said, "Jesus Christ heal thee." The man who had kept his bed for eight long years immediately arose and made his bed. Peter wisely kept this miracle from being the end by making it the means to the end—that end was the preaching of the gospel.

2. The Raising of Dorcas (vv. 36-43).

This woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she "did," not what she talked of doing. She was a practical Christian woman. Her death was a real loss as was evidenced by the mourning of those who had been helped. If all professing Christian women would use their needles as Dorcas did there would be much less of that profitless fancywork done. When this good woman fell sick and died, the disciples sent for Peter. This shows their growth in faith in the Divine power. Peter again imitated the example of Jesus in putting them all forth. At his command her soul came back to live in her body. This again caused the people to believe on the Lord.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

Presiding Elder Parker gave over the entire night program for a District Sunday School Institute at his District Conference at Lake Village. The pastors all reported that Sunday School interests were fine on their charges. Five new schools had been organized since conference and several hundred new members had been added to the Sunday School membership. 8 charges reported Sunday School enrollment equal to Church membership. Indications are that this District will pay its Sunday School Day apportionment in full for the first time in history. Those taking part on the program were: J. D. Baker, E. C. Rule, Mrs. T. O. Owen, Rev. T. O. Owen, R. E. Fawcett, Bro. Parker, and the writer. The District officers elected were as follows:

Executive Secretary, Rev. R. E. Fawcett; Superintendent of Training, Rev. T. O. Owen; Elementary Superintendent, Mrs. T. O. Owen; W. B. C. Superintendent, Rev. E. C. Rule. On all matters the District Conference was harmonious. The reports were optimistic. The entertainment was fine. The fish-fry on Lake Chicot was beyond all description. All in all, it was one of the best District Conferences of the year and we congratulate the District on having an elder like J. A. Parker.—Clem Baker.

SEVEN MORE PASTORS GO ON LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE HONOR ROLL.

During the week seven more Little Rock Conference Charges paid their Sunday School Day apportionments in full and thus placed their pastors' name on the Honor Roll. They are as follows:

Ashdown, Rev. J. M. Hamilton; Foreman, Rev. J. L. Leonard; Central Ave., Rev. J. J. Stowe; Gurdon, Rev. J. W. Rogers; Mt. Ida-Oden, Rev. A. W. Hamilton; Crossett, Rev. R. E. Fawcett; Humphrey-Sunshine, Rev. A. C. Rogers.—Clem Baker.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE MISSIONARY OFFERINGS.

The following schools have reported Fourth Sunday Missionary offerings since our last report:

Mt. Tabor\$ 2.32
Hunter Memorial 20.70
Bradley 9.60
Ogden 17.64
—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT HOLDS LEAD.

The Sunday School Day offerings for the Little Rock Conference were never better at this time of the year. The beautiful thing about it is the fact that all the Districts are making a great showing. Look at the "Standing by Districts" and you will see very little difference between the first and the seventh place. Little Rock District holds first place with Texarkana District crowding. Charley, Dedman and Company pulled the Prescott District from fifth to third place and set the pace for the week. Seven charges paid out in full. It was a good week. Now watch for results. We are out to beat any year we have ever had.—Clem Baker.

NEW SCHOOL AT BIERNE.

Charley Goodlett writes that in addition to reaching the quota at Gurdon and putting on an extra program at Biene with an offering, so much interest was created that they now have a Sunday School at Biene for the first time in several years. Now that is the thing that counts. We want a Sunday School in every Methodist church in the Conference. Let's go.—Clem Baker.

A GOOD DAY AT BRADLEY.

Superintendent W. F. Johnson of Bradley sends check for \$12.78 Sunday School Day offering, and writes enthusiastically of the big day they had. Read what he says about it.—Clem Baker.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, TO MAY 23.

Little Rock District:
Previously reported\$410.50
Mt. Tabor 20.00

Total\$430.50

Texarkana District:
Previously reported\$275.71

Fouke 4.00
Ashdown 30.00
Foreman 60.00
Bradley 12.83

Total\$382.57

Prescott District:
Previously reported\$255.30

Glenwood 12.50
Gurdon 60.00
Biene 5.00
Mt. Ida 25.00
Oden 15.00
Moscow 3.00
New Salem 3.40

Total\$379.20

Camden District:
Previously reported\$359.20

Buena Vista 4.00

Total\$363.20

Pine Bluff District:
Previously reported\$302.46

Shady Grove 5.00
Bethel 5.00
Sunshine 15.00

Total\$327.46

Monticello District:
Previously reported\$212.25

Crossett 60.00

Total\$272.25

Arkadelphia District:
Previously reported\$121.28

Central Ave. 125.00
Bethlehem 13.00
Mt. Carmel 6.43

Total\$265.71

Reported by Districts

Little Rock District\$430.50

Texarkana District 382.57

Prescott District 379.20

Camden District 363.20

Pine Bluff District 327.46

Monticello District 272.25

Arkadelphia District 265.71

Total\$2420.89

—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

BRADLEY SUNDAY SCHOOL OBSERVED S. S. DAY, MAY 17.

Much credit is due Mesdames Adams and Cochran for their faithful

work among the Intermediates and Juniors. The choir was composed of Bro. McGee's Class of young people directed by Mrs. J. B. Edwards. Mr. Hugh Brock sang "I Would Be True." His round, full voice was at its best. Mr. Ray Brock was pianist. Miss Alita Hamiter told the story, "The House With the Golden Windows," in her own easy, graceful and attractive way.

Miss Geneva Vinson, our very young and efficient primary teacher read the Teachers' Hymn.

Mrs. F. P. Adams acted as leader and the program was carried out well by those taking part.

Collection was \$12.86.

Enclosed find check.—W. F. Johnson, Supt.

NORTH ARKANSAS NOTES.

The Paragould District Institute, which was held May 14, was an inspiration to all present. They were fortunate in having with them Mrs. H. Clay Smith and Miss Marie Parham, who rendered valuable services on the program.

Mrs. F. B. Lane held an Elementary Council in connection with the Institute. They purpose to make Paragould District "C" standard in elementary work this year.

Batesville District has just closed a series of Institutes held at Cotter, West Batesville and Swifton. The entire District was represented in the institutes, and the program carried out covered the different phases of work.

Presiding Elder Lindsey is throwing the whole force of the District into the Sunday School work.

An Elementary Council was held in connection with each of these institutes. Mrs. W. A. Lindsey, elementary superintendent, purposes to make the Batesville District the "Banner District" of the North Arkansas Conference.

Bro. Campbell reports a fine one-unit school, teaching "What Every Methodist Should Know," just finished at Bentonville. The interest ran high during the entire time and much good was accomplished. Bro. Campbell is our newly appointed executive secretary of the Fayetteville District.—G. G. Davidson.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.

Booneville District has made an enviable record in the matter of Cokesbury Training Schools, having issued more than 100 credits in these courses.

Rev. E. H. Hook is in charge of the Educational work of the District and is planning for a further extension of this work. In this he is ably supported by the presiding elder, B. L. Wilford, the executive secretary, Allen D. Stewart, and most of the pastors and superintendents of that growing District.

The Sunday School Institute recently held at Paris was well attended and was full of enthusiasm and helpful instruction. They demonstrated the fact that our Sunday School work holds a large place in the thought and activities of the leaders of that District.

The elementary work, under Mrs. N. E. Armstrong, of Booneville, is receiving careful attention, and she expects to make the Booneville District "B" grade, which will give the North Arkansas Conference the only two "B" grade Districts in Southern Methodism.—G. G. Davidson.

COKEBURY RANKING.

In a recent report from the Training Section at Nashville, from January 1 to May 1, the following items will be of interest to the leaders of our Conference:

The North Arkansas Conference has fifteen approved instructors in Cokesbury work. Next highest is six in the Tennessee Conference; five in the Western North Carolina; three in the West Oklahoma; two in each of the following, Mississippi, North Mississippi, North Texas, Central Texas and one in the East Oklahoma.

	175.00	65.00
Helena District:		
Earle	25.00	
Earle, Int.	15.00	
Claine	25.00	
Forrest City	30.00	15.00

Forrest City, Jr.	10.00	5.00
Harrisburg	20.00	8.00
Helena	100.00	25.00
Helena, Jr.	15.00	7.50
Holly Grove	25.00	
Madison, Jr.	15.00	
Marianna	25.00	6.25
Moro	8.00	4.00
Parkin	25.00	10.00
Shiloh	10.00	10.00
West Helena	30.00	
Wheatley	25.00	18.75
Wheatley, Jr.	10.00	
Wynne	75.00	56.25
Wynne, Jr.	15.00	5.50

Jonesboro Tistrict:		
Blytheville	50.00	10.00
Blytheville, Jr.	25.00	
Brookland	20.00	5.00
Fisher St.	20.00	10.00
Jonesboro	60.00	39.00
Jonesboro, Int.	40.00	30.00
Lake City	20.00	
Lepanto	30.00	
Manila	25.00	12.50
Marked Tree	25.00	18.75
Monette	15.00	
Nettleton	25.00	
Osceola	27.50	20.64
Tyronza	25.00	

Paragould District:		
Corning	60.00	45.00
Corning, Jr.	10.00	
East Paragould	50.00	25.00
East Paragould, Jr. ..	15.00	1.75
Hoxie	40.00	30.00
Hoxie, Int.	15.00	.500
Imboden	12.50	6.25
Knobel	20.00	
Mammoth Spring	25.00	4.65
Paragould	75.00	28.75
Peach Orchard	50.00	50.00
Peach Orchard, Jr. ...	5.00	
Prnet's Chapel	15.00	
Ravenden Springs	10.00	
Walnut Ridge	50.00	25.00
Walnut Ridge, Jr.	25.00	6.25

Searcy District:		
Augusta	40.00	25.00
Augusta, Int.	15.00	15.00
Augusta, Jr.	10.00	
Clinton	25.00	
Cotton Plant	25.00	10.00
Cotton Plant, Jr.	15.00	7.50
Gregory	20.00	10.00
Harrison	50.00	25.00
Harrison, Int.	15.00	
Harrison, Jr.	5.00	
Heber Springs	30.00	15.00
Judsonia	12.00	12.00
McClelland	30.00	30.00
McClelland, Jr.	10.00	2.00
McCrory	50.00	
McCrory, Int.	15.00	7.50
McRae	10.00	
Searcy	75.00	
Searcy, Int.	25.00	25.00
Searcy, Jr.	10.00	10.00
Union	15.00	
Union, Jr.-Int.	15.00	
Valley Springs	15.00	11.25
West Searcy	35.00	8.75

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HELENA DISTRICT LEAGUERS FOR GALLOWAY ASSEMBLY.

Arriving at the station of the Helena District & Northwestern Railroad I purchased a ticket from Miss Nora Hall, ticket agent. After a few minutes I stepped aboard to be greeted with a whole gang of young people, who I soon learned, where all headed towards Galloway College. What a lot of laughter and fun they were having! every one trying to talk at once, and they were doing it too, especially the girls!

What was my surprise to find H. K. Barwick had taken a position on the H. D. & N. as train conductor helping out during the Assembly rush on this road. Learned later that the porter, Farris Gruby, used to shine shoes in Ike's barber shop at Parkin.

Arriving at Wynne, we were told that lunch had been prepared by the Wynne Leaguers which consisted of such goodies as Ham What Am, Searcy Salad, Cherry Valley Cheese and many other good things to eat. I will say Wynne knows how to feed a hungry, tired traveling Leaguer.

On this train was the Sunshiny Special Orchestra who furnished music for the trip; and who could keep their feet still? Not even John McPhaul. Talks were made during the trip by F. N. Powell, Miss Sarah Holbert, Harney Chaney, Mrs. G. W. Pyles, E. L. Bronson, and Rev. E. T. Wayland.

Just before we got to Kensett some one suggested we have a yell contest and see who would be our yell leaders at Galloway. No sooner said than done. The following Leagues contested: Wheatley, Wynne, Mariana and Parkin. After the judges had studied quite a while the decision was handed to Parkin League along with a megaphone as prize.

Such was the program carried out by the Wynne Epworth Leaguers who entertained the Northern Half of Helena District at their Annual pre-Assembly PEP meeting. Miss Louise Coffin, President Wynne League is an earnest, sincere League worker, and, with the aid of a capable man like H. K. Barwick, is certainly able to put over almost any kind of an entertainment. Watch for Helena District at the Assembly. We are coming strong.—District Secretary.

INSTITUTE AND BANQUET SOUTH-ERN END HELENA DISTRICT

Who said that Leagdom was dying? You should have been at a meeting held in Helena, last Thursday, beginning at 10 a. m., and lasting until 4 p. m. This meeting was the annual Institute and Banquet, given for the southern half of Helena District, better known as a PEP MEETING for the purpose of creating enthusiasm for the coming Assembly in June. Meeting was held in the Methodist church at Helena.

John O. Baker, Helena District secretary, presided at the morning session which consisted of prominent speakers from over North Ark. Conf. Mr. Harney Chaney president North Ark. Conf. was present and made a fine talk on "The Epworth League through the eyes of a Conference President. Dr. Watson made a great talk on, "The Local chapter of the Epworth League as a Pastor Helper." Rev. G. W. Pyles of Parkin made a talk on "The Standard of Efficiency." Dr. Jas. A. Anderson, presiding elder Helena District, was also present and made a splendid address on, "What a Presiding Elder expects of the Epworth League." Mr. H. H. Harris of Helena Epworth League, made a wonderful talk on "The Departmental Work of the League." Mr. Harris is one of Helena District's livest workers and is a real 100 per cent Leaguer, in the work with his heart and soul. Helena District is lucky in having a man of this kind.

The Banquet at 12 noon, was under the auspices of the Helena League and was one of that kind of banquets that Leaguers will never forget. Everywhere were colors, flowers, potato vines and signs reading "Welcome Helena District." Wel-

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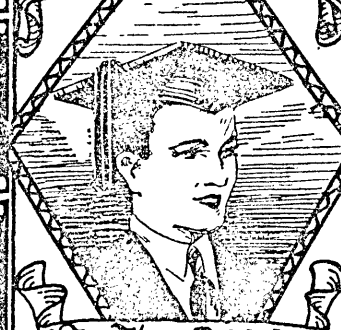
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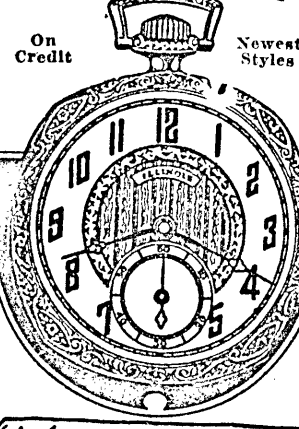
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come address was made by Miss Willie Lanford, Pres. Helena League, response being made by Miss Bernice Wade of West Helena League. Reading was given by Miss Lanford, and a beautiful solo by Miss Dudley. Music was furnished by Mo. Pac. Orchestra. A Yell Contest was held and West Helena carried off first honors.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the Helena League for their wonderful entertainment to the South Helena District Leaguers. Miss Willie Lanford, as president of that League, and Mr. H. H. Harris as First Dept. Supt., are sure to have one of the best Leagues in Helena District. Both are live workers.—District Secretary.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

COMMENDING BISHOP HAY

Whereas Bishop Sam R. Hay has set November 18 as the date for holding the Little Rock Conference, thus complying with a request of this Conference of several years standing;

Therefore, be it Resolved that we express to Bishop Hay our appreciation of this earlier date for holding our Conference.—E. D. Galloway, Francis A. Buddin, P. C. Fletcher, E. R. Steel, R. G. Rowland, J. H. Cummins, C. M. Reyes, C. D. Meux, F. G. Roebuck, J. T. Thompson, S. T. Baugh.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, we have worked with our congenial and highly appreciated presiding elder, Rev. L. E. N. Hundley, for the last four years; and,

Whereas, in all his bearing toward us and the tasks with which we are charged, his attitude at all times has been friendly, cordial, and brotherly; and,

Whereas, we probably will not sit with him in an Arkadelphia District Conference any more soon;

Therefore, Be it resolved: That our love and good fellowship be, and they are hereby pledged to him, wherever his tasks may be in the future. We have found in Bro. Hundley a noble, brotherly heart, and we further pledge to him our best efforts to carry through to successful completion the program of work for this year, and share with him the joy of victory, or the ignominy of defeat.—J. L. Cannon, J. D. Rogers.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT CONF.

The 8th session of the Arkadelphia District Conference, met in the Methodist Church, at Dalark, at 7:30 P. M., April 21, 1925, with Presiding Elder L. E. N. Hundley presiding. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. A. W. Waddill of Malvern Station. The spirit of his message was evangelistic, and presented marks of an alert mind and a vivid imagination. It was a very helpful message.

Morning Session: The Conference was called to order at 8:30 A. M., Hymn, number 56 was sung, and Dr. W. F. Evans of the North Arkansas Conference led in prayer, after which the Presiding Elder read and expounded First Cor. His comments were interesting and helpful.

The following were introduced to the Conference during the first session: Rev. H. H. Griffin of Galloway College, Rev. R. C. Morehead, our Conference Christian Educational secretary, and Dr. W. F. Evans a representative of the Methodist Ministerial Association, and each spoke to the Conference regarding the character of their work. Many interesting matters were considered, and the session reflected a splendid spirit, and much thought. Dr. J. M. Workman delivered a great message at 11 A. M. Dr. Workman never fails. What he says will always find response in honest hearts.

Afternoon Session: Devotional services were conducted by the chair, after which the following were introduced: Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Glass of the Monticello District; Rev. and Mrs. Walsh of the Camden District; after which Brother Glass presented

the Superannuate Endowment Work, and Ministerial Group Insurance. The Young Men's Ministerial Students of H. B. C. were represented by Dr. J. M. Workman, J. W. Lee, B. W. Melard, and the Presiding Elder. The Endowment and Library Fund of H. B. C., the Superannuate Endowment Work, and W. M. Work was very attractively presented by the District Secretary, Mrs. Geo. Hughes, of Benton, and Mrs. F. M. Williams of Hot Springs in a few beautiful and well chosen remarks presented the Young People's Missionary Work. A motion prevailed, to spend a few minutes in honor of the ascended spirit of the late President of the W. M. S., Mrs. C. F. Elza, and prayer was led by Mrs. Geo. Hughes, and our Presid-

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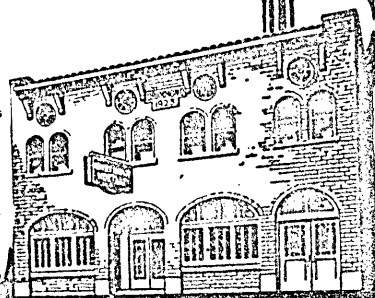
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ing Elder paid a beautiful tribute to the splendid work and noble Christian life of Mrs. Elza, together with warm words of love and comfort to Mr. C. F. Elza.

After the usual deliberations the second session adjourned.

Dr. J. J. Stowe of Central Avenue Hot Springs, brought us a great message at the evening service. Dr. Stowe believes in his church with a contagious conviction, and he is fully able to convey that conviction together with the Spirit of the Master, to multitudes of others.

The morning session of the second day was called to order at 8:30. Devotional services were conducted by the Presiding Elder, who made many worthy remarks concerning the Ministry.

The following were introduced: Rev. Clem Baker, Rev. J. Frank Simmons, Mr. F. T. Fowler, Mr. G. W. Pardee, Dr. A. C. Millar, Miss Bess McKay, and Rev. S. K. Burnett of the Texarkana District, and Prof. Burt of Hendrix College.

The following delegates were elected to the Annual Conference; B. Murry of Arkadelphia, Mrs. F. M. Williams of Hot Springs; John T. Taylor and John H. Robey of Sparkman; C. F. Elza of Benton; Miss Pet. Atchley of Dalark; Mrs. George Hughes of Benton, and J. W. Lee of Malvern. Alternates: Dr. J. F. Wilson of Dalark, and E. L. Nutt of Carthage. After a very busy session the Chair recognized Bro. Baker, our Conference Sunday School Superintendent, who took charge of the eleven o'clock program of the District S. S. Institute. Good and inspiring talks were made by Bro. Baker, and the following District officers: Mrs. L. E. N. Hundley, Elementary Supt.; J. D. Rogers, Supt. of Standard Training Work; L. T. Rogers, Supt. of Cokesbury Training Work; J. G. Geick, Supt. Wesley Bible Classes, and J. W. Lee, District Secretary.

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:30, after which Miss Bess McKay, Conference Supt. of our League Work, made the keynote address for the District League Institute, after which Rev. Neill Hart presented his report. After a beautiful duet by Miss Milrene Robey and Miss Mable Blakeley, two members of the Junior Church of Sparkman, the Conference heard the Centenary work presented by Bro. Simmons. Dr. Millar addressed the Conference concerning our paper. Prof. H. J. Burt presented the Rural Work. G. W. Pardee and J. W. Lee made very practical addresses on Lay Activities. Upon recommendation the Conference voted unanimously to license Bro. Huett Owen Bryant of Sparkman to preach. After an unusually busy session, the Conference adjourned to meet with the people of Malvern in 1926.

The Conference was interesting from first to last. Under the leadership and direction of Brother Hundley one could feel the power of an abiding inspiration. Bro. Hundley during his four years of service, has rendered a service indispensable and immortal. A resolution expressing the love, respect and high esteem in which the Conference holds him, was adopted. The people of the town offered great accommodations in behalf of the Conference, while the visitors were constantly helping to make the occasion a great blessing. Brother Messer, the good pastor and host, entertained under great difficulty, as Sister Messer was lying almost at the point of death throughout the Conference; and many kind words and earnest prayers were said in her behalf. There were 69 lay delegates reported present; and it was

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demonstrated that 98 per cent of the membership of the Conference were officials of the Conference.—J. D. Rogers, Secretary.

LAKE VILLAGE.

Rev. T. O. Owen, pastor of our Lake Village church, preached the commencement sermon of the Lake Side High School in the Presbyterian Church to a crowded Church.

Rev. Thos. G. Watts, pastor of the Baptist Church, read the Scripture lesson. Rev. I. G. Toussels, led the opening prayer. The choir, composed mostly of the senior class, rendered appropriate vocal music. Miss Gladys Benjamin, a teacher in the Eudora High School, but a resident of Lake Village assisted with a solo.

Mr. Owen opened his discourse with approximately these words: Among the millions of young who stand as do these, stand those, in whom we are interested individually and collectively! And we are here today, demonstrating that fact. Basing his remarks upon the Scripture—"Let us make man in our own image," he asked the question, "What is man that

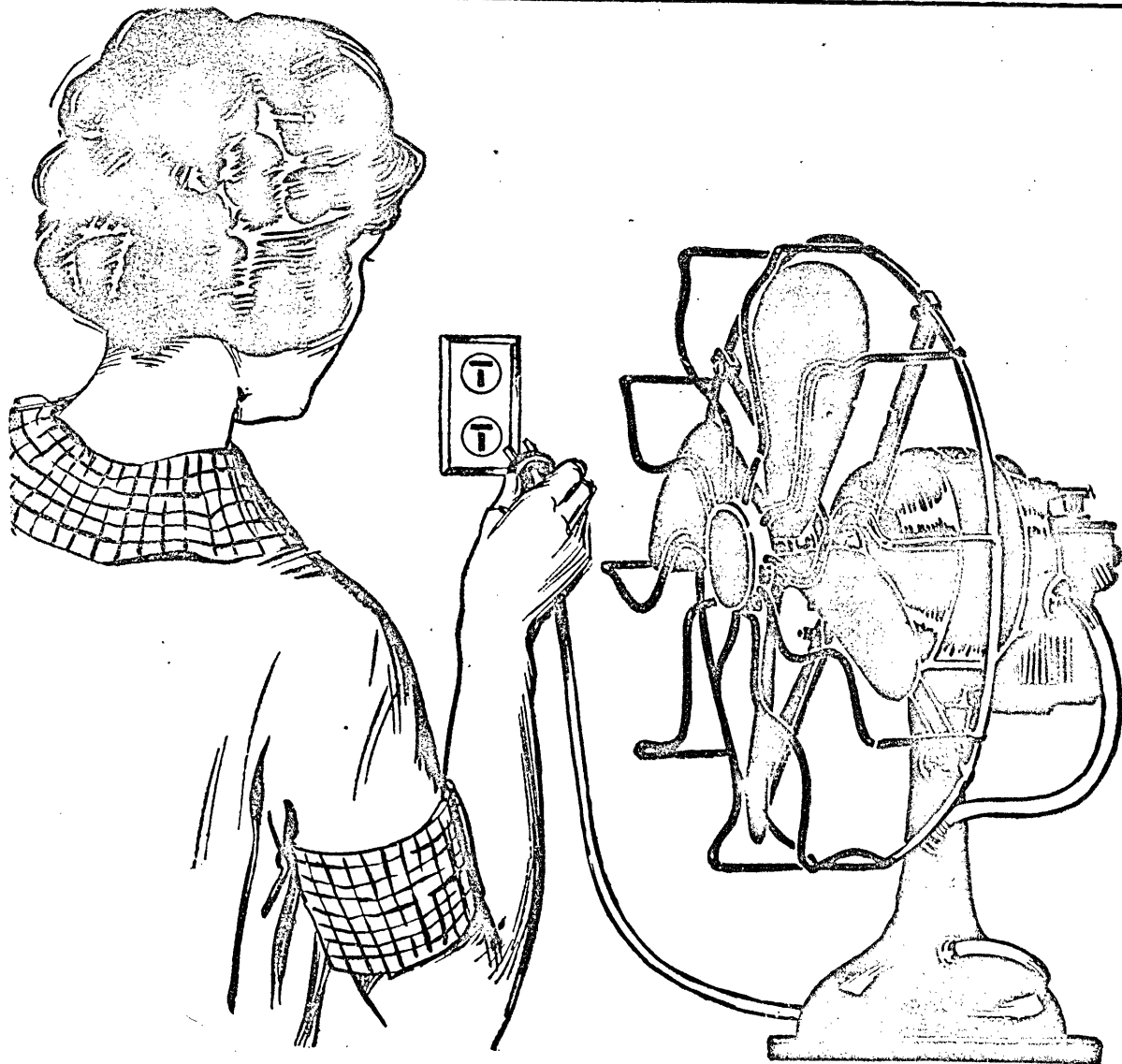
thou art mindful of him?" Raising his Bible in his left hand, he said: "This tells you." He explained that the Bible not only told of man's creation, but that it explained what he was and clearly defined his mission. "Behold the Man!" the great teacher. "Let us stand by the old book which is the guide for all right living." He asserted that we are to assist in making man, for man is the climax of all creation and it is through his moral and spiritual development that we have civilization. "I had a dream," he said: "I saw this old world in the hands of a genius for badness, but as I tossed in my restlessness, I said to myself, Ah, no; badness can never succeed. Right will always prevail! And I was comforted in my dream by the fact, that my own country, the greatest on earth, was founded on the Bible. As we dream of the future we may fear the approaching conflict. But let us never falter; the world must not crumble. Teach the child the Bible that he may walk in its ways, understanding development, never fearing the Darwinian theory of evolution; because true science

will not fool man. The misinterpretation of it may."

Fortunately, there remains of the old school exponents of our Christian faith, those who are in accord with our times, yet who hold fast to their faith in God. Such an one ministered to the young and old alike today.—Reporter.

WALNUT SPRINGS.

We have had for several months by hard struggle a Junior League. Sister Dishazen is president, and while she has had a hard struggle to carry on this work, she has redoubled her energies, and they are doing good work. She has enrolled about 30. We have had a hard time at Walnut Springs to run any kind of League, but I believe now we are going to do some good work. One thing has been accomplished and that is it has stimulated the Seniors to organize a League with the help of Sister Millord. She has just gotten her Seniors started. She had present last Sunday night about 40. We have had a hard time to get our young people interested in a Senior League.



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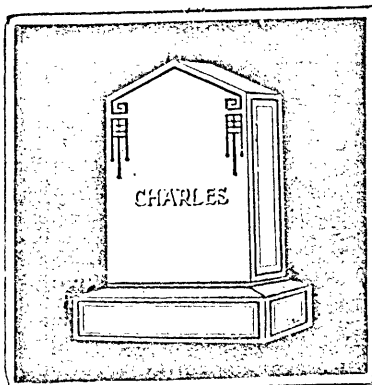
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10, and our services were a great suc-
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after the preaching service, 213 white
and red roses, and placed on the ta-
ble, while our choir sang a beautiful
song, 53 white flowers and 163 reds.
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who did not wear any flowers. We
had at least 300 present. It was a
great day, we have large congrega-
tions at all of our appointments on
Saturday night services as well as at
the Sunday services. We have four
Sunday Schools and they are doing
fine work, especially at Walnut
Springs. We have enrolled in the
Sunday School there about 130. Prof.
J. T. Manning is doing some good
work as superintendent. We have in
all enrolled in Sunday School more
than 300.—J. A. Hall.

SOCIAL SERVICE CONFERENCES

The General Commission on Temp-
erance and Social Service will hold
two conferences this year. The first
will be at Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville,
Arkansas, June 24-28. The second
will convene at Lake Junaluska,
North Carolina, July 5-12.

The Superintendents of Social Ser-
vice and one other selected delegate
from each Conference Woman's Mis-
sionary Society; the Chairman and
Secretaries of the Annual Confer-
ence Boards of Temperance and So-
cial Service, Lay Activities, Sunday
Schools, and Epworth Leagues are in-
vited to attend these conferences as
guests of the Commission, and to par-
ticipate in the forums and group dis-
cussions that will feature the morn-
ing sessions.

These discussions will be led by
experts in the fields of industry, re-
creation, reform, and race relations,
and will center around the various
articles of the Social Creed of the
Federal Council of the Churches of
Christ in America.

Addresses of a popular nature will
be given at the evening sessions.

All persons interested in the study
of modern social problems in the
light of the Gospel of Jesus will re-
ceive a cordial welcome.

FROM A METHODIST.

I am not a preacher, but am a
Methodist. My father was Rev. John
H. Hall. My uncle was Rev. B. F.
Hall, well known in the Arkansas
Conference. They were brothers
They preached in Arkansas; they

died in Arkansas; they went to
Heaven from Arkansas. Rev. Ed.
Hall is at Walnut Ridge fighting the
devil with both fists. As Jesus was
the light of the world, when he left
this world he made the churches to
be the light bearers of the true light,
so I pray the Methodist may hold up
the old-time religion that has landed
many through and can land many
more.—W. J. Hall.

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Rev. Paul E. Kemper,
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I write to congratulate the Arkan-
sas League and yourself as superin-
tendent upon the splendid progress
you are making towards supporting
your State League within the state.
The last few months have been the
best as far as I can learn in the his-
tory of Arkansas. Your educational
work is proving very beneficial and
helpful to the cause, and cannot fail
to put your League on a firm basis
from every standpoint in the near fu-
ture.—F. Scott McBride, General Su-
perintendent.

ATTENTION, CLASS OF THE SECOND YEAR!

A letter from one of our most prom-
ising young preachers, Rev. C. W.
Johnston, enclosing some Bible cred-
its with the statement that he would
soon complete his work on the Sec-
ond Year Conference Course, caused
me to wonder how the other mem-
bers of this large class are progres-
sing. As chairman of the commit-
tee of the second year and speaking
for the committee I may say that we
are very anxious, for their own good,
that each member of this class shall
get busy and complete this course by
conference "anyhow." My, how good

it makes you feel to stand on the
Conference floor and report, "Bishop,
I have finished the second year's
course." What do you say? Let's
go. If I can serve you in any way
write me.—James T. Willcox, 309
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SPARKMAN REVIVAL.

Never has Sparkman enjoyed a
more wonderful meeting than the one
which closed so successfully on May
13 at the Methodist Church. It has
been thoughtfully considered as the
greatest and most successful revival
ever held in Sparkman.

Bro. W. C. Yancy of Glenwood did
the preaching, and did it well. He
brought us the gospel in its simplic-
ity and convicting power. Under the
leadership of Bro. M. A. Hutton of
Van Buren, the singing could not
have been better. How the choir and
those children did sing! I certainly
can recommend Yancy and Hutton
as being a good combination, and no
preacher will make a mistake in se-
curing their services. The day ser-
vices were well attended, while the
night services were witnessed by a
crowd which taxed the seating capac-
ity of the large auditorium. The re-
sults are far reaching. A great class
of 28 were received into the Church,
and it was composed of some of the
very best citizens of Sparkman. The
Methodist Church has been greatly
enriched by having had the oppor-
tunity of receiving so noble a class
of worthy members. Our entire mem-
bership has been blessed; and the
meeting by its very nature prepared
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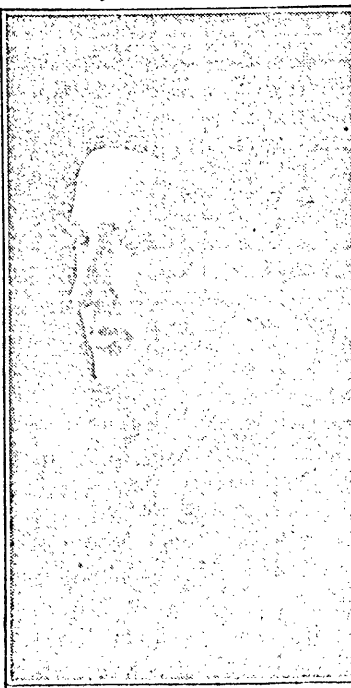
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map.—J. D. Rogers, Pastor.

HELENA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Helena District Conference
was held in Wynne May 13 and 14,
Dr. James A. Anderson presiding. The
attendance was fine, the entertain-
ment splendid, and the work of the
Conference helpful. The Conference
heard 3 excellent sermons by Bros.
Thompson, W. L. Oliver, and W. C.
Watson. Among the visitors present
were Revs. A. T. Galloway, G. G. Da-
vidson, F. M. Tolleson, L. E. N. Hund-
ey, R. C. Morehead, W. B. Hays, H.
H. Griffin, Prof. H. B. Burt, Dr. A. C.
Millar, and Dr. J. M. Tibbetts.

John Gladys Williams of Widener
was licensed to preach and Bailey E.
Robertson was recommended for re-
admission into the Annual Confer-
ence. The following delegates and
alternates to the Annual Conference
were elected: Delegates—A. L.
Hutchins, Mrs. Lucy Critz, J. P. Lee,
M. E. Newbern, Mrs. R. W. Minnie,
Mrs. J. A. Looney, Mrs. G. A. Booser,
Ed Hamilton; Alternates—H. K. Bar-
wick, T. J. Boston, Mrs. G. P. Walker,
T. A. Stone.

The next session of the Conference
will be held in Brinkley.—W. V. Wo-
mack, Secretary.

**PINE BLUFF DISTRICT
CONFERENCE.**

The Pine Bluff District Conference
convened in DeWitt Wednesday even-
ing May 7. The opening sermon was
preached by the Rev. B. F. Masser
of Rison. After the sermon the con-
ference was organized and adjourned.
Thursday was taken up with the
reports of the preachers. The roll-
call shows that all of the preachers,
save one, were present.

At the eleven o'clock service Dr.
Alonzo Monk of Benton preached on
"The Sufferings of Christ and the
Glory that Should Follow."

Three young men were recommend-
ed for admission on trial to the An-
nual Conference. Eight delegates
were elected to the Annual Confer-
ence.

Thursday evening the service was
given over to the laymen's work and
Mr. Sam T. Poe ably spoke upon
that work.

Friday was devoted to the Sunday
School work and to the Epworth
League. S. T. Baugh delivered a
sermon to the Leaguers which show-
ed much good thought. During the
day the officers of the Sunday School
Board spoke upon their work. The
Conference adjourned with the even-
ing session.

It was a pleasure to see the earn-
est and loyal work of those of the
DeWitt church who made everything
pleasant for the delegates. We take
this means of thanking them.—Edwin
N. Bruce, Secretary.

GALLOWAY COLLEGE.

Commencement is almost here. The
calendar is as follows:

Sunday, May 31, 11:00 a. m., Bac-
calaureate Sermon by Rev. J. D. Ham-
mons, Texarkana; 8:00 p. m., Ser-
mon to the Y. W. C. A. by Rev. J.
W. Crichtlow of Jonesboro.

Monday, June 1, 8:00 a. m., Annual
Concert of the Departments of Mu-
sic and Expression.

Tuesday, June 2, 8:00 p. m., Com-
mencement Exercises with an ad-
dress by Hon. H. L. Ponder of Wal-
nut Ridge.

Social events will occur between the
chapel programs. The Lanier Society
will give the Annual Rose-Garden
Party on Monday afternoon and the
Irving Society hold a promenade af-
ter Commencement on Tuesday even-
ing.

The world has been full of a num-
ber of things lately. The Dramatic
Club, assisted by the College Orches-

tra, gave an interesting program on
the 11th, presenting first a play,
"That Boy Will," an episode from
the boyhood of Shakespeare, by Rog-
ers; and next a harlequinade called
"The Wonder Hat," by Hect and
Goodman. Mrs. Dowdy presented two
students in expression in graduate re-
citals on the 8th, Misses Virginia May
Dickens of Monticello and Evelyn
Jones of Batesville. Miss Dickens
read a one act play, "Addio" by
Young, and The Potian Scene from
Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet,"

and also took part in a one act com-
edy, "Rosalie." She was excellent
in the tender, the highly dramatic,
and the comic. Miss Jones read a beau-
tiful allegorical play, "Dust of the
Road" by Goodman, with exquisite
sympathy and skill. The Irving So-
ciety entertained the School on Sat-
urday evening, the 16th, with a uni-
que and lovely program, "Rainbow
Revels." The gymnasium was span-
ned by a mammoth arch in rainbow
colors. Beneath this the Spirit of the
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Miss Rebecca Wynne of Dermott gave a Junior Recital in voice on the afternoon of the 16th and the Junior students in piano gave a program on the 22nd. The Junior Class entertained the Seniors at a special breakfast on the morning of the 11th and buried the hatchet of three years class competition under a mound of waffles, fried chicken, grape-fruit and strawberries. Mr. and Mrs. Harry King, who have been sponsors for the Senior Class this year, entertained the members at a spring luncheon at their pretty home on the 18th.

Miss Gertrude Ann Watson of Strong, Mississippi, who has been director of physical education, announced her engagement to Mr. Edward Robert Saunders of Greenville, South Carolina, and that the marriage will take place on June 11. The student body gave her an enthusiastic reception in the chapel and presented her with two beautiful silver candlesticks with candles "to light her on her way."

Miss Elsie Cockerham of Portland, who is the new president of the Student Government Association, has returned from a conference of students of the Southern Inter-Collegiate Association, held at Tallahassee, Fla.

Our handsome new Science Hall is nearing its final height. The new laundry and heating plant show their substantial proportions, too.

Ink and paper and all the important facts of the universe are in demand just now, for we are entering upon final examination week and commencement, though an attractive goal, is not yet reached.—Eleanor Neill.

FROM EVANGELIST NEAL.

It has been a long time since I had anything to say through the papers. I thought once that my race was run. I had been sick for a long time, but I kept it to myself as long as I could and kept going till I could go no longer. I got behind financially. Got confused, and the Lord only knows what. I suffered mentally as well as physically.

February 22 I left home for Rochester, Minn., on March 3 Dr. Will Mayo operated on me for an infected gall bladder. His verdict was that I could have lived only a few weeks longer. The operation was entirely successful, and I am through the weeks of weary waiting for strength to work again.

I feel like a new man. Am now engaged in a three weeks' tabernacle meeting at Branson, Mo. I have not been able to look after my engagements, and if I have failed to answer letters, I beg pardon.

I have the last half of June, all of July, except the last week, and the last half of August open yet. If the brethren need me I would be glad to hear from them. I need engagements badly. Can come with or without singer.

The people at Green Forest were simply lovely to me and my family while I was passing under the rod. God bless them. And what shall I say for my good friend McKelvey, our pastor? God bless him. There never was a cleaner, better man in our town than dear Brother McKelvey. I love him, and I have never had a pastor who was quite so loyal in his treatment as he. With health, heart, and a message that seems brand new, I hope to be a better servant through the coming days.—W. Hardy Neal, Green Forest, Ark.

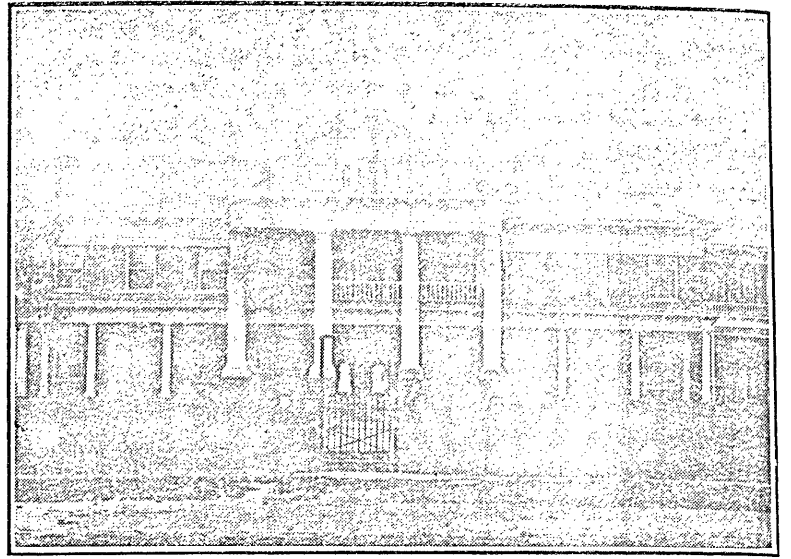
The length of time required for the growth of timber from the seed to maturity shows conclusively that it was never destined in the order of nature for the exclusive use of a single generation.—William Cullen Bryant.

THE ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

The Methodist Orphanage, located at Little Rock, is the property of the two Conferences of Arkansas, the Little Rock and North Arkansas. The movement began in the Little Rock Conference in 1897, and the institution was incorporated March 18, 1899. In December, 1908, Col. George Thornburgh was urgently requested to raise \$25,000, with which to purchase a new location and erect a new building. He addressed himself to this task, without remuneration for his services, and by July, 1910, the children were moved from the old location to the beautiful building erected at 16th and Elm Streets. This building is one of the most beautiful in the city, is 120 feet long and 116 feet wide. It is composed of a wide basement, two full stories and an attic, which is practically a third story. It has upper and lower porches which have been enclosed and are being used as sleeping porches, and the great columns give it the appearance of a colonial mansion. The property is valued at \$60,000.

Since the Orphanage was incorporated more than six hundred children have been cared for, and four hundred and twenty-eight children have been placed in good homes. At the present time there are 41 children at the Orphanage, 16 boys and 25 girls.

In 1906, Col. George Thornburgh was elected president of the Orphanage Board, also acting as superintendent of the Orphanage. This position he most ably filled until his death in March, 1923, when the Rev. James Thomas, who had been Secretary and Treasurer of the Board, succeeded him to this position.



Mrs. S. J. Steed is the present matron of the Orphanage and is very much beloved by the boys and girls for the loving, motherly interest which she takes in each one of them.

The children of the Orphanage attend the Robert E. Lee School and the Junior and Senior High Schools of the city. In June of this year, one girl, Ollie Hall, will graduate from the Senior High School and this is a matter of great interest and pride as she will be the first of all the children who have come into the Orphanage to graduate from the Senior High School. Pearl Hall, a sister of Ollie, will graduate from the Junior High School in June.

The Methodist people of this State are very proud of this institution and they are justly so. Visitors are always welcome. — On Friday, June 5,

the women of the Missionary Societies of the Methodist Churches of Little Rock and North Little Rock will be hostesses at a silver tea at the Orphanage, from three until six in the afternoon and from seven until ten o'clock in the evening. All Methodist people and friends of the Orphanage are cordially invited.

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HENDRIX COLLEGE

SUMMER [SESSION

June 10 to August 8, 1925

LENGTH OF SESSION

The Summer Session of Hendrix College will open Wednesday, June 10, and will close Saturday, August 8, 1925. Students are expected to be present opening day and to remain through the entire session. It is possible to complete one half a semester's work during this time.

WHY A SUMMER SESSION?

1. Everybody is going to school. Business men are reading books on efficiency, reading journals, and going to business schools. So are professional men. Farmers and housewives are using many educational agencies in ever larger numbers. Teachers are crowding the colleges and universities. Educational administrators are putting their heads together in educational associations and in a vast body of literature that they may have the last word of wisdom and efficiency in their respective fields. Schools of all grades are crowded as they never were before.

2. Education is expensive. Money is required for the erection and upkeep of buildings, and for more and better teachers. Every student in school is withdrawn from productive employment, and this fact tends to increase the cost of living and of education.

For these reasons, all people in any way responsible for education feel that all the money and time employed in the cause should be used to its maximum of economy and efficiency. The Hendrix Summer Session has been organized to keep the college facilities in use during most of the summer as well as throughout the winter months. It helps students to reduce the cost of their education by going to college while work is scarce and to shorten very considerably the time required for graduation.

FOR WHOM THE SCHOOL IS PLANNED

The Summer Session is planned especially for the following persons: a. High school graduates and other students who lack one or two of the fifteen units now required for entrance to all standard A grade colleges. The Educational Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as well as all standardizing educational associations, has fixed fifteen units as the minimum requirement for entrance to college. No "conditioned freshmen" are now allowed. All work done at the Summer Session is of college grade, but some of the courses may be done by fourth year high school students and "counted back" for entrance credit.

b. High school graduates who want to begin college work at once. In addition to shortening the time required for completing a college course, freshmen will find it a distinctive advantage to get their college work under way before meeting the crowded conditions that always obtain in September. This advantage cannot be urged too strongly.

c. College students who desire to shorten the time of completing their course. Hendrix has been examined and admitted to membership in the North Central Association of schools and colleges. This guarantees that its work will be accepted at par by any college or university in the United States.

d. Teachers who desire to increase their efficiency or earn credit on state professional license. The Department of Education and several other departments offer special teachers' courses not obtainable in the winter semesters.

COURSES OF STUDY

Courses will be offered in practically all the departments of instruction. Except for the more elementary courses, the subjects will differ from those given during the regular semesters. This gives a larger range of selection through the entire school year than would otherwise be possible. Every course is a complete unit and may be offered as elective or required work toward the B. A. Degree.

The following subjects will be offered:

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Economics, Education, English, History, Latin, Greek, Mathematics and Modern Languages.

FACULTY

W. O. Wilson, B. S., A. M., Dean; R. C. Holl, A. B., A. M., Ed. D.; W. C. Buthman, A. B., A. M.; H. W. Kamp, A. B., A. M.; O. T. Gooden, A. B., A. M.; T. B. Manny, A. B., A. M.; R. M. Lawless, A. B.; Graham Cook, A. B.; Arlie Salmons, A. B.

SPECIAL ADVANTAGES

Conway is the geographical center of the state and one hour by train or auto from the city of Little Rock. While the average temperature is a few degrees above that of the territory north of the Boston Mountains, the more frequent rainfall makes the air fresh and pleasant. Summers in Conway are as enjoyable as practically any place in the state. Malaria originating in Conway is now practically unknown.

The Summer School for Ministers, held at Hendrix College from June 17 to July 3, offers an unusual opportunity to hear platform lectures on Religious Education, Sociology and kindred subjects, offered by some of the most prominent leaders in America today.

Conway is a school and church center. Perhaps no other town of its size in the South can show a single church of over 1,400 members and an annual enrollment of over 3,000 students in the several schools.

EXPENSES

The cost of attending the Hendrix Summer Session is outlined below. There are no beneficiary students for this term. No incidentals, publication, or athletic fees are charged. All bills are payable strictly in advance.

Tuition fee \$25.00.

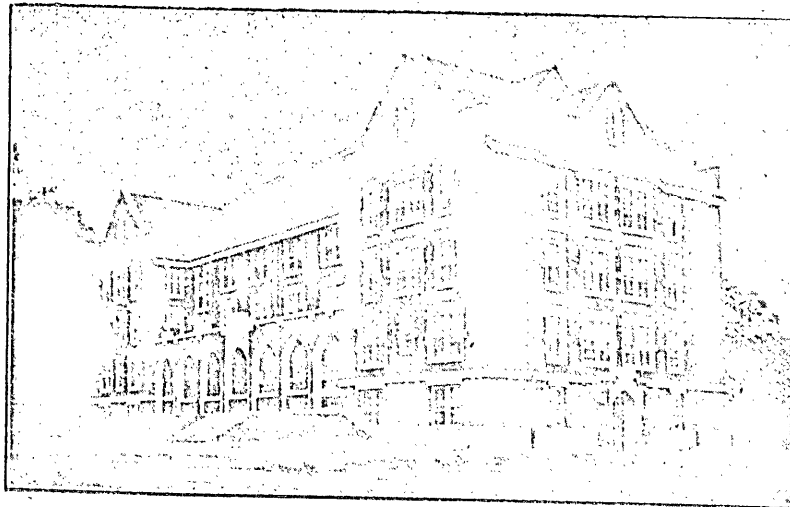
Rooms in Martin Hall one-half regular semester rate.

Science fees, regular fee for like number of hours work.

Board at Tabor Hall per week, \$5.50.

Room Reservations. A room in Martin Hall cannot be assured before the close of the Summer School for Ministers, July 3, unless the room is reserved by May 1. The regular room deposit fee of \$10 will be required to reserve any room and the fee will be returned when the room is vacated. For room reservations or for further information, write to

PROFESSOR W. O. WILSON,
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EPWORTH LEAGUE ASSEMBLY

Arkadelphia, Arkansas

June 15-19, 1925

SPLENDID FACULTY SECURED FOR ASSEMBLY

Noted Author Among Those Secured for Leaders and Speakers.

The young people who attend the sixth session of the Little Rock Conference Epworth League Assembly will have as teachers and leaders as strong a Faculty as has ever appeared in any former Assembly. In some respects it is the strongest faculty that has ever been secured.

Miss Ina C. Brown, representing the Central Office, Nashville, Tenn., is the author of that book that has aroused unusual interest and favorable comment all over the Church. The title of the book is "Jesus' Teaching on the Use of Money."

We are fortunate in having Miss Brown on our Faculty this year. She will teach a class using her book, and she will lead the Method Class of Administration Problems, and teach the Fourth Department Methods.

Rev. C. Q. Smith, Brownwood, Texas, who led the devotional services at Mt. Sequoyah last year with such splendid results, will have charge of the sunrise prayer meeting each morning, and will teach a class in Bible, and deliver the inspirational address Wednesday evening.

Rev. J. E. Cooper of Searcy, transferred from our Conference to the North Arkansas Conference last winter, and who has no successfully taught the class in Fourth Department Methods, will be with us again this year. He will teach a Mission Study class and one class in Bible.

Rev. C. N. Weems, of Korea, home on furlough and now residing at Conway, will be our returned missionary. His stories of the customs of Korea, and especially the religious zeal and loyalty of the Korean Christians will be an interesting feature of the Assembly. He was presiding elder of one of the large and important districts in Korea.

Miss Evelyn Weed, Fort Worth, Texas, will have charge of the Intermediate-Junior class. This will be Miss Weed's first visit to our Assembly. She comes with the highest recommendation of the Central Office as an experienced worker with Juniors and Intermediates, and this recommendation arouses high hopes among our Junior workers. Mr. Virgil Eady won all hearts last year by his tactful and easy way of directing the singing. There was a clamor for his return, and the young people of the sixth Assembly will greatly

enjoy his jovial fellowship, and be delighted with his singing and Cornet solos, etc.

Mrs. Paul Jefferson, the ladies' chaperone, has won a permanent place in the hearts of those attending former Assemblies. Every one is delighted that she is to be with us this year.

Mrs. J. M. Workman, who has meant so much to the former Assemblies in the wonderful messages she delivered as the Vesper Talks, will again this year bring us a Vesper Message every evening just before the platform hour. The young people have repeatedly said that no messages have meant more to them in the Assembly than have these messages brought at the twilight hour by this consecrated leader.

Miss Irene Taylor, of Glenwood, Arkansas, will have charge of the Life Service Band. This is not a large group, but an important group. Miss Taylor is well worthy of this important work.

Rev. W. C. Yancey of Glenwood, Rev. E. Clifton Rule of Warren, Rev. Roy E. Fawcett of Crossett, Rev. R. P. James of Waldo, Rev. Jesse Galloway of Carlisle, Rev. Fred G. Roebuck and Rev. S. T. Baugh of Little Rock, are young ministers in the Little Rock Conference. Each holds a responsible position in the Little Rock Conference, and each will render an important service to this sixth session of the Assembly.

Dr. Paul B. Kern of Dallas, Texas, will bring the consecration address Friday night.

The young people who attend the Assembly will be given as good training as they would receive at any other Assembly in our Church. We expect large numbers of them to take advantage of this opportunity.

DR. PAUL B. KERN WILL DELIVER CONSECRATION ADDRESS FRIDAY NIGHT

Dean of Southern Methodist University, Great Young People's Leader of the South.

For a number of years we have been trying to secure Dr. Paul B. Kern, dean of our School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, as a member of our Faculty.

We have succeeded. He will be with us this year for the closing service of the Assembly, and deliver the consecration address.

Plans have just been completed for

SONG LEADER AND ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR

Mr. Virgil Eady of Conway to Direct Singing of the Assembly.

An enjoyable and helpful feature of the Assembly is the spirited singing led by Mr. Virgil Eady of Conway. This will be his second visit as a member of the Assembly Faculty. Last year he won all hearts by his cornet solos and his happy spirit in leading the singing. Everyone will be delighted with his ministry in song.

One feature of the Assembly that has been delightful, has been the "sing-songs" on the front steps every night just after the close of the platform hour. There the young people sing hymns, plantation melodies, folk songs, Epworth League "pep" songs, etc., until the bugle sounds taps at 9:45.

NEW COURSES OFFERED FOR THE FIRST TIME

Church Advertising to be Taught by Experienced Advertising Man.

The Class in Advertising is a new course offered this year for the first time. There has been a real need for such a class in the Assembly, but it was not easy to find the proper teacher. This class will be taught by Rev. S. T. Baugh, who has made a specialty of Church publicity for nearly fourteen years.

We believe this will be one of the most helpful classes taught in our Assembly this year.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT IN CHARGE THIS YEAR

Choice Young Methodists of the Little Rock Conference are to be Trusted With the Making of Rules.

One of the points that has been emphasized in every Assembly is this, "We have no BOSS. Everybody does the right thing. We don't need a boss."

Carrying out that idea, only a few simple rules have been made. Those rules were so obviously necessary that every body accepted them without question, and the result has been very satisfactory.

This year the same idea will prevail, only emphasized a little more than usual. The Conference officers will make no rules. The idea of Student Government will prevail.

The young people who attend the Assembly will come from our choice Methodist homes. They come with the highest ideals to be found in our land. They have been trained and disciplined in Christian living, and

holding a great Methodist Young People's Convention in Memphis, Tenn., during the last days of this year, and the first days of 1926. The idea of this great gathering of Methodist Young People was born in the heart and mind of Dr. Kern. He has sponsored it, and being a member of the General Epworth League Board was able to secure the hearty co-operation of this Board, and then the co-operation of several other General Boards, thus making this Convention a representative gathering of Methodist youth.

Dr. Kern is much sought for as a speaker in Sunday School Training Schools, Pastors' Schools. We are fortunate in securing this great leader of the Church to bring us the closing message of our 1925 Assembly.

Every delegate who attends the Assembly should plan to remain until Saturday morning in order to hear Dr. Kern.

PRESIDENT ROEBUCK'S MESSAGE

Weather Predictions.

The farmer is often heard to say we are going to have a dry Summer, and bases his belief on certain climatic conditions, but oftentimes his predictions do not come true.

In Epworth League work, however, we may predict with a note of certainty, that it is going to be a dry Summer for the Chapter that does not have some of its members attend the Assembly and bring back some enthusiasm as well as knowledge to put into the work.

Church work as well as any other task becomes common-place unless we are learning to put more into it and derive more from it. Many are the Chapters that are alive and really doing things because some of the group are studying means and methods for carrying on the work in a better way.

Have you ever had a dry summer in your League, when the weather was too hot for some of the members to attend, when a group of the young people got in cars and drove to the river, carrying their lunch with them, and staying until after League and church services were over, when you went but wished you had not because the program was so dry, and when the council meetings and socials became so uninteresting because everything was so dry, dry?

This is the time to begin to avoid a dry Summer, send a live delegation to the Assembly at Arkadelphia, I say Arkadelphia, because this is the best one I know. Get some new ideas about successful socials, learn to make your programs interesting, even if you have to take them out into the open, under a shady tree, learn the best methods for doing all the work in your local chapter, and remember that it is dry folks that make dry Leagues.

We are planning for the best Assembly ever, and we will be looking for you at Arkadelphia Monday June 15th. In the meantime let us think and talk about it.—Fred Roebuck, Conference President.

DR. F. S. PARKER TO TEACH CLASS AT HENDRIX.

Pastors' School to Have Class in Epworth League Administration by General Secretary.

The Class in Epworth League Methods, or Administration, from the pastor's standpoint will prove one of the most helpful courses offered at Hendrix Pastors' School this June.

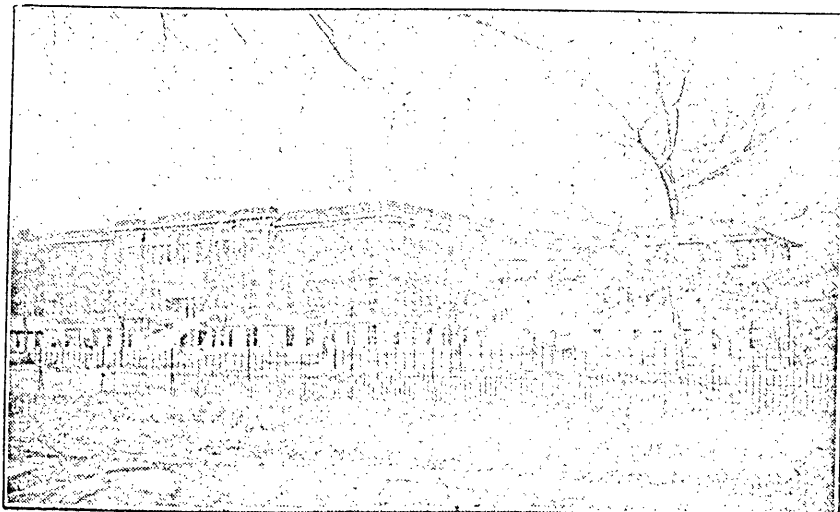
This course is an accredited course on either the city or rural Leadership diploma. The pastors who are interested in the Epworth League work will have an opportunity to study Epworth League methods under an authority, and we believe this will be one of the largest classes in the school.

The other class taught by Dr. Parker is a course in Liturgies.

can be depended upon to do the right thing. They will be asked to form their own rules for the Assembly, and then will abide by their own rules.

The first day each District will select one young man and one young lady as their representatives. These representatives will meet and form a few rules for the best interests of all attending, and ask the entire body to adopt them, or amend them and then adopt them, at the first meeting Tuesday morning.

This puts the delegates of the Assembly on their honor, and from experience we know how highly young people, Christian young people, value their honor.



HENDERSON-BROWN COLLEGE

Slogan: "SAY IT WITH SERVICE"

The Gospel By St. Mark To Be Used For Bible Study

There will be four classes of Bible study taught by the following young ministers: Rev. J. E. Cooper, Rev. Roy E. Fawcett, Rev. R. P. James, and Rev. E. Clifton Rule.

Every delegate will be given a copy of the Gospel by St. Mark, and requested to read it through at least once during the Assembly.

The Gospel by St. Mark is an interpretation of the life and ministry of Jesus from the viewpoint of service. Action seems to be the important idea seen so often in it. In this gospel Jesus is the mighty doer of marvelous things. He is the conquering Son of Man, as well as the Son of God.

A study of St. Mark for four days will give the delegates a better appreciation of the value of this gospel.

INSTRUCTIONS TO DELEGATES

Embarrassment will be Avoided by a Careful reading of the Following Instructions.

It is important that delegates and visitors read carefully the following instructions. It will save time and embarrassment and help make this session the greatest we have had.

UPON ARRIVAL.—When you arrive at Arkadelphia go to Henderson-Brown College and register. Secure your mission study book, meal tickets, note books, pencils, etc., the very first thing. You are expected to buy your mission-study text-book as soon as you register. You are required to buy only one text-book. You will need four note books and a pencil.

REGISTER.—It is necessary for every person who attends the Assembly to register. This is required of every one, though he attends only one hour. Fill out the application blank sent your Chapter before you arrive at Arkadelphia if at all possible. This will save delay at the desk. Hand your application blank to the registration clerk with \$5.50 which pays registration fee and for room and meals for the period of the Assembly. You will then be given a badge, a book of meal tickets, the top of which will be exchanged for a banquet ticket, and then assigned to your room.

SELECT COURSES.—Select your course before arriving at Arkadelphia if at all possible, and fill out the application blank. If more than one person is attending from your Chapter, arrange for a representative to be in each of the Courses by dividing your group. If you have five representatives, sign up one for each of the Method classes. The same rule should govern in Mission study. Do not all go into one class.

TAKE A NEW COURSE.—If you took first department methods last year, take one of the other department methods this year. Don't do the work over, take something new.

ADMINISTRATION AND ADVERTISING.—The second period will be divided between two classes. Administration Problems should be taken by Conference Officers, Chapter Presidents and Secretaries, and any other who desire. All others are to take the new course in Advertising, offered this year for the first time.

BIBLE CLASSES.—There will be four classes in Bible with four good teachers, all classes using the Gospel by St. Mark. Divide your Chapter representatives among the four teachers.

JUNIOR-INTERMEDIATE CLASS.—This is for the workers with Jun-

iors and Intermediates.

WORK REQUIRED.—Every delegate is required to take (1) The Bible; (2) One Method Class; (3) One Mission-Study Class; (4) (a) Administration Problems, or (b) Advertising; (5) Attend the evening Platform Hour. No one may change from one class to another after Tuesday morning.

In addition to the required work every delegates is urged to attend the sunrise prayer service, the business meeting, and to take part in the directed recreation.

THE BANQUET.—Monday night at 7 o'clock the Assembly will open with a big banquet. All who register and secure their meal tickets will be given a ticket to the banquet in exchange for their first meal ticket. Those not registered will pay \$1.00 for the banquet ticket.

AFTER TAPS.—When we separate at the front steps at 9:4 P. M. the girls will go to their group prayer-meetings, and the boys will go to the meeting room in the boy's dormitory for a few minutes prayer. These prayer meetings have meant much to those attending former Assemblies. The quiet moments prepare each for a night's rest feeling that God is near.

DINING ROOM.—Tear off one meal ticket and present at dining-room door before each meal. Write your name on the back of your book of tickets to help identify them if lost.

COLD DRINKS.—If you desire cold drinks, ice cream, etc., buy from Mr. Edgar Seay, a son of one of our deceased ministers. You will aid Edgar while he relieves your thirst.

STAY THROUGH.—Be on hand Monday evening and stay until the close Friday night. Dr. Paul B. Kern, who will deliver the consecration address Friday night, is one of the outstanding young people's leaders of the South. By all means hear him.

SMILE AND PLAY THE GAME.—Accidents will occur even after the most careful planning. The Conference Officers and Faculty will do their best to see that you get the most out of these days. Put your best into this program. May this be a real mountain-top experience for you. May Christ become more real to you and mean more to you during these days.—Little Rock Conf. Assembly, Fred G. Roebuck, President.

WHAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE SAY

Former Delegates Praise the Assembly.

From all directions over the Little Rock Conference come words of praise and commendation of the Assembly by members who attended former sessions.

It has been an awakening into spiritual life of a number of young men and young women. And it has been the means of deepening the spiritual life of multiplied hundreds of others.

The messages of these young people are typified by the following from some of our young ministers:

"The Epworth League Assembly was informational, recreational, and inspirational. Never was a finer group of young people assembled than met at Henderson-Brown College last June. It was a real treat to be there."—Rev. W. C. Yancey.

"The half had not been told. This was a gathering of young life at its best. The spirit of the group was fine. The Leaguers of our Conference cannot be the same after such

Oldest Assembly In Arkansas

This is the Sixth Session of Little Rock Conference Epworth League Assembly

DIRECTED RECREATION DAILY

Popular Pastor of Carlisle Church to Have Charge.

The recreation and play part of the Assembly program this year will be under the supervision of Rev. Jesse Galloway, the popular pastor of Carlisle Church, and a former teacher in the Assembly.

He won a warm place in the hearts of his class two years ago, and it was with regret that he could not be present last year on account of illness. In teaching a class and directing the recreation two years ago he rendered a really helpful service. The Assembly is fortunate in securing him for this year.

This is one of the important features of Epworth League work. Real recreation is desirable in every Church. In this fast age we must take time to play and laugh, or go to insane asylum. There is a safety-valve element in true play and recreation.

A great deal that passes for recreation is not recreation, it is desecration. It tears down, rather than builds up. It leaves the body and nerves frayed out, instead of rebuilding them. Anything that has a bad effect upon mind or body is not real recreation.

The Epworth League Assembly has sponsored real recreation, and has been able to make a valuable contribution to the Church through its Third Department methods. We expect a large class in the Third Department Methods, and we expect all delegates to enter wholeheartedly into the recreation and play of the Assembly.

a gathering. There was life and enthusiasm and yet seriousness of purpose in the meeting."—Rev. Roy E. Fawcett.

"The Assembly program provided exercises ministering to every personal and social need. It instructed and inspired those present for living the all-round life. Never before for the same period have I been permitted to enjoy a greater opportunity for real profit and pleasure."—Rev. R. P. James.

"It is difficult to estimate the vast

When the idea of converting the old three-day Conference into an Assembly of four or five days was being advocated by the Central Office, the Little Rock Conference took the lead in Arkansas.

An invitation was extended to meet at Henderson-Brown College, Arkadelphia, in 1920. This invitation was accepted, and the new plan was found to be such an improvement over the old Conference idea, that it was voted to meet at Arkadelphia permanently, or until such a cause should arise as to make it necessary to change the location.

This is the oldest Epworth League Assembly in Arkansas. With the accumulated experience of six years we are able to do a better grade of work than when the first Assembly opened in 1920.

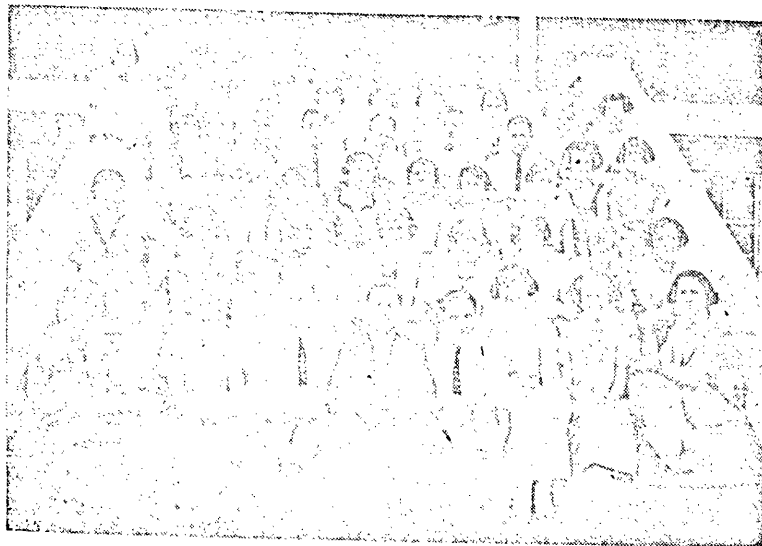
The indications are that this Assembly will be the greatest held in point of attendance, and the quality of work done.

We are bidding for the choice young people from every Church in the Little Rock Conference. We do not want people that the local Church can not handle, from the standpoint of conduct. We want the best young people you have. Send us the best you have, and we will be able to send back to your Chapter the best we can give.

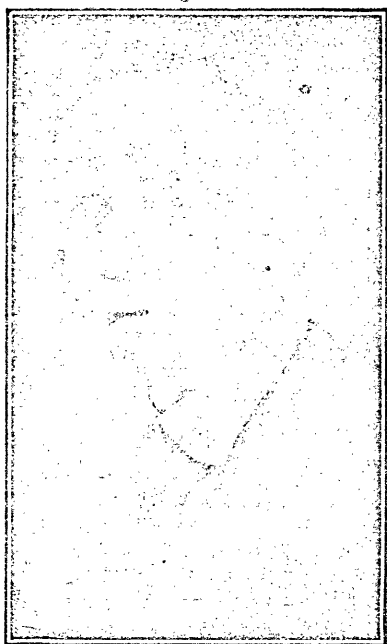
OPENING BANQUET MONDAY NIGHT.

The Assembly will open Monday 7:30 p. m. with a big banquet. If you expect to be present, use the card mailed to each Chapter and state how many plates you desire reserved for your delegates. Unless reservation is made you will not get a plate.

amount of valuable information and profitable work received and done by this good Assembly. Cordiality, good cheer, profitable study, recreation and deep spirituality marked every state of advance throughout the week. Such work is invaluable to the youth of Methodism. I heartily endorse it."—Rev. L. E. N. Hundley, P. E., Arkadelphia District



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DR. J. M. WORKMAN, President.

Henderson — COLLEGE

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Hugh D. Hart, New York City.

Finis Pharr, Texarkana.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrar Newberry, Little Rock.

Prof. R. C. Rhodes of Emory University.

Rev. Jim Workman of Fayetteville, and 500 others like them.

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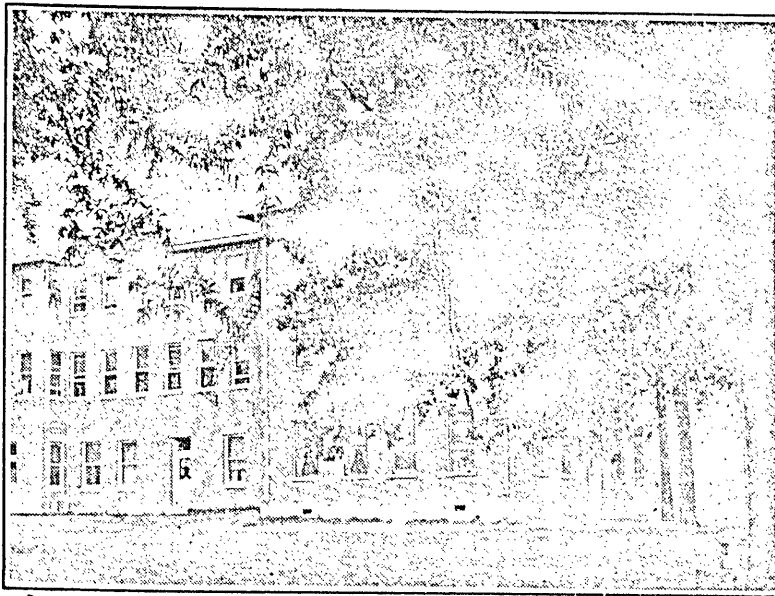
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North Arkansas Epworth League Assembly

GALLOWAY COLLEGE, JUNE 8-14



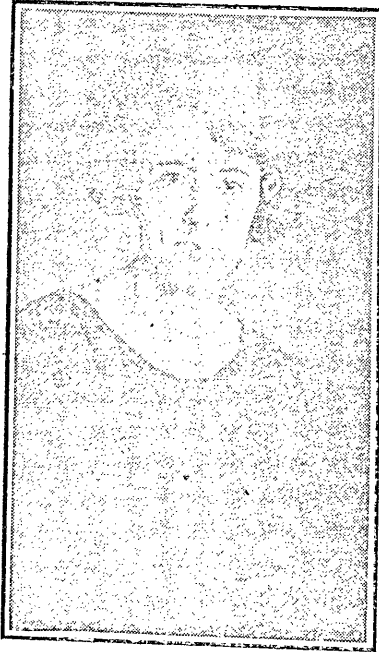
REV. LELAND CLEGG,
President of League Board, Mt.
Home, Ark.

Bro. Clegg has only been in our Conference about two years, but has a warm place in the heart of every Leaguer whom he has met. He is for the League first, last and all the time. He will teach Methodist Doctrine.

ALL ABOARD FOR THE ASSEMBLY

Pack all your troubles in a box and bury them. Then get on your hat and let's go to Searcy June 8, for the biggest and best League Assembly North Arkansas has ever staged.

Discard your mantles of dignity at the gates of Galloway College and come in with colors flying prepared for a whole week of interesting work and real play. Pillow fights will be



VIVIAN CLERGET.

staged each evening at regular intervals, but must cease promptly at 10:30.

Bring your Tennis Racquets and have some real tennis games. Bring your musical instruments and help make some real music. Bring your note books and get some real "Inside Dope" on League work. Bring your League president and see that he gets a real vision of a standard Epworth League. Get your "singers" and "yellers" fixed and join in the fun. Bring your sunniest smile and wear it all the time.

There will be method classes, Vesper Services, platform speakers, directed recreation, banquet, reception, pretty girls and handsome men. What more could you wish?

Don't fail to attend the reception on Monday night. Find out who is who and where they are from.



MRS. LESTER WEAVER.

You can't afford to miss the Banquet on Friday night. Direction will be given later as to just when each piece of silverware is to be swallowed, so do not fear being embarrassed along that line.

Remember, you will always regret it if you fail to attend this, THE BIGGEST and best of all our League Assemblies, beginning June 8.—Vivian Clerget, Conway Dist. Sec.

MOUNTAIN TOP EXPERIENCES

Did you ever rise early in the morning and tramp several miles to climb



CLEDICE JONES.

to the top of some peak and see the sun rise? If you ever did and then had a sun-rise prayer meeting there, I do not have to describe the experience to you. There came into your life something new and wonderful and you like the apostles of old, wished that you might remain there forever.

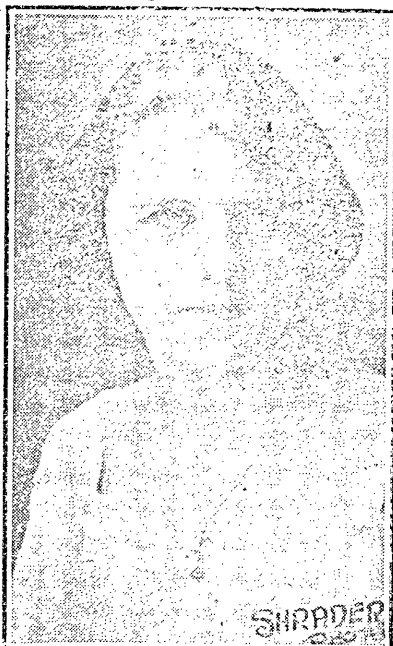
A week spent at the Summer Assembly at Searcy is more like a



EVA MAE CARMICHAEL.

"mountain top experience" than anything else I could liken it to.

The young people come bubbling over with fun and laughter and full of life. Many come for a good time, but as they swing into the day's work, when the time comes for serious thought, they are ready for it. They work and play and study with a vim, ever ready to turn from one to the other. Those who came merely for a good time go back with new outlook on life, and the uppermost thought in their hearts is to take something back home with them that will help their League and their



VIRGINIA MCCAIN.

church.

Good times are not lacking, for Leaguers know that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," but there is a purpose above just having a good time.

If you have never been among 500 of Methodism's choicest young people for a week of this kind you have missed the greatest "mountain top experience" that can come to any one. I wish I could drag out all the old dyed-in-the-wool pessimists of the Church and bring them to Galloway for one Assembly. I believe we could get even them to see the doughnut instead of always looking at the hole.

One young man last year, after taking a peep of one day at a League Summer Assembly, said: "I had no idea it was like this. I intend to go

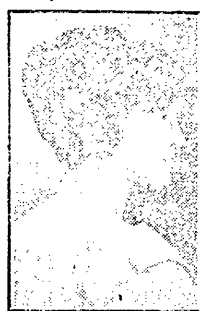


REV. C. N. WEEMS.

next year if I do pay my own expenses."

There is one thing that saddens the Galloway Assembly workers every year and that is the thought of all the small churches, some of them back in the hills, that do not send their young people to the Assembly. The churches that need the inspiration the worst. Last year we made a great effort to get the young people from the small places. How can it be done? By getting the church as a whole to send them. Select two of your finest young people and send them on, pay their expenses. The bread will come back to you a hundred fold.

The Summer Assembly develops the whole man, mental, physical, social and spiritual. Let's go!—Mrs. Lester Weaver.



MISS IDA WHITE.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT AND THE ASSEMBLY.

Of course every Leaguer is planning to go to Galloway Assembly, the ideal place for the gathering of Epworth Leaguers and the one great event of North Arkansas Leaguedom.

Batesville District expects to have the largest delegation ever and the enthusiasm is running high and the interest in the coming Assembly is fine. Let every League be represented, for the Assembly is expected to be even greater than last year and of course you remember how fine it



RALPH STUCK.

was last year.

Look for the Batesville District for they are coming good and strong. Let us all help to make it the best ever, and I am sure no one will have cause to be disappointed.—Cledice Jones, Batesville District Secretary.

HELENA DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUERS ARE MAKING PLANS FOR THE NORTH ARKANSAS ASSEMBLY.

"Helena District is going to shine this year" at the Galloway Assembly and from the way the Leaguers are talking over the District they will have some delegation there. They have a membership of about 750, counting Seniors, Juniors and Intermediates, and they are counting on at least seventy-five to one-hundred Leaguers for the Assembly. Every one who went last year is planning on a return trip this year, and they have talked it so much that every body wants to go.

They are planning a big surprise for the rest of the Conference, but will not allow it to be told until it happens. But just watch their smoke about 7 P. M. on June 8, and you will see what a real, live District they have in the eastern part of Arkansas.

Helena District has made plans for banquets at both Helena and Wynne to get up Assembly enthusiasm. They put out their Quarterly News Bulletin in April, which was brim full of the Assembly. Their District Secretary is talking Assembly, writing Assembly and dreaming Assembly. The League presidents are spreading the



MISS JOHNNIE FORREST.

news like wild-fire, and so you can imagine how the whole District is all excited and hardly able to wait until June 8.

Leaguers keep on the look-out for this bunch, for they will surely be there with their colors shining and their banners flying and with voices trained for PEP Songs and Yells. You will know them the minute they hit the Campus. My! what fun we will all have together when that great day arrives. We will be as one great family, playing, studying, and serving God all at the same time.—Helena District Secretary.

GREETINGS FROM THE FORMER PRESIDENT.

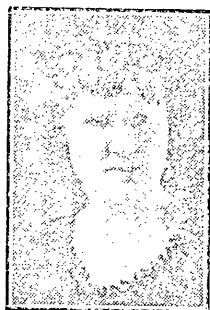
Dear Arkansas League friends: Greetings from the Pelican pines!

As I hear echoes of North Arkansas League Assembly plans and doings, memories of my past four years' delightful work with you crowd in, and I feel a lump in my throat as I realize that I am not one of you in fact as well as in spirit.

Howard asked me to write a letter of greeting for this number of the *Methodist* in my "Usual felicitous style." I feel a lot more like writing a love letter. For, Leaguers, you are the finest bunch of folks that I have ever found or expect to find. Your staunch cooperation and friendship, and your never-failing interest in the League work of the North Arkansas Conference during my official connection with you, will be an inspiration to me and an oasis in my memories throughout life.

And I know that no urgency from me is needed to spur you on to this same loyal backing and cooperation, as Harney leads in still greater plans and accomplishments than you have ever before attempted. As you know, it was my ambition, from the time I was elected president of the Conference, to see a young layman in the chair. After ample training in the League work, and close association in the administrative work of the Conference, Harney Chaney is the right man in the right place.

Leaguers of North Arkansas, you have a reputation to sustain outside of your Conference, that calls for the best that is in you. Wherever one goes—whether Texas, or Alabama, Louisiana or Missouri, you will find that the League work of North Arkansas ranks at the top, and the "old North Arkansas Spirit" is famed far and wide. It has been said that North Arkansas has given more original plans and ideas to Leaguedom than has any other Conference. Everywhere League leaders regard North Arkansas League financial system, advertising matter, Assembly methods and Conference Leaders as the best in Leaguedom. And they are right, boys! As I am no longer connected with the work there, I can say emphatically that there is no Conference in Southern Methodism whose League leadership is doing more constructive, progressive work than are



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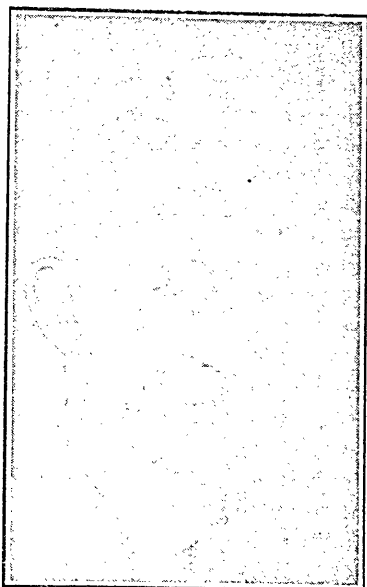
you of North Arkansas.

And, to Conference Officers, District Secretaries, and "buck privates," I say, CARRY ON! The time and effort you are investing in the League work of North Arkansas now, you will look back upon through life as the best investment you have ever made.

Forget-me-not.—Byron Harwell.

REV. C. N. WEEMS,
Conway, Ark.

We are indeed fortunate in having Rev. C. N. Weems to teach Foreign



REV. S. B. WIGGINS.

Missions. He is just home from the Foreign Fields, and will have something intensely interesting for the class in Foreign Missions.

DR. T. B. MANNY,
Professor Rural Life at Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.

Dr. Manny will teach a class in Home Missions. He is a young man, a live wire, interested in the League and its work, and we know he will be very popular with all delegates at the Assembly.

REV. SAM B. WIGGINS,
Crawfordsville, Ark.

This is Bro. Wiggins' first year to be in our Assembly. He will teach First Department Methods. We are glad to have Bro. Wiggins as a member of the faculty.

MISS GERTRUDE WEIR,
Junior Supt., Ft. Smith, Ark.

Miss Weir is popular with both Conference and Chapter officers. She is a hard worker, very capable and dependable.

MRS. LESTER WEAVER,
Clarksville, Ark.

Mrs. Weaver will teach Second Department Methods. This is her second year as a member of the faculty. She is greatly loved by every Leaguer who attended the Assembly last year.

MISS EFFIE JONES,

Intermediate Supt., Morrilton, Ark. Miss Jones is very efficient as Intermediate Superintendent. She has attended every Assembly and was a main stand-by. We regret that she will be unable to come this year as she is signing for life service May 31. She is to be married on that date. We offer heartiest congratulations and all good wishes.

MISS IDA WHITE,
Editor League Page, Russellville, Ark.

Miss White has a hard time getting



MISS GERTRUDE WEIR.

Conference and Chapter officers to co-operate in the matter of League publicity, but we find her continually on the job. She will meet you at Galloway and tell you just what is expected for the League Page next year.

"SOMETHING NEW UNDER THE SUN"

A Course in Epworth League Publicity to be Offered at N. Arkansas Epworth League Assembly at Galloway College.

President S. Harney Chaney has invited the writer to deliver a series of lectures on Epworth League Publicity during the Summer Assembly at Galloway, June 8-14. This is, indeed, "Something New Under the Sun." It is only a case of Arkansas Leaguers "running true to form." Our forward-looking, broad-gauged and progressive Leaguers of Arkansas lead the pace for Southern Methodism. Believing in church advertising, realizing the tremendous importance of Epworth publicity, I consented to offer the course as suggested above.

I was in Dallas, Texas, on Sunday in September, 1924. I wanted to go to an Epworth League service that night, but I did not know where to go. I picked up the Dallas Sunday papers and looking through them from front page to the back, but there was not a word about the Epworth League or Epworth League services. As far as the Dallas papers were concerned that city might have been Leagueless.

But it was not so with the movies and other places of entertainment. Oh, no! Their invitations were spread in large advertisements all over the pages of the leading dailies of Dallas. There were a dozen or so invitations to go out on Sunday night for amusement, but not one to go to an Epworth League service, to the House of God.

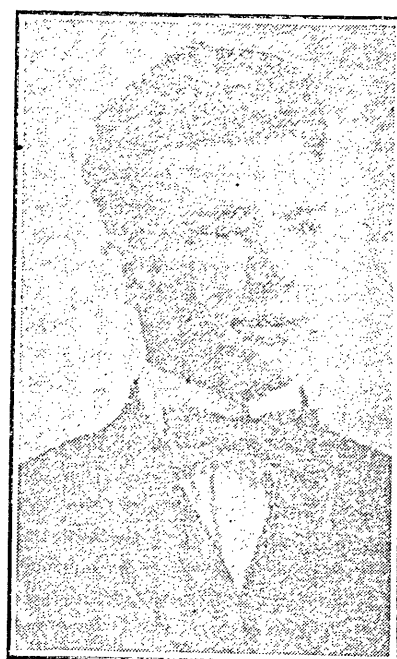
Possibly the League notices appeared in the Saturday issue. They generally do; but this was Sunday and the Sunday paper was the only one available. Amusement places do not overlook the Sunday dailies.

There may have been many men in Dallas with the same thoughts and desires as I. I happened to remember that sometimes the League Chapter had a League Bulletin in the hotel corridor. So I took the trouble to go down stairs. Being a Methodist, I looked for the Methodist Church bulletin. There were two on the board, so I picked out one and took a chance.

I suppose that some of you will say: "A man or woman, boy or girl, who wants to attend an Epworth League service will find a way." That is true, but why permit the theaters (and they are open in many cities in too many states) to have the monopoly? Is not the Epworth League a business. Is not the church the greatest institution under the sun? If it is not, Leaguers, it is time to "get busy and make it a business." Think it over prayerfully and carefully. After having done so, I am sure that you will agree with me that Epworth League Publicity is of tremendous importance.

Briefly I suggest six of the many reasons why your League should advertise.

1. To enlarge its membership.—Of course that is the one obvious reason—the fundamental reason. Every throbbing League Chapter wants to increase the roster of its members.
2. To inspire its present members.—The League that advertises is un-



BEVERLY RAKES.

doubtedly the League that is alive. Not only alive to reach onward and increase its membership, but alive within, because the spirit of advertising reaches both ways.

3. To deepen its influence in the community.—Your League should advertise for an even larger task—i. e., to influence your community in a broad and enduring way that simply the League membership alone cannot compass.

4. To co-operate in the Evangelistic campaign of your church.—The evangelistic drive has undoubtedly become an institution in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. So, get in the game, Leaguers—take your part in the advertising of your church in the evangelistic drive or campaign.

5. To get the uninterested element to thinking.—Your League advertising reaches and influences many a boy and girl who never enters a church door—make no mistake about that! Remember that your League advertising reaches an element that you can probably reach in no other way.

6. To keep abreast of modern times.—Advertising is modern salesmanship. It is Mass Selling. And the League must keep modern.

It is the purpose of the writer to deal at length with the "best reasons and most effective methods" for Epworth League publicity during the Assembly at Galloway College.

Who Should Enroll for the Course?

At least one member from each of the following committees of the local organization: The Program Committee and the Committee on Advertising. Secretaries of various local Chapters would benefit greatly by taking this course.—J. C. G.

BRING YOUR CAMPING OUTFIT IF YOU WISH

Bring your tents and camping outfit and spend the week camping out on the beautiful campus of Galloway College. Arrangements will be made so that you can do this, and it's lots of fun, eh? And there is nothing more healthy than camp life.

Let's Go to the Assembly.

NORTH ARKANSAS LEAGUE ASSEMBLY.

ATTENTION LEAGUERS:—Preparations are being made for the 1925 Assembly at Searcy, June 8-13. Galloway College offers her commodious equipment for the Assembly. The program is rich and varied, you can not afford as a Leaguer to miss this opportunity of getting a great spiritual uplift, and of broadening your horizon of service in the Master's Kingdom. Besides many practical and useful suggestions will be given about conducting a successful League. The fellowship with hundreds of the finest young people of the state will be strengthening and inspiring. Make your plans to come. —C. N. Weems.

THE SPECIAL EFFORT FOR SUPERANNUATE ENDOWMENT

The Board of Finance of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
SECURITY BUILDING, SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI
Edited by LUTHER E. TODD, Secretary

Then Pastors Commit the Special Effort to Others and Forget, Others Forget What the Pastors Committed

The Church cannot preach a "square-deal" manner of living, if she does not herself deal square. Nothing is more pitifully small than to take everything and give little or nothing. The superannuated preachers of this day gave all they had to the Church so long as they were able to give anything, and all they gave was accepted. Southern Methodism stands securely today upon foundations wherein these old suffering saints are the mud-sills.

Can You Guess What's In the Can?

The old boys used it as containers for their linen when they were circuit riding. Many of them had no way to cross creeks and rivers, except to swim their horses over. No train, bus, or flying machine protected them from driving rains—they simply had to bare their breasts to the storm and go on. And the can helped, because it guaranteed a dry collar when the meeting-house was reached.

Get this picture fixed in your mind, then write your excuses for not raising your Special Effort quota and let them be another picture. Compare the two! Why do you squirm? No I am not pinching you—I am just showing you two pictures. How any pastor can think about this can and not do his part in behalf of our old and

storm-battered heroes is amazing. It is a symbol of sacrifice and earnest toil by those whom we should delight to honor. The best way to give this recognition is to pay those quotas.

The Knights of the Saddlebags

Those old heroes were riders, but they sat in the saddle and not on cushioned seats. They rode the widest circuits, through cities, towns, villages, fields and forests. They paused not at uncharted wildernesses or hesitated to seek out the remotest hut of the venturesome settler. Through winter's storms and summer's heat, day and night, they rode with a can of linen, the Bible, and saddlebags. Ofttimes they reeled in the saddle from weariness, and again they were wretched from loneliness, but still they rode, rode, rode, until in the farthest corner of the land they established this thing we all love and cherish as Southern Methodism!

And now we come along years afterward with our automobiles, hard roads, good hotels, telephones, telegraphs, radios, etc., etc., and use all of these things to tell why we cannot raise a little quota to let these old saddlebag-boys have peace and quiet a year or two before they die. Ugh! What kind of stuff are we made of, anyway? We let a dozen things creep in every year that call for money, and we tell those old men to keep on trusting until we can get to them. It is a great commentary on the gospel we preach, isn't it?

Holy Messengers of Glad Tidings

Some men ride to get something, but these old heroes rode because they had something to give. It was the blessed news of salvation in Christ, that they sought to tell unto all the people everywhere. They did not spend themselves in such manner for money, for the average annual salary received by them was approximately \$500—and they did not get all of that. (The superannuates living today failed to receive \$3,000,000 promised them on salaries when they were active in the work.) Nor did they do it for fame, for having accomplished their task they are now called "The Forgotten Man." Charlie Chaplin's name is known to all the world, but those old preachers who shaped civilization are unknown except for a few faithful friends.

No war ever did so much for the peace and happiness of mankind as does the Bible. But we gladly pension our soldiers used-up on our battlefields and leave the dispensers of God's word to languish in loneliness and want when old age creeps upon them. Is this right? Is it not rather an unspeakable injustice? Those old soldiers of the cross actually made situations decent enough for business men to enter with their affairs. If the preachers had not gone before, the business men would not have dared to risk their trade in these

places. Yet many men who have thus succeeded in business, have made but scant contributions to the old preachers who helped them to it.

When preachers are worth so much to business, they should at least be entitled to a consideration from men in business. Old and worn-out ministers of the gospel should surely have support from those whom they supported.

What Are We Doing About It?

Right now we are in the midst of the second year in the Special Effort for Superannuate Endowment. The first year, there were 2,000 Charges that did not pay a cent and several hundred other Charges that paid but nominal amounts. We have cried over these old preachers, patted them on the back, and a lot of things like that, but how much do we think of them in dollars? The Charges cited above did not think much of them, did they?

Come now, presiding elders, pastors, lay members, and let us go at this thing with renewed determination to do it in the right way. Raise that quota! Send it to the Board of Finance, Security Building, St. Louis. All other denominations are making splendid progress in the support of their superannuates. Shall Southern Methodism forever be last in this matter? Have we no pride, or care, where we stand on this subject? May the good Lord help us to come to ourselves and go to this task in a manner worthy of our blood!



When Presiding Elders Lend a Hand,
The Board of Finance Receives Quota Checks