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PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS

In mobs men become barbarous and bestial and display their elemental passions unrestrained by fear or grace.

Now is the time for all real men among us to show their true manhood, their faith in God, and their ability to co-operate for the common good.

An angry mob is like unto a rushing mighty river which has overflowed its banks and threatens all life and property which obstruct its course.

Tried by storm and flood, humiliated by unspeakable outrages, God-fearing men frankly acknowledge their own unworthiness, call upon God for strength, and manfully seek to overcome the evils and dangers which menace life and honor.

OUR SENTIMENTS.

In the following comment the editor of the Baltimore Southern Methodist expresses our sentiments:

"We have been asked by several, who evidently desire to promote sales, to furnish them with any comments, favorable or otherwise, that appear in our paper concerning a certain very recent novel. We do not expect to have any comments on it. We do not intend to read it. We have read several notices of the book, and have learned that H. L. Mencken likes it. Enough! In this connection we seem to recall that Charles Lamb, or some other lookman, said, 'There are books I do not have to read.' That is the way we feel about this recent novel. We wish people, especially young people, would weigh well the words quoted above, 'There are books I do not have to read.' Most of the novels coming from the presses today are not worth reading. In a year or two they will be forgotten."

OH, THE SHAME OF IT!

Excitement over the discovery of the murder of a little girl and the apprehension of the negro murderer had not died down when there came a report of an attack just outside the city upon two women by another negro. Search was immediately begun and before night the criminal was apprehended. He was strung up on a pole and riddled with bullets by the crowd of men who had been pursuing him. A few hours later the body was brought to this city by a mob and dragged over the principal streets and burned on the street near a negro district. For several hours the mob raged through the streets unchecked.

Apparently, according to the accounts given in the daily papers, no effort was made by the county officers to prevent the lynching outside the city, nor by the city officers to restrain the mob inside the city. However, Governor Martineau, who was out of the city when the trouble began, immediately on his return ordered out a small body of the National Guards and order was soon restored.

Our secular papers have strongly denounced the shameful affair and have charged that city and county officials were sadly remiss in the discharge of their duty. Various local bodies have passed resolutions deploring the whole miserable situation and also charging inefficiency of the officials. The Grand Jury is in session and is making an investigation and it is to be hoped that both members of the mob and guilty officers, if they are guilty, will be indicted and tried.

Lynchings are never justifiable. Only the proper enforcement of law will suppress crime. Mobs do not discriminate, and are as likely to kill the innocent as the guilty. In this last case the negro lynched was clearly demented and was not attempting the nameless crime that so stirs the feelings of revenge and hate. That he would have been quickly punished under the law cannot be doubted. We do not for one moment condone any of the offenses which aroused the mob spirit; but, nevertheless, we cannot for one moment sanction lynching or the mob spirit.

We are not in position to know whether our of-

BUT THE WICKED ARE LIKE THE TROUBLED SEA, WHEN IT CANNOT REST, WHOSE WATERS CAST UP MIRE AND DIRT. THERE IS NO PEACE, SAITH MY GOD, TO THE WICKED.—Isaiah 57:20-21.

ficers are justly chargeable with failure to discharge their duty, and we are depending on the Grand Jury to make a thorough investigation and bring the guilty parties to trial. However, it is practically certain that the mob believed that resistance would not be seriously offered and that emboldened its members to lynch and then to engage in the barbarous orgies on the streets of our city, whereby the fair name of our city and state is sullied, and we hang our heads in shame and stand in constant fear of the perpetration of further outrages.

When, after the removal of the first criminal to a place of safety, the officials allowed the would-be lynchers to search the jail, they committed a serious blunder. If the mob had found some one that even looked like the suspect, he would have been lynched. When officers temporize with a mob they encourage it. If these officers had stood firm and refused to allow any one to enter jail or penitentiary, the members of the mob would have known that they could not have their way. Mobs have no business entering jails, and it is the duty of officers to prevent it. Some one may be killed, but that is sometimes necessary to maintain respect for the law. Now we have no assurance that our officers will protect either prisoners or innocent citizens. Hesitancy and weakness of officers before a mob will always be followed by evil. The time to stop a mob is when it is forming, and not after it has begun to do its hellish work. We are thankful that we have a Governor who is not afraid to do his duty, and we shall expect him to use the full power of his office to protect the lives and property of our people and fair name of our state. We have suffered serious moral hurt, and only fuller enforcement of the law and more complete devotion to our civic duty can remove the awful stain from our community. Our best citizens are thoroughly aroused; and it may be that a fuller commitment to civic duty will follow. If so, this awful affair will not have been wholly in vain. Let us learn our lesson.

"GREAT CITIES BUILD GREAT UNIVERSITIES"

The above title is a part of the slogan which Bishop Waldorf suggested for the Methodist University at Oklahoma City. The following extract from the Central Christian Advocate is worthy of consideration at this time when we are considering the question of a University for Arkansas Methodism in Little Rock.

"The first annual Founders' Day banquet was held February 25. It took men and women of faith, sacrifice, and strong character to build a university. The results already achieved justify all the sacrifice and toil to make the school. The growth has been amazing. We learn that 'last year the school graduated 101 students. This was half again as many graduates as there were in all the years from 1912 to 1922. In the last three years the university has graduated more students than in all the thirteen years preceding.' In 1917 the enrollment was 117, but in 1926 it was 1,331. In 1919 the school ranked forty-second among the Methodist colleges, but today it ranks tenth. While the school is pre-eminently Christian, it is not sectarian. All denominations are represented.

Bishop E. L. Waldorf recently called a number of ministers into his office and requested them to suggest a slogan for a university. Several suggestions were made, but there was no agreement. He told them to think over the question and return with an answer. On their return in the course of

a few days, they all agreed that the slogan suggested by the bishop was the best of all. "Great cities build great universities" and "great universities build great cities." No city can be truly great today without a university. The people of Oklahoma City have a very practical evidence of the value of the school. They need not go outside the city for the evidence. Of the 583 teachers in the Oklahoma City school system, 475, or eighty-one per cent are graduates or have taken work in Oklahoma City University. State certificates of three hundred city teachers are supported by credits earned in the university. Twenty-one of forty-three grade school principals in Oklahoma City are graduates or have taken work in Oklahoma City University. Four years ago, when the university began its evening college work, only twenty-five per cent of the city teachers had bachelor of arts degrees. Now more than eighty per cent of the teachers have degrees.

In a material way Oklahoma City University is proving a decided asset to Oklahoma City. The students coming to Oklahoma City or staying here because of the college number more than one thousand. These students will spend an average of at least \$500 annually in Oklahoma City, or a total of more than half a million dollars annually. The university gives full-time employment to forty-eight persons and has an annual pay roll of \$91,278. In five years the minimum expenditure of students and the college pay roll will run over \$3,000,000.

The citizens of Oklahoma City so appreciate these and many other facts, that when the campaign for a half million dollars to increase the endowment and building funds was started, they responded so nobly that they went \$7,000 over the top."

ADDITIONAL DISASTERS

Last Monday storms crashed across Texas, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, and Illinois, killing over 200 people and injuring many others, and damaging property to the amount of many millions. In Arkansas the storm struck Union, Lonoke, Prairie, Monroe, Cleveland, Craighead, Lawrence and Independence Counties, killing some seventy people and injuring many more, with large loss of property.

This disaster, following close on the flood disasters, is appalling. It seems that for more than six months one calamity has quickly followed another. Almost every community in our state has suffered. Indirectly, all have suffered and the whole state is passing through its greatest trials.

In times like these, it behooves us to be ready to help the distressed and suffering in every way possible. As far as possible each community should care for itself; but in the case where local aid is not sufficient, we must go far beyond helping our close neighbors. Fortunately, the Red Cross, a veritable angel of mercy, is active and efficient. Funds raised all over the land are going into its treasury and will be distributed as discriminatingly as possible.

Let us keep close to God, trust Him, and seek his guidance and comfort. It may take such disasters to drive us to the shelter of the Rock of Ages. It is an opportune time to stop extravagant spending and use our means for high and holy purposes. We do not think that God is sending these storms to punish us, because the best and the worst of people are suffering alike; but He can use these physical disasters to bring men to their senses and look to Him for spiritual support. Let us bow in submission, but look up through our tears and live closer to our Master. Let us get blessing out of these disasters. Our bodies may perish, but our souls are safe if we trust in Him.

Any churl can curse a king, but the kingly man cannot be a churl.

We should love folks whom we cannot like.

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METHODIST CALENDAR

Paragould D. C., at Imboden, June 6-8.
N. Ark. Conf. Ep. Lg. Assembly, Searcy, June 6-10.
Pastors' School at Conway, June 13-24.
L. R. Conf. Ep. Lg. Assembly, Arkadelphia, June 20-24.
Pine Bluff D. C., at Sherrill, July 7-8.

PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Senior students of the University of Arkansas Engineering School will leave on May 27 for a tour of inspection of Northern industrial plants.

On May 20 Dr. L. F. Abbott, contributing editor of the Outlook, will deliver the commencement address at the College of the Ozarks at Clarksville.

Rev. Philip Cone Fletcher, D. D., of San Antonio, Texas, is announced to preach the commencement sermon of Southern Methodist University, on June 5.

Through an error in copying, wrong dates were given for the Hendrix College commencement speakers. Dr. H. D. Knickerbocker will preach on Sunday, June 5 and Bishop Boaz will deliver the address on June 7.

Presiding Elder Tolleson reports that Rev. D. L. Yates, pastor of Alma-Dyer Charge, is in the Veterans' Hospital at Dawson Springs, Ky., and cannot take up his work soon, but that Rev. D. N. Weaver is caring for it.

On May 28, from 8 to 9 p. m. there will be a debate on Prohibition over the radio between Dr. F. W. Buck of San Francisco and Dr. Atticus Webb of Dallas. Tune in on WRR, 246 meters, 500 watts. See fuller announcement on page 12.

Be sure to read the report of the Treasurer of our Board of Missions published on page 3, and the report of the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Finance on page 4. These reports show some of the financial operations of the Church.

Prof. W. C. Butthman, associate professor of History in Hendrix College has been appointed by the National Social Research Council to make studies in social politics in Europe this summer. His work will count on his dissertation for his doctorate at Columbia University for which he has already completed residence work. The appointment carries funds sufficient for all expenses. Prof. Butthman will leave June 1 and return Oct. 1.

AN ATTRACTIVE PREMIUM

Religion Today is a booklet of 134 pages, which contains 52 short articles by Prominent Churchmen. They first appeared in the Chicago Tribune, but are now collected in a booklet. In brief compass, such religious leaders as Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Dr. Chas. W. Gilkey, Dr. John Timothy Stone, and President W. D. Scott give their opinions on leading religious issues of the day. Prominent laymen are also contributors. We have secured a limited number of these booklets, and, as long as they last, we will give one as a premium with every subscription of \$2. When you send your subscription, either direct or through your pastor, indicate whether you want this premium, as it will be sent only as requested. Do not delay.

A Cablegram from the Board of Missions of our Church authorizes the removal of a number of our missionaries from China. Miss Lucia Clark, of Russellville, Ark., goes to Songdo, Korea; and Miss Cornelia Crozier of Fayetteville, Ark., will return on furlough.

Rev. H. Lynn Wade, pastor of Central Church, Fayetteville, last Sunday preached the closing sermon of Bruno Agricultural School near his boyhood home. May 15 he is to preach for the school at Prairie Grove, and May 22 for the Huntsville Industrial School.

President C. L. Hornaday of Henderson-Brown College writes: "In the article published a few days ago, an error was made in giving the amount of endowment of Lon Morris College in Jacksonville, Texas. This amount was given as \$15,500 and should have been \$150,000."

The Christian Index, organ of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, announces that during the past year that denomination had lost 10,980 members. For a Church with only about 300,000 members that is a serious loss. Only a few years ago they reported enormous gains.

The Ministerial Alliances of Fayetteville, Ft. Smith, and Little Rock have protested against the giving of pay entertainments by the picture shows on Sunday for relief of flood sufferers on the ground that it is commercializing the Sabbath day and the entertainments can as well be given on some other day.

Rev. Marshall Steel came in Monday with a nice list of subscribers from Carlisle and reported fine services on Sunday. In recognition of their fifty years of married life, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. King received a bouquet. Grandma Perkins, ninety-three years of age, was the oldest mother at the Mother's Day service.

Dr. Edwin Mims, head of the English Department of Vanderbilt University, is to be the chief speaker at the annual convention of the Arkansas Authors, Composers, and Art Lovers' Society, June 2. Dr. Mims is a native of Richmond, Ark., and as a youth lived in this city. He has distinguished himself as an author and teacher.

On account of financial difficulties growing out of flood conditions the Baptist and Commoner has temporarily reduced its size from sixteen to eight pages. Our paper has to meet the same difficulties; hence it needs the present active support of all the pastors and readers in securing renewals and new subscribers. Work done now will be greatly appreciated.

Boston University, the great Methodist University of New England, enrolls 12,172 students, considerably more than the enrollment of Harvard University, the oldest institution in New England. Wesleyan University at Middletown, Conn., is the oldest Methodist institution in New England and ought to be the strongest, but it is located in a comparatively small community, while Boston University has the backing of the largest community in New England, and is rendering that community a great public service. Boston University has less than \$3,000,000 endowment, and yet there are those who argue that a University cannot be established at Little Rock with \$2,000,000 endowment, when

Southern Methodist University has less than two million and Emory University only a little more than that amount.

Commenting on our use of "Essentialist", Rev. J. F. Jernigan suggests "Transmuglicandumbums-howity" as a term to characterize the "Modernists" who are trying to modernize Methodism. This may be eminently appropriate for such a species of "birds", but we fear that lock-jaw would follow any serious effort to use it. If by "modernizing Methodism" is meant overthrowing its essentials, the task is a hopeless one, and Bro. Jernigan need have no fear on that score.

At the recent meeting of the trustees of the University of Arkansas action was taken to establish a graduate school with Dr. J. C. Jordan as dean. Dr. V. Jones becomes dean of the college of arts and sciences. Dr. Morgan Smith, who has been for years the efficient head of the Medical School has resigned and Dr. Frank Vinsonhale succeeds him. The creation of a graduate school is a forward step long needed so that Arkansas students may take advanced work and degrees in their own state.

It is announced that at the close of the session of our State Teachers College 285 students will receive diplomas and certificates. Of these 42 will receive the degree of A. B., and 129 will receive certificates of Junior Licentiate of Instruction, 72 Primary Licentiate of Instruction, and 22 Intermediate Licentiate of Instruction. The class last year had 200. This shows a substantial growth and augurs well for the future of our schools. Rev. J. W. Workman of Fayetteville will preach the baccalaureate sermon June 5.

Prof. R. E. Holloway of Adelphi College, New York, has been awarded the Pulitzer prize of \$1,000 for the best American biography written during the past year. Prof. Holloway graduated at Hendrix College in 1906, and had taught in colleges in Missouri and Texas, before going to New York. He has become distinguished as the biographer of Walt Whitman and is now regarded as one of the literary men of the United States. He is a nephew of Dr. J. E. Godbey, formerly editor of this paper, now a very live superannuate of St. Louis Conference.

For some unaccountable reason either the papers have not published the assignments of our Bishops, or we have overlooked the news item. However, through private information we learn that all of the Bishops were re-assigned, as had been expected, to the same episcopal districts. Bishop Boaz comes back to Arkansas and Oklahoma. While a few people have been displeased with the Bishop's active interest in the proposed Educational Plan, the vast majority, whether they approve the Plan or not, are pleased with his brotherly spirit and desire to be useful, and are glad that he is to continue in charge of our Conferences. He is willing to spend himself to promote the welfare of the Church and is endeavoring to give us a vital and constructive leadership. Let us heartily cooperate with him and make this year our best in all spiritual things and in the progress of the Church.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

On account of the way in which the District Conferences were scheduled I have not been able to attend many. At first I thought I could not get to the Arkadelphia Conference; but Wednesday noon I found that I could leave, and hence ran down to Carthage. I was met by those who were on the look-out for visitors and immediately taken to the parsonage and splendidly entertained by Rev. and Mrs. O. C. Birdwell who are comfortably housed and are enjoying their work. In spite of bad weather Bro. Birdwell has a good garden and that day had new potatoes from it.

That night a goodly congregation heard Dr. W. C. Watson preach a strong and helpful sermon. Next morning, as I had to leave early, Dr. J. J. Stowe, the efficient and accommodating presiding elder, allowed me to speak immediately after the devotional service which was conducted by Rev. G. W. Warren.

I had no opportunity to hear any reports, but was informed that, all things considered, the general condition of the District was good and the outlook hopeful. Floods had done little damage, but the crops were unusually late. Most of the pastors were in attendance, although some had been called home. The attendance of laymen was light. The various connectional brethren had preceded me and had made impressive addresses. The ser-

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REPORT OF TREASURER
BOARD OF MISSIONSMethodist Episcopal Church, South
Nashville, Tenn.

December 31, 1926

Dr. W. G. Cram, General Secretary,
and the Members of the Board of
Missions, Methodist Episcopal Ch.,
South, Nashville, Tenn.

I am presenting for your consideration a summary of the financial statement of the Board of Missions, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as of December 31, 1926, prepared and certified to by F. L. Sturdevant, Auditor, Nashville, Tenn.

The statements are compiled according to departments—Foreign, Home, Mission Buildings, Trust, and Annuity. They are made in two sections: First, Balance Sheet; second, Statement of Receipts and Disbursements. In addition to the above, there is a combined statement of all departments, showing total assets and liabilities.

On the back page you will find statement of Receipts from Annual Conferences—i. e., Assessments, Specials, Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, Missionary Maintenance, or new money.

Care and thought has been given in the preparation of these statements

to make them plain and easily understood. I am calling your attention to the following:

1. Lambuth Building.—The gross income for 1926 is \$104,821.57, an increase over 1925 income of \$19,570.39. The operating expense for 1926 is \$39,391.57, a reduction in operating expenses for 1926 against 1925 of \$7,643.87. The net earnings for 1926 are \$65,430, or 9 percent on the invested capital.

2. In the reorganization of the Board in June, the operating expenses per year were reduced as follows: Salaries, \$16,256; Rents, \$4,043. Total, \$20,299.

3. Centenary Income.—The following resolution was adopted in May, 1925:

“(a) That the amount to be paid from Centenary income on the debt of the Board of Missions be equal to the proportionate part coming to the Board of Missions from Centenary collections.”

During 1926 the sum of \$295,797.80 was received from the Centenary and applied on our bank indebtedness.

4. Income on Assessments.—The following resolution was adopted in May, 1925:

“(b) That a thirty-three and one-third per cent preferential claim on the income from Assessments, beginning with the year 1926, be set aside

each year until the debt is liquidated.” The sum of \$200,000, or 34 per cent of the income on Assessments has been applied on the debt.

5. Endowment Funds.—Upon your recommendation, and the authorization of the Executive Committee, the endowment fund set up by the Board of Missions of \$40,000 for Hiroshima Girls' School, and the \$120,000 for Kwansai-Gakuin, was ordered sold, and the proceeds from said sale to be applied on our bank indebtedness. The sum of \$115,890 has been applied on the debt, leaving a balance of \$44,200 yet to be sold and applied. The above endowments were created by the Board's borrowing money from the bank and not by gifts from individuals or organizations. The above endowments have been carried as a part of the Board's bank indebtedness.

6. Refinancing the Debt. A plan in the early part of 1926 was submitted to the Secretaries and the Executive Committee for the purpose of refinancing a part of the Board indebtedness, using the Lambuth Building as a base of credit. This plan, in general, was approved. On March 11, 1926, application was made to the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company for a loan of \$500,000. On March 17, 1926, the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company granted a loan of \$470,000 to the Board for a

period of fifteen years, at five per cent interest, without brokerage, to be curtailed \$10,000 per year, beginning after the third year. On August 16 we received from the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company their check for \$470,000, which was applied to the debt as shown in my previous statement.

7. Bequests.—The Board of Missions received during 1926, through bequests, the sum of \$12,613.13.

8. Accounting Department.—This department in 1926 made 32,090 entries; issued 7,942 receipts and 6,812 checks. Also made the regular monthly distribution of approximately \$123,000 to our several mission fields at home and abroad. A personal letter from the Treasurer has been sent to each preacher or layman making a contribution to Missionary Maintenance. The books in the accounting department have been rearranged. I am quoting the following statement from the auditor:

“The Accounting Department has attained a marked degree of efficiency in the matter of economy and system, and I believe the present revisions being inaugurated will leave nothing to be desired.”

No Treasurer ever had a finer and more efficient group of workers than those employed in the Accounting Department. (Continued on Page 4.)

mons by Bros. J. A. Parker and J. L. Cannon had been pronounced strong.

Carthage, a very substantial little town, was entertaining handsomely and every one seemed to be in a good humor.—A. C. M.

SUNDAY AT FAYETTEVILLE AND FT. SMITH

Accepting an invitation from Rev. H. Lynn Wade to preach for him last Sunday morning so that he might preach a commencement sermon elsewhere, I had the pleasure of visiting the splendid Sunday School under the guidance of Superintendent K. C. Key and of preaching to an unusually fine congregation. The beautiful decorations and music were for Mother's Day. Rev. J. W. Workman, student pastor, had charge. He is now in the home of the superintendent on Mt. Sequoyah and is taking hold vigorously of the Assembly work. I had only a few minutes on the Mount, but found everything in good condition. The prospects for the summer season are excellent. Fayetteville in spring garb is resplendent in her beauty. The University commencement this year is earlier than usual. It includes June 5-7 Secretary of Agriculture Jardine will be present at the dedication of the two great new buildings which are nearing completion.

While Bro. Wade was away, still I learned the following facts concerning his remarkable quadrennium which is drawing to a close: A total of 965 new members has been received, eight preachers of that congregation have been licensed, one a member of the University faculty; life service band of 35 members; last year led the Conference in increase in amount paid on Claims and in members received on profession of faith; budget of the church nearly doubled in three years. The Sunday School has been reorganized and now has all of the departments meeting separately, the Young People's Department and the Intermediate Department being organized according to the latest plan for co-operation. Much work has been done on the church building and the Wesley hall. It is now a very well arranged and comfortable plant. The parsonage also has been greatly improved at a cost of \$1,600. During this period Bro. Workman became pastor for the students and teacher of Bible in the University. These pastors are co-operating admirably, and the results are really remarkable. Central is now one of our great churches and its spiritual lines are going out through the state. Fayetteville has made wonderful progress and as the University and Assembly city is attracting people from many states. Its population now approximates 9,000 not counting students. Our people who are looking for summer homes should consider Fayetteville, and write to Rev. J. W. Workman, superintendent of the Assembly. This year, of all years, the people of the overflowed section of our state should find homes in healthful and

sanitary Fayetteville, where they can escape the danger of sickness and enjoy the advantages of the Assembly.

Sunday evening was spent with Dr. G. W. Davis and his people at First Church, Ft. Smith. The Epworth League was visited and its Mother's Day program enjoyed. Considering the threatening weather a fine congregation was present. An unusually large number of the members of the official board was present and remained to confer with me about the circulation of the paper. Plans were made for the canvass, and a good list will doubtless be forthcoming.

Dr. Davis, coming from North Texas last fall, has made a fine start. His congregations are large and all of the interests of the church are moving forward. Sunday morning he took a part of the pledges for Superannuate Endowment, and expects to raise and pay all soon. Plans are forming for the Sunday School building which has been badly needed to accommodate the splendid Sunday School which continues to grow under the superintendency of Mr. G. C. Hardin. A new parsonage is in process of building and will be ready for occupancy by July 12. It is on Adelaide St., about a mile east of the church, on a large lot in a very beautiful residence section. The house is a two-story brick veneer with nine rooms and all modern conveniences. It is well back from the street and its architecture is elegant. It will be a very pleasant home for the pastor and family. The cost of building and lot is about \$20,000. I had delightful entertainment at the parsonage and feel that the interests of First Church are in safe hands. Already 165 new members have been added since conference and all organizations are functioning efficiently.—A. C. M.

CONDITIONS IN PINE BLUFF DISTRICT

Presiding Elder J. A. Henderson came in last Friday and reported conditions in his District. Every charge in the District was directly or indirectly affected by the flood. All of east Pine Bluff had been under water. Rev. J. T. Thompson, pastor of Carr Memorial, had to move out, but is back in the parsonage. The people generally are moving into their homes. At Sherrill the water was in both parsonage and church. Rev. W. W. Nelson, the pastor, had to live in a box-car for several days. Altheimer was flooded, and the pastor, Rev. M. O. Barnett had to move to Wabbaseka which was not so seriously affected. Part of Humphries was under water, but Pastor Walsh was able to remain in the parsonage. Part of Roe was inundated and much damage was done. A portion of St. Charles Circuit was flooded, but the damage was not serious. All of Gillett and Little Prairie charge was under water, but it did not get into the church at Gillett. All the territory of Swan Lake and Bayou Meto was flooded, but the losses are not yet known.

The pastor, Rev. C. B. Davis, stayed at Cornerstone. It is impossible at this time to estimate the material loss in the District. Fortunately there was no loss of life among our people. The District Conference, which could not be held as scheduled, will be held at Sherrill July 7-8. Bro. Henderson and his workers expect to push the work of the church vigorously.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE OF LITTLE ROCK AND NORTH LITTLE ROCK

Inasmuch as the City of Little Rock, on Wednesday night last, suffered the shame of being delivered over to anarchy; and

Inasmuch as this community saw law and order and peace and security overthrown, and for more than three hours the safety of the law-abiding people in jeopardy of a mob which carried on its reign of terror apparently unhindered; therefore,

Be It Resolved: First, that we, members of the Ministerial Alliance of Little Rock and North Little Rock, assembled in special session on May 6, 1927, solemnly deploring the fearful event which has brought a shadow of reproach upon the citizenship of our city, county and state, do most strongly and emphatically voice our protest against mob rule in any emergency and pledge our unbounded sympathy for and co-operation with all regularly constituted officers in upholding the majesty of the law; and,

Second, that we express our approval and gratitude to all the agencies which have courageously upheld the necessity of law enforcement and public order, and that we give our most cordial endorsement of the intention of the Grand Jury to bring to justice all who have been guilty, especially the ring leaders of the mob, and, for the sake both of the public and the officers of the law, thoroughly to investigate the conduct of said officers.

THE CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN

Since the report of last week the following subscriptions have been reported:

Lamar, Rev. W. J. Spicer, 6;
Prairie Grove, Rev. Edward Forrest, 12;
Walnut Ridge, Rev. S. G. Watson, 12;
Beebe, Rev. W. J. LeRoy, 9;
Dierks, Rev. F. C. Cannon, 30;
Newark, Rev. Clarence Crow, 15;
Carlisle, Rev. M. T. Steel, 9.

This is good for these charges, and considering the flood conditions it is on the whole not a bad showing. However, it is important that the pastors whose charges are comparatively uninjured by the floods and storms, should at this time do their best so that we may not feel too keenly the losses in the unfortunate charges. Pastors, let us hear from you promptly with good lists.

partment.

9. Estimated Income.—On an asking of \$1,000,000 for missionary maintenance the sum of \$770,659.89 has been received from the Freewill Offering, individuals, and Church Specials. On the estimated income from Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues of \$250,000 the sum of \$214,729.82 was received. On Assessments we received \$588,650.25, or 67 per cent, a slight reduction from the amount that we received in 1925.

10. Board of Missions indebtedness as of January 1, 1926:

Interdepartments and miscellaneous (net)	\$ 330,541.11
Due banks, foreign and home	1,200,000.00
Due Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. . .	128,000.00
	<hr/> \$1,658,541.11

Board of Missions indebtedness as of December 31, 1926:

Interdepartment and miscellaneous (net)	\$ 123,952.11
Due banks, foreign and home	140,000.00
Due banks and Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co. .	520,000.00
	<hr/> \$ 783,952.11

The debt of the Board of Missions during 1926 has been reduced the sum of \$874,589, leaving a net indebtedness as of December 31 of \$783,952.11. Of this net balance, \$520,000 is financed for a period of years, making it possible for the Lambuth Building, out of its income, to pay its operating expenses, principal and interest on the \$520,000 within this period. This leaves a balance of \$263,952.11. Against this balance there is a credit of \$44,200 of the Kwansei-Gakuin endowment securities to be sold and applied. When this is done there will be a balance of \$219,752.11 unprovided for, divided as follows: Banks, \$140,000 (notes); department and miscellaneous, \$79,752.11.

11. Twelve months ago the Board's indebtedness was \$1,658,541.11, all due and payable. During 1926 there was paid and refinanced the sum of \$1,440,762.04, the payment of which has been provided for. This leaves a balance of \$219,752.11 yet to be provided for. This is no small achievement, but one in which the Board should rejoice and be grateful. The Secretaries and the Executive Committee have cooperated fully. The new General Secretary, Dr. W. G. Cram, through his splendid counsel and leadership, has had no small part in making the above possible.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Rawls,
Treasurer.

EVANGELISM IN MEXICO

The Republic of Mexico has enacted and is enforcing some very drastic laws with reference to religious activities in that country. These laws have caused great concern to persons interested in missionary activities in Mexico. Our own Church has faithfully obeyed the laws of the country, but to do so has caused considerable embarrassment to our work. It has been necessary to withdraw all our American preachers and turn the Churches over to the Mexican Methodists. This has been an experiment, though an enforced one, and the Church at home has anxiously watched the outcome. Anxiety has been felt lest the new laws and the program we were forced to adopt as a consequence, would hinder the progress of the Gospel and stop evangelism. Such does not seem to be the case, however.

Rev. Benjamin Fernandez recently held a revival at Saltillo, Mexico, which vindicated our faith in the native Mexican evangelists. Brother Fernandez is presiding elder of the Coahuila District, of the Mexican Conference, and Saltillo is in his District. The following report of the meeting, made by Miss Mary E. Massey, of Roberts College, Saltillo, adequately describes the revival:

"We began two weeks before Easter, by having prayer service every night and praying especially for the services. That was a splendid preparation and the people responded heartily from the beginning. Brother Fernandez began his meetings on April 3. During the entire week we had an early morning service at 5:30. During the day the people interested visited and gave out literature and each night we had the evangelistic services.

"From the first the response was spontaneous and beyond our expectations. Every night the altar was filled and the entire space between the altar and the front seats was occupied by those who came forward. How hungry-hearted they are! Brother Fernandez was there every night at least an hour after the services talking to people who needed help and were seeking conferences with him. During each day he was busy holding conferences with those who were moved by the Spirit. Hearts were searched, confessions were made, and glorious victories won.

"A number of our girls from the College were among those converted. On Easter Sunday morning each Sunday School teacher passed to the front as his class was called and presented those of his class who were making or had made a decision. The babies were baptized, and Brother Fernandez made a special talk to those who were to be received into the membership, and in the solemnity of that hour four more girls, a woman, and a little boy came to join the number. It has been a glorious victory and our cup of joy is running over.

"Brother Fernandez is trying to get the Church on its feet financially also. He had a conference of all the officials and has made a special appeal to the Church for a new consecration of their means and has established a financial system."

It remains to be seen whether turning over our work to the native Mexican Methodists was not a providential event. This had, of course, always been our aim and desire, but the Church at home hesitated in the fear that the leadership among the natives might not be wholly sufficient for the task. Perhaps after all our fears were unfounded, and the Mexican Christians were only waiting the responsibility to develop the latent gifts within them.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

By Luther E. Todd, Secretary

The annual meeting of the Board of Finance convened at St. Louis, Mo., April 26, 1927. The following members of the Board were in attendance: Bishop W. F. McMurry, Senator X. P. Wilfley, Rev. Luther E. Todd, Mr. John W. Fristoe, Rev. C. W. Tadlock, Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, Bishop U. V. W. Darlington, Bishop S. R. Hay, Rev. R. A. Clark, Rev. Frank P. Culver, Rev. D. F. Ellisor, Rev. H. E. Draper, Rev. W. A. Cooper, Rev. J. T. Leggett, Rev. S. P. Cresap, Mr. Addison Maupin, Mr. J. R. Dominick, Mr. W. Stackhouse, Mr. W. E. Brock, Mr. W. G. Hardy.

This meeting in many ways was

the best in the history of the Board, being characterized by perfect harmony and forward-looking plans in behalf of the great movement for Superannuate Endowment. The Secretary's Report revealed many interesting facts which the Church will be pleased to have, as follows:

1. Concerning Matters of Finance

1. Superannuate Endowment.—It was shown that the total Superannuate Endowment in the hands of the Board as of March 31, 1927, was \$4,153,324.78. Of this sum, \$2,671,182.60 was General Fund Endowment and \$1,482,142.18 was Conference Funds Endowment. The General Fund Endowment was increased during the fiscal year by the sum of \$544,817.71; the Conference Funds Endowment was increased during the year by the sum of \$346,177.87. The difference in the increase of the two accounts was due to special gifts, chiefly on the annuity plan, to the General Fund. Of the total endowment in the hands of the Board, as stated above, the sum of \$382,075.83 is subject to annuity.

2. Endowment Income.—For the fiscal year which ended March 31, 1927, the Board was able to earn 5.8 per cent on the total endowment capital for the time it was in hand.

On July 1, 1927, the Board will be able to distribute direct to the claimants, on the basis of years of service, the sum of \$141,551.38, as compared with \$116,057.24 so distributed a year ago.

The Board will also be able to send to the Annual Conferences at their next meetings, for distribution among their claimants on the basis of necessity, the sum of \$76,123.48, as compared with \$52,234.16 sent to the Annual Conferences at their last annual meetings.

Thus the Board is distributing this year for the claimants' support a grand total of \$217,674.86, as compared with a grand total distributed last year of \$168,391.40—an increase for this year of \$49,283.46.

3. Annual Conference Endowment.—So far as the Board has been able to obtain information on the subject, the Annual Conferences now have a total endowment of \$3,834,698. Of this sum, \$580,600 is in 156 superannuate homes owned by the Conferences. \$1,771,956 is in various securities handled by local trustees for the Conferences, and \$1,482,142 is in trust with the General Board of Finance. The value of the Publishing House, the net income from which should go to the Annual Conferences yearly for the support of the claimants, is not included in the figures given. Furthermore, it is doubtless true that the Annual Conferences have some other assets equivalent to endowment which the Board is not able to report for lack of definite information concerning these holdings.

4. The Investment Reserve Fund.—The Board is striving to build up a Reserve Fund out of concessions of a fractional per cent allowed to institutions such as ours in the purchase of securities. This Reserve Fund will be used as necessity may arise to protect the endowment capital against any losses which may come from investments that do not work out as expected. This fund was started April 20, 1924, and it has grown steadily. At the close of the fiscal year, which ended March 31, 1927, it amounted to a total of \$25,464.61. The Board hopes that this fund will increase from year to year until it is sufficient to guarantee the keeping of the endowment capital at 100 per cent.

5. Superannuate Endowment Be-

quests.—The Secretary's Report revealed that the Board has evidence in its files of bequests that have been made to Superannuate Endowment of a total estimated value of \$500,000. This item is not included in the report given hereinabove of the total endowment actually in hand. It is, however, an item of interest. Furthermore, it should be noted that these bequests are those of which the Board has knowledge. It is undoubtedly true that a great many other bequests have been made to this sacred cause which have not as yet been reported to the Board.

It should be stated that there was received during the past year from bequests as follows: From the estate of Warren C. Bird, deceased, formerly of Baltimore, Md., the sum of \$7,128.50; from the estate of Miss Alice Barnard, deceased, formerly of Franklin, Ky., the sum of \$500; from the estate of Mr. T. C. Ellerbee, deceased, formerly of North Carolina, the sum of \$1,179.52—a total of \$8,808.02. The total sum received from bequests is included in the report of the endowment assets.

6. Contributions on the Annuity Plan.—It is gratifying to report that during the year the Board received \$159,165 from contributions on the annuity plan. This sum, added to that formerly received on this plan for the endowment, makes a total now in hand of \$382,075.83 subject to annuity. The annuity bonds of the Board of Finance appeal strongly to those who wish to contribute to a worthy cause in this way. The entire resources of the Board are back of these bonds, thus making them an absolutely safe investment. It is not surprising, therefore, that these bonds of the Board of Finance are being purchased more and more by discriminating people who want to make contributions to a worthy cause and at the same time retain for themselves the annuity until death.

7. Collections on the General Conference Assessment.—The Board has a General Conference Annual Assessment of \$200,000 on the whole Church. Of this amount there was collected \$131,292.78, or nearly 65 per cent.

8. The Total Support of the Claimants.—The Secretary reported that there were 1,020 superannuates and 1,486 widows of preachers, a total of 2,506 claimants. The total amount paid these claimants during the past year was \$725,918. The average per capita amount for the superannuates was \$372; and the average per capita amount for the widows of preachers was \$233.

9. Expenses of the Board.—The expenses of the Board proper for the year ended March 31, 1927, amounted to \$22,295.48. Of this sum, \$17,642.65 was for office expenses; \$2,958.67 was for general expenses; and \$1,694.16 was for travel expenses.

The expenses for the year of the Special Effort Department amounted to \$21,875.47. Of this, \$1,400.80 was for special service; \$1,682.16 was for travel expenses; \$9,687.33 was for printing and general publicity; \$1,352.08 was for Conference Organ publicity; \$4,816.55 was for clerical help; \$1,020 was for rent; \$127.71 was for supplies; \$953.49 was for postage; \$6.56 was for express; \$200.86 was for wire service; \$65.78 was for equipment; \$118.62 was for sundries; and \$443.53 was for the expenses of the Directing Committee. Thus it is shown that the Special Efforts Department, not counting the printing and publicity expenses, operated throughout the year for \$10,836.06.

11. Concerning The Special Effort For

Superannuate Endowment

The Secretary's Report brought to light many facts concerning this movement which are worthy of emphasis.

1. Status of the Conferences on Quota Payments.—It was revealed that in three years, or to March 31, 1927, all of the Annual Conferences had paid on Special Effort Quotas the total sum of \$2,722,536.83. Inasmuch as the expenses of the movement were paid from the collections on the General Conference Assessment, the entire sum paid on the quotas by the Charges had been credited 100 per cent to Endowment.

The Florida Conference has the distinction of being first in the per cent paid of the amount due in three years, having paid 60.9 per cent; the Southwest Missouri Conference is second, having paid 58.3 per cent; the West Texas Conference is third, having paid 57.1 per cent. The entire table, showing the standing of the Conferences on quota payments, will be published at an early date in the Christian Advocate.

2. Comparative Study of the Charges on Quota Payments.—It was shown that twenty-six Charges of the whole Church have paid the five-year quota in full; that 432 Charges have paid three-fifths of the five-year quota; 3,419 Charges have each paid over \$100, but less than three-fifths of the five-year quota; 1,843 Charges have paid \$100, or less, of the five-year quota; and 802 Charges have paid nothing of the five-year quota.

3. Future Plans for the Special Effort Movement.—The Board spent considerable time in a study of future plans in behalf of the movement for adequate Superannuate Endowment. A plan for the fifth year was unanimously decided upon, and it will be presented to the Annual Conferences in the Fall of 1927. The usual methods of collecting quotas will be pressed until then. It is hoped that during the fourth year of the movement, and operating in the usual way, the Charges will contribute more to the cause than any year hitherto.

III. Miscellaneous Matters

1. New Member of the Board.—The Committee on Nominations recommended that Mr. J. T. Catlin, Jr., of Danville, Virginia, be chosen as a member of the Board to succeed his father, Mr. J. T. Catlin, Sr., deceased, and he was unanimously elected.

2. Meeting of Representatives of Conferences Boards.—The Annual Meeting of the Board, being apprised of the fact that the representatives of the Conference Boards of Finance would hold a meeting in St. Louis two days later, expressed satisfaction that these leaders of the cause in the various Annual Conferences were coming together at this time to consider ways and means to help the movement for Superannuate Endowment.

WHERE THE BURDEN IS HEAVIEST

Of the 153 charges in the Little Rock Conference last year more than one-third, or to be exact, 62 did not pay in full the amount assessed for the pastor. Of these three do not seem to have made any report to the annual conference at all, and so, are dropped out of the count. This leaves 59 charges for which reports were returned that did not pay the pastor what was promised him. It is interesting to note that only one of these occurred among charges assessing a salary as high as \$2,000 or more. Twenty are found in that group of charges assessing \$1,200-\$1,800 inclusive. Thirty-eight are found in the group that assessed less than \$1,200

for pastoral support. We have here a repetition of the old, old story of the burden of financial shortage falling on the man who is least able to bear it. "To him that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance; but from him that hath not shall be taken away that which he hath," was hardly meant to be applied in this way, but it does apply nevertheless.

Only one charge that assessed as much as \$2,000 failed to pay. The shortage here was \$113. Charges assessing less than \$2,000 and not under \$1,200 are separated into two groups based on percentage paid on conference claims: (a) those paying 25 per cent or more; (b) those paying less than 25 per cent. In the first group eleven charges did not pay salary in full. The total shortage was \$1581 and the average was \$143.72.

In group (b) nine charge did not pay in full. The total shortage was \$2,648, and the average was \$294.22.

In that group of charges assessing less than \$1,200 for the pastor, there are 33 that did not pay the amount assessed. The total shortage here is \$13,757, and the average was \$362. It will be seen that according to a recent statement in the Methodist (issue of March 10), page 4, column 2, the average shortage in both these last two groups mentioned above is considerably higher than the average amount paid to conference claimants last year, taking them by families.

It is interesting to note that of the 59 charges here under consideration, about 47 of them were served by conference men, either on trial or in full connection. According to the Journal of last conference, the total amount paid last year by the entire conference for Superannuate Endowment was \$16,209. The total shortage on salary of these forty-seven members of the conference, to say nothing of the other twelve faithful supply men, was \$14,417.25, only a little less than the total paid by the conference for its wornout preachers, their widows and orphans. It is equivalent to making each one of these men, out of the meager salary assessed for his support, pay back to his congregation \$306.75 to apply on his own salary. How the burden does press down on the men who are least able to bear it! How long will our people suffer such things to continue? Is there no remedy? I believe there is, but it does not lie all in one direction. Our bungling methods of apportioning assessments is in large measure responsible. But there I must lay my hands on my mouth for the present. That is a tender spot. Better to let our superannuates and many other faithful men still on the active list continue to suffer than to touch it. Let the boil get ripe and then it can be opened much to the relief of the patient, and so I trust it may be in this case. Meanwhile let the whole system (the entire body of the Church) be doctored and built up as the best means for aiding the trouble at present.—R. H. Cannon, DeQueen, Ark.

A PLEA FOR NATIONAL HELP
By Roger W. Babson

(This article is a response to our recent editorial.)

Without doubt the flood devastations have been very great. From a monetary point of view they may be classified with the Galveston Flood, the Dayton Flood, the San Francisco Earthquake, the Baltimore Fire and the Florida Hurricane. Considering the number of lives lost, the figures are in excess of anything in other devastations. The number of home-

less exceeds anything that has taken place before. Therefore, from certain points of view, the recent floods have been exceedingly serious. In view of the above, I hope certain economic blessings will follow this great Mississippi Flood.

First of all, there should be a greater interest in reforestation. For the past 50 years this country has been slaughtering its forests in a most shortsighted manner. Conservation interests have been preaching that in the interests of future generations we should begin systematic reforestation. These good people, however, have received very little support. Their appeal was not spectacular enough, and unfortunately people cannot be aroused without something spectacular. Scientists, however, agree that the chief cause of the great floods which this country is now experiencing is primarily due to denuding the country of the forests. They believe that the only solution to this problem is reforestation. If these floods create a real interest in reforestation, not only will future floods be lessened, but future generations will be provided with lumber. This is a distinct benefit which may come about from this situation. Reforestation, however, is slow work. It takes considerable time to raise a tree. A tree increases in diameter only about half an inch a year, so that a ten inch tree is about 20 years old, and in the case of many woods the growth is even slower. Trees, however, grow more rapidly in the South where there is more moisture and heat than in the North.

The immediate remedy for floods lies in the building of dams. This country would be suffering today very much more from floods than it is, if it were not for the dams which the hydro-electric companies have been building in all parts of the United States. Recently the public has got the idea that public utilities are making too much money from these dams and so there has been some opposition to them. Only recently Congress appointed a Commission to investigate the "Hydro-electric Trust," so-called. At the hearings then held, the point was made by the public utilities that these dams are performing a very necessary service in flood prevention. These arguments, however, were then not taken seriously. Now they will be taken seriously. Either the hydro-electric companies must be encouraged to continue their program of building more and greater dams, or the National Government must build these dams themselves in order to prevent flood devastation. Hence, this Mississippi Valley should be the means of bringing the public to a realization of what is needed in connection with flood control.

It is difficult to visualize the tremendous area covered by the Mississippi Watershed. The river, from its source at Lake Itasca which was discovered by Schoolcraft in 1832, to its outlet in the Gulf of Mexico is 2,459 miles long. The drainage area of the Mississippi consists of a million and a quarter square miles, or about 40 per cent of the mainland of the United States. This drainage area is divided as follows:

Designation	Sq. Mi.	% of Whole
Missouri	527,150	43
Upper Mississippi	165,900	13
Ohio	201,700	16
Middle & Lower Miss.	69,000	6
Arkansas	186,300	15
Red	90,000	7

The above table covers ten states. On the banks of the river are four

cities of over 200,000 population. I refer to St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis and New Orleans. In addition there are 17 other cities with populations of over 100,000. The River has about 100,000 tributaries of which 240 are large enough to figure on statistical charts. Steamers can travel on the Mississippi and its tributaries some four thousand miles without changing cargo. I mention these figures that readers may comprehend the tremendous significance of the problem and realize it is a national problem, for which the entire nation is responsible.

THE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

By Charles C. Jarrell

A year ago the general secretary of the General Hospital Board invited the representatives of our hospitals to come together in Atlanta to talk over their common tasks and if deemed wise to organize a hospital association for our Church. About ten persons came together, spent a highly interesting day and unanimously decided to form such an organization. A tentative organization was effected and a provisional constitution agreed on.

The President, Rev. C. C. Jarrell called the second meeting for April 19, at Atlanta, Ga., in connection with the meeting of the General Hospital Board on April 20.

The attendance this year was more than doubled that of last year. The three sessions were deeply interesting and marked by intense application and intelligent enthusiasm. Southern Methodism is "on the way" with her healing program.

The President had arranged a program which was carried out with skill and intelligent enthusiasm by the hospital workers of our Church and found its climax in Bishop Candler's address at the dinner at the Henry Grady Hotel.

Striking features of the sessions were as follows: An address by the President on hospital program in Southern Methodism during the last year, showing over \$2,000,000 of hospital property put into service. An address by Miss Lake Johnson, of Lexington, Kentucky, followed on "Tendencies in Nursing Education." She said there are 150,000 trained nurses in service now and 15,000 enter training each year.

Dr. L. H. Burlington, of St. Louis, read a thorough, scientific paper on "The Problems of the Hospital Superintendent." The publication of this paper was requested. Mrs. Plato Durham pleased and informed her audience with her address on "The Woman's Auxiliary of the Hospital." Dr. J. H. Groseclose, of Dallas, Texas, made a virile address on "Raising Hospital Funds." Dr. R. H. Oppenheimer told "How to Keep the Hospital out of debt." Dr. D. H. Hotchkiss, of Houston, Texas, told how he raised \$8,000 through the Golden

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Protection Against Old Age

Cross last year. Dr. F. W. Brandon, Associate Secretary of the General Hospital Board, read an eloquent paper on "Methodism and Health," and its publication was asked for.

At the dinner, Dr. J. L. Campbell read a paper on "Methodist Hospitals and Medical Education." The publication of this paper was requested. Then Bishop Candler kept the dinner group of twenty-five laughing and thinking and visioning the future as he spoke on "The Future of the Hospital Cause in our Church."

C. C. Jarrell, of Atlanta, was elected President, Jno. S. Jenkins, LaGrange, Ga., Vice President, and F. W. Brandon Atlanta, Secretary. The next meeting will be held at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis.

MEETING OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The first regular meeting of the Board of Education elected by the last General Conference was held April 26-27, at Nashville, Tenn. Two full days were devoted to the consideration of the important activities of the Church which have been committed to this Board. Only a sketch of the more important actions of the Board can be given in this brief article.

Earnest consideration was given to the importance of an educated and trained ministry. The General Secretary discussed this question at length in his report to the Board. Doctors Cox and Parker of Emory University and Dr. Selecman of Southern Methodist University came before the Board and discussed the great need of theological training for the ministry. After full discussion of the whole subject of ministerial education, the Board expressed itself as being in hearty sympathy with our two theological schools in this proposal to inaugurate a concentrated effort to place upon the conscience and in the conviction of the whole Church the need of a thoroughly educated ministry and pledged the support and co-operation of the Board in

a Church-wide appeal for this work.

Since the last General Conference transferred the responsibility for the organization and conduct of Pastors' Schools to the Board of Education the work of these schools naturally received much attention at this meeting. It was the sense of the Board that the Pastors' Schools should increasingly emphasize graduate instruction and that the undergraduates should be strongly urged to take their work in the Correspondence School. \$10,000 was appropriated for the work of the Pastors' School during the next year.

The work which is being done in the field of religious education in both Church and State schools was commended and the strengthening and enlargement of the program in important and strategic centers was agreed upon. The Board also directed that all new work in this field be projected upon a broad and generous plan with a view to future enlargement and permanence. At least \$27,000 was made available for this work during the year 1927-28.

The very pressing financial problem of many of our schools and colleges was not overlooked by the Board. It was recognized that "there are unmistakable indications that the time has come for the Church either to increase greatly the financial support of the colleges or to cut down the number." In view of the gravity of this situation the Board requested the Annual Conferences to appoint commissions to act in conjunction with the General Secretary in an effort to secure for the institutions in their respective territory the financial support necessary to accomplish the educational task of the Church.

There was presented to the Board a communication from the Educational Commission to the two Annual Conferences in Arkansas with reference to the proposal to merge the three colleges of that State into one institution, under the board of trustees, but functioning in four different places, with the head of the consolidated institution at Little Rock. Without expressing any judgment on the wisdom of the plan, the Board voted to concur in the proposal of the Commission provided the plan shall be adopted by the two Annual Conferences in Arkansas and that at least three million dollars become available before the enterprise is begun.

The proposal of the two Annual Conferences in Oklahoma to co-operate with the Methodist Episcopal Church in conducting a joint educational institution of higher learning at Oklahoma City was brought before the Board. The Board expressed its sympathy with the plan and voted unanimously to give the Conferences in Oklahoma full liberty to proceed with the development of the plan adopted by the adjourned sessions of the Oklahoma Conferences held in 1926. The General Secretary was instructed to render every assistance possible in carrying out the plan.

The very great value which the observance of Christian Education Day in the local churches can be made as a means of approach to local congregations was emphasized by the Board and each Annual Conference was requested to order Christian Education Day in their local congregations and to urge their pastors to observe the day with suitable programs.

Upon the whole it was a most satisfactory and profitable meeting. It is quite apparent that the members of the Board for this quadrennium are thoroughly in earnest in their

task of directing the educational work of the Church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EVANGELISM—PERSONAL REVIVAL

Some one has truly said that the ideal church and Sunday School are one where the whole church membership is at Sunday School and the whole Sunday School is at the preaching service. In this event the evangelism of the church and the Sunday School would be one and the same would be designated personal.

The Sunday School, which has more to do with the religious training of the childhood of the church than any other organization, is largely charged with bringing the children into fellowship with Jesus and schooling them in Christian living. If the Sunday School fails in this task it has failed woefully, for it is not a club or a mere religious school but a soul-winning and soul-developing agency. It should undoubtedly be the greatest evangelistic agency of any organization in the world. It should be a rare thing for a boy or girl to regularly attend a Sunday School and pass beyond the teen age without having been brought into vital fellowship with Jesus and having made a definite and determined decision to follow Him.

If, however, the Sunday School is to do this evangelistic work it must have such a program and goal of vital Christian instruction and education as to produce religious conviction, decision, and daily effort in Christian living. This end cannot be attained through haphazard methods. If the world is ever to be won to Jesus Christ it must be done largely in youth and through religious instruction and personal touch by individuals of a truly Christian experience—by men and women who are born of God. Definite times should be set and special efforts made each year to bring the pupils to a definite decision for the Christian life and to renew those who have become callous or indifferent.

In view of these facts and truths, which would be admitted by most Christian people, the program of evangelism outlined by the Evangelistic Committee of the General Sunday School Board for the months of January, February, and March of this year culminating with Easter should be heeded by our pastors and Sunday School leaders. It has been suggested by the Committee that this outlined plan can be changed or modified to suit each situation.

If the whole church should be in the Sunday School and the Sunday School in the preaching service as suggested in the beginning of this article, then in many places the pastor should plan in this three month effort to use the whole church and all its organizations to work together with the Sunday School, promoting prayer, Bible study, and personal workers' bands and having for the last week or ten days of the said period preaching services by the pastor.

As a pastor in several states I used this method a number of years and had really great revivals, receiving scores of members on profession of faith, with permanent and wholesome results. And the teachers and officers of the Sunday School and workers of the whole church who, with soul passion led their pupils and others into definite and permanent decisions to live and work with Jesus, came into more vital Christian experiences. Thus the church with all its agencies served the whole community in the spirit of the Master.

This sort of program each year can be worked and ought to be worked in the country and village churches and Sunday Schools, as well as in the towns and cities. Then our evangelistic efforts will not be so spasmodic and we will be working more in harmony with our Lord when He set a child in the midst and said "of such is the Kingdom of God".—Wm. B. Ricks.

THE HUNDRED PER CENT HABIT

Both of our Mexican Missions have contracted the hundred per cent habit—that is the habit of paying all assessments 100 per cent.

During the year 1926 the Western Mexican Mission, writes the Rev. J. P. Lancaster, superintendent of the Eastern District, met all obligations in full 100 per cent in accordance with its usual custom.

The Rev. F. S. Onderdonk, in charge of the Texas Mexican Mission, reports that all members of this mission also paid all assessments in full during the past year. In this respect the two Mexican Missions surpass any other Conference or Mission of the entire Church.

The 1862 members of the Western Mexican Mission contributed during the past year for all purposes \$13,065.07. They paid in full the forty cents per member special asked by the Board of Missions for missionary maintenance in 1926; they came out 100 per cent on the \$200 promised each year for five years to the Supercannate Endowment Fund; they contributed in full their share of the fund for pastors' salaries, totaling \$3,119.50. The membership of this Mission shows a net increase of 317 for the year, the total membership to date being 1,999.

Not only have the members of the Western Mexican Mission paid all past obligations, but they are looking toward the future. They have accepted the \$400 quota assigned to them as their share in the \$1,000,000 free-will offering for missions that will be taken at the close of the special missionary-study period during the months of January and February, 1927, and it can be confidently counted on that this amount too will be paid in full, says Mr. Lancaster, for the Mexican Christians who belong to this mission know no other way of doing—they have contracted the hundred per cent habit.

To some people \$400 may seem but an insignificant part of the great \$1,000,000 missionary offering, but not when one recalls that the assessments levied upon the Mexican Methodists are upon the same decimal basis as upon the members of any other Methodist Church. Four hundred dollars is all that these Mexicans have been asked to give; they have already accepted their quota and are planning out of their dire poverty—for they are desperately poor—to meet their quota in full. And it will be paid—100 per cent!

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THE FOREST SPEAKS

The Forest speaks to the Lumberman,
As he saws out his timbers and
scoots:

"You must give back to our Forests,
my son,
The trees you've cut off at the roots.

We've builded you many a city,
We've furnished you many a home,
God grant you'll give and with a
blessing
You'll leave, a seed we can call our
own.

You cannot always be taking
And giving naught back in return,
For we have lived through the ages
To furnish you wood just to burn.

Our law is like yours—He made it,
Who gives all Life so sweet—
You must return the trees you burn
Or you'll have to do without heat."

So this is the plea of the Forest
As the Lumberman wends his way,
"Brother, leave us a seed for you will
Need, some day this debt to repay."
—From Wood Construction.

FOREST FIRE PUBLICITY

The Seaboard Air Line Railway
Company has just issued another
striking poster urging the public to
be cautious with fire in the woods.
The road and its development depart-
ment deserve highest praise for their
efforts.

The poster, which is in colors,
shows a motorist pouring water on
the embers of a campfire he is about
to leave. The background is a beau-
tiful green forest and nearby is an
automobile. Incidentally, the fire is
on soil away from trees and brush.

"Prevent Forest Fires—it pays,"
reads the caption.

GARDENS OF TIMBER

Within sixty or seventy years at
most the Japanese will be cutting
their own timber, and will no longer
be dependent on importations. While
the Western world is talking glibly of
reforestation, and is preparing to
get ready to begin, the foresters of
Nippon are growing their own. And
they are growing them as the Jap-
anese grow vegetables—in patches
that, for all their vastness, are never-
theless gardens. The Japanese have
known the heavy burdens entailed by
an exhausted native lumber supply.
They make no byplay of penitence,
but are content to let practical meas-
ures speak for their sincerity.

To drive anywhere through the
brown hills of Japan is to observe a
singular regularity of aspect in the
young pine groves that climb across
the summits in the proper lanes of
an Iowa cornfield. Many of the
young forests are yet no higher than
the thigh of the traveler who pauses
to inspect them; others are compar-
able to a thrifty second-growth in
America, but all alike are carefully
tended and flourishing. A few native
forests yet are standing in Japan,
tall and venerable, but long ago the
bulk of the timber was taken for the
needs of a people who had never
heard of applied forestry.

There are mountain sides in Japan,
on which these forests have been
planted, that are almost sheer, and
to which a forester, with naught save
Shank's mare and his hands, could
not hope to cling. Yet the young fore-
est clothes these steep with dark
green, and the trees are arrayed as
precisely as though rooted on level
land. It is plain to see that men
clung to ropes lowered from vantage

points, when they planted the trees.
Paper-paneled tea houses and
homes are not constructed by the
Japanese because they deem these
best. In remote times the timber sup-
ply of Japan was brought to the verge
of disappearance by wasteful policies,
not unlike those we have practiced in
America. Coniferous woods were na-
tive and plentiful, but the inability to
see beyond the need of the moment
stripped away the forests and left the
hills naked and ashamed. Now the
Japanese know better. And knowing,
they have taken action.—Dearborn In-
dependent.

FOREST WEEK

American Forest Week has been
announced for April 24 to 30, accord-
ing to the U. S. Department of Agri-
culture. This week is designated as
one in which nationwide considera-
tion is to be given to the forests.
Everybody is urged to help in more
conservative use of timber and in the
promotion of better forest practices.

It is particularly fitting for such a
week to be observed. Originally Ar-
kansas was one of the wealthiest
states in the south in timber resource.
Today Arkansas has but a small rem-
nant of this once vast wealth. We
have been drawing on this timber
resource for years without making
any plans for growing other crops of
timber for on-coming generations.
Much waste has been wrought by im-
proper use of timber. All timber
land owners and users in the state
should give serious thought to these
matters. Forest Week will be an ap-
propriate time for woodland owners
in Arkansas to begin practicing for-
estry.

County agricultural agents will give
"Forest Week" a place in their pro-
grams, and it is suggested that bus-
iness mens' clubs, banks, womens'
clubs, schools and other organizations
could render effective aid. It is also
suggested that farmers owning
tracts of timberland should put on
tree growing demonstrations such as
thinning projects, and tree planting
projects. The county agricultural
agents and the state Extension forester
will cooperate in these efforts.

In speaking of "Forest Week" Mr.
G. H. Collingwood, Extension forester
in the U. S. Department of Agri-
culture, says, "During the past six
years, American Forest Week has be-
come a fixture upon the forester's
calendar. I am especially glad to
call your attention to the fact that
this year the date has been set well
in advance of the actual celebration."
—W. K. Williams, in Extension Coop-
erator.

TO THE TEACHERS OF FUTURE
CITIZENS

Our civilization is so dependent up-
on forest products that we cannot do
without them. Teachers must do their
part in establishing firmly in the
mind of the school children the ac-
cepted policies of modern forestry.—
Prof. E. Laurence Palmer of Cornell
University.

AN URGENT NATIONAL NEED

There is no more important lesson
for the American people to learn than
the need of growing and conserving
forests and trees. Our future devel-
opment as a nation will largely hinge
upon the success with which we can
spread this gospel.—John J. Tigert,
U. S. Commissioner of Education.

TREES AND THE NEXT GENER-
ATION

There can be no more important
educational work than turning the at-
tention of the new generations to the

FOR CHILDREN

TRY IT

When little folks are loving,
It makes folks love them, too.
Now, boys and girls, just try it
And prove that it is true.
For every smile you give them
They'll give one back to you;
They simply cannot help it.
Love makes the smiles break
through.—Ex.

EXPECTED OF AN AMERICAN BOY

"What we have a right to expect
of the American boy is that he shall
turn out to be a good American
man," said Theodore Roosevelt. We
have often said, "Boys will be boys
and you can't expect anything else,"
when boys have been up to some mis-
chief or rowdyism or petty thievery.
Now we do not expect boys to be old
men or old women, but if they are
worth their salt they will be men.
"Boys will be men" some day. What
kind of men is being settled now, in
their boyhood.

In the Boston riots during the po-
lice strike, much of the rowdyism,
theft, and even assault, was the work
of boys. A gang of boys knocked
down an old woman nearly eighty
years of age and beat her terribly.
This was in Boston, not in Belgium.
The kind of manhood that is in the
making among those boys is the Hun
type, not the American.

Boys, be manly, be American. You
are the men of tomorrow. What kind
of men will you be?—Selected.

A PANTHER STORY

A True Story

By Robbie Lena Harding, age 13,
Byers, Texas

I have never heard of a child who
did not like to hear his grandmother
tell of the days when she was young.
Neither have I heard of anyone who
liked to hear grandmother's stories
better than I.

When I was quite young I found
that grandmother knew many true
stories that occurred in her youth. I
think that she about exhausted her
story supply when I was about four
years old, but I still like to hear the
same stories over and over again.

My favorites of these many stories,
are the ones she tells about the pan-
thers, which were rather numerous in
those days.

My grandfather and grandmother
lived on the Texas frontier. They,
like most other people at that time,
lived in a log cabin. They had to go
about a weeks journey to town to
get their supplies. We must keep in
mind that that was in the days before
there was such a thing as a car.

One day grandfather said: "Maggie
I just must go to town after some sup-
plies, for our supplies are getting
very low, you know. "Yes," said
grandmother, "I know they are, and
I expect that you had better get
about a bolt of muslin to make the
children some clothes."

"All right, I will be sure to get it
for you. I expect that I had better
go tomorrow, so we had better get up
early and get the work done, before
I have to go. I will take you and the
children over to the neighbors to stay
until I get back, for I would be afraid
for you and the children to stay here
alone until I get back."

The next morning they got up very
early, finished the work, and grand-

importance of trees. On every hand
we will see this importance if we will
but look. The thing is to get us to
look.—Mrs. John Dickinson Sherman,
President, General Federation of
Women's Clubs.

father took grandmother and the chil-
dren to the neighbors.

"Goodbye Maggie, and be sure not
to stay all night at home by your-
self," said grandfather, and with that
he was gone.

Before many days had passed,
grandmother got very homesick and
wanted to go home very much. She
begged and begged one of the girls at
the neighbors house to go home with
her, but she would not. A little be-
fore sunset she started to her home,
about a mile and a half distant, with
her three small children, and all
alone. It was dark by the time they
reached home, so grandmother cooked
supper and after they had had sup-
per, they all went to bed. The chil-
dren went to sleep, but grandmother
could not sleep a bit that night.

About midnight she heard some-
thing scream, which sounded like a
woman screaming. She knew at once
that it was not a woman screaming,
but a panther, or, as they are some-
times called, a mountain lion. The
oldest child was awakened by the
scream, and said, "Mamma what was
that?" "Oh, I don't guess it was any-
thing that would hurt you, so go on
back to sleep."

Grandmother was afraid to tell him
that it was a panther because she
knew it would frighten him more than
a small child like him should be
frightened.

The child then went back to sleep
and as soon as he had gone to sleep
grandmother opened the door, not
knowing but what the panther was
right there. She reached around and
got a plow to prop the door closed
with. That was the only way that
she had of locking the door, for in
that time they had no strong doors
like we have today, and they had no
locks on them.

The panthers are so strong that
grandmother knew that if he took a
notion to come in the house he could
easily knock the door down.

During the remainder of the night
grandmother listened for the panther.
She heard it scream several more
times, and one time it seemed that it
was right close to the house, and the
next time she heard it, it was farther
away.

The neighbors had heard the pan-
ther and knew that grandmother
must be very frightened. The next
morning grandmother took her three
children and went back to stay with
the neighbors until grandfather re-
turned.

In a few days grandfather came
home and I can tell by the sparkle in
grandmother's eye, when she comes
to that part that grandfather comes
home, that she was very, very glad to
see him.—Texas Christian Advocate.

WHAT TO LEARN

There are five things in life which
we ought to learn. Here they are:

1. Learn to laugh. A good laugh is
better than medicine. When you
smile or laugh, your brain for a mo-
ment is freed from the load that it
ordinarily carries.

2. Learn to tell a helpful story. A
well-told story is as welcome as a sun-
beam in a sick room.

3. Learn to keep your troubles to
yourself. The world is too busy to
linger over your ills and sorrows.

4. Learn to stop croaking. If you
cannot see any good in this world,
keep the bad to yourself.

5. Learn to greet your friends with
a smile. They carry too many frowns
in their hearts to be bothered with
any of yours.

—Railway Life.

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GIVING

"Give to the needy shelter and bread,
Giving is living, the angel said.
And must I be giving again and again?
My selfish, peevish question rang;
No, said the angel, piercing me
through;
Just give till the Master stops giving
to you."—Author Unknown.

The Fifteenth Annual Report of L. R. Conf. W. M. S. comes to us in dainty colorings and with much helpful information reflecting credit on the Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. M. Stinson. It is evident that her love for the W. M. Society has not waned one bit with the new honors conferred on her by the Arkansas Federation of Women's Clubs.

It would be well to preserve the lists of our Conf. Officers and District Secretaries whose names, with addresses grace this Department this week. Take good care of them!—V. C. P.

AN OLD LADY HONORED AT PLAINVIEW

On Monday, April 11, the Woman's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Eugene Shelton in honor of "Grandmother Shelton's" 77th birthday.

She was one of our charter members and it was with great pleasure that we gathered to do her honor.

After singing two of her favorite hymns, "Amazing Grace" and "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," we were led in prayer by Mrs. Rogers, another dear old lady.

Mrs. J. V. Satterfield sang the beautiful song "The Wonderful Mother O'Mine."

Each one present was asked to make a poem on "Grandmother" Shelton and several beautiful verses were read expressing the appreciation of her life. These verses were placed in her memory box.

Then we were invited in to the spacious dining room to see her light the 77 candles on the hugh cake, and were served with punch and cake.

A basket was presented to "Grandmother Shelton" with surprise gifts from the members, wishing her many more happy birthdays.—Mrs. Ben Hunt.

TO SUP'TS OF CHILDREN'S WORK

Dear Friends:

We are proud of our report this quarter. We had reports from 41 Juniors, 7 Primaries and 27 Baby Divisions. We more than made our 10 per cent increase in finances. Now what could we have done if some of you who have been reporting had not failed to report this first quarter?

I wish to call your attention to a few items.

1. If you have not already ordered REPORT BOOKS do not do so. They plan to have new blanks for us and will send you to make your reports on.

2. The new Standard of Excellence will start January 1, 1928. So, read over the old one and let's try to have a larger number on it this year.

3. Be sure that every Junior, Primary, and Baby have a Mite Box and

plan to have the opening regular.

4. Notice please. The May meeting of the adult Society is "The Child and the New Earth." Please make posters as suggested on the front page of the Adult Literature sent out for May. Ask your adult President to see that you get this to look over, and plan to have some of the Children on the program. We expect to have about two stories by them one from Juniors one from Primaries, and it would be fine to have some mother with baby present. Be sure that the children have a chance during this Program.

Thanks for the good report for this quarter. Let us make the next one better!—Mrs. James W. Rogers, Conf. Supt. of Children's Work.

NOTES FROM MISSIONARY COUNCIL

All Home Workers to be Called Deaconesses

Upon the request of the Workers' Conference, the Council, in its recent session, voted that hereafter all regularly accepted home workers shall be known as deaconesses and all home applicants hereafter accepted by the Board of Missions shall be consecrated as deaconesses. This consecration to take place at the same service with the foreign missionaries.

HORATIO AUXILIARY

Our W. M. Society met March 30, at the parsonage with our Mission Study Superintendent, Mrs. J. W. Thomas.

Mrs. Lovin Greer's devotion was followed with prayer by Mrs. Thomas.

Mrs. Thomas in her usual splendid way directed the study of book "Our Temple Hills," which we finished that day. Topics were ably discussed by Mesdames J. B. Martin, H. C. Pride, Schley Manning and Lovin Greer.

Plans were made for taking up "Spiritual Life" and most of our society will study this book.

Following the program our hostess served delicious refreshments.—Mrs. Joe Greer, Reporter.

SOCIAL SERVICE FOR CHILDREN'S WORK AT MAGNOLIA

Under the leadership of Mrs. J. T. Barham and the superintendence of Mrs. James W. Rogers, the 24 children of the First Methodist Church made a beautiful book of 32 large pages of well selected pictures in bright colors to be sent to the Texarkana hospital for the pleasure of children who are convalescing but are not able to go out.

The leaves on which the cut-out pictures are pasted are made of heavy unbleached muslin substantially stitched together and inclosed in a strong cover. The members of the society had a great deal of pleasure in selecting the several hundred pretty pictures to please the shut-in convalescents. The book was prepared as part of the social service work by and for children. It was exhibited at the meeting of the Little Rock Conference Missionary Society and attracted much favorable attention. It is to be taken to the Texarkana Hospital by Mrs. Luther Longino.—A Friend.

CONWAY JUNIORS

Mrs. W. W. Weidemeyer who has been Supt. of Junior Missionary Society for nearly eight years has "obeyed orders from headquarters" and reorganized the children into the "Epworth Juniors." She expects to hold the regular mother's and baby meetings and the mite-box openings quarterly and says "we are starting off fine."

ASHDOWN AUXILIARY

At a recent meeting held in the home of Mrs. S. C. Reynolds the following program was given after the devotional service:

"Womanhood Facing a New World," discussion led by Mrs. Gunn; "Woman of Japan," by Mrs. Christian; "Women of Korea," by Mrs. Alexander; "Women of China," by Mrs. Campbell; with an interlude of piano music between by Mrs. Baker. "Women of Africa," read by Mrs. Ben Love; "Women of Latin America," Mrs. Gunn. Following the program given by Circle II, Mrs. R. G. Rew gave a highly interesting report of the great meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council at Shreveport, March 9-16. This, the highest body of women missionary workers, of the church, opened with a Fellowship luncheon attended by 1200 officers and representatives, during which addresses of welcome and responses were made. Speakers from many states, Bishops Missionaries of home and foreign lands, Christian workers—both men and women, were heard at this meeting. Mrs. Rew gave a full account, with notes, clippings, pictures from the council bulletins and daily papers—all of which was interesting and inspiring to Ashdown W. M. S. At the close a delightful plate of Bavarian cream and angel cake in the seasonal colors, green and white, was served by the hostesses of Circle I. Thirty-five persons were present at this good meeting.—Supt. Pub., Mrs. Ethel Sims.

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SUE BENNETT MEMORIAL

At the Council meeting Mr. E. K. East reported for Sue Bennett School, London, Ky., the largest enrollment in its history with forty-five to graduate from high school and twenty-five from Junior College in June. Its teaching staff is made up of well-prepared men and women, at least five of them holding master's degrees. A student volunteer band of twenty-two members bears witness to the spiritual life that prevades the student body. Three of these will enter Scarritt next fall.

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S. S. INSTITUTE, TEXARKANA DISTRICT

The S. S. Institute of the Texarkana District convened May 2, at 10 a. m. with Rev. F. N. Brewer, P. E., in the chair. Rev. J. A. Sage led a helpful devotional service.

After the devotional Bro. Brewer took the place of Rev. C. N. Baker, Conference S. S. Superintendent, and spoke on "Conference Goals." He showed how easily we could reach our goals if we would only work. Bro. Baugh supplemented Bro. Brewer's remarks by telling how our goals are set up.

Next we had a song and roll call, showing 55 present besides our Conference officers, Bros. Baugh and Simmons and Miss Fay McRae. Many were kept away because of the flood situation.

After roll call, R. E. Martin, superintendent of First Church, spoke on "S. S. Day Observance," emphasizing the importance of observing the day in some way, not over-looking the offering. On calling the charges it was discovered that most of them would pay their S. S. quota.

About 11:15 the elementary workers repaired to a separate room for a special program.

Next Bro. Baugh presented the Epworth League work, mentioning the goals for each charge. He also spoke concerning the Summer Assembly at Henderson-Brown College, Arkadelphia, in June.

Then Bro. Simmons spoke to us on the Missionary cause. His report was very encouraging. The cultural program did great good. About \$500,000 of the million asked for has been paid.

Rev. J. H. Glass, superannuate Commissioner of the L. R. Conference, and Rev. Ernest Cooper, pastor at Atlanta, Texas, were introduced to the conference.

After devotional exercises, Bro. Glass presented the cause of Superannuate Endowment. He spoke enthusiastically and asked the P. E. of the District to appoint a chairman of the District to look after the cause. Rev. S. F. Goddard was appointed.

We next had an exhortation from Miss Fay McRae to make use of the lines marked out to advance the Elementary work of the Sunday School. She also urged that Children's Week be observed in every charge, calling attention, however, that the whole school will be included hereafter.

Bro. J. F. Simmons followed Miss McRae, presenting the membership campaign in the Sunday School. He made a strong appeal that we reach out and bring the people into the Sunday School.

Then Bro. Sage made a very helpful speech on Teacher Training. Bro. Baugh followed him giving a fine presentation of the Dual Mission Special in the S. S.

Mrs. F. C. Cannon was called for. She appealed to all present to co-operate with the elementary workers of the Conference and District.

Next the charges were called and it was discovered that 16 more S. S. representatives had arrived since first roll call.

The P. E. then called for a report on the work of the local Sunday Schools. The reports were very interesting indeed.—Reporter.

THE WONDER CLASS

During the month of February there were a few interested young people in the little Lake Street Methodist Church of Blytheville, Arkansas. The young married people of the church found that they did not have a suitable class in which to go. There were probably three or four couples with which to form a class, then there were a number of obstacles in the way—no class room, no teacher and any number of other stumbling blocks, but these interested few had determined in their hearts that there would be a class. The first Sunday the class met there were 17 present and they had to call on the pastor to teach the class. The one teacher they had in view was working hard with a class of boys and it was decided it would be unwise to remove him. But they began to look around and First Church came to their rescue through the efficient Mr. O. C. Barnes, who gladly came as a teacher of the class. This was a great step forward, as they have found O. C. Barnes to be a live-wire and a splendid teacher.

Next came the organization of the class. Mrs. A. E. Scott was named president; Mrs. Cecil Dean, vice president; Miss Ludine Lashot Sec. and Treasurer; and Mr. O. C. Barnes unanimously elected teacher. The class was lacking a name, and it was voted to call it "The Wonder Class."

A campaign was the next step, for new members. Mrs. Cecil Dean and Mrs. Clas. Elfrank were captains of the two divisions the Reds and the Blues. Each Sunday the campaign was in progress showed a steady increase in attendance. The first Sunday 89, then 129, then 169 and at the close of the contest, which was Easter morning, 216 young people were in attendance. Since the closing of the campaign they are holding an attendance of about 75 or 80 every Sunday.

The Wonder Class and the entire Sunday School has outgrown the present Sunday School building, and plans are now on foot to erect a new unit to the Sunday School. The Womanless Wedding was put on and over \$100 was realized by the class. The Class today has about \$150 to begin their room with, a membership of about 90, a splendid organized class and great hopes for the future.

The Wonder Class feel greatly indebted to their Supt. Mr. Iverson Morris and pastor Rev. E. M. Peters for their success, as they have co-operated to the fullest extent in every way and have done much to make the class a success. The entire church constituency of Lake St. feel that this will be one of the best years the church has had. There have been several new additions to the church through the Wonder Class, and after thinking it over we have about decided this ranks about Eighth after passing over the Seven Great Wonders in Arkansas.—Reporter.

FINE SPIRIT OF COKEBURY INSTRUCTORS.

Recently, the extension secretary sent a request to all Cokesbury Instructors in the Conference to list the dates that they could give to teaching during the summer. Within a week thirty out of the fifty approved instructors responded. Here is a sample of the sentiment expressed: "I will be glad to give at least one week out of each month until October 1 teaching in Cokesbury schools." "You may use me for two schools." And so on through the list; only one instructor finds it impossible to help out.

With these splendid instructors the district superintendents of training and the extension secretary expect to put over a vigorous program of training in our small schools during the summer.—A. W. M.

TO THOSE DESIRING COKEBURY SCHOOLS

All pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, and local Superintendents of Training planning Cokesbury training schools during the summer are requested to make application for these schools immediately to either the Conference office or the district superintendent of training.

The demand for this training work is so great that it is extremely difficult for us to respond to requests for schools unless they are at least thirty days in advance of the school.

Plans are maturing for a large number of Cokesbury schools during the summer. So get in your application if you wish a school.—A. W. M.

FT. SMITH TRAINING SCHOOL

We closed on April 29 what was thought to be the best standard Training School ever held in Ft. Smith, and they have had some of the very best. Dr. F. M. Tolleson and his co-laborers spared no effort to put over a great school. There were five courses taught, Organization and Administration, Evangelism, Intermediate-Senior Agencies, Junior Worship, and Beginner Administration. We had 139 enrolled and issued 110 credits. The classes were all of about equal strength and the spirit of the school was of the very highest order. Dodson Avenue won the loving cup for the largest per cent taking credit. Dodson Avenue with a teaching force of 48 had 44 enrolled in the school. The leaders of our church work in Ft. Smith District are sold to the Training work. It is an inspiration to come in touch with a band of leaders such as were in the Ft. Smith school.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

CONWAY TRAINING SCHOOL

We closed on May 6 our second Standard school at Conway. We had in February a Standard School which gripped the thought of the leaders in our great church at Conway. This work has continued to grow in the heart and minds of our workers until they demanded a second school. This was put on hurriedly but not without preparation. We had four courses, Organization and Administration, The Program of the Christian Religion, Principles of Teaching, and Pupil Study. All of these are general courses, and three of them taught in the former school. But in the face of these facts we had 64 enrolled and 56 credits issued.

Our school at Conway is facing its training task as never before. Many of the students both at Hendrix College and at the State Teachers' College are becoming interested in these courses and we are hoping to make this work in our Sunday School much

more far reaching than it has been.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY OFFERING N. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Many of our schools have responded in a splendid way to the call for Sunday School Day offerings. Others are coming in. We have in this week's Methodist reports by districts. Beginning next week we will report pastors and schools on the honor roll. (Those who have met their quota). Remember the district which reaches the highest per cent on three points gets the loving cup. The contest is on. Make your guess as to who will win.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS N. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 7

Batesville District:—
Newport (Add.)\$ 21.06
Conway District:—
Conway, 1st Church 72.66
Lamar 20.00
Atkins 42.00
Oakland 2.50
\$137.16

Fayetteville District:—

Springtown 7.00
Fort Smith District:—
Greenwood 35.00
Alma 5.50
\$ 40.50

Paragould District:—

Paragould, 1st Church 100.00
Searcy District:—
Harrison 50.00

Summary by Districts

Batesville\$387.95
Helena 239.14
Paragould 216.13
Fort Smith 185.80
Conway 137.16
Jonesboro 100.00
Booneville 97.25
Searcy 52.08
Fayetteville 44.91

FOURTH SUNDAY MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

Little Rock Conference For April
Following is the first report of fourth Sunday Missionary offerings received from Sunday Schools in the Little Rock Conference for April.

Arkadelphia District:—

Third Street\$ 10.00
Manning59
Lonsdale 3.50
Hollywood 1.00
Traskwood 4.00
Sardis (Sparkman) 2.00
Hart's Chapel 1.00
Poyen25
Carthage 4.78
Ebenzer, (Traskwood)67
Central Avenue 20.00
Dalark 3.00
Bethlehem 1.34
\$ 52.13

Camden District:—

Waldo 4.37
Taylor 1.38
Camden 15.00
Mt. Ida (Buckner Ct.) 1.09
Parker's Chapel 4.00
Rhodes' Chapel 1.73
Harrell 1.50
Norphlet 2.00
Junction City 4.03
Fordyce 5.00
Fredonia 2.50
Strong 2.75
Huttig 3.50
\$ 48.55

Little Rock District:—

Capitol View 11.55
New Hope, (Bryant Ct.)50
Mabelvale 2.00

DeVall's Bluff	4.04
Sardis, (Bryant Ct.)	2.00
Halstead	1.00
Des Arc	9.82
Smyrna (Austin Ct.)50
Roland	1.75
Bryant	1.50
28th Street	5.00
Forest Park	4.40
New Bethel (Carlisle Ct.)	1.20
First Church, L. R.	54.90
Hunter Memorial	5.54
Austin	1.00
Asbury	20.00
England	10.71
Hickory Plains	1.06

\$138.47

Monticello District:—

Wilmoth	3.75
Monticello	12.08
Warren (Feb.)	12.62
Warren (March)	17.29
Hamburg	8.70
Wilmar	2.64

\$ 57.08

Pine Bluff District:—

Rison (Feb. & March)	7.26
Center, (Redfield)	1.38
Whitehall	1.30
Good Faith	8.00
Lakeside	5.00
St. Charles	1.65
Roe (Jan., Feb., Mch., Apr.) ..	6.70
First Church, P. B.	27.87
Campshed	1.00
Crockett's Bluff	1.38
New Hope (Sheridan)	2.26
Sheridan, (Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb., Mar., Apr.)	28.11
Prairie Union (St. Charles) ..	.93

\$ 92.84

Prescott District:—

McCaskill	1.61
Gurdon	22.02
Antoine	4.50
Bingen	1.75
Hope	18.84
Murfreesboro	3.00
Emmet	4.62
Washington	1.50
Prescott	15.15
Friendship (Blevins)	1.49
Blevins	11.04
Norman	2.09
St. Paul (Washington)	1.06
Mt. Ida	8.48
Saline86
Pike City	2.43
Okolona	4.87
Amity	2.35

\$107.57

Texarkana District:—

Walnut Hills	1.75
College Hill	14.06
Sylvarino46
Mena	12.00
Genoa	1.00
Richmond	1.90
Lockesburg	4.00
Few Memorial	1.35
Ashdown	10.00
First Church, Texark.	33.83
Dallas	4.30
DeQueen	10.00
Green's Chapel	1.16
Walnut Springs	1.30

Lewisville	5.79
Fairview	13.53

\$116.48

**Standing by Districts
Schools**

Arkadelphia	13	\$ 52.13
Camden	13	48.85
Little Rock	19	138.47
Monticello	6	57.08
Pine Bluff	13	92.84
Prescott	18	107.57
Texarkana	16	116.48

Totals

98 \$613.42

Considering the floods in nearly every section of our Conference which were at their highest the fourth Sunday in April, this is the best report of the year. The wonderful response of our people at this time thrills us, and we heartily appreciate it.—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

**PRESCOTT DISTRICT S. S.
INSTITUTE**

We reached Nashville Wednesday evening in time to hear Rev. C. E. Whitten, of Emmet, preach a helpful sermon, after the organization of the Prescott District Conference.

Thursday was Sunday School Institute Day, and representatives were there from every charge. The attendance was fine, and the interest of the best.

Miss McRae and Mrs. McKeowen had a fine meeting of the elementary workers of the District.

Rev. J. Frank Simmons, and the writer represented various interests of the Sunday School program.

There were other speakers on the program, but we had to leave before the close and did not hear them. Rev. L. T. Rogers, the Cokesbury superintendent was to speak of his work.

Rev. Fred G. Roebuck was speaking on Evangelism at the devotional hours. Rev. H. H. Griffin of Hope preached a helpful sermon at 11 a. m. The women of Nashville served a bountiful dinner to the delegates in the basement of the Church. The social feature of this hour was most delightful.

We left Nashville at 3:40 P. M. and drove through Murfreesboro and Glenwood, reaching Hot Springs after night, where we rested until Friday morning. Reached home Friday before noon, having visited four District Conferences, reaching each on time, and traveling over 600 miles. It was a strenuous week, but filled with labors of love and happy association with the workers in the kingdom.—S. T. Baugh.

**TEXARKANA DISTRICT S. S.
INSTITUTE**

The Sunday School Institute of the Texarkana District Conference was held in First Church, Texarkana, Monday, May 2. The attendance was fine, considering the high waters.

Miss Fay McRae and Mrs. F. C. Cannon had a fine meeting with the elementary workers present.

Rev. F. N. Brewer, the enthusiastic

presiding elder, spoke of the District goals and is leading the District in reaching them.

Mr. R. E. Martin spoke on the observance of Sunday School Day.

Rev. J. A. Sage spoke on the importance of Teacher Training.

Rev. J. C. Gatlin spoke on the Cokesbury Schools and Classes.

Rev. J. Frank Simmons and the writer emphasized the importance of Missionary education, and the early observance of Sunday School Day.

The women of First Church served a bountiful meal at noon to the delight of all.

It was a good Institute. The preachers and people are hopeful of completing a fine year's work in the Texarkana District.—S. T. Baugh, Extension Secretary.

**CAMDEN DISTRICT S. S.
INSTITUTE**

The Camden District Sunday School Institute was held in the beautiful new church at Stephens. This new building was erected under the leadership of Rev. H. H. McGuyre, their pastor.

Rev. J. W. Harrell, the presiding elder of this great District, opened the Conference with a very helpful message. After the organization of the Conference, the work of the Institute was taken up.

Miss Fay McRae, Conference elementary superintendent, and Mrs. Rex B. Wilkes had another good meeting with the elementary workers of this District.

Rev. J. Frank Simmons and the writer represented the various interests of the Sunday School program. Some pastors have already sent in their S. S. Day offering, reporting fine programs.

After an earnest sermon at 11 A. M. by Rev. O. L. Cole of Smackover, the delegates were entertained in the fine homes of Stephens.

We were forced to leave soon after noon because we had to drive to Carthage that night.—S. T. Baugh.

**ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT S. S.
INSTITUTE**

We reached Carthage Tuesday night and heard Rev. J. A. Parker deliver an earnest message.

The Conference was organized Wednesday morning and the attendance was fine. Miss McRae had a fine meeting with the elementary workers. Rev. J. Frank Simmons and the writer represented the various interests of the Sunday School program. Dr. Stowe is leading in a fine year's work. Dr. J. L. Cannon preached a helpful sermon at 11 A. M. Wednesday.

Dr. Stowe had a blackboard on the wall and all pastors reported the achievements up to date and they were entered on the board. Two charges reported more people received on profession of faith than by vows.

We had to leave after noon to drive to Nashville.—S. T. Baugh.

**THE CONFERENCE SUPERIN-
TENDENT LAID UP FOR
REPAIRS**

For the past two weeks I have been in the repair shop getting a general "overhauling," and hence I had to miss four of the District Institutes. But the brethren report that they got along just fine without me and I was the only looser. That is fine, but do not get too optimistic. The garage man says I will soon be ready for the road again and that when I do get out I will be in better shape for fried chicken than I have been for years. We have four Training Schools sched-

uled for the next month and plenty else to do. In the mean time let us not forget that now is the time for all good Sunday Schools to put on the Membership Campaign.—Clem Baker.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY OFFER-
INGS, LITTLE ROCK CONF.**

(Received up to Saturday, May 7.)

Arkadelphia District:—

Park Avenue	\$ 33.00
Sardis	15.09
Leola	10.50
Previously Reported	47.23

Total

\$105.73

Camden District:—

Fredonia (Add.)	4.00
Huttig	25.00
Previously reported	117.70

Total

\$146.70

Little Rock District:—

Previously reported

\$ 55.00

Monticello District:—

Previously reported

\$127.30

Pine Bluff District:—

Previously reported

\$222.05

Prescott District:—

Gurdon

60.00

Nashville

60.00

Washington

17.14

Previously reported

66.28

Total

\$143.42

Texarkana District:—

DeQueen

60.00

Fairview

40.00

Previously Reported

89.92

Total

\$189.92

How The Districts Stand

Little Rock District

\$ 55.00

Arkadelphia District

105.73

Monticello District

127.30

Prescott District

143.42

Camden District

146.70

Texarkana District

189.92

Pine Bluff District

222.05

Grand Total

\$990.12

—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

**SIX MORE PASTORS GO ON
HONOR ROLL**

Last week six more charges in the Little Rock Conference sent in full apportionments and the names of six more pastors go on our Honor Roll. They are as follows:

Park Avenue, Rev. Van Harrell.

Huttig, Rev. T. D. Spruce.

Gurdon, Rev. J. M. Hamilton.

Nashville, Rev. Roy Fawcett.

DeQueen, Rev. R. H. Cannon.

Fairview, Rev. T. M. Armstrong.

The list now contains sixteen names and is growing every day. It will contain 150 names this year. You can't stop the fine pastors and superintendents we have in the Little Rock Conference.—Clem Baker.

**PINE BLUFF DISTRICT MAINTAINS
LEAD; TEXARKANA DISTRICT
CROWDS**

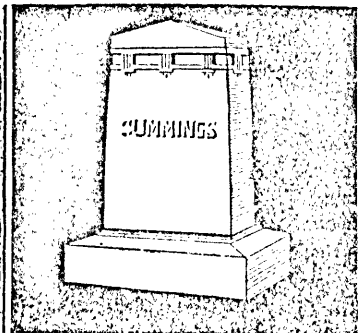
The race for Sunday School Day honors in the Little Rock Conference is in full swing. Brewer and Martin pushed the Texarkana District into second place but Henderson and Cooper are still the "pace setters". Camden came in with a \$100 and Spruce contributed \$25 from Huttig which gave Harrell and Tibbits third place. The other Districts are all in hot pursuit. Dr. Thomas and Pace, the new secretary, seem to have a

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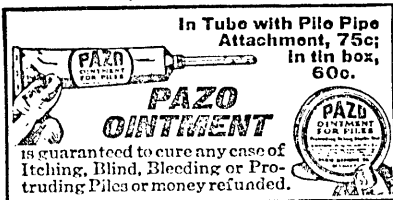
little trouble getting the Little Rock District started, but you can count on them giving the leaders trouble at the finish. Charley and Dr. Stowe have pushed the Arkadelphia District over the \$100 mark and Charley writes that he has a big surprise up his sleeve. The old Prescott District with Dedman and Teeter at the helm is swinging majestically along and is sitting safely in fourth place. Watch her play leap-frog with some one when Hope comes in. One of the best records is being made by the Monticello District which holds its head up above the floods and reports in fifth place. Dr. Steel and Walker are not drowned out by any means. All in all, it is a fine start and we are happy as can be over the progress being made. Let every school in the Conference try to have Sunday School Day before the summer vacation period sets in.—Clem Baker.

THE MISSIONARY CULTIVATION CAMPAIGN IN THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT, N. CAROLINA

By J. B. Craven, Presiding Elder.

I have just summed up the latest figures on the Mission Special for the Greensboro District, Western North Carolina Conference, and the total runs to \$12,083.25. This is highly gratifying to us. We will make it \$15,000 in 1928.

Mission Study classes were conducted in every charge, and every Church in the District made a contribution. Yet at no place was any pressure brought to raise the money. Wesley Memorial Church at High Point raised \$4,736, and West Market Street Church at Greensboro raised \$3,500.



EPWORTH LEAGUES.

ASBURY LEAGUE

Some good work has been accomplished by this League. It is along financial lines that I want to give them publicity. There has not been a matter referred to them that they have not answered the appeal. First came the appeal for funds on the Mt. Sequoyah League Building under the leadership of Mrs. C. B. Nelson, they gave \$50. This is the third gift they have made and each time they have been the first to send it in to the treasurer.

Then came the appeal for special Mission gifts. Outside of their gifts in with the Church the Leaguers separately, gave \$100.

When the Inter City League Union met with them they invited Dr. Chappell of Memphis to be the outstanding speaker. This required \$30 out of their treasury.

Last, but most important, they made a Missionary pledge of \$100 and had paid in full by Feb. 1, paying monthly as has been suggested. The total amount spent by the League was \$420.

These are just financial matters, but they are just as good in other things. Taking them all in all they are hard to beat. A lot of the success of the treasury department goes to Orion Thompson, who, as Treasurer, kept "on the job."—Olive Smith, District Secretary.

TO LEAGUERS OF LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

We have just about rounded up the work of another year. Whether it has been good, bad or indifferent, you know I am sure that you have done your very best and when the annual reports come in at the Assembly, we will see that we have accomplished more than we realized.

It is such a wonderful privilege to be in His work, doing the things that will make us more efficient workers for Him.

Do not wait until Assembly time to send in the report of that Mission Pledge or that Anniversary Day Offering. Get it in today. Do not wait until tomorrow.

I am looking forward with a great deal of enthusiasm to the work of the New Year. And, by the way, let me have that list of new officers right away. There is no limit to the good work that is ours to be done this year. Let's not let anything come in between us and our work this year. Let us let Epworth League be our thoughts, first, last and always. And "looking to Jesus" with faith and courage, let us press toward the mark set before us—trained Christian characters for His service.

Expect great things and you will attain great things.—Olive Smith, District Secretary.

HONOR ROLL

Little Rock Conference

The following pastors and their charges go on the Honor Roll as having reached their goal for Anniversary Day:

Rev. O. C. Birdwell, Carthage-Tulip.
Rev. O. L. Cole, Smackover.
Rev. J. A. Sage, Lewisville-Bradley.

We will be delighted to place others on the Honor Roll as they reach their goals. Since the Church makes the pastor responsible for this service, he should have credit for reaching the goal.—S. T. Baugh.

DR. HUBERT SHULL HONORED

Dr. Hubert Shull, treasurer of the Little Rock Conf. Epworth League Board, was honored May 2, by being elected president of the Texarkana Lions Club. He has been secretary of the club for about seven years, and is worthy of this new honor.—S. T. Baugh.

CERTIFICATE EARNED

Miss Ruth Couch, Assistant District Secretary of the Arkadelphia District has been awarded the Christian Culture Diploma for efficient work done in Epworth League study classes and Assemblies. She is a fine District worker and is worthy of this honor. We congratulate Miss Ruth.—S. T. Baugh.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT LEADS

Of the four District Conferences attended last week, Texarkana, Camden, Arkadelphia and Prescott, the Arkadelphia District leads in that both the District secretary, Miss Mary Burton of Arkadelphia, and the assistant District Secretary, Miss Ruth Couch of Hot Springs, were present. We congratulate Dr. Stowe in having both these officers present. The Texarkana District came next, with Mrs. C. I. Parsons, assistant District Secretary, present.—S. T. Baugh.

SUMMER ASSEMBLY JUNE 20-24.

It is well to keep in mind the date of the summer Assembly at Arkadelphia, June 20-24, 1927. Publicity material will be mailed all Chapters and all pastors in the Little Rock Conference right away.—S. T. Baugh.

ANNIVERSARY DAY OFFERINGS

Little Rock Conference

Following is list of Epworth League Anniversary Day offerings received from Churches in the Little Rock Conference since the report in the April 21st issue of the paper:

Arkadelphia District:—

Sardis\$ 8.50
Carthage 13.80
Sparkman 11.00
Previously reported 28.13

Total\$61.43

Camden District:—

Smackover 24.00
Previously reported 63.49

Total\$87.49

Little Rock District:—

Previously reported\$125.50

Monticello District:—

Eudora 8.50
Previously reported 22.00

Total\$30.50

Pine Bluff District:—

Previously reported\$37.00

Prescott District:—

Washington 5.00
Previously reported 55.05

Total\$60.05

Texarkana District:—

Bradley 6.00
Fairview 4.36
Previously reported 78.00

Total\$88.36

Standing by Districts Churches

Little Rock	8	\$125.50
Texarkana	8	88.36
Camden	5	87.49
Arkadelphia	6	61.43
Prescott	6	60.05
Pine Bluff	1	37.00
Monticello	4	30.50

Totals38 \$490.33

—S. T. Baugh, Field Secretary.

LITTLE ROCK INTER-CITY UNION

The monthly meeting of the Little Rock Inter-City Epworth League Union will be held Monday evening, at 8 o'clock, at the Henderson Methodist Church, 24th and Maple Streets. It is urged that all preachers whose Leagues are members strongly urge their attendance. The officers hope to see more of our pastors at their monthly meetings help the Union to increase the attendance. Now is the time to show your League loyalty. Will you meet the issue?—Robert L. Martin, Publicity Director.

GARDNER MEMORIAL OFFICERS INSTALLED

The Senior and Intermediate League Officers of the Gardner Memorial Church, North Little Rock, were installed, Sunday evening, May 8.

The following are members of the Senior League Cabinet:

President, Miss Ellen McCaul; Vice-President, Joe Hogan; Recording Secretary, Miss Elsie Hendrix; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Wilma Jones; Treasurer, Miss Floy Hogan; 1st Dept. Superintendent, Mrs. J. C. Solmon; 2nd Dept. Supt., Aubrey Clark; 3rd Dept. Supt., Miss Erklene Rowden; 4th Dept. Supt., Finis Briley; Era Agent, Miss Beulah Jones; Intermediate Superintendent, Mrs. Wayne Hill; Junior Supt., Mrs. R. J. Goss.

The following are members of the Intermediate League Cabinet: President, Ardis Huddleston; Vice President, Binford Hawkins; Secretary, Edna Goodson; Treasurer, Margie Jones; Intermediate Epworthian Agent, Mildred Hendrix; First Department Superintendent, Opal Huddleston; Second Dept. Supt., Murray McCormack; Third Dept. Supt., Irene Priest; Fourth Dept. Supt., Bart Rowden.—Ira A. Brumley, Conf. Vice-P.

PROGRAM

SEVENTH ANNUAL EPWORTH LEAGUE ASSEMBLY, SEARCY

Galloway College June 6-10, 1927

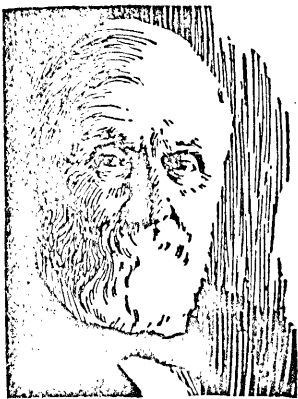
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6:45 Rising Bell.

7:00-7:30 Morning Watch—Life

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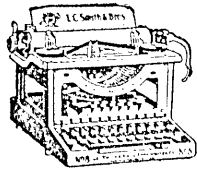
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Service.

7:30-8:00 Breakfast.
 8:00-8:30 Faculty Meeting.
 8:30-9:20 Bible Study.
 Junior and Intermediates with Supts.; "Men Who Dared"—Sam B. Wiggins.
 Seniors: Devotional Study of Book of James—Dean Harry King.
 9:25-10:15 Mission Study.
 Home: "Our Templed Hills"—Mrs. Lester Weaver. General: "The Story of Missions"—Rev. H. K. King. Foreign: "Young Islam on Trek"—Dr. D. L. Mumpower. Life Service: "This Mind"—Rev. J. E. Cooper. Stewardship: "Jesus' Teaching On the Use of Money"—Rev. Ira A. Brumley.
 10:15-10:30 Recess.
 10:30-11:20 Methods:
 First Dept.—Sam B. Wiggins.
 Second Dept.—Prof. M. J. Russell.
 Third Dept.—S. B. Wilford.
 Fourth Dept.—Beverly Rakes.
 President's Class—Dr. D. L. Mumpower.
 Dist. Sec'y Group—Ira A. Brumley.
 Hymnology—Prof. Chas. C. Washburn.
 Jr. & Int. Supts.—Mrs. Gladys James.
 Intermediates will take Methods with Seniors, also Juniors.
 11:25-12:30 Business Session.
 12:45-1:30 Lunch.
 1:30-2:30 Quiet Hour—Rest and Study.
 2:30-3:00 Cabinet Meeting.
 3:00-3:30 Committee Meetings.
 3:30-4:00 Life Service Group.

WEAK EYES Dickey's old reliable Eye Water has been used by thousands for nearly half a century. Strengthens and soothes a weak eye. Children like it. Always comes in red folding box. Price 25c. Does not burn or hurt. Dickey Drug Co., Bristol, Va.



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TERRIBLE PAIN

Alabama Lady Tells How She Obtained Relief by Taking Cardui. Feels Fine and Enjoys Life Now, She Says.

Talladega, Ala.—Mrs. Mary Hardy, 406 Henderson Avenue, this city, says that seven years ago she "got down sick" and was unable to attend to her housework.

"I have never been so weak before or since," she says. "I had a terrible pain in my side—so sore in my side and the lower part of my body."

"Across my back ached, and I was so nervous I couldn't stand up. I had just about given up when some one who came to see me began talking about Cardui. This caused me to get it. I took about two bottles before I saw much improvement."

"After this, though, I picked up right away. I slept better at night. I was hungry, enjoyed my food, which I hadn't done for some time."

"The pain and soreness gradually left my side. I regained my strength. I took about six bottles and left off for awhile, then took two or three more. . . I feel just fine, enjoy life and can work now, too."

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4:00-5:00 Directed Games—S. B. Wilford.

6:00 Supper.

7:30 Song Service.

8:00 Platform—J. Wilson Crichtlow

—E. H. Hook.

10:30 Campus Bell.

11:00 Lights Out.

Monday Evening—Reception and Key-note Message.

Friday Morning—Consecration Service (Crichtlow).

Friday Evening—Seventh Annual Banquet.

Director of Music—Chas. C. Washburn.

Pianist—Miss Ila Johnson.

(Reduced R. R. Fares—District Headquarters—Daily Paper—First Meal, Supper 6th. Last Meal, Breakfast 11th.—Expenses: Registration Fee \$1, Board and Banquet \$5—For other information write Dean Harry King, Searcy, Arkansas or Vernon E. Chalfant, Gentry, Ark.)

Text Books for Searcy Assembly are as follows:

"Men Who Dared" Trumbull.

"Book of James" Bible.

"Our Templed Hills" Felton.

"The Story of Missions" White.

"Young Islam on Trek" Matthews.

"This Mind" McConnell.

"Jesus' Teaching on the Use of Money" Brown.

"The Religious Education of Adolescence" Richardson Handbooks.

Secure text books from Rev. D. H. Colquette, 714½ Main St., Little Rock, Ark.—Ira A. Brumley, Conf. Vice-P.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES AT SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

President Sealeman announces that the Commencement Sermon Sunday, June 5, 11 a. m., will be delivered by Rev. Philip Cone Fletcher, D. D., of the Laurel Heights Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of San Antonio, Texas, and the Commencement Address will be delivered by Honorable Frits C. Lanham, Congressman from the Twelfth District, Texas, on Wednesday, June 8, 10 a. m. The exercises will be held in the McFarlin Memorial Auditorium. Approximately 200 degrees will be granted by the various schools of the University.

APPRECIATION

I want to express my deepest gratitude for the gift of over \$100 so graciously and gracefully given me by Little Rock friends. To each and every donor I am sincerely obliged.

I would have written a personal word of thanks to each if I were sure of the address, but as I do not know the addresses of some I take this method of thanking all.

Especially am I grateful to the friend whose name was withheld, but whose efforts were responsible for this gift being collected together. My thanks are also due Dr. James Thomas for his conveyance of the gift to me and for his kind message. God bless you all.—Roy Farr.

RESOLUTIONS OF ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

We note from the press today that on last evening (May 4) in Little Rock, a negro was executed and afterwards dragged through the streets and burned at the hands of an unruly mob. While we condemn in no uncertain terms the crime committed by the negro, we do not believe that the best interests of the state, nation or races will be conserved by mobs thus taking the law into their own hands.

Therefore, Be it resolved by the Arkadelphia District Conference, M. E. Church, South, now in session at Carthage, Ark., that we deplore and condemn such procedure and urge our officers to use greater diligence in preventing executions by mobs.

Resolved 2nd, That we urge our courts of justice to be more active in bringing to immediate trial all such criminals as the one mentioned above.

Resolved, 3rd, That we request the Secretary of the Conference to furnish a copy of these resolutions to the press.—W. C. Watson, F. P. Doak, Van W. Harrell, Sec'y.

RADIO DEBATE ON PROHIBITION

On Thursday May 26, from 8 to 9 P. M. a debate will be held over the radio. Dr. F. W. Buck of San Francisco will take the affirmative and Rev. Atticus Webb of Dallas the negative.

The subject will be "Resolved that the Federal Dispensary Tax Reduction League plan for amending the prohibition law will solve the temperance question better than the present law."

The wets are generally boosting the Canadian plan of supplying the people with all the liquor they want as preferable to the method provided by the Eighteenth Amendment. This is the question involved in this debate. Dr. Buck of San Francisco is the founder of the Federal Dispensary Tax Reduction League which proposes to seek such a change in our laws. The speaker on the negative side is well known as the Texas Anti-Saloon League superintendent.

Dr. Buck and his co-workers are quietly covering Texas to secure funds for this work. It will be worth while to hear this debate. If you have a radio set, on the evening of May 26, at 8 P. M. tune in on W R R 246 meters, 500 watts. The debate is sponsored by the American Legion Radio Post 404.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Prescott District Conference convened at Nashville at 7:30 P. M., Wednesday, May 4, and adjourned at noon Friday.

Timely and inspiring sermons were preached during the session by Rev. H. H. Griffin of Hope, Rev. C. E. Whitten of Emmett, and Rev. W. C. Yancey of Glenwood.

A popular feature was three addresses on Evangelism by Rev. Fred G. Roebuck of Prescott.

Thursday afternoon's session was a Sunday School Institute in which Mrs. W. A. McKeown and Miss Faye McRae discussed "Elementary Standards and Goals," Rev. R. E. Fawcett presented the merits of "Standard Training Courses," Rev. L. T. Rogers outlined the objectives of "Cokesbury Schools," Rev. J. M. Hamilton discussed the importance of "Organized Wesley Classes," and Prof. J. W. Teeter spoke effectively on "Missions and Sunday School Day."

James Addison Simpson of the Oden-Mauldin charge was licensed to preach.

A resolution was passed memorializing the next session of the Annual Conference to make plans for District evangelists to serve needy and churchless communities.

Revs. J. F. Simmons, S. T. Baugh, J. H. Glass, R. C. Morhead, and Mr. G. W. Pardee were present; and they were allowed ample time to present matters pertaining to the work which they represent.

The people of Nashville were exceedingly generous and kind to all of the members and visitors of the Conference. Their hospitable entertainment was hearty and unstinted. Bountiful lunch was served in the basement of the Church at noon on Thursday and Friday.

Lay delegates elected to represent the Prescott District in the next session of the Annual Conference were: H. M. Stephens of Blevins, C. C. Calhoun of Prescott, T. A. Hutchinson of Nashville, W. H. Latimer of Mineral Springs, C. D. Roy of Glenwood, Mrs. A. J. Bearden of Center Point, J. P. Cox of Hope, C. C. McClellan of Spring Hill, and T. L. Garland of Emmett. Alternates elected were, V. A. Pate of Hope, R. L. Montgomery of Prescott, S. T. Covington of Gurdon, and W. D. Lee of Center Point.

The eighteen pastors with seventy-one lay representatives were in attendance. The spirit, fellowship, and work of the Conference were of high order.

The efficient and popular presiding elder, Rev. J. L. Dedman, presided with grace and ease.

Prescott was chosen as the place for the next session of the District Conference.—R. P. James, Secretary.

BUDDIN, HOUSE, AND DAVIS IN A CLASS TO THEMSELVES

Last week I gave the churches and pastors that had paid more than \$1,000 on the Mission Special. This week I give those that have paid from \$800 to less than \$1,000. There are only three churches in this group in both Conferences. The smallest of the three has contributed the largest amount to this cause. I speak of Asbury Church with Rev. Francis A.

Buddin as the earnest and popular pastor. Under his untiring and effective leadership this fine church has paid \$963.60 to the Special. In fact this amount lacks only \$36.40 of taking this church and its pastor out of this second group and placing them with the \$1,000 group. The next in this small group is First Church, Pine Bluff, Rev. W. C. House pastor. With a contribution of \$911.35 Bro. House is not very far behind Bro. Buddin. The third member of this trio, and like Brother Davidson of last week, he is alone in this respect in the North Arkansas Conference, is First Church, Fort. Smith, with Rev. Geo. W. Davis as pastor. In behalf of the Board of Missions and all our missionary workers, I wish to heartily thank these great pastors and their loyal people for these large contributions to this most worthy cause of our great Church.—J. F. Simmons, Secretary.

MISSIONARY SPECIAL OFFERING RECEIVED MAY 1-9

Little Rock Conference

Arkadelphia	\$ 18.50
Carthage Ct.	15.00
Buena Vista Ct.	10.00
Olive Branch, West El Dorado Ct.	3.00
Huttig	100.00
England	12.50
Hope	500.00
Amity	15.00
Bingen	100.00
Spring Hill Ct.	23.05

North Arkansas Conference

Melbourne	\$ 3.40
Swifton	1.00
Mt. Home	50.00
Huntington	2.80
Plainview	10.00
Paris	58.79
Wheatley	23.50
Harrisburg	26.00
Osceola	13.00
East Side	20.00
Marshall	10.00

District Standing

Arkadelphia District	\$ 2,689.39
Camden District	3,813.80
Little Rock District	7,252.43
Monticello District	3,168.35
Pine Bluff District	2,679.40
Prescott District	3,237.02
Texarkana District	2,409.40

Total amount from Little

Rock Conference	\$25,249.79
Batesville District	\$ 1,549.89
Booneville District	1,342.83
Conway District	1,602.92
Fayetteville District	1,062.09
Fort Smith District	2,549.90
Helena District	2,796.05
Jonesboro District	2,117.35
Paragould District	2,358.17
Searcy District	2,247.85

Total amount received from

North Arkansas Conf.	\$17,627.05
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Total amount received from

both Conferences	\$42,876.84
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The Prescott District goes this week into the group of Districts that have paid more on the Special this year than last. This leaves only the Camden District in the Little Rock Conference that has paid less to date than last year. When Fordyce and Magnolia send in their report we are expecting this District to go beyond last year.—J. F. Simmons, Sec.-Treas.

FOREST PARK CHURCH AND THE REVIVAL

Last Sunday five others were received in the church which totals 35 additions since the beginning of the revival. The church feels deeply indebted to a number of friends for making the revival a success. First to Brother Jeff Smith for his wonder-

ful leadership throughout the campaign. His messages were inspiring, his musical talent drew great crowds and his loving spirit won many souls. The benefit which the church has received through his work is immeasurable.

The work of Fred Woodcock who came from Hot Springs to lead the music free of charge, was a fitting example of a son of God. The church has great admiration for his ability as a choir director and as a leader of men.

The church and the people in the community say that this revival was the best the community has ever experienced. The revival is over, but the effect is everlasting and the church is now doing a work which is worthy of any church.—W. R. Burks, P. C.

METHODISM IN UKIAH, CALIF.

When I came here Nov. 1, 1923, I found 25 in the Sunday School, and 50 attending the preaching service, all old people. The building was old and not attractive. There was but one member under 40 years of age doing any work whatever in the church. We had a large group of older people with a fair degree of wealth.

The Methodist Episcopal Church had only about half the membership of the South Church, but had a much larger Sunday School, an average of about 60. These people had but little wealth, but a fine group of young people for League and of middle aged for the active work of the church.

The town of Ukiah has about 3,100 people, and we had 9 churches to carry on work, no organization except the Catholics had any strength. Facing this situation, I soon saw that Methodism must be a unit in Ukiah if it held its own, and especially if it was to make any progress. I talked this situation over with the pastor and people of the Methodist Episcopal Church and found them favorable for uniting the two forces. When we undertook to do so, we found a resolution had been passed by the two General Conferences asking that no congregations "enter into unification" till after the vote, so we agreed to federate. This we did.

After formulating and adopting a working basis of federation, our next step was to secure an adequate house of worship. A building committee was appointed, location decided, and after securing plans and specifications, the actual work was begun last June. We now have one of the most beautiful modern church buildings to be found north of San Francisco. It provides a beautiful auditorium for worship where 550 or 600 can be seated. The building houses an A Grade Sunday School. Has a modern kitchen with dining room where 250 can be served. This is also the general assembly for the Sunday School. Also Junior department, and general recreation hall. We have a nursery for the babies, Kindergarten Department, Primary Department, Intermediate Senior Department, Young People's Department, Ladies parlor and Adult Department.

Our Sunday School now averages around 210 each Sunday, with 320 present Easter morning. The morning services are attended by 125 to 200. 33 have been received into the church membership since the new church was finished. There are now two good Leagues in operation and the ladies are well organized. The benevolences are always paid and they pay the pastor \$3,000 and furnish a fine home for the preacher and family.

The building, exclusive of furnishings cost \$53,000, all of which has been paid except \$12,250, and that has been subscribed except \$2,400.

It really pays to unite forces in small communities and the spirit of harmony and co-operation has been beautiful indeed.

The new building was formally opened March 27, by Dr. S. H. Werlein, P. E. of the San Francisco District, Dr. L. L. Loofbrourow, Dist. Supt. for the M. E. Church, and the pastor. The dedication will be later in the summer.

So far as I know, this is the first time in the history of American Methodism where this has been done. It has proved a real success and a great joy to the community and church.—L. C. Beasley, Pastor.

HENDRIX'S GREATEST ASSET

When an accounting is taken each year Hendrix College numbers many valuable items among her assets, and we, as students, are always willing to comment upon every phase on that statistical announcement; and we are often impressed with the futility of all of our possessions if by any chance we should lose the most vital part of our existence as an institution of higher learning. We are, therefore, glad to publish to the world, if that were possible, the fact that the greatest asset that Hendrix College can claim for her own is a very efficient faculty.

Students are often willing to accept as a matter of fact the daily contacts that they are having with men and women who are scholars of the highest type, and at the same time are the most sociable of ladies and gentlemen. Some of our associates on the campus are apparently unaware of the fact that the men and women who compose the teaching force of Hendrix have devoted years of time, have spent thousands of dollars, and have developed themselves in order that they may be able to impart some of their abundant supply of knowledge and understanding into our lives that we might be more effective after we have been graduated from our academic courses. Whether we recognize it or not, our's has been an unusual opportunity and we have been associated with men and women who have achieved great things in their chosen fields and if we have applied ourselves at all, we have gained much through the contact.

If Hendrix College has a spirit that will live through eternity, the Hendrix Faculty has contributed greatly to its formation and will effect its greater existence. If the student body is broadminded, the faculty has made that possible. If Hendrix men and women have the character that will effect the building of great Christian communities, then the men and women who direct the teaching in Hendrix will have made the impressions that they are daily attempting to make.

We are confident that we have the greatest faculty in Arkansas; we believe that we have one of the greatest in the South; and we would hesitate before we would exchange with any in the United States.—Hendrix College Students' Journal.

WHITMAN AUTHORITY IS HENDRIX ALUMNUS

Within the past few months there has been a great deal of comment upon Walt Whitman, his life and his works. Though it is known by some, perhaps there are several who do not know that Walt Whitman and Hendrix are indirectly connected. Doubtless most of the present Hendrix stu-

dents know that the greatest authority on Whiteman's life and works is written by Dr. Emory Holloway, professor of English at Adelphi College, Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Holloway is an alumnus of Hendrix, having been graduated in 1906. He received his Master's Degree, from the University of Texas, and then did graduate work in Columbia, where he was a member of the Intercollegiate Debate Team. He has been marked as a leader during his entire career. He is at present the chairman of the Walt Whitman Memorial Society, on which committee there are several prominent literary men.

The class of '06 was a small one, composed of only five members. Incidentally, it might be interesting to note that two other members of this class were Prof. J. I. McClurkin and Hon. J. S. Utley, the fathers of two students prominent in the Hendrix Student body today. Both of these men have brought credit to themselves also.—Hendrix College Bulletin.

LIBRARY HAS RARE VOLUMES

Many students do not realize that the Hendrix library has a collection of bound periodicals, dating back more than a hundred years. One of the most famous of this collection is the "Edinburgh Review." This magazine was first edited in October, 1802, by Sydney Smith at a time when the Whigs, Tories, and young malcontents of the time were causing such furor throughout scattered Ireland and England. Smith and his helpers, Jeffrey, Scott, Hobner, and Brougham soon popularized their quarterly magazine with their Whig doctrines and

Encouragement for Women of Middle Age



Mrs. Ruth Weeks

Little Rock, Ark.—"At the time of middle life I was having very poor health. I suffered with severe headache, and could not sleep. I was so nervous. I finally began taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and in a short time I was relieved of all suffering and from that time I enjoyed fairly good health. Now I feel as well as I did when only twenty years of age, and the 'Favorite Prescription' is the main cause of it. I am sure."—Mrs. Ruth Weeks, 311 W. 4th St. Fluid or tablets. All druggists.

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raised such opposition among the Tories that they themselves edited a periodical, known as the Quarterly Review.

Many delightful articles are to be found in the "Review." Romantic fiction, Scottish songs, discussions of colonial policies, account of parliamentary sessions, scientific articles, and religious treatises. It is valuable as a mirror reflecting the conditions existing throughout the 19th century in England and the British Empire. With few exceptions the library has the bound volumes of this magazine from April, 1803 to April, 1862. This year the college is again subscribing for the "Review."

There are other magazines of equal historical interest in the library: "The Ladies Repository" edited by Reverend D. W. Clark, in New York in 1855; "The Knickerbocker"; "The International Monthly," and "The Living Age" edited in 1853 by E. Littell. This latter magazine is a thorough literary digest of foreign affairs during the middle of the 19th century. The subscription to this magazine has also been renewed. Students would spend a profitable hour browsing through articles in periodicals of such historical prominence.—Hendrix College Bulletin.

LAW AND ORDER BETRAYED

The city of Little Rock suffered last night the shame of being delivered over to anarchy. This community saw law and order and peace and security overthrown. The impotence of city and county peace officers left mob rule free to work its will.

It was a frightful thing that a negro was lynched in the county, even though his cowardly crime came at an hour when public feeling was inflamed by a crime still more heinous. But as if that was not enough our peace officers, city and county, let a riddled corpse be brought to town for a Saturnalia of savagery. In millions of homes throughout America, when families gather for the morning meal today, the name of Little Rock will be read with expressions of horror; and mental pictures will be formed of this city and its people which will be unjust to its thousands of law-abiding men and women but unfortunately indelible with those who know us only through a lynching that was followed by a burning in a public street.

Little Rock and Pulaski County must demand an accounting of the officers who have failed us. Little Rock and Pulaski County must have in places of authority men who are fearless and determined, men who can measure up to the most serious of emergencies and men who can always defend our community against excess and lawlessness and vindicate its devotion to peace and order.—Arkansas Gazette.

BOARD OF REVIEW

Ministers' Selective Book Service

By popular vote these five men have been chosen as the Board of Review for the Ministers' Selective Book Service. They are representative of the best thought and training in Southern Methodism. Seasoned by study and trained by wide experience, their judgment cannot fail to be of value.

Ministers will be able by the plan of Lamar & Whitmore to know the best books on the market, and hundreds of pastors are becoming members of this Book Service. Membership is free. The agreement is that members will buy four books during the year, the total cost not to exceed ten dollars.

OBITUARY

EASON.—Mrs. Blanche Johnson Eason, aged 43, wife of Mr. G. D. Eason, 2106 East Third St., North Little Rock, died at the family residence, April 14, 1927. The funeral service was held in the First Methodist Church on Friday, the 15th, amid a concourse of people unable to get in the Church, and a floral display too great to describe, as a sweet expression of love from the people. Rev. A. E. Holloway, the pastor, directed the service, while the splendid choir of First Church, rendered very impressive music. Rev. Eli Myers, the former pastor of the deceased, for the past four years, delivered the obituary address. Mrs. Blanche Eason was a choice spirit, and evidenced in her life how blessedly God saves and purifies all who fully consecrate the life to him. She lived in the world, but not of the world, having lived decidedly apart from all worldly society. She was one of the most popular and best loved women in the city, and left the evidence in her life that holiness and godly purity are still popular and command the love and respect of all people. The angels of light must have been busy decorating the "Mansion" prepared for this saint from earth scenes, and the antiphonal choir tuned their harps for her coming, while the heavenly folds swung back for her reception into the home of the skies. Mrs. Blanche Eason had made large deposits in the bank of heaven, and when she left militant things, took many deposit credits to enrich that home, for she had a devotion to her Master that slipped over the line of sacrifice to become vast gain. Those of us who knew her best should feel rich because of the many and large deposits she made in our lives, and in the name of our Master and Lord, let us put them out on interest.—Eli Myers.

HARRISON.—As a lily folds its snowy petals at the decline of day, leaving the benediction of its fragrance as a litany to a distracted world, only to unfold again with the warmth of the sun, just so on the morning of February 17, 1927, in Fordyce, Ark., the beautiful, unselfish life of Dr. Frederick Eugene Harrison closed on earthly things to open a more useful, a glorified life in the radiance of the Son of Righteousness. In the passing of Dr. Harrison, the community has lost an efficient physician, the town a citizen of high moral character, the little children a beloved friend, the church and school a strong support and wise counselor, and his family a kind, gentle, loving husband and father. We can but know that such a life is not ended, but is even now abiding in the tabernacle of the Lord, and dwelling in his holy will. Frederick Eugene Harrison was born December 24, 1871, on the Major Harrison farm, ten miles north of Kingsland. He was graduated from the old Kentucky School of Medicine, Louisville, Ky., in 1894, and located in Mount Holly, where he practiced for five years. In 1899 he moved with his widowed mother, to Fordyce, where he remained until the close of his life. He did post-graduate work in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Louisville and New Orleans, specializing in the diseases of children and in ear, eye, nose and throat, keeping abreast of the times in his loved profession. In 1903, Dr. Harrison was married to Miss Fannie Jones, of McCrory. To this union two children were born, Frederick Eugene, Jr., and Helen

Elizabeth. Mrs. Harrison died in 1911. He enlisted in the World War and was commissioned Captain at Camp Oglethorpe, near Chattanooga. His warm, genial nature, typical of the sunny Southland, and his unlimited humor and supply of narratives and negro dialect stories, in which he was an expert, endeared him to all who knew him in camp, making him a general favorite. On September 28, 1921, he was married to Miss Mittie Smith, of Fordyce, who, with his children, survives him. For several years prior to, and at the time of his death, he was a member of the official board of the Methodist Church, and a member of the school board. Thus has the curtain fallen on a useful life here, to rise on a more efficient one in that "City that hath foundations." "I am the Resurrection and the life," is the oriflamme of the faith, and "when our summons comes to join that innumerable host," we shall again be with those "whom we have loved long since and lost a while."—A Lingerer.

The blood of Christ can wash out blasphemy, adultery, fornication, lying, slander, perjury, theft, murder. Though thou hast raked in the very kennels of hell, yet if thou wilt come to Christ and ask mercy He will absolve thee from all sin.—Spurgeon.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

FT. SMITH DISTRICT (Third Round.)

Dodson Ave., May 15, 11 a. m.
Midland Heights, May 15, 7:30 p. m.
First Church, Van Buren, May 22, 11 a. m.
First Church, Ft. Smith, May 22, 7:30 p. m.
S. Ft. Smith, May 29, 11 a. m., Q. C. 2:30.
East Van Buren, May 29, 7:30, Q. C. after service.
Hackett, June 5, 11 a. m., Q. C. 2:30.
Greenwood, June 5, 7:30, Q. C. after service.
Kibler, June 12, 11 a. m., Mt. View, Q. C. 2:00.
Van Buren Ct., June 12, 7:30, Fig. 5, Q. C. after service.
Alma-Dyer, June 26, 11 a. m., Alma, Q. C. 2:30.
Mulberry, June 26, 7:30, Q. C. after service.
Charleston, July 3, 11 a. m., Q. C. 2:30.
Lavaea, July 3, 7:30, Q. C. after service.
Clarksville Ct., July 9-10, Ludwig, Q. C. Sat. 2:30.
Clarksville, July 10, 7:30, Q. C. after service.
Cecil, July 17, 11 a. m., Cecil Q. C. 2:30.
Ozark, July 17, 7:30, Q. C. after service.
Hartman-Altus, July 24, 11 a. m., Hartman Q. C. 2:30.
Ozark Ct., July 24, 7:30, Pleasant Grove, Q. C. after service.
Second Church, Ft. Smith, July 31, Q. C. after service.
—F. M. Tolleson, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT (Third Round.)

Widener-Madison, May 15, a. m.
Forrest City, May 15, p. m.
Vandale-Cherry V., May 22, a. m.
Harrisburg, May 22, p. m.
Colt, May 29, a. m.
Wynne, May 29, p. m.
Helena, June 5, a. m.
Haynes-Lexa, June 5, p. m.
Marianna, June 12, a. m.
Hughes, June 12, p. m.
Crawfordsville, June 19, a. m.
Hulbert-W. Mfs., June 19, p. m.
Turner, June 26, a. m.
Holly G.-Marvell, June 26, p. m.
Clarendon, July 3, a. m.
Hunter, July 3, p. m.
Wheatley, July 10, a. m.
Round Pond-Heth, July 10, p. m.
Parkin, July 17, a. m.
Earle, July 17, p. m.
Elaine, July 24, a. m.
West Helena, July 24, p. m.
Aubrey, July 31, a. m.
Brinkley, July 31, p. m.
—Jas. A. Anderson, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT (Second Round—Last Half—Re-adjusted.)

Ravenden Springs Ct., at Friendship, May 21-22.
Mammoth Spring, 7:30 p. m., May 22.
Salem, at Camp, May 23.
St. Francis Ct., at Cummings Chapel, May 28-29.
Piggott, 3 p. m., May 29.
Imboden, 3 p. m., June 5.
District Conference at Imboden, June 6-8.
—William Sherman, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT (Third Round.)

Rison, at Wafford's, 11 a. m., May 15.
1st Church, Pine Bluff, 11 a. m., May 29.
Rowell Ct., 2:30 p. m., May 29.
Swan Lake, at Brewer, 11 a. m., June 12.
Carr Memorial, 7:30 p. m., June 12.
Humphrey-Sunshine, 11 a. m., June 19.
Hawley Mem., 7:30 p. m., June 19.
Pine Bluff Ct., at Carmel, 11 a. m., June 26.
Lake Side, 7:30 p. m., June 26.
Sheridan Ct., at Oak Grove, 11 a. m., July 2.
Sheridan-New Hope, 11 a. m., July 3.
Star City, 11 a. m., July 10.
Grady-Gould, 7:30 p. m., July 10.
Sherrill-Tucker, 11 a. m., July 17.
Altheimer-Wabbaseka, 7:30 p. m., July 17.
St. Charles, 11 a. m., July 24.
DeWitt, 7:30 p. m., July 24.
Roe Ct., 11 a. m., July 31.
Stuttgart, 7:30 p. m., July 31.
Gillett-Little Prairie, 11 a. m., Aug. 7.
—J. A. Henderson, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT (Third Round.)

Prescott Ct., Holly Spgs., May 21, 8 p. m.
Emmet, Holly Grove, May 22, 2 p. m.
Blevins, Friendship, June 5, 1:30 p. m.
Bingen, McCaskill, June 5, 3:30 p. m.
Murfreesboro, Saline, June 12, 2 p. m.
Oden-Mauldin, Mauldin, June 19, 1:30 p. m.
Mt. Ida-Norman, Caddo Gap, June 19, 3:30 p. m.
Center Point, Bluff Springs, June 26, 2 p. m.
Nashville, June 26, 7:30 p. m.
Spring Hill, Hopewell, July 3, 2:30 p. m.
Hope, July 3, 7:30 p. m.
Okolona, July 10, 2 p. m.
Gurdon, July 10, 7:30 p. m.
Amity, July 17, 2 p. m.
Glenwood, July 17, 7:30 p. m.
Washington-Ozan, July 24, 1:30 p. m.
Mineral Springs, July 24, 3:30 p. m.
Prescott, July 31, 11 a. m.
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TEXARKANA DISTRICT (Third Round.)

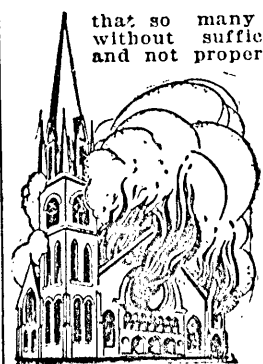
Umpire Ct. at Barnesdale, May 15, at 11 a. m.
Hatfield Ct., at Dallas, May 22, at 11 a. m.
Mena, May 22, at 8 p. m.
Lewisville at Bradley, May 29, at 11 a. m.
Stamps, May 29, at 8 p. m.
Fouke Ct. at Harmony, June 5, at 11 a. m.
Doddridge Ct. at Concord, June 12, at 11 a. m.
Foreman, June 26, at 11 a. m.
Ashdown, June 26, at 8 p. m.
Texarkana, First Church, July 3, at 11 a. m.
Texarkana, Fairview Ch., July 3, at 3 p. m.
Texarkana, College Hill, July 3, at 8 p. m.
DeQueen at Wofford's, July 10, at 11 a. m.
Horatio, July 10, at 8 p. m.
Dierks at Green's Chapel, July 17, at 11 a. m.
Lockesburg at Rock Hill, July 17, at 3 p. m.
Paraloma Ct. at Ben Lomond, July 24, at 11 a. m.
Richmond at Wilton, July 24, at 3 p. m.
Ashdown Ct. at Hicks, July 24, at 8 p. m.
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LYDIA OF THE PINES

By Honore Willsie

(Continued from last week)

Lydia nodded.

"Well, he got John Levine. Now the two years are up and unless that thousand dollars is paid, the people whose money I take care of in the bank, will each lose some of that thousand. See?

Lydia stared at him, struggling to take in the explanation. "I see," she said. "But if you'd pay a thousand dollars for me, that would fix it all up."

"Why Lydia, do you mean you would leave your father?"

"I wouldn't want to," she answered earnestly, "but Lizzie could take care of daddy. He doesn't really need me. There isn't anybody really needs me—needs me—now—"

She swallowed a sob, then went on. "Mr. Levine just mustn't pay it. He's awful worried. His land's fixed so he'd never get over it. And he's the best friend we have in all the world. He just mustn't pay it. It would kill mother, if she knew. Oh, she hated borrowing so."

Marshall chewed his cigar. "Levine," he growled, "is a long-legged crook."

Lydia flew out of her chair and shook her fist in the banker's face. "Don't you dare say that!" she cried. "He's a dear lamb, that's what he is."

Dave's fat jaw dropped. "A dear lamb, eh? Ask him some time what a land shark is—a dear lamb?"

He went on chewing his cigar and Lydia returned to her chair. Whether it was the anxious round eyes, above the scarlet cheeks, whether it was the wistful droop of the childish lips, whether it was the look that belongs to ravished motherhood and seemed grossly wrong on a child's face, whether it was some thought of his own pampered little daughter, whether it was that curious appeal Lydia always made to men, or a combination of all, that moved Marshall, he could not have told. But suddenly he burst forth.

"Good God, I've done hard things in my life, but I can't do this! Lydia, you go home and tell your father I'll renew that note, but he's got to pay the interest and 10 per cent of the principal, every year till he's paid it up. Here, I'll write it down. And tell him that I'm not doing it for him or for that skunk of a Levine, but I'm doing it for you. Here, I'll write that down, too."

He folded the bit of paper and put it in an envelope. "Come here," he said. He pinned the note into the pocket of her blouse. "Understand, Lydia," he said in a low voice, tilting her head up so that he looked down into her eyes, "I'm buying your friendship with this. You go on living with your father and taking care of him, but I'm buying your friendship for me and Margery—for good and all." He looked out of the window with a curious air of abstraction. Then, "Button your coat and run along."

"I haven't thanked you," exclaimed Lydia. "I can't thank you. Oh, but thank you, Mr. Marshall—I—I—" she began to tremble violently.

"Stop!" roared Marshall. "And you tell your father to look out for your nerves. Now skip." And Lydia's trembling stopped and she skipped.

She did not tell Lizzie of her errand and that faithful dinner was too glad to see her eat her dinner to think to ask her why she had skated so long. She laid an envelope at her father's plate and when he sat down, silent and abstracted, without heeding the fish, she shook her head at

Lizzie who was about to protest.

"Where'd this come from?" he asked, absentmindedly opening the envelope. Then, "For God's sake! Lydia—where? how?"

"It was like this," said Lydia. And she gave a full history of her morning's visit, to her two speechless listeners.

Amos looked from Lydia to Lizzie, from Lizzie to Lydia.

"Lydia—my little daughter—" he faltered. "I won't forget it, Lydia. In spite of little Patience's going, you've taken ten years off me this night. What do you suppose John Levine will say?"

"He'll say," replied Lydia, "If you were ten years older, Lydia, and I were ten years younger, and I'll say—then we'd travel."

CHAPTER V

Adam

The days slipped by, as days will, even though they are grief laden. Slowly and inarticulately for the most part, Lydia struggled to adjust herself to her new loss. She went back to school, after the quarantine was lifted and the familiar routine there helped her. She was a good student and was doing well in the eighth grade.

Florence Dombey was a great comfort to the child. She slept at night with her black head beside Lydia's yellow one. Sometimes she slipped into the middle of the bed and fat Lizzie rolled on her and woke with a groan.

Lydia never entered the locked bedroom off the kitchen. Amos, self-absorbed and overworked, asked no questions, but one night in April, John Levine saw Lydia at work on a night dress for Florence Dombey.

"Where does the young lady sleep?" he asked.

Lydia explained and Lizzie uttered a mild plaint, adding: "Lydia ought to be getting back to her own bed, now warm weather will be coming in."

Lydia caught her lower lip in her teeth but said nothing. Levine scrutinized the curly head bent over the sewing, then went on with his conversation with Amos. He was working quietly on his campaign, a year hence, for the office of sheriff.

Just before leaving, John asked for a drink of water and Amos went to the pump to bring in a fresh pail. He stopped while there to fuss over a barrel in which he had an old hen setting on some eggs he had got from Mrs. Norton. Lizzie had gone to bed early.

"Young Lydia," said John, as soon as they were alone, "come here."

When she was perched in her old place on his knee, "You don't like to sleep in that stuffy bedroom with Lizzie, do you, dear?"

"No," replied the child. "She's fat and snores and won't have the window open—but—"

"But what?" Levine's voice was gentle.

"I'm afraid to sleep alone."

"Afraid? Lydia—not of any memory of dear little Patience?"

"No! No! but I have nightmares nearly every night—she's choking and I—I can't help her. Then I wake up and catch hold of Lizzie. Oh, don't make me sleep alone!"

"Why, my dear little girl—" John caught the child's thin hands in a firm, warm grip. She was trembling violently and her fingers twitched. "This won't do! That's what keeps the dark nights round your eyes, is it? Of course you shan't sleep alone! Here comes your father. It's bedtime, isn't it? Good night, my dear."

Lydia licked up Florence Dombey and went slowly off to bed as her father came in with a glass of water.

(Continued next week)

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson for May 15

PETER AT PENTECOST

LESSON TEXT—Acts 2.

GOLDEN TEXT—Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.—Acts 2:38.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Peter Preaches About Jesus.

JUNIOR TOPIC—The Gift of Power INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Peter at Pentecost.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Source of Spiritual Power.

1. The Day of Pentecost Fully Come (vv. 1-13).

1. Significance of the day (v. 1). Pentecost is from a Greek word meaning "fifty." It was the feast held fifty days after the wave sheaf offering (Lev. 23:16). The wave sheaf typifies the resurrection of Christ (1 Cor. 15:20-23).

2. The gift of the Holy Spirit (vv. 2-4).

On this day the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples. From that time forth He would work on a new basis, having the crucified, risen and ascended Christ to present to the world.

3. Upon whom the Spirit came (v. 1; cf. 1:13-15).

The twelve and others, both men and women to the number of one hundred and twenty, showing that the gift of the Holy Spirit was for all believers, not merely the apostles.

4. The marks of the Spirit (vv. 2-4). These marks were external and internal.

(1) External.

(a) The sound of a mighty wind (v. 2). This is suggestive of the mysterious, pervasive and powerful energy of the Spirit.

(b) The tongues of flame (v. 3). Each of the one hundred and twenty was crowned with such a tongue. Tongues show the practical purpose of the Spirit's gift—witnessing.

(c) Speaking in foreign tongues (v. 4). This was a temporary endowment for a special purpose.

(2) Internal.

This is seen in the transformation wrought in the disciples. Peter, who shortly before this, cowered before a Jewish maid, now with lion boldness stands before the chief rulers and declares that they had murdered their King, therefore guilty before God.

5. The effects (vv. 5-13).

(1) The multitude were filled with amazement and wonder. The gift of the Spirit transforms common men into men of power and influence.

(2) Some mocked and foolishly attempted to account for this remarkable occurrence. They accused the disciples of being intoxicated.

11. Peter's Sermon (vv. 14-47).

Peter's sermon is as wonderful as the gift of tongues. His analysis is perfect.

1. The introduction (vv. 14-21).

(1) Defense of the disciples against the charge of being drunk (v. 15). This he does by citing Jewish custom showing that they would not be drunk at such an early hour of the day.

(2) A scriptural explanation. He showed that this was a partial fulfillment of that which Joel predicted would come to pass (vv. 16-21; cf. Joel 2:28-32) before the messianic judgment, viz., an outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the salvation of all who call upon the name of the Lord.

2. The proposition, or theme (v. 36). This was the messiahship of Jesus.

3. The argument (vv. 22-36). It was threefold.

(1) From Christ's works (v. 22). He was approved of God among the Jews by His miracles, wonders and signs which God did by Him in their

midst with which they were familiar.

(2) From His resurrection (vv. 23-32). The Old Testament Scriptures had foretold the death and resurrection of Christ (Ps. 16:8-10). The disciples were living witnesses of Christ's resurrection for they had seen and talked with Him, and handled Him since the resurrection (v. 32).

(3) From His ascension to be on the right hand of God (v. 32). The proof that He had ascended on high was the wonderful miracle of the Spirit's operation in their midst; for He had said that upon His ascension into heaven He would send forth the Spirit.

4. The effect of the sermon (vv. 37-42).

Many people were convicted of their sins, some three thousand of whom repented and were baptized. The daily life of these believers was proof of the Spirit's gift.

(1) They continued steadfastly in the apostolic teaching (v. 42).

(2) They continued in fellowship with the apostles (v. 42).

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By Luther E. Todd, Sec'y of the Board of Finance

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When a preacher takes a tiny infant in his arms and by holy baptism consecrates its life to the service of Christ, he does something for the child and its parents which will continue to act and react for good. If such value attaches to the christening of one little babe, what shall be stated concerning the consecration of 322,000 such lives? This is the record of the living superannuated preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, during their years of active ministry. Having performed such invaluable service, these men are now in great need. The Church is able at present from all sources to pay them annually a mere pittance per capita. What will you do about it, you parents whose hearts were made happy, you grown-up sons and daughters of the Church who received this service in babyhood? Don't you think you should make substantial contributions to Superannuate Endowment, and thus help the men who did so much for you?

The mere statement that our living superannuates, during their years of active service, added approximately 1,000,000 members to the Church, does not do justice to this most extraordinary success in soul winning. The total membership of our Church today is reported as about 2,500,000. Thus it appears that these old heroes are to be credited with adding to the Church practically half as many members as the present total membership. It is doubtless true that a great part of the paying strength of the Church today is present with us because of the faithful service of the superannuates when they were pastors. Is it right to draw upon this financial power for every cause that appears, and then leave the superannuates out of a just consideration? Should not these heroes have at least the reward of an old age sustentation out of the millions of dollars being contributed for benevolent purposes by the people who first learned the grace of Christian giving from them?

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