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PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

When you betray your friend, you first betray yourself.

When good people quarrel they are working for the devil without adequate wages.

Sin is always ugly, but it seems doubly damnable when committed by your enemy.

The saint who helps God to save the soul of a sinner, is laying up treasure where it can be found.

Righteousness satisfies; because it is written, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled."

You may lose your position, and get it again; lose your money, and find it; lose your equanimity, and regain it; but time lost is gone beyond recovery; it is an eternal loss.

SENSIBLE TAXATION.

As the result of the work of a special commission appointed to study the problem of taxation and of observation in other states, Governor Parnell has recommended that for state purposes revenue be raised largely from license taxes and incomes, with certain exemptions, and that the tax on land for state purposes be gradually eliminated.

Without taking time to study the details of the measure proposed, we unhesitatingly approve the principle involved. The writer, both publicly and privately, for many years has argued that our present system of attempting to raise a considerable part of state revenue from taxes on real estate is unscientific and inequitable and cannot be successfully worked.

The value of land and improvements is so variable in different counties and even in the same community and is subject to so many influences that it is very difficult to get an equitable assessment in any small area, to say nothing of the whole state. Then, even if assessors were able to assess fairly, there are so many local and personal factors that it is practically impossible to get fair assessments. Almost every man violates the law when he is assessing his property.

Under our system, taxes are collected for state, county, school and municipality on the same assessment. Naturally each division wishes to keep from paying more than its share, and that causes all to hold the assessments down. If it were not for the state tax, many a county or municipality would increase its assessment so as to take care of necessary improvements.

Then very little land is at present profitable. Not one farm in a thousand is paying fair wages to the farmer and six per cent interest on the cost of his land and improvements. In the cities, land on which homes are built produces practically nothing, if the cost of improvements and upkeep and depreciation are considered. It should be the policy of the state to encourage men to own their homes and farms; but our present system tends to discourage ownership. The state, by giving protection, and the city, by offering special advantages, make possible larger than ordinary incomes. Those who get unusual benefits should pay for these benefits, and almost the only way for this pay to be collected is in taxes on incomes and occupations. So-called "nuisance taxes" on luxuries are the fairest of all taxes, because one does not pay such taxes unless he is willing to do so. He can do without the luxury and thus avoid the tax. Such taxes are irritating, because paid frequently and known, but they are fundamentally fair and should be paid without objection by the one who enjoys the benefit.

Governor Parnell is rendering a signal service by proposing such a system. Whatever law may be enacted will be only a beginning and an experiment. It will cause the people to think and attempt a satisfactory solution. Under an ideal

AND IT CAME TO PASS, THAT IN THE GATES OF JERUSALEM BECAME DARK BEFORE THE SABBATH. COMMANDED THAT THE GATES SHOULD BE SHUT, AND CHARGED THAT THEY SHOULD NOT BE OPENED AFTER THE SABBATH; AND SOME OF THE SERVANTS SET I AT THE GATES, THAT THERE SHOULD NO BURDEN BE BROUGHT IN ON THE SABBATH DAY.—Nehemiah 13:19.

system, state, county, school and municipal revenues should be raised from different sources so that each might be reduced or increased according to need, without infringing upon the rights or needs of another taxing unit.

Naturally, in this country, when real estate was almost the only property, the land tax was imposed, and under pioneer conditions was fairly equitable. Now, it is utterly outlandish and unscientific, and a better system is necessary if the burdens of government are to be fairly distributed and benefits be made to pay for themselves. It is too much to expect that Governor Parnell and this Legislature, at one stroke, should solve the problem that has baffled the best brains of the world for ages; but the plan under consideration is pregnant with possibilities, and may lead to the desired solution after a few years of trial and error and correction.

In view of the industrial activity which we are inviting, no false step should be taken; but men who oppose the new proposition should not be too dogmatic and should be willing to give an opportunity for a reasonable experiment, especially since the old system, or lack of system, has so miserably failed to provide the means with which to accomplish the things that should be attempted by a progressive state.

SENATOR OPPOSES COMMERCIALIZED SUNDAY.

New Jersey is not now noted for its extreme religiosity; but at the session of its Legislature two years ago the Senate by a vote of 17 to 2 defeated a measure to commercialize Sunday. Senator Case made a great speech and among other things said: "The state should set itself squarely against the commercialization of the Sabbath. It is a great human fact that if a man is made to be prosperous and well and happy he must labor for six days and rest from his labor on the seventh day. This is not a whimsical ditty nor an exploded superstition. It is a truth that is as old as the human race and as plain as history can make it. . . . Such are the insidious efforts of industrialism that the only sure way of preserving to the toiler his one day of rest is to nominate a single and certain day when all unnecessary industry shall uniformly cease. Otherwise there will come a breaking down here and a breaking down there, and soon the rest day, which is also the best day, will be gone. A drive is being made in the special interest of the moving picture theaters against the preservation of the non-commercial features of the day; and the tenor of the argument is that our citizens will be spiritually uplifted by thus having access to places of clean amusement and diversion. A three-fold answer is at hand: The moving picture houses have not yet vindicated their claim to dispensing spiritual uplift; their owners are obviously ambitious to turn the day into one of money-making; and if the commercial camel gets his nose in the tent through this opening we shall very presently have the rest of his homely carcass entirely within. How the individual shall deport himself on Sunday, what amusements he shall seek or eschew, are matters that, for the

most part, his convictions and his conscience must determine; but society is largely concerned with the proposition that the day shall not be used for barter and trade or for any unessential commercial enterprise. The Sabbath was made for man; made for him because he must have a day of rest. Let it be kept for him."

Note what this New Jersey Senator said in closing: "It is said that the moving picture interests behind the present measure are, by the very nature and extent of their enterprise, able, if they be so inclined, to boost their friends by quite legal methods to further public preferment and to consign to the lingering death of inconspicuousness such as are not within the favored number."

A FORESTRY LESSON FROM SWEDEN.

In the February number of the North American Review occurs the following significant passage, worthy of our consideration at this time:

"Consider Sweden. That country has just been commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of its adoption of scientific forestry as a policy of government. Even before that time it had for centuries enforced the ancient rule that anyone cutting down an oak or beech tree must plant two others in its stead. But a hundred years ago there was enacted an elaborate law, not only for the planting of trees for restoration, but also for the protection and cultivation of them, the avoidance of fires, the economical cutting of timber, and indeed all the details which go to make of forestry a scientific industry. Now note the result. The forestry industries of Sweden, comprising timber, charcoal, wooden ware, woodpulp, wood paper, etc., form the greatest of all in the kingdom, employing more work people than any two others put together, and having an output of about twice the value of any other. Yet—and this is the significant lesson for America to observe—with all this draft upon them, of a quarter of a billion dollars' worth a year, the forests of Sweden are not being depleted, but are actually increasing in extent and value; growing much more rapidly than they are being cut. And in America, what? Our forests are being cut and destroyed four times as fast as they are being replanted."

Sweden has just about three times the population of Arkansas and three times the area, and its timber production is about \$250,000,000. In proportion to population and area that is a better income from timber than Arkansas is getting, and the income of Arkansas from its forests is growing less each year; and unless we protect our forests from fire, in a few years a large area will be producing nothing and will be so worthless that it will not even produce taxes. Should we not, at very small expense, protect our forests from fire and preserve and increase the value of our great asset and yet increase our agricultural resources also?

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, last May, inserted the following paragraph in their Discipline: The Quarterly Conference, among other duties, is required "to constitute a Committee on Pastoral Relations and Pulpit Supply, which shall co-operate with the pastor regarding supply preachers, and with the district superintendent and presiding bishop regarding Pastoral Relations." This is interpreted, by the denominational organs, to mean that this committee shall help the district superintendent (equivalent to presiding elder in our Church) and presiding bishop in selecting the pastor for the next year. That is a significant step, and might be resented by certain autocratic bishops. It will be interesting to watch the working of this new factor in the itinerant machinery of our "big sister."

PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Announcement is made that the General Board of Missions will meet in Nashville at 9:30 a. m., May 7.

Born, in the parsonage home of Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Minton, Turner, Ark., January 28, Robert Wesley Minton, Jr.

Born, in the parsonage home of Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Davis at Mountain Home, February 8, a son, Edwin Snowden.

Rev. J. L. Tucker of Des Arc called Monday and made a good report for his excellent church. He expects a good year.

Dr. W. P. Whaley, presiding elder, announces that the Searcy District Conference will be held at Bald Knob on May 30-31.

Rev. B. F. Roebuck called Monday and spoke in terms of praise concerning his good people at England. He hopes to have a great year.

Wesley has demonstrated that a true prophet of God has more influence than all politicians and millionaires put together.—Hugh Price Hughes.

Rev. W. J. Faust, our pastor at Beebe, writes: "We have been received very kindly by the church and people of our town, and our work is progressing well."

BE SURE TO READ INSTRUCTIONS OF COMMISSIONER J. J. GALLOWAY ABOUT CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN AND METHODIST HEADQUARTERS FUND.

Following a successful operation for appendicitis, Mrs. O. E. Williams, wife of our active advertising representative, was in a hospital for ten days, but was able to return to her home last Saturday. It is hoped that in a few days she will have fully recovered.

Attention is called to the advertisement of the Staples Barber Shop appearing on page 15. In it will be found Mr. J. L. Patton, who recently moved from Lonoke where he had been superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School. He is now a member of Winfield Church and lives at 312 Denison Street.

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In making up our files of last year we discover that the papers for August 23 and 30 are needed. If any subscriber will send us these missing numbers the favor will be highly appreciated.

Remitting for several subscribers, Rev. J. H. Mathews, pastor of Leola Circuit, writes: "Things are moving along very nicely. Benevolences coming along fine. During February and March we expect to get 100 per cent on subscriptions for Arkansas Methodist."

DEAR SUBSCRIBER, PLEASE READ YOUR ADDRESS LABEL, AND IF YOU DISCOVER THAT YOUR SUBSCRIPTION HAS EXPIRED, KINDLY RENEW PROMPTLY SO THAT WE MAY HAVE THE MONEY WHICH WE NEED AND YOU MAY HAVE A CONSCIENCE VOID OF OFFENSE TOWARD YOUR OWN CONFERENCE ORGAN.

Renewing his subscription, Mr. A. L. Malone, that fine layman of First Church, Jonesboro, writes: "This is my forty-eighth subscription to the Arkansas Methodist. I have never missed a number since the first issue 47 years ago. I am now in my 76th year and want to continue the paper as long as I live. I wish the paper great success for 1929."

Rev. J. J. Galloway, Arkansas Methodist commissioner, while doing some work for the paper in his office, preached at night last week for Rev. O. C. Birdwell at Henderson Church. Although interrupted by bad weather, he had a delightful experience and thinks Brother Birdwell is going to have a great year. There were eight accessions.

Last Saturday at the home of Mrs. George Burden, on Pulaski Heights, the editor had the privilege of addressing the local organization of the Daughters of the American Revolution on "Forest Conservation." These women, like most of the present-day club women, are intensely interested in civic problems and are anxious to co-operate with city and state in solving them. They lead the men in such activities.

One day last week Rev. R. S. Beasley, pastor of Hunter Memorial Church, came in with seven subscriptions, and the promise that he would soon have a 100 per cent list. He reports that on a recent Sunday he presented the Missionary Special and Conference Claims to his people and secured the quota for the former in full, and almost half on the latter. He expects to have everything in full this year and a healthy increase in members.

In his "Francis Asbury" Dr. W. L. Duren says: "In the organization of the Church he accepted leadership without the slightest apparent elation, and sought no pecuniary advantage over the humblest and least prepared minister on the field. For thirty years he toiled unceasingly and in all weathers for the munificent sum of eighty dollars per year; and this he shared with his mother while she lived, and often with the poverty-stricken men on the frontiers."

Rev. W. W. Nelson, pastor of our church at Dermott, came up Monday in his car to bring Bishop Boaz back from that little city, where he had preached Sunday night to a great congregation after having preached at eleven that day at McGehee. At the morning service Brother Nelson's congregation pledged the special missionary quota of \$300 and \$2,300 on the church debt. All things are in good condition in that fine charge.

SUNDAY BASEBALL.

The Sunday Baseball Bill was passed by the Senate last week by a vote of 18 to 14. Those voting for it were Beasley, Caldwell, Chaney, Counts, Danner, Dillon, Grabel, Hollinsworth, Hutto, Kimsey, Tate McGehee, Milum, Quarles, Raney, Spence, Thornton, Wahlquist and Wilson; voting against it were: C. I. Brewer, J. F. Brewer, Butt, Clerget, Gentry, George, Hardy, Jones, Scott McGehee, McKennon, Nelson, Purkins, Rankin and Warnock; not voting: Hall, Jimmerson, Waldron.

It is believed that Governor Parnell will veto it. If so, and the 18 senators and 51 representatives who have supported it should hold together, it could be passed over the veto; because it requires only a majority of all members of each house to overcome a veto, although it has been stated, erroneously, that it required a two-thirds vote. We urge our law-abiding readers to com-

municate promptly with their senators and representatives asking them to vote against it if it comes up again, as the change of a single vote in either House would prevent its becoming a law.

It is a thoroughly pernicious measure, and members have excused themselves for voting for it because they knew that it would only apply in Pulaski County, and that it gave the people of Pulaski County the right to settle the question for themselves. If it were a fencing bill or something that really affected only Pulaski County, that argument should be heeded; but by its evil influence it will affect directly the people for a hundred miles around, and by bad example the whole state. We believe it can be shown that it is unconstitutional; but we should not wait to let the courts settle it; but settle it now by using proper influence to obtain its defeat.

You should also protest against Sunday Movies and Race-Track Gambling; because the former are being promoted and the latter will come up if these other measures prevail. Now is the time to do your work to defeat pernicious measures.

DEATH OF BISHOP THEODORE S. HENDERSON.

The secular press reports that Bishop Henderson, one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died of pneumonia, in a hospital at Cincinnati, on February 11. He was born at Milburn, N. J., May 14, 1868, educated in Centenary Collegiate Institute, Wesleyan University, and Drew Theological Seminary. July 31, 1896, he married Miss Dora Mooney of Brooklyn, who survives him. His pastoral service was rendered largely in Connecticut and Brooklyn and New York cities. From 1906 to 1908 he was secretary of the General Conference Commission for Aggressive Evangelism, and when he was elected bishop in 1912 had been pastor of Hanson Place Church, Brooklyn, for four years. He was a great pastor of the evangelistic type and became an inspiring episcopal leader. At the time of his death he was resident bishop for the Church in Ohio and Kentucky. Cut off at the age of 61, he was in the midst of active and fruitful service and will be sorely missed by his Church.

HENDERSON-BROWN COLLEGE AND THE LEGISLATURE.

A bill providing for taking over Henderson-Brown College by the state for the purpose of making it a Teachers' College, was passed unanimously by our Senate last week and may have passed the House when this has reached our readers. At first there was opposition and some unseemly remarks were made; but soon objection was withdrawn and all agreed. This would seem to presage favorable action in the House. As similar action is proposed in another bill for Sloan-Hendrix Academy, remarks have been made in disparagement of the Methodist Church to the effect that the Church is seeking to unload some of its surplus institutions on the state.

It should be understood that organized Methodism has made no proposition to dispose of Henderson-Brown to the state; but the future of this institution is in the hands of the Board of Thirty appointed by the Conferences. Under a provision in the action of the Conferences, the Board would have the right to dispose of the property, if it should see fit; but so far it has taken no action. However, it is supposed that, if the citizens of Arkadelphia and the intimate friends of the College favor such action, it might be had.

Our feeling is complex and several elements are involved. For the last four years we have unhesitatingly opposed the creation of any more higher institutions by the state on the ground that our University, Teachers' College, and four Agricultural Schools are enough at present and that the state should devote sufficient funds to the better maintenance of these six rather than start others simply to please certain communities. We have not changed our opinion. However, there has been a demand on the part of some good citizens for another Teachers' College, and especially for another state institution in Southern Arkansas. If that demand is so insistent and strong that it cannot be resisted by the Legislature, then we have no hesitancy in saying that Arkadelphia is an admirable place for it. It is a community of culture and refinement and believes strongly in good schools, and affords the right kind of atmosphere for a college.

We have consistently contended that Meth-

odists had no schools to give away, and that if our chief school should go to Little Rock, the colleges at Arkadelphia and Conway, as well as at Searcy, should be retained and correlated with the greater institution, and that, if the chief school is not to be at Little Rock, we should have it at Arkadelphia or Conway and the other location should still have an institution, but of different type.

Nothing has happened to change that opinion. However, we have always been ready to allow any of these communities to take over its school, if it was not satisfied with its place in the system; and if the citizens of Arkadelphia and the best friends of Henderson-Brown prefer to make the proposed disposition of the College without waiting to have the Board finally decide on the location of the greater institution, and the Legislature decides that the state must have another Teachers' College, we raise no objection, and feel reasonably sure that the Board of Thirty would approve.

It is not our solution. It is against our best judgment for the state to undertake the enterprise; but if the conditions are as indicated above, it is probably the best solution of a part of a perplexing problem of both the Methodist Church and the state. But we want it distinctly understood that the Methodist Church in Arkansas is not trying, as a Church, to settle its educational problem by saddling an unwanted institution on the state.

Although on another subject, still the connection is such that we would say that, if the Baptists of Arkansas wish the state, on favorable conditions, to take over their Hospital, we favor it; because we think that the state needs such an institution as proposed, and that might be the best way to get it. Furthermore, we are heartily in favor of securing ample grounds outside the city for the Hospital for Nervous Diseases, and of removing from the present site before some terrible tragedy occurs by the burning of the old buildings. The sale of the present property will provide a considerable part of the necessary funds.

ARKANSAS METHODIST CAMPAIGN.

In order to increase the circulation of the *Arkansas Methodist*, plans have been worked out and the time for each District is being set. Already several Districts have agreed on the time and the committees have been appointed. Several of the Presiding Elders have sent in the list of the names of the Committees on Christian Literature and the Commissioner is sending back to them, as fast as the names are sent in, a letter telling them of their work.

I am urgently requesting each Pastor and Presiding Elder to co-operate cheerfully and fully with us in doing a job of which you will be proud.

General Plans for District Campaigns to Increase the Circulation of the *Arkansas Methodist* and Other Christian Literature.

Realizing that our country is being flooded with literature, harmful and even vicious, we should bestir ourselves in the dissemination of Christian Literature.

First. Let each pastor, using the Committees on Christian Literature and any other helpers he may find available, make an honest effort to place the *Arkansas Methodist* in every Methodist home. Also, we should increase the circulation of the Nashville Christian Advocate, the Missionary Voice, the Methodist Laymen, the Methodist Quarterly Review, and the Epworth Era.

Second. We are planning a week for every District, during which time an intensive campaign is to be put on to increase the circulation of the *Methodist* and to collect all arrears from past due subscribers. All churches are to put the campaign on simultaneously throughout the District.

Third. In order to prepare the Committees for this year, instructions will be sent from the office, and it is hoped that the pastors will call the Committees together and instruct them.

Fourth. The Committees are composed of those elected at the first Quarterly Conference to assist the Pastors in the circulation of Christian Literature, the President of the Board of Stewards, the Lay Leader, the Missionary Voice Agent from the Woman's Missionary Society, and the Era Agent.

Fifth. During the week of intensive work there should be group meetings of several charges, arranging these groups so that the meeting is easily reached from each charge in the group. The number of groups will be determined by distance and accessibility. Ordinarily about three groups to the District will be best. Meeting at

some accessible place and eating luncheon together is a good plan; or the meeting could be some evening. The work of soliciting should go right along every day throughout the week. The group meetings should not take more than two hours from the work of the day.

Sixth. The Presiding Elder is the General of the District, and the Pastors are the Captains, and both Presiding Elder and Pastors should attend as many of these meetings as possible.

Seventh. Our goal is to increase the circulation of the *Arkansas Methodist* from 12,000 to 16,000. This will require a minimum of 250 new subscribers to each District, or one subscriber to every eight members. Our ultimate goal is one subscriber to every six members.

Eighth. The price of the *Arkansas Methodist* is:

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100 per cent club (or one for each six members), cash.....	1.00
For an accident policy add 90 cents.	

Ninth. While we are soliciting for the *Arkansas Methodist* there is also being carried on in a quiet way a campaign for funds with which to erect the proposed Headquarters Building on the lot already purchased and for which we yet owe. All of you will be interested in this enterprise and many will find some friends who can and will help us in doing this long neglected work. It is too bad to think of; 128,000 Methodists in this state and they have not nor ever did have a Headquarters Building. Every Life Insurance Company and Lodge has a Headquarters Building. Stay on the job, dear friends, and we shall have such a building ere long.

The dwelling on the lot purchased is of great value to us now. Come to see us and look your property over.—J. J. Galloway, Commissioner.

A VISIT TO CARTHAGE CHARGE.

Rev. G. L. Cagle, the active and progressive pastor of Carthage Charge, had made arrangements for me to spend Sunday, February 3, with him; hence I preached at Carthage at 11:00 a. m., at Mt. Zion, about five miles northeast, at 3:00 p. m., and at Tulip, about six miles west, at night, and addressed the school at Carthage Monday morning, and had fine congregations and a good hearing at each place. The roads connecting these places are, for the most part, excellent gravel highways, and travel over them in a good car is easy and pleasant. A short stretch of the road to Mt. Zion was in bad condition on account of heavy hauling by lumbermen who are taking out logs for the mill at Carthage.

We have an active membership of 150 at Carthage. Mr. J. R. Nutt is the reliable chairman of the official board. Under the superintendency of Mr. J. A. McGuire a good Sunday School is maintained. The fine W. M. S. has for its president Mrs. L. F. Griffin, and Miss Mary Upton is the president of an efficient Epworth League. Following Rev. J. W. Nethercutt, who was greatly beloved, Brother Cagle found the charge in fair condition. The greatest handicap is in the location of the church at Carthage, on one side of the town, and rather inaccessible. Then more room is needed for the Sunday School, which might be considerably increased with more spacious quarters. The question of moving and enlargement is under advisement.

Mt. Zion has a small membership, only ten, with a large frame building. Most of the members have moved to town and the people in the neighborhood are chiefly Baptists. The appointment is kept up for the sake of a few good old people who have been faithful and love the old church where dear ones are buried. As there is not much farming and the virgin forest has been cut, there is little prospect of growth. The future of this community depends on the preservation of the forest.

Tulip, as our readers know, is one of the oldest settlements in Arkansas. Two generations ago it was settled by some of the finest people in the South, who had good schools and healthful surroundings among the pine trees of the upland while they farmed in the bottoms. With the coming of the railroads and the founding of Malvern and Fordyce, business men moved, and where once were elegant homes are now many deserted farms and a village of half a dozen families. Once the home of such worthies as Dr. A. R. Winfield, Dr. Andrew Hunter, and Rev. J. E. Caldwell, Tulip is now a neighborhood of a few fine people who are proud of the part their community

has played in the history of Church and State. It was a great pleasure to be entertained in the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Matthews. He is a son of Rev. G. W. Matthews and she is a daughter of Rev. J. E. Caldwell, two notable itinerants. When I was in Tulip twelve years ago I was the guest of Brother Caldwell, and had the privilege of preaching in the historic church and from the old-fashioned high pulpit of the pioneers. This has been replaced by a tasteful, modern church with three Sunday School rooms, and is called Caldwell Memorial. The old pulpit and pews, somewhat modernized, have been preserved. There are 75 members and they are of the "salt of the earth." Mr. H. Matthews is chairman of a faithful official board, and Mr. J. W. Williams, brother of Rev. J. C. Williams, is superintendent of a good Sunday School. He seems to be as full of vim and vigor as his preacher brother. The father lives there, but I was not able to see him. This historic neighborhood, on the highway between Fordyce and Malvern, should be visited by those who treasure the traditions of the pioneers.

In addition to these three places, Brother Cagle preaches at Willow and Rolla, small societies rather inconveniently situated to reach from Carthage. However, the roads throughout this section are good; even the country roads are almost equal to the graveled highways on account of the gravel in the soil. The whole region was once covered with a splendid growth of pine and hardwood forest, but now is practically all cut over and will not improve much except as the timber growth is encouraged. Most of the people believe in forest conservation, and would welcome assistance from the state to protect the trees from fire.

Carthage is a town of some 600 people, nicely located on a gravel ridge. It has good stores, mills, and homelike residences. It cannot be expected to grow much larger because the farm lands are not being opened and the timber supply is almost exhausted. It has an excellent bank, of which Mr. J. A. McGuire is cashier. The mills are for rough lumber, staves, and shingles. A good school of twelve grades is maintained, with Mr. Edgar Richardson, of the State Teachers' College, as principal, assisted by three teachers. About 125 pupils are enrolled. The building is an old two-story frame, on a level block. There is talk of a new building on a larger tract and further out. If outlying districts were included, the school could be strengthened. I enjoyed visiting it with Brother Cagle, who has regular days to address the pupils. Brother Cagle, a Henderson-Brown man, who was a regular soldier for three years, knows how to associate with young people. Sister Cagle, bright and accomplished, takes an active part in the work of the church, and is a helpful pastor's assistant. The parsonage is a small cottage two blocks from the church. In it I was delightfully entertained. Brother Cagle is making a good start and has hopes of a successful year. He speaks well of his people and they act as if they were pleased with him. He promises a 100 per cent subscription list for the paper.—A. C. M.

DEATH OF REV. R. J. RAIFORD.

After several years of failing health Rev. R. J. Raiford died February 5, at the home of his daughter at Texarkana. The funeral was in Magnolia where he had spent many years. The services in the Methodist Church were in charge of his lifelong friend, Rev. J. A. Sage, who was assisted by Revs. J. D. Baker, J. L. Hoover, F. M. Freeman, T. M. Armstrong, and R. M. Holland. The Masons attended and conducted the services at the cemetery. The church was crowded and floral offerings were profuse. Born at Raleigh, N. C., March 25, 1850, Brother Raiford came with his parents to Calhoun County, Ark., where he spent most of his youth. Admitted into the Little Rock Conference on trial in 1889, he became a useful member, serving many of the hard circuits and doing the full work of an itinerant until feeble health forced his superannuation a few years ago, after which he spent most of his time with his daughter and in Texas. He is survived by his wife and three sons, O. C. of Mineral Springs, and J. W. and Ben of Magnolia, and a daughter, Mrs. J. E. Gantt of Texarkana, and by ten grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Brother Raiford was a good man, an exemplary citizen, and a faithful preacher, devoting his life unreservedly to the welfare of the Church which he loved. He will be missed. Sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

THE UNITED STATES AND 1929 The Wealth and the Strength of the Nation.

By Harry Earl Woolever,
Editor of the National Methodist Press.

The United States is the modern Croesus of the nations of the world, a nation whose wealth is not only unprecedented but, in fact, unapproximated. Thus this republic enters the new year with all the inescapable responsibilities which unmeasured wealth and an unrivaled position in international affairs impose. A people can with greater safety withstand the trials of poverty than the temptations of a great abundance. Great wealth easily and quickly acquired is seldom accompanied by great humility, unless the acquiring of such material prosperity be overshadowed by a deep sense of spiritual responsibility.

The Wealth of the Nation.

The national wealth of the United States is variously estimated. Some authorities place it well above \$400,000,000,000, while conservative quotations put the amount at \$320,803,862,000. As wealth is relative, the only way it can be estimated or grasped is by comparison. The next richest of the nations is the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, with a wealth of \$120,000,000,000. These figures reveal this Republic as being over twice as wealthy as the nation of next greatest financial resources. Germany, ranking third, is rated as worth \$75,550,000,000, and France at \$52,000,000,000.

Again, the invoice at the opening of the new calendar year shows the United States a creditor among the

nations. The governments of the world acknowledge financial obligation to the United States of over eleven and a half billion dollars, which is more than half the present public debt of the United States Government. The public debt of this nation has been reduced approximately five billion dollars during the past five years. On November 30, last, the remaining debt was \$17,402,382,148. Whereas the other governments of the world are heavily indebted to the United States, this nation's financial obligations are to people of this country. This is to say that, financially speaking, what this nation owes it owes to itself, to the people who make up the nation. However, spiritually speaking, her wealth puts her under international obligations such as no other nation has.

"Lest We Forget."

People who acquire quick and easy wealth are often accused of forgetting from whence they came. How easy and yet how fatal it would be for this nation in its abundance to forget its past and its ideals. At the opening of this new year, we are reminded of our origin by the words of President Calvin Coolidge:

"We have come to our present high estate through toil and suffering and sacrifice. That which was required to produce the present standards of society will ever be required for their maintenance. Unless this is an eternal readiness to respond with the same faith, the same courage, and the same devotion in the defense of our institutions which were exhibited in their establishment, we shall be dispossessed, and others of a sterner fibre will seize

on our inheritance. . . .

"It is altogether natural that those who are connected with religious institutions should be interested in supporting good government. Their interest comes not merely from the ethical teachings of their faith, which are always finally on the side of liberty and justice, established through the maintenance of the orderly processes of the law, but it comes from a realization that in its historical development also religion has laid the foundation of government. This is pre-eminently true of our American political system. It neither seeks nor claims any justification for its existence, save righteousness. It had its beginnings, it found its inspiration, in the religious beliefs of the men who settled our country, made it an independent nation, and established and maintained its Constitution and its laws. If it is to endure, it will be through the support of men of like mind and like character."

Not Armies, but Moral Strength.

Today in Congress one hears a great deal about armies and navies. Those who are the most ardent backers of a great national fighting force fall back on what they term "the needs of preparedness," but such legislators must be ignorant or forgetful of the facts of our history. President Coolidge's words point to the foundation upon which the Republic has been builded and to the most essential need of the present, if the nation is to endure—a religious citizenship.

We are now in the midst of that period during which, as John R. Mott said, when on a visit to the capital city, "Christianity is going to have the most difficult time in all its his-

tory." The forces of evil and of the anti-Christ are organizing and subtly fighting as never before, and all the strength and resources of Christianity need to be put into action in order to overcome materialism, atheism and selfishness at the seat of the Government and in the life of the people.

The Census Bureau has just told us that the members of religious bodies in this country now number over 55,000,000. The Churches show by these figures an average gain of over a million a year during the past decade, which means that with the present virility of the Church, at least a quarter of the people now making up this nation will have died before they have been vitally reached by the forces of the Gospel. We look out upon the new year as a people enormously rich materially but lacking at present the spiritual vitality necessary for the Christianizing of the people of our own nation.

Christ in the Halls of Congress.

Again quoting the words of that great Christian statesman, John R. Mott, when looking into the eyes of a number of Congressmen here at Washington: "My friend, Robert Speer, said once in my hearing that one martyr for Christ was worth more than a million dollars for the cause. Well, sometimes I think, today, that one unselfish statesman is an asset you can't compute in money, as he could not compute in money that other great asset."

Today, for Americans, the great concern need not be for the collection of foreign debts nor the building of great military forces, but rather for the developing and deep-

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Be sure to reach your goal in the freewill offering. Do not fail to do your part—in justice to the cause and to the other charges. Only as we all move together, each carrying his just share of the load, can we succeed.

If you do not know the goal of your charge, ask your presiding elder. You can reach it if the cultivation plans are carried out faithfully and in full.

ening of the spiritual life of the citizenry and for the strengthening of the great body of national legislators with those Christian ideals and influences which will aid them in translating into national laws and international policy the highest spiritual principles of the people of this nation.

Here is a Capitol set on a hill, a nation as a light among the nations, whose foundation is that of religion. To one assigned by the Church to the responsibility of observing from the vantage point of the National Cap-



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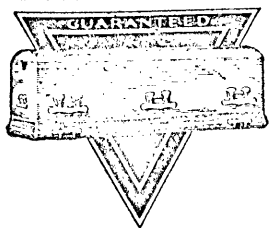
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tal the activities and tendencies of this Republic, the words of the Chief Executive again afford the message we would bring to our Christian readers at the opening of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-nine:

"Most of all there is need of religion. From that source alone came freedom. Nothing else touches the soul of man. Nothing else justifies faith in the people."

And with millions of others would we join in this prayer:

"Not for this land alone,
But be God's mercies shown
From shore to shore;
And may the nations see
That men should brothers be,
And form one family
The wide world o'er."
Washington, D. C.

ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

By W. P. Whaley.

The Country Jesus Tried to Save.

Dear Cousins—When we were little Sunday School children at old Ebenezer, Egypt and Palestine were pictured to us as distant lands that three thousand years ago were full of donkeys, camels and strange peoples. I guess our teacher was right, Tom, for that is a good picture of these old countries now.

Do you remember how we boys used to think those Israelite youngsters must have had a lot of fun camping out along through the wilderness, not having to plow corn for bread, and having plenty of birds to eat? I know I used to wonder if that was not the reason they took forty years to make the trip to Canaan.

We made the trip in ten hours the night of July 10—Cairo to Jerusalem—but we didn't have much fun. We sat up all night on a crowded train, crossing the Suez Canal on a ferry boat about midnight, and reaching Jerusalem in time for breakfast.

But it was wonderful to be in Jerusalem, at any cost and inconvenience—this center of religious history and ancient type of the New Jerusalem.

I suppose Jerusalem has been a religious center several thousand years. Fifteen hundred years before Christ, Abraham brought his bride from Ur, and they set up their tents in the plains of Canaan and went into the sheep and cattle business. Soon they began to have dreams of a large family and the possession of this wonderful country of milk and honey. At that time Jerusalem was called Salem, and Melchizedek was its king and priest. Several hundred years later when the Israelites reached Canaan, the name had been changed to Jebus, and it was such a strongly fortified center of Baal worship that the Israelites were not able to take it for many years. In 1040 B. C., the dashing young warrior, David, went against it with 280,000 men and captured it. Then the different names the place had borne were combined into one, and for three thousand years it has been called Jerusalem. David moved the tabernacle to Mt. Moriah. Solomon built the temple there. Here, by the friendship and aid of Cyrus, King of Persia, those returning from captivity in Babylon rebuilt the temple. Here, also, Herod rebuilt the temple which was standing in the days of Jesus, and which was later destroyed by Titus. So, the Jews kept it a sacred city. In the Fourth Century A. D., St. Helena, mother of the Roman emperor Constantine, built churches over the place of the crucifixion and the holy sepulcher and other places especially sacred to Christians, in order to preserve Jerusalem as a religious center for

Christians. In the Seventh Century the Mohammedans took the city; and, in spite of the Crusaders and others, have held it since. They have built here the Mosque of Omar on the site of Melchizedek's altar, the stone where Abraham almost sacrificed Isaac, the place of ancient Baal worship, the Mt. Moriah of Solomon's temple, and the location of one of St. Helena's Christian churches. So the greatest mosque of Mohammedanism seeks to perpetuate Jerusalem as a religious center.

This old city, which Solomon made the magnificent capital of his extensive empire and the holy temple-center of Judaism, has been many times destroyed and rebuilt. Heathen, Jews, Christians and Mohammedans have contended for its possession with the fiercest passion and at terrific cost in treasure and blood. In Egypt, Palestine and Syria we were shown the broken masonry of the Crusaders' cities, forts and tombs.

Jesus tried to save Jerusalem, but He could not. "How often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathered her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate!" The saddest history made on this globe is the story of two thousand years of desolation around Jerusalem! It has experienced a bitter fulfillment of Christ's prophecy "that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar." Even the temple which he could not rescue from the official thieves and robbers was not to be spared: "There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down." Of course, after each destruction, the city has been rebuilt mainly of the old stones that were thrown down, and at a single glance you may see blocks and columns that have occupied many places in successive buildings; but it is pitiful to follow guides around while they try to find bits of wall where a few stones are thought to be in place since the days of Solomon or Jesus. Not many such places can be found, and there is always uncertainty about these.

A desperate effort to redeem and save Jerusalem is now going on. It is now a city of nearly a hundred thousand. Down in some of the old quarters you will meet ancient-looking people with primitive customs and in primitive conditions. All around the walls, additions are being laid out, debris cleared away, and modern structures put up. This is due mainly to the Zionist movement among the Jews of other countries—a kind of patriotic and religious sentiment—to acquire again the land of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Rich Jews are retiring from business and settling here. Shrewd Jews are going into the real estate business and trying to induce others to come to the land of their fathers. Immense sums of money are being collected from Jews all over the world to finance the Zionist movement. Here and there, little plots of farm land are being bought, irrigating wells are being put down, orchards and vineyards are being put out, and colonies of Jews brought in. Some of these young experiments are beautiful and full of promise now; but the question is, can they survive the withdrawal of foreign capital? We know that farmers are in desperate plight in the most favored lands. How can they succeed here in the midst of the hardest conditions in the world? We were told that for every five Jews that go into Palestine, eight leave.

Conditions are hard all over Palestine. We traveled by auto the whole length of the land, and made excursions over the hills of Judea to the Dead Sea and through the plains of Sharon and Esdraelon to Nazareth and the Lake of Galilee. I had not imagined such a barren waste in the whole world as all Judea is. All Palestine is more rugged and mountainous than the region of the Ozarks. Thousands of years ago it was well timbered, had a rich soil, was blessed with rain, and was famed as the land of milk and honey. Today there is not a vestige of native timber save a thin line of scrubby green that clings for dear life to the steep banks of the narrow Jordan as the naked, white-hot mountains crowd down and threaten to devour it.

Some rain falls in winter and early spring, but for nine months there is no rain. In vast sections there is no soil on the mountains, except handfuls caught in crevices. In these, wisps of grass spring up in the rainy season and die with the coming of summer. Along these hot and bare mountain sides the goat-herd leads his flock. Most of the sheep I have seen in Palestine are goats, and it is the poorest place I ever saw to be a goat.

On some mountains and hills there is more soil, and it is terraced into narrow benches and held by rock wells. In such places a little wheat and fruit are grown.

Occasionally a spring breaks out from a mountain side, and it is always ditched down into the valley and made to irrigate every foot possible. On our trip to the Dead Sea, we crossed the brook Cherith, where Elijah was fed by the ravens. That comes from a spring far up a deep, barren gorge, and is carried by a rock trench to a little valley of a few acres, where bananas and lemons and oranges and figs and grapes and pomegranates and garden vegetables grow luxuriously. A little farther along toward the Dead Sea, we stopped at Jericho. That is a good-sized village in a valley perhaps two miles square. It is watered by what is known as Elisha's fountain. The story in 2nd Kings is that the water was originally bad, and the citizens talked to Elisha about it. Elisha called for some salt, which he threw into the spring and healed it. For these thousands of years this abundance of sweet water has been carefully spread on these fertile acres, and I have rarely seen more luxuri-

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ant growth. We all stopped, drank water, ate grapes, bought bananas, watched the hot camels plunge into the pool below, and had a pleasant time with the friendly people.

Jerusalem.

July 12, 1928.

REPORT ON TAXATION.

Report of the Arkansas Commission on Business Laws and Taxation, gives 10 basic recommendations on laws and taxation. These are not outlined in the form of legislative bills, however, which is considered by the commission as the duty of the Arkansas Tax Commission, if the recommendations are acceptable.

Copies of the printed report may be obtained by sending for them at the commission's office, 1006 Rector Building, Third and Spring streets.

The 10 recommendations by the commission follow:

1. That the township assessment system be abolished and County Equalization Boards be restored, the members thereof to be appointed, at least in part, by the State Tax Commission or the governor, or both.

2. That no excise or income tax law be passed.

3. That all back tax laws be repealed.

4. That new revenue, if necessary, be sought from a system of state privilege taxes such as those of Virginia and North Carolina.

5. That legislation be enacted creating a State Board of Tributary

Flood Control.

6. That assessment of property at full value be regained by law, provided the various levies be automatically lowered so as to prevent an increase in any tax on property.

7. That the inheritance tax law be amended so as (a) to incorporate the standard "reciprocity clause" as approved by the special committee of the National Tax Association; (b) reduce the rate in the higher brackets, and (c) to include the usual absolute exemptions at moderate amounts in lieu of the present conditional exemptions.

8. That every effort be made to strengthen and amend all revenue laws so as to insure the listing of all taxable property now escaping, and to provide effective means therefor, to the end that all property shall bear its just share of the common burden.

9. That the lifting of any part of the county road tax and substituting therefor revenue to be derived from an increase in the motor fuel tax be disapproved.

10. Approved the enactment of a Department of Conservation, with the purpose of protecting our timber stands from devastation by forest fires and to co-operate with the United States Department of Agriculture to that end.

Milum, Waterman and Vaughan dissented on proposition No. 2; Waterman and Vaughan dissented on proposition No. 4 and Waterman and Vaughan dissented on proposition No. 9. The other proposals were adopted unanimously.—Arkansas Gazette.

THE BISHOP OF AFRICA.

In derision and in sport Bishop Cannon was called the "Bishop of Africa" by the Virginia politicians. The Bishop of Africa was very much in evidence in the United States of America on the sixth of November. Our office-holders would have gladly secured for him a passport and out of their missionary zeal would have paid his passage to that far-off field. Kipling used to express unbounded admiration for certain Indian troops because "they broke the British square." Cannon did a bigger job. He broke the solid South.

In derision our Jim was called one quart Cannon. By the time he got through deluging these leaders with votes they doubtless thought that, at least, they should have called him a hogs-head. Some of the papers cartooned him. The pictures that were used as a basis of their cartoons were taken when our friend was young and, at least, handsomer than he is at the present time. They called him a pope—not Pope Pius, but Pope Jim, the first. He certainly spoke ex-cathedra when he told them on the sixth, in language of the Scripture, "to go to now." They went. There were two other popes along with our bishop, namely, Pope Edwin and Pope Horace. How Bishop Moore got lost in the shuffle needs some explanation. Pope John sounds more ecclesiastical than any other of the names mentioned.

A number have been uneasy about Bishop Cannon's health. The writer some months ago had blocked out in his mind an obituary notice. He has not even filed it for future reference. This invalid usually spoke twice a day. He has never been noted for brevity, but on these occasions he spoke from two hours and a half to three hours. He did not seem to tire and neither did the people. The politicians were tired before he

FOR YOUTH

MY CREED.

This is my creed: To do some good,
To bear my ills without complaining,

To press on as a brave man should
For honors that are worth the gaining;

To seek no profits where I may,
By winning them, bring grief to others;

To do some service day by day
In helping on my toiling brothers.

This is my creed: To close my eyes
To little faults of those around me;
To strive to be when each day dies
Some better than the morning found me;

To ask for no unearned applause,
To cross no river until I reach it;
To see the merit of the cause
Before I follow those who preach it.

—S. E. Kiser.

GO SLEEP, YOUNG MAN.

From the Edinburgh University publication, The Student:

"The heights by great men reached
and kept

Were not attained by sudden flight,
But they, while their companions danced,

Were sleeping soundly through the night."

WHY HE WAS TRIPPED.

When a gasoline explosion in an automobile filling station set the clothes of an attendant on fire, the young man, with his hair in flames, started to run down the street. He was evidently so dazed and panic-stricken that he failed to realize what a foolish thing he was doing, and that his running only served to fan the flames.

The driver of a passing truck took in the situation at a glance and, jumping down, pursued the frightened victim. Without losing a moment in explanation, he tripped him to the sidewalk rather roughly, but stopping his headlong flight. Then he rolled him on the ground until the fire was smothered out, but he was

began. Had the campaign continued two months longer our Bishop would have been fat. The diet of enemies seemed to agree with his digestion. And he broke the solid South.

During the campaign the Bishop of Africa has said that if the Church wishes his resignation that he will resign at the next General Conference. It is unusual to hear a Bishop speak of resigning, and it were well if such a precedent might be established, but if Pope James waits until a General Conference asks him to resign he will be doing business when the heavens are rolled together as a scroll. In an hour of crisis our own Jim Cannon proved himself one of the ablest leaders and political generals of the nation. Today he is easily the strongest figure in our Southland—a man of commanding influence. After he leaves us for good—and he seems to have indefinitely postponed the date of his going—we will then as Methodists conjure with his name. For has he not largely given to the nation prohibition, and in the hour of peril has he not saved it, and has he not broken the solid South? We reserve the right to criticize you when you are wrong, but our hats are off to you today, Pope James, for you broke the solid South.—J. W. Moore in Richmond Christian Advocate.

badly burned about the hands and face.

Without a doubt his life was saved by the presence of mind and prompt action of the truck driver, who stopped him in his foolish flight. How fortunate it was that a level-headed person happened along at the critical moment to save him from himself! What a blessing it would be if some such level-headed person would appear on the scene at the crucial moment and trip us up as abruptly when we were headed on a foolish course. Without a doubt we should want to stop and argue the matter, and explain that we knew what we were doing, and would prefer not to be interfered with, utterly ignoring the kindness that had been done us.

Sometimes this very thing does happen—we are tripped up unceremoniously by an interested onlooker or some unexpected circumstance, and stopped in our foolish flight. But do we appreciate being saved from ourselves and our folly? On the contrary, we are apt to ask why we should be treated so, to be filled with indignation rather than a deep sense of gratitude to the tripper for bringing us to our senses. When there is someone who thinks enough of us to do the tripping, should we not take it with the best grace possible, and show ourselves worthy of the sincere interest and affection that prompted it.—Onward.

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FOR CHILDREN

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Sing when the skies are overcast,
Sing when the rain is falling fast.

Sing, happy heart, when the sun is warm,
Sing in the winter's coldest storm;
Sing little songs, O heart so true,
Sing, for the world has need of you.
—My Book House.

HOW IT STARTED AND ENDED.

"I did not!"
"Yes, you did, too!"
Thus the little quarrel started,
Thus by unkind little words
Two fond friends were parted

"I am sorry."

"So am I."

Thus the little quarrel ended,
Thus, by loving little words
Two fond hearts were mended.
—Jewels.

DON'S LOST PENNY.

Don was making a snow man in the side yard. The snow was not damp enough to pack well. Besides, Don's little brown dog Penny kept getting in the way.

Penny seemed to think that the snow man was something for him to knock over or pull down. He jumped at it, bit off mouthfuls of snow, pushed his body against the part where Don was working.

"I'll have you shut in the house if you don't behave! You'll have to stay there till supper!" Don threatened.

Penny seemed to understand. He was too gay and active a pet to like being shut indoors while his master was out in this lovely snow. For almost five minutes he sat on the sidewalk and just watched. Don was just thinking how cute he looked with one snowy ear cocked up, when over came Penny in a wild, wild rush.

He almost knocked Don into the snow man, and that would have spoiled it surely. Don was very cross. He ran at Penny with a big snowball. "Get away, you bad dog!" he screamed.

Penny ran as if he was terribly frightened. He got behind the fence of the new next-door boy's yard. The new boy was just Don's size and had been here only one night. Don wondered if he saw the snow man.

"I guess he sees it now, anyway!" said Don proudly. The boy had come out to mail a letter at the corner. Don pretended to be too busy to look

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up. He thought the new boy must think this a good snow man for a day when the snow didn't pack better.

Don was through with it now and wanted a romp with his little dog. Where was the scamp? Don was out on the walk looking for him when the new boy came by.

"Have you seen my Penny?" he asked, just as he'd have asked Bob or Elmer.

The new boy shook his head. He acted rather stiff and was walking on. Then he turned around and began looking in the snow by the path.

"It wouldn't be easy to find a penny here. Maybe you built it right into the snow man! Then you'll find it when he melts."

Don laughed hard. "I don't mean a money penny," he exclaimed. "My dog Penny was playing here. He went into your yard. Now he's gone."

"The little dog you threw at?" The new boy's face looked queer. Don's own face went red.

"I didn't hit Penny. I just pretended to throw at him, when he bothered me so."

"I knew you didn't hit him, but it didn't look as if he'd be your own dog to run so. I hoped he was a tramp puppy I could keep. He's in our house now. I'll let him out."

"Can't you call for somebody to open the door while you see if he acts like a tramp dog? Then you stay and play in the snow."

The new boy had to go ask his mamma about that. It seemed a long while before he opened the door again. Don couldn't tell why he felt so queer while he waited. The sun seemed to hurt his eyes, so he had half turned around, when out came Penny in a glad rush.

"He's your dog, all right," said the new boy. Penny showed that very clearly, and oh, how good Don felt now.

He looked up from stroking Penny under the chin. "He's my very own dog, but Penny is friends with all the boys. He'll be a special friend of yours, because you live next door." —Our Little Ones.

A TWELVE-YEAR-OLD GIRL TO THE RESCUE.

We often hear of brave dogs saving the lives of children, but we read the other day in The Mail and Empire an unusual story about Sylvia Lahti, a little twelve-year-old Michigan girl. Sylvia and her younger brother live with their parents on a big farm.

One day last November, Sylvia and her brother were at home alone. They were playing in the house when they heard a shrill cry. Sylvia knew from the cry that their pet dog was in very great trouble. She ran out quickly and found that a wolf had the dog by the throat. It had come out of the timber near the farm. Sylvia glanced around, and spying a large stick, grabbed it up quickly. She ran back wondering how best to help her pet. She walked round and round the fighting pair until she saw her chance. Then raising the club as high as she could, she brought it down with all her strength on the wolf's head. Again and again she did this until the wolf fell to the ground.

Sylvia ran into the house for a rope. She trussed the wolf up and dragged it 600 feet to the pole of the clothes reel in the yard of her home. The animal's body began to quiver and the wolf tried to stand up. Sylvia clubbed him again and again until he was dead.

Sylvia's love for her dog caused her to perform an unusual act of bravery.—Selected.

Woman's Missionary Department

A JUBILEE ORGANIZATION.

A Woman's Missionary Society was organized by Mrs. L. A. Smith at the Ingalls Methodist Church, January 30, 1928. Officers of this new auxiliary are:

President, Mrs. Z. T. Dees.
Vice-President, Mrs. C. H. Farmer.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. Sharp.
Superintendent of Social Service, Mrs. J. W. Garrison.
Superintendent of Mission Study and Bible Mrs. J. B. Splawn.
Secretary, Miss Mildred Clanton.
Missionary Voice Agent, Mrs. G. R. Hearnberger.

The Woman's Missionary Society has eighteen members. The Society will meet the first Wednesday afternoon in each month.

Mrs. L. A. Smith.
We take pleasure in introducing and welcoming this new Jubilee Society "in a body" to our L. R. Conference W. M. S.

Lest our department becomes too much like a city directory our older auxiliaries are introduced only through their Presidents, Treasurer and Superintendents of Y. P. and children.

It is advisable to have the full corps of officers published in the local papers of each Society after an election if space can be secured.—V. C. P.

NOTICE TO DELEGATES.

Mrs. V. O. Buck, Camden Auxiliary President requests that the elected delegates of the different Auxiliaries and their president, who expect to attend the annual meeting of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Missionary Society at the First Methodist church of Camden, April 2-5, will please send their names at once to her address, 103 Darnell Street, Camden, Ark.—Mrs. Chas. E. Mav, President

WYNNE AUXILIARY.

Recently the W. M. S. Society held the first social and program meeting of the year in the church parlors: Mrs. C. W. Backs, (agent for the Voice) was in charge of the program. The installation of our new officers was conducted by Mrs. Oliver, one of our Conference officers. Our new President has taken charge, and the first thing she did was to follow the Council recommendation and mixed our circles all up so we are meeting new friends in this way. I noticed the Paragould District has a new Secretary and they have a fine leader, for we had her in the Helena District nearly two years. Our Society is doing grand work. All the officers are showing an interest. Rev. Mr. Oliver, our pastor, is starting Dr. Goddard's book in prayer meeting this week.

Rev. Mr. Hamilton, Presiding Elder, is to give us the first chapter. I wish everybody in the Helena District could have been in Forrest City at the Retreat meeting where we were honored by having Dr. Goddard to tell us of his work. Wishing every member of the Helena District a Happy New Year.—Mrs. J. L. Hare.

WABBASEKA W. M. S.

The W. M. S. of the Wabbaseka Methodist Church met in the home of Mrs. Eugene Townsend for the January business session.

The full corps of officers for the year were installed by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Hilliard, with Mrs. L. W. Duff, President; Mrs. R. D. Garrett,

Treasurer; Supt. Study and Publicity, Mrs. W. C. Hilliard, and Supt. Children's Work, Mrs. Kate Ballard.—Mrs. W. C. Hilliard, Supt. Pub.

TEXARKANA FIRST CHURCH AUXILIARY.

We closed our year, 1928, with good reports from all departments.

Cash reports for the year showed a total of \$3,727.45 expended. \$2,533.45 was spent locally.

Late in December we gave a Tea honoring Mesdames A. R. McKinney, Conference Mission Study Supt. and Mrs. W. R. Boney, Sect. of Texarkana District, in the church parlors. It was a beautifully planned party and one hundred women called to meet the charming honorees and to enjoy the hospitality of First Church Auxiliary.

We have a most capable president in Mrs. Albert Little who is just beginning her second year in the office. Our outlook for 1929 is most encouraging and we hope to grow spiritually this year as well as materially.—Mrs. W. S. Stockhouse, Supt. of Publicity.

REPORT OF L. R. CONFERENCE SUPT. OF PUBLICITY.

Mrs. W. S. Anderson
I received reports the past quarter from 54 Adult Auxiliaries and 9 Young People's.

I mailed literature to 139 Adult Auxiliaries. I have had partial lists of Superintendents and Presidents for 1929 from two District Secretaries. I appreciate these lists and hope others will soon follow.

I find it difficult to get the literature to the right person when new rolls of officers are elected as there is always more or less confusion when changes are made. However, the difficulty would be overcome if each Auxiliary corresponding secretary would remember just to send me the names of her President and Publicity Superintendent.

Eleven Auxiliaries report they presented items of Missionary news at the Church services and 1 Young People's.

COULDN'T SLEEP

Louisiana Lady States That The First Bottle of Cardui She Took, Helped Her.

Montgomery, La.—"I was in a dreadfully run-down condition," says Mrs. Charles L. Lacroix, of this city. "I suffered a great deal of pain. I was in misery all over. I could not sit up and I could not lie down. I couldn't sleep and at times I would have dreadful vomiting spells. The aches and pains seemed to cover my whole body."

"I had taken Cardui, off and on, since 1903. It had always done me good, so when I got in this bad condition, I thought I would take it again."

"One night, my husband brought me home six bottles of Cardui and I began to take it. I could tell that I was improving from the first bottle, but I kept on taking the medicine, for I knew that I needed a tonic that would build me up and strengthen me where I was weak and run-down. That is exactly what Cardui did for me. After I had finished the sixth bottle I felt fine. I feel truly thankful for what Cardui has done for me, for I could not have gone on living in the desperate condition I was in."

Cardui is a harmless extract of valuable, medicinal herbs, and acts as a strengthening tonic. NC-200



ples. Four Adult Auxiliaries presented news at prayer meeting and 12 at Sunday School.

Twenty-seven Adult Auxiliaries and 4 Y. P's M. S. sent Missionary news items to the daily and weekly papers. Only about two were taken from the Council Bulletin.

Twenty-six Auxiliaries used Missionary posters. Sixteen Adult Auxiliaries used the poster method in advertising missions at the Church service. 13 at the Sunday Schools, and 3 at the prayer meetings. Thirty-six Adult Auxiliaries and five Young People's have program committees.

Most all who reported seem to find the literature for program material good and inspirational.

Mrs. Agnes Henry, Vice-President and Superintendent of Publicity of Tillar Auxiliary writes that Mrs. S. V. Clayton, their faithful president, has been ill of sciatic rheumatism for nearly two months. Mrs. Henry has kept the good work going and reports that the Bible and Mission Study classes are very active under the leadership of Mesdames J. T. Cheairs and V. A. Peacock.

Mrs. J. W. Willoughby of McGehee the new Supt. of Pub. has sent clippings the past few weeks telling of their activities. She adds while most of their meetings are just routine work she wants to form the habit of sending news items, so when something really happens worth while or unusual takes place she will not fail to report it.

A good habit to resolve to form in the beginning of the New Year.

The Wilmar President, Mrs. R. A. McClintock, has been confined to her room since the holidays on account of flu the new Bible Study book, Spiritual Adventuring, is being studied each month in connection with the business meetings.

Mrs. L. A. Smith, a former Missionary to Korea, now the wife of our pastor at Hermitage, is doing good work by going over the Monticello District addressing congregations on the subject of Missions. She is such a delightful speaker that she interests and inspires her audience.

Her influence and time are not confined to Hermitage. She is proving valuable to the whole district and we are glad she is sojourning in our midst.

A new Society under her untiring zeal has been organized at Ingall's.

Mother!

Child's Best Laxative is
"California Fig Syrup"



Hurry Mother! Even a bilious, constipated, feverish child loves the pleasant taste of "California Fig Syrup" and it never fails to open the bowels. A teaspoonful today may prevent a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.

and one revived at Mt. Carmel.

Never before has Monticello District had a brighter outlook for accomplishing good with such an able corps of workers from the pulpit and the new.

ZONE MEETING AT TUCKERMAN

The first meeting of Zone No. 2 of the new year was held at Tuckerman, January 31, with Mrs. B. E. Snetser, district secretary, presiding. The meeting opened with the song, "Have Thine Own Way, Lord," followed by "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go."

Mrs. R. A. Dowdy of Batesville had charge of the devotional, her subject being, "Working Together with God." The Scripture used was II Cor. 6. Her handling of the subject was an inspiration to all who heard her.

After a prayer by Mrs. Dowdy, those present separated into different groups for discussion and instruction in the phases of work in a well organized and wide-awake Missionary Society.

Luncheon served by the ladies of Tuckerman was one of the enjoyable features of the day.

The afternoon session was called to order by Mrs. Snetser, and Mrs. E. R. Kelly of Newport was made secretary pro-tem.

After the song, "Take My Life and Let It Be," Rev. Lester Weaver offered prayer.

Seven auxiliaries were represented: Hope 6, Tuckerman 13, Umstead Memorial 2, Newport 8, Alicia 1, and Strangers Home 2, and this, the youngest Auxiliary in the district was introduced to the house.

Mrs. Weaver gave a most excellent talk on "Need of Leaders."

Mrs. Dowdy spoke on the history of the auxiliaries of the district.

Reports from the President and Vice-President were given and plans of the group meetings of the morning session reported: Mission Study, Mrs. Kelly; Children's Work, Mrs. S. Holloway. It was reported that the children of Batesville had given \$25 as a Jubilee offering during the week of prayer.

Mrs. Tims, treasurer of the Tuckerman auxiliary, stated her plan for the collection of Tithing.

Mrs. Snetser's report for last year, showed a marked improvement and growth in the district. She reported three adult Jubilee auxiliaries, Young Peoples Society, one Intermediate, one Epworth Junior, two Primary Divisions, two Baby Divisions, five Baby Life members and one Adult Life member. Mrs. Snetser also outlined plans for the coming year and two outstanding goals were 100 per cent in Mission and Bible Study, and 100 per cent subscriptions to the "Missionary Voice," the official mouthpiece of Methodist Missions.

February 15 was set apart for a day of prayer all over Southern Methodism. Recently Batesville's Federated Churches held a day of prayer, at which time a collection was given to the United Charities.

Mrs. Fife of Strangers Home was elected chairman for Zone 2 and Mrs. Jamison of Tuckerman was made secretary.

Mrs. S. R. Phillips, in behalf of the visiting auxiliaries, in a happy way voiced the appreciation of Tuckerman hospitality.—Mrs. E. R. Kelly.

MRS. L. A. SMITH IN MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

The Monticello District is taking a very active interest in the Missionary Cultivation work scheduled for January and February as is evidenced by the enlarged plans and increased interest on the part of the members and pastors over the district. It was

my pleasure and privilege at the request of Brother Glenn to make a trip over the district the last week in January speaking in practically all of the stations in the district. The women of the Missionary Society came through mud and rain to the afternoon night meetings and gave me a most cordial welcome and a very appreciative response to the message on the work out Church in Korea and the urgent needs in that field. I spoke at Wilmar, Parkdale and Portland on Sunday, January 20. In spite of the rain a very goodly number were present at these services. At Dermott, the Baptist College for Colored students, delighted the congregation with some very beautiful and inspiring negro melodies and hymns. The ladies of Lake Village accustomed to floods and rain did not seem to mind and we held two very splendid meetings there. Arkansas City and Tillar were ready to receive the message and the pastors and people had a live interest in the work of missions at these places. At Wilmar I found a large and responsive crowd as well as at Warren on Sunday, January 27th. God's Spirit is moving upon the hearts of the Christians of this district and we believe that His Kingdom is coming in this part of His Vineyard.—Mrs. L. A. Smith.

FIRST METHODIST, HOT SPRINGS

The zone meeting embracing the Methodist Missionary societies of this section of the Arkadelphia district, held in First Methodist church, was most interesting and inspiring, a large number of members and friends attending. After a beautiful devotion conducted by Dr. W. C. Watson, Mrs. C. T. Cotham, presiding officer gave words of greeting followed by a presentation of six honor guests officers, Mesdames McDermott, Reaves, Huie, Thomas and Eubanks, who during the day presented the work of their respective officers.

One of the most attractive features of the morning was a report of the missionary conference of Memphis given by Mrs. L. W. Smith in charming manner.

A telegram was sent to the representatives of this district urging

them to vote against the Ryan Bill No. 98, which would tend to destroy the foundation of the state juvenile court work.

The international dinner showed great care and work in giving expressions to the mission field represented, each with hostesses in costume.

China, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Cuba, Poland and Africa were represented in telling decorations, as of rare old vases from China, beautiful drawn work from Mexico, a miniature Paderewski at the piano from Poland, but the table receiving the most applause had as its centerpiece a large elephant from Africa, with lions and tigers hiding in the jungles.

The auxiliary showing the largest per cent in attendance was Grand avenue society and received a copy of the conference history. "Builders of a Kingdom," the presentation being made by the author, Mrs. F. M. Williams, and received by Mrs. Hartwick.

A hundred or more women were in attendance and were edified by the splendid talks from the officers and Dr. Wilkerson's presentation of stewardship.—A member.

FROM FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

The Missionary ladies of Fayetteville district met at Fayetteville, January 31, for Officers Training Day with Mrs. W. A. Tittle, District Sec'y presiding.

The meeting was opened by singing, "I Need Thee Every Hour." Mrs. Sam Yancy, of Fayetteville led the devotional service, taking as her subject: "Working Together." (1) With God, (2) With Each Other. Scripture lesson II Cor. 6:1-10. Hymn, "He Leadeth Me," was followed by prayer, led by Guy Murphy of Siloam Springs.

The ladies were grouped according to their officers. Presidents and Vice-Presidents were instructed by Mrs. E. F. Ellis; Secretaries by Mrs. W. A. Tittle; Treasurers by Mrs. Ramsey; Supts. of Childrens and Young People work by Mrs. D. Y. Thomas; Supts. of Mission and Bible Study and Publicity by Mrs. Guy Murphy; Supts. of Social Service and Supplies by Mrs.

From Youth To Old Age

THERE are three trying periods in a woman's life: when the girl matures to womanhood; when a woman gives birth to her first child; when a woman reaches middle age. At these times Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helps to restore normal health and vigor. Countless thousands testify to its worth.



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Edward Forrest.

The groups re-assembled and "O Jesus, I Have Promised," was sung. Rev. Edward Forrest of Prairie Grove spoke for the pastors present. Rev. Mr. Hall of Gentry, Rev. Mr. Campbell of Elm Springs, saying that in every live church the W. M. S. can be found doing earnest, active work.

At this hour when about seventy had eaten to their utmost capacity, Mrs. E. F. Ellis, Conf. Pres. presiding, the presidents of the auxiliaries over the district responded with helpful and encouraging talks on the work they are doing or planning to do.

The afternoon session was opened with a season of prayer and song led by Mrs. Tittle. Mrs. E. E. Guinnup, spoke on the "Voice" and the drive that is on for extending its circulation. She was followed by Mrs. A. L. Trent, who gave a talk on Mt. Sequoyah. She urged the auxiliaries to pay off their obligations to Mt. Sequoyah not later than March. Mrs. E. J. Mount presented Stewardship.

In part she said we must understand the meaning of stewardship if we wish to practice it.

Rev. Mr. Sherman of Fayetteville made a splendid inspirational talk on Leadership. We must have trained leadership, the lack of it causes the downfall of any organization.

A demonstration, "A Morning Call" was given by Mrs. W. N. Pittman and Mrs. D. Y. Thomas. Mrs. Tittle gave a general outline of the work with plans and aims for the year.

"Blest Be The Tie" was sung and Rev. Dr. Tolleson dismissed the meeting with prayer.—Mrs. W. A. Tittle, Sec. Fayetteville District.

SOCIAL SERVICE CONFERENCE AT DALLAS.

The following letter from Mrs. W. A. Newell is being sent to the different auxiliaries of the North Arkansas Conference by Mrs. I. N. Barnett of Batesville. I hope that each auxiliary will see fit to send one delegate, preferably the Social Service Superintendent, to this Conference. The letter gives full instructions.—Mrs. E. F. Ellis.

You will recall that the Jubilee Celebration includes two Social Service Conferences, one to be held east of the Mississippi River and one west of the River. In Dallas the Conference will be held in the First Meth-

Famous Recipe For Stopping a Severe Cough

You'll be pleasantly surprised when you make up this simple home mixture and try it for a distressing cough or chest cold. It takes but a moment to mix and costs little, but it can be depended upon to give quick and lasting relief.

Get 2½ ounces of Pinex from any drug-gist. Pour this into a pint bottle; then fill it with plain granulated sugar syrup or strained honey. The full pint thus made costs no more than a small bottle of ready-made medicine, yet it is much more effective. It is pure, keeps perfectly and children love its pleasant taste.

This simple remedy has a remarkable three-fold action. It goes right to the seat of trouble, soothes away the inflammation, and loosens the germ-laden phlegm. At the same time, it is absorbed into the blood, where it acts directly upon the bronchial tubes and thus helps inwardly to throw off the whole trouble with surprising ease.

Pinex is a highly concentrated compound of genuine Norway Pine, containing the active agent of creosote, in a refined, palatable form, and known as one of the greatest healing agents for "flu" coughs and other severe coughs, chest colds and bronchial troubles.

Do not accept a substitute for Pinex. It is guaranteed to give prompt relief or money refunded.

odist Church, February 19-20.

The Committees have outlined exceptionally fine programs. The general theme for both is to be **The Family in the Changing South**. The Family is to be considered in its relation to many phases of our increasing complex civilization. Speakers are being secured who can speak with authority from the experience on the subjects to be presented.

Discussion periods will occupy a part of each morning and afternoon session. Delegates and speakers will have a part in informal discussion. It is hoped that from these definite plans for our Social Service objectives may emerge.

The delegated body will be composed of the following: District Secretaries, Conference Superintendents, and other Conference Officers, and one delegate from each auxiliary.

For the Dallas Meeting entertainment will be furnished to seventy-five delegates to the extent of room and breakfast. Send name of delegate and time of arrival to Mrs. George W. Moore, 1921 Park Avenue, Dallas, Texas. Delegates from Conference Societies with expenses paid will be expected to secure their own entertainment. Visitors will be welcome to attend all sessions.

The Mayfair Hotel, which is near the First Methodist Church, in which the meetings will be held, has been selected as Headquarters for the conference. Registration cards may be secured from Mrs. W. A. Newell, Gastonia, North Carolina.

This letter is now being sent to you in advance with the hope that you may begin now to make provision for sending a delegate from your auxiliary. The returns to your auxiliary will doubtless be far greater than can be measured by the amount of money required to defray the expenses of a delegate. We are hoping to see your auxiliary represented.

Most sincerely,

Mrs. W. A. Newell,
Council Superintendent of Social Service.

A CALL TO ALL MISSIONARY SOCIETIES FROM THE VALLEY SPRINGS SCHOOL.

We are in the very heart of the Ozarks, doing a work that you are proud of; for we are training boys for preachers, and girls to be missionaries, and others who will take their place in the field of life that will make this a better world. Since we are doing this for you and the Church, we are asking a very small thing of you, but one that will mean a great thing to us. That you will do it, we are not questioning. We know you will, for you never fail to help those who need it; and if there is a place in the whole church where your one dollar will stand for perhaps hundreds, it is at Valley Springs.

Now, we want every member of the Missionary Society to send us one dollar. That will be to you a very small amount, but when they all get to the Valley Springs School, they will be large, and one dollar to this school will perhaps mean as much as a hundred would to some others.

Send us just one dollar and see what it will do. Don't lay this paper down and think, well, perhaps I will. If you do, you might forget it. Send it now. We are trying to put in a heating plant, and if all the members of the Society of our Church will send us one dollar we will have plenty to heat our buildings. Will you not help us?

Send all contributions to W. M. Edwards, Commissioner, Newport, Ark.

Sunday School Department

GEYER SPRINGS.

Sunday evening, February 3, I was with the workers at Geyer Springs where I organized a Cokesbury School and preached, after attending the Epworth League service.

The workers at Douglassville will unite with the workers at Geyer Springs in this Cokesbury School. It will be held the last week of February.—S. T. Baugh.

FOURTH SUNDAY MISSIONARY OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Second Report for January.

Following is a list of fourth Sunday Missionary Offerings sent in by Sunday Schools in the Little Rock Conference since our first report. The offerings from Henderson, Little Rock, Highland and Capitol View should have been reported last week. It was an oversight that they were not reported. We appreciate the fine response this month.

Arkadelphia District.

Manning	\$.93
Oaklawn	1.93
Mt. Olivet	1.00
Magnet Cove	.45
Previously reported	51.43
Total	\$ 55.74

Camden District.

Smackover	\$ 10.00
Camden	15.00
Kingsland	3.17
Calion	2.30
Previously reported	33.33
Total	\$ 63.80

Little Rock District.

Asbury	\$ 13.00
Henderson	5.75
Highland	16.00
Capitol View (Nov.)	10.21
Capitol View (Dec.)	3.81
Capitol View (Jan.)	6.92
Previously reported	111.56
Total	\$ 167.25

Monticello District.

Eudora	\$ 2.50
Newton's Chapel	1.65
Warren (Nov.)	17.55
Warren (Dec.)	11.17
Warren (Jan.)	16.99
Tillar	5.00
Portland	4.00
Fountain Hill	1.00
Previously reported	34.49
Total	\$ 94.35

Pine Bluff District.

New Hope	\$ 4.14
Ulm	.81
Campbell	1.00
St. Charles	1.02
Previously reported	56.36
Total	\$ 63.33

Prescott District.

Delight (Nov. & Jan.)	\$ 9.01
Saline	1.06
Center (Center Pt.)	.61
Doyle	.75
Previously reported	37.32
Total	\$ 48.75

Texarkana District.

Ashdown	\$ 5.00
Pleasant Hill (Fouke)	1.65
Cove	1.68
Bradley	1.63
First Church, Texarkana	26.93
Green's Chapel	1.05
DeQueen	10.00
Previously reported	15.59
Total	\$ 63.53

Standing by Districts.

Arkadelphia, 16 Schools	\$ 55.74
Camden, 13 Schools	63.80
Little Rock, 23 Schools	167.25
Monticello, 17 Schools	94.33
Pine Bluff, 17 Schools	63.33
Prescott, 18 Schools	48.75
Texarkana, 12 Schools	63.53

Total, 116 Schools.....\$556.73
—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

MALVERN AND BENTON SET NEW HIGH RECORD FOR LOYALTY TO THEIR TRAINING SCHOOL.

Training School records are being made and broken one after another in the Little Rock Conference this winter. Two weeks ago I said that all records had been broken by those fine people down at Monticello. But now even Monticello's good record has been broken. It happened at Malvern this week. This school began Sunday afternoon and the weather was bad to start on. Yet Malvern rolled up a fine attendance and the Lees from Benton came in with 23 pupils. Monday night the weather was worse, but the Benton folks came down with more and the Malvern people not to be outdone added still others. And thus it went throughout the week. Each day the weather got worse and the crowd got better. Friday afternoon it began sleeting and snowing and my heart nearly failed but when the hour came here they all came rolling in through the sleet and snow and when the closing hour came 68 stood up for credit. The instructors were James Workman, Mrs. T. M. Lee, Rev. E. C. Rule and Clem Baker. All except Rule drove back and forth each night and the total distance traveled by the instructors exceeded 1,300 miles. Presiding Elder Mann, though very busy with other District work, came up Wednesday night and added much to the spirit of the school. It would be hard to over-estimate the contribution that any one made to this school. But I can not refrain from mentioning the fine service rendered by Mr. W. A. Utley of Benton, who not only did fine credit work himself, but made it possible for six or seven others by bringing an overflow in his car each night. Hats off to Lee and Rule and all their great workers at Benton and Malvern.—Clem Baker.

FACULTY COMPLETED FOR LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL.

The faculty for the great State-Wide Leadership School to be held at Little Rock the week of March 11-15, has been completed and announcement of courses and instructors will be mailed out to all former pupils next week. The first Boosters' meeting was held last Saturday night and another goal of 1,000 in attendance was set. From over the state reports are coming in indicating unusual interest in this school this year. This will be the Eleventh Session and promises to be the biggest and best ever. Keep the date clear.—Clem Baker.

COKEBURY TRAINING SCHOOL AT HACKETT.

The "Sunday School Worker" was taught in a One-Teacher School at Hackett last week, by the Extension Secretary. Despite the serious sickness in the community, eleven met all the requirements for credit.

Hackett has a good Sunday School. They are faithful to the whole program as presented to them. They have cooperated with the extension program from the first and feel that it has had a very helpful influence

upon their progress.

Rev. G. R. Ditterline, pastor, is a believer in the training work. He has arranged for Schools to be conducted at each of his churches. He said, "these schools help me promote the program of the better church."—Glenn F. Sanford, Extension Secretary.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT PLANS DISTRICT TRAINING PROGRAM.

It was my happy privilege to attend the regular monthly meeting of preachers of the Prescott last Tuesday at Gurdon. Presiding Elder Henderson was at his best and the reports from the preachers indicated a spirit of optimism that will win. Among other matters discussed were plans for a District-wide Training Program to cover the District sometime in April. Roy Fawcett is training superintendent for the District and in his fine business-like way is taking hold with the determination to reach his total goal.—Clem Baker.

LEOLA CIRCUIT PAYS SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY IN FULL.

A check for \$25 from Miss Patsy Gray pays the Sunday School Day Offering in full from the Leola Circuit. This puts the name of Rev. J. H. Matthews on the 1929 Honor Roll. This makes two pastors already on the Honor Roll for this year and both are from the Arkadelphia District. The first to pay out in full was Pullman Heights, Hot Springs, and the first name on the Roll is that of Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh. It looks like Charley's old District is going to give him trouble in winning the banner this year.—Clem Baker.

PERSONAL ITEMS FROM LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

By Clem Baker.

From College Hill.—F. S. Goodwin, superintendent, writes: "We are expecting some good improvements in our school in the next few weeks and want to thank you for your co-operation. We are enjoying the Year Book."

From Fredonia Circuit.—R. W. Menard is the pastor and says that he is going to have 25 credits in training work instead of the 15 set

as his goal in the Year Book. He also promises to have his Sunday School Day Offering PLUS.

From Des Arc.—Rev. J. L. Tucker is authority for the statement that the Des Arc School is growing by leaps and bounds and that on Sunday, January 27, the attendance was the largest in the history of the school. Tucker always was a fine fellow, but getting married seems to have doubled his energy.

From Honolulu.—Our old friend, Rev. S. F. Goddard, writes that he is in a Sunday School that has over four hundred taking a four year course in Teacher Training. They are of all races and range from high school to university graduates. We will guarantee that Brother Goddard is right in the midst of this, for he was one of the best Sunday School pastors we had in the Little Rock Conference.

From Mt. Ida.—Brother Henderson is claiming that the new superintendent Max Witt is the youngest in the Conference and one of the very best. Max is only 17. Can any one beat this?

From Spring Hill Circuit.—Four new Sunday Schools have been organized since Conference. Rev. O. C. Robinson, the pastor, did the work assisted by the local superintendents.

From Washington-Ozan.—Rev. H. H. McGuyre is one of the finest Boosters I have ever heard for his town. Those people down there could well afford to pay his expenses out over the state to make that speech about Washington I heard him make at Gurdon last Tuesday. Among other things he is proud of the fact that all his schools send in regularly the Dual Mission offering.

From St. Paul.—Sloman Goodlett is another fine young superintendent. Sloman is only 18, but he is a nephew of Charley and that gives him a fine start in Sunday School work.

STATE-WIDE EXTENSION SERVICE.

You are interested in the Standard Training Courses which are offered by the General Sunday School Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

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News of the Churches

BIENNIAL MEETING OF CHURCH EXTENSION CONFERENCE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES.

The Biennial Meeting of Church Extension Conference Board Representatives will be held in the chapel of the Board of Church Extension Building, 1115 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Ky., Wednesday, May 1, beginning 9:30 a. m.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held in the chapel of the Board of Church Extension Building, 1115 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Ky., beginning Thursday, May 2, 9:30 a. m. All applications to be considered by the Board at its annual meeting must be in the hands of the Secretary on or before March 31, 1929.—T. D. Ellis, Secretary.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION, NORTH ARK. CONFERENCE.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the North Arkansas Conference will meet at First Church, Little Rock, Tuesday, March 12, at 10 a. m. Let all applications to the General Board be in my hands by that time.—C. W. Lester, Secy.

BRYANT CIRCUIT.

Sunday, February 3, I had the privilege of being with Rev. L. R. Sparks and his good people at Bryant, where I represented the Special Mission cause and took the offering at 11 a. m.

At 2:30 p. m. we were at Mt. Carmel where he held service similar to the one at Bryant in the morning. Indications are that the Bryant Circuit will pay out in full on the Mission offering.

We organized a Cokesbury School to be held for this Circuit at Mt. Carmel Church the last week of February. The superintendents and workers of Bryant, Mt. Carmel, Salem, New Hope, and Congo, are expecting to be in this school.—S. T. Baugh.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

Our District was apportioned \$7,000 Maintenance Fund (We call it "Love Gift"), all of which has been secured by the brethren in all places. Hunter Memorial was the first charge to send to the Secretary, Rev. J. F. Simmons his full apportionment, and Forest Park second. This was led by the pastor's wife, Mrs. B. F. Musser, enza throughout the District some of

a wonderfully efficient worker. Winfield is out; Hazen and DeVall's Bluff practically out; so also is the Austin Circuit. Lonoke is nearly out, half of apportionment in hands of Brother Simmons. So tell it to all that the Little Rock District, under the leadership of the pastors, than whom there can be no more loyal and efficient body of men, is out.

We sent our apportionment of \$250 to Rev. Sam Yancey on Mt. Sequoyah. Our Conference Claims will all be paid in full, much of which is already subscribed and almost half is paid.—James Thomas, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING.

The monthly meeting of the Prescott District preachers was called at Gurdon Tuesday, February 5, with Rev. J. H. Cummins as host. After the devotional service, the presiding elder, Brother Henderson, called the roll, the following answering and reporting briefly the results of their work of the preceding month: J. H. Cummins, Willie Arnold, F. A. Buddin, C. E. Whitten, C. D. Cade, J. A. Sage, J. D. Montgomery, H. H. McGuyre, M. E. Scott, R. C. Walsh and Roy E. Fawcett. These reports showed that the absorbing interest at this time was in missionary cultivation and study as outlined for the months of January and February. The meeting was turned into a round-table discussion of plans and methods that was helpful and suggestive.

The preachers were delighted to have Brother Baker drop in and present the training work of the Sunday School. The "territorial plan" was adopted, by which a large part of the District will be covered by a simultaneous program to be promoted for the latter part of April.

In spite of temporary setbacks in the form of illness and unfavorable weather, the preachers were hopeful and the outlook encouraging. The presiding elder is a past master not only in the dispatch of business, but also in imparting inspiration to his men. He is leading in what will doubtless be a great year's work in the District.

The good ladies of Gurdon added much to the pleasure and profit of the day by serving a splendid plate luncheon at the noon hour. The next meeting will be held at Washington on Tuesday, March 5.—Roy E. Fawcett, Reporter.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

The second Missionary Institute and Retreat for Prayer of the Booneville District was held at Dardanelle January 29. The first had been held at Booneville some days before, but on account of an epidemic of influenza throughout the District some of

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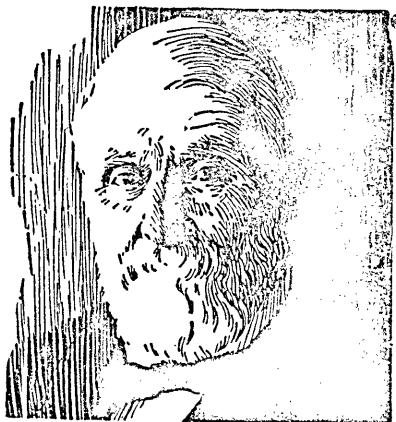


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the pastors and laymen could not go, so our presiding elder, Brother F. E. Dodson, very kindly arranged for the second. Brother Sam B. Wiggins, our pastor at Dardanelle, was an ideal host. He and his people certainly know how to make a bunch of Methodist people feel at home. He was all courtesy and did everything possible for their convenience. And such a dinner as the Dardanelle ladies served in the parsonage!

Promptly at the hour arranged, our presiding elder called the meeting to order, and after devotional services Brother G. G. Davidson made one of his quiet but telling talks about saving souls, and in a brotherly way put us face to face with our holy task. Then promptly at 11 o'clock the business men of the town, having closed their places of business, took their places in the choir and congregation, and things began to look like a Sunday morning service. After singing the great missionary hymn of Methodism, "From All the Dark Places," and after prayer by Brother Davidson and a beautiful anthem by the choir, Bishop H. A. Boaz brought us his great missionary message, "Ye Shall Be My Witnesses." After discussing the motive for missionary giving, he told stories out of his experiences in Korea until we began to realize our responsibility in the great world task of missions.

After noon Brother J. Frank Simmons, missionary secretary for Arkansas, in a clear and concise way showed how the work can be done. Rev. D. H. Colquette, superintendent of hospital and prison mission work, was with us also. Delegations were there from Paris, Danville, Plainview, Ola, Prairie View, Scranton, Delaware, and Dardanelle Circuit, besides a fine crowd of Dardanelle folks. It was good to be there.—E. W. Faulkner, Sec.



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REPORT OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO VALLEY SPRINGS SCHOOL.

Our last list of contributors to the school showed that the Co-operative Store at Cotter sent us fifty dollars. This should have been from the Gassville Sunday School at Gassville, Ark. Thanks to that wonderful little Sunday School! The list of contributors since our last report is as follows: A church on the Elaine Circuit, Brother Bumpers, pastor, \$50.00; offering at the close of a revival held by the Commissioner at Calico Rock, \$124.50; Brother Leland Hunt, in furniture, \$50.00.

We are still lacking quite a bit on the one dollar from each reader of the *Arkansas Methodist*, that we asked for some time ago. A goodly number have responded. What will you do? Surely you are willing to put at least one dollar in this school that is giving back to the Church such wonderful young men and women.

We also notice that we left out of our previous list the fifty dollars sent to us by Dean Droke of Fayetteville. Pardon us for that oversight.

We thank you for all you have done, and want to see the next list much larger than this one. Your name should be in it.

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REPORT OF NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE TREASURER.

First Church, Batesville, W. C. Davidson, pastor, W. P. Jones, treasurer, sends in its first quarter's installment of the year's quota, and leads the Batesville District in amount paid on assessment. This historic old church has a great record which it intends keeping up.

First Church, Conway, J. M. Workman, pastor, G. A. Simmons, treasurer, holds first place in the Conway District. It has a goodly increase in its assessment this year, but will take care of it all right. It is paid up to February 1. It made a great record in 1928 for regular monthly payments.

Elm Springs, O. M. Campbell, pastor, and Gravette-Centerton, T. J. Justice, pastor, Fayetteville District, both have made their earliest payments as far back as my records go. Brother Justice wrote that Gravette-Centerton had already subscribed over half its quota, and that he expected to have it all pledged by the following Sunday. There is victory in his words: "Many of our people really seem to want to pay in full this year."

Bellefonte-Alpena, Searcy District, Ray L. McLester, pastor, now leads the District in per cent paid on quota, and has already gone beyond its total for 1928. This record speaks its own praise.

Elaine, Helena District, C. H. Bumpers, pastor, makes its earliest and largest initial remittance. I like the way Brother Bumpers writes: "Will be sending more soon. We are running for 100 per cent collections." That is the way to win the race.

Heber Springs, Searcy District, H. A. Stroup, pastor, J. L. Mullins, treasurer, also belongs in the "earliest remittance" class. Brother Stroup's letter says: "More will be sent before the middle of the year. Then we expect to send you a large check." Certainly looks good for 100 per cent.

The First Quarterly Report on the Conference Collections will be sent in to the *Arkansas Methodist* for publication about March 6. All remittances received by that date will be included.—Geo. McGlumphy, Treasurer.

MISSIONARY NOTES.

J. F. Simmons, Treas.

Monticello District Leading.

A missionary offering has been received from each charge in the Monticello District save one, and before this goes to press I am sure an offering will be in from this charge. This District, under the leadership of the new elder, Rev. J. C. Glenn, has adopted a dual special. It has the Hubbell-Schisler special, and each charge in the District has a part in it. It looks now that Brother Glenn and his preachers are going to run away with the Missionary Cultural Program, as well as with the offering. I have never seen such a District-wide spirit of co-operation.

How It Was Done.

I have asked a few pastors to give me a brief statement as to how they put on the Missionary Program and Offering. Rev. Willie L. Arnold of the Prescott Circuit, writes as follows:

"The first thing I do is to pray until I am thoroughly filled with the Holy Ghost, which is a missionary spirit. The next thing I do is to inform myself by reading everything I can find on Missions and having my people to read the book and other literature on Missions. I do not have the school because it is almost impossible on a large Circuit, like mine, where the people live so far from the church, but I preach with all my might on the subject. I then set a Sunday and get a large crowd present and take the offering. I pay liberally myself and ask my people to do likewise. I shall get the offering this year, the full quota, but it will be the middle of March before I can get around to my eight appointments."

How Rev. J. W. Thomas Did It.

"Last year our missionary program was thoroughly presented from the pulpit and the W. M. Society studied 'The Task Ahead.' This year, in addition to presenting the matter from the pulpit, we plan to have a Church School of Missions. My experience has been that of all the money we have to raise, this maintenance fund is the easiest."

How Rev. Lester Weaver Did It.

"We organized a Committee on Evangelism and made definite plans. We appointed captains—last year two, this year four. These put on a contest to see which side would have the best attendance. Each person worked for his side. Recognition was given for the side winning. We had games for a few minutes at the close of each class period. On the last night we served refreshments. At the close of the week's study we gave out cards and had those present make their pledges. We had two thermometers in the church to see which side made the best offering. We also had offerings made in all the classes in Sunday School. Later we canvassed the rest of the membership. Our offering last year was \$300.00."

More Money Received to Date Than Last Year.

The total amount of the offering received to this date last year was \$207.50. The total amount received to date this year is \$1,039.63. This is an indication that the offering is going to be a much greater success than ever before. Below will be found the amounts received from each charge:

Pullman Heights, B. F. Fitzhugh	\$135.00
Camden (special) Mrs. J. P. Wright	150.00
Austin Ct., Mt. Tabor, K. L. Spore	25.00

Hazen-DeVall's Bluff, M. O. Barnett	100.00
Forest Park, B. F. Musser	50.00
Hunter Memorial, Robert Beasley	50.00
Mabelvale-Primrose, F. R. Harrison	11.05
Lonoke, J. T. Rodgers	125.00
McGehee, O. L. Cole	20.00
Banks Ct., C. B. Davis	15.00
Tillar Ct., J. L. Leonard	10.00
Fountain Hill Ct., J. N. Simpson	15.00
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Crossett, O. L. Walker	10.00
Eudora, J. M. Cannon	15.00
Montrose-Snyder, L. E. Wilson	6.50
Monticello, Rex. B. Wilkes	23.75
Sheridan-New Hope, W. R. Boyd	5.00
Paraloma Ct., J. F. Taylor	25.00
Gardner Mem., Mrs. W. R. Harris, Treas.	13.33
Special Gift	15.00
African Special, J. N. Martin	25.00
Hobtown Ct., City Heights Church, S. E. Kimberling	5.00

Quotas Paid.

The following charges have reached their goals on the missionary offering: Hunter Memorial, Paraloma, Pullman Heights (Hot Springs), Forest Park, Little Rock. Unless I know the amount of the goal I cannot state in the *Methodist* whether a charge has reached its goal or not. I shall be glad to do so when I have this information.

Dr. Thomas and Little Rock District.

Many people wonder why Dr. Thomas succeeds so well in everything he undertakes. To those who know him well, this is no mystery. When he undertakes the program of the Church he throws himself without reserve into this one program. He completes this on time and then begins another one with the same spirit. He has just assured me that his District will have the full quota of \$7,000 in hand by March 1. He has heard from all his pastors and they assure him that they are going to succeed.

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SOUTH FORT SMITH.

After moving to South Fort Smith from Lavaca, where we stayed four years, we found the church in bad condition. The new pastor was crippled in a car wreck. The family had the "flu," one son was operated on for appendicitis. After living in a rented house for a month and a half, the chairman of the Official Board bought a nice house, and said, "Move in; it's yours for a year, free of rent." This is Hon. T. C. Scott, one of the merchants of our town. During this time Rev. B. L. Wilford, our beloved evangelist, came and we tried to have a revival, but most of the people had the "flu" and the pastor was not able to be present. We postponed our meeting. The pastor is now able to be about his work, has made a hundred pastoral calls, prayed with the people, had five additions to the church. The Sunday School and prayer meeting are showing improvement. We are having splendid crowds at both morning and night services. We have done some organizing. The pastor taught the book "Evangel," and we are putting on the whole program of the Church. I am finding some good, faithful workers. Pray for us.—Hoy M. Lewis, P. C.

SUCCESSFUL HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN IN FORT WORTH.

Rev. C. Q. Smith of Fort Worth, Texas, is a happy warrior indeed. The campaign in Fort Worth and in the Central Texas Conference to raise a second \$500,000 for our hospital has been a notable success. This insures the immediate purchase of equipment and the early opening of the hospital.

The General Hospital Board desires publicly to congratulate Superintendent Smith on this distinguished victory and to thank Fort Worth for

this historic contribution to the hospital movement.

Fort Worth pledged \$500,000 to this institution at the beginning of the enterprise, about seven years ago. The militant civic ardor of this alluring city has thus enabled her to outstrip all her sister cities of the South in this regard.—Charles C. Jarrell, General Secretary, General Hospital Board.

HENDRIX COLLEGE NOTES.

On the scholarship record for the first semester at Hendrix College, the leader was W. B. Edington, who made six "A" grades on 19 hours of work, followed by Maxfield Garrott with the same number on 16 hours of work. Etta Neal Mayhan received this highest grade in five subjects, and it was accorded to Delle Dodson and Elizabeth Gregg on four subjects. The honor roll for the semester also included the following: "A" grades in three subjects—Jack Barnwell, Winnie Green Citty, Mary Cavaness, Verna Mae Garvey, Dorothy Jeter, Dale McElroy, Ellen Menard, Donald Nelson, Ida Martha White, Katherine Wilford.

Two subjects—Lillian Adney, Roland Bradley, Ruby Brady, Eula Jean Cherry, Billy Cooley, Bruce Crowe, Mrs. W. B. Edington, Albert Graves, Lewis Hundley, Martha Jackman, Dorothy Kahler, Mary Lee Little, Herbert McConnell, Jean Mayfield, Robert Miller, Eugene Osborne, Nannie Ruth Pike, Johnnie Wallace, Wesley Weidemeyer, Verna Mae Willoughby.

Plans are being developed at the College for the concert tour by the Glee Club during the spring holidays. The proposed itinerary includes a swing through Eastern Arkansas. Rehearsals are being held four days each week by the boys' and girls' Glee Clubs and the College Choir under direction of Dr. Robert L. Campbell, with the assistance of Mrs. Campbell as pianist. Another development among the music organizations was the permission given by the Hendrix Band to continue through the spring months. This capable group probably will be heard in several radio broadcasts from Little Rock stations and may also make several public appearances locally. Charles B. Stewart of Little Rock is the director.

Both College and High School track and field athletes will compete during the spring months in the Robert W. Young Stadium. The joint meet by the Athletic Association of Arkansas Colleges and the Arkansas Intercollegiate Athletic Conference has been billed for the Stadium, and also the annual meet of the Arkansas Interscholar Contest Association. The college athletes will arrive here in April and the high school teams will compete May 3 and 4.

Maxfield Garrott, a midyear graduate, has composed the words and music for a new Hendrix song, "Alma Mater," and it has been presented at chapel service by the choir under Dr. Campbell's direction. For many reasons, the Hendrix rallying march has been the "Washington and Lee Swing," which the new composition is intended to replace. It was well received on its presentation by the choir.

Since the start of the second semester, January 26, numerous rumors have been in circulation over the state relative to Hendrix attendance. With the arrival of several midyear freshmen, Hendrix secured approximately an even break on the number of incoming and departing students, including the midyear graduates. However, the continued discussion of Methodist education policy

has proved very costly to the institution, and the rapid progress in evidence when the question was projected has of course received a check, but not a complete stop. In the race of such obstacles, Hendrix has maintained all departments at their former level of efficiency and has also carried forward several important construction jobs without drawing upon the institution's capital resources.—Reporter.

HENDERSON-BROWN NOTES.

The College had as an honored guest for chapel service on Saturday, February 2, a distinguished alumnus, Dr. Charles Pipkin, who is in the Department of Government in the Louisiana State University. Dr. Pipkin is a graduate of Henderson-Brown, 1918, having received his A. B. degree with honors; of Vanderbilt in 1919, having received his M. A. with honors; of Harvard, taking his Ph. D. and as Rhodes Scholar from Arkansas, of Oxford. He was a teacher in Geneva, Switzerland, last summer, and will return next summer.

His address to the students and faculty was on a subject of great interest at the present time. He spoke on the relation of America to the rest of the world. The chapel service was of peculiar interest on this particular occasion, in that the brief worship service which preceded the address of Dr. Pipkin was conducted by the father of the speaker, Rev. E. M. Pipkin, who lives in Arkadelphia and who is one of the great friends of Henderson-Brown.

The College was host on last Thursday evening to a group of about forty members of the Legislature, coming to inspect the college plant with the idea of considering a bill now before the Senate concerning the taking over of the buildings and equipment of Henderson-Brown after the merging of the Methodist educational institutions. The legislators were guests of the College at dinner and until late into the evening on a tour throughout the buildings.

The result of the tryout for places on the Freshman Debate Team is the placing in the order named of Billie Huie, Thomas McKnight, Robert Dotson Huie and George Dickerson. They will represent the College in the joint debate with the Hendrix Freshman Class. Miss Margaret Leslie and Miss Ida Mae Cannon were chosen in a tryout for our Women's Debating Team. The debate program has not yet been announced.

Dr. Herbert Blashfield, head of the Department of Religious Education, is in Chicago this week attending the meeting of the Religious Education Association.

President Workman has been conducting a class in Educational Evangelism in Malvern at the Sunday School Training School being conducted there this week, since Feb-

ruary 4.

On Friday, September 1, and on Friday, February 8, Dr. Jaeck gave two numbers of her series of travel talks which are entertaining and of a highly educational value for the group in chapel on these occasions.

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the towns from Mainz to Cologne were told—the incident which named the Mice Tower, the Lorelei, and many others.

The Entente Cordiale, under the direction of Dr. Jaeck, head of the Modern Language Department, and Miss Mildred Sherrod, French, and Miss Margaret Allison, Spanish, will be held on Monday evening, February 11.

The Dramatic Art Department presented in chapel on February 9 a one-act play by Barrie—"The Twelve-Pound Look." The parts of the play were taken by Miss Pauline Cox, Miss Elinor Allison and Mr. John Cannon. The play will later be presented to the Woman's Library Association of Arkadelphia as a number on a program of Sir James M. Barrie.

The religious organizations on the campus made preparation for the reception of Dr. J. Marvin Culbreth, who was the guest lecturer of the College for the week beginning February 12. Dr. Culbreth lectured at chapel and in the evening after dinner. His theme was "The Personal Relation of the Student to Jesus and the Place of Religious Organizations."

The most important event of the past two weeks on the College campus is one that is of interest to a large number of people in the state—the Founders' Day Program, which was a memorial service for Dr. Benjamin S. Foster, for many years beloved teacher of Henderson-Brown. The presentation, acceptance and unveiling of a memorial tablet given by the children of Dr. Foster, Miss Annie Stark Foster of Little Rock, and Benjamin S. Foster of Washington, D. C., was the theme of the ceremony. A full report of this occasion, together with a copy of the ode written and read by Prof. P. W. Turrentine, head of the Department of English and former student of Dr. Foster, has been sent to the Arkansas Methodist for publication at an early date.

The occasion was one of rare beauty and inspiration to the many who felt the imprint of this great old teacher's life and ideals.—Reporter.

A SUGGESTION ON THE EDUCATIONAL SOLUTION.

Having read with much interest and concern the controversy going on in the Church at this time relative to forming a great university by consolidating Hendrix and Henderson-Brown Colleges, and being a Methodist and having children to educate, I feel much interest in this, and am wondering if the ideas of mere laymen would be of any value in this question which has become somewhat confusing.

Recently I noticed in the daily papers an effort by some member of the state legislature to have the state take over Henderson-Brown for a state teachers' college. I was just wondering if it would be possible for the Church and the state to make an exchange of properties, whereby the state would acquire the Henderson-Brown properties and the Church the State Normal properties at Conway. Then if this could be done, why could not the Church, using this combined property as a nucleus, erect at Conway its great university, by adding to all this material property whatever donations or other values it possessed.

It seems to me that this would probably satisfy Arkadelphia and Conway both, for it is an undeniable fact that the citizens of these towns have sacrificed much for these institutions as they now stand. And as

to Little Rock, Conway is only 30 miles from Little Rock, and this distance in this motorized age is negligible; also this is not a bad distance for a great educational institution to be situated from a great city.

If Mr. Couch and Mr. Wilson will give a half million dollars for the consolidated institution at Little Rock, would it not be probable that they would give the same to the consolidated institution at Conway, which would have great property holdings and forty years' actual experience to begin with? I am in no way an advocate of Conway, having never been in the town in my life, except to pass through on a train; but as an interested party, who has contributed in my feeble way to these institutions, I am wondering if something like this could not be worked out as a solution, and not a compromise of this question, which bids fair to cause much restlessness, if not outright ill feeling, in the Church in Arkansas.—J. S. Wilson, Lake Village.

TRIBUTE TO REV. ALONZO MONK, D. D.

Rev. Alonzo Monk, D. D., of the Little Rock Conference, and for nearly a half century one of the towering ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, ascended on January 11, 1929, from his home in Benton, Ark.

Dr. Monk was a son of Rev. Francis Marion Monk and Margaret Henderson Monk. He was born at Sparta, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, April 25, 1852. At the early age of six he united with the Methodist Church. He joined the Little Rock Conference, at DeWitt, Ark., in 1872, and was an active itinerant minister for 55 years. In 1927 he was granted the superannuate relation.

Dr. Monk had a remarkably rich and distinguished ministry. He occupied many of the great pulpits of Southern Methodism, and was a tower of strength. He possessed the personality, the voice, the flashing eye, and the natural eloquence of the orator. His language was chaste and beautiful. He had the tread of a king. Erect and impressive, commanding and sure, he inspired a following. In his palmy days he was in constant demand for sermons, addresses, lectures, weddings, funerals and special conference occasions. He was a master of assemblies. Aristocratic, autocratic and imperious, seemingly, he was withal a man of tender heart and beautiful soul. His ideals were lofty and no stain ever rested upon his ministerial escutcheon.

Dr. Monk rose rapidly to prominence as a minister. After serving a large circuit as his first appointment, he was, in 1876, stationed at the Spring Street Church, Little Rock—now the Winfield Church—where he remained for a full quadrennium. From Little Rock he was sent to Camden, Ark., where he had a highly successful ministry. Then he was transferred to Tuscaloosa, Ala.; thence to First Church, Anniston; thence to Central Church, Memphis—now St. John's Church; thence to Mulberry Street Church, Macon, Ga.; thence to Centenary Church, Chattanooga; thence to Court Street Church, Knoxville; thence to St. Mark's Church, Atlanta; thence to First Church, Fort Worth; and thence to Broadway, Louisville, Ky. His ministry at these great churches drew vast crowds and his fame as a "pulpit giant" went abroad.

In 1909, Dr. Monk transferred back to the Little Rock Conference, where his ministry had begun. He was assigned to the Little Rock Dis-

trict, where he served—in all—seven and a half years. He swept over his "ecclesiastical territory" like a meteor across the sky. His very name drew a large hearing. He served Central Church, Hot Springs—now First Church—and spoke to "the

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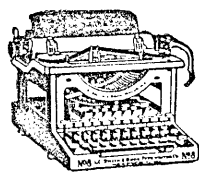
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ends of the earth" from that famous pulpit, where later his eloquent son, Dr. Marion S. Monk, ministered for a full quadrennium. After serving the Arkadelphia District of the Little Rock Conference, he was pastor for four years at First Church, Hope; thence he went to Lonoke; thence to Fairview, Texarkana, and thence to Benton, in which little city he "waited to hear the rustle of an angel's wing."

Dr. Monk was married in 1877 to Miss Elizabeth Wilkinson Carl—a woman of distinguished family and rich intellect and fine culture. After these two had walked arm in arm through the Garden of the Years for nearly five decades, the "helpmeet indeed" ascended on October 4, 1924. Of this happy union five children were born. Norman Monk died at the age of seventeen. He is survived by three distinguished sons—Attorney Carl Monk of McAlester, Okla.; Rev. Alonzo Monk Jr., a general evangelist of Southern Methodism, whose headquarters are Dallas, Tex., and Rev. Marion S. Monk, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Monroe, La. One daughter also survives, Mrs. Era Monk Bryan, wife of Rev. Gid J. Bryan, pastor of First Church, Gatesville, Tex.

On September 4, 1925, Dr. Monk was married to Miss Mary Scott, of Benton, Ark., a product of one of

the best families of the state. Into his last years she brought love and tender ministries. She survives him, as do eight grandchildren, a sister, and three brothers.

The writer's close associations with Dr. Monk for a long term of years enabled him to get an insight into his soul. I walked with him and talked with him in his hour of joy and sorrow, pleasure and pain, gain and loss. I was with him when his Gethsemane came. I knew his heart-language. I could interpret his dominant emotions. I was in position to understand his viewpoints and outlooks. In his death, Methodism has lost one of her greatest sons and mightiest gospel preachers. He hated shams and despised intrigues. He seemed never to have learned the way of circumlocution.

Bishop H. A. Boaz—his warm friend of the years—delivered a masterly funeral message at Benton on January 14, to a great concourse of people. Preachers from all over the Conference gathered to honor his character and ministry. Rev. J. Wayne Mann, presiding elder of the Arkadelphia District, presided and read the Old Testament Lesson. Rev. T. M. Lee, Dr. Monk's pastor, read the New Testament Scripture. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. J. Stowe, D. D., of the Camden District. Prayer was also offered by the venerable Dr. W. M. Hayes. At the grave at Little Rock, Bishop Boaz and Dr. Thomas officiated.—P. C. Fletcher.

False Security of the Wicked

And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand: when the overflowing scourge shall pass through then ye shall be trodden down by it.—Isa. 28:18.

Faith

Out of suffering comes the serious mind; out of salvation, the grateful heart; out of endurance, fortitude; out of deliverance, faith.—Modern Painters (Ruskin).



G. L. BAHNER.

It can easily be made plain why Hendrix College requires the full attention of a successful business executive and several associates. The college has approximately \$550,000 invested in buildings and equipment, \$550,000 invested as endowment funds, and an annual budget of approximately \$100,000. The Hendrix treasurer is therefore manager and directing head of all business affairs of a corporation valued in excess of \$1,000,000.

Knowing him best, Dr. Reynolds is probably the most enthusiastic of Mr. Bahner's friends in the Hendrix constituency. "In my opinion," Dr. Reynolds has said, "Mr. Bahner has one of the keenest minds to be found in Arkansas. Time and again his sound and balanced judgement has effected great savings and great economies for Hendrix. He belongs to that rare class of business executives who can economize on an appreciable scale and at the same time show increased efficiency. Many times on observing the savings Mr. Bahner has effected, I wonder why financial and academic efficiency has not been sacrificed. However, I have never seriously sought the answer to the question, it being sufficient to know that I can assure Hendrix friends everywhere that Hendrix dollars are being rightly and economically used in furtherance of the aims and purposes of all those who have contributed toward making Hendrix what the college is now and hopes to be in the future."

Since graduation at Hendrix, Mr. Bahner has been numbered among its strong friends. His private business interests in Conway are centered in his insurance, real estate and abstract office, but Hendrix has always received much of his time as a trustee and also as member of the committee in charge of the Robert W. Young Stadium and O. O. Axley Gymnasium enterprise. This enterprise first demonstrated his ability as a builder and probably resulted in the insistence by the trustees that he assume the office of treasurer.

Assuring the office at the urgent insistence of the Board of Trustees, G. L. Bahner of Conway as treasurer and general manager has given Hendrix College a thoroughly sound business administration, and the value of his work has been well proved during the period of uncertainty and disturbance caused by the continued discussion of Methodist education policy in Arkansas. During the three years Mr. Bahner has been at the helm, Hendrix has continued all departments and all activities without sacrifice at any point, a striking tribute to his skill as a financier.

Mr. Bahner has also qualified as

one of the great college builders in the Southwest. He was the originator of the plan for a modern library building on the campus, and his tireless work finally brought about construction of a \$40,000 building without the use of any Hendrix capital assets. With the collection of books valued at upwards of \$50,000, Hendrix now has close to \$100,000 invested in its library.

The idea of a fireproof library building has made great appeal to Arkansas citizens who have acquired valuable books. Already three large collections have been given Hendrix and there possibly will be others.

The fire of June, 1928, placed upon Mr. Bahner another problem of construction. In close cooperation with Dr. J. H. Reynolds, the president, he again went into construction and the Main Hall now used arose to replace the old building. Its construction represents many economies and also many items of extra expense accepted by Mr. Bahner in order to give Hendrix students a building thoroughly adapted to the purpose.

It has been said that S. G. Smith of Conway, a trustee and member of the executive committee, was the one who insisted most strongly that Mr. Bahner should take the Hendrix post. This was three years ago and Mr. Smith promised at the time to give Hendrix business affairs whatever attention Mr. Bahner might ask. The promise has been faithfully kept, giving Hendrix the full benefit of Mr. Smith's long and successful experience in business and financial matters. Other members of the Board have also stood ready to work with the business office, and the result has been extremely beneficial.

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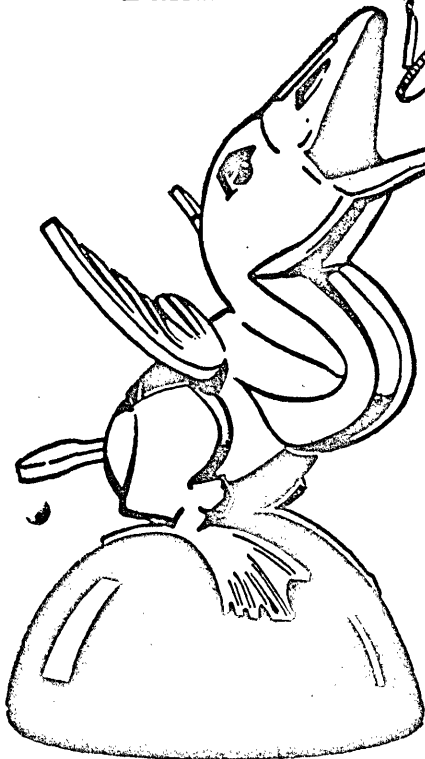
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Amount previously reported \$542.55

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Amount previously reported \$1,664.39

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Total \$1,669.99

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Amount previously reported \$724.29

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Total \$733.49

(Note.—I wish to correct the error in reporting Mt. Tabor S. S., Wiseman Ct., Monticello District. It should have been Mt. Tabor S. S., Wilmar Ct., Monticello District, in the issue of February 7.)

Pine Bluff District.

Amount previously reported \$421.41

Center S. S., Sheridan Ct. 1.50

Total \$422.91

Prescott District.

Amount previously reported \$367.07

Nashville S. S. 28.85

Total \$395.92

Texarkana District.

Amount previously reported \$489.05

Belleville S. S., Lockesburg Ct. 3.00

Total \$492.05

Amount of individual gifts from Little Rock Conference, previously reported \$51.00

Total amount received to date from Little Rock Conference \$4,735.14

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Amount previously reported \$262.70

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Amount previously reported \$160.99

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Amount previously reported \$189.82

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Amount previously reported \$109.28

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Amount previously reported \$259.81

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Amount previously reported \$253.91

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Amount previously reported \$206.66

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Total \$212.01

Amount of individual gifts from North Arkansas Conference previously reported \$78.00

Total amount received to date from North Arkansas Conference \$2,166.97

—James Thomas, Supt.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

CAMDEN DISTRICT

(Second Round.)

Buena Vista at Ogemaw, Feb. 10.

Stephens, Feb. 10, 7:30 p. m.

Norphlet, Feb. 17.

Louann, Feb. 17, 7:30 p. m.

Vantrease M., at Parker's Chapel, Feb. 24.

El Dorado, First Ch., March 3.

El Dorado Ct., Wesley Chapel, March 3, 3 p. m.

Buckner, at Mt. Ida, March 9-10.

Waldo, March 10, 7:30 p. m.

Strong, at Rhodes Chapel, March 17.

Huttig, March 17, 7:30 p. m.

Camden, March 24.

Bearden, March 24, 7:30 p. m.

Smackover, March 31.

Chidester, March 31, 7:30 p. m.

Magnolia, April 7.

Emerson at Christie's Chapel, April 7, 3 p. m.

Fredonia Ct. at Marysville, April 13-14.

Junction City, April 14, 7:30 p. m.

Thornton at Chambersville, April 20-21.

Hampton at Harrell, April 21, 3 p. m.

Fordyce, April 28.

Kingsland, at Cross Roads, April 28, 3 p. m.

Taylor at Taylor, May 5.

—J. J. Stowe, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)

Fisher St., Feb. 24, a. m.

Huntington Ave., Feb. 24, p. m.

Jonesboro Ct., March 3, a. m.

Nettleton-Bay, March 3, p. m.

Blytheville Ct., March 10, a. m.

Luxora, March 10, p. m.

Lake St., Blytheville, March 17, a. m.

Manila, March 17, p. m.

Joiner-Keiser, March 24, a. m.

Wilson, March 24, p. m.

Brookland, March 31, a. m.

First Ch., Jonesboro, March 31, p. m.

Luxora Ct., April 7, a. m.

Oseola, April 7, p. m.

Leachville, April 14, a. m.

Monette, April 14, p. m.

Lepanto, April 21, a. m.

Marked Tree, April 21, p. m.

Tyronza, April 28, a. m.

Marion, April 28, p. m.

Blytheville, First Ch., May 5.

—Jas. A. Anderson, P. E.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

(Second Round.)

Griffithville at Ellis, 11 a. m., Feb. 17.

Higginson, 7 p. m., Feb. 17.

Searcy, 11 a. m., Feb. 24.

Kensett, 7 p. m., Feb. 24.

McRae at Garner, 11 a. m., March 3.

Bald Knob at Russell, 7 p. m., March 3.

Center Hill at Gum Spgs., 11 a. m., Mar. 10.

Bradford, 7 p. m., March 10.

Marshall, 11 a. m., March 17.

Leslie, 7 p. m., March 17.

Augusta, 11 a. m., March 24.

Denard at Sulphur Spgs., 11 a. m., Mar. 31.

Shirley, 7 p. m., March 31.

Pangburn, 11 a. m., April 6.

Heber Springs, 11 a. m., April 7.

Valley Springs, 7 p. m., April 13.

Bellefonte at Capps, 11 a. m., April 14.

Harrison, 7 p. m., April 14.

Scotland, at W. Grove, 11 a. m., April 14.

Clinton, 7 p. m., April 21.

Cotton Plant, 11 a. m., April 28.

McClelland, 3 p. m., April 28.

Revells, 11 a. m., May 5.

Jelks, at Union, 11 a. m., May 12.

Tupelo, 7 p. m., May 12.

Beebe Ct., 11 a. m., May 19.

Beebe, 7 p. m., May 19.

Delegates to District Conference will be elected on this round. District Conference will meet May 30, 31 at Bald Knob.

—W. P. Whaley, P. E.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lesson for February 17

PRAYER

LESSON TEXT—Matt. 6:5-13; Luke 18:9-14; 1 John 5:14, 15.

GOLDEN TEXT—If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Talking With God.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Talking With God.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Why Should We Pray?

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Christian's Prayer Life.

I. False Prayer (Matt. 6:5-7).

This consists in

1. Praying to be seen and heard of men (v. 5). Many prayers uttered in a public sanctuary are false for there is more consideration given to what the people think than to what God thinks.

2. In using vain repetitions (vv. 7, 8).

This does not mean that we should ask but once for the thing desired, for we have examples of both Christ and Paul praying three times for the same thing (Matt. 26:39-46, II Cor. 12:7, 8), but rather, it means the use of meaningless repetitions.

II. True Prayer (Matt. 6:6).

Since true prayer is a definite transaction of the soul with God, the communion of the human personality with the divine personality, there should be a real desire for fellowship with God, and then a going to Him in secret. God will abundantly reward those who thus seek His fellowship. We should have our closet prayers when all the world and its cares and pleasures are shut out, and we are shut in with God. We should meet with God's children and pray together.

III. The Model Prayer (Matt. 6:9-13).

1. A right relationship (v. 9) "Our Father."

Only those who have become children of God by faith in Jesus Christ can pray aright (Gal. 3:26). One must be a child of God before he can have communion with God.

2. A right attitude (vv. 9, 10) "Hallowed be Thy name."

When one realizes that he has been delivered from the power of darkness and translated into the kingdom of His dear Son (Col. 1:13), he cannot help pouring out his soul in gratitude and praise, intensely longing for the righteous rule of Christ on earth.

3. A right spirit (vv. 11-13).

(1) That of faith, which looks to God for the supply of daily bread. We are dependent upon Him for our daily food.

(2) That of love, which results in forgiveness of others. God will not listen to the prayers of one who has an unforgiving spirit.

(3) That of holiness which moves one to pray not to be led into temptation, and longs to be delivered from the evil one.

IV. The Proper Attitude of Soul in Prayer (Luke 18:9-14).

This is illustrated in the prayer of the Pharisee in contrast with the prayer of the publican. Observe

1. The prayer of the proud Pharisee (vv. 9-12).

He took a striking attitude (v. 11). He was self-righteous and trusted in himself. He congratulated himself upon his morality. He thanked God that he was not as other men. He congratulated himself for his religious merits (v. 12). He fasted twice a week and gave tithes of all he possessed. He thus informed God that he did more than what was required, implying that God was under obligation to him.

2. The prayer of the humble pub-

lican (v. 13).

In striking contrast with the Pharisee, the publican was too ashamed of his sins to even lift his eyes to heaven. He beat upon his breast as a sign of soul anguish and cried out to God to be merciful to him, a sinner. Christ declared that the publican went away justified, rather than the Pharisee.

V. Confidence in Prayer (I John 5:14, 15).

1. Its basis (v. 13).

Only those who have knowledge of the reality of salvation can pray with confidence. If one has assurance that he is God's child and possesses eternal life, he will come into the presence of his Father with boldness.

2. The scope of his prayer (v. 14).

"Anything according to His will." The believer has a right to bring to God in prayer anything within the scope of the divine will.

3. The blessed issue of the believer's prayer (v. 15).

"We know that we have the petition that we desired of Him." God's children coming to Him for that which is included in His will can be assured of receiving the things needed.

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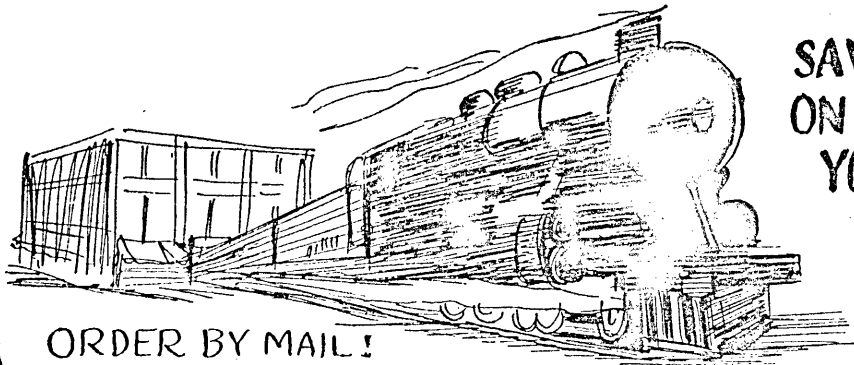
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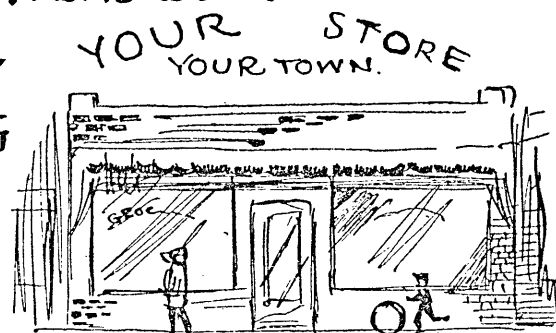
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