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PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS

A balky horse and a sulky man may spoil many a well laid plan.

A man who knocks and a horse that kicks will surely feel some vengeful pricks.

Your chronometer registers the rapid passage of time and presages the swift onrush of eternity.

The old-time religion is (so they think) too good for the sin-sick sinner and not good enough for the supercilious saint.

Prayer for your sinful neighbor will not excuse you from the personal appeal unless he has barred the way to your approach.

The lust for place and power without the willingness to render useful service, is an unholy ambition; but the desire to serve regardless of recognition and reward, ennobles the soul.

UNFAIR CRITICISM

Although we have several times mentioned the snarling comments on the work of the late Wayne B. Wheeler, who represented the legal activities of the Anti-Saloon League, we are constrained to quote a part of an editorial in *The Nation*, that intolerant advocate of tolerance. It reads thus: "He was one of those little men who are raised to greatness by a fanatical absorption in a single cause. The prohibition movement, growing out of its adolescence as a temperance movement, was his whole life; his bitterest enemy never suspected him of anything but passionate sincerity. He never saw two sides to a case. He saw Right and Wrong, and crusaded without a shadow of the doubts that might have tormented a broader mind. In large measure he was personally responsible for making the Anti-Saloon League the most effective non-partisan political organization in the United States, and for the final victory of the National Prohibition Amendment and the Volstead Act. Wayne B. Wheeler never lost his intemperate faith that all that was necessary was to browbeat his opponents into obedience to his law. To his mind any means was justified that helped the good—poison, sharp politics, perhaps even near-bribery. He preferred a drunken Congressman who would vote Dry to an honest tippler who voted as he acted. And in that preference lies one explanation, among others, of the moral failure of national prohibition."

In so far as the criticism is in harmony with the facts, it is complimentary to Mr. Wheeler; but, as the concluding sentence shows, it is based on the fallacious assumption that national prohibition is a failure, and it has the sneer that the jaunty and self-righteous advocates of tolerance have when they become intolerant.

Wheeler and his associates have never been guilty of "browbeating" opponents, but as is amply witnessed in the conduct of Senator Reed and his ilk in their attacks, the "wets" are adepts in that art; and *The Nation* itself is not without fault in that respect. Wheeler fought in the open, and presented the facts so that they hurt; but that is not "browbeating;" that is honorable fighting.

The editor of *The Nation* seeks to discredit the 18th Amendment by referring to it as "his" (Wheeler's) law. We suppose, if this doughty editor should lead a movement to amend the Constitution, and the necessary majorities of Congress and the Legislatures should be obtained to submit and ratify he would call it "his" law. Why should it be sneered at as "his" law when it was adopted by the largest number of votes ever given to any Amendment? After an Amendment is thus adopted is it not our law? Is it not binding on all of us? Is it fair to seek to discredit it by such references?

Then this tolerant (?) editor seeks to discount Wheeler and his cause by insinuating that it was improper to "prefer a drunken Congressman who voted Dry to an honest tippler who voted as he acted." Has he never known a drunken man who was honestly in favor of prohibition, and strongly in favor of it because as a drunken man he knew

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—Nahum 1:15.**

the evils of drink and sincerely desired to destroy his worst enemy? Would this "smart Alec" have us to believe that it is improper for a bad man to vote for a good measure or a weak man to vote for a law which he himself might not be able to obey? How many laws would we get against evil if we had to wait until all who voted for them were thoroughly consistent themselves? All that kind of criticism is consummate nonsense, and no one knows it better than the men who criticize.

If the editor of *The Nation* will get away from the un-American centers, where the people have never wanted their drinking habits corrected, and live for a while among people who have honestly kept the law, he will if he is honest, cease to call the National Prohibition Amendment simply Wheeler's law and stop sneering at it as a failure. This intolerantly tolerant editor simply does not know the United States, and consequently is constantly, if honestly, misrepresenting our country and its people.

TRUTH WILL OUT

The "Wets" in their frantic efforts to discredit nation-wide prohibition are constantly asserting that conditions are worse than in the pre-Volstead days, and especially that liquor is everywhere freely sold in New York. It is, therefore very refreshing to find the following statement in the October number of the *World's Work* in an article, "The School of The Tiger," in which the early days of "Alcohol" Smith, governor of New York, are presented with a view to showing this prospective candidate for the presidency in the best possible light: "The neighborhood around the Fourth Ward, in which Alfred Smith's earliest tendencies were developed, is a completely definite, distinct world of its own in the many-colored universe of the East Side. . . . Within these boundaries lay much that was bad in the city. On Water Street were rows of houses of prostitution conducted especially for sailors. Nothing could have been more dismal. Along the Bowery were the resorts of the derelicts, though east of it were intellectual amusements and searching conversation in the cafes. One of the institutions on the Bowery bore the name of McGurk's Suicide Hall. There were the armies of doomed women, whose hectic laughter continued perhaps on the average from three to five years before they sank into unknown graves. There were the men whose money for drink and gambling and living was taken away from these women for the return service of acting as 'go-betweens' in their relation with the police. Walking down the Bowery in the region of Chatham Square is not an altogether re-assuring experience today, but it is a much milder one than it was a half century ago. There is corruption still, and there are derelicts, but professional prostitution is gone, and that great institution, the saloon, no longer exists openly; and where it does exist secretly, it is not the kind of center of social life it used to be."

The last sentence contains a frank admission that under prohibition conditions are much improved in this notorious district where Smith grew up. But his votes in the Legislature and his acts as governor do not show that he is in any way entitled to credit for the improvement. Indeed, as he is reliably reported to have expressed a hope that the good old days might return when one could put his foot on the brass rail of the saloon and blow

the foam from a glass of beer, it is evident that he preferred the conditions under which he had grown to manhood. Do we want a man of that type for president?

A SUNDAY AT BRADFORD AND RUSSELL

Going up Saturday night I was met at Bradford by Principal A. K. Ross of the public school and entertained in the comfortable home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ray. Sunday morning, with Rev. J. M. Hughes, I attended the Sunday School, taught a class and preached. At three p. m. I preached at Russell, a village half way between Bradford and Bald Knob; but threatening weather reduced the congregation, and at night a heavy and continuous rain prevented services at Bradford, although the pastor and I ventured to go to the church through the red mud. The condition of the streets was such that one could not blame the people for not going out at night.

Bradford, ten miles north of Bald Knob on the railroad, is a thriving town of some 400 people, situated at the edge of the foothills just west of White River bottom, and has the advantage of both bottom and hill farming. It has a number of prosperous business houses, and a good frame school building in which a fine school is maintained with A. K. Ross, a Teachers' College man, as principal. There are eleven grades, and the enrollment, including many from the surrounding country, is almost equal to the population of the town. Instead of spending all the revenue on a showy house, the Bradford people are spending it on teachers, hence they are not in debt and have a fine school. Diversified agriculture prevails. Strawberries, grapes, and corn are the principal crops, and yet Bradford is a good cotton market. Dairying is getting a start, and will undoubtedly increase as its value is appreciated. The conditions are peculiarly favorable to dairying.

Russell, a village of some 100 people, is situated like Bradford and has a body of splendid farmers supporting it. Both of these towns are on a fine graveled highway and have similar advantages.

Monday morning, in his Chevrolet of which he boasts as proudly as if he were a representative of General Motors, Bro. Hughes carried me to Bald Knob where the parsonage is located, and I spent a few minutes in his home. Bald Knob, a much larger town, is growing and utilizing its transportation advantages to promote its agriculture. All of these towns are important communities in the famous "Strawberry Belt" of White County. As a result of practicing diversified farming and dairying some day that county will become the most attractive county for farmers in the state.

At Bradford we have a small frame church building which makes it difficult to conduct a modern Sunday School. Mr. Herbert Whitley is superintendent of the Sunday School and also chairman of the official board. He is a good man working under some handicaps. The membership of the church is about 130, and of these Bro. Hughes in three years has added around 100. The Senior League under the leadership of Miss Nannie May Allen is fairly efficient.

At Russell our people have a large frame house which they bought from the M. E. Church some years ago when the members of that denomination united with ours. The membership is approximately 110, and of these a large percent came in under the ministry of Bro. Hughes.

Bro. Hughes and his people at Bald Knob are happy over the completion of a brick church building unusually fine for the strength of the membership. Planned by Architect J. P. Almond of Little Rock, it is of English style and has a steep roof covered with flat tile. The exterior is quaint and artistically attractive. It has a small but beautiful auditorium, with sloping floor and furnished with comfortable pews. There are nine class rooms; consequently the Sunday School is adequately housed.

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PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Rev. J. A. Womack, presiding elder of Fayetteville District, writes that Saturday at 6:30 p. m., at his home, Mrs. J. J. Corley, his wife's mother, passed away. The bereaved ones have the sympathy of many friends.

Rev. Mark Terrell, general evangelist, began a community-wide revival at Pea Ridge, Oct. 7, where Rev. W. E. Bishop is pastor, to continue until Oct. 23. Already the meeting has assumed large proportions and the outlook is bright for a signal victory.

Miss Eloise Angel, executive secretary of First Church, Eldorado, writes to give credit to the First Presbyterian Church of that city for its contribution to the success of the Union Training School recently held. Their representatives took about half of the 95 credits earned.

Last Thursday Rev. P. Q. Rorie, pastor of First Church, Helena, attended a meeting of the Board of the Hospital for Nervous Diseases. He is profoundly interested in correcting the abuses which seem to obtain there and culminated in the murder of one of our preachers by an attendant.

Dr. Clovis Chappell, pastor of First Church, Memphis, recently made the principal address at a get-together banquet of the men of First Church, Helena, of which Rev. P. Q. Rorie is pastor. The address was said to have been very impressive and pleasing. About 100 men were present.

If the next General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church approves, Ohio will have the largest Annual Conference in the world, as the Ohio and West Ohio Conferences recently voted to unite. The new Conference would have 577 charges and embrace the larger part of the state of Ohio.

At the opening of Athens College for Women at Athens, Ala., tribute was paid by speakers to the late Bishops McCoy and Keener for their influence over Methodist education in Alabama. Approximately fifty percent increase in enrollment over last year was reported. Only \$100,000 is now lacking of reaching the endowment goal, and the campaign is in progress. Mrs. J. H. McCoy is the able president of this progressive institution, and Rev. S. R. Twitty, formerly of Little Rock Conference, is working in the endowment campaign.

The many friends of Rev. J. P. Lowry, beloved local preacher who has supplied charges and done evangelistic work for many years, will be relieved and delighted to know that he is recovering from the operations which confined him for weeks to the hospital and is now at home rapidly convalescing.

The meeting of the National Anti-Saloon League Board, which was originally announced for Dec. 12-14, will be held at Washington, D. C., Dec. 5-7. This avoids conflict with our Missionary Council, which meets at Jackson, Miss., Dec. 13-14, and will make it possible for the editor to attend both if no hindrances arise.

Rev. A. H. DuLaney, Conference evangelist, Searcy, writes: "I recently closed a revival at Whitthorne, Tenn., in which were 60 conversions and 30 additions to the church. I began a meeting at Center Hill last Sunday. Following Oct. 21 I have one or two open dates before conference and shall be glad to assist brethren who can use me."

In a personal letter, Dr. P. C. Fletcher of Laurel Heights Church, San Antonio, Texas, says: "We are closing out a splendid year here. We are erecting a magnificent educational and recreational building, and enlarging the present beautiful church auditorium so as to secure two-thirds more seating capacity."

On Thursday of last week the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage Board met in the office of Dr. James Thomas, the superintendent. He reports that it was a very satisfactory meeting and the affairs of the Orphanage were found to be in first-class condition. This is one of the most satisfactory institutions of the Church.

At its annual meeting the Board of Publication of the Oklahoma Methodist elected Dr. John A. Rice editor. He has been serving as editor pro-tem since the death of Dr. Aston last spring, and has been making the paper unusually interesting. If sufficient funds can be provided so that Dr. Rice can give his time to the paper, he can undoubtedly make it a great paper.

Rev. Porter Weaver of Keiser writes: "Our work is moving along well, and, although we were under water about two months this summer, we are going to be able to make a better report this year than we did last year. On this charge we practically lost three churches due to moving after the water had receded. We have just closed one meeting in which we had 18 conversions and 21 additions to the church."

The editor spent last Sunday most pleasantly at Clinton, stopping for the night, going and coming, at Searcy and meeting Pastor J. E. Cooper and Presiding Elder W. P. Whaley. Both make good reports. Searcy shows signs of constant improvement and progress. Plans are making for royal entertainment of the North Arkansas Conference which meets there Nov. 23. Space does not admit of the write-up of the Clinton trip this week.

After serving Farmington Charge until he was able to finish at the University of Arkansas, Rev. D. T. Rowe has been released so that he might enter Duke University School of Religion. He expects to have a pastoral charge near enough to Durham to be able to serve it and attend his classes. Bro. Rowe deserves much credit for working his way through the State University and for seeking to prepare himself better for his ministerial work at Duke University.

At the recent session of the Indian Mission Conference Rev. W. U. Witt was reappointed superintendent of the Conference, a position with authority somewhat between that of a bishop and a presiding elder. Bro. Witt is well known in Arkansas, having graduated at Hendrix College and he began his ministry in the Arkansas Conference. Rev. R. M. Templeton, also a Hendrix College man, is continued as missionary to the Kiowas, and Bro. Witt will be P. E. of the Kiowa District.

The Arkansas Methodist Educational Commission met in this city on Oct. 5 and, after hearing statements from the presidents of our three colleges, appointed as a subcommittee Dr. C. M. Reves, Mr. H. C. Couch, and Dr. J. D. Hammons to prepare recommendations for consideration at a meeting to be held Oct. 18, at which time a report will be formulated to be submitted to the two Annual Conferences. Nothing was given out that would indicate the nature of the final report.

Information comes that Rev. I. B. Manly, formerly of White River Conference, now of Texas Conference, has been seriously ill with fever, but is now slowly improving. He is in a hospital at Houston.

Our readers may be pleased to learn that at the State Fair this week several Methodist ladies have been successful in winning premiums in art exhibits. Mrs. J. S. Utley, Little Rock, took first premium for sepia; Mrs. M. J. McHenry of Conway took second premium for pastel; and Mrs. A. C. Millar, Little Rock, took three first premiums—water colors (collection of three), landscape, and flowers. There are probably others, but the editor is not sufficiently informed to say.

There is so much vile trash distributed broadcast over the land that something ought to be done to counteract its influence. Seventh-Day Adventists, Christian Scientists, Russellites, and their ilk, are doing far more in proportion to their numbers than Christian people are to put literature teaching their doctrines into the hands of the people generally. We believe that the church ought to go into this work extensively, not for the purpose of making money in the sale of books, but as a most efficient means of preaching the Gospel. What does the church think of it?—Presbyterian of the South.

Dr. W. P. Whaley's article on Agreements between Science and the Bible occupies first place in the October number of the Methodist Review. The editor, Dr. Gilbert Rowe, in accepting the article wrote: "Your article on Agreements Between Science and the Bible is delightfully interesting and thoroughly sound. I have not read anything more satisfying. All papers dealing with such subjects usually err in making the Bible say what it does not say. You have reported both the Bible and Science truly and shown that they are in essential agreement. It pleases me immensely to know that we have men of such scholarly grasp in our own church. Though it is the last of about a hundred to come in, 'the last shall be first'."

If I were a pastor, I should frequently say, "My sermon this morning is suggested by such and such an article in our denominational paper." Or, "The point that I am now making is aptly illustrated by such an article. Did you read it?" I should vary the prayer-meeting by asking everybody to tell what item in our paper had impressed them most the past month. When an issue was debated in the paper I should have the discussion continued in Bible classes, clubs, or young people's meetings. Then those who did not take such papers would wake up and say: "We too must have what everybody is talking about!" "I think I should suggest to my official board a church subscription for every one of our families. If they demurred at the cost, I should point out that, in five years, the returns in increased contributions to church and missionary offerings due to the increase of intelligent interest, would more than pay. Would such a plan be communistic, burdening the larger givers at the expense of the poorer? Is not that precisely what we do in the church service? The man who pays one dollar a year enjoys the same eloquence as the man who pays one hundred dollars. Why should a church preach to its people through ear-gate and not eye-gate?—Herald of Gospel Liberty.

A fool, in his own estimation a philosopher, may expose your failings to others for their delight while the philosopher may feel himself a fool.

BOOK REVIEW

Janny; by Jane Abbott; published by J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia; price \$1.75.

You'll enjoy "Janny," and her struggle to win for herself a place in the hearts of her cousins who are so taken up with their own selfish pleasures that they have no time for their new cousin Janny who is an orphan, and, whom their father has found and brought to live with them. Wholesome friendships, contests, and glimpses of high-school life add to the interest of the book and Janny, at last, has the satisfaction of being needed and wanted by all the family.

Jesus' Teachings; For Young People; by Sidney A. Weston; published by the Pilgrim Press, Boston; price, cloth 65 cts.; paper 40 cts.

This is a discussion course of study and has been carefully worked out with a group of young people. The problems are such as confront us in every-day life and an attempt is made to interpret them and solve them by the light of Jesus' teaching.

CONTRIBUTIONS

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF
GEN. MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Meeting for the second time in history, the annual session of the General Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held at Jackson, Miss., Dec. 13-14. The meeting will bring together approximately 100 leaders in missionary work from every section of the Church's territory and will be the greatest general missionary meeting of the entire year.

Dr. W. G. Cram, General Secretary of the Board of Missions, is chairman of the Council and will preside over the session. Dr. F. S. Love, of Elizabeth City, N. C., is secretary.

Bishops of the Church, Mission Board secretaries and treasurers, leaders in missionary work from the 36 annual conferences, and members of the Departmental Committee on Education and Promotion will attend the Council meeting and take part in the discussions that will affect missionary interests not only in the United States but in the eleven foreign fields where the denomination maintains missionary work. Every Bishop of the Church is expected to be present. A special effort will be made to secure a large number of influential pastors and laymen as visitors.

Looking toward the great international evangelistic campaign to be inaugurated under the auspices of the Board of Missions in the spring of 1928, "World Evangelization" has been selected as the general theme of the Council meeting. Plans will be laid for kindling revival fires throughout the entire range of Southern Methodist territory—in the United States, Mexico, Cuba, South America, Europe, Africa, and the Far East. A call for this church-wide evangelistic advance was issued recently by Dr. Cram as general secretary of the Mission Board. The Home Department of the Board is charged with directing evangelism in the home field and the For-

eign Department with promoting revivals in the eleven foreign fields.

There was never a more crucial time than the present in the history of modern missions, leaders declare. New situations confront the Church, serious questions are being raised at home and abroad, and in many instances the mission workers are facing difficulties that would make the faint-hearted tremble. The solution for these problems, they believe, lies in a great international revival that will bring about a spiritual awakening in both the foreign and home fields and lead to such an ingathering of converts in 1928 as was never before known in history. Discussions and addresses at the approaching meeting of the General Missionary Council will center about plans for fostering this campaign.

The General Missionary Council was created by the General Conference of 1926 as a special body composed of outstanding missionary leaders of the denomination for the purpose of promoting missionary work of the Church and its extension throughout the connection. Membership in the body includes the secretaries and treasurers of the Board of Missions, members of the Departmental Committee on Education and Promotion, the chairman of each Annual Conference Board of Missions, and the Conference Missionary Secretary. The first annual meeting of the Council was held at Louisville, Ky., in Dec., 1926.

THE REVIVAL OF 1928 IN BRAZIL

(Interview with Dr. O. E. Goddard.)

"Everything in Brazil seems favorable for the big revival there in 1928," declares Dr. O. E. Goddard, who returned September 15 from three months spent in that country on missionary business.

As secretary of foreign missions, Dr. Goddard went to Brazil in June at the instance of the Board of Missions to discuss with Brazilian Methodists

three important matters, namely, the revival of 1928, a program for religious education in the Church, and leadership training for the Church of the future.

While Dr. Goddard was in Brazil plans were laid for a great revival similar to the big Centenary revival campaign that swept throughout Southern Methodist territory in this country in 1921. Each Conference in Brazil has set a definite goal for 1928. The Brazil Conference is planning for a 20 per cent increase in membership; the Central Brazil for a 30 per cent; and the South Brazil, the smallest of the three, for 1,000 new members, almost a 40 per cent increase.

Dr. Goddard found the Latin-Americans more responsive than the North Americans, and as the Brazilian preachers are naturally fluent orators he is looking forward to a nationwide response when the great revival gets well under way. "We can thank God and take courage that in Brazil in 1928 we can look for unusual efforts and unusual results in evangelism," he adds.

Dr. Goddard had a strenuous program during his stay in Brazil. He was traveling or speaking every day of the three months he was there. While not busy holding institutes, he conducted important revival services. At each service he gave the invitation to the unconverted and never a single time did it fail to meet with a response, the number varying anywhere from two to forty. As a result of these impromptu services 200 were converted.

Dr. Goddard says of Brazil: "It is the largest of all the Latin-American republics. It has nearly half the entire population of Latin-America—about 40,000,000. The ship on which I went to Brazil was loaded with automobiles. The one on which I returned carried three and one half million pounds of coffee to the United States. The soil of Brazil is fertile and rains are abundant. Vegetation grows

twelve months in the year, and the people can have abundance with little effort.

"I was in Brazil during the winter months—June, July, and August. It was a mild, dry winter, never cold at all except during and immediately after a rain. There are no fireplaces or stoves either in the homes or churches. One rarely sees frost except in the extreme southern part of the country."

"Brazil is a republic in name—an oligarchy in fact. Not half the people can read or write. A real democracy is impossible at present. They are doing their best to educate the people. The Southern Methodist Church is doing much to help educate the oncoming generations, for we have ten boarding schools in Brazil—four for boys and six for girls."

The first thing Dr. Goddard did upon entering a Conference was to hold a consecration service, at which time opportunity was given to each national preacher to tell of his religious experience. Dr. Goddard reported that he was much pleased with the results of the conferences, which he held with leaders in thirteen presiding elders' districts. "Not only are all things favorable for the big revival of 1928," he declares, "but I never saw a situation so ripe for a program of religious education. They want to know all we know about religious education in the local Church. Some new plans are being laid for better training of our Brazilian preachers."

DR. F. S. H. JOHNSTON ON
EDUCATION

(The enclosed was found by Howard Johnston among his father's papers. It is suggested that it might be published as his last word on education. It is characteristic of his love for our young people and his desire to improve the leadership of the church.—J. M. Workman.)

Educational programs are changing

as he would have them solved. The lessons are well organized. Scripture passages bearing on the problem are assigned for study in advance of the group meeting and every effort is made to encourage the young people to think things through for themselves. The following are some of the interesting subjects discussed: "Counting the Cost, or What Jesus Expected of his Followers"; "The Place of Pleasure in Life"; "Social Standards and Ideals"; "What is Success?" "When Defeat is Victory"; "Does Following Jesus Make Any Difference?" This book is very much worth while for teachers and readers of young Christians and vastly helpful to the young Christian himself.

Learning How To Study and Work Effectively; by William F. Book; published by Ginn and Co., Boston; price \$1.96.

Since we are all interested in anything that will make us more efficient students and workers we should not miss Dr. Book's interesting and very practical work, "Learning How To Study and Work Effectively." The book is intended primarily to help those who direct and supervise the study of others. It would be most helpful to individuals or groups in any walk of life who are interested in improving their own or their employees' methods of study or work. The facts, so far as known, are ably analyzed and logically and systematically organized. The author first illustrates and explains the important factors that contribute to the total efficiency of a worker; then outlines a procedure for the attainment of the specific habits that must be formed to obtain the desired result. A careful study of the book will greatly interest and benefit the reader.

Captain Chap; by Frank R. Stockton; published by J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia; price \$2.00.

This story of the adventures of three boys who were carried out to sea, caught in a storm, rescued, only to be carried far south and put ashore on the unpeopled coast of Florida and forced to fight their way through the semi-tropical wilds, furnish-

es many a thrill and much amusement to readers, old and young. The boys are fine and manly and meet their dangers with a fire and courage that neither fails nor falters. Many quaint characters are pictured and much intimate knowledge of animal life introduced in the adventures, adds interest and value to the book.

From Man To Man; by Olive Schreiner; published by Harper and Brothers Publishers, New York.

The story is masterful and gripping in its human appeal and interest. With a keen insight and sympathetic understanding and the artistic power of a literary genius the author has portrayed her characters so vividly that they live before us as palpitating, feeling, thinking human beings. While we may not approve of the types she has chosen to portray, nor of her interpretation of life, we can but admire her profound intellect and passionate sympathy. Had she lived to finish the story doubtless it would have been worked out to a more wholesome and worthwhile end.

A DAY AT CAMDEN

In order to make preliminary arrangements for the Conference Number of the **Arkansas Methodist** I ran down to Camden on Wednesday of last week, arriving just before noon. Presiding Elder J. W. Harrell met me and we immediately went to the hospital where we found Rev. Paul W. Quillian recovering finely from the operation for appendicitis to which he had submitted. He hopes to be out in a few days and more than regain what he had lost in weight in the last few weeks. His people were taking the best of care of him, and some friends were just installing by his bedside the apparatus by which he could hear the reports of the baseball battle raging at Pittsburgh that day.

After a bountiful dinner at the beautiful district parsonage, I attended the afternoon session of the South Arkansas Chamber of Commerce, and heard some unusually interesting addresses by distinguished speakers. Then the crowd went in auto-

mobiles furnished by citizens to inspect the immense buildings in process of erection by the Southern International Paper Mill. This will be fully described in the Conference Number. At 8 o'clock about 300 guests partook of an unusual barbecue banquet on the Court House grounds. Then with Bro. Harrell I went to the Methodist Church and together we conducted the prayer-meeting service. In view of the fact that the band was playing across the street and fireworks had been attracting attention, the attendance was very good. I could not remain for the night meeting at which some of our most prominent public men were to speak.

It was a very interesting day. I met many good friends, and am under special obligation to Bro. Harrell for courtesies. I shall return in a few weeks to finish my preparation for the Conference Number.—A. C. M.

SUNDAY AT BRADFORD AND RUSSELL

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The total cost was \$18,000, and one wonders how such results were obtained with such moderate outlay. There is a debt of \$6,000, which Bro. Hughes hopes to finance through the Church Extension Board. The building was begun a year ago and opened last July. It is a credit to the pastor and his people. Our membership is 205, and 130 of these have been added during the present pastorate. The chairman of the official board is an active woman, Miss Neelie Pearce. Mr. R. P. Moore has been superintendent of the Sunday School for eighteen years. In 1925 only 29 were enrolled; now the number is 178. The Epworth League with Ray Mize as president is quite active. Mrs. Lucile Clark superintends a good Intermediate League. The W. M. S. is active with Mrs. Lizzie Saxe as president.

Under the pastorate of Rev. J. M. Hughes, vigilant and vigorous, this charge has made marvelous progress. I enjoyed my visit with him and his people.—A. C. M.

just now. They have gone through several periods in the past and the present time is a difficult one in which to define the educational policy of our church. The first colleges and universities of the country were practically all established by the Church. For a long period the Church had practically no competition in the educational field. Then came the state universities which are now established in practically every state in the Union, and which are becoming stronger and more influential every year.

In our own state, our university is doing the best work of its history, is wielding more influence, and now has on the most complete building program since its establishment. Since the discontinuance of its academy, it now has the largest body of students in all its years of work. This is, of course, gratifying to every loyal citizen of Arkansas.

The time was when all the colleges, including the State University, had a preparatory department (or academy). They have been abandoned except in one or two cases. The increasing number of high schools has made unnecessary the continuance of these academies. Both the Methodist and Baptist Churches established a number of separate academies; of these only a few are still in existence, and they are maintained as mission projects.

Within recent years the Junior College idea has appeared, and seems now to be spreading very rapidly. In some states, like Missouri, municipal Junior Colleges are multiplying rapidly. Such municipal Junior Colleges are established and maintained with little expense: High School buildings are used; the same administration controls both High School and the College; and practically the only expense is the salaries of a few extra teachers. This makes it possible for many of our better cities and towns to establish their own junior colleges. The Churches are also entering the Junior College field, either by the establishment of new colleges, or the reduction of existing colleges to the Junior grade. But the place of the Church in the Junior College field is limited and its future uncertain.

The question is: What is the place of our church school at present in the educational field in Arkansas?

In separate female education, the church has almost exclusive control. While all state schools admit women as well as men, the Churches are almost alone in providing schools exclusively for girls. And there are numbers of our citizens who prefer this distinct type of female education. It would seem, therefore, that we have a wide-open field here for our Church in education.

There is another large group of our people who feel that the small Christian college, well equipped and standard grade, is the best place in which to educate our boys and girls. There would seem to be no other type of school which has done so much in the preparation of our young ministers. In the past the schools of this type which we have maintained have wielded a dominant and a very wholesome influence on the education of Arkansas. There appears no reason why they should fail to continue to do this work for our church and state.

WHOSE CHURCH IS DECADENT?

When I read something about the alarming decadence of the Church, always meaning Protestantism in particular, I think of a very pertinent saying: "Just consider the source". With no thought of slandering any church, I

think I can safely say that most of this "viewing with alarm" has come from conscience-stricken preachers of one denomination that has laid considerable emphasis on social-recreational work. Naturally any such program leads to failure as a church. No Church can successfully compete with commercialized recreation and still do the work a Church is commonly supposed to do. Neither should any Church neglect a proper social-recreational program; but the real need is a fiery evangel, and the real business of the Church is evangelism. One of the strongest and best loved Scriptures to me is Isaiah 55:11; and I believe with all my soul that any church living and working in that

spirit simply cannot fail.

When I read an article like that recently published in this paper about Wm. Roy Jordan, whom I am honored in calling friend; when I think of John F. Taylor and Thos. D. Spruce, of the editor of this paper, and hosts of others, I'm so very sure our Methodism is not decadent that I just refuse to "view with alarm". But with Saint Paul, "I thank God and take courage."—Gay Morrison, Beaumont, Texas.

MAKE THE REVIVAL PERMANENT

If a period of spiritual reaction or lethargy follows in the wake of a revival campaign it will be because we

are incapable of comprehending the fact that the Christian religion is not a mystic cult, but a call and challenge to a life of service. While the season for revivals has practically closed, while the spiritual strength has been renewed and the deep currents of emotion have been stirred, and while for the first time many have "tasted the joy of believing" religion is centered in something more substantial than emotion. The fact that new prayer meetings have been formed, Sunday Schools enlivened and general church interest has received new impetus, is proof that many have caught the true meaning of religion. If new converts fail to give themselves to Christian living and serving

Crystalized Memories

"Man is of few days. He cometh forth as a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not."

SUCH quotations constantly remind us of the short duration of life. But the memories of our loved ones who have passed on will continue to live in our hearts.

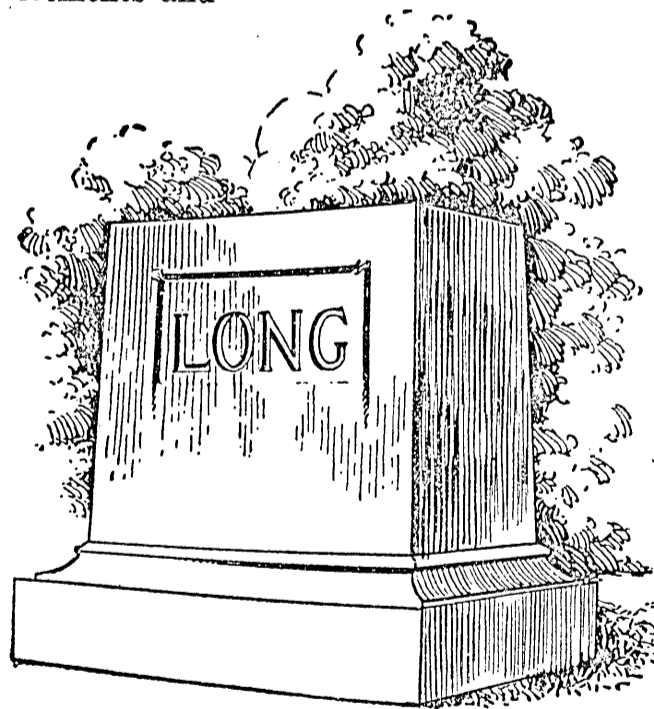
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there is danger of their drifting back with the flow of the world to their former haunts and practices. May we keep the revival fires kindled and glowing! May there be within the churches such a warmth of enthusiasm and such a glow of fellow-service that the very spires themselves shall gleam with such a radiance as shall attract all men.

Christians are men and women enlisted for service. The Master makes no secret of this. On the contrary he is careful to emphasize the hardships and difficulties they are to encounter. And so at the very beginning of the Christian career he confronts one with the exacting demand, "If any man would come after me let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." Self-denial and the cross of service are that to which his followers are called, and not to a picnic or frolic.

The church is weighted and handicapped in its effort to bring in the Kingdom because too many of its members never get beyond the thought of saving their own souls. They look upon the church as a door through which to escape eternal death, as a vehicle in which to ride into glory, merely this and nothing more. But the church is a brotherhood of workers, pledged to God and to one another for the cleansing of society and to getting Heaven's will done in the earth. When one comes into the church he must not make himself say, "Well, I have it all fixed now," and sit down and fold his hands. If he surrenders to that delusion he will be a backslider in a month's time. If he would run the good race and obtain the crown that awaits him at the end of the course, he must lay his life and his powers upon the altar of definite Christian service.

To make permanent the revival spirit kindled in a church, requires our going forth with power to serve. The beautiful figures which the Master employs in speaking of his true followers, prove this claim. "Ye are the light of the world." Light does not exist for itself, but for the eyes of those who sit in darkness. "Ye are the salt of the earth." Salt does not exist for itself merely but to purify and save and allay corruption. "Ye are the leaven." But leaven does not exist for itself, but for the bread which it makes palatable and nutri-

tious. Light and salt and yeast are His enthusiastic and faithful followers. "Go" was Jesus' constant exhortation, and around his personal followers he wrapped on the day of his ascension this great commission, "Go, disciple the nations!" If we would live for thirty days the religion we profess, keep the altar smoke rising and the home fires burning the whole world would be transformed and lost mankind would sit at the Master's feet divinely clothed and in rightness of mind.

"Be strong!

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift,

We have hard work to do, and loads to lift.

Shun not the struggle, face it, 'tis God's gift.

"Be strong!

It matters not how deep intrenched the wrong,

How hard the battle goes, the day, how long,

Faint not, fight on! Tomorrow comes the song."—S. C. Yates.

"ALLURING ARIZONA"

"Alluring Arizona" is the name of a new book from the pen of Dr. W. H. Nelson, the versatile editor of the Pacific Methodist Advocate. In his own inimitable style Dr. Nelson has written of the various peoples who have inhabited the arid zone of Arizona. He tells of the Cliff Dwellers, the early Indians, the Conquistadores, the heroic Missionaries, the Mexicans, the Apaches, the Americans. He brings before you the panorama of fertile vales and peaceful natives, invading enemies, bloody struggles, massacres, turmoil and revolutions until the past fades and Arizona of today emerges with its wealth of natural resources and its prospects of prosperity and greatness. But it is not so much the history of its people as it is the scenic wonders of Arizona of which the author writes. You see with him the beauties of the Painted Desert, the marvels of the Petrified Forests, the awe-inspiring vastness of the Grand Canon, the weirdness of ancient dwellings hung up in the cliffs, the glories of the mighty mountains with their sheen of shining snow. Over it all he throws a glamor of romance and mystery that makes the

book most charming. Two classes of people will enjoy this volume most heartily. Those who have never seen Arizona. They will be thrilled with the authors colorful descriptions. Those who have visited this wonderland will, as they read, live over again their memorable experiences.

The book may be ordered from our Publishing House, Lamar and Whitmore, Nashville, Tenn.—L. C. Branscomb.

"JESUS OUR IDEAL"

"Jesus Our Ideal," by W. P. Whaley, is one of the books recommended to the Woman's Missionary Society for use in their study course for the cultivation of the devotional life. The book consists of a series of twelve brief studies in the form of sermons on the life of Jesus. While the book is not a biography of Jesus, it begins with his infancy and follows his life through the different stages of its development to its consummation in the resurrection. It has the great advantage therefore of having for its central theme the person of Jesus, and being written in a devout, simple and elegant style it becomes a beautiful and inspiring portrayal of the Son of Man on earth. Dr. G. B. Winton calls the book "a nugget of gold." Other capable critics have commended it in the most praiseworthy terms. It has all the marks of excellence.

A feature of the book that will appeal to its readers is the easy and familiar treatment of the subject. There is absolutely nothing heavy or technical about the book. Its meaning will be readily grasped and it will prove stimulating and refreshing to the end.

Another feature of the book that should appeal to the people of Arkansas is the fact that it is the product of one of our own men, the present presiding elder of the Searcy District of the North Arkansas Conference. Bro. Whaley's book will be read with profit and approval by the Church at large and it should be prized above all by the people of his own state and of his own Conference. Our women in Batesville and throughout Arkansas could probably not do better than to make "Jesus Our Ideal" a part of their devotional study course in preparation for the observance of the missionary jubilee.

This book will appeal also to the young people of the church quite as much as to the older ones. That portion of it which deals with the "silent years" in the life of Jesus and with his early ministry and temptation is perhaps the choicest part of the book and will prove exceedingly interesting and attractive to both old and young.—W. C. Davidson.

A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT IN CONSOLIDATION

The Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., has given all the churches a demonstration of the feasibility of merging or consolidating several Boards. Six years ago, the General Assembly of this Church, created a Commission and instructed it to take all the necessary steps to bring about the reorganization and consolidation of sixteen boards and agencies into four. The organization and setting up of the new Board of Christian Education, which took over all the educational work of this Church, called for the greatest and most radical changes of the whole scheme of reorganization. All educational institutions, including Sunday Schools, all moral welfare and men's work, all student aid and recruiting were to be promoted and financed by this new

board.

The Board's Fourth Annual Report has just been published and distributed. It is a book of 198 pages and gives in detail the progress of all phases of Christian Education as carried on by this branch of the Presbyterian Church. How completely and successfully this rather remarkable merger of Church boards has been made is indicated by the following quotation from the General Secretary's report, which is the only reference in the whole book to fact that there ever had been several boards instead of one:

"The word consolidation, as referring to a recent ecclesiastical episode in the Presbyterian Church, is now to disappear from the current vocabulary of this Board. Putting together five old, highly effective agencies that had been in operation in the field of education for most of a century, adding to them three Departments that were born of the urgent needs of the day, and then welding these groups with all their traditions and personalities into a functioning unit, and doing this in four years, has been an interesting denominational experience. But it is now complete, and this Board in its literature and in its public statements does not intend ever to excuse its shortcomings by pleading this disconcerting experience of consolidation, now happily in the past."

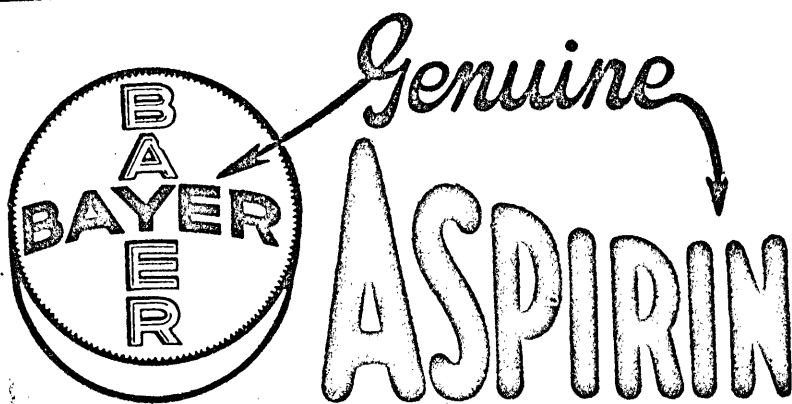
AN EFFECTIVE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

The Association of American Colleges has for several years been telling us what it takes to constitute an "efficient college", or "an effective college," to use the latest and best terminology. At its 1927 meeting the Association devoted much time to the discussion of this topic, especially the problem of financing an effective college. President Cowling of Carleton College presented a rather exhaustive analysis of the financial needs of a college of liberal arts for one-thousand students, five hundred and fifty men and four hundred and fifty women. Although the institution described by Dr. Cowling is, perhaps, an ideal, rather than a real one, still, his conclusions as to the requirement and needs of an effective college are interesting and suggestive to the friends and advocates of the Church college of liberal arts. To be most effective such a college must have according to President Cowling:

1. An educational plant valued at \$3,500,000.
2. An endowment of \$6,792,350 for current expenses, \$625,000 for student scholarships and loans, and \$1,000,000 for annual additions to the permanent equipment—making a total endowment of \$8,417,350.
3. An annual expenditure of \$589,617, or more than \$500 for each student, for current educational expenses.

The total cost per student of maintaining this effective college, including the interest on the money invested in grounds and buildings, is \$769.42. It is proposed that those students who receive no financial help from the college should pay an annual tuition fee of \$250. In other words, the tuition fees in an effective college should pay considerably less than one-third of the actual cost of each student's education.—Board of Education.

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THE FRUITS OF CHURCH UNION

The great discovery of a new and richer fellowship in the union of the Churches which form the United Church of Canada is abundantly evidenced in the answer to a questionnaire sent out to secretaries of Presbyteries.

From the returns to hand—and they cover all but two or three Presbyteries of the one hundred and fifteen which constitute the United Church of Canada—we learn: That amalgamations of congregations since June, 1925, have reached the startling figure of 410 churches which have been consolidated into just half that number of charges, to form strong, and for the most part, self-sustaining community churches. These are widely distributed. In British Columbia more than 45; in Alberta, 23; in Saskatchewan, 38; in Manitoba, 22; in London, 36; in Hamilton, 30; in Toronto, 60; in Bay of Quinte, 24; in Montreal and Ottawa, 45; in the Maritimes, 87.

The gain has been enormous. For one thing, the overhead expense has been usually cut in two; the minister has had a man's job; the musical service of the church has been greatly strengthened by a consolidation of the choirs; and in hundreds of cases the Home Mission Board has been entirely relieved of the necessity of paying two grants in a single community where none is now needed. Take a typical case. In a village in Western Ontario there were two churches built across the road from one another. Two ministers carried on the work. In either church there was plenty of room to accommodate the entire community. Both churches received a grant from the Home Mission funds. The two grants for the last dozen years have totalled from \$700 to \$1,000 a year. The two congregations decided to unite—and did so unanimously. The newly-formed United Church serves the whole community, pays the minister, meets all running expenses, requires no aid from the Mission funds of the church and is now in a position to contribute almost \$1,000 a year to the Maintenance and Extension Fund.

It must not be thought that this has been brought about easily or by official pressure. The fine loyalty and Christian spirit of the people alone has made it possible. Old loyalties have given place to a new and deeper loyalty, old prejudices have been overcome in a new and finer Christian spirit. Here and there, one hears rumblings of dissent, now and again of uneasiness, but in the vast majority of the hundreds of cases reported there has been nothing but good to say of the new arrangement, and with the passing of the years the United Church will secure in every such community a new and permanent visibility. Indeed it is already so. The Presbyteries have insisted that any movement in local congregations toward amalgamations should be initiated in the congregations themselves. They have found the people eager for such unions—far more so than, in the meantime, was deemed advisable by Presbyteries. None the less this process

is bound to go on. There is a growing conscience in all the churches that it is not Christian to perpetuate division to the detriment of the work of the Kingdom of God.

The reports reveal an even more interesting and important fact. Many Presbyteries have by regrouping congregations made the charges more compact and workable. For example, a Presbytery in the London Conference has rearranged its charges, creating thirteen out of the former sixteen, has closed eight churches and in the thirteen new charges carries on more effective work than formerly. Another Presbytery, in Hamilton Conference, has rearranged its charges so that they are now served from the main highways and most of the difficulties incident to winter travel are being eliminated. Incidentally the saving in this Presbytery of Home Mission funds will amount to \$2,500 a year, and the Presbytery believes the work will be better done. A Home Mission Presbytery in Saskatchewan reports, "This Presbytery is being reorganized to great advantage and the future will find that we are establishing real church centers." In Rabbit Lake (Battleford Presbytery) "A railroad has just entered, and a lively town has come into being, the Presbytery has been able under union to reorganize old territory and place a church centre where it ought to be." Another Presbytery in Manitoba reports: "Every district in this Presbytery will be supplied with a Sunday School and preaching service this year, and good strong charges will be made of a full half hundred Presbyteries.

But what of the ministers? Have they not suffered? In some cases, yes; in a few cases very real hardships. When union was consummated there were 270 former Presbyterian ministers without charges. Add to that the hundreds of ministers released since that date because of local unions. The list looks formidable. Yet at the present moment there are less than twenty effective ministers who are without charges. All of these and many more could easily be placed for every Western Presbytery is calling for more ordained men. Family responsibilities, sickness, age, unsuitability and other private reasons account for the inability of unemployed ministers to accept available charges. The ministers have, for the most part, led the way in their fine spirit of service and sacrifice. Many of them have accepted calls to less attractive charges than they formerly held. With very few and notable exceptions they have in no sense looked upon the change as a demotion. In the nature of things their embarrassment is likely to be only temporary.

The Church with such a ministry is indeed rich toward God. By the willingness of the ministry of the United Church to "endure hardness," it has been possible to settle ministers in scores of places which were formerly dependent on part time, local and student supply, and thereby to release students for much needed extension work in pioneer fields. It is gratifying to learn that 273 charges have been raised from aid-receiving to the full status of self-support; 149 new fields have been opened representing almost 600 preaching places, where formerly there had been no service held by any Church. The willingness of the ministers to meet the new day, even at personal inconvenience and financial sacrifice is a bright page in the early history of the United Church.—Bureau of Literature and Information, The United Church of Canada, 299 Queen St. W., Toronto.

FOR YOUTH.

LINDBERGH

The Man of the Hour

Why dream of the earth,
When there is the sky?
Why crawl on the ground,
When wings you can fly?
My heart has sung alway
Of flowers and springs,
But not 'till today
Has it reveled in wings.
Not wings of the bird,
That fly with the season,
But wings of the mind
Wrought out by man's reason.
My hero today,
Is the "Man of the Hour;"
He comes through the air,
An expression of Power.
He holds in his hand
The lever that ties
Old ocean to ocean,
The earth to the skies.
He mounts like the eagle,
Through atmosphere's spaces,
And brings inspiration
From far stellar places.
He rides like a monarch
Of all he surveys;
The clouds and the sun
Are parts of his ways.
He nestles in cloud heaps,
With Jupiter's clan;
Mar's helmet is his;
World triumph his plan.
The moon and the stars
Have left on his face,
A glow and a sparkle,
That add to his grace.
My hero, forever—
"The Man of the Hour!"
He comes through the air,
An expression of Power.—Ruth Herndon Burr in Conway News.

THE CHURCH AND YOUTH

Christianity is a young man's religion! It was promulgated by a young man. Why, do you think, with all ages, places, and times from which to choose, should God have sent Christ into the world to accomplish His mission at the age of thirty to thirty-three? Because that was the most suitable time, the most productive and appealing to those to whom He would minister. Because His religion was youth, daring, adventure, a break from tradition. Hofmann's picture of Christ and the doctors is typical of this energizing quality.

And Jesus Himself chose a young man for His beloved disciple, even though there were others older and more experienced than John. Can we do better than follow Christ's example?

Whitefield was one of the world's great preachers at twenty-two. John Wesley was a skilled logician at twenty-three. Luther was a professor of philosophy at twenty-four. The Pilgrim Fathers were the despised Youth Movement of their day, in their twenties and thirties.

Why was Methodism so successful in the early days of America? It was because the leadership of the church was in the hands of young men. We read in "The Story of Methodism":

"Methodism really began when a handful of college students defied the conventions of their campus; it spread over England when a handful of daring young ministers defied the conventions of their church; it has reached the world when its heroes have defied the conventions of their times."

Without youth's defy to antiquity there would be no automobiles, electric lights, telephones, windows, or wall-paper, no steeples or bells or organs, no antiseptics or sewers.

Youth is the time of production. Herodotus was stimulating the thought of Athens in his thirties.

Keats wrote his "Grecian Urn" at twenty-five. And at the same age Pascal published a book on atmospheric pressure, and Demosthenes and Cicero, respectively, were the greatest orators of Greece and Rome.

William Gladstone started as a member of the House of Commons at twenty-four. Theodore Roosevelt was elected a member of the Assembly of New York state at twenty-two. And after three months' service he stood up and demanded the impeachment of one of the most powerful judges in the state. Ridiculed and opposed, day after day he repeated his demand until it was done.

Newton was but twenty-three when he discovered gravitation; Mendelssohn was seventeen when he composed "Midsummer Night's Dream"; Bryant was eighteen when he wrote "Thanatopsis"; and Byron twenty-four when he published "Childe Harold." Shakespeare wrote "Romeo and Juliet" at twenty-seven years.

Patrick Henry was twenty-nine when he delivered his famous oration, and Jefferson thirty-three when chosen to write the Declaration of Independence. Perry was twenty-eight at the battle of Lake Erie. John Jay entered Congress at twenty-nine, Daniel Webster at thirty and Henry Clay was United States senator-elect at twenty-nine.

We labor under a great delusion if we think that capable youth must wait before being given responsible position. If marked ability has not developed by thirty years of age, it never will. And if it has developed, the church is negligent in not using it.

Suppose two men are equally fitted for the same religious office, and one is young and the other older. If you give the job to the young man, you will get the work done and develop a worker. If you give it to the older man, you will merely get the work done. Church and God gain when young men are preferred in appointment.

Chester Rowell says the reason the British always have a supply of highly trained men for public responsibility is that they deliberately start out early to develop them by assignment to responsible positions.

You can never learn to play Beethoven's "Minuet in G" by hearing a course of lectures on the subject. You can only become a power for Christianity by doing. And the organized church will have supreme leadership only as it early opens important positions to young college men.

We read a true word in Genesis 48:19: "His younger brother shall be greater than he."—Ivan Melville Terwilliger, in Zion's Herald.

SPECIAL MENTION

We wish to call the attention of our readers to the announcement on our last page of the imitation diamond rings offered for sale there by U. S. Importing Co., Avon, N. Y. This firm kindly sent us printed copies of a very large number of unsolicited testimonials received from their vast army of delighted and well satisfied customers, who after receiving one or more rings from answering their newspaper advertisement sent back repeat orders for more of their beautiful rings. This is an old established firm having been in business for many years, and we believe they are one of the largest firms in America featuring highest grade imitation diamonds.

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FOR CHILDREN

A LITTLE NONSENSE

A balky mule has four wheel brakes
A billy goat has bumpers.
The firefly is a bright spotlight.
Rabbits are puddle jumpers.
Camels have balloon-tired feet,
And carry spares of what they eat;
But still I think that nothing beats
The kangaroos with rumble seats.
—Orange Peel.

HOW BOB FOUND "IBBEF"

It was the very first day of school. The boys and girls in Miss Allen's room were working busily.

"Frances Deane has the very neatest arithmetic paper of all," said Miss Allen, "so she may choose some one to go with her and take this message to the high school building," and she handed an envelope to Frances.

All the girls looked at Frances, each one hoping she might be the one to go for the walk up the shady street. Frances hesitated. She looked across the aisle at Nancy Lee. Nancy was the new little girl who had just moved into the brown house right across the street from the school-house.

It must be hard, Frances thought, to be a new little girl and not know any one.

"If you please, Miss Allen, I will choose Nancy Lee," said Frances.

Nancy was surprised, and pleased, too. She was lonely in this strange town, and the new school, where she did not know any one at all, had made her feel lonelier yet. When Frances chose her it made her feel a little bit more as though she belonged.

The two girls tip-toed out the side door.



BAD PAINS IN SIDE

Spells of Nervousness Also Troubled This Lady Who Gives Cardui Credit for Helping Her Get Well.

Depew, Okla.—"For six years," says Mrs. Edd Burton, of this place, "I suffered as bad as a woman can suffer and still keep going."

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"Several of my friends suggested that I take Cardui. They told me of their experiences with it, how much they have been helped. At last I decided to try it."

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A moment later a toddling boy with yellow hair and yellow rompers, pink cheeks and big brown eyes, came in at the front door. Miss Allen went quickly down the aisle to meet him.

"Bob want Ibbef," lisped the child. "Why you blessed baby," said Miss Allen, "tell me again what it is that you want."

"Want Ibbef, if 'oo pese," said Bob with a happy smile, for he was sure the lady would give him what he wanted now that he had remembered to say please.

"Who is he, children?" asked Miss Allen—but no one knew.

"Come sit by me, dear, till we can find Ibbef," Miss Allen suggested, leading him towards her desk.

The baby cuddled down contentedly beside her chair and was soon hunting busily for cats in the reading book.

"Do you know what Ibbef means?" Miss Allen asked the children, but no one could imagine.

Just then Frances and Nancy Lee came running in looking dreadfully frightened. Nancy's face was white, and Frances looked ready to cry.

"Oh, Miss Allen, Nancy's baby brother is lost, and may we help hunt for him?" she asked, and Nancy added, "Mother needs me, Miss Allen, brother is only two and a half years old."

At the sound of Nancy's voice Master Bob scrambled to his feet, "Ibbef," he squeaked gleefully.

"Why, Bob Lee, how did you ever get here?" and Nancy caught her little brother into her arms.

"Come to find Ibbef," chanted the baby happily. "Did find Ibbef."

Nancy ran quickly to the door and her mother seeing the baby held high in her arms came quickly across the street to get him.

"Say good-bye to Bob, children," said Miss Allen.

"Good-bye Bob," called the children softly.

"Bye," answered Bob, throwing a kiss to them all.

"But why," asked Frances, "why does Bob call you 'Ibbef' when your name is Nancy?"

Nancy laughed merrily. "My name is Nancy Elizabeth Lee," she told them, "and I have always been called Elizabeth before. But I like Nancy so much better that Mother said I might say that was my name, when we moved to a new place. But Bob still calls me Elizabeth, or tries to, though he cannot say it very plainly."

They all laughed together then, and some way after that, Nancy could not feel lonely any more, for all the children knew her now, and she felt sure that she was going to love them every one.—Herald and Presbyter.

THE JUMPING FISH OF SIAM

Did you ever see a fish jump aboard a boat and knock a man down? That is what happened in Siam, when Rev. Mr. Jones and two assistants were making a journey.

One day a large fish jumped across the bow of the boat, barely missing the steersman's head. The missionaries laughed, and said they wished the steersman had come inside the boat for protection. But in a minute another fish made the jump, the steersman ducked his head, and the fish was hurled into the boat, knocking one of the men who was sitting serenely inside the boat, to the floor.

Was the fish caught? No, indeed! It bounded from him out through the window into the river.

How would you like to catch a fish as you would a baseball? That is what happened to the next one that tried the flying leap.—"Over Sea and Land."

Woman's Missionary Department

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Communications should reach us Friday for publication next week.

Mrs. W. S. Anderson writes us that a new Auxiliary was organized at the Second Methodist Church in Warren in September. We hope soon to have a direct report from them for this Department.—V. C. P.

OCTOBER 26 AND 27
Malvern Will Entertain Arkadelphia District Meeting

The date has been changed and the Arkadelphia District meeting will be held in the First Methodist Church in Malvern October 26 & 27, beginning at 10 a. m.—Mrs. Will Huie, District Secretary.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT MEETING

The Arkadelphia District Meeting will be held in Malvern Oct. 26 and 27. Delegates will please send names to Mrs. Claud Mann, Malvern, Ark. I wish every church in Arkadelphia District would send a woman who is interested in Missionary work, even if it has no Missionary Society. This is the place to learn what we are trying to do and delegates are asked to come prepared to tell of their work and ask what they want to know.—Mrs. Will L. Huie, District Sec.

WHO WILL WIN THE L. R. CONF. LOVING CUP?

This silver Loving Cup will be awarded each year at the Annual Meeting to the auxiliary making the highest per centage of net gain in membership that year. The year to be from January to January. The cup will be awarded for the first time at 1927 Annual Session. All members received in 1927 will be counted. A new member must have paid 3 months dues to be counted in this contest for increase in membership.

Special effort also is to be made to push the subscription list to Missionary Voice to 50 per cent of membership. Go to work at once!—V. C. P.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT ZONE MEETING NO. 1

The Methodist Woman's Missionary Society of zone number 1, Paragould District, met in an all day session at Mammoth Spring Wednesday. The societies represented were those of Imboden, Salem, Mammoth Spring and Hardy. An interesting program was enjoyed by every one present. The ladies of Mammoth Spring kept up their reputation as good entertainers, especially at lunch time. A splendid table was set in the basement of the church where all received ample refreshments. Mrs. Barnett, social service secretary of the North Arkansas Conference, gave two inspiring talks. The W. M. S. is doing a splendid work throughout the realms of the church and are getting a real vision of Christian Service. The zone meetings create an understanding between the towns represented, and ties of Christian love are strengthened. May the good work go on, not only the Missionary Societies get more of the Christian spirit, but every person who acknowledges the Man of Galilee as the Savior of the world.—Reporter.

WYNNE AUXILIARY

Our Missionary Society was hostess to the members of the Earle Auxiliary Tuesday, September 27. The day was spent in a joint study of the book, "What We Believe" and this proved to be a wonderfully helpful and enjoyable day. Scripture Lesson by Rev. Mr. Wayland. The program was arranged and presided over by Mesdames E. T. Wayland of Wynne, and Mrs. J. A. Reynolds of Earle. Several ladies from Parkin were in attendance, also their pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Eli Myers. At noon a lovely luncheon was served in the basement of the church, and this was followed by an organ recital by Mrs. C. J. Coffin of Wynne.

The social hour was very much enjoyed by all present. In the program a number of ladies presented the 13 chapters of the book in a helpful way. Beautiful music on the organ was given by Mrs. C. J. Coffin. The welcome address by Mrs. G. G. Davis and other features were enjoyed. Benediction by Rev. J. A. Reynolds.

TUCKERMAN AUXILIARY

We held the regular monthly meeting this week at the home of the president, Mrs. James Graham, with a goodly number from both circles present. After devotional and business session we had the opening of our "Sunshine Bags." We are hoping to build a new church in the near future so we are beginning a building fund. In our Sunshine Bags we put a penny every day that the sunshines at all and the price of all Sunday eggs. These bags are opened once a month. We are also selling vanilla and this fund goes in the bag.

Next week we expect to spend an hour a day on the study of the book, "How We Got Our Bible." Bro. Lester, our pastor, will assist us in this study. We have good interest and are doing good work. After all business we enjoy a social hour together.—Mrs. C. E. Harrison, Supt. of Publicity.

LETTER FROM MRS. W.S. ANDERSON, SUPT. PUBLICITY

Dear Co-Workers: The October Bulletins reached me too late to include with the 4th Quarter's literature but I have since then mailed to each auxiliary.

If you want more Week of Prayer literature and more leaflets for October, November and December meetings I will be glad to mail them to you. I have a lot left over and prefer sending them where wanted.

I notice in a report intended for the Texarkana District Secretary, but forwarded to me that the Dierks Auxiliary reports 7 members and 12 subscribing for the Voice. This is fine. Wish more would do as well.

Up to date I have received reports from 56 adult, 5 young people's and one junior auxiliaries. With the editor's permission I would like to publish a list of all who report in the Methodist soon. This will help stimulate reporting. Mrs. V. D. Webb, Pine Bluff District Secretary, reports a revival auxiliary at St. Charles, Ark. Gould has also recently been added to our list of auxiliaries.

Early in September I was invited

by the pastor of the second Methodist Church of Warren to come over and organize one adult auxiliary. My pastor, Rev. E. D. Hanna, and Mesdames H. D. Wharton, W. O. Pontius, W. O. Victor and Louis Ederington of Warren accompanied me. About twelve women enrolled their names and three more names were promised. Mrs. I. V. Keeley is the president and Mrs. H. H. Hargraves the Cor. Sec. The ladies of the First Methodist Church have promised to be of any help necessary and we expect this new auxiliary to be a credit to our Conference. Rev. L. E. Wilson is the enthusiastic pastor of Hermitage Circuit and is a great help to the women in their work.

NOTES FROM EXECUTIVE MEETING

The Executive Board of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Missionary Society met in First Church, Little Rock, Sept. 30 at ten o'clock with the President, Mrs. E. R. Steel in the chair.

Eighteen of the twenty-one members were present as follows: Mesdames E. R. Steel, H. K. Wade, Stinson, McDermott, Allis, Dorrough, Anderson, Arnold, J. D. Rogers, Hundley, Williams, Huie, McKinney, Thomas, Rucks, Webb, Briant, Phillips.

The meeting was opened by singing the Hymn, "Guide Me, O Thou, Great Jehovah."

The Devotional was led by the Vice President, Mrs. H. K. Wade, who used as her Bible reference a portion of the 28th chapter of Genesis. From this story of Jacob's vision and the new conception of God which it brought him, and the spiritual awakening which resulted, she drew a timely lesson for this time of preparation for the "Jubilee Year." She said she hoped the Jubilee Year would be a "Bethel" to the Missionary forces and that an awakening, such as Jacob had, would be the experience of many in the year to come.

This was followed by a season of prayer begun by Mrs. Steel and closed

ed by Mrs. Wade.

Mrs. Steel spoke of the Prayer Covenant and urged, as officers, that we be faithful and earnest in this matter. She welcomed the new members of the Board.

Mrs. Steel reported on the progress of "the Woman's Building" at Mt. Sequoyah and spoke of its various problems. She asked for the prayers of the women and their loyal support of the original plans.

A plea from Mrs. Lipscomb that we "Keep our Missionary Societies missionary" was presented by the president. The Secretary read a letter from the Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, who could not be present, containing a statement of the financial condition. Motion made and carried that those auxiliaries who have not suffered this year from flood or cyclone make a special offering at Harvest Day program. The 10 per cent increase was discussed and the Week of Prayer offering stressed as a means to help in raising this increase.

Mrs. B. J. Reaves, president of First Church Auxiliary by consent of the body was given the privilege of the floor. The Reports of the Officers were next taken up. Mrs. Wade, Vice President, spoke of the Jubilee Year plans and stressed the Prayer League. Mrs. W. P. McDermott, Cor. Sec., pled for a deepening of the spiritual life of the women with the assurance that all things else would follow.

Mrs. H. B. Allis, Supt. Young People, reported 35 young people's organizations with two new ones. She said the Y. P. Summer Conference was a very successful one. It was held as a camp for the first time and proved very popular with the girls. Mrs. W. T. Dorrough, Supt. Social Service, deplored the laxity of the women about reporting but felt encouraged by the fact that each quarter was better than the preceding one. She reported a very gratifying increase in inter-racial work.

Mrs. J. D. Rodgers, Supt. of Supplies, reported that 16 boxes exceeding in value \$1000 had been sent. She spoke of the 7 schools that have been assigned to our Conference and urged that every auxiliary respond. Attention was called to the fact that money raised for Elza Memorial and oil field worker's salary, car and upkeep, should be reported through the Supply department. Mrs. W. S. Anderson, Supt. of Publicity, said that with her department the women had been reporting better than usual.

Mrs. F. M. Williams, Historian, urged that some definite day be named as "History Day" which time the sale of histories be pushed.

Adjourned for lunch which was served by ladies of First Church Auxiliary and was most appetizing and greatly appreciated.

The afternoon session was opened by singing "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow," followed by a prayer led by Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. J. M. Stinson, Rec. Sec., asked for helpful criticism of the Minutes of last year's work and impressed upon the women the necessity of sending to her a copy of their yearly reports just as soon as possible after the close of the year in order that the Minutes may be out early next year.

In the Reports of District Secretaries, Mrs. Will Huie of Arkadelphia District reported one new Adult and two Young People's auxiliaries, organized this year. The Arkadelphia District Meeting will be held at Malvern Oct. 26 & 27. Mrs. L. K. McKinney of Camden District reported 18 active auxiliaries with one new one, three successful Zone meetings held and sale of six histories. Camden District

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S. S. DAY OFFERINGS FOR LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

For Week Ending October 8.

Midway, Arkadelphia Dist.	\$ 1.00
Social Hill, Arkadelphia Dist. ..	1.00
Butterfield, Arkadelphia Dist. .	.50
Stephens, Camden District	30.00
Bayou Meto, Pine Bluff Dist. .	15.00
Crockett's Bluff, Pine Bluff Dist.	1.50
Sulphur Springs, Pine Bluff D.	1.98
Grady, Pine Bluff District	20.00
Amity Ct., Prescott Dist.	20.00
Center Point, Prescott Dist. ..	5.91
Ogden, Texarkana Dist.	2.00
Standing By Districts	
Little Rock District	\$ 855.55
Prescott District	723.36
Arkadelphia District	711.81
Texarkana District	709.85
Pine Bluff District	638.48
Camden District	615.26
Monticello District	530.59

Total to date\$4,784.84

—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

SIX MORE FINE PREACHERS ON HONOR ROLL

During the week just closed six fine Little Rock Conference pastors have sent in Sunday School Day offerings in full and six more names are now added to the beautiful Honor Roll that is being prepared to display at Camden when the Conference meets. They are:

Stephens—Rev. H. H. McGuire, P. C.

meeting will be held at Stephens Nov. 4th. Mrs. McKinney also gave a report of the Camden District Rural Worker, Miss Hobson. She said that a car had been purchased for Miss Hobson and salary and upkeep provided for. The Board stood in recognition of this splendid achievement.

Mrs. Jas. Thomas of Little Rock District reported that she had personally visited all of her auxiliaries. Her district meeting will be held at Lonoke Oct. 25-26. Mrs. Thomas asked that material be sent Mrs. Pemberton to aid in making up the Woman's Page. Mrs. Pemberton was unable to attend the meeting on account of illness in the family and sent her regrets. Mrs. Steel, in behalf of the body, deplored Mrs. Pemberton's absence.

Mrs. Hal Rucks, of Monticello District, said that while there had been great distress in her District occasioned by the flood, she hoped to bring her district up in full by the end of the year. She reported two new auxiliaries. Monticello District meeting will be held at McGehee, the date to be set later.

Mrs. V. D. Webb, Sec. of Pine Bluff District, reported her district to be in good condition. A new auxiliary has been organized at Gould. The District Meeting will be held in Gould Oct. 27-28.

Mrs. R. M. Briant of Prescott District told of their successful district meeting held in the spring with Mrs. McDermott and Mrs. Wade assisting. She said personal visitation had helped her District.

Mrs. W. L. Phillips of Texarkana District reported three Zone meetings. Her District meeting will be

Friendship—Rev. Earle Lewis, P. C.
Amity Ct.—Rev. O. C. Robinson, P. C.
Center Point Circuit.—Rev. "Jack" Bearden, P. C.
Grady Ct.—Rev. E. D. Galloway, P. C.
Swan Lake Ct.—Rev. C. B. Davis, P. C.—Clem Baker.

IT IS JUST ANYBODY'S RACE YET

We never have had such a close race for Sunday School Day Honors. The Little Rock District leads in offerings but not in per cent paid. Only a few dollars separate 2nd, 3rd and 4th places. The Pine Bluff District made the best record of any district last week and is sure to be 100 per cent plus. When Camden District has reported Magnolia, Bearden and Waldo it will be in second place. So you just can not tell. Let us all get busy and get the offerings in this month so that our Conference charts can give full credit to each school. They will be prepared ten days before conference.—Clem Baker.

TWENTY-TWO CHECKERS HAVE REPORTED TO DATE

To date (Oct. 8) 22 checkers in the Little Rock Conference have reported on the schools assigned to them. They are: M. O. Barnett, H. H. Griffin, R. E. Fawcett, A. W. Waddill, J. A. Parker, F. A. Buddin, A. J. Christie,

held at Stamps Oct. 11 and 12.

Mrs. Steel presented a letter from Mrs. Lipscomb for Jubilee Year.

Attention was called to Voice campaign and each District urged to bring its subscription up to the 50 per cent necessary for Honor Roll. Motion made and carried that we urge the women to bring their subscription list up to 50 per cent of membership.

The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Hume Steel stating that Miss Bates had been accepted as a Foreign missionary with a tentative appointment to Mexico.

The secretary read a formal application for Scarritt Scholarship from Norene Robkin. This application was placed on file with the assurance that when Miss Robkin is ready, she would be given a scholarship. Mrs. Steel gave the standing of Miss Elizabeth Workman in her relation to the loan for training at Scarritt School.

After much discussion as to some plan to stimulate membership campaigns the following motion was made and carried:

Motion; That the Conference Missionary Society purchase a silver Loving Cup. This cup to be awarded each year at the Annual Meeting to the Auxiliary making the highest percentage of net gain in membership that year. The year to be from January to January.

The District Secretaries were instructed to present this plan at the District meetings. Each auxiliary to work out its own plan of campaign. The cup is to be awarded the first time at the 1928 annual session.

After a few words of appreciation and encouragement from the president the meeting closed with prayer. —Mrs. J. M. Stinson, Rec. Sec.

GLAD TO SPREAD GOOD NEWS

Helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Cleveland, Ohio.—The friends of Mrs. Helen M. Kowalczyk of 6819 Hope Avenue were glad to hear that she has regained her health.



For quite some time Mrs. Kowalczyk was quite ill and it was impossible for her to work. She took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to build her up. After she had started taking it, she wrote to the Pinkham Company as follows: "I certainly boost Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I feel stronger already and sleep sounder. I am very glad to spread the good news of how it has helped me."

Detroit, Michigan.—"I heard of this medicine through an advertisement in the 'Detroit News' and wrote to Mrs. Grace Gillem, whose letter was published. Then I started taking the Vegetable Compound and got the best results. I used the Sanative Wash, too. I am really happy if I can advise women to take your medicines." —Mrs. M. E. Murphy, 12163 Washburn Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been in use by women for over fifty years. It is a vegetable tonic made from root and herbs and is sold at all druggists.

G. W. Warren, James Oliver, J. M. Hamilton, J. L. Leonard, Mrs. R. K. Wilson, F. G. Roebuck, L. C. Gatlin, C. E. Whitten, C. H. Goodlett, R. E. Simpson, J. D. Hanna, J. A. Sage, B. F. Scott, J. R. Dickerson and L. T. Rogers. This is about one third of the number. We certainly appreciate the fine work being done this year by the checkers and want to again urge each checker to keep at it till the last school is reached and reported. Let us at any cost make it a 100 per cent check up this year. Send in the reports just as fast as they are secured.—Clem Baker.

A FINE TRAINING SCHOOL AT HIGHLAND

Friday night we closed a fine Training School at Highland Little Rock. Highland and Henderson sponsored the school but eight different schools were represented in the credit group. The instructors were Reves, Simmons, Baker and Miss McRae.—Clem Baker.

CARLISLE SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

Next week we are to have a Standard School at Carlisle for the Eastern end of the Little Rock District. We are expecting all the charges in that end of the district to participate. Rev. Marshall Steel is pastor host of the school.—Clem Baker.

SEND IN REPORT ON CHILDREN'S WEEK OBSERVANCE

All records in the Little Rock Conference are going to be broken in Children's Week observance this year. Now remember to send in the report. Do not delay this as Miss McRae must get in her report to the Nashville Office before a school can get credit for the observance.—Clem Baker.

SHERIDAN COKESBURY

A splendid Cokesbury one unit school was held at Sheridan September 26-29.

Rev. J. Wayne Mann was the instructor. They used the text "The Sunday School Worker," and issued 10 credits. Brother Mann was delighted with the quality of work done. Rev. W. R. Boyd is the pastor, and Mr. J. K. Sorrels is the superintendent.—S. T. Baugh

DIERKS COKESBURY

A report from Rev. F. C. Cannon has just reached us that he taught a one unit Cokesbury School at Green's Chapel on his work. He writes that 10 enrolled and 9 made their credits. This is a good report. Brother Cannon taught "The Sunday School Worker," for which course he is an approved instructor.—S. T. Baugh.

AT BRADLEY

The writer has planned to be in a Cokesbury School at Bradley, Oct. 10-13, with Brother Sage and his good people. We hope to report a good school in the next issue of the paper.—S. T. Baugh.

FEW MEMORIAL SIGN

While in Texarkana last week, the writer in company with Rev. F. N. Brewer and Dr. Hubert Shull, drove out to Few Memorial Church, five miles south of town, and placed a beautiful sign on this building erected under the ministry of Brother Brewer.

We called the school children around the sign and made a picture of them.

It is our purpose to aid our people in placing a nice sign on every Rural Methodist Church in our Conference. We already have had signs prepared for New Hope on the Sheridan work.

Good Faith on the Pine Bluff circuit, and Primrose on the Mabelvale and Primrose charge. Watch for others.—S. T. Baugh.

CHECK-UP WORK

North Arkansas Conference

The check up reports are coming in fine. The Paragould District is almost 100 per cent on this work. We hope to be able to give a report on all the work by the 15th. These reports indicate that we will make a much better showing in our work this year than we did last year. Please send in all reports as soon as the work is completed.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

STANDARD SCHOOL AT BLYTHEVILLE

The fourth session of the Standard School at Blytheville was held September 19-23. There were 100 enrolled and 80 credits issued. The spirit of the school was all that could have been expected and more. There were five courses taught and the classes were well balanced. There were ten schools represented in the student body. Their goal for next year is 100 credits.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

STANDARD SCHOOL AT NEWPORT

This was the first attempt to hold a Standard School at Newport. The school was well planned and the organization for the school was effective. The Board of managers led by the pastor, Rev. F. A. Lark, and his wife did a splendid pre-enrollment work. The school was very greatly interfered with by a heavy rain storm just at the hour of opening Monday night. The attendance was cut to one-half by the rain. But in spite of the rain we enrolled 49 for credit. This school was far reaching in its effort upon the work in Newport and other surrounding schools. Prof. Paul Gray, superintendent of the Sunday School at 1st Church Newport, rendered valuable service in keeping the school before his people. There was a unanimous request for a Standard School in Newport next year.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Sunday School Board of the North Arkansas Conference is called to meet in Little Rock on the 18th to consider a number of very vital matters which need to be gone over before the meeting of the Annual Conference. The needs of our work are too great to be hurriedly attended to at the Conference session.—G. G. Davidson, Conf. Supt.

S. S. DAY OFFERINGS NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Week Ending Oct. 8.

Batesville District:—

Mt. Herman	\$ 2.00
Cave City	7.50
Powell's Chapel	3.00
Batesville, Central Ave.	50.00
Previously reported	670.98

\$733.48

Booneville District:—

Oak Grove	.75
Huntington	3.02
Abbott	1.00
Danville	15.00
Square Rock	2.00
Bird's View	2.00
Parks	5.00
Waldron	5.00
Magazine	5.00
Previously reported	473.38

\$492.15

Conway District:—

Concord	5.00
Vilonia	2.45
Previously reported	420.17

\$427.62

Fayetteville District:—

Lincoln	5.00
Fayetteville, Central	50.00
Harmon	5.00
Previously reported	255.67

\$315.67

Fort Smith District:—

Previously reported	\$502.60
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Helena District:—

Widener	5.00
Hughes	25.00
Turner	8.00
Previously reported	651.12

\$789.12

Jonesboro District:—

Joiner	5.00
Jonesboro, First Church	55.00
Lundsford	5.00
Forrest Home	5.00
Lake City	10.39
Blytheville, Lake St.	7.75
Previously reported	553.83

\$641.97

Paragould District:—

Maynard	2.10
Knobel	5.00
Success	2.45
Lynn	2.55
Walnut Ridge	50.00
Salem	18.00
Imboden	20.00
Richwood	.40
Hoxie	40.00
Oak Grove	7.50
Gainesville	1.90
Camp Ground	1.90
Beech Grove	3.20
Previously reported	457.45

\$621.45

Searcy District:—

Marshall	8.00
Floyd	3.00
Kensett	13.75
Ellis Chapel	5.85
Previously reported	336.79

\$367.39

Summary

Batesville District	\$733.48
Booneville District	492.15
Conway District	427.62
Fayetteville District	315.67
Fort Smith District	502.60
Helena District	789.12
Jonesboro District	641.97
Paragould District	612.45
Searcy District	367.39

EPWORTH LEAGUE

CHICKEN OR BEANS, WHICH?

That's what the Leaguers of Gardner Memorial Church, North Little Rock, are wondering about their menu for the banquet on October 29. On this date a contest will come to a close between the first and third departments of the League and the second and fourth. The winners will be served the chicken and the beans, of course, will go to the losers. Points are given for church attendance, League attendance, business and council meetings attendance, paying of pledges and for the selling of tickets for a Musicales which the League will present Friday night. Departmental meetings are being held regularly and much "pep" abounds within and without the League room.

LEAGUE IS REORGANIZED

The Senior Epworth League of Washington Ave. Methodist Church, North Little Rock, which has been on a standstill for several months, was reorganized at a meeting Sunday night. Beginning at 6:30 a social hour was enjoyed. Refreshments were served. This was followed by a devotional service. A large number of Leaguers attended. Plans were made for the coming year.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT LEAGUE UNION HOLDS MEETING.

The East End Booneville District Epworth League Union held an enthusiastic meeting at Ola on September 25. About sixty Leaguers, representing five Leagues attended. Leagues represented were: Danville, Belleville, Plainview, Centerville, and Ola. The group from Danville led in number with 32. An Epworth Hi League was organized for this section.

Mrs. Gladys James, Epworth Hi Conference superintendent was present and much of the success of this meeting was attributed to her. She is anxious that Hi-League Unions be organized over the North Arkansas Conference.

LARGEST LEAGUE IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Parker's Chapel, West El Dorado Charge, has the largest and one of the most promising Epworth Leagues in the Little Rock Conference. Mr. Fay Burgess, a young man of talent, lively temperament and great prudence, is the worthy and much beloved president of this League. Mr.

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Burgess was elected president last May and under his wise leadership the League work has advanced in every department. This League has been a revelation in many ways. For instance, in point of membership. Last year it reported 48 members. Today, it has 189 members, an increase of 141 members. Think of it! I might add that they were all present last Sunday evening, and 95 per cent of them were on time. Think of that! This is almost an ideal League, with spirit, vigor and enthusiasm. For fellowship and inspiration it is unsurpassed. All the officers of this League have a splendid conviction touching their office and its possibilities. They stay on the job, and therefore deserve worthy approbation, and the entire membership is glad to assume the role of responsibilities, because in so doing they are able to be of real service to the Church. Doubtless you will hear from this great League often.—J. D. Rogers, Pastor.

INTER-CITY MEETING POSTPONED ONE WEEK

The October meeting of the Inter-City Epworth League Union has been postponed for one week later. The Young People's Revival sponsored by Asbury and Winfield Leagues being held all next week starting Monday evening, it was deemed advisable to delay the Union meeting until Monday, October 25.

Don't forget we meet at Gardner and want a houseful as usual. Do not fail to bring three or more. Where were you last Friday evening while the cabinet was holding its monthly meeting? We had six churches represented.—Robert L. Martin, Pub. Dir.

INTER-CITY LEAGUE UNION EFFICIENCY INSTITUTE

Our Institute was indeed gratifying. We received co-operation from all of the Leagues. The results were highly pleasing and evidenced a deeper interest in Union work. Miss Katherine Tatom, Central Office Representative, was greatly appreciated. Her class work and lectures certainly prove that the General Board made no mistake in selecting her for the position which she now holds on the Central Office staff. Having been a school teacher, Miss Tatom injected the human side of life into her class work, thereby making her class deeply interesting.

The other instructors very ably handled their respective classes. The class taught by Bentley Sloane and Miss Olive Smith proved to be the most popular one, twenty-four enrolling for credit.

Plans are being made for a greater Institute for next year. It is hoped that we can enroll at least one hundred and fifty for the courses at that time. Anyway we BEAT Pine Bluff after they tried to disable our Miss Tatom on Sunday afternoon.

The sixty-four credits issued were distributed among the Leagues as follows: Asbury 1, Capitol View 3, 1st Methodist 11, Forest Park 1, 1st Ch., N. L. R. 1, Gardner 15, Geyer Springs 1, Henderson 3, Highland 1, Hunter 5, Pulaski Heights 2, 28th St. 2, Winfield 14, 1st Baptist N. L. R. 1, Central Office 1, Field Sec. 1. Total 64.—Robert L. Martin, Pub. Director.

TEXARKANA EFFICIENCY INSTITUTE

The Epworth League Efficiency Institute held at First Church, Texarkana, Ark., under the auspices of the Texarkana Union, closed Friday evening October 7, with 47 credits.

The spirit of the group was fine. It

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

ASHDOWN

We of Ashdown have been fortunate in securing the Geo. T. Stephens Evangelistic Party for a great tabernacle meeting which is county-wide.

The first service was held Sunday night, Oct. 2, and some fifteen hundred or more people were present.

Everything so far points to a very successful meeting. We shall run four or five weeks.

Rev. Edward Powell Lee of Little Rock is with the party and he has a fine chorus choir of 200 voices, which is a wonderful help in the meeting.

Our church at Ashdown is in a thriving condition and is composed of some of the most loyal people I have ever known. We shall be able to make a fine report at conference.—J. D. Baker, P. C.

REV. W. F. EVANS AT MORRILTON

At the eleven o'clock hour Sunday, Oct. 2, Rev. W. F. Evans, father of our pastor, Rev. J. B. Evans, delivered a stirring message on the Superannuate Endowment Fund. The presence and commanding figure of the beloved old hero of the Cross was an eloquent appeal for the cause to which he is devoting his life at the present. His message on "Men of Vision," without a direct appeal for sympathy, yet brought widest conviction to everyone that there is a debt of gratitude upon all for the sacrifice and labors of our preachers and their wives no

was the third Institute in succession we have held this fall, and was of the same high type as the other two, held at Pine Bluff and Little Rock.

All of our people were delighted with the ministry and work of Miss Katherine Tatom, Central Office representative in charge of the Junior Work. She will find a warm welcome in Arkansas when she returns.

Rev. Francis N. Brewer, Presiding Elder of the Texarkana District, was an inspiration to us. He was with us every night, and delivered the closing address.

Rev. W. C. Hilliard and Dr. F. M. Freeman were instructors in the Institute and both did excellent work.

First Church, College Hill, Fairview, Hardy Memorial served a light supper to the group, each taking a night. That left one night, and Dr. and Mrs. Hubert Shull were kind enough to furnish a splendid supper the closing evening. They are always doing something nice to aid the work of the Church in that beautiful city.

Miss Leona Phipps, President of the Union, and Mr. C. I. Parsons, Dean of the Institute and District Secretary, did much to make the Institute a success.—S. T. Baugh.

DELIGHT JUNIOR SOCIETY

A letter from Mrs. C. A. Kizzia of Delight, says she is going to reorganize the Juniors of Delight, and asked for information relative to the new society, The Epworth Junior Society. This is a combination of the old Junior League and the old Children's Missionary Society.

We are delighted to get this report from Delight.—S. T. Baugh.

MR. HARBIN COMING

A letter from Dr. Fitzgerald S. Parker states that Mr. E. O. Harbin will be the Central Office representative to our Annual Conference at Camden in November.

Mr. Harbin is one of the outstanding leaders of play and recreation in the South, and we shall be delighted to have him.—S. T. Baugh.

longer able to take active work.

No doubt the official board and the members will see to it that the obligations of the church at Morrilton along this line are met.

This is the last sermon Bro. Evans will preach for many weeks. He goes this week to the Methodist Hospital at Memphis for an operation upon his eyes.

We should remember him and his family in our prayers.—H. A. Woodward.

MONETTE CIRCUIT

As we have just completed our checkup on our Sunday Schools, we are rejoicing over the progress made during the past year. Rev. H. F. McDonald, our pastor of Fisher St., Jonesboro, was over last Sunday and checked the Macey school in the afternoon and the Monette school at the evening hour. Macey has made some progress. However, we only received six seals, which was the same number we received a year ago. We just lacked a small percentage of making two other seals. The Macey School is going to make such gain next year.

Monette School received 9 seals this year, grading 94½ per cent. We have passed from a progressive to a standard school.

Not only are our Sunday Schools doing excellent work, but we have a W. M. S. and a Young Ladies Missionary Society doing excellent work.

Our prayer meeting has been moving along nicely with an attendance of 25 to 50. However, we learn that a few have dropped out at the last few meetings. The different departments of the church and Sunday School classes have been rendering some excellent programs. Let us keep the good work going. Our success in our meeting is largely due to the effect of the prayer meeting with the leadership of the evangelist and his helper which led us to help answer our petitions. Now let us go forward and ask for still a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit next year. May we also expect results through the year. Let us realize that there is no standing still in this Christian life. We must continue to labor for the Master. It is he or she that endures until the end that shall receive a crown of righteousness and reign with him in his kingdom.

The prayer meeting Wednesday evening, October 12, was in charge of the United Wesley Sunday School Class.—A. L. Riggs, P. C.

MCRAE CIRCUIT

This has been a very profitable year in advancing the Kingdom of God on the McRae Charge. Our people have been very loyal to the church, Sunday School and League. We have four real good Sunday Schools, all doing good work. We have had an increase in enrollment of about 15 per cent this year. We have two Leagues with about 85 members. Our young people are very enthusiastic in their work, and are growing in grace.

We began our evangelistic campaign the second Sunday in July at Garner. The meeting there resulted in 14 conversions with three added to the church, and the church revived. From thence to McRae, where Bro. B. L. Wilford did the preaching. He brought us some very forceful messages. This meeting resulted in 33 conversions with 11 additions to the church. From thence we went to Copper Springs where we had a real old-time Methodist revival where the power of God fell, and men and women were brought to see their souls naked before God. Sinners came to

the altar and prayed through in the old-time way, and there were shouts of joy over new-born souls. Fifty-eight were born anew, and fifty-five united with the Church.

From thence we went to Lebanon where we once more felt the power of God working in our own heart. After about four days the fire fell, and for 9 or 10 days it continued to fall until 52 people found the way to the cross, and there experienced that change that must come to every one born of God, that their hearts were strangely warmed. Thirty-nine of these united with the church.

We have had 165 conversions during the year, and 185 have joined the Church on profession of faith in Christ and 14 by letter. We have baptized 36 infants this year. We have had fine cooperation from the Christian people.

God has wonderfully blessed our efforts. Nothing but the power of God can save men and women from sin. We look up to him in thanks and adoration, and, in the words of the Psalmist, say, "Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name."—J. J. Decker, P. C.

ROWELL CIRCUIT

The protracted meeting season for this charge has come and gone. Began at home at Center Church, July 14 and continued until July 23. Rev. C. B. Davis assisted. Received one man and his wife on profession of faith and baptized their baby. At Wesley's Chapel July 24-31 received one member on profession of faith and three by certificate. During the meeting our P. E., Rev. J. A. Henderson, came to us and preached at 11 a. m., and Rev. H. D. Sadler, of Rison, preached two nights during the meeting. The visit of these brethren was highly appreciated by pastor and congregation.

At Prosperity July 31 to August 10. Rev. H. D. Sadler assisted us, preaching four nights during the meeting. Received 27 on profession of faith and one by letter. At Shady Grove August 10 to 16. Rev. J. A. Henderson visited us and preached at 11 a. m. Sunday, Aug. 14, was home coming day and they came from many places to that meeting with dinner in the Grove. It was truly a great day. Received one by certificate.

At Union Aug. 17-26. Rev. C. B. Davis assisted us and we received 12 members on profession of faith. At each of these places we had the privilege and pleasure of preaching to great congregations and at each place we organized a junior choir and gave special attention to the children and received 40 into the church. We have had a good year. We are very anxious to bring up a excellent report.—J. C. Johnson, P. C.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCUIT

In a recent week's revival at Rockport Rev. R. W. Groves of Arkadelphia Circuit preached some true gospel sermons and showed what Christ and the Bible have to say about "Faith," "Prayer," "Man's Value," and similar subjects which are of vital importance to the person who desires to live the Christ-like life.

The talk to the children each morning before the regular service was very impressive and helpful. In these services the children were brought to feel their place in the church life.

Sunday was made a day of religious service and devoted worship. The old-time love feast was very sacred and impressive. Every one was drawn in a closer relationship to God and each other.

Besides a general reviving of the

church and community we had eleven conversions, three reclamations, and ten additions to the church and three new family altars.

The Rev. W. C. Lewis of Hampton in a week's meeting gave to the people of Magnet a cheerful gospel through his sermons and smiling face. He preached the salvation of a smiling Christ, and of a Savior who was happy in His work and life among human beings.

Most of the children and many of the older people in Magnet and its surrounding hills are still singing the choruses used during the week, such as "It's a Good Thing to be a Christian," "At the Cross, at the Cross."

The children were given their important place in all of the services. A trip with them to the hills on Friday afternoon was a treat and a spiritual, mental, and physical benefit to all.

The attendance at all the services was splendid. The community was revived and caught a clearer vision of the Cross of Calvary and its significance to the human soul. Four family altars were established, we had seven conversions, four reclamations and three additions to the church.

Especially were the love feast Sunday afternoon, the children's special service and the Mother's service very impressive and spiritual.—E. R. Lewis, P. C.

A SUCCESSFUL AND BELOVED PASTOR

One of the sweetest spirited pastors I ever assisted in a revival campaign is the Rev. W. R. Boyd at Sheridan. He is one of the most beloved pastors in the Little Rock Conference. His whole heart and life are in his work. Though Sheridan is a Baptist center, for there are only three Methodist Churches in Grant County, yet brother Boyd has gained the esteem and love of all.

After being with him, his thoughtful wife and good people, wife and I came away remarking that it was one of the most pleasant and profitable campaigns of this year. Twenty were received into the Methodist Church with some six or eight men to follow who surrendered to the Master on the last Sunday afternoon at the special service for boys and men only.

In all my connections with the renowned Billy Sunday I have never seen him build such a substantial tabernacle as the people of Sheridan have. It seats between two and three thousand and was filled to its capacity several times during the meeting. This community structure is equipped with every convenience, for all community activities are held in it. This

should be an encouragement to other towns to build such a worthwhile and permanent structure which in time pays for itself.

The progress that Brother Boyd is making is a living monument to his name—for one of the leading stewards remarked to me personally that their present pastor was accomplishing what all previous pastors have failed to do—namely, the cementing of the two sister denominations together. Our two weeks spent there with him and his people will long be cherished memories to us. The singing was ably led by brother B. J. Morris, a beloved and honored man of the town.—"Buddy" Jeff Smith, Blind Evangelist.

THE ARTICLE THAT I DID NOT WRITE

Recently I received a letter from one of the best all-round pastors and preachers in Arkansas. He is very deeply concerned about one of the most important problems of the "Budget System" of church finance. He closed his letter with this request, "Could you not give us an article in the Methodist about this very thing?" There is no need of my doing this when the main body of his letter is a better article than I can write, for it is a brief, yet telling statement of

what he is doing about the matter in his own church. An ounce of such practice is worth a ton of mere "preach." Now for the letter in his own words.

"I am sending you a check for \$... We have been trying to get our Board to pay up monthly but it has been hard work. They have not been accustomed to it.

"Some time ago I told the official board that I would not let them go along paying my salary and all local expenses in full and at the same time leaving the Conference Collections behind. I asked them to pay me just half of my salary and to pay each month on the collections. That they could owe me and not the Conference Board.

"For three months I have been living on half salary in order that they might have some money ahead to pay the Claims. And this is the result (the large check that he sent with the letter).

"I do not think that it is honest for the pastor and all local expenses to be paid in full and the Collections left unpaid. They should be prorated. This is my contention all along. I believe that I am right. What do you think?"

The reader may answer the question for himself.—George McGlumphy, Treas. N. Ark. Conf.

UKIAH METHODIST CHURCH DEDICATED

Sunday, September 18, was a great day for Ukiah, California, and especially for Methodism in Ukiah. The occasion was the dedication of the new church.

This is a new venture in Methodist life and history. For years, there were two Methodist churches, the Methodist Episcopal and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Besides these, there were the Catholic, Baptist, Episcopal, Adventist, Christian, and Christian Scientist, all in a town of three thousand people. So the Methodists of both groups decided to get together for a larger and more efficient program. This was done by way of federation.

In June, 1926, a new building was begun which was completed in Mar., 1927. The cost of the building was near \$54,000. More than \$40,000 was raised in cash, and the balance secured in good pledges.

Bishop Sam R. Hay, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Bishop Charles Wesley Burns, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, agreed to be present and jointly dedicate this beautiful, new Federated Methodist Church.

The day was perfect from the weather standpoint, but still there was a note of sadness. Dr. S. H. Werlein arrived Saturday night and announced that Bishop Hay would not be present. Bishop Burns arrived about 10:30 by auto from San Francisco, and preached the sermon from Matt. 3:13. It was a splendid message. He was assisted in the dedication by Dr. S. H. Werlein, Rev. R. U. Waldraven, Rev. R. S. Tuttle, the architect, and the pastor. During the dedication service two "elect ladies" were given seats of honor, Mrs. M. C. Duncan, 87 years of age, of the South Church, and Mrs. Martha Glazier, 83 years of age, of the North Church. Wonderful music was furnished both morning and evening by the joint choirs from the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

At the evening hour, Dr. Werlein took Bishop Hay's place and preached a fine sermon.

The other churches co-operated in the service, which added to the rich spirit of fellowship.

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One of the outstanding features of the occasion was the fact that no subscriptions had to be taken to provide for the church debt. This had been done by the membership and friends before, and gave Bishop Burns a chance to preach Jesus, rather than money, which he did in his own pleasing and forceful way. He won the hearts of all who saw and heard him that day.

Ukiah Methodism now has a beautiful church, with a splendid worship auditorium, and an "A" grade Sunday School plant. The Lord has blessed us.

Mrs. Duncan, mentioned above, formerly lived in Arkansas, but came to California in an early day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Counts, and I think their home was in Little Rock.—Luther C. Besley, P. C.

A TRIBUTE TO REV. R. T. ROSS

R. T. Ross, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Ross, was born in Okolona, Ark., February 26, 1894, and died in Little Rock, September 26, 1927. Raymond was educated in the Okolona High School, Hendrix College, and Emory University. From all these institutions he graduated with honor to himself and credit to his parents and teachers.

Raymond was religious all his life. He was a typical product of one of the state's finest Christian homes. He was licensed to preach in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1913; joined the Little Rock Annual Conference in 1917 and was stationed at Dumas. He was popular both as a pastor and as a preacher.

He had been from childhood an ardent student of Missions, and longed to give his life to this work which lies so close to the heart of God. He volunteered for this work, was accepted by the Board of Missions of his Church, and assigned to China as his field of operation in 1921. After the briefest delay, he reported for work on that far eastern line of battle, where the hopes of the ages are to be won or lost.

The task as young Ross saw it was a great one, and its weight he keenly felt, but with zest and fire he threw himself into the conflict against heathenism in all its forms. But his fine sensitive nature broke under the load, and he had to give up the fight, in 1924. After months of treatment by skilled physicians, he was placed in the Hospital for Nervous Diseases in Little Rock. Here, on the early morning of September 26, he is alleged to have been foully murdered by one of the state's paid helpers, assisted by an inmate of the institution.—J. L. Cannon.

SWIFTON-ALICIA

Our work here is pleasant. This is our third year to serve as pastor. We have an admirable people on this charge, they are loyal and anxious that the work of the kingdom prosper. We have had a small but substantial growth in the membership during our

stay here. Perhaps our best work has been in the Sunday Schools. This has been possible because of the earnest and efficient workers in this department. Every department of the church is functioning well and I'm sure that we will have a good financial report when the Conference meets.

We have had our meetings, which resulted in a number of conversions and accessions to the churches, and the churches were left in better condition as a result of the meetings.

Rev. J. L. Rowland of Plummerville and W. P. Forbess of Little Rock, led the campaign at Swifton. Mr. S. H. Russell of Conway assisted me at Alicia. Bro. Rowland is a good preacher and a very zealous personal worker and a fine brotherly man to work with. Bros. Forbess and Russell are good help in personal work, work with children and in leading the music. They are not new at the work, so they are both safe men for any pastor who wants earnest sincere and efficient workers for this kind of service. My work with all these brethren was very pleasant and I hope to work with them again.

We have plans well under way for very substantial repairs on our church building at Swifton. By the time Conference meets we expect to have a fine report on this score.—I. L. Claud, P. C.

GREAT OPENING AT HENDRIX

In many respects Hendrix has had the best opening in her history. She has a few more students than last year and a considerable number have come into upper classes from other colleges.

However, it is the fine spirit and morale that make the opening so encouraging. The Freshmen are of a high character, many of them being first honor students in their classes in the high schools. The most hopeful thing is the fine sense of responsibility of upper classmen in their relations to Freshmen. The best spirit of helpful cooperation with Freshmen on the part of upper classmen that I have ever known in the history of the college is manifest on all hands. The new dean of women, Miss Charles, has already won the hearts of the young women of the college. Evidently there is a great career of usefulness opening up for her among the rapidly growing number of strong women who are coming to Hendrix. The girls are rejoicing over a new Chickering Grand piano in Millar Hall, their dormitory. The religious forces were never more active. The week end including Sunday Oct. 2, the Y. boys and the week end including Sunday Oct. 9, thirty-eight Y. girls spent at College Lodge on Petit Jean Mountain in two great religious planning conferences.

The hospital has been greatly improved. An isolation ward, a roomy and attractive sitting-room, and a large ward for women have been added this summer. The old frame building heretofore used for Chemistry and Physics has been torn down and the chemical and physical laboratories have been installed on the third floor of the main building, increasing the floor space to 5,000 sq. ft., exclusive of the basement room. New chemistry lockers with hardwood tops have been provided. An adequate store-room, office, research room, a scale and reading room away from laboratory fumes have been provided. There are four large hoods to carry away fumes, two having duriron fans. Physics and Biology have been equipped with new Keweenaw tables and apparatus cases. A full time Physics

and Zoology instructor has been added.

Of course, the noticeable addition is the new Library Building. It will soon be occupied. The generosity of a number of friends has made this possible. However, a few items of furniture for the new Library are sorely needed. Will not some friends provide one or more of them? Steel stacks costing about \$1,600, linoleum about \$1,000, library tables \$500, a loan desk and book case for the general reading room \$700. One man, Mr. J. F. Giles of Spring Hill, La., gave \$13,000. Several material men gave several thousand dollars worth of material and others have made money contributions to make possible the building. The new Library building will be occupied about the first of November.—J. H. Reynolds.

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

The School of Theology at Southern Methodist University, along with all other departments, has had a splendid opening. We have as fine a class of young men as have ever attended here and the graduating class is much larger than ever before. The young preachers from Arkansas are all doing excellently and are keeping up the reputation that state has established for furnishing high class men.

We very much appreciate the generosity of Brother Jeff Smith, a member of the Little Rock Conference, who is doing evangelistic work. He is furnishing a scholarship for one of our young preachers. He remembers his own struggles while equipping himself for service in the Kingdom and has been sympathetic for his younger brethren. Jeff is a rare character and is accomplishing much good in his chosen field of evangelism. We also greatly appreciate the scholarships furnished by Dr. H. D. Knickerbocker and our former pupil, the Rev. Paul W. Quillian of the Little Rock Conference.

The Arkansas Methodist is always read with appreciation at S. M. U. and we rejoice with you in the splendid paper that you are giving your con-

stituency.—J. C. Kilgore.

TRASKWOOD CHARGE

The fourth Sunday in September, Bro. T. O. Rorie of Hot Springs came to me at North Malvern and preached one of the best sermons I ever heard on the Superannuate "Special Effort" cause. The first Sunday in October he came to Traskwood and preached two fine sermons on the same subject including pastoral support. I think that the Little Rock Conference could do no better thing for the ongoing of the kingdom than to appoint Bro. T. O. Rorie to travel this Conference and deliver these great messages of his. We are moving along and getting ready for Conference at Camden.—W. F. Campbell, P. C.

MINISTERS' BROTHERHOOD OF LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

The monthly meeting of the Methodist Ministers' Brotherhood of Little Rock District was held Oct. 10, in the chapel of 1st Church, with Dr. Jas. Thomas presiding. The chairman conducted a very helpful devotional service.

Chairman Thomas announced that the Rev. John P. Lowry, an honored local preacher who has been critically ill, was much improved and was well on the way to recovery. He gave a fine report of the successfully conducted Epworth League Efficiency Institute at 1st Church recently, under the direction of Rev. Stanley T. Baugh, field secretary. Approximately sixty credits were earned.

Dr. Thomas made an earnest appeal to the pastors to enter upon the final drive of the Conference year with vigor, faith and eagerness. He stated that no pastor who is lukewarm, limp and half-hearted can win in the great battle for God today. Lukewarmness means death to earnestness. It is a foe to all progress and kills the possibilities of usefulness. It is the earnest man that moves mountains of difficulty. When an earnest man addresses himself to a task, impossibilities take to their heels. Following the presiding elder's warm exhortation, the meeting was thrown open for reports and discussion by the pastors.

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cellent reports were given by Hoover of the Carlisle Circuit, Jordan of the Hazen-DeVall's Charge, W. R. Harrison of Guy- ings Circuit, C. D. Meux of 28th and J. Cyclone Williams of the Circuit. These pastors report- essional revivals, a large number ssions and bright prospects for cent payment on the Confer- alms.

W. R. Burks reported the ill- f Rev. R. G. Rowland, one of oved superannuates. A beau- oral offering was sent in the f the Brotherhood.

otion carried that the meetings Brotherhood be discontinued after Conference as the pastors be very busy getting in readi- or the approaching session of ttle Rock Conference.—J. C. Sec.

MAUMELLE CIRCUIT
have just completed a two- service at Taylor's Chapel on umelle Circuit. While conver- vere few we feel that great s been accomplished and that munity will surely feel the re- these meetings. We are very to the Forest Park Church assistance given in making

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these meetings a success.

The Epworth League of Harris Chapel on the Maumelle Circuit, under the direction of Mr. Fred Brown, gave a very interesting and entertain- ing party on the church grounds Thursday night. Two large bonfires furnished light and warmth to the fifty Leaguers present. Games were enjoyed throughout the evening and refreshments of good home-made cake and lemonade were served at the close of the entertainment. The young folk at Harris Chapel are surely wide awake and we want other Leaguers to know that out on the Maumelle Circuit there's an Epworth League trying hard to be a "real" League and we want your prayers.—Claude R. Roy.

EASTERN ARKANSAS PRAISED

We had a flood in eastern Arkansas a few months ago. It will be cheer- ing news to the people of this great state of ours to know what a come- back their fellow citizens have staged since that great disaster. It looked at the time like Moses' Noah or Ovid's Deucalion had about appeared on the earth once more; looked like ruin, ruin that might involve planters, tenants, merchants, banks, churches and schools.

I have just been over great stretch- es of this territory, weighing careful- ly present conditions, and making plans for the churches under my care. I must say that I feel proud of Ar- kansas, and especially of the people of eastern Arkansas. For nearly ev- ery acre of this vast inland sea of a few months ago has now on it a profit- able crop. One or two splendid men in Lee county and one or two in Phil- lips county had parts of their land under water till it was too late to get in a crop, and this has fallen rather heavily upon them; but very nearly the whole flooded area will come

through with crops that, thanks to the better price of cotton and thanks also to favorable seasons for corn and hay, promise to produce more cash than the crops of last year. Moreover, these crops have been produced at less expense than has been incurred for many years. This is true partly because both merchants and planters were afraid to venture on heavy ex- penses and partly because the sup- plies furnished by the Red Cross have been in the aggregate vast. Many of our planters were strained to the lim- it, almost, before the floods came. It is perhaps true that the floods brought losses to many others which cannot be fully recouped this year. But our people are coming through, and the floods will soon be only a dismal mem- ory.

Three main factors have been at work on the human side. For one, I do not wish to forget that a gracious Providence has been working on an- other side. But the three human fac- tors have been a plucky people, the Red Cross and the railroads.

As for the people, I know of no peo- ple anywhere so entirely free from any suggestion of being "yellow." They faced their disaster with a hero- ism worthy of all praise, and they have stood right up to the job from the first hour they could get back to work.

The Red Cross has been of simply incalculable value. The Red Cross is, of course, an organized agency of the American people, and our thanks are due, not only to the officers who im- mediately administered the aid, and these were splendid people, but to the multiplied thousands all over the broad land who supplied the means. As always, we have heard some critic- isms. Perhaps there have been some minor mistakes. But when all is said, the Red Cross stands out as a vast and powerful agency for good, without whose aid we never could have done what we have done here.

I do not think enough credit has been given the railroads. All this while I have been in close touch with three of them, and have seen what they did. I refer to the Missouri Pa- cific, the Rock Island and the Cotton Belt. I want to give public testimony to the fact that each of these great corporations showed itself a true pub- lic servant, without one trace of graft or selfishness. They were genuine benefactors in a time of great need. They hauled out all refugees and their stuff, whether they had a dollar or not, and most of them had no money, and they replaced them in the same way when the flood was over; they hauled all Red Cross supplies with- out cost; they sent in hundreds of box cars to house the people; their train crews showed heroism, enduring many discomforts and sometimes per- ills, and their maintenance-of-way men did the same thing. All this in the midst of enormous losses of their own, both direct and indirect. And it was all done cheerfully and gener- ously. The Missouri Pacific was far the worst sufferer. Nearly 400 miles of its track in Arkansas were under water. Its direct loss exclusive of the loss of the bridge at Little Rock, was, as I happen to know, well over \$3,000,000. And yet this road ren- dered all the service I have mentioned, furnishing 1,500 box cars for the re- fugees for about 40 days. Surely it was a great day for us when our railroads took up an attitude toward the public like that. It may be truly said of them, as of the pluck of our people and of the Red Cross, we should have been swamped without the aid they gave.—James A. Anderson in Arkan- sas Gazette.

OBITUARY

CAMPBELL.—Mrs. Mary Catherine Campbell, was born July 2, 1872. She passed to her reward Sept. 18, 1927. She professed faith in Christ in early life and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to which she was faithful until death. She was married to T. J. Campbell March 4, 1891. To this union were born three daughters, one of whom preceded her in death several years ago. The oth- er two are Mrs. J. A. Morris, of Lit- tle Rock, and Mrs. O. H. Chrisp of Bald Knob. Sister Campbell exem- plified the truest type of Christianity and her daily life was one of devotion to her Master. The influence and ex- ample of her faithfulness and loyalty will remain in an abiding sense with us. Her home was always open to the preacher and he always had a wel- come there. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. A. Roberts, a former pastor, assisted by the writ- er, in the presence of a large audience. The floral offerings were many and beautiful. Her body was laid to rest in Shady Grove cemetery at Bald Knob. She leaves her husband, T. J. Campbell, two daughters, one grand- son, Julian Campbell Chrisp, one brother, J. D. Brown of Memphis, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. J. G. Lock- aby of Bald Knob and Mrs. Charles Giles of Judsonia. She was also a niece of Rev. S. S. Key who is one of our beloved superannuated preachers. He attended the services. Our pray- ers go out for the bereaved family. Let us weep not as those that have no hope.—J. M. Hughes, Pastor.

FRASER.—Miss Mary Fraser was born in Athens, Ala, August 14, 1838, and died at Clinton, Ark., Sept. 20, 1927. She professed religion when 15 years of age and joined the M. E. Church South, and for 74 years was a devoted church member, a conse- crated Christian, humbly walking the whole journey with the Master and passed out in great triumph. For 50 years she was a teacher in the Sun- day Schools where she lived, and no doubt multitudes who came under the influence of her beautiful life during these years will rise up and call her blessed. Her mother organized the first Missionary Society in Athens, Ala., and after her death, Miss Mary took up the work and carried it on. She was a graduate of the Athens Fe- male College and a Methodist college of Clarksville, Tenn., and followed the teaching profession for 60 years. She was cultured, refined, patient and of a happy, sunny disposition, and those who knew her will remember her for the adorning graces of her Christian life. She was reared in a Christian home, and her faith was as simple and trustful as a little child. She loved God and was a prayerful stud- ent of His holy word. She sleeps in Clinton cemetery, but her life lives on, and her memory will ever be cher- isher by her relatives and friends.— J. M. Fryar, Pastor.

MANN.—By request of Mrs. Mann wife of John Henry Mann I pay this tribute of respect and love to one of the best friends I have ever had. Our mutual friendship has covered a pe- riod of 43 years and was never disturb- ed by changing conditions. He was the son of William and Sylvania Mann, born in North Hampton Co., N. C., Dec. 8, 1850. Was converted at the age of 13. United with the Mis- sionary Baptist Church and lived for 65 years in good fellowship to the day of his death Sept. 20, 1927. Held mem- bership with Union Ave. Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn. His pastor

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held the funeral service at 1st Baptist Church, Marion, Ark. He was laid to rest in Elmwood, Memphis. He came to Arkansas at the age of 21. At 22 he married Miss Mary E. Mann, (a cousin). Four children were born to this union, three dying in infancy. Only one grew to maturity, a son, Edward H., who passed to his reward in 1920, leaving a son, James, who survives his father, and grandfather, and is now on the old homestead. I am sitting in the dear old home as I pen these lines. His second marriage was to Mrs. J. W. Brown of Vandale, Ark., Nov. 10, 1909. This was a happy union and she lives to mourn the sad and sudden going of her noble husband. His illness was of short duration. He was conscious up to the last, saying, "God bless you James and all of you. I am going, going. All is well." And so ended the life of one of Crittenden County's best citizens. He was a large planter and worked many negro men. His motto was, "Boys, treat me right, and I'll do the same with you." Even-handed justice was one of the outstanding features of his clean, honorable, upright life. Modest, thoughtful, loving, tender and sympathetic, he had a large circle of friends, white and black. Personally, I mourn his going. I will cherish his memory. May God bless the noble companion, grandson and other kindred and a host of friends is the prayer of his friend.—Jas. F. Jernigan.

MAXWELL.—Mary Almeda Maxwell, daughter of Joshua and Sarah Caldwell, was born near Cross Holes, Benton County, Ark., January 23, 1852; and at Gentry, Ark., August 5, 1927, departed this life. Was married to John R. Maxwell August 28, 1868. To this union three sons were born: Charles J., Thomas J., and John W. Maxwell; and two daughters: Alice D. Fincher, and Marguerite E. Richardson, all of whom survive her. Joshua Caldwell, Mary's father was a Confederate soldier, and passed through some bloody battles. At Wilson's Creek he fought bravely, where he and six other men captured one of Gen. Lyon's brass cannons and with it ran to a nearby hill and turned the gun upon its first owners and helped to win a complete victory. In the bloody battle of Shiloh one of his knees was shattered by a musket ball passing through it; and, being thus rendered permanently unfit for military service, he was honorably discharged from all military duties, and as soon as he was able to travel he returned to a broken up home in Benton County, Ark., to be foully murdered. This left Aunt Sarah with four small children to care for, and to make their way as best they could through this cold world. In the midst of such trials Mary's religious life began. In early life she was born into the kingdom of God, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In November, 1883, at Clarksburg, Ark., John R. Maxwell was received on trial into the Arkansas Conference and sent to Clifty Mission. Mary was for fifteen or twenty years the companion of an humble, earnest, loved, trusted, and faithful Methodist itinerant preacher. Some years after location he passed into the eternal world. This was the hardest and severest blow of all to fall upon her heart and life. This wrenching her husband from her side was like leaving her quivering nerves, throbbing pulse, and broken and bleeding heart, exposed to the chilling blasts of this cold world. As an humble and dependent child of God, Mary's faith in Jesus' power to sustain her in the severest trials of life never wavered;

her patient care for her children was fruitful and good, and her loving devotion to a widowed mother was rare and beautiful. Her sympathy for the suffering and sorrowing expressed itself in words of hope and deeds of kindness and the hope of a blissful immortality never grew dim, and the fires of love and devotion to the cause of Jesus Christ never ceased to burn but continued to gain strength and to grow brighter until her entrance into eternal day. Mary leaves her children and several grand-children and two brothers; James M. and William C. Caldwell and numerous kindred to mourn her departure to a brighter and happier world than this. Good night, Cousin Mary, until we meet in the morning; for we shall by the grace of the Lord meet in the glorious morning of the resurrection on the fields of glory.—J. P. Caldwell.

MEYERS.—Sister Mary J. Meyers was born Aug. 1, 1849, near Williford, and departed this life, January 6, 1926. Her entire life was spent in and near Williford. Before her first marriage her name was Davis. She was a daughter of a pioneer family in Sharp County. At sixteen she was converted and joined the Church, and proved a true and trusted Christian. In 1873 she became the wife of T. B. Hail. To this union there were born ten children. All except two died early in childhood. The surviving children have reached maturity and have families of their own. The son, Charlie Hail, is a resident of Little Rock and the daughter, Mrs. Morgan Goode, resides at Williford. Mrs. Hail was left a widow in 1888. In 1896 she was married to Dr. G. H. Meyers to whom she was a devoted wife until her death. Aunt Mary was the Dorcas of her community for many years. She was a mother to the motherless, a friend to the friendless, always ready to lend a helping hand to those who needed it. There was an especial welcome to those who preached the Word of God. It was known that her home was the preacher's home and a hearty welcome, a comfortable room, and wholesome meals awaited the preacher. Not only was there a welcome for the preacher, but also for any weary traveler that might come along. Aunt Mary was a true Methodist. She was a subscriber to the Arkansas Methodist for nearly fifty years. This writer had the privilege of reading her paper that was printed nearly forty years ago. She was interested in all that the Church was doing, and when God called her home, the Church lost one of its best friends. Truly Aunt Mary Jane Meyers was a woman of high Christian ideals. Though the pearly gates swung ajar to receive her nearly two years ago, her name is often spoken, her many beautiful traits are talked of by friends who will never forget her. The husband, children and friends miss her every day, but know where she is, and though she cannot come back, they have the assurance that they may go where she is. Her life stands out as a beckoning star. May those who knew her be influenced to choose those things of life that she chose, and be assured of the same reward that God through Christ has given her for her untiring service in his vineyard.—J. Albert Gatlin, Pastor.

HATFIELD.—William Henry Hatfield was born near Springfield, Mo., Aug. 16, 1865. Was married May 14, 1891, to Miss Anna Peters with whom he lived till the time of his death, August 10, 1927. There are surviving him, besides his wife, five children all living and three brothers and one sister. Brother Hatfield was converted

in February, 1889. Was licensed soon after and joined the old Arkansas Annual Conference, December 4, 1892. As an itinerant preacher he traveled continuously till 1905 when he located. From then on he worked in the local ranks, holding appointments in the Southwest Missouri Conference and the North Arkansas Conference. The last work traveled was the Huntsville Circuit in Madison County, embracing the territory where he spent most of his young manhood. Brother Hatfield was a good preacher, in fact, far above the average, and had a rare gift as an evangelist. At the time of his death he lived in Southwest City, Mo., and was serving as night marshal. He met a most tragic death at the hands of unknown parties. The writer, together with the pastor, Rev. W. A. Williams, and Rev. A. T. Mays of Gravette, conducted his funeral. We were closely connected during the days of our ministry here on earth and happy will be the meeting in the land where there are no tragedies and no sad partings.—Jno. A. Womack.

AN APPRECIATION OF REV. F. S. H. JOHNSTON

On the afternoon of September 15, Rev. F. S. H. Johnston, D. D., went to his reward. Since 1878 he had given himself to Arkansas and Arkansas Methodism until his name was connected with almost every great progressive movement of the Church in this state. No man's name will live longer than his and no one will be missed in the councils of the church more than he.

He was faithful to every task committed to him, whether as presiding elder, pastor or commissioner of education, it was just the same; he gave himself to the task and succeeded.

He was one of the most unassuming men that it has been my privilege to know. Always just the same. I have seen him when honored by his brethren and when he met with defeat, in each case there was the same quiet reserve which showed wherein his great strength lay.

He was a good man, unselfish, genuinely religious, modest, rather retiring in his disposition, yet when a question arose we soon knew where he stood and all, even his opponents, respected his opinion.

He truly loved his Church and gave himself for it. He was always studying its problems and trying to promote its interests.

He especially loved the young preachers. I presume he put more young men into positions and then pushed them to the limit of their capacity than any other man who ever worked amongst us. His interest in them never failed, one of the last things he ever said to the writer was, "I am glad to know that a number of our young men are preparing themselves for a larger service in the ministry. They must assume the leadership; we have had our day and should rejoice to see them take their place."

He was also deeply interested in education, and more especially in Hendrix College. One of the last things he did was to start a movement for the preachers of Arkansas to put up a chapel on the Hendrix campus for the cultivation of the religious life of the student body. May God put it into some one's heart to complete this task in honor of him.

His sun went down slowly. He had been in ill health for about nine years, but during this period he never lost interest in the Church nor his brethren. He kept sweet and his sun set in a clear sky. We all loved him and shall miss him greatly, but he rests from his labors.—William Sherman.

REV. FAY CONNELL STERLING
Bro. Sterling was born in Cass Co., Indiana, May 3, 1866. With his parents he moved to Arkansas when 16 years old.

Under the ministry of the now sainted Rev. Thomas Vincent he was converted when 17 years old.

Feeling a definite call to the ministry he was licensed to exhort the year of his conversion and licensed to preach Nov. 22, 1886, and was received on trial into the old White River Conference at Jonesboro Dec. 15, 1886. Bishop Galloway presiding. Ordained deacon by Bishop Key at Pargould Dec. 9, 1888, and ordained elder by Bishop Duncan at Newport, Dec. 21, 1891.

After a lingering illness of several years that completely undermined his physical powers he passed to his reward from his home in Jonesboro, Aug. 19, 1927. Leaving a devoted wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn their great loss.

Bro. Sterling and Miss Mildred B. Torolkes were married in Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 24, 1895. The Lord blessed their union with four children and has graciously permitted them all to live to help and comfort their sorrowing mother in these dark hours.

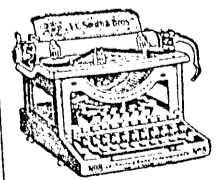
Bro. Sterling gave 20 years of faithful service to the Conference. He fought some hard battles and won some important victories. He fought sin and the devil open-handed and with sledge hammer blows. Wherever he worked the whiskey business knew he was on the field and felt the force of his work. He was a man of strong convictions and a courage that knew no limit short of success. He served a number of important charges among them Clarendon, Wilson, Vandale, Blytheville and Marked Tree, and a number of others. At the last two mentioned he did fine work, laying the foundation upon which others have been able to build. Bro. Sterling was a church builder. In two of the Districts he ran a District paper with no other motive than to do service for the District.

Being a man of vision and large program with a progressive disposition he met with one discouragement (what preacher has not?), all of his plans fixed, quarterly conference convenes and the small amount due not half paid. He said to me once, "Here is where I fail." Three months of hard work and not \$25 paid. It takes a hero to push on under such conditions.

I do not think every body knew Bro. Sterling, but I did. He was a man true at heart with a strong purpose to do right in the sight of God and deal justly with his brethren. We were intimate friends, always brotherly. I loved him. The Lord comfort his family until they meet in bright-climes above.—M. M. Smith.



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LYDIA OF THE PINES

By Honore Willsie

(Continued from last week)

"Kill 'em whites!" shrieked the squaws.

"Run 'em whites off our reservation!" shouted half a dozen young bucks.

Lydia was trembling but cool. "Good for them! Oh, Billy, good for them!" she exclaimed.

Thus far the whites had taken the proceedings as a joke. Then a white woman screamed—

"Run! It's a massacre!"

"Massacre" is a horrifying word to use to whites in an Indian country. Men and women both took up the cry—

"It's a massacre! Run!"

And the great crowd boited.

Like pursuing wolves, the Indians followed, beating the laggards with their bows, shouting exultantly. Billy caught Lydia round the waist and held her in front of him as well as he could.

Then Lydia heard Billy's voice, in her ear. "If this isn't stopped, it will be a massacre. We've got to find Charlie Jackson. He caught a screaming squaw by the arm."

"Susie, where's Charlie Jackson?"

She jerked her thumb back toward the flagpole and twisted away.

"All right! Now we'll make for the pole, Lydia, get behind me and put your arms round my waist. Hang on, for heaven's sake."

Lydia did hang on for a few moments. But the flight was now developing into a free-for-all fight. And before she knew just how it happened, Lydia had fallen and feet surged over her.

She buried her face in her arms. It seemed an age to her before Billy had snatched her to her feet. In reality she was not down for more than two minutes. Billy swung her against his chest with one arm and swung out with his other, shouting at Indians and whites alike.

"You d—d beasts! You dirty d—d beasts!"

Lydia, bruised and shaken, clung to him breathlessly, then cried, "Go ahead, Billy!"

He glanced down at her and saw a streak of blood on her forehead. His face worked and he began to sob and curse like a madman.

Kicking, striking with his free arm, oaths rolling from his lips, he burst through the crowd and rushed Lydia to the free space about the flagpole where Charlie Jackson stood coolly watching the proceedings.

Billy shook his fist under the Indian's nose.

"Get down there and call the pack off or I'll brain you."

Jackson shrugged his shoulders, calmly. "Let 'em have their fun. It's their last blowout. I hope they do kill Levine and Marshall."

Lydia pulled herself free of Billy.

"Call them off, Charlie. It'll just mean trouble in the end for all of you if you don't."

Charlie looked at Lydia closely and his voice changed as he said, "You got hurt, Lydia? I'm sorry."

"Sorry! You d—d brute!" raved Billy. "I tell you, call off this row!"

The two young men glared at each other. Afterglow and firelight revealed a ferocity in Billy's face and a cool hatred in Charlie's that made Lydia gasp.

Billy put his face closer to Charlie's. "Call it off!" he growled.

Charlie returned Billy's stare for a long moment. Then sullenly, slowly, he turned and threw out across the

night a long, shrill cry. He gave it again and again. At each repetition the noise of the mob grew less, and shortly panting, feverish-eyed bucks began to struggle into the light around the pole.

Then, without a word, Billy led Lydia away. The Indians passing them shook their bows at them but they were unmolested.

"Can you walk, Lydia? Do you think you're badly hurt?" asked Billy. "To think of me not scratched and you hurt! Your father ought to horse-whip me!"

"You saved me from being trampled to death!" cried Lydia, indignantly. "Oh, there's the auto."

"Billy," cried Levine, "could you run the car and the two women down the road while Amos and I help the agent get order here? The worst seems to be over, for some reason."

"Billy got Charlie Jackson to call the Indians in," said Lydia.

"I'll wait for you at the willows, a mile below Last Chance," said Billy.

He was an indifferent chauffeur but he reached the willows without mishap.

Sitting with the murmur of the brook and the fragrance of marsh grass enveloping them, the two young people did not talk much.

"Billy," whispered Lydia, "you're so good to me and I was so horrid to you once."

Billy felt her fingers on his knee and instantly the thin little hand was enveloped in his warm fist. "Do you take it all back, Lydia?"

"Well, the horrid part of it, I do," she hedged.

"That's all right," returned the young man. "I'm willing to fight for the rest of it. Don't try to pull your hand away, because I intend to hold it till the folks come. You can't help yourself, so you have no responsibility in the matter."

So for an hour longer they sat, watching the summer night and waiting.

Finally two dim figures approached. "All right, Lydia?" asked Amos.

"Oh, yes! Yes!" she cried. "Are either of you hurt?"

"No," replied Levine. "We got hold of Charlie Jackson about eleven and locked him up, then we felt secure."

"You aren't going to hurt Charlie!" cried Lydia.

"No, but we'll shut him up for a week or so," said Amos.

Levine started the car homeward.

They reached home at daylight. The celebration made table talk and newspaper topic for several days. No real attempt was made to punish the Indians. For once, the whites, moved by a sense of tardy and inadequate justice, withheld their hands.

It was just before college opened that Amos announced that he was going to buy the one hundred and twenty acres John had set aside for him.

"How are you going to pay for it?" Lydia asked.

"Don't you worry, I'll tend to that," replied Amos. "John's going to hold it for me, till I can get the pine cut off. That'll pay for the land."

"How much did you pay for it, Mr. Levine?" asked Lydia.

Levine grinned. "I forget!"

Lydia sat with her chin cupped in her palm, her blue eyes on Levine. To the surprise of both men, she said nothing.

After the supper dishes were washed, and Amos was attending to the chickens, Lydia came slowly out to the front steps where Levine was sitting. She leaned her head against his arm and they sat in silence.

"Lydia," said John, finally, "how does the Great Search go on?"

"I don't think I make much headway," replied Lydia. "The older I grow, the less I understand men and I've always felt as if, if there was a God, He was a man."

(Continued next week)

MEMOIR OF REV. JOHN J. MENIFEE

Rev. John J. Menifee was born in the state of Mississippi, May 17, 1849, and came to the end of his earthly life at his home near Benton, Arkansas, June 18, 1927.

In childhood he came with his parents to Clark County, Arkansas where he grew to manhood and continued to reside until he entered the itinerant ministry. He was admitted on trial in the Little Rock Conference at the session of 1889, having been for some years an efficient and faithful local preacher. He gave to the Conference and the church 29 years of faithful and continuous service before his superannuation, which occurred at the session of 1918. After he was superannuated he rendered three years of partial service as a supply and continued to be as active as his advanced years and failing health would permit to the very close of his life. Through all the years of his ministry he served the church in the out of the way places and the weak charges. He never knew the luxury of a comfortable salary, and was frequently compelled to practice the most rigid economy in order to meet his financial obligations. Many of the churches which he served were poorly organized and equipped, and many of the fields which he was assigned to cultivate were so barren that there was no possibility of a fruitful harvest. But none of the things moved him, or turned him an inch aside from the straight course of loyal, faithful, cheerful service. He loved his work and was content to fill even the least places in the Church. His life and ministry have blessed and helped many people and he is doubtless numbered among those who having turned many to righteousness will "Shine as the stars forever and ever."

Bro. Menifee was twice married, first to Miss Mary Pennington, at Arkadelphia, Oct. 12, 1871. Five children were born to this union. Three died young. A fourth, Bertie, grew to womanhood, married and became the mother of two children, both of whom are living. The mother died some years ago. The only surviving child is Mrs. F. W. Harvey, of Muskogee, Okla.

His first wife died Jan. 17, 1916, and on Oct. 28, 1920 he was married to Mrs. Rosa Hogue, of Benton, who with one little daughter, Johnnie Virginia, and three step-daughters, live to mourn his loss.

His death was sudden and unexpected, but "his loins were girded and his lamp trimmed and burning". A good man has gone to his reward.—J. A. Sage.

SUPERANNUATE NOTES

Sunday, October 2, I was on DeValls Bluff and Hazen charge. Preached at DeValls Bluff at 11 a. m. The collection was \$70 on quota for Superannuate Endowment. Had engagement to preach at Hallville at 3 p. m., but a heavy downpour of rain prevented my making the trip.

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Gave the Picture-Sermon, "Heroes and Heroines" at 7:30 p. m. at Hazen. The collection was \$60.00. DeValls Bluff and Hazen will make substantial payments on their quota this year. Rev. W. R. Jordan is the energetic pastor, and interested in the cause of the old preachers. He has held revival meetings in adjacent rural communities with wonderful success. He will report near two hundred accessions at Conference.

Rev. W. F. Evans, the Field Secretary for the North Arkansas Conference Board of Finance, is in the Methodist Hospital in Memphis having his eyes treated. He expects to return to his work in a few weeks.

Rev. R. G. Rowland has been confined to his bed more than a week. At this writing he is slightly improved. His wife has been under constant care of a physician more than a year. She is now able to be up part of the time.

Rev. R. J. Rairford will spend the winter in Southern Texas. This is necessary on account of his health.

We are making progress in paying for the Evans Home in Pine Bluff. You cannot do a better thing than provide a shelter for an old preacher.

If you are interested in helping the old preachers in any way, write to Rev. J. H. Glass, 407 Exchange Bank Building, Little Rock, Ark.

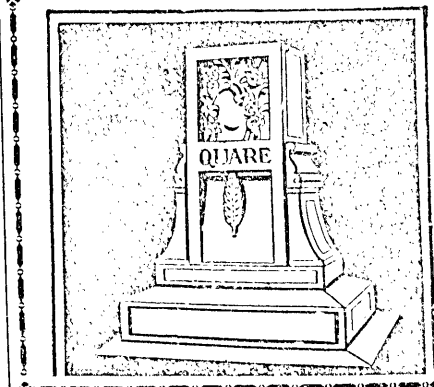
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Since this movement was begun in the spring of 1924, by authority of the General Conference of 1922, the Church has sought to meet this obligation while other pressing matters demanded attention. At the adjournment of the Annual Conference of this fall, the fourth year of this Special Effort will have been practically completed. The fifth year will begin Apr. 1, 1928, and during that year every charge in the Church should secure in cash and good personal subscriptions the remainder of the quotas assumed.

No obligation appeals with greater force than that of providing for the support of our worn-out preachers and the widows and dependent children of deceased preachers. A proper response to this obligation would not only pay a debt long past due, but would also strengthen the moral fiber of our people to meet other obligations that are constantly demanding attention. If we do not provide for the necessities of those worn-out in our ministry, how can we with good conscience continue wearing-out men in this ministry? When we demand all from the young preachers at the bar of our Conferences, and they give it without reserve, we cannot hold ourselves blameless if we neglect them in old age after they have given the Church their all.

The \$10,000,000 for Superannuate Endowment must be paid. The fifth year of the movement is the time to secure bona fide pledges to cover the unpaid balances of the quotas already assumed by the Charges. The honor of our Church calls upon us to complete this task; our self respect urges us to it, and our sense of justice demands that we apply ourselves as never before to do for these veterans of the Cross what we promised to do. Let it never be said by the world that the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, made promises to her superannuated preachers that she did not fulfill.

At each Annual Conference this fall, a representative of the General Board of Finance will be present to tell in detail the plans for this great cause during the conference year of 1928. We have agreed that one hour at each conference shall be set apart for this purpose. We call upon all the preachers and lay members, who attend these conferences, to be much in prayer that the occasions of presenting this work may be divinely ordered and greatly blessed by the "God of our Fathers."

In conclusion we express our definite conviction that this sacred matter should now have our undivided support. It is our purpose, from now on through the year of 1928, to give it the most careful attention and direction in our respective Episcopal Districts, with the confident hope that one of the most important tasks the Church has ever undertaken may be completed.—W. A. Candler, Collins Denny, Edwin D. Mouzon, John M. Moore, W. F. McMurry, U. V. W. Darlington, H. M. DuBose, W. N. Ains-

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson for October 16

ELIJAH IN NABOTH'S VINEYARD

LESSON TEXT—I Kings 21.
GOLDEN TEXT—Be sure your sin will find you out.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Elijah's Message to a Wicked King.
JUNIOR TOPIC—The Wages of Sin.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—The Rebuke of Wrong.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Opposing Official Corruption.

I. Ahab Covets Naboth's Vineyard (v. 1-6).

1. Location of the vineyard (v. 1). It joined Ahab's summer home in Jezreel. He wanted to transform it into an herb garden and thus round out his property.

2. Ahab's proposal (v. 2). He offered to buy it outright for money, or give in exchange a better one.

3. Naboth's refusal (v. 3). He had a twofold reason: (1) regard for the paternal estate; (2) obedience to God's law (Lev. 25:23-28, cf. Num. 36:7-9). It doubtless would have been profitable to Naboth to have sold his vineyard, but loyalty to God was more important to him than money.

4. Ahab's behavior (v. 4). He came into his house, lay down upon his bed and refused to eat. The king was sulking like a spoiled child.

5. Jezebel's inquiry (vv. 5, 6). Apparently she came with the sympathy of a wife, inquiring as to the cause of his behavior. But when she knew of Naboth's refusal she was angry.

II. Ahab Taking Possession of Naboth's Vineyard (vv. 7-16).

1. Jezebel's treachery (vv. 7-15).
(1) Her contemptuous question (v. 7). She taunted him for his cowardice. The fear of being thought weak moves a weak man quickly. Scorn is a powerful weapon in the hands of unscrupulous persons.

(2) Her exhortation to Ahab (v. 7). "Arise and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry." A wife has great influence over her husband. Many a man has been saved from discouragement and therefore defeat through his wife's influence. Unfortunately in this case the influence of the wife was bad.

(3) Her promise to Ahab (v. 7). "I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth."

(4) Her wicked scheme (vv. 8-15). She wrote letters in Ahab's name, sealed them with his seal, and sent them to the elders and nobles who were dwelling in the city with Naboth, asking them to proclaim a fast, as though some great calamity had befallen the nation, and place Naboth before the public as the one who was the cause of it all. They were instructed to find two false witnesses who would testify against Naboth. The charge they brought was blasphemy against God and the king. Naboth's only offense was his refusal to sell his estate. When they had thus stoned Naboth and his sons to death (2 Kings 9:26), they came and told Jezebel, who in turn came to Ahab with the information and directed him to take possession of the vineyard. It was the custom for the property of those who were condemned to death for blasphemy to revert to the king.

2. Ahab goes to Jezreel to take possession of Naboth's vineyard (v. 16). Ahab had not killed Naboth, but he eagerly accepted the prize without inquiring as to how it was secured. Many today are like Ahab, too cowardly to commit wrong themselves, but are willing to reap the benefits of the wrongdoing of others.

III. Elijah in Naboth's Vineyard, Announcing Doom Upon Ahab (vv. 17-26).

Elijah told him the dogs should lick his blood in the place where they licked the blood of Naboth. It would seem that Naboth's body was thrown out to be devoured by the dogs. Evil was to fall upon Ahab and his posterity, even to wipe out his seed and name. Ahab stood in that vineyard guilty of all the sins which Jezebel had committed, though he had been silent and inactive. God held him responsible for Jezebel's acts, for he was king and head of the nation. The day of reckoning did come to Ahab (1 Kings 22:38). Ahab's question to Elijah when confronted by him in the vineyard showed that his conscience was not wholly dead.

2. Doom upon Jezebel (vv. 23-26). She likewise should be eaten by the dogs by the wall of Jezreel. This was literally fulfilled (2 Kings 9:33-37): "Be sure your sin will find you out;" "Whatever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

IV. Ahab's Repentance (vv. 27-28). Because of this God promised to withhold judgment during his lifetime.

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