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EDITORIAL

THE EMMANUEL MOVEMENT AND ITS MEANING.

Most new fads of an occult nature have had their origin in Boston, and among New England people. One of the latest is known as the Emmanuel Movement. The press is having much to say about it, especially the religious press of that section. What is this movement? According to one of our leading exchanges, it has for its object "an alliance between the cultured physician, the psychologically trained clergyman, and the expert social worker, with a view to the remedy of moral and nervous disorders." It was organized some three years ago in Boston by two ministers, the Rev. Drs. Worcester and McComb. It has been variously criticised by the Christian Scientists and by physicians of the old school, and by many conservative ministers in the different Churches. Some of these criticisms have been wise, but others of them have been intemperate and misleading.

The movement does not ignore the physician, neither does it seem to have any sympathy with the vagaries of Christian Science. It proceeds upon the hypothesis that many of the mental and moral disorders that afflict certain classes of people, with abnormal nervous temperaments, are beyond the ordinary remedies prescribed in the materia medica of the different schools of physic; and whatever there is of truth in hypnotism and Christian Science ought to be extracted and placed upon a rational and sane basis to be used intelligently in the treatment of these diseases. In the prosecution of these studies and the application of the results, the physician is recognized as a legitimate agent, and psychology and sociology are taken into the account and used as far as possible without the administration of physic.

Four distinguished Boston physicians have recently published the results of their investigations of this movement and its aims, and we give the substance of their observations, as follows: "We believe the Emmanuel Movement is sound in its fundamental principle, namely, that the effective co-operation of physician and minister is of value to many sick people. Since character is an important factor in the cure of many diseased conditions, especially of the nervous system, we believe that any one who can help to guide, strengthen and enlighten the patient by the influence of moral and religious teaching will be of genuine assistance to the patient and to the physician in charge of the case."

We are not prepared to pass judgment upon the movement, but if it succeeds in bringing about an amicable relation between the minister and the skilled physician in their ministrations to sick people so that the one will be an advantage to the other in the home of affliction, that much will be a clear gain, both to religion and to the practice of medicine, and if the movement will aid in clearing up the public mind of the rubbish thrown adrift by the vagaries of Christian Science concerning

the nature of disease and by the exaggerated ideas of hypnotism held by some, the movement will be entitled to the thanks of a suffering public. But we admit that this movement is open to grave abuses and needs to be guarded with great care by those who are engaged in its study and practice. These occult sciences get a strange hold upon men and women, and often out of them come excesses of no insignificant import. No doubt but that the movement has a beneficial end in view, and it seems to be the sanest disposition thus far made of these matters about which so little is known with scientific accuracy. There is the gleam of an undeveloped and an unexplored realm of truth in such studies and investigations, and what may come of it as the human intellect advances remains to be seen.

THE SICK MAN OF EUROPE.

For thirty-three years Abdul Hamid II has occupied the throne of the Turkish Empire, and during that time he has been known as the most obdurate and treacherous tyrant of his day and generation. Invalid as he has been during the most of his reign, he has also been a moral degenerate and a man without conscience or scruple in his private and official life. He comes of a most depraved family, with a streak of insanity running through his ancestral history. His brother, Murad V, whom he succeeded on the throne, was insane, and many of his own acts prove that he himself is an abnormal man. More from fear than from wisdom he has succeeded for the most part in maintaining peace with the other powers of Europe, yet at one time his irascible temper and dominating spirit provoked an unnecessary war with Russia, which lasted two years, through 1877 and 1878, and which turned out to be a most disastrous calamity to the interests of his country. He has also oppressed his own people with his tyranny until there have been many revolts and civil revolutions during his career, and more massacres of Christians have occurred under his administration than in any country in modern times. Within the past few months he has been made to see that his own subjects would no longer stand for his oppressive methods, that they are demanding larger rights, and seeing the need of enlightened progress; and as a result he was forced to grant them a few concessions in the way of a new Constitution, under which the more progressive element of younger men were given some voice in the control of public affairs. This emboldened them to demand other reforms, and it placed a section of the Turkish army at their disposal. The influence was felt in the other departments of government, and the conditions of a formidable civil revolution were created. The suspicion soon gained currency that the old Sultan had realized his mistake in heeding the demands of the Young Turkish Society, and his movements provoked the belief that he was conspiring to revoke the new Constitution, for he had forced the new Cabinet to resign. This fired the hearts of the Young Turks, and they took charge of a part of the army, openly rebelled against the old ruler, and marched upon Constantinople last week. The depraved

and sickly old man threw up his hands and failed to make any resistance. Almost without a struggle he abdicated his throne. The younger element took control, sent the Sultan to prison, and placed his brother, Mehmed V, upon the throne. All the nations of the world practically are now recognizing the rights of the new ruler, and the whole Turkish government is being organized upon a new and progressive basis. The entire Turkish people of the more enlightened class are in sympathy with the new order of things, and after years, yes, centuries, of misrule and moral degradation, Turkey seems to show signs of taking on the form of modern progress and development. The experiment will be watched with supreme interest by the peoples of the civilized world.

Thus we have another demonstration of the fact that twentieth century ideas of liberty and resistance to governmental wrongs are working their way into the heart of humanity. The divine right of degraded rulers to trample down with impunity the weal of the people without let or hindrance has gone with the sweep of years. We are now living in an age when might is no longer the rule of depraved kings, and when the power of despotism is resisted by those whom it seeks to destroy. This is a people's age, and though they still have much to learn, yet the trend of things is in the direction of justice, humanity and brotherhood. By and by righteousness will rule the conscience and the intellect of this old world. God has a hand in the affairs of nations, as well as of men, and the coming years will right the wrongs and remove the oppressions of humanity. Even old Turkey, loaded with crime and steeped in degradation, is awaking out of the stupid sleep of the centuries.

Do not be discouraged because you have provoked antagonisms. The man who stands for righteousness will not always accomplish his undertakings without stirring up somebody's opposition. Be prudent, but be firm and true, and when opposition meets you, fight it with vigor and discreet determination. All victories are won at the end of a battle.

Christ was so absorbed with the mission of his life that he often forgot to take food. He said on one occasion: "It is my meat to do the will of my Father and to finish his work." Hence he had meat to eat of which his followers often knew nothing. When God's will takes possession of the heart and mind of a man it banishes all selfishness, all sense of ease and bodily comfort. It becomes the one consuming element of character.

The harmlessness of the dove and the wisdom of the serpent are qualities of life and character commended by the Savior, and happy is the man who possesses them. Nevertheless, the dove is not noted for its aggressiveness, nor the serpent for its open and frank nature. Back of our harmlessness and wisdom we need something else to make our lives amount to something in the service of God. Purpose, volition and noble ideals help to make up the inspirator and success of a great life.

HISTORY OF DALLAS HOUSE

At the General Conference in Baltimore in May, 1898, resolutions were adopted opening the way for the establishment of a Branch of the Methodist Publishing House in Dallas, Texas. These enactments were reduced to the following language in paragraph No. 451 in our Book of Discipline 1902 edition: "The Book Committee and Publishing Agents shall have authority to extend the business of the Publishing House as they may judge for the best interests of the Church."

Now that the General Conference had spoken and all necessary authority had been delegated to the Book Agents and Book Committee, a quiet process of investigation and planning was begun. For some months thereafter the Book Committee canvassed the question of establishing the new house, and at the monthly meeting of the local committee in Nashville in January, 1899, Mr. W. C. Everett, who was then in the employ of the house at Nashville, was elected Manager. About the middle of that same month he came to Dallas to spy out the land.

After spending about three weeks in studying the city and seeking a location, No. 296 Elm Street was secured. In his search for a location he was assisted by Mr. B. M. Burgher, Alex. Cochrill, L. Blaylock, B. E. Julian and other leading Methodist laymen of Dallas.

After the lease for the building was signed and all other preliminaries had been arranged Mr. Everett returned to Nashville to complete arrangements at that end of the line. About March 1, 1899, he came back to Dallas, and in a few days shipments of books began to arrive. The month of March, 1899, was spent in putting the building to order and in opening up and arranging the stock. On April 1, 1899, the doors of the Dallas Branch of our Publishing House swung back on their hinges and the new enterprise was ready for business. The response from the Methodist preachers and people and others as well was prompt and enthusiastic. At the General Conference in Birmingham in May, 1906, after the House had been in existence seven years, the Bishop's Quadrennial Address contained the following words:

"The Texas Branch House has done well from the beginning, and, like the House at Nashville, shows a steady annual increase both in volume of business and in profits therefrom. The fact that the business done is very much larger than was done in the same territory when operated from Nashville evidences the wisdom of the Book Committee in establishing the Dallas House, and speaks well for the loyalty of our membership in Texas.

"We are paying a large rental in Dallas, and as the house there is no longer an experiment, we should buy a suitable lot and take steps to have a building belonging to the Church by the time our present lease expires."

In February, 1908, Mr. D. M. Smith, Senior Book Agent, in company with Dr. James Campbell and Dr. Sid Bass, members of the General Book Committee, and W. C. Everett, Manager, selected the lot on Commerce Street, paying therefor \$21,500. At the annual meeting of the full Book Committee in Nashville in April to take under advisement the construction of a house in Dallas a committee was appointed, consisting of the following members: Dr. Collins Denny, Dr. O. E. Brown, Messrs. W. C. Diblell, Jo. Morgan, John Ransom, Drs. James Campbell and Sid Bass, the latter two living in Texas, and the former five in Nashville. At a meeting of this committee on the same date, Drs. Bass and Campbell, the Texas members, were appointed a sub-committee to receive plans, drawings and suggestions from architects who desired to plan the building.

Dr. Collins Denny, Chairman of the Book Committee, visited Dallas in November, 1908, and carefully reviewed the situation. On his return to Nashville he reported that a building with an abundance of room and equipped to properly handle the growing business was a necessity. The Book Committee in receiving this report ordered the work of planning and construction to proceed at once.

Messrs. Hubbell & Greene, of Dallas, were selected as architects, and the sketches and skeletons of plans they had voluntarily submitted were ordered completed in detail ready for the contractor's pencil.

About the first of February Mr. P. M. Smith, Senior Book Agent, spent two days in Dallas consulting

with the architects and looking over plans. As a result of his visit six firms of contractors—four in Dallas and two in St. Louis—were asked to bid on the building. These bids were filed with Hubbell & Greene Wednesday noon, February 17th, and were that same day opened by them and forwarded to Dr. Collins Denny, Chairman of the Book Committee, Nashville, Tenn., who immediately called his committee together and began a canvass and study of the plans and bids. They concluded their labors Monday, February 22d, and reported that the Slaughter Construction Company had been selected to erect the building.

The first year's business of the house showed a total of \$69,548.44, about twice as much as the projectors of the Dallas Branch expected. The last and tenth year showed a total of \$161,242.34, a growth of about 275 per cent in these years. When it is considered that they deal only with the consumer direct and all sales are small, it will be seen that this represents a great many transactions and touches many lives. In building up this splendid volume of business, the Manager states, the preachers and Methodist people have all helped liberally. Without their support such a showing would be impossible. And that they are indebted no little to preachers and people of all the Churches, faiths and creeds. A brief summary is as follows:

Dallas House ordered by the General Conference in Baltimore May, 1898.

Manager elected January, 1899.
House formally opened for business, at 296 Elm Street, Dallas, April, 1899.
Sales first year, \$69,548.44.
Sales tenth year, \$161,242.34.
Increase about 275 per cent.

Retail sales of the whole, 15 per cent.
Mail orders of the whole, 85 per cent.

Total circulation of all periodicals published and circulated by the House at Nashville and Dallas at least 150,000 monthly, all of which advertise Dallas.



REV. COLLINS DENNY, D. D.,
Chairman of Book Committee.

Rev. Collins Denny was born in Winchester, Va., on May 28, 1854. His parents were William A. Denny and Mary Collins. At an early age he entered Shenandoah Academy, located in his home town and remained there until the year 1872. From this institution he went to Princeton University, where he received the degree of Master of Arts in 1879. His educational equipment, already very thorough and comprehensive, was still further enlarged by special study at the University of Virginia. At this famous seat of learning he pursued work in English Language and Literature, Anglo-Saxon and Moral Philosophy. Here it was also that he took his legal training, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He began the practice of his profession in Baltimore, and, from the very start, was highly successful. But, convinced of his call to preach the gospel, he relinquished his chosen field and entered the Baltimore Conference in 1880. On July 5, 1881, he was married in Baltimore to Miss Lucy C. Chapman. Four daughters and one son complete the immediate family. There are two sons-in-law. Both are preachers—one in the home mission work and the other in Brazil.

Dr. Denny has from the commence-

ment of his ministerial career occupied a prominent place in his home conference and has rendered the general Church most important service. By Episcopal appointment he visited our missions in China and Japan in 1886-7. He was appointed to the Chaplaincy of the University of Virginia for the years 1889-91. From this post of prominence he was elected Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy in Vanderbilt University. This position for the past eighteen years he has filled with conspicuous ability. In 1898 he was elected Chairman of the Book Committee, and from that time he has had a large influence in directing the affairs and increasing the efficiency of our great Publishing House.

As a writer Dr. Denny has made frequent contributions to our Church papers and periodicals, especially the Methodist Review. As a preacher he easily ranks with the foremost. He is clear, logical, strong, sympathetic. By his habit of preaching through the summer vacation he has in all probability served more separate congregations than any other preacher in Southern Methodism.



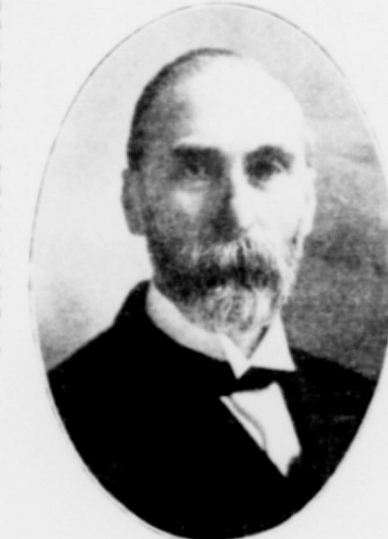
REV. O. E. BROWN, D. D.,
Member of Book Committee.

Rev. O. E. Brown, A. M., B. D., D. D., was born near Canton, Mo., December 8, 1861. On his father's side the religious influence was Methodism, while that on his mother's side was Presbyterianism. The two made a happy combination. He was baptized in infancy, attended Sunday-school and Church regularly, and at the age of eleven was converted and sought "the fellowship of the people of God" in the Methodist flock. After the usual preparation in the county schools he entered the Christian University at Canton at the age of fourteen. In 1881 he was graduated with highest honor as a Bachelor of Arts. Later he received the M. A. degree from the same institution. After teaching a while he studied law and was admitted to the bar. At this time, however, he felt the call to preach the gospel, and at once decided to heed it. To secure better preparation he entered upon theological study at Vanderbilt University. He was granted the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1889, at the same time taking the Founder's Medal and winning a Graduate Fellowship.

At the close of his year's work he offered for missionary service and was accepted by the board and assigned to China. On the eve of his departure he was married to Miss Anna Muse, of Atlanta, Ga., herself a missionary, home on furlough. For two years Dr. and Mrs. Brown labored most energetically and successfully on the field. In 1892 he was elected to the Chair of Biblical and Ecclesiastical History in Vanderbilt University. At first he resolutely refused to be recalled, but the great need for thorough ministerial training in the home land was so strongly set before him by those in authority that he finally yielded; and from that time, by his magnetic personality and strong grasp of Christian principles, he has been constantly multiplying his life in both home and foreign fields. But great as this work is he has not restricted himself solely to ministerial education. A student himself, Dr. Brown has had a great influence in the general student body of America. He is a familiar figure at all the great student conferences, and no man among us has rendered a larger or more effective service to this strategic section of our nation.

In Sunday-school work he is among the leaders of our Church. For years

he has been a regular contributor to our literature and his personal success in this line of Christian endeavor is demonstrated every week in the great Morrow Memorial Class he conducts in Tulp Street Church, Nashville. For several years he has been an efficient member of the Book Committee, and at the last General Conference he was made Chairman of the Committee on Missions.



J. L. NELSON,
Member of Book Committee.

Mr. J. L. Nelson has lived all his life in Caldwell County, North Carolina. He left the farm when he attained man's estate, and has since been engaged in various lines of business in Lenoir, N. C., where he now lives. He is an officer and stockholder in three large cotton mills, to which interests he devotes his entire time. His home town has frequently honored him, and he has also served one term in the Legislature of his State, one term on the Board of Directors of the State A. and M. College, and is now a Trustee of the North Carolina State Normal and Industrial School. He has long been an active factor in his local Church and Sunday-school, and is a member of five different boards of his Annual Conference, and was a member of the last General Conference.

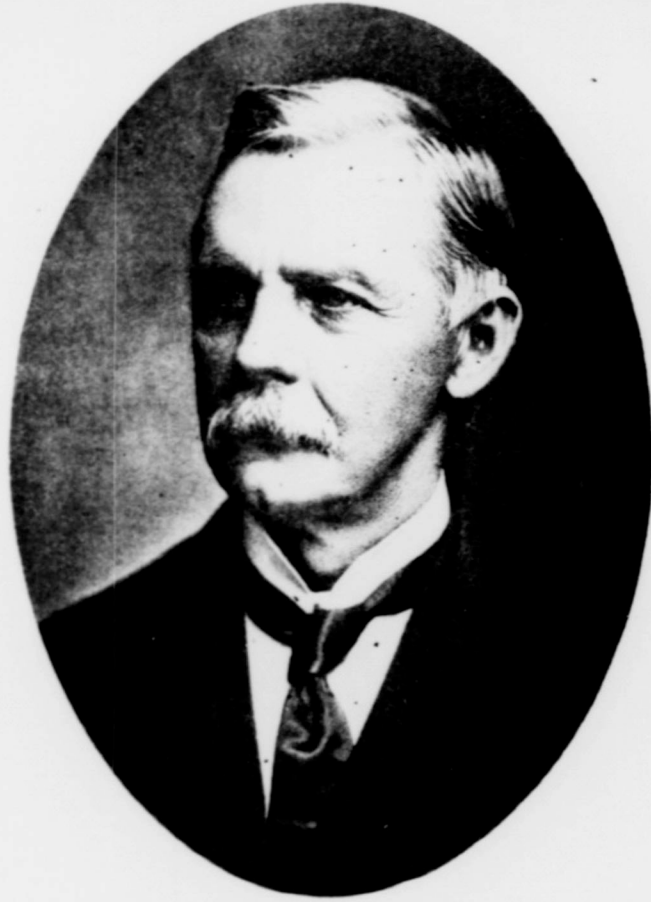


JO B. MORGAN,
Member of Book Committee.

Mr. Jo B. Morgan is one of the leading business men of Nashville and has served the Church as a member of the Book Committee for ten or twelve years. He is a thorough and progressive business man and gives the affairs of the Publishing House that same careful and conscientious devotion that he applies to his own business. He has for many years been Treasurer of the Tennessee Conference Board of Missions, and has all his life been an active Sunday-school worker and was for several years superintendent of the West End Sunday-school in Nashville. He was a member of the last General Conference. He is now Secretary and Treasurer of the Warioto Cotton Mills, and is Treasurer of the Morgan-Hamilton Company, a wholesale paper and bag house, and is director of the Methodist Publishing House in China. His father was an honored member of the Book Committee for many years and served the Church faithfully throughout a long and useful life.

Rev. J. L. Nelson has lived all his life in Caldwell County, North Carolina. He left the farm when he attained man's estate, and has since been engaged in various lines of business in Lenoir, N. C., where he now lives. He is an officer and stockholder in three large cotton mills, to which interests he devotes his entire time. His home town has frequently honored him, and he has also served one term in the Legislature of his State, one term on the Board of Directors of the State A. and M. College, and is now a Trustee of the North Carolina State Normal and Industrial School. He has long been an active factor in his local Church and Sunday-school, and is a member of five different boards of his Annual Conference, and was a member of the last General Conference.

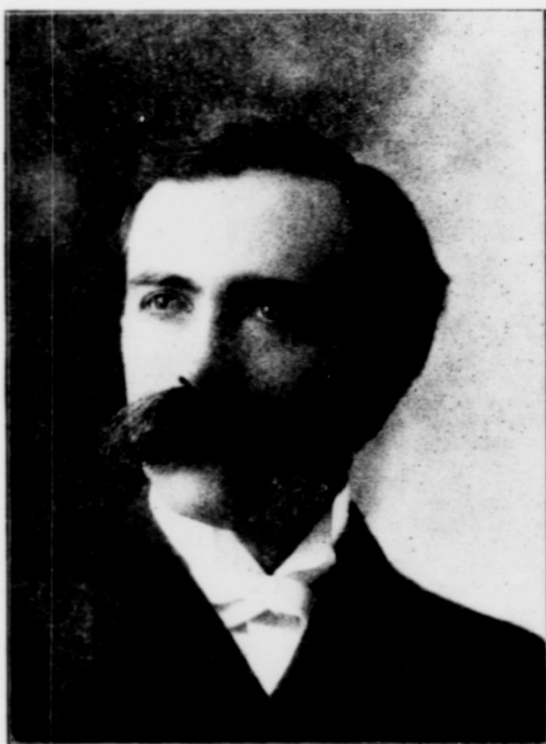
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REV. J. M. MASON, D. D.,
Member of Book Committee at the Time
of His Death.

Rev. James M. Mason, D. D., of the Alabama Conference, was born at Old Spring Hill, Marengo County, Alabama, in 1817; and died at Opelika, Ala., in the early morning of February 3, 1909. He was in early life a gallant soldier of the Confederacy in the Fourth Regiment Alabama Cavalry, which was attached to Forrest's Command, and served in all the campaigns of that great leader. When the war ended he entered business life and began preparation for the law, which he chose as a profession. He was one of the most prominent and useful citizens of his State, and always interested in all that concerned her welfare. At the time of his death he was presiding elder of the Montgomery District, Alabama Conference. Dr. Denny, Chairman of the Book Committee, says of him: "Dr. Mason was an attractive colleague.

He won your confidence quickly and without effort. He was altogether a gentleman, generally quiet in manner, though at times a little brusque, mindful of others, sparing of speech. His attention to the business before him was close, and when he spoke it was to touch and illuminate the salient point. He was considerate of his colleagues, did not create but allayed friction, was careless of an unessential detail, but tenacious of a principle. He had a courage that never needed to be announced; it came with him, for it was a part of himself. Courage seemed to him so much an essential part of life that he was at a loss to understand one who lacked it. He was true to his friends; those who knew him were impressed that he not only did not intend to fail his friends, but specially that he intended not to fail them. If he had enemies, he forgot to tell us about them."



REV. FRANK M. THOMAS, D. D.,
Member of Book Committee.

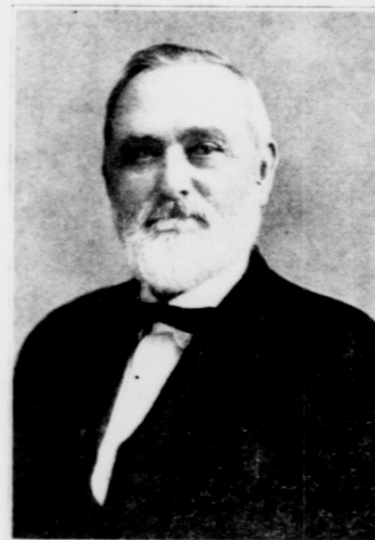
Rev. Frank M. Thomas, D. D., was born at Bowling Green, Ky., July 3, 1868; educated at Ogden College and Vanderbilt University; admitted into the Louisville Conference in 1893. Has served pastoral charges at Louisville, Henderson and Owensboro, and is one of the leading preachers of his

conference. He is a ready and effective writer, contributing liberally to the columns of our leading publications on current theological questions. He is now stationed at Morganfield, Ky. Was a delegate to the last General Conference, and is now a member of the Book Committee and the Commission on Federation.



REV. JAMES CAMPBELL, D. D.,
Member of Book Committee.

Rev. James Campbell, D. D., was born in Union Parish, La., March 20, 1852. He spent his early boyhood in Davidsboro County, Tennessee. In 1872 he came with his parents to Texas and settled in Ellis County. He was licensed to preach June 1, 1871. He was educated principally in Tennessee. While junior preacher on the Georgetown Circuit in the years 1875-6 he was a student in Southwestern University and graduated therefrom in 1876. He has been a member of the Northwest Texas Conference twenty-five years, and of the East Texas Conference ten years. He has been a member of four General Conferences, one Ecumenical Conference, and is now serving his third quadrennium as a member of the Book Committee. He was a member of the Joint Hymnal Commission, and was for six years editor of the Texas Christian Advocate. He has filled many of the leading appointments in his conference, including thirteen years as presiding elder, and is now serving a successful pastorate in Corsicana Station.



DR. SIDNEY BASS,
Member of Book Committee.

Dr. Sidney Bass was born September 3, 1841, near Natchez, Miss., and his early education was received in a training school in Stamford, Conn. Later he graduated from Centenary College, Jackson, La., in 1860. He served in the Confederate Army with the Twenty-Fifth Louisiana Regiment under Generals Bragg, Joe E. Johnson and Hood. He moved with his family to Texas soon after the war closed; first lived in Sulphur Springs and then moved to Terrell, where he now resides. He joined the Methodist Church early in life and has been an active worker in it ever since. He has been elected a delegate to North Texas Annual Conference for more than twenty years, and was elected delegate to the General Conference held in Baltimore in 1898, and again to the General Conference at Dallas in 1902, and also to Birmingham in 1906. He was elected a member of the Book Committee at the General Conference at Dallas and re-elected at Birmingham. He has taken great interest in the work of the Book Committee; has not missed a meeting since he was made a member, and was an earnest advocate of building the magnificent Publishing House in Nashville and the one now being erected in Dallas.

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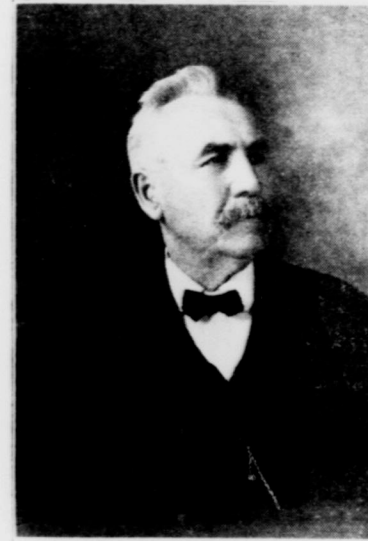
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COL. E. C. REEVES,
Member of Book Committee.

Col. E. C. Reeves is a native of Washington County, East Tennessee, and was educated in Emory and Henry College and studied law in Cumberland University. After his return from the Confederate Army he practiced law in Greenville, Tenn. For four years during his residence there he was editor of The National Union, the personal organ of Ex-President Andrew Johnson. He served six years as clerk of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, was three times elected to the General Conference and twice elected a member of the Book Committee. For thirty-seven years he has been a member of the Joint Board of Finance of the Holston Conference. He is one of the leading laymen of his section, an eminent lawyer, and wields a ready pen in defense of his Church and its institutions.



JOHN B. RANSOM,
Member of Book Committee.

Mr. John B. Ransom is serving his second quadrennium as member of the Book Committee, and his services to the Church in that capacity have been valuable. The same business judgment that he uses in helping di-

rect the affairs of the Publishing House has made the John B. Ransom Lumber Company, of which he is the senior member, the largest and strongest of its kind in the entire South. He is a director in the American National Bank of Nashville, and is a director in the Methodist Publishing House in China. West End Methodist Church in Nashville, of which he has long been a member, has attained its present position as one of the strongest and best by having on its roster such men as John B. Ransom.



REV. R. A. CHILD,
Member of Book Committee.

Rev. R. A. Child, of South Carolina, was educated for a lawyer and practiced his chosen profession for seventeen years, serving in the meantime as a member of the Legislature of his native State. Immediately after his conversion he began to preach, and left the most lucrative practice of any member of his bar, and joined the South Carolina Conference. He has been circuit and station preacher, presiding elder and is now President of the Legal Conference of his Annual Conference, and is a Trustee and Financial Agent of Wofford College. He is a safe counsellor and a progressive and valuable member of the Book Committee.



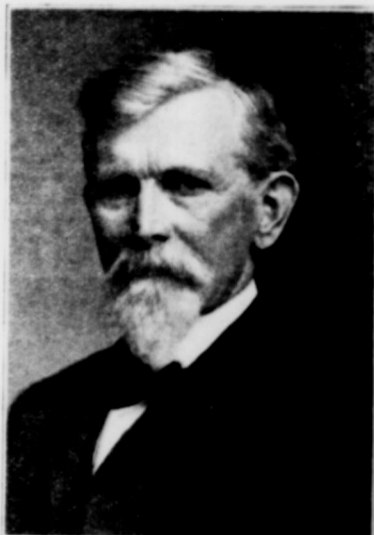
W. C. DIBBRELL,
Secretary of Book Committee.

Mr. W. C. Dibbrell is Secretary of the Book Committee and has filled this position most acceptably for many years. He is Treasurer of the Murray-Dibbrell Shoe Company, one of the leading wholesale shoe houses in the South. He is also Treasurer of the Bon Air Coal and Iron Company, and Vice-President of the Fourth National Bank of Nashville. His early life in the country developed that sturdy character and robust type of true manhood that has made him a force to be reckoned with in the civil and Church life of his home city. Tulip Street Church, of which he is a member, is one of the best in the connection and has profited largely by his counsel, leadership and constant devotion to its best interests.

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MAJ. R. W. MILLSAPS,
Member of Book Committee.

Major R. W. Millsaps is a Mississippian by birth and life-long residence. He is a graduate of DePauw University, Indiana, and of the Law Department of Harvard University. He was practicing his profession in his native State when the war between the States broke out, and immediately responded to the call to arms by joining the Confederate Army. He was successively Lieutenant, Captain, Major and Lieutenant Colonel, and was wounded in the battles of Shiloh and Nashville. He is the founder of and largest contributor to Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss., one of the largest, strongest and best colleges in our connection, and has served several terms as member of the Book Committee, highly esteemed by his colleagues.



D. M. SMITH,
Publishing Agent.

Mr. D. M. Smith, Senior Publishing Agent, was born in Knoxville, Tenn., in 1854, and spent his earlier years in that State, but grew to manhood in Arkansas. After completing a business course he was for several years book-keeper for a wholesale dry goods house in Nashville, Tenn. When Dr. J. D. Barbee was elected Book Agent Mr. Smith was appointed Business Manager. At the next General Conference, which met in St. Louis in 1890, he was elected Book Agent with Dr. Barbee, and has served the Publishing House in that capacity all these years. As a business man he is systematic, thorough and conservative. In his social relation he is always considerate and kind and makes friends with all with whom he comes in contact. His services as steward, trustee, Church Treasurer and Sunday-school superintendent in old McKendree Church make a large contribution to its history and present success.

Rev. Andrew Jackson Lamar, D. D., is a Georgian by birth and an Alabamian by adoption. He comes from a distinguished family, being related to Senator L. Q. Lamar, of Mississippi, and Judge Jackson, for many years Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia. Dr. Lamar was converted in Lowndes County, Alabama, and was admitted on trial into the Alabama Conference in 1874. He has filled all the leading appointments in his conference, including Government Street in Mobile, Church Street in Selma and Court Street in Montgomery. He has also been presiding elder of the Montgomery and Mobile Districts. Dr. Lamar's first appear-

ance in the General Conference was at St. Louis in 1899, and he has been elected, at the head of his delegation, to every subsequent General Conference. Dr. Lamar represented our Church at the Ecumenical Conference of Methodism which met in London in 1900. He was for many years a member of the Parent Board of Missions, and at the General Conference which met in Dallas he was Chairman of the Committee on Episcopacy. In



REV. A. J. LAMAR, D. D.,
Publishing Agent.

1904 the Book Committee elected him as one of the Joint Agents of the Publishing House, and he was re-elected to that position by the last General Conference. Dr. Lamar is a splendid type of the Southern gentleman. The Church has never had a truer servant nor one who has more truly adorned her gospel. Consecrated in heart, clean and spotless in life and a Chesterfield in manners, A. J. Lamar is worthy of all honor and trust.



W. C. EVERETT,
Manager Dallas House.

W. C. Everett, Manager of the Dallas House, was born in Maryville, Blount County, East Tennessee, June 1, 1861. He was educated in the common schools of his native town, and was engaged for a series of years in teaching. At the age of twenty-one he went to Knoxville, Tenn., and was for sixteen years engaged as accountant and various office positions in the leading wholesale houses of that city. September 1, 1898, he entered the services of our Publishing House in Nashville. At the meeting of the Book Committee in 1899 he was elected Manager of the Dallas House, which had been enterprised at the Baltimore session of the General Conference. He immediately removed to Dallas and opened the present house for business April 1, 1899. How well he has succeeded his various reports to the Book Committee, which have been published from time to time, fully testify. Not one year since the opening of the House has it failed to show a handsome profit—a showing which is rarely equalled in the opening of new enterprises. He has made the Dallas House such a pre-eminent success and important factor for Methodism as to attract the meeting of the Book Committee to this city, being the first meeting ever held outside of Nashville. Another evidence of the success of the House is the new building now being erected in Dallas as a permanent home for its business.



W. L. McFARLAND,
Auditor.

In these days of modern methods an important factor in every large and well regulated business is the official auditor who periodically checks and verifies the books and accounts. No report is complete without the Auditor's certificate. For fifteen years Mr. W. L. McFarland, of Nashville, Tenn., an auditor of thirty years' experience, has subjected the details of the business of the House to an X-Ray examination. He is a Christian gentleman, stands way up in his profession, and annually visits Dallas to check up the affairs of the Dallas House. He is worthy of an honorable place on the roster of Publishing House officers.

THE BUCKNER HARRIS MEMORIAL.

The Alumnae Association of San Antonio Female College in their annual session Friday, April 30, 1909, decided to raise one thousand dollars towards erecting on the college campus an auditorium and library building to be known as "The Buckner Harris Memorial" in memory of the late Rev. Buckner Harris who had been President of the Board of Trustees of the college for nineteen years. Rev. A. L. Scarborough, presiding elder of the Beeville District, has been appointed by the West Texas Annual Conference to secure the funds for this building. This makes the third thousand dollars. J. E. HARRISON.

Kind words are the music of the world. They have a power which seems to be beyond natural causes, as if they were some angel's song, which had lost its way and come on earth. It seems as if they could almost do what in reality God alone can do—soften the hard and angry thoughts of men. No one was ever corrected by a sarcasm; crushed, perhaps, if the sarcasm was clever enough, but drawn nearer to God—never.—Frederick W. Faber.

OLD SOAKERS Get Saturated With Caffeine.

When a person has used coffee for a number of years and gradually declined in health, it is time the coffee should be left off in order to see whether or not that has been the cause of the trouble.

A lady in Huntsville, Ala., says she used coffee for about 40 years, and for the past 20 years was troubled with stomach trouble.

"I have been treated by many physicians but all in vain. Everything failed to perfect a cure. I was prostrated for some time, and came near dying. When I recovered sufficiently to partake of food and drink I tried coffee again and it soured on my stomach.

"I finally concluded coffee was the cause of my troubles and stopped using it. I tried tea and then milk in its place, but neither agreed with me, then I commenced using Postum. I had it properly made and it was very pleasing to the taste.

"I have now used it four months, and my health is so greatly improved that I can eat almost anything I want and can sleep well, whereas, before, I suffered for years with insomnia.

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SEEKING TO CAPTURE AND CONTROL THE COLLEGES OF THE COUNTRY

BISHOP W. A. CANDLER, D. D.

In my last article it was suggested that certain astute men, backed by millions of money, were making an effort to capture and control the colleges and universities of the country, especially the institutions of the South. The movement to which reference is intended is what is called "The General Education Board," and certain concomitant organizations—chiefly, however, "The General Education Board."

This board was incorporated by an act of the Congress of the United States approved January 12, 1903, and endowed by Mr. John Rockefeller, Sr. Its endowment was increased to about \$43,000,000 by the gift of \$32,000,000 on February 5, 1907, "one-third to be added to the permanent endowment of the board, two-thirds to be applied to such specific objects within the corporate purposes of the board" as might be directed by Mr. Rockefeller or his son from time to time. Previously he had given \$1,000,000 on March 1, 1902, and \$10,000,000 October 1, 1905.

The charter of the "General Education Board" gives it very extensive powers, as is indicated in these words: "The said corporation shall have power to build, improve, enlarge, or equip, or to aid others to build, improve, enlarge or equip, buildings for elementary or primary schools, industrial schools, technical schools, normal schools, training schools for teachers, or schools of any grade, or for higher institutions of learning, or, in connection therewith, libraries, workshops, gardens, kitchens, or other educational accessories; to establish, maintain, or endow, or aid others to establish, maintain, or endow, elementary or primary schools, industrial schools, technical schools, normal schools, training schools for teachers, or schools of any grade, or higher institutions of learning; to employ or aid others to employ teachers and lecturers; to aid, co-operate with, or endow associations or other corporations engaged in educational work within the United States of America, or to donate to any such association or corporation any property or moneys which shall at any time be held by the said corporation hereby constituted; to collect educational statistics and information, and to publish and distribute documents and reports containing the same, and in general to do and perform all things necessary and convenient for the promotion of the object of the corporation."

It will be noted that this board is authorized to do almost every conceivable thing which is in any wise related to education, from opening a kitchen to establishing a university, and its power to connect itself with the work of every sort of educational plant or enterprise conceivable will be especially observed. This power to project its influence over other corporations is at once the greatest and most dangerous power it has.

The stupendous scheme is one to enthral the imagination. Its large powers and immense endowment when proclaimed to the public impressed many with the idea that it was the harbinger of an educational millennium. It seemed to promise all manner of good without any admixture of evil. Very naturally, therefore, good men in every part of the country looked with favor upon it. The authorities of struggling colleges saw in it relief for the institutions for which they were giving their lives. Trustees and faculties watched its coming as they who wait for the morning. The friends of education everywhere, and especially in the South, gave it warm welcome and cordial approval. These all, and others, are not to be blamed that they had no suspicions of the "General Education Board," for its promises on the surface seemed fair and its proposals generous.

It was not strange that many applications for aid came very quickly to the board from all sorts of schools. There was nothing on the surface to provoke distrust or to suggest ulterior purposes. Even now multitudes see nothing to give rise to fear, and some may think that I am needlessly alarm-

ed. It is perhaps true that some members of the board itself do not yet perceive what some others in the huge corporation really intend, and even those members of the board who are most resolute and definite in the purpose to capture and control the colleges of the country doubtless persuade themselves that their purpose is entirely wise, pure and patriotic. If they mean to dominate the institutions upon which they bestow their donations, they doubtless applaud their plans as a scheme of "benevolent assimilation."

But it is not safe for the educational institutions of the country to be under the virtual dominion of fifteen men, however pure they may imagine their intentions to be, even though their purposes may be as pure in fact as they themselves fancy. It is not a question of motives, but a question of whether it is good for the country to have its educational work determined by a board of fifteen men, responsible to no authority civil or ecclesiastical in the land. On this question my mind is perfectly clear; such a centralized educational system is perilous in the extreme. It is such a concentration of power in the matter of the highest interests of the Nation as no fifteen men, however wise and virtuous, can be trusted to exercise without abusing it to the furtherance of their own views and interests and to the injury of those who do not agree with them in interest or opinion.

There is evidence at hand already that some person, or persons, connected with this board are conscious of the power in the board's hands, and that they have very definite, if not worthy, ends in view. To draw attention to that evidence this paper is printed.

I give first two extracts from the columns of two leading daily papers published in New York, extracts which are so nearly identical in language as to leave no room to doubt that they were written for those papers by some one person who was intimately acquainted with the inmost purposes of the most inner circle of the "General Education Board."

Shortly after Mr. Rockefeller's last gift of \$32,000,000 the New York Tribune said:

No gift from this great fund is intended to be given to State educational institutions. While certain colleges will be selected for contributions or endowments, forming a chain of educational institutions across the continent, others not so favored will be left to their fate by the Rockefeller fund, and many of them, it is expected, will be forced to close their doors in the face of such strong support to their fortunate rivals. It will become a question of the survival of the fittest, it is said, from which it is believed a better and higher standard of education will result, and on the maps of the Williams Street office of the Rockefeller fund the little colored pins will probably seal the fate of many a college and work out the destiny of other to prosperous ends.

The New York Evening World said: No gift from this great fund is intended to be given to State educational institutions. While certain colleges will be selected for donations or endowments, forming a chain across the continent, others not so favored will be left to their fate, as it were, and many of them will be, it is expected, forced to close their doors in the face of such strong support of their fortunate rivals.

Can any one doubt that these two extracts were written by the same hand, and that the hand which wrote them was the hand of some one perfectly acquainted with the ultimate ends of Mr. Rockefeller and his board? How thoughtful was the writer in that he put forth the matter in the leading Democratic paper and the leading Democratic paper of the metropolis. He meant that men of all parties should see and understand it. And mark what is proposed by this writer.

(1) There is to be "a chain" of board-supported colleges stretching "across the continent." (2) That these board-supported colleges will force others to close their doors. In other words the "General Education Board" proposes to both kill and make alive, to make and unmake colleges at will. Is any man so simple as not to see that the board will be able to influence the character of the instruction given in the board-fed institutions? Is it not clear that it will have colleges to its own notion, teaching what it directs both as to the matter and manner of the instruction given in them? And as to the rest of the colleges it is expected the "little colored pins on the maps in the office of the Rockefeller fund will probably seal their fate," and that they will be "forced to close their doors."

That this is no strained view of what is proposed and expected will appear from the following extract from the Outlook, Dr. Lyman Abbott's periodical—a magazine which would not mistake the object of the Rocke-

efeller fund nor write of its purposes and plans in any unfriendly way. The Outlook said:

With this financial power in its control, the General Board is in position to do what no body in this country can at present even attempt. It can determine largely what institutions shall grow, and in some measure what shall stand still or decay. It can look over the territory of the Nation, note the places where there is a famine of learning, and start new educational plants of any species it chooses, or revive old ones. It can do in many ways what the Government does for education in France and Germany. Its power will be enormous; it seems as if it might be able to determine the character of American education. The funds it holds represent only a fraction of the amounts which it will control; by giving a sum to an institution on condition that the institution raise an equal or greater amount it will be able to direct much larger amounts than it possesses.

Now note two things in this passage from the columns of the Outlook.

(1) This board may be able to "determine the character of American education," that is, it may be able to do in our country what the Government does in France or Germany, but without the Government's responsibility to the people. Could anything be more dangerous?

(2) This board will be able to control not only the millions of Mr. Rockefeller's gift, but the greater millions which others have given, or others may give, to the institutions which seek and obtain its aid. What an enormous power for fifteen men to wield over a Nation! It is startling to think of it! It is alarming!

That it may be clear how this board proposes to control the colleges which it seems to aid, and to control the funds which such institutions may obtain in the future from others, I give the conditions which were outlined for acceptance by a Southern institution to which the "General Education Board" proposed to give \$37,500 if that institution would raise \$112,500, and thereby increase its endowment to \$150,000. The conditions as outlined by an executive officer of the board were as follows:

First. That the amount so contributed by this board together with the supplement sum of one hundred and twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$112,500), aforesaid, will be safely invested and forever preserved inviolably as endowment for the said college, the income only to be available for its uses.

Second. That no part of the income from the fund so contributed by this board shall ever be used for specifically theological instruction.

Third. That in case the said college shall ever divert any part of the endowment funds which it now has or which it may hereafter acquire, then and in that case the said sum which shall have been so contributed by this board, pursuant to the terms of this pledge, shall at the option of this board revert to it.

Fourth. That the accredited representatives of this board shall at all reasonable times have the right to inspect the books, accounts and securities of said college.

Fifth. That the sum so contributed by this board shall be forever held as a separate fund and be separately invested, so that its identity shall be at all times preserved, and that this board shall forever have and retain a specific lien on said fund and on the securities in which it shall from time to time invest, as security for the faithful observance by the college of the terms of this agreement.

Here are rights of inspection and powers of control demanded which no self-respecting institution should consent for one moment to submit to. The board's little wad of the pitiful sum of \$32,500 is expected to draw after it all the endowment which the college has or may hereafter acquire. It is set up as the prime fund, and the larger amount of \$112,500 given by others is only "a supplemental sum!" In order that the board may preserve a handle by which to swing the institution as it may wish, its little conditional gift is to be "held as a separate fund and be separately invested, so that its identity shall at all times be preserved."

With what threats of litigation or with what threats of the withdrawal of funds, might not this board control under one pretext or another the whole management and policy of such a college!

How must self-respecting trustees feel who from year to year should be forced to look up to this coterie of fifteen men, asking leave of this little board with reference to investments, and everything else about the college with which the fifteen men might choose to meddle? Such methods must pauperize every one connected with such a board-fed and board-controlled college, from the wisest member of the Board of Trustees to the most callow freshman.

Now, it may be said with reference to all this that Mr. Rockefeller, or the board which represents him, has the right to determine what he will do with his own, and to fix the conditions upon which a part of what he owns will be given to others (if indeed we may call these doles to hungry colleges gifts at all). No one will deny this right. It is equally true that the people, or any part of the people, have a right to say what sort of educational institutions they will support

and countenance. Of course, if a college seeks and obtains these gratuities, with the Rockefeller strings to them, it must consent to be guided by the rein with which these fifteen men will drive it. But may we not have enough people left who will say, we want institutions freer than the board-fed kind can be, and we mean to have them, and to put them where the board's "chain of colleges across the continent" cannot in any wise overcome them or make them afraid? May we not have some institutions whose doors cannot be closed by "the little colored pins" in the office of the Rockefeller fund in New York.

Our colleges must be something more than the caged birds of the "General Education Board," fed by its hand and made to sing at its bidding. American education cannot be safely entrusted to fifteen men without any responsibility to the people whose education they assume to supervise.

It should be added that the board does not leave State institutions as severely alone as might be inferred from its purposes as expressed at first and as stated in the extracts quoted above from the columns of the New York Tribune and the New York Evening World.

It now undertakes to support professors of secondary education in State universities, and to maintain some sort of demonstration farms and a system of agricultural lecturing of a somewhat spectacular sort in the Southern States. It thus undertakes to lay its hand on the high schools and to get hold of the farmers.

Something of the spirit and purpose of the board concerning the latter work among the farmers may be gathered from the following utterance which is said to have emanated in the form of an interview from Mr. Frederick T. Gates, President of the "General Education Board":

"The work of spreading the study and application of agricultural improvements in three or four of the Southern States, which the board began when the first \$1,000,000 was received from Mr. Rockefeller," said Mr. Gates, "can now be enlarged, so that information about better farming methods can be spread throughout the entire South. Only the interest of the first \$1,000,000 could be devoted to this agricultural work because of the higher education clause in the second or \$10,000,000 donation. Where the work has been carried on the improvements in farming have been so marked that Southern bankers will not lend money to men who do not follow the methods taught by the board's instructors."

Of course the statement with reference to the conditions on which Southern bankers lend money to farmers is preposterous nonsense, but the object at which that sentence was aimed can hardly be mistaken.

In conclusion I ask attention to the following from that ably conducted paper, the New York Journal of Commerce, which says:

A system of giving which has its own rules and customs, which is governed by principles of selection laid down in the beginning, which ramifies throughout the country, and embraces especially those smaller institutions that are hampered by narrow means, is an infinitely more powerful force in the shaping of opinion than any single capitalist who makes separate and often unconditional gifts to be controlled and invested by the institutions themselves could ever be. As a mechanism for controlling academic opinion there has, perhaps, never been anything in the history of education that would compare with the board system of subsidizing learning.

For one I venture to express the wish that the fewest number of our Southern colleges will ever be captured and controlled by this "General Education Board." We can have good colleges, though they be poor; for there always have been, and there always will be, heroic men in the South who will sacrifice themselves to this high interest. But we can make nothing but slaves and slavery out of colleges which have ceased to be free, however rich they may become.

Moreover, we owe something to our ancestors, who founded and maintained our older institutions of learning. We have no right to bind up the offerings which they laid upon the altar of higher education in the enslaving conditions prescribed by the Rockefeller board for institutions to which it grants its humiliating doles.

In another communication I will undertake to show how this board is interlaced with other bodies and associations, and I will endeavor to make manifest that its connections do not diminish, but do rather increase the perils arising from it. The movement to control the higher education of the Nation, especially the South, is far advanced and has more than one corporation to further its ends. And they have millions back of them; but they can do nothing with their millions if the people awake to what is on hand and refuse to be bought.

Notice to the Preachers

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Notes From the Field

Garden City and Stiles.

Our indefatigable presiding elder, Will T. Renfro, has made his second round with us. Though he had ridden across the country for an hundred miles he arrived in good time, physically, and full of interest for the work, and the Spirit of his Master. Conference was held Saturday night after a soul-inspiring sermon preached by our "beloved." The reports as turned in by the pastor and stewards were good. The pastor reported one good revival during the quarter—this, by the way, making two good revivals since Annual Conference—with about 60 conversions and 42 additions to our Church. As a climax to the conference and our year and a half's work the Church at Stiles was dedicated during the Sunday morning service. This is a very neat little structure—large enough, however, for the present population. The presiding elder and pastor drove across the country 35 miles to Garden City. Though we arrived a little late, wayworn and dust-covered, yet the inspiration furnished by a large and expectant crowd, the beautifully decorated pulpit and alcove, soon dispelled all our thoughts of the long, wearisome journey. The soul-inspiring songs of Zion sung by the choir and audience and the felt spirit of devotion struck a responsive chord in the heart of Bro. Renfro, who gave us a most excellent sermon, after which the stewards presented the church to the presiding elder and pastor for dedication. This church is a beautiful monument to the heroic efforts of a small but determined band of God's people. Less than a year and a half ago we began here with a membership of 17 with no house of worship of our own. We now have a membership of nearly 70, and a house of worship which would do credit to a much larger town.—H. J. Holland, April 29.

Austin Avenue, Waco.

Recently one of the brethren, H. W. Carver, asked the privilege of raising an amount of money sufficient to put into our church a first-class steam-heating plant, stain and carpet all floors, furnish the parlors, and otherwise beautify our splendid church. J. R. Milam also requested the privilege of installing electric fans throughout the church. The fans are now in place, and the bulk of the money has been secured for the other improvements, and the contract has been let for the heating plant. The pastor is not accustomed to this kind of treatment by the brethren, but he will try to stand (?) it a few months longer! Our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has been maintaining Miss Laura Edwards at the Searritt Bible and Training School the past two years. She graduates in June, and it is her plan to go into one of the foreign mission fields. The society and our Sunday-school have decided to assume her support, each taking a half interest. This gives Austin Avenue two missionaries in the field. J. R. Milam supports the other. We have not held a protracted meeting, but there have been some 15 or 20 professions of faith at our altars since last November—these at the regular preaching services. The signs of advancement are apparent in every department of Austin Avenue Church.—W. B. Andrews.

Santa Anna.

Our second Quarterly Conference has just been held, and our people are firm in the belief that our own Whitehurst is the greatest presiding elder in Texas Methodism. Through drought and other conditions leading to constant drain on our membership by removals through the last two years our report on salaries doesn't look good in last conference journal, though collections were all up, plus a special. There is a story of a very bashful young man who escorted a very bashful young lady from meeting to her front gate. On separating she called back: "Jim, don't you tell nobody you beamed me home to-night;" to which he gallantly replied: "I won't, Mary, I'm as much ashamed of it as you are." Perhaps he was a little unfortunate in his use of terms, but the meaning is easy, and well represents the feeling of

pastor and people. But since entering on this the last year of our quadrennium all indications point to this as our best year. Our congregations at preaching, our Sunday-school and our Women's Societies were never better. We have been pounded and the good wife treated to a "linen shower," and all in a way that would please the most fastidious. Our Home Mission Society women supply every need in the way of parsonage furniture and equipment. Notwithstanding our losses as above mentioned have not been regained, though we have received a goodly number of new members, yet our stewards bravely set the salary at \$800 for pastor and \$120 for presiding elder. This is an advance over any previous year on the charge as at present constituted, and so well is the membership co-operating with the stewards that payment is practically in full to date. The Santa Anna people have been very kind indeed to the transfer, and in these last months that we may be with them shall try to give them our very best service. Finally, my brethren, through the kindness of two friends—one not a member of the Church—we have put off our old watch, worn for twenty-five years, and now wear a beautiful gold watch, twenty-year engraved case, seventeen-jewel Elgin movement. And now, last of all, it seems to me that the article of Bro. J. M. Sherman, page 7, Advocate of April 22, contains a most happy suggestion in the solution of our educational problem.—J. W. Patison.

Edna Station.

Methodism is to the front in this city. Collections ordered by the Annual Conference have all been paid in full. The Sunday-school is flourishing; Epworth League is doing a splendid work, and the Women's Societies are doing their work most faithfully. The membership of the Church is increasing. Last, but not least, the sentiment against the saloon is getting very strong; the conflict is coming gradually to a final test and the "hosts of the Lord" will call the whiskey people to a reckoning too rigid for them to endure. Let every good man who seeks a home in South Texas take notice. Edna is a delightful place to live in, and Jackson County holds out unexcelled opportunities to those who desire to locate in a wealth-producing country. We thank God for the way in which he has led us.—A. Y. Old, P. C., April 27.

Murchison Circuit.

Our second Quarterly Conference has passed into history. When we arrived here nearly five months ago we found a large circuit with no place for the preacher to live; but these good people got busy, by starting with a pounding that would have made a Bishop happy, and then they went to work to prepare a preacher's home, and now we are comfortably located in a parsonage with ten acres of land, with a fine garden and plenty of truck patches to give the preacher exercise; but best of all the place is well stocked with chickens. If you wish to see a happy preacher come over to Murchison; he's here. How bad we did hate to leave the good people of Emory Circuit. We thought then they were the best people on earth, and they sure know how to make a preacher feel welcome; but, when we arrived here and found so many open homes and hearts then as never before we thanked God for the Methodist Church. In less than five months we have bought the above described parsonage and built one new church, and put seats in another, and have nine Sunday-schools and several of them are preparing to hold Children's Day service. But what about the preacher? Is he living well? I rather think so. There was nothing short about our first Quarterly Conference, but when the second one came it capped the climax. Saturday morning came cloudy and threatening, but with it came the people, and by the time to begin service the new church at Monda was well filled. After a fine sermon by the presiding elder dinner was served in good old Methodist style, and at 2:30 the conference began with song and prayer and then we had an old-time experience meeting. How glad we were to hear these faithful stewards tell how they loved the Christ that had redeemed them!

The Doctor's First Question

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After this feast of heavenly bread had closed fourteen stewards answered to their names, and when the eighth question was called the money rattled on the table until \$91.70 had been laid down. If your stewards don't know how to provide for you, send them over. This crowd can teach them something. But what about our presiding elder? He presided like a Bishop and as kind as a father and preaches like a Solomon. No man was ever more popular among both preachers and people than Bro. Garrett. You are going to hear from Tyler District at Jacksonville with a report that would do credit to Bishop Candler. We are working and praying for 100 conversions on Murchison Circuit, with all the collections in full. These good people are worthy of the best efforts of any man.—J. L. Ross, April 26.

Jewett.

Bro. C. J. Oxley came to us on April 8 and stayed with us four days and held two sessions daily of a Sunday-school Institute that were instructive and helpful in every way. We expect our Sunday-school to be better attended and to do better work in every respect. Surely no other field is more promising than that of the Sunday-school, and Bro. Oxley is a "master hand" in his work. Our people showed their appreciation of his services by a very liberal "free-will" offering. We were disappointed in that we did not have Sunday-school workers from other charges, as we understood that this was to be a kind of sub-district institute, and we sent invitations and programs to all neighboring pastors and were ready to entertain all who might come. While our beautiful little church was built in 1906 during Bro. W. H. Brooks' pastorate a loan was secured from the Board of Church Extension. The last payment on this loan was made last year; so after nine years' service it was necessary to do some repair work on it, and have the church repainted before dedication, all of which was done at a cost of about \$175. Bishop Ward came to us March 21, preached us a great sermon, and then dedicated the house to the worship of Almighty God. Though many extra seats had been provided, yet the house was crowded at both morning and evening services. The good Bishop also consented to break his rule "not to speak more than twice a day," and delivered a very helpful and much appreciated address to our Epworth League in the afternoon. It was a great day for our Church and town. I ought to have said that we had many visitors from neighboring towns. One revival meeting has been held at Oakwood in the early part of February. Notwithstanding the very severe cold weather, congregations were very large throughout the meeting, which lasted thirteen days. Bro. W. G. Wattermire, of Honey Grove, was with us as choir leader, and he did his work well. We preached three times a day throughout the meeting. This Church is doing good work every way, as the effects of the meeting abides. We have organized Epworth Leagues at all three appointments, which now have a total membership of about 75. Beside the improvement done on the church at Jewett we have painted the parsonage and otherwise improved and furnished it at a cost of \$75. The Woman's Home Mission Society of Buffalo paid for the paint. Gas lamps have been placed in the church at Oakwood, and the ladies of this Church paid our assessment for the district parsonage debt. All three Churches have been supplied with our Hymnals, and the Sunday-schools with Revival Praises. Our foreign missionary assessment was paid in full in March, and the domestic mission assessment is mostly in hand and will be paid during this quarter.—J. R. Murray, P. C.

Whitewright.

I am glad to report a steady advance in the Church at Whitewright. Notwithstanding numerous removals from our community, the membership of the Church has increased from 201 to 260 in a little less than a year and a half. The Sunday-school, under the efficient management of Bro. Henry L. Webster, has steadily grown until

in the regular attendance and in the weekly contributions it has about doubled. The Women's Missionary Societies, of which there are three, are in a most flourishing condition. Measured by its helpfulness to the pastor and its influence on the spiritual life of the Church, our Senior League is the best League I have ever known. As to financial matters, our membership is faithful and dependable. We are growing in the grace of liberality as we come better to appreciate the vital needs of our great and growing cause. It is well known that Whitewright is a choice community. In educational matters and in clean moral sentiment our town is exceptional. If the pastor should write of the kindness and hospitality of the Methodists here he would be in danger of seeming effusive. Let it go at this. No minister and his family have ever received kinder treatment than we have received here. We have just recently held a two weeks' meeting, which proved to be a genuine revival in the Church. Besides some 30 professions and about an equal number of applications for membership, a great many of the members of the Church were greatly blessed in recommitting themselves to the service of God. Rev. R. F. Bryant, of Van Alstyne, who preached for us during the meeting, greatly endeared himself to us all. His preaching was in the power and demonstration of the Spirit. He is a fine example of the effective preacher. He combines clear and level-headed interpretation of the Scriptures with telling incidents from his own experience, and exhorts sinners with an unctious on high. He is a pastor who has a passion to save lost men. We shall never forget the good work he wrought while in our midst. Bro. Bryant was called home for two days during the meeting by illness in his family, and Bro. W. A. Stuckey, of Bonham, came to our help, preaching to the delight and edification of our people. Our neighboring pastor, Rev. J. W. Beck, and his consecrated young wife, were also with us part of the time and rendered us valuable help. For the inspiring fellowship with these brethren and for the manifest blessing of God upon the Church and community we are profoundly grateful to the great Head of the Church!—Warren T. Whiteside, April 24.

AUNTIES

They Belong to the Whole Neighborhood.

That dear old neighbor we knew as "Auntie" and who lived down the street was no relation, of course, except that her tender old heart made her "Auntie" to all the young people. And how she did love the young mothers!

One who remembers her says: "We could always depend on 'Auntie' for good, sound advice. She was particularly well informed on food and what to use for certain troubles. After having taught in the public schools for years my health became bad and I suffered frequently from indigestion. After my marriage I had indigestion so badly it became chronic.

"Owing to my condition my little baby did not get proper nourishment and was a very delicate child. I had about decided to put her on artificial food altogether when the advice of dear old 'Auntie' put baby and I on the right road.

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Woodland.

The second Quarterly Conference for Woodland and Kanawha charge is now in the past. Our "beloved" was on hand preaching and presiding equal to anybody's beloved. The spiritual feature of the conference was splendid. The presiding elder remarked: "Brethren, you are 100 per cent in advance this year of what you were last." Very full expression this. The financial report was quite in advance over the first quarter. Our presiding elder has adopted as a slogan this: "All collections 'in full.'" With a perfect swing and a mighty rallying of forces we shall realize his and our ideal. Kanawha is again in line and gives signs of a better day. Kanawha has recently organized a Senior League of 22 members and has a good Sunday-school. I think the signs are encouraging for Kanawha. Our Church at Woodland is on the mend. The services are better now than they have been since I came here in December. The League is growing in interest and attendance. The Sunday-school, under the leadership of our faithful Bro. Ford, is doing nicely. One new class of 10 members has just been organized. At Albion we have no Sunday-school, but there is a union Sunday-school, and it is doing splendidly. They have a splendid union prayer-meeting there also. Hickory Grove is holding her own, I think, but there is room for considerable improvement. Hickory Grove entertained the second Quarterly Conference, and by the way it was her first one. We hope some time in the near future to be able to build a church edifice at Hickory Grove. That Church only gets an afternoon appointment now, but it is hoped she will be able to take one Sunday next year. There are many good things in store for the faithful, and we hope to be able to obtain them and give out as the Lord prospers us.—A. C. Sterling, P. C.

Stephenville.

I am opening here into the third week in the meeting. My time was up last night, but Rev. D. L. Collier insists on my remaining here another week. The meeting up to this time, in many respects, has been great. Good many conversions and many reclaimed. Congregations have been good. This week's work will be a co-operative meeting and the pastors of the other churches are standing by the work, and this week promises to be the greatest week of the three of the meeting. John Tarlton College and the Melhany Academy are located here and many fine young men and women are attending the meeting from these two splendid institutions of learning. They also have a fine public school, so that this is a school town, and many of the teachers in these schools are strong Christians, and among them some earnest workers in the meeting. One hundred and fifty earnest people were in this morning's service, and the daughter of a Jew was converted and joined the Church. Brother and Sister Collier are certainly fine Christian characters. Bro. Collier is a far-seeing pastor, as tender as a child, and as brave as a lion. His people are devoted to him. Mrs. Bloodworth was with us two days, and conducted two services, and in one of her services three fine young students committed themselves to special work. They were great services! I go from here to DeLeon. I wish to say to the brethren outside of the Brownwood, Dublin and Gatesville Districts that I am confined to these districts for the year and cannot go outside these for work. I write this because brethren are writing me from other districts to assist them, I would, but cannot.—J. T. Bloodworth, April 26.

Dublin.

The Preachers' Missionary Institute of the Dublin District at their meeting on March 15 elected me as Missionary Colporteur for the Dublin District to go into the unoccupied places in the district to preach and sell our Methodist literature and to arrange to hold protracted meetings in those places in the summer. I started soon after my election, beginning in the bounds of the Proctor work, the Bunyan and Lingleville work. I have to go into these places and make appointments, and then go back and fill them. I have traveled three hundred miles. I went into eight of these neglected places, preached nine times, visited 29 families and made appointments for a week ahead. I find plenty of work to do, much more than I can do. The people all receive me very kindly, and all seem to appreciate my work, and want me to come again. I have preached at the following places: Proctor, Providence, School Hill, Lingleville, Centerpoint, Gray's Chapel, Shiloh, Mexico Schoolhouse. Bro. J. H. Clark, preacher in charge at Proctor, has been in bad health for some time, hence he pressed me in to fill his appointments on the first Sunday in this month at Proctor and Providence. I left him improving to some extent. I find

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him in much love and favor with his people. I think he is the right man in the right place. I want to ask all the brethren to pray that he may be fully restored to health that he may do a good work this year. I want to say to the brethren of the district that I am going according to the direction of my presiding elder in this work taking it up as he directs, and I will reach your part of the work as fast as I can. I want the prayers of all the Church in our district that I may have the help of the good Lord abundantly in my work, for I find much hard work to be done and many hard propositions to meet and solve.—J. E. Morton, April 19.

Crawford.

We found lots of work waiting for us as soon as we got here after conference, and have done a good deal. We have put something over a hundred dollars in and around the parsonage since we came here, and just a little more will get us in fine shape. We find some of the Lord's anointed on this work who stand by this preacher through thick and thin. The salary was raised over what it was last year, and the stewards have made a good start. Last Sunday was a good day especially. We had eighty-one present in Sunday-school and a good collection for missions, as it was mission day. We got nearly as much for missions last Sunday in our Sunday-school as we got all last year on Mission Day. We also had the best congregation that this preacher has seen in Crawford, and possibly the best in a year. A good revival and a number added to the Church and full collections is our motto. We love the Advocate and a great big hunk for its editor; he is strictly it, and more especially when you press the dry button.—O. C. Swimney, April 21.

Nubia.

The second Quarterly Conference of Nubia charge is a thing of the past so far as the execution of the business is concerned, but the moral impression made upon the hearts and lives of the Church will doubtless tell out in eternity. Elm Grove was the place, and April 15 and 16 the date. Saturday was a pretty, bright day and the people began gathering early. By 11 o'clock the congregation had gathered. Bro. Barnes, our beloved presiding elder, was there in due time, and in every way equal to the occasion. He preached us a fine sermon from Luke 2:8—a business text and a business sermon—after which we enjoyed a splendid dinner, just such as we could not help looking for from the Elm Grove ladies. Elm Grove community is certainly blessed with good women and occasionally a good man. Rev. J. T. L. Annis, from Merkel, was there and greatly blessed the occasion by bringing Sister Annis with him. Some other visiting friends were on hand. At 2:30 p. m. we began the business of the conference. All things considered, we had a real good conference. Bro. Barnes was very careful and painstaking, looking after every interest of the Church. At night we had a good congregation and another most excellent sermon from Luke 16:25 Sunday was a bright, pretty day. A good Sunday-school at 10 o'clock and one of the previous sermons this scribe ever listened to, from the subject of "The Great Commission." Bro. Barnes was fully at himself, and a full measure of the heavenly endowment. At the close of the sermon a proposition was made for all that would promise to live better and more faithful in our Lord's work to come and give their hand, and it met with a great response. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon Bro. A. W. Lowrey, an excellent layman and Sunday-school superintendent, made a fine talk from John 15. We concluded and closed with an old-time experienced meeting. We give God all the glory and praise the battle. We are praying that the Abilene District will make a banner report at Stamford this fall. So mote it be!—T. H. Davis, P. C.

Great Revival in Stamford Collegiate Institute.

The second year of Stamford Collegiate Institute has brought to the school another great revival. The meeting began on April 18, and closed on the following Sunday. The Christians of the student body were anxious for the opportunity of winning their friends for Christ, and they worked with mighty zeal from the first service to the last. It is not known how many conversions resulted from the meeting, but each hour of worship and work saw young men and women coming to Christ. The altar was crowded day after day, and when the benediction was pronounced upon the last service, every student, but two, in the dormitories stood on the Lord's side. Possibly the most powerful meeting was held Sunday afternoon. It was a rally service, and at the close thirty-six young men and women came forward, setting themselves apart for whatever special work God might have for them. Among these were a number of our town's very best young people. One of them is a young lady teacher in our public school. It was a wonderful service, and at that sight of thirty-six young lives in God's altar, the whole audience was melted to tears of gratitude and joy. Bro. Bruce Meador, of Haskell, preached for us during the meeting, and the results show how abundantly God is blessing his earnest work. He won a large place in the hearts of students, teachers and citizens. The splendid Christian faculty, working in class rooms and altar, was a mighty factor in the meeting. These teachers are not only brain-builders, but, thank God, they are soul-winners! God give us more great Christian schools, and God give us people who realize their worth!—Robt. E. Goodrich.

Pleasant Mound.

On account of sickness in my home I could not move my family to this work until about the middle of January. I filled all of my appointments but one, and our people were very patient with us. On the second night after we arrived at our parsonage the good people of Reinhardt came in a storm, bringing with them good things to eat of almost every name and description. Not only the Methodist people, but members of other Churches, and those who were not members of any Church, participated in this joyous occasion. Then on February 25 the ladies of the Pleasant Mound Church paid us a visit, and they, too, remembered the preacher's family in a substantial way. Again our table was almost made to groan under the weight of flour, meal, lard, su-

gar, canned fruits, preserves, jellies and other things too numerous to mention. It is not enough to just say the preacher appreciates these deeds of kindness. We have held our first Quarterly Conference, and are now far into the second quarter. Bro. Hamilton preached us four very fine and helpful sermons. This is his first year on this district. Our people fell very much in love with him, and they are anxiously waiting for our second Quarterly Conference. The financial part of our work is making a good showing. Nearly one-fourth of the pastor's salary was paid in at the first Quarterly Conference. We have paid our Orphanage fund, and raised about seventy dollars for foreign missions and the Bishop's fund. We have not held any meetings yet, but we are planning and praying for some great revivals this year.—J. H. Scrimshire.

Dalby Springs.

Our second Quarterly Conference is now a thing of the past. Our presiding elder was on hand and with him came the Rev. G. W. Schroeder, of New Boston, who did the preaching, and it was well done. The Quarterly Conference was a success. There have been added to this charge two new appointments since conference. We think it bids fair to be a self-supporting charge in a year or two. We have now six appointments and plenty of territory. We have paid off our foreign missionary assessment; will pay half the whole assessment on the general collections by the first of June, I am sure. We have five Sunday-schools, three prayer-meetings, one W. H. M. Society, one Epworth League, one Junior League and a great good work. Have repaired one church, and are putting some repairs on parsonage property, and will soon begin to repair our church at Dalby Springs. We are planning for a great camp-meeting here. No better people to be found any where. We are getting several new subscribers to the Advocate.—J. H. Westmoreland.

Woodbine.

We found at Woodbine a large field ready for work. The people received us very kindly, and gave us much encouragement. The preaching came in due time. No preacher ever served a kinder, better people than the people on the Woodbine work. I think from a spiritual standpoint we are above an average. Four prayer-meetings, seven Sunday-schools, with an occasional class meeting. Received into the Church 15, baptized 23. Assessments for foreign missions and orphanage paid in full. Preacher's salary raised one hundred dollars. Second Quarterly Conference just over, which was one among the best, all things considered, that I ever attended. Bro. Old, from Brandway, preached three very fine sermons. The one on "Infant Baptism" could not be excelled—so say the people. Brother Aston, our popular presiding elder, preached three sermons that were surely up to high-water mark. Everybody loves Brother Aston. We are expecting and praying for a great year on the Woodbine Circuit.—J. B. Minnis.

Seventh Street, Temple.

I have had the pleasure of being in some of the services of the revival meeting just closed at Seventh Street Church, Temple. Bro. W. J. Hearon, assisted by his brother C. W. Hearon, of Chillicothe, did the preaching. Mr. Ed Huckabee, son of our Bro. J. S. Huckabee, was employed to lead the singing, which he did to the delight and inspiration of all who heard him. His solos were such as produce conviction and inspire men to nobler living. The Church needs more such men with consecrated voices who sing not for show but rather for the glory of God and the salvation of men. Rev. C. W. Hearon, who did most of the preaching, is what is commonly known as a gospel preacher—that is he cries aloud and spares not. He preaches conviction, repentance, the new birth and the witness of the Spirit. He doesn't seem to care a whit whether the congregation is made up of anti or pros, theater-goers or nominal Church members, or super-nominal Christians. He doesn't ask any questions, but just preaches the truth in the old-time way. His sermons were a blessing to our city and a help to many who listened so eagerly to them. He is a careful preacher, preparing well his messages and delivering them with power. Bro. W. J. Hearon, the pastor, has his work well in hand, and is laboring tirelessly for the uplifting of the Church. He has succeeded in laying his hand upon a beautiful piece of parsonage property adjoining the church, and is now housed in one of the most inviting homes in the city. His work is appreciated among his people, and he is becoming deservedly popular in Temple because of his consecrated efforts and loyal stand for the right, both morally and religiously. Seventh Street Church has had a hard battle, but is making the landing in great shape, and with men like her present pastor at the wheel, her voyage will most certainly be one of prosperity and victory at last.—Robt. P. Shuler.

Westbrook.

Rev. Abe Mulkey held a ten days' tent meeting for us, commencing April 9 and closing the 18th. While sandstorms and high winds seemed to be against us in the beginning, the congregations were large at every service, and great interest was manifested from the very first service. At some of the services it was estimated that there were a thousand people. Bro. Mulkey knows how to attract a crowd and then to hold them. A deep spiritual current running through his own heart reaches the hearts of the people, producing conviction and leading to repentance. There were about one hundred conversions and reclamations. About seventy or seventy-five united with the various Churches, fifty joined the Methodist Church. The most glorious work done was the spiritual uplifting of the Church. Many men who were never known to attend Church came and were attentive hearers, and many of them have found the pearl of great price and hastened to unite with God's people. When I took charge of this work about eighteen months ago I found an unfinished church, with between two and three thousand dollars indebtedness. We finished the church last year and raised some money on the debt, but there still remained about seven hundred dollars behind. So Brother Mulkey took a collection the last Sunday of the meeting, and raised seventeen hundred and thirty-two dollars in cash and good subscriptions.

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So you see I have a right to rejoice over the success of the meeting. There was raised for all purposes during the meeting \$3,227.50 in cash and subscriptions. Of this \$227 was a free-will offering for Bro. Mulkey and \$31 for the orphans, and \$127.50 for incidentals. Brother Mulkey was the man we needed. May the Lord bless him wherever he goes. My heart was made to rejoice at our last Wednesday night prayer-meeting by hearing the young converts testify of God's love for them and their willingness to work wherever they could. I organized a Senior League. They are eager to enter into the work. We have a H. M. Society.—John A. Sweeney.

Water Valley.

In my report of the protracted meeting held here recently by Revs. S. J. Estes and S. J. Franks I stated a Ladies' Aid Society had been organized. My attention has been called to this error. It was a Woman's Home Mission Society, and I would ask that you kindly make the correction. This society meets on the Friday before the first and third Sundays of each month, and it is believed the Lord will bless its efforts.—A. T. Wilson.

Valentine, N. M.

Monday, April 19, 1909, was a red-letter day for Sierra Blanca and the surrounding country. Four of the brethren, Rev. H. M. Smith, Rev. J. P. Wheeler, Rev. J. H. Messer and Rev. F. C. Carpenter, stopped off with me on their way from District Conference, and after preaching services by Revs. H. M. Smith and J. P. Wheeler, the cornerstone of the Sierra Blanca Methodist Church, South, was laid by the four brethren. Bro. Smith having charge of the service. This is the first house of worship to be erected in this place, and it is being constructed by the first pastor of our Church, May God allow me to see its completion by Annual Conference. The District Conference was a good one, the brethren were congenial, and most of them had good reports. Our good presiding elder, Rev. J. B. Cochran, is certainly the right man in the right place. He is untiring in his labors for the Master and his Church, and, under his wise guidance, the El

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PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION.

From the Associated Press dispatches we take the following appointments for Texas. We are not sure that the dates are correct. The Texas Conference was omitted entirely, while the date of the North Texas was evidently wrong, reading in the dispatches November 4. It will be seen that Bishop Key holds all the English-speaking conferences, as far as given, and it is presumed that he will hold the Texas.

German Mission, Bishop Galloway, Houston, October 21.
West Texas, Bishop Key, Uvalde, Oct. 25.
Northwest Texas, Bishop Key, Stamford, November 10.
North Texas, Bishop Key, Paris, Nov. 21.
Texas, Bishop Key, Jacksonville, Dec. 1.

THE MEETING OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE.

This week the Book Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is in session in Dallas. It is composed of thirteen ministers and laymen, and they are an exceptionally fine body of men. Look at their pictures in this issue and read the sketches of them, and you will be impressed with the fact that the great publishing interests of the Church are entrusted to a body of as able men as can be found anywhere in Southern Methodism. They are men who fill the first rank in the Church, and many of them are men of great business and professional acumen. Dallas is delighted to have them, and so is all Texas Methodism. A royal welcome is being extended to them, and such courtesies as men in their position deserve are being showered upon them. A special banquet is being given to them, and on next Sunday the pulpits of the city Methodist Churches will be occupied by them. Their coming this far west is a compliment to us and we appreciate it. Dallas is a sort of a southwestern connectional center, and the meeting of the Book Committee with us is but the forerunner of other gatherings of this nature in the near future.

PROGRAM BANQUET, ORIENTAL HOTEL, FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 7, 1909, 7 O'CLOCK.

Toastmaster, N. W. Finley, President Methodist Laymen's Council of Dallas; song, all standing, led by Mr. W. T. Henderson; invocation, remain standing. Rev. J. M. Peterson; addresses of welcome, Rev. J. W. Hill, Mayor S. J. Hay; responses, Rev. R. A. Child, Judge E. C. Reeves; banquet; "Our Publishing Interests," Dr. Collins Denny; "Our Press and the Institutions of Our Church," Dr. G. E. Brown; "The Press and the Preacher," Rev. Frank M. Thomas; "Our Publishing Interests as a Factor in the Development of Southwestern Methodism," Dr. Geo. C. Rankin.

From a most reliable source we learn that there is a fine opening for a good Methodist school in Brownsville. Those people are ready and willing to offer the Church a good bonus for the location of such an institution in that thriving city and we ought to look into the proposition. Let the West Texas Conference read this note and digest it. By the time we meet at Uvalde we ought to give consideration to this suggestion. Our Church is taking strong hold in Brownsville and the outlook is most inviting. In a few days our people will begin the erection of a \$1000 church edifice located on one of the most prominent corners in the city.

CHURCH DEDICATION AT BLOSSOM.

Last Sunday one week ago we spent in Blossom with Rev. W. N. Wright and his good people. The town is situated in Lamar County, and has a thrifty population of about twelve hundred. They have had good rains, and the prospect for a fine crop is promising. That section has suffered three or four years because of floods and drouths, but the people have gotten on very well despite these misfortunes. Under the pastorate of Brother Thomas two years ago our people began a new church enterprise. They bought a good lot in a more desirable location, roomy enough for the church and a parsonage. The church was about finished, but not all paid for during Brother Thomas' stay. This is Brother Wright's second year. The indebtedness of the church has been paid off and was ready for dedication. It is one of the most beautiful houses of worship for the money invested that we have seen in a long time. It cost in the neighborhood of \$5000, it is modern in design, elegant in finish, complete in its furniture and a credit to the community. A large congregation crowded all its space on Sunday morning, the music was good and appropriate, and the service was in keeping with the occasion. At the close of the sermon the officials presented the house for dedication, and the beautiful ceremony in our Book of Discipline was used in setting the edifice apart to the worship of God. It was a great day for our people, and one that marks an epoch in their history. We have a good congregation, and they are liberal and enterprising people. On the lot near by there is a beautiful parsonage that makes a companion-piece to the church. It is brand-new, clean as a new pin, out of debt, and the pastor's family is happy. We had the pleasure of being entertained in that cozy retreat, and it was a pleasure that we will not soon forget. Brother Wright is a faithful, conscientious preacher and pastor, and he is doing a good work in Blossom. He is industrious, painstaking and devoted to every interest of the Church, and this explains his good success as an itinerant preacher.

In the afternoon we drove eight miles beyond to Detroit and spent the night with Rev. C. W. Dennis and his people. The country between the two points is sandy, and is evidently a good fruit country. But it bears the marks of neglect. The failure of the crops for the past three or four years has caused a goodly number of the people to sell out and move West. In there land is cheaper than most any other settled portion of Texas, and it is fairly good land, too. Detroit has a population of twelve hundred, and does a good business. Like Blossom, it has the modern improvements in the way of good schools, electric light plant and good water service. We have a good church building and a devoted membership. At the night service we had full house and a delightful service. They are good people to preach to. We spent the night under the roof of the pastor's home, and it is a good parsonage, indeed. Brother Dennis is a man of fine equipment, having graduated at Southwestern several years ago. He is a strong preacher and full of energy. He is not satisfied with looking after the Church in the town, but he goes out every Sunday afternoon and preaches to congregations in the country. He is a prodigious worker. He has gifts and grace as a preacher, and is qualified to fill responsible places. He is one of the coming young men of our conference. We also enjoyed Brother and Sister J. A. Caton, who are leading members of our Church. Rev. S. M. Ownby, one of our superannuated ministers, lives in Detroit, and so does Rev.

I. S. Ashburn. The latter was out of town, but we had a few words of communion with him recently while passing through Brownwood.

On every hand we heard the most favorable reports of the work and preaching of Rev. J. M. Sweeton, the presiding elder. G. C. R.



REV. GEORGE S. SEXTON, Associate Church Extension Secretary.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Church Extension in Memphis, Tennessee, Rev. George S. Sexton, pastor of St. Paul's Church, Houston, Texas, was elected Associate Church Extension Secretary with Dr. W. F. McMurry, with headquarters at Louisville, Kentucky. For two years and a half Brother Sexton has been pastor of St. Paul's Church, though when he took charge he had neither church nor congregation. In fact, he had nothing but the name of his congregation. However, he went to work, organized in an old auditorium near where he proposed to start his work, and began preaching. His membership and his congregation grew steadily, and the story of his success is well known throughout Texas. He succeeded in building one of the handsomest and most costly structures anywhere in the Southwest, and it stands there as a monument to his energy and faith and to the pluck and liberality of his people. It is a credit to the city and an honor to God and humanity. No wonder that the Board of Church Extension, in casting about for a man to fill the bill as Associate Secretary of that great department of Church work, logically selected Brother Sexton. They wanted a man who has a record for doing things and so they appointed him. We wish for him the largest success in his new field. His successor has not yet been appointed.

A DAY WITH THE BROTHERS IN GREENVILLE.

Last Sunday we spent with the brethren in Greenville—one of the most delightful towns in North Texas. It is well high ideal in its population and social relationship. It is always a delight to mingle with those people. Greenville is improving along all lines. Its business houses and residences have an air of prosperity about them. And there are new ones going up in almost all directions. We were entertained during the most of our stay by our old-time friends, Brother and Sister Wiley Galtner. We knew him in boyhood away back at Center Valley, Murry County, Georgia. We belonged to the same good old country Church and attended the same Sunday-school and the same old-fashioned singing class. It was good to be with him again and talk over the boyhood experiences of the long ago. He and his good wife used to live in the Jacoby neighborhood, but they have been living in town for a few years.

Sunday morning we preached for the Wesley people. Rev. E. H. Casey was absent on Sunday at a special service at Lone Oak, but we saw much of him on Saturday. His health is greatly improved and he is prosecuting his work with success. He has had much affliction since his pastorate began at Wesley, but this has only drawn his people the closer to him. They love him tenderly and his ministry is being blessed to their edification. We spent a time in the parsonage. It is being renovated and painted. It is an elegant home for the preacher. Wesley is a fine old congregation. They are religious and responsive, and we had a most refreshing service with them. We had Rev. Charley McWhitter with

us. He is remembered by all the members of our conference. For years he was a traveling preacher, but has been local for quite a time. He is as full of religion as ever and bubbles over occasionally.

In the afternoon we went to the Kavanaugh parsonage. It has been greatly improved. It looks like a new building, and what a tidy place it is. There is a woman there who knows how to keep it. Rev. Cornelius Pugsley and his good wife are a complete fit at Kavanaugh. This is their third year, and they grow more and more in favor with their people. They have Kavanaugh going to the front. The Sunday-school numbered over three hundred Sunday morning. The Leagues are on a boom. The congregations fill the auditorium. The stewards conduct their business on a systematic basis, and carry on their affairs like a well-ordered dry goods establishment. They pay their bills promptly and never let things run behind. Each year they have raised the pastor's salary, and will do it again next year. The church and the parsonage are out of debt and old Kavanaugh has taken on new life. Sunday night we had a good congregation and a religious service. At the close the people showed a very cordial, social spirit. It was like a great big family. We had the old war-horse, Uncle Ben Bounds, in the pulpit and he helped us. Rev. R. Gibbs Mood, the wide-awake presiding elder, reached the town in time for service and we were glad to meet him. He is laying himself out on the district and he has things moving.

While in the city we dropped over to see Rev. L. G. White, the pastor at Lee Street. It was a revelation to us. For years we have been itinerating in that part of the town, having moved a number of times. But they are anchored now. Brother White has done the well-nigh impossible. Bought an ample lot in the right place, has built a church that astonished us—neat, commodious, modern and attractive. In fact, it is a beauty. It is elegantly furnished and has ornamental windows. Close by it is a splendid new parsonage, all complete, and the pastor's family in it. It looks like a city plant. The whole property has cost at least \$10,000, and all this since conference; True they owe some on it, but they will work it out, and it means that Methodism is now securely planted on Lee Street after some years of precarious existence. The fact is, Greenville Methodism is holding its head up and it is doing something in the name of the Master.

Greenville is a prohibition town. It has been for a number of years, and prohibition prohibits. The anti's will acknowledge this fact. They have not had the heart to ever ask for another election. There will never be another bar-room in Hunt County. It is gone forever. Amen and amen! G. C. R.

A FEW HOURS IN PARIS.

Last Sunday was a week ago we went to Blossom to take part in the dedication of their new church, rather we went on Saturday and spent Sunday with those good people. On the way up there we spent several hours in Paris and had a delightful communion with the pastors and presiding elder at that point. They knew of our coming and arranged for a dining at the district parsonage. All the pastors and their wives were present, and we had a most delightful time socially and otherwise. Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Sweeton know how to entertain and they left nothing undone to make it refreshing to all present. Brother Sweeton is making a splendid success as presiding elder. He is a strong and spiritual preacher, a good executive, has a head for affairs and an eye for seeing the proper situations, and he has the ability to plan and execute. His people love him and his preachers are devoted to him. He is doing things throughout his territory. Rev. G. E. Cameron, pastor of Centenary Church, has put new life into that congregation. Several hundred dollars have been spent in renovating the Sunday-school room, in improving the two approaches to the church, and in putting down cement walks round it. There is not a more beautiful Sunday-school room in the conference, and it contains one of the finest primary departments. Mrs. Cameron, who is an expert in this line of work, has the largest attendance, perhaps, of any primary teacher in the conference. The Sunday-school is going forward in all lines of work. The congregations are large and inspiring. They hold Brother Cameron in high esteem as a preacher and a pastor. He went to this charge last year as a transfer from the Texas Conference.

He and his people have purchased a handsome parsonage property, well located, modern and in every way wor-

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thy of the Church. It is worth at least \$5000.

Rev. R. C. Hicks, at Lamar Street, moving things to the front. The last dollar of indebtedness on their elegant new church has been paid and the church dedicated to the worship of God. He has his hand on all the departments of his charge, has good congregations, a well organized Sunday-school and a good Epworth League. His Church is the most influential factor in that part of the city. We have no more faithful and devoted man in the conference than Brother Hicks, and he is the right man in the right place at Lamar Street. Rev. J. M. Sherwood has charge of Bonham Street charge. He has a good church building, a most comfortable parsonage and the two are out of debt. He has a good organization at that point, and he is doing the best work of his life. His health is practically restored, and he is happy in the service of toil. Paris is improving. Good buildings are going up, there are no vacant houses, miles of street and side-walks are being paved, and everywhere there is an air of progress and thrift. And it is a prohibition town. The law prohibits beyond a doubt, and if the anti-ever call another election not only will country, but the town will vote a majority against the return of the bar-rooms. G. C. R.

THE MEDICAL COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

Last week witnessed the close of the Medical Department of Southwestern University, and it was an occasion of much interest. On the Sunday before the faculty and the student body occupied pews in the Trinity Church and Dr. W. D. Bradford delivered them a most helpful sermon on "Prove All Things." The house was crowded with a large congregation of interested hearers. On the following Thursday night at the Carnegie Hall the commencement exercises proper came off. An intelligent audience packed the building. A good musical program was rendered. Dr. McReynolds, Dean of the School, had charge of the exercises. Dr. J. B. Smoot, one of the members of the faculty, delivered a wholesome address to the graduating class. Bishop Alexander C. Garrett, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, delivered the annual address, and it was a very finished piece of work. Dr. McReynolds delivered the diplomas to a large class who had graduated in medicine and to another class who had graduated in pharmacy. This ended one of the most successful and satisfactory years of our Medical College. It has made great progress and is now one of the permanent and valuable adjuncts to Southwestern University, and it is a credit to the State.

At the close of the commencement exercises the faculty and students, with invited guests, repaired to the Oriental Hotel, where a banquet was greatly enjoyed. Quite a number of toasts were given by the students, and two notable ones by Mayor S. J. Hay and Commissioner Harry Seay. It was a most enjoyable occasion, and, with its close, the college year passed into history. Preparations are already in process of forming for the next term.

NEXT LAYMEN'S MEETING COMING TO DALLAS.

The next biennial meeting of the Laymen's Conference will come to Dallas. This has been decided. The last one was at Chattanooga. Next spring, just before the meeting of the General Conference, it will be in this city. That means that hundreds of the representative laymen of Southern Methodism and hundreds of preachers will enjoy this great occasion. Dallas Methodists are already beginning to plan for its entertainment. Mr. John Pepper is the President of the conference, and he favored this place for the gathering. They will have an open-hearted Texas welcome; for while Dallas will entertain the members, all Texas will be the hosts also. Let the

preachers and the laymen begin to plan to attend it. It will be an epoch in our Church progress in this State.

A MERITED COMPLIMENT.

We clip the following just estimate of Rev. J. T. Bloodworth from the Stephenville Tribune. He has been there conducting a successful meeting, and his work was greatly appreciated:

Rev. J. T. Bloodworth, of Fort Worth, who is conducting the revival services at the Methodist Church, is making friends rapidly by his style of preaching. He believes in doing good to man while the warm blood yet courses through his veins, and sees little good in heaping flowers on their graves after life has departed. He does not believe Christians should carry tombstones around in their pockets, and cause cold chills to creep over people whom they meet. While preaching he never raises his voice to a discordant pitch, but is rather inclined to the ordinary conversational style; every word he utters can be plainly heard and understood, and you will be the gainer if you hear him. He is a good man, and preaches sermons which will set one to thinking, and they will certainly make you a better man or woman. This is the estimate placed on him by the editor of the Tribune.

There was recently held a missionary meeting of great importance at Dalhart. It was composed of the ministers and leading laymen of the Clarendon District. Rev. J. G. Miller, the faithful presiding elder, was present to engineer it, and it was a great success. Rev. J. W. Hunt planned and executed a splendid banquet, at which there was a large attendance, and the toasts were appropriate and had reference to the work in hand. A fine report followed, and it was refreshing. The Dalhart Texan gave a fine account of the meeting and of the banquet. Brother Miller and his workers are doing things in that promising section of our Zion.

Rev. J. B. Turrentine and his people at Texarkana recently held their annual banquet, and, from the program sent to us, we infer that it was a royal occasion. There was an elegant spread and an interesting number of toasts. The subjects were of a religious and literary nature and appropriate to the entertainment. Brother Turrentine is bringing things to pass in Texarkana, and the entire debt, which has been gradually disappearing, is now entirely gone. The Church is now free from all encumbrance and about ready for formal dedication.

The local Book Committee at Nashville, Tenn., this week elected Rev. John S. Frazier, a presiding elder in the Alabama Conference, a member of the General Book Committee, vice Rev. J. M. Mason, deceased. The Bishops confirmed the election.

PERSONALS

Rev. J. T. McClure, of Waxahachie, was to see us the other day. His work is prospering.

Rev. D. A. McGuire, of McKinley Avenue, Fort Worth, paid the Advocate a pleasant call this week.

Rev. E. R. Patterson, of Oyella, dropped in to see us this week. He is always a welcome visitor.

Our old friend, George Mulkey, of Fort Worth, was in to see us recently. Where is the preacher who does not know and love George Mulkey? We are always glad to see and welcome him to our sanctuary.

We learn from Rev. J. T. Griswold, of the Stamford District, that Rev. R. E. L. Stutts, whose health has been feeble, is doing well, and will soon be able to return to his family and work.

Rev. G. S. Wyatt was always enthusiastic in his work for the conference organ. As age creeps on his zeal abateeth not. He is moving things at Canadian, and will be "a big injun heap" at the next session of his conference.

Rev. G. E. Cameron, pastor of the Century Church in Paris, will preach the Annual Conference sermon at the League Convention in McKinney, Sunday, June 12. On the same day Rev. Jno. E. Roach, presiding elder of Bowie District, will conduct the consecration service.

We had a pleasant visit recently from Brother C. V. Cyrus, of Cleburne, and his kinsman, Brother Worley. Brother Cyrus has been a reader of the Advocate since the time that man's memory runneth not back to the contrary, and he loves it still.

Rev. W. D. Bradford has extra work before him. He will preach the commencement sermon before the faculty and students of the Louisiana University, he will deliver the literary address at Stamford Institute, and he will preach the commencement sermon at Vanderbilt.

Rev. J. B. Goher, of the Bonham District, is making things move throughout his domain. He is full of the evangelical spirit, and is preaching and working with power all over his field. His preachers and laymen are in harmony with him, and they are bringing things to pass.

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Rev. J. W. Perry, that tall pastor at Yoakum, is doing things in this charge. He has a fine financial system and it is working well, and his congregations are large and increasing. He is a good preacher, a careful pastor and true to every principle of morals and religion.

Rev. Frank Sherwood is delightfully situated in the superannuated home at Bowie. For two years he has occupied this cozy residence, and no man appreciates its blessings more than he. It is a comfortable home, and the result of Rev. E. O. Miller's successful work in that line.

Rev. W. H. Vaughan, of the Georgetown District, is investing all the power of his mind and heart in his charge, and from what we hear from down that way his preachers and people are greatly pleased with his labors. He is a good preacher, a man of affairs, and full of energy and hope.

Rev. J. A. Whitehurst is spreading himself over the Brownwood District, and he is leaving marks of progress in all departments of Church work wherever he goes. We made inquiry about him as we passed through his territory last week, and we heard the best of reports of his labors. He is throwing his mind and soul into his work, and results are following. His popularity abounds.

Rev. W. T. Harris, of Lone Oak, has given up his charge with the consent of the presiding elder, Rev. R. G. Mood, and approved by Bishop Candler. He has gone to Oklahoma to enter business. Brother Harris has been a faithful preacher and a good member of the conference, but he has concluded, of his own

accord, to retire honorably from the travel ranks and to take his place for a while as a local preacher. We commend him to the brethren in the Oklahoma Conference. Rev. W. B. Dyars, of Pottsboro, has been placed in charge at Lone Oak.

Mrs. Alice Wright Clinton, of Sherman, has issued invitations to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Hattie B. Street, to Mr. Samuel D. Saunders, the event to take place at the chapel of the North Texas Female College May 18, 1909. Miss Street has been connected for some time with the college, and is a popular young lady. Mr. Saunders is a successful merchant of Sherman.

Rev. W. F. Packard, D. D., pastor at Marshall, will preach the annual sermon before the faculty and students of the North Texas Female College the fourth Sunday in May. Rev. J. L. Pierce will deliver the literary address. These two strong men will give the occasion of the commencement of that worthy institution a popular interest and a treat is in store for the college.

Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, of Travis Park Church, San Antonio, is a perfect fit in that important charge. He is wise in his planning, a solid preacher, knows how to hold his people in line, has large congregations, and he is moving them in the work of Church Extension. He keeps his eye upon strategic points, and is quick to pre-empt any good opening for Methodism in that growing city.

Rev. Jno. R. Allen, D. D., of Southwestern, was in the city last week visiting relatives and called pleasantly on the Advocate force. For years he has done sturdy work at the University, and he is still in the prime of life. He is thinking of arranging to take another party on a vacation trip to Europe next summer. If you are thinking of an excursion of this sort, Dr. Allen is a good man to correspond with.

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A GREAT CONFERENCE

One of the most important and significant conferences in the history of Southern Methodism met, labored, loved and parted in the city of Memphis, Tennessee, April 27 and 29, in this present good year of grace 1909. Its sessions were held in the lecture room of the First Church in that city.

The members of the conference were representatives of our several Annual Conference Boards of Church Extension. About 129 delegates were in attendance, representing thirty-four Annual Conference Boards. These men were called together by our General Secretary, Dr. W. F. McMurry, of Louisville, Kentucky, at the suggestion and by the authority of the General Board. The object of the meeting as stated in substance in the call was to create sentiment for and to further the interest of Church Extension in view of the pressing needs of the time, as voiced and accentuated by the many doors of entrance so providentially and recently opened to us.

It was generally known in Church Extension circles that a great impetus had been given to the movement in the last 5 years, but few, if any, even of the most intelligently observant, were prepared for the splendid attendance, the magnificent program and the fervent apostolic zeal that characterized this body. Every man on the program, with the possible exception of this writer, delivered himself with credit and ability, and the unflagging attention to the discussion of all the questions considered, and the earnest and intelligent participation of nearly all the delegates in the deliberations of the conference—all these things were a palpable expression in words and mien of a profound impression upon the minds and hearts of the brethren that they were making history—acting and planning for the salvation of men and for the glory of God.

And their deliberations took a wide range—almost every conceivable phase of Church Extension work and possible activity was thoroughly discussed and completely threshed out.

The following brethren led the discussions of the several questions brought forward for consideration: Rev. T. C. Schuler, Nashville, Tennessee; Hon. J. G. Walker, Louisville, Kentucky; Rev. P. W. Jeffries, Washington, D. C.; Rev. S. L. Linebaugh, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Rev. L. L. Johnson, Mangum, Oklahoma; Rev. O. C. McGehee, Montgomery, Alabama; Rev. B. P. Allen, Cedartown, Georgia; Rev. B. P. Wallace, Heber, Arkansas; Rev. J. M. Henry, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Rev. W. O. Wharton, Birmingham, Alabama; Rev. C. S. Mitchell, Lawton, Oklahoma; Rev. H. H. Johnson, Clarence, Missouri; Rev. L. E. Alford, Long Beach, Mississippi; Rev. J. M. Hughey, Bentonville, Arkansas; Rev. R. L. Fultz, Baltimore, Maryland; Rev. W. J. Carpenter, Tampa, Florida; Hon. Jno. R. Kennedy, Tuscaloosa, Alabama; Hon. J. T. Perkins, Jacksonville, Florida; Rev. L. T. Ward, Collierville, Tennessee; Rev. Jno. R. Nelson, Nashville, Tennessee; Rev. B. Anthony, Americus, Georgia; Rev. W. F. McMurry, Louisville, Kentucky; Rev. J. W. Hill, Dallas, Texas.

By unanimous vote of the conference, Dr. W. F. McMurry was elected President of the meeting, and J. W. Hill was chosen as Secretary. At the Secretary's request Geo. W. Barcus, of Hereford, Texas, was elected Assistant Secretary. Dr. J. R. A. Vaughan, of St. Louis, Missouri, led the devotional exercises at the opening of each session, and by his clear, comprehensive and spiritual expositions of the Scriptures greatly endeared himself to the brethren and kept the devotional tone of the conference upon a high key.

By wisdom and foresight of our General Secretary, under whose direction the program was prepared, each subject discussed and settled logically introduced the next matter for consideration, so that when the whole had been gone through with, there was certainly little left to be said.

It was anticipated by some of us at least that the various views which would likely be presented in a conference of men representing regions so far removed from each other would suggest the necessity of new methods and possibly some new laws to meet the growing demands of the widening fields of our missionary operations. In this we are justified. The mill, the mine, the factory and foreign populations and the hundreds of thousands of our people who are flocking to the States and Territories of the great West and Northwest—crying needs of all these masses—suggested many changes in the methods of evangelization heretofore employed, and loudly called for new and proper legislation in order to adjust the machinery of the Church to the exigencies of the several situations.

Some of the facts brought out in the discussion of the various questions were startling, even horrible! It was established by "many infallible proofs" that in some parts of the great West, for instance, in Arizona, there are towns of 1,000 and 5,000 inhabitants where there is neither a church nor a preacher of any denomination whatsoever! In other towns of 12,000 and 15,000 souls, no branch of Methodism has a single church, while the field is practically neglected by everybody else! Even where we have organized classes and begun work our people are without houses—the commonest make-shifts of a building being the exception—while utter destitution of all Church equipment is the rule.

It was pointed out that among the milling population the methods employed must be those of the kindergarten, and an appeal being made largely to the senses. The most primitive and rudimentary instruction was necessary even in educating and evangelizing the adult portion of the community.

A mere single room chapel therefore was wholly inadequate to meet the demand and produce proper results. There must be those of the kindergarten and day nurseries and all other attachments of the modern institutional Church.

It was remarked and emphasized that the milling population was more intelligent and progressive. Sensitive, however, in the extreme, they resented any second class equipment as throwing them into contrast with the opportunities and comforts of the wealthier classes. The fact was brought out in the consideration of the foreign immigration problem that in Texas alone there are 25,000 foreigners—only a handful of whom are being touched by our Church, or any other Protestant body. The great mass of these immigrants are Roman Catholics of the

most ignorant and fanatical type, while many of them are utter atheists whose chief purpose in life is to eat and drink. They land upon our shores with their minds full of error concerning the genius and principle of our free institutions and with their hearts full of hate for everything civil or ecclesiastical, moral or religious that tends or intends to limit their excesses or to put a check upon what they have learned to denominate their "personal liberty."

Even this great number of aliens upon our shores is only a drop in the bucket compared with what we may expect when the Panama Canal is completed and the gates of the Orient are opened towards the West.

These people must be reached and evangelized, or they will poison the fountains and destroy the purity of our free institutions. And they can be reached. Experiment even with the poor equipment we now possess demonstrates this possibility. The few feeble efforts we have been able to put forth in raising a standard against this inflowing tide shows conclusively where we are and we only strengthen our hands and employ the unemployed resources of men and money in the possession of the Church to-day.

"Our people perish for lack of knowledge." This statement was abundantly verified by a long array of facts brought out in these discussions; not only are the unchurched masses dying for want of the "bread of life," but the selfish withholding of the needed help is drying up the fountains of our Church life at home. If our own people are to be kept in spiritual health they must be fed and sustained by the reflex of that charity which goes from home. The remedy suggested for all these evils was a campaign of education. Publicity, that's the word. Take care of people. Let them know the facts. Show them the situation. Lay the great soul need of these spiritually destitute upon the enlightened and awakened conscience of our great Church. In the meantime, project great things for God, and expect great things from God. Let the spirit of the prophets prevail. Be not afraid to look upon the worst or to diagnose the most loathsome and appalling situations, but look also for deliverance, for the help that is coming over the mountain.

A committee was appointed early in the session to catch the general drift and secure as far as possible the consensus of opinion and express in the form of resolutions and memorials to the General and Conference Boards, and to the next General Conference what seemed to be understood as needed changes and forward movements.

Before subjoining these resolutions which are, perhaps, the most important feature of this letter in order that the reader may the better understand, it is necessary to say that the question of bond issue to meet the exigencies of the present case had prominence in the discussion of ways and means. It was argued that if small, independent school districts and insignificant, private corporations could issue bonds in order to realize money for the present improvement for future comfort and profit, the great M. E. Church, South, or any of its incorporated institutions, certainly might find relief in the same way, and instead of waiting upon the pious steps of the "pay-as-you-go" policy, these great mission fields might be covered now, and the cost of the equipment left to the future results of the venture.

But here are the resolutions:

Your Committee on Recommendations to the General Conference and other recommendations beg leave to submit the following report:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that the Conference Board of Church Extension be permitted to levy an assessment in excess of that levied by the General Board, and that such excess be used within the bounds of that conference—the entire amount levied being one assessment under the name of Church Extension.

2. We further recommend that the law be so changed as to allow pastors to remain indefinitely in cotton mill mining and other such communities where the exigencies of the case do demand, and that the General Board and Conference Boards be allowed to grant Church Extension money in cotton mill towns, mining and other such districts even when the title cannot be secured, if, in their judgment, they deem such a gift advisable.

3. We recommend that section 4, paragraph 7, question 29, "Are there reports from the trustee," etc., be so changed as to read "What amount of insurance is being carried on churches, parsonages and schools, and when do these policies expire?"

4. That in pursuance with the suggestion made by Dr. McMurry relative to church insurance, we recommend that a committee of five be appointed and on our own motion we suggest that Dr. McMurry act as Chairman, and that this committee shall have charge of this matter.

5. That the law be so amended as to follow the appointed by a Conference Board, of a Secretary of Church Extension to travel throughout the bounds of that conference in the interest of Church Extension.

6. We heartily concur in the judgment of the Secretary and General Board of Church Extension in calling this meeting of Conference Board Representatives, and that such a meeting should be called annually at such time and place as the General Secretary may think best, and that the expenses of said representatives be provided for the Conference Boards of Church Extension, each board providing for its own delegates.

7. We further recommend that the matter of the General Board of Church Extension issuing bonds for the purpose of securing a loan fund adequate to the needs of the Church be referred to the committee of five on insurance provided for in recommendation 4.

8. We recommend that the Board of Church Extension encourage the Churches to apply for loans rather than donations, and that the boards place this money into loan funds to be administered by the General Board on the recommendation of the Conference Board.

9. We recommend non-concurrence in the matter of refunding interest with principal where property is alienated.

10. We recommend that the General Conference place the Boards of Church Extension upon the same basis as Board of Missions, as to constitution of boards, and that the General Board of Church

Extension be requested to state whether or not the action of Conference Boards of Church Extension is final.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. ANDREWS,
B. P. ADAMS,
R. A. HUTSELL.

The conference passed the usual resolutions of thanks to everybody who had contributed to the success and comfort of the meeting, and it was universally conceded that this was one of the most pleasant and profitable occasions in the history of our Church Extension work.

The following resolution coming in just before the adjournment is too important to be overlooked:

We recommend that the Annual Conference Board hold Church Extension anniversaries during the sitting of Annual Conference and that the Corresponding Secretary of our General Board provide speakers for such occasions when requested to do so. JAS. W. HILL, Secretary.



MRS. MARY S. WELLS.

Mary S. Wells was born April 26, 1827, in Springfield, Illinois, and died at her home in Gatesville, Texas, March 27, 1909, in which town she had lived fifty-five years. Late in the evening she spoke of a pain in her breast and in a few minutes her blood-washed spirit was in the better world at the good old age of eighty-two years, one month and one day.

Thus passed away one of the landmarks of Texas Methodism. She came to Texas with her parents when she was a girl, for the record shows she was married to the Rev. R. B. Wells at the age of eighteen in Houston, Texas. She addressed and mailed with her own hands what is now the Texas Christian Advocate, edited and published by her husband two years after their marriage at Brenham under the name of The Texas Christian Advocate and Brenham Advertiser. It was the first Church paper published in the State.

Her father, Rev. Oronzio Fisher, D. D., was born in Vermont and in early life with his parents moved west to Illinois, where he met Elizabeth Watts, a native of Georgia, who became the companion of his early life. They transmitted to her the rich elements of character which belonged to the extreme North and South.

Dr. Fisher was one of the most distinguished pioneer preachers of his day. His labors include a period of fifty-six years, beginning in 1824, and cover an "area reaching from the Great Lakes of the North to the Gulf of Mexico, and from the Ohio River on the east to the Pacific Ocean, and along the western coast from the Columbia River to Central America." He traveled before the era of steamboats and railroads; before even stage-coaches were known in the far West. He was a self-made man and a master of languages, literature and the Bible. It is said he was like Apollon, "an eloquent man and mighty in the Scriptures." His health gave way when he was young on account of his yielding to the great demands upon him, and he was compelled to locate for a period of six years. It is said by one who often spurt from his lungs while delivering his great message, Rev. J. M. Sherman, presiding elder of the Gatesville District, heard him when a boy, and regards him as the most profound theologian, an effective preacher and able controversialist to whom he listened in his young manhood. Bishop Fitzgerald, in California Sketches, describes his work and preaching in California as magical in its effect. The Columbia Conference is the result of his labors. He was honored with a seat in the General Conference from the East Texas Conference in 1854, and again from the Pacific Conference in 1876. Texas History of Methodism says of him, "Take him all in all, it is questionable if he has had any superiors and very few equals in our ministerial ranks. Being dead he yet speaketh by his example of ministerial fidelity and success."

Her husband, Rev. R. B. Wells, was a native of South Carolina, and came to Texas as a young attorney. He professed religion near St. Augustine, in the year 1840, and soon after entered the Texas Conference, and his first work was the Trinity Mission. He located to publish the Texas Christian Advocate, but afterward went back in the conference, and continued until 1854, when the health of his family requiring a change of climate, he located and settled in Gatesville where he and his wife became charter members of the Methodist Church. He preached the first sermon ever delivered in the town; organized the first Sunday school; was a charter member of the Gatesville Lodge, No. 157, A. F. & A. M., and published the Frontiersman, the first paper in Coryell County. He was closely connected with every enterprise that had for its object the elevation of man and the glory of God.

There were eleven children in their home-four of whom died in infancy. Since then, Mrs. T. B. Saunders and F. H. Wells have passed away. Their bodies sleep in the cemetery at Gatesville. The living are Mrs. M. E. Taylor, Mrs. J. D. Brown, and O. F. Wells, of Gatesville; Mrs. M. D. Smith, of Waco, and R. B.

Wells, of Gotebo, Oklahoma. There are forty-one grandchildren and thirty-one great-grandchildren. She leaves besides these, Mrs. Electra Hancock, of Greenville, Mississippi; Mrs. J. M. Reid, of Pulley Lake, California; in half sister, Mrs. Rebecca Blanford, Austin, Texas, and a step-mother, Mrs. Rebecca Fisher, President of the Daughters of the Republic of Austin, Texas.

After having such fellowship as her husband and such an ancestry as her parents running back to the Chase family of historic fame, and who gave her heart and life to the Lord when a girl, it is not surprising she reached the good old age she did before the Lord took her to himself. She was a personification of the highest type of our holy religion. She seemed to literally believe all things, hope all things, and endure all things without murmuring and complaint. She possessed unlimited faith in God, in the Church, in the people, in her pastor, and in her own people. They loved her and honored her. Miss Mary Brown, a grandchild and teacher in the public school of Gatesville, says of her: "To us all she was the best and sweetest confidant in the wide, wide world. It was easy to be good when we had her to help us. Her love went all round us and guided us all. Her life was one sweet song. She had sorrows and trials, but she always leaned on the arm of her Friend and he always sustained and soothed her. During her early days she lived through experiences more bitter than we can imagine, but she came out of them a stronger, purer and more consecrated Christian."

A favorite grandchild was J. D. Brown, Jr., now a leading business man of Gatesville. She used to take him in her arms when he was a baby, and say, "When he gets grown, we will keep house." This literally came to pass. The two have lived alone for several years. Every comfort was provided for grandpa. He had gotten her permission to be away for a night just a few hours before the glory world burst in upon her like the sun from behind a dark cloud.

Her funeral services were held in the Church she loved so much by her pastor, Rev. A. C. Smith, and assisted by the writer. All business in the city was suspended and the house was filled with those who loved her. Her body was followed to the City Cemetery by a large concourse of friends and loved ones, and it was laid to rest beside that of her husband. At a meeting next morning of her relatives an organization was formed to erect a suitable monument over the graves of the two, as one over him has given away. G. F. BOYD, Gatesville, Texas.

MONTHLY REPORT OF HOUSTON PREACHERS.

The gathering of Houston Methodist preachers on April 26 was given to hearing reports of work done during April at the several churches.

J. B. Lucas reported that the Sunday-school at Textile Chapel had doubled in attendance during the two months he had been in charge.

W. H. Crum, at Tabernacle, received 10 members during the month. Subscriptions taken to cover conference funds. The whole membership is enthusiastic over the new church enterprise.

Shoarn received 20 members; the Sunday-school on one Sunday had 25 in attendance. Work on plans and subscriptions for the new church building has made great progress.

Brunner will have a great excess on assessments levied by the conference. The Sunday-school is away over 100.

W. A. Knolle held a meeting at the German Church in the Second Ward with three additions.

McKee Street reported five additions. J. L. Williams has secured all the conference money, and paid over one-half the amount. McAshan Church has taken over San Felipe Sunday-school, and the people want a church building.

Washington Street reported several additions and two children baptized.

E. A. Konken had cut his district down to six appointments and will spend his spare time in evangelistic work throughout the whole district. The German people are filled with missionary enthusiasm.

Geo. S. Sexton reported a religious time with conversions at the regular services.

C. D. Montgomery reported rapid growth in the Sunday-school; eight additions.

Bishop Ward said the work in Louisiana was in an encouraging condition. The Southern part of the State has a foreign population with the Roman Catholic religion. For all that, Methodism prospers. SECRETARY.

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NOTES FROM THE FIELD

(Continued from page 7.)

Paso District is making rapid strides toward the goal. I can say that God is in the work out here. He uses every man on every work and all things seem to prosper. But, brethren, let us not be satisfied with the work until our Master's cross is planted on every stronghold of the enemy, and Christ is Lord indeed of the New Mexico Conference. I am sure to accomplish the divine purpose here in the West—the one preparation necessary is consecration. We can not be too religious. The Lord has been good to me, blessing me more than my most sanguine expectation dreamed of. I give him the glory, all of it, and humbly say, "Lord, here am I, use me."—R. H. Lewelling, April 21.

Edgewood Circuit.

This charge has five appointments with an average membership of thirty-three each, with great interest manifested at each service. While we found not a church building on the entire work, we have five and wide-awake brethren who are willing to rally to our assistance. At Myrtle Springs we now have a church building that would be a credit to any small town. It is all completed and out of debt, and ready for dedication. Brother C. B. Garrett, our beloved presiding elder, has promised to dedicate it for us May 9 at 8 p. m. All former pastors are invited to be present. The brethren at Sandflat are pushing and making arrangements for a church building there, and before this year comes to a close we will be able to report a church at that point. We hope to be able to report our collections in full.—G. W. Reynolds, P. C.

Granbury Station.

Our popular presiding elder has just held our second Quarterly Conference, and the following is our record since the Annual Conference: Paid our foreign and domestic missions, Orphan's Home, delegate's expense, A. B. S. Bishops' fund, entire assessment of \$54 well secured. Amount money raised for repairing church and parsonage, Sunday-school supplies, poor, Epworth Leagues, women's societies, our college new church, other objects, support of ministry; all sources, \$4,367.33. Over 200 tracts distributed, 15 subscriptions to Our Homes, Woman's Missionary Advocate, 9; Texas Advocate, 36; Era, 15; Go Forward, 50; 60 on Laymen's Movement, 100 of Bishop Key's pamphlets on Tithes, and 100 of Dr. Packard on Infant Baptism, and 25 of Facts on Baptism; received 36 members, baptized six adults and one infant; all departments of Church growing nicely. Stewards doing fine. Prospects for an early beginning of both new church and parsonage better.—E. V. Cox, April 21.

Kirk.

Our work is moving along nicely so far. Rebuilding one church; all the collections have been taken in cash and good subscriptions, to the amount of \$341, and \$162 has been paid over to the different boards; salary raised \$200 over last year, and will be paid in full; our Sunday-schools are taking on new life, and are now preparing to do efficient work for the Master. Now have two good Home Missionary Societies, organized one at Ben Hur Sunday afternoon. May God bless the Advocate family in my prayer.—R. H. Heizer, April 19.

Quinlan.

The good people of Quinlan, headed by our pastor, Bro. Conklin, and his wife, just as we had finished setting up for housekeeping charged our home, and such a pounding as we got—all kinds of groceries amounting to about \$20, and one can of pears came all the way from Mississippi. May the Lord bless all the donors.—S. H. Renfro, May 2.

Floyd Circuit.

The second Quarterly Conference of Floyd Circuit was held April 24, 25. The stewards made a fine report notwithstanding our organ at Floyd was burned into ashes by lamp explosion, and our church at Caddo Mills was wrecked the night of April 9. We have now an Epworth organ, secured by the Woman's Home Mission Society, costing \$75 laid down at Floyd. The brethren at Caddo Mills are preparing to rebuild. I have a good people to serve, and an all-round safe presiding elder. His ability to preach is not questioned by my people, and he conducts the Quarterly Conference with care and tenderness, and after the session is over the officials feel it a pleasure to be there, and return home with a fresh supply of grace and old-time religion. The work of the district is coming up in good shape. O for a great revival! Amen.—C. W. Jacobs, May 2.

Quinlan.

Our Sunday-school is progressing nicely at White's Prairie. Good attendance and attendance. The people are rejoicing over being so fortunate as to secure a faithful minister to preach once a month for them at White's Prairie. Rev. J. E. Short is doing the preaching. We hope to organize a church at this place this year. We believe there could be a strong church here. It would likely interfere some with Ables Springs, but we are doing nothing there anyway; have no Sunday-school. Where there is no Sunday-school people are not living for God as they should. How much I regret that I can't order a program for Children's Day at Ables. I have made special efforts to have a Sunday-school here, but have failed. It does seem to me that with the faithful preaching Bro. Short is doing for us the Church would go to doing something.—W. S. Bedingfield, May 2.

Lometa.

I have held one meeting in my charge with good success; 20 or 25 conversions and reclamations; 17 additions to the M. E. Church, South, and some to the Baptists. The meeting continued two weeks and a half. Bro. Moon, of Mullin, assisted me part of the time. Bro. Moon is a fine fellow. He did us some excellent preaching. I also assisted Bro. Moon in a meeting at Mullin. There were about eight additions to the Church. The next man I helped was Bro. M. T. Allen, of Granite, Oklahoma.

We had some twenty conversions in the meeting, without about fifteen additions to the Church. Granite is a splendid town with about 1500 inhabitants. Bro. Allen is doing an excellent work, and is held in high esteem by his people. While I was up there I had the pleasure of meeting the presiding elder of the Mangum District. His district is one of the best of the Oklahoma Conference. He seems to be one of God's noble men. The next meeting was at Pumphrey in the bounds of the Winters charge. Bro. Turney is the pastor and a noble young man is he. Truly we had a great meeting. Some 40 or 50 converted and reclaimed, 24 additions to the Methodist Church, and some joined the Baptist Church. One young man acknowledged the call to the ministry. I had the pleasure of meeting with a number of my old friends while up there. It was a feast to my soul to be with those people. Bro. Turney is doing a great work in that country. So you see I have eaten very little idle bread. We have also sold our old parsonage and built a new one worth \$1200. We are all proud of our new parsonage. Lometa is growing and so is our Church. We have received 32 into the Church up to date. We have a splendid Sunday-school, Senior and Junior League, Home Mission Society and prayer-meeting. Lometa has two full Sundays. We have a noble band of people in Lometa and our country appointments. Our town is furnished with electric lights and water works. Our District Conference meets here June 25. Brethren, we want a great time. Let's all pray and work for a Holy Ghost time.—M. J. Allen, May 1.

Bonham

It was my privilege to worship with the First Church people yesterday. This Church is now in the midst of a revival meeting which promises to be a great success. Rev. Walter Douglass, of Dodd City charge, is doing the preaching. Douglass is a master workman. His sermons are full of meat. His delivery is easy and pleasant. He is one of our strongest young men. Bro. Stuckey is in great favor with his people and every department of his Church is in fine condition. The Sunday-school is one of the best, numbering 45 pupils. Judge Thurman's class alone numbers 127. To sit under his sermons or lectures or hear him is indeed a great privilege. For I believe him to be one of the most pious and best posted laymen in our great Church. They are now preparing to build an addition to the church which will cost \$2000 for his class. Sunday morning after the reports were all in Superintendent E. H. Pritchett came to the front of the altar and said, "I have resolved, God being my helper, to live a more consecrated Christian life and I expect, by the help of God, to do more than ever before." He then asked every teacher who would join him with such a promise to come forward and shake hands with him. Every teacher came quickly. He then made the same proposition to the school. I seldom ever saw such a rush and handshake. It was indeed a great occasion. Our presiding elder, Rev. J. R. Gober, is doing a great work on the district.—J. T. Bludworth, May 3.

Temple.

The revival services which began in the Seventh Street Methodist Church the first Sunday in April came to a close last Wednesday night. Our pastor, Bro. W. J. Hearon, did the preaching the first week and a half, with the exception of four sermons, two of which were by our presiding elder, Bro. Vaughan, and the other two by Bro. Shuler, of First Church. In the middle of the second week Bro. Hearon was joined by his brother from Chillicothe, Bro. Charles, who did the preaching from then until the close of the meeting. The preaching was fine all the way through, and, while there was not the visible results we had hoped for among sinners, there was great good accomplished, especially in building up and strengthening the Church. We feel like there will be good results in the future as the fruits of this meeting. The preaching was all of a very high type, and all who attended were greatly benefited. The singing under the leadership of young Bro. Hucker, of Georgetown, was very inspiring indeed. We have wide-awake W. H. M. Society that is in sympathy with all the forward movements of the Church. Have a good prayer-meeting, Epworth and Junior Leagues. Our Sunday-school is a live wire. It is the best in the history of the Church, and continues to increase in interest and attendance. It has now reached an enrollment of more than two hundred. Our Church recently made a forward move by selling the old parsonage and buying a very desirable piece of property joining the church lot, which gives us a very valuable piece of property, and gives us quite a forward move. Bro. Hearon is doing a good work here.—Mrs. R. T. Stribling.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES

Gatesville District.

The brethren coming to conference by private conveyance will please inform me of the fact at your earliest convenience. This is important, brethren; please do not neglect it. We are endeavoring to make the occasion enjoyable to all who attend. On Saturday, May 29, at 1 o'clock p. m., we expect to give you an old-time "fish fry and barbecue" on the shady banks of the flowing Bosque. Brethren, both preachers and laymen, come and enjoy the hospitalities of our little city, and we assure you when the time comes to leave us it will bring sadness to your heart and gladness to ours. We expect to meet you at the train, so your expense will only be railroad fare.—C. C. HIGHTOWER, Meridian, Texas.

Fort Worth District.

All candidates for license to preach, recommendation to Annual Conference for admission and deacons and elder's orders are called to meet the Committee of Examination at 4 p. m. in the Methodist Church, Arlington, May 12. W. H. MATTHEWS, Chairman of Committee.

Dublin District.

The Dublin District Sunday-school and Epworth League Conference will convene at Stephenville, Texas, May 21, at 8:30 p. m., and embrace June 1, 2. Every Methodist Sunday-school in the district is entitled to one delegate for every

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twenty-five members on the roll, and every Epworth League to one delegate for every ten members on the roll. Provided that every Sunday-school and Epworth League is entitled to at least one delegate. J. G. PUTMAN, P. E., F. C. A. Lehmborg Dist. President.

Brenham District. The Laymen's Missionary Movement, under the direction of District Leader, Hon. R. S. Bowers, will be given a day at the District Conference, which meets in Brenham, May 11-13, and Thursday, the 13th, has been set apart for that purpose. All the laymen of the district are urged to attend. A. A. WAGNON, P. E.

PERSONAL. My address is changed from Munday, Texas, to Wynnewood, Oklahoma. Any one desiring my assistance in meetings will address me at the latter office. D. L. COALE. Rev. D. L. Coale, of Munday Station, has been appointed evangelist for Stamford and Clarendon Districts, and Rev. J. W. Fort has taken charge of Munday Station. J. T. GRISWOLD, P. E.

WANTED FOR HISTORY OF ILLINOIS CONFERENCE, M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH. I am writing a history of the Illinois Conference and want items of historical importance, also sketches of the life of each preacher that has ever been a member of the conference. If you know the whereabouts of any of the families of deceased or located preachers, please drop me a card so I can write them, or write them so I can get record of every man. CURMEN HENLEY, Warden, Ill.

Brownwood District—Third Round. Comanche Cir., at Cottonwood, May 15, 16. Winchell Cir., at Rockwood, May 20. Coleman Sta., 8 p. m., May 21. Winters Cir., at Bowman, May 22, 23. Ballinger Sta., May 23, 24. Blackwell Cir., at Decker, May 29, 31. Wingate Cir., at Oak Creek, June 2. Bronte Cir., at Rock Springs, June 2. Robert Lee Cir., at Hayrick, June 5, 6. Pioneer Cir., at Fairview, June 11. May Cir., at Byrds, June 12, 13. Indian Creek Cir., at Turkey Peak, June 19, 20. Rising Star Sta., June 25. Sine Springs Cir., at Macedonia, June 26, 27. Gustine Cir., at Energy, July 2. Comanche Sta., July 3, 4. Blanket Sta., July 4, 5. Bangs Cir., at Concord, July 9. Santa Anna Cir., at Salem, July 10, 11. Talpa Cir., at Midway, July 15. Coleman Cir., at Mt. Olivet, July 16. Valera Cir., at Fisk, July 17, 18. Brownwood Sta., August 2. J. A. WHITEHURST, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Third Round. Forrester, at Colliers, May 15, 16. Waxahachie, May 16, 17. Hillsboro, First Ch., 11 a. m., May 22. Hillsboro, Line St. Ch., 8:30 p. m., May 27. Ferris, at Bluff Springs, May 29, 30. Palmer, at Carroll, May 30, 31. Ennis, June 6, 7. Alma, at Avalon, June 12, 13. Ita'y, June 13, 14. Ovilla, at Long Branch, June 26, 27. Midlothian, June 27, 28. Milford, at Midway, July 3, 4. Venus, at Barnesville, July 10, 11. Lovelace, at Pleasant Hill, July 11, 12. Britton, at St. Paul, July 17, 18. Maypearl, at Oak Branch, July 24, 25. Bethel, July 25, 26. Lillian, at Prairie Grove, July 29. Red Oak, July 31, August 1.

Let the stewards make special effort to bring up the pastors' salaries the present quarter and thus save a heavy pressure and embarrassment in the fourth quarter. T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

Austin District—Third Round. Bastrop, at Bastrop, May 15, 16. Manchaca, at Carl, May 22, 23. Webberville, at Cedar Creek, May 29, 30. Manor, at Manor, June 5, 6. Elgin, at Elgin, June 6, 7. Bertram, at Briggs, June 12, 13. Liberty Hill and Leander, at Leander, 2:30 p. m., June 18. Cedar Park, at Hopewell, June 19, 20. West Point, at Ford's Prairie, June 26, 27. Wimer, at County Line, July 3, 4. McDade, at Lawrence Chapel, July 17, 18. Smithville, at S., 7:30 p. m., July 21. LaGrange, at L., 7:30 p. m., July 22. Columbus, at Columbus, July 24, 25. Eagle Lake, at Altair, July 25, 26. Walnut, at W., 2:30 p. m., July 28. University Church, at Austin, 11 a. m., August 1. First Street, Austin, 7:30 p. m., August 1. Tenth Street, Austin, 11 a. m., August 8. South Austin, Austin, 7:30 p. m., Aug. 8. NAT B. READ, P. E.

Decatur District—Third Round. Decatur Cir., June 5, 6. Decatur Sta., June 6, 7. Paradise, June 12, 13. Willow Point, June 13, 14. Rhome, June 19, 20. Greenwood, June 26, 27. Alvord, June 27, 28. Arkyde, July 3, 4. Boyd and Garvin, July 10, 11. Chico Cir., July 17, 18. Jackboro, July 18, 19. Chico, July 24, 25. Bridgeport, July 25, 26. Mexican Mis., July 26. Ponder and Krum, July 31, August 1. Justin, August 7, 8. Bryson, August 14, 15. Oak Dale, August 15, 16. L. S. BARTON, P. E.

Bells Circuit, at Virginia Pt., June 19, 20. Whitewright Sta., June 27. Waples Memorial Sta., July 4. Tom Bean Cir., at New Prospect, Jul. 9-11. Trinity and Preston, at P., July 17, 18. Pottsboro Sta., July 18, 19. Sadler Mis., at Gordonville, July 23-25. Whitesboro Sta., July 25, 26. Peoran & Friendship at P., Jul. 28-Aug. 1. Southmayd Cir., at Ethel, August 14, 15. Sherman Mis., August 18-31. C. M. HARLESS, P. E.

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Waxahachie District—Third Round. Forrester, at Colliers, May 15, 16. Waxahachie, May 16, 17. Hillsboro, First Ch., 11 a. m., May 22. Hillsboro, Line St. Ch., 8:30 p. m., May 27. Ferris, at Bluff Springs, May 29, 30. Palmer, at Carroll, May 30, 31. Ennis, June 6, 7. Alma, at Avalon, June 12, 13. Ita'y, June 13, 14. Ovilla, at Long Branch, June 26, 27. Midlothian, June 27, 28. Milford, at Midway, July 3, 4. Venus, at Barnesville, July 10, 11. Lovelace, at Pleasant Hill, July 11, 12. Britton, at St. Paul, July 17, 18. Maypearl, at Oak Branch, July 24, 25. Bethel, July 25, 26. Lillian, at Prairie Grove, July 29. Red Oak, July 31, August 1. Let the stewards make special effort to bring up the pastors' salaries the present quarter and thus save a heavy pressure and embarrassment in the fourth quarter. T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

OBITUARIES

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REV. SAMUEL WEAVER.

Rev. Samuel Weaver was born of Methodist parents in Tennessee February 11, 1839, and born from above in his eighteenth year. He served in the Confederate Army throughout the war between the States without receiving a wound. He was licensed to preach by Melrose Quarterly Conference in 1865, admitted into the traveling connection by the East Texas Conference in 1867, and ordained deacon by Bishop H. N. McTyre that year, and ordained elder by Bishop H. H. Kavanaugh in 1868. He was transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference in 1881, and thence to the North Texas Conference in 1890. In this last conference his charges were as follows: Gainesville Circuit, 1890; Grapevine, 1891, 1892; Fairlie, 1893; Annona, 1894; Gober, 1895; Randolph, 1896; Dodd and Windom, 1897; Dexter, 1898; Sherman, 1899; Pilot Grove, 1900; Reinhardt, 1901, 1902; Princeton, 1903, 1904; Wylie, 1905; Renner, 1906, 1907; Decatur, 1908. He received honorable discharge in his parsonage home in Decatur, March 30, 1909, surrounded by his devoted wife and children (except one who was ill in Canada) and several Christian friends. His death was precipitated by fracture of the hip. For seven days his sufferings were intense, but his patience and fortitude never failed him. Indeed his death was a glorious triumph, and in no sense could it be called a defeat. Bro. Weaver was a good, true man, and more than an average preacher. There never was a blot upon his escutcheon. He magnified his high calling by unwavering fidelity and diligent service up to the very last. He had strong convictions; was anything but a negative character. The guiding star of his life was, "What is right?" He exercised himself, like Paul, to have always a conscience void of offense. No wonder his end was peace. The secret of his life, as of his victory over the last enemy, was illustrated by this incident: Some time prior to his last illness one of his daughters asked him what he should do if he knew he was to die in twenty-four hours. His reply was, "Just what I've planned to do. I'm doing the best I can and I see no reason to change." Ah, beloved, that's it! Let's always give God our best and some sweet day we shall all be sharers of the best that heaven holds. We buried him in Decatur's beautiful cemetery, beneath a bed of flowers, to await the resurrection of the just.

S. C. RIDDLE.

CHAMBERS.—Little David Henry Chambers, son of Brother and Sister H. B. Chambers, was born in Dallas, June 10, 1907. In his early days his parents had him baptized into the Methodist Church, South, and looked forward to his being a noble Christian boy, but last summer some awful disease seized him which the doctors could not understand. After suffering until the dawn of the morning of February 24, 1909, he mistook the coming of death for the return of health and fell into the dreamless sleep that kissed his eye-lids down, and went home to Jesus and little brother, Tommy, where he awaits the coming of father and mother and two sisters. His pastor,

A. E. PRINCE.

WHITE.—Mrs. Elizabeth White (nee Wilson) was born in the Rose Hill community, Dallas County, Texas, July 10, 1873, and died March 23, 1909, in the community in which she was born. After more than seven weeks of pain and suffering, which she endured without a murmur, God called her spirit home to be with him. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. W. R. McCarter, pastor of the Methodist Church at Mesquite, and Rev. C. G. Wright, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at the same place. Her body was laid to rest in the Pleasant Ridge Cemetery, near New Hope. Sister White was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the age of thirteen, and lived a consistent Christian life from then until God said, "It is enough, come up higher." She loved her God, loved her

Church, and always loved her pastor, and she was ever ready to stand by him as his very best friend. On February 12, 1891, she was married to Jas. R. White. To them were born nine children, all of whom are still living. She was indeed a devoted wife and a loving mother—one who realized that the greatest work on earth for a mother is to care for her own home, and to rear her children right by teaching them to love and to serve God. There is a vacant place in her home, in her Church, and in the community that can never be filled. Truly will her life live after her, and thanks be unto God that the influence from it is of the right kind. She leaves a husband, nine children, a father, a mother, four brothers, four sisters, and a host of friends to mourn because she has left us behind, but we thank God that although she has left us here, still we know where to find her.

J. H. SCRIMSHIRE.

McCAUGHAN.—Miss Stella McCaughan was born in Smith County, Mississippi, September 16. In 1862 she professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of thirteen years, and lived a consecrated member until the Lord called her to her reward April 13, 1909. She moved to Texas with her family in 1878. The mother died, leaving several small children, and it fell to Miss Stella's lot to direct the affairs of home, which she did, raising the younger children as a mother would do, although she was confined to her bed the whole time. An aged father, who will soon meet her in heaven, some brothers and sisters, with a multitude of friends, are left to mourn. I would comfort the bereaved ones with the words of Jesus, "He that liveth and believeth on me shall never die." She is not dead, but has just gone to live with our blessed Lord where affliction and death never comes. May you all be true to the God who Miss Stella loved so dearly, so that when one by one you leave this world, you will reunite and be an unbroken family where parting never comes.

F. P. HUNSUCKER, P. C.

WILSON.—On April 8, 1909, we laid to rest, at Aceton, Hood County, Texas, the mortal remains of Uncle Harvey Wilson. This closes the earthly career of a good and true man. Uncle Harvey, as he was familiarly known, was 85 years old. He was born March 15, 1824; was married to Miss Elizabeth Reynolds April 6, 1849. These good people have had 60 years and one day of happy, loyal sojourn together. He professed religion in 1850, and united with the Church the next year; was a loyal Methodist all his life. For 15 years, in his younger days, he was a minister of the gospel, a local preacher. He was a consistent member of the Masonic fraternity since 1852. He was a devoted Christian and an active worker in the Church since his conversion. He died in peace April 7, 1909. He leaves a devoted wife and three children, with a large company of old neighbors and dear friends and brethren to mourn his departure. We know where to find Uncle Harvey. May the grace which sustained him through so many years comfort the bereaved wife and sorrowing children. "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth."

J. M. McCARTER.

BAINS.—Mabel Grafton Bains, eldest daughter of Anna D. and L. W. Bains, was born June 10, 1890, at Patterson, Texas, where she lived until her father moved to Brookshire, Texas, where she departed from this life March 12, 1909. At the age of fourteen she was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, and led a sweet, unselfish Christian life till she was called to that city "above the bright blue" which she often loved to sing about while here on earth. Death at all times is a sad and solemn occurrence, but when one is just in the morning of life, just blooming into womanhood, is taken, the stroke seems doubly severe, and our hearts are made to ache with love, compassion and sympathy for the loved ones. She had just graduated at the Baylor Female College at Belton, Texas, last year, taking the B. A. degree with a class of thirteen. Life lay out beautiful and full of hope before her, and everything that a physician, loving father and mother and many relatives could do was done. But the ways of the Lord, who can fathom? Yet we cannot, dare not, doubt his love and wisdom. Mabel was a remarkably bright and beautiful girl, with a sweet temper and sunny disposition, always regular at Sunday-school when weather permitted, and ready to help in any Church work. Her presence will be

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MAUDE E. BROOKSHIRE.

Brookshire, Texas.

BELL.—Another faithful soldier of the cross has gone over the river to rest under the shade. Sister N. J. Bell was born December 12, 1836, and died in DeLeon, Texas, January 26, 1909. She had been a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, ever since she was a girl, so when the time came for her departure she was ready. Her life has been an illustration of the power of God's grace to keep and help and comfort in trial, temptation—in fact, through all the phases of life, even down to old age. She loved the Church and its ordinances, and to the last attended faithfully its services and enjoyed the means of grace which it afforded. As her pastor and children stood by her in her last hours singing some of the old songs, she seemed to catch the inspiration of the favorite hymns of her religious life, and, summoning all her strength, joined us, and with latest breath praised God in song. Now that she has joined the host above she is doubtless singing redemption's song with loved ones over there. May her children follow her as she followed Christ in faithful service of God and Church.

C. A. EVANS.

ADAMS.—Lola Brown Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Brown, of Martinsville, and wife of George Adams, died in Bandera County, near Center Point, April 4, 1909, at 5 o'clock in the morning. She was born December 17, 1882, at Martinsville, and that was her home until she married George E. Adams September 26, 1907. She had been failing in health since March, 1908, and had gone to Bandera hoping to regain health and strength. While her husband was teaching in Wharton he received the sad message that she was dead, though only the day before she had written a hopeful letter to him. Owing to the distance from the railroad station and the lack of convenient connection, it was impossible to bring her remains home for interment, which was the sincere regret of husband and friends, and loving thoughts from the grief-stricken ones will often wing their flight to that grave in the lonely hills of Bandera. Though only a few short years were allotted her, she had proved herself an exemplary daughter, a faithful Christian and a devoted wife.

BY ONE WHO LOVED HER.

LONG.—Miss Emily Long, daughter of Bro. and Sister J. D. Young, of Elm Mott, Texas, was born February 14, 1886, and departed this life to be with God February 1, 1909. We so often hear that "death loves a shining mark." This was certainly true with the subject of this sketch. Possessing a bright, sunny disposition she gladdened the hearts of all that came in touch with her sweet life. She was deeply spiritual. Her father said of her religion that it was a religion of song. She was converted under the ministry of Bro. Ed Barcus in the summer of 1902, and immediately united with our beloved Church and lived an active Christian till removed from the Church militant to the Church triumphant, she having lead the open service of the League January 24, and on

the following Sunday she was close to death's door, and was the object of special prayer by her fellow-Leaguers that she might be spared, but just as the mid-night hour had passed reminding us the Sabbath had ended her spirit winged its flight to God who gave it. The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Bro. C. B. Smith, in the Church where she loved so well to go. With sorrowful hearts we followed the remains to the cemetery and laid them tenderly away to await the resurrection of the just. Father, mother, brothers and sisters, we commend you to God who Emily loved and served so well. Farewell, dear heart, we'll meet you some sweet day.

MINNIE SADDLER.

JOHNSON.—Mrs. Bettie A. Johnson, wife of W. A. Johnson, was called from this life to the life above April 17, 1909, at 8 a. m., after many months of affliction of the most painful sort. During this time she was always patient and heroic, bearing in a Christian spirit the intense suffering occasioned by a tumor in her throat. While she longed for the release from her pain, she loyally committed her case into the hands of God and awaited his call to her reward. She was born near Richmond, Virginia, December 25, 1858, and lived in that State the most of her life. Unselfish in her nature she was constantly aiding others. She has taken into her home at one time and another seven orphan children and cared for their wants and made possible their education. She has left to mourn their loss her bereaved husband and step-children, and those who have been blessed by her generous deeds, as well as many friends who have known and loved her. She has entered into her rest, obtained her crown and her life work will abide in blessings on those whom she has helpfully touched.

V. A. GODBEY, Pastor.

BELL.—R. T. Bell was born in Gibson County, Tennessee, July 29, 1847, and died in Ellis County, Texas, April 18, 1909. He professed religion and joined the Methodist Church about twenty years ago. Our words can neither harm nor bless him now, and we can only point the grief-stricken widow and sorrowing children to Him who said, "He that believeth in me though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." He alone can give help and comfort in an affliction like this, and his help is sufficient.

K. P. BARTON.

BRYAN.—Mrs. Rassic Lee Bryan (nee Glover) was born September 15, 1882, and departed this life April 14, 1909, at her home in Weatherford, Texas. Sister Bryan was converted in childhood and soon after joined the Methodist Church in which she lived ever since, her last membership being at Couts' Memorial. She was married June 7, 1908, to J. A. Bryan. To this union was born one child. Besides this infant she leaves a husband, mother and father, two sisters, two brothers, together with many other



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loved ones and friends who mourn to give her up. She died happy and in sight of heaven. To the question, "Do you realize you are prepared to go?" she answered "Yes." It was her earnest request that all her loved ones meet her in heaven, therefore she said for us to sing "Meet Me There" at her funeral. She talked to several of her loved ones one by one, assuring them where to find her, and urging them to meet her there. She offered special prayer to God for her baby, her husband, and other loved ones. This is a sad stroke to her loved ones. Human sympathy is good, but it is not sufficient to hold them up in this sad hour. We therefore point them to Christ who said, "Lo, I am with you." May they ever live faithful and true to him, and be ready when he calls. Her pastor, J. LEONARD REA.

TUNNELL.—Mrs. Bettie Tunnell (nee Rose) was born in 1842, and departed this life March 21, 1909. She was married to William B. Tunnell in 1866. Sister Tunnell had been a faithful member of the M. E. Church, South, for forty-three years. She was ever ready to have her part of life's duty. She was a devoted wife, a kind, patient mother. She leaves behind a husband and seven children to bear the sorrows and burdens of life, and she goes to join those gone on before and enjoy the reward of a faithful servant. Loved ones, fight on a few more brief years and you will be called up higher. Her pastor, P. R. WHITE.

ROBERTSON.—Mrs. P. A. Robertson, beloved wife of W. H. Robertson, entered into the joy of her Lord January 25, 1909. She was of a Methodist family, nurtured in the true faith. She was born February 19, 1857, and when a young lady in her twentieth year she was truly converted to God and constantly gave evidence of her faith the thirty years or more that she was a member of the Church. She was married to W. H. Robertson October 20, 1874, and to this union there were three children born, two of whom live to mourn their loss. Now, while the grief of husband, children and her devoted sister is great, yet some great day they shall understand the great love of God. N. J. PEEPLES.

HARTWELL.—Mrs. A. H. Hartwell (nee Moore) was born February 8, 1832. She was married to A. H. Hartwell October 2, 1867, and died at her home near Cooper, Delta County, Texas, April 13, 1909. Sister Hartwell was converted and joined the Methodist Church, South, about six years ago under the ministry of Rev. W. B. Bayless. At this time she was but a tender youth, and throughout her remaining days I am told she lived a devoted Christian life. We laid her body to rest in the Ben Franklin Cemetery where rest a sainted mother and three other members of the family, awaiting the resurrection morn. Sister Hartwell leaves her husband and one bright, sweet little babe to mourn their loss and to struggle with life's battles. God's blessings upon them. We tender our heart-felt sympathy to the bereaved, and especially to the aged father who a little better than one year ago lost his companion. We pray they may have God's sustaining grace in these dark hours, and that their lives may be such that they can meet their loved ones on the banks of sweet deliverance. S. L. HABERN.

PILES.—Little twin boys of J. M. and Mrs. U. S. Piles were born April 9, 1909. Their bodies were placed in the Sipe Springs Cemetery Sunday, April 11. Untarnished by sin and its blights, their little angel spirits went home to God, though their stay was of short duration, yet like sunbeams of love they entered the hearts of the home. May these little jewels be as the twinkling stars in the skies of heaven to the parents and children that loved them. Our circles here are often broken, but we shall meet again some sweet day. MAC M. SMITH, P. C.

WOLTZ.—At the home of her parents, Rev. Earl and Mrs. Minnie Woltz, little Agness May fell asleep April 11, 1909. Little May was seven months and six days old, and most of her life was spent suffering, but the Father, with his sympathetic eye, saw it and sent his angel of mercy to bring her home. Weep not, papa and mamma, as those that have no hope of the future, for baby is enjoying heaven and looking for thee. "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." W. G. ARNOLD, L. P. Camden, Texas.

ANDERSON.—Horace Bailey Anderson, son of Chas. E. and Mrs. N. M. Anderson, was born at Dunn, Scurry County, Texas, August 15, 1900, and died in Rising Star, Texas, April 24, 1909. Little Bailey was the only boy in the family, having eight sisters, and, of course, was the center of attraction in the home. He was a devoted Christian, a great lover of the Sunday-school, and a faithful little Epworth Leaguer. The Sunday-school, however, seemed to be his choice, and in this he was faithful to the end of his short life, having been among those who the last two years obtained the gold star and cross and crown. A large concourse of friends and Sunday-school children followed the remains to the cemetery. As a token of love the grave was literally covered with beautiful flowers by the children. Thus ends the earthly life of a sweet and obedient child, and the home is shrouded in gloom; but, dear parents and sad sisters, weep not for little Bailey; he is far better off than we. He is with Jesus and the angels. Let us look forward to the time of seeing him again in the land of the sweet by and by. The Lord sustain by his grace in this sad time is the prayer of your pastor, R. F. BROWN.

FRANKLIN.—On April 23, 1909, Miss Annie R. Franklin departed this life at the home of her brother-in-law, J. B. A. Folk, at Pursley, Navarro County, Texas. She was the daughter of Rev. Dr. Willis Franklin, was born in Talladega County, Alabama, February 2, 1832; joined the M. E. Church, South, when a child. She spent the greater part of her life teaching; taught ten years in Talladega County, Alabama, thirty years in Preston, Milam and Navarro counties, Texas. She was a great sufferer, but never murmured; was kind and sweet-spirited, loved by all. Her life was inspiring. Her last resting place is Pursley, Texas. Let us follow on, for God is calling. Her pastor, J. T. McKEOWN.

HILL.—Mrs. Mary A. Hill (nee Leobell) was born in Mississippi, May 15, 1847. At the age of sixteen she was converted and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in Travis County, Texas. On December 21, 1868, she was married to Edward P. Hill. This bond of union continued until severed by death, April 12, 1899, making over forty years of their married life. Sister Hill was the mother of eleven children, eight sons and one daughter of whom are yet living and are married, and two have preceded her to the better land. After her marriage she joined the M. E. Church, South, to be with her husband, and lived a consistent member of the remnant of her life. Her life was that of an active and faithful Christian. About two days before her death, with failing voice she tried to sing one of her favorite hymns. Her life's work on earth is done. Her friends and loved ones can only hope to do God's will and be in the "sweet by and by." J. A. FOSTER, Dale, Texas.

ANDERSON.—W. O. Anderson was born in Dinwiddie County, Virginia, November 7, 1816; moved with his parents to Kentucky when a mere boy; lived there nearly all his life; was a member of the M. E. Church, South. He joined in early life. He leaves three sons and one daughter—two sons in Kentucky, one son and daughter in Texas. He died at the home of his oldest son, R. W. Anderson, in Logan County, Kentucky, April 8, 1899, being 82 months old. His wife preceded him 20 years ago. He served in the Mexican and Civil Wars. His daughter, (MRS.) MARY E. YATES.

MADDUX.—Mrs. Mary Hopkins Maddux was born November 27, 1829, in Perry County, Alabama, and died April 16, 1909, at Dublin, Erath County, Texas. Mrs. Maddux was married to Bro. Z. Maddux December 4, 1849, from which union came ten children, four of whom survive her. She and her husband came to Milam County, Texas, in 1869, and have been living here since. Besides her four children, Mrs. Maddux is survived by one brother and three sisters. She joined the Methodist Church at the early age of 14, and lived a consistent and useful life in the Church for all these years. She not only was a loving wife, tender mother, but also a very helpful, active Christian. She had many of the Christian graces in her life—especially that of charity. She scattered sunshine all along the way. She died in the triumph of a living faith, and all who mourn their loss know where to find her. CHAS. T. TALLY.

HAMMIT.—The subject of this sketch, Sister Lida Hammit, whose family name is McGlasson, was born in Lewis County, Kentucky, September 8, 1877, was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, when 12 years of age. Her father's family came to Texas in 1832, where, in Dallas County, she was married to J. E. Hammit in 1894. Her death occurred on the night of March 5, 1909. It is too often the case that we wait until after the departure of our friends to say good things about their lives, but not so concerning the life of Sister Hammit, for her godly example and influence were felt and recognized in her Church and throughout the community in which she lived; but most of all in her own home. How often have we heard her referred to by her neighbors as one of the most consistent Christians of our Church. Therefore she is mourned by a host of friends and by her relatives and far more by her broken-hearted companion and seven children who are bowed in grief. May the God of all comfort console them in this time of trouble. JESSE H. BALDRIDGE, Pastor.

SERVER.—John Wesley Server, was born at Davilla, Milam County, Texas, March 4, 1870, and died at Rule, Haskell County, Texas, March 28, 1909. He was the oldest son of J. M. Server and Martha Ross Server. His father is a pioneer settler of Milam County, who still lives on the old homestead near Davilla. His mother, who has been dead for some years, was a daughter of Rev. David Ross, a pioneer Methodist, who organized Churches in Milam and adjoining counties, and whose influence for good is still felt in that locality. On December 4, 1892, Brother Server was married to Miss Mayzelle Bolin, a granddaughter of Ben Martin, another staunch Methodist of pioneer times in Texas. At a meeting at Glorieta, Bell County, he was converted and joined the Methodist Church and lived a consistent Christian life till his death. He had just moved to this county. His wife, daughters, sister and one brother were with him when the end came. He leaves a wife, three daughters, a father, three sisters, four brothers and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn their loss; but weep not, dear ones, live right and some day we will all meet again "where sorrow does not come and partings are no more." SOLON WALKER, Sagerton, Texas.

ELLIS.—Dr. P. F. Ellis was born at Camden, Madison County, Mississippi, November 16, 1842. At the battle of Malvern Hill, Virginia, he was wounded, leaving a leg to be buried in Virginia soil. Returning home he studied law and was admitted to the bar, but he studied medicine and was a practicing physician for many years. He was married to Miss S. C. Patterson January 27, 1866; joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1870; moved to Pilot Grove, Grayson County, Texas, November 13, 1882, and from there to Belts March 11, 1886; was elected County Clerk in 1900, and served a term of four years; then moved to Chickasha, Oklahoma, in 1905. His death occurred at Verdun, Oklahoma, April 5, 1909, where he had gone to visit his son. His funeral

was preached by the writer, after which his body was laid to rest in the beautiful Odd Fellows' Cemetery at Chickasha, to await the glorious resurrection of the just. His brother, Ellis, was the son of honor. As husband, father, neighbor, citizen, Christian gentleman, walking uprightly in all these relations before God and man, and when the summons came he fell asleep peacefully as an infant on his mother's breast. May the blessings of God rest upon his bereaved widow and sorrowing children, and may they all meet in heaven where death is unknown and partings are no more. His former pastor, R. N. BROWN.

CLIFTON.—Johnnie E. Clifton, son of L. D. and N. M. Clifton, was born August 1, 1897, and died Sunday morning, March 14, 1909, aged 1 year, 7 months and 14 days. A very brief stay on earth, yet long enough to accomplish great good for the Master. Millions of infant souls compose the family above," and little Johnnie is now one of the company. Oh, how nice it will be when father, mother and all the rest get to the beautiful gate and have little Johnnie to welcome them home! W. W. GRAHAM, Pastor.

DAVIS.—William Stripling Davis was born in South Carolina, November 27, 1832, and died at Palmer, Ellis County, Texas, April 13, 1909. He was married to Miss Martha Ann Harkey, April 6, 1856. Of this union five children were born, who, with his aged and devoted wife, now survive him. He professed religion in the M. E. Church, South, at the old school house where Palmer now stands in 1868. To say he was a loyal member to the day of his death would be indeed expressing the truth. He was among the truest men I ever knew. The writer preached his funeral to a large congregation who came from miles around, so dearly was he loved by all his friends. All the children are following in the footsteps of their noble father and saintly mother, who is one of the saints of this earth. He was a soldier in the Civil War—a true, loyal patriot who filled to a high degree every responsibility imposed on him. He was a Master Mason, and was a true brother of the fraternity. The Palmer and Ferris Lodges performed the last sad rites at the grave. He lived and died well and went home to be with God and the loved ones gone before. JAS. A. WALKUP.

HOUGHIN.—Mrs. L. J. Houghin was born May 13, 1823, in Patrick County, Virginia; was converted in early life and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. She was married to Abner Calvin Houghin March 22, 1853, and with her husband moved to Texas in 1876. Twelve children were born to them, five of whom still live. Sister Houghin lost her husband in 1887, since which time she has been tenderly cared for by her children. After having lived one of the most consistent Christian lives, she fell on sleep April 2, 1909. Grandma was loved by all who knew her. She lived for the good that she might do to others. Her life was like a ray of sunshine—gentle, warming, silent, yet containing that living force that transformed into beauty everything it touched. Her departure was but the translation of a tired spirit from a land of sin and sorrow to a land of sunshine, where the pure and the good shall live forever. Gratitude, grief and we cannot bring her back, but we can go to her. May the Lord sanctify her pure, sweet Christian life to the final salvation of all her children, and eventually bring them an unbroken family to where no parting ever comes. T. M. KIRK.

BELL.—Mrs. Margaret Minerva Bell (nee Story) was born January 8, 1861, in Ripley, Tippah County, Mississippi. She departed this life April 14, 1909. She was converted in early childhood and joined the Presbyterian Church, in which she remained until a few years ago, when she joined the M. E. Church, South, at English. She was married to Mr. A. G. Bell November 12, 1879. Nine children blessed this union, all of whom, with her devoted husband, mother, five brothers, one sister and a host of relatives and friends, mourn her death. Sister Bell was a good woman. She lived a consistent Christian life. She reared her children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. To the bereaved ones we extend sympathy, and trust that they may so live that they will be reunited on the other side of the river where there will be no separations. W. A. PRITCHETT, P. C.

PHILLIPS.—One of our best members at Botolph (Class, Texico Circuit), has gone to the better land where there is no sickness, no pain, no sorrow, and no more night. All is blessedness there, because Christ is there, and I know Sister Phillips is there with her Savior, because she was always confessing him to the world. She was mighty in prayer—a blessing to all who knew her. She had been a great spiritual help to the Church and its pastor. She was a devoted wife and a loving mother. She was a constant reader of the Advocate, and a lover of the Methodist Church. She had been a Christian from childhood. She was 49 years old when God called her home. She passed away April 17, 1909. Mrs. Mattie Phillips left behind a Christian husband (Willie Phillips) and their two little boys, and a host of friends to mourn her absence, but we will meet this sister on the resurrection day. May God bless the husband and the little boys so they can meet her in the better land. What is home without a mother, but what is home without a Savior? The writer never knew what home was till he invited Jesus into his home. I. W. HOUGHTLING, P. C. Texico, N. M.

SCOTT.—Samuel A. Scott departed this life in Austin, Texas, December 22, 1908. He was 84 years of age, having been born in Alabama December 4, 1824. His parents, Joseph and Elizabeth (Bruce) Scott, were North Carolinians. His grandfather, James Scott, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War; his father served under Jackson in the War of 1812, and he himself was a Lieutenant in the Confederate Army. His father, Joseph Scott, brought his family to Texas in 1831, and finally settled in Burleson County in 1837. Bro. S. A. Scott grew up to manhood. He was married to Miss Mary A. Posey, a native of South Carolina, in 1831. Mrs. Scott died in 1863. To this union two children were born—Izora, wife of Judge W. M. Key, of Austin, and S. W. Scott, of Haskell, Texas. In 1867 Bro. Scott settled in Williamson County,



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near Granger, where he spent the remainder of his life, except his declining days, which were spent in the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. M. Key, of Austin. Bro. Scott was a devoted and consistent member of the M. E. Church, South. He lived a life that was above reproach, and it has been said of him that it is doubtful if he ever had an enemy. His was a modest and retiring nature. One needed to know him intimately to fully appreciate his worth. He never sought public notice or publicity, yet all his life he was an intelligent student of men and affairs. The end of his earthly life came suddenly and unexpectedly, but it found him fully prepared for that larger, fuller life which shall never end. CULLOM H. BOOTH.

JORDAN.—W. F. Jordan was born in Navarro County August 4, 1856. His parents moved to Henderson County when he was three years old, where he professed religion at the age of eighteen, and joined the Methodist Church, and was made a steward at the age of 22, and served faithfully 29 years. He was faithful until death, which came April 12, 1909. He was married to Ella Hall September 11, 1884. To them were born seven children, all living. He was a faithful husband, a loving father, a good citizen. He told the writer that he was resigned to the will of God. He bore his suffering with Christian fortitude; not a word of complaint about his condition. He has gone to meet loved ones gone on before. To the loved ones I would say: Put your trust in God, and it won't be long until you will meet again where there is no death. The burial services were conducted in the Church where he was a member, steward and class leader. C. W. YOUNG, L. E.

NORRIS.—William Francis Norris was born in Hunt County, Texas, November 17, 1871, and died March 11, 1909. He was only sick about one week with pneumonia. Bro. Norris was converted at the age of 13 and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of which he remained a faithful member until death. He leaves a wife, two children with a father, mother, one sister and three brothers to mourn their loss. Bro. Norris was truly a good man, quiet, yet positive in his conviction for the right. The writer preached his funeral in the Methodist Church at Celeste, after which the K. of P. Lodge took his body to lay it to rest in the Mt. Carmel Cemetery to await the resurrection morn. To those who weep would say, "Let us so live that in that resurrection day we can meet Bro. Norris with all the redeemed gone home on the shores of the new Jerusalem, where there will be no more tears, nor parting. Good man, father, husband and son gone to rest. Peace be to his memory. His pastor, R. B. MORELAND.

FRAZIER.—Thaddeus W. Frazier, youngest son of W. G. and Elizabeth Frazier, was born in Bladen County, Tennessee, October 2, 1827; moved to Jackson County, Alabama, July 5, 1894; came to Waco, Texas, with his parents September 29, 1908, and died February 19, 1909. When just a small child he had an attack of spinal meningitis, later rheumatism, followed by other complications. Thus for the sixteen years of his earthly existence, he was an almost constant sufferer. It was the writer's privilege to visit him, to talk with and pray for him in his last days. He was pure as an infant, a true little Christian boy. I believe his bright young spirit went home to God, to stand among that throng John saw, who "have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb." The devotion of his parents was something beautiful. All was done for his relief that physicians could do. Poor little Thad! His life, though one of suffering, was not in vain. For it makes one better to know what a hero a little afflicted boy can be. God grant that some sweet day his father and mother may meet him in the land where people never say "I'm sick." A. D. PORTER.

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**CORRECT TABULATION.
Racial Elements of the Total Immigration for the Year 1905.**

Noticing a typographical error in the table below in the Advocate of May 6, and the leaving out of the number of Greeks who immigrated to this country in 1905, I hasten to furnish correction for the sake of accuracy.

Italians	236,326
Hebrews	129,910
Poles	102,157
Germans	82,299
Scandinavians	62,284
Irish	54,295
Slovaks	52,368
English	50,865
Hungarians	46,031
French and Slovenians	25,194
Lithuanians	18,694
Finnish	17,612
Scotch	16,144
Ruthenians	14,472
Greeks	12,144
Bohemians and Moravians	11,757
French	11,347
Japanese	11,021
All others	72,583
Total	1,028,409

LAWRENCE L. COHEN, JR.

**A PROMINENT LAYMAN
STRICKEN.**

You, perhaps, are not aware of the fact that one of your constant readers, Mr. Joe T. Burgher, was stricken with paralysis while on a business trip to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on the 6th of last month. For a while we despaired of his life, but for the past few days he has shown some signs of improvement, and has been brought to his home in Fort Worth. He wishes you to let his many friends know through your paper how he is, for we are deluged with letters, phones and telegrams. Asking for the prayers of the readers of your paper, I am, very respectfully,

MRS. J. T. BURGHER,
1519 Pruitt St., Fort Worth, Texas.

ATTENTION, PASTORS!

Many of you have asked me of late where you could get a competent singer to direct the music for your revivals. I can "show you," or a few of you, if you need a good man the last two weeks in June and during July. Rev. B. E. Mitchell, one of our Vanderbilt quartette, writes me that as the quartette has agreed to be with us and direct the music at Epworth, he will be glad to come in advance and take up this work for part of the summer, and he will then be here when we need him. Bro. Mitchell is capable in that line, and is even better as a young Methodist preacher for help in revival meetings. Write me at once and I will try and arrange dates for him. A. K. RAGSDALE,
San Antonio, Texas.

A VISIT TO OLD HOME.

I had a nice time in my dear old mother's home in Corinth, Mississippi; saw many old friends. Preached for the pastor of Southside Church in the good old home city. Had a great service in mother's home. Baptized the baby of my youngest brother, and also of my youngest sister. It was good to be there. I am hard at work on my charge. Have organized Senior and Junior Leagues here with good numbers, and also organized one Sunday-school. These are the first of the kind ever put in motion in this work. I am doing my best. My, how we do need houses of worship!

S. Q. BASS.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Committee on Applications has just finished its work. For three weeks this committee has been trying to make \$50,000 (the amount which the board can appropriate for donations at its annual meeting in Memphis, Tennessee, April 29-May 1) supply the demand for \$205,750. It has also been wrestling with a proposition created by a demand for loans amounting to \$282,730, with only \$75,000 in its hands for distribution.

We have done the best possible, and a report is ready for the board, which has final authority in every case.

There is not a preacher in the Church who would not earnestly press the claims of the Board of Church Extension if he could sit for one hour with this Committee on Applications.

It will be observed that the amount

asked for in loans is about equal to our total loan fund capital. When it is understood that it is impossible to turn this capital over in a shorter period than five years, the necessity for a larger loan fund capital will at once be seen.

It will also be observed that the amount asked in donations is more than \$30,000 larger than the total Church Extension assessment. When it is remembered that this assessment is not paid in full, and that the Conference Boards receive 50 per cent of the amount paid, our trouble will be manifest to all.

W. F. McMURRY, Cor. Sec.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Another precious one is gone from our midst—one whom we all loved and shall miss. Mrs. W. R. Robison was a member of our W. H. M. Society, always ready to do her part, always on the side of right, true to her Church and true to God; therefore we know where to find her.

All that loving hands and kind friends could do was done for Mrs. Robison, but God in his providence saw it to take her to abide with him.

May we all live nearer God and follow the example of a pure life as was our sister, whom to know was to love; therefore be it

Resolved 1. That we, the W. H. M. Society, tender our sympathy and love to the bereaved family and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

2. That we send a copy of these resolutions to the Texas Christian Advocate for publication.

MRS. T. P. COWAN, Sec.

**TRIBUTE OF RESPECT TO THE MEM-
ORY OF MRS. G. E. CAMERON,
BY THE HOME MISSION SOCIETY,
MARFA, TEXAS.**

Whereas, our Heavenly Father in his great wisdom and justice saw fit to remove from our midst our beloved friend, Mrs. Sue Cameron, who labored faithfully with us in our society, Church and Sunday-school, and whose sweet influence will continue to abide, though her presence will be forever missed, and whose place cannot be fully filled, and though she was afflicted, yet her wonderful patience and sweet submission to her Savior's will will ever rest in our memories, and bear fruit for future good; therefore be it

Resolved 1. That in her death our society and Church have lost one of their most faithful workers and our town one of its most loyal friends.

2. That in her loss we feel that the golden chain of friendship has been broken, and that one of the brightest links has been taken.

3. That in our meetings her presence and words of counsel will be greatly missed.

4. That we do not understand why one so faithful should be taken from the field of labor, but we bow in humble submission to his will and know that in the great beyond when we meet our Savior face to face all mysteries will be cleared and we will understand.

5. That we tender her bereaved family our sincerest sympathy in this dark hour of grief, and trust that they may not think of her as dead, but only transplanted to that beautiful home above, where they may make the reunion complete, and find comfort in the thought that God has willed that in that sweet clime there will be no more sadness nor farewells.

6. That we send a copy of these resolutions to her bereaved family and have a copy inserted in our minutes, and also a copy be sent to the Advocate, Our Homes and to the New Era, with a request to publish.

MRS. T. M. WILSON,
MRS. H. E. MIDDLETON,
MRS. F. A. MITCHELL,
Committee.

TO PREACHERS OF BROWNWOOD DISTRICT.

Please give me the names of the people that will come from your charges to the District Conference at Ballinger, May 25.

J. A. RIGGS.

PLACE SUPPLIED.

A preacher has been found for the vacant place in San Marcos District. Please let this answer all inquiries.

D. K. PORTER,
San Marcos, April 29.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of L. L. Jester, Treasurer Texas Conference for amounts received during April, 1909:

Beaumont District:	
J. W. Moore, Beaumont	200 00
G. H. Phair, Sour Lake	46 40
W. N. Carter, Liberty	6 00
A. C. Biggs, Kountze	50 00
N. A. Griffin, Jasper	8 00
C. H. Adams, Kirbyville	82 00
S. T. Brogdon, Warren	5 00
J. W. Bridges, Fort Bolivar	25 00
J. W. Stevens, Brookland	25 00
Total	448 40
Brenham District:	
G. C. Cravy, Caldwell	40 20
W. W. Horner, Lexington	22 00
J. L. Russell, Pilsbush	12 00
W. L. Pate, Giddings	25 00
W. W. Johnson, Richmond	113 55
I. E. Thomas, Rosenberg	102 15
C. M. Myers, Waller	56 20
Total	372 20
Calvert District:	
Jesse Lee, Franklin	141 00
M. L. Lindsey, Hearne	128 00
J. W. Goodwin, Lott	79 00
W. T. Ayers, Maysfield	27 00
H. C. Anderson, Iola	23 00
S. D. Horger, Travis	22 00
Total	442 00
Houston District:	
H. M. Whaling, Jr., Houston	20 00
W. J. Johnson, Galveston	16 65
C. H. Hoover, Galveston	47 50
A. Methvin, Columbia	12 00
A. P. Bradford, Alvin	9 00
H. M. Timmons, Harrisburg	18 00
Total	125 15
Huntsville District:	
C. W. Weatherly, Dodge	8 22
C. E. Garrett, Madisonville	25 00
J. F. Bilbrough, Willis	43 00
S. H. Kelly, Montgomery	23 00
C. M. Simpson, Nacogdoches	62 00
G. W. Henderson, San Jacinto	40 00
J. F. Carter, Trinity	15 00
E. L. Ingram, Conroe	60 00
S. W. Stokely, Augusta	17 00
F. N. Hoyle, Crockett	110 25
A. L. Karnes, Grapeland	22 00
Total	422 48
Jacksonville District:	
J. L. Weatherly, Natchez	25 00
Jas. Edinger, Palestine	142 00
J. M. Mills, Brushy Creek	69 50
W. D. White, Athens	65 00
S. A. McKay, Cushing	10 00
W. S. Easterling, Cairo	13 50
I. J. Coppedge, Keltys	22 00
Total	309 00
Marshall District:	
W. F. Packard, Marshall	168 00
I. B. Manley, Marshall	23 00
H. G. Williams, Church Hill	22 50
H. R. Taylor, Rhonshoro	13 40
Total	226 90
Pittsburg District:	
S. N. Allen, Pittsburg	56 00
J. W. Treadwell, Dismal	47 00
J. H. Hamblin, Hughes Springs	20 00
J. H. Westmoreland, Dalby Springs	20 00
G. V. Ridley, Mt. Pleasant	25 00
J. M. Smith, Winfield	25 00
Total	228 75
San Augustine District:	
W. A. Craven, Shelbyville	45 00
M. I. Brown, Center	14 00
J. T. Biggs, Appleby	8 50
I. B. Saxon, Tenaha	13 00
R. R. Jones, Kinnard	30 00
Total	110 50
Tyler District:	
Newton Harris, Tyler	138 00
H. A. Matney, Tyler	19 85
D. S. Burke, Canton	35 00
J. R. Ritchie, Edom	68 00
W. W. Adams, Emory	21 00
Gus Garrison, Lindale	22 50
Total	306 01
Grand total	\$1,547 06
L. L. JESTER, Treas.	
Tyler, Texas.	

TO THE PASTORS OF THE SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT, NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren—I am making an effort to have every Methodist Church in the district filled by laymen of the Church on the second Sunday in May next. They will speak on the subject of missions, and take up collections to raise the extra \$500 apportioned to us under the Laymen's Missionary plan. You will please assist and encourage these brothers, as they will need your assistance. We expect to make the second Sunday in May the opening wedge for the greatest forward move that the Church has ever seen. I hope that the Church has ever seen. I hope that a full delegation of laymen at the District Conference to be held at Cooper on May 11. Please remind the laymen of this.

The pastors will please assist in getting laymen to speak as suggested, and see that every pulpit is filled on that day.

S. D. GOSWICK,
District Lay Leader, Sulphur Springs District.
W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

- April 21—E. C. Kilby, sub. B. B. Goode, sub. J. W. Childers, sub. has attention; J. S. Wilson, sub. has attention; C. A. Evans, sub. W. T. Singler, sub. C. D. West, sub. S. A. Williams, sub. W. O. Connor, sub. R. F. Allison, sub. 2 cards.
- April 22—G. S. Wyatt, sub. R. E. Goodrich, sub. C. H. Lohrer, sub. F. M. Giley, sub. F. A. White, sub. I. T. Morris, sub.
- April 23—M. I. Brown, sub. G. A. Nance, sub. M. L. Lindsey, sub.
- April 24—T. White, sub. J. O. Phendy, sub. C. R. Wight, sub. J. L. B. Cash, sub. C. E. Statham, sub. J. P. Callaway, sub.
- April 25—C. E. Galagher, sub. J. W. Bridges, sub. A. E. Caraway, sub. J. M. Alexander, sub. C. C. Williams, sub. L. S. Myers, sub. J. D. Haghighi, sub. J. C. Campbell, sub.
- April 26—J. D. Major, sub. G. W. Kinchebae, sub. J. H. Babbidge, sub. J. P. Chambers, sub. A. B. C. Deham, sub. R. E. Goodrich, sub. J. W. Goodrich, sub. F. L. Giles, sub. C. D. West, sub.
- April 28—J. A. Wallon, sub. V. G. Thomas, sub. J. B. Munds, sub. C. W. Dennis, sub. C. M. Moore, sub. C. H. Hiles, sub. C. D. West, sub. J. H. Watts, sub. W. C. Hinds, sub.
- April 29—Minor Bonds, sub.
- April 30—E. R. Patterson, sub. G. J. Irvin, sub. J. C. Moore, sub. W. S. P. McCallough, sub. C. R. Wright, sub.
- May 1—C. D. West, sub. J. S. Hockabee, sub. R. P. Shuler, sub.

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