

Texas Christian Advocate.

EVANGELISTS.—No. 3.

We have examined the subject of evangelists from two points of view: First, from a Scriptural standpoint; second, from the good accomplished compared with the evil resulting from their work. We are inclined to believe that no one can dissent from our first paper, based on Scriptural statements as to the legitimate work of evangelists, unless it is merely to cavil, and that no one who has closely observed the effects of their labors upon the Church and regular ministry will dare deny the force of the conclusions drawn in the second article. We now desire to study the work of evangelists from two other points of view. First, the effects of their peculiar work upon themselves and others. It will be admitted that the evangelist is a successful modern evangelist the man must be able to draw. He must have, either by nature or cultivation, eccentricities sufficient to attract. He must have something like the peculiar endowment of a clown, that in every emergency he is able to generate fun enough to hold his crowd, if the Holy Spirit should go back on him, and fail to seal whatever of gospel truth he may utter, thereby quickening the consciences of the people of God and producing conviction in the hearts of sinners. It is said, and I suppose truthfully so, that the peculiar rough sayings of the evangelists are to attract and hold the crowd. If this be true, then the evangelist must either be able by nature or cultivation to drive such nails into the crowd by which they are held or they drift. Here is the danger to the evangelists: they must rise to the necessities in the case and if they have not the stock in trade on hand they must manufacture them, and while I do not make in a charge, may be at the sacrifice of truth. They are compelled to hold their congregation at all hazards, for their reputation as "drawing cards" is at stake, and if lost their calls as evangelists will cease, for no Church or preacher will consent to the calling of one whose reputation as a drawer has waned or is doubtful. This is among the first questions asked, "Does he draw?" May it not be that a brother to sustain his own reputation and keep himself in the field, might, under a severe temptation, resort to means that are ruinous to himself as well as to the people to work up a revival rather than depend on prayer and the Holy Ghost to bring one down, as in the case on Pentecost, when 3000 were added to the apostles in one day. They are modern evangelists, and that means that they are going to there must be a wonderful stir, and if it does not come in the ordinary Scriptural way—repentance, prayer and faith—it must come according to the methods of the evangelists' own making. The danger here is that the evangelists will be driven to means to sustain themselves that will stultify their own sense of moral integrity and honesty as well as pain off on the Church a moral upheaval at best for a genuine revival of religion. The men who are forced to do this will send their minds into mere machines for creating stir, having lost all conscience in the matter. Another fact: To sustain their reputation they must have results in the way of a large number of converts. No Church or pastor wants an evangelist who can not get a large number of converts. Many of them have been known to count all sorts and sizes, and some of them two or three times over. They count those who hold up their hands, who come forward to be prayed for, who say, "I want to live a better life," as well as those who claim to have been "indirectly." Here the evangelists are hurt again as well as the Church. They have been forced to make it appear that they have been equal to the necessity, to urge men into the Church under the delusion that they had been saved, and the Church is crowded in the process with unconverted men and women who will drag her through the ways of worldliness to the gates of death. The evangelists have been hurt in that they have practiced a deception on the unconverted men and women that they have urged into the Church and upon the Church in that they have made the Church believe for the time being—that the deception is soon found out, but after it is too late—that she was receiving genuinely converted souls. The souls of the men and women thus urged into the Church are hurt and may be ruined in that they have been made to believe that they had something when they had nothing but perhaps a determination to try to do better, depending upon the force of their own resolution. They have done the Church an irreparable injury in that they have left her weakened instead of strengthened. All this to sustain reputation! Reputation had better go, never to return, than for such results to follow. I do not make this as a sweeping charge against all, but some have been known to do it, and this is the tendency and the awful danger. We had better have no evangelists with reputations to preserve, a thousand times better not than to have such consequences. The Church not evangelists can afford such unadulterated faith in Christ as the basis of salvation the determination to lead a better life? The Bible, from the time of the offering by faith of righteous Abel to the close of the Revelation, thunders into the ears of dying sinners, "Believe and thou shalt be saved." All other conditions are spurious, or the Bible has made a woeful mistake. There is another tendency to evil harmful to the evangelists. Their manners and methods are so peculiar to each one that no two can work together as equal partners in the labor. If two go together at all it is understood that one must occupy a secondary place, preach at 3 p. m. and hold the prayer-meetings, but never at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., unless the boss is sick. Nor do they propose to let the pastors stand shoulder to shoulder with them in the meeting; but all must be under their authority or the meeting will not go by their consent. The tendency here is to lead them to think more highly of themselves than they should, and to ignore, in toto, that beautiful passage, "In honor preferring one another," and to become consummate egotists. "I, Mr. Evangelist, am the only one in this business competent to the leadership in this meeting, and when I take snuff all must sneeze or I'll not let the meeting close." Now, we have some of them up and say, "Wyatt is slandering his brethren." I am not making charges, I am talking about tendencies. Honestly now, and in the fear of God, let us look in the last place at the real results of their labors. During a meeting of any note held by one of them we read in almost every day paper such statements as the following: "Five hundred came forward for prayer last night." "It seems the whole town is turning to the Lord," etc. From such statements you would believe that hundreds of people were being converted to the Church and that when the meeting closed there would hardly be a sinner left to tell the tale. Do the results sustain the above statements or anything like it? I believe not. But you say these statements are made by the reporter and not by the evangelist. Admitted; but who ever heard of an evangelist correcting such statements. The reporter does not run away and hide; but is in his place at the table in front of the evangelist the next service, and we have heard of no newspaper collapse as a result of publishing such exaggerations, barring the possibility of correction therein. We have seen that the results, so far as the Church is concerned, are not what they ought to be; but the very reverse. Instead of quickening and increasing the life thereof, stupefaction and death follow. The Church acts as though she had taken a heavy dose of morphia, and her blood flows sluggishly, her eye-lids droop, her eyes are heavy and leaden, her ears dull, and signs of vitality are scarce, and she is no more, till another dose is injected from a similar physician. What about the actual number of converts? We have taken a great deal of pains both by observation and correspondence to ascertain the results of the most noted meetings held in our State. We have taken the figures that will make the best showing for the evangelists. We will take the meetings held at Fort Worth, Dallas, Tyler, and San Antonio, by Bro. Sam P. Jones, and the one held at Corsicana by Bro. Stuart in the absence of Bro. Jones. Taking it for granted that most men will join the Church after conversion, I have sent out to the several brethren the following interrogatories: How many joined the Churches as a result of the Sam Jones meeting in your city? How much was paid him for his services? Fort Worth—"I gave him (Jones) credit for forty members as the result of the meeting. I do not know how many joined the other two Churches. I suppose a fair estimate would be about twenty-five. The Campbells had a good harvest." Dallas—"The figures can only be approximated. About 400 joined the different Churches. You understand several of the Churches held protracted meetings following the Jones meeting in order to string out the fish. Sprague got about 85 members into First Church." Tyler—"The expense was about \$3500, about \$2000 of which was paid Jones." Corsicana—"The meeting here in 25 or 30 joining the Churches." We have here as the result of five of the greatest meetings held in the State, barring the Corsicana meeting, allowing a very high estimate, 965 uniting with the Churches. The meetings began with every advantage possible, if you consider co-operation of the pastors and Churches, the best singers of the cities organized into a choir, a place arranged for seating immense crowds, and public exhibition raised to the highest tension, advantages that the forces had at least equalized, waiting the command of the leader, the evangelist. All he had to do was to command, and his willing subjects obeyed, for they understood that this was a part of the program. The man that is stupid indeed who could not see a stir under these circumstances, indeed, the stir is already on. He has only to exercise sufficient generalship to keep the stir stirring. With the assistance and hearty co-operation of the principal pastors of the cities, the sympathy and best work of their most faithful members, with the help of the organized effort of the finest singers, together with crowds that rarely ever assemble to listen to a preacher, we have as a result of five efforts under such circumstances, 965 men, women and children brought into the Churches. Everybody is ready to say after such a meeting, "I never saw such a meeting in my life." It is a delusion. The large crowds in attendance, the great commotion, the glamour of the occasion deceive. You may select from the reports of revivals made to the A. P. C. A. of last year five of the best revivals, in the number of conversions and additions to the Churches, held by our regular pastors, and the results will equal, if not excel, those of the five above. I can select five meetings held by pastors in my own district last year, and the results to our own Church will discount the above by a large per cent. This, too, when the largest crowds at any time to whom the pastors preached did not exceed 2000, while the evangelists mentioned have from 4000 to 10,000. It is frequently the case, too, that the pastors have no help outside of their own people. Hear! It is not always the biggest crowd and greatest stir that produce the best results. The "indirect" results about which some of the brethren talk in their reply to my interrogatories I can not measure. I suppose though there are "indirect" results appended to all meetings (?). While I would not dare to put dollars and cents in the scales against immortal souls, deeming the salvation of one soul worth more than all the treasures of the world, yet the question of expense in holding these meetings is considerable. Counting the expense of arrangement, and current expenses, taking the Dallas meeting, as the most successful, we have approximately 1000 numbers, as the cost of the five meet-

ings \$17,000—for the preachers and singer \$3000, and for the preparation about \$8000. The pastors, who hold meetings equally as successful, if not more so, allowing them three weeks to hold each meeting—for usually they can't run through in ten days, not having everything subject to their own command as does the evangelist—allowing \$2000, which is too much, for they do not receive it as the annual salary of each, and throw them in an assistant and singer at the same price, would cost the Church about \$1732 to hold the five meetings—a difference of \$768, saying nothing of the difference in the cost of the arrangements of the meetings. To say the least of it, it is poor financing to pay \$9300 for a piece of work when you can get it done for \$1732. Some people, however, may think it worth more to have a soul saved through the instrumentality of an evangelist than that of a regular pastor. I do not. To recapitulate: We have shown, (1) That the Scriptures neither directly, nor by the remote inference, authorize the office of modern evangelist. This of itself should be sufficient to destroy it. (2) That the evils to the Church and regular ministry by far overbalance all the possible good accomplished. (3) That the remote inference, authorized by modern evangelists, tends to the injury of themselves, the people with whom they have to do, and the Church of God at large. (4) That the final results in the way of accessions to the Churches are in excess, if up to, those of many of the best preachers, authorized to direct benefit to our own Church, the work of the regular pastor will largely discount them. (5) That the difference in the expense of holding a meeting is exceedingly large, and is least financing to the Church. I have written these several articles with ill will toward no man, but in the fear of God and with an eye single to his glory, looking to the best interest of the Church. I believe any of the brethren in the evangelistic work would be better off passing up the matter to the regular pastor. It does not take the foresight of a prophet to see the results if this move of modern evangelism continues to grow. May the God of heaven save our Church and ministry and the General Conference to the right action, which will counteract the inroads already made, is the earnest prayer of G. S. WYATT.

BY THE REV. H. H. HILL, D. D., MY PREACHER. I have just read L. H. Hill's "A Voice from the Pew," and "mighty good reading" it is, too. I am sorry that there are so many preachers of whom Bro. H. has given a true description. An eccentricity, a fable, a weakness, a failure on any line in a preacher is made to weaken—yes, often to destroy—his usefulness, and these things are too often magnified. To be a well-rounded preacher I consider is to reach the highest attainment in this life. God's service is the highest position man can occupy. But the article referred to above does not describe my preacher and does not at all describe the hundreds of faithful, consecrated preachers in our land: 1. In the first place my preacher is an educated, cultivated man. I suppose he considered that "a call to preach was a call to prepare." At least he was called when young and ignorant, but he did not enter the pastorate until he had taken a college course, including theology. He lost a good deal of valuable time, it is true, but he now gives us "valuable" sermons. He is a "workman that needeth not be ashamed." None of the congregation are ashamed of him, either. He does not have to "plagiarize" he can do his own thinking. It is a great pity to us who sit in the pew that so many of our young men rush into the ministry without preparation—a "zeal without knowledge." 2. My preacher is neither old nor handsome, in the sense of the world, but he is old in wisdom and prudence, and has the "zeal" of a consistent Christian life. He comes in touch with the young people and the old. He preserves dignity without coldness, and the Christian ministry is not lowered in the estimation of any one with whom he comes in contact, but he is a minister of the Gospel. 3. My preacher does not seek the places of levity and merriment, but he does seek to bring about those enjoyable social occasions which will bring his congregation, old and young, together; and these occasions are "seasoned" with the true "leaven." He is found in the homes of the rich, the bereaved, the distressed, to give comfort and help. 4. He is free from what we call ministerial eccentricities. He is a model on every line for the young people of the community. He is neat in his dress, but not extravagant and showy. He is free from slang and low slang expressions. He is prompt at his appointments and services, and works every member of his congregation that he can get into line at all. He does not use tobacco in any form, so that he can preach with consistency on temperance, cleanliness, economy, etc. In short, he is a man we are glad to have in our home, and one for whose habits or life we do not have to apologize to our children or our neighbors. Isn't it a great blessing to have such a pastor? And why should not every Methodist congregation have just such an one? Then would Bro. H. have had no text for his article. BARNABY. RIVERSIDE, TEXAS.

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2. We have the best system in the world. No Church except the Methodist can reach every member in thirty days with vital facts and energies.

3. The preachers (leaders) are all at their posts. The expression, preacher in charge, means much in Methodism. It is more than pastor. It is superintendent of Church machinery.

4. The crisis has taught the people lessons of economy, to which they were hitherto strangers. Notwithstanding the financial crisis, yet the close of 1893 saw a larger per cent than usual of our people out of debt.

5. Confidence is returning. People are gradually overcoming their fright. When the birds swell and the plow move and the grain puts forth there will be a feeling of trust awakened that ought to be but the echo of the sublime faith of the Church in the universal triumph of the Church.

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DR. HARTMAN ON CATARRH.

The Fallacy of Catarrh Cures Explained.

The serious mistake which so many people make in the treatment of catarrh is, that chronic catarrh is regarded as a local disease, and not a systematic disease.

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HALE CENTER, TEXAS.

This makes me five years on the plains. When I first came to this country there were but very few people living on the plains.

Some preachers spoke to me while at the conference in Fort Worth about the land which I have secured.

The minutes of Northwest Texas Conference came this morning. To those whose taste runs that way, the excellent pictures of Bishop Wilson and two of the Secretaries, Barcus and Hudson, should have been set over against three others, Morris and the editor.

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the skill and taste evinced in their make-up, and with such a Secretary as we have, I am prepared to accept as correct the entire document.

ANOTHER STORM-WRECKED CHURCH.

On the night of the 7th instant our town was visited by a terrific rain and wind, blowing our church four feet from its foundation.

The human origin of the week of seven days is lost in antiquity. The first mention made of it is in the Book of Genesis, written, it is supposed, somewhere about 1490 B. C.

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UNANSWERED LETTERS.

FEBRUARY 13. M. B. Johnston, subs. J. W. Murphy, trial subs. B. R. Bolton, sub. Sam J. Frank, sub. Jas. R. B. Hall, sub. M. N. Hotchkiss, sub. M. Mills, sub. Wm. Hay, sub. J. A. Higgs, sub. W. W. Horner, subs. C. L. Browning, sub.

FEBRUARY 14. J. H. Trimble, o. k. W. W. Graham, subs. M. Mills, o. k. G. Hardy, subs. F. T. Hinton, sub. Sam'l Morris, sub. J. W. Story, sub. J. N. Burns, sub. A. S. Blackwood, sub. D. F. Cullen, sub. K. W. Adams, sub. R. C. Hicks, o. k. J. M. Sweeton, sub. G. F. Boyd, sub. I. L. Mills, sub. C. Rowland, sub. C. D. West, sub. S. C. Riddle, sub. W. F. Pender, sub. J. H. Hall, sub. J. W. Hall, o. k. C. H. Smith, sub. B. H. Passmore, sub. W. N. Bond, sub. J. M. McKee, sub. E. K. Denton, sub. and change. S. C. Riddle, o. k.

FEBRUARY 15. B. R. Bolton, sub. J. S. Cash, sub. A. A. Blackwood, sub. N. M. McLaughlin, sub. W. C. Hill, sub. J. B. Elder, paper stopped. J. D. Seagins, sub. J. M. McArthur, sub. Albert Little, sub. T. W. Boynton, sub. W. R. Crockett, sub. J. H. Stull, sub. J. D. G. C. Hardy, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub.

FEBRUARY 16, 17. J. L. Hillard, subs. 2 cards. W. T. Morrow, sub. C. A. Walker, sub. J. N. Hunter, sub. W. B. McKee, sub. W. H. Matthews, sub. B. R. Bolton, sub. J. M. Martin, sub. A. A. Kidd, sub. L. C. Mattheis, sub. S. W. Jones, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub.

FEBRUARY 18. W. W. Watis, sub. J. M. Martin, sub. W. H. Crawford, sub. H. T. Hart, sub. A. S. Blackwood, sub. S. K. Ha, sub. C. E. Salinger, sub. J. E. Caraway, sub. D. G. C. Hardy, sub. S. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. J. F. J. Harris, sub.

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It was originally my intention to accept the very kind invitation of President Harrison to visit your great World's Fair last summer, but a sea voyage is always quite fatiguing and occasionally dangerous, and I, therefore, hesitated until your beautiful book was announced, when I at once realized that it would be more desirable, and certainly far more instructive, than a personal visit.



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WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

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All matters intended for this column should be addressed to Mrs. Florence E. Howell, 28 Maston street, Dallas, Texas.

THE VOICE OF THE WIND.

"Stormy winds fulfill His word" Mark what are the winds saying As they sweep across the plain...

Dear child, what doth it matter, The song of the wind that is saying 'Tis our God who sets the music...

To the Members of the Missionary Society of the Northwest Texas Conference:

DEAR SISTERS—Another quarter is drawing to a close, and how shall our reports be? I trust much better than the past...

God help us all, and may he so impress us with the spirit of work that we shall perform it with the same earnestness and zeal that we perform our temporal affairs...

Organization of the Juvenile Auxiliary to the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society of Northwest Texas Conference was carried into effect December 9, at the Polytechnic College, Fort Worth, Texas...

TAKASURI'S REPORT W. M. S. EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE. Mrs. R. T. Dorrough, Treasurer, in account with the Woman's Missionary Society of the East Texas Conference...

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OUR BROTHERS ARE IN NEED. There have a number of cases come to our knowledge of the families of our brethren living in the Indian and Oklahoma Territories and the North...

west, who are suffering for the want of warm, comfortable houses to live in. These brethren have not money and can not rent such houses as they need.

Another brother in the same territory preaches in school-houses, and there is not a parsonage within a radii of forty miles from his station.

In the Northwest another place asks for help only to buy the nails and glass for windows for a needed parsonage, saying they themselves will do the rest.

Does the Church send men out into this wild country to preach Christ and ask them to do without suitable clothing, shelter and nursing food for themselves and their families?

Brethren of the ministry, you give liberally—more than you ought. You can do better than give of your means.

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Church Notices.

Table with columns for months (Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, June) and days (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat), listing church services.

WEST TEXAS.

KERRVILLE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Junction City, at London, 4th Sun in Feb. Sponora and Ozona, 1st Sun in March...

GREENVILLE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Goldstad sta., 4th Sun in Feb. Loreto sta., 1st Sun in March. San Diego, 2d Sun in March.

LLANO DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Llano sta., at Sandy Mountain, Feb 24. Pontotoc sta., at Valley Springs, March 3.

CURRO DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Waco, at Bandick, 4th Sab in Feb. Waco, at Bandick, 1st Sab in March.

JEFFERSON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Coffeeville, at Murry League, 4th Sab in Feb. Three Springs, at Ingersoll, 1st Sab in March.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Blue Ridge, 4th Sun in Feb. Blue Ridge, 1st Sun in March.

BONHAM DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Ladonia sta., 4th Sun in Feb. Ladonia sta., 1st Sun in March.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

East End, at Nebraska, Feb 24. West End, at West End, March 3.

NORTH TEXAS.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Celeste and Lane, 1st Sun in March. Lone Oak, 2d Sun in March.

DALLAS DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Bethel, at Zion, 4th Sun in Feb. Bethel, at Zion, 1st Sun in March.

TARRANT DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

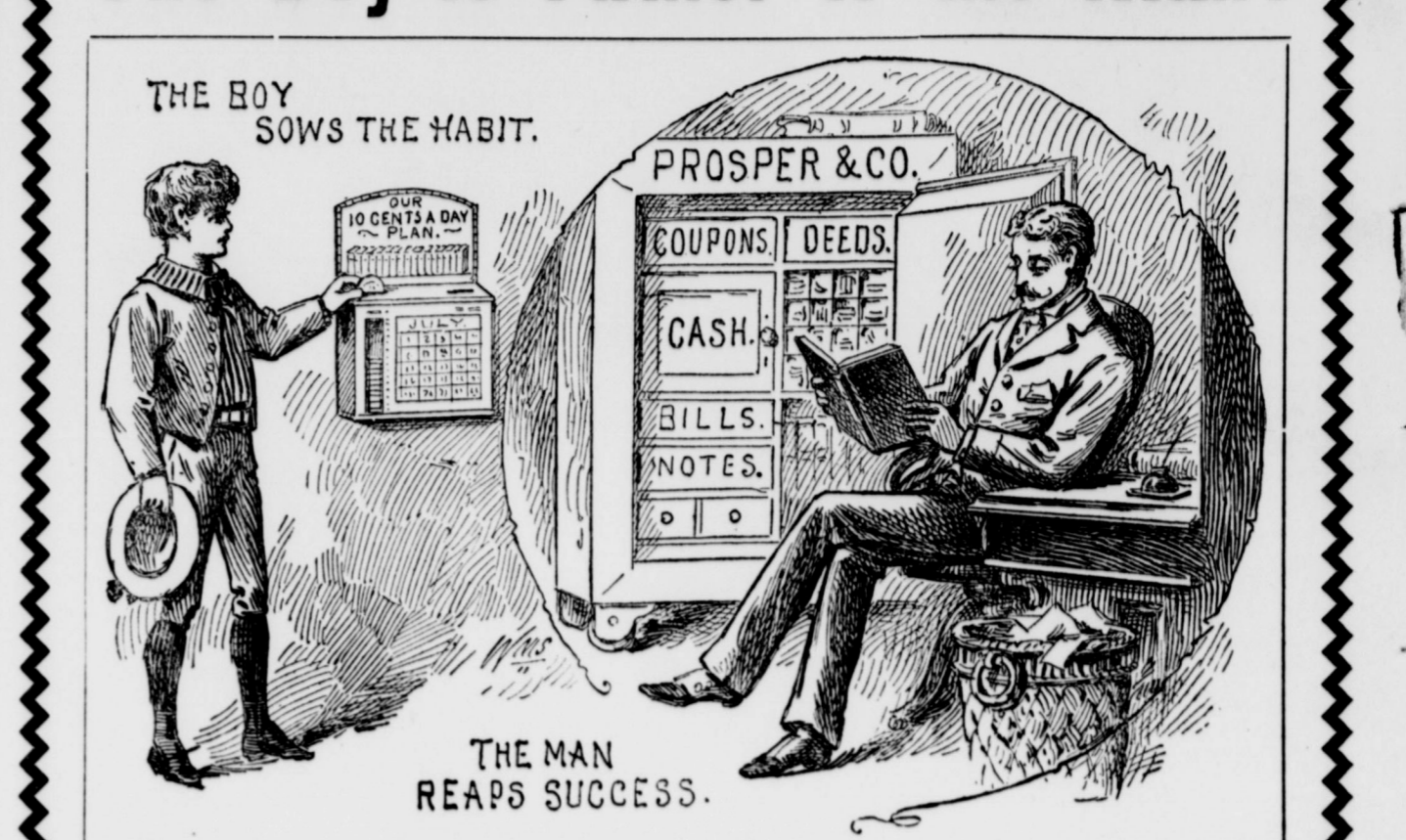
Wills Point cir., at Palmer Grove, 4th Sun in Feb. Mesquite cir., at Mesquite, 1st Sun in March.

PARIS DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Rosalie cir., at Rosalie, Feb 24. McKenzie cir., at Robbinsville, March 3.

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