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## PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

Sunday sanctity does not atone for Saturday sin.

Good deeds are prayerful purposes properly projected.

Knockers are not burden-bearers, and burden-bearers are not knockers.

You are not a patriot if you observe only the laws for which you voted.

A girl is known both by the company she keeps and by that which she avoids.

Differentiation produces individuality, but homogeneity generates gregariousness.

Every dollar given to God should represent honest earning and should do a dollar's worth of work.

## OUR GENERAL CONFERENCE

(In order that our readers may be prepared to appreciate the news of our General Conference, we give below a somewhat abridged article furnished by our Church Press Bureau.)

Throughout the bounds of our Church interest is gathering in the 20th quadrennial General Conference which convened May 5, in Memphis, Tennessee, and remains in session for approximately three weeks.

The General Conference is the highest unit of organization of the Church, and as the law-making body has the power to make rules and regulations for the government of the Church. It is expected that many matters of importance to Methodists will come before this legislative body. New assignments of the bishops will be made for the coming year and the episcopal districts arranged for them, as is customary, also the various Boards of the Church will report progress of their work since last Conference; and the General Conference will elect the members of the Boards and the Connectional officers who will serve for another four years.

Many leaders are of the opinion that this session will witness many radical changes in Methodist polity, while others declare that indications point to a calm, conservative meeting. Discussion is open in the Church press as to probable new legislation. Among the major questions expected to come before the general conference are the adoption of a Constitution of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the re-organization of the General Boards of the Church. And, although the plan of Unification of Methodism was declared defeated by the Southern branch, it is expected that there will be some kind of action on this matter, resulting in the appointment of a Commission on Unification to study the question of Methodist union further. Other matters of special interest to Methodists which are expected to be decided at the approaching session relate to the tenure of the bishop's office; changes in the presiding eldership; new arrangements in the periodical publications of the church; issuance of a doctrinal statement; and the election of additional bishops. The prevailing opinion is that there will be not fewer than two nor more than three bishops elected.

This session is the third meeting of the General Conference in Memphis, former sessions being held there in 1870 and 1894.

As constituted at the present time, the membership of the General Conference is divided equally between clerical and lay delegates, one clerical and one lay delegate being allowed for every forty-eight members of each Annual Conference. Eight years ago the General Conference granted laity rights to women and they are now eligible to election and service as delegates. There are 31 women as principal and alternate lay delegates included in the personnel of the present body, which is composed of approximately 400 delegates from

**WHOSOEVER THEREFORE SHALL BE ASHAMED OF ME AND OF MY WORDS IN THIS ADULTEROUS AND SINFUL GENERATION, OF HIM ALSO SHALL THE SON OF MAN BE ASHAMED WHEN HE COMETH IN THE GLORY OF HIS FATHER WITH THE HOLY ANGELS.—Mark 8:38.**

the 38 Annual Conferences in the United States and 14 foreign Conferences and Missions.

The General Conference of 1926 has in its representation more "new men," that is members serving for the first time, than in any previous session. There are 255 members who have not before sat in a General Conference.

The clerical membership embraces pastors, presiding elders, connectional officers and editors, while in the lay delegation more than 70 professions and business callings are represented. The list of lay delegates includes a former member of President Wilson's cabinet, a former governor, a congressman, a secretary of state; state commissioner of agriculture; 51 lawyers, 25 bankers, 16 college presidents and professors, 15 judges, five capitalists and numerous physicians, dentists, manufacturers, publishers, editors, traveling salesmen, undertakers and business executives. Influential nationals are included in both the clerical and lay representation of the foreign Conferences.

The Conference will be housed in the new Peabody Hotel, a magnificent building with more than 600 rooms.

The business sessions of the Conference will be held in the new \$1,500,000 municipal auditorium. This building has a seating capacity of 12,000 persons. One section with 2,500 seats will be placed at the disposal of the official delegates, distinguished guests and visitors, and 15,000 square feet of floor space will be turned over to the various departments of the church for their exhibits.

Each delegate will have his own seat and desk. A special speaker's platform has been built in front of the stage proper, and here provision will be made for the official stenographer of the Conference and for the numerous newspaper reporters. Rooms will be set aside for telegraph operators and wires have been run into the building for special operators, WMC, the radio station operated by the "Commercial Appeal," will broadcast daily important action taken by the Conference, as well as many of the speeches in the evening, when anniversary occasions of the Boards will be observed and when fraternal delegates transmit their messages.

A high point of interest in any general conference session is the "Episcopal Address," which is read on the opening day by the bishop previously selected by the Episcopal College. The Episcopal Address is the communication sent quadrennially by the bishops of the Church to the General Conference. It gives a general view of the Church; the advances made in the several departments; the growth in membership; fraternal relations with other Christian bodies and recommends appropriate legislation, the institution of new methods of administration and other matters of importance to the church's membership.

Since the last General Conference four bishops of the church have died, namely, Bishops J. C. Kilgo, R. G. Waterhouse, James Atkins and W. B. Murrah. Of the fifteen living members, Bishop E. R. Hendrix of Kansas City, is retired. The effective bishops are W. A. Candler, Collins Denny, Edwin D. Mouzon, John M. Moore, W. F. McMurry, U. V. W. Darlington, H. M. Du Bose, W. N. Ainsworth, James Cannon, Jr., W. B. Beauchamp, J. E. Dickey, S. R. Hay, H. M. Dobbs, and H. A. Boaz.

## "PLAIN SPEECH ON A PUBLIC INSULT."

Preachers and denominational editors are often charged with having the spirit of the Puritan or the "holier-than-thou" attitude when they criticize amusements and secular literature; hence it is refreshing to read the scathing rebuke administered in the March Atlantic Monthly to the purveyors of filthy literature by Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of The Nation. This editor is so liberal in many of his views that we cannot always follow him. He is not a prude; he is given to criticizing prudes. He is frank, and, while we must often differ with him, we believe he is honest. Consequently when he unequivocally denounces a certain kind of literature, no one has any right to find fault.

Referring to certain so-called "art magazines," Mr. Villard says: "So generous is its devotion to art that one of these magazines in its January 15 edition prints twenty-seven nude female pictures (some of them slightly draped). You get around any officious post-office censors by sending your edition, which speedily runs into the hundreds of thousands, by express."

Of the "snappy story" magazine he says: "The chronic readers know that there is always something off-color hidden for them somewhere, and the quest for that lures them into purchasing magazine after magazine."

He quotes a certain gentleman as saying: "I don't think this magazine could be given away unless it contained nude pictures."

Of another kind of periodical Mr. Villard says: "It is the acme of vulgarity; its pages are lined with the kind of jokes commercial travelers have always reveled in, and the coarse humor to be found in low music halls the world over. These are a type of publication that has always existed, to be passed around on trains and in livery stables when garages were unknown."

Describing the career of the editor of a notorious "physical culture" magazine, he says: "He, too, discovered the relationship of science to health, but unlike other scientific pioneers he was enabled to advance his cult by the unveiling of the human body. . . . Nudes sell better than anything else on the news-stands." For publishing a certain improper story this man "was sentenced to two years at hard labor and a fine of \$2,000. Then it is shown how the same man has made an immense fortune out of the sale of his "sex literature."

While these publications are regarded as "a public insult," and a fearful menace to morals, nevertheless, Mr. Villard regards some of them as "passing phases of a post-war period" and thinks that "they will run their course in due time," because "times change with extraordinary rapidity in the American magazine field."

Incidentally he thus comments on the denominational papers: "Witness the tremendous influence of the religious weeklies in the sixties and seventies, which have practically disappeared—or changed their garb—except in a few instances where they are directly church-sponsored."

In this instance Mr. Villard evidences more knowledge of the secular press than of the religious press. Relatively, that is in relation to secular papers, the religious papers have not the circulation that they once had; but actually they have a larger circulation than ever, and their influence is still great. Indeed it is largely the influence of these religious papers that holds many rampant evils in check. Because of their uncompromising fight against all kinds of evil, these papers deserve a larger circulation and better support. Let the readers of our denominational papers just imagine, for a moment, the condition of affairs if these watch-dogs of the public morals were to die. Will our good people co-operate to maintain these defenders of righteousness?

Fear finds flaws; but faith finds fruits.

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## PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

There were nine conversions and reclamations as a result of the pre-Easter campaign in our Church at Scranton.

Rev. J. R. Ashmore reports that he is now well and able to work and would be glad to assist his brethren in revivals. Address him at Belleville, Ark.

April 17, at the Methodist parsonage, Mr. Cecil Corley and Miss Mary Spicer, two young people of Scranton, were united in matrimony, Rev. C. J. Wade, their pastor officiating.

Last Sunday morning Rev. H. K. Morehead, our pastor at Russellville, preached the baccalaureate sermon for the Polytechnic College at Russellville, and Mr. J. W. Mehaffy at night delivered the address.

Rev. Norris Greer writes: "I have just closed my second meeting with Bro. Ditterline, at Asbury. Had 61 conversions and reclamations. Ditterline is a fine fellow to work with, and is doing a fine piece of work."

Remitting for his subscription, Rev. J. G. McCollum, formerly of North Arkansas Conference, now living in Chicago and working for the Church Publishing House, writes that he cannot do without the Arkansas Methodist.

State Superintendent A. B. Hill has accepted the presidency of Ouachita College, the chief Baptist institution of the state. He is a graduate of Ouachita College and has had large experience in public school work, having been principal of Little Rock High School and four years state superintendent of public instruction. He is a good man for this important position and the college is fortunate in securing him.

Presiding Elder Dedman announces that Rev. J. R. Oliver has been appointed pastor of Amity-Norman to take the place of Rev. J. D. Montgomery who has been released on account of the condition of his wife.

The air meet at this city last week was a great success. The weather was ideal, the attendance was large, and management efficient. Distinguished visitors expressed appreciation of Little Rock as an air port.

Presiding Elder Parker announces that the date of Monticello District Conference has been changed to June 15, beginning at 7:30 p. m. This change is made to avoid conflict with the Epworth League Assembly at Arkadelphia.

It has been announced that Mr. B. N. Duke, a brother of the late Jas B. Duke, has offered \$100,000 to Wesleyan College for Women, Macon, Ga., on condition that an additional \$200,000 be raised. Wesleyan is in the midst of a campaign for \$3,900,000.

Rev. and Mrs. R. B. Wilkes were in the city several days last week on account of their daughter who had a successful operation for appendicitis. He also visited his son who is in Hendrix College. Another son is in Northwestern University, at Evanston, Ill.

In a recent issue of the Lonoke County News, published at Lonoke, is a strong article by Mr. George Rule on the futility of the efforts to modify the prohibition law. Mr. Rule is one of the staunchest friends of prohibition, and what he writes is always to the point.

Rev. C. F. Messer of Dalark called last week and brought in a nice list of subscribers. He reports all things moving on well in his charge. He believes in the "Club Plan" and thinks he could use it in almost every charge. He has two boys in the university of Michigan and hopes to see one of them graduate in June.

On account of the fact that Dr. James Thomas will be in the Johns Hopkins Hospital for several weeks, he cannot take his seat in the General Conference. By agreement among themselves the clerical alternates will sit as follows: E. R. Steel, May 5-10; A. C. Millar, May 11-16; C. M. Reves, May 17; A. C. Millar, May 18 to adjournment.

We had hoped to have the Episcopal Address to the General Conference in this issue, but it was not received in time. It will appear next week. The next three numbers will be made up largely of General Conference news, and those who contribute to the departments are asked to send only those items which are absolutely necessary.

Last week, while here to attend the Air Meet, Rev. G. L. Cagle, our pastor at Murfreesboro, called and reported his charge in good condition and the Arkansas Methodist growing in favor among his people. The peach crop is unhurt and promises a large yield. The editor hopes to accept his invitation to visit during the peach harvest and enjoy the delicious Elbertas.

At Galloway College for Women last Tuesday the new Science Hall was dedicated. This fine building, described in these columns a few weeks ago, is a valuable asset to the college and is a distinct achievement of the Galloway Alumnae, led by Miss Maude Hayes who by faithful and persistent efforts has secured the money with which to erect this ideal building. Dr. Forney Hutchinson delivered the dedicatory address. Hundreds of visitors attended. It was a great day in the history of our woman's college.

Bequests aggregating \$36,650,000 for charitable, religious, and other institutions, are made in the will of Mrs. Anna M. Richardson Harkness, who died on March 27. The largest bequests were: Commonwealth Fund, \$10,000,000; Yale University, \$3,000,000; Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, \$2,500,000; Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, \$2,500,000; Presbyterian Hospital, \$1,500,000; Church Extension Committee of the Presbytery of New York, \$1,000,000; Metropolitan Museum of Art, \$1,000,000; American Museum of Natural History, \$1,000,000; New York Zoological Society, \$1,000,000, and New York Public Library, \$1,000,000.—Ex.

## YOUTHFUL DELINQUENCY DECREASING

The anti-prohibitionists and a few old people who have forgotten the pranks of their youth claim that the youth of America are depraved and growing worse. We do not believe it, and now we have facts to disprove the charge. The United States Children's Bureau, has made an investigation in nine of our larger cities, and the records of juvenile delinquency for the period between 1915 and 1924 show a decided decrease. The Christian Science Monitor says that this is an answer to the enemies of Prohibition who are insisting that disregard and disrespect for law are combining to contribute to the delinquency of American boys and girls.

## SUNDAY AT PLUMERVILLE.

A few weeks ago I accepted an invitation from Rev. Noel S. Chaney, our wide-awake pastor at Plumerville, to preach the closing sermon for his school. On arrival Saturday night I was met by members of the Senior Class and escorted to the Sims Hotel, a well kept house where I had a quiet and restful night. Sunday morning I attended the Sunday School in the store-room where it is temporarily held, and then preached to a fine congregation in the moving-picture hall. After a delicious dinner at the home of Mr. D. E. Thomas, Bro. Chaney and I, in the car of Mr. T. L. Plumer, sped out over a good road and through a prosperous-looking farming country five miles northwest to Oak Grove Church, where I preached to a small congregation, filling an engagement made about 27 years ago which I had been unable to meet.

In order to supplement his income and to meet a local demand Bro. Chaney this year has conducted a private high school with about 30 students. They begin their work at 7:30 a. m. and close at noon. The graduates are: Elizabeth Bradley and Wilma Griswood and Rhodes Burrows and Mack Burke, Jr. Bro. Chaney has enjoyed this work and his efforts seem to be appreciated.

Our church building was burned last year. The old lot and the parsonage property have been sold and a very desirable quarter of a block, more centrally located, has been secured. Some \$5,000 in cash and good notes are in hand, and as soon as a sufficient amount is assured, a \$10,000 building will be erected. It is badly needed, as the church activities, carried on in an old store, have been seriously handicapped.

The membership is about 140, well organized under Bro. Chaney's efficient leadership during his pastorate of two and a half years. The official board, Mr. Howard Malone, chairman, is functioning faithfully. Supt. Dewey Maness leads a good Sunday School. The Woman's Missionary Society, under the presidency of Mrs. W. T. Crawford, is a fine body of workers. Small, but active Junior and Senior Leagues, with Mrs. Chaney as president, are meeting the needs of our young people. The Arkansas Methodist goes into every Methodist home in Plumerville.

Plumerville is a good small town with a fine farming country surrounding it. Much improvement is in evidence since my last visit. The stores are substantial bricks and the residences are tasteful and comfortable. Good roads give easy access. Last year the school building was burned, but a large and slightly structure has taken its place. Mr. G. A. Hulen is the superintendent.

The weather was fine and all of my associations were pleasant. Many old friends were met and new acquaintances formed. It was a delightful day in a good community.—A. C. M.

## BOOK REVIEW.

The City of Fire; by Grace Livingston Hill; published by J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia; price \$2.00.

The City of Fire is indeed an unusual book. In it you find the beauty of simplicity and holiness side by side with the greed and lust and frivolity that do so much to mar the loveliness of our every day world. There is an air of naturalness and reality about the characters and their actions that makes the readers feel at home with them from the very beginning. There is lively action from the first and the adventures of Billy, the fourteen year old boy who plays such an important part in the story, are followed with eagerness. The influence of a simple Christian faith on all with whom it comes in contact is beautifully manifested in the story. It is not often that one finds a story in which the element of adventure and the spirit of Christianity blend so beautifully.

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

## CHARACTER GIFTS OF ONE COMMUNITY TO THE WORLD

By Stanley T. Baugh.

Some communities boast of their cotton production. Some communities are quite proud of their live stock production. Other communities produce berries, melons, fruits or vegetables. These products are all good. They are necessary to feeding and clothing the people of the earth.

There is a small community in southwest Arkansas whose people can speak with pride of these material productions. Some of the best radishes on the market are grown there. Some of the sweetest cantaloupes and largest watermelons are grown in that section. People in Northern and Eastern markets call for "Perfection" brand cantaloupes grown in this community.

But the greatest production of this community is not these things, as valuable as they are. The greatest production of this particular community is the type of young people they are training and sending out into the world.

This community is known as the Blevins community, and is situated sixteen miles west of Prescott, in the north end of Hempstead County. Blevins is a splendid small town. Its citizens are intelligently religious. There is as fine a school spirit in that community as any to be found.

For a number of years Blevins circuit has been one of the choice charges of the Little Rock Conference. It has grown in Church circles until now full time is given to the Blevins Church with one afternoon appointment. The District Lay Leader of the Prescott District is a member of the Blevins Church, Mr. H. M. Stephens. This Church has one of the best Sunday Schools in the Conference, two splendid Epworth Leagues, and a live W. M. S.

The unusual contribution of this community is in the type of young people who have grown up in this and adjoining communities, and have gone out to render acceptable service as doctors, school teachers, and ministers.

During the past fifteen years the following fine young people have entered some one of these three types of service to humanity.

One is a graduate nurse, now in Scarritt Bible Training School, Nashville, Tenn., preparing for service in the foreign field, Miss Vera Perry.

One is a physician in Houston, Texas, Dr. Will Bell.

Six ministers as follows: Rev. R. P. James, pastor Hawley Memorial, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Rev. W. C. Martin, pastor First Church, Port Arthur, Texas; Rev. C. E. Bell, pastor Hope Circuit; Rev. Guy C. Ames, pastor Strong Circuit; Rev. W. J. Whiteside, pastor Hickory Plains Circuit; Rev. W. C. Yancey, pastor Glenwood, Ark. The last one named was not reared in this community, but definitely answered the call to preach after a residence of three years at Blevins.

This community has furnished the following school teachers: Mr. Everett James, teaching in Oklahoma; Mrs. W. O. Beene, teaching at Blevins; Miss Bess Beauchamp, teaching at Ozark; Miss Edna Nesbitt, teaching at Blevins; Miss Iola Nesbitt, teaching at Shreveport; Miss Florida Nesbitt, teaching in a Business College; Mrs. Emma Hendrix and Miss Ola Phillips; Miss Lola Bruce, teaching at Blevins; Miss Ethel Bruce, teaching music at Blevins; Mrs. Herbert Stephens, Mrs. Ola Alston, Mrs.

Hazel Davis of Foreman; Miss Lillian Taylor, teaching at El Dorado; Mr. Jester Taylor Smith Hughes, teacher; Mrs. Lloyd Lewis, teaching at Ashdown; Mrs. J. A. Hemphill, of Fayetteville; Miss Kella Stone, Miss Alean Bailey, teaching at El Dorado; Miss Mollie Bailey, teaching in our Lydia Patterson Institute for Mexican boys, El Paso, Texas.

The last two named spent three years in Mexico, teaching in our Mission School at Torreon, Mexico.

Twenty-nine young people given to the service of humanity in the past fifteen years is a worthy contribution. Many communities of many times the population of Blevins, cannot boast nearly so many fine young people giving their lives to helpful human service.

After all the finest thing in the world is Christian character.

## REPORT ON PROHIBITION

(Adopted by Little Rock District Conference.)

The organized liquor interests of this country, educated by greed for money and lust for power, whether proceeding under the authority of law or under the ban of law, may always be counted on as the relentless enemy and the insidious foe of orderly government, and in order to prosper must break down and destroy the home, the church, and the school, and every other interest that is near the heart of men and women who love God and humanity. Six years of nation-wide prohibition has brought better school attendance, better clothes, better food and homes to our people. The reign of quiet and prosperity has been felt on every hand. But in the face of six years of wet propaganda to defeat the will of the people, to delay the enforcement of law, the miracle of prohibition wrought out of the prayers of mothers and fathers would have been more apparent even than it has been. We view with fear the apathy of our people in rising up and meeting this deadly foe on the very ground where the battle was first won and John Barleycorn was sent reeling from the fray. The danger is that we have felt altogether too secure in the victories of the past and failed to reckon with the unscrupulous foe of society. We have been encouraged to hear the reports coming up from every part of this District to believe that our people are universally in favor of prohibition and law enforcement and uncompromisingly opposed to any attempt to repeal, modify, or in anywise nullify the prohibition laws of our state or nation.

We, the members of the Little Rock District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, now assembled, would therefore urge our pastors and leaders to preach on the subject of prohibition and law enforcement and seek by every fair means to enlist our people against this public evil that so threatens the life and prosperity of the church of God.

We would urge that unceasing prayer be made for the men who under God are leading us in this fight against relentless foe of our race. And further, that today we engage in a season of prayer for the help of Him who presides over the destinies of nations as well as individuals.

We would call upon our people to rededicate themselves to the battle against this enemy of society and to join forces with every righteous movement to defeat any attempt at the repeal of these very wholesome laws.

We would urge our Senators and Representatives in Congress to stand

by the Dry Law as it is and to seek by every possible means to re-enforce these laws by additions that will lead to their better enforcement.

We would urge our people to vote only for men and women whom they know to be right on the question of prohibition and law enforcement, especially in the congressional choice.

We would heartily commend Governor Terral in his adherence to a program of law enforcement. We would commend the strong consistent editorial stand taken by the *Arkansas Gazette* for prohibition and good government.

We would request our bishop and the committee on public worship at our next Annual Conference, which is to convene in the city of Warren, to set apart an hour, (an evening hour would be preferable) in which the friends of temperance and prohibition shall have an opportunity to present the claims of the great cause of Prohibition and Law Enforcement.—B. A. Few, Chairman Com.

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON MEDITATION

One week ago my dear companion was laid away in Linwood cemetery, Paragould, to rest until the resurrection of the just, and now wherever I go or look my thoughts revert to her and I am made to realize that our greatest triumphs of faith, our sublimest hope, and our richest experiences are conceived and born in our sorest trials and deepest griefs in this life. At this time my mind runs back for fifty-five years to the day when wife and I plighted our faith either to other—a happy day. That union remained undisturbed until death, and I feel that she is still mine if possible dearer than ever before.

A good Providence permitted us to walk together for many long years, and very truly guided us all the while, for which we were very grateful.

Now she is gone and I am waiting on the border line and will soon step over for surely the "crossing must be near." My wife stood by me as a Methodist preacher for fifty-one years, and during all my active work in the itinerancy she simply did what she could. She never desired publicity nor high places of honor; but was never happier than when helping others. She was a keeper at home, economical and industrious, but in all her efforts only thought of others. We had a large family of children. She never thought we had too many, and would have at any time, had it been necessary, given her life for any of them.

In our early ministry we had no parsonages. She never complained. The floods came upon us and the yellow fever near us, but she never once suggested that we leave our work. Hard works and small salaries never provoked her to one word of complaint. When conditions improved and pastors got better salaries and furnished parsonages, she was not envious, but rejoiced in their good fortune.

An incident indicating her disposition. One spring strawberry season came. We had our first served at the noon meal. When all had eaten theirs, she rose with her berries and cake and said, "I think that blind woman across the street would enjoy this," and she did.

It has so happened that we have often lived where it was convenient for preachers to stop, and as long as she was able we kept open house and she was always ready and glad to provide for them. If I have had any degree of success in the ministry,

wife was the power behind the throne, so far as human help was concerned. She stayed close at home with the children, and never objected to my absence when the church needed my service or duty called.

For four years she has been an invalid. For the last two years I have given her about all my time. She suffered; but was patient. Four days before her going she was suddenly stricken with hemorrhage of the brain and was rendered unconscious, from which she never recovered. On the night of the 16th the clock struck 12. I sat by her side with hand on her brow. Fifteen minutes passed and all was over. My heart was crushed, my head was bowed. Oh; how sad, and lonely; but when I had time to think I said in my heart, my dear one is at rest; no more suffering. I am not alone; so many good friends, and Jesus says, "Come unto me and I will give you rest." I came, His grace is sufficient. I contemplate a glorious and happy reunion.

Revs. J. B. Evans, C. L. Castleberry, and J. M. Harrison spoke words of comfort at the funeral.—M. M. Smith.

## THE PREACHER'S GETHSEMANE.

Times. At the close of an average of thirty-five years of active service for the Church.

Place. A dreary little town, where he has gone to attend his Annual Conference and to receive appointment for another year's active work.

Conditions. No bank account, no home, health impaired, unfitted for any other character of work, aged and sickly wife waiting for news of his appointment, children married and having a hard time to make ends meet, and maybe an invalid child or loved one depending upon him for support.

Appointment. Superannuation, with an annual allowance so small that it scarcely pays even the rent for a humble cottage.

The Return. When you have made it, you will ever remember it as "The Preacher's Gethsemane." You say, "Why make a scene of all this, anyhow he is comfortable." Is he? Is he comfortable? Could you be comfortable under similar circumstances? Could you? This man has served the Church all his life with utter abandon to her interests. He has given her all his affection, energy, thought, and devotion. "God has been his Master; the Church has been the field of his unremitting toil." I do not protest against his retirement, for it must be so. But when his Annual Conference votes him to the list of superannuates, allows him a mere pittance annually for his support, and quiets its conscience by singing "E'en down to old age" I say, "Justice is lame as well as blind among us."

The Result. Today, many of those who have traveled this via dolorosa are sick, lonely, and in great need of the bare necessities of existence. Some of them are compelled to depend on the charity of others to keep the wolf from the door. All of them possess characters so refined and purified by the fires of the passing years, that they appear even to the most critical as veritable saints upon the earth. It sometimes happens that when one of them closes his eyes upon this world, it is necessary for friends to provide the funds to give him a decent burial. It is painful to read these lines, but it is much more painful to realize that the Church so neglects to provide a proper support for her old preachers that such words can be written.—

From Call of the Forgotten Man.

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### CHRISTIAN LIFE.

#### THE CHURCH OF LONG AGO

My fathers church in days of yore,—  
The church he helped from scanty store;

The church to which he always went

'Neath summer's sun and winter's snow,

That he might learn his Lord to know

And serve His Son from Heaven sent.

My mother's church in which she prayed,

And never from its teaching strayed;

Whose Lord she loved, whose path she trod

With faith full-orbed and heart aflame

For Him she served of matchless Name,

Until at last she saw her God.

My brother's church when he was young

And heard the songs of Zion sung;

The church in which he gave his heart

To Him who died for his release

And showed to him the way of peace

That better is than any art.

Full fifty years have passed away

Since there I found the better way

And pledged my life to Him I love;

And all the years that precious place

Has helped me run the Christian race

In hope at last of heaven above.

O little church of boyhood home!

No temples high where'er I roam

Can ever seem one half so fair

As boyhood church on village green

Where first I learned what it could mean

To follow Christ with holy dare.—

Walter R. Davenport in Zion's Herald.

#### A GARDEN THOUGHT

In the sweat of thy face.—Genesis 3. 19.

If gardening were all sunshine and fragrance and flowers-gathering, it would be the most popular, as it is the most ancient, of crafts. It is the drudgery that deters. If the curse of toil were removed, how pleasurable would gardens be.

Yet Eden prior to the "curse" of toil was no great success. Toil was the one thing Eden lacked, and when the omission was made good, man regarded it as a curse.

Since then man's gardens have been conquests, not gifts. In the sweat of his face he has won them and that has been the source of all his triumphs and joys, no less than of his pains. To have a hand in the creation of re-creation of Eden is both greater honor and richer satisfaction.

The curse that yoked man to drudgery lifted him to a great partnership, a partnership that transforms the drudgery. They who would share the one must also share the other. The pain and toil is part of the partnership, and we have no right to shirk our share.

The question of drudgery needs to be thought out. For there are some overdue revelations to be made in our age, and necessary readjustments in practice will be easier if preceded by readjustments in thought. The word drudgery refers originally to heavy, laborous work. But heavy work is surely not more ignoble than light work, yet, somehow, by many it has come to be despised. Not seldom the heavy work from which

many seek escape is more serviceable and more honorable than the light and dainty work they crave.

Service of any sort, provided it makes a real contribution to the commonweal, is honorable.

Once a task is seen in its wider relationships, as part of a great purpose, it shines with new dignity and significance. Where vision is, drudgery is transformed. The true gardener finds a certain joy in the recurring tasks. Each becomes a stage in the wonderful sequence of growth. The beauty of gardens, as of homes, is built on drudgery. The best results come of minutest, unremitting care. He who seeks to escape these unending tasks fails as a gardener. In garden or home the best of life is somehow linked with the lowliest tasks. The menial tasks often prove an open way and lead out to life's spacious places—to its great discoveries and joys. The humblest service is often the surest way to friendship and influence. Through humble tasks come, again and again, the great enrichings of life.

The great servants of humanity have not feared drudgery. "Many advances in science," said Lord Kelvin, "have owed their origin to protracted drudgery. Accurate and minute measurement seems to a non-scientific imagination a less lofty and dignified work than looking for something new. But nearly all the greatest discoveries of science have been but the rewards of accurate measurement and patient, long-continued labor in the minute sifting of numerical results."

To find our way out to the place of light we must first endure discipline. All that is needed to make our lives not merely endurable but joyous and of abounding hope is vision. We may be greater than we know. Our work, the drudgery of our life's field, may be the toilful preparation for far-off and glorious harvests, when song shall follow work. There shall spring up within us that song of the fields of which David Grayson writes.

After the work of planting and cultivating, after the rain has fallen and the sun has warmed his fields and new green leaves have broken the earth, one day the gardener stands looking out with joy across his acres, and there springs up within him a song of the fields. No matter how little poetic, how little articulate he

is, the song rises irrepressibly in his heart, and he turns aside from his task with a new glow of fulfillment and contentment.—F. C. Hoggarth in Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

#### KNOWLEDGE OF GOD

Knowledge of God is not a mental expertness in the unlocking and understanding of mysteries. It is not a wealth of discovery made by the implements of logic. Logic may help to give a man a theology. It will never give him a religion. Mental conclusions and spiritual experiences are quite two different things. Reason may gather piles of knowledge concerning the historic Jesus, but reason alone will give me nothing about the risen Christ. I want to know the Jesus of history, but I want to have communion with the Christ of faith. Faith is more than a mental decision; it is a surrender of the will. It is more than a verdict; it is the execution of the verdict. It is of momentous importance to remember that the very core of faith is motion—a movement of the will toward the holy Lord; the act of faith, the yielding of the personal life to the God who is revealed to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. And the life of faith is the constant repetition of that act of surrender until the repealed acts become an attitude, and every choice and will in life is stamped with the pleasure and fear of God.—J. H. Jowett.

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The spoken word, so soon forgot  
By thee, but it has perished not;  
In other hearts 'tis living still,  
And doing work for good or ill:  
And the lost opportunity  
That cometh back no more to thee—  
In vain thou weepest, in vain dost yearn,  
Those three will nevermore return.

—Selected.

## BIG BILL'S SYSTEM

"Big Bill Barton is lucky, I tell you," insisted Jinx Kennedy. "Did you ever see a fellow have everything fall his way like that?"

"Lucky? Maybe he's doped out some secret system so he'll always come out on top." Joe Winters became reminiscent. "I once heard of a chap that hypnotized people and—"

Art Johnson chortled: "Good old Bill a hypnotist! That's a good one; now tell another!"

Tom Hallock grinned: "It doesn't sound much like Bill. He probably gets his grade and wins his debates because he's got a good head on him. And he's strong as a horse. Why shouldn't he win more games for Bay View High than any halfback we ever had? He's an ace, too."

"There he is with Fred," remarked Jinx, looking across the school yard. "I never saw two brothers who were such good pals." Big Bill Barton had met a boy who hobbled nimbly on crutches. In spite of a withered leg, Fred Barton was a cheerful student.

"Well system or no system, it's no wonder Bill is the most popular senior in the school. He deserves it," asserted Tom. "There's the bell. I'm going to use this study period to finish my chemistry experiment in the fifth floor lab."

"Thought they weren't using the fifth floor on account of the wet paint."

"They aren't for classes. But I've got permission to go up."

Alone on the quiet fifth floor, Tom jumped as a gong broke the stillness. It clang'd again—again—again. There was a sudden rustle and roar of sound, with opening doors and hundreds of marching feet below.

"Four bells—fire drill without wraps. Oh, hang it, why should I bother trailing all the way down five flights and up." Tom turned again to the fascinating liquids in his test tubes. But then he fingered the "S. S. C." armband on his sleeve. A Students' Service Corps fellow—well, that meant you were trusted to see that other fellows obeyed rules.

"It would be pretty rotten to cut it," Tom decided. "All the same, a fire drill's a nuisance sometimes."

Opening the door, he gasped. Smoke—a cloud of it—slowly curled round the corner of the corridor. He trembled with excitement. "A real fire! I'd better get out quick. It's getting strong." He coughed as he raced down the empty hall. At the head of the stairs he staggered back. "Fires on this side. I'll have to take the west stairway." But halfway back he stopped. Was that somebody else coughing? Of course it couldn't be.

What happened next, Tom never could quite explain. There was nobody there to say, "Go back to the east stairway." But he found himself back, facing the smoky clouds at

the east stairway. Then he heard it again—a cough and a voice calling, a little faintly. He knew the voice.

"Fred! Fred Barton. Where are you?" yelled Tom.

"Down on the stairs—beyond the first landing." Fred's voice was a little weak but game.

Tom bounded through the smoke. Fred was on the steps, struggling with his crutches. "Come up for a book I left. Tripped and broke my good ankle. With two bum legs I'm not much good. Then the fire gong rang and the smoke got bad. Better go and send a fireman or some one after me. I'm a pretty hefty guy."

"Not a bit of it. We can make it together, old man."

But Fred was hefty. When Tom felt his weight, it seemed impossible. But it might be too late to get help. If he left him, Fred would lie there in the smoke—coughing, choking, strangling. "I've got to," Tom muttered. Stopping at the drinking fountain he soaked his own handkerchief and Fred's to use as masks. "Over my shoulder you go."

"You can't do it, I tell you." Fred's voice trailed off in a tired whisper.

Tom never could understand how he did it. With the heavier boy limp across his shoulder a crushing weight, he jerked and crawled down—coughing, strangling. More steps and more steps. Smoke—bitter, choking, overwhelming. "I've got to get him down," he breathed. "I've got to. If only my knees didn't bend and shake so. How many more steps? If only I were stronger. Oh, God, let me get him down!"

He didn't know how he reached the first floor. But he had. There he met somebody—some angel from heaven that took the awful weight away and led him somewhere where there were delicious draughts of air. A funny angel it was, with a bushy, black mustache and a fireman's helmet and a familiar Irish accent. "Sure now, and take it easy, lad."

"Mike McClosky, from the engine house," Tom started to say but he found his voice too tired. He wanted to giggle instead. It was funny to see Mike's big, freckled face above him. And now Mr. McClosky was laying him down on grass wonderfully cool and wet, where crowds of people were rushing around and yelling so that it hurt his head.

Later, when he was resting in bed, Big Bill was there, gripping his hand and saying wonderful things. "Fred could never have made it," said Bill with a little catch in his voice. "Nobody knew he had gone up there. I can't tell you what it means, but you understand, old fellow. I don't see how you got through."

"I notice you usually get through when you start something," said Tom. "What do you do when you want awfully hard to get through something and not fall down on it?"

"It might seem queer to some," answered Bill. "But often before a game or an exam, I've prayed. I do not mean praying just to win or for some unfair advantage over the other side. That would be something like breaking a fellow's leg to beat him in a race. But I mean praying that I might do my level best and play fair. It's no good wishing for things unless you feel something in you that makes you give your best to it. And somehow it seems easier to get that feeling when I think about getting strength in a definite way."

"Without any regular, church prayer words?" asked Tom.

"Well, every fellow must get it his own way," said Bill. "To me, the

## FOR CHILDREN.

## GOIN' BAREFOOT.

It's more fun goin' barefoot than anythin' I know,

There ain't a single 'nother thing that helps yer feelin's so

Some days I stay in muvver's room, agettin' in her way;

An' when I've bothered her so much, she sez, "Oh, run an' play!"

I say: "Kin I go barefoot?" En she says, "If y' choose"—

'Nen I alwus wanter holler when I'm pullin' off my shoes.

It's fun a-goin' barefoot when yer playin' any game—

'Cause robbers would be noisy an' Indians awful tame

Unless they had their shoes off when they crep' up in the night,

An' folks cant know they're comin' they get right close in sight!

An' I'm surely goin' barefoot every day when I get old,

An' haven't got a nurse to say I'll catch my death o' cold!

An' if ye goin' barefoot, yer want t' get outdoors.

Y' can't stretch out an' dig yer heels in stupid hardwood floors!

Like yer kin dig 'em in the dirt! An' where th' long grass grows,

Th' blades feel kinder tickley an' cool between yer toes.

So when I'm pullen off my shoes I'm mighty 'fraid I'll cough—

'Cause then I know ma'd stop me 'fore I got my stockin's off!

If y' go 'round often barefoot there's lots o' things to know—

Of how t' curl yer feet on stones, so they wont hurt yer so—

An' when the grass is tickly an' pricks y' at a touch,

Jes' plank yer foot down solid, an' it don't hurt half so much.

I lose my hat mos' every day. I wish I did my shoes—

Er else I wisht I was so poor I I hadn't none to lose!

—Harper's Magazine

## FIRST CHOICE.

"I got here first!" cried Bobby. "I am first chooser!"

"No, I was first," said Ted. "I got to the gate first."

"But I got to the door first," insisted Bobby. "I am first chooser."

"Suppose we all sit down," said Miss Ruth. "We havent said 'Good Morning' to any one yet."

Bobby and Ted and all the other children went to their little brown chairs.

The good morning song did not sound as merry as usual; and when it was finished, Miss Ruth said:

"Once I saw two little chickens quarreling over one worm. It was a long, long worm, quite enough for both, but neither would give the other one little bite. No, each one

words aren't the most important thing."

"You have to do something more to make it work, don't you?"

"You bet," said Bill. "I don't see any good in wishing or praying or whatever you call it, unless you do something to bring what you're after. That's really part of it. Sometimes it's something awfully hard—what you did today, for instance."

Tom thought a moment. "So it's all a part of your system of praying when you bone for an exam and keep training files before a game."

Big Bill smiled. "I think you understand my system."—Religious Weekly Review.

pulled and pulled and peeped and peeped until—what do you suppose happened?"

"What?" asked all the children in one breath.

"A great big old rooster came along and scolded and flapped his wings and took the long worm away from the little chicks and ate it himself."

"O!" breathed all the children.

"And what did the little chicks have for their dinner?" asked Sara.

They went away and looked for another worm or maybe a bug," said Miss Ruth.

And did they quarrel next time?" asked Bobby.

"I was not there next time," said Miss Ruth; "but I think they did not quarrel any more, at least not that morning. For they had been taught that quarrels do not pay. Now, shall we ask Rosalind to choose the first game because she was absent yesterday and we are so very glad to see her again?"

"Yes, yes!" cried the little girls and boys.

Rosalind skipped to the center of the room. "Ten Little Indians," she chose.

Bobby slipped his hand into his pocket and felt the new whistle he had brought to help play "Postman," and Ted sighed, remembering the new game they had learned yesterday. It was a good game.

But "Ten Little Indians" is a good game too, and soon they were circling around the room like true little red men. They could almost believe they were out in the leafy forest, they could almost feel the mossy turf under their moccasined feet. They almost forgot they were little white children in their kindergarten room. But two little boys did not quite forget the story of the little chickens who lost their dinner because neither was willing to give up to the other.—Mrs. A. O. Smith, in the Christian Observer.

## LITTLE ANNIE AND HER GRANDMOTHER

Little Annie loved her grandmother very much. The dear, good grandmother was very old and feeble. She could not run about and see the trees and the flowers in the woods and hear the birds sing as little Annie could.

So she tried to be as kind and helpful to her grandmother as she could. She liked to run little errands for her and to sit on a little stool at her feet and tell her about the trees and the flowers and the birds, and then her grandmother would reward her by telling some stories about herself when she was a little girl.

We hope that all little boys and girls who have grandmothers or grandfathers will do like little Annie. That is what their parents and Heavenly Father want them to do.—Exchange.

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### W. M. S. CALENDAR

L. R. Conf. Y. P. Summer Conference Henderson-Brown College, June 14-19.

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"So let our lips and lives express  
The holy gospel we profess;  
So let our works and virtues shine  
To prove the doctrine all divine."  
—Isaac Watts.

We count ourselves fortunate this week in having for publication Mrs. E. R. Steel's fine address to the L. R. Conf. W. M. S. in its Annual Meeting in Hot Springs. It will be read with interest by many friends in Arkansas and elsewhere. May its earnest message inspire a forward movement among the women of the M. E. Church South.

The Fourteenth Annual Report of L. R. Conf. W. M. Society reflects much credit on Mrs. J. M. Stinson, Rec. Sec., who wrought well and industriously in order that it might reach the auxiliaries in good time for the May meetings.

### CONWAY

The Mission Study Class of the W. M. S. No 1, Conway, recently carried out a unique program in the form of a review of the book "New Days in Latin America." Two captains were appointed, the Even and the Odds. When the class was formed each went to her captain according to her number. The Superintendent of Study had prepared fifty questions from the book, and in addition asked several in regard to our Mission Stations in Latin America. We had a scorekeeper, but the ladies reviewed the book so thoroughly, that very few questions were answered incorrectly. We were so pleased with the plan we will use it for our study of the next book, "Healing Ourselves."—Mrs. John H. Glass, Supt. of Study and Publicity.

### LITTLE ROCK FIRST CHURCH.

"Healing Ourselves," by Elmer T. Clarke has been the book for Mission Study in two all-day meetings of the ladies of L. R. First Church. The first was a delightful and profitable day in the home of Mrs. Henry Leigh, her mother, Mrs. A. J. Quindley, being the guest of honor.

The second day's meeting was in the church parlors and again Mrs. C. L. Dew, Mission Study Supt. had prepared questions, and clippings for the day. These added much interest to the study of this interesting book which tells much of the needs and resources of our own country. The afternoon session closed with the following program presented by Mrs. L. F. Barrie:

Devotional, Mrs. H. G. Frost; "The Council at Work in Japan," Mrs. A. J. Wilson; violin solo, Miss Katherine Gill; "Greetings from Our Conference Treasurer," Mrs. E. R. Steel; "The Annual Meeting," Mrs. B. J. Reaves; "Our Young People and Missions," Mrs. Frank McCarroll; "Our Juniors and Missions," Mrs. W. E. Liggett. A social half hour was enjoyed by all.—V. C. P.

### COTTON PLANT AUXILIARY.

Mrs. Rhea Byers was hostess Tuesday afternoon to the W. M. S. of the M. E. Church, South, of Cotton Plant. Thirteen members answered to roll call. The Bible study lesson was delightfully led by Mrs. B. L. Wilford, after which an examination was held. The meeting was very interesting and instructive as well as delightful. The hostess served dainty refreshments.

The outstanding event of the week was the Fifty-Fifty party given Wednesday afternoon by the W. M. S. of the M. E. Church, South, at the elegantly appointed home of Mrs. S. M. Bush of Cotton Plant. A committee of the members had arranged a delightful program. The outstanding number was a pantomime portraying the seven stages of womanhood, beginning with infancy and down to old age. Genevieve Foster, Angel Calvin, Browning McGowan, represented infancy; Virginia McGregor, childhood; Ruth Forpley, school days, Eva Crafford, maidenhood; Ellma Ward, wifehood; Mrs. Ran McGregor and little daughter, motherhood; Mrs. M. E. Read, old age. The program included vocal solos by little Miss Martha Helen Parker, Boyce Gephart and Miss Allie B. Proctor. Mrs. Argo and Mrs. P. S. Johnson sang, "Silver Theards Among the Gold." Also the assembly had the pleasure of hearing two of our high school celebrities, Miss Leah Barnett, in a delightful reading and Miss Helen Dillon, who sweetly sang, "That Wonderful Mother of Mine," during the pantomime of motherhood. The rooms were bowers of beauty with a profusion of spring flowers and ferns. Mrs. Bush in her usual charming manner proved an ideal hostess. A delicious plate was served. The proceeds were \$28. Those assisting Mrs. Bush were Mrs. H. C. Argo, president of the society, Mrs. Rex. Pearce, Mrs. Joe McGregor Mrs. J. L. Keith, Mrs. W. A. Arthur, Miss Harmon, and Mrs. N. N. Cain. The singers were beautifully accompanied by Mrs. Floyd Wayne of Little Rock, a former Cotton Plant Girl. After a round of jokes and other fun the large gathering was dismissed.—Mrs. J. M. Dillon.

### MRS R. A. DOWDY, PUB. SUPT. WRITES

Our enterprising Young Peoples Supt. of the North Arkansas Conference has already issued and sent out an interesting prospectus of the summer camp on Petit Jean Mountain for July 5-10. It is a most picturesque location, high and lifted up. Nine successive camps were held here last summer. The Young Peoples Camp was a glorious success and this year has promise of a much larger attendance. Each adult missionary society is asked to pay the expenses of the delegate. We could do no better for our daughters.

### BATESVILLE •

The W. M. S. of Batesville First Church and Central Avenue held a most interesting and profitable Bible Study session at First Church. For three afternoons the joint meet-

ings convened and after appropriate period of worship Dr. E. R. Long, teacher of Bible in Arkansas College, and one of the most scholarly teachers of our state conducted a study in Prophecy. The text used that of Miss DeBardelaben.

It was an inspiration to listen to his review of the Prophets, his interpretation of their messages, in the light of the times in which they were delivered, and the application to problems of our modern life.

### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AT ANNUAL MEETING.

Mrs. E. R. Steel.

As we come together in this Annual Meeting it is meet and right that we should pause a moment at the very beginning to look over the past, take our bearings at the present and get a little glimpse at the task that lies out just before us.

This being the year of our General Conference all things Methodist are considered in the light of the quadrennium. As we turn the pages back to the Texarkana meeting in 1922 we find a considerable gain in our finances. In that year we sent to the Council Treasurer \$25,336.85 and our treasurer this year reports \$31,036.58 for connectional work giving us a net gain of \$5,699.73.

Our numbers are hard to estimate for we continue to grow one quarter and retrograde the next. But according to our best estimates we had at the beginning of the quadrennium 3,157 members in 123 adult auxiliaries. This year we report the same number of auxiliaries 123 and 4,042 members and have organized 10 new auxiliaries this year. We won in both the membership contests, first over North Arkansas and this year over N. Carolina.

Of our Y. P. and Junior work I am almost afraid to give statistics lest we should be reminded of Whitcomb Riley's little boy with curvature of the spine who said "last year I weighed 33 and I weigh 30 yet."

But we have under our efficient superintendents done a heroic and faithful work for the youth of our church and while the quadrennium has been full of question marks on this branch of our activities, we are more thoroughly committed today to the program of our Y. P. and Junior work than ever before, for we know that no other organization will train our girls for the work of the missionary society and no other is at present giving the missionary information and inspiration that our women can give. So we are putting our hand to the plough anew to push our work for the youth of the church.

This has been known as "Young Peoples Year," so designated by the Council at Tulsa, and it has had more than a Methodist significance. For us it began with the Y. P. Summer Conference at Arkadelphia, at which time the plans were laid for the Conference tour with Miss Combs, and the Young Peoples Rallies. Sad was their termination when after the Little Rock meeting news was received of the death of Miss Combs mother and she left immediately. But our own Mrs. Moore carried on heroically.

The significance of the year reached its climax in the two great conferences of Y. P. in Memphis and Evanston at Christmas time when the youth of the land declared themselves in no uncertain terms for a more vital Christianity and a real living of the "Jesus Way." Who knows but when the history of the century is written it will record that in Jan. 1926 began the movement for a new

day in the Christian Church that made it the Savior of life unto life. All great reforms of the world have been led by young men. Christ was a young man when he spoke those scathing denunciations of the formalism of the Jewish Church. The Wesleys were under 25 years when they led the movement that culminated in a break with a dogmatic and formal church and now again youth has spoken in this year of our Lord 1926 and it is the youth of the land that has set the church to thinking on the great themes of brotherhood and peace and vital christian relationship. May we never cease thinking till those ideals are made real.

We find ourselves today in a world in ferment. Our nation is adding its share to the distressed condition of mankind and the church has not complete possession of the "Peace that passeth understanding" that was promised by her Divine Lord. When we read that there are more young men in our prisons and reformatories than in all our colleges and universities, that for every seven marriages there is one divorce, that in our country last year 27,000 people were killed in automobile accidents and \$600,000,000 worth of property was destroyed through recklessness, we stand aghast at the pace at which we are going and say "where will it end." We, a band of Missionary women with a lighted torch in our hands given to our forefathers by the great Head of the church and handed down through generations to us, find ourselves baffled by the darkness and confusion through which we grope. All about us we see selfishness, pride, avarice, lawlessness and even murder and the church of Jesus Christ has the only panacea for all these ills and still we stand abashed to know how to make the light we have lightened the world's darkness.

The paramount question before the whole world today above all questions of statesmanship, yet permeating through them, above all questions of social relationships and yet the heart of all these, is the question of how we may make Jesus Christ real in the world today. The theme of our Council and of the meeting is "Tested by the Way of Jesus." And friends do you realize that it is just such bodies as the W. M. S. that will help to solve this question? Do you realize that the W. M. S. is the determining factor in your church and the church is the vitalizing agency in your community? Law cannot do it. Law will not keep your boys out of jail. Law will not make a home happy or a highway safe. The church must make the way of Jesus so beautiful that men will walk therein. This is a hard task but it belongs to you and me and we must do it. It is so easy to lift up Jesus Christ in Africa by opening our purses and giving a few dollars, but it is so hard to lift him up to the African in our kitchen by showing him a real home where Christ dwells.

How our hearts were moved at Council when Miss Cordelia Irwin came to the platform to tell what she wanted most for her district in Korea. With tears streaming down her face she said, "I want a Christian home—I want a Christian man and his wife and some children. We can't teach Christ to Korea without the demonstration of a Christian home." And friends, no more can we. We can't make America Christian without Christian homes. Ours is the work of home building—our homes are what we make them. Out of Christian homes we can build a church or

can purify a community, or we can develop a race.

You recall that St. Paul, after he saw the light on the Damascus road, was deeply convicted for the death of Stephen as he said "and I standing by consenting unto his death, held the garments of those who stoned him."

With this thought in mind of the testing by the way of Jesus who gave his all even his life, we could not boast of the work of the year just finished, yet there is much in it to make us rejoice because we believe through it Christ has been lifted up both at home and abroad.

We have grown numerically, we have added 10 new groups and that means new towns reached and more people interested in the towns already reached.

We have held our Council pledge now for three years at \$25,000 and each year have paid it in full. But we have gained 885 new members so we thought it only expressive of our faith in you women to raise that pledge a thousand dollars when we saw the desperate need of the field.

We have completed our pledge of \$7,500 to the Belle Bennett Memorial, but we are not forsaking our unwritten pledge to stand for a trained leadership with our prayers our hearts and our purses.

Our Elza Memorial, dear to the hearts of all the women of the Little Rock Conference is making good headway, a little over \$3,000 was paid in last year. We are depending on you to finish this gift early this year.

Beautiful Mt. Sequoyah, the great training center for Methodists of the Southwest, has grown in popularity and the variety and scope of its teachings. This is the great opportunity for the women of our church who are past school age, women whose family cares hold them most of the year, yet who feel that they do not know how to do the things in the home church they feel called to do.

Our History—Builders of a King-

dom is still an unfinished task. Let us not forget at least once a year to push the sale of it to all new members.

We have made some remarkable strides forward in Interracial and Brotherhood ideals, one of the surest tests of the presence of the way of Jesus. The outstanding thing accomplished was the placing of a domestic science teacher in Arkansas Haygood School by the Pine Bluff District. Quietly the plans were laid, the necessary co-operation established with kindred agencies and quietly the money came in and the work was done.

At the close of our last Annual meeting in El Dorado at an executive meeting Mrs. F. F. Stephens brought to our minds some of the ways in which we might meet a need that was very apparent in the oil section of Camden Dist. Plans for a full time social worker were discussed and through the year we have had this constantly in mind.

This being the year of the General Conference, a year of agitation and readjustments, no legislation of importance came before the Council. In the event of no united plan for Y. People's work from the commission for readjustment the council recommended a co-operation on Y. P. work to embrace young people and juniors, to be supervised by one full time trained and paid worker in the Council. In the auxiliary and Conference we will elect the same as before.

The Missionary Voice was one of only 5 church papers in the U. S. that had a credit-balance. It had operated during the quadrennium with a credit of \$27,000 and had given to the church 16 million pages of free literature without expense to it. The tendency towards lawlessness and Sabbath breaking demands our attention. We need as Christian women to check up on ourselves as to whether we are helping to stem the tide or are we unconsciously in the swim and carried on with the current.

The devotional studies in the Voice written by Miss Bertha Conde if rightly used will tone up the religious life of our women. I beg you give good head to the Christian development of the women of your auxiliary both in private devotion and public walk and conversation.

Let us one and all test our life by the Way of Jesus—then shall we be triumphant in life and work.

# Sunday School Department

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## EXTENSION NOTES N. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Mrs. James Graham, missionary superintendent of the Sunday School at Tuckerman, writes concerning the Missionary Day Program for April: "I liked your program very much. It was not hard to get up, but was very impressive." We trust that many others found these programs really helpful.

All the Schools, five in number, on the Gainesville Charge, have definite plans for observing Sunday School Day. The entire month of May will be given to these programs. This fine showing is largely due to the enthusiastic work of Brother Emrah, the pastor, and Mrs. Emrah, who is making a fine assistant pastor.—A. W. Martin.

## COKESBURY SCHOOL AT CAMP GROUND.

With Rev. J. E. Lark of Piggott as my colaborer a two unit Cokesbury School was held during the past week at Camp Ground on the Gainesville Ct. The enrollment was 24, representing four out of the five Schools on the charge. Twelve did the work for credit. The attendance was regular, and gradually increased each night until some fifty were present the last night.

Brother Emrah, the pastor, did a tremendous amount of work in stimulating interest in the school. It was Brother Lark's first experience as an instructor in Cokesbury Schools, but he rendered excellent service and is to help in at least one other school during the year.

It was my privilege to visit in every community represented in this charge and the co-operation and interest of the people in building better Sunday Schools, is growing every day.—A. W. Martin.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL AT BRANCH.

Rev. S. O. Patty the pastor at Branch has just held a very successful Training Class in his School at that place. The subject taught was the Pupil and twelve took credit in this course. Our pastors are carrying forward the training work throughout the Conference in a most gratifying way. While we are to have twelve Standard Schools in the Conference, yet we expect to have as many credits through Junior Schools and Training Classes and by correspondence as we have in the Standard work.—G. G. Davidson, Conference Supt.

## COKESBURY SCHOOL AT BARD.

With a total enrollment of 22 and with six credits issued a very good Cokesbury School was held on the East Side Paragould Circuit April 19-22. Rev. L. E. Mann and the presiding elder, Brother Sherman, were the instructors.

Coming at a time when the people were extremely busy with the planting of their crops the attendance was not what Brother Taylor, the pastor, had hoped for. This charge has made wonderful progress during the pastorate of Bro. Taylor. One of the best country churches in the Con-

ference has been built at Bard. The interest in Sunday School work is rapidly increasing. A School is planned for Old Friendship, another point on this charge, for a date some time in the summer.

A word ought to be said for the fine work being done in the Paragould District by Rev. L. E. Mann as superintendent of training. He is giving a great deal of time and energy to this cause and the results are beginning to show in a very fine way.—A. W. Martin.

## FT. SMITH STANDARD SCHOOL

We have just closed one of the best Standard Schools in the Ft. Smith District that has ever been held in our Conference. 150 enrolled in the school and 115 took credit. The spirit of the School was an inspiration. Dr. Tolleson, the presiding elder, was at his best in leading this great work, and his people are rallying to his efforts to make the Sunday School work in that District second to none in the entire Church.

The classes were well balanced in this School and the following units were given! The Teachings of Jesus by Dr. O. E. Goddard; Religious Education of Young People by Rev. J. W. Workman; Intermediate Senior Methods by Dr. J. S. Seneker; Primary Organization by Mrs. J. S. Seneker and Rural Management by the Conference Superintendent.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS

North Arkansas Conference to May 1.

Batesville District:	
First Church Batesville .....	\$250.00
Booneville District:	
Ola .....	2.87
Gravelly .....	4.63
7.50	
Fayetteville District:	
Winslow .....	7.00
Presley's Chapel (Huntsville Charge) .....	5.00
12.00	
Jonesboro District:	
Fisher St. Jonesboro .....	30.00
Total .....	\$299.50

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICER or PASTOR:—Please send yours in NOW. The largest assessment in the entire Conference is the first one sent in. Why withhold yours? Do not make check payable to Bro. Davidson. Make it to the Treasurer or to the S. S. Board. Continue to send your Missionary Day Offerings to Bro. Davidson at Conway, but your Sunday School Day offerings here. Thank you.—C. D. Metcalf, Treasurer, Batesville.

## S. S. DAY OFFERINGS: L. R. CONFERENCE, TO SATURDAY, MAY 1.

Little Rock District:	
Hickory Plains .....	\$ 8.00
Hazen .....	12.00
Hebron .....	5.00
Carlisle .....	35.00
England .....	50.00
Island .....	1.00

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Forest Park .....	20.35
Total .....	\$131.35
<b>Pine Bluff District:</b>	
Gould .....	15.37
Grady .....	20.00
Altheimer .....	25.80
Wabbaseca .....	25.00
Sheridan .....	30.00
Lakeside (in part) .....	18.75
Gillett Ct. ....	40.00
Total .....	\$174.92
<b>Arkadelphia District:</b>	
Park Avenue .....	43.00
Third Street .....	40.00
Oaklawn .....	11.80
Total .....	11.80
Total .....	\$ 96.44
<b>Texarkana District:</b>	
Lockesburg .....	20.00
Ogden .....	12.47
Ashdown Ct. ....	5.84
Wafford's Chapel .....	5.00
Total .....	\$ 43.31
<b>Monticello District:</b>	
Hermitage .....	10.00
Lake Village .....	40.00
Arkansas City .....	20.00
Eudora .....	25.00
Total .....	\$ 95.00
<b>Camden District:</b>	
Waldo .....	30.00
Stephens .....	30.00
Wesley's Chapel .....	9.00
Fredonia .....	15.50
Total .....	\$ 84.50
<b>Prescott District:</b>	
Murfreesboro .....	35.00
Washington .....	15.00
Total .....	\$ 50.00
—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.	

**FOURTEEN PASTORS NOW ON HONOR ROLL**

**Little Rock Conference**  
 Already fourteen charges in the Little Rock Conference have paid the Sunday School Day apportionment in full and placed the name of the pastor on the Honor Roll. The Charges and pastors are:  
 Waldo—B. F. Fitzhugh.  
 Murfreesboro—Geo. L. Cagle.  
 Stephens—H. H. McGuire.  
 Altheimer-Wabbaseca—M. O. Barnett.  
 Gillette Ct.—C. B. Wyatt.  
 Lake Village—T. O. Owen.  
 Eudora—J. J. Mellard.  
 Ark. City—L. J. Ridling.  
 Park Avenue—B. F. Scott.  
 Third St.—F. P. Doak.  
 Carlisle—Jesse Galloway.  
 England—J. L. Hoover.  
 Forrest Park—M. W. Miller.  
 Sheridan—M. K. Rogers  
 Watch this list grow to 100 per cent this year.—Clem Baker.

**CHARLEY'S CHURCH 200 PER CENT PLUS.**

When Charley Goodlet came to Little Rock he did the fine thing by casting in his lot with one of our smallest churches—Forest Park. Charley now shows the world that it can be done by reporting that his church has observed Sunday School Day with an offering that exceeded 200 per cent of the quota. M. W. Miller is the fine young pastor and W. H. Cloniger is the forward-looking superintendent.—Clem Baker.

**PINE BLUFF DISTRICT STILL LEADS—L. R. DISTRICT CLOSE SECOND.**

The Pine Bluff District, with J. A. Henderson and A. R. Cooper at the helm, sets the pace for Sunday School Day observance with \$174.92.

The Little Rock District with Dr. Steel and Charley, assisted by Brother Cummins, is the "Runner Up." Arkadelphia and Monticello only \$1.00 apart for third place. All other Districts getting started. The best offerings we have ever had to this date. This is our Banner Year. The Little Rock Conference sets the pace. Others follow. Watch us make it 100 per cent this year. You just can not beat the Little Rock Conference with its fine pastors and superintendents.—Clem Baker.

**BREWER HAS GREAT DISTRICT INSTITUTE**

The annual District Sunday School Institute for the Texarkana District was held at Ashdown Tuesday, April 27, with Rev. F. N. Brewer, P. E., in charge. 169 delegates were in attendance. The reports from the Schools were encouraging. The District officers each represented his work and each did credit to the office he holds. Superintendent Briant of Ashdown brought a helpful message on the "Workers' Council." The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. Paul W. Quillian of Camden. It was a master-piece. Rev. J. D. Baker and his good people entertained royally with dinner at the church. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- President—Rev. F. N. Brewer.
- Executive Secretary—R. E. Martin.
- Supt. of Leadership Training—Rev. J. A. Sage.
- Supt. of Cokesbury Schools—Rev. J. C. Gatlin.
- Supt. of W. B. Classes—Rev. R. H. Cannon.
- Elementary Supt.—Mrs. F. C. Cannon.

The Texarkana District expects to reach every goal set for 1926.—Clem Baker.

**PINE BLUFF DISTRICT INSTITUTE HAS 195 DELEGATES**

195 registered delegates representing 42 Sunday Schools with 23 superintendents present, was the record set by the District Sunday School Institute held at Carr Memorial last Friday. House represented "Leadership Training," M. K. Rogers Cokesbury Schools, A. R. Cooper, Sunday School Day, R. P. James Wesley Classes, Mrs. James Elementary Standards, Baugh Missionary Education, Baker "Our Program of Work and District Goals." The annual sermon on Religious Education by Paul W. Quillian was the high point of the day. Brother Henderson presided and kept every one awake with his fine humor. Carr, with Thompson and Moore in charge, looked after all our comforts except the dinner and the W. M. S., took care of that in fine style. It was a typical Henderson Sunday School Institute only Henderson outdid himself—"Nuff Sed."—Clem Baker.

**THE HOLLY SPRINGS COKESBURY SCHOOL**

The Holly Springs Cokesbury School was held at Holly Springs from Monday through Thursday night April 26-29. Rev. J. D. Rogers of Sparkman taught "Studies in Methodist History" to a class of fourteen. Rev. A. C. Rogers of Wesson taught "The Small Sunday School" to a class of fifteen. Each instructor awarded 14 certificates at the close of the school making 28 credits in all. Of the 29 members enrolled, 16 were from Holly Springs Methodist Church and 3 from Holly Springs Baptist church; 1 was from Sprakman and 9 from Mt. Olivet. Every teacher, save one, from Holly Springs, received

credit and that one is reading the text and will get his credit later. The school was unanimous in its approval of the instructors and anxious to have the "Standard" which is "Rogers" again next year. Rev. C. R. Andrews, dean of the School, was highly pleased with the work of the instructors and the interest of the pupils.—J. O. Taylor.

**OFF FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE**

When this is read I will be at Memphis attending the General Conference. During the three weeks that I am away Brother Baugh and Mrs. Thomas will look after all the affairs of my office. Any matters demanding my attention will be forwarded to me. May is the big month for Sunday School Day. Let us keep at the job in spite of General Conference.—Clem Baker.

**FIFTH SUNDAY INSTITUTES**

During the session of the Pine Bluff District Conference I was informed that Star City, Grady-Gould and Rowell Circuit are to meet together the fifth Sunday in May for a fifth Sunday Institute of Sunday Schools.

The Hickory Plains Circuit has an Institute planned for the same day at Bethlehem, where the workers of all the churches (of that charge) will be brought together.

We would like to have information of other Institutes to be held the fifth Sunday in May. These fifth Sunday institutes may be made very effective means of stimulating the charge spirit, encouraging the workers, setting higher standards, doing better all-round work.—S. T. Baugh, Extension Secretary.

**COKESBURY SCHOOLS.**

A large number of Cokesbury Schools have been arranged for the next few weeks. The earnestness of our workers in the small Sunday Schools, and their desire to equip themselves for better work, is certainly encouraging.

We have had several fine Schools this winter and spring, but the largest number of credits was issued last week at Holly Springs where Rev. J. D. Rogers and Rev. A. C. Rogers each had a class of fourteen making 28 credits.

The Pine Bluff District leads the Conference in the number of Cokesbury credits since Conference. They are credited with 73. The Arkadelphia District is a close second with 71 credits, and the Camden District is third with 22 credits.—S. T. Baugh, Extension Secretary.

**TEXARKANA DISTRICT S. S. INSTITUTE**

The Institute met at Ashdown Tuesday, April 27, Rev. F. N. Brewer, P. E., in the chair. After the devotional, led by Rev. T. M. Armstrong, and a few timely remarks by the P. E., the chair was turned over to Clem Baker, our Little Rock Conference Sunday School Superintendent. He immediately entered upon the program as outlined and called for the first speaker, Rev. J. A. Sage, who discussed with interest "Leadership Training for the District."

Rev. L. C. Gatlin spoke next on "Cokesbury Schools." He showed the need of better trained leaders in Sunday School work in the small church. Rev. Stanley T. Baugh supplemented his talk.

Rev. R. H. Cannon being absent, Bro. Baker discussed in a very clear way "Wesley Bible Classes."

Then the charges were called and the number of delegates from each charge was noted, the total being

132.

At 11 o'clock Rev. Paul Quillian of Camden preached a very inspiring sermon.

At noon the ladies of the Ashdown church served a bountiful luncheon in the basement.

After devotional led by Rev. S. B. Burnett, reports from Superintendents or their representatives were had. Next an appeal for co-operation was made and reasons therefor by Mrs. F. C. Cannon. She was followed by Bro. C. L. Briant, superintendent at Ashdown, who spoke in a very helpful manner on "Making a Success of the Workers' Council." Then R. E. Martin, superintendent of 1st Church, Texarkana, came with a very helpful message on "Sunday School Day Observance."

Miss Fay McRae being unavoidably absent, Rev. J. F. Simmons, Centenary Secretary, presented the Centenary and his present relations to it.

Bro. Simmons was followed by Rev. S. T. Baugh, our Conference rural worker, who spoke very pointedly and helpfully on "Missions in the Sunday School." He also spoke on the importance of the work in the small Sunday School, showing the advantages of the S. S. in the country over that in the town and city.

Bro. Baker took up the subject of "The Work of the Superintendent." He pointed out the importance of following the standard of Efficiency.

Just before adjournment Bro. S. F. Goddard spoke helpfully to the Institute.

Mrs. F. C. Cannon, newly appointed elementary superintendent for Texarkana District, made a brief appeal to all pastors, superintendents and elementary workers to co-operate with her in making this a "C" type District.

The Institute was a most inspiring one. The attendance was larger than last year, reaching 162.—F. C. Cannon, Secretary.

**IN DAYS OF OUR FOREFATHERS**

**Women Prepared Their Own Medicines**

The wise pioneer women learned to gather, in woods and fields, the remedies the Indians used. From the rafters of colonial houses, hung great bunches of dried roots and herbs. From these, in times of sickness, the busy mother brewed simple and powerful remedies. From roots and herbs, Lydia E. Pinkham, a descendant of these sturdy pioneers, made her Vegetable Compound. The beneficial effects of this dependable medicine are vouched for by hundreds of women.



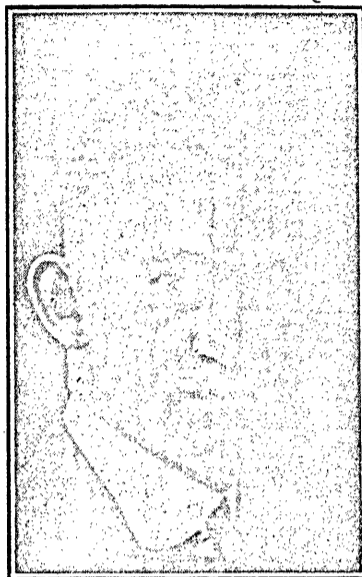
Mrs. Wm. Kraft of 2838 Vinewood Ave., Detroit, Mich., saw a Pinkham advertisement in the "News" one day and made up her mind that she would give the Compound a trial. At that time she was very weak. "After the first bottle," she writes, "I began to feel better and like a new woman after taking six bottles. I recommend it to others and always keep a bottle in the house."

Mrs. Gust Green of 401 Lincoln Park Boulevard, Rockford, Illinois, found herself in a condition similar to that of Mrs. Kraft. "I was weak and run-down," she writes, "but the Vegetable Compound has helped me and I feel better now. I recommend it to all women who need more strength."



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Rev. Sam B. Wiggins

Brother Wiggins last year proved to be one of the most popular members of the Assembly faculty. We are fortunate in securing his services for two classes during the week of June 7-12. He will again have charge of the First Department work, and also a Bible Class. There can be no doubt that both of these classes will be large in number, popular and very ably handled.

### TENNIS COURT AT MORRILTON

One social each month is not an adequate recreational program for red-blooded young people, especially during the summer months. This realization led to research as to what we should do about the matter. Then somebody finally suggested a tennis court. Acting on this suggestion we found an ideal spot, in the suburbs of town, near the river. The court is in the midst of a beautiful grove of tall oaks and is a nice hiking distance from town and also on a pike. We celebrated the opening last Tuesday evening with a picnic. Our Leaguers and their friends spend many pleasant hours there in real recreation.

We have thrown out a challenge to the C. E. society of the Presbyterian Church and are planning to have a tournament soon.—Vivian Clerget.

### ANNIVERSARY OFFERINGS

Report of Little Rock Conference to May 1.

Following is list of Churches reporting Epworth League Anniversary Day offerings since last week:

Arkadelphia District:	
Traskwood .....	\$ 4.00
Gum Springs .....	1.00
Previously reported .....	50.16
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 55.16</b>
Camden District:	
New Hope (Taylor Ct.) .....	2.25
Sharmon (Taylor Ct.) .....	1.85
Waldo .....	1.65
Previously reported .....	8.64
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 14.49</b>
Little Rock District:	
Pulaski Heights .....	26.00
Previously reported .....	56.56



Prof. Theo. B. Manny.

Prof. Manny of Hendrix College will come to us again this year to teach a class on the Church and the Rural Community. Mr. Manny had a very fine class last year and he, no doubt, will repeat this year. He is a very fine gentleman, capable of doing some useful work in this line, and will mean much to the success of the Assembly.

Total .....	\$ 82.56
Monticello District:	
Previously reported .....	14.34
Pine Bluff District:	
Previously reported .....	10.70
Prescott District:	
Hope .....	16.00
Previously reported .....	46.73

Total .....	\$ 62.73
Texarkana District:	
Previously reported .....	24.48
Total amount of money sent in to date is \$264.36. Keep up the good work until every charge in the Conference has reported. Send in your offering before June 7 and help your District to set the best record.	

As it now stands the Little Rock District leads, the Prescott District is second, and the Arkadelphia District is third.—S. T. Baugh, Chairman Board.

### MR. J. H. CROSSETT FOR ASSEMBLY

The committee has secured Mr. J. H. Crossett, recreational director for the Little Rock Y. M. C. A., to lead our recreation and play during the session of the Assembly at Arkadelphia, June 7-11.

Mr. Crossett is a valuable member of our faculty and the committee is to be congratulated in securing him.

### FACULTY ALMOST COMPLETE

The Assembly Committee announce two other valuable additions to the 1926 Assembly Faculty. They are Rev. Leland Clegg and Rev. Chas. B. Wyatt. These two fine young men will do a splendid piece of work for us in our Assembly. They are two live wires in the Pine Bluff District.

### PAY PLEDGES IN FULL

Now is the time to pay your pledge to the Conference Budget in full. Get this paid in full before the Assembly opens that your Chapter may receive its credit at this point, and that the good work may go on.

## ALL-STATE CHURCH NEWS.

### OPEN DATE.

Does some pastor want his meeting in June? I can come, either with or without singer as the case may demand. If you need evangelistic help, finances need not be considered. Write me at Conway, Ark.—Norris Greer, Conference Evangelist.

### APPRECIATION

We desire to thank our many friends throughout the state for their letters of sympathy in the recent loss of our dear wife and mother. These letters made our burden easier to bear. We specially thank the good people of our church and Bearden for their goodness, kindness, love and service. God alone knows how our hearts go out to these good people who have been so lovely to us during the sickness and death of Mrs. Holland.—R. M. Holland, Richard Holland.

### EASTER SERVICE AT MONETTE.

The Easter program was a great success. At the morning session of the Sunday School nearly all of the Elementary Department confessed that they loved Jesus. At the close of the eleven o'clock service four came forward making a definite decision for Christ. At the close of the Easter program Sunday evening two were united with the church by vows and the letter of Mrs. J. C. Akins was read.—A. L. Riggs, P. C.

### REVIVAL AT ALTUS.

We have just closed what I pronounce a splendid revival at Altus. Rev. C. F. Hively was with me and did all the preaching. It was my first introduction to Bro. Hively, but he is all right. Although it rained nearly every night Bro. Hively never grumbled, but only worked the harder. He is the most faithful evangelist I have ever seen my privilege to work with. From the day of his arrival on the field he never stopped. He visited my people every day, encouraging them and exhorting them to be faithful to their church and pastor. He brought a soul-thrilling message of Jesus at every service. I can freely recommend him to pastors who need help in their labors.

We had eight conversions and received thirteen into the church, eight by profession, baptism and vows, and five by letter. We feel that the church is greatly strengthened by the meeting and know that our people were drawn closer together and am looking forward to a great year.

My next meeting will begin at Hartman May 18. Bro. Hively is helping me. My people gave Bro. Hively splendid co-operation in the meeting and a nice donation at the close.—G. R. Diterline, P. C.

### CHERRY HILL AND HIGHLAND

I have just returned from two of my appointments, sixteen miles above Mena. In spite of rainy weather, I had three interesting services Sunday. Held two services at Cherry Hill, and one at Highland. Took into the Church at Cherry Hill one good lady, and after the eleven o'clock service at Highland one who is a very fine worker in our church there. I asked the ladies to meet her there on the 3rd Sunday and they are going to form an organization. Sister Hoover will be the leader and they proposed to the male members that if they will recover the church at that place the ladies will repaper it. The men agreed to it, and it will not be long until our church at Highland will have new paper and a new roof.

I have never seen a more loyal membership any where. I can say the same thing of my people at Cherry Hill. I have about 150 members at the two places, and am proud of them. We have about 150 enrolled in the Sunday Schools at the two places and think it will be only a short while until we have Epworth Leagues. We are planning for great service the second Sunday in May. Expect to observe Mother's Day.—J. A. Hall, P. C.

### DERMOTT.

We had a great day Sunday. Received a class of thirty-eight into the church. We are thoroughly enjoying our new church, which is adequate in every respect. The heating plant is being installed. We want to be ready for next winter. Dermott has one of the very best Missionary Societies in the Conference, and doubtless the best when it comes to raising money. The women have made the new church possible. Dermott is a delightful charge to serve. We do not want any of the brethren casting a longing eye this way.—B. F. Roebuck, P. C.

### VALLEY SPRINGS.

With the aid of Rev. W. Hardy Neal, one of our general evangelists, we began an eight-day revival on Easter Sunday. Before Bro. Neal arrived we had completed our evangelistic survey by the help of the Senior League, and our corps of workers, composed mostly of the teachers and students in the Training School, was organized and ready to co-operate with the evangelist in every way.

Bro. Neal won a place in the hearts of the people at once through his ability to love people and through his great messages. He is a truly consecrated man and every message carried conviction. Prayer meetings were organized, which were the means of bringing souls to Christ and causing others to consecrate their lives to His service. These meetings grew with every meeting and the young people worked like true disciples of Christ. We felt the spirit of God in our midst from the first.

Both training and grade schools were dismissed for the day services. On Friday a special service was held for the grade school children. After talking to them for a while Bro. Neal called them to the chancel, prayed with them and sent them back to their seats. Then the call was made for those who desired to follow Jesus as their Saviour, to come forward. Fifty-three of those children responded. It was a wonderful service and one long to be remembered.

Another service, probably more beautiful and impressive than this, was the sunrise consecration and prayer service on Sunday morning of the last day. Six young men and six young ladies consecrated their lives to the service of the Master. On Sunday night 9 more joined this first group, making a total of twenty-one. It was a wonderful revelation.

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tion of the power of the Holy Spirit.

The number converted and reclaimed was sixty-six. Eleven joined the church and there was a general increase in intensity of religious fervor and zeal in church, Training School and community.

Bro. Neal came because of his interest in the Training School. He did not desire nor expect much material gain, but because of his love for the Lord's work he offered his services. We feel that he was truly sent of God, and because of his week's work we believe any church would be honored to secure his services. He is now in revival at Greenup, Ky., but his home is at Green Forest.

The new life-service students have joined our life-service band, raising its number to twenty-six, an unusually large number for a school with an enrollment of little more than a hundred. For the remainder of the school year, the life-service band, under the leadership of Mr. Russell, will study "The Training of the Devotional Life," by Kennedy and Meyer.

We have a fine group of young people here with which to work. They do anything asked of them. Every Wednesday evening we have from 30 to 50 of them at prayer services. Sunday mornings Mr. Russell teaches a young people's class of forty. Almost all students in the Training School attend every church service on Sunday, and our League has a membership of about sixty, with an average attendance of near fifty.

During the school year two pageants and various other programs have been given. One pageant was given during Education Week and one at Christmas. Both, due to the coaching of Miss Lindsey, and to the interest and industry of the young people, were very fine.

On Easter Sunday night a song-ologue was given, under the direction of Mrs. Russell, which Bro. Neal said equalled any he had heard in large city churches.

One can readily see that a great work is going on at Valley Springs, due chiefly to our training under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Russell and their efficient and consecrated corps of teachers. The type of training given is of an unusually high standard. It is not only secular but religious. The church and school work together as one, and one could not exist without the other.

I hope the people of North Arkansas will wake up to the fact that they have a school of this kind which is their very own, and may they realize that it needs their support in every way. Just now we are trying to do some building and find it hard to raise funds. The girls dormitory is being constructed and must be completed before the next school term begins. It is a three-story stone structure and must be used for the administration building the next year as well as a dormitory. I repeat again, this school belongs to the people of North Arkansas and is train-

ing boys and girls who otherwise would have no chance. Let us stand behind so worthy an institution.—Edgar R. Shuller, Pastor.

#### HAZEL EDWARDS MEMORIAL CHURCH, NEWARK.

We have just passed through one of the best District Conferences we ever attended. The program arranged by our presiding elder and his wise leadership during the conference were wonderful. The men that brought us the messages of the Conference certainly were equal to the task, and brought us soul-stirring messages that caused us to feel that we were close to God. The entire town feels that the Conference was a blessing. We thank God that we had the privilege of entertaining the Conference. We have moved along steadily since conference. Had a wonderful Cokesbury Training School and completed some organized work that we had begun when the Conference came. We now have every department of the Church and Sunday School organized, from the cradle roll to the home department, and all working at their job. One thing we have been stressing, is the stay for church. To say that we have succeeded at that was manifested two weeks ago when a hundred per cent stayed for Church, and the Sunday School has formed the habit of staying for the eleven o'clock service, and as a result the boys and girls are becoming more and more interested in church work. All of our Leaguers stay for church every Sunday night.

On Easter Sunday Bro. T. D. Lindsey, our faithful and efficient superintendent, put on an Easter program which was enjoyed by all, after which the pastor spoke on the Resurrection and its Reality. At the close of the message, one fine young man accepted Christ as his. Then we took a class of eighteen into the church, making a total of 24 since conference. We are looking forward to the best year of the church, this being the first year for the beautiful church of the above name given to the people and dedicated to God by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Edwards in memory of their daughter who left them to be with God.—W. M. Edwards, P. C.

#### BATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Batesville District Conference convened in the beautiful new Hazel Edwards Memorial Church in Newark. The opening sermon was preached Tuesday evening by Rev. T. J. Justice, pastor of Calico Rock Church.

The Conference met in business session Wednesday morning April 7. Rev. W. A. Lindsey, presiding elder, called the Conference to order and led in a very helpful devotional service. There was a fine attendance of both preachers and laymen and women. The Conference was soon organized and the P. E. proved himself an efficient executive.

The reports by pastors and laymen indicated splendid progress in every phase of work. Our presiding elder has had the happy faculty of getting the pastors and laymen lined up to do good team-work.

This District is largely in mountain territory and there are many waste and neglected sections. The District has an evangelistic committee, composed of an equal number of pastors and laymen with the presiding elder as chairman. Rev. J. E. Snell, the District evangelist, works co-operately with this committee, and is accomplishing much in permanent

ly reclaiming these waste places for the church. The financing of this great program is made possible by some big-hearted laymen at Batesville and elsewhere in the District. Bro. Snell reported 70 conversions since conference and a new charge organized. Rev. L. R. Ruble from Bellefonte has been appointed pastor of this charge and is now on the job. The circuit is to be known as the Guion Charge. Just suppose every District in our great church would put on this kind of missionary work!

The Conference was delightfully entertained in the hospitable homes of this fine growing town. The pastor-host, Rev. W. M. Edwards, is in favor with the people and has very worthily served them two years, and Newark Methodism shows many evidences of a healthy and substantial growth. The beautiful new \$25,000 church is a gift from Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Edwards as a memorial to their daughter. It appears already that this has done more to permanently reconstruct the religious forces in Newark than any other thing that has ever happened here.

Some very strong and helpful sermons were preached during the conference by Bros. Justice, Lester, Faust and Bearden.

Revs. J. J. Galloway, R. C. Moorehead, J. F. Glover, H. H. Griffin, H. L. Wade, J. G. Parker, G. G. Davidson, and D. H. Colquette paid the Conference brief visits and represented their respective interests.

The Conference was a delightful occasion and adjourned to meet next year with the church in Calico Rock.—I. L. Claud, Secy.

#### THE FORT SMITH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Ft. Smith District Conference met at Alma, April 14, and was in session three days with Presiding Elder F. M. Tolleson, presiding. There was a large attendance with every charge in the District represented. The spirit of the Conference was fine. Good fellowship, devotion to the tasks assigned, and a spirit of co-operation characterized all the sessions.

Reports of preachers and laymen indicate that marked progress has been made throughout the District. The presiding elder and preachers are making efforts to put on the entire program of the Church and there has been a response by the membership of the Church that indicates loyalty and devotion to the cause. There have been some hindrances because of industrial conditions.

Practically all the interests of the Church were represented. The first morning of the conference was given to organization and reports. At 11 Dr. A. N. Evans brought a splendid message on "Our Responsibility as Disciples." The entire afternoon of the first day was given to the discussion of the Sunday School work. Rev. G. G. Davidson and Rev. A. W. Martin were present representing the Conference Board. The District staff presented the District program. All the Sunday School reports were encouraging.

An interesting and helpful feature of the conference was the fine program of preaching arranged by the presiding elder. The following brethren brought inspiring and helpful messages: Rev. E. H. Hook on "The Passion for Souls," Rev. H. O. Bolin on "Intercession," Rev. John May, General Evangelist, on "Tithing," Rev. Mark Terral, general evangelist, on "Christ, the Foundation of the Church," Rev. Lester Weaver on "The Atonement, the Supreme Need."

The following brethren represented their work: Rev. O. H. Tucker, Superannuate Endowment; Rev. R. C. Morehead, Christian Education; Rev. H. H. Griffin, Galloway College; J. J. Galloway, Henderson-Brown; Hon. J. L. Bond, Lay Activities.

The following were elected delegates to the annual conference: Judge Hugh Basham, J. R. Chastain, Mrs. F. M. Tolleson, A. M. Hutton, B. W. Wells, Mrs. W. A. Steele, Rev. T. L. Hunt, D. L. Ford, J. E. Bryan and Sam Galloway were elected alternates. D. L. Ford was re-elected District lay-leader with J. E. Bryan and J. R. Chastain, associates.

Rev. W. H. Snyder was licensed to preach. Rev. T. L. Hunt and Rev. J. E. Peters were recommended for deacon's orders. Rev. W. M. Purcell was recommended for elder's orders. Rev. Hoy M. Lewis and Rev. J. E. Peters were recommended for admission on trial.

An expression of appreciation is due Rev. D. L. Yates, pastor, and the good people of Alma for the splendid and whole hearted entertainment of the conference.—C. C. Burton, Sec.

#### REVIVAL AT MORRILTON.

Rev. C. N. Guice and his helpers, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McClesky, closed a fine meeting for us last Sunday night. The meeting lasted just two weeks. Attendance was good and interest fine all the way through. About 50 names were given for membership in the various Churches of the city. Our Church people were greatly strengthened. Many pledged to tithe and quite a number promised to keep up a family altar. A much larger number promised to read their Bible and pray daily.

We regard Bro. Guice and the McCleskys as one of the very best evangelistic teams that we have at all. Bro. Guice is a very strong preacher. He is sane and sensible and does nothing for which we have to apologize. He does real constructive work.

Mr. McClesky is a good soloist and song leader. His wife is a fine pianist and a good worker with children and young people. All in all they are a fine team. We are all glad they came to us.—A. E. Holloway, P. C.

#### SULPHUR ROCK.

The congregation of our church at Sulphur Rock, on April 18, took definite and unanimous action for the erection of a new church. A committee of men known for their unbroken success in all undertakings, was appointed to take charge of financing and erecting the building. The committee consists of J. H. Jimmerson, chairman, W. J. Waldrip, Ed Owen and J. D. Moore. This committee was given full power to act, and it is anticipated that no delay will be experienced as the present structure has come to be quite inadequate for church and Sunday School purposes. Also it can not properly serve the purposes of the Epworth Leagues. There being no separate rooms the Junior must meet just prior to the meeting of the Senior. This brings the hour too early and the stay of the children in continuous service too long where they remain for Senior League and for the preaching service. It is expected to so construct the new building as to have it conform as nearly as possible to the needs of the modern Sunday School.

The Sulphur Rock Church has a very fine League and a splendid Sunday School and the people are very anxious to offer every possible aid to these young folks, young boys and girls who will pray in public and the

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like. These young people are delighted with the prospects of the new church and are squarely behind it.—J. A. Logsdon, P. C.

## OLA

We have just had organized a Junior Epworth League by our District superintendent of this place, Mrs. Gladys James. This gives us all three leagues doing fine work. The Special Missionary offering was raised in full, claim being \$75. We are planning for a great revival campaign beginning May 20 with Rev. Gerald Sheehan in charge in his tent. We are trusting for great victory. We often think of the report made some years ago by a committee concerning the work of the Lord's Kingdom, "We have surveyed the land over and it flows with milk and honey. BUT the cities are walled, the giants are tall, and we are but grasshoppers in their sight." "It can't be done." Then the committee of two who said to their presiding elder, "All that they said is true of the conditions. BUT with God's help we are abundantly able to go up and possess the land." They did. We are trying to keep lined up with the minor bunch, remembering God has said, "It is not by might nor by power, but by the Spirit." Ours is not to question why? Ours is but to do and win. The Stone hewn out of the mountain without hands is to grow until it covers the face of the WHOLE EARTH, through human instrumentality. We can be a unit in that plan of our blessed Master.—Alfred R. Cuthbert, P. C.

## REV. R. R. MOORE: AN APPRECIATION.

Thirty-nine years ago last December, at the session of the Annual Conference held in Central Church, Hot Springs, I first met Rev. R. R. Moore. I was just closing my first year in the itinerancy; he was just entering the work. He had spent some time in Vanderbilt University and had served a suburban church in Nashville as a student pastor. He began his work in the Conference under most auspicious conditions. He was young, handsome, well equipped, and deeply religious. He had but recently married Miss Ella Withers, the daughter of Dr. Harlston R. Withers, the eloquent and beloved pastor of the church where the Conference was held. The elders and leaders received young Moore gladly and predicted for him a successful ministry. In this they were not disappointed. From the beginning his ministry was fruitful in the conversion of sinners and in the edification of the church. In a very few years he advanced to the front rank in the grade of his appointments. For a little more than thirty-nine years he has served the church with singular fidelity and whole hearted devotion. During those years it was my privilege to know him about as intimately as I have known any man. For seven years, at intervals, I was his presiding elder. Four years it was my privilege to have him as my presiding elder. Two years he was my next door neighbor and the pastor of my family. I am glad to say, from the standpoint of this long and intimate association, that he was truly a good man. He was genuinely and deeply religious. He knew God, and knew the way to the throne. He was a man of prayer. His was a faithful and unselfish ministry. The summons came to him without warning, but those of us who knew him best have every reason to believe that "His loins were girt about, and his lamps trimmed and

burning." There was no sadness of farewell when he embarked. His brethren of the Little Rock Conference will hold him in loving remembrance. May his mantle fall on his preacher son, and may the church deal very graciously with the bereaved widow, who has been his helper and companion during all the years of his ministry.—J. A. Sage.

## BANQUET IN HONOR OF PASTOR.

Sunday School at old Center on Easter was a grand success. It seemed as if the Easter spirit reigned supreme. The singing seemed more inspiring than usual. The lesson was discussed with a spirit of love and inspiration. A good lesson was enjoyed by all. After S. S. was dismissed the congregation retired to the residence of E. W. Mahar, Pastor at old Center. The good ladies gave a surprise dinner in honor of the pastor, and family. The preacher had to take down most of the doors of his residence to provide table room, for the dinner, which was served on the lawn of the residence. The table was laden with the good things to eat, which were relished by all. After dinner the children enjoyed a real egg hunt. There were dozens and dozens of eggs, provided for the little folks. After all had enjoyed themselves, thoroughly, the congregation was called together and prayer and thanksgiving were offered to our Father, who provides all things.

Every one went away with a light heart, filled with Easter Cheer.—Reporter.

## TEXARKANA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Texarkana District Conference met in Ashdown April 28. The opening sermon was preached on Tuesday night by Dr. F. M. Freeman, pastor of First Church, Texarkana. Conference opened at 8:30 a. m. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. F. N. Brewer, P. E., who presided in his usual felicitous manner.

Few minutes were consumed in getting the Conference organized and none wasted. It is doubtful if any member realized how rapidly the business was being dispatched, except the secretary, the machinery of the thing ran so smoothly. Before the afternoon of the day of organization, it was evident that all business would be finished before the day was over.

Rev. J. H. Glass, field secretary Board of Finance, made a strong plea for the raising of Superannuate Endowment quotas before the end of May. Rev. R. C. Morehead, and H. H. Griffin ably represented the important interests committed to them.

Rev. J. A. Ginnings, L. P., was recommended to the Annual Conference for ordination to Local Deacon's orders. George Raymond Townsend was licensed to preach. The roll of local elders, deacons, and preachers was called, their characters passed, and the licenses of local preachers renewed.

The following were elected delegates to the annual conference:

J. L. DeLoney, Hubert Shull, A. P. Steel, S. C. Reynolds, Mrs. W. M. Sykes, Mrs. W. C. Hilliard, C. L. Cabe, Mrs. S. C. Reynolds.

The following alternate delegates were elected: Mrs. C. L. Cabe, Mrs. F. C. Cannon, Mrs. W. L. Phillips, A. J. Bearden, L. P.

First Church, Texarkana, was selected as the place for holding the next session of conference.

Towards the close of the day the Conference was enlivened by the offering of a resolution to memorialize

the General Conference so to change the Discipline as to provide for the election of bishops for a quadrennium, provided they might be re-elected for a second quadrennium after which they should return to the pastorate if still active. A lively discussion followed, during which a motion to amend was made and carried providing that a bishop might be eligible to re-election indefinitely every four years according to the wisdom of the General Conference. The motion, or resolution, as amended was put to vote and carried by a vote of 29 to 3.

The Conference put itself on record by the adoption of a ringing report against modification of our prohibition laws, unless to strengthen them, and pledging our Church in this District to support the officers of the law in all earnest efforts to enforce the law.

The business having all been completed, the elder having thus shown by doing it that a District Conference could be held in one day, the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Rev. F. C. Cannon.—R. H. Cannon, Secretary.

## GUION CIRCUIT

Guion is a new Circuit in the Batesville District. It has just been created through the untiring efforts of

our district evangelist, Rev. J. E. Snell, and his faithful wife. After the circuit was on foot, according to Methodism the next thing was to get a man to go into the hills and pastor the flock. So we trust, not just by chance, but by the leadership of God, the writer was chosen as the pastor.

On meeting the dearly beloved P. E. at Newark at the District Conference, he sent us out, led by the same unseen hand that led Abraham into the land not knowing where he was going.

We were accompanied by Bro. Snell until we came to Syllamore on the Mo. P. R. R. in IZARD County, where we met with a hearty welcome and then to Ruddler where we again met a fine welcome and then to Guion where conditions were about the same. As Bro. Snell was sick, he returned home leaving the writer to make three more of the points, Marcella, St. James, and Optimus. The P. E. gave the newly appointed pastor the pleasure of naming the circuit and after a week or more of careful investigation we named it Guion. It covers a stretch of country about 35 miles up and down the Mo. P. R. R. in IZARD and Stone County, not so thickly populated as some places, but having as loyal Anglo-Saxon people as can be found. We are pray-

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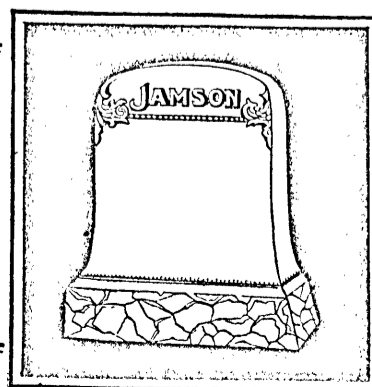
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ing and trusting God that we may be able to do great things here this year, not I but Christ in me, and then that it may some day be a wonderful work for God and many souls be brought into the kingdom. Pray for us that God may have his way with us.—L. R. Ruble, P. C.

**NEW HOUCK STORE.**

O. K. Houck Piano Company, long recognized as one of the largest Southern music houses, has closed a deal for a site in Shreveport, Louisiana. The new building is three-stories, and Mr. Sutherland, Mr. J. F. Houck, President, Mr. J. G. McConnel, Treasurer, and Mr. W. P. Hamilton, Manager of the Little Rock store, have just returned from Shreveport.

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**REVIVAL AT OZARK.**

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excellent singing evangelist, Rev. J. M. Adams. These men are true and faithful. They do work that will abide. There were about thirty who professed conversion. One of the fine results of the meeting was a list of tithers. Some thirty, or more, signed to tithe their net income, which will no doubt result in great things for themselves, and the Church. Brother May attended the session of the Fort Smith District Conference and delivered his great sermon on "Tithing." At this service 43 signed the tithe pledge. It seems to me that the Church would make a very fine investment to put this good man in the field to tone up the sentiment of hundreds of our churches on this question of Stewardship. The Laymen's Movement could do no better. I am looking for something like this to happen.

At the revival meetings at Capitol View, Little Rock, Ozark, and at the Fort Smith District Conference, there were 172 persons who signed the pledge to tithe their net income, after Rev. John A. May preached his great sermon of "The Law of God on Tithes and Offerings, or God's Plan to Finance his Church." This sermon is absolutely unanswerable and should be preached throughout the Church.—J. B. Stevenson, P. C.

**JONEBORO DISTRICT OVER THE TOP**

The Jonesboro District has a quota of \$3,023 on Missionary Special. They have paid about \$2,600. The live wire P. E. and some of his men have guaranteed that the full quota will be paid. Hats off to the Jonesboro District. It is hoped that all the Districts will go over the top and that right soon.—O. E. Goddard.

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At this time we will be glad to have a miscellaneous shower from Sunday School, Missionary Societies and individuals. It is hardly necessary to state what we can use. We have 14 boys, youngest 4 years, oldest 17—and 23 girls, youngest 6, oldest 17 years—and 2 senior high pupils and 10 juniors, 23 grammar and primary pupils, and a house with 14 bed rooms, dormitory and 2 sleeping porches, parlor, library, living room, play room, study hall, dining room, kitchen, pantry, quiet room, tool room, reserve closet and 4 baths, 24 single and 3-4 beds, 9 double beds, 15 boys cots, 15 girls cots. Surely each one can find something very necessary for the house or children.

I do feel like your investment in our children will surely bring you great returns.

We receive letters frequently from our girls and boys about their success in life and their happy homes and they always give the home credit for their good conditions.

We have had only two graduates. Both have proved their ability by securing positions before receiving their diplomas and still going forward as successful business women. We have several that are expecting to make graduates of themselves. Help them. What more could you want to give a girl or boy than an education? Something no one can get from them.

Something that will make life brighter and happier for them. Also it will make useful and honorable Christian citizens for our city and state. I hope all our loyal Metho-

dists and their friends will respond. If you cannot come let us know you are thinking of these, your dear children, by sending some token of remembrance at this glad spring time.—Mrs. S. J. Steed, Matron.

**REV. H. LYNN WADE AND FAYETTEVILLE.**

At the invitation of my former schoolmate and personal friend, Rev. H. Lynn Wade, I spent Sunday, Apr. 11, in Fayetteville, preaching at both hours. Preachers will understand what I mean when I say that this is an easy congregation to preach to. They are such good listeners that they help a fellow to preach, and some of us preachers need all the help we can get.

Perhaps no pastor in Arkansas has had a richer harvest than has Bro. Wade in the two years and four months of fruitful service as the pastor of this admirable congregation. The membership of the church has doubled in this brief time. This means that more than 600 members have been received by Brother Wade. You may select any group of worshippers in any of the organizations of his church and ask all who have joined under the ministry of Brother Wade to stand and perhaps one half of the group will rise to their feet. They all love him. He is a kind, sympathetic, and thoughtful shepherd. There are no ministerial frills or pretentious superiority about my good friend Wade. He is simply what he is, it does not matter where he is. Deserved promotion and honors well bestowed make no change in Lynn Wade.

In a most kindly and satisfactory way did his good wife look after all my physical wants while there. She is a valuable help in all the organizations of the church. I also heard good reports of the excellent work of our student pastor, Brother Jim Workman.—J. F. Simmons.

**ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE.**

During April, the following cash contributions were received: Virginia Hogg Mother's Class, Winfield Church, for 1 girl \$10.00 Sunshine Class, First Ch., by Miss Ava Rasco, City ..... 10.00 Mrs. C. A. Pinson, El Dorado, Gift ..... 5.00 Susana Wesley Bible Class, by Mrs. G. E. Kenny, First Ch., Texarkana ..... 5.00 DeWitt Ch., by Leland Clegg, P. C. .... 16.17 Eldorado S. S., Beginners Dept., by Miss L. Wilson .. 7.60 Mabelvale S. S., by Rev. Geo. Williams, P. C. .... 1.68

The Matron has received the following articles:

- Mrs. J. C. Brown, Helena, four pairs hose, tie and handkerchief.
- Mr. and Mrs. R. Evans, West Helena, four pairs hose.
- Anti-Can't Class, Pulaski Heights Church, 12 Easter baskets.
- The 12 circles of First Church, City, the Bible Story, by Irving Francis Woods, in five volumes. Very good.
- Mrs. Fred D. Watkins, City, Students Reference Books, 5 volumes, and the Home and Why Library, one volume.
- Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hankins, City, 1509 Elm St., Generous supply Easter eggs(
- Theatre party by Young W. M. S., First Church, City.
- Easter Egg Hunt by Sunshine Class First Church, City.
- Circle No. 2, W. M. S. First Church

- City, 3 gallons Ice Cream.
- Mrs. Flora V. Holmes, and Mrs. Cox, four large cakes.
- W. M. S., Waldorn, 12 quarts fine preserves, jellies and canned fruit.
- Young people's Missionary Society, Carlisle, 38 handkerchieves.
- C. A. Scott, Rural Route, City, 25 gallons sweet milk.
- Mrs. Georgia, Hegarty, City, Magazines and boys' clothing.
- Mr. Knight, Mabelvale, 1 bushel kale.
- J. L. Bruce, City, Chewling Gum, 1 case of Chili Con Carne, 1 case of Chili Beans.
- Mrs. Jeffires, City, Bread and Cinnamon rolls.
- Thompson Drug Store, Gum, face cream and tooth paste.
- Circle No. 7, Pulaski Heights W. M. S. four hours sewing.
- Mrs. George Burden, City, one bedstead and springs.
- Miss Clay Stroud, Hackett, two bloomer dresses for Jimmie.
- McDonnell Class, Pulaski Heights Sunday School, Easter basket and candy for Bobbie.
- Mrs. Murphy, Junction City, \$1.00, for Bobbie Moore.
- Mrs. Lydia Matthews, Widener, large home-made cake for Dorothy Ann.

**CORRECTION.**—On the February report, we had the following—by a friend, four and one-half dozen overalls and one dozen khaki pants—this is an error, as they were not given to us but we paid for them.—James Thomas, Supt.

**CONWAY DISTRICT CONF.**

The Conway District Conference met at Russellville, April 27-28. Rev. J. M. Hughey, presiding elder, opened the Conference by reading 2 Timothy 4, and making very helpful comments, after which Rev. Eli Meyers led the prayer. The Conference was then formally organized. E. B. Williams was elected secretary and G. C. Johnson was elected assistant secretary. Rev. R. C. Morehead preached the opening sermon which was a very opportune message on "The Home." We need more such. Wednesday morning Rev. Edward Forrest conducted the devotional services, and Rev. Eli Meyers brought the Conference a message of love at the 11 o'clock hour from the subject "Wings of God."

The following delegates were elected to the next Annual Conference: W. O. Wilson, W. H. Carden, J. H.

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Reynolds, G. W. Williams, Oscar Goss, W. C. Hogan, Mrs. F. Griffin, W. W. Weldemeyer; and M. L. Turnbow and Judge J. H. Reynolds were elected alternates.

The reports of the pastoral charges showed that some substantial gains had been made in the District since Annual Conference. The points on which the charges were asked to report were: Conversions, additions, prayer-meetings, missionary special, general collections, per cent of salary paid, revivals and results, new Epworth Leagues or Sunday Schools. The representatives of the various Boards, Schools, Societies, brought to us optimistic messages from those fields. It is hoped that all were sent away to their charges with greater courage and a broader vision for service for the Master.

All who attended this Conference went away from Russellville with a deepened affection for that little city. Care was taken by the good people there to make every member of the Conference feel at home. Thanks to those good people who opened their homes to us, and especially to the pastor, Brother R. K. Morehead, who is leading those good people to victory for the Master.

The next District Conference was taken to Gardner Memorial Church, North Little Rock.—E. B. Williams, Sec.

**MONTROSE AND REV. W. T. HOPKINS.**

The writer spent last Friday with Montrose's faithful pastor, Rev. W. T. Hopkins. It was a pleasure to visit with him in his hospitable home and to meet several of his leading laymen. They are all our friends and every one of them takes the Methodist. Montrose is 100 per cent. This is Brother Hopkins' way of doing things.

While there I met Mr. J. R. Cone, a relative of our genial and efficient Conference (L. R.) Superintendent of Sunday Schools. He is one of the most loyal Methodists in our Church. The Montrose membership is small, but the church is active and the pastor is doing splendid work there. Mr. B. B. Horton, contractor, is superintendent of the aggressive Sunday School; Mrs. W. J. Sedbery, a choice woman, is president of the W. M. S. Other prominent members of the Montrose congregation are: Messrs. J. R. Currie, Merchant; W. J. Sedbery; J. E. Lawrence, Cashier of the Bank of Montrose; H. C. Wilcoxon, Merchant; U. E. Barker, courteous agent of the Missouri Pacific lines.

This is a two-point charge. Snyder is the other church. We have a group of loyal people there, too. At some later date, the writer expects to visit Snyder and meet our subscribers. The Montrose-Snyder charge is 100 per cent for the Methodist. Brother Hopkins expects to renew the list for 1926 the latter part of next week, the date of expiry.—J. C. G.

**THE BUSINESS MANAGER AT HIGHLAND, LITTLE ROCK.**

Responding to an invitation given by Superintendent W. P. Forbess of the Highland Sunday School, the business manager attended the monthly Council, Tuesday evening, April 11. The attendance was good and the interest excellent. The meeting was preceded by an appetizing dinner served by the Junior-Intermediate Department. I spoke on the Censorship Ordinance, recently passed by our City Council, as regards the display and sale of magazines, books, etc., laying special emphasis upon

the value of wholesome, helpful, inspiring food for the minds and souls of our Sunday School boys and girls. The North Little Rock Boys' Club, 150 strong, attended Highland last Sunday night. Directed by that splendid chorus leader, W. P. Forbess, these fine lads had charge of the music at that hour.

Under the pastorate of Rev. J. H. Cummins, and with the support of Major Campbell and wife, Brother Forbess, the Williamses and the Elliotts, along with a host of other fine Methodists, Highland Church is making excellent progress. The church attendance is splendid and the various departments are live and efficient.—J. C. G.

**THE POTTSVILLE CHARGE.**

Rev. W. J. Williams, the genial, hard-working pastor, of the Pottsville Charge, is in his third year, and it bids fair to become the banner year of his ministry. During his first two years on this charge he built a fine church at Pottsville and an attractive church at Bell's Chapel, about six miles from Pottsville. He is untiring in his pastoral work and is very efficient in the pulpit.

Other points on the charge are London and Pleasant Grove. It is a delightful work in many respects. The people are appreciative and responsive to the appeals of their pastor.

**Entire Charge 100 Per Cent.**

Brother Williams is one of our best friends. His entire charge is 100 per cent on the Methodist. That is to say, every active, full-fledged Methodist home receives the paper weekly. The list has been settled for, too.

The business manager spent two days with Brother Williams recently, visiting London, Pottsville and Bell's Chapel. Splendid congregations greeted us. We received cordial hospitality wherever we went.

I felt perfectly at home with the Williamses, who are known for their friendliness and royal entertainment. It was a pleasure to be entertained in the home of Mr and Mrs. James A. Potts, pioneer citizens and leading Methodists of Pottsville. Their home has always been "the preacher's home." They love their church and delight in serving it in every possible way. I shall not soon forget my stay in this hospitable home. Their daughter, Miss Mary, a charming young lady, is an active church worker, being treasurer of the Christain Education Movement for the local church. She is very efficient in her work.

**A Bit of Interesting History.**

In order to appreciate the splendid development of Pottsville church, with its active Epworth League, W. M. S., and Sunday School we must know something of the early S. S. at Cove, organized in 1873, with Mr Jas. A. Potts as Superintendent. It was a small, but well organized and splendidly directed school. From this small beginning great things have come. It also was the inspiration of many young men and women. From this seemingly small and weak Sunday School have come six ministers: Rev. J. M. Hughey, presiding elder of the Conway District, Reverends Murray Morphin, Presbyterian, Tom Gideon, Bill Dodson, Donald Gideon, and Don Teeter, of the M. E. Church. Much credit for this splendid work must go to Brother Potts.—J. C. G.

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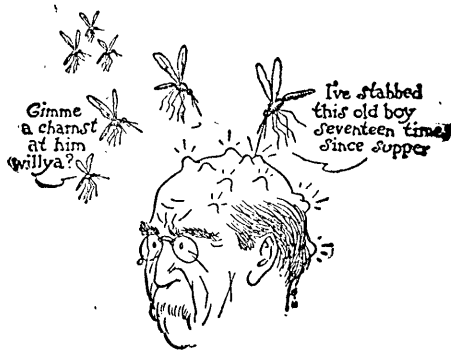
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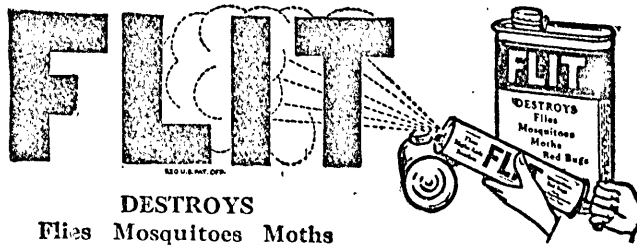
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The past year has been one of unusual growth along all lines of church work. Our church had the largest net increase in the Conference, with one exception and that was the Fayetteville Church in this District the net increase in membership being 144. The Sunday School is growing rapidly and is now taxing the church's capacity, and a Sunday School building is now being talked. The Missionary Society is growing and is meeting the demands of its ever enlarging program of work. The Senior and Intermediate Leagues have good programs and are working for the gold seal this year also. This year the basement has been enlarged, and the church building put in first class condition. Easter Sunday was a great day, with three babies baptized, eighteen new members received, and one-half of the Conference claims for the year paid in cash. This church also paid its quota for "The Special Effort for Missions" with a margin of twenty-five per cent. The people here are a delightful people to serve and they continue to show their appreciation of the pastor and his family in many ways.—J. T. Willcoxon, P. C.

**CLARKSVILLE VISITED**

Clarksville is one of the most delightful appointments in the North Arkansas Conference. The congregation is cultured, responsive and liberal. Rev. Lester Weaver, than whom we have no finer pastor, is in the midst of his second year. He is irreproachable in character, tireless in his pastoral work and thoroughly furnished for the ministry. He is easily one of our best equipped pastors.

His progressive and comprehensive program at Clarksville is winning for this faithful minister deserved recognition on the part of the presiding elders and pastors of the Conference. The writer has never associated with a more energetic, whole-souled, consecrated pastor than is Bro. Weaver. I regard him as one of Arkansas' best citizens, true, noble and thoroughly Christian.

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er, I secured practically a 100 per cent list in Clarksville. Every active Methodist home subscribed. Ere this article appears, doubtless Bro. Weaver will send in a supplemental list. We are also deeply indebted to Mrs. Lester Weaver and Mesdames L. L. Blair and J. King for their splendid support. They, together with others, whose names I did not get, rendered helpful services in securing new subscriptions and renewals.

**Second Quarterly Conference**

Presiding Elder F. M. Tolleson, one of our outstanding leaders, presided over the Second Quarterly Conference. Friday night, April 23, I was an interested visitor. In spite of a heavy rain and a threatening storm, a large number of official laymen were present. Bro. Tolleson is in high favor throughout the District and enjoys the unstinted confidence of the pastors. I was happy to visit with him in the delightful parsonage home.

The Weavers, royal entertainers, are choice folk. In some people's homes "you are a stranger but once." In Bro. Weaver's, "you are never a stranger." My stay in their home was pleasant. Their courtesies shall not soon be forgotten.—J. C. G.

**THE WOMACK FAMILY.**

I read sometime ago of four young men of the Womack family being in the Young People's Conference in Memphis.

I want to tell of their ancestry. Richard Womack emigrated from Tennessee to Arkansas before the War between the States and settled four miles west of Bentonville and bought and opened up a good farm and raised a large family of six sons and three daughters, all members of the Methodist Church. Brother Womack was a steward and his oldest son was a class-leader in the Center Point Church (now Centerton). I went to school with five of the younger children after the war and belonged to the Masonic lodge with Bransford Womack (the oldest son). My oldest brother (Stephen Fair) married the oldest Womack girl, Julia. They both have gone home to the good world. They raised a family of respectable children of five daughters and three sons. The youngest daughter (Kate) married Judge Beasley and they own and live on the old home of their parents at Centerton. James Womack married Miss Lizzie Gamble daughter of Alex Gamble, a farmer and school teacher and member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The young people referred to above are their children. Brother Womack (Uncle Dick, as he was called) was a member of the Quarterly Conference which recommended me to the Annual Conference. I said the only regret he had in my joining Conference was it would take from him one of his best helpers in the board of stewards. Broher Womack had a very peculiar experience during the war. He was supposed to have some considerable amount of money. Three of the boys of the company I belonged to decided to make him give it up. So they went one night before the family had gone to bed and were sitting around the fire and went in the house and demanded of Uncle Dick his money. He had an iron fire-poker (as they were called in those days) standing against the fireplace jam which he reached and before they knew what he intended to do he knocked one of the would-be robbers down with it and one of his little boys blew out the candle and Uncle Dick slipped out at the back door and the money de-

manders picked up their comrade and carried him to his horse and took him back to camp. Next morning the boys in camp seeing his split ear asked him what did it. With an oath, he replied, "A mule kicked me." After that those who knew of the circumstance called Brother Womack, "Uncle Dick, the kicking mule."

Uncle Dick was one of the leading citizens and leading Methodists of Benton County and he and his son Bransford were great help to me after I was converted and started out in the Christsian life. I hope to meet them in the better world. It will not be long. I will be 83 years old the ninth of May.—Geo. F. Fair, Dallas, Texas, 3911 Watt St.

**GOOD LIST FROM H. M. LEWIS**

Our friend, Rev. H. M. Lewis of Lavaca, has sent in a good list with check to cover for which we thank him. Brother Lewis expects to send in another list soon.

**FINE LIST FROM BLYTHEVILLE CIRCUIT.**

We thank Rev. Eli Craig of Blytheville Circuit for a fine list of subscriptions. We appreciate very much Brother Craig's co-operation and support.

**J. M. JOHNSTON SENDS GOOD LIST.**

Rev. J. M. Johnston of Evening Shade sends in a fine list for his church at Sidney with check to cover for which we thank him. He expects to send in another list soon. We appreciate his good work.

**HOPE'S LIST FOR 1926 AT HAND.**

Our good friend, Rev. W. C. Davidson of Hope has forwarded his list for 1926 with a check for the entire amount. This is indeed fine work and we thank Bro. Davidson heartily.

**CARLISLE CIRCUIT LIST IS FINE ONE.**

Rev. J. B. Hoover, our pastor of Carlisle Ct., has forwarded a fine list which he expects to make 100 per cent. A check accompanied the list for the entire amount. We thank Brother Hoover and the good people of Carlisle Circuit for this hearty co-operation. Brother Hoover adds: "Our work is getting along fine. We are expecting a great year."

**REVIVAL AT CAPITOL VIEW.**

The revival meeting at Capitol View Church, Little Rock, after continuing over two weeks (three Sundays) closed April 4, with the following visible results: Seven adults and three infants baptized, twenty-nine joined the church, two surrendered to a call to the ministry, twenty-nine promised to erect family altars, 113 pledged private altars, 91 pledged to tithe their net income and from 150 to 200 reclaimed or otherwise blessed at the altar of the church.

The human agent in the hands of God in promoting this revival was the Rev. John Albert May, general evangelist and author of a number of books on Bible doctrine, of Montevallo, Alabama. He is a guileless man, a prophet of God, who dares to preach the Book as it has come to us from our fathers. He honors God and God honors the messenger.

He came to our church to do three things, namely, bring the membership of the church up to a definite experience of grace, win the unsaved to Christ and to personal salvation, and to bring the membership up to a plan of tithing their net income. He

wrought well and succeeded in reaching all these very desirable objectives far beyond our fondest expectation. He left us a revived and united church.—B. A. Few, P. C.

**EASTER TIME AT CENTRAL CH., HOT SPRINGS**

Central Church was ready for the Easter celebration because of the pre-Easter Campaign conducted by the Pastor, Dr. W. C. Watson, and his people during the month preceding Easter Sunday.

Cards indicating plans for personal work were distributed to the members, the pastor visited prospective members, had services each evening of Holy Week, and held a class for instruction for young members coming into the church.

Was it any wonder that Easter Sunday was a glorious climax of such preparation?

The church was beautiful in its profuse decoration of lillies and palms, lights from a silver cross and candelabra, the music expressive of the real Easter joy, and sermon on the resurrection of our Lord.

The large congregation filled every space in auditorium and S. S. room and the spirit of the hour was of sacred reverence. 65 were received into the church and many babies were christened. More than 500 were in attendance at Sunday School. At the evening service a pageant, "The Kingdom Come," was presented by Mrs. Adkins and the young people of the church.

The great Easter service was the ushering in of a great week for Central church when on Tuesday evening the Little Rock Conference W. M. S. Met in annual session. The local society tried to express their joy in kindly attention and loving ministry and hope the women realized how happy we were to have them.

Only on account of illness was the beauty and harmony of the conference marred by the absence of some of the rare spirits, namely, Mesdames W. H. Pemberton, H. L. Rimmel, J. H. Rice and L. K. McKinney.

Mrs. E. R. Steel, the president, enters into the new year with enheartened zeal and Central Church says again, "We are so glad you came." —Mrs. F. M. Williams.

**DR. STEEL MAY BE SECURED.**

I have some open time in May and June, and will be glad to help any pastor who may desire my services, or to give to any community my message on "Did Man Ascend From the Monkey, or the Monkey Descend From Man?"

This is a vital message and is intended to stabilize faith in the Bible as the inspired word of God.—S. A. Steel, Mansfield, La.

**J. L. PRUITT SENDS GOOD LIST.**

Rev. J. L. Pruitt, our pastor at Mulberry, has forwarded a fine list from his church with check to cover and states he will send another list soon. We appreciate this fine work. Brother Pruitt has been sick with flu but is able to attend to his work again.

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**49 NOW ENROLLED FOR PAS-TOR'S SCHOOL AT HENDRIX—N. ARK. CONF. LEADS BY ONE**

During the week closing May 1, 4 each enrolled from the two conferences, making a total of eight new enrollments for the week and a total of 49 for the Summer School to date. The new enrollments are as follows:

- North Arkansas Conference:**  
 Geo. E. Patchell, Helena Dist.  
 A. E. Holloway—Conway Dist.  
 W. B. Hollinsworth—Searcy Dist.  
 C. J. Wade—Booneville Dist.

- Little Rock Conference:**  
 Geo. E. Williams, Little Rock Dist.  
 R. C. Walsh, Pine Bluff District.  
 W. R. Boyd, Monticello District.  
 Mrs. W. R. Boyd, Monticello Dist.  
 The Districts stand as follows:

- Batesville, 1; Booneville, 4; Conway, 4; Helena, 3; Ft. Smith, 2; Jonesboro, 3; Paragould, 1; Searcy, 5; Fayetteville, 1; Arkadelphia, 1; Camden, 3; Little Rock, 5; Monticello, 7; Pine Bluff, 1; Prescott, 4; Texarkana, 3.

The Monticello District leads the Conference. North Arkansas holds first place by one. Watch this list double next week. We are going to have the greatest ten days Arkansas preachers ever had and the best enrollment.—James Thomas, G. G. Davidson, Enrollment Committee.

**THERE IS ROOM IN THE INN.**

It is often a question now a days in the town and also on the circuits, "Where will the preacher stay when he comes." If we could call back a few years we could remember when there would be quite a number ask you home with them and there are places like that now, but often it is the other way. In the bounds of the Ft. Smith District of the North Arkansas Conference there is a little church doing very well. One of the stewards of this church lost his home by fire some months ago, and he had to rebuild. For some days he was planning his new house, and as he and his good wife planned a nice little home, there was an extra room built up stairs. This room was for the preacher so that when the pastor comes down to fill his appointments he will always have a room where he can go, read, meditate, dress, leave his suitcase. That is like the Shunnamite of old, who built a room for their pastor, Elisha. God is back of this movement and prompted this steward and his good wife to think of this. He is a poor man. There are stewards in this church who have a lot more of this world's goods than this steward, but not one of them has built a room for the pastor. This room was planned in the building of the house just as you would plan for a door or window. This steward, while he lives quite a distance from town, knows there are often circuits and other charges where the preacher does not get many invitations, and when a Brother preacher comes to help in a revival meeting he can hardly get a place to stay. This has settled all of that. God bless this man and may other stewards follow the same plans for the sake of our blessed Master.—A Pastor.

**QUARTERLY CONFERENCES**

**LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT (Third Round.)**

- Asbury, 11 a. m., May 5.  
 Henderson, 7:30 p. m., May 16.  
 England, 11 a. m., May 23.  
 Capitol View, 7:30 p. m., May 23.  
 First Church, 11 a. m., May 30.  
 Douglassville-Guyer Springs, 7:30 p. m., May 30.  
 Hazen-DeVall's Bluff DeVall's Bluff,

- 11 a. m., June 6.  
 Des Arc, 7:30 p. m., June 6.  
 Winfield Mem., 11 a. m., June 13.  
 Forest Park, 7:30 p. h., June 13.  
 Highland, 11 a. m., June 20.  
 Hunter Mem., 7:30 p. m., June 20.  
 Hickory Plains at H. P., 11 a. m., June 26.  
 Lonoke, 11 a. m., June 27.  
 Bryant Ct., at Sardis, 11 a. m., July 3.  
 Bryant Ct., 11 a. m., July 4.  
 Bauxite, 7:30 p. m., July 4.  
 Mabelvale-Primrose at Primrose, 11 a. m., July 11.  
 Pulaski Heights, 7:30 p. m., July 11.  
 Austin Ct., at Concord, 11 a. m., July 17.  
 Austin, 11 a. m., July 18.  
 Keo-Tomberlin, at Keo, 11 a. m., July 25.  
 28th Street, 7:30 p. m., July 25.  
 Carlisle Ct., 11 a. m., July 31.  
 Carlisle Ct., 11 a. m., Aug. 6.  
 Carlisle Sta., 7:30 p. m., Aug. 1.  
 Oak Hill & Maumelle, 11 a. m., Aug. 7.  
 Oak Hill Maumelle 11 a. m., Aug. 8.  
 E. R. Steel, P. E.

**MONTICELLO DISTRICT.**

- (Third Round.)**  
 Monticello Station, May 16, 7:30 p. m., 11 a. m.  
 Monticello Station, May 16, 7:30 p. m.  
 Hermitage Ct. at Green Hill, May 22.  
 Warren Station, May 23, 11 a. m.  
 Warren Mill Town, May 23, 7:30 p. m.  
 New Edinburg Ct. at N. E., May 30.  
 Fountain Hill Ct., at Magnolia, June 5-6.  
 Crossett Station, June 6, 7:30 p. m.  
 Wilmot Station, June 13, 11 a. m.  
 Portland and Parkdale, at Parkdale, June 13, 7:30 p. m.  
 Tillar Ct., at Newton's Chapel, June 20, 11 a. m.  
 Dumas Station, June 20, 7:30 p. m.  
 Arkansas City Station, July 4, 11 a. m.  
 Dermott Station, July 4, 7:30 p. m.  
 Montrose and Snyder at Snyder, July 11, 11 a. m.  
 Hamburg Station, July 11, 7:30 p. m.  
 Watson Ct., at Watson, July 18, 11 a. m.  
 McGehee Sta., July 18, 7:30 p. m.  
 Banks Ct., at Jersey, July 24.  
 Arkansas and Southern Camps, July 25.  
 Lake Village Sta., Aug. 1, 11 a. m.  
 Eudora Sta., Aug. 1, 7:30 p. m.  
 Wilmar Ct., at Camp Ground, Aug. 29, 11 a. m.  
 District Conference at Tillar beginning Tuesday evening, June 15.  
 —J. A. Parker, P. E.

**PRESCOTT DISTRICT.**

- (Third Round.)**  
 Washington, at St. Paul, May 15.  
 Emmet, Rocky Mound, May 16.  
 Prescott Ct., at New Salem, May 22.  
 Gurdon, May 23.  
 Blevins, at Friendship, May 29.  
 Hope Ct., at Carolina, May 30.  
 Delight, at Antoine, June 5-6.  
 Murfreesboro, June 6, 3 p. m.  
 Columbus, at Bethany, June 12-13.  
 Mineral Springs, June 13, 3 p. m.  
 Center Point, at Trinity, June 19.  
 Bingen, at McCaskill, June 20.  
 Spring Hill, at Bethlehem, July 3-4.  
 Hope, July 4, 7:30 p. m.  
 Okolona, July 10-11.  
 Prescott, July 11, 7:30 p. m.  
 Mt. Ida, at Oden, July 17-18.  
 Glenwood-Rosboro, at Rosboro, July 18, 3:30 p. m.  
 Amity-Norman, at Caddo Gap, July 24-25.  
 Nashville, Aug. 1.  
 Brethren, let us get every special out of the way and make preparations to "hit the saw dust trail."  
 —J. L. Dedman, P. E.

**TEXARKANA DISTRICT**

- (Third Round)**  
 Paraloma Ct., at Paraloma May 2, at 11 a. m.  
 Horatio Ct., at Williamson's May 9, at 11 a. m.  
 College Hill, May 9, at 8 p. m.  
 Empire Ct., at Langley, May 16, at 11 a. m.  
 Hatfield Ct., at Hatton, May 23, at 11 a. m.  
 Wilton Ct., at Wilton, May 23, at 8 p. m.  
 Gillham, Ct., at Egger, May 30, at 11 a. m.  
 Lewisville and Bradley at L. June 6, at 11 a. m.  
 Stamps, June 6, at 8 p. m.  
 Lockesburg, at Gravelly, June 13, at 11 a. m.  
 First Church, Texarkana, June 20, at 11 a. m.  
 Texarkana Ct., at N. Heights, June 20, at 3 p. m.  
 Fairview, Texarkana, June 20, at 8 p. m.  
 Doddridge Ct., at Olive Branch, June 27, at 11 a. m.  
 Ashdown Ct., at Fomby, July 3, at 11 a. m.  
 Foreman, July 4, at 11 a. m.  
 Richmond Ct., at Wade's, July 4, at 3 p. m.  
 Fouke Ct., at Harmony, July 11, at 11 a. m.  
 Dierks, at Green's Chapel, July 18, at 11 a. m.  
 DeQueen at Wofford's Chapel, July 25, at 11 a. m.  
 Mena, July 25, at 8 p. m.  
 Dallas at Mena, July 26, at 10 a. m.  
 —Francis N. Brewer, P. E.

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL.**

**Lesson for May 9**

**ABRAHAM AND THE KINGS**

**LESSON TEXT**—Genesis 14:1-24.  
**GOLDEN TEXT**—In all these we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.—Rom. 8:37.

**PRIMARY TOPIC**—Abraham Saves Lot From Danger.

**JUNIOR TOPIC**—Abraham Rescues Lot.

**INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC**—Abraham's Courage and Generosity.  
**YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC**—Victory Through Faith and Courage.

**I. Lot Taken Captive (14:1-12)**

Lot's misfortune was due to his selfishness in choosing the best land regardless of the moral risks in his associations (13:10, 11). The Jordan valley was very fertile, but a place of moral snares because Sodom was there. Frequently fine pasture for cattle contains poisonous growths. Lot's trouble was not primarily because he was a bad man, but because of his associations. The steps taken by Lot as shown in chapter 13 were:

1. He lifted up his eyes and beheld (v. 10).
2. He chose him all the plain (v. 11).
3. He dwelt in the cities of the plain (v. 12).
4. He pitched his tent toward Sodom (v. 12).
5. He dwelt in Sodom (14:12).
6. He sat in the gate of Sodom (19:1).

**II. Abraham Rescues Lot (13-16)**

1. News brought to Abraham (v. 13). Abraham was in a place of safety. Just why the man who had escaped came to Abraham with the news we do not know. Perhaps Lot had requested him to tell Abraham of his misfortune, making known the fact of his kinship and through him appealing for help.

2. Abraham in pursuit (vv. 14, 15).

Abraham, the great-hearted, forgot Lot's selfishness and ingratitude, organized his servants and by a night attack defeated the enemy. Abraham might just have left Lot to his fate, but because Lot was his brother he forgot his wrongs.

3. Lot rescued (v. 16).

Not only was Lot saved, but the women and his goods were rescued. Because Abraham was separate from Sodom he was able to save his brother. The one who is separate from the world has power to overcome it, while the one who is joined to the world is helpless and is carried away with its ruin.

**III. The Ministry of Melchizedek (vv. 17-20).**

Melchizedek, a mysterious person, suddenly appears on the scene. His name signifies "king of righteousness." He was also king of Salem. Salem means peace. The name is descriptive of his office, rather than a proper name. He is a type of Christ. The following features are suggested by A. T. Pierson:

1. He represents a primitive universal faith, antedating, outranking and surviving the Levitical.
2. He was the priest of the Most High God—a more comprehensive name than Jehovah.
3. His order of priesthood was not local or temporary, but universal and permanent.
4. He outranked even Abraham, who paid him tithes as to a superior.
5. He was prophet, priest and king—all in one, a sort of threefold personage.
6. He was not reckoned according to human genealogy nor limited course of service.
7. He was both king of righteousness and king of peace. Righteousness pertains to the name of the nation and peace, to the realm. Abra-

ham gave tithes to Melchizedek, and this was the standard of giving in the Old Testament, but the New Testament puts giving on a higher plane. In I Corinthians 16:1 the believer is instructed to give as the Lord prospers.

**IV. Abraham and the King of Sodom (21-24).**

The king of Sodom offered Abraham reward. Abraham was quick to discern his peril in receiving gifts from him. He knew that what he had done was through the grace of God upon him. He would not use this grace for private gain, would not complicate himself with the world for the sake of money. He anticipated this temptation and had covenanted with God not to yield to it (vv. 22-23). Ministers and evangelists have made grievous mistakes in receiving and even seeking financial help from godless people. The God who is possessor of heaven and earth does not need the help of the world. The world must not have opportunity to boast.

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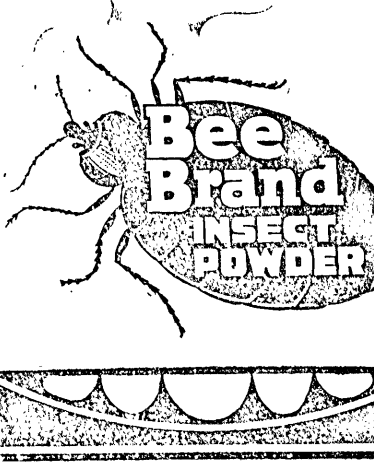


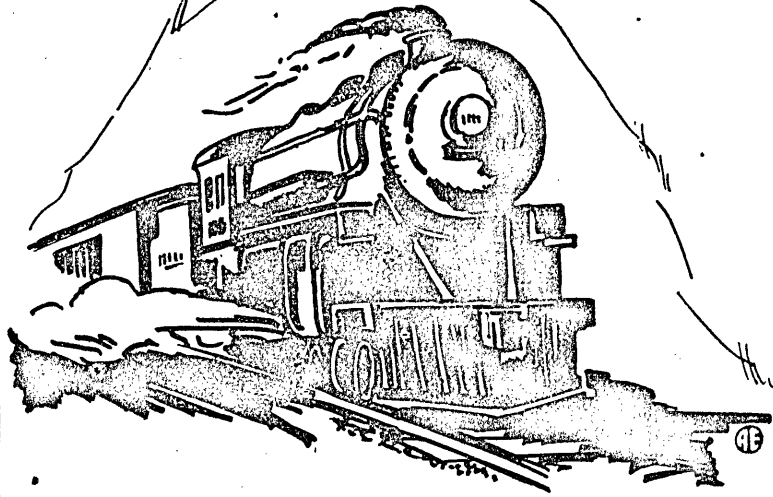
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