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THE SANCTITY OF THE CHRISTIAN SUNDAY.

Sunday is our Christian day for rest and religious improvement. While the State has no right to prescribe the day as a day of Church-going, prayer and worship, nevertheless it does regard it as essential to the physical and moral well-being of the people. As such it has forbidden secular work on that day except in case of necessity. As a result it has enacted laws, not very stringent, to guarantee the day against infringement. And it has enacted severe laws against interference with those who wish to worship, and any one who creates disturbance about such places of religious worship is liable to proper punishment. Further than this, we presume that State authorities cannot go in the enforcement of regulations concerning the Sabbath. But the State can and ought to make these regulations broader and more drastic. There is nothing in our Constitution to prevent the State from going this far. The interests of the people demand that Sunday should be observed as a day of cessation from secular toil as far as possible.

There is no reason why freight cars should run on Sunday. Thousands of railroad men never have the privilege of Sunday. Many of them do not know when the day comes round. Corporations grind them down seven days in the week and they are strangers to Sunday rest. There is no good reason why great excursions should be carried by railroads on Sunday. It is a species of desecration that interferes with the wholesome benefits of the day and neutralizes its moral effect upon character. Great baseball syndicates ought not to be allowed to convert this day into a commercial day and make out of it hundreds of thousands of dollars for their own benefit. If they have to furnish the people with amusement it, at least, ought to be done without expense. But it is the commercial spirit that prompts these syndicates to immolate this day upon the altar of their greed. Neither should theatrical syndicates be permitted to invade the State and force their demoralizing amusements upon our people. They are doing it for money, and they are helping to sap the foundation of our Sunday as a day of rest and moral improvement. Neither ought our State or local fairs be permitted to charge entrance fees on Sunday to people who visit these places. In fact, their gates ought not to be allowed to open on Sunday as a means of promoting the gains of these organizations. It is contrary to the genius of our civilization.

The fact that all these organizations are permitted to thus encroach upon our Christian Sunday is a reflection upon our morality and religion. And the greedy spirit of money is their inspiration. For purposes of gain they are thus cultivating a spirit of

disregard for Sunday; they are lowering the tone of our common Christianity; they are striking at one of the most substantial supports underneath our social, moral and religious superstructure. And we are silent. That the Legislature has it within its power to restrain or modify these commercial desecrations of Sunday there is no doubt, and in doing it the State does not have to establish Sunday as a day of worship. It will only have to establish and protect it as a day of rest. Some of the other States have gone this far, and the benefit of their course is apparent to all. If some step is not taken to stay the tide of Sunday desecration it will soon be lost to us even as a day of rest; and it will be used for promoting the aggrandizement of designing men and corporations who do not have the good of the State or the fear of God before their eyes. If the present status continues we will soon have a Continental European Sunday. God forbid such a condition!

THE DAILY NEWS AND PROHIBITION.

Last spring when it became known that the people would vote on State-wide prohibition the Daily News came out in a sorrowful editorial and announced its deep regret that it would not be able to support the amendment. Immediately after this the News had a severe attack of lockjaw, retired from the field and, though the battle waxed hotter and hotter, it never again opened its editorial mouth upon the subject. Had we been left to the editorial department of the News we could not have inferred that there was a heated prohibition campaign in progress. However, the News threw open its news columns to the prohibitionists and they entered them and rendered splendid service for the cause.

After the battle was over and it became apparent that the prohibitionists were determined to press the fight into the Legislature and again bring on another campaign at the earliest moment possible, the editorial jaws of the News managed to prize themselves loose and it began to speak vaguely again on the subject. At first it was hard to tell at just what the News aimed in its Cryptic deliverances. Its first editorial deplored the fact that prohibition was in politics and pointed out the evils to follow. It advised us to eliminate it from its political meshes as soon as possible, but it failed to say that the saloons alone are responsible for the part prohibition is to play in politics. On the contrary, the News, by inference, blamed the prohibitionists for this political muddle.

A few days later the leading staff correspondent of the News came out in a lengthy communication assuming that the prohibitionists are now contending for statutory prohibition and adroitly inveighed against such a course. Even the purpose of this article did not manifest itself with distinct perspicuity. Its object was not at all clear. But later on the News editor again opened his mouth and spoke, and this time his object became clear. He took the position

that it would not be wise for the prohibitionists to support a prohibition candidate for Governor, that in the event we wanted another amendment campaign the Legislature would have to grant it and the Governor would have nothing to do with helping or hindering such an issue, and that it would not be wise for prohibitionists to vote for a strictly prohibition candidate. Now, are we to understand by this that the News editor is going to use his department in the interest of Governor Colquitt? If his position means anything, it seems to mean this very thing.

Now let us see whether a prohibition Governor will be better for us than an anti-prohibition Governor. That the present incumbent is thoroughly committed to the interests of the saloon there can be no shadow of doubt. When the regular session of the Legislature passed a daylight saloon bill the Governor promptly vetoed it. And he served notice upon that body that he would veto any other restrictive measure passed by them. After the Legislature adjourned he made some show of pretense in opposition to the flagrant abuses of saloon privileges by the social clubs of the wet centers, but when the extra session came together he failed to submit to them any suggestion as to muzzling these social clubs. Yet they are the worst form of saloons. He thus tied the hands of the Legislature and the clubs are in full force. If in the event he is retained as Governor, unless we can secure two-thirds of the Legislature, he is committed against a daylight bill, against any provision prohibiting the sale of liquors in given packages not to be opened and drunk on the premises, and against any measure removing saloons from within proper distance from the State's educational institutions. Until State-wide prohibition can be secured through an amendment these measures are absolutely essential.

He is opposed to amending our election laws, such as are suggested in the statement of our meeting in Dallas the other day. He wants the plurality feature to remain so as to make a minority candidate successful in all State contests. All these changes are advocated by the prohibitionists, and they can only be secured by the election of a prohibition administration. All good people ought to desire the utmost protection to the purity of the ballot box; and these desired ends can only be accomplished by the removal of whiskey politicians and whiskey politics from the public offices of the State. It seems that the News editor does not want these results accomplished, and hence his adroit and insidious deliverances on the subject. But the moral exigencies of the case require a change in our State administration, and for this reason alone we mention the matter in the Advocate. When public morals are involved we have a right to speak, and to-day through the conspiracy of the organized whiskey traffic the public morals of Texas are in serious jeopardy. On with the battle!

JESUS CHRIST THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

JOHN 8:12

Rev. J. M. Peterson.

Christ, though born of the seed of Abraham, was not provincial, but cosmopolitan in his sympathy, love and the mission of his life. His thought of humanity was all inclusive and he spoke of his mission in world terms. For him, therefore, there was no favored nation. His thought of himself and his mission was not to a nation, but to the whole world. His great loving heart beat in sympathy—tender, loving sympathy—for the whole world, and on the cross that same loving, sympathizing heart broke for the sin of the world. Therefore, the mission of these pierced hands is not the uplift of a downtrodden nation, but sin-crushed and fallen humanity. He came not to be ministered unto, but to minister to fallen humanity, and was, therefore, always busy about his Father's business. While, therefore, the foxes might find holes in the mountains and the little birds' nests among the leafy bowers, in which to rest and repose, there was no place or time for him to rest his weary head and heart; for all his time and energy were given to preparing a place of rest and refuge for storm-tossed and sin-burdened humanity, though that refuge be his own rifted side. He had confidence in the triumph of his mission and found his greatest joy in fulfilling it. In speaking of it he says: "I am the light of the world: He that followeth after me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." Mark you, the light of life. The only source of spiritual life is spiritual life, and spiritual life roots itself in an experimental knowledge of God the Father and Jesus Christ, whom he has sent.

That the world might have this light and life Christ came. "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." "Light of the world." "Will draw all men unto me." These are Christ's own statements of his mission into the world, and his confidence in its ultimate success. So I repeat, Christ came not to a nation, but to the world. Not over the sorrows of a nation, but of the bruised, bleeding heart of humanity he wept. For lost humanity he died; for humanity's justification he arose from the dead; for the glorification of humanity he, with that resurrected body, ascended back to heaven and sat down at the right hand of the Father; and that humanity might have strength and comfort amid the struggles and sorrows of this life, he has sent the Holy Ghost into the world, and he is to abide with the Church forever. O that the Church might get the vision and catch the spirit of the suffering Son of God, who bore the griefs, carried the sorrows and died for the world's sin!

The Medium Through Which He Communicates This Light to the World.

Christ has ordained that this light shall be carried to the world by the Church. Hear him: "Ye are the light of the world." "Go teach all nations." "Preach the gospel to every creature." "Witness to me unto the uttermost parts of the earth." So you see, Christ uses the same universal terms in speaking of the mission of the Church that he uses in speaking of his own. Then, in that wonderful prayer for his disciples, and for all them that should believe on his name, he uses this language: "Father, as thou hast sent me into the world, even so send I them into the world," and human language fairly bends and breaks with the weight of the thought in the following statement: "And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one; I in them and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me." Hence it must be, if the Church is to measure up to the standard he set for her, and fulfill the mission he gave to her, she must have the same cosmopolitan mind and spirit which was, or is, his. Hence, Paul says: "If any man have not the Spirit of Christ he is none of his."

From the above, it seems to me, we are driven to the following conclusions:

1. That Christ died for the whole world, and that he meant for the Church to preach the gospel to the whole world, or else Christ was very unfortunate in the use of his terms in speaking of his mission to the world, and in giving to the Church her commission in the world.

2. That all nations stand in need of the gospel, or impeach the wisdom of God in providing it for them. That is, providing for them that for which they have no need.

3. That the gospel will be a great

blessing to all nations of the world, or impeach the wisdom of God in providing for them at such an enormous cost, that which will be of little or no value to them.

Again, it seems to me, that from the above we are forced to another conclusion; i. e. he who professes to be a Christian and at the same time an anti-missionary, raises the question as to the sincerity of his profession, or advertises his ignorance of the fundamental principles of the Christian life. I admit that a man can be saved and at the same time know very little about the fundamental principles of Christianity, but the question is: Can a man love God and be a follower of Jesus Christ, and at the same time repudiate the fundamental principles and purposes of the Incarnation and death of the Son of God? To ask, it seems to me, is to answer the question. I believe the time is when that materialistic, money-loving and God-forgetting age should be brought to understand that their relation to Christ—yea, their salvation—may be determined, largely, by their attitude to world-wide evangelism. "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you," said Christ. He commanded us to preach the gospel to every creature. How dare any man in the light of the above claim to be a friend to Christ and refuse to do it?

Humanity Calls to the Church for This Light.

When Philip said to Christ: "Show us the Father, and it sufficeth us," he spoke not only for himself, but expressed the longing of the heart of humanity. Humanity has never asked if there were a God, but the piteous wail of the heart of humanity, which has come up out of its darkness, superstition, degradation and sin, was articulated by Job when he cried, "O that I knew where I might find him." I do not believe that man has an intuitive knowledge, or consciousness of God, but every man is conscious of lack, or need, and in this conscious need and the mysterious influence of the Holy Spirit, which Paul says is given to every man, is found the philosophy of all worship, whether it be Christian or heathen; for all worship and all religion grow out of the effort of man to find and hold communion with that for which the deeper depths of his nature calls, and without which he cannot be satisfied.

The cry of the babe in the cradle is the cry of conscious need. It can call mother in no other way, and that cry will not be hushed until it nestles upon mother's breast. So every heathen altar and every idol worshiper is the cry from the deeper depths of the heart of humanity as it cries in the only language that it knows, "Show us the Father."

In answer to that cry, Jesus Christ came into the world, and on the cross revealed to us the very heart of the Father; and in his five bleeding wounds wrote the Father's profound and sweet message to the world—the message of his infinite love and grace, and as he went back to the Father, he commanded the Church to carry that message of love to all the world. Again, I ask, who will dare to profess to love him and refuse to obey him?

God Gives No Optional Commands.

It is not optional with the Church whether she will do this work. She must do it or die. Christ said he was the light of the world, but he also said that it was those who followed him who walked in the light of life. To do otherwise is to walk in the darkness of selfishness, sin and death. One of the important lessons to be learned from the book of Jonah is, that God gives no optional commands. God loved Nineveh and told Jonah to carry a message to them, and for Jonah it was either Nineveh or the storm and the whale's belly; and it is a sad comment on the old prophet that he would go to Nineveh by no other route. The trouble with Jonah was that he could not, or would not, see the God of Abraham as a world God, and by that vision be, himself, transformed into a world man; and the last sad picture we have of him he is sitting out on the side of a hill, under a withered gourd vine, angry because God had allowed a little worm to gnaw the roots of the vine which sheltered him, and had spared a great city, whose people he had created in his own image and likeness. I fear we have people in the Church to-day, many of the wealthy, who are as narrow visioned as was Jonah, and where there is no vision there is death.

It was at this point Israel failed. God had chosen them, not so much as a special people unto himself, but as a people with a special mission in the

world. "In thee and thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed" was their appointed mission as given by God. They refused to see and accept Christ as a world Messiah. They had no world vision of their mission and, therefore, did not know the day of their visitation and rejected him. It was with a breaking heart Christ turned away from them and left their house desolate, and from that day to this they have been a wandering nation, without a country, and so far as the accomplishment of the purposes of God in Christ is concerned, have dropped into nothingness. Where there is no world-wide vision the people perish.

It was at this point, as I see it, that Protestant Christianity lost her opportunity after the Reformation. They were rejoicing in their new found religious liberty, but had no world-vision. They had no vision, it seems, of China, Japan, India, Africa, the outlying world prostrate in the darkness, superstition and degradation of sin, nor heard their cry for help. For a lack of this vision they did not know their day of visitation; lost their opportunity and lapsed into a state of apostasy; and it took the clarion call of John Wesley and his co-laborers to awake from her slumbers a dying Church. Who knows but we have come upon another time like that? God forbid that we should sleep and slumber while the heathen world is standing on tip-toe and looking this way for the light of life—the gospel—and our Lord is commanding us to carry it to them and thus lose our opportunity, and the people perish.

If I were going to give a reason for the rapid growth and spread of Methodism around the world, I would not say it was because of her doctrine or polity, though I believe in both, but I would say it was because Mr. Wesley, her founder, had world-vision and felt that the world was his parish and he, therefore, established a Church with the spirit of world-wide evangelism. Some one, I believe it was Bishop Galloway, has beautifully said that God buried Bishop Coke in mid-ocean, so that the restless waves of the sea that rolled over his sleeping body and touched the shores of every land might be a call to the Methodists to evangelize the world. And, thank God, the time now is when the sun never goes down on the sons of Wesley. They have preached and sung their way around the world. In their poverty, but clothed with the garment of righteousness, their feet shod with the gospel of peace and with an ever triumphant faith and growing zeal, they went forth to evangelize the world. Millions of them have already obtained a good report through faith and received the promise and are not, because God has taken them unto himself.

And now, O ye Methodists, descendants of a noble and heroic people, seeing that we are surrounded with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside the weight of indifference and the sin of selfishness, which loth so easily beset us, and with our eyes and heart fixed on the last man, let us run with delight to the rescue of a lost world, looking unto Jesus for strength and giving to him the glory. And as God is God and truth is mighty we shall not fail. Earth's orbit shall turn back to God, and the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ; and the river of time, under the smiles of a benignant Father and the luster of a cloudless day, shall peacefully flow out into the ocean of eternity, and Christ shall be the light, the life and joy of all. Who for such a Christ would not labor, suffer and even die?

Dallas, Texas.

THE REACTION OF JUDGMENT.

"Judge not that ye be not judged." For judgment belongeth unto God. He who turns loose judgments upon the world has usurped the divine prerogative, and must suffer the divine penalty. To turn uncharitable judgments against the innocent is to turn the charged batteries of heaven against one's self. Judgment always reacts. Like Noah's dove it finds no resting place until it comes back to him from whom it went forth. Like an over-charged gun it is more dangerous at the breach than at the muzzle. There is no judgment in the universe that can harm him who judges himself justly, but judges no man. "By thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." Our judgment is to proceed out of ourselves. "Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee." Our judgment lies in the influences that we have turned loose upon the world. The fragrant flowers and the decaying vegetation are alike judged by the influences which they send forth. To tamper with judgment is to play with the

thunderbolts of heaven. He who judges his brother has, like Haman, erected the gallows upon which he himself must hang. The price for which Judas betrayed his Lord was that at which he bartered his own soul. The traps which men set for others are those in which they themselves become ensnared. "With what judgment ye judge ye shall be judged."

Not only do judgments react in the world of men; but everywhere in the moral universe. It was this unflinching law that reacted upon Satan to the final overthrow of his empire of darkness. He said: "Let us kill the Son, and the inheritance shall be ours." To this end he directed all his energies and laid all his plans. His infernal batteries were set for the destruction of Righteousness, and his fortifications for the defense of Sin. Then came the last desperate struggle between the Prince of Life and the powers of darkness. And now the supremest hour in the history of the universe has come. Even He who had so often said, "Mine hour is not yet come," shudders in this trying hour and says, "Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour; but for this cause come I unto this hour." Oh, the tremendous significance of that awful hour! It is the pivot around which revolves the destiny of all ages and all worlds! Satan says, "The hour is come that the Son of man should be crucified." Jesus answers, "Nay, the hour is come that the Son of man should be glorified!" Satan says, "Lift him up on the cross, and you will take away the few disciples he has." Jesus answers, "I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men unto me!" But now Satan is ready to execute his plans, and to strike with cruel blow the only innocent Man this world ever knew. All expectation of coming triumph he shouts, "Now is the Son of man judged," and proclaims for hell a jubilee. But hark! the Son of God speaks yet again, and at his calm words the pillars of darkness tremble and the inhabitants of hell are thrown into confusion. What is this that he says? Triumphant words! "Now is the judgment of this world; now is the prince of this world cast out!" O Satan! you who so long deceived the nations have at last deceived yourself. You who presumed to judge the Christ were by that very means being judged. In so doing you have forever established the kingdom you thought to destroy, and destroyed the kingdom you thought to establish. The die is cast; your hand has cast it. When you "killed the Prince of Life" you sounded the death knell of your own infernal empire and made actual the triumphs of that imperial kingdom that shall never end.

Whether, therefore, angels or men, or devils, or whoever he be that toys with the judgments of God does so at his own peril.

Then who art thou, O man, that judgest thy brother? Hast thou not known, nor heard, nor read, how this judgment must react upon thyself? It is even so: With what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged; and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. To ask God to damn another is to damn one's own self. To lay hold upon the judgments of God is to repeat the folly of Pharaoh, the lad of mythical fame, who took in his own hand the reins of the sun-god dashed forth along the high ways of amber till his fiery steeds became wild with fright and left their familiar path in the heavens only to encounter new horrors at each advancing step until at last the immortal Zeus hurled his fatal thunderbolts at the reckless lad only in time to save the universe itself from wreck and ruin. O, let us leave the reins of judgment in the hands of God; for it belongeth only unto him. "We shall all appear before the judgment seat of Christ." Let us believe that the Judge of all the earth will do right. Let this one thought inspire us: He who is to be our Judge is also our Redeemer. "For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son." Therefore, we, too, may commit all judgment into his hands, knowing that as Redeemer He will be merciful; as Judge, He will be just because He is also the Son of man.

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THE CRYING NEED OF THE RURAL DISTRICTS.

After reading Brother Nathan Powell's letter on "Our Country Work," I felt impressed to pen a few lines in behalf of the rural districts lying within reach of our preachers and Churches but still neglected.

Living as I do in a place which was once cared for by our people but now abandoned; moving as I did from a good Church the first of the year, I

feel the need of caring for those places more so now than ever, as I haven't heard a single sermon preached by our people this year. When I moved I brought my Church letter and it is still in my trunk. I expected to find a place to call a Church home, but it is not here without going to some other Church, which, of course, I don't care to do. Being an active worker in my Church, I, of course, feel lonesome here being Sunday-school superintendent which duty I love more than any and did my best to have the best Sunday-school in our district, joining the Methodist Church under Brother J. S. Wilson, who was followed by Brother W. A. Pounds, both of whom I love dearly. They are truly pastors.

Was appointed superintendent of the Sunday-school shortly after becoming a member of the Church, which position I held until I moved away, which makes me feel like a "prodigal son" in a land of strangers. But after studying the situation as I have the past six months it seems to me we are losing a great deal by neglecting such places. In this community there are ten or fifteen members who may be lost to the Church if not taken care of some way, and I believe that such places could be organized and then taken care of by a local preacher, exhorter or class leader until such time as the presiding elder or some of our strong men could come and hold a meeting and make a strong Church out of what is now a struggling few. If the Church was not strong enough to take care of a pastor as on a regular organized circuit, we have enough local preachers and exhorters in most places to take care of same for a small remuneration until such place got strong enough to support itself on a circuit. Other Churches, such as the Baptists and Presbyterians, are taking this country; also our brethren from the North have organized in several places. While they are weak yet they are taking our people from us and we are alone to blame. The Northern people have four churches in this country, situated from fifteen to twenty miles apart and the pastor walks his circuit and only received \$18.00 for last quarter, one Church only paying \$1.00. While there is no necessity for our people to undergo such hardships it is necessary for us as a Church to make some sacrifice to hold our ground and take care of our people. What we need is entire consecration on the part of leaders who are responsible for the progress our Church makes and I believe the time will soon come when the second great awakening will come when a mighty wave of old-time religion will sweep our land; it should at least after the awakening our people have had at Austin since July 22. If we will do our duty the time is near when many souls will be made happy in the love and fellowship of Jesus Christ our Lord. Oh for a mighty revival of old-time religion when the shouts of victory shall be heard in the camps as of old. Let us as his humble servants say where he leads me I will follow, and then do our duty and the victory will be ours in Jesus' name.

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"PROBLEMS OF THE COUNTRY CHURCH."

Under the above heading Rev. J. D. Mjor, in the Advocate of September 7, calls our attention to some facts concerning the country Church to which I want to say amen. That the country Church is feeding the towns and cities there is no mistake; and that the towns and cities need the well-developed muscle and brain as can be best obtained on the well-regulated

farm home no one can deny, but can the country Church keep her stalwart character? No; there is such a demand for them in the towns that the temptation is too great for them to stay away. But this only has a tendency to make the problem greater. There are places on some circuits that I know where as many as four school communities are covered with one Methodist organization, with no churchhouse, trying to work; but the membership is too badly scattered to do any good at either of the schoolhouses. Now, where such conditions exist I believe a good plan would be to unite all four communities on some central point, buy four or five acres of land, have it deeded to the Methodist Church, build a good-sized tabernacle on it, provide plenty of water and begin to advertise for a big campmeeting. Let the neighbor pastor arrange to help you in your meeting. Thus you will bring the scattered Methodists together and the outsider will be attracted and come and camp with you and the cause of Christ will be advanced by Methodism. I have a committee at work on such a project now and it is meeting with approval. In this way we can reach all four communities, whereas now we cannot do any good at either place. We cannot afford to pass by such opportunities. With the campmeeting we can hold the territory. As it is we fail.

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JUST TO LET YOU KNOW.

I got a postal card from one of our preacher boys in the Texas Conference the other day and he said, "Some of us boys when we do something worth while feel like we must let J. T. Smith know it," and he proceeded to tell. Now that is good sense—tell some one. No man lights a candle and puts it under a box—that is if he wants that light to do any good. So I am writing the Advocate just to let you know: First, that I took that vacation given me by the Jacksonville District Conference and went to Corpus Christi. But I did not take as much of it as they ordered. They ordered thirty days—I took ten. The League gathering at Epworth-by-the-Sea was in full blast and I went out daily. That Epworth business is a big thing. I heard things new and old and all good. The biggest and best thing I heard was Bishop Mouzon's sermon on Sunday. I like this new Texas Bishop. Three things about him made me feel good. He preaches just like a man with a good, honest case of heart-felt religion. I could understand him. And according to my standard he is thoroughly orthodox. The biggest thing I saw down there was that big swimming pond. You stand on the bank and you can't near see across it. They say it is hundreds of miles wide, and in lots of places is over a man's head! My, but it's fine fun swimming in it, only it is a heap more trouble to go in than it was in the creek where I used to go in when I was a boy. There we boys just shucked our duds and plunged in, but at Corpus and Epworth they make you dress up to go in, and such funny clothes! Why your shirt sleeves and breeches legs ain't much more than half long enough! I thing Allan Ragsdale should appoint Jack Weeks and Frank Onderdonk a committee to have them made longer next year.

Second, I am writing just to let you know that the biggest thing in the Jacksonville country is the A. C. I. That stands for the Alexander Collegiate Institute. You just should see what has been going on over there. For months Bart Bolton has been busy as a bee in a tar bucket, and yoked up with him was President John M. Barcus, A. M., D. D., and F. A. Downs, A. B., and to be A. M. and D. D. and like as not L. L. D. and Pops. Fisher and Vaught. They took off their coats and mowed and raked the campus and yards and plunged into the dormitories and tore off the old paper and repapered and painted and varnished furniture till old things looked new, and just before the opening the people of Jacksonville, of all denominations, gave a shower, and it showered linens of all sorts, dishes, chairs, carpets, rugs and goodness knows what else, and while the showering was going on the people had just lots of fun. This is not all by odds; the Institute building had had some mighty good things done to it. The chapel has been reseatd with fine opera chairs with other improvements. We had our opening on September 5. On Tuesday evening before Bishop Mouzon preached us a great sermon at the church, and the next morning at 10 o'clock made the opening address to the school. It's no use to say he captured our people of all ranks and grades, but I will say it anyway. The opening went beyond our expectations,

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and we are filled with hope for the future of the institution. The boarding department by the close of this week will no doubt have at least fifty boarders, while the town and country patronage is splendid. We honestly think we have a fine president and faculty. I have mentioned the male part of it—the lady members are mostly strangers to me and I cannot say more now of them than that they came to us highly recommended, and from their looks I think they will measure up to the recommendations. The third and last thing is: Jacksonville District is bending itself for conference. The preachers and elder are pulling for full reports, and the stewards are pulling for full payments on pastors' salaries. Several new churches have been built. The biggest thing in that line is the completion of Centenary Palestine. Brother Turrentine is on shouting ground whether he shouts or not. We have had some fine meetings in the district, and will show at conference a splendid net gain, I think.

Perhaps I had better close this letter right here. I have many other things to tell you, but ye cannot bear them now. Yes, I will say that I pumped Bishop Mouzon long and hard, but it was like pumping a dry well with a dried-out wooden pump. Couldn't get a thing, though my wife had given him the finest sort of a dinner. Well, maybe I will be Bishop some day and he will want to know something.

J. T. SMITH.

PROGRESS OF METHODISM IN PLAINVIEW.

By Rev. R. B. Bomer.

I recently spent two weeks at Plainview assisting Rev. C. N. Ferguson in his summer meeting. While there I learned something of the great work done and number of things accomplished by that untiring pastor and his faithful people. Brother Ferguson was sent to Plainview a little less than two years ago. He found a membership of about 500 worshipping in a small frame building. His people, under the leadership of Brother Thomas S. Barcus, had done something toward a new church building. The foundation was in and some material was on the ground. Brother Ferguson began where Brother Barcus left off, and in less than one year was preaching to large congregations in a beautiful brick structure, with a seating capacity of 1200 or more, costing (building and lots) \$37,500. But that is not all this faithful man has done. A little over a year ago he saw an opportunity of securing for our Church a great bargain in what is now known as Seth Ward College. Our people were face to face with a severe drouth, in the midst of which they had raised thousands of dollars for the erection of their new church. Could they now rally and assume the additional burden of a large school enterprise? That is exactly what they did. Under the inspiring appeal of that untiring, energetic, enthusiastic, optimistic preacher his official board, made up of strong, enterprising, liberal-hearted men, nobly assisted by other leading citizens, rose to the opportunity, shouldered the responsibility and took over this splendid school property. This property brought with it a large number of beautiful resident lots. Many of these were put on sale and enough of them sold to secure the payment of the obligations assumed by these faithful laymen. So to-day this splendid property, consisting of a large four-story main building, two good dormitories, a large campus and about 125 resident lots, stands there the property of our Church, free from debt, with the trust clause in the deed and valued at \$100,000.

But that is not all. On top of all

this he has raised \$10,000 (about three-fourths of it in cash and balance in good notes) with which to improve the property and make the school go.

But this is not all. This earnest servant of the Church is preaching to large congregations. He has had scores of conversions and a great number of additions. In the midst of the drouth, when many were moving away, he has not only held the membership up, but has added to it until to-day they have about 650. His Sunday-school has grown from an attendance of about 175 to between 400 and 500. A few Sundays ago they had an actual class attendance of 583. Counting visitors there were 607 present. I feel that a pastor who can inspire and lead his people, in the face of such circumstances, to shoulder and meet the obligations involved in carrying on such a work and in securing \$137,500 worth of property to the Church—all free of debt, except the debt on the new church—is to be commended and deserves a flower pinned upon his bosom while he lives as well as a wreath laid upon his grave when he is dead.

But few pastors have accomplished so much, under such difficulties, in so short a time. Surely our Lord is honoring his labor and making him a blessing. Bro. J. T. Hicks is moving things in the Plainview District. He is an untiring worker. The people love him and speak in highest terms of him as a man and an elder. Brother J. Sam Barcus has been secured as president of Seth Ward College. That means that they are going to have a splendid school. He has employed a strong faculty and all are on the ground and at work. They have their formal opening to-day. I predict that they will enroll 150 the first week and more than 200 during the school year. Brother Barcus is a well-equipped and experienced school man and, of course, Seth Ward College will come to the front. Wife and I had the pleasure of spending several days in his home. A more friendly, congenial and pleasant family would be hard to find.

Stamford, Texas, Sept. 5.

FOOD AGAIN

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Notes From the Field

Headrick, Ok.

I am at this place in a great revival. I have not seen such a revival in a long time as we are having just now. We tried to close Sunday night, but the interest was so great that we had to go on with the services. There were ten conversions last night and ten today. I believe that every boy and girl in the public school will be converted. The old settlers say that this is the greatest revival that they have ever seen in this country. This is the second week of the meeting. I have been giving one-half of my time to revival work this year, and the Lord has given me some great meetings. My postoffice address is Walter, Okla.—George W. Lewis, Sept. 19.

Earlsboro, Ok.

I left Bowie, Texas, two years ago next December and came to Earlsboro to take charge of the Church here. I found a nice little town and some fine people. We have had 180 conversions since I came; have built one new church and organized two new classes, and we have learned to love the people until this place has become home, indeed. Yet I have not forgotten the good people in the Bowie Mission and long to see them again. That was my first charge, and I will not forget them. I love to read the grand old Advocate, and I never fail to read all the notes from the field. Oklahoma is a fine State, but Texas sounds good to me, and I shall always call it home.—F. L. Giles.

St. Paul's, Abilene.

The occasion was a great revival campaign; the place, St. Paul's Church, Abilene, Texas; the date, July 9-August 6. The leaders for the first three weeks were Rev. J. M. Bass, evangelist for South Georgia Conference, and Mr. O. W. Stapleton, a gospel singer, and his wife, all of Macon, Ga. The preaching was scriptural, orthodox, fearless, close, powerful. The singing was great, inspiring, scriptural. These brethren constituted the best evangelistic team in our entire Church, so far as this scribble may judge. Some of the results are: A greatly-roused Church, an awakened Official Board, new life in the Sunday-school, three Epworth Leagues organized (Junior, Intermediate and Senior), many conversions and reclamations and forty-five members added to the Church. The fourth week was devoted to preaching on the distinctive doctrines of Methodism by Dr. E. W. Alderson, of Denison, Texas. This series of sermons was great from every standpoint, and edifying to the fullest. We are better Christians and more intelligent Methodists. Ninety-five have been added to the Church this year. We are advancing all along the line, and look to the future with an abiding faith.—Comer M. Woodward, Sept. 20.

Lee Street, Greenville.

Lee Street Church has just passed through the greatest revival in its history. We closed September 13 on a high tide. There were thirty-five conversions and fifty-two additions. The Church was wonderfully revived. Large congregations came to hear the gospel, and this entire section of the city was stirred by the revival. The services were held under a tent. Rev. C. C. Young, of Jacksboro, Texas, did the preaching. He is a man of deep piety, great faith and untiring energy. His preaching is of the uplifting, inspirational type, yet he makes no compromise with sin. He is the man for a difficult situation. He certainly led our forces to a great victory. This has been a year of great prosperity for Lee Street Church, and its first year as a station. We have received between eighty and ninety members, and have raised about \$1500 on our church indebtedness. We have a live Woman's Home Mission Society. Have just organized a Junior League. We have a live, growing Sunday-school, which has doubled in attendance this year. Situated as this Church is in the growing section of Greenville, with the inspiration of a successful year, and having been filled with new life and power, we are hopeful of a great future.—C. L. Bounds, Sept. 19.

Goldthwaite.

We expect to close the meeting here under the big tent tonight. This is the tenth day of the meeting. It has been a real revival. The Lord has been with us in great power at every service. Prof. George F. Bledsoe has rendered most efficient service in leading the large choir. Brother Jackson, the pastor, knows how to get his people ready for a revival. He is a live, wide-awake pastor, and his Church and people are up-to-date in every sense of the word. This is the fourth meeting I have held recently in the Llano District, West Texas Conference. Brother J. D. Scott is the presiding elder. He has all the interests of his district well in hand and in a prosperous condition in the charges I visited, and the pastors are very much attached to him. The other meetings I held in the district were at Cherokee and Valley Springs, Brother H. B. Owens, pastor. Owens is sincere, earnest and faithful, always a hard worker, and I found his charge in fine condition. Each of these meetings was a fine success. The third meeting was held at Lecker, Brother Morton, pastor. He is a coming young preacher, with promise of great usefulness ahead of him. This was a glorious meeting. Many souls were converted in these meetings, among them many men of mature years, and called "hard sinners." I go from here to several meetings in East and Middle Texas. Pray that the Lord may continue with us.—Chas. C. Bell, Texas Conference Missionary Evangelist, Sept. 19.

McCauley.

Rarely has it been our privilege to attend a meeting where from first to last the Spirit of God was present in greater power than at the meeting recently conducted at McCauley. This meeting, which closed last night, September 10, lasted eighteen days, and the pastor, Rev. O. P. Clark, was assisted by Rev. Comer M. Woodward, pastor of St. Paul's Church, Abilene, Texas, and Brother R. H. Woods, layman, revival singer and personal worker, also of Abilene. McCauley needed a revival. The people realized this need and did not wait for the arrival of Brothers Woodward and Woods to show their faith in its coming. Our pastor, Brother O. P. Clark, conducted the meeting from Thursday night un-

til Monday night, before Brother Woodward came. Brother Clark is an able preacher, and from the first he seemed filled with the Holy Spirit, and he preached with the faith and zeal that always bring success. He had large congregations from the first service, and the ladies had been holding cottage prayer-meetings for several days previous to the opening of the meeting, and continued them until the close. The Church would not hold the crowd, so we went to the baseball park, converted the grandstand into a tabernacle and people came from far and near to attend the services. Brother Woodward is a man of extraordinary personal magnetism, and he preached with the fearlessness and power which brought conviction to the hearts of great numbers of sinners, while backsliders were reclaimed, old feuds were settled, and the whole Church was placed on a higher plane of Christian living. Prejudices were laid aside, and the other denominations joined in, making it a meeting of Christian people whose sole object was the salvation of souls. The Baptist people kindly offered their church during the two rainy days, and their offer was gratefully accepted. Sister Woodward held the young ladies pray-

ed at the day and I at the night services. This is one of the most mixed-up communities in religious beliefs I ever saw. There is a large Hardshell element here. Deep conviction seized the people from the beginning, but they were opposed and afraid of propositions. But finally the conviction grew so intense that they crowded the mourner's bench and wept their way through repentance to faith and were converted. We received seventy-one into our Church, with more almost sure to follow. They gave on our conference collection \$49.50. Now, this was at Lieb. My article is growing rather lengthy, but hear me tell about Grand Plains. I did the preaching until Monday night, when Brother J. W. Mayne, of Stratford, and his wife, came to me. The meeting was almost running itself when he came to us. We had a shouting time in the very first service. But on his arrival, there being such an improvement in the preaching, deeper conviction seized the people; more came to the altar and were converted, and more shouted. Brother Mayne is a fine preacher, thoroughly consecrated. He was taken sick and had to leave us on Thursday morning, so I had to do the remainder of the preaching. But the revival was on us. It continued to increase in interest. Numbers were converted at every altar service. There was not a dry service during the entire meeting. We reached the summit on Friday night; we all shouted. We received nine into our Church, and the Baptists will get even more as a result of the meeting. I found a total membership of fifty-six on this charge when I came;

warmed by the conscious presence of the Holy Spirit, and by the same source the messages reached the hearts of those present. It was quite evident that every soul was convicted of sin committed or of duty omitted, and the influence of the service was felt by many who refused to attend. In addition to twenty-one members received into the Methodist Church, several will go into the other three Churches in our town. The meeting was profitable to us in its effect upon the Church membership. The plain messages of the gospel as applied to Christian living and the development of Christian character will evidently abide. No one can soon retire the influence of truth from their heart so faithfully insisted upon and so forcefully expressed. Every service was a benediction. Brother Coale's effective work is reinforced in the song service by two who sing and play out of hearts which love God and his work.—G. V. Ridley, Sept. 25.

Moody.

On Sunday night, September 10, we brought to a close a meeting of three weeks' duration. And it was a great meeting. We had about eighty conversions and reclamations, thirty-five will join our Church, there will be some accessions to the other Churches, and the Church itself has had quite an uplift. We had quite a frequent change of preachers in the first part of the meeting—in fact, started out with a disappointment in the help we had hoped to secure. The pastor had to do some of the preaching, and that, too, when we were looking for the other fellow. We had Brother Winfield, of Meridian College, with us for three days, and he gave us six splendid sermons and was a great blessing to the meeting. Brother W. S. P. McCullough, of McGregor, was with us for two days, and he gave some strong sermons, laying a good foundation for what was to come. Then we secured Judge M. J. Thompson, of Stephenville, Texas, who for nearly two weeks gave us very proficient service. I do not believe that he did one foolish thing or said an unwise word while he was with us; nothing sensational, but straightforward and direct in all of his efforts. I have known Judge Thompson for several years, having been his pastor for nearly three years, and I have ever found him good and true. As a steward he was the preacher's friend, and a success in that line of work; always ready in the Sunday-school and the prayer-meeting to do his duty. He is in sympathy with the pastor. And he came to us and went away without criticism. If any of our pastors need a man for their revival meetings, I am sure that Judge Thompson would please you and do you great good. He has proven himself successful in this character of work. It is right to say that perhaps the greatest factor in the meeting was the Sunday-school and League, and two earnest laymen contributed much to the success of the meeting; in fact, we had the most splendid organization for a meeting I have ever seen. Studying this meeting and noting the potent forces there are in the Sunday-school and League, I have come to the conclusion that if a Church has a good Sunday-school and League it has close at hand the mightiest modern force for a revival. Moody has the greatest Sunday-school it has ever had in its history, its daily attendance more than doubling any record ever made before, and it is doing other things that are worth while. It is great to hear our boys and girls of the Sunday-school and League giving testimony and leading public prayer. The Sunday-school and the League furnished us some of our best personal workers in the revival. Our superintendent and teachers of the Sunday-school were powers in the revival.—W. J. Heaton.

Mineral Wells.

We have just closed a fourteen days' meeting at Pollard Schoolhouse (Blue Pond), which is now in the Mineral Wells Circuit. This was a victory for Methodism, resulting in thirty-three conversions and reclamations. Received twenty-eight members into the Methodist Church—twenty by baptism and eight by Church vows. We organized a Church with forty-two members. Pollard has been added to the Mineral Wells Circuit. Brother Thomas, a Christian minister of Mineral Wells, preached four sermons and got one member. The Baptists will get about two or three members. Rev. A. C. McBraver, our pastor, preached four delightful sermons. R. A. Chinn, formerly of Clark, Texas, and the writer did the rest of the preaching. The Lord has done great things for us, for which we rejoice.—M. J. Brewer.

Hawley.

As we have not written anything about this charge, it may be well to let the brethren know that we are still on the map. All of our revival meetings are over for this year, and our fourth Quarterly Conference passed into history yesterday. Rev. J. W. Fort, of First Church, Abilene, came with our presiding elder and preached a very strong sermon Saturday at 11 a. m. The presiding elder preached great sermons Sunday. Our Quarterly Conference was the best of the year. Reports along all lines were good. Every place on the charge, except one, will pay out. This is our second year on the charge, and our report is better this year than last. We only report about thirty-five conversions and about forty-five additions to the Church. This is a good charge, and some of the most loyal Methodists I have ever seen live on Hawley charge. We will come out in full on everything except salary.—M. I. Story.

Copperas Cove.

This is our first effort this year to report to this paper, but since coming to this work we find plenty to write about, for God has been good to us and prospered our work. We were fortunate in following such men as Grimes and Bowden, for they, as the apostles of old, planted and watered like Paul and Apollos, and God has given the increase. We have had near seventy-five conversions this year, with forty or more net increase; have held five meetings on this work since conference. I had my brother, C. H. Adams, from Lott, last winter at Pideoke, and the Church was greatly built up, and they asked to have him back for the camp-meeting in August, when God wonderfully blessed his ministry in the salvation of twenty souls and the reviving of his people of all denominations. We had Brother B. L. Nance, of DeLeon, our Sunday-school worker. I can say for Brother Nance, without the least bit of flattery, that he is the best worker with the young people I ever saw, and his influence will be felt in that community throughout time and eternity. I am sure some will point to this godly layman and say he led them to Christ and into active service. We as pastors should give this man the right-of-way in our meetings, and I think I can safely say the people will take care of the money part if you will only give them a chance. We had Brother E. V. Cox, of



The above cut gives a fair idea of our new parsonage at Brookston, Texas. It is modern in arrangement, and has eight good rooms besides kitchen and bathroom. The kitchen, which does not show up in cut, is conveniently arranged, with good ventilation, light and ample porch room on two sides. The building is neatly finished with numerous and conveniently-placed closets and pantries. It was designed by the pastor, Rev. J. D. Major, and is built on a good lot some 150x250 feet, with frontage on three sides. It is probably one of the most comfortable homes in the North Texas Conference.

meeting, and Brother Woods conducted a service for the children each afternoon. Quite a number of our young people found the Saviour during these afternoon services. After preaching for us ten days Brother Woodward and his excellent wife had to leave, but the meeting had received a momentum which kept it going. Our presiding elder, Brother Hardy, preached for us one night and the next morning, and Brother H. B. Clark, brother to our pastor, preached another night. Brother O. P. Clark conducting the other day services. Then Brother Woodward returned and remained until the close. There were several conversions after the benediction of the last service. In all there were fifty-seven conversions and forty-two accessions to the Church, with more to follow. In addition to these spiritual blessings, these pentecostal showers, we have had a good rain, and we give all praise to Him "from whom all blessings flow."—Mrs. Elsie Malone McCollum, Sept. 11.

Hansford.

Can any "good thing" come out of Hansford? Well, yes. The salaries of preacher and presiding elder bid fair to be paid in full, and this is a good thing. The conference collections, which are set at \$160 this year, as compared with \$90 last year, are just about subscribed, and, of course, will be paid. And this is a better thing. And after I am through telling how the Lord has blessed us with a gracious revival of old-time religion at each point, permitting us to witness many conversions under our ministry, you certainly will agree with me that this is the best thing. Hence, coming out of Hansford in the positive, comparative and superlative degrees, you are forced to say, Amen! Our first meeting was held at Hansford. It was, indeed, a revival. The Church members were lifted up in spirit, sinners were awakened, and as a final result five were received into the Church. Our presiding elder, the only O. P. Kiker, did the preaching. By the way, allow me to say that he is easily the best presiding elder the Amarillo District ever had. And he says confidentially that this is the best district that he ever served. Our next meeting was held in the new territory in Ochiltree County, which we have taken into this work. We secured a tent and set it up on half-way ground between the two communities, Black and Blodgett. And when I tell you that I was fortunate in securing the services of Brother W. B. McKeown, you who know him will say, "Of course, it was a success, and you who do not know him will make no mistake in securing his services. He was exactly the right man for that people at that time. Some camped on the ground, so it was after the old camp-meeting style. The Holy Spirit was with us from the beginning. We had the old-time mourner's bench occupied with penitents after the old-time manner, and sure enough conversions. We received nine into our Church, and several were converted who did not join our Church. You may appreciate this news the better when you take into account that we had a powerful Mormon and Campbellite element to combat with. We went next to Lieb, in Hutchinson County—a place where it was said that we could not have a successful meeting, and where they said we could not get a respectable conference collection. But all were surprised in each case. We were assisted here by old Brother E. Newton, a Baptist preacher of Dumas, one of the most consecrated, liberal preachers I have ever met among the Baptists. He

I have received seventy-one into the Church thus far. I found seven taking the Advocate when I came; there are now twenty-eight taking it. I hope to make a full report on all points at Plainview in November. The good people here have given us many tokens of kindness since we have been among them, one of which was a present of a \$2.75 Bible just this week. I cannot tell you how much I appreciate it. Many good things are and will come out of Hansford.—B. J. Osborn, Sept. 25.

McKinley Avenue, North Fort Worth.

We closed a very helpful and wholesome revival last Sunday night. There were about thirty conversions and reclamations in all. I received eighteen into the Church, and there are possibly others to follow. Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss, our Conference Missionary Evangelist, was with us the first ten days of the meeting. He endeared himself to both pastor and people by his amiable disposition and his earnest and faithful ministry. He is doing a work that eternity alone will reveal. The last night he was with us three lives were laid on the altar for special service—one for the ministry and two young ladies for the foreign field. In the fruitfulness of his labors in the work to which he has been called by our Mission Board the past few years, Brother Hotchkiss has had no superior in the entire connection. At the morning hour, Sunday, September 10, after a stirring sermon by Brother Hotchkiss, the conference collections were raised by cash and subscription. There were some heroic giving. I have never seen anything that surpassed it. Rev. J. H. Stewart, of Mulkey Memorial Church, came to our help on Wednesday night of the second week and preached three sermons. Brother Stewart is an expository preacher, which is the highest type and the kind demanded by the age. His three sermons were great, and made a lasting impression on our people here. He is an interpreter for God. Would that we had more like him! As the conference year is drawing to a close we are endeavoring to get things in readiness for the Great Sanhedrin, which meets this year at the Polytechnic. We have seen about eighty-nine conversions and reclamations on this charge since conference last, and have received sixty-seven into the Church by ritual and certificate. Our greatest hindrance to progress on all lines here is financial. Our people are poor, very poor—many of them on charity at times. As long as economic conditions remain the same in this part they will always be poor. I believe the situation is worthy of the attention and consideration of wealthy Churches and individuals who have means and want to do good with it.—J. E. Crawford, Sept. 27.

Athens.

Our revival service closed here last night. After having been conducted three or four days by the laymen of our Church, Rev. D. L. Coale, Dr. C. A. Boughton and wife came to us on September 14. Dr. Boughton, soloist and choir leader, has but few equals, and I believe, no superiors in his special line of work, while Mrs. Boughton, as his accompanist, adds the modulations of her instrument perfectly, so that the hymn message obtains access to every heart. A spiritual power unusual in some companies this part of the service. From the first to the last, Brother Coale's messages came from a heart

Ballinger, with us at Copperas Cove, and he told the truth in such a way that my people were forced to believe and receive. The burden of Brother Cox's messages was that it means something to be a Methodist and a Christian. Our eyes were opened to these great facts as never before. My people were baptized twice this year, for which we are very grateful. The Woman's Home Mission Society is the best I ever saw. Our Fourth Vice-President continues to find some way to help the pastor and his family almost every day; if in no other way, she will buy an ax, which is quite suggestive. Sister Rather is all o. k. as a Fourth Vice-President, as are all the other officers of this society. We have organized two Sunday-schools this year at schoolhouses, and they are doing a fine work, all in all. We wish to give God the glory through Jesus Christ our Lord. One word as to finances: We expect to report in full at conference, in spite of drought or anything else.—J. F. Adams, Sept. 23.

Lockney Station.

We are closing out our year's work at this place with some degree of success. Our charge is a station-circuit, which gives the preacher plenty of vocal exercise by preaching him three times each Sunday. Our revival meetings are over. Rev. C. M. Shuffler, Conference Evangelist for the Northwest Texas Conference, conducted the meeting for us here at Lockney. He preached a series of logical forceful and soul-stirring sermons which our people very much enjoyed. He reached his climax on Sunday at 11 a. m., when he preached his splendid sermon on missions and took up our conference collections, which will enable this preacher to report in full. We have received to date twenty-two, dismissed by certificate and otherwise about seventy-five, baptized two infants, married six couples. Our much beloved presiding elder, Rev. J. T. Hicks, is making good on all lines; is always found at his post of duty, and will close a successful year on the district. We hope to be able to answer at roll call.—J. A. Laney.

First Church, Abilene.

One more month and we will have finished out the year's work. One hundred and twenty-seven members have been added to the Church this year, and several more are to be received. On yesterday we had two great congregations, and six members were received into the Church on profession of faith and four by letter. The salary will be paid in full, and the officials have already said they would pay \$2000 to the pastor another year. We have all the collections ordered by the Annual Conference provided for, and will pay \$100 as a surplus for home missions. The brethren meet to-night to plan at once for a large extension to the church building. We have outgrown our present building, and had it not been for the severe drought we would have had a new church. Our work in Abilene is prosperous. Brother Woodward is in great favor with his people, and he and his good wife are doing a great work at St. Paul's. Brother Boyd is flying at Tenth Street, and Rev. S. A. Barnes is out on the district rounding up the work for conference. Barnes is in great favor with all his preachers, and the officials over the district think he is it. God has been good to us, and we are happy in his work. May the grand old Advocate wave and never waver.—J. W. Fort, Sept. 25.

Jayton.

When we last wrote we were beginning our meeting at Duck Creek. We began on the fifth Sunday in July and continued until the first Sunday in August. I did most of the preaching, having no help until Wednesday, when Rev. R. A. Stuart, our pastor at Spur, came to our assistance and preached for us until Saturday at 11 a. m., when he had returned to his work. Brother Stuart is one of our very best preachers, and has a strong personality. He very much endeared himself to us, and his sermons shall never be forgotten. We had four conversions and seven additions to the Church, and the Church was greatly revived. Next meeting was held at Jayton, where we were ably assisted by our brother, R. L. Jameson, of Tulla. We held ten days, with not much visible results. The devil got in the way in various forms—first, a two days' barbecue, and second, Mollie Bailey's show. So you see we did not have a fair chance. However, we trust it was not in vain. We are going to try it over, beginning the second Sunday in October, with Rev. C. W. Young, our District Evangelist. Our next meeting was at Salt Lake. Here we found that in days gone by we had an organization, but it had gone the way of much of the world, and there was nothing there but a few scattered Methodists and a lot of sinners. So we went to work to seek the lost. We held only four days, owing to a Campbellite meeting that was to begin in a few days. We had no help, but the Lord was with us and gave us four souls for our hire. We organized a Church with twelve members, and will give them a week-night appointment. We do not believe in surrendering these out-of-the-way places to the devil. We are doing our best to bring up a full report at conference.—C. E. Jameson, Sept. 25.

Gilmer and Else.

Two shortest years of my earthly existence, years of peace and push. By the way, it takes some push to give rational peace. On account of the goodness of God and one of his "exceeding great and precious promises," signs have followed. We have the best Sunday-school this Church has had for fifty years. Philathea and Baraca attachments and accouterments. We have a house now in which to do something. Our new \$20,000 plant is not only "a thing of beauty and a joy forever," but it is a thing of decided utility. Brethren, you can't have the modern Sunday-school without the modern house. I wish all the appointments in the Texas Conference, and in all conferences, as to that matter, understood and felt this self-evident proposition. The Woman's Home Mission Society and the Building Committee have my thanks. Were it not for the beautiful modesty of these good men and women I would write a sentence or two more about them. My machine feels like it would like to key off those sentences, but I held it back. But if some of them slip out of my mouth when I am reporting to the conference and the Advocate and the Dallas News get hold of them, I will not care much. The General Board of Church Extension could not lend us a dollar, and that put in the bank, with the bank's rate of interest, paid monthly. But let no man go off into a fit about this. We are going to fix that, too. We have built for at least two generations, barring storms and fires, and then the insurance companies will come into the matter. The Baptist brethren have built a \$20,000 church, and it is worth the money. I do not blame them at all. But it was a matter as clear to my mind as daylight that we would not in this town be a huckleberry

bush in a hailstorm if we did not do something of the kind. They admit we have a house, too, and are in town to stay. And such a fine effect these handsome new churches have on the town materially as well as religiously. This will never be the same town again. The old Gilmer is simply dead. If you do not believe it, come and see for yourself. The expense has been so terrific I do not know whether I am going to get all the conference claims in full or not. I am camping on the trail, and if I fail it will be my first failure of that kind. That, of course, is the goodness of God again. I need a recipe and possibly some of the wiser brethren can prescribe for me. I am not a L. L. D. The fact is, I do not understand all law in its requirements. How can a pastor manage to have and keep all his young people at the Church for the separate hours on Sunday—two preaching services, two Leagues and one Sunday-school—five in all? Don't all speak at once.—J. A. Stafford, Sept. 25.

Mount Enterprise Circuit.

Mount Enterprise is situated at the northern terminus of the Caro Northern Railroad, in the southern part of Rusk County, and the circuit is composed of this good little town and several other good Churches around it. This is a splendid circuit, and is composed of many good people. Mount Enterprise is a healthy place, and is a pleasant place in which to live. We have a nice six-room parsonage here, close by the church. There is a debt of some \$300 on the parsonage property, but we think we will wipe it off in the near future. This is my first year with this people, and we have had an agreeable time together. The Lord has been good to us, and the work has gone forward. We have received about fifty into the Church, mostly by baptism. The drought was intense down here this year, and cut the crops short, but we are coming up fairly well with the finances anyway. Our fourth Quarterly Conference was held last Saturday, and was a successful occasion. Our presiding elder, J. W. Mills, is in his first year in that office, but he just "fills the bill," and he is not for trade. When the tribes meet at Marlin we hope to be able to say: "A good year, Bishop; everything in full." Love to all of the brethren and the Advocate force.—M. I. Brown, Sept. 26.

FORT WORTH METHODIST PASTORS' ASSOCIATION.

A very interesting session of the association was held this morning. Reports from the various pastors showed that the work is again approaching normal conditions, following summer vacations.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed:

"In view of the recent agitation of the question of divorce, we, the Methodist Pastors' Association of Fort Worth, deem it as an obligation to our people to state the position of our Church upon this issue. 'The one scriptural cause,' according to the law of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is now, and has always been the only legitimate cause for divorce; and our ministers are specifically forbidden to solemnize the rites of matrimony for divorced persons upon any other grounds save the above."

Rev. Jerome Duncan has been carefully planning through the year for the organization of a Board of City Missions and Church Extension, and has recently realized his plans in the selection of a very capable and enthusiastic board. At a banquet recently given, at which there were about one hundred leading Methodist men of the city, Brother Duncan presented the following paper, which the association unanimously requested be published in the Advocate:

Fort Worth's Methodist Munitions, Past, Present and Prospective.

Two distinct dangers attend the presentation of denominational statistics. One of these is the temptation to an unwarranted denominational pride, and the other a disposition to rest content in the possession of ecclesiastical laurels already won.

As for the former, the true soldier in the militant Church of the world's Redeemer need feel no fear, but from the latter it may be well for us all alike to pray, "Good Lord, deliver us."

On the other hand, a careful survey of the results of our work for a given period of time may serve both to encourage the workers and to point the way to larger achievement.

For these reasons I desire to call to your attention some comparative facts in the history of Fort Worth Methodism during the ten years closing with the conference year of 1910. The figures have been carefully compiled, so as to eliminate the reports of work done outside of the city and its immediate suburbs, hence it does not give complete results for the Fort Worth District, but only such part thereof as applies to the city.

In 1900 the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, had eight pastoral charges in Fort Worth, four of which were, in part, sustained by our Conference Board of Missions. In 1910 there were eleven charges, with no missionary appropriation.

The membership ten years ago was 1991. Of this number 529 were in First Church, 352 in Missouri Avenue, 524 in Mulkey Memorial, and in the other Churches less than 200 each. In November, 1910, the membership numbered 6957. Of these, 1708 were in First Church, 1010 in Polytechnic, 850 in Missouri Avenue, 676 in Mulkey Memorial, 589 in Central, and the other Churches ranged in membership from 130 to 390.

In 1900 we owned seven church buildings, valued at \$54,300, and five parsonages, worth \$8800. In 1910 twelve Churches were reported, at a valuation of \$280,000, and eleven parsonages, including the district parsonage, worth \$48,000.

The eight pastors in the city were paid \$4962 in 1900, an average of \$620.29 each. In 1910 the eleven pastors were paid \$18,251, an average of \$1659.18 each.

We paid for missions in 1900, \$912, and in 1910, \$2450. The contribution for Church Extension was increased from \$159 to \$968, and for education from \$95 to \$785. The Sunday-school enrollment advanced from 1649 to 5939, and the Epworth League membership from 512 to 891.

The percentage of increase as shown by the above statistics is as follows: In Church membership, 250 per cent; value of churches, 415 per cent; value of parsonages, 445 per cent; pastors' salaries, 268 per cent; Sunday-schools, 260 per cent; Epworth League members, 75 per cent; contributions to missions, 168 1/2 per cent; Church extension, 383 per cent; Education, 720 per cent.

It is interesting to note that three value of Polytechnic College increased during the same period from \$40,000 to \$325,000.

A summary of Church property holdings in the city shows: Church buildings, \$280,000; parsonages, \$48,000; Polytechnic College, \$325,

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It is significant that these statistics indicate the growth of Methodism in Fort Worth to have kept in advance of the growth of the population of the city for the past decade, save in the items of missions and Epworth League members. While the United States Census shows an increase of approximately 174 per cent in population, the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has increased 250 per cent.

I shall not attempt to give a summary of our work as now being prosecuted. It is encouraging to know that we are making progress under the leadership of twelve pastors, two deaconesses, one city missionary in the employ of our Woman's City Board, and one Bohemian missionary under the direction of the Laymen's Movement. The record of this year will show definite advancement at the Annual Conference to be held in this city on November 8.

For this hour I would rather call your attention to the imperative and immediate demand for an enlargement and co-ordination of our forces to meet the conditions which confront us.

If we advance during the present decade, as I believe our Lord requires us to do, we must have a vision of our opportunity and a conviction of our common obligation.

Of all existing Protestant denominations, Methodism makes largest profession of connectional methods and spirit. By her very organism, she is superbly equipped for the co-operative Christian effort which betokens the spirit of this age. I would appeal to you as Methodist men to bear me while I speak to you after the manner of secular things in behalf of spiritual things.

No great enterprise can reach its legitimate measure of success until it begins to utilize all its assets to their full earning capacity.

No corporation can return legitimate dividends to the holders of its stock while permitting its capital to lie idle or to depreciate in value from wanton waste of resources. My contention is that as Christian men we owe it to our Lord to be as diligent and as wise and as resourceful in his great enterprise of human redemption as we are in the prosecution of our secular affairs.

The Church which succeeds best in its mission to humanity will ever be the Church which most perfectly adapts its machinery and its methods to the needs of the particular age and locality in which it operates. If our Methodism would perpetuate her record for progress in Fort Worth, she must adjust her machinery and utilize her forces according to the demands of the situation today, and not according to the traditions of yesterday. I am persuaded, brethren, that the Fort Worth City Mission and Church Extension Society holds in solution the potent agency for a movement among Methodists in Fort Worth which shall not only perpetuate but enlarge the record you have made during the past decade among these forces which are bringing to the sons of men the blessings of the kingdom of God.

No man who recognizes the requisites for modern city building will question for a moment the essential value of city Boards of Trade. Not only must business men care for their personal enterprise, but each must contribute of his time and business talent for the welfare and promotion of interests common to all.

I submit that the application of this prin-

ciple of business success to the affairs belonging to the kingdom of God is the call of God to the Church in Fort Worth at this hour, and the Fort Worth City Mission and Church Extension Society is to let Methodism's ecclesiastical Board of Trade for the wise, aggressive and effective advancement of Christianity in this city.

The records for the decades and centuries to come are bound up in the issue presented in this movement. We must plan wisely for permanent locations of property; we must enter the neglected and growing suburbs of the city with evangelistic effort and Sunday-school facilities; we must strengthen our existing Churches before we undertake the doubtful experiment of premature organizations; we must carry a gospel of love and hope to the workmen and women of the city who are not touched by our regular methods of gospel supply; we must establish a great, sane, aggressive evangelistic center in the heart of the city; we must demonstrate to this practical, rushing but yearning humanity to which the Church has its chief mission, the heartening assurance that ours is a constructive Christianity, not a selfish, effete, destructive substitute for that gospel of love and good cheer vouchsafed to a weary world by Him who said, "Come unto me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

To a part of this royal service for the Master you are cordially invited by these brethren, and I join them in the earnest prayer that with your help the Methodism of the future in Fort Worth may fulfill the prophesy indicated by your presence here and your large interest in the advancement of our Redeemer's kingdom.

H. M. LONG, Secretary.

The Board of Directors of the Southern Bureau of Education met some days ago in Nashville to receive bids from competing towns for the location of the \$5,000,000 industrial school for the poor white boys and girls of the South. The plan is to locate at some suitable point in the South a school that will offer the opportunity for an education to every white boy or girl willing to work his or her way through the institution. It is proposed to make this institution the most complete and most thorough of any in the United States in the industrial branches, in agriculture, horticulture, domestic science, and the like. The site for the school must comprise at least five thousand acres of land, and at the meeting in Nashville recently six bids which met this first requirement were submitted, the competing towns being Nashville and Bristol, Tenn.; Jasper, Ragland and McFall, Ala., and Fayetteville, N. C. Ragland, Ala., was the site selected. The \$5,000,000 endowment, it is announced, will be provided by wealthy philanthropists from various sections of the country.

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JOHN D. MAJOR.

MEETING OF THE PRESIDING ELDERS.

In response to arrangements and a call made some time since, thirty-two of the presiding elders of the State met in Austin Avenue Church, Waco, Tuesday, September 12, and were in session until noon of the next day.

Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss, presiding elder of the Beaumont District, was elected chairman of the meeting and R. G. Mood, of the Greenville District, was chosen secretary.

There were several visiting brethren present representing various interests of the Church, and their presence added much to the interest of the gathering.

H. D. Knickerbocker had characterized this meeting as "an ecclesiastical first Monday," but he was never more mistaken in his life.

Resolutions endorsing the plan for a State-wide campaign for a surplus for missions this coming year were passed. The work of the Orphanage and of Dr. McLean's management of same were endorsed by formal resolutions and it was clearly the opinion of those present that the Orphanage plant and facilities ought to be enlarged at the very earliest moment.

A plan for the enlargement of the work of the Texas Methodist Sunday-school Association was adopted and will be sent to the several Annual Conferences this fall for their action.

The pastors and people of Waco sustained their reputation for cordial and hospitable treatment; we were all delightfully cared for, we saw the signs of rapid growth of this beautiful little city, we saw the Orphanage, we saw Munger's Church that "was built in a day," we saw Knickerbocker's new \$10,000 parsonage that made the mouths of all of us "water," and we left with gratitude in our hearts to Brother Andrews and his co-workers in Waco for their kind treatment of us.

Arrangements were made for a meeting next year to be held in Dallas, Everett having promised a banquet if we would do so, and that

promise won for Dallas the honor of entertaining the next annual meeting of the presiding elders of Texas. R. G. MOOD.

SAN FRANCISCO LETTER.

Our Oriental Missions.

By Rev. W. P. Andrews.

The entire Church should know of the character of the work being done under the auspices of the Woman's Home Mission Society for Orientals in California. Of this work I would speak in this letter.

The subject has been suggested by the completion of a new chapel and school building for the Japanese Mission in Alameda, which it was my privilege to visit last Sunday. It was first occupied the Sunday evening before. It stands on the same lot with the Mary Helm Home. Its dimensions are 24x56 feet. On the lower floor are a small hall, hat and cloak room and two nice schoolrooms with blackboards on the walls, while on the upper floor is a neat chapel. Schoolrooms and chapel are properly furnished. The former are provided with desks and a piano, while the latter is provided with chairs and an organ. The Japanese furnished the piano, the local Church the organ and the Oakland Church donated the pulpit chairs. The building is attractive and most substantially built. All marvel at the low cost—only \$2500, including furnishings, except piano and organ. This was made possible by the good management of the Superintendent and the generosity of the contractor, a Free Methodist brother. With this building and furnishings, in addition to another schoolroom, in the yard, and the Mary Helm Home, the Alameda Mission is adequately equipped.

This mission has a membership of fifty, five of whom have been baptized since January 1. The Sunday-school has an enrollment of sixty-six children, which is almost the entire Japanese child population of the city, and are nearly all the offspring of Buddhist

and unbelieving parents. There were more than forty present Sunday morning. It did my heart good to hear them sing (in English and Japanese) and to witness the interest manifested by them. A member of this school—a boy—has recently organized a Sunday-school of six scholars in Elmhurst (now a part of Oakland). Thus is he obeying the injunction, "Let him that heareth say, Come." The Japanese population of Alameda is 1200, and ours is the only denomination at work among them. The day school has an attendance of forty, with three teachers.

In Oakland a room has been secured in the center of the Japanese quarter. There are but sixteen in the class, but the outlook is most hopeful. Brother Acton has it in his heart to build here a chapel and school, such as Alameda is now blessed with. Let us hope that he will soon be successful in securing it. The Japanese population of Oakland is 1949. It was here that our Japanese work was first opened, a night class being formed in 1898. It is only recently that aggressive work has been undertaken. The same pastor now serves both Alameda and Oakland, but the services of a Japanese pastor from Japan has been secured, though Bishop Honda has not promised to send him until next spring. Weekly prayer-meetings are held at both points. Each member takes his turn with the pastor in leading. Think of this, ye dumb American Christians! From these missions two have gone as missionaries to Japan, while two are now preparing for the ministry, one being at Vanderbilt, while one is attending the theological seminary of the Christian Church at Berkeley, Cal., since we have no school here in which to place him.

Our Korean Mission is in San Francisco. There are at present but thirty-one Koreans in the city, but of the thousand residing in the State this mission is in touch with 600, about all of whom attend the services at some time during the year. The "Korean Evangel," a monthly magazine, has

resumed publication, having been suspended since last December as a result of a ban put upon it by the Japanese Government because of its patriotic utterances, cutting off its circulation in Korea. Rev. William Acton is editor-in-chief and Rev. David Lee, the Korean pastor, is editor. Its circulation is 600, 400 in this country and 200 in Korea. Ours is the only Church working among the Koreans in California.

There is an urgent call for a mission at Walnut Grove and Isleton, on the Sacramento River, where there are 1500 Japanese, and this call will be answered soon if Brother Acton has his way.

Unquestionably the officials of the W. H. M. Society were divinely led when they chose Rev. William Acton as Superintendent of their Oriental work. His experience as a teacher in his early manhood contributes to his qualifications for this work. When he joined conference it was the expectation that he would be appointed to the foreign mission field, but he was declined by the board as being over age. He rejoices at the opportunity of serving the heathen at home, since he was not permitted to do so abroad. He has a suitable helper in his wife, and both are enthusiastic and tactful in their work. They are studying Japanese, and making good progress, considering the time their multitudinous duties will permit them to devote to it. A better choice could not have been made, and if our brother's life and health are spared, and he is continued in charge our Oriental work in California will be known by all.

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Oliver Cromwell is said to have observed that it is a good thing to strike while the iron is hot, but it is a better thing to make the iron hot by striking. The successful man creates his own occasions. Instead of waiting for things to turn up he turns things up himself. Blaze your own way through the wildness of the deep forest—you can go that route again, and go alone. The man who sees the polar star can cross a desert waste, but he must look with his own eyes. Stand flat-footed, they can't bury a man that stands that way. This age calls for the fellow who keeps a-com-in.'

THE FREE-BORN.

In these days it is so refreshing to really meet a free-born American. We speak of the man conscious that the blood of worthy sires flows untainted and unbartered through his veins. He truckles to neither priest nor king. He asks no quarters in what sometimes seems to be a losing game. He is in the line of royalty because he belongs to the aristocracy of brains. He sports the blood of ancestors who were pathfinders in the realm of thought and the hewers of destinies among the affairs of men. Money does not measure a man like that. Girls hunt for titles in the home of royalty, ignorant—and because he is financially poor—that she had let a sure enough king pass her door.

DISTANT HEIGHTS.

For many hours we had grown weary looking out over the Texas estacaddoes so limitless that the horizon almost vanished in the distance. Toward nightfall we noticed that far out on the distant rim there loomed up a granite peak—the first coming of all the mountains that lay piled behind it in silent grandeur. And for many other hours we traveled on and on. And yet this first mute guardian of the plains though ever approaching, was ever distant. We

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sollequized—the inspiration was on. Yes, it is true! Our ideals rise like the towering hills right out of life's otherwise boundless reaches. We never reach them—some of their dizzy heights we shall never scale. But, like this sentinel, they keep their silent vigils over life's great pilgrimage. In their ceaseless approach they shall bring us more and more toward the spell of their majesty and beauty.

HELPERS.

It is always of interest to watch these moguls on the Santa Fe and push their string of cars up the Rockies. And we always think of the world's poor fellows down at the foot of the hill. It's no trick to bring that train down. The one big question is to hold it back. But it takes two or three ten-drivers to put the thing on the crest of the range. Don't forget that! The very reason so many fellows are yet far down the valley is that they need some help. After all, and in a very definite sense, you're to blame if the fellow stays down. He'd pull the hill if he could. Either the grade is too heavy or his boiler is too weak—likely both. Can't you see that?

THE REALLY HEROIC.

We have known of men who refused to stand by another in an unfortunate hour. They preferred waiting to see how the charge turned out—true or false—and on this changing tide of public opinion they are willing to rest their devotion. Repudiate him forever! The friend that forsakes in the evil hour is unworthy of your trust when life runs smoothly. It breaks a bond for which there is no welding. They are frozen vipers warmed by your own heart-blood. They repay by the burial of their fangs in the heart that once blessed them. You don't need a friend behind whose fawning smiles there slumbers the possibility of a forsaking. Stand by the suffering heart—be that suffering just or wrong. There is nothing that so clearly marks the really heroic.

DREAMING.

Thousands of beautiful blue and brown-eyed girls, though in their teens, are dreaming such wonderful dreams. In their far-off vision appears a prince who shall some day awaken them. And because he delays his coming they plunge headlong into the marts of trade for which strife the finer sense of woman was never made. They reach far out toward the unreal man—and in that dreamy distance he vanishes. And now they find themselves in the zone beyond the thirties, still dreaming of their prince. The distant years will bring them cravings for some lost companionship and an unutterable desire to find their eternity in the souls of happy children they can call their own. The game of hearts was lost because they dreamed of a prince—of a sweetheart that could never be real.

STRATEGIC PLACES.

From any point of view, the world's strategic places are our great cities. It used to be that the outposts lay along the borders of civilization. But in this age, the frontier of civilization runs down our boulevards and paved streets. On the one side, the idle rich in spacious palaces; on the other, the idle poor in squalid huts and crowded tenements. Either side proves to be the spawning ground for social leeches that suck the life-blood out of the honest rich and the toiling poor. On the one hand, a refined debauchery that excuses itself with

filthy gold and family prestige; on the other, a poverty so dense that the foulness of a no worse crime stalks into public gaze. A social crime is none the less flagrant because it exists amidst the gaudy glitter of a rich man's harem or is perfumed by the breath of roses filched from the bosom of a social queen.

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The mid-year meeting of the Bishops will take place in Dallas October 24, 1911.

METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

The Board of Directors will meet in annual session at the Orphanage, Waco, Texas, Tuesday, October 10, 1911, at 10 a. m.

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JOINT BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Joint Board of Publication, Texas Christian Advocate, will meet at the Methodist Publishing House, 1308 Commerce St., Dallas, Texas, Tuesday, October 3, 1911, at 10 a. m.

The State Convention of the Texas Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet in Dallas, October 4 to 6. This promises to be the largest and most important session in its history. Plans for the coming fight will come before the body and every Church society interested in State-wide prohibition is urged to send one fraternal delegate. Mrs. Jno. S. Turner has the local arrangements in hand. She with her committees promise a genuine good time. President Curtis requests that every union bring or send the \$1 convention fund for each 25 members and major fraction thereof. The railroads of Texas will give a rate of one and one-third fare from all points and a large delegation is expected.

THE MEETING OF THE BISHOPS.

Next month the mid-year meeting of the Board of Bishops of the Church will take place in Dallas. All of them, now in this country, will be present and along with them there will be no doubt a number of distinguished visitors. This will be an event not only in the experience of Dallas, but of Texas Methodism. It will draw to the city a great many of our preachers and laymen and mark an epoch in our history. It is the purpose of the management of Southern Methodist University to take advantage of their presence and have a great Methodist school rally day at the Fair followed by the breaking of dirt for the University. Provision will be made for the transportation of a great crowd to the University campus, and it will be a great occasion. Addresses will be made at the rally and at the grounds by a number of the Bishops and visitors. Every Methodist in Texas ought to strain a point to be present and witness the proceedings.

AN INCORRECT REPORT.

The Western Methodist, of Little Rock, Ark., has the following item in its last issue:

"Governor Colquitt, of Texas, has been expelled from the Methodist Church because of support he has given to the saloon power in that State."

Of course, this is an erroneous statement. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has no law upon its books that would justify the expulsion of any one of its members from its membership for simply supporting the anti ticket. If he rents his house to any one for saloon purposes, or signs the petition of a man who applies for saloon license, or if he drinks whiskey to excess, or patronizes a saloon, it becomes the duty of the pastor to see such a member and if said member does not cease the offense, then the law puts his conduct under the head of immorality and deals with him accordingly. We are not so sure that a man in reality has any right to membership in the Church who openly espouses and persistently advocates the saloon business, but so far the Church has passed no law governing such a course. We have known the pastor and his Official Board to ask an official member to vacate his official position who was made Chairman of the Anti Campaign Committee, and who was making speeches in the interest of the anti cause. But under the law this is just about as far as the Church can go in such matters. Therefore, while Governor Colquitt made himself very offensive to the Church in his campaign in the interest of anti-prohibition, and as a result subjected himself to severe and just criticism, nevertheless he was not expelled from the Church because of it, and for the simple reason that the law of the Church does not go that far on the subject. Governor Colquitt is still a member of the Church at Tenth Street, Austin, but his relation has for years only been nominal. He rarely ever attends its services, and does but little, if anything, in the support of the Church, or its institutions. Before he became an anti-prohibitionist he was an active and a useful member of the Church. He was an official member and did his duty well. But he has changed very materially since he became an anti.

MEN'S RELIGIOUS MOVEMENT.

Last Sunday was devoted largely in this city and in other centers of population in Texas to the Men's Religious Movement. Sermons were preached, addresses delivered and much sentiment made in behalf of the enterprise. It has taken on great interest and promises much for the Church and the country at large. It is a most promising omen when business men of large capacity and success turn their attention to matters purely religious. The work of the Church, it seems, is no longer to be confined to the few, but the many. And in time the laymen will take a much larger part, generally, in religious matters than at any period in the progress of the kingdom of Jesus Christ. The whole country is becoming aroused to the necessity of this movement, and stupendous results ought to follow.

THE CONTEST IN MAINE.

The prohibition election in Maine was so close that victory wavered between the pros and the antis for several weeks. Finally the Governor and his Secretary of State counted the returns as they were certified to by the various precincts and voting boxes and the antis on the face of the returns seemed to have a majority of twenty-six. But the Governor gave it out that the clerks would have twenty days in which to recheck their various returns throughout the State, and that the correct result would not be known until that was done. We have just had private information from Dr. Percy Baker, the National

Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League that the Secretary of State Krum. He has grown every year since he entered the conference, and various clerks to indicate that he is one of our most efficient and successful members. He has sent in his missionary assessments and will report everything else in good form. After service I spent the night with the good family of Brother and Sister M. E. Warren. He is a leading merchant of the town; they are devoted Church members. They have no children of their own, but they adopted into their circle three orphan nieces when they were small and they regard them as their children. Two of them are married, and the other one has just finished a course at Scarritt's Training School, and she has been assigned to work as a deaconess in South Carolina charge. My visit was pleasant and trust profitable to the people. G. C. R.

But in any event the question is not settled permanently in Maine. The majority is too slender. It takes a decided advantage one way or the other to give permanent settlement to the issue. Therefore, in Maine and in Texas, the fight will continue until one side or the other has gained such a decided advantage as to satisfy public sentiment. On with the battle!

MORRIS CHAPEL AND NOCONA.

I spent last Sunday with the two charges above mentioned. Reached Nocona Saturday night and installed in the parsonage home of Rev. T. N. Weeks. Had a good night of communion and sleep. Sunday morning Rev. G. E. Glasspool, pastor of the circuit, drove me six miles into the country to Morris Chapel for a dedication service. The church is newly built, a neat, comfortable framed structure valued at \$1200. It is worth every dollar of it. It is complete and out of debt. For twenty years and more our people worshiped in a schoolhouse, after it was erected, and they have had a Church in view all these years. At the beginning, the country was sparsely settled, but it has grown into a thickly settled community, made up of as fine people as you can find in any section of the State. So sometime back they made up their minds to proceed with the building. They had the encouragement of Rev. J. E. Roach, the presiding elder, and the pastor. The Bowie District has made strides in Church and parsonage building in the past four years. Brother J. D. Morris, an old settler there, backed the enterprise with his money and work, and the others fell in line and the enterprise went forward. It stands on land that he gave, a beautiful site and a credit to the country. The people were there for miles at the dedicatory service. I have not seen a better rural congregation, and a more orderly and well-behaved crowd of young people.

Rev. J. E. Porter, now of Krum, and once pastor of the circuit, was present and took part in the service. The pastor had charge. The people were attentive and we had a deeply spiritual occasion. At the close of the sermon we set the building apart to the service of God, using our beautiful form for that purpose. It was impressive and the occasion will be long remembered. At the close of the service I met the people generally. The most of them read the Advocate and it was like shaking hands with old friends. I spent the rest of the afternoon with Brother Morris and his family. On the way back to town we called at the home of Brother J. M. Anderson, one of the veteran members of the Church, but now in feeble health. He is confined mostly to his home, but his faith abides and his interest in the Church is as strong as ever.

We had a large congregation in Nocona. The house was filled to its capacity. I preached to them a very practical sermon and they seemed to enjoy it. Had Brother Roach with us. He is closing out four most successful years on that district. No presiding elder in the conference has wrought to better purpose than he. The entire district is in fine shape, and its reports will be good. Brother Glasspool is serving his first year on his charge. He is an enterprising and wide-awake pastor, looking after all the interests of the Church. He is a success. Brother Weeks is now on his third year. He has his hand on his charge and will bring up good reports at conference. He is a faithful preacher and a devoted pastor. He is true to every trust. Brother Por-

SOUTHWESTERN OPENING.

During the first days of the opening of Southwestern University there were enrolled in all departments more than five hundred pupils, and by this time it is much more, no doubt. The institution has never had a more brilliant and successful beginning at any term in its history, showing that the school not only retains its hold upon the Methodist public, but is growing in its popularity and drawing power. The outlook is most promising for a great year and the high standard of merit will not only be maintained but elevated and advanced. We congratulate Dr. Bishop, his faculty and the Church upon the great success of the beginning of this another splendid year in the progress of Southwestern University.

We recently read a most interesting and most thoroughly prepared sermon in the Wichita Times on "Justification by Faith," and preached the Sunday before in our church in that city by Rev. O. T. Cooper, our pastor. It appeared in full in that paper and made good subject matter for its readers.

Our Wesleyan brethren across the sea are bereaved in the death of Rev. D. J. Waller, D. D., one of their ablest and most influential ministers. He was their fraternal delegate to our General Conference at St. Louis, in 1896, and his address and association with the members of that body gave to them a genuine pleasure. For years he had been and was at the time of his death the Educational Secretary of the Wesleyan Church.

PERSONALS

Brother M. F. Dunklin, a prominent Rusk County layman, made the Advocate office a very pleasant call this week.

Rev. New Harris and his people are in the midst of a promising revival. Much interest is already being manifested.

Senator E. B. Mayfield made us a pleasant visit recently. He did good work for us in the Senate. He now lives in Temple, having moved there from Meridian.

Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Williams, of Belmont, Texas, are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy in their home weighing slightly under ten pounds. He is a healthy fellow, full of vim and noise.

Rev. J. H. Overstreet, of Merit, and his son, S. H. Overstreet, of Reno, Nevada, were to see us this week. Brother Overstreet has been afflicted with something like skin cancer for some time, but under treatment it has yielded, and he is now confident that inside of a month he will be well. He is one of our very best Christian men.

Brother E. E. Adams, a member of the Board of Stewards at Amarillo, living six miles in the country, gave a dining recently to the entire board, and they were present in force. The guests of honor were Rev. O. P. Kiker, the presiding elder, and Rev. E. E. Robinson, the pastor. They had a great time, and feasted to their appetite's content on chicken and the like.

On last Monday night Brother Oscar Tucker dropped dead on his way from home to Trinity Church, in this city. For many years he had been the faithful sexton of Trinity. Many pastors in the North Texas Conference, from the sainted Brown down to the pres-

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ent, remember him tenderly. He was the acme of devotion to the church and his preacher. God's grace will abide with his wife, whom he loved with infinite tenderness.

We had a pleasant visit this week from Mayor Ed H. McCuston, of Paris. He is not only one of the best Mayors in the State, but an active Church member as well.

We are sorry to note that our venerable brother, Rev. John W. Stevens, of Brookland, Texas, received a fall recently, and is somewhat crippled up for the time being. Owing to this accident he has had to give up his charge, but we hope for his rapid recovery.

Rev. D. K. Porter and his people at Oak Lawn, in this city, have projected their new church enterprise, and the foundation is already completed. It will be a splendid accomplishment when completed, and thoroughly entrench our Church in that growing part of the city.

Rev. W. L. Pate is now in charge of Willis, Texas Conference, and is moving things up in good shape for conference. He has spent three years at Staples, in the West Texas Conference, but is now back in his old conference, and Willis will be his address for the time being.

Rev. F. B. Buchanan, of Midland Station, has had a good year. Though it has been dry and crops rather short, yet he has had a good revival, has harmony in his membership, will pay off all his church debt and bring up good reports to conference. He is full of life and vim, and always brings things to pass.

Our old friend and excellent correspondent in Missouri, Rev. C. H. Briggs, D. D., of the Southwest Missouri Conference, was transferred at its recent session to the Missouri Conference and assigned to the St. Joseph District. He is one of the strongest and most efficient men in Missouri Methodism.

Rev. Claude Simpson, who went from the Texas Conference two years ago to Westport, near Kansas City, Mo., has just been returned to that charge for the third time. He is making a great success of his work, and his old Texas brethren will be glad to read this personal of him.

Master John Wesley Beck, Jr., has been given a warm welcome to the parsonage circle at Sanger. He is the newest and latest arrival, and his father and mother, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Beck, announce his membership of the circle with much pleasure. He made his advent September 19, and is hale and hearty.

A personal note from Dr. Palmore, written from Irkutsk, Siberia, brings news that changes the thought of that exile country to the north of Russia. The Doctor states that before the close of the twentieth century Siberia will surprise the world. He states that Siberia is destined to become the ultimate crop-producing country of the world.

Rev. J. David Crockett a year or so ago took a supernumerary relation on account of ill health. He located in West Texas, and is now living in Stamford, within the bounds of the Northwest Texas Conference. He writes us that his health is about restored, and that he will take regular work at the approaching conference session.

In a note from Rev. G. J. Irvin, of Crowell, he tells us that his office on the parsonage lot was burned last Saturday, in which he lost his library, bicycle, wearing apparel and other things of more or less value. This is a loss to Brother Irvin, and he is not in a condition to meet it without feeling it deeply.

World-Wide Kingdom

John D. Rockefeller has given another million to aid the Institute for Medical Research.

Chancellor J. H. Kirkland, who it was thought for some time would go to another university, has declined the call and will remain at Vanderbilt.

Judge J. M. Dickinson, former Secretary of War of the United States, is a new member of the law faculty of Vanderbilt, thus filling the loss sustained when Judge H. H. Lurton was appointed to the Supreme Court by President Taft.

Dr. E. C. McVoy, of St. Luke's Church, Oklahoma City, in his brief acquaintance of less than a year, has won the genuine appreciation of very many of the brethren of Oklahoma. He has not only shown himself a man of ability, but also a gentleman of most lovable disposition, and the brethren appreciate him.

Chicago has within the last decade increased in population 29 per cent. A larger increase than any other city on the globe, in the same given time. It is the greatest railroad center in the world. During the past half century it has entertained more political conventions than any other two cities.

That grand old man among Congregationalists, Dr. Washington Gladden, has retired from the pastorate of the First Congregational Church at Columbus, Ohio, believing that a younger man can now do better work as leader of the congregation. Dr. Gladden is seventy-five years of age and for many years past has been looked up to as one of the leaders of Congregationalism in this country. He has been pastor of the First Church, Columbus, for thirty years, and his name is known in all the Churches for the many valuable books of which he is author. Even men

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of such clear vision and rare ability in expression grow old, but the Church in America will regret to see any signs that Dr. Gladden is no longer able to stand as one of the most active as he is yet one of the most influential men among the Christian forces of the country.

Dr. O. F. Sensabaugh, who has been in Oklahoma less than a year, has a strong grip on the work in Oklahoma City district. We have found him a sure-footed, sound-headed and good-hearted man. The year has not been auspicious about Oklahoma City owing to a very severe drought, but reports from that district will be good, nevertheless.

Rev. J. Robert Moore sailed from San Francisco for Korea, September 19th. His daughter has been restored to health, and is left in the San Antonio Female College (Texas) to pursue her studies. This will be good news to the many friends of Brother Moore in the home-land. May the blessings of God be upon Brother Moore and his wife as they sail the seas back to their loved employ, and upon the labors of their hands on Korean soil.

The local preachers of our Church should no longer complain that the itinerants are taking all of the honors and easy places from them. At the recent session of the Missouri Conference, Rev. S. P. Cresap located and he has been appointed by Bishop Denny to supply St. Joseph District. If a local preacher has ever before in our Church been appointed to a presiding eldership we do not recall it. But why not? Is there any law forbidding such an appointment?

World Wide Methodism has 100,000 pulpits and 8,799,000 communicants. What an army of aggression this ought to be on the powers of evil! And what an army of force it would be if they were fully consecrated to the work of spreading scriptural holiness throughout the world! Representatives of these millions of Methodists will meet in the city of Toronto, October 4th and will, until the 17th of that month, continue to try to see what Methodism should do, and to try to find the methods by which it can best fill its appointed tasks. There should be much prayer for divine guidance of the men who will meet in Toronto. In some respects, it will be the most important meeting the followers of John Wesley, as he followed Christ, have ever had. The good resulting from the meeting will be in a large measure determined by the united prayers of those who go and of those who remain at home. To your knees, O Methodist Israel!

FACTS OF INTEREST

According to the treasury statement of one week ago, the Government deficit to that date this fiscal year was \$22,285,639 as against a deficit of \$11,579,265 at the same date last year.

After a two weeks' trial of the experiment of transmission of periodical mail by fast freight, Postmaster General Hitchcock estimates a saving of \$2,000,000 a year to the Government by this plan.

Director of Mints Roberts announces that the mint at New Orleans will be closed, and that the mints at Denver, Philadelphia, and San Francisco the number of employees will be gradually reduced.

The Russian Premier, P. A. Stolypin, was shot while attending a performance at the opera at Kiev, Russia, on the night of September 14, and died from the effects. The assassin was a Jew, Dimitry Bogroff, and has been sentenced to death.

A rumor is current in St. Louis that W. R. Hearst is to take possession of the Star October 15th, and that he is also negotiating for the Republic. A majority of the stock of the Republic is said to be owned by ex-Governor D. R. Francis.

Last Monday recorded one of the most fatal explosions in the history of naval affairs. A fire in the hold and bunkers of the French battleship Jaurguenberry, reached the powder magazines. The terrible explosion completely wrecked the warship and cast up a toll of over three hundred lives.

The German Government has been presented by the United States with a statue of General Von Steuben, whom Frederick the Great sent to the struggling colonies of America to assist in establishing independence. This act is an acknowledgment of the Kaiser's good will in presenting to the United States a statue of Frederick the Great. The statue of Von Steuben is a replica of one in front of the White House, Washington.

Mt. Etna has been in eruption for some days. The smoke obscures the ground so that it is difficult to see just precisely what damage has been done. There are said to be thirty fires through which the lava is coming, and the damage to property is already estimated to have reached the enormous figure of twenty millions of dollars. The destructive area is widening every day.

Sixty-two Chinese students arrived on the Persia at San Francisco, September 3, in charge of three officials of China. They are to enter American colleges. Fifty-nine are to be educated under the Boxer indemnity returned to China by the U. S. The remaining three are private students. This makes about 200 Chinese to receive an education from the Boxer Fund—a total of nearly 900 to be trained in the United States.

A plan for the settlement of business disputes by arbitration, without the delays and expense incident to lawsuits, has been adopted by the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York. Any disputants once agreeing to submit their claims to arbitration must sign an agreement that they will abide by the decision of the arbitrators

selected, and, after the award, a judgment may be entered by the Supreme Court enforcing the decision. Arbitrators are to be selected from a list of two hundred names which the Chamber of Commerce has furnished. This plan of settlement of business disagreements without the tedious processes of the courts commends itself as a reasonable and practical method.

Hannibal, Mo., has come into possession of the boyhood home of Mark Twain on High Street in that city. This house was built in 1839 by John M. Clemens, Mark's father. It was bought September 2 of this year by an admirer of the genial humorist and presented to the city to be preserved. It is a building of two stories. A few feet away is the alley where Tom Sawyer persuaded the boys to paint the fence and it was in this alley that Huckleberry Finn lived.

An exchange says: "The latest census figures obtainable show that the people of the United States spend \$78,000,000 a year for candy, and \$43,000,000 for cigars, and \$59,500,000 for tobacco. The national chewing gum bill is \$25,000,000 a year, and the Baptist, Presbyterian and Congregational Churches pay their preachers \$22,823,000 per year. The soda water bill for the United States amounts to \$320,000,000 a year, more than is spent by the entire Christian Church for all purposes."

There has been for many months an organized campaign to secure the resignation of Dr. H. W. Wiley, Chief of Bureau of Chemistry in the Department of Agriculture. Most of our readers are familiar with the charges made against him, and the request that Attorney-General Wickersham sent up to President Taft that his resignation be demanded. But the result is a complete vindication of Dr. Wiley. It is evident that these attacks were inspired by interests that are desirous of palming off on the American people their impure and adulterated foods and drugs.

The figures are given out from Government quarters in Washington that 20,000,000 gallons of intoxicants were shipped in this country last year by liquor manufacturers and dealers into the "dry territory" of our country. Here is a case in which a comparatively small per cent of our population—the brewers and liquor dealers—make void the solemn legislative enactments of several millions of our fellow-citizens. There ought to be a way by which this defiance of the will of the people shall be stopped.

President Taft left Beverly, Mass., on Saturday September 15, for his transcontinental tour. He will visit 24 States, but is slated for speeches principally in the insurgent States of Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, Idaho, California, Oregon, Washington, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. He is expected to make 200 speeches. The speeches will be chiefly in defense of his administration as respects tariff legislation, and the line of action which ought to be pursued. Special attention will also be given to the President's arbitration scheme. Mr. Taft does not wish to be regarded as out on a presidential canvass, but the people will so consider it nevertheless. Champ Clark will represent the Democracy in opposition to the President's views. Woodrow Wilson will also let the Nation know what he thinks of national policies.

From every quarter come protests against our Government's giving official recognition to the International Breweries' Congress and International Barley and Hop Prize Exhibition to be held in the city of Chicago on October 12-22. Secretary of State Knox, in his letter to the United States, gave the information that our Secretary of Agriculture had accepted an invitation to act as Honorary President of this congress, and that the Department of Agriculture would be represented at the exposition by a suitable exhibit. The sober American citizens, the people who are fighting the business which this congress and exhibition represents, have a right to protest against this indorsement by their Government of the work of "the brewing and allied interests." It is to the credit of our citizenship that protests are coming from every quarter.

APPRECIATED IN MISSISSIPPI.

I enjoy the weekly visits of the Texas Advocate more than any of my papers. I think it is the best of our Advocates, with its strong and helpful editorials, which never give an uncertain sound of the inspired Word of God. E. B. PARTIN, M. D. Chunky, Miss.

THE SHERWOOD HOME.

A Thoughtful Appreciation of a Good Man and His Work.

The people of Como and Sulphur Springs District have bought five acres of land adjoining Como with an acre of nice fruit trees. Their purpose is to deed it to "Uncle Bud and Aunt Mary" as a grateful token to them for "their work's sake" in that part of North Texas Conference.

A thousand loyal, loving friends in North Texas and Oklahoma will ask with me the privilege of a share in that love offering. Hopkins County is not the only place that has rejoiced in his ministry. We who have wept and shouted in the meetings where they have led must have a part.

A thousand one dollar offerings will give them a simple cottage modestly furnished, where he can spend his last days among friends who love him and will be glad to hear him preach and labor with them for souls to the very end. There is no super

annuate, I believe, in that part and the need will always be great.

I am now serving the work from where he entered the itinerant ranks. When he was here in our late meeting he showed me the splendid black land farm of two hundred acres in rich old Collin that had been their home. I said, jokingly, that he would have had a home for his old age if he had staid by the "stuff." With a gleam in his eyes and joy in his words, he said he had exchanged it for a mansion in the sky.

Of course, there will be children and aged saints who will send smaller amounts than one dollar, insisting that they are not to be forgotten. Others more fortunate will not permit the dollar limit to be placed on their offering. This is only a basis. You will want to send your offerings direct to Rev. J. F. Sherwood, Route 5, Dallas, Texas. They will want to keep the packet of memento letters. This "feast of friends" will bring added cheer to a radiant old age.

If all who have been helped by these dear laborers in the vineyard shall see these lines or hear of this effort Brother and Sister Sherwood will have memories so refreshed that life's sunset shall glow on a garden of rarest flowers. M. P. HINES. Frisco, Texas.

THE MISSION HOME AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

Getting Ready to Move—What Hath God Wrought?

After some delay, caused by unfinished work, on September 25 two deaconesses, two teachers, with ten girls and the writer, spent our first night in the new home. Mrs. A. C. Cason, Treasurer of the Building Committee, whose valuable services cannot be estimated, was with us in our first consecration service. This morning, the 26th, songs of praise and house-cleaning fill all hearts and hands. We hope now in one more week the words of our friend, the News, will be realized and the Mission Training School of Carroll Avenue will be permanently located on South Madison Avenue, Oak Cliff, Dallas.

Furniture for the entire institution, purchased from Fake's furniture house, is being placed in the Home.

A great work has been accomplished! Now, what next? Can we sit idly down, fold our hands and expect to hear the "well done"? Never! We are fighting a great battle against the combined forces of Satan. We dare not relax our efforts.

Our Missionary Council has been exceedingly generous in advancing the means to carry forward this long-neglected work. But Texas could neither expect nor desire another should claim the crown. The money that has been advanced for us we must repay. We know there are many pressing claims, but none of such long-standing and none whose need is more pressing.

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DEVOTIONAL TOPICS.

Topic for the Quarter: The High Levels of Life.
October, Thought for the Month: Firm Foundations.
1. (Christian Stewardship.) A Well-rounded Life. 2 Cor. viii. 7; Luke xi. 42.
8. The Christian's Emancipation. Rom. viii. 1-16; vi. 6, 22.
15. Some Things We May Know. 1 John i. 1-5; Acts iv. 18-20; Rom. viii. 16; 2 Tim. i. 12.
22. (Mission Study Rally Day). Intelligent Warfare. Prov. xxiv 5, 6; Prov. iii. 13-23.
29. (Temperance.) Abstinence and Prosperity. Jer. xxxv. 1-11.

A LEAGUE WEDDING.

Mr. Layton W. Bailey and Miss Clara Julian, both of Trinity League, Dallas, were quietly married in the presence of a few specially-invited friends at Trinity Church at 6 o'clock on the evening of Wednesday, September 20, 1911. Both are active workers in the League ranks, each being an officer in the local chapter, and Mr. Bailey being the very efficient Secretary of the North Texas Conference Epworth League. The wedding did not come by any means as a surprise to their friends, but all join in wishing them long life and great happiness. Following the wedding, which was a beautiful affair, the church being appropriately decorated in palms, evergreens and flowers, and the ceremony proper being preceded by a solo rendered by the groom's sister, Miss Jessie Bailey, the happy couple departed for a tour through Colorado and other Western points. They will be home in Dallas early in October. We join with many other friends in congratulations and best wishes.

PRESIDENT RAGSDALE ILL.

We have a letter from President Ragsdale advising us of an illness resulting from overstrain at Epworth during the strenuous days of the Encampment. At the time of its writing he was some 500 miles away from San Antonio in the mountains and twenty-two miles from the railroad, trying to recuperate. We are taking the privilege of publishing his letter, for it is, as usual, written in characteristic style, and will be very interesting to our readers. Since the receipt of this letter a card has come to us, stating that he had gone on a little further west, and expected to be back at work in a short time. We know our readers will sympathize with him, and none will be surprised that the long and tedious siege of work at Epworth has resulted in a complete breakdown. Allan never knows when to quit, and often does work when others would refrain from it. That he is up and around again is good news, and we trust his speedy return to usual health may be the sequel to the present report.

WHAT SOME BONDHOLDERS ARE SAYING

There seems to be a general movement among the bondholders to surrender their bonds for the good of Epworth. We are privileged, through the kindness of President Ragsdale, to publish some of the letters he received touching this matter. We are glad to see that the indebtedness against the Assembly grounds gradually lessening, and we

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hope the day is not far distant when every dollar against it will have been liquidated. Here are the letters:

F. P. Works, Hillsboro, Texas: "I herewith hand you for cancellation Epworth League bond No. 125, owned by myself, and No. 126, owned by J. K. Parr. I thought I owned another (No. 129), but am unable to find same, but you are authorized to cancel all record of ownership in me as to this other bond also."

H. H. Simmons, Hillsboro, Texas: "Mr. Works has indicated to me that you are now seeking to have sent to you as donations the several stock subscriptions and stock certificates which have been issued against the Texas State Epworth League. I very cheerfully donate you mine, which cost me \$25 several years ago."

W. E. Boggs, Corsicana: "Here are our bonds. My League, though in a state of coma, was perfectly willing, and even glad, to make this donation."

C. T. Rucker, Humble, Texas: "Inclosed you will find the five bonds that I promised you while my wife and I were at the Epworth League Encampment this summer. We think this the greatest place that our Church has for the training of our young people. No pastor can well afford to miss going himself and carrying a goodly number of his leading young people with him, for it is here where they will get the spiritual uplift and preparation for good and efficient service. I think the future of Epworth is very bright and promising. We, as Methodists and workers in our Master's vineyard, cannot afford to let this great work lag for want of interest and means. Let's all put our hands down in our pockets and our shoulders to this great wheel, pushing upward and onward to success."

A WIDE-AWAKE LEAGUE.

We have a wide-awake League at Big Springs; every member ready to do their part. The following officers have been elected: Miss Marian Jones, President; Mr. Casadine Hooty, First Vice-President; Miss Bernice Davenport, Second Vice-President; Miss Hilda Majors, Third Vice-President; Mr. Elliott Terry, Fourth Vice-President; Miss Vera Coffey, Secretary; Mr. Lee Terry, Era Agent.

THE SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL, KANSAS CITY, MO.

"Your school is just a quarter of a century in advance of your Church, and it will take the Church twenty-five years to grow up to it."

This was the comment of a noted educator after we had conducted him through the building soon after the Training School had been opened, and we replied: "We hope that time will prove you a false prophet." The nineteenth year just closed saw ninety-five pupils enrolled, and the tokens of growing appreciation of the work of the school are so manifest that even the skeptical can no longer doubt the success of the institution.

Texas has shown its interest from the very beginning. Two students from Texas were enrolled the very first year, and not one year has passed without seeing one or more representatives from Texas enrolled. The total number of Texans enrolled, including last session's students, is eighty-three, and if each of these were counted each year that came, the number would be doubled.

Not only has Texas Methodism shown interest in sending students, but also by material assistance. The East Texas Conference furnished a room which still bears its name, and last year the furnishing of another Texas room was begun, and we hope, will be completed the coming year. The rooms devoted to the home mission band and the student volunteer band were furnished by Texans, the former named Maria Morgan Smith and the latter furnished by Mrs. Kiddle, of Beaumont, Texas, in memory of her mother, Mrs. Hannah West.

Scholarships have also been endowed, and now there are three endowed scholarships owned by the Texas conferences, viz.: Ellen J. Robinson and the Virginia K. Johnson, of the North Texas Conference Missionary Society, the former owned by the foreign department and the latter by the home department.

The Texas Conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has endowed the Texas scholarship.

The latest evidence of abiding interest is the Jennie Boone Barnum Religious Pedagogy Reference Library and a Webster's Unabridged—both very welcome gifts.

The Texas students have been among the leaders in the school. Three have been honored with the office of Class President. To Miss Norwood E. Wynn belongs the honor of organizing the class of 1901 and serving as its first President. The Texas Club last year included nineteen members, and their pictures show them to be women of imposing stature and strong, self-reliant natures.

The school has grown in size and has advanced in its standards, so that it holds first rank deservedly among training schools. The building itself is handsome and commodious, and exerts a subtle, refining influence over life and character. The home life is charming and delightful, and the class-room instruction inspiring and thorough.

The school owes much to Epworth-by-the-Sea. Many of the Texas students received their call to service during the Assembly, and their purpose to secure equipment was strengthened there. Twenty have been appointed foreign missionaries, and sixteen have been consecrated to service as deaconesses and city missionaries.

This season, in spite of drouth and blasted crops, we are expecting a rich ingathering of students from the labors of two members of the faculty in Texas during the summer, Miss Mabel K. Howell, teacher of sociology and Church history, taught in the institute at Denton in June, and Mrs. Mary Lipscomb Hargrove, Bible teacher, is teaching the Bible at Epworth-by-the-Sea. Both have taught in Texas before, and the results of their influence on the lives of young women are still in evidence, but we hope for greater returns this year, as the representatives of the school now in Epworth so fully attest the worth of the school that the yield should be a hundred-fold.

Some of our needs are annual scholarships

to be supported by individuals, memberships in the "Advance Club," a fund for current expenses and repairs, and, most of all, the fairest, strongest and best of Texas' daughters.

A CHERY LETTER FROM PRESIDENT RAGSDALE

Fort Davis, Tex., Sept. 13.

I am away out here in a new section of Texas—in fact, on the Methodist map it is in the New Mexico Conference—trying to "come back" from my strenuous life at Epworth. I won't admit that age is responsible for my failure this year to stand the siege in good order, but a combination of affairs—a most too much effort trying to do more than I should to hold down expenses and the longer session may have had something to do with it. Anyway, I have been "down and out," and at urgent advice of the doctor I came out here, nearly five hundred miles from San Antonio and twenty-two miles from the railway, and—best of all—one mile high, to rest and recuperate. So far, most of my holiday here has been spent in bed, but I am hoping to be all right soon. I have found a new country out here, and a most excellent set of people. The climate is delightful—a regular Colorado near here, and the mountains and canyons are certainly great. It doesn't seem like Texas at all, and is another demonstration of the wonders of our great State. The more I roam in Texas the more I feel that we should "see Texas first," and then we won't want to go beyond.

One of the greatest surprises to me here is the fruit-immense orchards of the finest apples—winter apples, too, that will rank with any I have seen; winesap, bellflower, Ben Davis, Black Prince, loaded on great trees that bend to the ground. Trees thirty years old in first-class condition, that have borne since the third year, prove the value of the apple crop when enough trees are out and bearing to justify shipping. So far, only a few older orchards that are the result of the faith of a few thrifty Germans in the early days are doing this, but trees are being put out on every hand now, and the industry just launching. Plenty of fine peaches, melons and quince—in fact, every vegetable known was shown in the exhibit they sent to the Pecos Fair yesterday.

A number of congenial people are at the hotel; some from Houston, a few from Dallas, and scattering sections in South Texas are represented. Horseback rides in the canyons are popular with those who are able to get out, and most of them are.

I have been wanting to write about Epworth, but Brother Riddle, Dr. Harrison and your correspondent have about covered the ground. We had a great time in many ways, but disappointing in others. It wouldn't do to have it perfect; there would be nothing left to work for, and we might go backwards. The future looks bright, however.

Brothers Flinn, Whaling and Rector are at work on the program, and we promise you a much better time in every way next year. Brother Thomas is planning a campaign for funds, and I know of no Methodist enterprise that promises more for a small investment. This is a plant owned by the Church and operated in a democratic way for the good of all. Many of our friends are taking a keen interest in it in a substantial way, and we are grateful. Many bonds have been sent in to be canceled, and others are coming.

We are planning for aggressive work this year, and want every League in Texas represented at Epworth next year. We wish

that it were possible to have every room and every tent filled with League members; we could have an extra session for the old folks. Can't we work to that end? Two thousand Leaguers camped at Epworth to study methods and get inspiration.

Our Sunday-school folks had a great time, and will be on hand in full strength next session.

The suggestion about a meeting with Dr. Parker in Dallas is good. The Cabinet and every District President is hereby called to meet on that date. Be sure and come, and let's "start something!"

A. K. RAGSDALE.

EXCERPT FROM AN INTERESTING LETTER.

We give below an interesting letter of travel from the niece of Rev. W. J. Wilson, of San Saba:

London, Sept. 2, 1911.

Dear Uncle William.—Here we are in London and have had a delightful week of sight-seeing. I wish you could have been with us, especially the day we were in the British Museum. Of course the Rosetti Stone was one thing to see. And then all the first Bibles—the Alexandrian manuscript, the Septuagint, the first printed Bible, etc. We walked and looked until tired out, but it was a very interesting day. Of course, we have been to the City Road Chapel, where Wesley lived and worked. Have heard three sermons on Sunday, and will hear Dr. Fitchie, of Australia, tomorrow. He is one of the most distinguished of the Wesleyans, and is on his way to Toronto now. We spent an afternoon at Epworth. Went all through the home that Samuel Wesley built after the fire. Stood in the window where little Jackie was taken out; visited the ghost room, and the room where Susanna Wesley taught her classes and refused to say amen when her husband prayed for the King. We then went to the church and S. Wesley's grave, from which J. Wesley preached. Of course, an Episcopal rector has this house and church but the Wesleyans have a beautiful memorial chapel at Epworth, too.

We have been to cathedrals and palaces and towers, the home of Parliament and art galleries. Have sailed on the Thames, etc. Westminster has been closed since the coronation, but we will get in there Wednesday, September 6. Then we will go to the continent. We will go to Oxford and the Shakespeare country Monday.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ITEMS

Rev. E. HIGHTOWER,
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FINANCING OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

Our three great enterprises in Texas are Missions, Church Extension and Sunday-schools. So said a leading presiding elder the other day. We would add that the greatest of these is Sunday-schools. For the Sunday-school is the hope of the Church. If the Sunday-school is our greatest enterprise it should have adequate support. It should have a square deal. It should be placed on as strong a footing as Church Extension and missions. The fact is that up to this time the Sunday-school has been a sort of Lazarus at the gate of the Church, forced to content itself with crumbs. Under the law of the Church the profits of the Publishing House must take a given course and cannot be diverted into other channels. The result is that while the Sunday-school literature is a great source of profit to the house, that profit cannot be used for the benefit of the Sunday-school, except so much as is necessary to maintain the work of the Sunday-school editor and his assistants. The Boards of Missions and Church Extension, both general and conference, are sustained in their work by regular assessments against the whole Church. The Sunday-school Boards have no such source of income. The only income which it can call its own is the Children's Day collection and that is not a specified assessment, but to all intents and purposes a special collection. Many pastors and superintendents do not even regard the observance of the day as an obligation. With that view of it the Sunday-school is left to depend for any funds it needs entirely upon specials. And no enterprise of our Church, be it missions, education or Church Extension, has ever been successfully operated on specials. How long would our missionary or Church Extension or educational enterprises survive the shock if the regular assessments against the Church for these causes were withdrawn, and they were left to depend upon special days, and assessments against missionary societies and Sunday-schools for their incomes? The Sunday-school Boards of Texas have not succeeded with their field work heretofore because they have been left to depend upon an uncertain means of support. The State Executive Committee has asked the conferences to place the Sunday-school work on the same footing with the Church Extension and Home Missionary enterprises, and the presiding elders have approved the request, and we believe the members of the Annual Conferences believe strongly enough in Sunday-schools to untie the hands of their boards.

At a meeting of the presiding elders of the North Texas Conference in Dallas last week, Bishop Mouzon presiding, the action of the State Conference of presiding elders relative to our State Sunday-school work and plans was strongly endorsed. Our presiding elders are our official leaders, and it is a source of inspiration to those who are trying to plan better things for our Sunday-school work to have their counsel and cordial approval and support.

MEETING OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee of the Texas Methodist State Sunday-school Conference met in Waco, Texas, at 2 p. m., September 12, 1911. Present: B. W. Dodson, W. C. Everett, E. Hightower. After prayer the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Treasurer B. M. Burgher was reported as absent from the State and no Treasurer's report was submitted. On motion he was requested to file his report with the President to be published in the Sunday-school page of the Texas Christian Advocate. On motion the President of the State Conference was requested to visit the Texas conferences this fall in the interest of our State Sunday-school work. On motion the State Presiding Elders' Conference then in session at the same time and place was requested to appoint a committee of one presiding elder from each of the five conferences represented to confer with this committee relative to the interests of our Sunday-school work. The Executive Committee resolved itself into a committee of the whole to meet the committee of presiding elders and adjourned to meet at the call of the Chairman. The

committee met next morning and reported that a committee of presiding elders consisting of J. M. Peterson, Jerome Duncan, J. G. Miller, A. A. Wagnon and N. B. Read had been appointed; that the committee of the whole had met with this committee and that after the freest discussion the committee of presiding elders had made the following report to that body which had been discussed and adopted. (The report appeared last week.—Ed.) Pending action upon this report J. E. Harrison, D. D., arrived and took his seat with the committee. The State Executive Committee heartily approved the action of the Presiding Elders' Conference. On motion the Executive Committee requested Bishop Atkins to appoint Rev. E. Hightower, of the Central Texas Conference, State Sunday-School Secretary. Adjourned to meet in Dallas, October 3, 1911, at 10 a. m. W. C. EVERETT, Sec'y.

THIS YEAR HAS FIFTY-THREE SUNDAYS.

The year 1911 is unique in having fifty-three Sundays. In October, November and December there are four instead of thirteen Sundays. As this occurs only once in six years no provision has been made in the graded courses for lessons for this extra Sunday.—Sunday-School Journal, M. E. Church.

We call special attention to the above statement because it will enable those using the graded literature to observe Rally Day on the first Sunday in October without losing the first lesson of the new Sunday-school year. Or if some other Sunday has been selected as Rally Day it can be observed and the lesson of the day used on the following Sunday without dislocating the work. Unless some special day is observed during the fourth quarter teachers of the graded literature will find a Sunday

on their hands for which they must make special provision. In such an event the extra Sunday might well be used for review.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL OBLIGATION.

Rev. R. B. Bonner, our Conference Sunday-school Field Secretary, with his wife, spent a few days with us recently, taking a short rest.

On Sunday he delivered two stirring Sunday-school addresses to my people, infusing new life and inspiring high ideals.

Brother Bonner is an enthusiastic worker; his institutes get at the point and produce results. He has made a most careful and exhaustive study of this special work, gathering the very best information to be found in all the late books on modern Sunday-school methods, child study, religious pedagogy, etc. So that at the end of this first year in the work he is now thoroughly equipped to be a Sunday-school specialist.

I heard Bishop Atkins' strong endorsement of the man and his work at "Lake Shore Assembly." No mistake was made in his appointment, and by all means he ought to be retained in the field. It is only a question of financing the undertaking.

I am not a member of our Sunday-school Board, but I do most earnestly propose that we all pay in full that assessment of six cents per scholar, so that the wisely laid plans of our board may be carried forward.

We have sent ours to the Treasurer, "You are next." F. M. NEAL, Claude, Texas.

A WESLEY ADULT BIBLE CLASS ON WHEELS.

A short time since the writer had the pleasure of organizing a Wesley Adult Bible Class composed of the passenger employes of the DeLeon and Cross Plains branch of the Texas Central Railway. But the engineer and fireman will use the Home Department literature. The name of the class is "The Wesley Adult Bible Class on Wheels." The motto is "Railroad Men for Christ." They hold their class session each Sunday

morning at 10 o'clock while the train is en route from Sipe Springs to DeLeon. The officers are W. Y. Henson, baggagemaster, President; Wilbur Wright, conductor, Teacher; G. C. Webster, Secretary and Treasurer. This is something new in the Sunday-school world, but where the movement will stop no one knows, as sometimes small beginnings make great endings. May God bless the movement. B. L. NANCE.

OUR BOHEMIAN SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

As we write these lines there lies before us a picture of our Bohemian Sunday-school on Route 6, near Ennis, Texas. In the picture are about thirty-five bright faced young people and children. Our heart goes out to these people, the victims of centuries of oppression, who were once the citadel of religious liberty. A race who could give to the world John Huss and Zinzendorf and Peter Bohler is certainly worth evangelizing. The surest way to evangelize the race is to save the children, and our agency for saving the children is the Sunday-school. May the number of mission schools in our State be multiplied an hundred-fold.

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

The helplessness and misery of the women of the Orient led to the organization of missionary societies fifty years ago. The same conditions exist to-day. Why the indifference of so many of our Christian women to the call now? Let us come to the Jubilee meeting and be thankful and willing to share our blessings with the millions yet in darkness.

NOTICE, AUXILIARIES OF THE NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

Tickets for the meeting of the North Texas Home Mission Society at Wichita Falls on October 5 will be sold over all roads for one and one-third fare for the round trip, and will be on sale October 5 and 6, and good for return October 11. These, of course, will be for all who will go, and we hope that all who can will avail themselves of the opportunity to visit the conference.

MRS. P. C. ARCHER, Corresponding Secretary, North Texas Conference Woman's Home Mission Society.

NORTH TEXAS WOMAN'S HOME MISSION CONFERENCE.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Woman's Home Mission Society of North Texas will be held in Wichita Falls October 5-11. We cordially invite all former officers to come and help make it a great occasion. This will be our last meeting as a Home Mission Society, so come purposing to throw your whole soul into it and make it an occasion to be treasured in memory. Next spring we hope to form a united Missionary Society for our conference, having the two departments, home and foreign. Send your name to Mrs. E. Puckett, 1814 Fourteenth Street, Wichita Falls, that you may be provided with a home during the session. We ask every auxiliary to pray earnestly for this meeting, that the presence and power of the Holy Spirit may be recognized and honored, and that everyone present may receive a blessing.

MRS. L. P. SMITH.

TO THE PRESS REPORTERS OF THE NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE:

I am mailing this week the Bulletins, some other literature and, most important of all, some report blanks. Please fill out these blanks and return them to me the same day they are received, in order that I may be punctual and with a good, full report to the Council.

Now, friends, you remember, years ago, when you attended your first school, how the teacher used a monthly honor roll, counting attendance, deportment and good lessons to determine your place on that honor roll? Well, I have about decided to have at conference next year an old-fashioned honor roll, and whether your district or auxiliary appears depends on how regular and prompt and what kind of reports you send me.

The size of your auxiliary will not be considered, so a small but live, active society can have an equal chance to be first on the list.

You remember how, when a child, you would strive earnestly for the first place on that school honor roll, and your disappointment if for some failure on your part your name was not there at all? We are yet children in the school of life, working under a great Teacher. Ought we not to be more earnest, diligent and faithful in the advancement of his cause?

Let's see which district and auxiliary will lead in the work.

I hope our District Secretaries will emphasize press work in their districts, and urge the necessity of prompt reports. Our Quarterly Council reports, so if you have failed to receive any with report blanks, do not fail to drop me a card at once.

Knowing the advantage to societies that stress this part of our work, I would plead with every Press Reporter not to neglect this great opportunity that is yours this year, and may the Heavenly Father abundantly bless your every effort.

MRS. LEE PERMINTER.

Press Superintendent Northwest Texas Conference, Big Spring, Texas.

TO THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENTS:

Dear Co-Workers—For the last fifteen years I have been making my plea to the good women of Weatherford District, and when the conference gave me other work I assure you it was like parting with a very dear friend. I loved district work and the good and noble people of Weatherford District who responded so nobly to every call and were so helpful with the work that has proved such a blessing to me, as well as many others. Now, to the Second Vice-Presidents I come begging your cooperation in this great work of helping to enlist our young people in the missionary work of the Church.

This was made a separate department by our Missionary Council, with a wide-awake woman as our leader, Mrs. Grubbs, of Winchester, Ky. So, you see, I am the connecting link between her and the Second Vice-Presidents of Central Texas Conference in both the Home and Foreign Departments. It is my purpose to do all I can to help you, but it depends on you Second Vice-Presidents to do the work and make full reports to me on October 1. If you have not received my circular letter-leaflet on reporting and blank reports, please let me know. My mailing list is incomplete, and I want the address of every Second Vice-President of every society in the Central Texas Conference. If your society has united, let me know; and if not, do it as soon as possible, as it will expedite matters in general.

Please let me know your needs if you have a young people's society. If you have a Live League I would advise you to join and help the young people in every way you can; urge them to take up the study course mapped out in my letter. And where there are as many as six young people between the ages of fourteen and twenty-two years not engaged in any kind of missionary work I would advise you to organize a Young People's Missionary Society under the new constitution for the young people. Give these young people something to do; help them make out interesting programs for their meetings, and they will enjoy the work and at

the same time be a blessing to the Church and the world. Let me hear from you often.

MRS. J. B. PRICE, Second Vice-President of Central Texas Conference.

LEAD ON, O BLESSED SPIRIT.

(Anniversary hymn for the Woman's Home Mission Society. Written by Rev. P. C. Archer, Wimsboro, Texas.)

Lead on, O Blessed Spirit,
Our loving guide and stay;
We'll hasten though we may
Unto this joyous day.
Mid scenes of great temptation,
And every form of trial,
We always gained the victory
By grace and self-denial.

Lead on, O Blessed Spirit,
There's much yet to be done;
We have no time to loiter,
Till life's brief race is run.
The harvest fields are whitening,
And laborers are few;
We'll follow in his footsteps
While yet there's work to do.

Lead on, O Blessed Spirit,
The time cannot be long
Fill every faithful sister
With joy in the happy song.
Where angels shout hosanna,
To Christ, our risen Lord,
Who by his life redeemed us
And washed us in his blood.

Lead on, O Blessed Spirit,
As thou hast led these years;
Thy loving smile and hand
Will calm our rising fears,
And make us strong to suffer,
And work for his dear sake,
Till we are called up higher,
His glory to partake.

BREVARD INSTITUTE AND THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

Brevard Institute is a mission school in the heart of the North Carolina mountains. It was designed as a normal and industrial school to give mental and manual training to needy girls and boys who otherwise would not be able to secure an education. From its start it has consistently stressed the importance of real Christian experience. Some years ago, when the State high schools were first being organized, the institute realized that there would soon be little need for a school whose course was parallel with and approximately equal to the work offered by the State schools. It then realized that its future usefulness depended largely upon the development of its various vocational schools, and as the institute has grown and conditions are more thoroughly understood the importance of this kind of Christian education is more and more realized. The student who desires and can take a classical course can find any number of good Church Schools where he can do the work he wishes to do under wholesome Christian influences, but so far the Church is almost entirely neglecting the vast number of girls and boys who must get out into the world and make their own living without a chance to attend any college. Thousands of young people with no more than a high school education are carrying money as stenographers, bookkeepers, seamstresses, housekeepers, public school teachers or farmers, and practically all of them have been denied the inspiration and power which Church schools alone supply. Many of them have prepared for their vocations in the hard school of experience alone, others have studied in some school or have served an apprenticeship in some city, where the influences have weakened their moral integrity faster than the training has built up their intellectual ability. For this class of people the Church is doing almost nothing, in spite of the fact that no part of our population is more valuable to the Church or to society. If religious education has a reason for its existence to help those who train their minds by classical study, it surely is of the greatest importance for those who can continue their school life only a few years before they are thrown into the whirl of the world's temptations. With these undoubted facts clearly in mind, Brevard Institute is reaching out to do a needed work for these comparatively neglected but very valuable young people.

In working out this idea the institute is now operating courses for the teachers of rural schools, for bookkeepers, stenographers, music teachers, dressmakers, milliners, housekeepers and farmers. Connect with every department of the school and required of every student is a course of study in the English Bible and in modern methods of doing religious work. In no case is there any thought of competing with the colleges or with the higher training schools of the Church, but each course is specially designed to fit the needs of those who cannot attend college. In every course thoroughness and accuracy are insisted upon. Perfect work only is accepted where perfect work can be done, and where perfection is physically impossible carelessness and inaccuracy are stamped with kind but firm disapproval.

It is surprising how much of such work can be done by enthusiastic and consecrated teachers with very little equipment, but the time has come in the growth of Brevard Institute where considerable material enlargement is necessary for continued growth. The agricultural department, which was inaugurated a year ago, has found so earnest a demand that the boys already are occupying all available space in their little dormitory. The class rooms and practice rooms are crowded into the girls' dormitory, an arrangement which is exceedingly unsatisfactory where there are so many boys. There is absolutely no room for the wide-awake music department, the teachers' pianos being forced into the parlor and a bedroom, while the five practice pianos vie with each other in the dining room and a single practice room.

With such departments as are already in operation, commodious class rooms and work rooms are necessary, and a building specially designed and especially convenient is imperatively demanded. Each department should have its own quarters, with space, not only for present needs, but also for the growth sure to come in the immediate future. At the same time the girls' dormitory should have extensive alteration, and the chapel should be cut up into bedrooms. With a larger number of inmates, it should be even more carefully pro-

tected against fire. Its exterior should be re-modeled for this purpose, and to make its appearance conform with that of the new administration building. And before these improvements are made on the present property all the land which will ever be needed for otherwise every dollar spent in the improvement of the present boundary will increase the cost of adjoining property which may be acquired later.

A far-sighted policy adopted at this time and backed up by a truly liberal donation during the Week of Prayer would give Methodism an opportunity of starting value. With the foundation already laid for practical and thorough vocational courses, with the reputation which the school already has, with the successful graduates and well-pleased patrons as numerous as they already are, Brevard Institute could absolutely lead all this section of the South in religious technical work of a high school grade. Adequate equipment just at this stage means success and success along the lines already being worked promises untold usefulness in a vast field. With the departments already organized working in adequate buildings it would be a very simple matter to add courses in mechanical drawing, plumbing, in photography, in simple electric manipulation, in pharmacy, and in a large number of such honorable and profitable vocations. A school doing well such work will command the interest and support of philanthropists through the South, and when its plan and its success are well known the funds for future growth will come almost of themselves. We must not lose this glorious opportunity. It is ours to-day, and we cannot afford to let it pass.

WHY THE CAMPAIGN?

The Central Committee on Mission Study has issued a bulletin bearing the foregoing title. This campaign is to be made by all the Mission Boards of the United States. "This simultaneous effort is to secure new members for our Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, to gain new subscribers to our magazines, and to bring together the women of our Churches on this great common ground of all our creeds. The success of this united effort in your town or Church may depend on your initiative or response. Will you be ready to do your part?"

Why October? It is the beginning of the working year. We may expect pleasant weather. We are rested after vacation.

Why simultaneous? It is easy for one Church to delay, forget, neglect. It is not easy to decline when all Churches in all towns and States are working definitely in a particular week or month. The little Church not vitally interested, not very strong, may not be lighted from within, but will catch fire if neighboring Churches are ablaze. The task is overwhelming for one Church, one denomination. It is possible for all women united in prayer and service to give Christ's message in obedience to his command.

The campaign call will come from all boards in the early part of September. As soon as you see this call begin to arrange for the campaign. Call at once on Presidents of other missionary societies in your place and see that the campaign is thoroughly advertised through the papers and from the pulpits. All members of the women's societies from all the Churches should meet for prayer on Sunday afternoon, October 1. Choose an Interdenominational Committee, selecting two or three from each Church. These form the nucleus of committees in their own Churches. See that a strong committee is chosen from our Church. Send at once for leaflets, sample magazines and membership cards.

The Interdenominational Committee of each place provides another card—one of admission to a reception and mass meeting to be given early in November to all new members and subscribers to magazines. No one should be admitted without this card. The committee should plan a splendid program for this occasion.

On receipt of this signed card and the subscription to the magazine from the new member, she receives her card to the reception and mass meeting, which should be as strong and attractive as possible.

Your committee must district the membership of your Church, making lists of non-members, whom they shall visit, two by two, with the invitation to join the society and subscribe to the magazine. The number to be visited should not be more than ten to each pair. At the close of this week—for the canvass should be completed in a week—the Interdenominational Committee and subcommittees should unite in a luncheon, when reports are given of visits made, members secured, subscriptions gained, percentage of increase, and other interesting features.

The selection of the week in October is left to each individual place, since the time will depend upon local conditions; but be sure to enter into this plan and carry it out in its details. The making of the list and the assigning of non-members will require time, thought and prayer, but surely you will be ready to do this much for the cause which is nearest God's heart—that of bringing the world to Christ.

This campaign and the jubilee may be worked together, for it is certain that both are needed. One afternoon might be given to denominational rallies, and reports from these can be made at the mass meeting.

This campaign was planned primarily for the foreign work, but in our denomination members should be secured for the home as well as for the Foreign Department.

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Don't be drawn into argument. Explain the plan and tell how you want your Church to do best of all, and how all are needed. Don't fail to tell some of the lively, practical things of missions—schools, hospitals, kindergartens, needs of women and children.

Don't forget to tell with enthusiasm about the reception to new members, and the mass meeting.

Don't stay too long.
Don't go only to the rich or well-to-do.
Don't fail to be gracious and courteous, even if refused.

Don't leave the girls out of the movement. Use them in every possible way.
Don't fail to mention what others are doing. Provoke one another to good work.

Don't depend on your own courage or gifts or wisdom.
Dont, oh, dont, forget to take your Master with you.

Subscribers who desire the Advocate discontinued must notify us at expiration, either by letter or postal card. Otherwise they will be responsible for continuance and debt incurred thereby. We adopted the plan of continuance at the request and for the accommodation of our subscribers, and they in turn must protect us by observing the rule which stands at the head of the first column on the eighth page.

MRS. LARAMORE TELLS TROUBLES

Lady in Goodwater Describes Her Distressing Experience and Tells How She Was Finally Relieved.

Goodwater, Mo.—"Ever since I was a little girl," says Mrs. Riley Laramore, "I was a great sufferer from dyspepsia."

I suffered misery after eating, and had terrible heartburn.

I thought I had to suffer this way as long as I lived, but when I began to take Theford's Black-Draught, in small doses, every night, the heartburn was all gone in a few days, and I could eat without distress.

I took two small packages in all, and although that was some time ago, the dyspepsia has not returned.

I speak a good word for Theford's Black-Draught whenever I have the opportunity."

If eating causes distress, we urge you to try Theford's Black-Draught. It cleanses the system, helps the stomach to digest its food, regulates the bowels, and stimulates the liver.

It acts gently and is without bad after-effects. Try it. Price 25c.

BECKHAM-NICHOLS DEBATE.

The Beckham-Nichols debate opened at Turkey, Texas, August 29, at 8 p. m., and closed September 3, at 6 p. m. Methodism, under the leadership of Rev. T. J. Beckham, scored a great victory, and but for Mr. Nichols' omnibus style of proposition the victory would have been even greater. Brother Beckham conducted his part of the discussion on a high plane, and never resorted to unclean or dishonorable tactics. Mr. Nichols showed a different spirit, and when pinned to the wall and straitened for argument resorted to mockery and went through irreverent performances sufficient to blush the cheek of decency itself. The better element among the Campbellites could but feel disgusted and ashamed.

In sophistry Mr. Nichols is an adept. The Campbellites claim Mr. Nichols as the ablest defender of their creed in the State, which is likely true, but he displayed a great lack of confidence in his own ability and in the soundness of his doctrinal tenets in his refusal to specify and affirm the real doctrines of his Church and treat them separately and distinctly.

Beckham chose to specify and affirm distinctly his doctrinal points, and he argued them with such clearness that the people knew and understood his contentions.

Beckham proposed to quit the debate and so home if Nichols would show either of the four following things:

1. A text of Scripture that says, "Believe and repent."
2. A standard Greek lexicon that translates baptizo to dip only, in a Bible sense.
3. The word "immerse" in the King James translation.
4. If he would find in Greenfield's Greek Testament where Christ went into the water to be baptized.

But Nichols failed to produce the proof, or even make a rational reply.

Beckham pitched his arguments on a high scriptural ground, and studiously avoided being offensive to those of the Campbellite persuasion, but Nichols made a fool of himself in his efforts to ridicule the "mourner's bench" and mock the "altar exercise." His exploits were enough to make the devil blush. Beckham threw in a few pleasantries suited to the occasion, which were relished by all present. He is an earnest and able exponent of the doctrines of our holy Christianity, and is worthy to be the standard bearer of Texas Methodism. Methodists and outsiders and some Campbellites here will ever hold him in high esteem.

D. C. ROSS.

Are You Nervous?

Nervousness is often merely a sign of physical weakness, an indication that the body is out of tone. Bull-Tone, which is offered on trial to every sufferer, has proven of immense value in nervous exhaustion, tired nerves, jangling nerves and shakiness of nerves, because of its action in toning the body, by just what is needed in the big majority of these cases. See trial offer on last page.

Weatherford District—Special Round.

- Springtown, at 8, 11 a. m., Oct. 21.
 - Azle, at A., 11 a. m., Oct. 25.
 - Aledo, at A., 11 a. m., Oct. 26.
 - Millisap, at M., 10:40 p. m., Oct. 28.
 - Strawn, at M., 10:40 p. m., Oct. 28.
 - Thurber, at T., Oct. 29.
 - Gordon, at 8:30 a. m., Oct. 30.
 - Santo, at 8, 2:30 p. m., Oct. 30.
 - Peaster, at P., 11 a. m., Oct. 31.
 - Whitt, at Bethesda, 11 a. m., Nov. 3.
 - Mineral Wells Cir., at Garner, Nov. 4, 5.
 - Weatherford Cir., at W., 11 a. m., Nov. 5.
- JAS. CAMPBELL, P. E.

Marlin District—Fourth Round.

- (Last Part.)
 - Rosebud, Oct. 14, 15.
 - Centerville, Oct. 21, 22.
 - Jewett, at Oakwood, Oct. 28, 29.
 - Fairfield, Nov. 5, 6.
 - Teague, Nov. 6, 7.
 - Travis, at Cedar Spgs., Nov. 11, 12.
 - Maysfield, Nov. 14.
 - Whitlock, Nov. 18, 19.
- I trust every charge will be ready to report everything "in full." Brethren, you can if you will. Several charges have already paid out. Let's make unanimous.

I. F. BETTS, P. E.

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THE HOUSTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Houston District is distinguished among Texas districts by the fact that it embraces two cities. Houston has a hundred thousand people and in twenty years will certainly have a quarter of a million, and may have a half million, Galveston numbers more than forty thousand and no prophet is willing to risk a guess as to future greatness. Texas City, which now has about fifteen hundred people scattered over fifteen square miles, may leap into national prominence on a decade's notice. And in the fifty miles between Houston and the Gulf there stretches a level country that is filled with the fragrance of orange blossoms. Here every man sits under his own fig tree and gathers ready tribute from the whole country for everything that is good from cucumbers to strawberries.

Among the liveliest products of this great territory is Methodism. The District Conference just held in the town of Avin revealed an expansion in religious activity fully equal to the growth in population and commerce. Within two years eight new churches have been opened up. At the District Conference four candidates were licensed to preach; three of them are starting to school and the other has already been given work as a supply. The City Mission Board of Houston has just provided the salary of a thoroughly equipped man to look after the Mexicans. A society will shortly be organized and a chapel will be erected to take care of this newest Methodist Church of Houston. The Italians are being reached in Dickinson and in Galveston. Club work amongst the Syrian boys is being started, as the beginning of an effort to reach these people. The presiding elder, Ellis Smith, is alive to the needs of every part of the field and is leading a united Methodism to occupy the whole territory as rapidly as it is consistent with good work.

This district has some great churches and great preachers. First Church, Houston, and First Church, Galveston are really first churches. They are both housed in fine buildings, the plant of the Houston church costing over two hundred thousand dollars. Dr. W. F. Packard, the pastor, has added three hundred members since conference. The debt on the congregation has been bonded for a twenty-year term. Great congregations wait upon the preaching of the Word. First Church, Galveston, has added about six hundred members within the quadrennium. Rev. W. J. Johnson has rendered a service to Methodism in Galveston for which the whole State is grateful. It was a difficult field in a vastly important situation and Brother Johnson has put First Church, Galveston, squarely on its feet. St. Paul's, Houston, is a first church in all but name. With a plant costing two hundred thousand dollars and full congregations even during the summer, Rev. S. R. Hay is beginning his quadrennium with everything in splendid shape. There have been two hundred and fifty additions so far this year.

Grace Church, Houston, is just completing a fifteen thousand dollar plant, which will give Methodism a commanding position in an important suburb of ten thousand people. Tabernacle, Houston, has three lots properly located and will very soon proceed to the erection of a suitable church for a strictly residential section. Brunner, Houston, is about to build a new parsonage. Angleton charge has a new ten thousand-dollar building, which is a credit to the town and to the people and to the pastor, M. F. Daniel. Two charges received particular attention at the District Conference. West End, Galveston, must have a new location and an adequate building. To occupy this field worthily, the general boards of the Church will come to the rescue, as a united Methodism in Galveston is not equal to the demands of the enterprise. Rev. C. A. Hooper has done fine work for four years and has a Sunday-school, which of itself deserves a forty thousand-dollar plant. Washington Street Houston, has a strategic location and plenty of ground for a great plant. A united Methodism in Houston must provide adequate facilities for this vast field.

There is a united Methodism in Houston and the benefits of it are shown in the strides that are being made by the work of the Women's City Board of Home Missions. Four years ago this board undertook settlement work in the lower section of the Fifth Ward. The whole purpose of the splendid group of women was to build up Methodism and the kingdom of God. They worked intelligently and with enthusiasm. Their enterprises prospered and one of them, a co-operative home for wage-earning girls, attracted the attention of

the whole city. The entire Methodist pastorate stood back of the enterprise and the result is that to-day there is immediately in sight a forty-five thousand-dollar plant, with plenty of ground and admirably located.

Conference recommended four splendid young men for admission on trial into the Annual Conference, in addition to the number that were granted license to preach. The presiding elder has everywhere laid emphasis on the call to the ministry. The lay delegates to the Annual Conference were elected as follows:

- B. L. PALMER.
T. C. SWOPE.
C. H. McMASTER.
R. O. BRAZELLTON.

Alternates:

- J. W. N. Burkett.
R. C. McLendon.
J. V. DEALY.

Y. W. McNeal was elected lay leader.

Dr. W. W. Pinson and Rev. C. F. Reid were at the conference. As a result of their presentation of the missionary cause the conference voted unanimously that the Houston District should raise fifteen thousand dollars on an assessment of thirty-six hundred dollars for the purpose of erecting a Seth Ward Memorial building for T. H. Yun's school for boys in Songdo, Korea. A committee was created to devise plans for carrying this work through to a successful conclusion. The committee is as follows: Ellis Smith, chairman; S. R. Hay, W. F. Packard, H. M. Whaling, Jr., W. R. Jones, John H. Frey, C. H. McMaster, Y. W. McNeal, secretary and treasurer.

It was a great conference and it was good to be there.

H. M. WHALING, JR., Sec.

GREEN'S APHORISMS.

Man doesn't sin till he quits thinking.

Blind impulse and unreason run into wrong.

Spirit-quickened thought materializes into righteousness.

Saving interest in Christ's blood demands his controlling interest in my life.

The Christ controlled man has a positive purpose to serve not self, but the Savior.

Man, morally bankrupt, has neither rights nor assets to do business in his own name.

A trustworthy one has all he can safely enjoy and wisely use in this present life.

In Christ's name, on the capital of grace, permanent success is gained and good standing regained.

The person who looks for favors to Jesus only will never be disappointed; "I am thy shield and exceeding great reward."—Gen. 15:1.

This good work use but not abuse. Take needed recreation.

In your own life no sin excuse. Nor hide by palliation.

JNO. E. GREEN.

CLEBURNE METHODISM.

Cleburne Methodism has held its own wonderfully well during the hot summer months, and, while we have not made much noise about it, we have all been busy. First came the prohibition campaign, and each pastor and the presiding elder took part in this great work; then the revival season was on, and each of us helped the other brethren in one or more meetings. We feel grateful for the splendid majority Johnson County gave the pros, and we have seen souls saved and reclaimed, for which we give God the praise.

All of the pastors and our beloved were present at our meeting this morning, and gave reports of their work.

Brother Smith is on the fourth round; has held several of the Quarterly Conferences, and reports the district in good shape in spite of the discouraging financial conditions that exist all over the district. We have a bunch of hard-working men in the Cleburne District, and they will do their best to bring things up by November 8.

Main Street: Congregations have been splendid all the summer, and services have been good. Since our last report in June there have been forty-seven additions, fourteen of them by baptism. The women have furnished a room in the Virginia Johnson Home at a cost of about \$50; the pastor took a collection for the Home, also, and received about \$34, making about \$85 that Main Street has put in this great institution this year. Last Sunday morning the pastor raised \$1200 for insurance and enlarging the Sunday-school. This has been needed a long time, especially for the benefit of the Primary Department.

Anglin Street: Congregations held up well all the summer; services resulted in much good. Recently the pastor preached to his people a week or more on themes pertaining to vital and practical godliness, and the Church was largely benefited. Brother C. C. Lewis, who recently came among us from Temple, is superintendent of the Sunday-school now, and he is laying plans for some aggressive fall work in the Sunday-school. A Home Department is being organized now. Splendid services last Sunday.

Brazos Avenue: Our Leagues and the Sunday-school have held up better during the summer than the other services. All of them have been fairly well attended, however. Our women have not failed to meet in their societies a single time this entire year. Our Sunday-school deserves special mention. It is doing good work, and planning for better and larger results. We have adopted the graded literature up to the first year Junior work. W. C. HOUSE.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

In this department may be advertised anything you want to buy, sell or exchange

The rate is TWO CENTS A WORD. No advertisement is taken for less than 50 cents. Cash must accompany all orders. In figuring cost of advertisement each initial, sign or number is counted as one word. We cannot have answers addressed to us, so your address must appear with the advertisement. All advertisements in this department will be set uniformly. No display or black-faced type will be used. Copy for advertisements must reach this office by Saturday to insure their insertion. We have not investigated the merits of any proposition offered in these columns, but it is intended that nothing of a questionable nature shall appear. You must make your own trades.

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METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

The Board of Directors will meet in annual session at the Orphanage, Waco, Texas, Tuesday, October 10, 1911, at 10 a. m.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The Board of Managers of the Texas Tract Society will meet in their regular annual meeting at the Methodist Publishing House in Dallas, Texas, at 10 a. m., Tuesday, October 3, 1911. It is very important that there be a full meeting of the board. Let the members arrange to come. CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, President.

NOTICE.

To the Preachers of the Northwest Texas Conference: Dear Brethren—Please do not fail to raise the six-cent assessment on your Sunday-school enrollment. Our Conference Sunday-school Secretary has done a fine work this year, but your board will be unable to pay him his salary unless you bring up this assessment. This six-cent assessment was laid on the Sunday-schools by the unanimous vote of the conference, and I do not see how it is possible for any preacher to report "everything paid in full" unless this assessment is paid, and I further believe that Bishop Atkins will so hold. Brethren, please do not neglect this six-cent assessment. I feel sure that you can raise it if you will go after it in earnest. Please help us. Your Sunday-school Board is helpless in this matter, and must depend on you. Please do not fail us. B. W. DODSON, Chairman of the Sunday-school Board of the Northwest Texas Conference.

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES.

NORTHWEST TEXAS.

Notice to Brethren of the Northwest Texas Conference:

By resolution of the Board of Church Extension, brethren are requested to have their applications to said board in the hands of the President at least a month before conference for examination. Then, if corrections are needed, there will be time to make them. J. H. CHAMBLISS, President. Albany, Texas.

WEST TEXAS.

The presiding elders of the West Texas Conference will please meet at the Methodist Church in San Marcos at 9 a. m., on Tuesday, October 17, 1911.

The committee and applicants for admission will meet at the Methodist Church in San Marcos October 17, at 9 a. m.

The Licensing and Recommending Committee for San Marcos District will meet at the Methodist Church in San Marcos on Monday, October 16, at 2 p. m. It is necessary that all should be present at that time. W. H. H. BIGGS.

NEW MEXICO.

To the Members of the New Mexico Conference:

We will be able to entertain all the preachers and their wives, the lay delegates, with the representatives of the Laymen's Movement, the representatives of our Church papers, connectional men, representatives of our conference school and the delegates to all the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies, with any general officers of the same. If we are able, we will do our best to entertain visitors, but cannot promise so to do. If you come by private conveyance, leave your vehicles at the Progressive Wagon Yard, corner First and Center Streets, and report at once at the church, corner Center and Monroe. J. F. HEDGPETH, Pastor.

Mayor Gaynor, of New York, through the chief of the Bureau of Licenses, notified all persons engaged in the moving picture business not to show any films or stereopticon views relating to the Beattie murder case.

The Jesuits of Japan have secured a site for a university in Tokyo. The building will cost, including the land, at least \$1,000,000. The faculty will include two Americans, Rev. Frederic J. Hillig, Professor of Science, and Rev. Victor Gottleman, Professor of Philosophy of St. John's College, Toledo, O.

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—A full set of the New International Encyclopedia, half Russia binding, absolutely new and in perfect condition; a rack to hold it, a Year Book for 1908, and also a Hand Book to go with it. I can save you some money on this Encyclopedia. Write me at Boerne, Texas. R. A. MYERS.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Methodist Church of Truscott, Texas, September 17, 1911:

Whereas, The death angel has visited our Church and severed the golden tie of affection by which we are bound to our beloved pastor, Rev. C. C. McCormick, who has been removed from the scenes of this transitory life to a state of eternal duration into the living presence of Him whose goodness knows no bounds; and

Whereas, We sustain the loss of a true and beautiful spirit that has faithfully labored with us for the past twenty-two months, but has gone to join the society of the just made perfect. Our loss is his gain; thus, while we weep, we know the ripened fruit must be gathered; and

Whereas, The Church has been bereft a good member, a good pastor, a loyal and efficient worker, earnest and unswerving in the performance of duty; the wife a faithful husband, and the household a loving and indulgent father; therefore be it

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to the will of God, and though unable to silence the grief of dear Sister McCormick in her sad bereavement, yet we bow our heads in sympathy.

2. That the Sunday-school and Church at this place extend their united sympathy to all who mourn the loss of him who has gone to live with the redeemed; but, above all, that we take upon our hearts our departed pastor's three little boys, now left without a father's care and loving counsel.

3. That these resolutions be spread upon the Sunday-school minutes in token of his memory, and a copy be furnished the Texas Christian Advocate and the Benjamin Post, with a request to publish them, and that a written copy be furnished the family.

ORON B. GUYNN, LOU ANNA SHAWVER, ANNIE CHESLER, Committee.

O. S. HOLLABAUGH, Sunday-school Superintendent.

MARRIED.

Alderman-Blackburn.—At the residence of the bride's parents, on Thursday, September 14, 1911, Mr. William C. Alderman, of Clyde, Kansas, and Miss Berna, of Blessing, Texas, Rev. J. P. Chambers officiating.

Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, in accepting the position as honorary president of the National Producers' Association, is stirring up the criticism of the people—namely, those of the Church. If he relishes this sort of a thing, he is a strangely constituted man. He has had a long and honorable career as a member of the President's cabinet, but if he is going to continue in this position which has been lately tendered him, all of his good deeds will be forgotten by the better people, and he will be remembered only as a man connected with the most infamous business this world has in it.

The whole Ottoman empire is in the grip of the cholera, and deaths will be numbered in the thousands, though the failure of any attempt to keep official records makes even an approximate estimate impossible. Scarcely a town or village from Bagdad to Scoutari has escaped. In northern Asia Minor, where the scourge first appeared, whole villages have been wiped out.

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IN MEMORY OF MRS. MARGARET ROGERS.

As the last rays of a perfect sunset penetrate the soul which peers into the great beyond, longing to fit the descending veil that the vision might be prolonged, so does the going away of a life that has withstood the storms and battles and quaffed the bitter cup of sorrow, yet stands forth pure and bright as a star from behind a lowering cloud, cause one to cry out for extended time of such companionship. On the Sabbath morning of August 20, when the gentle spirit of Mrs. Margaret Rogers winged its flight to the God who sent it, the three daughters and eight grandchildren, with numerous friends, sustained a grievous loss, and were it not for the knowledge of her great gain a selfish desire might be encouraged. She was possessed of a most amiable character. Her strength was not in an unworldly sanctity, but in a womanly wisdom, embracing the right and abhorring the wrong; criticism was unbecoming to her noble nature. She was wont to say: "Judge not, for you know not the environments of the provocations which brought about such actions; in due circumstances you might have been different." Purity and unselfishness build their own monument, and need no eulogiums. We loved her because we knew her. A FRIEND.

ANSLEY.—In the evening, as I sit dreaming of days gone by, still to me so dear, there's a picture that is ever in my memory, brings back the time, love, when you were near. Oh, 'tis then I long to be with you, my darling. I wonder if your heart to me is the same. Through the signing woods the mocking birds are singing, are whispering, love, to me your own sweet name: O sweet Olean, my sweet Olean, at night, dear one, of you I dream; in all my dreams your fair face beams; you are my light to heaven, my sweet Olean. Olean Ansley, daughter of E. M. and Fannie Ansley, was born March 10, 1910, and died September 1, 1911. Gone to live with God and the angels, gone to sing the praises of God throughout eternity, gone to hold the beacon light. A place is vacant in the home, a voice we loved is stilled; a place is vacant in our hearts that never can be filled. No more do we hear the patter of little feet; no more do we hear the ripple of sweet baby laughter; no more do we feel the tumbled hair as it nestles so tenderly to our breast. At eventide, when the sun has sunk to rest behind the western hills and the silent stars look down, then it is that we need God; then it is that our thoughts return to the recent, sweet past, when our darling was here with us in the flesh. When we look around us and see her not, when we call and she does not respond, and the sad and awful truth comes to us, we remember that never again on this earth shall the fond mother kiss her darling cheeks, nor the father's arms embrace his child again. Oh, 'tis then we look up, up above the stars, up to the God who gives and who taketh away, and say: "Blessed be the name of the Lord." O blessed Master, thou that has power to kill and to make alive, look down in pity upon us tonight; forgive our sins, O Lord, create within us a clean heart; bind up our broken hearts, O Lord, and guide us by thy counsel in the way of all truth, so that our lives may be pure and sweet, as was she, for thou hast said, "of such is the kingdom of heaven." O God, we cannot miss heaven; no, no, but we need thy help while here upon this low ground of sorrow, so that when the last trump shall have sounded and the nations of earth are gathered together to meet the Lord in the air, we may have lived so as to hear the welcome plaudit, "Come, ye blessed of my Father," and that pearly gates shall swing wide upon hinges of gold, and that we may have an abundant entrance into that celestial city of rare jewels, where the emerald flashes her light against the sapphire. There we hope to see face to face and know even as we are known. E. M. ANSLEY.

WILSON.—Brother C. F. Wilson was born at Village Springs, Ala., May 17, 1838, and died June 15, 1911, at Santa Anna, Texas. In 1852 he came with his parents to Texas and settled in Hunt County. On November 23, 1865, at Llaneta, Fannin County, Texas, he led to the altar and married Miss L. I. Shook, who still survives him. To this union there were born four children—three sons and one daughter—all of whom are living, married and have brought into life twenty-four grandchildren. In 1882 Brother and Sister Wilson moved to Brown County and later settled in what is known as the Salem community, where they lived until four years ago, when they moved to Santa Anna, Texas. When but a boy Brother Wilson united with the M. E. Church, South. He lived and died rejoicing in the love of his Master and the service of his Church. The funeral services were conducted by Brother George W. Harris, who officiated in the absence of the pastor, at the old home church at Salem. The Advocate loses a good friend and the Church an earnest, consistent member. HENRY F. BROOKS.

WARD.—Andrew Harrison Ward, of Foreman, Texas, who was born August 18, 1850, died August 29, 1911, at the good old age of sixty-one years. His death came as a relief to his emaciated frame, which had undergone so much suffering and pain due to a terrible stroke of paralysis. For several years the loved ones had ministered to his every want, and a more loyal and faithful family to an afflicted parent we have never seen. God was good, and we know that the sufferer is now out of pain. We can only pray that a gracious God will have mercy and bless the bereaved ones. LAWRENCE L. COHEN, Pastor.

GRIFFIN.—Mollie Elizabeth Griffin was born in Burleson County, Texas, May 27, 1839; died in Hillsboro, Texas, August 27, 1911, aged seventy-two years and three months. She was the only daughter of Euclid M. and Sarah L. Cox, and sister of John P. Cox, of Hillsboro, and Rev. J. Fred Cox, of sacred memory. Her father was killed by Indians. She was married March 18, 1856, to Dr. John M. Griffin, who preceded her to the better land only two years ago. She was the mother of nine children, four of whom died in infancy and one after he was grown. Five—three girls and two boys—were still living, all of them good citizens, and two of them, Mrs. Dr. B. H. Vaughan and Mrs. E. H. Edens, are prominent and useful in the Methodist Church in Hillsboro. Mrs. Griffin's life is a luminous illustration of the gospel as understood by Methodists. She had no recollection of her conversion. She was baptized in infancy and professed religion and joined the Church when she was only five years old. Her religious experience so blended with her other childish joys that she cherished them all together, and did not know the beginnings of any of them. She never backslid. As a girl in her teens, as a young wife and mother, as a matron in the community and as a mother in Israel she met peacefully every situation and discharged each duty as it was presented. No one could live near her without feeling the power of her life; no one could visit her without personal spiritual profit. Such is the testimony of all. Her life is complete, her work all done, and well done, and through the anguish of bereavement shines out the light of eternal life and hope of a home in the city of God. HORACE BISHOP.

COPPELGE.—Mary Anne Elizabeth Coppedge (nee Hare) was born October 29, 1860, in North Carolina, and with her parents came to Texas in childhood and lived near Daingerfield. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church in her girlhood, and was united to Rev. L. J. Coppedge November 12, 1880. She was the mother of seven children, all of whom are members of the Methodist Church. She was a model wife for an itinerant Methodist preacher; never one word of complaint about the appointment of salary, which averaged about \$300. She took an intense interest in Epworth League and Sunday-school work, and rarely ever missed a religious service. She was always winning souls to Christ, and always kept the fires burning at the home altar. She was stricken with pellaagra some six months ago, which, with other complications, ended her beautiful life September 8, 1911, at 7:15 p. m. Her sufferings were long and intense, and her patience and fortitude were extraordinary. She exhorted all those about her to be religious and meet her in heaven. She said she regretted to part from her husband and children, and would like to live longer to work for Jesus, but said: "The Lord's will be done." A short time before her death she held up both hands and said: "The way gets brighter and brighter; Jesus is with me, and will go with me all the way." The remains sleep at Daingerfield, Texas, with her people. I. J. COPPELGE.

McANALLY.—Grace Norine McAnally, little daughter of Mr. James and Mrs. Lela McAnally, was born August 23, 1906, and departed this life September 19, 1911, at the home of her parents, near Duffau, Texas. Norine was sick only about ten days with diphtheria. Kind hands, with the aid of three choice doctors, did all that could be done, but the One who knows all things said to Norine, "Come up higher." She was a good, kind child. She never complained at all, to speak of, during her sickness. She learned the verse in Matthew 5, "Blessed are the pure in heart." Although she was only five years old, she asked her father what that meant, and he explained it to her and began to teach her in the right life. She was interred in the Duffau city of the dead September 20, 1911, services being conducted by her pastor, the Rev. J. J. Whitehurst, who said: "The Lord bless the bereaved ones. Loved ones, look to him for help." HENRY FRANCIS.

BARBER.—Nannie Ella, the precious little infant daughter of Frank and Etta Barber, passed from this life on Sunday morning, July 30, 1911. Little Nannie Ella was almost two years old, her birthday being the 8th of August. During the short stay among us she had entwined herself about our hearts, so that with sorrow of heart we consigned the little body to the grave. Her presence occupied a place in the hearts of her parents which could not be filled were it not for the sweet and abiding influence of the Comforter in their hearts. Sunday afternoon we carried the remains of the little one to the Dimmitt Cemetery, where we laid them to rest to await the resurrection morning. JAMES T. ROSS.

HALE.—William H. Hale was born in the State of Kentucky October 14, 1838. When about one year of age his parents moved to Missouri. When about sixteen years old he came to Texas, and resided in Collin County for about three years. Then he came to Dallas County and located near Wheatland. In 1876 he moved about a mile northwest to Meridianville, where he continued to reside to the time of his death. In 1872 he was married to Miss Alice Garner. To this union four children were born. The faithful wife and one son, Charlie, survive him. For four years he fought in the Southern Army. For seventy-three years God permitted him to live to bless the world, and when, on July 3, 1911, he was called up higher it was to be with God. His life and triumphant death should be, and certainly are, a great inspiration to his loved ones who live after him. Peace to his memory! God he praised, we shall see him again. D. E. MORELAND, P. C. Duncanville, Texas.

RAY.—Dempey Hodge Ray was born in Butler, Ala., June 13, 1847. In 1850 he came to Texas with his father, who settled near Marlin, in Falls County. Here he was married to Miss Nannie Easter on July 10, 1873. This union was blessed with twelve children, only five of whom are now living. In 1902 Brother Ray and his family moved to his farm near Hart, Texas, where he remained till the day of his death. Converted in youth, Brother Ray was a faithful Christian till death. His love for the faith and his experience of divine assurance are shown by these words of his last remarks: "I have a hope that I would not exchange for the world." On the morning of July 28, 1911, his spirit returned to God who gave it. In the afternoon his body was laid to rest in the Dimmitt Cemetery to await the resurrection morning. JAMES T. ROSS.

New Colds Bad enough, to be sure. But old colds are worse. Better stop your fresh cold at once. Never hesitate to ask your doctor about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Use it or not, as he says. He knows. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

LAW.—Bettie Kate Law was born in Tarrant County, Texas, March 27, 1887, and passed to her reward August 22, 1911, at Corvallis, Ore. She united with the M. E. Church, South, at Amarillo, Texas, when she was twelve years old, and since then had been a constant and devoted member. After five years of sickness and two years of intense suffering she passed away to rest. After several days of unusual pain she called me to read her favorite Scriptures and hold prayer with her, after which she sang in a clear, sweet voice the whole hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee." She asked that this hymn and "Just Lean Upon Jesus," her song of consolation during all her suffering, be sung at her funeral, then kissed her mother farewell and passed into a delirium, from which she never recovered. We miss her so much. With broken hearts we are striving to follow her example of consecration. God help us to do our part in life as brave and with as much devotion to the will of God, so that we may be an unbroken family in heaven. Her brother, MARVIN.

CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE Hillsboro District—Fourth Round. Peoria Circuit, Peoria, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Lovelace Circuit, at Lovelace, Oct. 7, 8. Covington Circuit, at Oncoola, 11 a. m., Oct. 14, 15. Itasca Station, 7:30 p. m., Oct. 14, 15. Abbott Circuit, at Willow, Oct. 21, 22. Kirk Circuit, at Kirk, Oct. 28, 29. Della Circuit, at Della, Oct. 29, 30. Hillsboro Station, First Ch., Nov. 4, 5. Hillsboro Sta., Line St., 7:30 p. m., Nov. 4, 5. HORACE BISHOP, P. E.

Waco District—Fourth Round. Whitney, 11 a. m., Oct. 1. Aquila, at Lebanon, Oct. 1, 2. Mt. Calm, Oct. 7, 8. Bruceville, at Eddy, Oct. 14, 15. Herring Ave., Oct. 15, 16. Riesel, at Battle, Oct. 21, 22. Mart, Oct. 22, 23. Fifth St., Oct. 24. Morrow St., Oct. 25. China Springs, Oct. 28, 29. Hewitt, at Stanford, Nov. 4, 5. W. B. ANDREWS, P. E.

Ft. Worth District—Fourth Round. McKinley Avenue, Oct. 1, 2. Missouri Avenue, Oct. 1-2. Smithfield, at Keller, Oct. 7, 8. Mulkey Memorial, Oct. 12. Grapevine, at Euless, Oct. 14, 15. Central, Oct. 17. First Church, Oct. 19. Diamond Hill and Harwell's, at D. Hill, Oct. 21, 22. Riverside, Oct. 22, 23. Polytechnic, Oct. 25. JEROME DUNCAN, P. E.

Brownwood District—Fourth Round. Bangs Cir., at Bangs, Oct. 1, 2. Glencove Cir., at Midway, Oct. 7, 8. Talpa and Valera, at Talpa, Oct. 8, 9. Gouldsbush Cir., at G., Oct. 14, 15. Winters Sta., Oct. 21, 22. Wingate Cir., at Wingate, Oct. 27, 28. Robert Lee Cir., at R. L., Oct. 28, 29. Bronte Sta., Oct. 27. Norton Cir., Oct. 28, 29. Ballinger Sta., Oct. 29, 30. Zephyr and Turkey Peak, at Z., Nov. 1. Indian Creek Cir., at I. C., Nov. 4, 5. Brownwood Sta., Nov. 5, 6. J. A. WHITEHURST, P. E.

Georgetown District—Fourth Round. Florence and Mt. Horeb, F., Sept. 30, 31. Belton Cir., at Cedar Creek, Oct. 7, 8. Lindo Cir., at Salado, Oct. 14, 15. Holland Cir., at Holland, Oct. 21, 22. Granger and Jonah, at G., Oct. 28, 29. Bartlett Sta., at Bartlett, Oct. 29, 30. W. H. VAUGHAN, P. E.

Cleburne District—Fourth Round. Joshua, at Denton Ch., Sept. 29, Oct. 1. Mansfield, Oct. 7, 8. Cresson, at Long Creek, Oct. 12. Granbury Cir., at Hill City, Oct. 17. Granbury Cir., Oct. 18. Glen Rose, Oct. 19. Lillian, at Bethany, Oct. 21, 22. Walnut Springs, Oct. 28, 29. Morgan, Oct. 30. Anglin Street, Oct. 31. Alvarado, Nov. 1. Grandview, Nov. 2. Brazos Avenue, Nov. 3. Main Street, Nov. 5, 6. E. A. SMITH, P. E.

Gatesville District—Fourth Round. Meridian Cir., at Help, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Meridian Sta., Oct. 1, 2. Turneraville, at T., Oct. 7, 8. Evant, at Pearl, 11 a. m., Oct. 11. Killen Sta., 8 p. m., Oct. 13. Killen Cir., at Maxdale, Oct. 14, 15. Copperas Cove, C. C., 10 a. m., Oct. 16. Nolanville, at N., 11 a. m., Oct. 17. Moody, 8 p. m., Oct. 18. Jonesboro, Union Grove, Oct. 21, 22. Fairly and Lanham, F., 11 a. m., Oct. 23. Oglesby, at O., Oct. 28, 29. S. J. VAUGHAN, P. E.

Dubils District—Fourth Round. DeLeon Cir., New Hope, Sept. 30. DeLeon Sta., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Gorman Sta., Oct. 2. Harmony Miss., at H., Oct. 7, 8. Gustine, at Gustine, Oct. 7, 8. Huckabay, at Oakdale, Oct. 13. Bunyan, at Lingleville, Oct. 14, 15. Duffau, at Oden's Chapel, Oct. 19. Iredell Sta., Oct. 20. Hico Sta., Oct. 21, 22. Carlton Cir., at Carlton, Oct. 22, 23. Tolar and Lipan, at Tolar, Oct. 27. Bluffdale, at Bluffdale, Oct. 28, 29. Purvis, at Alexander, Nov. 3. Proctor Cir., at Proctor, Nov. 4, 5. M. K. LITTLE, P. E.

Corianna District—Fourth Round. Corianna Cir., at Zion's Rest, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Chatfield Cir., at C., Oct. 1, 2. Rice Sta., Oct. 1, 2. Big Hill and Steele's Ck., Odds, Oct. 6. Horn Hill Cir., H. H., Oct. 7, 8. Groesbeck Sta., Oct. 8, 9.

Mexia Cir., New Hope, Oct. 14, 15. Mexia Sta., Oct. 15, 16. Richland Cir., Quinshy Ch., Oct. 21, 22. Wortham and Thornton, W., Oct. 22, 23. First Church, Oct. 28, 29. Fifth Sunday Institutes, Oct. 27-29. JNO. R. NELSON, P. E.

Cisco District—Fourth Round. Sipe Springs, at S., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Pioneer, at P., Oct. 7, 8. Rising Star, Oct. 8, 9. Scranton, at S., Oct. 14, 15. Cadillac, Oct. 18. Kokomo, Oct. 21, 22. Carbon, Oct. 28, 29. Cisco Mis., at E. Cisco, Nov. 4, 5. Cisco, First Church, Nov. 5, 6. C. E. LINDSEY, P. E.

Weatherford District—Fourth Round. Mineral Wells, at M. W., Sept. 29. Grafard, at G., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. New Castle, at N. C., Oct. 8, 9. Olney, at O., Oct. 10, 11. Farmer, at Jean, Oct. 12. Loving, at Flint Creek, Oct. 13. Ellasville, at E., Oct. 15, 16. Graham Cir., Henry's Ch., Oct. 19. Graham, at G., Oct. 20-22. JAS. CAMPBELL, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Fourth Round. Maypearl, at Maypearl, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Ferris, at Bluff Springs, Oct. 7, 8. Palmer, at Palmer, Oct. 8, 9. Venus, at Venus, Oct. 14, 15. Midlothian, Oct. 15, 16. Forrester, at Forrester, Oct. 21, 22. Bethel, Oct. 22, 23. Red Oak, at Dixons, Oct. 28, 29. Britton, at Britton, Oct. 29, 30. Waxahachie, Oct. 31. Ovilla, at Sardis, Nov. 4, 5. T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE Colorado District—Fourth Round. Dunn, at Dunn, Oct. 3. Westbrook, at Cuthbert, Oct. 7. Colorado Miss., at C., Oct. 10. Colorado Sta., Q. C., Oct. 11. Roby, at Longwater, Oct. 14. Sweetwater Sta., Oct. 16. Sweetwater Miss., at Ada, Oct. 18. License Committee, Oct. 19. Lorraine Miss., at L., Oct. 21. Roscoe and L., at R., Oct. 23. Snyder Sta., Oct. 26. Bernmoor Miss., at Crowdsus, Oct. 27. Fluvanna, at F., Oct. 28, 29. All above dates are for quarterly conference sessions. Preaching dates by mail. All applicants for license to preach must be at Colorado October 19, 9 a. m., for examination. SIMEON SHAW, P. E.

Amarillo District—Fourth Round. Wildorado Charge—Vega, 11 a. m. and at night, Sept. 29. Q. C. Wildorado, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Ray School House, 3:30 p. m., Oct. 1. Channing Charge—Channing, Tuesday, Oct. 2. Middle Well, Wednesday 11 a. m., Oct. 4. Dalhart Circuit—Dalhart, 8:30 p. m., Oct. 5. Ware, 8:30 p. m., Oct. 6. Dalhart Station, Oct. 7, 8. Texline Charge—Texline, Monday 8:30 p. m., Oct. 9. Corlena, Tuesday 11 a. m., Oct. 10. Texline, Tuesday 8:30 p. m., Oct. 10. Q. C. Texline, Wednesday 11 a. m., Oct. 11. Dumas Charge—Dumas, Thursday 8 p. m., Oct. 12; 11 a. m., Oct. 13. Sparlock, Friday 8:30 p. m., Oct. 13. Stratford, Oct. 14, 15. Stanford Charge—Grand Plains, Monday 8 p. m., Oct. 16. Hansford, Tuesday 11 a. m., Oct. 17. Q. C. Tuesday, 3:30 p. m. Ochiltree, Wednesday 8:30 p. m., Oct. 18; Thursday 11 a. m., Oct. 19. Amarillo—Houston Street, Oct. 21, 22. Polk Street, Oct. 27. Buchanan Street, Oct. 28. Prairie Chapel, Oct. 29. "Be ye therefore ready also." O. P. KIKER, P. E.

Stanford District—Fourth Round. Bonarton, Sept. 29, Oct. 1. Gores, Oct. 1, 2. Haskell Miss., Oct. 7, 8. Haskell Sta., Oct. 8, 9. Tuxedo, Oct. 14, 15. Stamford, St. John's 8 p. m., Oct. 18. Ward Memorial and Luaders, 11 a. m., Oct. 21. Avoca, 8 p. m., Oct. 21. J. G. PUTMAN, P. E.

Goodnight District—Fourth Round. Goodnight Miss., at Goodnight, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Claude Sta., Oct. 2. Cataline Miss., at Cataline, Oct. 4. Wheeler Cir., Oct. 7. Higgins Sta., Oct. 14, 15. Hedley Cir., Oct. 21, 22. J. W. STORY, P. E.

Vernon District—Fourth Round. Kirkland Cir., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Childress Miss., Oct. 7, 8. Childress Sta., Oct. 14, 15. Paducah Miss., Oct. 21. Paducah Sta., Oct. 21, 22. Chillicothe Miss., Oct. 28, 29. J. G. MILLER, P. E.

Hanlin District—Fourth Round. Sylvester, Newman, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. McCauley, at M., 11 a. m., Oct. 2. Rufe, at S., Oct. 7, 8 a. m. Rufe, Oct. 8 p. m., 9 p. m. Pinkerton, at P., 11 a. m., Oct. 9. Rochester, at R., 3 p. m., Oct. 10. Knox City, Oct. 11. Vera, at V., Oct. 13, 11 a. m. Hamlin Sta., Oct. 14, 15. Aspermont Sta., Oct. 18. Spur Sta., Oct. 19. Jayton, Oct. 21, 22 a. m. Peaceck, at P., Oct. 22 p. m., 23 a. m. The Licensing Committee is called to meet at Rochester, Oct. 10. G. B. HARDY, P. E.

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Plainview District—Fourth Round.

Plainview Miss., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Plainview Sta., Oct. 1, 2. Happy, at Wayside, Oct. 3, 4. Silverton, at S., Oct. 5, 6. Turkey, at Plomot, Oct. 7, 8. Matador, Oct. 9, 10. Afton, at Afton, Oct. 11. Hale Center, Oct. 14, 15. Demmitt, Oct. 21, 22. Lubbock Miss., Lubbock, Oct. 27. Barton Site, Oct. 28, 29. J. T. HICKS, P. E.

Big Spring District—Fourth Round.

Gall Miss., at Gall, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Soash Miss., at Bells, Oct. 4. Stanton Miss., at Stanton, Oct. 7. Stanton Sta., Oct. 8, 9. Seminole, Oct. 14, 15. Post City Sta., Oct. 18. Gomez Cir., at Plains, Oct. 21, 22. Coahoma Cir., at Vincent, Oct. 28, 29. W. H. TERRY, P. E.

Ablene District—Fourth Round.

Nugent, at Bethel, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Anson, Oct. 1, 2. Tye, at 8th, Oct. 7, 8. Merkel, Oct. 8, 9. Trent, at Union Ridge, 11 a. m., Oct. 9. Denton, at Denton, Oct. 14, 15. Clyde, at Clyde, Oct. 15, 16. Caps, at Caps, Oct. 21, 22. GUS BARNES, P. E.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

Sherman District—Fourth Round.

Bells Cir., at Everheart Memorial, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Denison Miss., 8:30 p. m., Oct. 1. Howe Cir., Ferguson's C., Oct. 7, 8. Pottsboro and Preston, P., Oct. 14, 15. Trinity and Messenger, T., Oct. 21, 22. Sadler and Gordonsville, S., Oct. 28, 29. Whitesboro, Nov. 4, 5. Southmayde Cir., Nov. 11. A. L. ANDREWS, P. E.

Sulphur Springs District—Fourth Round.

Lake Creek, at Enloe, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Cooper, Oct. 1, 2. Klondike Cir., at Tranquil, Oct. 6. Yowell, at Yowell, Oct. 7, 8. Wesley Springs, at R. S., Oct. 11. Sulphur Bluff, at Nelta, Oct. 14, 15. Weaver & Saltito, at S., Oct. 20. Mt. Vernon, at Mt. V., Oct. 21, 22. Brashear, at Brashear, Oct. 26. Como, at Como, Oct. 28, 29. Purley Cir., Nov. 2. Winnboro Sta., Nov. 4, 5. Sulphur Springs Sta., Nov. 11, 12. W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.

Greenville District—Fourth Round.

Campbell and Jones-Bethel, at C., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Kavanaugh, Oct. 1, 2. Commerce Miss., at Columbia, Oct. 7, 8. Wolfe City, Oct. 8, 9. Leonard and Orange Grove, at L., Oct. 14, 15. Lone Oak Sta., Oct. 15, 16. Quinlan Cir., at Quinlan, Oct. 21, 22. Lone Oak Miss., at Salem, Oct. 28, 29. Greenville Miss., at Salem, Oct. 28, 29. Floyd and Caddo Mills, at F., Oct. 29, 30. Celeste Miss., at Ballard Grove, Nov. 4, 5. Celeste and Lane, at C., Nov. 5, 6. Fairlie and Wesley Chapel, at W. C., Nov. 11, 12. (Business session at Fairlie, Oct. 21.) Merit Cir., at —, Nov. 12, 13. R. G. MOOD, P. E.

Paris District—Fourth Round.

Woodland & K., at W., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Blossom and Sylvan, at B., Oct. 8, 9. Detroit Cir., at D., Oct. 8, 9. Emberson Cir., Mt. Tabor, Oct. 14, 15. Clarksville Miss., at McCoy, Oct. 21, 22. Rosalie Cir., at Bethel, Oct. 22, 23. Cunningham Miss., at C., Oct. 24, 25. Annona Cir., at A., Oct. 28, 29. White R. and Williams' Ch., at W. C., Oct. 29, 30. Avery Miss., at Lydia, Oct. 31. Paris Cir., at Elbethel, Nov. 4, 5. Bonham Street, at B. S., Nov. 5, 6. Lamar Ave., Nov. 11, 12. Centenary, Nov. 12, 13. J. M. SWEETON, P. E.

Decatur District—Fourth Round.

Oak Dale Cir., at Barton's C., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Jackshoro Sta., Oct. 1, 2. Paradise, at Mt. Zion, Oct. 7, 8. Bridgeport Sta., Oct. 8, 9. Decatur Sta., 8 p. m., Oct. 10. Decatur Miss., at Shiloh, Oct. 14, 15. Chico Cir., at Pleasant G., Oct. 15, 16. Ponder and Krum, at P., Oct. 21, 22. Justin and R., at Justin, Oct. 22, 23. Willow Point Cir., at Boonville, Oct. 28, 29. Bethel and G. Hill, at G. H., Oct. 29, 30. Greenwood, at Rush Creek, Nov. 4, 5. L. S. BARTON, P. E.

Dallas District—Fourth Round.

Cochran, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Oak Cliff, 8 p. m., Oct. 1. Hutchins and Wilmer, H., Oct. 7, 8. Grace, 8 p. m., Oct. 8. Oak Lawn, 11 a. m., Oct. 15. Lancaster, 8 p. m., Oct. 15. Cedar Hill and Duncanville, D., Oct. 21, 22. Ervay, 8 p. m., Oct. 22. Grand Prairie, 8 p. m., Oct. 25. Irving, at Bethel, Oct. 28, 29. Wheatland, Nov. 4, 5. First Church, 8 p. m., Nov. 5. Grand Prairie, 11 a. m., Nov. 12. Fairland, 8 p. m., Nov. 12. J. M. PETERSON, P. E.

Terrell District—Fourth Round.

Elmo Miss., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Calaholm Cir., Oct. 7, 8. Royse Sta., Oct. 8, 9. Mabank, Oct. 14, 15. Kemp, Oct. 15, 16. Forney, Oct. 21, 22. Scurry, Oct. 28, 29. Crandall and Seagoville, Oct. 29, 30. College Mound, Nov. 4, 5. Terrell, Nov. 5, 6. Kaufman, Nov. 11, 12. M. L. HAMILTON, P. E.

Bonham District—Fourth Round.

Dodd and Windom, at Flag, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Randolph Ch., at Edhube, Oct. 1, 2. Trenton Cir., at T., Oct. 7, 8. Ector Cir., at E., Oct. 8, 9. Brookston Cir., at B., Oct. 14, 15. Petty and White Rock, P., Oct. 15, 16. Honey Grove Cir., Rock Point, Oct. 21, 22. Honey Grove Sta., Oct. 22, 23. Telephone Miss., at T., Oct. 28, 29. Ravenna Miss., at R., Nov. 4, 5. Bonham Sta., Nov. 5, 6. Direct, at Maxey, Nov. 11, 12. J. B. GOBER, P. E.

Bowie District—Fourth Round.

Post Oak Cir., George, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Bellevue Sta., Oct. 1, 2. Montague Miss., at Montague, Oct. 3. Montague Sta., Oct. 4. W. H. M. Conference at Wichita Falls, Oct. 5-9. Blue Grove Cir., Friendship, Oct. 7, 8. Crafton Cir., at Crafton, Oct. 14, 15. Newport Miss., at Rocky, Oct. 15, 16. Archer Miss., at Bells, Oct. 21, 22. Archer Sta., Oct. 22, 23. Bowie Miss., Rock Hill, Oct. 24, 25. Bowie Sta., Oct. 25. Byers, Oct. 28, 29. Henrietta Miss., Willow, Oct. 29, 30. Henrietta Sta., Oct. 20, 31. Iowa Park, Nov. 4, 5. Electra Miss., Enterprise, Nov. 5, 6. Holliday, Nov. 7. Wichita Falls, Nov. 8. Dundee Miss., Megargel, Nov. 9. JNO. E. ROACH, P. E.

McKinney District—Fourth Round.

Allen, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Anna, 8 p. m., Oct. 1. Prosper, at Elm Ridge, Oct. 7, 8. Frisco, Oct. 8, 9. Josephine, at Mays Ch., Oct. 14, 15. Nevada, Oct. 15, 16. Weston, at Liberty, Oct. 21, 23. Celina, Oct. 22, 23. Wylie, at Murphy, Oct. 28, 29. Copeville, at C., Oct. 29, 30. Plano, 8 p. m., Nov. 1. Blue Ridge, at Fayburg, Nov. 4, 5. Farmersville, Nov. 5, 6. McKinney, 8 p. m., Nov. 6. South McKinney and W. G., 8 p. m., Nov. 7. Renner, Nov. 11, 12. Farmers Branch and C., Nov. 12, 13. CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

Gainesville District—Fourth Round.

Woodbine Cir., Whaley's Chapel, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Wesley and Bethel, at Hemming, Oct. 7, 8. Aubrey Cir., at A., Oct. 14, 15. Pilot Point, Oct. 18. Collinsville, at Tioga, Oct. 19. Dexter Miss., at Dexter, Oct. 21, 22. Sanger, at Sanger, Oct. 25. Valley View, at V. V., Oct. 27. Era and Spring Creek, Era, Oct. 28, 29. Myra and Hood, at Hood, Oct. 31. Marysville, at M., Nov. 4, 5. Denton Street, Gainesville, Nov. 7. Broadway, Gainesville, Nov. 8. Denton Sta., Nov. 9. Rosston Mission, at Forrestburg, Nov. 11, 12. St. Jo, at St. Jo, Nov. 12, 13. E. H. CASEY, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE

San Augustine District—Fourth Round.

Pinchill, at Longbranch, Sept. 30. Burke, at Burke, Oct. 7. Corrigan, at Corrigan, Oct. 9. Kennard, at Pennington, Oct. 14. Melrose, Oct. 21. Carthage Sta., Oct. 25. Shelbyville, at S., Oct. 27. Appleby, Oct. 28. Nacozdoches Sta., Oct. 29. Geneva, Nov. 1. Hemphill, at Hemphill, Nov. 4. San Augustine, Nov. 6. Timpson Sta., Nov. 8. Livingston Sta., Nov. 10. Livingston Cir., Nov. 11. Lufkin Sta., Nov. 13. Center Cir., at S. G., Nov. 18. J. W. MILLS, P. E.

Jacksonville District—Fourth Round.

Malakoff, at Malakoff, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Athens, Oct. 1. Troup, at Troup, Oct. 4. LaRue, at New York, Oct. 7, 8. Elkhart, at Elkhart, Oct. 10. Eustace, at Elm Grove, Oct. 14, 15. Keltys, at Keltys, Oct. 18. Frankston, at Sard Flat, Oct. 21, 22. Neches, at Neches, Oct. 28, 29. Jacksonville Cir., Nov. 4, 5. Centenary, Nov. 5. Bullard, Nov. 11, 12. Rusk, Nov. 12. Brushy, at Mt. Vernon, Nov. 15. Mt. Selman, at Mt. Selman, Nov. 18, 19. Jacksonville Sta., Nov. 19, 20. J. T. SMITH, P. E.

Marshall District—Fourth Round.

Rosewood Cir., Ogburn, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Kilgore, Hickory Grove, Oct. 7, 8. Elysian Fields, Bethel, Oct. 14, 15. Beckville, Allison's Chapel, Oct. 15, 16. Hallville, at Waterfield, Oct. 21, 22. Longview, Oct. 22, 23. Kelleyville, Shiloh, Oct. 28, 29. Jefferson, Oct. 29, 30. Bettie, at Soule's Chapel, Nov. 4, 5. Gilmer, Nov. 5, 6. Henderson Cir., Griffin, Nov. 11, 12. Henderson Sta., Monday, p. m., Nov. 13. Church Hill, London, Tuesday, Nov. 14. Marshall, First Ch., Wednesday, Nov. 15. North Marshall, Friday, p. m., Nov. 17. Harleton, Harleton, Friday, a. m., Nov. 17. Harrison, Union Chapel, Nov. 18, 19. H. T. CUNNINGHAM, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Fourth Round.

Douglasville, at Union Ch., Sept. 29. Hardy Memorial, Texarkana, Sept. 30. Central Church, Texarkana, Oct. 2. Quitman Cir., at Pine Mills, Oct. 7, 8. Pittsburg Cir., at Ebenezer, Oct. 14, 15. Pittsburg Sta., Oct. 18. Winfield, at New Hope, Oct. 21, 22. Mt. Pleasant Sta., Oct. 22, 23. Linden Cir., Oct. 28, 29. Hughes Springs, at H. S., Oct. 29, 30. Daingerfield, at Bradfield, Oct. 31. Winnboro Cir., at Morris Ch., Nov. 2. Dalby Springs, at Lawrence, Nov. 4, 5. New Boston and DeKalb, at New Boston, Nov. 5, 6. Nash Cir., Nov. 7, 8. Naples and Omaha, Nov. 11, 12. Redwater, Nov. 12, 13. Atlanta Sta., Nov. 18. Avinger Cir., at Mns, Nov. 18, 19. R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

Brenham District—Fourth Round.

Giddings, at Giddings, 3 p. m., Sept. 29. Lexington, Lexington, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Bellville, at Sempronius, Oct. 6. Sealy, Oct. 7, 8. Richmond, Oct. 14, 15. Caldwell Miss., at Chrisman, Oct. 20, 21. Caldwell, Oct. 21, 22. Rosenberg, at Rosenberg, Oct. 28, 29. Chappell Hill, Nov. 4, 5. Hempstead, Nov. 5, 6. Fulshear, at B., Nov. 8. Somerville, Nov. 11, 12. Brenham, Nov. 18, 19. A. A. WAGNON, P. E.

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Tyler District—Fourth Round.

Colfax, Tunnels Chapel, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Alba, at Golden, Oct. 7, 8. Emory, at Point, Oct. 14, 15. Mt. Sylvan, at Sabine, Oct. 21, 22. Lindale, Oct. 23. Edom, at Edom, Oct. 28, 29. Murchison, at Murchison, Nov. 4, 5. Cedar Street, Nov. 9. Whitehouse, at Lane's Ch., Nov. 11, 12. Willis Point Sta., Nov. 13. Edgewood, at Edgewood, Nov. 14. Grand Saline, Nov. 15. Mineola, Nov. 16. Marvin Church, Nov. 17. Tyler Cir., at Bascom, Nov. 18, 19. C. B. GARRETT, P. E.

Beaumont District—Fourth Round.

Brookland, Oct. 1. Port Bolivar, Oct. 7, 8. Buna, Oct. 11. China, Oct. 14, 15. Woodville, Oct. 21, 22. Warren, Oct. 22, 23. Silsbee, Oct. 25. Jasper Miss., Oct. 28, 29. Jasper Sta., Oct. 28, 29. Kirbyville, Oct. 30. Wallisville, Nov. 1. Batson, Nov. 4, 5. Kountze, Nov. 6. Orange, Nov. 8. Quarterly Conference Liberty, 10 a. m., Nov. 11. Dayton, 7:30 p. m., Nov. 11. Cartwright, Nov. 18, 19. First Church, Beaumont, Nov. 19. D. H. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Houston District—Fourth Round.

Brunner, Oct. 1. McAshan, Oct. 1. Tabernacle, Oct. 8. Trinity, Oct. 8. Genoa, Oct. 11. Columbia, at Columbia, Oct. 15. Alcoa, Oct. 18. Katy, at Katy, Oct. 22. Washington Ave., Oct. 22. So. Houston & Texas City, Oct. 25. Cedar Bayou, Oct. 28, 29. First Church, Houston, Oct. 29. Dickinson, Nov. 1. West End, Galveston, Nov. 5. First Church, Galveston, Nov. 5. St. Paul's, Nov. 8. Velasco, Nov. 12. Anketon, Nov. 12. Humble, Nov. 15. Brazoria, Nov. 19. Alvin, Nov. 19. ELLIS SMITH, P. E.

Navasota District—Fourth Round.

Montgomery Cir., at Montgomery, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Crockett Miss., Latexo, Oct. 7, 8. Crockett Sta., Oct. 8, 9. Grapeland and Lovelady, at Grapeland, Oct. 10. Magnolia Miss., Stoneham, Oct. 14, 15. Navasota, Oct. 18. Shepherd and Cleveland, at Fostoria, Oct. 21, 22. Trinity and Onalaska, at Trinity, Oct. 28, 29. Groveton, Oct. 30. Willard Cir., at Saron, Oct. 31. Oakhurst Cir., at Oakhurst, Nov. 3. Cold Springs Miss., at Point Blank, Nov. 4, 5. Augusta Cir., at Enterprise, Nov. 7. Huntsville, Nov. 9. Willis Cir., at Willis, Nov. 11, 12. Anderson Cir., Nov. 15. Bryan Sta., Nov. 18, 19. Bryan Cir., Nov. 18, 19. P. M. BOYLES, P. E.

Marlin District—Fourth Round.

Kosse and Reagan, at Stranger, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Marlin Sta., Oct. 1, 2. Petteway Cir., at Owensville, Oct. 7, 8. Franklin Sta., Oct. 8, 9. I. F. BETTS, P. E.

510 Chambers Street, Marlin, Texas.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

Austin District—Fourth Round.

St. Luke's and Walnut, at Walnut, Sept. 30. First Church, at Austin, Oct. 7, 8. University Church, Austin, Oct. 14, 15. Ward Memorial, at Austin, Oct. 16. NAT B. READ, P. E.

Cuero District—Fourth Round.

Yoakum, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Shiner, at S., Oct. 1, 2. Hope, at H., Oct. 7, 8. Leesville, at Wrightsboro, Tues, Oct. 10. Cuero, Oct. 14, 15. JOHN M. ALEXANDER, P. E.

Llano District—Fourth Round.

Center City Cir., Sept. 30, Oct. 1. San Saba Cir., Live Oak, Oct. 2. San Saba Sta., night, Oct. 2. Richland Springs Cir., Oct. 3. Bethel, Wednesday night, Oct. 4. Mason, Oct. 5. Johnson City, Oct. 7, 8. Blanco Cir., Oct. 9. Willow City, Oct. 11. J. D. SCOTT, P. E.

San Antonio District—Fourth Round.

Laurel Heights, Oct. 1. Travis Park, Oct. 8. S. H. C. BURGIN, P. E.

San Marcos District—Fourth Round.

Luling, Oct. 7, 8. San Marcos, Oct. 14, 15. W. H. H. BIGGS, P. E.

San Angelo District—Fourth Round.

San Angelo, First Church, Oct. 1. San Angelo, Chadbourne Street, Oct. 8. L. C. MATTHIS, P. E.

Beeville District—Fourth Round.

Allee, 8 p. m., Sept. 30. Allee, 11 a. m., Oct. 1. Robstown, 8 p. m., Oct. 1. Robstown, 10 a. m., Oct. 2. Lebanon, 2 p. m., Oct. 4. Couch, 8 p. m., Oct. 5. Runge, 8 p. m., Oct. 6. Karnes City, 2 p. m., Oct. 7. Kenedy, 8 p. m., Oct. 7. Skidmore, 11 a. m., Oct. 8. Sinton, 8 p. m., Oct. 8. Skidmore, 3 p. m., Oct. 9. Rockport, 8 p. m., Oct. 11. Corpus Christi, 8 p. m., Oct. 12. Floresville, 8 p. m., Oct. 13. Beeville, 8 p. m., Oct. 14. Beeville, 11 a. m., Oct. 15. A. L. SCARBOROUGH, P. E.

Uvalde District—Fourth Round.

Uvalde Cir., Batesville, Sept. 29. Rock Springs, Oct. 1, 2. Del Rio, Oct. 4. Carrizo Springs, at Asherton, Oct. 7, 8. Eagle Pass, Oct. 11. Uvalde Sta., Oct. 14, 15. Crystal City, at night, Oct. 15. S. B. BEALL, P. E.

NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE

Albuquerque District—Fourth Round.

Tucumcari, Oct. 1, 2. Logan, Oct. 3, 4. J. H. MESSER, P. E.

El Paso District—Fourth Round.

Alamogordo, Sept. 30, Oct. 1. Trinity, Oct. 4. Highland Park, Oct. 4. Carrizozo, Oct. 7, 8. J. R. COCHRAN, P. E.

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Southern Methodist University

The One Million Dollar Endowment Campaign is Now On.

Edited by REV. H. A. BOAZ, D. D.

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

Million-Dollar Campaign Now On—Great Methodist Rally Day, Dallas Fair, October 27.

Arrangements have been practically completed for the rally day of Texas Methodism at the Dallas Fair. The management of the Fair has set apart October 27 as Southern Methodist University Day. From the letters that are pouring into the office it appears that Methodists all over the State are coming to the great rally. From every quarter comes the word that leading pastors and laymen are coming to the great jubilee meeting. From far away Galveston, Houston and San Antonio they are coming. From some sections near by they are coming by the car load. Dr. H. Bishop reports that five or six hundred are coming from the Hillsboro District. Two or three have written in concerning special trains. Some of our junior colleges and training schools propose to be on hand in large numbers. Present indications are that it will be the greatest day in the history of Texas Methodism. If you desire to be present and to take part in the exercises of one of the memorable days of Texas Methodism you should be present in Dallas on October 27. Many loyal Methodists who care nothing for the Fair are coming for the rally. They will spend the day in Dallas, returning home at night.

Tea or twelve Bishops will be present. Some people will come in order to see this great number of chief pastors at one time. It will be a rare sight to look upon twelve live Bishops at once. Some will be on hand to witness the breaking of dirt for the first building of the Southern Methodist University and to get a full view of the beautiful campus. Some will come hoping to locate the site for their future home. For many reasons many people will be in Dallas on this great Methodist Day. No Methodist coming to visit the Fair can afford to miss this day. Arrangements will be made to carry visitors to the University campus and at 10:30 a. m. will be the ceremony of breaking dirt for the first building of the new institution. Addresses will be made by Dr. R. S. Hyer and others. Anyone desiring to do so may have the privilege of sticking a pick in the ground and helping in the service. At 2 p. m. the Methodist hosts will gather in the great Coliseum at the Fair grounds. Thuyie's Russian Band will give a concert as the first part of the program. At 3 o'clock p. m., Bishop James Atkins is to take the chair and make a short address. This address will be followed by another by Bishop Monzon, after which Bishop Hoss will deliver the principal address of the occasion. These addresses will be worth coming to hear. The educational situation in Texas will be explained. It is hoped that great enthusiasm will be engendered by this meeting and an impetus given to the University movement that shall last for the years to come.

The educational issue is foremost in the minds of the Texas Methodists at present and must continue so for the next two or three years. The cause of Christian education is always of supreme importance, but under the present situation in Texas this issue is of peculiar significance. The establishment of a great University and the proper reorganization of our whole school system is of great interest to all of our people. For this cause it seems that October 27 ought to be made greater than any previous day in Texas Methodism.

BISHOP ATKINS MAKES TOUR IN BEHALF OF S. M. U.

Bishop Atkins, Dr. R. S. Hyer and Dr. H. A. Boaz begin October 1 in a tour of several towns in Central Texas in the interest of our Southern Methodist University. It is hoped by this tour to stimulate interest in the rally day at the Fair and to make some necessary preparation for the day. They will be in Waco Sunday, October 1, in Cleburne Monday, in Hillsboro Tuesday, in Temple Wednesday, in Plano Thursday, in Corsicana Friday and in Waxahachie Saturday and Sunday.

In each of these places it is desired

to meet the leading men of the town, to explain to them in person the plans for our educational interests, to secure co-operation of such men and to have a public rally at night in the church to let all the people know of what is being done and thereby secure the support and co-operation of all our people. In this way we seek to give the work the greatest possible publicity. It is hoped by such campaigns to lay the Southern Methodist University on the hearts of the people and to accomplish good in many ways.

George Stuart, the great evangelist and temperance orator, has been secured for a similar tour from October 12 to 24. The tour has been mapped out, but all the pastors have not yet been heard from and we cannot at present announce the dates and places.

The outlook is very encouraging. The people are becoming aroused and growing enthusiastic. Many who were formerly opposed to the movement are falling into line and pledging co-operation and support.

No more fitting thing could be done this week than to give in this department a few of the hundreds of letters that have been sent us. They are inspiring and give promise of unmeasured success.

THE LETTERS.

Dear Dr. Hyer—I am profoundly interested in the Southern Methodist University and have been from the initial movement at Dallas. I have all faith in the ultimate success of the enterprise. I am especially anxious about a real and successful correlation of the educational work of Texas Methodism. We have been talking correlation for thirty years and we all realize that we have none. As a boy I remember the opening of S. W. U. in 1873 and now I believe we are in sight of a real unifying of our school work.

I pray that no mistakes be made. I have great faith in the ability of the commission and in you, Dr. Boaz, and Frank, as especially at the helm of the S. M. U. and as I believe it ought to be also of the commission. (Is this placing too much responsibility?) (1) What is the work to be done? The unification of our educational work and the success of every Methodist school in the State. Is this work too great? (2) What are the assets of the commission? All the prayers, love, sympathy and throbbing interest of Texas Methodism, the right-of-way to secure money from the whole State, with a quadruple guarantee of success. If you need more men, pick the State and get the best. Let all the world know that Texas Methodism is one in this work. Let the little

schools know that the commission, foreordains, decrees and predestinates their success. (3) We all know our Church has no bank account on which to draw to pay school debts, but grit and grace will bring the greenback. This, as I understand it, is our aim. Let it be made clear at all our Annual Conferences. (4) Group the districts for support of district schools and help them to plan and to execute the plan.—S. J. Vaughan, Gatesville, Texas.

Dear Doctor—Your plan is, in my opinion, ideal. Let us concentrate our forces to the end that your plans may be executed. Now is the opportune time for such an undertaking.—J. W. Smith, Roscoe, Texas.

Dear Doctor Hyer—I certainly am delighted with the prospects of so vast a possibility for Texas Methodism for one central institution. I stand ready to co-operate with you in any way reasonable to bring to a reality anything that you and Dr. Boaz might plan.—Zoro B. Pirtle, Lakeview, Texas.

My Dear Dr. Hyer—I am deeply interested in the success of those plans and the realization of those hopes. I trust those overlooking heights may ere long be crowned and adorned by all those splendid buildings.—David W. Carter, San Antonio.

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