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PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS

Certain cigarette advertisements are provir be boomerangs for the advertisers.

The reckless driver is not usually a wreck driver; the sleepy driver may drive so that he sleeps the long sleep.

Winter, this year, is not satisfied merely to linger in the lap of spring, but seems to be trying to climb on the knees of summer.

Some men are born to rank and so are considered great; some do daring deeds and win greatness; while others hire writers to laud them and thus buy a reputation for greatness.

Mental habits may be more dangerous than physical habits, because they retard or misdirect mental growth and thus mar the whole life; while physical habits are often merely inconveniences.

Because the average law-maker is neither a farmer nor a statesman, it may become necessary for farmers to protect themselves from the unforeseen and unknowable results of Congressional action intended to benefit agriculture.

A COMPLIMENT TO FARMERS AND METHODISTS

Arthur Brisbane, high-priced paragraph writer, who seeks to discredit prohibition, writes: "Boston Bar Association yesterday voted 845 to 307 for repeal of the Prohibition Amendment and the Volstead Act, and resolves that every state should regulate its own drinking. Millions of farmers, millions of Methodists, and many other millions must be converted before anything can be done. To talk about taking prohibition out of the Constitution, is talking nonsense." Accept our sincere appreciation, Arthur, for this slight indication of sanity.

HOOVER AND THE BIBLE

Recently, before the convention of the National Federation of Men's Bible Classes, President Hoover delivered the following message: "There is no other book with such variety as the Bible, nor one so full of concentrated wisdom. Whether it be of the law, business, morals or that vision which leads the imagination in the creation of constructive enterprises for the happiness of mankind, he who seeks guidance in any of these things may look inside its covers and find illumination. The study of this book in your Bible classes is a post-graduate course in the richest library of human experience. As a nation we are indebted to the Book of Books for our national ideals and representative institutions. Their preservation rests in adhering to its principles."

"PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC GIVING"

In the Atlantic Monthly for May, Mr. Julius Rosenwald, himself a wealthy philanthropist, discusses the principles which should prevail in giving for public purposes. He is strongly opposed to gifts which are specifically directed and the principle fund of which must be preserved in perpetuity. He gives many striking examples of endowment trusts for specific purposes which after the lapse of years became impossible of execution because the objects which they were intended to maintain had passed away. Then he argues against the necessity of preserving endowments undiminished, because he thinks that there are often emergencies or opportunities which would justify the expenditure of a part or all of the endowment to better advantage than to preserve it; and he thinks that if an institution or cause is worthy, each generation in its turn will provide for it, and that the fact that an institution has a large endowment which must be preserved may prevent current giving. He believes that there is no danger in giving trustees discretion to spend funds according to their best judgment, as he has found, in his own experience, that trustees are usually extremely careful and

AND HE SAID, GO, AND TELL THIS PEOPLE, HEAR YE INDEED, BUT UNDERSTAND NOT; AND SEE YE INDEED, BUT PERCEIVE NOT. MAKE THE HEART OF THIS PEOPLE FAT, AND MAKE THEIR EARS HEAVY, AND SHUT THEIR EYES; LEST THEY SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND HEAR WITH THEIR EARS, AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART, AND CONVERT, AND BE HEALED.—Isaiah 6:9-10.

sometimes too conservative. His arguments are worthy of consideration. At present there seems to be little danger of any of our Arkansas institutions having too much permanent endowment; but there may be danger of tying it up so that future trustees might not be able to use it to the best advantage. Mr. Rosenwald has practiced what he advocates, and recently has provided that one of his large donations must be used, principle and interest, within 25 years after his death.

SUPERFLUOUS SYMPATHY

Most of the secular papers have criticised the court that recently convicted and fined Mrs. Dennett, a grandmother, for sending obscene matter through the mails. She claimed that she had written it to instruct her own boys and then it had been approved by a few good people as proper information for youth on the sex question. The defenders of Mrs. Dennett argue that the objections to her pamphlet are too old fashioned and prudish to pass upon such a "modern" subject.

In defense of the court, it may be said that eleven of the twelve jurymen were married men, and the prosecuting attorney told the jurymen: "If they thought the book fit to give to their own boys and girls, to free Mrs. Dennett; but if they would not give it to their own children, they must protect all the children of America by pronouncing Mrs. Dennett guilty." The jury found her guilty because "the law considers anything obscene which tends to excite lustful desires."

Dr. Howard A. Kelley, for twenty years professor of Gynecology and Obstetrics at Johns Hopkins University, having read the pamphlet, "Sex Side of Life," wrote his opinion of it. The following are excerpts from his letter: "The booklet is, with one exception, the most prurient statement that has come to my notice. I am astounded that anyone should have dared to bring so obscene a piece of literature to an eighth printing in a land which has any laws at all to protect its young manhood and womanhood from unutterable defilement, and that its author has so far escaped incarceration. Language could not be used more calculated to excite illegitimate, unrestrainable passions than the nasty minutiae upon which Mary Dennett lingers with such obvious unction. If it is possible to place such pornographic literature in the hands of our boys and girls, it is also inevitable that boys and girls will read and discuss these topics together; the speedy outcome of such an intimacy is obvious. If this is the right and best way to convey the information Mrs. Dennett deems necessary for youth in their teens, before they have begun to learn the real lessons of life and its vital need of self-mastery and control, then let the words of purity, decency, chastity and continence be expunged from the language. Her views are those applauded by all the male and female bawds. . . . Following our recent soul-racking experiences in the great war, our nation is obviously at a crossroad: One way leads upwards, building up the family unit by the difficult path of self-control, high ideals, and a pure Christian faith. The other has a roadhouse, inviting down into the corruption of the pit, plotting the contamination of youth, with its Mary Dennetts holding out to the vacillating boy and girl illicit pleasure which will rob marriage of its sanctity and shortly be-

come apples of Sodom corrupting the whole life."

With this view, expressed by such a man as Dr. Kelley, we are in sympathy and the maudlin sympathy of the secular press for Mrs. Dennett is a mess of superfluous sobs.

PREACHING ON MONEY

It is a common thing for laymen to say that they wish their pastor would quit preaching on money and give them some real spiritual sermons. That sounds as if these laymen were very spiritually minded and deeply interested in the promotion of the Kingdom. But when the conditions are known, it usually turns out that these laymen are like the negro who was suing his wife for a divorce on the ground that she was constantly nagging him. The judge asked him what she was nagging him about, and he replied: "Jedge, hit is dis way. She jes' ev'y day bodderin' me 'bout money. Ev'y day she ax me fo' a dollah or a quatah. She jes' all time naggin' me 'bout money." "Well," said the judge, "what does she do with all the money you give her?" Dat's hit, jedge," replied the negro, "Ah doan give her none; but she jes' everlastin'ly bodderin' me 'bout hit. She naggin' me to def 'bout money."

If the people were paying their money to the church, it would seldom be necessary for the preacher to refer to it in his sermons. It is because the members are failing to give that the preacher must preach about money. He does it not merely that the Church may have the money that it needs for the promotion of the Kingdom, but because the greatest sin of Christians is their withholding money that is God's, and if the preacher fails to present this question of "robbing God" to his people, they will be damned for their holding what belongs to God, and he will be held accountable for their souls.

Jesus, in his preaching, mentioned money ten times while He mentioned "conversion" once. He did this, not because he undervalued "conversion," but because he knew that the improper use or withholding of money was the besetting sin of religious people. It is easy to preach about heaven and get the congregation to shouting over "free salvation," but it takes courage and grace to preach about "robbing God." When the preacher is preaching about money and offending his stingy members, he is preaching exactly the kind of "spiritual" sermons they need.

If laymen knew what the preacher and presiding elder think when they complain that there is too much preaching about money, they would hold their peace and not betray their secret sin of covetousness.

A SENSIBLE PROTEST

At a recent meeting of the Conway Shakespeare Club, the following resolution, signed by Mrs. G. A. Simmons, president, and Mrs. Fletcher Smith, secretary, was adopted: "In view of the fact that numerous tobacco firms have been making prolific use of highly suggestive pictures of girls and young women in their poster advertising, and, recognizing the havoc to both physical and moral nature which results from the use of tobacco, and, furthermore, realizing how great the influence suggestive advertising has in the life of both younger and older adolescents; we would protest seriously the continuation of this sort of advertising and urge the co-operation of all groups and individuals interested in the welfare of our young women in furthering this protest."

Lots of people can weep over the colored man in Africa, but they can't keep him from being burned here. The people of China, reading the headlines of that lynching, must say to themselves, "There's your picture of Christianity in America."—Frank S. Onderdonk, at International Missionary Conference.

METHODIST CALENDAR.

Conway Dist. Conf. at Morrilton, May 20.
 Arkadelphia Dist. Conf., at Pullman Hts., May 22-23.
 Booneville Dist. Conf., at Ola, May 22-23.
 Searcy Dist. Conf., at Bald Knob, May 30-31.
 Pastors' Summer School at Conway, June 3-15.
 L. R. Conf. Epworth League Assembly, Conway, June 17-21.
 Ft. Smith Dist. Conf. June 18-19.
 Camden Dist. Conf. at Vantrease Mem., June 25, 26.
 Prescott Dist. Conf., at Murfreesboro, June 27-28.
 Gen. Bd. of Lay Activities, Mt. Sequoyah, Aug. 7-10.
 Laymen's Conference, Mt. Sequoyah, Aug. 10-14.

ARKANSAS METHODIST DISTRICT CAMPAIGN DATES.

Prescott District, May 19-26.
 Booneville District, May 26 to June 3.
 Jonesboro District, June 16-23.
 Fayetteville District, July 1-15.
 Group Meetings in Texarkana Dist. July 17-24.

PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Dr. James Thomas preached the closing sermon for the Mabelvale High School last Sunday morning.

Recently Bishop E. D. Mouzon delivered the Lyman Becher Lectures at Yale University and preached at the First Methodist Church, Boston, Mass.

"Free Speech," a pamphlet by "Bob" Shuler, is interesting and informing. Send for it. Address Rev. R. P. Shuler, 1201 S. Flower St., Los Angeles, Calif., and enclose 25 cents.

Presiding Elder H. L. Wade reports that arrangements have been made to place a marker with the name of the church on each of the 40 rural churches in Ft. Smith District.

H. L. Mencken, editor of the American Mercury, who has again and again basely traduced and slandered Arkansas and the South, defends Mrs. Dennett's pornographic sex pamphlet, and pronounces President Hoover's address on "Law Enforcement" a harangue, hollow and trashy, and justifies the violation of laws when they are "palpably vicious" and when the difficulties of repealing them are vicious." Knowing Mencken's opinion of the people of our section as "morons," we can readily appraise his opinion concerning "law enforcement."

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As a result of a meeting just closed at Smackover, in which Rev. H. H. Griffin did the preaching, 40 members were added to the church. This makes 120 since Rev. J. W. Thomas was appointed 17 months ago.

Rev. J. D. Rogers, pastor of Vantrease Memorial Church, El Dorado, preached the closing sermon for the Parker's Chapel High School and delivered an address to the Senior Class of Chidester High School at the closing exercises May 3.

The Farm and Ranch, published at Dallas, Texas, almost every week has fine articles about Arkansas agriculture. Its editorials are always good. It costs only \$1.50 for three years, or \$2 for five years.

As we go to press, Mrs. V. C. Pemberton, editor of our Woman's Missionary Department, who has been very ill, is reported slightly better, and hopes are entertained for her recovery. Matter for her department should still be sent direct to this office.

In the recent storm at Wheatley both the Methodist and Baptist churches were damaged, and the Methodist parsonage was destroyed. Happily, Rev. I. D. McClure and wife, and Miss Umsted, who were in the house, were not injured. It was certainly a narrow escape.

In an editorial in Farm and Ranch is the following paragraph which applies to the Arkansas Legislature as well as that of Texas: "If the Legislature which spends much of its time in trying to locate something new to tax, would give intelligent attention to the development of the resources of Texas, thus increasing taxable values, we would have enough money for government expenses at half the rate we are now paying."

On May 7, at her home in Conway, Miss Nellie Randell, after a lingering illness, passed away. She was a sister-in-law of the late Rev. E. A. Tabor and aunt of Mrs. Cade, wife of Rev. C. D. Cade of Little Rock Conference. Although a member of another communion, Miss Randell was closely affiliated with our church at Conway. She was a woman of fine Christian character and had given much of her life to educational and philanthropic work.

At the meeting of the Book Committee at Nashville, last week, it was announced that the business of the Publishing House had been so good during the past year that there would be a dividend of \$105,000, the largest in its history, to be distributed among the Conferences for the superannuates. If our people would patronize their own Publishing House more in the purchase of books the dividend would be still larger. Why do we not do this sensible thing?

Rev. J. R. Dickerson, our pastor at Bearden, called on his return from Hot Springs and Portland. He had dedicated the church at Portland the previous Sunday and at Hot Springs had heard Dr. Hamm, the great Baptist pastor, who has been preaching in a union meeting there. Dr. Hamm is preaching to great congregations and is making things so warm that he is not permitted to use the radio and practically no reports are going out to the press of the country.

After serving 36 years, or half of his life, on the Supreme Bench in our state, Judge C. D. Wood retires on account of failing health. A member of the Baptist church, Judge Wood is a fine Christian gentleman, a great lawyer, and a faithful public servant. We regret to lose him from the Court, but trust that, relieved of arduous duties, he may regain his health and live long to set us an example as a useful private citizen. He is easily one of our best and most distinguished citizens.

Mr. Asa G. Candler, who died recently, was one of the richest men in the South, but he left only a few hundred thousand dollars by will at his death because he had already administered on his estate in his life time. He had given altogether about \$8,000,000 to education, hospitals and other church and benevolent enterprises, and was the best beloved and most highly respected citizen of Atlanta. If all wealthy members of the church would follow his example, our great enterprises would prosper.

Dr. J. S. Rogers has been elected president of Central College for Women, the Baptist Junior College at Conway, and has accepted. He holds a B. A. Degree from Ouachita College, M. A. from the Southern Baptist Seminary, and D. D. from the Southwestern Seminary, and has been executive secretary of the Arkansas State Baptist Convention for five years. The college is fortunate in securing a man of his character, ability and experience. He is one of the real leaders of the Convention Baptists in the State.

Some months ago Rev. R. P. Shuler, pastor of our Trinity Church, Los Angeles, was tried on a charge of having published the alleged oath of the Knights of Columbus in a pamphlet. The trial ended in a hung jury. Recently he was put on trial again, and this time was acquitted. The mayor of the city has brought a criminal action against him for criticism of his administration; but it seems probable that this will be dropped. The publicity given Brother "Bob" in these trials has given him a wider hearing and influence.

If the Volstead Act were to be broken down by the arguments that are brought against it, this would be a triumph of the lawless, as the contention to do away with it comes from those who violate it. Equally false is the claim that the Volstead Act should be repealed because it has failed to bring about prohibition. The answer to this is that the act cannot be adjudged a failure when it has never been enforced. It must be enforced and must be given a thorough test before judgment can be attempted.—Louisville Herald-Post.

The Thirtieth General Conference of the United Brethren Church is now in session at Lancaster, Pa., near the place where the church had its origin in 163 years ago. This denomination, with doctrines and polity very similar to our own, receiving on an average some 25,000 members each year, has now almost a half million members and is one of the most aggressive evangelical churches in America. Seven years ago their fraternal messenger to our General Conference created such interest that a commission was appointed to confer with their commission on the possibility of union. A very pleasant conference was had, but resulted in nothing concrete. Now this church is negotiating with the Reformed Church in the U. S. A. and the Evangelical Synod of North America and it seems practically certain that these three denominations, which originally consisted largely of people of German descent, will unite under the name "United Church in America" and form a strong church of about a million members. The United Brethren have a great Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio, and their educational institutions have increased rapidly in value of property and endowment in the last decade. Their bishops are elected for only four years, but are usually reelected, although they are sometimes elected to other important positions.

BISHOP BOAZ AND OUR CONFERENCES

As was expected, Bishop Boaz, at the meeting of the College of Bishops, was assigned again to preside over our Conferences. For the last eleven years it has been the custom for the bishops to serve in the same District for a quadrennium, unless sickness or death necessitated a readjustment, and it was prouder that Bishop Boaz should finish the quadrennium with us. To be sure, a few over-critical people, because of the Bishop's activity in the educational situation during the last two years, would have preferred a change; but there was no good ground for seeking a change. The Bishop had his views and did what he could legitimately to bring about the result which he preferred; but unlike many persons in positions of power, he did not take advantage of it to override the preferences of others, and he is entitled to credit for that and also for the fact that during all of the controversy he kept sweet and then accented the result graciously. Then, too, if an administrator is to be changed every time he fails to please every one, practically no one would be able to carry out a consistent policy. Under our form of government we must learn to give and take and still be Christian gentlemen and co-operate. We think that our Conferences are to be congratulated on having a president of the type of Bishop Boaz, who is thoroughly brotherly and democratic, active, vigilant, aggressive and spiritually minded, and we rejoice that he

PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION.

At the meeting of the College of Bishops held in Nashville, Tenn., May 3, the Plan of Episcopal Visitation for 1929 was adopted as follows:

District No. 1.—Bishop Warren A. Candler. North Mississippi, October 30, Corinth, Miss.; Mississippi, November 6, Meridian, Miss.; Louisiana, November 20, Lafayette, La.; Cuba, February 20, 1930, Santa Clara, Cuba.

District No. 2.—Bishop Collins Denny. Western Virginia, September 11, Ravenswood, W. Va.; Baltimore, September 25, Cumberland, Md.; Virginia, October 16.

District No. 3.—Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon. Western North Carolina, October 23, High Point, N. C.; North Carolina, October 30, Kingston, N. C.; South Carolina, November 13, Charleston, S. C.; Upper South Carolina, November 20, Columbia, S. C.

District No. 4.—Bishop John M. Moore. New Mexico, October 10, Marfa, Tex.; West Texas, October 23, San Antonio, Tex.; Central Texas, November 6, Hillsboro, Tex.; Northwest Texas, November 13, Pampa, Tex.

District No. 5.—Bishop W. F. McMurry. Denver, August 22, Beulah, Colo.; Missouri, September 18, Salisbury, Mo.; Southwest Missouri, October 2, Kansas City, Mo.; St. Louis, October 16, Caruthersville, Mo.

District No. 6.—Bishop U. V. W. Darlington. Belgian Mission, June 19, Brussels, Belgium; Czechoslovakia, June 26, Prague, C. S.; Polish-Danzig Mission, July 10, Kłesew, Poland; Illinois, August 29, Odin, Ill.; Kentucky, September 4, Winchester, Ky.

District No. 7.—Bishop H. M. Du Bose. Louisville, September 25, Princeton, Ky.; Holston, October 2, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Tennessee, October 16, Nashville, Tenn.; Memphis, November 13, Jackson, Tenn.

District No. 8.—Bishop W. N. Ainsworth. Korea Mission, August 29, Seoul, Korea; Korea Conference, September 4, Seoul, Korea; Siberia-Korean Mission, September 10, Rong-Jung, Manchuria; China, October 16, Huchow, China; Japan Mission, October 31, Kobe, Japan.

District No. 9.—Bishop James Cannon, Jr. Congo Mission. —Brazil, Sao Paul de Muriahe, Brazil; Central Brazil, Pocos de Caldas, Brazil; South Brazil, Santa Anna, Brazil.

District No. 10.—Bishop W. B. Beauchamp. Texas Mexican Mission, October 3, San Antonio, Tex.; Western Mexican Mission, October 10, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mexico, October 17, Juarez, Mex.; South Georgia, November 6, Macon, Ga.; North Georgia, November 13, Atlanta, Ga.

District No. 11.—Bishop Sam R. Hay. Northwest, June 27, Coquille, Ore.; California-Oriental Mission, September 24, Berkeley, Calif.; Pacific, September 26, Modesto, Calif.; Arizona, October 3, Nogales, Ariz.; North Texas, October 24, McKinney, Tex.; Texas, November 6, Palestine, Tex.

District No. 12.—Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs. Florida, June 12, Miami, Fla.; North Alabama, November 6, Anniston, Ala.; Alabama, November 20, Montgomery, Ala.

District No. 13.—Bishop H. A. Boaz. Indian Mission, September 13, Picketts Chapel, near Sapulpa; East Oklahoma, October 30, Wewoka, Okla.; West Oklahoma, November 6, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Little Rock, November 20, Prescott, Ark.; North Arkansas, November 27, Russellville, Ark.

Fall Meeting, Dec. 13-15, Birmingham, Ala.

BISHOP CANNON REPLIES TO CONGRESSMAN LA GUARDIA.

April 27, 1929.

The Hon. F. H. LaGuardia, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.:

Dear Sir—I received your spectacular radiogram addressed to me on the S. S. Olympic April 23. Inasmuch as you stated you desired information for your files, and no public emergency exists calling for reckless expenditure of money, or giving precedence to more important personal matters, this note will undoubtedly answer your purpose.

While not recognizing the slightest obligation to reply to queries on the subject of Prohibition which may be made by anyone with your attitude and record on that question, as the matter you refer to is under general discussion, I will say: I did not, while in Europe, make any statement on the subject of the sale of intoxicants on the Leviathan, or on the subject of sailing on 'wet' and 'dry' ships. Indeed, I flatly refused to give any interview to any person on any subject while aboard. The statement carried by the Universal Service on April 18, dated London, quoting language as uttered by me in England on that subject is an amazing, reprehensible, reportorial fabrication from beginning to end.

Personally, I think other matters besides 'wet' and 'dry' enter into the choice of the ship on which one sails. Speed, safety, date of sailing, port of landing, cost, needed and available accommodations, companions—these are other matters to be considered. All things being equal, certainly I should select a 'dry' ship, but I leave others to determine for themselves which ship will best meet their needs and best enable them to accomplish their purposes. I cannot believe, however, that any considerable number of travelers are such slaves to the appetite for intoxicants as to subordinate other matters of importance to the item of whether the ship on which one lives for six or eight days is 'wet' or 'dry.'

But I do think that the law of the country should follow the flag of the

country. If the owners of vessels, or any other property, claim the protection of the American flag—that is, of government—they are, I think, under a moral obligation to accept and obey the laws of that government. It is bad sportsmanship, and, indeed, cowardly to take advantage of the fact that there is no written statute to compel them to play the game fairly. Personally, if such cowardly, contemptible methods are adopted, I should favor the passage of a law to put an end to such a situation and to make the law follow the flag.

I hope the above will satisfy the craving for information which you state compelled you to send your expensive radiogram to me on the Olympic last Tuesday.

Sincerely,

James Cannon, Jr.

A SLANDER REBUKED.

The statement made on the floor of Congress on May 1 by Congressman La Guardia of New York that "most of the youngsters 19 to 25 years of age throughout this country have tasted strong liquor, the vast majority of them have developed an appetite for synthetic gin, raw hooch, or anything they can get in their hands, and have an utter contempt for prohibition laws," was promptly branded as false and insulting by the heads of four large Protestant youth organizations of the District of Columbia. The local heads of the Epworth League, Christian Endeavor Union, Baptist Young People's Union and Luther League signed the following joint statement:

"As heads of the various Protestant young people's organizations in the District of Columbia and vicinity, representing a large section of the youth of this city, and in a general way speaking for the organizations throughout the United States, we place ourselves as condemning as an indefensible insult the statement made by Representative La Guardia of New York, in which he charged wholesale drinking by American youth.

"We desire to state without qualification that our members are not drinkers. From the inception of the organizations which we represent

they have stood for temperance. Before prohibition they worked earnestly for the day when there would be no saloons, and since the 18th amendment was enacted, they have obeyed the law, and have consistently expressed their belief that it is a good one.

"We know Mr. La Guardia's statement to be false and that he is unable to prove his assertions, which reflect upon the moral integrity and purity of the boys and girls of our land."

"We challenge this wholesale attack made on American youth."

THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held its thirty-fifth annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn., April 30-May 1. Twenty-two of the twenty-seven members were present.

Bishop E. D. Mouzon, who has been president of the Board since 1922, presided at all the sessions. Without hurrying he never allows any time to be wasted, and as usual the Board was able easily to complete its work in two days. Dr. H. H. Sherman, the General Secretary, had all matters so well in hand that no one would have suspected that this was his first Board meeting since his election.

The reports of the General Secretary and the other members of the Headquarters Staff reviewed the Board's activities and achievements during the past year. Some of the more important of these were: The promoting of seventeen Pastors' Schools throughout the Church; promoting conferences on religious education, including two student conferences; further development of religious work in the thirty tax-supported schools where the Board participates in the support of this work; financial and other assistance rendered departments of religious education in our own colleges; visitation of more than sixty colleges and universities in sixteen different States; administration of the Christian Workers' Education Aid Fund through which \$18,750 was loaned to 161 students in 37 different institutions; and the making of educational surveys in Arkansas, Texas,

is to be our presiding Bishop for another year, and trust that this year may be so pleasant and fruitful that he may be disposed to return for another quadrennium. He has so thoroughly identified himself with our interests that we feel that he is truly "our" bishop. He will continue to hold conferences in Oklahoma. The dates are as follows: Indian Mission at Pickett's Chapel near Sapulpa, Sept. 13; E. Oklahoma, Wewoka, Oct. 30; W. Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, Nov. 6; Little Rock, Prescott, Nov. 20; N. Arkansas, Russellville, Nov. 27.

CIRCULATION REPORT

Rev. G. W. Pyles reports a 100 per cent list at Dodson Ave., Ft. Smith. That is fine. Other reports are meager, doubtless due to the unfavorable weather. The pastors in five Districts have assured the Commissioner that they are going to make their Districts 100 per cent, and they are working with that in view. We are counting on them; but are anxious to report the first District to reach the goal. Many subscribers, who are expecting their names to be reported in the clubs, are becoming impatient because their labels are not changed. Let lists be sent in promptly. The following subscriptions have been received since the last report: Marvell, C. E. Gray, 2; New Edinburg, J. C. Johnson, 1; Augusta, W. W. Albright, 11; Wheatley, I. D. McClure, 1; Dodson Ave., G. W. Pyles, 113; Emmet, M. E. Scott, 1; Lavaca, J. B. Stewart, 2; Warren, A. W. Waddill, 2; Huntington Ave., J. M. Harrison, 1; Brinkley, M. N. Johnston, 5; Carlisle, Neill Hart, 1; Winchester, J. L. Leonard, 1; Paragould Ct., G. C. Taylor, 14.

BOOK REVIEWS

Joseph and His Brethren—By H. W. Freeman. Published by Henry Holt and Company, New York. Price, \$2.50.

This story is truly a work of art. The characters are clearly and sharply drawn and perfectly sustained throughout the story. Self-forgetfulness in the interest of another has a great part in deepening and strengthening the characters of Joseph's brethren. As a psychological study the book is exceptionally fine. The primitive condition of rural England may in many points seem unreal to us; but it is so truly human that it catches and holds the reader's attention and leaves him with much to ponder over.

The Joyous Pretender—By Louise Ayres Garnett. Published by the Macmillan Company, New York. Price, \$2.00.

This is a story of a young boy who had been the constant companion of his father, a gifted but unhappy man who wandered about over the earth seeking peace. There had been genuine love and perfect comradeship between the two. The father died and the small boy set out alone in search of a companion who would understand him and share the beauties and joys of life with him. He was a Joyous Pretender, and by his very joyousness he attracted others to him, and by his great love and trust was the means of rescuing a woman who was discouraged and ready to give up life. Through the story runs a simple and strong romance which is guided to a happy culmination by the Joyous Pretender. There are phases of the story that perhaps are a little exaggerated, but on the whole it is sane and wholesome and

teaches that life is worth living even under dreadful conditions. The spirit of youth and joy is beautifully expressed throughout the story. It is a book well worth reading.

Taking the Name of Science in Vain—By Horace J. Bridges. Published by the Macmillan Company, New York. Price, \$2.50.

This book is based on a series of lectures. In preparing them for publication, Dr. Bridges has greatly expanded the four original lectures. He sounds a challenge to young men and women that they extend to all fields of knowledge and speculation the same love and practice of free thought that so far they have boasted of applying to theology. In the arguments and conclusions used throughout the discourse Dr. Bridges appeals to fair-minded readers, and especially the young, not to abandon their ideals of free rationality, but on the contrary, to strive after it more thoroughly than they now do. A careful reading of this book will prove very enlightening to the reader. The four general topics of discussion are: The Meaning of Life and Its Values; The Reality and Limits of Personal Responsibility; Right and Wrong, "Crime" and "Sin"; Rationality, Liberty and License in Literature and Art; Civic Rights and Duties; Patriotism and National Morality.

The New York Times publishes a cable from one of its correspondents saying that Moscow is greatly exercised over its drink bill. It is reckoned that no less than \$500,000,000 is spent every year on vodka, 55 per cent even of the school children drinking it occasionally, and 15 per cent of them taking it regularly. Evidently free liquor does not mean less drinking.—New Outlook.

Previously reported	79.55
Total	\$ 82.94
Prescott District.	
Friendship	\$ 1.41
Gurdon	8.00
Saline	.89
Ozan	1.29
Biggs Chapel (Bingen Ct.)	.45
Wakefield	.90
Previously reported	39.42

Total	\$ 52.36
Texarkana District.	
Fairview	\$ 11.14
Ashdown	5.00
Richmond (Jan., Feb., Mch., April)	2.55
Genoa	2.10
Bradley	2.07
Dallas	1.07
Walnut Springs	2.80
Previously reported	41.58

Total	\$ 68.31
Standing by Districts.	
Arkadelphia, 15 Schools	\$ 48.00
Camden, 15 Schools	373.91
Little Rock, 21 Schools	200.80
Monticello, 22 Schools	131.97
Pine Bluff, 21 Schools	82.94
Prescott, 17 Schools	52.36
Texarkana, 14 Schools	68.31

Totals, 125 Schools.....\$958.29
—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, RECEIVED TO MAY 11.

Arkadelphia District.	
Previously reported	\$302.41
Camden District.	
Taylor	\$ 5.50
Fordyce	60.00
Junction City	26.00
Previously reported	40.00

Total	\$131.50
Little Rock District.	
Hunter Memorial	\$ 15.00
Douglasville	5.50
Pepper's Lake	3.55
Asbury	65.00
Previously reported	868.59

Total	\$957.64
Monticello District.	
Wilmar Ct.	\$ 30.00
Warren	70.00
Tillar	18.00
Newton's Chapel	10.00
Parkdale	15.00
Winchester	12.00
Hermitage Ct.	30.00
Lake Village	40.00
Dermott	50.00
Previously reported	309.00

Total	\$584.00
Pine Bluff District.	
Stuttgart	\$ 25.00
Sheridan	20.00
New Hope	10.04
St. Charles	7.00
Alzheimer	25.00
Previously reported	309.48

Total	\$396.52
Prescott District.	
DeAnn	\$ 7.15
Nashville	60.00
Glenwood	35.00
Previously reported	60.00

Total	\$162.15
Texarkana District.	
Winthrop	\$.75
Fairview	20.00
Previously reported	178.03

Total	\$198.78
Standings by Districts.	
Camden District	\$131.50
Prescott District	162.15
Texarkana District	198.78
Arkadelphia District	302.41
Pine Bluff District	396.52

Monticello District	584.50
Little Rock District	957.64
Total	\$2,733.50
—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.	

COMPARATIVE STANDING DUAL MISSION OFFERINGS FOR MARCH, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Requests have come that we publish the comparative statement of the Dual Mission offerings for March in the Little Rock Conference. This report shows the per cent of schools in each District making an offering for March. This report does not show the amount of money sent in, but the per cent of schools reporting.

	Schools	Per- cent-
	ting.	age.
Monticello	35	19
Prescott	53	28
Pine Bluff	51	25
Little Rock	58	26
Arkadelphia	49	18
Texarkana	52	19
Camden	54	18

FIRST PLACE is held by the Monticello District. Rev. J. C. Glenn, Presiding Elder; Hon. D. L. Purkins, Executive Secretary.

SECOND PLACE is held by the Prescott District. Rev. J. A. Henderson, Presiding Elder; Mr. W. A. McKeown, Executive Secretary.

THIRD PLACE is held by the Pine Bluff District. Dr. E. R. Steel, Presiding Elder; Hon. A. R. Cooper, Executive Secretary.

This report has been mailed the Presiding Elders and Executive Secretaries for several months, and has created quite a lot of friendly rivalry among these forces.

Just a few more schools reporting from any one District would change the standing materially.

Watch for the standing of Districts next month.—S. T. Baugh.

REPORT FOR APRIL Field and Extension Secretary, Little Rock Conference.

Following is report of my work for April. It has been a busy month in the field in addition to the usual amount of office work.

Visited in the following Districts: Monticello, Little Rock, Prescott, Pine Bluff, Camden, Arkadelphia.

Visited the following pastoral charges: Pulaski Heights, Montrose, England, Stuttgart, Gillett, Rison, Kingsland, New Edinburg, Leola, Thornton, Norphlet, Princeton, Roland, Dumas, Sheridan, Benton, Bauxite, Hermitage, Hawley Memorial, Mt. Ida.

Attended three District Conferences—Pine Bluff Monticello and Little Rock, and represented our work in each.

Delivered a sign for Leola Church. Printed programs and enrollment cards for Pine Bluff and Hot Springs Standard Training Schools. Also printed Sunday School Day letter.

Printed part of the Epworth League Assembly publicity.

Two Cokesbury schools were held during April: Dalark, with 5 credits, and Sardis, out from Bauxite, with 26 Credits.

Wrote 22 articles for publication. Wrote 93 personal letters. Read 2 magazines and religious papers.

Spent 5 days in the field. Traveled 2,444 miles. Travel expense, \$41.60.—S. T. Baugh, Secretary.

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FORTY-SEVEN CHARGES IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE HAVE NOW PLACED PASTOR ON HONOR ROLL.

This week fifteen more charges paid the Sunday School Day apportionment in full and placed their pastor's name on the beautiful Honor Roll to be displayed at Prescott in November. This makes 47 charges out in full to date and is the best record our Conference has ever made by the middle of May. The charges going over the top this week are as follows:

Fordyce—J. E. Cooper, P. C.
Junction City—C. M. Thompson, P. C.
Hunter—Robert Beasley, P. C.
Douglassville-Geyer Springs—Ver-gil Morris, P. C.

Asbury—J. L. Dedman, P. C.
Wilmar Ct.—M. K. Rogers, P. C.
Warren—A. W. Waddill, P. C.
Tillar Ct.—J. L. Leonard, P. C.
Portland-Parkdale—Geo. E. Williams, P. C.
Hermitage Ct.—L. A. Smith, P. C.
Lake Village—F. P. Doak, P. C.
Dermott—W. W. Nelson, P. C.
Sheridan-New Hope—W. R. Boyd, P. C.
Alzheimer-Wabbaseka—W. C. Hilliard, P. C.
Nashville—R. E. Fawcett, P. C.
—Clem Baker.

HOW THE BATTLE GOES IN THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

With the Generals, Majors, and Captains all lined up and pushing the battle on every front it begins to look like the Little Rock Conference is going to win the most complete victory for Sunday School Day observance that we have ever won in our history and that we are not going to "take all summer to do it." Generals Thomas and Goodlett on the Little Rock District and Generals Glenn and Purkins on the Monticello District have each driven a deep salient into their sectors and are tied at 88 per cent of their goals. In the Little Rock District 15 preacher Majors and 39 Superintendent Captains have gone over the top while in the Monticello District 16 Majors and 43 Captains have gained their objective. Although reported temporarily on the casualty list General Steel is directing the campaign from his bedside and ably assisted by General Cooper is able to report the Pine Bluff District leading all other Districts in its drive for victory. Five Majors and 10 Captains in this sector have gained the victory. Generals Mann and Fitzhugh in the Arkadelphia sec-

tor are running neck and neck with Generals Hoover and Martin in the Texarkana District. Both are running near the half-way mark with assurance of complete victory. In the Arkadelphia District four preachers and nine superintendents have reached the goal while in the Texarkana sector three preachers and six superintendents have gained the victory.

The Prescott and Camden Districts are trailing just a little at present, but with such wise old generals as Henderson and McKeown leading one and Stowe, assisted by Tibbitts, leading the other, the enemy will have no peace in those sectors till victory is ours.—Clem Baker.

PINE BLUFF HAS GREAT TRAINING SCHOOL.

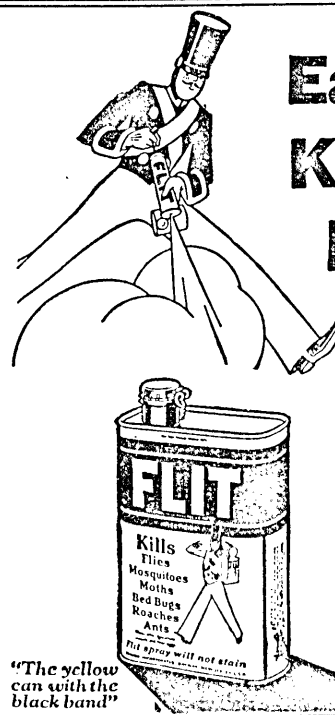
Ninety-five credits were awarded at the Pine Bluff Training School held at Lakeside, last week. This was decidedly the best session we have ever had at this place. Brother Hundley rendered a beautiful service as Dean of the School. The other Pastors and District officers threw themselves wholeheartedly into making the School a success. Out-of-town pastors coming in with groups of their people were: L. T. Rogers, A. W. Hamilton, Roy Jordan, W. R. Boyd, W. C. Hilliard and G. F. Hyde. The faculty consisted of Miss McRae and Miss Stevenson teaching Elementary Courses, Dr. Gibson, teaching the Bible Course, Dr. Washburn, teaching the Course on The Hymns, Mr. Hayes, teaching Organization and Administration of the Sunday School, and Clem Baker teaching Principles of Teaching. Among those winning the Gold Seal Diploma at the close of the School was Hon. A. R. Cooper, executive secretary for the Pine Bluff District.—Clem Baker.

SHERILL TO HAVE STANDARD SCHOOL NEXT WEEK.

Continuing our work in the Pine Bluff District, a Standard Training School is to be held at Sherrill next week. The class work begins at 7:15 Monday night, May 20. The following courses will be offered:

Sunday School Organization and Administration—Rev. W. C. House; Old Testament Survey—Mr. Bentley Sloane; The Program of Christian Religion—Mr. J. S. M. Cannon; The Methodist Church and Its Work—Clem Baker.

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ANNIVERSARY DAY OFFERINGS

Little Rock Conference
Since our last report the following charges have made remittance. Several pastors have told me that their treasurer has the money. Please report your offering right away that we may complete this work before the Assembly.

Arkadelphia District	
Previously reported.....	\$103.74
Camden District	
Previously reported.....	\$ 92.16
Little Rock District	
Bauxite	\$ 18.00
Previously reported	257.46
Total.....	\$275.46
Monticello District	
Previously reported	\$109.35
Pine Bluff District	
Previously reported	\$ 35.10
Prescott District	
Emmet	\$ 3.80
Previously reported	70.50
Total.....	\$ 74.30
Texarkana District	
Previously reported	\$104.27
Totals By Districts	
Arkadelphia, 11 Charges.....	\$103.74
Camden, 11 Charges	92.16
Little Rock, 20 Charges	275.46
Monticello, 9 Charges	109.35
Pine Bluff, 3 Charges	35.10
Prescott, 9 Charges	74.30
Texarkana, 13 Charges	104.27
Totals, 76 Charges.....	\$794.38
—S. T. Baugh, Secretary.	

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MONTICELLO DISTRICT BANQUET

One of the prettiest League banquets I have attended was held at Dermott Friday night, May 10. Despite a number of school closings, senior class plays, etc., in the District, we had 130 present. The banquet room was filled to overflowing, and as fine a spirit as I have ever seen in a group.

Presiding Elder J. C. Glenn, Superintendent H. A. Little of Hamburg, and Miss Ruby Suitt, District secretary, all worked for the success of this banquet. It was a glorious success.

The Monticello District Epworth League Band, directed by Mr. Albert Boarchardt of Monticello, furnished some splendid music. Mr. Henry McNeely of Dermott also sang, to the delight of all. Miss Winnie Thompson of Dermott, also sang to the delight of all. Miss Edna Howard of Dermott, and Miss Ilawese White, of Monticello delighted us with readings. Miss White was declared the winner in Dramatic Art in the contest recently held in Conway for all of Arkansas.

Following this fine array of talent Mr. Bentley Sloane, Conference Vice President, outstripped all records he has made in the fine speech he delivered. Then the writer delivered a few feeble remarks.

Just before we closed the following signed up as delegates to the summer assembly to be held at Conway June 17-21 (instead of May 17-21 as reported in the Gazette).

Elizabeth Wells, Monticello; Tilden Burkes, Dermott; Mrs. P. H. Herring, Dermott; Sarah Lephew, Dermott; Sybil Morton, Dumas; Cornelia Peacock, Dumas; Tom B. McNeely, Dumas.

The Monticello District plans to run a special Missouri Pacific bus from McGehee to Conway. All delegates from this District should register at once to get in on this special.—S. T. Baugh.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY PARAGOULD DISTRICT CONFERENCE

We, the Epworth League Committee, realizing that the future of our church greatly depends upon the training of the youth of today, submit the following report:

1. We urge that each pastor have an Epworth League in his charge.
2. That the pastors and chapter presidents co-operate with the District secretary by sending their reports and further information desired.
3. Furthermore, we recommend that the chapters that have not observed Anniversary Day, do so, and send their offering to Rev. Ira A. Brumley, North Little Rock.
4. Up to date our League pledges are far below the quota. We therefore make an urgent appeal that each chapter make an earnest effort to raise the quota in full before the Summer Assembly, June 10-14.
5. The committee recognizes the value of the District Union meetings, also the Assembly. We insist that every effort possible be made to send delegates to these meetings.
6. That the pastors and Leaguers familiarize themselves with every phase of the League work.
7. We sincerely desire that the spiritual life of each chapter be its outstanding feature.
8. We recommend that this report be published in the Arkansas Methodist and that each pastor see to it that his chapter president reads the report at some devotional meeting.

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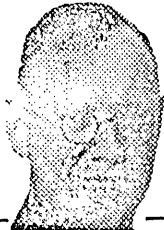
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News of the Churches

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Paraloma Charge	\$ 1.00
Susanna Wesley Bible Class,	
First Church, Texarkana	5.00
Brother Hightower, Bryant	1.00
X. B. K. Class, First Church,	
Little Rock	5.00
Mothers' Bible Class, Winfield	
Church	10.00
Elizabeth Monk Bible Class,	
Fairview Church, Texarkana	3.00
Marguerite Clifford Class,	
Winfield Church	10.00

We have received the following contributions to apply upon the Sunday School Christmas Offerings:

First Church, Little Rock	\$15.00
Harrison Sunday School	36.21

—James Thomas, Supt.

GIFTS RECEIVED AT THE ORPHANAGE HOME DURING APRIL.

Joy Bearers Class, Prairie Grove, one barrel fruit in glasses; from radio party by Mrs. Jennie Garrett, 15 dozen Karcher suckers; Mary Wilma Ramos, Arkansas City, clothing for special; Mr. J. I. Hogue, city, one dozen jars of fruit; Virginia Howell Bible Class, Asbury Church, city, one set dishes (49 pieces), two gallons brick ice cream, two home-made cakes; Billy Lusby, Tenth and Johnson, city, toys and books; Ladies' Aid, Bethlehem Church, Hickory Plains Circuit, one quilt; W. M. S., First Church, North Little Rock, sewing of 40 garments; Mrs. W. Adcock, city, shoes and records.—Mrs. S. J. Steed, Matron.

MISSIONARY OFFERINGS TO MAY 11.

North Arkansas Conference.

Newark, L. L. Claud	\$ 5.15
Corning, W. F. Blevins	55.75
Vanndale, J. G. Ditterline	7.50
Biggers, V. B. Utley	10.00
Tuckerman Ct., H. W. Jett	30.00
West Helena, Geo. E. Patchell	8.00
Widener, Grover Sutherland	30.25
Hughes, G. C. Johnson	18.00
Gardner Memorial, I. A.	
Brumley	8.33

Little Rock Conference.

Louann, J. J. Mellard	\$ 50.00
Richmond Ct., F. C. Cannon	23.00
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Amity Ct., J. W. Tomlin	35.00
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Foreman, A. C. Rogers	150.00
First Ch., Little Rock, W. C.	
Martin	750.00

—J. F. Simmons, Treas.

DISTRICT STANDING TO MAY 11.

Little Rock Conference.

Arkadelphia, J. W. Mann	\$1,908.49
Camden, J. J. Stowe	4,802.90
Little Rock, Jas. Thomas	7,034.99
Monticello, J. C. Glenn	4,101.00
Pine Bluff, E. R. Steel	1,630.00
Prescott, J. A. Henderson	2,132.00
Texarkana, J. L. Hoover	2,228.86

Total \$23,838.24

North Arkansas Conference.

Batesville, H. K. King	\$1,295.48
Booneville, F. E. Dodson	970.15
Conway, J. M. Hughey	744.58
Fayetteville, F. M. Tolleson	932.25
Fort Smith, H. L. Wade	482.25
Helena, F. R. Hamilton	1,627.55
Jonesboro, J. A. Anderson	910.45
Paragould, E. T. Wayland	947.89
Searcy, W. P. Whaley	643.75

Total \$8,554.35

Total from both Confs. \$32,392.59

—J. F. Simmons, Treas.

Progressive Charges.

Much interest is being manifested in the list of Progressive Charges. This is as it should be. Several of the presiding elders are seeking to make as many of the charges of their Districts progressive as is possible. Every charge but one in the Monticello District under the leadership of Brother Glenn is a Progressive Charge. Brother Hoover of Texarkana says that every charge but two in his District will be in this select list of charges. The list of Progressive Charges in the Helena District under Brother Hamilton is greatly increasing. Brother King says that the Batesville District is not going to lag behind in this matter. Here is the list for this time:

Cave City, A. E. Horton—1929,	\$19.26.
Magazine-Havana, W. A. Patty—	1928, \$20.00; 1929, \$22.00.
Greenbrier Ct., W. B. Edington—	1928, \$13.00; 1929, \$42.00.
Hulbert-West Memphis, F. M. Sweet—	1928, \$10.00; 1929, \$30.00.
Vanndale-C. Valley, J. G., Ditterline—	1928, \$20.00; 1929, \$27.00.
West Helena, Geo. E. Patchell—	1928, \$50.00; 1929, \$58.00.
Widener-Madison—Grover Sutherland—	1928, \$1.00; 1929, \$30.25.
Thornton Ct., Geo. E. Reutz—	1928, \$35.00; 1929, \$50.00.
Camden, H. H. Griffin—1928, \$1,	000.00; 1929, \$1,150.00.
Dalark Ct., C. B. Wyatt—1928,	\$32.00; 1929, \$64.35.
Leola Ct., J. H. Mathews—1928,	\$15.35; 1929, \$78.00.
Stephens, R. A. Teeter—1928,	\$300.00; 1929, \$303.60.
Horatio, L. C. Gatlin—1929,	\$114.26.
Umpire Ct., Ben Allen—1929,	\$7.10.
Mt. Ida-Mauldin, S. B. Mann—	1928, \$20.00; 1929, \$20.87.
Ashdown Ct., M. T. Rose—1928,	

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—J. F. Simmons, Treas.

CHEERING MISSIONARY NEWS

Little Rock Conference Leading the Church.

In spite of the "flu" and rain and cold weather the Little Rock Conference is leading the whole church in the per cent of missionary offering paid to date. In a letter Dr. Cram makes the following statement:

"It would seem from what you have received that the Little Rock conference is more nearly paid out on the amount which may be expected this year than any of the other Conferences throughout the Church."

The results achieved have been made possible by the hearty co-operation of the presiding elders and the pastors. In behalf of our great missionary forces throughout all our mission fields, I wish to thank each one who has made this success possible. Let us continue the good work until it is fully consummated.

Wesley Memorial and St. Luke.

All Methodist people in Arkansas are always glad to hear of the many attainments of Dr. Forney Hutchinson. He is perhaps the best all-round pastor in our whole connection. He has always been keenly interested in the missionary work of the Church. This is one of the secrets of his great success. His great church, St. Luke, is pledging \$10,000 to the Maintenance Fund this year. Another great church has joined St. Luke in this matter. Wesley Memorial, High Point, North Carolina, is also pledging \$10,000 to this fund. Dr. J. W. Moore is in his third year in this great church. This church made a larger missionary offering last year than it paid its pastor and this year it will have a missionary offering twice as large as its pastor's salary.

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can count of Blevins for 100 per cent on the Special Missionary quota of \$250." I spent a pleasant and I trust a profitable week with this true and loyal pastor recently in a school studying Christian Stewardship.

Dr. Thomas and the Little Rock District 100 Per Cent Plus.

The quota of Missionary offering for the Little Rock District was \$7,000. The report this week will show that according to his custom Dr. Thomas is not willing to stop at 100 per cent, but goes beyond it. To date I have received \$7,034.99 from this District with more yet to come.—J. F. Simmons.

MISSIONARY COURSES IN THE PASTORS' SUMMER SCHOOL.

I wish to call special attention to the courses in the Pastors' School which are credited as missionary courses. There are four courses marked "m" in the bulletin sent out. The first one is the one on "General Evangelism" taught by Dr. Goddard. I am sure this will be a large class. The next one is "The Program of Work for the City Church" taught by Brother W. C. Martin. This course will deal with the home missionary problems in our towns and cities. Let's give Brother Martin a good class. The third course is another taught by Dr. Goddard, "The Church Serving the Community." This is another home missionary course dealing more especially with the small town and open country. Pastors deal-

ing with the difficult problems of today in such fields will rejoice to have the opportunities of this helpful course under Dr. Goddard. The fourth missionary course is "Comparative Religions" taught by the dean of teachers, Dr. C. J. Greene. This subject is simply crowding itself upon the American Christian worker. We are living next door to the East and we must get better acquainted with their religion which is the most real thing in the world to the teeming millions of that section of the world. In selecting your courses be sure to take one of these missionary courses.—J. F. Simmons.

CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN FOR SUPERANNUATE ENDOWMENT.

Rev. John C. Glenn,
Conference Director.

As Heartless as the Bees.

One of the most interesting nature studies to me has been the honey bee. In the laws governing the hive, we observe that they have a law of superannuation, by which they retire their worn-out bees. The active life of the honey bee is 35 days or less. It has such a passion for work, that with a perfect frenzy it wears its little life out as a martyr to the hive. All through the hours of the day it visits the fields, sucks the nectar from the flowers, carries its heavy burdens to its store-house, takes the snowy white flakes from its own body to build and beautify its waxen cells.

But after a while the little worker makes its last pilgrimage, falling to the ground again and again. Finally it reaches the hive, and gives the signal of distress. Its case is reported to a committee something like our Committee on Conference Relations. This committee gives it a very thorough examination, and then says in unmistakable terms, "Your work is done; you can be of no further service to the hive; we are going to grant you the superannuate relation." The little creature listens to all this, subjects itself to the most thorough diagnosis or investigation, and then it is led to the threshold of the hive, lifted up and dropped down in some place of obscurity, where in great distraction it starves to death right in sight of a storehouse of riches it has given its life to secure.

As a Church we have adopted this same law of superannuation that we find in the hive. But is it wise? Is it just? It is the shame of Methodism that we have taken young men, made them stand at the altar and take a solemn vow that they would give all their time and energy to the work of the Church, to the study of God's word, to do nothing else, and when at last they have worn themselves out and come up for the last time, we have retired them on a mere pittance and sent them off in obscurity to die in poverty and distress of mind.

At the End of the Trail.

Every time I visit an Annual Conference, or attend my own, I find one or more preachers entering upon the silence period of "Forgotten Men." Almost invariably their superannuation comes with little warning. I sit in the Conference and watch these men as they come into the first realization that they must retire from the field of active ministry. Knowing Methodist preachers as I do, it is not surprising that those who are marked for the superannuate list are cast down into the depths of gloom.

Their names are called, and, tottering on their feet, they give reports of work done in the past year. Trembling voices and flowing tears give but faint evidence of the turmoil within their breasts. With hearts longing to

go on, they turn their sorrow-laden faces toward their comrades and reach out their hands appealingly as those about to sink into the depths of an angry stream.

A Live Issue.

Brethren, do not give up. Do not say, or even think, that the Superannuate Cause is a dead issue. It is not. It is the liveliest, dearest issue in the hearts of our good people. Let's press the matter until final victory is won.

SUPERANNUATE ENDOWMENT BAROMETER—LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

There was a time during the World War when some of the allies feared that the "jig was up." They were counseling an invitation to negotiations, but Field Marshal Foch, whose triumphant soul passed on to its reward a short time ago, had a different view. When the line was staggering at the Battle of the Marne, he sent this word to the "milder" men at home: "My center is wavering; my left wing is retreating; the situation is excellent; I am ordering an attack." What a grand leader of the Forces of Righteousness and Democracy!

That is the spirit that gave us our wonderful civilization. That is the spirit that carries us somewhere. That is the spirit that "heeds not limit nor ban." That is the spirit that shall make our "Superannuate Endowment Clean-up Campaign" a success. Brethren and friends, it is the fierce loyalties that produce the results and achieve the victories, not the Laodicean cant of weakness and "lukewarmness."

Time For Action at Hand.

The time for intelligent and effective plans is here. We are privileged to make a great showing for our veteran preachers and the wives and widows of Methodist preachers. Let us pursue this sacred movement with earnestness and ardor. Let us become so deeply stirred and sufficiently earnest to "make a fuss about it."

Our Weekly "Barometer"

Watch this column from week to week for a report of the several districts and charges and pastors as to Superannuate Endowment. This is our weekly "Barometer." Please do something for this worthy cause and report to your District Director immediately. When you remit to Dr. L. E. Todd, St. Louis, Mo., kindly inform your District Director. This will be necessary in order that we may give you proper credit and make the deserved acknowledgment in our "Barometer" column.

Who They Are.

For the sake of emphasis and because of their unselfish and effective service, we give the names of our District Directors. Pray for them, friends. Co-operate with them. Keep them informed as to the progress you are making: Arkadelphia District, Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh, Hot Springs; Camden District, Rev. J. D. Baker, Magnolia; Little Rock District, Rev. J. T. Rodgers, Lonoke; Monticello District, Mr. Carl Hollis, Warren; Pine Bluff District, Rev. L. E. N. Hundley, Pine Bluff; Prescott District, Rev. Francis A. Buddin, Hope; Texarkana District, Rev. S. Keener Burnett, Ashdown.

Final Request.

Kindly inform your District Director as to the progress you are making. If you have put on the campaign and made a remittance to Dr. Todd, please inform him. If you

expect to launch the campaign soon, let him know this, too. It will make good reading in the Arkansas Methodist next week.

It is your cause. Every pastor should be deeply moved. Now is the accepted time to show the proof of your love to our worn-out preachers and at the same time help make provision for those who will follow them to the silent hall of superannuation.—John C. Glenn, Conference Director.

SUPERANNUATE ENDOWMENT "BAROMETER."

Little Rock Conference.

We acknowledge with great satisfaction the large number of warm letters received during recent days assuring us of whole-hearted cooperation in our worthy cause. The popularity and appeal of the Superannuate Endowment movement cannot be denied. This fact is revealed in the personal responses of a number of outstanding lay members. Many have sent their individual checks to us.

The "Honor Roll."

We take pleasure in publishing the list of personal donors to this sacred fund. Their names are as follows:

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Mrs. G. P. Watson, Tillar.....	5.00

Grand total\$169.29

Our 100 Per Cent Charges.

We present the names of the pastors and charges that have raised their five-year quotas in full. This list covers the entire Conference up to December, 1928. Doubtless several charges and pastors will close out their quota balances this year.

W. T. Wilkinson, Grand Avenue, Hot Springs.

J. L. Dedman, Asbury Memorial, Little Rock.

J. M. Hamilton, Pulaski Heights, Little Rock.

W. C. Martin, First Church, Little Rock.

A. J. Christie, Hamburg.

A. W. Waddill, Warren.

O. L. Walker, Crossett.

W. C. House, First Church, Pine Bluff.

F. A. Buddin, Hope.

The 1929 Winners.

The following pastors have assured us that they will clean up their quota balances this year. They go on the "1929 Honor Roll."

Rex B. Wilkes, Monticello.

J. D. Hammons, First Church, El Dorado.

E. T. Miller, 28th Street, Little Rock.

W. C. Watson, First Church, Hot Springs.

The Go-Getters of 1929.

We gratefully acknowledge the fine support of Rev. P. W. Quillian, pastor of Winfield Memorial; Rev. Rex B. Wilkes, Monticello's pastor, and Mr. V. J. Trotter Sr., chairman of the Superannuate Endowment Committee at Monticello. Their cash payments are as follows: Rev. P. W. Quillian, \$1,000; Rev. Rex B. Wilkes, \$271.

The balances will be paid in full. The Monticello five-year quota will be cleared up this month. Let us continue this good work.—John C. Glenn, Conference Director.

THE COMMISSIONER IN PARAGOULD DISTRICT.

Rev. E. T. Wayland, the thorough-going presiding elder, had planned an intensive campaign for the Arkansas Methodist beginning ahead of time. The opening gun was sounded at the District Conference at Piggott on the closing day. Allow me to say it was one of the best District Conferences ever held in the North Arkansas Conference. Wayland is fine and his men are fully supporting his program. W. F. Blevins, W. T. Thompson, and J. W. Moore did the preaching and moved the Conference to the highest devotional fervor. It was said that W. T. Thompson delivered one of the greatest sermons ever preached in the District. The people of Piggott beautifully and bountifully cared for the visitors.

Transported at the close of the Conference to Paragould in R. E. L. Bearden's car and from there with the presiding elder to Black Rock, we spent the night in the spacious home of Mr. Clay Sloan, the well-known state auditor of other days. He does not only stand well over the state, but is most highly respected and honored at home.

Here our plans were changed on account of a call for the Commissioner to go to Fort Smith to assist in the funeral of Miss Eunice O'Bryant. Brother Wayland, however, carried out the plans for meetings at Ash Flat, Hardy, Mammoth Spring and Imboden while I was away.

Walnut Ridge was the next group meeting place and there was much interest manifested in the small group that came. J. E. Lark of Hoxie characteristically stated that he was not going to put the Methodist over in his charge for that is already done. He said, "I will bring you some plusses a little later." Lark always puts the Methodist over 100 per cent. He just will not fail.

Corning was next reached for a group meeting. W. F. Blevins, the Corning pastor, assured us that we could count on them for a 100 per cent list. Through a pouring rain in the Blevins car we drove out to the home of V. B. Utley of the Biggers-Success Charge, and made plans for another interesting group meeting. Again we were assured of some more 100 per cent lists. The people of Rector are fully alive to the placing of Christian literature in the homes of the people. Brother R. T. Cribb had arranged a beautiful display of many of the best books and periodicals. This feature added much to the occasion. The people and Brother Peters, the pastor, will make an effort to put Marmaduke over in full.

Paragould, at 2:30 p. m., Friday, was the location for the closing group for this good and profitable week in the interest of the Arkansas Methodist. It was possibly the best meeting of all in that there were more charges represented. This is a promising District and is well manned.

Among those who placed us under obligations for kindnesses received were the following: Mr. Clay Sloan, J. W. Washum of Walnut Ridge for transportation in his car, Rev. J. E. Lark for a splendid home, Rev. W. F. Blevins of Corning for a good dinner and a trip to Maynard in his car, to the hotel at Piggott for entertainment, to all the preachers and delegates for splendid courtesies, and thorough plans to go back home and put the Arkansas Methodist over 100 per cent, and continuously to Rev. E. T. Wayland, presiding elder, for the use of his car, his close attention and best planning and his good home all the time I was in Paragould. He is growing in his home three young sons, and with the constant attention of Mrs. Wayland, well trained and consecrated, we expect great things of the boys.

I go from here to the Searcy District and will spend the week May 13-18 with Dr. W. P. Whaley.—J. J. Galloway, Comr.

SMACKOVER.

We closed a ten days' meeting in our church April 24. In some respects this was a great meeting. The church was revived and 40 members were received.

Rev. H. H. Griffin of Camden did the preaching. He brought us some very fine messages. Brother Griffin is a strong preacher with evangelistic gifts. Any pastor will be fortunate to secure him to assist in a

meeting.

During the 17 months we have been in Smackover we have received 120 members.—J. W. Thomas, P. C.

STORM AT WHEATLEY.

Wednesday afternoon, about 6:30, a tornado struck this place, and did much damage. The Methodist and Baptist churches were both struck, and considerable damage was done them. The parsonage, next to the Methodist church, was demolished. My wife and I and Miss Elizabeth Umsted, a grand-daughter of Rev. M. B. Umsted, who is one of our teachers, and was boarding with us, were all in the parsonage during the storm, but we all escaped without a scratch. God was wondrously good to us. The parsonage is a total loss, and without insurance. My wife and I are now living in the Sunday School rooms in the rear end of the church. While all of our furniture and other effects were greatly damaged, and some a total loss, yet we are thankful that we escaped with our lives. Many houses were demolished, and great loss of property, yet we thank God that there were no lives lost in Wheatley.—I. D. McClure, P. C.

SOUTH FORT SMITH.

A class of five were received into Church membership last Sunday by the pastor. This makes 27 added to the Church this year, and the Conference Collections are coming up well. The pastor has helped in one meeting away from his Circuit, with one week's preaching and seven joined the Church during the meeting. Others joined later. If anyone needs help I would like to correspond with him and perhaps make dates. The months for revivals are here and we had better plan now.—Hoy M. Lewis, P. C.

BRO. JERNIGAN'S LECTURE.

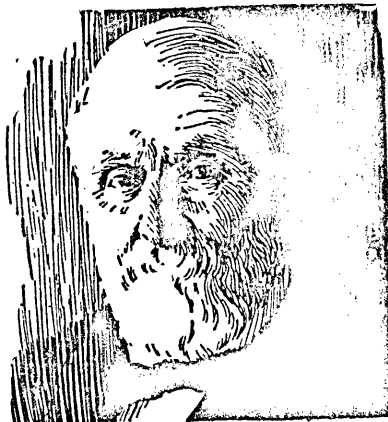
Rev. James F. Jernigan was with us Sunday, and gave his lecture, "Fifty Years a Methodist Preacher," at Cotter at 11 a. m., and at Gassville at 8 p. m.

His lecture was instructive, delightful and profitable. He made a hit with my people. Many of them were real hungry for more, and asked Brother Jernigan to come back again and give them more of this good experience of old-fashioned Methodism.

Monday morning I was out in town and picked up some of the echoes. Some of my people said to me: "I could have listened to him for an hour and a half longer. We want him to come back again."

We were delighted with his message, and feel that we were exceedingly fortunate in getting him to come to us and give this great lecture. It feeds the hungry soul on the real bread of life. He will have a warm place in the hearts of my people for years to come. May God's rich blessings rest on our dear Bro. Jernigan.—T. H. Wright, P. C.

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LAYMEN'S DAY IN FT. SMITH DISTRICT

May 19 is designated throughout Southern Methodism as Laymen's Day, upon which date an effort has been made for a Layman to address the congregation in every Methodist Church.

This plan has been carried into effect by Presiding Elder H. Lynn Wade of the Fort Smith District. A speaker has been provided for every church in the District, and below is a list of the churches and the names of the speakers who will address the people on that day:

Mulberry—B. T. Davidson.
Alma—H. F. Rogers.
Vine Prairie—L. A. Williams.
Altus—W. J. Higgins.
Denning—David P. King.
Grand Prairie—DeRonsa Carroll.
Cecil—W. R. Bumpers.
Webb City—J. E. Bryan.
Oak Grove—John Graham.
Charleston—G. C. Hardin.
Clarksburg—Arvil Taylor.
Spadra—R. S. Bost.
Hays Chapel—W. I. Agee.
Bethlehem—W. C. McDaniels.
Mt. Olive—Judge Hugh Basham.
Ludwig—Judge J. L. Montgomery.
First Church, Ft. Smith—Clyde Herbert.
Dodson Ave., Ft. Smith—D. L. Ford.
Midland Hts., Ft. S.—J. Harley Waldron.
Second Ch., Ft. Smith—Sam A. Galloway.
Greenwood—T. L. Hunt.
Hackett—Prof. C. R. Snowden.
Bonanza—D. L. Ford.
Bethel—A. M. Darling.
Excelsior—G. W. Johnson.
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City Heights—J. M. Simms.
Figure Five—U. G. Hayden.
Kibler—F. S. Elder.
New Hope—C. E. Beard.
Newberry Chapel—E. H. Jackson.
Mt. View—A. M. Carden.
Lavaca—J. F. Bugg.
Barling—Luther Hopkins.
Central—Oscar Durden.
Oak Grove—S. R. Brown.
Ursula—Sam West.
Ozark—J. D. Arbuckle.
Pleasant Grove—Mrs. D. B. Anderson.
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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

HELENA DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)

Crawfordsville, a. m., May 19.
Hughes, p. m., May 19.
Haynes-Lexa at LaGrange, a. m., May 26.
Marianna, p. m., May 26.
Widener-Madison, at Tuni, a. m., June 2.
Wynne, p. m., June 2.
Forrest City, a. m., June 9.
Aubrey at Oak Forest, a. m., June 23.
Helena, p. m., June 23.
Parkin, a. m., June 30.
Earle, p. m., June 30.
Elaine at Mellwood, a. m., July 7.
Hulbert, p. m., July 7.
West Helena, a. m., July 14.
Holly Grove, p. m., July 14.
Colt at Forest Chapel, a. m., July 21.
Vandale-Cherry Valley, p. m., July 21.
Wheatley at Briscoe, a. m., Aug. 11.
Round Pond-Heth, p. m., Aug. 11.
Turner at Shiloh, a. m., Aug. 18.
Clarendon, p. m., Aug. 18.
Harrisburg Ct. at Farm Hill, a. m., Aug. 25.
Harrisburg, p. m., Aug. 25.

Hunter-Hickory Ridge at White Hall, a. m., Sept. 1.
Brinkley, p. m., Sept. 1.
—Fred R. Hamilton, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

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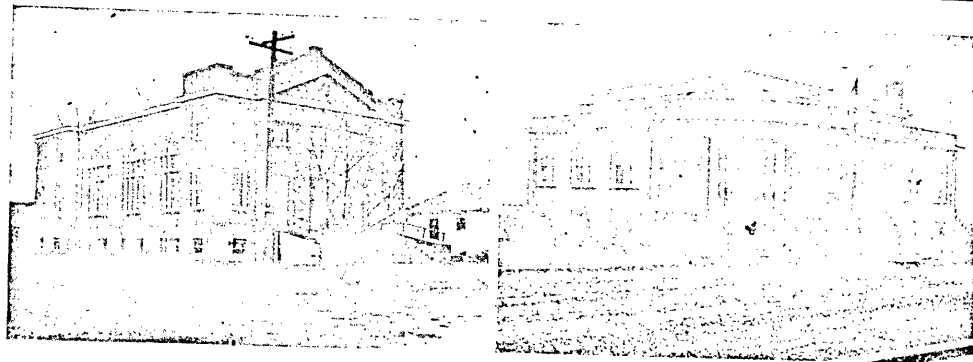
Blytheville Ct., May 19, a. m.
Luxora, May 19, p. m.
Brookland, May 26, a. m.
Huntington Ave., May 26, p. m.
Bono, June 2, a. m.
Fisher St., June 2, p. m.
Jonesboro Ct., June 9, a. m.
Nettleton-Bay, June 9, p. m.
Leachville-Lake City, June 16, a. m.
Monette-Black Oak, June 16, p. m.
Jonesboro, 1st Church, June 23.
Joiner-Keiser, June 30, a. m.
Wilson, June 30, p. m.
Luxora Ct., July 7, a. m.
Osceola, July 7, p. m.
Truman, July 14, a. m.
Tyronza, July 14, p. m.
Manila, July 21, a. m.
Lake St., Blytheville, July 21, p. m.
First Church, Blytheville, July 28, a. m.
Marion, July 28, p. m.
Marked Tree, Aug. 4, a. m.
Lepanto, Aug. 4, p. m.
—Jas. A. Anderson, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

(Third Round.)

May 19, 11:00, Gillett.
May 19, 7:30, DeWitt.
May 26, 11:00, St. Charles Ct., at DeLuce.
May 26, 7:30, Stuttgart.
June 1, 11:00, Swan Lake Ct. at Brewer.
June 2, 11:00, Roe Ct. at Hunters.
June 16, 11:00, Humphrey.
June 19, 7:30, Sherrill & Tucker at Sherrill.
June 23, 11:00, Star City.
June 26, 7:30, Pine Bluff, First Church.
June 29, 11:00, Sheridan Ct. at Center.
June 30, 11:00, Sheridan & New Hope at New Hope.
July 7, 11:00, Grady & Gould at Gould.
July 10, 7:30, Lakeside.
July 14, 11:00, Pine Bluff Ct. at Sulphur Springs.
July 17, 7:30, Rison.
July 21, 11:00, Rowell Ct.
July 24, 7:30, Hawley.
July 28, 11:00, Altheimer & Wab. at Altheimer.
July 31, 7:30, Carr Mem.
Preachers will please consult the Discipline concerning special reports due at the Third Quarterly Conference. No appointments have been made during the Pastors' School for all pastors are urged to attend that school.—E. R. Steel, P. E.

GURDON: Gateway to Oil Fields



Gurdon Methodist Church

Beech Street Baptist Church, Gurdon

GURDON, ARKANSAS.

If ever you board the Missouri Pacific train at Little Rock, bound for Texarkana, Dallas, Fort Worth, or Los Angeles, or for Camden and El Dorado, Ark., or for Shreveport, La., you will pass through some of the scenic hills of the "Wonder State" into the level agricultural and timbered lands of Southwest Arkansas and through the town of Gurdon. You will not do justice to this section and its people, nor to yourself, if you should form an unfavorable opinion of the place upon merely passing through, either on train or by highway. In order to appreciate the extent of the business district, or its most beautiful residence section, one must visit the town. It is truly a railroad town, since it is the junction point of the Missouri Pacific Railway's main line and two branches: the Camden-El Dorado and the Gurdon-Norman branches. A large roundhouse and car shop are maintained by the Missouri Pacific System, and not many months past a fueling chute was constructed at a cost of approximately \$80,000. Four locomotives may be fueled at one time.

Gurdon, being a railway junction and the "gateway" to the great oil fields of South Arkansas, much freight is handled here. Over 23,000 cars loaded with wood pulp and the "liquid gold" of the oil fields, and other products, are handled through these yards in a single month.

Gurdon's social activities center around its civic clubs and fraternal organizations. There is the Kadohachado Club, which is a woman's literary club, the Rotary Club, Masonic and other fraternal orders.

Gurdon is unique as a small town, in that it has a municipal "Water Commission" in charge of its splendid water system. Its water supply comes from deep flowing wells, and it is said "there's none better."

While the three wells from which

the city water comes could supply a much larger demand, the Missouri Pacific Railway gets its supply from a large artificial lake, which provides ample water for the many locomotives and affords fine fishing.

Gurdon's Fire Department, composed of twelve men, is equipped with modern fire-fighting apparatus. And J. H. Sheppard, chief of Gurdon's police, sees to it that no law violator shall go unapprehended. Honor for the well-conducted affairs of this town doubtless should be credited to Mayor A. D. Agee and his able councilmen, Ross Copeland, Fay Marshall, J. R. Davidson, P. J. McCuller, W. E. Cagle and Milton Young.

While Gurdon is now a city of approximately 3,000 people, its future possibilities are unlimited. The geographical location is favorable to industrial and agricultural development. It is easily accessible to the timbered section of the state, also to a very fertile section of farm lands. The construction of 20 miles of drainage ditches through the "Terre Noir" bottoms will open up thousands of acres of valuable farm lands in Gurdon's trade territory. There are now in the vicinity of Gurdon thousands of acres of low-priced lands adapted to dairy farming. These lands may be purchased for as low as \$12.00 per acre. The mild climate and long grazing seasons in this country are very favorable to dairying.

Taylor's Modern Dairy, located just a few miles out, owned and operated by R. A. Taylor, is clearly demonstrating what can be done if one has the "will-power" to do and does it. Starting with only a few Jersey cattle two years ago, Mr. Taylor has been able to increase his herd to 45 head, and to modernly equip his farm with sanitary milk houses with concrete floors, steel stanchions and electric milking machines.

The development of dairying is be-

ing strongly urged by citizens of the community. A survey is now being made of dairy farms and their possibilities in a radius of 15 miles. This survey is being conducted by Dr. D. W. Kirby, a strong advocate of the movement. Doubtless when this survey is completed a sufficient amount of interest will be found to maintain a cream-testing and shipping station. This would mean a local market for dairy products accessible to those entering into this most profitable of all farm ventures.

At Gurdon is the plant of the Gurdon Lumber Company, Incorporated, manufacturers of yellow pine lumber. Their operations extend throughout many states. With the exception of the Missouri Pacific shops, this is the largest industry in the city. It furnishes employment for 50 men and ships an average of 32 cars of lumber per month. This product consists of yellow pine frame lumber, mouldings, ceilings, flooring and general finish lumber. This plant is capably managed by H. C. Cabe, a young and progressive business man. Mr. Cabe believes that the supply of timber for his purposes will be perpetual, as the forests are now growing and producing about as fast as the marketable timber is cut off. There is also a considerable amount of gum, elm and other woods available at this point, suitable for the manufacture of fruit crates, boxes and furniture.

The City Bakery, owned and operated by J. W. Burrow, is another enterprise that is essential to a city the size of Gurdon. Surely the most important of all foods is bread. Mr. Burrow is a man of long experience, and knows his "stuff" when it comes to turning out the many bakery edibles which tempt your appetite to the point beyond resistance. The plant, although not large, is modernly equipped.

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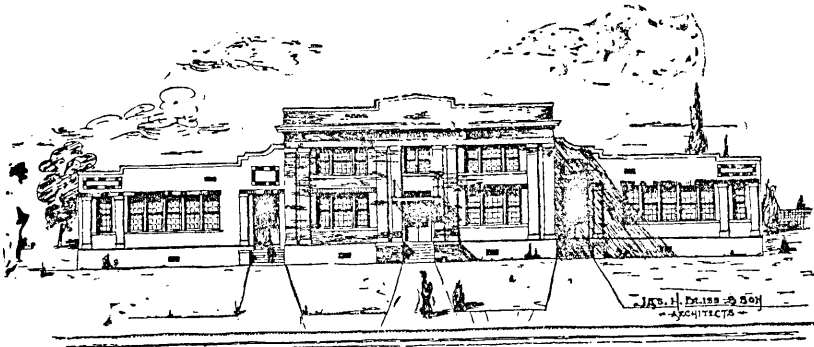
Advantageously Located

Gurdon is located in Clark County, in the Southwest part of the State, 81 miles southwest of Little Rock, on the main line of the Missouri Pacific Railway (St. Louis-Texas Division), and has a branch which leads to Monroe, Louisiana. State Highways Nos. 51 and 53 give outlets in four directions. The latter being of recent construction taps a new territory south to the Nevada County line, and opens up a direct route from St. Louis, Missouri, to Monroe, Louisiana.

Gurdon has a population of between 2,500 and 3,000 progressive and wide-awake people.

It is a place of beautiful homes; of culture and a healthful place in which to live.

A modern Fire Department and Police Force serve Gurdon.



Public School, Gurdon, Ark.

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As an industrial center, Gurdon possesses many advantages and opportunities.

First, it is geographically situated to become the greatest manufacturing center of Southwest Arkansas.

Second, it is the gateway to the great proven oil fields of Arkansas, and several test wells are being drilled within the vicinity of Gurdon, some of which have made good showings.

Third, it has ample good Anglo-Saxon labor and an available supply of raw materials for the manufacture of brick and tile, wood products, and all products made from cotton and its by-products.

Fourth, it is served with electric current from Arkansas Power & Light Company's great hydroplant at Rammel Dam nearby, at economical rates and for all purposes.

Fifth, Natural Gas is supplied in unlimited quantity at low rates which solves the fuel problem.

Sixth, it is easily accessible to some of the greatest markets of the world.

Seventh, it is backed by a rich agricultural section, that grows many and varied crops. And by reason of its long grazing seasons, cheap lands, and mild climate this section is especially adapted to dairy farming and manufacturing.

Interesting Facts About Gurdon.

Twenty-three passenger trains serve Gurdon daily.

Over 23,000 cars of freight are handled through the yards of the Missouri Pacific Railway here each month.

The monthly pay roll of Gurdon is over \$50,000.00. Gurdon has two banks with resources of over half million dollars.

Gurdon has one of the best School Systems in the State.

Gurdon has five Churches of leading denominations.

Gurdon has a large Lumber manufacturing plant which uses the output of 14 sawmills in this section.

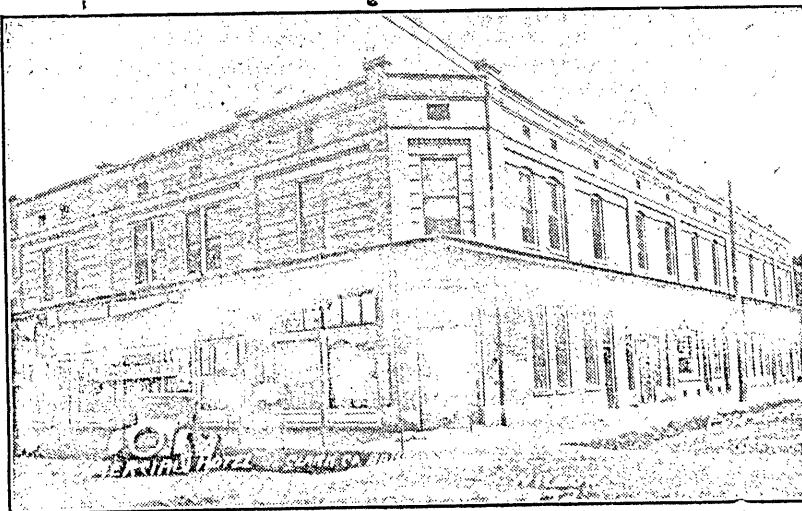
Gurdon has two large wholesale mercantile establishments.

Gurdon has several retail and wholesale gasoline and oil stations.

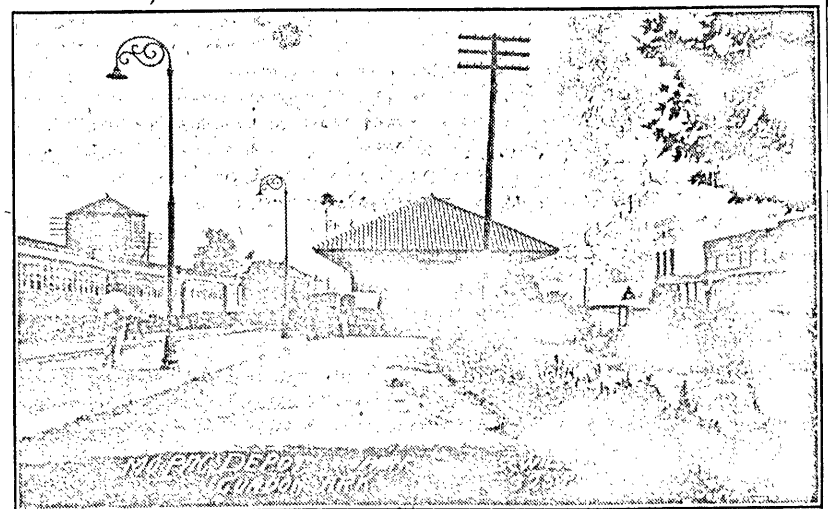
Gurdon has numerous retail stores, including Drug, Grocery, Dry Goods, Hardware and Haberdashery. Also a number of splendid restaurants.

Gurdon has four hotels.

It is indeed, the biggest little city in the State.



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ped and strictly sanitary.

The School System.

There is, perhaps, no school to be found in the state that is more efficiently and better equipped. The High School offers all standard subjects prescribed by the State Board of Education to the twelfth grade. The elementary school has but few, if any, equals. Small wonder, then, with this equipment, and such an able supervisor as is found in Supt. Gus Brown, that Gurdon's school system is up to the minute.

The Churches.

The Gurdon Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. M. D. Williams as minister, is doing a splendid work and deserves honorable mention. It is one of the older churches of the city and has a membership of 125, while the Sunday School enrollment numbers 109. There are preaching services three times each month. The Ladies' Auxiliary is composed of 40 active workers. The church building has been repaired and improved during the last two years, considerable money having been spent on the project.

The Gurdon Methodist Church, in charge of the Rev. J. H. Cummins as pastor and Mr. W. O. Clark, Superintendent of its Sunday School, is also doing really constructive work. All departments are progressing and the church membership is 300. It is

reported by officers of the church that its financial condition is in fine shape and that within 30 days it will be free from all incumbrances, if plans now being carried out succeed, and they have every reason to believe that they will. The Woman's Missionary Society, led by Mrs. Lloyd Newton, is composed of approximately 40 members, who are doing highly commendable work. While the Dorcas Sunday School Class, composed of over 50 women and taught by Mrs. C. J. Steed, is not to be overlooked in one's survey of this church's activities.

The First Baptist Church, with the Rev. James F. Dew as pastor, is another active organization with a membership of 200, with a large and well-attended Sunday School.

The First Christian Church, with the Rev. W. P. Harmon as pastor, is still another progressive church organization with a membership of nearly 200, and is one of the older churches in the city, having been organized about 1887. The Sunday School work is well conducted by its able superintendent, W. E. Cagle, and has a membership of 75.

The Beech Street Baptist Church, having one of the most prominent and perhaps the most attractive building in the city, is also showing excellent work and results, both in its Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and other departments.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lesson for May 19

JEREMIAH CALLS TO OBEDIENCE

LESSON TEXT—Jeremiah 7:1-26.
GOLDEN TEXT—Hearken unto my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Obeying God.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Obeying God.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Doing What God Commands.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Obedience Essential in True Religion.

The prophet stood in the gate of the temple in order that the multitudes might hear him. The occasion was the coming together of the people from all over the country to attend some feast.

I. What God Requires (vv. 1-7).

1. Amend your ways (v. 3).

Their general course of living should be reformed, bad deeds giving place to good ones. On the basis of this change, God would permit them to remain in their city and country. Failure to do this would eventuate in their expulsion.

2. The folly of trusting in religious forms (v. 4).

The people regarded the temple as a charm against evil, irrespective of the condition of their hearts. Without a heart experience, the most sacred institutions and ordinances are valueless.

3. Social justice (v. 5).

The proof of their having reformed was the execution of judgment between man and his neighbor. The proof of one's being in touch with God is his fair dealing with his fellowmen.

4. Not to oppress the helpless (v. 6).

The stranger would likely be ignorant of the laws of the land. The widows and orphans could easily be imposed upon. Protection for the weak is a requirement of godliness.

5. Not walk after other gods (v. 6).

Worship of idols and conformity to heathen customs go hand in hand. True morality is determined by the attitude of the individual toward God.

II. Solemn Warnings (vv. 8-15).

1. Teaching of false prophets (vv. 8-11).

These prophets taught the people that attention to ceremony, and observance of religious forms, exempted them from strict attention to morals. Those who heeded the words of the lying prophets were not slow to steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely and practice idolatry. They would even come into the Lord's house and claim freedom to practice such abominations. The sacred temple itself, filled with such worshipers would be a den of robbers.

2. Warning of Shiloh (vv. 12-15).

God caused His tabernacle to be set up in Shiloh, but in Eli's time He gave it into the hands of the Philistines because of the idolatry of the people. (Psa. 78:56-60). Even so would He do with the temple, the city and the whole country. This He had already done with Ephraim, the northern kingdom.

III. The Hopeless Condition of the People (vv. 16-20).

Their propensity to do evil was so strong that all efforts at reclamation were futile.

1. Pray not for them (v. 16).

There is such a thing as sinning unto death, in which case prayer is useless (I John 5:16).

2. Entire families devoted their energies to that which provoked God's anger (vv. 17-19).

This was done by young and old—men and women. This they did to provoke God's anger. He assures them

the outcome of such conduct would be their utter confusion.

IV. Judgment to Fall (v. 20).

Because the people poured out their offerings to idols, the furious anger and wrath of God would be poured out upon man, beast, tree, and the fruit of the ground. How this has been fulfilled, the history of the Jews makes clear.

V. Obedience Better Than Sacrifice (vv. 21-26).

The prophet appealed to history to show that God requires heart service rather than the observance of religious forms. Blessings came to Israel through obedience, while cursings followed disobedience. On the condition of obedience to His requirements, God promised to own them as His people and to bless them.

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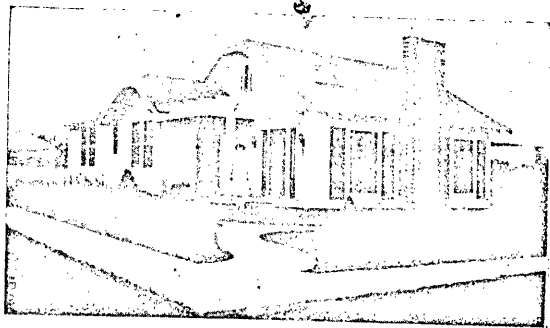
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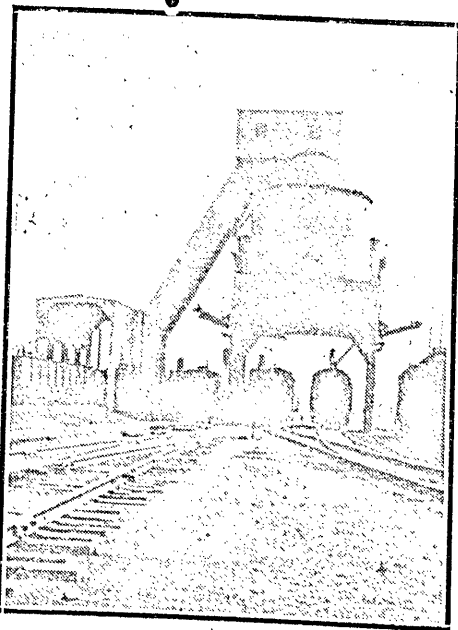
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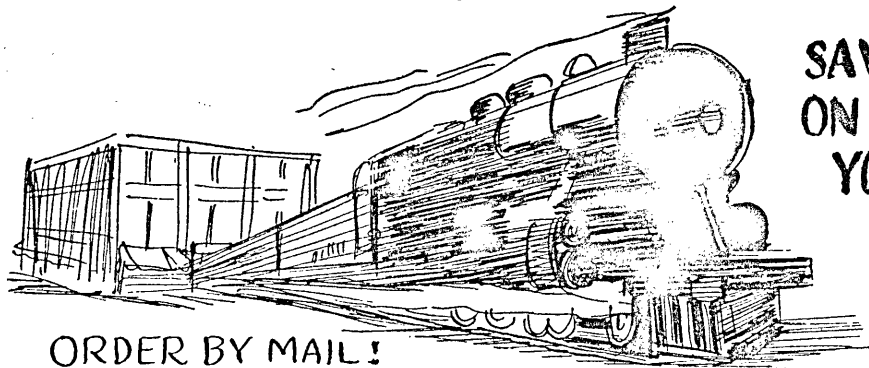
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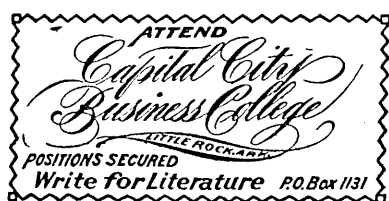
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