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The Northwest Texas Conference

Clarendon was the seat of the Northwest Texas Conference—not the old but the new Northwest Texas Conference. It met there last week and continued over Sunday night.

Clarendon is situated nearly two hundred miles northwest of Fort Worth, on the Fort Worth & Denver Road. It is an all-night run from Fort Worth, because it is up-grade all the way. The town has a population of about 2,000, and it has all the modern conveniences. Shade trees have been set out and these give the place an inviting appearance. As a rule, trees do not grow on the plains and Clarendon is well up in the Panhandle section. It is the seat of the Clarendon College, a school of more than ordinary standing in all that section. It is a prosperous school and well patronized. For a number of years it struggled not only for success, but for actual existence. But with the growth of the country and the increase of population, the institution has made marvelous progress. It now has a splendid central building of brick and stone, worth, with the lot, at least \$15,000. It has other buildings and improvements and another large dormitory for girls is in prospect. It is situated upon an elevation overlooking the town and the country and it commands a magnificent view. The main building has a commodious auditorium and scores of apartments for class work. These are well equipped. It has a good music department. Thus far this year it has matriculated 255 pupils and a finer looking body of boys and girls is hard to find. These prairies produce a hardy, robust class of people with good moral habits and splendid men and women are the result. Pupils from such source are among the best and most promising in the land, and this fact gives Clarendon College a wonderful advantage. It has ample campus also, and as its demands increase its improvements will go forward.

Rev. Geo. S. Slover is the enterprising and well-qualified President of the institution. He is a man of wonderful gifts and under his wise management the college is a success. He has a well selected body of teachers and they are rendering most efficient service. As a result, the college is the pride of the town and the Panhandle section. It has a strong hold upon the favor of all that country and it has before it a bright future.

Methodism is strong and aggressive in Clarendon. It has a large membership and it is making good progress. They have discarded the old church building. A little over a year ago they bought the most beautiful site in the town and projected a splendid building. In view of the fact that the town had taxed itself heavily to put up the college building, and in view of the other fact that two successively dry years have prevailed throughout that territory, it looked like an impossible undertaking. But the resourceful pastor, Rev. O. P. Kiker, does not know the meaning of failure. He made up his mind that the enterprise had to succeed and he brought his people to his way of thinking. They went to work with a will and there the new church stands—built, furnished and complete—a thing of beauty and the joy of all that community. It is a fine piece of architecture, somewhat after the style of many of the new Baptist churches in Texas. It is almost a four-square building with a central dome. It has a large auditorium with the Sunday-school chapel back of it and still in front of the pulpit. It has ample galleries, class-rooms, a good basement and all modern conveniences and a

handsomer structure is not to be found. When thrown together it easily seats 1500 people. It is built of a pale yellow brick with black specks, very unique and attractive. It cost \$40,000 and the bulk of it is paid for. It is the best \$40,000 church in Texas.

The country round and about Clarendon is developing rapidly. A few years ago it was one vast cattle range, but now much of it is cut up into farms, and it is under a good state of cultivation. When the seasons are favorable it makes from a half to three-quarters of a bale of cotton to the acre. Corn thrives moderately well and kaffir corn grows to perfection. The live stock industry still flourishes somewhat, and the people are prosperous and thrifty. They are mostly a homogeneous people. They have come from all the sections and they look at things in common. No glaring evils exist, and law and order prevail. They are moral and religious people, and the whole territory constitutes the basis for one of the best conferences in the connection. Population is increasing and the conditions of a wholesome civilization are first-class. The Church has a strong hold upon the people. The preachers are greatly encouraged and they are planning for large things. They are capable men and will lay themselves out in their efforts to grow into a great conference. They met in their session and proceeded like experienced men with the business. It did not look like a new conference. There was nothing raw in their methods of procedure. And they did not look like a small conference. They had the appearance of a large stalwart body of men bent on the Master's work.

Clarendon laid herself out in providing entertainment for all comers. Their homes were thrown open and no conference with its delegates and visitors ever had finer hospitality shown them. Every man thought he had the best home in town and every family seemed to think they had the choicest guests. It was royal from beginning to the close.

The conference was called to order promptly at 9 o'clock by Bishop Atkins. The hymn, "And Are We Yet Alive?" was sung with a zest. After the prayer by the Bishop he read Luke 10:1-24 and delivered a strong address to the conference. Rev. J. M. Barcus, Secretary of the old Northwest Texas Conference, came forward and called the roll. About 140 ministers and twenty-four laymen made up the membership of the new conference. The body proceeded to elect a Secretary, and the race was between Rev. R. E. Goodrich and Rev. A. L. Moore and the vote stood for Moore, 54 votes, and for Goodrich, 51. The latter was made first assistant.

The quadrennial committees were announced, but we only give the Chairmen: Missions—Rev. J. T. Griswold; Education—J. M. Sherman; Joint Board of Finance—Rev. L. A. Webb; Church Extension—Rev. E. L. Sisk; Sunday-school Board—Rev. R. D. Stewart; Epworth League—W. J. Lee. Members of the Joint Board of Publication for the Texas Christian Advocate, Rev. J. T. Griswold, Rev. J. G. Miller and Rev. S. A. Barnes. Following this the other committees were announced. G. A. F. Parker was elected Conference Teller. This completed the organization of the conference and the new conference began its career as a regularly constituted body. This gives to us five English-speaking conferences in Texas. A number of brethren were introduced. The connectional men were Rev. Dr. A. J. Lamar and Dr. Hamill. Several from the Central Conference were presented, among them Dr. H. A. Boaz, Dr. J. R.

Nelson, Dr. J. M. Barcus, M. S. Hotchkiss, and a number of others.

In the afternoon a great audience gathered in for the first religious service in the new church. The business houses closed, the schools adjourned and the Bishop and cabinet were mostly present to participate in the hour of worship. The singing was great. The sermon was preached by special appointment by Rev. C. C. Rankin. It was a deeply interesting service. At night every inch of the space was occupied. It was a magnificent gathering. Dr. Hamill, a splendid Sunday-school man, made the address. It was a masterful deliverance.

The following reports were made at the morning session by the presiding elders:

G. S. Hardy for Plainview District reported 2,000 conversions and 1,500 accessions, all financial claims paid in full except preachers' salaries which are a little short; \$50,000 has been expended in church and parsonage building. The Seth Ward College at Plainview, valued at \$100,000, has come into our hands during the year. During his quadrennium the membership has increased from 1,967 to more than 4,000. Pastors' salaries have advanced from \$7,000 to \$18,000, and the value of Church property has increased \$200,000.

Rev. J. G. Putnam, of Stamford District, reported as follows:

I have served this district only half of the year, having been changed by Bishop Key from Dublin District, now in the Central Conference, to the Stamford District in the Northwest Texas Conference May last. I found that my predecessor, Bro. J. T. Griswold, had wrought well. Under very trying conditions, all the preachers have been loyal and faithful, built four churches, four parsonages, have had about 1500 conversions, nearly 2000 additions, about 80 per cent of all collections paid.

Rev. S. A. Barnes, presiding elder of the Abilene District, reported a progressive year on the Abilene District. Despite the most severe drouth in the history of the State, we have made advancement on all lines. We have had 1,300 conversions, 1,500 additions, built six churches, three parsonages, a number of churches and parsonages improved, old debts paid, raised for all purposes about \$60,000. Conference collections more than 90 per cent paid.

J. H. Stewart, of the Vernon District, reported a splendid year. There had been 1,300 conversions and 1,500 additions to the Church. The conference collections by aid of the specials are about in full. Four churches have been built and new property purchased at several points in the district. Special emphasis has been placed on Sunday-school work. There has been a large increase in attendance upon the Sunday-school and a great improvement in methods and organization. The Laymen's Movement has had attention and has made fine advance in organization and interest aroused.

Rev. J. G. Miller, of Clarendon District reported four years of hard but successful work. The last year notwithstanding the drouth has been a suitable climax for the quadrennium. In the four years we have built and rebuilt eighteen churches and thirteen parsonages. The men have been faithful and true and have done their work well.

Rev. Simeon Shaw reported for the Colorado District where the drouth conditions were so severe. He spoke most feelingly of the heroism of his preachers who in the face of the poverty and self-denial so bravely stood by the work. Many cultured men worked with their hands to feed their families, but they stayed by the work. Many counties lost half their population, but the splendid service resulted in a net gain of membership fully worthy of such preachers. For two years the district has had total crop failures, but in face of such conditions

the increase has been such that though the district was a mission district it has not only come off the Mission Board, but two districts have been formed of the territory.

Thursday morning came in bright, cool and crisp. The wind of the previous day had subsided and the climate of Clarendon was at its best. The preachers gathered early and their greeting and fellowship were cordial.

Rev. J. M. Sherman conducted the religious services. The singing was of full volume and inspiring. These western preachers and people sing with the spirit and with the understanding also. The call of the undergraduates was resumed and they continued to make their reports.

M. M. Beavers had a fine year at Avoca. Had 130 conversions and as many accessions. Is ready to make a new change. Rev. W. Y. Switzer at Shamrock made an excellent spring and nearly doubled his membership. Organized all departments of the work. Organized fine Sunday-school. Built an elegant church and raised for all purposes \$2,500.

Dr. Gray, of the Theological department of Southwestern University, was introduced and spoke in behalf of that great interest. Dr. Erley, of Nashville, spoke for a brief period on the superannuated fund. Dr. Cunningham spoke in behalf of the Correspondence School and impressed the importance of that institution upon the brethren. Dr. H. A. Boaz spoke for Polytechnic College and gave a fine statement of the work of that splendid school. Dr. Jno. R. Nelson spoke in the interest of the Brotherhood of the conference.

Rev. C. N. N. Ferguson, of Plainview, made a fine showing. 129 joined the Church, more Sunday-school scholars than Church members and built a splendid new Church. All collections were full.

In the afternoon, the Ministerial Brotherhood held their meeting. At night Rev. Dr. Wasson preached an instructive sermon on the Temptations of Christ.

Friday morning, like its predecessor, was bright and beautiful. The conference opened promptly and its business was at once begun. Dr. W. W. Pinson arrived and his presence gave an impetus to the missionary interest of the conference. Committee on Sabbath Observance made its report. Dr. R. C. Armstrong spoke to the report and pointed out the importance of additional legislation for the protection of the Sabbath against certain abuses now being practiced.

Rev. J. W. Fort, of First Church, Abilene, had 113 accessions during the year. His collections were full. Rev. J. T. Hicks, of St. Paul's, Abilene, reported a fine year—a new church and progress along all lines. Anson raised for all purposes \$9,000. Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh reported the First Church, Amarillo. Reported that for two years he had received 475 members and paid for all purposes \$22,000. Rev. J. L. Dean, on the Amarillo Mission, reported five good meetings, 200 conversions and 230 accessions. The most remarkable report was made by Rev. O. P. Kiker, of Clarendon, but we make special mention of this in another place. Rev. M. E. Hawkins, of Canyon City, reported 100 conversions and everything in good condition. Rev. G. S. Wyatt reported Canadian in good condition. Built a fine parsonage at a cost of \$3,500, had a good revival and brought up the charge from a \$150 salary to \$1,200. He aided a number of the weaker charges in raising debts on churches and raised money in two or three places to build churches. Rev. G. F. Winfield, of Higgins, had a good year. His laymen collected all the assessments. Rev. Z. V. Pirtle, at Lakeview, had 120 conversions, 136 accessions and 110 net gain. Collections good. Rev. J. P. Lowry reported for McLean a

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HOW NATIONAL AND ECCLESIASTICAL DISASTER MAY BE AVERTED.

By Rev. John Freeman Neal.

Article One.

"The curse causeless shall not come."—Pr. 26:2.

"Behold, I will send you Elijah, the prophet, before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord; and he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."—Mal. 4:5, 6.

Two notable instances of this smiting of the earth with a curse are seen in the deluge and the confusion of tongues. And as the ages have rolled on other instances only less conspicuous have occurred. Greed, lust, the liquor traffic, latitudinarianism and other evils threaten the stability of our institutions and menace the progress of the Church of God. Nevertheless, the prophetic time will come when "the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea." But how are these happy times to come to pass? Only by sacredly keeping covenant with the Almighty. It is the nature of a covenant to bind the contracting parties to mutual fidelity. Man can prove his fidelity in no other way than by keeping the commandments of God. King James' version of the Holy Scriptures is, in general, faithful to the original; but later translations have rescued certain words and phrases bearing on this subject from grave misuse.

The word generally translated "conversation" is in point here. The following illustration of the use of the word will show that its real significance is "behavior;" "conduct;" "deportment."

According to the Authorized Version, St. Paul says to Timothy: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believer in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." "Word" and "conversation" are so nearly synonymous that the charge of tautology could be sustained against the passage. But after saying, "Be thou an example of the believers, in word," the apostle most appropriately adds: "Be thou an example also in conduct." St. Peter speaks of the wife winning the husband by a discreet deportment. (R. V.) Surely it is the consistent Christian conduct of the wife which wins her unbelieving husband away from his doubts and his sinful doings, rather than her admonitory words. Obedience is the test of Christian character. "He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me." "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

"Whosoever shall do the will of my Father in heaven, the same is my brother and sister and mother."

The Bible is replete with instructions which inform man how he is to keep in touch with his Maker. These are seen in such words as example, life, work, way, doing, keeping, obeying and numerous others in both Testaments, recurring again and again, to make plain the utter impossibility of maintaining spiritual life without the fullest conformity to the divine will. The sacred covenant which God condescended to enter into with man was broken by man's disobedience. Jehovah protests, "Which my covenants they break." And yet, amazing mercy! we find in the book of Jeremiah this astonishing statement: "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they break, although I was a husband unto them, saith the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord: I will put my law in their inward parts and in their heart I will write it; and I will be their God and they shall be my people; and they shall teach no more every man his neighbor and every man his brother, saying: Know the Lord; for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them."

Undying fidelity to this covenant, "ordered in all things and sure," will result infallibly in these marvelous spiritual transformations.

But this twentieth century challenges us to consider carefully the giant evils which stalk abroad in

open daylight through the entire length of our beloved land. Which one of our National or individual sins is abating? Does not wickedness run riot as it did not in the days of our colonial existence? Since our revolutionary fathers declared us to be a free and independent people have we not become expert at framing iniquity by law? Surely the laws enacted in the interest of the mammoth liquor traffic, the laws abating the sanctity of the marriage tie and favoring easy divorce, the lax Sabbath laws, which allow its constant desecration; the laws tolerating the white slave trade, our faulty jury system, tardy courts, a resort to technicalities in order to make justice miscarry and frustrate its legitimate ends, the too free use of pardons and appeals—these are instances of deliberate wrongdoing which cry mightily to heaven against us. We thus put a premium on crime and cheapen human life. "But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith Jehovah." God is not reduced to the necessity of resorting to wars, famines or pestilence for the destruction of the sinning race, nor to any supernatural means of extermination; for the natural tendency of the grosser sins is to culminate in the third and fourth generations.

It is said by some that this state of affairs can be remedied by protracted revival effort in the Churches. The great awakening under Jonathan Edwards, George Whitefield, Charles G. Finney and James Caughey, and later the mighty revivals under the leadership of Dwight L. Moody, Drs. Torrey and Chapman and Sam P. Jones undoubtedly caused multiplied thousands to turn away from sin to the services of the living God. And yet the percentage of the unsaved goes on increasing from year to year.

How is this state of affairs to be remedied? This is the burning question of the day.

It will never find solution in the speculations of men. Fortunately for us, "we have a more sure word of prophecy whereunto we do well that we take heed as unto a light that shineth in a dark place until the day dawn, and the day-star arise in our hearts." And that revelation assures us that righteousness exalteth a nation. But God does not save ordinarily by nations. The unit of the nation is the individual. And the units can be reached nowhere so effectually as in the family.

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THE DIGNITY OF LABOR.

Man is so formed for activity that mental and physical labor are necessary, and both are honorable; neither can do without the other. They have both gone around the world in the same boat with the discoverer. We see activity on every hand. Nature at work in the flowing stream and in the growing vegetation. The animal kingdom laboring to gain a subsistence. And why is it not honorable for man to make some exertion to prolong his existence and contribute to his happiness? If a man does not labor he will become a sluggard, and must live by the exertions of others. Sloth is a great evil. "A noble heart will disdain to live upon the fruits gained by the exertions of others." The laws of reciprocity bind all nations together more firmly in the ties of friendship. Labor is the foundation upon which humanity is supported.

There was honor in labor in the proud city of Rome, "who sat upon her seven hills and from her throne of beauty ruled the world" before manual labor devolved upon slaves. Terence was a slave; Horace was the son of a liberated slave; Virgil was a farm laborer; Cato and many other noble Romans thought it no dejection from their honor to toil. Cincinnatus was following a plow when called from a farmer's field to lead his country's soldiers on the battlefield. Roman senators and warriors were sons of toil. The great commissary of Xerxes, which supplied five millions of men, was organized during seven years' laborious toil.

All classes of laborers are important. The farmer, the honest son of toil, who was so honored and cherished by our fathers, is still honored and cherished with the same kind feeling by us. He continues to feed the world, and without his exertions our rich lands would become barren wastes, our fertile fields would be overrun with thistles. All cannot attain to the learned professions. One class must perform the manual labor. I care not how humble a man's station or how minute his field of investigation, if he is honest he is honorable and a benefactor to his race.

None but the foolish will look down with contempt upon the poor laborer.

The labors of the human mind from the eleventh to the sixteenth century were employed in bringing about the great Reformation, in which Martin Luther figured so conspicuously, and by which the human mind was emancipated and dominant power wrenched away from prelatical hands. It was this that so distinguished Calvin, Cranmer and Knox. It was at this period that intellectual powers were exerted in every direction. Literature blazed forth in resplendent beauty. "It was the age of great men and great things." Bacon and Descartes appeared upon the stage as the prominent actors in the greatest philosophical revolution the world has ever seen.

It is through labor that nations become great. It is through labor empires become renowned. It is through labor republics become celebrated. However great a country's natural resources may be, they will ever remain dormant unless developed by the intellectual and physical activities of man. "Labor conquers all things." The physician must toil, that he may become skilled in medicine; the lawyer must toil, that he may become versed in law; the theologian must toil, that he may become versed in theology; the preacher must toil, that he may win human souls; the missionary, armed with the Word of God, must toil when he goes forth to teach heathen nations the principles of truth, justice, morality and all the lessons of divine revelation.

The labors expended in discoveries and inventions have done much to advance civilization. The activities of the human mind have wrought great labor-saving machines, which do the work of millions of human hands. Captain Cook was a peasant's son; Sir Francis Drake was a sailor boy; Christopher Columbus, the discoverer of the greatest continent on earth, was the son of a wool-comber. The records of science boast such men as Ferguson, the astronomer; Franklin and Sir Isaac Newton. The cloud-capped pyramids of Egypt were planned by kings and built by millions of toiling slaves. The persecuted Jews, after returning from Babylonian captivity to their beloved Jerusalem, could not be idle; they longed to rebuild the Temple of Solomon. Hercules is given to us as a model of manual toil, and Atlas is shown to us as the greatest toiler, upon whose shoulders the world was made to rest.

What is it that insures success to the warrior, that gives light to the philosopher, fire to the orator, sublime imagination to the poet and enables the sculptor's chisel to give life-like form to the marble? What is it that surmounts obstacles and explores the unknown regions of land and sea? In glancing over the annals of universal history and viewing the illustrious names of the past we are reminded that they were the architects of their own fortunes. Our fathers won from the savages and wild wastes one of the most prosperous countries that ever required the labor of man. They formed a Government which is the admiration of the whole world and an asylum for the weak and oppressed of every clime.

Washington, the greatest of patriots and revered by the patriots of every clime, was a practical surveyor. What was it that led him on victoriously from battlefield to battlefield, ever keeping pure and unstained that flag of his country, which was dearer to him than life? It was by the exertions of the hero of the Revolution that the independence of America was gained, and liberty burst forth like the new-risen sun.

The great trio of American statesmen—Webster, Calhoun and Clay—are venerated by us all as the greatest statesmen who ever graced our Senate. The aspirations of these men were high and honorable. They were none the less illustrious because they were never rewarded with Presidential honors.

It was toil that gave to our sunny South her great moral heroes—Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee—who sacrificed all they had in the late lamentable struggle between the States; who so nobly offered their services for a cause which every Southern patriot believed to be a just one. "Lee survived it and devoted the rest of his life to the training of Southern youths." By toiling they weaved garlands around their names which will last through coming generations. And their names will be used to guide the youth of coming generations as long as the fire of patriotism burns; as long as memory finds an abiding place in the human breast; as long as the love of liberty continues; as long as chivalrous and heroic deeds are cher-

ished. When we behold such men as these, on the highest pinnacle of fame, and view their past careers, which are as pure and spotless as the snow, we are forced to exclaim: There is honor in labor. It was by labor they reared monuments to their genius brighter than marble and more lasting than granite.

There is another labor we should look after, more transcendent than all the rest. It is the cultivation of the inner man. Let us honor labor by not going beyond our bounds in craving worldly possessions. Let not these desires carry us beyond our limits of right and reason. We must remember that we have souls that can never die. Shall we neglect these, which are our supreme interests? The great Ruler of the universe created the world and everything in it in six days, and kept holy the Sabbath. Let us imitate his example in laboring six days and resting the seventh. The angels in heaven are employed in songs of praise and in missions of mercy. Let us likewise honor God by lives of usefulness.

S. J. HENRY.

THE GERMAN MISSION ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The thirty-seventh annual session of the German Mission Conference has just been held. We met this year in the little town of East Bernard, in Wharton County, where we have a live congregation of English as well as German-speaking members, under the leadership of Bro. H. W. Weise, who proved a capital conference host. Bishop Murrah presided and it was to him as well as to us an occasion of more than ordinary interest, partly because he was new to us and we to him, and partly because it was the first Annual Conference over which he presided since his election to the episcopacy. But no one could have detected that; he showed a master's hand everywhere. His work in the chair, his dealings with the brethren and above all his pulpit ministrations demonstrated that the General Conference made no mistake when he was elected a general superintendent. Most of our brethren saw him for the first time, but all learned to love and highly respect him.

The conference opened Thursday morning, October 27. Rev. F. W. Radetsky was again chosen as Secretary and he appointed Rev. J. C. Winkel as his Statistical Secretary. Several of the brethren could not be present at the opening, but all came in good time save Rev. J. A. Schaper, our pioneer superannuate, who at his home in Seguin, old and tired and sick, but with faith strong and prospects bright, is awaiting his final appointment, and Rev. W. C. Lehmborg, a supernumerary member, who, on account of a sore throat, had to abandon active ministerial labors and is teaching near Seguin, hoping in due time to be able to return to his chosen field.

We had a most delightful conference. The weather was ideal and nothing happened to effect the harmony of all the proceedings not even the much discussed and much feared "Educational Question." Most of the brethren brought good reports and a few exceptionally good ones. The Mason charge had built during the year a \$3000 parsonage. In East Bernard a \$3000 church was built in place of the one wrecked by the storm a year ago. In Houston the Bering Memorial Church built a Sunday-school room 68x38 feet at an outlay of nearly \$2500. The Houston Mission Church as well as the Bering Memorial have thoroughly renovated their parsonages by painting the outside and papering the rooms. In New Braunfels, the pastor, Rev. H. O. Launch, began the raising of funds to build a church in the heart of New Braunfels and has made good headways toward this end. And several other charges have made improvements that are creditable to them. The final tabulation showed a healthy increase in membership and in the Sunday-schools. The collection for foreign missions far exceeded the assessment and was ahead of last year. For home missions an amount almost equal to that was raised.

Rev. H. Jordan, one of our most faithful men, took a supernumerary relation because of impaired health. We hope, however, to again see him on the active list in a year or so. Two promising young men—Oscar Benold and Daniel Hardt—were received on trial. Both had several years' training at Southwestern University, speak both languages, are consecrated to the work and promise to become useful members of the conference.

Next year we hope to meet in San Antonio.

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lore" last year, when we met here in Houston, this year we should have been pleased to have more. The friend of our conference, Rev. J. M. Moore, D. D., found us even if East Bernard was not easily found on the map. He made a fine impression on the conference as the representative of the great mission interests, and we are of the opinion that he will stay in his present position only four years. Rev. R. C. George, represented the American Bible Society, and Professors Seay and Lehberg were there in the interests of our central school. Dr. Andrews, of St. Paul's, Houston, and Rev. A. A. Wagon, of Brenham, were welcome visitors from among our American brethren.

Our brethren are almost unanimous in their conviction that Southwestern University should remain in Georgetown. With only one dissenting voice they voted against the "Commission" and with the same unanimity adopted the following resolution, which so far as this writer knows, and he believes he knows, is the sentiment not only of our conference, but practically of every member of the Church, within the bounds of our conference:

"Resolved, That this body heartily endorses the action of the majority of the Trustees of Southwestern University, in rejecting the Dallas proposition, and that this body looks with disfavor upon any proposition having in view the removal of Southwestern University from Georgetown." In the words of the great German reformer, we would say: "Here we stand; we can not do otherwise, God be our helper."

C. A. Lehberg and C. H. Grote

were re-elected as Trustees of Southwestern University. A. E. Rector and C. H. Beneke were ratified as Trustees of Epworth-by-the-Sea.

On Sunday night the conference adjourned after the Bishop had read the following appointments:

Western District.

- P. H. Hensch, P. E.
- Mason—R. M. Gerner.
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Let us not, then, be restive about mystery. Abiding true to the love of God in Christ, the perplexities of the present distress serve us. The starless night that broods around evokes the luminousness of the soul; contending with darkness, the optic nerve of the spirit is developed into rarer sensitiveness; tears wash our eyes into a power of seeing of which the shallower life knows nothing. When suns and moons are eclipsed the astronomer learns most about the secrets of the heavens; other people make hay when the sun shines, but the astronomer makes his chiefly when it is eclipsed. In the black eclipse which rests upon this planet the angels are mastering secrets which for ages have been hidden in the sunlight of their native sphere. "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God." In these darks days we, too, are gaining eyes and insight. So far from painful mysteries blinding us, bewildering us, reducing us to despair, they are perfecting the organ of vision by which we shall look on God's face; they are conducting us into a more profound and intimate knowledge of the eternal wisdom, faithfulness and love. While our faith in God's love, inspired and sustained by his love to us in the redeeming Son—while that faith remains strong and loyal, "we are more than conquerors." The eclipse only purges our vision, widens our sky, indefinitely multiplies our wonder, power and joy.

In the consciousness of the divine love we more than triumph over all the suffering of life. The sorrow of life does not harm. Conquerors are often much the worse for the battle. A victorious fleet is a shattered fleet, often scarcely

able to find a spar on which to hang the flag of victory; a triumphant army is a stricken host that moves spectators to tears; a conquering athlete is a ghastly sight. But the apostle intimates that this stern fight unto death shall inflict upon us no serious and abiding wound. If we could for a moment transcend carnal limits and into glory peep we should see that our glorified ancestry are not one whit the worse for their life of hardship and martyrdom. They suffered great tribulation, but they have survived all without a scar; not a blossom is wanting in their palm, not a star has drooped from their crown, not a chord is snapped in their lyre. It often seems as though we must suffer some real loss in the wear and tear of this rude existence, yet revelation assures us that it is not so; all the injury and loss are in the temporal elements, on the surface, in things the fashion of which passeth away; the immortal personality is scathless. The soul can no wound receive, "no more than can the fluid air." We shall not enter into life maimed. Clinging through the furnace-pilgrimage to the Son of God, the smell of the fire shall not pass upon us.

None the worse for the fiery ordeal; all the better! "More than conquerors." When shall we once understand this glorious truth, that life's strife is evoking the latent faculties of the soul, bringing out its strength and beauty, making it fit for sublime flights and felicities which dreams can not picture? The best things of heaven are wrought on earth. Its finest gold was purified in earthen vessels: its crown jewels were ground on wheels of worldly circumstance; its fairest faces were washed into beauty with the salt spray of the tempest; its purpiest robes are dyed sackcloth, and the heartstrings which down here were stretched tightest to the breaking make heaven's sweetest music. "I reckon that the sufferings of the present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed to usward." Not long ago I visited a flower show, and, following the crowd, found myself amid a de-

lightful host of orchids. It is needless to say what wonderful shapes and colors were displayed; masters of language need the wealth of poetry to describe the grace and magnificence which they unfold; they epitomize the perfection of the world. They are strangely privileged plants, gorgeous children of the sun, and they show what can be done under blue skies, in depths of safety, in balmy air, with brilliant light. But before leaving the exhibition I wandered into another department where the Alpine plants were being exhibited. Not expecting much this time, I was surprised and delighted by triumphs of form and color. They did not suffer in comparison with the tropical blooms. Delicate, curiously beautiful, inexpressibly elegant, vivid in color, of manifold dyes, perfumed with subtle scents of sweetness, they charmed and dazzled eyes that had just been satiated by the butterfly colors of Eastern beauties. And the Alpine gems owed all that they were to what they had suffered. Their sparkle is the gleam of the ice-age, their whiteness that of the eternal snows on whose border they sprang; they caught their royal blue while dizzy peaks thrust them into the awful sky; they are so firm because the rock on which they grew has got into them; they are so sensitive because they trembled so long on the precipice. They are the children of night and winter, the nurslings of blizzards; cataracts, glaciers and avalanches perfected their beauty. In a vast, savage, elemental war they won the glory which makes them worthy to stand by the picked blooms painted by all the art of perpetual summer. Thus the sanctified sternness of human life blossoms in great, pure, beautiful souls which adorn heaven itself.—From The Supreme Conquest.

The Light Through the Shutter.

Through a chink in a closed shutter a slender pencil of light made its way. It was so narrow that you never would have thought it could have been of any use in making the world brighter; but one thing it was strong enough to do. Down on the floor of the cellar through which that ray of light filtered stood a box

with potatoes in it. Day after day the warm sunlight bent down and touched those cold things; and one day a sprout came out on one of them, and began to stretch its fingers up longingly toward the streak of sunshine which had kissed it into life. It was pale yet, and not very strong; but it kept climbing, for somehow power had been awakened in it to seek a life beyond the dark and the damp of its cellar prison. The light through the shutter had done that.

Now and then it seems to you that nothing you can do is worth while. Others who have a greater gift of saying things and thinking them out may be able to help the world; but what can you do? You might better sit still, and let those who can do these great things.

But stay a moment. Think of the slender ray of light falling through the opening in the shutter. It kept pressing its way in day by day, never tiring of its sweet task, till at last life awoke in the silent things down there in the dark.

Your words may be poor and your tongue stammering. Not all of us are blessed with eloquence in this world. Some can be only the beam of light falling through the shutter; but we can be that; and if we are, some life will surely be helped by us by and by.

Dark is the day when no ray of sunshine finds its way through the rifts of the cloud to bring cheer to some tired soul down on earth. No day passes that the opportunity does not come to you and me to speak a word of comfort or inspiration to those we meet. Watch for these places of privilege. They have all been given by One who will some day ask us what we have done with them. He knows their possibilities best; he knows, too, that if we do not use them they may never be used, for we all have our separate and distinct place to fill. You can not do my work; I can not do yours. It is a sweet yet solemn thought. Shall we not let it dwell in our hearts till it works out in us just what God would have it work? Be the ray of light to some heart today!—Exchange.

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NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

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large Sunday-school membership. Rev. R. B. Bonner, at Memphis, had an extra fine report. The membership has grown from a little over 200 to something over 400. He has built a new church at a cost of \$32,500. Rev. Geo. S. Slover, of Clarendon College, made a statement with reference to the progress of that institution. It is in excellent shape.

Rev. C. M. Woodward, of the Board of Education, read a report concerning the Southwestern University question and proposing the appointment of an Educational Commission not exactly like the paper adopted at the west Texas Conference. Judge George Barcus moved to substitute the West Texas paper for the one proposed. He spoke enthusiastically in support of his substitute. Rev. C. N. N. Ferguson spoke in reply to Judge Barcus and in support of the original paper. Rev. J. R. Mood spoke in favor of the substitute and argued for it in the interest of harmony. Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh replied and advocated the original paper. Rev. J. B. Dodson spoke in favor of the amendment. Rev. J. G. Miller replied briefly to Brother Dodson. Judge Barcus was given three minutes in which to further explain the question as he understood it. The vote was taken and the vote stood 85 to 24. The original paper was then put upon its veto and it was adopted practically with unanimity. The paper as adopted appears elsewhere in this issue of the Advocate. Bishop Atkins made a most wholesome address at this point in the interests of our educational institutions in Texas.

In the afternoon a large congregation filled the church and Rev. H. A. Boaz, D. D., preached a deeply spiritual and helpful sermon. The people enjoyed the preaching service greatly.

At night the Mission Board celebrated its first anniversary. It was one of the most interesting occasions of the conference. The house was crowded to its utmost capacity. Rev. J. T. Griswold presided. Bishop Atkins made the introductory speech. It was brief, but to the point. Dr. W. W. Finson made the principal address of the evening. It swept out into a wide range and gave a survey of the mission field and its needs, and it commanded close attention. At its close a collection was taken to help the brethren in the drouth-stricken section of the conference. The response was extraordinary—money and subscriptions

came in with a zest and the offering amounted to about \$2,800. In view of all the circumstances, it was one of the most remarkable collections this writer ever witnessed.

Saturday morning was a beautiful morning. The sun shone out with a brilliancy, characteristic to this transparent Panhandle climate.

Rev. S. E. Burkhead conducted the religious services.

The following young men were admitted on trial: Geo. T. Harris, Bryant Osborn, Ernest S. Yates, Z. R. Lee, James T. Rose, Jas. B. McReynolds, S. H. Adams, Frank Johnson, Jas. W. Watson, Thos. J. Rea, Ira R. Smith. They make a fine class of young ministers.

A number of places were put in nomination for the next session of the conference, but Plainview was made the unanimous choice of the conference. The result was received with favor. The call of the preachers was taken up and their reports were made rapidly. Nearly all the charges in the Abilene, the Colorado and the Stamford Districts passed through hard times on account of the drouth, but many of them reported well of the work done under the circumstances. W. P. Garvin, of Snyder, made a most interesting showing—162 conversions, 82 accessions, 43 adults baptized, built a parsonage at a cost of \$3,500, and paid for all purposes \$5,000. Rev. Bruce Meador, of Haskell, made a fine showing, and so did Rev. R. E. Goodrich, of Stamford. They are making fine progress in matters spiritual and material. The laymen of the Missionary Movement at Higgins are an active body of men. They are holding services in all the school houses of the vicinity. They also raised all the collections assessed for the conference, amounting to \$300. Rev. G. F. Winfield was the pastor there last year.

Rev. J. T. Griswold made a most excellent showing for Stamford Colliery Institute. No school has made the progress that this one has done in the few years it has been in existence. It has an attendance of 226 and so far \$118,000 has been put into the institution. It still owes some money, but the friends of the school are standing manfully by it and it is bound to succeed. It is essential to our work in that part of the conference, and by and by it will become one of the great institutions of the Northwest.

Rev. Jno. R. Henson, of Quanah,

reported 250 conversions and 91 net increase.

Rev. A. L. Moore, of Vernon, had a great report. Had conversions, accessions, has more in the Sunday-school than in the Church membership, has 169 in the Home Mission Society, built one of the best churches in the conference and paid for all purposes during the year \$23,200.

Five young men were called to the bar of the conference as applicants for admission into full connection and the Bishop propounded the usual questions to them and proceeded to address them on the duties and obligations of the ministers of the gospel. "Going on to perfection does not mean that you are expected to reach a quitting point. There is to be no stop in your spiritual growth and development. The order of life is growth and not un... life ceases will growth suspend its progress. It is an everlasting work to go on to perfection. There are no finished men except in the case of dead men. Live men are never finished men. They improve and grow co-existent with life. Every preacher ought to husband his income in such way as to keep out of debt, and if possible wisely lay by a per cent of it, but no minister ought to make money an item and devote himself to its accumulation. Rich preachers never make great and useful preachers. Be careful at this point, lest you become secular in your experience and life. Be sure not to mend our rules, but keep them. Some of them may not suit you, but they suit the Church and it is best for you not to discredit them. Be men of prayer. This is the key that will unlock the door to God's presence. It will hold you true to your purpose and hope." At the close of the address the young men were received into full connection.

Rev. B. W. Dodson read a well prepared report on the Sunday-school work. Bishop Atkins followed the report with a most pointed address.

Rev. C. M. Woodward read an elaborate report on the question of education and it covered all phases of this important subject.

The brethren of the Clarendon District presented to Rev. J. G. Miller, the retiring presiding elder, a handsome traveling bag. He made a felicitous response. A similar gift was made to Rev. O. P. Kiker by his friends. He also briefly acknowledged the gift.

Just before the afternoon session there was a glorious song service, and the preachers seemed to enjoy it very much. The writer led the devotional service. The Committee on Books and Periodicals made their report and the editor was given the right of way and he was accorded close attention and the address met with enthusiastic response. Dr. A. J. Lamar spoke in the interest of the Nashville Advocate and the Publishing House. Bishop Atkins followed in a few well-timed remarks touching the importance of selecting and reading good books.

The Bishop announced the names of the men to become members of the Educational Commission as follows: Rev. J. G. Putman and Rev. Geo. S. Slover, clerical; L. G. Hawkins and T. F. Turner, lay. They were unanimously elected. A collection was taken for the relief of our church at Trent, a town situated in the drouth-stricken district and a neat little sum was received.

The Committee on the Orphanage read its report and it spoke in high terms of this excellent institution, and much information was imparted concerning its condition and work.

The Committee on Temperance reported and it was a strong paper. It endorsed and commended the anti-Saloon League as an organization worthy of the support of the conference. The report was unanimously adopted.

Rev. B. W. Dodson read the report on the Sunday-schools and Rev. G. F. Winfield read the report of the Committee on Epworth Leagues. The reports came in rapidly and with but little discussion, as the brethren seemed anxious to finish up the business.

The Board of Missions made an elaborate report touching that question; Rev. W. E. Lyon read it. The board recommended Rev. C. M. Shuller and Rev. M. Phelan for Conference Missionary Evangelists. The report with its recommendation was adopted. The report on the Spiritual State of the Church showed 9,000 accessions during the year.

The statistics show 39,250 members



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in the conference, 130 local preachers, 761 infants baptized, but all these figures will be found in another place in this issue in the minute questions. There was a net gain of over 6,000 in the membership of the Church in this territory over last year.

The report of the Joint Board of Finance was read by Rev. C. D. West. The report showed that in round numbers \$5,000 the past year for conference claimants. This was disbursed among the beneficiaries of the fund.

Rev. E. A. Rector was presented and he spoke in the interest of the Galveston Immigrants' Home. He was given a sympathetic hearing.

Rev. J. B. Dodson had an immense audience at night and preached one of the most stirring sermons of the conference. It was well thought out, systematically arranged and powerfully delivered. The audience was greatly moved.

Sunday was a bright day in Clarendon. The people poured in from the country and far up and down the railroad. Our preachers occupied the various pulpits. The love feast opened the services at the Methodist Church. The venerable W. C. Harris, one of the sweetest spirits living, had charge of the service. It was one of the most spiritual occasions of the sort this writer ever witnessed. Scores and scores gave a word of testimony and many of them were warm and full of fire. Along toward the close, Sister M. A. Rogers, one of the saints of the frontier, got the floor. She is sixty-eight years of age, been in the Church fifty-six years, is the mother of ten children, has forty-one grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She makes her headquarters at Wheeler, but lives from time to time and from place to place with her children. She has been a reader of the Advocate since 1854, and it has been in her home all these years except a year or two during the Civil War, and once in awhile when she lived so far out on the frontier that the postal facilities did not reach her. She told me that her reading during her life-time had been confined to the Bible, the Advocate and a few volumes of sermons. In relating her experience she spoke of her conversion in the Church at Jacksonville, her marriage and removal to the West, her experience with the Indians, her life of deprivation and hardship, the visits of the old preachers and the goodness of God, until her talk struck fire and there were loud shouts in the camp. It reminded me of the old times. Such a service put the audience in good trim for the 11 o'clock worship.

The house was crowded with perhaps 2,000 persons when Bishop Atkins entered the pulpit. The singing was transporting. In the preliminaries the Bishop baptized four beautiful little babies.

His text was the interview of Christ with the woman at Jacob's well. It was a lucid exposition of that passage, and at times there were gleams of spiritual power. The sermon was greatly enjoyed by the audience. Following the sermon a class of six deacons were ordained and this closed the morning service.

In the afternoon Rev. R. E. Goodrich preached a special sermon to the

THE TRAVELING PREACHER.

By Rev. Jas. W. Hill.

Up to the Conference, all in a tremble,
For fear they'll not take him and give him a place!
But, at last, he's appointed; then never so nimble,
He's off—well pleased with the Conference's grace.

The "plan" of his circuit he reads o'er and o'er,
And hastens to fill his appointments in fine,
Knowing little, nor caring, how miserably poor,
He will be in five years from that very time!

The Conference convenes; the preacher is "present,"
With his lesson well studied, and his lengthy report
Of all he has done (which to him is so pleasant,
But it generally gives older heads no little sport).

He's appointed again; and off with a bound!
To "Greenbriar Circuit"—he is "Preacher in Charge."
And he notes how important his cognomen sounds
Read out in the Conference—listening and large!

"Another year's work is done, and we ought to
Settle up," says a steward, shaking his head,
"Let's lend to the Lord—here's a Mexican quarter—
I believe God's messengers ought to be paid."

"I've spent a good deal improving my farm
Or I'd pay off my part," puts in an old "pillar."
"And I have, too, brother, in building my barn,
And then he's no preacher," rejoins an old chiller.

So the preacher's informed that he'll not get a cent
From some of the "classes," and from others but little;
And though he protests he must pay off his rent,
The stewards sigh and groan, and continue to whittle.

Now just about then a man with a dun
Wants to "see Parson Scanty a minute or two."
But, alas! he can't pay it, for cash he has none,
And the question arises, "What shall I do?"

Poor fellow! You're left! and I am afraid
There are hundreds more traveling the same thorny road!
Your self-abnegation will never be paid,
"Till accounts are all balanced by the hand of the Lord!"

How a people can live at home and at ease,
Have all they desire and go where they please
And suffer their preacher, who does nothing else
But labor for them—regardless of self—
To go off unpaid, I never could tell!
And if such get to heaven, they will go round by Chicago.

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LOVING WORDS.

Loving words will cost but little. Journeying up the hill of life; But they make the weak and weary Stronger, braver, for the strife. Do you count them only trifles? What to earth are sun and rain? Never was a kind word wasted, Never one was said in vain.

When the cares of life are many, And the burdens heavy grow, Think of weak ones close beside you— If you love them, tell them so. What you count of little value Has an almost magic power, And beneath their cheering sunshine Hearts will blossom like a shower.

So, as up life's hill we journey, Let us scatter all the way Kindly words, for they are sunshine in the dark and cloudy day. Grudge no loving word or action As along through life you go; There are weary ones around you— If you love them, tell them so. —Exchange.

THE GIRL FROM WILLOW BEND.

If the girls of the summer colony of Willowdale had been asked to name their most popular comrade, perhaps half would have said Virginia Arnsworth, and the rest the girl from Willow Bend. They called Alice Brabant that, because her father's little farm lay just at the bend of the river where the willows grew close on the banks. When the first pretty summer cottages were built along the river, Alice took her place as a leader of the city girls quite naturally. In the mornings she often drove her father's produce cart to the cottage back doors, in the afternoon she came in her plainingham frock to take part in the games with her dainty linen and lace-clad friends. No one could do things quite as well as Alice. She could swim and row and paddle best; she was first in all games; and even at the girls' sewing circle she held first place.

But the summer Virginia came there was a change. Virginia, too, was a natural leader, and from the first there was a good-natured, but quite distinct, rivalry between the two girls. They played croquet one whole afternoon and ended with a tie. At tennis Virginia won, but Alice always finished half a length ahead in swimming matches. In rowing they kept side by side on the river until they turned back by mutual consent. When the girls offered to help the little stone church with an entertainment, Virginia recited and Alice sang, and it was impossible to tell which one had done the best or received the most applause.

Perhaps quiet old Mr. Damon noticed more things than people thought. One morning when the girls' walking club was ready to start out, quiet old Mr. Damon invited them to walk down to the river with him. There beside his boathouse floated the prettiest canoe that ever came to Willowdale.

After the girls had admired it, he said, with twinkling eyes, "It's for a prize."

"For a canoe race?" Virginia and Alice spoke in one breath.

"Oh, no! I'm going to give it to the girl who can make the best loaf of bread."

"Oh! Oh!" There was something like disappointment in the voices. I'm afraid the girls of Willowdale could do many things better than they could bake bread.

"I've made all arrangements," Mr. Damon said. "I've rented Mrs. Miner's and Mrs. Grady's kitchens. You are to begin at seven o'clock a week from today, and the judges will meet at four o'clock. Any girl under eighteen may enter the competition. Each contestant to submit one loaf of bread to the judges. You'll find in the kitchens everything that you need in the baking."

"You may use any method you wish. But if you want a sponge that was set over night you must bring that with you."

On their walking trip that morning they talked of little else. "If it had only been essays," sighed studious Edith. "Or walking," said athletic Lois. "Or even cake," said Lora, who liked fancy cooking. They agreed that Mr. Damon was very old-fashioned. In the end five girls agreed to try for the prize. There was a week to practice in, and that held out some hope.

When the day of the contest came, Patty, Edith and Lora were given one kitchen, and Alice and Virginia the other. Alice had brought sponge, and Virginia was using compressed yeast.

And each held to her way of determining within herself that her loaf must be the best. What patient care they bestowed upon measuring, mixing and kneading! They tested the temperature when putting the bread to rise, and watched the clock anxiously for the three hours to pass. After the oven had been tested and after the light loaves had been put in the oven, they sat down to watch until the time to take them out. The carriage from the noon train came down the street as they sat at the window watching. Virginia uttered an exclamation of delight.

"There's Cousin Phillip. We didn't expect him until next week. He's such a splendid boy. You'll like him, Alice. I must go and speak to him. I'll be back in a minute. It's a half-hour before it's time to take the bread out."

She flew across the street. For a moment she, with the others, talked with the tall boy at the door, and then they all went into the house.

Nearly an hour had passed when Virginia ran back to the kitchen. She was pale and trembling. She had cared so much about this little triumph.

"Of course, it's spoiled," she said. "Either burned or hard and dry. Oh! why did I stop to look at his photographs?"

"I took it out when it was done!" said Alice quietly. Virginia had not dared expect this.

"Oh! How good of you! But I'm afraid that won't be quite fair. We were told to do it ourselves."

"I don't know whether that would count against you. We can ask when we take the bread to the judges."

Virginia's loaf took the prize. Three stately old ladies sat in judgment on the five loaves. They ate a slice from each loaf. Careless Patty had set hers to rise in a draft, and it was small and heavy. Edith's was of coarse texture from too little kneading. And Lora's was burned. Alice's was as good as Virginia's, but it had risen unevenly in the oven and the appearance of the loaf was spoiled. So the three ladies said that the fifth loaf should have the prize, and Mr. Damon smilingly agreed.

Virginia stepped forward. She took the key to the boat house, and then said hesitatingly, "It doesn't seem fair. I forgot my loaf. It would have been spoiled if some one had not taken it out of the oven for me. And I'd rather Alice had the prize," finished Virginia. "Hers was just as good, only it was a tiny bit out of shape. But she would have had first place if she had just left mine in the oven."

Of course Alice protested, but they all said that the prize really belonged to her. When they walked down to the boat house, Alice carried the key, but she clung affectionately to Virginia's arm.

"It must be a partnership boat," she was saying. "We'll name it the VA. And we'll each have a key to the house, and it must be just as much yours as mine."

Virginia squeezed her arm a little. "I think usually we'll go canoeing together," she said.—Zelia M. Walters, in Woman's Home Companion.

A CHURCH BLESSING.

"But, mother, a fellow doesn't get much good going to Church when the whole business bores him."

"My son," said Mr. Stevens, laying down his fork, "I have something to tell you."

Mr. Stevens was a man of few words, often sitting silent through the entire meal, and at his earnest voice we all stopped eating.

"When I went to college," he continued, "I promised my mother to attend Church every Sunday morning, and I did. For several months it was a trial and bore, but it brought me one of the greatest blessings of my life. A young man can gain nothing but good from regular attendance at Church, and I expect it from you so long as you have respect for my authority, whether you like it or not."

This sounded very stern, but Mary touched her father's arm. "Won't you tell us about it?" she asked.

"There's not much to tell. I went to Church when it rained, and when it snowed; when the boys were amazed, and when they ridiculed. I suppose it did seem queer to them, for I was not a Christian."

"You were a lover of your mother," said Mrs. Stevens.

Her husband flushed her a grateful look. "I was," he said briefly.

"But, father," persisted Mary, you

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have not told "us the blessing it brought you."

I caught my breath. Mr. Stevens was not given to retelling his emotions, and I should not have dared the remark; but he took no offense.

"I had a roommate after Christmas, and he went to Church with me. I don't know why I was such a fool as to go all alone that first term. I could have found some one to accompany me, I'm sure."

I did not wonder at his going alone. Mr. Stevens was that sort of a man.

"When you don't like to attend Church," he continued, "take some one with you. It helps matters wondrously."

There was silence a minute.

"But about the blessing," said Mary. Mr. Stevens smiled. "You'd call it a very commonplace blessing," he said, "but it made me over again, and gave me a new purpose in life. My son, do you know of one instance where your influence has made a man better—drawn him from evil ways?"

"No, father," said the young man, in a low tone.

"Then don't quit Church-going yet for a while. You have not got your eyes open."

"But how about the blessing?" inquired Mary.

"H'm! I found out that I had been recommended by the Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. to my roommate as a companion who would help him to quit his evil ways." Mr. Stevens was transformed. His eyes flashed and his voice trembled; his face was all aglow. "Think of it! I was not even a Christian, and yet that young man, who had fallen among wild companions and sought help, was sent to me, and I knew nothing of it. I thank God and my mother that I lived straight and steady in those days."

"And your roommate reformed?" asked Mary.

"He did, and he and I joined the Church together the following Easter. That's what came of Church attendance, even though I took no pleasure in it. The Y. M. C. A. Secretary told me that all he knew of me was that for three months I had attended Church every Sunday morning, with no one to urge it, nor even anyone to accompany me."

Mr. Stevens arose and pushed back his chair. "My son," he said, "stick to the Church. Some day it will surely bring you a heart blessing which will sweeten the hard places of your life."—Exchange.

SIR GALAHAD.

Many of you have seen the picture of Sir Galahad, one of the knights of King Arthur's Round Table, in which he is represented as standing by the head of his horse. Like the other knights, he was strong, brave, and ever ready to battle with sword or spear; but above most of them was he famous for his noble spirit and pure life. Tennyson puts into his lips these words in the poem bearing the knight's name:

"My strength is as the strength of ten Because my heart is pure."

It is a splendid experience to be strong, and purity helps make us strong. This is true of the body. Great athletes are very careful about bathing. They can not do their best unless they keep clean. Of course, in work and play dust and dirt will get on our bodies, but if left on they will take away some of our strength.

The same is true of character. You will not have so strong a nature if you look at impure pictures, listen to impure stories, speak impure words, and indulge in impure acts. No temptations come to schoolboys and schoolgirls more dangerous than those

which try to interest them in what is not nice and clean.

Remember Sir Galahad. The next time anybody starts to show you a bad picture or to tell an unclean story, turn away, saying to yourself: "Sir Galahad." When an unclean temptation appeals to you, or an evil thought comes into your heart, drive it away. Like Sir Galahad, be strong and pure; be pure, and you will be strong.—Congregationalist.

"GET OUT, JOHNNY."

A man and a boy were riding together in a heavily loaded wagon, when they came to the foot of a hill. "This will be a hard pull for the horses," said the man as he saw his young passenger settling comfortably back in the seat. "Jump out, Johnny. We can't level the hill, but we can at least keep from adding our own weight to the load." It was a lesson in kindness that will bear wide application. All about us, among our friends and in our own families are those bearing heavy burdens and traveling toilsome roads. We may be unable to change either the way or the load, but we can at least avoid adding the weight of our own despondent or complaining moods, the recital of our own ills and worries. We need not selfishly add our griefs to the burden of those who already have enough to bear.—Forward.

If moths get into the closets, saturate a cloth twelve inches square with formaldehyde. Put it in the closet, closing the door for twelve hours. The same plan may be used in chests, trunks or boxes where clothing is stored. The fumes will kill moths, as well as their eggs and germs of any kind, leaving no odor in the clothing.

A little girl stanchly declared one day, apropos of the subject of her history lesson, that her adored papa was "just as great and good a man as George Washington." "To be sure," she added, "he is not quite as well known, and so he is not so popular."—Little Folks.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ITEMS

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SARAH EVELYN POWELL.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Powell, of Queen City, Texas, are the parents of Sarah Evelyn Powell, whose picture is shown here. Evelyn was born July 27, 1909, and began to attend Sunday-school when four weeks old, and has missed only one Sunday since, and that Sunday we had such a downpour of rain that we had no Sunday-school. Mr. Powell is our superintendent, and he is a wide-awake one, too. These parents see that all of their family are at Sunday-school.

MRS. F. O. FAVRE.

CLIPPINGS FROM THE PRESS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MISSIONS.

Items of interest from the press may be preserved by the teachers of Sunday-school classes, and by the superintendent or the leader of the department on missions, and once each month a few of the most interesting may be read to the class or to the whole school. The editor of this page intends to furnish some such items for both instruction in missions and in temperance, and we hope this will prove to be a profitable feature of the page. We give credit, when the source of the item is known, for items which appear.

The new building of the Young Men's Christian Association in Mexico City, erected at a cost of \$200,000, was inaugurated by President Diaz and his Cabinet.

Protestant church buildings in Rome now number fourteen—four Baptist, three Church of England, two Methodist, one Presbyterian, one Waldensian, one Free Italian Church.

The Church figures of the Census Bureau for 1906 show that about one-third of the people of our country are members of some Church, and this number is steadily increasing.

At Tokyo, Japan, a movement looking to the establishment of a union Christian university for Japan has received the endorsement of a number of Churches engaged in missionary work in that empire.

The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York City, according to reports just published, gave last year for congregational expense \$53,000, and almost twice that sum for missions. In addition to these contributions, it gave for miscellaneous causes \$196,500.

Since 1886, the beginning of the Student Volunteer Movement, 3681 volunteers have gone to the mission fields. One thousand educational institutions have been reached and 23,000 students enrolled in mission study classes. Students and professors of these institutions gave last year for foreign missions \$76,000 and for home missions \$46,000.—Nashville Advocate. The Methodist societies of the for-

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eight missionary organizations supported by women in the United States and Canada report the largest number of contributing members, 199,846, and the largest total contributions, \$635,961. The societies of the Presbyterian Church are second, with 90,000 contributing members and total contributions of \$460,730.

Robert College, in Constantinople, is to be enlarged from a legacy of from \$2,500,000 to \$3,000,000 left by John S. Kennedy, of New York, to accommodate 1000 students.

In September, 1911, the first conference of European Methodists will be held in Rome.—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL AT SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The following item, which appeared in The Megaphone of October 21, will be of interest to all Texas Methodism:

One of the surest indications of Southwestern's growth is the increase in the Sunday-school. The church, which seats twelve hundred, and nine recitation rooms of the preparatory department have become too small to accommodate the Sunday-school, and accordingly the Senior Department has been moved to the main building of the university.

This division of the school has been placed in the hands of Mr. Frank Reedy, who is a Sunday-school man of considerable experience. Already he has demonstrated his fitness for the place by his enthusiasm and wide-awake methods.

An effort is being made to enroll every student in the university in the Sunday-school, and the increased attendance from week to week indicates that this will be approximated, at least. Putting it on the very lowest plane, every student owes it to himself to join one of those classes, for ignorance of the Scriptures is inexcusable. And nowhere else can one better study the Bible than in a Sunday-school class in company with others and under the guidance of an intelligent, consecrated teacher.

Mr. Reedy intends to have something of real interest on each Sunday's program. Next Sunday a double quartette will be one of the features. During the year it is his intention to have several eminent Sunday-school workers to visit the school.

That the faculty and trustees of Southwestern University are making an earnest effort to build up the Sunday-schools of Texas Methodism, is further evidenced by the fact that two free scholarships good for tuition at Southwestern are given to each presiding elders' district in the State. The scholarships are awarded by the District Conferences on recommendation of the pastors of active Sunday-school workers. Although the plan was new and imperfectly understood when the District Conferences for 1910 were held, more than thirty scholarships were awarded and are now being used by students of Southwestern. These students have been organized into a special fellowship, and Mr. Frank Reedy will see that they have special training for Sunday-school work. As there are about fifty districts in Texas, it will not be long until we have at least a hundred students in our great central institution who are making special preparation to be Sunday-school workers, and only eternity can disclose all that such a movement means to the cause of Christ.

STATE PRESIDENT.

A TEMPERANCE DAY PROGRAM.

Sunday was Quarterly Temperance Day in all our Sunday-schools, and I wish to tell you how we observed it in our school. I for one am glad for Temperance Day to come, and we always put forth our best efforts to make the lesson hour interesting and helpful to all. I am glad because I wish to be instrumental (so far as I may, in helping to drive the saloons out of Texas—a thing we all confidently expect to happen shortly—but if for any reason we should fail to do this, then Israel must look to the on-coming boy for deliverance; and so every boy whom I assist in making an enemy to the open saloon will shortly be one more life-time voter against them, and while we all recognize that they must go, yet let us not only put forth every effort to hasten the day, but also to so school and train the rising genera-

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tion that their going day shall be an eternal day. Now to our program: To begin with, we had our opening exercises and regular lesson period in the usual way—and this we always do—explaining, however, that we wished the school to reassemble at the main auditorium at 10:30 sharp, which request was observed; and promptly at that time the following program began: Song, "Help somebody today," by the school. Recitation, parody on the 23rd Psalm, by a small boy. The beginning of this was as follows: "The saloon man is my shepherd; I shall not want liquor. He maketh me to lie down in the gutter," etc. Song, "The fight is on," by the school. Alternating in this song, the lady voices sang the verse and the whole school the chorus. Recitation, "Was it you?" by a small girl. This was a little poem in which various statements were made and questions asked, such as: "Somebody ruined my boy's life: was that somebody you?" Readings: Words of great men. These were short, spicy paragraphs, sayings of such men as Judge Lindsay, Lyman Beecher, William McKinley, Governor Hanley and others; and, by the way, I wish to give you the exact words of Governor Hanley. They are an extract from a recent speech in which he said, pointing to a small boy near the front:

boys to every person present, young and old, the time table of the Dark Valley Railroad, with the request that same be taken home and preserved as a souvenir of the day and date. These cards we had printed here at home by our local printer, and at a cost of about thirty cents per hundred. Furthermore, I succeeded in getting every superintendent in this city to give me an order for enough cards to give one to every person expected to be present at his school, and so in this way over 1400 cards went into the homes of Temple families last Sunday, and I beg of those superintendents who are not now using some plan similar to this that they arouse themselves to a sense of their obligation to the young, as well as seize this golden opportunity for dealing a death blow to this terrible enemy of home, happiness and heaven.

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OUR CONFERENCES.

Central Texas, Waxahatchie, Bishop Atkins Nov. 15
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Texas, Galveston, Bishop Murrah Nov. 30

Bishop James Atkins gave universal satisfaction to the members of the Northwest Texas Conference both as a preacher and a presiding officer. He made himself agreeable and brotherly to all; yet he held a tight rein and conducted the business of the conference wisely, firmly and expeditiously. No one objected to any of his rulings, and everybody felt at ease and at home under his presidency. We heard many of them say that Texas had never had a wiser, a saner, a more business-like and a more satisfactory presiding officer. He met them all kindly and listened to any and all of them patiently who desired to approach him. His talks and addresses were wise and to the point; and his preaching was great. No wonder that they unanimously requested the college of Bishops to return him to them next year.

DOUBLE WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Davis, of Houston, have issued invitations to the marriage of two of their daughters and the double event will take place December 6, at the First Methodist Church. The first will be, Rev. Claude S. Harkey, of the Texas Conference and Miss Helen Davis; and the second will be Dr. F. Scott Glover to Miss Virginia Davis. We extend congratulations to the happy couples. After the wedding, Rev. Claude Harkey and his bride will go to Nashville for a time, where he will enter Vanderbilt University.

CALL FOR A PROHIBITION MASS MEETING.

During the State Fair at Dallas there was a meeting of a number of leading prohibition workers, and they appointed a committee, with Hon. Thomas H. Ball, of Houston, as chairman, to prepare for a State mass meeting to be held in Fort Worth on December 8. The announcement has already been made in all the secular dailies, and Fort Worth is arranging to look after the needs of the gathering. We want every county represented in that meeting. So let the leaders in the different communities in each county prepare to send delegates to Fort Worth on the above date. Do not be afraid of sending too many. The more the better. We want a great gathering, and at that time we will make arrangements to launch our campaign for Statewide prohibition. There is no doubt but that the Legislature will submit the question some time next year, and we want to be ready for it. On with the battle!

CONFERENCE NOTES.

No conference was ever more delightfully entertained than the one at Clarendon. The hospitality was full and free and everybody's home seemed open to the delegates and visitors. We have never seen it surpassed.

The fellowship of the conference was superb. The brethren were all in a good humor and in love with each other. There was no wire pulling and no one was looking for advantage. They were brethren in the truest sense of the word.

Rev. O. P. Kiker, who did one of the best year's work of his life at Clarendon, and who leaves there one of the handsomest church buildings in the conference, goes into the presiding eldership and takes charge of the new Amarillo District. That he will make good goes without comment. He always does.

Rev. J. G. Miller, after a fine quadrennium of work on the old Clarendon District, goes to the Vernon District. He is one of the most efficient men in his conference, loved and honored by all his brethren. It will be like going back home to him at Vernon, as he occupied that district four years sometime ago. He is pure gold.

Rev. J. T. Hicks goes to the Plainview District. This is his first experience in work of this sort, but he is equal to any occasion. He has a record in his conference for doing things, and wherever he goes he leaves results. He is a good preacher, a man of affairs and things will happen on the Plainview District.

Rev. J. H. Stewart, after two years on the Vernon District, returns to the Central Conference. His brethren regret to lose him, but they received several good men from the Central and it is but right that they should return some good ones to take their places. Bro. Stewart is one of the most popular preachers and useful presiding elders up that way, and there will be a good field for him in the Central.

This writer and several others were delightfully entertained in the good home of Brother and Sister E. M. Osler. They went to Clarendon not a great while ago from Rosebud. They are earnest members of our Church and they are taking an excellent part in its service at Clarendon. No man had a more warm-hearted home than this writer and one that we will remember in the years to come.

Rev. G. S. Hardy, after serving the Plainview District with success for four years, goes to the Hamlin District, one of the new ones created by the conference. For years he has devoted his best labors and talents to the development of that great section in the Northwest, and he knows every foot of it. He is a most capable presiding elder.

Rev. J. W. Story is another new man in the presiding eldership, and he goes to the new Clarendon District. He has been a most successful pastor and preacher and his wider field has possibilities for him. He possesses the spiritual element in a large degree and revivals are common with him. He is no stranger to the people among whom he will labor and the future has much in store for him.

Rev. S. A. Barnes, of the Abilene, and Rev. Simeon Shaw, of the Colorado and Rev. J. G. Putman, of the Stamford Districts, all return to their fields of labor. They wrought well and had results to show for their service, and they go back with renewed vigor to again enter upon their work. They are all most competent men and they are held in high esteem by their brethren.

Rev. G. S. Wyatt, after two years of most successful work at Canadian, now goes to Childress Station. He is a seasoned veteran and no man did a better year's work than he. He goes to another good field and he will be equal to its demands. His old friends in the Central Conference will be glad to know that his health is good, his prospect bright and that he is happy in his work.

Rev. C. M. Woodward, one of the young men of the conference, has taken a foremost position. He was at Rotan last year, but this year he goes to St. Paul's, Abilene. That is one of the leading appointments in the conference. Brother Woodward is well equipped and he is most devout and spiritual in his ministry. He did excellent service last year, and we are

sure that the coming year will vindicate the wisdom of his appointment at St. Paul's.

Rev. E. E. Robinson, D. D., is one of the men who went from the Central to the Northwest Texas Conference. He did fine work for two years at Weatherford and now he goes to Amarillo. He is a success in any sphere, and the Amarillo people will be delighted with him. He has a record for bringing things to pass and he is also a most excellent preacher.

Rev. J. H. Wallis, of Tuxedo, placed the Advocate in the homes of all his official members last year as soon as he went to his charge. As a result he brought up a good report along all lines to conference. He is an earnest worker, and his charge prospered. The Advocate is the best help the preacher can take into his work, as Brother Watts has proved. So have others.

Miss Belle Ragsdale, the popular Advocate protege and who attends all the conferences with her books and settles with the preachers, was delightfully entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sorrels. They are most excellent members of the Church, and take great interest in its welfare.

Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh goes, by transfer, to the Oklahoma Conference, and his going was a source of regret to the entire conference. He is recognized as one of the ablest men of that body and there was a wide and promising field for him out there. He is a wise leader, a sound preacher and a far-sighted man in Church matters. For years he was one of the most efficient leaders in the old Northwest Texas Conference, and at Amarillo he had phenomenal success. We commend Brother Sensabaugh to the Oklahoma brethren as worthy of their confidence and esteem. He goes to them, not as a man who has to drift to find an appointment, but as one of the most robust and stalwart men in the Lone Star State. He will be a genuine contribution to their cause in that wide field of enterprise and promise.

Rev. J. T. Griswold, Rev. J. G. Miller and Rev. S. A. Barnes are the new members of the conference on the Joint Board of Publication for the Texas Christian Advocate. They make up a fine trio of officials—efficient, popular, wise, fair-minded and impartal men. The Advocate is very much pleased with their appointment.

Rev. C. N. N. Ferguson has done wonders at Plainview. His great energy and enterprise have wrought well for the Church in that promising locality and he goes back to continue his labors for another year. He is a man of large ability, an eloquent preacher, vast resources, and of large determination. His work stands out there as a monument to his labors and a credit to the Church. He takes the next session of the conference to Plainview.

Rev. R. B. McSwain is a member of that conference, and last year he served as a supply in one of the charges. This year he goes to Miami. His health is greatly improved and he is a fixture in that section. For years he was in educational work at Polytechnic, Southwestern and in Oklahoma, and he is well known to the brethren. In many respects he is one of the most remarkable men in Texas. His scholarship is a marvel, but his health has been such that it is best for him to enter the pastorate in that salubrious climate. So he has cast his lot out that way.

The North Texas Conference brethren will be glad to know that Rev. J. P. Lowrey is doing well in the Northwest. His wife's health has greatly improved and he has grown much stronger. He is in good favor with those brethren and he is greatly pleased with the new conference.

Rev. S. E. Wasson, late of the North Alabama Conference, is now a member of the Northwest and stationed at Clarendon. While the people regretted to give up Brother Kiker, nevertheless they are glad to have such a worthy successor. He is an able minister, a most brotherly man, and his work will be most acceptable. He is richly endowed for great service.

Brother Hall Peeples, brother to the late Rev. Buck Peeples, of the Tennessee Conference, made a great address of welcome. It was eloquent, humorous, witty, sensible, quaint and soul-stirring. We have rarely heard it equaled. It greatly pleased the conference. He lives just one mile from



Above is the picture of Grandma Donegan, of Trawick. She is the widow of Rev. M. Donegan, who for years was a member of the East Texas Conference. Grandma is now eighty-eight years old, and has been an active member of the Methodist Church for seventy-three years, a constant reader of the Advocate since 1848, or sixty-two years. She is the mother of eleven children, has thirty grand-children and fifty-seven great-grandchildren, all of whom are members of the Methodist Church. Each week she anxiously awaits the coming of "her paper," as she terms it, and reads it with great pleasure.

the town on a well-improved farm, and it was our good fortune to spend a night with him. Brother Peeples and his good wife are earnest workers in the Church.

Rev. J. E. Stephens goes to the new Big Springs District as presiding elder. He will make good beyond a doubt.

Professor, rather Rev. S. E. Burkhead, is a member of the Clarendon faculty, and one of the sunniest men in the Northwest. It is always exhilarating to be with him. If he ever had a dull moment, it has left no impression upon his disposition. He is also an accomplished preacher and a successful teacher. He took much interest in the conference. Rev. G. S. Slover and the whole college force gave themselves over to the conference during its sessions. That institution is leading off most wholesomely in its work of education.

The Advocate was given the right-of-way, and if there is a man among them who is not its friend we never heard of him. The Editor and Publisher were cordially received and accorded every privilege that could be desired. They love the Advocate out that way and they promise large things for it.

Brother G. F. A. Parker, of Hereford, is the Conference Teller, and right well did he do his work. He is a first-class business man, has the confidence of all that section, and when they came to elect a layman to that responsible position, he was their unanimous choice. He is one of the finest men in the Northwest, and a valuable member of the conference.

The Hon. George Barcus, one of the few Barcus boys who is a layman, was a most useful member of the body. He has the Methodist instinct born in him and it is just as natural for him to be a member of a conference as it is for him to breathe. Like all the Barcus family the Church is first with him under all circumstances. By the way, the conference had a fine set of laymen in its membership.

The brethren had a battle royal over the "Commission" to readjust our educational matters. Some wanted the exact paper adopted by the West Texas Conference accepted by that body; but others thought it hardly full enough, and so another paper embodying about the same ideas was introduced as the original document, and here the fight waded. The latter won out by a vote of 85 to 24, and the paper in full will be found elsewhere in this issue. The members of the Commission appear in another place, also. They are competent and impartial men.

DEDICATION POSTPONED.

Rev. Allen Tooke, of Fairfield, announced in a recent issue of the Advocate that the new church at Dew would be dedicated November 24. On account of delay in construction the dedication has been indefinitely postponed.

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SAD INTELLIGENCE.

The Advocate is in receipt of a telegram announcing the death of Mrs. J. W. Robbins at Austin, Texas. She died very suddenly on the morning of the 15th instant. This is very sad news to the many warm friends, both of Hon. J. W. Robbins and of his very estimable wife. Mrs. Robbins was reared at Tyler, Texas, and was there married to John W. Robbins more than thirty years ago. She is the mother of a splendid family of children, who will rise up to call her blessed. She numbered her friends by the hundreds and even thousands in various sections of the State. She was a model mother, wife and Christian woman. She will be sadly missed in the home, in the Church and everywhere she moved. The Advocate extends condolence to the relatives and friends. We feel the sense of great personal loss in the departure of this elect lady.

THE PAPER ADOPTED BY THE NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The following is the paper adopted by the Northwest Texas Conference touching the question of establishing a great Central University for Texas Methodism:

Whereas, The development of the State of Texas and the progress of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the educational sentiment in Texas are such that the demands for education can not be met by the existing institutions with their present facilities, and inasmuch as the enlargement of our plans is imperative, rendering a readjustment of our educational policies desirable; and

Whereas, The city of Dallas has submitted for the consideration of the several Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the State of Texas, a proposition offering land and money for the establishment of the university in Dallas, to be owned and controlled by the several Annual Conferences participating in its establishment; and

Whereas, The proposition is of such far-reaching importance as to demand the most careful and painstaking consideration; and

Resolved, We believe that the present demand and the future growth of the Methodists of Texas and the Southwest will justify the establishment of a college or university by the Methodists of this region; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That this conference ask the Presiding Bishop and presiding elders to nominate for election by this conference two laymen and two preachers who, in conjunction with similar commissioners from such other Annual Conferences as may see fit to co-operate in the movement, shall duly consider this question and take such action as they may deem wise.

2. That this commission, when so elected, shall, at the call of the Bishops in charge of the Texas conferences, meet and organize and shall have full power to consider and determine the question of the establishment of a university as above described, and to proceed to establish the same as soon as they deem wise.

3. This commission shall have power to consider and determine the location of said university, to accept or reject the proposition submitted by the city of Dallas, or such as may be submitted by any other city of Texas.

4. That if this commission shall find that the establishment of such a new institution is impracticable, it is empowered and directed to take such steps for the enlargement of some existing institution or institutions as will meet the pressing and growing demands of our times.

5. The commission shall have power to determine the relation of the existing institutions to the proposed university and the establishment of the other institutions of learning and their relation to the same, provided its action shall be in harmony with the provisions of the General Board of Education of our Church touching the classification of schools. In any event the commission shall have power to determine the relation of existing institutions and such as shall hereafter be established to each other in our educational system.

6. This commission shall exist for four years, and all vacancies occurring between sessions of the conferences shall be filled by the Board of Education of the Annual Conference by which the member was elected. Said newly elected member shall hold office until the session of the Annual Conference, at which time the vacancy shall be filled by the process prescribed for its creation.

7. This commission is hereby empowered to act as a board of trust of the proposed university in harmony with the laws of the Church and the State of Texas, until the participating Annual Conferences shall make provisions for the Board of Trustees to further carry out their will.

8. This commission is hereby instructed to use every care that all property hereafter deeded to our Church for school purposes within the State of Texas shall be so deeded and the institution or institutions established thereon so chartered that no contention can arise against the ownership and control or sale by the Methodist Church, South, as represented by the participating Annual Conferences.

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PERSONALS

Rev. G. S. Cameron, of Centenary, Paris, has closed out a most delightful year. His official board, his Sunday-school and his Woman's Home Mission Society and most everybody else have asked for his return. He has accomplished fine results in that charge.

Rev. S. W. Turner had a red-letter day last Sunday. He closed out his quadrennium at Midlothian with a great service. Baptized a number of infants and adults and took a number into the Church. He will turn over a well organized charge to his successor.

Rev. J. R. Rea, after a successful year on the Amarillo Mission, comes back to the North Texas Conference. During the year he organized his work well—230 additions, baptized 67 children and raised for all purposes \$2360. He will receive a warm welcome and there will be a field for him in the North Texas.

Brother J. E. Pennybacker writes us that we made a mistake in saying that they had no parsonage at Ward Memorial, Austin. They have a nice, new parsonage, and the Church is also doing well otherwise. We went by the data in the printed minutes for last year, and the parsonage was built after they were published.

Rev. J. F. Sherwood, of Maple Avenue and Cochran, has closed out a most successful year. He has greatly improved his work, so much so that both points will become separate stations and will have two pastors instead of one next year. Both places have good parsonages, and Cochran has asked for the return of Brother Sherwood next year.

Rev. D. L. Coale, Field Editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, is now at Lufkin, Texas, in what promises to be the greatest revival in East Texas in years. There were more than a hundred conversions Sunday, and the spiritual tide is rising with great power. There will doubtless be several hundred before the close of the week." So says Rev. W. H. Crum, our pastor at Lufkin.

Rev. D. L. Coale, Central Texas Conference Evangelist and Field Editor of the Advocate, has just closed a great meeting at Gilmer. There were scores and scores of conversions and reclamations, and many accessions. He is now engaged in a great meeting at Lufkin. During the year he has had about 3000 conversions, 1400 accessions to the Church and fifty-odd young men and thirty young women have consecrated themselves to special lines of Church work. His work has been a great success. And he has sent many subscribers to the Advocate.

METHODIST TRAINING SCHOOL.

The Methodist Training School for Christian Workers at Nashville has maintained for three years a settlement work in the factory district of the city.

Last year the work done by the resident deaconess, Miss Mable Wheeler, and the students under the direction of the competent field director, Miss Haskin, was very satisfactory, taking into consideration the limitations under which the work was accomplished.

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stimulus by the donation of a three-story brick building worth about \$9,500. This building has been renovated, and remodeled and now consists of eighteen well-lighted, comfortable rooms not all of them completed, however). Five bed rooms, dining room and kitchen, model bed room, dining room and kitchen, library, drawing, kindergarten room, community parlor, office, club room, bath and private reception room. Improvements such as public baths, gymnasium and swimming pool will be made later making the property value about \$17,000.

At present there are only two resident workers, Miss Mabel Wheeler, house deaconess and Miss Elinor Neill, educational director. These two together with the students from the Training School strive by means of clubs for men and women and children, kindergarten and Sunday-school to make the settlement a religious and social center for this section of the city.

The object that the school has in supporting the Settlement is that the students that come from all parts of our great Church to be trained for Christian social service, may obtain skill in lines of missionary work, and may have developed in them by the constant service they are called upon to render to others the true missionary spirit.

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A REPORT FROM THE SUPERANNUATED RANKS.

About the last of June I made a report to the Advocate, as one of the old guard. I will now send you another statement. Since the first of July I have preached a series of doctrinal sermons, at four different places, and have helped to hold four protract d meetings, administered the sacrament twice, and assisted in its administration twice more; baptized two persons, and did not go in the creek either. Had nineteen conver-

sions in the meeting where I assisted; held several prayer services, and taught class in Sunday-school several times. I have preached fifty-five sermons since the first of July, and made one prohibition speech; and since May 21 I have visited 135 homes, sold 105 of my pamphlets on baptism, twenty-six copies of Harless' pamphlet on perseverance, eleven Testaments, and fifty copies of George Stuart's Texas Round-Up on Prohibition, and that is a good one, and in the near future every pastor in Texas would do a wise and helpful thing if he would put at least 100 copies of this Round-Up in the hands of his people, and some pastors ought to put 1000 copies in circulation. My health is good. I am able to eat chicken and other good things, and if the Bishop and my beloved can fix me up a little patch near home, I may be a pastor again. Love to all the brethren.

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NORTH TEXAS SECRETARYSHIP.

To the Leaguers of North Texas Conference:

My Dear Leaguers.—It was with sincerest regret that I gave up the office of Secretary and Treasurer of the North Texas Conference Epworth League. I want to thank you for your hearty co-operation with me in this great work and I trust you will lend that same hearty aid to my successor, Mr. Layton W. Bailey, of Dallas.

May God bless you one and all and crown your efforts with success, is my prayer. Pray for me, my dear friends, that I may be of more service for my Master in my new location than I have been before.

L. L. NELMS.

Muskogee Okla.

FROM SHAMROCK.

I want to tell the Leaguers of Texas something of our Leagues at this place. If you will get the map of this great State you will find we are

in the far northwestern part. I have not been living here very long and will tell you of what has been accomplished by our Leagues since that time. We have a Senior and a Junior League here. The Senior has a membership of fifty-five and the Junior seventy-five. Our Seniors are a wide-awake set of young people and we are at work in the various departments. Our Missionary Department has with-in the past few months raised \$16 for the cause of missions and we are planning largely for next year. I wish we were not so far from Corpus Christi because if some of our people could only catch the "Encampment fever" I know what the results would be. Our Juniors are the finest set of boys and girls that you would want to meet and we have a little Leaguer who is only about three years old, but who never misses a service. This society has undertaken to educate a Korean boy and have paid for his schooling for one year. The average attendance at the Sunday afternoon meetings is never less than fifty and very often more. The League means so much to our young people. One feature that has impressed me with the work here is that we have more young men in our League than young ladies and they are young men to be depended upon.

With best wishes to all our Leaguers, I am,
MRS. W. Y. SWITZER.
(Nee Miss Sallie Hartigan, of Waco.)
Shamrock, Texas.

EPWORTH LEAGUE ANNIVERSARY.

The Epworth League anniversary of the Central Texas Conference will not be held on Tuesday evening preceding the opening of conference, as has been the custom. We have been unable to secure the talent desired for that hour. The anniversary will probably be held some afternoon during the conference.

All members of the Epworth League Board and all others interested will please take due notice.

E. P. WILLIAMS,
Chairman of Board.

REPORT OF WORK AMONG SOUTHERN STUDENTS FOR THE COLLEGE YEAR, 1909-10.

Some years ago the growth of the student work in America had been so rapid that many people thought it had reached a stage of advancement where growth would of necessity become slower. Such forecasts were wide of the mark, for the present year has in many ways been the most remarkable in the history of our movement. This is possibly true of the work in the South and Southwest.

1. Number of Special Workers. The first work of advance is the number of trained college men who are now giving their entire time to Christian work among students as general secretaries of the Young Men's Christian Associations. Eight years ago there was only one such man in the entire South, the secretary at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. There were also half a dozen institutions employing men for half or third time. Year by year the number of college associations employing general secretaries has increased until there are now twenty-two institutions in this section with trained college secretaries giving their entire time to this work. In addition three other colleges have part time secretaries and two State universities have both a full time general secretary and a part time assistant. For the first time, one of the larger preparatory schools has a full time general secretary—Staunton Military Academy. Added to this list of twenty-six local secretaries, there are six traveling secretaries, giving their entire time to supervising this work and one man giving part time, making a grand total of thirty-three employed secretaries in this section.

2. Special Training and Qualification of These Secretaries. Equally important with the growing number of these secretaries is the rising standard of training and personal qualifications. Four years ago the need for men who had received more careful and scholarly training along lines of Bible study, comparative religions, apologetics and practical problems was so apparent that the Southern secretaries came together for a two weeks' summer school of study and discussion.

This proved so helpful that it was unanimously voted we should meet each summer for a whole month, having a course of study carefully outlined months ahead, and having scholarly professors to lead in thorough work. Three sessions of this type demonstrated beyond doubt the wonderful value of such training, so the secretaries of other parts of America requested that the secretaries of the South meet with them in such a conference. This session was held at Lake Forest, Ill., Aug. 6-28 inclusive, with 124 student secretaries present. At this gathering the South was represented by twenty-eight men. According to the testimony of the national leaders, Mr. Mott, Mr. Carter and others, the Southern men made a large contribution to the student work of all America through their ideals of thorough and genuine study, through their intense loyalty to the association work and through their spirit of unity and fellowship. Another plan for training general secretaries has been in progress for two years. This contemplates sending secretaries away for one, two or three years for special graduate work, fitting them to do a much larger and more scholarly service when they return to their own field. Three such men have had furloughs, two of whom are returning to their fields this year. Three other men will be in Yale University this year for special training.

3. Training Conference Grounds. In connection with the training of workers, there has long been felt a great need in the South for a place where summer schools could be held, corresponding to those schools held at Liver Bay, New York, and Lake Geneva, Wis. Three years ago the International Student Secretary of the South undertook to organize a committee which would purchase and equip such a training ground. The progress has been slow, but prospects now seem to be materializing. A goal committee has been organized and has incorporated under the laws of North Carolina; a tract of nearly one thousand acres of land in the most beautiful section of the Blue Ridge Mountains has been purchased and \$65,000 has been secured in good subscriptions toward the \$92,500 necessary to completely equip the property. In all this work the student department has had to take the lead and bear a large share

of the responsibility. Mr. C. K. Ober of the field department has united with us and is now doing splendid service. We hope to have these grounds ready for occupancy during the summer of 1911.

4. Study of Social Conditions. One of the most difficult problems that face the entire South is the training of the colored race so it will not only furnish law-abiding and useful citizens, but also a permanent economic asset of the section. This is a problem which can not be solved in a day, but it will never be solved until the trained men of the section give sufficient study to it to be able to give proper direction to future development of work for and among negroes. Looking to a large intelligence among college men on this question a somewhat extended study of the problem has been undertaken by the student secretary of the South and a small introductory volume of six chapters written. These chapters set forth the reasons for the study of this question by college men; and what college men may do to help in getting a better understanding between the races. Facts are presented concerning negro education, negro religious life, the economic conditions of the negro, and the condition of health and housing of the negro now obtaining in the South. At the two Student Conferences this summer this course was presented and proved to be the most popular topic of study on the program of each conference. It is hoped that we may have at least 2000 college men in the South studying this book this year.

5. Bible and Mission Study. The number of men studying the Bible in Southern colleges during this year has been nearly nine thousand. In mission study we estimate there has been probably not more than three thousand. The quality of work, however, has been much higher than in former years. This is partly due to the interest and increased helpfulness of college professors.

6. Evangelistic Results. This has been a banner year in evangelistic effort. Never before has there been such a large number of campaigns and these have never been so universally fruitful. Probably a hundred different colleges have had such campaigns. My associate, Mr. Willis, and I have conducted some of the campaigns in larger universities, including the University of North Carolina, where we had eighty-six clean cut and definite decisions for Christian life; Vanderbilt University with twenty-one decisions; Georgia School of Technology with 103 decisions, University of Georgia with fifty-six decisions, Alabama Polytechnic with more than one hundred decisions, University of Texas with fifteen decisions, A. & M. of Texas with ninety-nine decisions, University of Tennessee with fifty or more decisions, and four or five other institutions in which campaigns the men who deliberately gave their lives to the discipleship of Christ were more than one thousand. Statistics have not been gathered covering the number of decisions in the smaller schools, but it must have been between one and two thousand additional.

7. We look back upon the year as the most successful of our history. The field is absolutely ripe for the harvest. We ought by all means to have another worker to help in carrying forward this great campaign. The colleges are begging for help now; we do not know that this will always be true if we do not meet this need more fully at the present. Respectfully submitted,

W. D. WEATHERFORD,
Sept. 2, 1910.

THE GREATER WESLEY MOVEMENT.

Last spring the authorities of Wesley College, of Terrell, inaugurated a campaign to raise funds for a greater Wesley. Rev. W. B. Wilson, the man whom Bishop Key calls the "Financial wizard of Texas," was put in charge of this campaign and the plan adopted to raise within a term of five years \$100,000—\$50,000 from Terrell and \$50,000 from the North Texas Conference.

Up to the present time about \$30,000 of the \$50,000 has been raised, but the balance is doubtful. The fact is, it is our opinion that Terrell will fail to raise the necessary balance of \$20,000. Now, it is the decided policy of the board to settle forever the location of Wesley College at the coming session of the North Texas Conference, and to allow other cities to bid for the prize at this time, in case Terrell fails to meet the conditions outlined.

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of the enlargement and permanent location of the college. The need of this is seen in the unsettled mind of some of our patrons, who say that my resignation means the breaking up of Wesley College. I appreciate whatever of compliment there may be couched in such a feeling, but nothing could be wider of the truth. Just the opposite is true. I have stayed with Wesley College for five and a half years for the very purpose of turning it over to the conference a firmly-established institution, and I now resign because I know that the life of the college is strong enough to guarantee success. This is not my school, but the Junior College of the North Texas Conference, and men of recognized ability stand ready to accept an appointment as my successor, and my resignation does not take effect until conference.

But, some one will say, how do you know that other towns suitably located will bid for Wesley College? Simply because wide-awake cities like Greenville, Sherman and McKinney are already preparing to make propositions that will be acceptable to our trustees. I have stood firmly for locating at Terrell, but I now declare myself in favor of locating in other towns if Terrell does not present to our coming conference at Wichita Falls a bona fide subscription of \$50,000. We have committed ourselves to this proposition, and I am sure the right and best thing is to stand by it.

But, my brother pastors, do not get the idea that the life of Wesley College is in any way jeopardized. On the contrary, Wesley College is on the threshold of a far greater future than its founders ever dreamed. The enrollment to date is about 250—a third more than last year—and promises to reach 300 before the close of the session. Our dormitories are overflowing, and our capacity in every way is taxed to accommodate the increase. No, indeed, Wesley College is a live, prosperous, young school, and I am glad, before retiring from the Presidency, to know that I may have a hand in seeing it properly and permanently located.

As for the present session, it will go on without a break, and I sincerely trust that there will be no uneasiness about the welfare of the young life committed to our care.

J. J. MORGAN.

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THE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

All communications in the interest of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society and the Woman's Home Mission Society should be sent to the address of the Texas Christian Advocate, Dallas, Texas.

TO MY FRIENDS AND CO-WORKERS.

It is my sweet privilege to be once more in my Texas home after a sojourn of three months in the mountains of North Carolina, in "the heart of the Alleghanies," where I regained much in health and strength. The bracing mountain air and the dear companionship which came to me there in association with loved ones, who have their homes in Asheville and Waynesville, proved indeed a special blessing in giving me renewed health after the serious illness, which, as some of you know, came to me the latter part of last winter. I feel devoutly thankful to a kind heavenly Father for the blessings which have thus been mine during the summer months just passed, and I am filled with gratitude today for the loving sympathy which came to me from dear friends and co-workers in Texas during the time of my feeble condition physically. I now wish to express also my loving appreciation of the association which has been ours in connection with the Woman's Department of the Texas Christian Advocate, of which department I have been the editor ever since it was opened to the women of Methodism in Texas over twenty-five years ago. How dear the association has been to me, my pen can not express, as I gave in my imperfect way all these years of my time and effort, "without money and without price," a labor of love, which brought its own remuneration in itself.

The Woman's Department has been a blessing to us all in the various interests of the work the women of our Church in Texas have had in charge, and it will continue so to be under the providence of God. But after prayerful consideration on my part, I now deem it best to resign my connection as editor, in view of what seems to me to be for the best interests in future for our Woman's Department. The editorial work has been carried on during my absence this summer in the office of the Advocate, as you know, and it has been conducted in a way satisfactory to us all, and we hereby extend to our dear friends of the Advocate office our sincere thanks for the kind and faithful attention which they have thus given our Woman's Department. I ask your sympathy, your faithful support and your love, dear co-workers, for the sister who shall be appointed in due time as my successor as editor of the Woman's Department, for without this support on your part, she can not do the work as effectively as she otherwise would do it—for this support she must have, if she does her best work for you.

I ask in parting that you may continue to remember me "in love always," and to give me yet your prayers and sympathy, asking for me that God may continue to bless me with returning health and strength, and that he may continue to direct me in the use of the strength which comes to me that I may honor him in any service which I may yet try to render, doing any and everything I can to his honor and glory here upon earth, as he giveth me strength to do.

Yours with affectionate regard and loving interest.

MRS. FLORENCE E. HOWELL,
Dallas, Texas.

NOTES FROM THE CITY MISSION BOARD MEETING.

The city mission board representing the seven Methodist Churches of Dallas met in regular session at the Publishing House on Wednesday, November 2. Some fifty members, two deaconesses and several visitors gave earnest attention to the Scripture lesson read by the honored President, Mrs. Henry Dorsey.

The especial work of this board has been, and still is, the Wesley Settlement House in the cotton mills district, and the Wesley Chapel in the Brown Cracker factor district. All through the hot months these ladies have faithfully met and tried to discharge some of the many duties that are ever waiting for willing hearts.

At this meeting all were interested in the ways and means for a regular pastor to assist the new deaconess, Miss Drago, in the Wesley Chapel work. We pray that the coming conference may help provide the means while the board leads the way.

Miss Drago comes to Dallas from Biloxi, Miss., and is such an earnest,

happy, cultured, gentle lady that our hearts and hands are hers already and we feel sure that many souls will be led to higher lives because she has moved and lived and worked among them.

Miss Hemenway, head resident of Wesley House, gave interesting statistics about the mothers' clubs, boys' clubs, girls' sewing clubs, etc. She spoke of the need of compulsory education in that district where parents fail to realize the necessity of making their children go to school. She mentioned the "joints" that were infesting that part of town. She especially asked for more boxes of out-grown clothing. The people need the clothes and she needs the small amount charged for them. The sale of old clothes last month amounted to twelve dollars, all of which is needed for lights, fuel and other incidentals.

We were all glad to note that some good man and wife out of the city sent Miss Hemenway a check for twelve dollars to be applied on the girls' outing and later another twelve dollars to be used where needed.

From both deaconesses came an appeal for more visits, more help, more sympathy and more personal interest from the good women of the Church. Readers, let's give it!

As is often the case the noonday whistles were a call to adjourn, so with a devout prayer by our beloved Mrs. Sexton the meeting came to a close.

MRS. J. R. HILL,
Press Reporter.

FROM PEARSALL.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of Pearsall observed the Week of Prayer the first week of October. The leaders were as follows: Monday, Mrs. E. A. Lilly; Tuesday, Mrs. George W. Curtis; Wednesday, Mrs. G. H. Martin; Thursday, Mrs. Walter Trickey. Friday the program was well rendered by the Young Ladies' Society, assisted by Mrs. Theophilus Lee, with Miss Margaret Bryson as leader. During the entire week each subject was forcibly presented by charts, posters and pictures. All who attended were made to feel that a greater surrender of ourselves to the work of our Lord is the great need of the present. Our presiding elder, Rev. A. J. Weeks, preached at 11 o'clock on Sunday a most helpful sermon to home mission workers. There was an average attendance during the week of nineteen; the offering for adults, \$18; young people, \$1.80; Brigade, 90c. The W. H. M. Society of Pearsall has entered heartily into the membership campaign, are wearing the home mission colors, white and green, and have gained the past week one member and five subscribers to Our Homes.

MRS. E. A. LILLY,
Press Reporter.

FROM WILLS POINT.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of Wills Point observed the Week of Prayer service, beginning October 24. The program plan was carried out for Monday and Tuesday meetings. On Thursday we held an all-day service at the church and invited the Canton and Edgewood Auxiliaries to meet with us, also our own Church women and the societies of other denominations in town. We combined the programs of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and three papers were given by ladies of the Baptist, Presbyterian and Christian Churches. We used the Home Mission Fund tree, blackboard and posters, also the fifty pictures to illustrate the work, with an explanation of each. At the noon hour a four-course luncheon was served in the primary room to refresh the inner woman, while listening to music on the piano. Nearly fifty were present during the day, and the topics were ably discussed and proved an inspiration to renewed effort to advance the Master's kingdom and to bring us nearer together socially. The meeting was closed by a love feast. On Sunday our pastor, Brother W. F. Davis, delivered a most excellent sermon on "Home Missions," thereby following his usual custom of helping the women in their work with his wise counsel and encouraging words. Our collection was \$32.50, the largest received on any similar occasion. Truly, knowledge is the keynote, and as our women are informed of the need and the urgency of the work they get a vision of a more perfect service for the Master.

I think our auxiliary is doing bet-

ter work than ever before, for which we thank God and take courage.

MRS. E. S. COLLIER,
Press Reporter.

ECHOES OF THE WOMAN'S NATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY JUBILEE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

"Fifty years ago the woman's missionary organization was formed in New York independent of the men's organization. God had need of a woman's hand to unlatch the closed door of women of heathen lands, and fifty years ago a company of earnest, praying women heard the call, 'The Master has come and calleth for thee,' and, like Mary of Bethany, they arose quickly and followed him.

"There have been many hindrances, discouragements and mistakes, but God has overruled them and crowned their efforts with great blessings, and

"Who thus looking backward o'er the years

Feels not the eyelids wet with grateful tears;

To have been permitted, weak and sinful though he was,

To aid in some ennobling cause?"

"And so American women would pause on the threshold of a new decade and get a new vision of the greatness of their task, hoping that from this time on all women may pray and work more earnestly, intelligently and effectually for the coming of the kingdom."

So reads the announcement of the Woman's National Foreign Missionary Jubilee, held in Kansas City, Mo., at the Central M. E. Church, South, November 1 and 2, 1910. This, as stated, is the object of the jubilee to be held in thirty of our largest cities during the coming months.

Kansas City women of the various Churches had been planning for weeks for this great meeting, planning and praying that God would through this jubilee wake up the indifferent and inspire those already working to better work.

The opening jubilee meeting was held Tuesday afternoon, at which some inspiring talks were made.

Tuesday evening, long before the hour for beginning, crowds began to fill the church. The church was beautifully and appropriately decorated for the occasion. In the front was a large banner with the words: "Union in Christ, named for Christ, inspired by Christ, taught by Christ, yoked with Christ;" also the motto, "As the Father hath sent me, so send I you." On the left was the motto, "Holding forth the Word of Life," while to the right was a row of flags of foreign nations. Our own Stars and Stripes were to be seen draped around the galleries. As the great crowd rose and sang as an opening hymn "Jesus Shall Reign," our hearts burned within us as we thought of the time when he shall reign, indeed, in every land; "when the earth shall be full of his knowledge and glory as waters that cover the sea."

Bishop Hendrix read Paul's Macedonian call and commented upon it, noting how, though the vision was a "man of Macedonia," the first convert in Europe was a woman.

Bishop Cameron Mann then spoke in a forceful way of the need of foreign missions. Said he: "Once we had only the idea uppermost in our minds that we must save the souls of these people; now we are waking up to the fact of the responsibility of men in and for this world, for this life itself. We have come to see that we cannot have one-half of this world rotten and the other half sound. Another result of the missionary movement is that it is making for the unity of all Christendom. All Christians find they are, indeed, brethren. All the Churches were once foreign missions, and it was a foreign mission when Jesus Christ came down from heaven to save your soul and mine."

Mrs. Helen Montgomery, well known as the author of two United Mission Study books, gave an address on the "Citadel of Heathendom." "That citadel," says Mrs. Montgomery, "is the home, and if the home and the home maker of heathen lands can be

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reached, then the citadel is taken." Said she: "Take a Christian home where husband and wife sit side by side at the table, are on an equality in every way, where girl babies are as welcome as boys—what an influence among those people! We can't save this world in sections. We will have to sink or swim together. We have the teachers, the physicians, the evangelists which they need, and all we need is the consecration. God has poured out upon us everything, but we do not want channels; we want dams to dam this up, and if we do and refuse to give it to others God will take our candle from us. But his water shall get down to the valley some way."

On Wednesday morning Mrs. Marvin, of Constantinople, Turkey, addressed an immense audience on Mohammedanism and the needs of Turkey, giving many interesting facts and stories of her work there.

Miss Daisy Davies brought to the jubilee an echo of the World's Missionary Conference at Edinburgh. She gave as the three keynotes of the conference: Unoccupied fields; urgency; union. Said she: "The world is upside down, and we must turn it God-side up. Nothing but a world for Christ ought to satisfy us, who claim to work for Christ."

One little rhyme she quoted was striking in its truth:

"In the world's broad field of battle,
In the bivouac of life,
Many a Christian layman,
Is represented by his wife."

At the denominational rallies at the various churches of the city talks were made by the different Board Secretaries, giving needs, demands, etc., and jubilee pledges were taken. The M. E. Church, South, held its rally in Central Church. Addresses were made by Bishop Hendrix, Miss Davies and Mrs. W. F. Barnum. Each of the different auxiliaries of the city sat under its own banner, and each made pledges. When reports were in from the various denominational rallies it was found that Kansas City's women had made a jubilee offering of more than \$50,000.

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bilee was the young people's rally on Wednesday night. The various young people's societies of the city, Y. W. C. A., Philatheas, etc., were all represented. The processional was led by fifty young ladies dressed in foreign costumes, representing the women of China, Korea, Japan, the Philippines, India and Moslem lands. These were followed by the Philatheas of the city and next by the students of Scarritt Bible and Training School. Next came the various societies, making in all almost a thousand young people marching under their banners, all united in the great work—"For Christ and the Church." As the young people marched in they sang that soul-stirring hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers." The young women representing the foreign mission fields stood about the altar while Miss Davies made a one-minute appeal for each country represented.

Dr. I. T. Headland made the address of the evening on his work in China. He closed by telling of his adopted son, a Chinese boy, and, said he: "When I go to bed to rest here, my boy over in China gets up and goes to work for our Lord, and so we are working for him all the time."

After this address Miss Gibson, of Scarritt Bible and Training School, called for the student volunteers of the audience to come forward, and forty-seven young women responded, and standing around the altar told each in one sentence why she was offering herself for the foreign field. Among the volunteers was a young Korean widow, Mrs. Kim, who created a profound impression by her earnestly-expressed wish to go back to help in the evangelization of her own land.

Mrs. Montgomery made the closing talk of the jubilee, speaking of the success of the jubilee and thanking God for the results.

One of the most noticeable things about the jubilee was the absolute unity of the denominations, every one working side by side and united in this great work—the last command of our Lord. Thank God that it is so, and that the closer we get to him the closer we get to each other.

The jubilee, indeed, brought about afresh to our minds the vastness of our undertaking, the need of absolute unity in everything, the need of a Church at home thoroughly aroused

to missions; and then it brought again to our hearts the blessed assurance—"Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world"—and with that promise come courage and inspiration to enter the new decade, facing bravely anything that may come, in His strength.

MITTIE SHELTON,
Scarritt Bible and Training School,
BROOKSHIRE, TEXAS.

Miss Cora Posey, Secretary of the State Foreign Missionary Auxiliary, organized a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society here with eleven members. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. H. M. Smith; Vice-President, Mrs. Betty Norris; Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. C. Doronnan; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. A. Cooper; Treasurer, Mrs. Prescott. Other members are: Mrs. L. P. Cooper, Mrs. J. K. Ford, Mrs. William Dozier, Mrs. N. B. Brookshire, Mrs. L. W. Bains, Mrs. W. A. Semeler.

The first meeting was held October 21, when Mrs. Sallie Harris, District Secretary of Foreign Missions, installed the officers.

An encouraging talk was made and much interest in the work was manifested.
MRS. E. A. COOPER,
Corresponding Secretary.

I want to thank the home mission ladies of the Fort Worth District for my certificate of life membership. I appreciate it and love you still.
MRS. M. H. COX,
Polytechnic, Nov. 13.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTH TEXAS W. H. M. SOCIETY.

The twenty-fourth annual session of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the North Texas Conference has passed into history and a most pleasant and inspiring session it was. It was held October 3-7, 1910, inclusive, in the M. E. Church, South, at Commerce. It was the first time the conference had met in this thriving little city, and right admirably did Commerce Methodism play the part of hostess.

The growth of Methodism in this town in recent years has been almost phenomenal. The membership now numbers about seven hundred and ranks among the first of the North Texas Conference, and the handsome

new church and parsonage would do credit to a much larger town. The church is modern in its architecture and arrangement, having a large auditorium, Sunday-school room, parlors, rest room, heating apparatus, handsome windows and furniture. In fact, it is a church of which any people might be proud.

Every preparation had been made for the entertainment of the conference, and from the beginning the visitors were made to feel that they were welcome. They were met at the train and taken to the homes in automobiles and the Church and town opened their hearts and homes to their guests. The attendance was large, there being about 150 officers and delegates present and a large number of visitors each day from neighboring towns, and it was a matter of note with what ease the ladies dispensed their hospitality to the large crowds, serving dainty and appetizing lunches in the parlors each day at the noon hour.

It was with genuine pleasure that we greeted the pastor, Rev. J. L. Pierce, whom many of us remembered as having ministered unto us at a previous session. In many ways he aided in the entertainment of the conference.

Rev. R. G. Mood, the presiding elder of the district, was also present during the greater part of the session, and was ever ready to lend a helping hand. Other presiding elders and pastors who were present were: Rev. D. H. Aston, a former pastor of Commerce, during whose ministry the church and parsonage were built; Rev. M. L. Hamilton, Rev. J. M. Sweeton, Rev. W. D. Mountcastle, Rev. F. M. Bond, Rev. A. F. Hendricks, Rev. E. A. Maness, Rev. J. W. Clifton, Rev. E. H. Casey, Rev. Dale and Rev. Horton.

Our beloved President, Mrs. L. P. Smith, was in her place and our hearts were full of gratitude that this time she was able to remain at her post during the entire session. While frail in body, yet her spirits were buoyant and her sweet face and voice were an inspiration to the meeting. In her enthusiasm and persistent work for the cause she loved so much, she would put to shame many of the stronger bodies. Much of the success of the meeting was due to the untiring efforts of the much honored Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. P. C. Archer. She was in her place as usual, and with a good and encouraging report of the year's work. All of the officers were present with one exception—our First Vice-President, Mrs. F. B. Carroll, being absent on account of the illness of her husband. We were cheered to have Mrs. W. H. Johnson with us, whose presence we always feel to be a benediction.

Encouraging reports were had from all departments of work and from the Dormitory and Mission Home. Special features of the program were talks by Miss Head and the daily Bible readings by Miss Tucker.

The former gave a most interesting and helpful talk on the Young People's Work, and also a quiz on the union of the two woman's societies that was instructive and much needed. Miss Tucker's Bible readings were feasts of good things. Especially interesting and helpful was the one on "Power," and the one on "Tithing." The music was unusually good and added much to the pleasure of all. Among those who so kindly aided in this way we would especially mention the Wesley quartette, from Wesley College, Terrell, who delighted us with several numbers. We would also mention Mrs. Hocker, who gave both voice and reading selections; Miss Casson, Miss Hall, Miss Fleming, Miss Archer, Miss DeJarnette and Mesdames Hudspeth, Walsh, England, Brigrance and Madame Mayo and her class.

MRS. R. G. MOOD.

A LETTER TO THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Praia de Botafogo 118 M., Collegio Americano, Flu, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Oct. 5, 1910.

My Dear, Dear Friends.—Truly I do not know how to write to you after having received such lovely presents from you.

I had heard that I was to receive "a few little things," and of course I was exceedingly happy to know that I had been thus remembered—happy, and yet I felt so unworthy to receive love-gifts again this year.

"A few little things"—oh, when Miss Dye's trunk came, to my utter astonishment, I received many, many lovely gifts from you. They are perfectly beautiful, and everyone is something very, very useful. I wish I could mention every gift separately—I'd love to tell you how I looked at every-

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thing, how I admired them and how I tried them on and then looked at them again. However, all the time I was thinking of the dear hearts who had thought of me. They are all beautiful, but still more beautiful is the love that prompted the giving. It seems so strange that you thought of so many different things just as though you had been together and had planned all about it.

Oh, to thank you, is impossible! All I can do is to try even more this year to work efficiently for my Lord. I know that this is the best that I can thank you and Him. I yearn to do more and more for Him who has done so much for us all.

It does not seem possible that I have been in Brazil one year and twenty-seven days! It seems but yesterday since I was with you in Dallas, and then later in several other places. I can never, no never, forget your encouraging words, your prayers and your many thoughtful expressions of love and good wishes. You have meant and mean so much to me in my work—just to know some one is thinking, just to know some one is praying. Weariness does not mean much when one is conscious of such tenderness on the part of friends in the "homeland." You can understand how much it all means to us who are far from you; but happy the things of this world which we can not understand will be revealed to us in eternity.

I could write on and on, telling you of our plans and our hopes, but knowing that space in your paper is a thing to be considered, I refrain.

Praying God's richest blessings upon you one and all and once more thanking you with all my heart, I am ever, yours most lovingly,

HELLEN HICKMAN.

MEETING OF THE W. H. M. AND W. F. M. SOCIETIES.

The Waco District Conference of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies convened at Lorena, Texas, October 26 and 27, 1910. The two District Secretaries, fifty delegates and visitors and many of the Lorena people were present to enjoy this first union district meeting.

Very encouraging reports were heard, showing an increase on nearly all lines.

Many interesting papers were read about the different works of the two societies, and every one was helpful as well as interesting.

We were especially blessed in having Mrs. E. H. Wynne, of Temple, the Conference President; Mrs. C. L. Cartwright, of Stephenville, Third Vice-President; Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth, of Fort Worth, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. N. S. Hill of Waco, Conference Treasurer, and Mrs. J. W. Downs, of Mineral Wells, President of the foreign work.

The work of the Third Vice-President was made very interesting by the Conference Third Vice-President, and she told how the children of today are to be made missionary workers of tomorrow.

The pastor of Lorena, Brother Henry, was present to encourage the women in their efforts in the missionary work. Brother Hotchkiss was also present with a good word for our cause, and preached a very interesting missionary sermon on the last night. Mart was selected for the next district meeting.

From the very beginning a spirit of interest, enthusiasm and devotion was manifested, and the good people of Lorena, with their kind welcome, cordial greeting and generous hospitality, won the hearts of all delegates and visitors.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

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Weatherbey-Oquinn.—In the North Brown community, Mills County, Texas, November 1, 1910, Mr. W. J. Weatherbey and Miss Clara Oquinn, Rev. G. W. Templin officiating.

Norman-Martin.—At Live Oak Cottage, in Glen Rose, Texas, November 12, 1910, Mr. Clyde Norman and Miss Mattie Martin, Rev. F. M. Winburne officiating.

Brown-Peterman.—In the First Methodist Church, in Georgetown, Texas, on November 3, 1910, Mr. Meroney Dye Brown and Miss Margaret Beulah Peterson, Rev. W. A. Gililand officiating.

Huff-Vesey.—On October 4, 1910, at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, T. M. Poteet, Rev. E. M. Huff, of the New Mexico Conference, and Miss Mae Vesey, Rev. R. E. Porter officiating.

There are comforters that have been born into service, and disciplined, not so much through personal experience of trial, as through a perfect communion with the great Peace-giver, in whom the springs of comfort rise. Love and sacrifice hold the meaning of all that is great and true, and beautiful for one's own soul, and must hold the secret of all powers of helplessness to the world.—Anon.



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LUKER.—Irma Lurline, daughter of Thomas and Julia Luker, was born July 11, 1910, and died September 23, 1910. Having brightened the home but a few months, this sweet little life passed peacefully out and was borne to the eternal home and into the presence of Him who said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

A. E. TURNEY, Comanche, Texas.

WOODS.—Mrs. Hester Lou Woods (nee Owens) was born January 3, 1838, in Robinson County, Texas. When ten years old she was happily converted at Boons Prairie Church and joined the Methodist Church. She died March 17, 1910, in Hamilton County, Texas. Her suffering was intense. Her parents and loved ones did all in their power for her recovery, but all in vain. God ordered it otherwise. She bore her suffering with marked fortitude, and talked of her departure with perfect confidence. She loved Zion's holy songs and services. She rejoiced in her Saviour's love. She was a dutiful and obedient daughter, gentle and devoted to duty. She leaves heart-broken parents and loved ones and a tender babe to join her where earthly toils are ended. To answer her call up yonder.

J. F. TYSON.

DAVISS.—Captain H. Paxton Daviss was born in Morgan County, Ala., on March 16, 1832, coming to Texas in 1850 and residing in Freestone County, from 1851, with the exception of a few years in Houston, until the time of his death, on September 18, 1910. He was married on March 26, 1860, to Miss Melissa Busby and lived with her to her death, on March 5, 1894, since which time he lived single with his children. There were born of this union seven children, five of whom survive—Dr. E. P. Daviss and Nat F. Daviss, of Houston; Mrs. Emma L. Riley, of Fairfield; Judge H. E. Daviss, of Corsicana, and Mrs. Mollie E. Daviss, wife of Rev. J. B. Daviss, of Comanche, Texas Conference. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, before his majority, and from the day of his conversion to his demise he maintained a steadfast hope and firm faith according to his relation to the Saviour. He believed the doctrines of his Church and took the Scripture as a guide to his faith and practice, and while he served his country in the Civil War, enlisting in Captain T. L. C. Means' Company at Fairfield in 1861 and serving through the entire war, he never forgot to serve the Captain of his salvation, and always found in him a source of comfort and consolation. He served Freestone County in the capacities of Sheriff and Tax Collector, respectively, and always kept the confidence and good will of his constituents, and to the citizenry he leaves the heritage of a clean political life, and, in addition, to his children the badge of the Southern Cross of Honor, which he so deservedly wore. His religion was an ever-present fact in all his life, and an abiding well-spring of truth, from which he daily drafted comfort and pleasure, having only a few hours before the stroke of paralysis, which finally carried him off, came upon him told his son, Judge Daviss, that his hope in Christ was his only comfort, and that he was thankful to God for the unspeakable gift in his Son in blessing his own life. O children, thank God for such a life and look up! His pastor, ALLEN TOOKE.

SANDERS.—Mrs. Athelia Sanders, wife of Sunday-school Superintendent A. J. Sanders, of Palmer, Texas, was born in Coffee County, Tenn., in 1815, and brought to Texas by her parents when an infant. She was married to Mr. Sanders December 12, 1833, by Rev. I. P. Jeffers. Sister Sanders professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist Church when but a youth. In the bliss of true companionship and heavenly sunshine of Christian love Mr. and Mrs. Sanders spent many happy years. But, as is common to all, years flew away and the time of earthly farewells came, when, after weeks of illness the messenger came, October 13, 1910, and Mrs. Sanders fell asleep. But oh, such sleep! The redeemed alone of God can tell. Being her pastor at this time, I was at her bedside occasionally and at the final moments. What a glorious departure! Even some days before she went the golden gate swung ajar, and, in keeping with the Apostle Paul, in 1: Corinthians, 13, I believe, she gratefully saw "face to face" and was made to rejoice and, speaking the words of truth, soberness and exhortation for quite a while, she told us of Jesus and his love, and warned us to be faithful unto the end. Next day the angel caught her spirit away and had gone beyond the sea, we paid to her our last timely tributes and placed the cold form in the bosom of mother earth. The following Sunday Mr. Sanders, the husband, expressed his appreciation of the kindness shown during his wife's illness, also for the floral presentation and that, especially, of flowers presented by the Sunday-school. Weep not, husband, relatives and friends, for death is only a dream to all who are thus prepared. But some sweet day we may all gather at the river, where bright angels' feet have trod. There you'll find her anxiously watching; there you'll find Him who went a home to prepare; there you'll find a crown just ready, and there's that heavenly mansion fair. Let us watch, therefore, and be ready today. A. FRANK PATTERSON.

TATE.—After four weeks of intense suffering, Mrs. Carrie Tate (nee Owen) died at her home in Talpa, Texas, November 8, 1910, aged forty-three years. She was born in Louisiana, but had lived in Texas since she was fourteen years of age. She was married to J. L. Tate in 1887. Her husband, mother and two brothers survive her. To these she was devoted as wife, daughter and sister. She had no children, but had in her home a little orphan girl, to whom she was devoted almost as to an own child. Having been a member of the Methodist Church and a consistent Christian since childhood, she was ready when the summons

came. She loved God and was loyal to the Church. The Woman's Home Mission Society of her Church, a noble band of workers, has lost one of its most faithful members. As a neighbor, those who know her best loved her most. Her body rests in Talpa Cemetery, where it was buried in the presence of a large company of friends. Her spirit is in heaven.

W. C. HARRIS, Pastor.

Let God Help You.

What an immense lot of overloaded people there are in this world! We can see it in their careworn faces, and each one thinks his burden is the heaviest. There is a certain kind of care that is wise; a man who has no forethought for the future is a sluggard or a fool. The apostle had no reference to a wise thoughtfulness for the future when he said: "Cast all your care upon Him, for He careth for you." That much-perverted verse is accurately translated in the Revised Version, "Casting all your anxiety on Him, because He careth for you." Now, just what our almighty and all-loving Father offers is—to help us carry our loads. He who watched over the infant deliverer of Israel in his cradle of rushes, who sent His ravens to feed Elijah by the brookside, who protected Daniel in the den and kept Paul clam and cheerful in the hurricane is the very one who says to us, Roll your anxieties over on me, for I have you on my heart! To do this requires faith. When God says, Give over to me what will break you down and I will help you through, He puts our faith to a pretty severe test. As the sinner must accept Jesus Christ as the burden-bearer for his sins before he can be saved, we must accept God's offer to lighten our loads by putting him, self, as it were, into our hearts and under the burdens. He then becomes our strength. His grace becomes sufficient for the hard duty to be done, the tough conflict to be fought, the sacrifice to be encountered, or the trial to be endured. This is a supernatural process. It actually means that the divine spirit comes into us and imparts divine strength just as much as the nutritious element in our daily bread imparts strength to our bodies. The "Everlasting Arm" is no less a support because it is an unseen arm; but we can feel it. My brother, have you ever felt the life of that almighty arm, when you came up victorious out of a great temptation, or calm out of the great sorrow, or strong out of a heavy, "weight of afflictions?" God helped you.

Those who know how to use God's help are the calm Christians who possess their souls in quietness. Work never hurts us. A stiff fight does not exhaust us. I am worried that frets and fevers us. It acts like an ague on the body and leaves us weak and wretched. Athletic old Paul, who fought beasts at Ephesus, and bloody Nero at Rome, who was a "Board of Foreign Missions" in himself, and had the care of all Churches on him, never chafed his great soul into a worry for a single moment. —Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler.

- Beeville District—First Round. Nov. 18, Sinton, 2:30 p. m. Nov. 18, Taft, at Gregory, 7:30 p. m. Nov. 19, Aransas Pass. Nov. 20, Aransas Pass, 11 a. m. Nov. 22, Harlingen. Nov. 23, Mission. Nov. 24, Brownsville. Dec. 4, Kingsville. Nov. 26, CalAllen, 2:30 p. m. Nov. 26, Robstown, 7:30 p. m. Nov. 27, CalAllen, 11 a. m. Nov. 27, Robstown, 7:30 p. m. Nov. 28, Alice. Dec. 3, Skidmore, at Mathis. Dec. 4, Kingsville, 11 a. m. Dec. 5, Falfurrias. Dec. 6, Corpus Christi. Dec. 7, Rockport. Dec. 10, Goliad. Dec. 11, Goliad, 11 a. m. Dec. 12, Beeville. Dec. 13, Oakville, at Lebanon, 3 p. m. Dec. 14, Karnes City. Dec. 15, Charco, at Couch.

New Rays of Light

One of the most wonderful electrical appliances is the X-ray which may be used both in the treatment of various diseases and in the diagnosis of many obscure conditions. With its aid the interior of the human body is no longer the sealed book it has been heretofore. Abnormal states of the bones, gall stones, stone in the bladder or in the kidneys, are shown plainly by what are known as X-ray photographs. Internal tumors, and the enlargement of the deep-seated organs, are also discovered by this means and in the diagnosis of tuberculosis of the lungs this agent has proven a most valuable aid. When applied to some of the less fatal chronic ailments of germ origin it has proven very effective as a curative agent.

Another interesting proceeding is the violet-ray treatment produced by concentrating the violet or chemical rays from an arc light with a specially prepared carbon upon any portion of the body that may be the seat of pain. Sufferers from neuralgia, sciatica, rheumatism, strains, sprains, also from those obscure exhausting pains (the origin of which cannot at times be accurately determined) frequently find immediate relief from a single treatment and usually with a little persistence in the use of this aid, comfortable health or perfect recovery is obtained.

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Those who have been patients at Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, in Buffalo, N. Y., highly commend this wonderfully equipped Sanitarium, where the above mentioned electric machines, high-frequency current, and other most modern and up-to-date apparatus are used for the cure of chronic diseases. The treatment of the chronic diseases that are peculiar to women have for many years been a large factor in the cures effected at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute.

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Specialists connected with this Institute at Buffalo, are enabled to accurately determine the nature of many chronic diseases without seeing and personally examining their patients. This method of treating patients at a distance, by mail, has been so successful that there is scarcely a city or a village in the United States that is not represented by one or more cases upon the records of practice at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute. Such rare cases as cannot be treated in this way, which require surgical operations or careful after-treatment, or electrical therapeutics, receive the services of the most skillful specialists at the Institution.

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Write the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Dr. R. V. Pierce, President, at Buffalo, N. Y.

- Dec. 16, Runge. Dec. 17, Floresville. Dec. 18, Floresville, 11 a. m. Dec. 18, Kenedy, 7:30 p. m. Dec. 19, Kenedy. A. L. SCARBOROUGH, P. E.

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TERRY.—It becomes our sad duty to record the death of James Terry, which occurred at his home in DeLeon, Texas, November 1, 1910, after a sickness of several months with that almost assuredly fatal disease, psoriasis. He had been a citizen of Comanche County a number of years and of DeLeon and near by since 1874, and will be greatly missed, because he was a useful man, taking an active interest in everything calculated to do good for the general public. He was born in Autauga County, Ala., September 8, 1841, and came to Texas in 1859. He enlisted in the Confederate Army in August, 1861, in Company E, Tenth Texas Dismounted Cavalry, of Ector's Brigade, and was captured at Chickamauga and remained in prison at Camp Douglass until the war closed. He was married to Miss Florence Mitchell September 22, 1868, and was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1876. The beautiful consistency of his life was apparent to all who knew him, for when he had thought over an issue and taken a position, religiously or otherwise, with him it was a settled question; so that the mention of the fact that he was a Methodist means that he was loyal to all the interests of the Church as it related to the services, expenses, institutions—in fact, all that was good concerning it; and with his means and influence he contributed, as he believed, to the extent of his ability. Truly, he was a typical old-time Methodist as to the doctrines, polity and all that it meant to make one right in life and motive. His testimony in the public services always showed the warmest devotion to God, and was given with a degree of sincerity which impressed those who heard with the reality and comforts in a Christian life. No one, perhaps, had a stronger attachment for home and deeper love for wife and children, and yet when he saw that all the skill at command and tender ministrations of loved ones and friends could not relieve or check the ravages of the disease to which he finally succumbed, his calm resignation was to me indescribable. On his return from Marlin Wells, where he went hoping to find some relief, he said, "Brother Evans, I can't talk but little, I am so weak; but as to my spiritual condition, I feel absolutely safe." About three weeks longer he lingered while the grip of death pressed more and more, but never a word of complaint nor a sign of impatience was heard or seen till his fettered spirit was freed and took its flight into the realms beyond. Truly, the closing of the life of an upright man may be "marked as one of peace," and a more peaceful one than this is seldom, if ever, witnessed. May his aged companion and his ten living children find comfort in the hope of meeting him in heaven. The funeral services were conducted by the writer in the Methodist Church in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends, after which the Masonic fraternity, of which he was an honored member, took charge of his remains, and with the honors of that order he was consigned to the tomb, awaiting the call of the resurrection morning. C. A. EVANS.

COX.—Sister Nancy Ann Cox, one of God's saints, to whom many years of usefulness and blessing had been given, was called home at 3:15 a. m., November 2, 1910, being in the eighty-eighth year of her life. She was born in the State of Tennessee January 22, 1822. In 1854 she was happily married to J. W. Cox, to which union there came six children, four of whom survive her. She lost her husband in 1863. Seven years later she moved, with her family, to Texas. About fifty-six years ago she was converted and joined the Methodist Church, and loved and served God acceptably as a faithful member to the time of her death. She spent the last years of her life with her daughter, Mrs. T. G. Hunt, of Temple, Texas. Another daughter, Miss Nannie Cox, cared for her and ministered to her through all the years of her old age, and deserves special mention because of the devotion manifested to her mother to the very end. Mrs. Cox was faithful and true. She died happy. More than once upon her last bed of sickness she mentioned the fact that she was ready to go. As her dear old saints always do she came to the crossing with her faith fixed and her heart as well. God grant that those who remain behind may follow after, until that day when we shall stand reunited about the throne of our Heavenly Father. R. P. SHULER, Temple, Texas.

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APPRECIATIVE RESOLUTIONS.

At the Fourth Quarterly Conference of the Polk Street M. E. Church, South, Amarillo Station, Northwest Texas Conference, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, our presiding elder, Rev. J. G. Miller, is just finishing his fourth year among us in that capacity; therefore, be it

Resolved, That during his work among us Brother Miller has been faithful, patient and punctual in the discharge of all his duties; he has done his work wisely and well, and has endeared himself to all the people.

Resolved further, That our best wishes and earnest prayers will attend him in his future work, and may his labors be pleasant wherever he may be.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be given to Brother Miller, and that another copy be forwarded to the Texas Christian Advocate with a request for publication.

THOS. F. TURNER,
D. W. OWEN,
W. M. JETER,
Committee.

At a meeting of the Fourth Quarterly Conference of the Polk Street M. E. Church, South, at Amarillo Station, Northwest Texas Conference, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, we have just learned that arrangement has been made for transferring our beloved pastor, Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, from this to another Conference, and being desirous of expressing our appreciation of his faithful services among us; therefore, be it

Resolved, That during the past two years, while Brother Sensabaugh has labored among us, he has demonstrated the fact that he is wise in counsel, faithful in the discharge of every duty, a sound and orthodox preacher of the gospel, a valued friend, a splendid citizen, and at all times a Christian gentleman.

Resolved further, That by his eminent ability as a man and minister, he has strengthened and built up both the Church and Sunday-school in their various departments, during his pastorate the Church membership has increased several hundred in number, the contributions of members for the various causes of the Church have also materially increased, a splendid new brick parsonage has been erected which, together with our handsome Church edifice, standing side by side, present what is not only pleasing to the eye, but is in every respect one of the best plants of Church property in Southern Methodism.

Resolved further, That we shall miss Brother Sensabaugh in our work in which he has had such an active part during the past two years, and our very best wishes and earnest prayers will accompany him wherever he may go; and be it

Further resolved, That in commending the good work of Brother Sensabaugh, we can not forget to bestow merited praise on his estimable wife and family. During their stay among us they have endeared themselves to us all, as well as to those outside the Church with whom they have come in contact; the sweet gentle influence of Sister Sensabaugh has been at all times a great help to her faithful husband in his pastoral work, as well as in greatly forwarding all the interests of the Church. In Miss May we have found an exceptionally efficient and faithful teacher in the primary department, and her place will be hard to fill.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished Brother Sensabaugh, and that a copy also be forwarded to the Texas Christian Advocate for publication.

THOS. F. TURNER,
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Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, Our beloved brother, Dr. W. L. Nelms, has served our district faithfully for four years as our presiding elder; and

Whereas, The law of our Church makes it necessary for him to change his field of labor; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the Board of Stewards and officers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Mart, Texas, desire to express our love and

esteem for our beloved presiding elder, and commend him for the purity of his life, the nobleness of his motives, the faithfulness in the discharge of his duties and the zeal and ability displayed in the management of the affairs of the Church.

We pray God's richest blessings upon him wherever he shall go, that he may continue to be the worthy servant of God that he has been throughout his long and useful career in the Church of God.

W. W. WOODSON,
Chairman.
L. W. HILLMAN,
Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

The following resolutions of respect were adopted by the Prairie Dell Sunday-school, of Prairie Dell, Texas, October 23, 1919:

With twelve years of pleasant Christian association with Brother A. M. Hanks, whose devout Christian life has been exemplary, serving as a model worthy of commendation; therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That while we sincerely regret to give up one who has been so unflinchingly faithful in serving us as Sunday-school superintendent, sexton, steward and other efficient service in all our Christian work, for which we are ever grateful.

2. That we are at a loss to find words to express our gratitude to him for the zealous and devout Christian life and for the faithful work he has done among us and the earnest effort to train the children and young people to a higher plane of life.

3. We can conscientiously assure Brother Hanks that in his absence his influence for good will always remain a quickening memory, ever urging us to greater deeds for the Master.

4. That these resolutions be recorded in the Sunday-school secretary's book in memory of our dear friend and brother, A. M. Hanks.

His devoted friend,
DR. S. W. PAIR.

CLEANLINESS IS ESSENTIAL.

Statistics that about 84 per cent of the homes in United States today are not equipped with bath rooms. Think of it! 84 million people out of a population of one hundred million still resorting to primitive methods.

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MISSIONARY ITEMS FROM THE MISSION ROOMS.

W. W. Pinson, D. D.

Rev. L. C. Brannan, in company with Rev. W. G. Cram and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hosea Deal, will sail for Korea on the S. S. Siberia, November 29.

Dr. Wightman T. Reid, son of Dr. C. F. Reid, Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and Miss Sidney Mary Williams were married September 9, in Seoul, Korea. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. K. Gamble. Mr. and Mrs. Reid left immediately for Songdo. They have the cordial wishes of hosts of friends both in America and the Orient.

Rev. W. G. Cram and family will sail for Korea on the Siberia, November 22, after a year's furlough. During this time Mr. Cram visited the World Missionary Conference at Edinburgh. He has also done very effective work in advocacy of the needs of Korea before the Church. He was especially useful in the Laymen's Campaign of Cities last winter. May the blessings of God attend him and his to the field they love.

Miss Maud Bonnell, principal of the Lambuth Memorial Bible Training School, is at home on a furlough, and has attended the Oklahoma Conference at Ardmore. Miss Bonnell will be with her brother, Dr. A. E. Bonnell, at Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Rev. J. F. Bensley, of Waverly, Tennessee (Tennessee Conference), left for Cuba, November 2. He goes to Santa Fe, Isle of Pines, to take the place of Rev. J. T. Redmon, who has been obliged to return to the States on account of Mrs. Redmon's health.

Rev. J. M. Lander writes interestingly of the Brazil Mission Conference which met at Ribeirao the greatest coffee district of the world. One of the farms visited has 7,000,000 trees and is owned by an English company.

Rev. H. C. Tucker, after six months in the United States, sailed for Brazil, October 29, on the Steamship Verdi, from New York. He goes back to begin his twenty-fifth year of labor in that great field, a labor in which he has rendered most effective service in the spread of the gospel.

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San Antonio District—First Round.

Travis Park, Nov. 6.
Prospect Hill, Nov. 13.
Government Hill, Nov. 13.
Laurel Heights, Nov. 29.
Alamo, Nov. 29.
Center Point, Nov. 26, 27.
Boerne, at Boerne, Nov. 27, 28.
Bandera, Dec. 3, 4.
Kerrville, Dec. 10, 11.
Pleasanton, at P., Dec. 17, 18.
South Heights, Jan. 1.
Sickinley Ave., Jan. 1.
San Antonio Cir., at Oak Island, Jan. 7, 8.
West End, Jan. 15.
S. H. C. BURGIN, P. E.

San Angelo District—First Round.

San Angelo, First Church, a. m. Nov. 29.
San Angelo, North Side, p. m. Nov. 29.
San Angelo Cir., 2 p. m. Nov. 26.
Miles, p. m. Nov. 27.
Rochelle, Dec. 4.
Brady, Dec. 6.
Pils, Dec. 8.
Eden, Dec. 10, 11.
Menard, Dec. 14.
Junction, Dec. 17, 18.
Paint Rock, Jan. 1.
Sherwood, Jan. 7, 8.
Ozona, Jan. 19.
Senora, Jan. 13.
Eldorado, Jan. 14, 15.
Sterling City, Jan. 18.
Garden City, Jan. 21, 22.
Midland, Jan. 23, 29.
Water Valley, Feb. 4, 5.

District Stewards' meeting, San Angelo, First Church, Tuesday, November 22, at 7:30 p. m.
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