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## Denominational Loyalty a Necessity

**W**E DO not believe in the doctrine of rank sectarianism and we have no sort of patience with Church bigotry. The Methodist Church has never given the slightest countenance to either one of these extreme views. The sectarian bigot is narrow, full of prejudice and intolerant of the opinions and feelings of others. He sees nothing but his Church, its ordinances and his denominational affiliation. Everybody else is wrong and he alone is right and he loses no opportunity to abuse those who differ from him. A man of that sort can never be a great man, for there is nothing broad or liberal in his way of thinking and believing. If he occupies a pulpit he is apt to be a thorn in the flesh of the community where he officiates, and he makes his ministry an irritant instead of a blessing to the people.

While this is true, nevertheless we do believe in a well-developed and robust denominational loyalty. No man can render his best service to the Church to which he belongs and to whose doctrines and polity he subscribes unless he feels a warmer attachment and a deeper interest in his own Church and its polity than any other. And he is not prepared to do his whole duty to any other Church until he places this emphasis upon his own. The man who is so broad and liberal in his views and sympathies that he thinks just as much of one Church as he does of another is just as pernicious in his latitudinarianism as the bigot is in his sectarianism. He is a sort of an ecclesiastical polygamist and practices the doctrine of religious free-lovism. There is a happy mean between these two antagonistic extremes, and right there is where we pitch this editorial.

The Methodist Church is one branch of the great general Church of God, and while it is in perfect agreement with all Church organizations of an evangelical character touching the great fundamental doctrines of Christianity, still it has its distinctive interpretation of these doctrines and it has a distinctive autonomy of its own. These are the points that differentiate the Methodist Church organization from all others. To be correctly informed concerning these and to be devoted to them in faith and conviction is to be a Methodist of a pronounced type and to stand in close relation to all that Methodism stands for as an evangelical agency.

We are Methodists, therefore, because we believe in Methodist doctrine and Methodist usage; and as Methodists we can more thoroughly work out our understanding of Christianity through this organized medium than through any other. It affords to us the best means for reaching the desired ends of Christianity. We work better in its harness and can do more for our own piety and for the uplift of humanity through its machinery than is possible for us in any other Church organization.

We find all the religious liberty we need to exercise in our affiliation with the Methodist Church. It is broad in its doctrinal beliefs, it affords wise opportunity for differences of opinion and judgment, it believes in regeneration and the witness of the Spirit, it teaches a deep spirituality, it believes in the universality of the atonement, it holds to God's sovereignty and to man's free moral agency; and in its polity it so distributes the ministry as to insure every pastor a congregation and every congregation a pastor. It calls upon all men to repent, to believe and to be saved from sin. And it puts its activities into rapport with every movement for the eradication of evil and for the promotion of all manner of good to mankind. It also recognizes in all other evangelical agencies the hand of God and its relation to them is that of fraternity and good-will. It lays no claim to a monopoly of all truth, of all virtue and of all sincerity. It accords to every other denomination all that it claims for itself in an honest desire to love God and to build up righteousness in the world; and it strives at all times to live in peace and good-will toward them.

It is the duty, therefore, of Methodists to stand by their own Church devotedly, persistently and loyally; to love it, to sacrifice for it, to obey its regulations, to support its institutions and to submit to its ordinances. And it is our bounden duty to teach our children the same and to bring them up in Methodist faith and practices. If our Church is good enough for us it is also good enough for our children and for those whom we can legitimately induce to join it. As a rule, Methodists are a little lacking at this point. Hence, we give off more people who come to Christ through our instrumentality than any other Church organization. We do not

stress the importance of becoming members of the Methodist Church as we should in our homes, in our revival services and in our social contact with people. In other words, we do not persistently stand by our own Church as we should; and our denominational loyalty is not always of the vigorous and robust type. If Methodism means any-

thing, it means everything to those who make up its membership, and they should lose no opportunity to give to it the pre-eminence in their support and co-operation. It ought to be first in their convictions, their affections and in their active service as one of God's ordained means of bringing the world to Jesus Christ.

## "The Weapons Of Our Warfare Are Not Carnal"

**T**HE distressing newspaper statement that a pastor engaged in a shoot-scrape in which one man was mortally wounded by a shot from the preacher's gun emphasizes the plain teaching of the Scripture concerning the conduct of a minister of the Gospel with reference to fighting or, as some would put it, being able to take care of one's self.

The preacher who holds himself ready to fight with fists or with guns is wrong in his heart.

The preacher who glories in another preacher's fighting ability and success, is in error and needs to repent of the error of his way.

A true and worthy preacher of the Gospel may be surprised into a fight, but he is not going around with a chip on his shoulder.

If he is surprised into a fight, he

is heartily ashamed of it and repents of it.

The preacher of the Gospel must be an example of the Christ-life as it can be reflected in the conduct of depraved humanity. How can he call upon his people to follow Christ, if he, their pastor, violates the teachings of Christ in order to vindicate his manhood.

The preacher who has taken human life, even though in self-defense, puts a stop to his work as a minister. Nobody will hear him since his hands have blood on them.

Henry Ward Beecher's conduct was better and braver. A man hailed him on the street and, pointing a pistol at him, said, "I shall kill you."

Beecher looking down that pistol barrel said, "Shoot, if you wish," and walked away. The man did not shoot.

## WORSHIP AND REVERENCE.

Man must worship because there is an innate and irresistible spirit of worship in his heart.

It must be given to only one—that is God, who alone is worthy of man's adoration and worship. Real and sincere worship may be directed to an inferior and improper object.

The third temptation of Christ was to worship Satan for temporal gains. The heathen honestly worships an idol and Catholics honestly worship Mary, the mother of Christ, but true worship rightly directed is offered only to the triune God.

Reverence is proper and needful in the house of God, but it must be towards God and not towards the house or any material thing in it. Men may be reverent towards the music, the liturgy or towards the pictures of Christ and yet be blasphemous in their conduct elsewhere.

Worship and reverence for God should be in the heart and life.

## CHURCH AND STATE.

An Archbishop is reported to have declared in a public sermon, among other like things, "We love

the Church more than we love any and all the Governments of the world."

The Church relations and Church attitude that calls for such a statement as the above are all out of harmony with the New Testament Scriptures. Christ and the New Testament writers most emphatically command obedience to the laws of the land and enjoin patriotism.

Love for one's Church is one thing while love for one's country is quite another thing. They are two separate emotions but never, in any proper sense, contraries. Whenever a Church allows its prelates to state its position thus: "In the conflict between the Church and the Civil Government we take the side of the Church," it becomes a menace to good government. Why should there be a conflict between the United States and the Church?

If you are gloomy and oppressed today and walk under a deep cloud of dejection, go toward the eventide to your closest and open up your heart to God and talk the matter over confidentially with him. By the time you emerge and again face the world the sun will be shining and the birds will be singing.



## Conference of 1868

(Pen sketches of its deceased preachers by one who was a member of that session of the Conference.)

Part Four.

In this chapter we shall depart somewhat from our text and give present-day readers some idea of typical Texas girls and women prior and up to 1868. We will take the three girls who attended that conference as examples. Let them tell their own story. Be it remembered we are writing from a memory of forty-four years without diary or notes for reference. If any one living notes any discrepancy they will attribute it to a lack of memory, rather than any intention to misrepresent. We have not seen either of these girls for some forty years and do not know if either of them is living; if so, we hope we will not be too severely censured for using their given names while living. We are still talking about the conference under the trees. Roll backward, O tide of years; make us young again, if it is only for one hour. Let us sit down with the heroes and heroines who pioneered the West Texas Conference.

First, we will introduce Rogers, our Lochinvar of the West. Through all her wide borders his steed was the best; at least he thought old Thom, as he called him, could run faster, jump higher and swim better than any other. I must confess he had great reason to think so. We remember once we were returning from meeting and came to the Medio River. It was level with its banks and still rising. He said to me, "Brother Charlie, you can go back and stay at Brother Murray's, but I have got to see Hattie and Mike," his wife and baby. So he and old Thom plunged over the bank into the river. Old Thom swam to the other side. The bank was so steep there was no possible chance for the horse to clamber up. Rogers looked back at us to see if we had any light on the subject. We shouted to him to get off on the bank—that not more than thirty steps down the river there was a cow trail, for him to hold to the bridle and let old Thom swim along down the bank to the trail and he could come up out of the river. This he did. Then we urged our horse into the river, directing him in such a way as to get to the farther bank, and swimming him to the cow-trail, we did not have to dismount. Thus our war-horses stood dripping, and ourselves thoroughly wet, as if we had suddenly quit the Methodists and joined the Hardshells.

At another time we were holding a meeting near where Sinton now is, and Rogers was helping us. Rogers was up preaching when a man was shot in the house and died in a few minutes right before the table behind which the preacher was standing. The murdered man's mother, his wife and children, and a large connection were present. They all set up a scream, the congregation joining with them. I never witnessed such a scene before nor since, even during war times. The meeting came abruptly to a close. Twice in our itinerant ministry our congregation has been broken up by murder. This case of murder in the house and adventure in the river are not imaginary, but real facts of an unwritten history.

We once lived in a community where a lot of kin-folk and former friends fell out over a horse stealing scrape, divided into about forty men on each side. They waylaid each other and fought each other in every way that savage hate could devise, until there was scarcely one of them left. We inject these facts into these sketches that the present-day boy-preachers may not think that going around the circuit was all sunshine and smooth sailing a half century ago.

Brother Rogers spoke to the girls, saying, "Do you know that tomorrow we will have to go to sea horse-back?" Miss Susie, replying, said: "We know we have to cross the Nueces River." "Well," continued Brother Rogers, "it is where it mouths into the bay and it is three miles wide. You can't travel straight across it on account of deep water. General Taylor, on his march to Mexico, had it staked off. By traveling zigzag, one may avoid swimming water. But even then, when the tide is coming in freely, there is danger of the water running up into a buggy. Old Brother Myers and Aunt Sarah, not long ago, were coming from Rockport to Corpus Christi. Dark overtook them in the middle of the reef. They could not see the stakes. So the old preacher and his wife had to stay right there all night. Another fact is, how would you girls like to get in that fix?"

Miss Julia replied: "We would do like St. Peter when he got out of a job; we would go fishing. We have our poles, lines, hooks and bait. We

would sit in our buggies and fish. If the tide came in pretty fast we would have a prayer meeting."

"What do you have to say about it, Miss Mattie?" "You can't scare me, Brother Rogers. I live up in an Indian country. They come in every full moon, steal horses, and kill and scalp people. I have been scared so much that I have got used to it. Not so very long ago a young man, under whip and spur, called papa to the gate and told him the Indians were in; that they had found down on the river where they had killed and eaten a colt. From the trail made, there must be fifteen or twenty of them; that the men were collecting at the ford and wanted him to come and lead them on the trail; that if the Indians kept in the direction they were going they would pass right by old man Rick's ranch; that the old man was off at Powder Horn with his wagon; that the old lady and children were there by themselves; that if the Indians were not pursued at once they would stop and kill and scalp the last one of them. No time was to be lost and in the shortest possible time papa and the young man were running a horse-race down the road toward the ford. By this time the women and children were coming to our house—some of them scared nearly to death. This was a custom when the men went off after the Indians, the women and children collected at the different houses. We shut every door and stopped every crack and put out all the lights except a little fire to mold bullets by. We were afraid the Indians might slip around and shoot through cracks at us. They did that sometimes. Papa left word for us girls to mould all the bullets we could

while they were gone. They might get into a battle with the Indians and have to send a runner back to get more bullets. Between midnight and day we heard horses' feet and then men talking. We knew it was papa and the men coming back. We girls all dropped our bullet moulds and ladies and let the melted lead spill out in the fire. Then such running and screaming to get to papa to know if anybody had gotten hurt. It was dangerous business to follow those savages.

"Sometimes they would stop under a creek bank and kill several men before they knew they were anywhere close to them. I thought I could run fast, but mama lead me to papa. We soon learned that none had gotten hurt. Then there was rejoicing time. We went on to the house. Mama had plenty of hot coffee and a warm supper for the six or eight men who came to our house. After supper or breakfast, which ever you may call it, papa preached a Thanksgiving sermon. Nearly everybody that was not religious before got religion and joined the Church. Old Brother Fuller and his wife joined and I don't know how many more. It just broke up the dancing crowd completely. Papa called on old Grandma Reagan, to pray and such a funny prayer I never heard. She thanked God for the Indians, and that they had come through the country and stolen a lot of horses; that they had not killed or scalped anybody; that the men had gone after the Indians and recovered all the horses; that none of the men had gotten hurt. Then she commenced praying about the meeting. I never heard the like in my life. Then she got to shouting and everybody else got to shouting. It was daylight before the meeting broke up."

CHAS. R. SHAPARD.  
Austin, Texas.

## Beyond The End

By Rev. Robert E. Goodrich.

"I am he that liveth and was dead; and behold, I am alive for evermore. Amen, and have the keys of hell and of death." \* \* \* Because I live, ye shall live also." Rev. 1:18, John 14:19.

In these glorious words there is set before us the good tidings of great joy. Having conquered death, our Lord herein gives us the pledge that we, too, shall rise victorious. And because of that promise of Jesus Christ, the world today is filled with a hope that lasts beyond the years. Where darkness brooded, and where the shadows of sorrow fell thick like night, there is a radiance whose source is our risen Lord who "brought life and immortality to light."

Once in the long centuries ago, when the first missionaries sought to tell the story of the Cross in the British Isles, the Saxon King, with his thanes and nobles, held a council to decide whether or not the Christian messengers should remain in the land and have liberty to proclaim the new faith. As they sat in deliberation, a sparrow, from the outer darkness, flew into the lighted room, and crossing the council hall, plunged into the darkness of night again. A venerable thane arose, and likened the life of man to the sparrow's flight. Out of darkness and mystery we come into the world—the lighted room, only to pass out into darkness and mystery again. "If," said he, "these men can tell us ought of the mysteries of our pilgrimage—if they can throw any light into that darkness whither we go, I ask that we receive them that they may give us their truth."

The pathetic cry of that pagan heart was but the uttered passion of humanity. Deep as the soul itself, there is a voice in man that tells him that there is something beyond, without telling him what that something is, or how it may be obtained. And the mute appeal of every altar-stone in the world; the weird wail in every heathen sacrifice; the mystic prayer of every rising incense; the solemn intonation of every ritual is a call from humanity's heart for light on the path that leads to the soul's great future.

But, seeing that this dream of other worlds is in the heart of man, what voice has ever spoken with authority in assurance of this hope? What word has ever fallen on this earth, teaching man that this long dream shall issue into an eternal reality? Who is He, and whence did He come who can calm our perplexed hearts with the declaration that the grave is only a door through which we pass into a life of endless days? Look upon all the world of souls; search through all the myriad throngs who, like a dim, heaving mass, stretch away from century's end to century's end, "waking, breathing and sleeping again." Listen to their messages and ponder their words, and from that Babel of innumerable tongues, there shall come one voice, and only one, whose word answers to the soul's great cry, and the message of that voice is: "I am he

that liveth and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen, and have the keys of hell and of death; because I live, ye shall live also."

And listening to these wondrous words, Faith hears in them:

1. The voice of a great sufferer. "And was dead!" No myth-god of the ancients was ever set forth as entering into the suffering and sorrows of his worshippers. Neither Isis nor Osiris, Jupiter, Juno, Confucius nor Buddha were ever moved to compassion though their temples were filled with wailing and their shrines were wet with penitential tears. Not one of them ever left the abode of the blessed to come into this world bearing the ill and anguish of mankind. Not one of them ever went, scourged like a criminal, to a judgment hall. Not one of them ever groaned under the grief of a Gethsemane. Not one of them ever found a calvary with its cross! But concerning our Lord, it was declared by the space of seven hundred years before He was born that He should be called a "Man of sorrows; one acquainted with grief." And oh, to read the short story of His life; to watch the currents of His career as they shaped themselves into the crisis of the cross; beholding Him, from the hour of His birth, persecuted by enemies; hearing Him cry over the sins of Jerusalem; and the sobs of his sorrow at Lazarus' grave; watching Him pass into the deep shadows of the Garden; seeing Him friendless in the judgment hall and finally abandoned in the hour of death—taking that swift sweep of His life, our hearts constrain us to cry back across the centuries to Isaiah, and proclaim that among the sons of men, there has none been born who could answer to his "Man of Sorrows," save Jesus. "I am he that liveth and was dead." The world made Him drink of its bitterest cup. But passing through the griefs of men made Him a brother to the race, and now in all the stress and strain of life, in our heartaches and sorrows and burdens we are strengthened by the sustaining comfort that "we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." And this sympathizing high priest is none other than the captain of our salvation who was "made perfect through suffering."

Listening to the message of the text again, Faith hears in it also—

2. The voice of a great conqueror. "Behold, I am alive forevermore, Amen, and have the keys of hell and of death." The world worships the victor. Throughout all lands there stand the shafts, towers, monuments, domes—memorials to heroes who have gained victories on fields of conflict. If one were asked to mention some of the world's great conquerors, immediately the names of Philip, Alexander, Genghis Khan, Napoleon and Wellington would come trooping into memory. But we forget that there is another

conqueror far greater than these, and before whom these warriors all went down. His footfalls are felt in every land, and his heart has pity for neither age nor youth, neither virtue nor vice. Beneath his stroke falls the tender babe and the sturdy man, the saintly woman and the vicious wretch. The conqueror death is the monster who wages this terrific warfare, laying siege to men, to cities and to continents. Historians declare that Genghis Khan, in his wars, sent five million men to the dust. But throned in the abyss of darkness, crowned with the wreathes of furies and sceptered with the rod of fate, death has sent down his thousands of millions. But thank God, that throne shall crumble, that scepter shall break and that crown of furies shall vanish away, for there is another and a greater conqueror who is saying in the text, "Behold, I am alive forevermore, and have the keys of hell and of death!" Into the domain of death, Jesus went alone, Jewish hatred and Roman authority blindly united in showing the grave's weakness, and in manifesting our Lord's glorious power. In their efforts to keep His body from ever coming out of the tomb, they placed Him where His victory over death had to be won single handed and alone. For, between that crucified body and those hopeless, helpless ones who had loved Him in life, there was a sealed tomb and a cohort of Roman soldiers. And those two things forever make impossible the forgery of His enemies, saying that the disciples came and took the body away. Down in the Lord's grave, the great battle between life and death was fought, and the Son of God was triumphant, and the conqueror, Death, was conquered. Jesus Christ came from the tomb "leading captivity captive," holding in His pierced hands the keys of hell and of death, and crying with a loud voice, "Where, O grave, is thy victory, and where, O death, is thy sting?"

But listening to the glorious message of the text, Faith hears in it finally—

3. The voice of a great Savior. "Because I live ye shall live also." Standing by the graves of our holy dead, the eyes grow dim with tears and our aching hearts heave with a longing that no human word can satisfy. Sympathetic friends may surround us; fresh strewn flowers may hide the billowy sod from our eyes; but the grave and the grief are deep in our souls, and we

"Sigh for the touch of a vanished hand  
And the sound of a voice that is still."

Shall we ever meet again? Will there ever dawn a morning fair when we shall clasp forever those vanished hands and listen to the voices now still? Hark! "I am he that liveth and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and have the keys of hell and of death; because I live ye shall live also." The bow of hope appears, and, with its perfect arch, bends over

the tomb. In our hearts there is surcease of sorrow and peaceful repose, and in the pledge of the Lord's word, we abide the coming of the resurrection morn.

It was a custom, often observed by the Romans, to leave a lighted lamp in the tomb where they buried their dead. There is a reverent legend that centuries after Cicero's beautiful daughter, Tullia, was buried, her tomb was accidentally opened, and it was found still illumined by the light that burned in silent vigil by her sleeping form. This is only a pagan fancy, but it is parable of a glorious Christian fact. For, in that day "when all that are in their graves shall hear His voice and shall come forth," the tombs of our Lord's children shall be illumined by the luster of His own presence, even the radiance of Him who was and is the "light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

In ancient years, it is said, the Spanish coin bore the imprint of the Pillars of Hercules, those towering promontory rocks that form the Straits of Gibraltar. Those adamantine crags marked the limits of the western land, and written above the imprint of the pillars were the words, "Ne Plus Ultra,"—no more land beyond. But one day Columbus sailed out beyond those Pillars of Hercules—on till the towering cliffs were lost in the haze of heaving seas, on across the dreary waters of unsailed leagues till the glories of a new world lifted themselves into view. Then Spain issued new coins, and they bore still the imprint of the pillars of stone. But from the inscription above the rocks there was stricken one word. The new device read, not "Ne Plus Ultra," but "Plus Ultra"—more beyond!

The tomb of man is the Gibraltar of life, and over its somber form infidelity has written in hopeless words, "Ne Plus Ultra." But since the Lord of life passed out beyond the grave into the Kingdom of Death and won from the grim monster the victory of life immortal, and came back holding in His bleeding hands the very keys of the dark domain, Faith in triumph, strikes the negative from the verdict of Doubt and writes in glorious letters "Plus Ultra!" there is a world beyond!

Oh, waiting hearts, let us shelter over griefs in that blessed hope. We cannot do otherwise.

"For love will dream and faith will trust,  
That must somehow, somewhere, we must."

And reposing in that holy trust, we shall pity those who have great griefs but no great comfort; those who "Hopeless, lay their dead away, Nor look to see the breaking day Across the mournful marbles play, Who have not learned, in hours of faith,

The truth to sense and flesh unknown,  
That life is ever lord of Death,  
And love can never lose its own."  
St. Luke's Church, Oklahoma City.

## Bishop Atkins On University Church

To the Methodists of Texas:

Dear Brethren.—When I appointed the Rev. R. P. Shuler to the University Church, Austin, at the last session of the West Texas Conference, I had in mind the doing of four things which with proper work on the part of all concerned ought to be well done within one quadrennium. These items are as follows: 1. The furnishing of a thoroughly evangelical gospel to the students of the University and the community, such as we have been furnishing through other pastors from the beginning. 2. The clearing off of the indebtedness on the church. 3. The establishment of a Biblical Chair in the University. 4. The building of a Hoving Hall for young ladies.

The item of largest concern just now is the payment of the remainder of the debt on the church. The second Quarterly Conference of the charge took action on this subject recently, and what the brethren thus proposed is so clearly on the line of what is reasonable, right and feasible, that I cannot forbear asking the Church in Texas to respond. The statement thus made embraces first the necessity for the payment of the debt in order that the congregation may be in position to do the larger work which lies before it, and that after all the people there have contributed they are not able to pay off the debt without assistance. The Quarterly Conference asks for a contribution of \$2500 from the Board of Church Extension; and that the Church in Texas shall contribute \$7500. This leaves \$5000 yet to be paid by the congregation, in addition to the tens of thousands they have already contributed. They do not ask anything except on the condition that they themselves shall clean up the whole debt with the assistance men-

tioned above. Indeed, these amounts are not to become payable until the whole of the debt is secured.

I have appointed Brother Shuler to go before our people in the State and ask for money with which to pay the part of the debt referred to above. I trust that all our presiding elders and pastors will give all possible opportunity for this work, and that our laymen will promptly and generously respond. We desire to have the whole debt obliterated by November 1 of this year.

In presenting this cause I wish to say that I am intimately acquainted with the whole situation at University Church, and I believe that a more righteous and reasonable call upon our people has never been made. It is perfectly clear that the building of such a church at such a place for such a purpose is in a true sense a State-wide interest, and that the local congregation should not be required, even were it able, to pay the whole expense. The people there could have built adequately for their local needs and have been wholly without any debt. They have striven nobly and have been as nobly helped by the pastor and congregation of Tenth Street, Austin has acted worthily, generously from the beginning of this movement.

Furthermore, the Quarterly Conference embraces in its action a tender of a most beautiful and costly site for the erection of the Hoving Hall for girls whenever the people of the State are ready to build. It is to be hoped that the present debt will be speedily wiped out and that at an early day the Woman's Societies throughout the State will take in hand the raising of funds with which to erect an adequate and beautiful structure.

I would, in conclusion, call attention to the fact that this work is not tem-



porary, but truly permanent; for after the Southern Methodist University is filled to its utmost and Southwestern is still more largely overflowing than at present there will still be hundreds of our young people in the State University, probably even more than are there at present. In other words, we, Methodists of Texas, have a permanent ministry to the young people of the State, and we must show ourselves capable of rightly handling this most important situation. Yours cordially,  
**JAMES ATKINS.**

**The Pastor Adds a Word to the Above.**

I wish to call attention to the following resolutions which were passed unanimously by the second Quarterly Conference of the University Methodist Church of Austin, Texas:

"Whereas, there is now and has been since the erection of the University Methodist Church building, a debt upon that building, which has forced and is forcing the congregation to labor at a disadvantage in the most important work for which this church was erected, and has already hindered the progress and advancement that Methodism should have made in the past in this community and threatens to further retard us in the future, and

"Whereas, with this burden crushing the zeal and life out of our people, we see no prospect of bringing this church to that large place of service and usefulness in this strategic locality, which the Methodists of the State expect, and

"Whereas, there should by all means be erected, in the very near future, a Bible Chair and a Methodist Dormitory for girls in connection with this church, co-operation in the erection and support of which enterprises now appear impossible, with the Church facing the condition that she finds herself confronting, and

"Whereas, we believe that, should this Church find herself relieved of indebtedness, there would come a general wave of optimism and progress, resulting in this congregation doing the work that should be done in this important opening, not only in the erection of the buildings mentioned, but also in the support of their work, as well as in the evangelization of the student body of this University and in the bringing of them into our Church, and

"Whereas, the members of the local Church have borne this burden manfully, have contributed liberally and have used proper diligence and have made many sacrifices, without being able to liquidate this indebtedness, which was incurred in order to give the Methodist people of the whole State the advantage of a well-equipped and modern church building near the State University, such a building as would attract the students of the University and be a credit to Texas Methodism, and with this broad desire, they did take upon themselves a greater burden than they were or are now able to bear; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the second Quarterly Conference, now in session, petition the General Board of Church Extension for conditional gift of \$2500, with which to assist in cancelling this indebtedness.

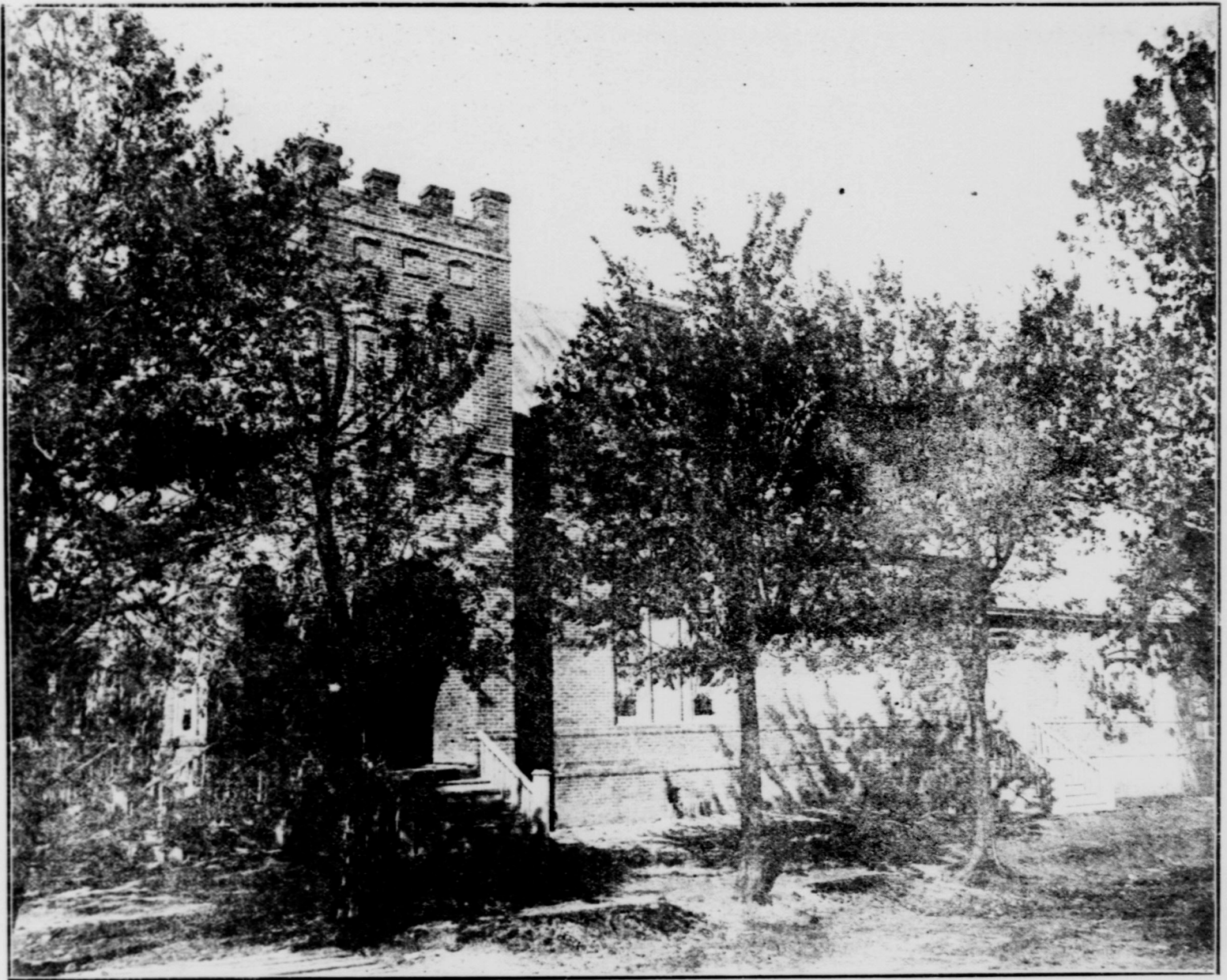
"Second. That the pastor be instructed to devote three months of this conference year to a canvass of this State, for the purpose of soliciting assistance from the Methodist people, who are profited and will profit by the existence of this Church at this place.

"Third. That this conference instruct the pastor to inaugurate a campaign within this congregation, providing the General Board shall have given relief to the amount asked and providing the Methodist people and their friends in the State shall have contributed at least \$7500, in which campaign this conference agrees to enter heartily for the purpose of raising and paying in the amount remaining of this indebtedness, so as to cancel the whole by the first day of November, 1913.

"Fourth. That the gift of the General Board and the gifts of the people of the State shall be conditioned upon the payment in full of all this indebtedness, and shall not be binding unless the local Church shall meet her part of this obligation.

"Fifth. That, providing this plan works, this Quarterly Conference hereby offers to the Methodist Church in Texas grounds upon which to erect a Bible Chair and a dormitory for young ladies adjoining the church building, which grounds are now worth upon the market more than we are asking in the way of assistance from the State. We further pledge our financial assistance in every undertaking of the Church about this campus."

Since coming, as pastor, to this Church I have been almost staggered with the greatness of the work, the largeness of the opportunity and the meaning of the mission of this congregation. If the people of Texas



**METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, SMITHVILLE, TEXAS, REV. R. A. WALTRIP, PASTOR.**

Photo by R. A. Rutan.

Sunday, March 30, 1913, will always be a very memorable day in the history of Southern Methodism here by reason of the dedication of the beautiful, commodious and convenient church building, modern in all its appointments, conducted by our good Bishop Mouzon, who kindly gave a day for this purpose.

The building is of Texas' finest brick; ceilings metal as is roof. The plans were drawn as much for the Sunday School Department as for public worship. Seats about 1000. Approximate cost, \$15,000. A short history may be interesting. About fifteen years ago the Methodists organ-

ized with seven members; later attached to a small circuit; later still made a station; now has about 300 members; Sunday School about 200, and pays her pastor in the second-class salaries, and owns her beautiful church and don't owe a dollar on it. After the good Bishop had preached one of his masterful sermons to a crowded house, he announced that there was a deficit of about \$1500 and he could not proceed until it was provided for. It took about thirty minutes to raise \$1900, meeting the claim and leaving a balance in the treasury. That Bishop is sure an all-round man. While credit is due to former pastors for contribution in an educational

way, and a large share to our very efficient presiding elder, Dr. V. A. Godbey, for his personal interest and work and not a little to the Building Committee, who have so cordially cooperated with the pastor, and ingeniously devised methods and means to pay the workmen and for material on demand, and much is due the sacrificing women for their untiring labor in many and devious ways they took care of their full share in all the departments; but most of all our city is due the pastor, Rev. R. A. Waltrip, the greater debt of gratitude for this splendid edifice to worship in, and best of all we feel it and appreciate his services. Coming to us in mid-

year (by exchange) a perfect stranger, acting on a blind faith (apparently), he razed the old frame building with not a dollar in sight, and today he is restfully sitting in his pretty little study in the new building, complacently planning for his revival services soon to follow. The outlook for this charge and city was never so promising as now, the moral tone is tending upward, and the religious spirit is deepening in all the classes; it is in the air. The building of this church has already been an uplift to our city, and it seems as if everybody in town claims an interest in the pretty building and are very proud of it.  
**H. N. GRAVES.**

could see and understand this field and its possibilities, I am sure their response would be such as would return this pastor to his charge in much less time than ninety days with the amount of money necessary to place Methodism in the forefront about the University. At the command of Bishop Atkins and this Church I am coming, brethren, and I am sure you will measure up to the obligation that rests upon all Texas Methodism with reference to the more than 500 Methodist young people in our State institution.  
**R. P. SHULER.**

**EDUCATION IN TEXAS—TO SCHOOL TEACHERS.**

(Christian Advocate and Journal, April 16, 1845.)

Notwithstanding we have two excellent colleges in Texas, we are very deficient in common schools. It is true, we have a few good schools in the country, but they are comparatively few. And for this some reasons exist, but no necessitating cause. One reason why we have so few good schools is that the country is sparsely populated, and large, or full schools cannot easily be gotten up in any one settlement, except in a few densely populated spots. So a man who has a good education, and is well qualified for other business, as well as teaching, does not like so small a business as this seems to be. But again there are others who are not qualified for teaching, who are always ready to fill every vacancy—not qualified to teach, because, first, a large majority of them are too indolent to work or follow any other business; consequently they have not energy and industry to teach school. Secondly, many have not the moral character nor princi-

ple—are openly immoral in their conduct, and destitute of religious principles. Some I have found quite theoretical infidels, and their manners equally depraved. And, thirdly, many are disqualified, because they have not the education themselves; and how can they teach when they have not even the rudiments themselves? I am ashamed to have to write this, but truth and duty compel me to do so. You are not to understand me that we have no good teachers in this country, for we have many; but as they are scattered over this wide land, they are comparatively few after all. Yes, we have men who have entered this blessed work, of excellent moral principle—men of high standing in society, of brilliant intellect, and liberal acquirements; and now the effort is to have all as near of this character as possible. Nor are you to understand me that the community is below par in this country either in morals or intellect. In the aggregate they are not inferior in morals to the people in the United States; and in intellect they are probably not surpassed in any country (I here speak of those who have immigrated here of mature years), for the most enterprising have found their way to Texas. The difficulty is this, that the class of teachers who are ready to fill all vacancies in every little settlement are in the way; rather than work, they will sit down for a small pittance. Nor is it the will of the people that this state of affairs should exist. They think they can do no better—they are perfectly aware that these men are not qualified—wise enough to see it, and good enough to disapprove. But they think it is this or no education at all.

School teaching is a high calling, and it ought to be an honorable one; next to that of the pulpit. But the standard must be raised here before it can be what it ought to be. This can be done and it will be done. If a man of good morals, who is every way qualified for teaching, will settle

himself down in one place, and let it be known that is his business, he can get just as good a school after the first quarter as he need want. If there are not enough children living in the immediate vicinity for a good school, parents will send them from a greater distance, as boarders. The class of teachers which I have described as being qualified, seldom teach longer than three months at a place; then they shift, and another comes in. But let one who is qualified in every respect not only begin, but continue, and he would soon have as many as he would want. Prices for teaching are good, though there is no settled or fixed standard yet. They are generally from one dollar and fifty cents to two dollars per month for the lower elementary branches, and higher branches up to four dollars per month. Are there not many young men in the States well qualified for teaching who would do well to come? By being in a new country they might better their circumstances in many respects. But if they come, let them come well recommended, that is as to their moral character and standing; and as to their acquirements, they can soon be tested here. And if pious and worthy gentlemen and ladies would come and occupy every part of this great field, what would be the glorious result? The pecuniary reward would be comparatively nothing when brought into contrast with the moral, spiritual and intellectual light that would be shed over the land. They would be truly auxiliaries of the Gospel, laboring in the same field, doing a different part of the same work. Now, suppose there were one hundred of these laborers spread out over this vast field, in addition to what are already engaged in the work, what would be the effect in five short years? While they would live here as anywhere else, and make as much as they ought to, they would be in the midst of usefulness. The field no doubt will be occupied soon, and it is astonishing why it has not

been done before this. The country is becoming well supplied with ministerial labor, and why has this part of the work been thus long partially neglected? Probably because information was wanted. Then, will not scores of pious hearts, both male and female, hasten hither lest another should take their crown.  
**R. CRAWFORD.**

**TRAINED NURSE**  
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Notes From the Field

Bryerly's Campground.

The fifth Sunday meeting at Bryerly's Campground was attended by hundreds of people. It is five miles west of Jasper. Rev. W. C. Morris and myself addressed the crowds. Dr. E. W. Solomon appointed this meeting. It attracted much attention and as fine an interest was manifested as I have ever seen. Our League and Sunday School work at Silsbee is most encouraging. Not room for the people during Easter.—L. B. Manly.

Plainview.

It was a very great pleasure to spend the fourth Sunday in February with Brother Lane at Lubbock, preaching for him at 11 a. m. and giving my lecture on Indian Life to a well filled house at 8 p. m. The attention was so good that it was a privilege to speak to this people. The freewill offering at the close was a true evidence of appreciation. Brother Lane has a good hold on the people and is doing some fine work. He has Sunday School classes in the church and in his office near the church, in a shed room upstairs, and in a nearby printing office. Brother Dow, the superintendent, does the work just on time to the minute.—A. E. Butterfield.

Winfield.

While not making much noise about it, we are doing well down in this part of the country. Brother Allen says he is going to build a new church at Winfield. When Allen speaks things move, and he generally stays the full term. We are hoping and praying for an old-time revival of religion. How are we to have it? I answer—by David's plan, "Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free spirit; then will I teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto thee." The work must commence at home and even I must get right before I can get anyone else right. I hold my membership at Winfield and my postoffice in Mt. Pleasant. May the good Lord bless us and give us a good year.—W. J. McCrary.

Navasota.

Closed out a very successful revival meeting of three weeks' duration on last Sunday night. The attendance throughout the series was unusually good, the interest widening and deepening with each service. The other Churches of the town co-operated in a way that was heartening to see. Some fifteen conversions and reclamations and as many additions to the Church by certificate and otherwise. We had the services of Brother Sam Raborn, of Waco, as singer and helper. He is a great man of God and his services invaluable. He is one of the best personal workers I have ever known. Taken all in all, it was a successful meeting, and demonstrated that the pastor can yet be his own evangelist; and that there are blessings for both pastor and people in thus doing they will get no other way.—W. D. White.

Colorado Station.

We are serving out our quadrennium on the Colorado Station. So far this has been our best year. The congregations are good and there are evidences of spiritual growth among our people. We observed the Livingstone Centenary with a special program on Easter morning. We also had a special Easter service under the auspices of the Junior League at the evening hour. At the opening of the morning service the pastor baptized nine children. This was indeed a very impressive scene. At the evening hour one young man decided for Christ and joined the Church. We have had fifteen additions since conference. The departments of the Church are well organized. Our Missionary Society is one of the very best in the West. This society is indeed a positive force in our Church at this place. Our Sunday School is up-to-date in point of organization, and is doing some splendid work. We have a class of ten taking the advanced course in Teacher Training Course. Considering the financial condition of all this country the finances of the Church are in fine shape. The Board of Stewards raised the salary one hundred and fifty dollars over last year, and the salary is about paid up to date. We

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have about eighty per cent of our conference collections in cash and subscriptions. I will be able to send in a few days a check in full for Home and Conference Missions. I am going to comply with the resolution offered at the Annual Conference at Abilene. Our district, as a whole, appears to be very hopeful. Rev. J. M. Sherman, the presiding elder, is filling the bill in every sense and is deservedly popular with his preachers and the laymen of the district. Our District Conference was a great success. Our secretary I am sure, will give a full account of same. I wish to say this further word in conclusion, I am serving a delightful people. For the most part, they have been loyal and ready to co-operate with the pastor in his plans for the past three years or more. It will be very much like leaving home when, by the law of the Church, I will take my departure this fall. The brother whose good fortune it may be to take my place may well count himself fortunate to fall into the hands of these good people.—W. E. Lyons.

Wallis.

Easter Sunday was a splendid day with us here in Wallis. The pastor preached a sermon on the "Death, Burial and Resurrection of Christ," at 11 a. m., and the people seemed to enjoy the service very much indeed. At night the ladies had charge of the service, and had a most excellent Easter program rendered, consisting of beautiful songs and splendid recitations, and the service was both entertaining and profitable. Our good women deserve high commendation for the pains they took in drilling the children, and the dear boys and girls deserve to be praised for their good recitations and beautiful Easter songs. After a short talk of about five minutes by the pastor, about "The Scarritt Bible Training" at Kansas City, and the magnificent work that is done in that splendid institution, a collection was taken for that school, and the money has been forwarded to the proper source. We have some very bright, sweet children here, and we trust that their parents will bring them up in the "nature and admonition of the Lord."—W. W. Horner.

Hedley.

Our second Quarterly Conference is in the past and we are moving along very well. As I did not give an account of my work last year I will state that I began with forty-three members at Hedley last year, and in the last fifteen months I have added ninety-three members at Hedley. Last conference Hedley was made a half station and we have our new brick church nicely seated with circle oak pews. We have a Methodist Sunday School, with nearly one hundred members, doing fine work. We were given a most cordial welcome on our return for the second year. Had a pounding and many other tokens of appreciation. We also have a very good people to serve at Lelia Lake, and we hope to get all the interests of the Church advanced this year. We will entertain the District Conference May 2-5, and we are expecting a great time, for we have a man at the head of the work of the Clarendon District who does things. When J. W. Story comes he gets the ear of his hearers. He does not boast of his ability and of things he has accomplished, as pastor or presiding elder, but comes with a message of love, and with his own heart filled with the love of God. My people say if all presiding elders were like Brother Story things would move. If we did not say some good things about him those outside of his acquaintance would not know his greatness, for he takes no time in praising his own work. We hope to have the greatest year that the Hedley charge has ever had.—G. H. Bryant, P. C.

Morrow Street Church, Waco.

It is difficult, in the writer's opinion, to find a people superior to the Morrow Street folks in love, loyalty and liberality. They are intelligent, sociable and religious, generously supporting their own local causes and at the same time readily responding to the connectional calls. They are indeed substantial Methodists. A body of stewards faithful and true, a Sunday School superintendent of which there is none better, a Woman's Missionary Society good as the best. Well, to make it short, everything else in proportion. Last year we had a net gain of 102. So far this year have received thirty-five, twenty of whom were added during the recent revival in which Brother S. B. Knowles assisted. And let me remark in passing, that man Knowles is a "live wire,"

possessing the brotherliness of an Andrews, the pleasantry of a Knickerbocker, the wit of a Gray, the earnestness of a Chappell, the energy of a Bowden and the tenacity of a Creed. Now, if that is not talking about him, then I don't know. He is the pastor of Bruceville and Eddy and both places are scarcely big enough to contain him. He is doing things down there. I am tempted to write up his own charge, but then perhaps it would be superfluous. There are some very interesting things going to happen in connection with the Morrow Street Church in the next few months. But, no doubt, there will be time enough to tell it after it has taken place. The salary has been advanced \$200.00 over last year. The missionary interests are being looked after and the money collected monthly by the wide-awake Mission Committee. The Advocate and the Life of Rankin are being read down this way. It is interesting and inspiring to be connected with Waco Methodism. But "dear reader," don't be uneasy; I shall not handle the other fellows' bugles, even if they should lay them down long enough, for I have a job of my own that occupies much time. This is a good natured "bunch" of preachers, and "believe me" we have no "blue Mondays." It is a fact thoroughly demonstrated, that "gas" will not asphyxiate as long as a man is busily employed "tooten his own horn." So brethren, beloved of Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Austin and San Antonio, don't get scared, and please remember that we Waco preachers are not so portly alarmed, already yet.—A. D. Porter.

Lewisville.

We have just closed an excellent revival meeting. It was co-operative, the Baptist and Presbyterian denominations joining forces with us. Rev. W. M. McIntosh, Mrs. McIntosh and Lucius J. Anderson were with us as leaders and helpers, and by their zeal, earnestness, consecration, and persistence won the confidence and esteem of all the people. Brother McIntosh is a sound, scriptural preacher, resorts to no doubtful or sensational methods in his work, is as fearless as a lion in his exposure of sin, but is the embodiment of kindness and tenderness in his dealing with the sinner. He endeavors to show the sinner the difficulties, hardships and dangers which beset his sinful way in this life, the fearful consequences of a sinful life in this world and in the world to come; and while he recounts the goodness of God, the rewards of a life worthily lived, he points to One almighty to save. He loves men, is a success, and deserves to be. Brother Anderson, as a soloist, chorister and personal worker is among the very best. He has a splendid voice, is skillful in his work, and is thoroughly consecrated. Sister McIntosh is trained in the Christian service and her work among the ladies and young people was very efficient and helpful, indeed. The greatest good accomplished in the meeting was not the number of conversions made, though considered from this important standpoint, the meeting was successful, especially so since the field had been previously so closely worked as to bring into the Churches almost every member of the Sunday Schools. We had thirty or forty conversions and reclamations with about twenty additions. The revival problem is not so much a revival out of the Church as a revival of the Church membership. The spiritual life of the Church was deepened and enriched, the Churches were brought closer together, and moral tone of the community was built up. Brother Spragins was with us Saturday and Sunday, preaching and holding our second Quarterly Conference meeting. The stewards made an excellent financial report, and the pastor gave a good account of the general state of the Church. We were glad to be able to report about sixteen and two-thirds per cent of the Church debt provided for, with fine outlook for clear decks and an open sea at an early date. The preaching and counsel of Brother Spragins, our presiding elder, greatly encouraged us in our work.—W. R. McCarter.

Gilmer.

Last night we closed what the oldest citizens pronounce to be the greatest revival meeting in the history of Gilmer. Rev. D. L. Coale and Singer Robert E. Huston led in the campaign. I know of no men in the field more efficient than these. Bro. Coale does a character of work that is not ordinarily done. He magnifies the work of the Holy Spirit in every service. He wants people to love Jesus Christ supremely. He ties the people on to the pastor and the local Church as very few men do. When people join the Church under his leadership they know they are joining something and they know what that something is. His one sermon on "Why I Am a

Methodist," for the instruction of the new converts, was worth all that the meeting cost. It is the clearest and kindest presentation of what the Methodist Church teaches and why she teaches it that I have ever heard in one address. In a meeting of this kind it is difficult to estimate the number of conversions. Something over one hundred confessed Christ at the altar of the Church in the old-fashioned way. A goodly number of these were already members of the church, several will go to other Churches, and seventy-one were received into our Church yesterday. In this number there are several of the leading business men of the town. This makes about one hundred members received since conference. Huston had the largest chorus choir the town has ever known, and he knows how to direct it. He is the most efficient and kindest choir director I have ever known. I am not exaggerating when I make this statement, for I know a little something about choirs myself. When the Methodist Church here wants evangelists to hold a meeting, Coale and Huston suit them exactly. We have here a noble and enthusiastic congregation. We are well equipped to take care of our part of the field. A church building, modern in every respect, good congregations each Sunday, the best prayer meeting I have ever had, the finest lot of young people I know anything about, a great Missionary Society, doing all the work they are supposed to do and then some, a responsible and enthusiastic board of stewards that raised the salary \$200 over last year. And this isn't slush; it is simply a statement of facts. Last Saturday night Coale told the crowd he was tired seeing me carry an Ingersoll watch. As a result I am now carrying a handsome timepiece, and wife has money enough to buy a new spring dress. Some things besides brickbats are coming our way.—H. M. Timmons.

Roby.

I hasten this morning to report the good rain Fisher County received last night. Our people have been dry so long that it was almost impossible for us to keep our heads up, for we had gone almost to the limit of our ability. This rain will enable us to get our crop up and started, and gives hope for us to do something for our Church that we so much love. No man never preached to a more loyal people to their Church than I have, and more appreciative people doesn't live. We are having good attentive congregations, and our charge will come to the front, just as soon as the people make something. Three years failure in crops is a strain on any country. We must have the best, or we could not have stayed here. I am talking the Advocate wherever I go, and have the promise of quite a number of subscribers, just as soon as the crop prospects shows up good.—I. N. Anderson, April 8.

MARRIAGES.

Stevens-Duckworth.—At the home of the bride's parents, Round Timber, Texas, Sunday, March 30, 1913, 7:30 p. m., Mr. R. L. Stevens and Mrs. Edna Duckworth, Rev. Ed. Tharp officiating.

Vaughn-Dove.—At the home of the writer, near Holly Springs, Van Zandt County, Texas, Mr. T. J. Vaughn and Mrs. Etta Dove, Rev. J. F. Everitt officiating.

Williams-McCarty.—In the County Clerk's office, Fort Worth, Texas, March 29, 1913, Mr. E. L. Williams and Mrs. M. McCarty, Rev. Thos. Reese officiating.

Lima-Yboa.—At the courthouse, Fort Worth, Texas, April 3, 1913, Mr. Alexander Lima and Miss Felipe Yboa, Rev. Thos. Reese officiating.



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# Program For the General Boards Meeting

**PROGRAM MEETINGS OF GENERAL BOARDS OF M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, IN THE CITY OF DALLAS, APRIL 26 TO MAY 11.**

The following is the provisional program of the sessions of the General Boards of our Church in Dallas from April 26 to May 11, with information that will be of value to every Methodist in our conference. There may be a change made from time to time, but as a whole the general outline will remain as shown below. It is earnestly urged that not only every preacher, but every layman will take advantage of this opportunity—the first of its kind ever given to the people west of the Mississippi—to have in the midst their working Executive Committees of our Church. There will be more inspiration and information disseminated than probably in any other meeting or series of meetings held by our Church.

There are, of course, many items concerning which many of our people will desire information, and for their benefit we present as follows the heads of the committees in Dallas having charge of the arrangements. Such correspondence should be addressed to these persons direct, but in no instance should matters under the control of two or three committees be taken up with any one. The organization is such that these committees only look after their specific duties.

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- Chairman Committee on Homes—Rev. G. M. Gibson, Pastor First Methodist Church.
- Chairman Committee on Church Extension—Judge J. E. Cockrell, Prætorian Building.
- Chairman Committee on Education—President R. S. Hyer, Southern Methodist University.
- Chairman Committee on Sunday Schools—B. M. Burger, 111 Martin Street.
- Chairman Committee on Program—Judge J. M. McCormick, Commonwealth National Bank Building.
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- Chairman Committee on Auditorium—Rev. G. M. Gibson, Pastor First Methodist Church.
- Chairman Committee on Publishing—Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, 101 S. Marsalis Avenue.

The above gentlemen will be glad to take care of every detail of the work assigned to their charge.

### Reduced Rates on Railroads.

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- In Texas—**
  - Educational Board and Church Extension Board—Selling dates April 29 and trains arriving Dallas a. m. 12. Limit May 12.
  - Sunday School Board and Epworth League Board—Selling dates May 3 and for trains arriving Dallas a. m. May 4. Limit May 12.
  - Mission Board—Selling dates May 10 and for trains arriving Dallas a. m. May 11. Limit May 12.

**Out of Texas—**

Home-seekers' rate from practically all points north and east, tickets on sale May 6. (This is all we can report at present. Correspondence now with J. E. Hannagan encourages us to believe that the rates for Texas may be in force for Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana, but we are not yet at liberty to announce this.)

No committees will be appointed to meet any trains, except by special arrangement. Any persons desiring the services of the committee of Mr. F. L. McNery on hotels and boarding houses, should write him at least a week or more in advance in order for him to be able to give them satisfactory service, specifying the price they wish to pay and the section of the city they prefer.

All public meetings of the boards, except as otherwise announced in this program, will be held in the First Methodist Church, corner Prather and Commerce Streets, one block east of the postoffice, and reached by the Fort Worth Interurban, the Sherman-Denison Interurban, by seven local car lines, and within easy walking distance of all the hotels in the city.

Pastors in neighboring towns and cities desiring some visitor or member of some one of the above boards to occupy pulpits should take the matter up with such persons direct, because it is impossible for our committee to be posted on arrangements which have already been privately made.

For the benefit of the visitors, a Bureau of Information will be conducted in the first floor of the Publishing House, 1308 Commerce Street where full information as to program, point of interest in the city, railroad schedules, telephones, etc., will be available.

The headquarters of the General Boards will be the Oriental Hotel, where the business of the Boards will be transacted, their clerical work will be done, and the general headquarters be maintained.

It is contemplated to establish a bulletin board in the lobby of the Oriental Hotel, giving information concerning program, etc.

Prof. E. O. Excell, America's chief leader of religious song, will be present during the larger portion, if not all, of the program.

An expert stenographer will be connected with the office of the General Boards at the Oriental Hotel for the convenience of the Boards, Bishops and officials.

All institutions of Methodism in Dallas—the Publishing House, the Advocate office, the Woman's Home Society Training School, the University offices, including the Medical and Pharmaceutical Colleges, the magnificent grounds of the University, the buildings now in course of construction, the handsome church edifices, etc., of the city, invite a visit from every Methodist interested in the progress of the Church.

**Rates for Board Meetings, Dallas, April 26 to May 12.**

A rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip, limited to May 12 for return, will be given by all railroads operating in Texas, as follows: Selling dates, April 29 and for all trains arriving in Dallas April 30, a. m.; May 3 and for trains arriving in Dallas May 4; May 10 and for all trains arriving in Dallas May 11, a. m.

It is impossible to secure rates for the entire session of the various Boards, but the above will serve the great mass meetings and the largest number of people, which is the best we can do.

Rates from points outside of Texas have not yet been fully determined, and since the number to attend outside of Texas is so uncertain and scattering, we may not be able to secure

any special rates; however, it happens that on May 6 the regular home-seekers' rate from all points North and East will be available and will serve admirably those wishing to attend the Board of Missions, provided they need not be on hand for the opening.

Also we call attention to the party-rate. This can be obtained at any point where as many as ten, and upward, can arrange the trip together, the rate decreasing as the number in the party increases. See your local ticket agent about this.

We have a number of inquiries from pastors outside of Texas and the Southwestern Passenger Association. To these we would say that your best chance is to have your clergy permit honored by the Southwestern Passenger Association, and we have filed our request with the railroad authorities for this favor. We suggest that pastors write J. E. Hannagan, Chairman Southwestern Passenger Association, Century Building, St. Louis, Mo., for information as to how the clergy permit may be used from their particular locality.

J. J. MORGAN, Chairman of Committee on Transportation.

### PROGRAM FOR THE OCCASION.

The program is as follows:

**Saturday, April 26.**

Arrival of members of the General Board of Education in Dallas, 7:30 p. m. Informal reception to the Board of Education by local committee.

Assignment of arriving visitors to their homes in the city.

**Sunday, April 27.**

Assignment of speakers for the day: First Church—11 a. m., President Henry M. Snyder, Litt. D., LL.D., of Wofford College, South Carolina; 8 p. m., Rev. James Cannon A. M., D. D., of Richmond, Va.

Ervey Street—11 a. m., Rev. C. E. Dowman, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. Stonewall Anderson, D. D.

Trinity—11 a. m., Rev. J. H. Blackard, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. J. S. French, D. D.

Grace—11 a. m., Rev. Stonewall Anderson, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. W. F. Fillett, D. D.

St. Mark's—11 a. m., Rev. J. S. French, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. W. E. Vaughan, D. D.

St. John's—11 a. m., Rev. I. W. Cooper, D. D.; 8 p. m., (to be supplied).

Tyler Street—11 a. m., Rev. W. E. Vaughan, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. C. E. Dowman, D. D.

Oak Lawn—11 a. m., Rev. W. F. Fillett, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. I. W. Cooper, D. D.

Forest Avenue—11 a. m., Rev. T. F. Brewer, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. J. H. Blackard, D. D.

First Presbyterian—11 a. m., Bishop Collins Denny.

**Monday, April 28.**

Morning Session—Meetings of the Annual and Quadrennial Committees, First M. E. Church.

8 a. m. Classification Committee. 8 a. m. Committee on Ministerial Supply and Training.

8 a. m. Committee on Publications, Plans and Policies.

Afternoon Session—Department Conference and committee meetings, continued, at First M. E. Church.

2 p. m. Committee of Estimates for White and Colored Schools.

2 p. m. Committee on Religious Training in both Church and State Schools.

Evening Session—First M. E. Church. Address—Bishop W. B. Murrah, D. D. Bishops arriving on this date will be met and escorted to homes.

**Tuesday, April 29.**

Morning Session—Arrival of members of the Conference Boards of Education.

8 a. m. First M. E. Church—Uninterrupted Board meeting.

10 a. m. General Conference Commission on Laymen's Work, Bishop Kilgo presiding, in pastor's room at Publishing House.

Afternoon Session—2 p. m. First M. E. Church—Uninterrupted Board meeting.

2:30 p. m. First M. E. Church—A conference for Annual Conference Secretaries and District Commissioners for Texas.

President—Rev. H. A. Boaz, D. D., Vice President S. M. U. Addresses—Bishops Atkins, Monzon and others.

Discussion by members of the conference.

Evening Session—8 p. m. First M. E. Church—Uninterrupted Board meeting; address by Bishop John C. Kilgo, D. D., LL.D.

**Wednesday, April 30.**

Morning Session—Representatives of the Conference Boards of Church Extension will meet at the First M. E. Church at 9:30 a. m. for an informal session and will continue during the entire day. These meetings will be open to the public. (Homes for representatives of Conference Boards of Church Extension will be provided for April 30 to May 1; Rev. G. M. Gibson, Chairman of Committee on Entertainment; headquarters, First Methodist Church.)

10:30 a. m. Laying of the cornerstone of Men's Dormitory, S. M. U.; President, Bishop James Atkins, D. D.; placing the stone, Bishop A. W. Wilson, D. D., LL. D.

Addresses—Bishop James Atkins, D. D.; Judge M. M. Brooks; Bishop J. H. McCoy, D. D.

Afternoon Session—3:30 p. m. Grand Rally at First M. E. Church; ushers: Rev. L. S. Barton, Rev. J. T. McClure, Rev. J. D. Young and Rev. W. W. Watts.

Addresses—Bishop E. D. Monzon, D. D.; Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker, D. D.; Rev. H. A. Boaz, D. D.

Reports by Conference and District Commissioners as to the success of the Million-Dollar Campaign for S. M. U.

Seated on the rostrum—Bishops, General Secretaries, Board of Commissioners of Education, Trustees, Advisory Council, City officials and local pastors.

For the cornerstone laying a special train will leave the Union Depot (junction of the T. & P. and H. & T. C. Railways) at 9:45 a. m. for the University Grounds, placing the passengers immediately in front of the Main building; round trip fare, 25c; leaving for the return trip at 12:30 p. m. This special train will be of the best coaches and ought to carry 1000 people.

The Highland Park street cars run every fifteen minutes, but will give special service, depositing their passengers within about fifteen minutes' walk of the Main Building.

Immediately upon the conclusion of the laying of the cornerstone ceremony, a great parade will be organized at the southern entrance to the Main Building and will march down the boulevard the entire length of the campus to Mocking Bird Lane, taking the train at that point.

Evening Session—8 p. m., at First M. E. Church, a stereopticon lecture on Church Architecture will be given by Prof. H. W. Jones, of Minneapolis, Minn., under the auspices of the General Board of Church Extension.

**Thursday, May 1.**

Meeting of General Educational Conference,

composed of Annual Conference Delegates and other educational workers.

General Topic, "Ministerial Supply and Training."

Every member of the conference is regarded as on the program and is expected to take part in the discussion. Each sub-topic will be introduced by a ten minutes' paper.

Morning Session—First Methodist Church, 8 a. m.; President, Bishop W. B. Murrah, D. D.

1. The Contribution of the Church College to the Training of the Ministry and Other Religious Leaders, introduced by President C. M. Bishop, D. D.

2. The Relation of the Church College and Other Agencies Engaged in Ministerial Training, introduced by President L. C. Branscomb, D. D.

3. What Steps Should Be Taken to Secure Better Adjustment Between the Agencies Engaged in the Training of Ministers and Leaders of the Church? introduced by Rev. James Cannon, D. D.

Afternoon Session—First M. E. Church, 2:30 p. m.; President, Bishop E. E. Hoss, D. D., LL. D.

1. Need of Financial Assistance for Ministerial Candidates, introduced by Rev. C. E. Dowman, D. D.

2. A Survey of the Extent of the Need and the Present Method of Meeting It, introduced by Prof. J. L. Cunningham.

3. How Shall We Deal With the Problem More Adequately? introduced by Rev. J. S. French, D. D.

Evening Session—First Methodist Church, 8 p. m.

Public meeting of Church Extension Board. Subject, Loan Fund for Church Building. General Discussion and Addresses.

**Friday, May 2.**

Morning Session—First Methodist Church, 8 a. m. Session of General Board of Church Extension.

Afternoon Session—First Methodist Church, 2 p. m. Session of General Board of Church Extension.

Evening Session—First Methodist Church; President, Bishop E. D. Monzon, D. D. Address, City Church Extension—Bishop E. R. Hendrix, Rev. W. F. McMurray, D. D.

**Saturday, May 3.**

Morning Session—8 a. m. Session of General Board of Church Extension at First M. E. Church.

8 a. m. Meeting of Sunday School Board at Publishing House, 1308 Commerce Street.

**Wednesday Night, May 7.**

First M. E. Church. The Challenge of New China—Rev. O. E. Brown, D. D. God's Call from the Orient—Rev. W. W. Pinson, D. D.

**Thursday Night, May 8.**

First M. E. Church. The Frontier in the City—Rev. J. W. Perry, D. D. The Deaconess Movement and Its Possibilities—Miss Belle I. Bennett.

**Friday Night, May 9.**

First M. E. Church. In the Heart of the Congo Country—Bishop W. R. Lambuth.

The Pioneers of Our African Mission—Rev. C. C. Bash, Dr. D. L. Mumpower, Mr. Jos. A. Stockwell, Prof. J. W. Gilbert.

**Saturday Night, May 10.**

First M. E. Church. Women's Work—Miss Daisy Davies, Mrs. Hume R. Steele.

**Sunday, May 11.**

First Church—Morning, Bishop A. W. Wilson; evening, Rev. W. W. Pinson, D. D. Trinity Church—Morning, Bishop E. R. Hendrix; evening, Rev. O. E. Brown, D. D. Grace Church—Morning, Bishop James Atkins, D. D.; evening, Bishop R. G. Waterhouse.

Ervey Street—Morning, Bishop E. D. Monzon, D. D.; evening, Bishop R. C. Morrison.

Oak Cliff—Morning, Bishop J. H. McCoy; evening, Rev. F. S. Parker, D. D. Oak Lawn—Morning, Bishop W. A. Candler, D. D.; evening, Rev. C. V. W. Darlington, D. D.

St. John's—Morning, Bishop W. B. Murrah; evening, Rev. H. K. Boyer, D. D. Forest Avenue—Morning, Rev. R. P. Howell, D. D.; evening, Rev. J. J. Stowe, D. D. Tyler Street—Morning, Rev. J. J. Stowe, D. D.; evening, Rev. J. W. Perry.

**Monday, May 12.**

9 a. m. Final meeting of Board of Missions at First Methodist Church.

### MARLIN DISTRICT INSTITUTE.

The Pastor's Conference and Missionary Institute, Marlin District, met at Calvert February 25-27. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. A. A. Wagnon, of Cameron. Brother Wagnon brought us a strong and helpful message on "Shall We Pay Tithes."

The business session began Wednesday morning, February 26, at 8:30 a. m., with Rev. I. F. Betts, presiding elder, in the chair. After religious service conducted by Brother Betts, Thos. I. Beck, of Buckholts, was elected secretary. All the preachers answered to the roll call except Rev. Allen Tooke, of Fairfield, and Rev. J. L. Red, of Jewett. However, letters were received from them stating they were sick with bad colds. It was very much regretted by the presiding elder, preacher and people of Calvert that these brethren could not be present.

The opening subject was "The Preacher in His Study," which was ably discussed by Rev. A. T. Walker, of Teague.

The subject assigned to Rev. J. L. Red was "The Preacher in the Homes of His People." He not being present, Brother J. D. F. Houck combined this with his subject, "The Preacher in the Social Circle." Brother Houck made a good speech, showing that the preacher could reach his people as effectively in the social circle as in the pulpit.

Rev. T. C. Sharp delivered a strong speech on "The Preacher as a Leader in Moral Movements."

Rev. L. H. McGee in speaking on his subject, "The Preacher's Loyalty to the Church," made many of us feel that we had not been as loyal as we should have been.

Rev. J. F. Garrett delivered a well prepared speech on "The Preacher's Duty to Teach the People Concerning Methods of Methodist Benevolences." As Rev. Allen Tooke, who had been announced to preach at eleven o'clock was not present, Rev. J. W. Bergin preached a very instructive sermon on "Sunday School Methods."

The afternoon session was opened with devotional service conducted by Rev. A. E. Blount, after which Rev. J. W. Bergin made a very instructive speech on "The Preacher as a Leader in Missionary Work." "The Preacher as a Man Among Men," was the subject assigned to Rev. O. F. Zimmerman. He made a very helpful talk.

Rev. C. E. Garrett in speaking on the subject, "Danger Points in the Personal Life of the Preacher," pointed out many danger points and how to avoid them.

Rev. D. W. Gardner read a well prepared paper, "The Preacher's Prayer Life." Rev. J. O. Coppage told us "How to Hold the Church Conference." We all resolved to go home and hold Church Conferences. The storm kept us from having preaching at 7:30 p. m., when Rev. A. A. Kidd was to preach on "The Great Commission."

Thursday morning, after religious services conducted by Rev. J. W. Wardlow, Rev. Thos. I. Beck made a talk on "What is a Missionary Sunday School According to the Discipline?"

Rev. W. H. Beatty made a strong speech on "The Importance of Rally Day." "The Importance of Decision Day" was the subject of Rev. O. O. Gaston. Brother Gaston's speech showed much preparation. Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss discussed the "Importance of Taking the Sunday School Census." He made a good speech.

"The Importance of Mission Sunday and How to Make it Count" was ably discussed by Rev. R. H. Lewell.

Arrival of General Board of Missions. Night Session—First Methodist Church. The Great West in the Making—Bishop R. G. Waterhouse.

Americans in Process—Bishop E. D. Monzon.

ing at 11 o'clock. Rev. A. T. Walker preached soul-inspiring sermon on "Prayer and Missions."

Thursday afternoon, after devotional services conducted by Rev. J. W. Cole, Rev. J. R. Tidwell discussed in masterful manner "The Country Problem."

Rev. J. M. Vondracek read a well-prepared paper, "The Foreigner in Our Midst." It was decided by the institute to hold fifth Sunday meetings over the district.

The preachers were unanimous in saying this was the best institute they had ever attended. Brother Houck and his people did all that could be done to make our stay pleasant and profitable.

Rev. R. A. Burroughs, of the Orphanage, was with us and made a statement of what he was doing and planning to do, and what he expected from us. He preached Thursday at 7:30 p. m., but we could not stay to hear him.

THOS. I. BECK, Secretary.

### DEATH OF THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

The last meeting of the National Liquor Dealers' Association meeting in Washington, D. C., closed with the avowed understanding that as an organization they would "knife the Anti-Saloon League to death." This comes as their announced public program. They will use every means, foul and fair, to accomplish their ends. All good men may know their attitude. Why do they make this their chief business? Why do they not seek to destroy other organized forces which are antagonistic to their business?

Why must the citadel of the Anti-Saloon League be taken at all hazards? The answer is not long to be sought. The organization has been the deadliest foe which has appeared against them. It has wrought havoc and driven them in many a battle in stampede from the field. It has grown in power until it has become the most formidable enemy of the legalized liquor traffic. It must be reckoned with first. This is the great witness to its efficiency. It has drawn not only the enemy's fire, but the concentration of his forces.

This organization is the instrument of the Churches. They have supported it. They have opened their pulpits for the presentation of its interests. They have by money pledges enabled it to live. They have named it with their ministry, and said to them, "Go," this is the work of your Lord; cease not until you have driven the enemy from the field." Now we have every evidence that they have fought a good fight. They have met the foe and made him taste the keenness of their steel. They have brought the enemy to bay.

The fight is announced as now to the death. Will the Churches stand by their own organization? Will they under any circumstances, permit any program that will seek to discredit the honesty, efficiency and integrity of their own militant department? The battle is on. God save His Church from betraying its own cause in the crisis when all forces in its support need to be steady, patient, and persistent in their devotion! If the Church forsakes this organization, or curtails its support in the next few years, it will turn back the wheels of progress a hundred years, betray the interests of the Christian home, besmirch the character of one of their most efficient servants, traduce the acclaimed lead of Providence, paralyze the public confidence in the Christian conscience, and call upon her head the railings of a mean and debased opponent.—Editorial in the Western Christian Advocate.

Do you want to be a great preacher, or a great man of God? Then be willing to die for the thing you advocate. If it isn't worth dying for it is certain it is not worth living for. Men will respect you when you put your whole soul, life, time and talent into the thing you advocate and success will be assured if this is done.

### Just Half In Bed

Clyde, Ky.—Mrs. I. A. Decker, writes from Clyde: "I recommend Cardui, the woman's tonic, to any woman in need of a remedy. For five years, I was unable to do my own work. Half my time was spent in bed. At last I tried Cardui. Now I am well and happy, and can do my own work." Don't suffer pain, headache, backache, and other womanly miseries, when your own druggist has on his shelf a remedy for such troubles—Cardui. Get a bottle for your self. As a general tonic, for weak women, nothing has been found for 50 years that would take its place. Try it. It will help you.



# Devotional Spiritual

## THE BRIGHT SIDE.

Blessed is the man who sees only the good in life. What a man is, is plainly determined by what he sees. The good sees the good, the bad sees the evil. "To the pure all things are pure; but to them that are defiled nothing is pure."

"My grandfather has the most wonderful eyes," said a little girl. "We go walking together, and wherever we go, in the fields, by the river, everywhere, in everything he sees God. He picks up a flower and sees God in the flower; he hears the leaves rustle and says they are clapping their hands in praise to God; even in a blade of grass he sees God. My, but he has wonderful eyes!"

The true, certainly the happy philosophy of life is to see only the things worth seeing, to hear only the things worth hearing and to retain only the things worth keeping. See only the beauties of the picture, not its defects; see the glories of the landscape, not its ugly spots; hear the harmonies of a song, not its discords; hear the good things of a lecture or sermon, deaf to or forgetting that which is not worth while and remembering only that which is worth remembering.

It does not pay to be a carping critic. If the critic is a necessity at all, to most folks he is but a necessary nuisance. No one is so well appreciated as one who appreciates most. "All the world loves a lover."

When anyone sits down to dinner he eats only that which pleases his appetite, and passes by that which is distasteful. No one flatters himself that he is brilliant because he eats that which he does not like. Let no one suspect himself of unusual intellectual ability because he has eyes and ears to see and hear faults. Instead, the rightly-cultured mind is trained to see and retain only the things worth while.

This principle applies to our relations with our fellow men. It is better for us, better for them, and better for all that we see only the good in those we meet, and be generally blind to their weakness. Jesus seemed to see only the good in all manner of folks we call both good and bad. He saw the good in Levi the publican, and never gave the slightest hint that he knew the disgraceful calling that he left when he became this disciple. He called Zacchaeus to come down from the tree, announcing that he proposed to take dinner with him, and gave not the slightest hint that he knew him to be a disreputable politician. Jesus must have had as clear an insight into the souls of men as possible for anyone to have. "He knew what was in man," but rarely does he give the slightest hint that those who were round about him were not of perfect character. He seemed to have the utmost confidence in folks, common folks, all kinds of folks, some of whom we call good and some bad. But that is because Jesus was the best person the world ever knew, and because Jesus was a most superb gentleman. Anyone can see good in any manner of man if he but be good enough himself. The reason Jesus could see good in all kinds of folks was because he was superbly good himself.

Blessed is the man who has this divine characteristic, the ability to see the good in men and be blind to their faults. Such a man graces any society, blesses the race, and reflects the divine in man. He is the most delightful and also valuable of the sons of men. His faith in men inspires them to attain the best expected of them.—C. M. Carter, in The Standard.



## A NEW SENSE OF VALUES.

It is a very significant and vital moment in a man's life when he begins to revise his values. A new epoch is born when life's price list is altered throughout its entire range, and things that were marked high begin to be marked low, and things that were marked low begin to be marked high. For a man's price list is always a final statement of his moral and spiritual condition. If we could only read one another's private lists of values we should know one another perfectly. And therefore do I say that the revision of a price list marks the transformation of a life. "What things were gain to me these have I counted loss for Christ." To revise life's values is to re-fashion life just as surely as we should altar the face of a country if we were to transpose its mountains into plains,

its plains into mountains, its mole-hills into hills, and its hills into mole-hills. Change the emphases in a landscape and we have a new world. Alter the values in a man's life and we have a new creature.

The Apostle Paul revised his price lists. Things that he had counted valuable were transferred to the bottom of the list, or banished altogether from the inventory of his treasures; and things that had scarcely found a place upon the page were now among the first entries of his supreme possessions. What has made all the difference, and turned the price list topsy-turvy? He has met the Lord Jesus; he has been taken into His holy fellowship; he sits with him at his table; he shares the provisions of his grace; he dwells in his peace; he tastes of his joy; he looks through the window of the Savior's life and purpose, and he beholds a new world. When a man has drunk the blood of the Lord Jesus, what cares he for the blood of caste? When he has become akin to "the lion of the tribe of Judah," what cares he for "the tribe of Benjamin?" When he has "received access into grace," and "sits in heavenly places in Christ Jesus," what cares he for the status of lofty social class and distinction? When he is endowed with "the unsearchable riches of Christ," what cares he for the station granted to wealth? What cares he for coveted places and powers when he has received "the power of the Holy Ghost?" "What things were gain to me these have I counted loss for Christ."

Now when a man has made the great find, "the pearl of great price," all his old price lists will be torn into shreds. He accepts the Master's valuation of things, and he will put the price upon them as appointed by the Lord. And we may be perfectly sure that mighty changes will take place in the contour of his life; "every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill shall be made low."

The world emphasizes clothes; the Lord Jesus emphasizes life. Now every thing has clothes—everything wraps itself up in some external habit and manifests itself in some outer mode of expression. Adoration has its raiment and its fashions; it clothes itself in certain postures and expressions. Prayer has its clothes, its external modes and habits. Mirth has its raiment of speech and light and laughter. Courtesy has its outer expression in bow and handshake, in gentle reticence and reserve. Now the world values these clothes, and values the clothes supremely. The world loves the "shows" of things, the flashy appearance, the stage effect, the glaring spectacle. The world is intent upon the clothes, and so are worldly people, whether in the Church or out of it. "They love to pray standing at the corners of the streets." They were parading their religious clothes. "They fast to be seen of men." They were showing off their clothes. "When they do alms, they sound a trumpet before them to be seen of men." It is a stage effect in clothes. And you may go through the length and breadth of life, and everywhere you will find this weighty value put upon the clothes of things, upon the outer expression and appearance. It is "how things look;" their mere show or trappings, that are so vastly valued by the world and placed high on the price list of its gains. But the Lord emphasized life, and was always looking beneath the skins of things. He gazed upon people who were conventionally pure, wearing the recognized garments of conventionality, and described them as "whited sepulchres." A poor widow came up to the treasury and meekly dropped her mite. There was nothing to show; the outer clothing of the act was scarcely worth a farthing. "This poor widow hath cast in more than all!" What a revolutionary revision of values, upsetting all the familiar standards of the treasury of the temple! The Lord looked away from the clothes to the life, from the appearance to the heart, and he has given the widow's offering immortal fame.

The world emphasizes success; the Lord Jesus emphasizes faithfulness. If there is one idol in our time that rears itself higher and prouder than others, I think it is the idol of success. In one way or another we all bow down to it. "There is nothing succeeds like success." The world has no use for the unsuccessful, and they just lie bruised and broken by the way. But blessed be His grace that it is not the way of the Lord. "It is required in a steward that he be found faithful." I am glad and grateful that the word does not say "successful." In the holy scales of the Lord Jesus only success is fidelity. So James Gilmour was successful in

Mongolia, even though after many years of faithful labor he did not introduce a single convert into the home of his Lord. And there are multitudes of men and women who, because of their unflinching rectitude, are reckoned by their Master to have been gloriously successful, even although at the end of the days their purse is almost empty. When we become the friends of the Lord Jesus his scale of values becomes ours, and the noble failures are reckoned among the aristocratic sons and daughters of glory.

There is great need in our time of "a new applause for the noble failures." And we shall find both the spirit and the eulogy in the companionship of our Lord. In the revised price list of the Christian life the supreme value is not given to worldly success, but to the grand faithfulness that remains constant through the drear and wintry day. "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience I also will keep thee . . . Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God."—Dr. Jowett, in Christian Guardian, Toronto.



## DEVELOPED BY PRESSURE.

But this resistance is meant to bring out all that is best in us to stimulate our most strenuous exertions, to cultivate our patience, to educate our faith and hope, to mold us after the divine pattern. It is the weight of the architrave upon the pillar that gives it stability and endurance; and it is the fightings without and the fears within that give strength to the character and perseverance to the life. What a beauty and grace does the spiritual life take from the pressure of the light afflictions that are for a moment, and that work out for us a

far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory!

The capital of the Corinthian pillar, the loveliest of all the styles of architecture, derived its origin from a basket of offerings placed upon a child's grave, and covered with a tile to protect it from the birds. The basket stood upon the root of an acanthus, a species of thistle, and the plant grew and spread its leaves around it in the most graceful manner, thus suggesting to a passing artist the form of the Corinthian capital. And so the pressure of earth's troubles causes the spiritual life to develop around them its fairest form; and thus it is crowned with its appropriate capital. The thorny sorrow which springs from the grave of some dead love or hope forms the richest adornment of Christian life.

Not only is the outward form of the Christian life molded into shapes of moral beauty—into whatsoever things are pure and honest and lovely and of good report—but its inner substance is also made more lovely by the pressure of external shocks and internal sufferings. It is not the tree that grows in rich soil and in a sheltered situation, which produces the richly-grained wood which is selected to adorn our richest furniture; but the tree that is exposed in its bleak, shelterless situation to every storm of heaven. The wild forces that beat upon it, and which it successfully overcomes, develop in it the beautiful veins and markings which are so highly prized by man. And so it is, when not growing up in luxurious ease and comfort that we produce the gifts and graces which enrich and ennoble the Christian life. The natures that have the richest variety, and the greatest interest, are those which have grown under pressure of suffering, and by a vital faith have overcome the world.—Rev. Hugh McMillan.

# For Old and Young

## GLIMPSES OF LIVINGSTONE.

Three times in a single day Livingstone narrowly escaped death. His neck was grazed by a spear thrown by a native but ten yards away. Another spear missed him by a foot. A large tree fell within a yard of him.

Livingstone once wrote: "We cannot all go out as missionaries, it is true; but we may all do something toward providing a substitute. Moreover, all may especially do that which every missionary highly prizes, namely, commend the work in their prayers."

It was one of Livingstone's rules not to read what was written in praise of him, but at a time when he was being abused he wrote that she should read every word that he could on that side, as an antidote to what he had been forced to hear of the other kind.

Livingstone once expressed his ideal of a missionary in these noble words: "I am a missionary, heart and soul. God is an only Son, and he was a missionary, and a physician. A poor, poor imitation of him I am, or wish to be. In this service I hope to live; in it I wish to die." Stanley's striking testimony, after living in most intimate association with Livingstone for four months, was this: "Each day's life with him added to my admiration for him. You may take any point in Dr. Livingstone's character, and analyze it carefully, and I would challenge any man to find fault in it. Religion has tamed him and made him a Christian gentleman."

The chronicle of one of Livingstone's trips by boat on the Zambesi tells how rats infested the cabin of the ship; scorpions, centipedes and poisonous spiders were brought on board by the wind; snakes found their way over the cable; two varieties of cockroaches consumed food, flannel and boots, and were so numerous that the sailors said that if one was killed a hundred came to its funeral. But no discomfort could turn Livingstone from his purpose.—Exchange.



## NAILING AN ANCIENT FALSEHOOD.

The notion that ministers' sons as a general thing never amount to much that is good has had and still has a more or less widespread existence in this country. Not a few gulp it down as established truth without any hesitancy and pass it on with a sort of gladness. We are glad to know The Popular Science Monthly has collected and given forth the following concerning the great sons of ministers. That paper says:

"It is probable that ministers' sons have exerted more influence in the United States than in any other country. Among teachers, lawyers, doctors, scientists, men of business and in the Church there are a great host who have been the sons of ministers.

Of the more notable men in our history who were sons of ministers we find in political life, Cleveland, Clay, Buchanan, Arthur, Quay, Morton, Beveridge, Hughes and Dolliver; among jurists, Field and Brewer; among educators, Woodrow Wilson, Faunce, James, Carroll, Lounsbury; in history and literature, Sloan, Parkman, Bancroft, Holmes, Emerson, Henry James, Lowell, Gilder, Van Dyke; in invention and science, Cyrus W. Field, Samuel F. Morse and Agassiz; in the Church, Beecher, Alexander, Hodge, Abbott, Potter, Jonathan Edwards; in philosophy James.

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## A CONCERT FOR THE FATHERLESS.

Night was coming on cold and dreary. A wild wind from the north was sweeping over the prairies of Western Kansas. The air was thick with frozen particles of ice and snow that rattled against the windows of an eastern bound train. The car was poorly lighted and a spirit of discontent seemed to have fallen over the travelers. Above the roar of the wind and the noise of the train came the shrill cry of a baby.

A delicate little woman, thinly clad and evidently in the last stage of consumption, vainly tried to hush the little one. Black looks were exchanged and scowling faces were turned toward the noisy child. One man in an audible voice remarked, "Better put brats in the baggage car with the dogs and guns." The weary mother grew more nervous and the child screamed louder than before. A woman sitting near offered to help, and soon found that the family of mother and four little children were suffering from hunger. They had been two days on the train, coming from Western Colorado, their lunch box was emptied and they were without dinner or supper. The father had recently died and the brave mother was trying to reach her childhood's home with her little ones before the grim summons came to "pass over the divide." The oldest child, a girl of eight years, was trying to amuse the two boys, younger than herself. The story of the hungry little ones spread from group to group and lunch boxes were freely offered, and the little ones bountifully fed.

A white-haired, stately old gentleman left his seat and with a pleasant smile and courtly look to the tired mother, said, "I was quite a nurse in my younger days; let me take the child," and the baby read his face, as only babies can and was satisfied. Reaching out its hands it was soon



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cuddling its head upon the old man's breast. The tired eyes began to droop as its nurse slowly paced up and down the aisle humming a cradle song.

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But the baby face touched a tender chord as the old man paused beside them and told the sad story of sickness and poverty. A new interest was aroused, and after a few moment's consultation the manager announced that "the company would give a concert for the benefit of the widowed and fatherless."

How they sang! Every corner of the car was filled with the sweet melody. Now soft and low, then higher, sweeter, clearer, our hearts were lifted. We forgot the cold and the bitter wind outside as the sweet strains of "Annie Laurie," "We'd Better Bide a Wee," and "The Old Folks at Home," rolled through the car. Song after song they gave us, and then came the grand old hymns that hold the key to every heart. As the last word of "Rock of Ages" softly died away the old man with the sleeping baby in his arms passed his hat and everyone responded to that call for help. Silver chinked against silver and not a few bank notes drifted silently among the coins. With tears streaming down her face and voice choking with sobs, the mother tried to express her gratitude.

The old man placed the sleeping babe beside its sleeping mother and walking to the center of the car raised his hand and reverently said: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow.—By T. A. T."



## NAMES OF THE MONTHS.

January—After the Roman god, Janus—deity with two faces—one looking into the past and the other gazing into the future.

February—Latin februario, to purify. The Romans observed the festival of purification during this month.

March—Named after an old god of war. Among the Saxons this month was known as Lenet, spring. This is the origin of our word Lent.

April—Latin, aperio, to open, opening of the flowers. The Saxons called the month Eastre, in honor of their goddess of spring, whence our word Easter.

May—Named after Roman goddess Maia, the mother of Mercury to whom the Romans sacrificed on the first of the month. It was the third month of the old Roman calendar. The Romans considered it unlucky to marry in this month, on account of the celebration of the Lemuria.

June—So called in honor of Juno, Ovid also gives derivation as juniorebus, while others connect this name with Junius, or with the consulate of Junius Brutus. It may have an agricultural reference as, originally, it denoted the month in which crops grow to ripeness. Originally it had twenty-nine days. Caesar added the thirtieth.

July—Named in honor of Julius Caesar.

August—Gets its name from Augustus Caesar.

September—From the Latin, septem, seventh month according to the old Roman calendar.

October, November and December retain the names they were known in the old Roman calendar, when there were but ten months in the year: Octo, novem and decem, meaning, eight, nine and ten.—Presbyterian.

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### OUR STATE WORK.

Lately several inquiries have come to this editor from pastors as to whether or not the Methodists of Texas are to have a State Sunday School Conference this year. Such questions lead us to think that it is proper and worth while to set forth the true status of our State work.

When the Texas Methodist State Sunday School Conference was first entered an effort was made to support it by voluntary pledges taken during the sessions of the conference. This proved so unsatisfactory that an appeal was made by the Executive Committee to the Conference Sunday School Boards to make certain appropriations from the Children's Day fund for the State work. At first the Boards complied with this request, and the conference was sustained by that method. Later some of the Boards tried the experiment of employing Conference Field Secretaries and of course, felt that their first obligation was to them. In each case after a Board had discharged its obligation to its own Field Secretary it had no funds for anything else, and could do nothing in a financial way for the State work. The State Executive Committee then tried to save the situation by asking for the appointment of a State Field Secretary and a small assessment by the conference for Sunday School work but this plan was not approved by the West Texas Conference and was not presented to the others, unity of action being necessary in a movement of that sort. The result was that only two conferences found themselves in position to give financial aid to our State work, and the editor, who is also Chairman of the State Executive Committee, felt like it would be imposing an unjust burden to ask a minority of the conference to maintain work for the whole State, and hence for the last two years has not called the Executive Committee to meet.

Another thing: Our Epworth enterprise is on hand, and is not without its problems. For two years past special emphasis has been given to Sunday School work at the Encampment, either in connection with other departments of the Church, or at a separate time. As we have valuable property there some of our Sunday School leaders have felt that that enterprise should be given the preference, and that it would not be fair to Epworth to divide the interest by having another State Sunday School meeting—an opinion that is at least plausible. The editor was never connected with the business management of Epworth, is not now connected with it at all, and has no information as to whether the Sunday School will have recognition there this year or not, but presumes it will. In any case, there is not a dollar in the State treasury and no appropriation by the Boards this year for State work, and hence there can be no State Conference. During the year, there being now no Conference Field Secretaries, the matter will be brought to the attention of the members of the State Executive Committee, and if they deem the step worth while the State Board will be called together in time to submit the question of a State Conference for next year to the Annual Conference Sunday School Boards.

### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AS A MISSIONARY POWER.

By Mrs. C. W. Newkirk.

It is a most inspiring fact that the young people of this generation do not apologize for world-wide missions. It would seem that that Christian, who in these days would apologize for missions, is either thoughtless or ignorant—not ignorant in the sense of being incapable of grasping ideas, but having no real knowledge of the all-important subject of missions, the work of fulfilling the command of Christ to carry the gospel to every creature.

Such a Christian apologizes for the Bible, because missions constitute its central theme. He apologizes for the fatherhood of God and in so doing for the brotherhood of man. He apologizes for every whit of spiritual life that is in himself, and worst of all, he apologizes for Jesus Christ, who is the propitiation not for his sins only, but for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, I repeat, he is either ignorant or thoughtless. And why thoughtless? Because he is not educated on the subject.

We need not be world-travelers; we need not be missionaries; no! we need not be profound students of the Bible to be convinced that men need Christ. Look only in your own heart. If you and I know that we need Jesus Christ,

that he has been and is essential to us, is it not presumptuous to suppose that people may get along without him, who live in less favored lands without the noble and inspiring forces and associations with which we are familiar?

Then how are we to educate and prepare the world for this great work? It has been truly said that the child of today is the man of tomorrow. Let's begin this preparation by educating the young for it. We find that Jesus of Nazareth was the champion of youth; he threw the light and warmth of a tender, divine regard upon the untrodden paths. His viewpoint in dealing with childhood was new; He rose as far above all the masters of men in discerning and defining the value of childhood in its relation to manhood as he did above the common doctors of his day in expounding the laws of spiritual life. The effect of his doctrine was a command to the world to about face, and front the cradle in the solution of its greatest problem. Other great teachers had regarded childhood, in the main, as a necessary evil, as a period of weakness and worthlessness, which had to be passed over in order to reach the estate of manhood. They saw that the tiger and the lion leaped into almost instant dominion in the jungle, but they were never able to see, with clearness, the providential purpose in the original weakness and long continued helplessness of the human offspring.

We clearly see the great importance of the missionary work, and the possibilities of educating and preparing the young for the work. Then the question, "When can this educating and preparing be done?" I dare believe that the twentieth century Sunday School is the recruiting station and drill ground of this aggressive force of the missionary work of God's Church of the future. We will never have an irresistible, all-conquering line of real royal givers of gold, silver or selves until we rear them and the first lessons of the culture in real honest heart-yearning for the salvation of the whole world must be received in the springs and sweet fountains of early childhood. And what an agency is the Sunday School for this work! And what a great responsibility upon the superintendent, teachers and parents! They must have their own spiritual sense deepened and intensified, else they can not impress others. Herein we find laid down an antecedent to success in deepening the missionary spirit of the school—the deepening and intensifying of the missionary spirit in the superintendent and teachers. An organization without power is a dynamo detached and out of current.

Then the inquiry, "How the superintendent and teachers may deepen the missionary spirit in the Sunday School?" First, they themselves must be lovers of souls. The missionary spirit must be begotten by the Holy Ghost in a general love for the souls of men without respect to earthly station or surroundings. A love that looks beneath rags or purple to the soul for which Jesus Christ yielded his life. They should be witnesses who can speak of that which they absolutely know.

Too little use has been made of the Bible in the missionary training of the young. They should be taught the great spiritual foundations upon which missionary operations rest, the reward promised to those who engage in missionary work, and the danger of neglecting it, and the great promises and prophecies by which the ultimate triumph of world-wide missions is assured. They would then become temporary wind of adversity that strong workers, not shaken by any threats annihilation of the missionary cause—but standing firm in the belief that the day will surely come when the kingdoms of the earth shall have become the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ.

A splendid outline of this work through the Sunday School has been laid down by John R. Pepper. I give it here:

First, by setting apart through the action of officers and teachers a regular time one Sunday in the month for the regular and hearty consideration of missionary work.

Second, at another time read some of the thrilling letters of our missionaries in the field, showing as they so often do, the wonderful workings of God's providential and mighty hand.

Third, by having regular native correspondents in some one or more fields from whom letters are received and read to the school at intervals.

Fourth, by having the pastor, once in a while at least, present the claims of our missions from his standpoint

as pastor, during the regular session of the school.

Fifth, by training the school to a large and liberal giving—purely for the propagation of the gospel in the whole world—giving that will reach the home of the scholars.

Sixth, by repeated, earnest and special prayer of officers and teachers, that the Holy Ghost may separate from time to time some of our own scholars, even from our own homes, to go as missionaries.

Seventh, by keeping the obligation to go constantly before the young, in order that the thought may imbed itself in their minds and hearts ready for the operation of the Spirit of God when he shall say, "Go, and lo, I am with you always."

I must not close without also giving you the prayer of this great man whose heart and life are in the Sunday School work, John R. Pepper. "May the great God and Father, who called Samuel, even before he knew the Lord's voice, begin at once to call large numbers of boys and girls to the high vocation of ambassadors for Him, even before they fully understand the entire terms of the commission! For such blessed results may we never grow weary, praying, laboring and looking! And may the great master workman continually keep a band in training for himself in all our schools."

### NEED OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

We will never seem to be really in earnest in our anxiety for the religious life of youth until we give evidence of our endeavors in concrete ways. If it is worth more to save a child than to redeem an adult, why not spend more at it? If we do believe that the kingdom would come if we might have and hold all the children, why not make that our first business? Yes, where will you find a Church that spends any where near as much on the child as on the adult? Where will you find a Church that really does make its first business that of keeping the children for the kingdom? Compare the cost of even the cushions in the Church with the whole equipment of the Sunday School. Compare the cost of the choir with the expenditure for teaching the young. Lay alongside the money spent for religious enjoyment, often the purely esthetic recreation of the adult, that which the Church spends for the great purpose of training children in Christian living. Will not our Church budgets rise up and condemn the Churches of this generation? Shall we not stand convicted of the saddest form of selfishness, spiritual greed, when our niggardly appropriations for the Sunday School are compared with our free spendings for ourselves? Every time a thoughtful person stands before a splendid new church building he must surely ask, "What plan is provided here for the religious life of childhood and youth?" How pitiable, nay shameful, is the usual answer. Frequently it runs like this, "Well, we needed so much room for the Church auditorium that we had to put the Sunday School rooms down stairs." If a church was fully loyal to its avowed faith in the importance of childhood, it would make the child central and determinative: it would build the plant for the child-life first, and allow the adult life to adjust itself to that. Imagine a church thus logical in its building plans. Men would laugh at it at first; preachers who live only for oratorical fame would scoff, but soon the world would recognize that there was an institution setting about its business seriously. It would recognize that the Church, knowing it had to grow character, determined to do its best work, to use to the full its best resources right in the growing period. If you would grow Christian men and women you must grow them in the growing period. The growing part of our plant we crowd off into a corner, and we are likely to put the patching repair shop right out in front. Now what would happen, in the long course of years, to any Church that sets its service to youth first in expenditure, in equipment, and in personal investment? Would it not so succeed in growing the right life that it would not only have as adherents all those who came up into adult life, but also it would have them trained and ready for service? The Sunday School and all the agencies for the life of childhood would not only develop Christian character, but, what is an essential part thereof, they would train and grow the Church of the future, holding to itself familiar gratitude all the services of the children. The Church that saves the child gains the world.—Henry F. Cope.

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### CORSICANA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The twenty-third session of the District Conference, Corsicana District, Central Texas Conference, just held in the town of Dawson, was one of the best, and many say the very best, ever held in the District. Every pastor was present and an unusually large representation of laymen. The sessions were marked by thorough business methods and permeated with the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. There were occasions when it seemed that "heaven came down our souls to greet, and glory crowned the mercy seat."

Our visiting brethren were Dr. H. A. Boaz of the Southern Methodist University, Dallas, and Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss, Secretary of the Board of Missions, Mineral Wells, and Rev. L. A. Webb, pastor of our Church at Hubbard City. These brethren were made to feel at home among us and they expressed great joy and genuine pleasure over the many splendid reports of victory in the old Corsicana District.

Our presiding elder, Dr. Jno. R. Nelson, who is recognized throughout the Church as one of our greatest leaders, did not have a cut and dried program, yet he had so carefully planned for the session as that every detail was promptly attended to and every interest of the Church given proper attention.

For instance, some days prior to the gathering he sent out to each pastor report blanks to be filled out and handed to the Secretary at the first morning session. These blanks covered every department of the Church work, even calling for much information not enumerated in the Discipline, nor commonly asked for in a District Conference.

The result was that every pastor had this data on hand and ready to be turned over to the various committees by the adjournment of the first morning session.

Let us look at the report from the Committee on Sunday Schools for an example of this elaborate and comprehensive report.

1. Number of schools, 49; gain over last, 4. 2. Officers and teachers, 415; gain, 31. 3. Total enrollment, 4807; gain, 308. 4. Number of Cradle Rolls, 11. 5. Number Wesley Adult Bible Classes, 20; gain 13. 6. Number Home Departments, 9. 7. Amount raised for Missions, \$193.67. 8. Number schools organized, 10.

The conference, through the Sunday School Committee, voted to request the Central Texas Conference to memorialize the General Conference to enact such legislation as will be necessary for the appointment of conference Sunday School Secretaries, and provide for their support.

The Committee on the Spiritual State of the Church brought out some very interesting information. For instance, it was shown that 2746 pastoral visits had been made since the Annual Conference; and that there are 59 preaching places and 54 organized societies. While only two revivals have been held, still there have been 116 additions to the Church on profession of

faith and a total of 323 additions since conference.

The assessment on the district for home and conference missions is \$1864 and the charges have paid to date \$992.25. Four charges have paid in full this assessment and all but seven have made substantial payments on the same.

The Southern Methodist University was represented by Dr. Boaz and a collection was taken amounting to \$1800 and through the leadership of our District Commissioner, Rev. Gid. J. Bryan, and the presiding elder, it was unanimously decided that every pastor put forth an earnest effort in behalf of the University in April or May. Several conferences were held for the purpose of perfecting the plans for the every-member canvass.

Following are the lay delegates to the Annual Conference:

R. N. McMULLEN.  
C. A. STONE.  
J. T. McKEOWN.  
W. A. LUCKEY.

Alternates:

V. G. Swofford.  
J. W. Kincheloe.

Mr. Rufus Ryburn was granted license to preach. Kerens was selected as the next meeting place.

The presiding elder asked that each pastor in making his report mention only those things which had been accomplished or were in process of accomplishment. He strictly forbade us to mention the bad weather and the sickness and other hindering causes, but to briefly tell just what had been done in the charge. The result was that every speech or report rang with the shout of victory and it was discovered that the old Corsicana District is doing things for God and his Kingdom. There is a spirit of church building all over the district. Several churches have been built, one bought and some repaired. Mexia is planning one of the most modern church buildings in this section of the State to cost about \$20,000. Blooming Grove has let the contract for a splendid building to cost about \$9000. Drane, a country community, where the folks have been worshipping in a school house for twenty-five years, has completed a splendid church at a cost of \$2000. One of the best and most encouraging indications of victory is to be seen in the reclaiming of lost territory. The policy is to send out preachers from the station charges to afternoon appointments in the waste places, and then to organize these into circuits or missions as they can be. The plan is working nicely and much territory is being covered which otherwise would be lost to the Church. One of the striking features of this conference was the prominent part taken by laymen. Dr. Nelson would call them out and in many instances they would volunteer to speak on vital questions pertaining to the work of the Church.

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Table of District Conferences: Beeville, Alice, Greenville, Campbell, April 13; Austin, Flatonia, April 14; Gainesville, St. Jo, April 15; Georgetown, Temple, 9 a. m., April 15; Pecos Valley, Portales, 9 a. m., April 15; Terrell, Kaufman, 11 a. m., April 15; Paris, Deport, April 22; McKinney, Richardson, April 22; Sherman, Whitesboro, 9 a. m., April 22; Fort Worth, Arlington, April 22; Weatherford, Olney, April 22; Washburn, Britton, April 22; Llano, at Cherokee, April 24; Dallas, Grand Prairie, 9 a. m., April 24; Uvalde, Carizo Springs, April 24; Clarendon, Hedley, 7:30 p. m., May 2; Gatesville, Oglesby, May 2; Vernon, Crooked, May 8; Amarillo, Canyon, May 9; Big Spring, Coahoma, May 9; Brehm, Brookshire, May 12; Hamlin, McCaull, 8 p. m., May 13; Waco, Aquilla, 10 a. m., May 13; Brownwood, Winters, 3 p. m., May 13; Plainview, Plainview, May 15; Marshall, Longview, 9 a. m., May 20; Dublin, Iredell, 2 p. m., May 20; Navasota, Navasota, May 21; San Augustine, San Augustine, May 21; Cisco, Cisco, 7:30 p. m., May 27; Houston, Grace Church, Houston Heights, May 27; Hillsboro, Penelope, May 28; Pittsburg, at Linden, 2 p. m., June 10; Cleburne, Godfrey, 11 a. m., June 10; Beaumont, Woodville, June 22; Stamford, Throckmorton, June 26; Marlin, Cameron, June 26; Tyler, at Edom, July 1

TO THE STEWARDS.

Help your pastor put all the other stewards on the Advocate list. Begin now, and let us announce your Church next week on the honor roll. Think what it will mean to work together with all the stewards as well posted and interested in the Church as you are. If your pastor has not yet begun the work, ask him to go with you this week to see as many as possible.

Mr. John L. Ware, of Bonham, died at the home of his daughter in this city, Mrs. W. T. Henderson, the 3rd instant. He was a leading business man of Bonham and a devoted member of the Church, and his death leaves a wide gap in a large circle of relatives and friends. He was a brother-in-law of Rev. L. S. Barton, and the father-in-law of Commissioner W. T. Henderson of this city. He was born Feb. 21, 1844, in Arkansas, but had lived in Honey Grove and Bonham a great many years. He left a clean record along all lines, and went to his sure reward.

We notice from the papers that Rev. W. D. Mountcastle, wife and daughter, were recently thrown from a surry, in Paris, and painfully injured. We are glad to say that their injuries are not serious, and by this time, we hope, that they are practically recovered. Brother Mountcastle is a leading member of the North Texas Conference, and one of our pastors in Paris.

Get all your stewards to subscribe to the Advocate first. Then it will be easy to get the remaining 20, or more, among the members.

THE COMING OF THE BOARDS.

In this issue we print the program to be followed when the Connectional Boards come to this city the last of this month. That program is rather long and it comprises a variety of features, but we want our preachers and people to see what we are going to present to them on this auspicious occasion. The coming of these Boards to Dallas is not a local-affair simply. It is a Texas affair, and we want Texas preachers and people to get out of this event all that it is capable of imparting to them. The meetings will all be open, except the sessions of the Bishops' meeting. Of course, that meeting will be private. None but the Bishops attend those proceedings. But all the Connectional Boards will throw their doors open and give the public the benefit of their reports, their plans and their discussions. It will afford a bird's eye view of the whole Church in operation, and it will be very interesting to our preachers and people. Our leading ministers and our representative laymen will be present, and there will be scores of visitors from a distance whose presence will add much to the gatherings. So we hope that our preachers and people will arrange, as far as possible, to take in these meetings and get the full benefit of them. In addition to these Connectional features there will also be a great Southern Methodist University Day, and this will be made intensely interesting to all Texans. There will be a corner stone laying at the Campus, and fine addresses; and in the afternoon there will be a large rally down town, and speeches from leading men. Therefore, let all Methodist eyes begin to turn toward Dallas, and let plans be made to travel this way toward the close of April.

HE KEEPS A CLEAN HOUSE AND PREMISES.

Recently the Business Men's League of Devine offered a prize of \$15.00 to the home and premises kept in the most sanitary condition, and a committee of physicians was appointed to make the inspection. The inspection was made the second time, and when it was through, three homes were a tie, was the verdict of the committee--Rev. J. W. Long, J. A. Aldridge, and Alfredo Ferris are the three. Rev. J. W. Long is our pastor in Devine, and while we congratulate him on winning one-third of the prize, we venture the assertion that the good lady of the manse is entitled to a division of the honor--if not the whole of it. Mr. Wesley once said, "Cleanliness is next to godliness," and our preachers, as a rule, believe in the maxim. We are glad to say that there is a general movement all over Texas to conform with good sanitary regulations about the homes and premises of our people. It is a move in the right direction and it means much to good health and good taste.

THE CHURCHES IN HOUSTON.

From the Houston Post of last Monday we pick up a few items of Church work in the city on the Bayou. Rev. I. E. Thomas, of Pruner Addition, preached a strong sermon on "The Gains of Death," from Philipians, 1:21. An extensive excerpt of the sermon appeared in print. It was good reading. At Grace Church, Houston Heights, there is a revival in progress, and Rev. J. W. Bergin, pastor at Marlin, is doing the preaching. Sunday morning showed the largest congregation ever seen in the auditorium, and the sermon was one of power. Quite a number presented themselves for Church membership. The meeting is making a profound impression on that part of the city.

Rev. Casper Wright, of Galveston, has had a great meeting with Dr. Sam R. Hay and his people, at St. Paul's Church. The large auditorium was filled at every service, and great interest was manifested. There were scores and scores of converts and a large accession of members to the Church. St. Paul's has rarely ever

had such a spiritual baptism. Dr. Hay speaks in high terms of Dr. Wright's ministrations.

At First Church, Dr. Packard and his people have Evangelist Brown and Singer Curry for another meeting. They were there a year or so ago, and they made such an impression as spiritual workers that they are back again for a second meeting. Last Sunday the great auditorium was packed from pit to dome with all the people that could be crowded into the building, and the sermon was direct and searching. The outlook for a great meeting is most inspiring and large results are expected.

FIRST CHURCH, DALLAS.

For several years it is well known that First Church, this city, has had in view the erection of a great church building; but the officials have been moving slowly in the matter. Some eight years ago, Dr. John M. Moore, then pastor, saw the necessity of securing an eligible site for a church building down town, while such property was within the reach of the congregation. So he selected a site on the corner of Harwood, Jackson and Wood Streets, about a block from the old site, got an option on it, and then went before the Quarterly Conference and asked the privilege of raising the money with which to pay for it. A number of the members thought it impracticable and discouraged the enterprise; but he was insistent and the privilege was reluctantly granted him. He went to work as only Dr. Moore can work, and when some of the leading members of the Church saw he was determined about it, they even then discouraged it and said it was a bad business venture to invest \$25,000 in the property, to say nothing of the location. But, nothing daunted, he pressed the matter with vigor, and finally landed the deal. Since then values in that locality have gone up remarkably.

At a recent session of the Quarterly Conference, after some discussion, it was voted to put the whole matter of selling one or both pieces of property in the hands of seven discreet committeemen and abide their decision as to disposing of the property and building a new church. As there was some serious difference of opinion as to which one of these sites was the better location for the new enterprise, this was deemed the best way out of the difficulty. So the committee was appointed, and the other day they sold the Harwood lot for \$181,000. We presume they will build on the old location. Now see, what Dr. Moore did for First Methodist Church! Yet some people say that preachers are not good business men. What a debt of gratitude this congregation owes Dr. Moore!

SUNDAY MORNING AT McKINNEY.

Last Sunday morning we were with the congregation of Rev. C. C. Young. He was absent at Denton aiding Rev. O. T. Cooper in a revival service, and I was present to take his place. Sunday School is making progress there. Brother H. D. Monzon is the active and progressive superintendent. He is said to be one of the best in the North Texas Conference. He is a brother of Bishop Mouzon and a devout Church worker. His old father, now in heaven, was one of the truest and most saintly characters I have ever known and he gave to those two boys good advantages in mental training and the best of moral and spiritual tuition. If they were not what they are, the fault could not be placed at that dear old man's door. He poured the full tide of his godly life into them and the Church is the beneficiary.

A good congregation was present. There is no better congregation than this one. It is made up of fine men and women, boys and girls. They are devout and earnest. They have a good Church building with all the modern appliances. They have most excellent music, and they are attentive and appreciative listeners. To preach to them is an inspiration. I

always enjoy a day with that McKinney Church. Have been dropping in on them for more than fifteen years, and when there am always at home. We had a good service. The Advocate is very well read there, but Sunday morning we received several new subscribers. Brother Young will add to the list as the spring advances. He is wonderfully well adapted to that charge and the people love him very dearly. The presiding elder, Rev. C. A. Spragins, lives at McKinney, but he was out on his District. I heard good reports of his work. This is his third year, and he has made full proof of his ministry. He is a good elder, and his preachers and the people love him and his family.

G. C. R.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS' DINNER.

On May 3rd the General Sunday School Board of our Church will hold its annual meeting in Dallas, along with all the other General Boards and College of Bishops. We have arranged for a "dollar dinner," at the Oriental Hotel Saturday night, May 3, when Superintendents can meet the General Sunday School Board and General Superintendents of special work and hear a word from each.

Sunday, May 4, will be a day full of interest. Bishops will fill our pulpits, Sunday Schools will be conducted by our greatest Sunday School Superintendents, John R. Pepper, and others. Epworth Leagues will also have some great meetings.

We feel that all Superintendents who have their work at heart, will avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to meet and hear the special and general workers in our Church. That we may know the number to provide for at dinner, it is necessary that those to be present notify us. Please, therefore, write a card to Bro. A. S. Mathis, care Publishing House, Dallas, and say, "I will be there, provide for me."

B. M. BURGHER.

To get every steward to read his Church paper is a work that every pastor should enjoy. To work with a body of men all awake to the interests of the Church--What a pleasure!

Rev. R. P. Shuler, pastor of University Church, Austin, Tex., will preach the commencement sermon for the San Antonio Female College on Sunday, May 4.

The income tax law passed by the last Congress is now in effect and it taxes all incomes exceeding \$4,000.00. This will strike above the heads of all our Methodist pastors in Texas, but two, as far as our information goes. It does not near hit ye editor. Under this law the government will more than make up in its revenues all that it will lose in high tariff reduction. People who have large incomes will now share more largely in the expense of government. But the great masses of the people will be exempt, for they do not exceed, and thousands of them do not reach the \$4,000.00 limit.

Rev. Lockett Adair has been holding successful meetings with the brethren the past winter, and he will begin another one in Oak Cliff next Sunday. He is not a prophet without honor in his own community, and when he holds meetings in this city they are largely attended. For eight years he has been doing a great work in Texas.

Bishop E. D. Mouzon preached three times in New Orleans on Sunday, March 16, and remained to assist in a revival meeting.

Our old friend Hugh Nugent Fitzgerald, the noted newspaper man, is now engaged as managing editor of the Fort Worth Record. He is one of the brightest newspaper men in the State, and as a paragraphist he has no superior in Texas. We do not always agree with him, by a long shot, but we always read what he writes,

for he is intensely interesting. He has had long experience on the tripod, and has the widest acquaintance with newspapers and public men of any man of our knowledge; and he has a dangerous memory. He never forgets anything or anybody. We hope for him success in his new position.

During a pastorate of eleven years at the First Presbyterian Church in Seattle, Dr. Mark A. Matthews has received more than eight thousand members into the Church.

In Canada, in 1911, according to government statistics just made public, there are 2,833,041 Catholics; 1,099,092 Methodists; 1,115,324 Presbyterians; 1,043,017 Anglicans; 382,660 Baptists, and 229,864 Lutherans.

Crete, that old island in the Mediterranean Sea, "close by" which St. Paul sailed and in which he left his adjutor, Titus, to set things in order, and "to ordain elders in every city," has just been transferred from the rule of Turkey to that of Greece.

Bishop Thomas Bowman is the oldest living Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, having been born in 1817 and consecrated in 1872. He will be 96 years of age, July 15th, if living.

According to the Year Book of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for 1912, there are 1,950,646 members of the Church, 129,575 officers and teachers in the Sunday Schools and 1,381,647 scholars. The whole Church contributed for foreign missions \$359,603, for home missions \$411,453, and for specials \$85,518, making a total for missions raised in Churches, of \$856,574. If the contributions of the women's societies be added, the grand total will reach more than a million dollars, or something like seventy-five or eighty cents per member. For ministerial support an average was contributed of \$2.62 per member.

Send in your stewards' subscriptions this week. Too much time has been lost already.

If every subscriber would send another subscriber, our list would be doubled. You know some one who ought to take the Advocate. Get the subscription this week and hand it to your pastor, or send it to us.

We learn from Rev. W. W. Graham, of Clarksville, that Rev. J. H. Griffin, pastor of Clarksville, is ill at Hot Springs, though we have no particulars as to the nature of his affliction. We trust, however, that it is not a serious illness and that he will soon be himself again. Brother Griffin is one of our strong men, physically and intellectually, and he is a successful pastor and preacher.

Mrs. Abbie Allen, of Frisco, says, "I want to thank you for your timely editorial--'Our Own Saint Virginia,' in last week's issue. Sister Johnson has wrought well, and all Texas can join a glad amen to every word you penned about her." We knew that the editorial would strike a responsive chord throughout Texas and that everybody would appreciate the worthiness of it. No woman deserves more appreciation than Mrs. Johnson.

Rev. Abe Mulkey is at the present time holding a revival service at Missouri Avenue Church, Fort Worth, and it goes without saying that he is having a large attendance. He is growing in years, but he is not losing any of his zeal and spiritual power, and when he preaches he brings sinners to Christ. He has more souls to his credit than most any other one man in Texas.

Hon. Clarence Ousley, of the Fort Worth Record, is going to make a tour of inspection through Europe and find out how the people live and act over there and then give the people of Texas the benefit of his observations. He is very capable in a



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field of that character and he will doubtless have many things of interest to put into print at the end of his journey. We wish for him a bon voyage.

The President and Congress are now wrestling with the tariff bill, and it is a huge job. Here and there you will find people who do not want the tariff revised, and they have their representatives in Congress; but the masses of the people want relief from the old war tax that has been on us well nigh a half century. The necessities of life ought to come off the high tariff list, and the President is pledged to this sort of revision. But what will Congress do deponent saith not!

Bishop Kilgo has recently spent a week in Southwest Virginia delivering a series of addresses in the campaign to raise \$75,000 for Emory and Henry College.

The Southern Sunday School and Epworth League Conference will be held next August on the grounds of the Southern Assembly at Lake Junaluska, N. C.

Bishop James Atkins will preside at the session of the Fort Worth District Conference to convene at Arlington, Texas, on April 22.

Three ministers' sons have been Presidents of the United States; Chester A. Arthur, Grover Cleveland and Woodrow Wilson.

**Look at the label on your paper. It shows how you stand.**

## PERSONALS

We had a pleasant visit this week from Rev. M. L. Lathan of China Springs. He is always a welcome caller at this office.

Rev. J. A. Old, of Oak Lawn Church, is aiding Rev. W. D. Thompson, at Ervay Street, in a revival service this week. The meeting starts off well.

Announcement has been made that the Cole Lectures at Vanderbilt University will be delivered May 3-8 by Dr. G. A. Johnston-Ross, of Union Theological Seminary, New York.

Doctor R. A. Hyer, of Southern Methodist University, is in Washington, D. C., this week attending the Federation meeting of the two Episcopal Methodisms. He will be absent several days.

Rev. George Slover, of Clarendon College, recently pointed out to the Dallas News where Governor Colquitt did some of our good schools an injustice when he vetoed the bill intended to give them the right to issue grade certificates to teachers.

Rev. and Mrs. Leon Henders on lost their little seven-year-old son March 30—that is, the good Shepherd came and took him to the fold above. That parsonage home at Lockney, where

Brother Henderson is pastor, is left in sadness, but the Comforter is there to assuage their grief.

We had a pleasant visit the other day from Rev. W. A. Pritchett, of Wylie, and his brother, C. H. Pritchett, of Bonham. The former is one of our faithful pastors, and the other a good layman.

Rev. J. T. Hicks, of the Plainview District, writes us that everything is moving on satisfactory out that way. He has a noble band of preachers and a great territory. Methodism has a fine outlook in that section.

Rev. G. M. Gibson, of First Church, this city, is helping Rev. Knox Porter and his people, at Sherman, in a protracted meeting at the present time. Brother Porter has his congregation in good shape for the service.

### PRESIDING ELDERS ENDORSE THE MOVEMENT.

The Texas Christian Advocate is a necessity to any Texan who desires to make an intelligent and useful Methodist. I have been reading it ever since I could read and I shall continue to inform myself through its columns as long as I live. Some of the best things in my mental and spiritual make up came to me through the Texas Christian Advocate. I urge the people all over my district to take it and read it; and I have a standing offer to the officials in my district that if they will take the Advocate and read it and then don't feel that they have gotten their money's value I will pay their subscription for them.

J. KILGORE, Houston District.

I am heartily "in tune" in your effort to increase the circulation of the Advocate. I stress the call of Question 19 everywhere. Frequently I exhort and take subscriptions in the Quarterly Conferences. Recently I "struck a knot," or a "won't," a whole circuit with one Advocate by regular subscription. The work drags and the folks are stubborn in their resistance of progress in the work of the Church. On the other side, men who read that Advocate believe in doing things and are awake and alive to every good movement. Long may you wave and never waver.

J. W. MILLER, San Augustine District.

I heartily endorse the plan for increasing the circulation of the Advocate. I bring the matter before every Quarterly Conference and discuss plans by which to attain the desired end. I fully believe that we can add fifty per cent to the present circulation during the conference year. It should be doubled. It is growing better all the time.

J. M. ALEXANDER, Cuero District.

The Advocate is measuring up to high-water mark, and we are trying to put it in all our Methodist homes. I take about fifteen papers and the Texas Christian Advocate is easily and by far the best and most helpful paper that comes to my desk. With best wishes to the paper and its "force," I am

J. W. COWAN, Llano District.

I shall be glad to do all I can to get the dear old Advocate in our homes.

J. T. HICKS, Plainview District.

Don't believe any story that ought not to be true. The one who follows that "rule will never be party to a scandal.

### THE 20 CLUB—A P. E. MEMBER.

I am going to join your 20 Club myself and see if I cannot get you 20 new subscribers among my official members in this district who do not now take the Old Reliable.

J. B. TURRENTINE, Tyler District.

### 20 TOO LOW.

I'll join the "20" delegation with the understanding that I do not have to stop with 20 subscribers. I expect to go beyond that. A. W. WILSON, Beeville, Texas.

We would be very much disappointed if Brother Wilson stopped at 20. We reserved a column in our list for him to fill. But we are hoping every preacher who sends 20 will get the habit by that time and keep going.

I am surely going to get the twenty-five.

FRANK PLATT, Henderson, Texas.

I will reach my twenty and then some. These people out here love the paper and are loyal Methodists. Wherever I find a home without the Advocate I stay with them till I convince them of its worth to a home.

M. A. STOUT, Marysville, Texas.

I am working for the Advocate. Want to complete my twenty.

J. F. CARTER, Bay City, Texas.

Yes, I will try for the twenty club. It may take all the year, but here goes. I've got lots of members that need the Advocate and must have it.

M. M. CHUNN, Eliasville, Texas.

You may put me down for twenty new subscribers. J. T. GRISWOLD, Chillicothe, Texas.

Think you may safely count on me for twenty new subscribers anyhow.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Salado, Texas.

I herewith promise to do my best to secure twenty new subscribers. Long live the Advocate. It gets better each week.

C. C. WRIGHT, Blackwell, Texas.

This is twelve of my twenty and I am trying hard for the others.

W. W. GOLLIHUGH, Marshall, Texas.

Yes, I shall try to get at least twenty.

J. A. RUFFNER, Grapevine, Texas.

In my opinion the Advocate is the best paper published in Texas and I aim to do more for its circulation.

H. T. KINSLOW, West, Texas.

Am sending you two new subscribers and one renewal. Put me down for twenty subscribers.

J. NELAND HESTER, Novice, Texas.

This makes the fifth new subscriber in the last two weeks. I mean to make a strong pull for twenty at least.

H. C. BOWMAN, Robert Lee, Texas.

I think you may depend on me for twenty new subscribers. I am sending you two this time, which makes five for the month of March already. Yours for the twenty.

J. H. WESTMORELAND, Wingsboro, Texas.

Will do my best to double the number of Advocate subscribers on the charge this year. It is indeed a good friend, a spiritual helper, a welcome visitor and a safe adviser. The blessings of the Most High upon editor and publishers. Yours in Him.

C. D. PIPKIN.

My membership is small and most all my folks take the Advocate. I suspect I have the best Advocate list in comparison with homes represented in the Stamford District. On the whole our charge is the banner one in this section in number of Advocates taken and otherwise.

F. L. MEADOW, Throckmorton, Texas.

### "ONE SUBSCRIBER LOST."

One subscriber and reader has failed to have his subscription renewed. Whatever the reason may be, the fact is that the pastor and the Church have lost a subscriber. Does it matter much?

"Let us inquire what it means to the Church to lose a subscriber to the Church paper, or to fail to get one who might be secured:

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nection and communication with the Church as a body, with all its congregational interests.

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"3. It means that we can no longer tell those persons what the Church is doing in its various departments, on its wide field, and what its needs are.

"4. It means that the Publishing House is cut off from them—all its advertisements of good books, and everything else which it offers for sale to our people.

"5. It means that our Bishops can no longer speak to those persons to instruct, admonish, counsel and encourage them, or to show them the needs of our frontier missions and struggling Churches, and appeal to them for help and co-operation.

"6. It means that every lost subscriber and every other member of the Church who does not read our Church paper is beyond reach of all the many special articles written by our pastors and others, and by the editor, for the members of our Church."—Selected.

### METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

You will rejoice with us that your Orphanage is now in a perfectly sanitary condition, the new dining hall and large boys' dormitory are finished and occupied by a very happy, contented looking crowd of boys and girls. The entire cost of the improvements was \$8000, all of which except \$3000 has been paid. Come to our rescue for this deficit, for the assessment you send us only pays the running expenses. We have no source of revenue for improvements and repairs except the generosity of a loyal Church. You are responding splendidly and at the end of this year I am confident that all will be cleared out. The health record of the Home may be judged when you know that the hospital has not been occupied since Dec. 20. To the Father be the praise!

All the children left unassigned to individuals or to Sunday School classes or to Woman's Missionary Society are between the ages of 11 and 15 years. If you are thinking of helping us clothe these children, mostly boys, fifty-eight in number, kindly write us at your earliest convenience, as the season is progressing and we dislike to go to the expense of buying full summer outfits for these children if you expect to clothe them.

When sending checks or money or

ders, kindly grant the old-new request and give the name of the conference which you are in.

Come to see us when in Waco and go over our Home, back yard and all. You are royally welcome every day except "tub day," Saturday and Sunday, when we are at some kind of service most of the day. Yours for greater service for Him.

R. A. BURROUGHS.

### THE PRESIDING ELDER AND CHURCH EXTENSION.

The following letter from a Georgia presiding elder has just come to hand:

"Dr. W. F. McMurry, Louisville, Ky. Dear Brother: I have just finished reading 'Priming for the Pump,' am so favorably impressed by it that I want a copy of it sent to each preacher in my district. I believe the reading of it by them will help personally and help the collection for Church Extension much more than the cost of publication. Send each of them a batch of the little tracts sent me. I never saw my duty to this cause with quite so much force as I now see it. I have all the time tried to be loyal to the Church Extension collection, and have not failed in fifteen years to get the assessment on my charge, but I now feel inspired to champion this interest with more enthusiasm. I use the back of this sheet for names and addresses of my preachers.

"Wishing you abundant success and praying the blessing of the good Father upon you and yours, I am,

"Fraternally yours,

The above message cheered the heart of the Secretary and needs no comment.

W. F. McMURRY, Corresponding Secretary.

Hope is such an agreeable companion; her smile is so bright, her voice so sweet and musical, her chat so pleasant and her presence so lightening to our loads and soothing to our sorrows, that we can easily forgive her if she does lie a little.

Don't keep your kisses for the cold and pallid cheek. There is no feeling in the shadow of the tomb. It's too late!

Do your part to lift the whole race a notch in the scale of humanity; then your heaven will take care of itself.

Because you have never been in jail is no sign that you are as good as old John Bunyan.



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Chairman of Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund—Miss Mary Ferguson, McKinney.

### CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

The following is a list of the Corresponding Secretaries of the League Boards of Conferences in Texas:  
Central Texas: Rev. W. T. Jones, Blanket.  
North Texas: Rev. W. B. Douglass, Forney.  
Northwest Texas: Rev. W. Y. Switzer, Tolbert.  
Texas: Rev. T. R. Morehead, Houston.  
West Texas: Rev. C. B. Cross, San Antonio.

### MAY 4, 1913.

This date is to mark an important event in the history of the Epworth League movement. It is the nineteenth anniversary of the League and throughout Southern Methodism, in all lands and in all countries wherever the young people's work of our Church has penetrated an appropriate program will mark the passing of the day.

### An Elaborate Program.

Texas Methodism and Dallas League circles are to come in for an unusual honor on this day. The governing body of the organization, the General Epworth League Board, is to be in Dallas that day, preparatory to convening in annual session on Monday following, May 5. For some time the City Epworth League Union has been planning an elaborate program covering the entire period of the Board's meeting, with a great mass meeting scheduled for the afternoon of Sunday, May 4, the anniversary day.

### Bishop Candler to Speak—Mr. E. O. Excell to Sing.

Bishop Candler has been engaged to speak and Mr. E. O. Excell to sing and a choir of 500 voices, composed of members from all of Dallas' Methodist Churches is being organized to assist in the music. Bishop Joseph S. Key, the "Father of the Texas League," as he is lovingly recognized by the Leaguers all over the State, will be present as special honor guest, as will also be present the entire College of Bishops and all members of the General League Board and the State and Conference officers. Excursion rates have been granted by all railroads leading into Dallas, and special invitations are to go to every nearby town to be represented at this meeting. The great Fair Park Coliseum with a seating capacity of more than five thousand has been engaged for the day and will be filled to its utmost capacity. As an indication of the out-of-town attendance Fort Worth has requested space reserved for five hundred Epworth Leaguers.

### Central Office Collection.

Every League Chapter in Dallas will have a collection officer as leader at the evening hour, and the regular program for the day will be observed. A huge collection will be taken at the evening hour, in accordance with the new provision regarding an incidental fund for the Central Officers and as the ten cent assessment has been abolished it is expected that the offering on this day will be representative of Dallas Leaguedom.

### BEAUMONT DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The district meeting for the Epworth League will be Aug. 12, 13, 14.

at Silsbee. Let every League send one or more of their best members. Send names of delegates to conference to Miss Nora McClellan, Silsbee. Get ready; do not delay.

I. R. MANLY, P. C.

### FIRST CHURCH (DALLAS) LEAGUE PLANS FOR MONTH OF APRIL.

A very unique and highly instructive program has been arranged for next month. There will be four Sundays in the month, and each will be devoted to the work of one department of the League. Next Sunday is to be the President's Day, presided over by President John N. Harris. The second Sunday will be devoted to the work of the Second Department and the third and fourth Sundays to the Third and Fourth Departments, respectively.—Bulletin.

### CHANGE IN STATE OFFICERS.

I have made the following changes in officers of the State League:

Rev. L. E. Booth, San Antonio, Secretary; Miss Dora Brack, San Antonio, Second Vice-President.

This became necessary owing to the fact that Miss Brack could not give the time to the work that the position requires. Brother Booth will fill the place splendidly. Many of our Texas men are agreeing to take their place as requested on the program for the coming Encampment. We think our frame-up of Texas speakers something specially fine. So we desire to call attention of the Leaguers of Texas to the fact that we want a large delegation from every pastoral charge to enjoy this treat. We need the co-operation of every Leaguer in order to make this possible. We are now arranging advertising matter setting forth such information as one will need to know when planning for the trip.

As I travel over my district, I am taking up the Encampment at Epworth-by-the-Sea. I want to ask each presiding elder in Texas to boost the best proposition that we have for our young people. Everything looks good for a great time for all who go to Epworth in August. S. B. BEALL, State President, San Antonio, Texas.

### THE MISSIONARY VICE-PRESIDENT'S DIGEST.

Edited by Miss Mary Hay Ferguson.

### Announcement of Brother Collyer's Coming.

The first Conference Missionary, Brother Collyer, is coming to the North Texas Conference Epworth League for a limited engagement, beginning June 1 and ending June 15. He will address the conference at Paris on Friday evening. Printed announcements will soon be out. Several times he has expressed a strong desire to become acquainted with North Texas Epworth Leaguers. On to Paris for the greatest missionary event in the twenty-one years' history of the conference!

### Receipts.

Cash due from Bank Dec. 16, 1912	\$316.10
First Church, Dallas	37.50
Trinity, Dallas	560.00
Bridgeport	7.50
Miss Wilson	3.50
Denton Juniors	10.00
First Church, McKinney	18.00
Terrell	25.00
Ervas Street, Dallas	25.00
Denton	5.00
Centenary, Paris	16.00
Becker	4.50
St. Mark's, Dallas	6.25
Bonham Street, Paris	3.75
Wilcox St. Juniors, McKinney	5.00
R. K. S. S. Class, Celina	2.50
Terrell Juniors	2.50
Cash	.95
Total	\$1063.50

### Disbursements for the Third Quarter.

Dec. 28, 1912, to Rev. Collyer, salary	\$150.00
Dec. 28, 1912, to Dr. Bowman, salary	250.00
Jan. 21, 1913, placed at 4 per cent interest	200.00
Jan. 29, 1913, Trinity Chapter to Dr. Bowman for native medical scholarship	60.00
Total	\$660.00
Receipts for third quarter	\$1063.50
Disbursements for third quarter	660.00
March 16, 1913, cash balance	403.50

### Administration Expenses.

Postage and stationery	\$2.00
Phone call	.25
Trip to Cabinet Meeting	1.35
Total	\$3.60

The administration expenses of four mills per dollar were paid by the Chairman. Comparing the running expenses with the results makes a strong case of efficiency with which the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund is cared for. The committee began its work with a capital stock of \$183.00 in 1909. In nearly four years \$3685.00 have been paid out to our missionaries, Brother Collyer and Dr. Bowman, and at the close of third quarter there

### WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS REPORT?

The third quarter of the conference year according to the Missionary Degree System closed on March 16 with a cash balance of \$403.50, after expending \$400 in salaries, \$60 to support Dr. Bowman's native assistant in a medical school for a year, and \$200 was placed in the savings department of the Continental State Bank at McKinney on January 21, 1912, at a rate of four per cent interest. The record is 200 per cent greater than the corresponding quarter of last year. Here is expressed the record-breaking quarter in the history of the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund. In John 11-40, Jesus says, "Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldst believe, thou shouldst see the glory of God?"

The third quarter presents a very new feature of putting at interest surplus money to earn additional money to help pay next year's postage bill. At the time, on January 21, when the \$200 was put in the savings department it left less than \$50 emergency balance. We continue to walk by faith in God and an ever increasing faith in the Epworth League membership. A second feature of a continuous growing interest in the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund is the payment by Trinity Chapter of \$60 to support Dr. Bowman's active assistant in a medical hospital for a year. Great is Trinity! A third new feature is the collections to date are 100 per cent increase over this time last year as compared with fifty per cent at the close of the third quarter in 1912. The fourth new feature is the collections show a twenty-five per cent deficit as compared with fifty per cent this time last year.

June the first is the last pay day for honorable mention on pledges at the Paris Conference. In round numbers, one thousand two hundred dollars is due on pledges by June 1. Your committee sent out a definite call for quick, active work to all chapters, individuals or districts who are in arrears on pledges; \$1200 is due by June 1. Let there be systematic work so there will be no deficit to report at the twenty-first Annual Session when we attain our majority. Several chapters send the information they will pay an increase. Travis Street, Sherman; St. Mark's, Dallas, and Lamar Avenue, Paris. Last year the deficit account was nearly ten per cent of the collections. As you go about making collections remember your committee is praying for divine blessings upon your every effort to meet your promised obligations. "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you," in Mark 16, 15, which reads, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The receipts for the third quarter read as follows.

The work of the last quarter has been largely one of reconstruction. The old dispensary building has been overhauled throughout and some new features added; also some items of furniture that have been much needed. The entire building within has taken on a new appearance and will soon be in fair condition for the medical work. However, at no time was the medical work suspended, but it will be noted in the statistical report that more people were treated in the quarter past than during any previously reported. We shifted from one room to another. Sometimes we held office quarters on a pile of lumber with our patients sitting around waiting their turn for treatment. The people have appreciated our efforts to serve them. Many have shown their appreciation by contributing eggs and articles of diet they cannot afford to eat, unless they be wealthy, but they bring them to us oftentimes with apologies for not being able to give us more. The contributions received from patients are voluntary and often represent the last cent they have on earth. Especially so is this true of the women, the poor women on whom the burdens of life have fallen heaviest. They are I believe, the most appreciative. My heart goes out to the poor widows who live a miserable half-starved existence and who, many of them, have depending on them little children for their life bread. Some of them show marks of their struggle, some have succumbed and others are fighting the battles bravely, while yet others are drinking concentrated lye to flee the ravages of hunger and distress. The widow's mite indeed is often laid at our door in token of their appreciation for our kindly service to them in times when they most need help, such, too, often as only a physician can give, and such as is only given in Christian institutions in Korea.

One of these unfortunates, a widow living far back into these secluded, snow-covered mountains, where little is known of what is beyond the native village, attempted to kill her boy, three years old. She heated a knife red hot and cut his body in many places, then cast him away in the cleft of a deep ravine in the mountains to die of the wounds, cold and starvation, or be eaten by wild beasts. This the mother did because she was starved for hunger and could not earn enough to buy the child's cry for food. But perchance a woodman gathering scrub brush on the mountains sides heard the child's cries and returned the bleeding form to its cruel home.

The grandmother took the little fellow on her back and walked over frozen mountain passes to the dispensary where she and the child received medical attention, food and shelter. I shall never forget his cries and sobs and how, as he got relief from pain they were soothed away into restful sleep. The child recovered and lives with the mother. This incident occurred last winter and I have hesitated to relate it, but it is a fact that there are many around us who are hungry, and here are hearts in these poverty-stricken homes that are more heroic than those beating under a hero's uniform. Some times I ask what have you been eating; then there is a pause and I note the patient is embarrassed. I regret it; then the

skeleton is revealed—no food, sick and hungry. These women listen to the gospel. Some believe, though they know it means increased hardships. Once they become believers they are devout and most of them give or take medicine as sacredly as if it were the sacrament. It is a real inspiration to see and know what they sometimes endure for the sake of Christianity.

The following are the statistics for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1912:  
October: Male, 220; female, 231; children, 45; babies, 34; new, 246; repeat, 282; total, 451; daily average, 16 19-27.  
November: Male, 199; female, 188; children, 39; babies, 28; new, 202; repeat, 282; total, 514; daily average, 14 23-26.  
December: Male, 223; female, 291; children, 37; babies, 63; new, 232; repeat, 282; total, 514; daily average, 19 20-26.

Keep the missionary pot boiling at McKinney" is the slogan for the year for we would see Jesus, the Redeemer, exalted in the lives of many more heathen.

MISS MARY HAY FERGUSON, Chairman.  
MR. GUS W. THOMASSON, Member Gen'l. Epworth League Board.  
MR. A. B. HARDIN, President N. T. C. E. L.  
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### REPORT FROM DR. BOWMAN.

### Trinity League's "Living Link" in the Mission Field.

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Fortune is false and often lingers where least deserved. If many a rich man and those in high and influential positions today were suddenly thrust penniless and officeless into the world they would starve to death after sinking to the lowest depths.

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### SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The forty-seventh session of the District Conference for the Sulphur Springs District of the North Texas Conference met at Cumby March 27, 1913, at 3:30 p. m., with Rev. R. C. Hicks, the prompt painstaking presiding elder in the chair.

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**"JUST ONE THING AFTER ANOTHER—GULLIVER."**

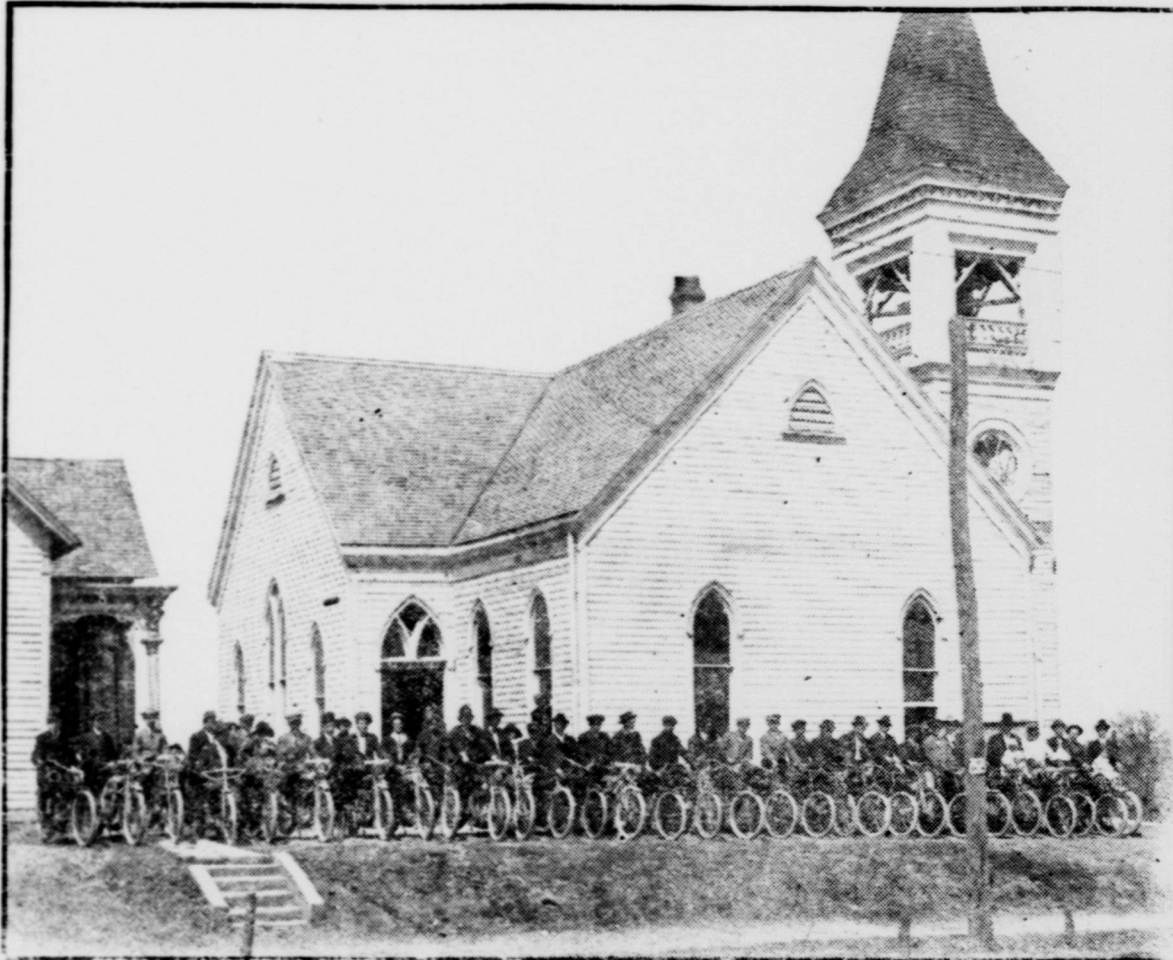
The "Thing After the Other" did not come in Gulliver's last effusion. It was "The One Thing" all the time why the laymen of our Church did not take interest in the work of the Church as did the laymen of the Baptist Church! My observation, however, is, that as a general rule the laymen of the Methodist Church do take as much interest in the affairs of our Church as the laymen of the Baptist Church do in theirs, where the laymen of our Church have the encouragement from the presiding elder and pastor that they should have. I have not had a charge for a number of years now that I did not have a number of laymen who would fill the pulpit for me almost any Sunday that I had to be away. Sometimes it took me several months to work them up to do it, but in almost every case I succeeded. I have found this to be the case that sometimes the layman, whom we know has the ability to do the work we ask him to do, and whom we think ought to do it, has some habits in a quiet way that the pastor does not know about, but which the brother whom he is trying to enlist know that men of the world in the town where he lives knows and such knowledge on his part makes him a moral coward. But where men have the capacity and their lives are right before the community, you can, by the right kind of effort get them to consent to do the work that you desire them to do.

It is not often that the presiding elder persists in putting forward the laymen of his district to the point that he secures their heartiest co-operation. I believe that if our presiding elders were to select, in counsel with the pastors, the best qualified men to discuss important subjects at our District Conferences at a sufficient time before the conference convenes, we would soon have a large body of laymen in every conference enlisted in all the important work of our Church. But you have to convince a layman that you really want him, and that you are not asking him simply through courtesy, or just to tickle his fancy, or to court his favor. Many of us, after trying once and failing, give it up and fall back on the old plan of depending on the preachers.

You understand that it is hard to convince a preacher like Gulliver and myself, who have been doing these things so long, that a layman can do them as they should be done. In fact, it is difficult for us not to think, though we dare not say it, when we hear our brethren preach, that in nearly every case, if not all, we could do it better, or at least we would not have treated "Thirdly" as he did. Somehow or somehow else, we just can't help but think that we have the inside on him when it comes to the way in which we present the main truths of the text, and that the way we divide and subdivide it is more impressive. It may be that this kind of spirit, often shown by a preacher in some unguarded moment, leads the layman to think that the preacher believes that the laymen are not competent to meet the exigencies in the case.

I remember in a conversation with a very prominent layman in the city of Fort Worth not many months ago as I returned from our conference at Abilene, that he said, in speaking of preachers in general, and I suppose included me in the remark: "All preachers are more or less bigots. If you, as a layman, suggest anything regarding a matter concerning the Church that is contrary to the view of the preacher, he will pooh-pooh your idea, and soon give you to understand that he thinks you know very little if anything about it." I, of course, sought to show him that, in my judgment, he was totally wrong in his view, but I left him of the same opinion. You can readily see that where such an opinion as this is lodged in the mind of a layman how hard it would be to get him to discuss a question concerning an important Church matter in the presence of a class of men who considered him an ignoramus. To what extent such a view is held by the laymen I am unable to say, but that it has some place in their thinking is evident by the remarks of the brother referred to. Of course, before you can get the hearty co-operation of laymen thus biased you would have to remove from their minds all such notions. While we preachers, as a general proposition, are very smart and know a great deal, yet we must let our lay brethren understand that we do not feel that we know it all, and that they are living in "the dark ages," as to the work and doctrine of the Church of our blessed Lord.

My honest conviction, however, in regard to the whole matter of why the laymen do not take more interest in the work of the Church, is because they are veritable slaves to their busi-



**MOTORCYCLISTS OF CLAY STREET METHODIST CHURCH, WACO, TEXAS.**

The above is a cut of Clay Street Methodist Church and thirty motorcycle riders of the city, who were present at the eleven o'clock hour, March 16. They are coming to hear me once a month, some of whom are members of my Church. Chas. James, motorcycle policeman, is in the picture; first time he had been to Church in two years. I am planning to get the majority of the motorists in my Church this year, and to put the Advocate in as many of their homes as possible.

I own and ride a motorcycle. Do most all my pastoral work on it. Rode between 4000 and 5000 miles last year to seat new church and build parsonage.  
W. M. BOWDEN, Pastor.

ness. They are driven by the lash of business as completely as the old slave was driven by the lash of the overseer. They are driven by the delusion, from whatever source it may come, that they must be at their place of business from early Monday morning till late Saturday night, and oftentimes a part of the Holy Sabbath in order to succeed. That such is not true is shown by a layman here and there, such as Lon Morris, of Pittsburg; W. E. Williams and George Mulkey, of Fort Worth; W. A. Palmer, of Canadian; A. F. Bentley, of Temple; and many others whom I could mention, but you cannot get the great majority of laymen to see that this is not true. They are not able to see that God can take as good care of their business when off on business for the Church as he can when they are off on a trip for pleasure and sport. It is said of Lon Morris, by those who know him, that the Methodist Church bell never rang for service that he did not close the doors of his bank and go, it mattered not what day of the week it was. If we could get our people to believe that God can take care of them in their business better than they can take care of themselves without him; that he can send more rain than Brother Post with his fifteen hundred pounds of dynamite, and scatter it over more territory on shorter notice; in a word, that God still has his hand on this material universe and that he will care for those who put their trust in him, and will work out all things for good to them that love him, it will go very far toward settling the question of enlisting our laymen in the work of our Church.

Another thing that should be kept pressed close to the conscience of our laymen is, that where God has given a layman an intellect capable of solving clearly the intricate problems of the Church he is under obligation to God, the Church and to the world to give them the benefit of his talents. Every man owes to God and to mankind the very best that is in him. It is a great pity that we cannot get the large majority of our laymen to appreciate how much they are needed to accomplish the purpose of God in the work of his Church. But as the dropping of the water on the rock will make its impression after awhile, so will the persistent and faithful efforts of the pastor bring desired results along these lines. "On with the battle!"  
G. S. WYATT.

**MISSOURI LETTER.**

Probably no Church has a purer ministry than ours. Our ecclesiastical system in part explains this. If there is something doubtful in a preacher's conduct the presiding elder is likely to hear of it soon, and it is his business to know whether there is need of an investigation. I once knew a case where a false accusation was made against a good man. The



REV. W. M. BOWDEN, Pastor

presiding elder cleared up the case quickly and no scandal resulted, while under another system a false rumor would have spread and would have seriously injured a man who was not only innocent, but had not even been imprudent. In the fifteen years I was a presiding elder in the Southwest Missouri Conference I had charge of not far from one hundred and fifty itinerant preachers. In those fifteen years one elder and two deacons were accused of wrongdoing. The elder's credentials were in my hands before his Church, except the official members, knew that anything was wrong, and the two deacons gave up their credentials rather than face an investigation. In all cases vacancies were speedily filled and little damage to the charges followed. Our law, fairly administered, safeguards the Church and protects our ministry. No matter how strong the evidence might be, I would rather permit a man to withdraw than risk the uncertainties of a trial.

Within the last year two trials a thousand miles apart resulted in a conviction in each case, with only a suspension as the penalty. These compromise verdicts may have been occasioned by the change in our law providing for a trial within sixty days. In a trial at the Annual Conference a trial committee is chosen carefully from the entire conference. Under the new law, to save expense, the committee is more likely to be made up of the elders that are nearest, without so much regard to their experience. In one of these cases about every elder within fifty or sixty miles was brought into the case in one way or another. The accused, a married man, was charged with having written a letter to a young lady, suggesting that she should leave her home, ostensibly to visit a relative, but in reality to meet him in another State. The committee

decided that he wrote the letter, but fixed the penalty at suspension for twelve months. So far as the committee's action was concerned, we would have had on our hands in good standing, a year hence, a preacher who, in the judgment of his brethren, planned to leave his own wife to live with another woman. I do not believe such a surprising verdict would have been rendered by a committee carefully chosen at the Annual Conference. In the trial a startling thing occurred, which brought out a point worth considering. How far may a preacher, acting as counsel for an accused brother, resort to the tactics of the criminal lawyer? The graveness of this case was a letter which the accused was charged with having written. The defense offered as evidence what purported to be a confession from another man that he had written the letter in question. The counsel for the Church immediately challenged that confession as a forgery and asked an adjournment, saying he could produce the man named. Seeing that the chairman was about to adjourn the case, the defense withdrew the document. The presiding elder wrote to the man and has his reply, denying that he had made such a confession. When these facts were reported to the counsel for the defense, his explanation was that he doubted the genuineness of the document, but offered it for what the committee might think it worth. I give the facts without trying to answer the questions in casuistry they they raise.  
C. H. BRIGGS,  
410 South Fifteenth Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

**SAN FRANCISCO LETTER.**

By Rev. W. P. Andrews.  
We had two dignitaries with us the greater part of last week. One was our big-bodied, big-hearted Church Extension Secretary, Dr. W. F. McMurry. The other was our own Pacific Bishop, Bishop R. G. Waterhouse against whom our only complaint is that he chose to make his home in Los Angeles, rather than in this vicinity. These gentlemen met in this city by appointment, to make, in connection with the local authorities, some provision for our Oakland congregation, which was about to be without a place of worship, their property having been sold recently, and the time having almost expired when they were to vacate. I am glad to be able to report that a fine lot was secured, 100x170 feet, at the corner of Telegraph Avenue and Thirty-Seventh Street. Telegraph Avenue is the principal thoroughfare extending north and south through Oakland and Berkeley, our Epworth Church in Berkeley being also located upon it. The cost of the lot, upon which is a 6-room frame building is \$20,000. In selling the old

site we reserved the Sunday School rooms and parsonage. The parsonage will be moved to the new site as it is, while the material from the Sunday School rooms will be used in enlarging and remodeling the building now on the lot, which will be converted into assembly and Sunday School rooms, to serve the congregation until the proposed Pioneers' Memorial Church can be built. I doubt if a more suitable site could have been secured in that city, which, by the way, is growing rapidly, and now has a population of nearly, if not quite 200,000. Our congregation in San Francisco continues to worship in the old church by grace of the City Board of Education, to whom the property was sold some time since. We are to vacate on thirty days' notice. Before notice shall be served we hope to succeed in selling the Valencia Street property, to enable us to secure a new location. Then the Fitzgerald Memorial Church enterprise will be pushed.

The two above mentioned dignitaries are warm friends of our work in the West. We always win those who are much with us. It has been so since the days of Bishop Kavanaugh, whom we claimed as our Bishop for many years. Bishops Hargrove, Duncan and Atkins, each of whom spent three or more years with us, would champion our cause upon every occasion. Likewise would Bishops McTyre, Haygood and Wilson, though they were not so much with us. It is the Bishop who runs out and holds one conference session, the Secretary who views us mostly at a distance, the tourist who spends a Sunday or so in San Francisco, and then perhaps worships with some other Church, and the transfer who finds an excuse for resigning his charge and going back home before he has served one year—it is such as these who think they know most about the West and the Church in the West, and have only words of disparagement. The Bishop who has attended two or more conferences, and visited through the districts in the interim, the Secretary who has done likewise, and the pastor who has been here a few years, want to come back. In fact, it is pretty hard for such a pastor when he is transferred away to stay transferred, and he does not usually do so from choice.

Death has again invaded the ranks of the Pacific Conference. Rev. W. Alpheus Booher was taken from us on March 3. He was pastor at Galt. Brother Booher was a California preacher, and was educated at Pacific Methodist College, Missouri was his native State, but his parents came to California when he was a small boy. He was a good preacher, a popular pastor, and a consecrated, clean man. We could ill afford to lose him. He was fifty-five years of age, and had preached over thirty years.  
San Francisco, March 12, 1913.

**RESOLUTIONS.**

The second Quarterly Conference of the Liberty Hill-Leander Charge, today assembled, adopted the following resolutions:  
Whereas, it has pleased an All-wise God to call from us our former pastor's daughter, Miss Genevieve Johnston; and Whereas, we are bowed down in grief and sorrow, caused by the death of our sister; therefore be it  
Resolved 1. That we bow with humble submission to the will of Him who seeth the end from the beginning and who doeth all things well.  
2. That we do hereby express our grief caused by the death of our sister and tender to her bereaved parents, sisters and brothers, our deepest sympathy, commending them to the care and keeping of Him who has promised to be a shepherd to his lambs.  
3. That by her death we have lost a beloved sister, who was ever ready and willing to lend a helping hand to the uplift of humanity, giving cheer and comfort to those with whom she met in the daily walks of life.  
4. That these resolutions be spread on the records of this Quarterly Conference, a copy be sent to the family, and one be furnished the Christian Advocate for publication.  
Respectfully submitted by members of Conference.  
J. H. VAUGHAN, M. D.,  
Secretary.  
March 22, 1913.

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## Woman's Department

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 Reggale, care Texas Christian Advocate, Dallas, Texas.

### CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE.

To the Corresponding Secretaries of the Missionary Societies:

Please send names of all delegates to the Annual Meeting which convenes at Georgetown, April 22-25, to Mrs. C. S. Belford, Georgetown, Texas, that homes may be provided. Please attend to this at once.

MRS. T. B. STONE,  
Cor. Sec. Home Department.  
MRS. C. J. HARPER,  
Cor. Sec. Foreign Department.

### WEST TEXAS ANNUAL MEETING.

The Missionary Society, West Texas Conference, will meet in University Church, Austin, April 25-29. Elect delegates at once and send names to Mrs. T. A. Brown, 803 West Twenty-third street, Austin. A rate of one and one-third fares has been granted by all the roads. Tickets on sale April 24 and 25. We are expecting a large attendance and a great meeting.

MRS. T. A. BROWN,  
Conference Secretary.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE.

This month's Bulletins are mailed out with the quarterly report blanks and a circular letter, all of importance enough to take a two-cent stamp. Will you read them? If not, the conference money is wasted just that much. Our District Secretaries are short of news, so is the Press Superintendent, consequently. But read the School of Missions vacation plan.

How many new subscribers to the Advocate? You can not do without it very well. MRS. W. T. SPENCER,  
Texas Conference Press Superintendent.

### NORTH TEXAS.

Delegates to the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, North Texas Conference, will please send their names at once to Mrs. Henry Dorsey, 113 South Marsalis street, Station A, Dallas, Texas.

### NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Central Texas Conference will meet in annual session at Georgetown, April 22-25.

The program will be published soon. All the railroads will grant the usual rates.

Please let every Auxiliary elect delegates at once and send names to Mrs. C. S. Belford, Georgetown, Texas. Each Auxiliary may elect two delegates, one from each department. Let me urge that no society pay the expenses of any delegate who does not stay for the entire session.

We are expecting a great meeting, as the climax of the greatest year's work we have ever done.

By sending the names of your delegates early you will greatly aid the Georgetown ladies in their plans.

MRS. W. H. MATTHEWS,  
Recording Secretary,  
Cleburne, Texas.

### A \$12.00 VACATION.

A delightful, profitable vacation for twelve dollars! In beautiful June! How many of us women does that appeal to?

From June 3 to 19 the School of session at our College of Industrial Arts, in the Methodist Dormitory, Denton. This is a ten days' study of the day in Domestic Science in the College. Think of it! All you need, and all you get, for \$12! Mentally, spiritually and physically renewed and strengthened and vitalized!

Miss Haskins, the teacher in Scarritt Bible and Training School of Kansas City; Miss Howell, teacher in Sociology in the same school; our well-loved Miss Davies, Dr. Winton, Dr. Cooper, and others, are all to be there to instruct in their own peculiar subjects, and we get the benefit of all this wonderful knowledge and talent for this small sum—the entire expense for ten days is \$12!

All women of the Texas Conference, do save up for this; take advantage of it, meet new faces, get new methods, learn new ways and ideas along mission work and get in a new and broader road toward efficiency in your work in home and Sunday School and Society.

Let a whole lot of us go and have a good ten days together and see how much we can get out of it.

June 3-13. Denton. C. I. A.—our

own Methodist Dormitory. For further information address Mrs. F. B. Carroll, Denton; your Conference President, or your Conference Press Superintendent.

MRS. W. T. SPENCER,  
Tex. Conf. Press. Supt.

### ATTENTION, VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Attention, Fourth Vice-Presidents Central Texas Conference. I fear I have not reached you about our free will offering to the Virginia K. Johnson Home at Dallas, Texas. So, for fear I should leave some one out I take this opportunity to inform you I feel sure there is not a Fourth Vice-President in the Central Texas Conference but is glad to have a part in this. My request is this: That each Fourth Vice-President send me the small sum of \$1.00. I in turn will send to Mrs. Bloodworth to be sent to Mrs. Johnson to furnish a room in the V. K. Johnson School. This work at Dallas is truly social service work. I have already received response from the following. Thanks for being so prompt: Mrs. Horace Cheatham, Waxahatchie; Mrs. J. H. Wear, Rogers; Mrs. S. E. Guthrie, Comanche; Mrs. Sam Nix, Waco; Mrs. W. D. Arden, Ennis; Mrs. Mary Eiken, Hico; Mrs. Dollie Wylie, Bronte; Mrs. J. P. Sample, Waco; Mrs. T. D. Vaughan, Fort Worth.

If you have not done so, send at once for I feel sure you will be glad to give this small sum. Send to Mrs. E. H. Wynne, Temple, Texas.

### CRESSON WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

On February 15 Cresson Woman's Home Missionary Society met and elected following officers:

President, Mrs. Ida Lemmons; First and Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. M. M. Ruland; Second Vice-President, Mrs. George Jackson; Third Vice-President, Mrs. F. O. Fiddler; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Dillard; Treasurer, Mrs. Nell Anderson; Recording Secretary, Miss Mildred Stalcup; Press Reporter and Agent for Missionary Voice, Mrs. A. E. Watford.

On account of the ill health of our faithful and much-loved former president, Mrs. Krenshaw she begged to be released from this important work, and Mrs. Lemmons came to us from Chickasha, as a Godsend, and has begun her work most nobly. We met in a social gathering last Thursday and enjoyed an hour of reading and study and planning for this year's work; took a free-will offering for little mission charge in our district in which all joined; withal 'twas a very spiritual and helpful meeting.

We shall meet twice a month; one business, other social. Our society did some good personal work last year, and made \$115. Yet we have resolved this year to try to cultivate our own religious natures and make the soul-winning of people in our midst our first aim, and learn just where our help is most needed to go, and where we cannot go we will, we trust, give freely our means to send others; then we'll leave all the results in God's hands, never doubting that all will be well.

MRS. A. E. WATFORD,  
Press Reporter.

### TAYLOR—FIRST CHURCH.

Ours is a united society, although all the members do not belong to both departments. We meet four times a month. At the last business meeting there were twenty-two present and we have only forty-three members.

The first Monday in the month is our regular business session, the second Monday is devotional, the third is missionary day and the fourth Friday is devoted to our mission study class. We are studying "Mormonism." This is very pleasant in a social way as well as profitable. Miss Mary Moody is the teacher of this class, and is very efficient in this as well as all other Church work. The following officers have been elected and installed for the ensuing year: President, Miss Eva Lloyd; First Vice-President, Miss Mary Moody; Second Vice-President, Miss Nelle Henry; Third Vice-President, Mrs. E. Miller; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. J. F. Bowers; Corresponding Secretary of Home Department, Mrs. R. G. Lauck; Corresponding Secretary Foreign Department, Mrs. Wyley Pearson; Treasurer of Home Department, Mrs. A. E. Carraway; Treasurer Foreign Department, Miss Mary Moody; Local Treasurer, Mrs. G. D. Patterson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. E.

Carraway; Agent Missionary Voice, Mrs. J. W. Bales.

Our society has adopted the "Circle" plan. We are divided into seven circles, with a captain over each. All the ladies of the Church are in these, and each circle is trying to make as much money as possible. We think this plan a fine one. Our ladies are becoming interested as never before, and we believe we are going to accomplish great things this year with God's help. Our motto is, "Let us not be weary in well-doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

MRS. A. E. CARRAWAY,  
Press Reporter.

### STAPLES WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This closing month of our first quarter, we feel proud of our work and our new members. We now have nineteen members. We collected for this quarter \$6.20 conference dues. Amount expended for local work, \$29. We have taken an orphan to clothe—Ruth Marlow, of Waco. The society sent her a nice box for Easter. We all enjoyed a swap party that was given at Mrs. Q. J. Lounnan's, March 18. We had forty-five present. It was given for the benefit of the Missionary Society. We wish every lady in the Church would join us in this good work. It is a blessed privilege to belong to a society having for its aim the benefit of needy mankind, both at home and abroad. Our prayer for 1913 is, "Forgetting things which are behind, and reaching forth unto things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." We hope for a still better report for next quarter. Pray for us.

MRS. Q. J. LOWMAN,  
Corresponding Secretary.

### COOLIDGE AUXILIARY.

When the Christian Advocate makes its weekly visit to our home my first thought is to turn to the woman's page and read what other Home Mission Societies elsewhere are doing. I feel that as Press Superintendent of our society I should "speak out in meeting," and at least let others know we have not been asleep.

In January we elected the following officers: President, Mrs. A. J. Hancock; First Vice-President, Mrs. J. C. Byers; Second Vice-President, Mrs. F. B. Hancock; Third Vice-President, Mrs. C. W. Macune; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. J. D. Hawkins; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rod Hancock; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. N. Pyburn; Treasurer, Mrs. B. B. Brodnax; Press Superintendent and Agent for Missionary Voice, Mrs. A. W. Jowers.

This is our president's second term

and we feel that with her wise planning and her deep spiritual leadership our society will do a great work this year.

We have thirty-two members, with a very good average attendance. We meet each Monday afternoon, one Monday for business, one program, one lesson (at this meeting we have the Bible Questions and answers) and one social meeting.

We raised last year, for dues, \$29.90; for conference pledge, \$9.80; for conference expense fund, \$1.10; Week of Prayer, \$10.85; value of supplies sent, \$32. Cash expended on parsonage, \$95. Total funds expended locally \$157.45.

We have started the new year by taking one of the dear little orphan girls at Waco to clothe for the year. We are going to give \$5 on the cow for the Virginia Johnson Home. We have also made individual conference pledges that will amount to fifty dollars, to be directed to the Virginia Johnson Home. We have quilted two quilts that we hope to send them soon. We feel that this home has accomplished untold good, and our society wants to help in the great work.

Almost three months of the new year have slipped away, but we hope to accomplish great things ere the other nine have gone into history. God graciously blessed our efforts last year, and our prayer is that we may plant our feet on higher ground and press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

May our Father's richest blessings rest upon all of our home mission work, and may we get a greater vision of our vast field of labor and with the help of our blessed Lord grasp these glorious opportunities as they come our way. For let us remember that we pass this way but once.

MRS. A. W. JOWERS,  
Press Superintendent.

### A DINING ROOM SHOWER AT THE REBECCA SPARKS CO-OPERATIVE HOME, WACO, TEXAS.

The thirteenth anniversary of the Rebecca Sparks Co-Operative Home was most appropriately celebrated with a dining room shower on the afternoon of February twenty-sixth.

The president and members of the City Mission Board, together with Miss Ethel Jackson, deaconess and head resident, Mrs. Orr, the housekeeper and several of the young ladies who live in the house, received those who called. The library was converted into a beautiful tea room, where delicious tea and sandwiches were served. Hundreds of violets were used in decoration.

The entire house was opened for inspection, but the interest centered chiefly in the dining room, which has

just been renovated. The walls have been hung with beautiful paper in soft tones of brown and cream. The old rough floors have been covered with beautiful linoleum, which corresponds with the wall paper. In fact, the dining room has been made new, and is positively the prettiest room in the house. New shades and curtains were hung by the children's societies of Austin Avenue Church, and a new dining table was contributed by the young ladies of a Sunday School class at Herring Avenue Church. Quantities of silver knives, forks, large and small spoons and odds and ends of spoons were received. We have not the names of all the donors, but we are indebted to the Order of the Eastern Star for some beautiful teaspoons.

Beautiful table linen was the gift of some of the Jewish friends of the Home. Dishes of every description filled the china closet. Besides all of these, the coin plate at the door caught several dollars.

This, the thirteenth anniversary of the Co-Operative Home, is truly one for rejoicing, for the Home is free from debt, the first time since its organization; the last note was paid the first of February. To Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker is due the credit that the last note of \$1500 has been paid, for he personally solicited the money with which to pay the debt.


Mrs. Wigley, President of the City Mission Board, in a short talk, told something of the history of the Home, and its early struggle for existence. The note was then burned, in the presence of the guests, by Mrs. J. H. Mackey, wife of Mayor Mackey, and daughter of Mrs. Rebecca Sparks, founder of the Home. How thankfully all joined in singing, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

This report would be incomplete without a word of praise for our deaconess, Miss Jackson, who is the life and spirit of the Home. The girls call her "little Mother," which is the greatest tribute that could be paid her. There are now twenty-seven girls in the Home, which tax its capacity. These girls come from all over Texas, seeking employment, or come to prepare themselves to be wage earners. In this Home, the girls find a real home, with a real mother, and the cheapest board in the city. If any of the Advocate readers know girls who are coming to Waco for work, send them to the Co-Operative Home, where all assistance possible will be given them.

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THE PASSING DAY

President Woodrow Wilson broke all recent precedents and went in person before Congress last Tuesday and read his message to that body. It was only done in this way once before, and that was a hundred years ago.

President Wilson is urging Congress to pass a revised tariff law and among the articles he wants placed upon the free list is wool and sugar. He regards these as among the necessities of life and wants the people to have them at the lowest price.

It is gradually leaking out that President Huerta really had President Madero and Vice-President Suarez murdered in the palace and that their bodies were placed in an auto under guard and the pretended killing took place on the way to the penitentiary. And the charge is openly made that our Ambassador Wilson connived at the crime.

The English suffragettes are leading a militant campaign and actually doing deeds of violence. One of their leaders was recently convicted of such and given a three-year sentence in prison. This has stirred their following and London is having a hard time to control the situation.

There is some friction between the Huerta and Diaz faction in Mexico. There seems to be danger of another civil outbreak down there. A large number of foreign citizens have left that country in view of the conditions now obtaining. Mexico is a land of revolution.

Hon. J. R. Buchanan, of Washington County, and member of the Legislature, was elected from that district last Saturday to succeed Hon. A. S. Burleson in the United States Congress. Judge Calhoun was the opposing candidate. Mr. Buchanan will go at once to Washington and take his seat in that body.

gured in Jerusalem by the Ottoman Government for its own use. This has resulted in application being made for a public system not only for Jerusalem, but also for Jaffa and Bethlehem.

One of the latest patents issued by the German Government is for a process producing a substance said to be a perfect substitute for leather. This substitute is prepared from a special mildew or fungus grown on gelatine or a similar substance.

The districts in the Middle West, recently swept by storms and floods, are rapidly adjusting themselves to their normal conditions. Abundant help was

sent to them from all sections of the country, and while their losses are heavy, they are addressing themselves to the duty of beginning life again with hope of success.

St. Louis is to spend \$30,000,000 for a subway. Noting this fact, one of our exchanges is heartless enough to say, "the town can always find the cash for underground work."

A telephone system has been inaugurated in the United States purchased \$15,000,000 more of foreign goods during the month of February this year than during the same month of 1912, and sold to foreign countries \$5,000,000 less of American produced goods.

Field Marshall Lord Wolseley, of the British Army, died last week, in his eightieth year. He had lived in retirement for thirteen years, being succeeded, in 1901, by Lord Roberts as commander-in-chief.

Statistics on file with the North Dakota Development League shows that there are now 7500 Jewish families on farms in the United States having a total of 37,000 Jews engaged in agriculture. North Dakota stands fourth in Jewish farmers.

The High School Board of North Dakota has decided that out of a necessary sixteen units for graduation, a course in the study of the Bible will be counted as one-half unit. The course is to be pursued outside of the school, but examinations will be held by high school authorities.

On March 24, Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn writer, was 93 years old. She is in good health. She is the author of more than 6000 hymns, some of which are known around the world. Her home is in Bridgeport, Conn.

The common house fly is charged with being one of the most dangerous foes to the health of the community. It carries disease germs and breeds filth. Now is the time to begin the summer campaign by cleaning up and screening.

The French Chamber of Deputies has recently passed, by a majority of five hundred to two, a law that no corporation, manufactory or other public or private industrial companies in France shall be permitted to hire any workmen for more than six consecutive days in every seven, and that the day of rest shall be, whenever possible, on the Sabbath.

At Quanah, Texas, March 27, Percy Belcher, nineteen, was found guilty of the murder of his father, W. R. Belcher, a wealthy retired cattleman. The jury sentenced him to sixty years

in the penitentiary. Throughout his trial Belcher contended his father was still alive. The dead man's body was found in a pasture June 6, 1912. It was wrapped in blankets. There were two gunshot wounds in the head and one in the body. A few days later young Belcher was arrested in Oklahoma City. The last time Belcher was seen alive was two weeks prior to the finding of the body. He drew \$500 from a bank in Quanah and drove away in a buggy with his son.

At Allahabad, British India, March 26, Lieut. Clark, of the Indian Army Medical Department, was hanged for the murder of Fulham, an examiner of military accounts, of which he was found guilty on March 1 by the Superior Court at Agra. He died without flinching and did not speak while on the scaffold. He was buried in the military cemetery of the garrison, an army chaplain officiating.

Dr. M. H. Thomas, a native of Huntington, Ind., who has been for fifteen years in New York City conducting exhaustive experiments in the treatment of appendicitis, has made public an announcement that he has discovered a method whereby the disease may be cured without the use of the knife. From four to six weeks are required to effect his cure. His discovery has received the endorsement of prominent physicians of New York City.

Mrs. Marshall, wife of our Vice-President, is quoted as saying: "Never but once since our marriage have we attended a social affair on the Sabbath, and then Mr. Marshall announced upon returning home that he had not enjoyed it, because he did not think it right. He would never attend another."

One hundred thousand decrees of divorce, it is said, were granted in the United States during the year 1912. By these decrees 70,000 children, ten years of age and under have been deprived of one or both parents. That is a peril to the future of this country it would be difficult to set down in figures.

In a decade immigration has given to Texas a population exceeding that of Vermont, New Hampshire or Delaware, and the money moved into the State during this period has exceeded the assessed value of all the property in all of the above named States. A child is born in the State every four minutes, reaching 122,000 each year. There are 42,734 deaths, thus showing the net gain of population to be 78,266 per year. Ninety-eight per cent of the people of Texas speak the English language, seventy per cent are native whites, nineteen per cent are negroes and only ten per cent are foreign born.

Nearly \$100,000,000 has been invested in aeronautical work by the chief nations of the world during the past five years. Germany leads with 400 aeroplanes, thirty dirigibles and an expenditure of \$28,000,000. France comes next with 400 aeroplanes and twenty-five dirigibles, while Russia, Italy, Austria, England and Belgium follow in the order named. The United States is number fourteen with twenty-eight aeroplanes and one dirigible and an expenditure of \$435,000.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

The Graford Church will be dedicated third Sunday in July. All former pastors are invited to be present. B. S. CROW, P. C.

SOME CORRECTIONS.

In a recent letter the type made me say "Mormonism, the Japan of America," should have been "the Islam of America." I wrote "We had one of the best poundings," instead of "foragings." W. W. HORNER.

The Hay-Ramsey revival in Belton is due Bro. John S. Dunn, not J. C. Mimms.

The recent obituary, written by Bro. B. C. Anderson, should have read "Zimmerman" instead of "Jimmermon."

CORDIAL INVITATION.

We want ours to be the best District Conference yet. We extend a cordial invitation to every pastor to bring his wife. E. V. COX, 7th Street, Temple.

NOTICE.

We are in the midst of a prohibition election to be held in Elgin, Bastrop County. The main argument used against the movement is that it will kill the town from a business standpoint. Now, I want every banker, lawyer, merchant, farmer or laborer

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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from the North Texas dry counties to write me their experience with privilege to publish their letters in the interest of the cause here. Address, C. W. WEBB, Elgin, Texas.

DEDICATION NOTICE.

The Methodist Church at Dixon Chapel, on the Red Oak Circuit, will be dedicated May 18, 1913, third Sunday. The sermon will be preached by Rev. J. A. Whitehurst, presiding elder, Waxahachie, Texas. All former pastors and friends are invited to be present. JOSEPHUS LEE, P. C.

A GOOD HABIT.

We can't do without the Advocate; we have fallen into the habit of taking it. Not a "bad habit," by the way, for it is one of the best of its kind and ought to be in every Methodist home. T. H. YARBROUGH, Ennis, Texas.

HALF MILLION LOAN FUND.

The Loan Fund Capital of the Board of Church Extension has reached \$501,387.16 at the close of our fiscal year, March 31, 1913, which is an increase of \$66,222.66 for the year. W. F. McMURRY, Corresponding Secretary, April 5, 1913.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE MISSION BOARD.

The Board of Missions of the North Texas Conference will please meet in First Methodist Church, Dallas, May 7, at 10 a. m. We hope that every member of the Board will be present as we will have with us several representatives of the Parent Board. This is a rare opportunity to hear men who are familiar with all our mission fields. O. S. THOMAS, President, C. W. DENNIS, Secretary.

TEXAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Texas Conference Board of Missions is called to meet in Dallas, Wednesday, May 7. The following are members of the Board: I. F. Betts, J. W. Bergin, C. U. McLarty, D. H. Hotchkiss, F. M. Boyles, Glen Flinn, R. S. Bowers, J. J. Faulk, H. N. Runcells, A. S. Whitehurst, R. A. Burroughs, C. H. Booth, J. W. Hoke, H. B. Goodman, H. L. Griffin, G. S. Sexton, J. B. Turentine, J. D. Campbell, J. W. Madden, C. M. Henderson. We will meet in the Publishing House, 2 p. m., on above date. The General Board of Missions will meet in Dallas at this time and it is earnestly desired that every member of the Conference Board will be present and attend the meetings of the General Board. The Conference Board can do all of its work in one afternoon. I. F. BETTS, Pres., Marlin, Texas, April 5, 1913.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FOR SALE—Pipe organ in St. Patrick's R. C. Church, Fort Worth. Two Manuals and Pedal Organ, 18 stops, 478 pipes. Made by Hook & Hastings. In first-class condition. Cost \$2,000. Can be bought for \$850 f. o. b. Fort Worth. For further particulars, apply VERY REV. DEAN NOLAN, or PROF. R. J. LAMB, 833 Taylor Street.

BROTHER, accidentally discovered root will cure both toacaco habit and indigestion. Gladly send particulars. T. B. STOKES, Mohawk, Florida.

NOTICE, VOICE TEACHERS.

I WOULD like to get into communication with a competent teacher of vocal music. If there is such a person who is looking for a place to locate permanently, it would pay him to cast his glances this way. We have a contingent population of 5000 people in our town, and in that territory we have various and sundry teachers of musical instruments, but not one vocal teacher. I can lend a good man valuable assistance in securing a class. For the immediate present I would like to correspond with a man who would agree to take a class for a few days to train in reading music. IRA F. KEY, Box 291, Alvin, Texas.

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QUEEN OF DIXIE Hen and Chick Feed, a "Brand of Quality." We invite comparison as to its merits. Orders for local shipments promptly filled. Hen feed \$2.25; chick feed, \$2.50 per 100 pounds delivered at your station. LAWYER-BURGERER GRAIN CO., Dallas, Texas.

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SINGER.

SINGER WANTED—Write J. R. Aichley, Denton, Texas.

TENTS WANTED.

WANTED a tent large enough to accommodate five hundred people for use about two weeks. State rent on same in first letter. REV. H. A. ABNEY, Cleveland, Texas.

WILL HELP IN MEETINGS.

I AM PLANNING my summer work now. I will have some spare time and would be glad to help some of the brethren in their revival meeting this summer. C. A. THARP, Clarendon, Texas.

I KNOW R. J. BRADFORD to be an excellent choir leader and singer. Those needing his services in meetings can address him, 2112 Masten Street, Dallas, Texas. REV. REX WILKES.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Hillsboro District. The District Conference will be held at Penelope, beginning with Epworth League Conference, May 28, at 11 a. m. Sunday School Conference, May 29, 9:30 a. m. District Conference sermon, May 29, 8 p. m. The conference to continue through Sunday. Program for Education Rally will be announced later. HOKACE BISHOP, P. E.

Clarendon District. To the preachers of the Clarendon District: Please send me the names of all that will attend the Clarendon District Conference at Hedley, May 2-5, from your charges that I may provide adequate entertainment for all. Please send names at once. G. H. BRYANT, P. C.

Marlin District. The Marlin District Conference will meet in Cameron, June 25-27. Opening sermon Tuesday, June 24, at 8 p. m., by Rev. A. A. Kidd. Committees are as follows: License to Preach and Admission—A. A. Wagon, J. W. Bergin, A. T. Walker. Orders—J. D. H. Houck, L. H. McGee, J. O. Coppage. I. F. BETTS, P. E.

Waxahachie District. All candidates for license to preach and for admission on trial, Waxahachie District, will please meet the committee at Britton, April 22, at 8 p. m., at the Methodist Church. S. A. ASHBURN, Chairman of Committee.

Beaumont District. The Beaumont District Conference will be held in Woodville, Tyler County, Texas, June 22-26. Opening sermon by Ed. J. Norris, June 22, 8 p. m. E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

Cleburne District. Cleburne District Conference will meet at Godley, 11 a. m., Tuesday, June 3. J. G. Pollard will preach the opening sermon. The following are the committees: License—W. H. Mathews, W. J. Heaton, T. E. Bowman. Recommendation for Admission—Homer Moore, H. F. Brooks, C. N. Morton. Recommendations for Deacons' and Elders' Orders—S. P. Nevill, D. A. McGuire, R. O. Sorey. W. W. MOSS, P. E.

READY FOR WORK.

We are getting ready for revival work. I have felt especially called to this work for years. I strongly believe in the specialist in revival work. It obtains in everything else where there are "doings." Many things have hindered or this announcement could have been in the Advocate long ago. Mrs. Bloodworth and my son, Lloyd, will assist me when and where needed. My son can conduct the music department and is pronounced a good leader. We are ready to help you, brother pastor, in city or hamlet. An Advocate agent and an anxious to enlarge the great paper. I am much gratified with the growing interest in the paper all over Texas and elsewhere. Don't be afraid to call for us where souls are to be saved. J. T. BLOODWORTH.

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## Obituaries

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Poetry Can in No Case be Inserted. Extra copies of paper containing obituaries can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent. Price, five cents per copy.

### OUR MOTHER IS GONE.

A feeling of inexpressible sadness and loneliness fills one's mind and heart when he realizes that his first best friend has gone hence. So felt one sister and four brothers and a great host of other relatives and friends when "upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning," of April 6, 1913, their dear mother finished up life's work of useful toil and service and crossed over into the new eternal Sabbath. She was eighty-one years old; had been a devout consistent Christian from childhood and a member of the Church, "in whom there was no guile," for sixty-five years and more. She was the most unselfish, charitable person this writer, her eldest born, has ever known. Her life was literally given, and joyfully, too, for others. The hundreds and thousands who came in touch with her beautiful life will, with her children, "rise up and call her blessed." She walked the lonely vale of widowhood for more than forty years, heroically met the battle of life, raised two families, her own and that of a deceased daughter. She fought the last battle bravely and submissively. So when on tomorrow we lay her tired body to rest in the cemetery at Granbury, Texas, with others of our sacred dead, we shall do it, not as those "who have no hope," but as those who with an eye of faith penetrate the dimness and darkness that veil the future and with the songs of triumph in hearts we shall declare "our mother is gone," but not dead. She lives evermore and we shall see her again. W. J. MOORE. Sulphur, Okla.

GREEN.—Rosa L. Green, wife of Charles Green, departed this life March 14, 1913, near Porter's Bluff, Texas. Was born in Ellis County, Texas, near Middlethian, September, 1853; married May 29, 1879. Four children were born unto them, three of whom preceded them to the grave, and one left to battle with the ills of life alone. She was converted in early life and joined the M. E. Church, South, and tried to live a faithful Christian. When her last days came she said she was ready to go and sang some of the sweet songs of Zion with her niece on her deathbed. May the good Lord help us to so live that when death comes we will, like her, be ready and willing to go where no sin nor sorrow can ever come. Her sister, FANNIE FORRESTER.

CAMERON.—Christie Cameron was born in Austin, Texas, October 26, 1899; graduated from the Baker School January, 1912. Was elected poetess of her class which place she filled with dignity, distinction and honor. She entered the High School of which she was a pupil at the time of her death, which was on Saturday morning, February 1, 1913. Hers was a bright, sunny disposition, bringing sunshine and cheer to all who came in contact with her. In the home, at school, among her associates, and in the Church we find her in the same cheerful humor; always ready and willing to lend a helping hand wherever it was needed. How the younger sister and brother enjoyed saying, "Sister said so!" How the parents had learned to lean upon and look to her for help! Just as she was blooming into beautiful womanhood, just as the bud was unfolding into the fragrant flower, after two weeks of intense suffering, following an operation for appendicitis, she sweetly and quietly fell asleep in Jesus' arms to awake in the Beautiful City, where there is no more pain or sorrow, suffering or death. She has only gone before to prepare the way for others, that we following the example she set, may too, rest with Him and bask forever in the sunshine of God's love. She was tenderly laid away by loving hands here in Austin where she spent her short, sweet young life, amid a mound of lovely flowers which only reflected the beautiful life she had lived. As long as life itself lasts, the influence of her sweet life will abide with us that knew her, for to know her was but to love her. We that are left behind ever think of the flower that has been gathered into God's garden whose fragrance will last forever and ever. MRS. C. H. C.

THOMAS.—Mrs. Martha E. Thomas was born March 1, 1851, in Meigs County, Tenn.; died at Salesville, Texas, Dec. 31, 1912. She married Mr. R. H. Thomas, Aug. 27, 1876, in McMinn County, Tenn. God gave them three lovely children, two boys and one girl, all of whom are married and live near the old home at Salesville. When they came to Texas they first settled in Hood County. She gave her heart to God and became a happy Christian at the age of eighteen and ever lived devoted to God. She was confined to her bed six months before her death. In all her affliction she was patient and exemplified the true Christian spirit. Her conversation was on the Church and its welfare and was anxious for her family to contribute to the building of a church at Salesville, which they did, and the church is now being built. May they all meet at the river that flows from the throne of God. Her pastor, B. S. CROW.

ELY.—Arthur Gordon, little son of Brother and Sister A. W. Ely, was born October 26, 1906; died March 29, 1913. Little Gordon was sick several weeks and suffered quite a great deal, but was always submissive and obedient. I have never witnessed a more beautiful patience on the part of a little child. We laid him away to rest in the beautiful cemetery at Merkel, Texas, where in peace his little body may await the resurrection day. Remember father, mother and dear brothers and sisters, that your little Gordon has gone home to be with Jesus in the Father's house of many mansions, and in that sweet home, so free from all sorrow and suffering, he will await your home-coming and welcome you at the beautiful gates of pearl. Be faithful and meet your little boy in heaven. C. E. LYNN, P. C.

WILLIAMS.—Sister G. H. Williams (nee Duke) was born September 28, 1818, in Lafayette County, Mississippi, and departed this life January 23, 1913, at Blackwell, Texas. At the tender age of thirteen years she gave her heart to God, hence more than a half century was spent in the service of her Lord. She was married to G. H. Williams October 10, 1865. Nine children were born to them. She made her kingdom the home of the homeless, for in addition to her own children she mothered thirteen orphan children. Surely her reward is great in her Father's house. Her body rests at Bonanza, Hopkins County, Texas, but her soul is with God waiting to greet husband and children. CAL C. WRIGHT, P. C. Blackwell, Texas.

SARTAIN.—Mrs. Martha A. Sartain died at her home in Gibtown, Texas, March 23, 1913. She was born Oct. 13, 1832. Was converted and joined the Church in early life. She was the mother of a large family, all except one being members of the Church. Sister Sartain is gone, but her works do follow after. How can we measure the life of a good mother? "Many will rise up in that day and call her blessed" because of the "heaven" she hid in the lives of her children. Sorrow not, dear ones; it's true the parting is grievous, but the reuniting will be joyous. Mother is gone, but you shall soon see her. Do you want to live with mother in eternity? Then accept Jesus as your leader. He will lead you to her and reunite you again. God bless the grief-stricken ones, and may the memory of mother constrain you when you are tempted to turn aside into forbidden paths and keep you in the straight and narrow way that leads to God. Her pastor, W. W. BARNETT.

DOOLIN.—Mrs. Ella Doolin (nee McGee) was born in Milam County, Texas, Sept. 28, 1893; departed this life at Paris, Texas, Feb. 19, 1913; laid to rest in the Campched Cemetery, Delta County, Texas, to await the resurrection morn. Sister Doolin was married to J. W. Doolin in 1908. To this happy union two children were born. Sister Ella Doolin was converted at the age of 12 years and joined the M. E. Church, South, and lived a faithful member until her death. She leaves a husband, two children, a brother and a host of friends to mourn her death. I would say to the husband and friends to look to Him who is able to comfort in the midst of trouble and let the will of Him who is our guide be done, and press on to the city where there shall be no separation. Sister Doolin has paid the debt that we all must pay. So I would say, live for Him who died for thee. May the richest blessing rest upon the motherless children, and may the father be directed by the Spirit of God to raise his children to be useful. Blessings on all of the bereaved. J. C. GIBBONS. Lake Creek, Texas.

FINCH.—Syntha Jane Finch (nee Phillips) was born in Alabama, September 1, 1859; moved with her parents and settled in Lamar County, Texas, in 1866; married to W. F. Finch December 23, 1875. She, with her husband, moved to Fisher County, Texas, in 1889; died in their home seven miles west of Roby, February 7, 1913. She was the mother of five children; three preceded her to the better land. One daughter and one son, with the devoted husband, two brothers and nine grandchildren are left to mourn her departure. Sister Finch was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, under the ministry of the sainted C. L. Ballard. She was a devoted companion, mother and neighbor and Christian, always at her post when able to be at Church. Her neighbors speak of her in the highest terms. She had been teacher in the Fairview Sunday School for years. Her home was the home of the pastor, whenever he felt he needed rest. She was a good woman and everybody loved her, and all miss her in the community. We mourn, but not as those who have no hope. We expect to meet her again. We laid her body to rest in the Roby Cemetery February 8, 1913, amid the sobs and tears of a host of relatives and friends. Her pastor, I. N. ANDERSON. Roby, Texas.

STEPP.—Frances J. Stepp (nee Alfred) was born in Noxubee County, Mississippi, Jan. 14, 1838; moved to Texas with her parents in 1849; was converted and united with the M. E. Church, South, when fourteen years of age; was married to Rev. N. L. Stepp March 28, 1859. Four children were born of this union, three of whom are still living—Rev. D. F. Stepp, local preacher, of Karnes charge; Mrs. W. M. Huggins, of Corsicana; and Mrs. T. O. Griffith, of Tecumseh, Okla., at whose home Sister Stepp died, Aug. 24, 1912. The writer was Sister Stepp's pastor for three years while on the Kerens charge, and knew her to be a good woman in deed and in truth. It was always a blessing to me to visit her home. There was a spiritual atmosphere in that home which made me a better man because of the visit. During the last years of her life her suffering at times was great, but she endured as seeing Him who is invisible; not a word of complaint. "Her life went out as sweetly and peacefully as the dying winds of heaven expire amid the last heard murmurs of the aeolian harp." She being dead, yet speaketh. Speaks of a life of self-sacrifice and devotion to duty; speaks of that simplicity of faith in the providence of God and of that triumphant faith in a life of immortality beyond the grave. Dear sister and friend, farewell, but not forever. We shall meet again in that land of peace and love—in that land of fadeless flowers—where we shall see the King in his beauty, in whose presence is fullness of joy, at his right hand are pleasures forevermore. G. W. KINCHLOE.

MAYFIELD.—Sam Mayfield, infant son of Brother and Sister J. S. Mayfield, was born at Coryell, Texas, Aug. 15, 1912; departed this life March 12, 1913, aged 6 months, 27 days. This precious babe's stay on earth was brief, but it was long enough to intertwine itself strongly in the heart's dearest affections. As it was not often well doubtless it suffered much pain, but now it dwells in resplendent realms where suffering never comes. Its immortal spirit awaits father and mother, who are "pressing with holy vigor on." L. B. SAWYERS.

EDENS.—Tipp Edens was born in San Angelo, Texas, to B. A. and Mattie R. Edens, July, 1894. When four years old his parents moved into the R-Bar community, Howard County, where Tipp grew almost to manhood. In 1910 he, with his parents, moved to Winkelman, Arizona. Last July his parents returned to R-Bar, Howard County, the former home, leaving Tipp with an elder brother in Arizona, not thinking that they were bidding the baby boy an eternal earthly farewell. He was stricken with that dread disease, spinal meningitis. His father went to him and all that was possible was done for him, but to no avail. Tipp was born from above at R-Bar Church, in 1908, under the preaching of Rev. Simeon Shaw. His life was ever consistent. He loved his Lord, read the Bible and lived its truths, hence his was the life beautiful. No one doubted his Christian life, because he eschewed evil and walked by faith and kept himself unspotted from the world. The writer held the service and we laid his body to rest in the Salem Cemetery, Feb. 23, 1913, to await the resurrection morning. Dear papa and mamma and loved ones, Tipp has only gone on to the home of the blessed and is watching and waiting for you. M. D. HILL, P. C.



## The Tenderfoot Farmer

It was one of these experimental farmers, who put green spectacles on his cow and fed her shavings. His theory was that it didn't matter what the cow ate so long as she was fed. The questions of digestion and nourishment had not entered into his calculations.

It's only a "tenderfoot" farmer that would try such an experiment with a cow. But many a farmer feeds himself regardless of digestion and nutrition. He might almost as well eat shavings for all the good he gets out of his food. The result is that the stomach grows "weak" the action of the organs of digestion and nutrition are impaired and the man suffers the miseries of dyspepsia and the agonies of nervousness.

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METTAUER.—Mary Ann Crisp was born at Chireno, Nacogdoches County, Texas, Sept. 8, 1818; died at her daughter's residence, Mrs. J. H. Brantley, in the town of Nacogdoches, March 26, 1913, at 2:30 a. m., aged 64 years, 6 months and 18 days. She was married to John T. Mettauer, Dec. 19, 1867. They lived together forty-five years, three months and six days. To the union there were born ten children, five boys and five girls, four of whom preceded her to the spirit land. Surviving her are R. E. Mettauer, of Chireno, Texas; J. M. Mettauer, of San Francisco, Calif.; G. C. Mettauer of Saralla, Texas; Ida Thrash and Lizzie Brantley, of Nacogdoches, Tex.; Mary Daniels, of Long Branch, Texas. The husband and father of these children lives at Rockland. In 1881 she professed religion and joined the Methodist Church at Chireno and remained true and faithful to her vows and obligations to the hour of her death. She was buried by the Eastern Star Chapter, of which she was a member at Rockland. Her health was not good for several years, and for the last twelve months she was unable to go about her household duties. Her suffering was great, but her spirit of submission and patience enabled her to await the time without a murmur. She realized her condition and was ready to welcome her release. Her home was a happy one, and always made welcome the preachers who chanced to come that way. Her home was always open to the preacher, and not only to them, but to hosts of friends. The Advocate was always a welcome visitor to her home. She has been a subscriber for the paper for years. She leaves the husband, stricken in age, alone in the home, to miss her more than all others. The children and grandchildren and a host of friends will miss her, but their loss is her gain. We can only point the sorrowing ones to her Lord and his grace, who was her stay and support through life and comfort in death. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, they shall rest from their labors." Written by one of her former pastors who knew her well. A. G. SCRUGGS.

### MRS MARY E. ZIMMERMAN.

"And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels." It is easy for one, without consideration to say, thus and so "is a jewel of first water." But how often it is said without meaning or truth! Paste diamonds cannot bear pressure; only genuine ones are put to the test in this way. The great Alchemist, however, has the art of putting his jewels through gradations of pressure whereby he transmutes the most inferior into noblest types. The only question always is, will they bear the pressure? If, after the slight pressure is let down on them, they hold together, this guarantees a resistive force mightier for every succeeding test which is sure to follow, for the great Artist loves the best, and it is in this way the transmutation is perfected. "When thou shalt be old, another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldst not." "Whom He loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth." This is the invariable order, and thus the work is completed. While writing the above I had in mind Mrs. Mary E. Zimmerman, relict of Rev. T. H. Zimmerman of the South Carolina Conference. Her maiden name was Hammond, one of the best families of South Carolina, the State that has given to the Nation so many noble men and women, as to make her famous on that line. Her exemplary life spanned eighty years and six days, having been born March 2, 1833, in South Carolina and receiving her translation March 8, 1913, in Naples, Texas. Her remains were laid to rest until the resurrection in the little cemetery at Union Chapel, Texas, March

10. Her three surviving children were present at the obsequies, and with long and loud lament they bewail their loss, for a great loss it is, since mother has been taken from them. She was mother of seven children, five boys and two girls, who bore the noble name of Zimmerman, and one or two by a former husband. She and Brother Zimmerman were united in marriage by Rev. W. A. McSwain, of the South Carolina Conference, May 1, 1860, and since 1887 she has been a widow, patiently awaiting her call to join the loved ones gone before. Now that long expected union has been effected, "and, oh, what joy it must be to be there!" Sister Zimmerman was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at old Sandy Springs Campground during a great meeting held at that place in September, 1850. Hers was a genuine conversion, of the true type, renovating and renewing the whole nature which gave an impetus that moved with accelerated velocity till the time of her taking away. The campmeeting was a great affair in those days. Men gathered from far and near, camping on the ground for a week and more, and the great preachers came from distant places, and for the time the tide ran high, and the shout of victory was heard on the grounds and through the woods round about. It was in the midst of a glow, begotten in a scene of this character, that Sister Zimmerman was "born again." Her life thereafter justified her then profession. She was baptized and received into the Church by Rev. John McCall under the ministry of Rev. Milas Puckett. For twenty-seven years Sister Zimmerman occupied the parsonage home, and sometimes it was only their "own hired house," as parsonages were not so numerous in those days as now. But, whether humble or more noble, there was always a queen in that home who moved with evenness of temper, and perseverance in patience and buoyancy of hope that beget confidence and gladness. Her religion made her as a ray of sunshine, for she was always bright and naturally she scattered light and joy about her. It was refreshing to commune with her. She knew the "secret place of the Most High," and many souls she was able to lead thither. She was a great help to her noble husband; for he was a mighty man in his day, moving with gravity and solemn mien, and upright dignity of bearing and great force of character. He filled some of the best charges in his conference, and always, everywhere, she was able to cope with the situation and move in the circles about her with composure and helpfulness. Sister Zimmerman was a woman of extraordinary mind, clear in her vision of things, and what we call a level-headed woman. She never flew from a proper balance, but with a clear head she held steadily on to the right way and if any about her were disposed to the doubtful or the extreme and thus lead off into questionable conduct she was able to bring them around and steady them in the right way. She was clear in her understanding of the Scriptures, and she loved and studied them much. She was a woman of much prayer and meditation and as a consequence she ripened into a perfected Christian character? There was a sacredness that pervaded the atmosphere about her; you felt that you were in the presence of one of God's elect ones when with her. She was kind, amiable, sympathetic, and withal, maintained a dignified carriage that compelled respect as well as love. She was a real disciplinarian, which was demonstrated in the fact that she ruled her own house. Hers was a discipline of the old-time type. Her children obeyed, but they also loved her. A proof of her authority in her own home is found in that all her children were and are Christians. Three of her sons became preachers of the gospel



she so much loved and exemplified. Sam, the oldest, was a member of the South Carolina Conference until his death a few years ago, and Walter died a member of the Gulf Mission Conference and Olin F. is now a member of the Texas Conference, and is a promising young preacher. Sister Zimmerman, though true and tried in all that makes a Christian, was not without those trials that perfect God's children. The pressure of test was let down heavily on her, but as a genuine jewel she sustained the severest trial. She was called upon to grieve for two devoted husbands and four grown children who preceded her to the land of the blessed. Only they who have gone that way can tell of such sorrow, or truly sympathize with sorrowing ones. But she had trodden the winepress, and drunk deep of its dregs. She came forth a stronger and brighter Christian character. It is pleasing to think of such noble works of God as is seen in such as this devout woman presents. She departed as she had lived. When her time came she had but to lay down her armor and enter upon the eternal life of joy and heavenly service. She left a good testimony, a good name, and a hallowed influence behind her. Her children rise up to call her blessed as well as do many others.

A. S. WHITEHURST.

**WALKER.**—J. E. Walker of Grandview departed this life March 6, 1913. He was born in Williamson County, Texas, near the present site of the town of Round Rock, Dec. 27, 1858. His parents were J. B. Walker and Mary Blair Walker. He came of pioneer stock, and his early days were spent in the atmosphere of frontier life, and much of the frontier spirit and hardihood flowed in his veins. We find him when he was quite a child as a cowboy on the cattle trail across the prairies and plains. He was married in early manhood to Miss Louise B. Sproul in Hamilton County, and there came to this union seven children, only three surviving him. About twenty-eight years ago Brother Walker came to Grandview, and he had been identified with all the movements of the town ever since. Something more than twenty-four years ago, in a meeting during the pastorate of H. C. Jolly, conducted by R. R. Raymond, he was converted and became a member of the Church, and all realized that a new life and a new spirit had come to Eph Walker, as he was familiarly called by his friends. J. E. Walker was a man who did his own thinking and hewed his own way in the world, very ardent in spirit, bold and fearless, exceedingly impulsive in all his nature. Sometimes he was wrong, and at times would be aroused beyond due limit, but was ready, when shown that he was wrong, to turn quickly to the right, and was ready to apologize when he discovered that he had been unjust. He was a courteous man and ever ready to serve his friends and loved ones. He was scrupulously honest, and through all of his active business life friends and enemies alike declared their faith in his honesty. As a business man, it was one of his chief delights to find men who were down and out, whom he believed were honest and only needed a chance, and aid them; and while he lay upon the bed in his last sickness, as long as he was conscious he delighted to talk about these men who had made good, and of their loyalty to him. He would say that this was worth living for. He was a man who was on one side of every proposition. As a business man he was active. He was alive to all the calls of business, and knew his business; as a citizen he was interested in politics, local and National, giving his time and money to the enforcement of law, and was on the side of civic righteousness. He was active in educational matters, serving for many years as a school trustee on the local school board, and he had shown interest in the educational enterprises of his Church, making donations to the same, only some months ago making a subscription of \$500 to the Southern Methodist University. He was active in Church affairs, being an official for many years, and had no small part in the development of Methodism in Grandview. In fact, J. E. Walker has written himself in all the movements of this town for more than a quarter of a century. They brought his body to the Church and there gathered the largest assemblage ever gathered in Grandview to show respect and honor to the dead, making the longest funeral procession ever witnessed in this town, and as they carried his body to the church all business ceased and hushed with closed doors until his body was laid away in the earth. The sacred funeral service of the Church was conducted, followed by the service of his Masonic brethren. Several of his former pastors were present to pay him

honor and to show their love. Sweet and beautiful were the floral offerings that came from far and near, and as these rested on the raised mound that marked his resting place, they were radiant with voices whispering of the glorious immortality that awaits us in the fields of light above. And while we must say good-bye, and it was hard, for we will miss him when we take up again the work of life, yet let us thank God that the tired, suffering body is at rest; the noble spirit capable of generosity, and also so capable of suffering, is at peace. And therefore "we will not sorrow as those who have no hope, for if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him."

W. J. HEARON.

**WAGSTAFF.**—Mrs. Jane Wagstaff (nee Sykes) was born in Mercer, Pennsylvania, April 5, 1839; married to John Wagstaff July 7, 1857. To this union were born five children, two sons and three daughters. One son and the three daughters remain to mourn her departure.—C. R. Wagstaff, of Dallas, Texas; Mrs. C. A. Rout, of Warren, Ohio; Mrs. H. L. Rout, of Kinsman, Ohio, and Mrs. E. C. Jinkins, of Roby, Texas. She with her husband, moved to Texas and settled in Dallas in 1904; was left a widow in 1906. Sister Wagstaff joined the M. E. Church in 1857, and remained a devoted member to her Church and her God, until the Lord said it is enough on March 18, 1913. She died at her daughter's, Mrs. E. C. Jinkins, in Roby, Texas. Her son, C. R. Wagstaff, and daughter, Mrs. Jinkins, watched over her and did all that loving hands could do. The writer conducted services in the home on March 19, and her body was shipped to Dallas for burial. I never knew a more devoted Christian, strong in faith and cheerful in spirit.

I. N. ANDERSON, P. C.  
Roby, Texas.

**McGUYER.**—Sister Nannie J. McGuyer, wife of A. J. McGuyer, was born in Hines County, Mississippi, March 8, 1838. She came to Texas with her parents when she was a child. Her parents settled in Harrison County, near Elysian Fields. She was converted and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church when she was fourteen years old. After her marriage to Brother McGuyer she went with him to the Methodist Church. She was always a consistent and active Christian. She was the mother of four children. Her oldest child was a boy who died when he was four years old. Mrs. Effie Taylor, wife of State Senator Chas. Taylor; Mrs. Mary Arnold, wife of Geo. Arnold, of Robert Lee, Texas, and Miss Jack McGuyer, of Lampasas, Texas, and her husband survive her. She was stricken with paralysis nine months before the change came on February 20, 1913. There being no school near her, for nine years she taught her own and her neighbors children. Best of all, she daily exemplified the precepts of this precious Book.

J. T. H. MILLER.

**Quarterly Conferences**

**NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE**

- Gainesville District—Second Round.**  
Aubrey and Oak Grove, at Cooper, April 19.  
Denton Sta. (J. C. Friday night), April 20.  
Era and Spring Creek, at S. C., April 26.  
Valley View Sta., April 27, 28.  
Sanger and Boliver, at S., May 3, 4.  
Rosston Cir., at Hardy, May 10, 11.  
Montage Cir., at Dye Mound, May 17, 18.  
Deater Cir., at Deater, May 24, 25.  
J. F. PIERCE, P. E.
- Bowie District—Second Round.**  
Ringgold, Belcherville, April 19, 20.  
Nacoma, April 20, 21.  
Byers, Valentine, April 26, 27.  
Petrolia, Petrolia, April 27, 28.  
Megargal, Amerene, May 3, 4.  
Archer Cir., May 4, 5.  
Vashti, Vashti, May 10, 11.  
Post Oak, Buffalo Springs, May 11, 12.  
Crafter, Park Springs, May 17, 18.  
Sunset, Dry Valley, May 24, 25.  
Dundee, Dundee, May 31, June 1.  
T. H. MORRIS, P. E.
- Bonham District—Second Round.**  
Dodd Cir., at Lanniss, April 19, 20.  
Bailey Cir., at Pleasant View, April 26, 27.  
Trenton Cir., at Blanton Chapel, May 3, 4.  
Leonard Sta., May 4, 5.  
Brookston Cir., at High, May 11, 12.  
Telephone, May 18, 19.  
Forest Hill and Bells, at Bells, May 26, 27.  
Ravenna Cir., May 31, June 1.  
Windom Cir., June 7, 8.  
O. S. THOMAS, P. E.
- McKinney District—Second Round.**  
Frisco, April 19, 20.  
Weston, at Roseland, April 26, 27.  
Celina, May 6, 7.  
Wylie, at St. Paul, May 10, 11.  
Plano, at 7:30, May 11.  
Renner, May 17, 18.  
McKinney, at 7:30 p. m., May 10.  
Josephine, May 24, 25.  
Nevada, May 25, 26.  
Farmersville, May 31, June 1.  
Carrollton and F. B., at C., June 7, 8.  
McKinney, at 7:30 p. m., June 8.  
Blue Ridge, June 14, 15.  
McKinney Cir., June 28, 29.  
CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

- Greenville District—Second Round.**  
Merit Cir., at Antioch, April 19, 20.  
Fairlie Mis., at Kizer, April 26, 27.  
Wolfe City Sta., April 27, 28.  
Kingston Mis., at Kingston, May 10, 11.  
Caddo Mills, at Hendrix, May 17, 18.  
Oak Lawn, May 21.  
Greenville Mis., at C., May 24, 25.  
C. M. HARLESS, P. E.
- Dallas District—Second Round.**  
Irving, at Bethel, April 19, 20.  
First Church, April 23.  
Trinity, May 13.  
St. Mark's, May 14.  
Wheatland and DeSoto, May 17, 18.  
Oak Lawn, May 21.  
Grace, May 25, 28.  
O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.
- Terrell District—Second Round.**  
Mabank, April 19, 20.  
Kemp and Becker, at R., April 20, 21.  
Pleasant Mound at Rose Hill, April 26, 27.  
Cainlan, at Oak Grove, May 3, 4.  
Lancaster, May 10, 11.  
Hutchins and Wilmer, at H., May 11, 12.  
Kaufman, May 18, 19.  
A. L. ANDREWS, P. E.
- Sherman District—Second Round.**  
Trinity, April 20, 21.  
Whitesboro, April 26, 27.  
Howe Cir., at Ferguson's Chapel, May 3, 4.  
Sadler and Gordonville, at Sadler, May 10, 11.  
Pottshoro and Preston, at Pottshoro, May 17, 18.  
Harless Chapel, May 18, 19.  
Sherman Cir., at Southmayd, May 24, 25.  
R. G. MOOD, P. E.
- Sulphur Springs District—Second Round.**  
Reily Springs Cir., at Parks Chapel, April 19, 20.  
Como and Forest Academy, at F. A., April 20, 21.  
Yowell Cir., at Pecan, April 26, 27.  
Sulphur Springs Mis., at Wesley Chapel, May 17, 18.  
Brashear Cir., at Gafford's Chapel, May 10, 11.  
Winboro Sta., May 17, 18.  
Sulphur Bluff Cir., at Sulphur Bluff, May 24, 25.  
Birthright and Tira, at Tira, May 25, 26.  
Purley Cir., at Pleasant Hill, May 31, June 1.  
Sulphur Springs Sta., June 1, 2.  
R. C. HICKS, P. E.
- Decatur District—Second Round.**  
Rhome, at Annville, April 19, 20.  
Greenwood, at Sidell, April 26, 27.  
Bryson and Jermyn, at Jermyn, May 3, 4.  
Jackboro Sta., May 4, 5.  
Boyd, at Garvin, May 10, 11.  
Bridgeport Mis., at Sand Flat, May 17, 18.  
Willow Point, at Gibtown, May 24, 25.  
Mexican Mis., May 26.  
Oak Dale, at —, May 31, June 1.  
Jackboro Mis., at —, June 1, 2.  
Bridgeport Sta., June 7, 8.  
Justin and Roanoke, at R., May 17, 18.  
S. C. RIDDLE, P. E.
- Paris District—Second Round.**  
McKenzie at Johntown, April 19, 20.  
Bogata, at Rosalie, April 26, 27.  
Lamar Avenue, April 27, 28.  
Avery, at Henrietta, May 3, 4.  
Bacwell, at Liberty, May 4, 5.  
Paris Cir., at Hopewell, May 10, 11.  
Deport Cir., May 17, 18.  
W. F. BRYAN, P. E.
- CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE**
- Gatesville District—Second Round.**  
Fairy and Lanham, at L., April 19, 20.  
Hamilton Cir., at L. and, April 26, 27.  
Hamiltons, April 27, 28.  
Crawford, at C., April 30, 2 p. m.  
Gatesville Cir., at Winfield, May 3, 4.  
Oglesby, May 10, 11.  
S. I. VAUGHAN, P. E.
- Hillsboro District—Second Round.**  
Penelope Charge, at Mesquite, 11 a. m., April 17, 18.  
Proctor, April 19, 20.  
Whitney Sta., at W., May 4.  
Hubbard, at H., May 11.  
HOWACE BISHOP, P. E.
- Waco District—Second Round.**  
Hewitt, April 19, 20.  
Herring Ave., April 20, 21.  
Bosqueville, at Bosqueville, April 26, 27.  
Elm Street, April 27, 8 p. m.  
Austin Ave., May 4, 11 a. m.  
Morrow Street, May 4, 8 p. m.  
W. B. ANDREWS, P. E.
- Corsicans District—Second Round.**  
Wortham and Richland, at Richland, April 19, 20.  
First Church, April 20, 21.  
Corsicana Ct., at Eureka, April 26-27.  
Kirvin, at Cotton Gin, May 3, 4.  
Mexia Sta., May 4, 5.  
Kerens and Powell, at Powell, May 10, 11.  
Big Hill Ct., May 17, 18.  
Thornton Sta., May 18, 19.  
JNO. R. NELSON, P. E.
- Dublin District—Second Round.**  
Carlton, at Lanikin, April 19, 20.  
Proctor, at Graham Chapel, April 20, 21.  
Bluffdale, at Acree, April 26, 27.  
Tolar, April 27, 28.  
M. K. LITTLE, P. E.
- Georgetown District—Second Round.**  
Temple, at Seventh Street, April 20, at 11 a. m.  
Temple, First Church, April 20, at 8 p. m.  
Troy, at Pendleton, April 26, 27.  
Rogers, May 4, 5.  
T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.
- Fort Worth District—Second Round.**  
Mulkey Memorial, April 20, 21.  
JEROME DUNCAN, P. E.
- Cisco District—Second Round.**  
Desdemona, at Victor, April 19, 20.  
Staff, at S., April 20, 21.  
Climax, at Reich, April 26, 27.  
Cisco Sta., April 29.  
Edlian, at Baker, May 10, 11.  
Caddo, at Mt. Zion, 11 a. m., May 15.  
Wayland, at Gungisight, May 17, 18.  
Carbon, at Romney, 11 a. m., May 25.  
C. E. LINDSEY, P. E.
- Brownwood District—Second Round.**  
Talpa, at Valera, April 18.  
Gouldsbush, at Wesley Chapel, April 19, 20.  
Coleman Mis., at Thrifty, April 26, 27.  
Santa Anna, April 30.  
Banket, May 3, 4.  
Brownwood Sta., May 10, 11.  
J. E. STEWART, P. E.
- Cleburne District—Second Round.**  
Joshua, at Egan, April 12, 13.  
Blum, at Lone Willow, April 19, 20.  
Morgan, at Morgan, April 26, 27.  
Walnut Springs, April 27, 28.  
Cresson, at Long Creek, May 3, 4.  
Granbury Sta., May 4, 5.  
Grandview Sta., May 10, 11.  
W. W. MOSS, P. E.
- Weatherford District—Second Round.**  
Graham, at Granam, April 16.  
Eliaville, at Murray, April 19, 20.  
New Castle, at True, April 26, 27.  
JAS. CAMPBELL, P. E.

- Waxahachie District—Second Round.**  
Forreston, at Colliers Chapel, April 19, 20.  
Waxahachie, April 20, 21.  
Bethel, April 25, 26.  
Italy, April 25-27.  
Bardwell, at Avalon, May 3, 4.  
Italy, May 4, 5.  
J. A. WHITEHURST, P. E.
- WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE**
- Cuero District—Third Round.**  
Edna, April 26, 27.  
Ganado and Louise, at Ganado, April 27, 28.  
Goliad and Fanning, May 3, 4.  
Victoria, 8 p. m., Tuesday, May 6.  
Yokum, May 10, 11.  
Hallettsville, at Mossy Grove, May 17, 18.  
Post O'Connor, at Lone Tree, May 24, 25.  
Nursery, at Terryville, May 31, June 1.  
Port Lavaca and Traylor, at Traylor, June 5, 6.  
Midfield, at La Ward, June 7, 8.  
Palacios, at Caracalhue, June 14, 15.  
El Campo, June 21, 22.  
Providence, at Boxville, June 28, 29.  
Nixon, July 5, 6.  
Lometa, at Elm, July 8, 9.  
Pandora, at Gillett, July 12, 13.  
Stockdale, at Sunnyside, July 19, 20.  
Laverina, at Elmdorf, July 26, 27.  
Cuero, Aug. 2, 3.  
Runge, Aug. 3, 4.  
JOHN M. ALEXANDER, P. E.
- Llano District—Third Round.**  
Marble Falls Cir., at Kingsland, April 19, 20.  
Burnet, at Lake Victor, April 20, 21.  
Cherokee, at Cherokee, April 26, 27.  
Johnson City, at Johnson City, May 10, 11.  
Blanco, at Blanco, May 11, 12.  
Marble Falls Sta., May 14.  
Lampasas, May 21.  
San Saba Sta., May 24, 25.  
San Saba Cir., at China, May 25, 26.  
Mullen, at Duran, May 30.  
Center City, at North Brown, May 31, June 1.  
Goldthwaite, June 1, 2.  
Star, at Knox, June 7, 8.  
Lometa, at McCreeville, June 11.  
Llano Cir., at Clegg, June 14, 15.  
Llano Sta., June 18.  
Mason Cir., at Loyal Valley, June 20.  
Frononia Cir., at Pontotoc, June 21, 22.  
Richland Springs, Varca Chapel, June 28, 29.  
J. H. COWAN, P. E.
- San Angelo District—Second Round.**  
Sterling, at China Valley, Apr. 19, 20.  
Water Valley, at Carlshad, Apr. 20.  
Garden City, at Fairview, Apr. 24.  
Midland, Apr. 26, 27.  
Midland Circuit, at Prairie Lee, Apr. 26.  
Paint Rock Circuit, May 1.  
F. B. HUCHANAN, P. E.
- Uvalde District—Second Round.**  
Millett, April 19, 20.  
Pearsall Sta., April 20, 21.  
Laredo Sta., April 26, 27.  
S. B. BEALL, P. E.
- Austin District—Second Round.**  
Ward Memorial, April 12, 13.  
V. A. GODFREY, P. E.
- NORTH-WEST TEX. CONFERENCE**
- Sweetwater District—Second Round.**  
Colorado Mis., at Plainview, April 19, 20.  
Fluvanna, at Crowds, April 26-27.  
Sweetwater Mis., at Ada, May 3-4.  
J. M. SHERMAN, P. E.
- Abilene District—Second Round.**  
Cross Plains, at Cotton Wood, April 19, 20.  
Nugent, at Hamby, April 26, 27.  
Purnam, at Moran, May 3, 4.  
Baird, May 4, 5.  
C. N. N. FERGUSON, P. E.
- Vernon District—Second Round.**  
Margaret Cir., April 19, 20.  
Odell Mis., April 26, 27.  
Vernon Sta., April 28.  
Crownell Sta., May 7, 8.  
W. Hall Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 7:30 p. m.  
J. G. MILLER, P. E.
- Amarillo District—Second Round.**  
Blodgett, Apr. 19-20.  
Middle Well, Apr. 26-27.  
Channing, Apr. 27-28.  
District Conference, at Canyon, May 9-14.  
O. P. KIKER, P. E.
- Stamford District—Second Round.**  
St. John's, April 20.  
Throckmorton Sta., April 23.  
Throckmorton Mis., April 24, 11 a. m.  
Woodson, April 26, 27.  
Avoca and Bethel, May 10, 11.  
J. G. PUTMAN, P. E.
- Clarendon District—Second Round.**  
Groom, at Groom, April 19, 20.  
Clarendon, April 27, 28.  
J. W. STORY, P. E.
- Plainview District—Second Round.**  
Afton, at Dickens, April 19, 20.  
Lubbock Sta., April 21, 8 p. m.  
Lubbock Mis., April 22, 10 a. m.  
Happy, at Lakeview, April 26, 27.  
Plainview Sta., April 29, 8 p. m.  
J. T. HICKS, P. E.
- Big Spring District—Second Round.**  
Lamesa, April 19, 20.  
W. H. TERRY, P. E.
- Hamlin District—Second Round.**  
Jayton, at J., April 19, 20.  
Sagerton, at S., April 26, 27.  
Spur, May 3, 4.  
Knox City, at O'Brien, May 10, 11.  
Rochester, at Judd, May 17, 18.  
Peacock, at P., May 24, 25.  
Vera, May 31, June 1.  
G. S. HARDY, P. E.
- TEXAS CONFERENCE**
- Marshall District—Second Round.**  
Harrison Cir., at Rock Springs, April 19, 20.  
Marshall, First Church, April 20, 21.  
Beckville Cir., at Allison's Cha., April 22, 23.  
Elyssan Fields Cir., at Bethany, April 26, 27.  
Marshall Summit Sta., April 30.  
Henderson Cir., at Good Springs, May 10, 11.  
Church Hill Cir., at —, May 13.  
Kellyville Cir., at —, May 17, 18.  
Jefferson, May 18, 19.  
Hallville Cir., at Lagrone's Ch., May 24, 25.  
Bettie Cir., at Soule's Ch., May 28.  
F. M. BOYLES, P. E.
- Pittsburg District—Second Round.**  
Boston Cir., at Old Boston, April 19, 20.  
New Boston and DeKalb, at N. B., April 20, 21.  
Hardy Memorial (conference), April 21, night.  
Texarkana, Central (conference), April 22, night.  
Linden, at Wells Chapel, April 26, 27.  
Douglasville, at Cedar Grove, April 27, 28.  
Winshoro, at Shady Grove, May 3, 4.  
Hughes Springs, at Hughes, May 10, 11.  
Daingerfield (conference), May 12, 1:30 p. m.  
Cookville, at Marble Springs, May 17, 18.  
Mt. Pleasant (conference), May 19, night.  
Dalby Springs, at Dalby, May 24, 25.  
Pittsburg Cir., at —, May 31, June 1.

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- Pittsburg Sta., June 1, 2.  
Cornett, at Dalton, June 7, 8.  
Naples and Omaha, at Naples, June 8, 9.  
O. T. HOTCHKISS, P. E.
- Tyler District—Second Round.**  
Wills Point Cir., at Cragville, April 19, 20.  
Grand Saline, April 20.  
Murchison Cir., at New Hope, April 26.  
Edom Cir., at Edom, April 27.  
Tyler Cir., at Center, May 3, 4.  
Tyler, Cedar Street, May 4.  
Mt. Sivan Cir., at Mt. Sivan, May 10, 11.  
Lindale Sta., May 11.  
Alba Cir., at Alba, May 17, 18.  
Mincola Sta., May 18.  
Edgewood Cir., at Small, May 24, 25.  
J. B. TURENTINE, P. E.
- San Augustine District—Second Round.**  
Center Cir., at Sand Hill, April 19.  
Center Sta., April 20.  
Shelbyville, at Sardis, April 26.  
San Augustine, April 27.  
Gary, at Tennessee, May 3.  
Carthage Sta., May 4.  
Mt. Enterprise, May 10.  
Minrose, at Elm Grove, May 17.  
Hemphill, May 20.  
Geneva, at McMahan's Chapel, May 24.  
Livingston Cir., May 31.  
Appleby Mis., June 7.  
Nacogdoches, June 8.  
I. W. MILLS, P. E.
- Navasota District—Second Round.**  
Montgomery Cir., at Stoneham, April 20, 21.  
Crockett Cir., at Letess, April 26, 27.  
Crockett Sta., April 25 and 27.  
Cleveland and Shepherd, at Fostoria, May 3, 4.  
Cold Springs, at Point Black, May 10, 11.  
Oakhurst Cir., at Point Black, May 11, 12.  
Bryan Mis., at Sleep Hollow, May 17, 18.  
Bryan Sta., May 18, 19.  
Wills and New Waverly, at El Mina, May 24, 25.  
Huntsville Sta., May 25, 26.  
F. L. SHEPPLS, P. E.
- Beaumont District—Second Round.**  
Jasper Mis., at Camp Ground, April 19, 20.  
Jasper, April 20, 21.  
Newton, at Farr's Chapel, April 26, 27.  
Call, at Bessmay, April 30, 7:30 p. m.  
Batson and Saratoga, at Batson, May 3, 4.  
Warren, at —, May 10, 11.  
Woodville, at —, May 11, 12.  
Port Bolivar and Stowell, at Stowell, May 17, 18.  
Nederland, at —, May 24, 25.  
Port Arthur, May 25, 26.  
E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.
- Brenham District—Second Round.**  
Glen Flora, at Jago, April 19, 20.  
Bay City, April 20.  
Bellville, at Buckhorn, April 26, 27.  
Sealy, at San Felipe, May 3, 4.  
Rosenberg, May 4.  
Brookshire and Batson, at P., May 10, 11.  
Lane City, May 17, 18.  
Wharton, May 18, 19.  
Wallis and Fulshear, at Wallis, May 24, 25.  
Richmond, May 25.  
S. W. THOMAS, P. E.
- Jacksonville District—Second Round.**  
Elkhart, at —, April 19.  
Cushing, at —, April 26.  
La Rue, at —, April 29.  
Brushy Creek, at —, May 3.  
Huntington, at —, May 9.  
I. T. SMITH, P. E.
- Houston District—Second Round.**  
Houston, First Church, April 20.  
Anna, April 20.  
Brazoria, April 23.  
Angleton, April 27.  
Iowa Colony, April 27.  
Arcadia, May 4.  
Woodland Heights, May 4.  
Katy, May 11.  
Columbia, May 18.  
J. KILGORE, P. E.
- Marlin District—Second Round.**  
Leon Mis., at Liberty, April 19, 20.  
Centerville, at Leona, April 26, 27.  
Fairfield and Dew, at Mt. Zion, May 3, 4.  
League, May 4, 5.  
Wheelock, at Edge, May 10, 11.  
Brenford, at Beck Prairie, May 17, 18.  
Hearne, May 18, 19.  
Kesse, at Alto Springs, May 24, 25.  
Milano, at —, May 30.  
Travis, at Snee's Chapel, May 31, June 1.  
Rosebud Sta. and Robinson Mis., June 1, 2.  
J. F. DETTS, P. E.
- NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE**
- Pecos Valley District—Second Round.**  
Artesian, April 19, 20.  
Portales, April 22.  
Roswell, April 26, 27.  
I. B. COCHRAN, P. E.
- Albuquerque District—Second Round.**  
Tucuman Cir., April 19, 20.  
San Jon, April 26, 27.  
Clayton Cir., May 3, 4.  
Gimarron, May 10, 11.  
H. MESSER, P. E.



## Obituaries

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**LANCASTER.**—The subject of this sketch, Bro. S. F. Lancaster, was born in Stewart County, Georgia, January 29, 1849; departed this life January 20, 1913. He came to Texas in 1846. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church at the age of fourteen years at a campmeeting held on the banks of the Blanco River. He was married to Miss Mary E. Smith January 11, 1869; to this union there were nine children born, seven of whom are living. Three boys, Fletcher, James A. and William. Four girls, Fannie, Rebekah, Geneva and Maud. He was a charter member of the Cottonwood, now called Harris Chapel Church, and an official member of the same to the time of his death. He was one of the most loyal and faithful supporters of the Church, a spiritually minded man, of great help and inspiration to his pastors. A man of strong convictions of right and wrong, yet loved and respected by every one. When asked a few days before his death how it was with him he said: "It is all right, I am not afraid to trust Jesus with the little of my life that is left. I want to see Jesus, and tell Him of the joy he has given me." While the members of his family who were at home were gathered about his bed, he told them he wanted all of his children to be in heaven, saying that "the best thing in the world to have is a clean heart." Clapping his hands he talked of heaven and its glories. He assured his family time and again that he was ready to go, telling them to be kind and gentle and serve the Lord, and meet him in heaven. Brother Lancaster, or "Uncle Frank," as he was well known, will not only be missed by his loved ones, but by the country and the Church. Truly a good man has gone, but his influence abides with us still. He descended from a line of Methodist preachers for several generations. He was a man gifted in prayer. Great indeed was his faith, for he lived by faith and not by sight, and well can we say, as was said of one of old, "He is not, for God took him." He served as a soldier in the Civil War, obedient to his superior officers; but above all he was a true soldier of Jesus Christ, always found at the post of duty, loyal and true. Religious services were conducted at his home by his pastor, where there was gathered a large number of relatives, and friends. Next to his Church he loved his lodge, so his body was laid to rest by the Masons, in the Old Happle Cemetery, near Prairie Lea, Texas. To his bereaved wife, loved ones and friends, we commend the Savior, whom he loved and served. Be thou faithful unto death, and ye, too, shall receive a crown of life.

MARCOS WILLIAMSON, P. C.

**WILLIAMSON.**—Mrs. Mary Richards Williamson was born Feb. 4, 1843, in East Tennessee; married to Felen Williamson in Benton County, Arkansas, in 1865. Mr. Williamson preceded her to the grave eleven years ago. To Sister Williamson were born five children. Three of them died in early life, while two survive the mother. One of her sons lives in Cisco, while the other, Dr. Williamson, is a prominent physician in Graham, at whose home the mother died. Sister Williamson had been in poor health for some time, and so the end was not, to the family, totally unexpected. To all who knew her, Sister Williamson gave proof of her good qualities as a mother and as a Christian. She was a member of the Methodist Church and was from that communion transferred to the Church Triumphant. May the good Lord gather home all that are left behind.

J. HALL BOWMAN, Pastor.

**COOK.**—Little Elma Lee, the daughter of C. H. and Kate Cook, was born August 30, 1911; died October 27, 1912. Elma lived just eight hours after eating some poisonous pills. Her death was so hard and unexpected to us, but we had to give her up. We laid her to rest in the Cottonwood Cemetery to await the resurrection of the dead. She is gone from our home, but not from our hearts. No sweet smile do we see; we listen, but hear only the echo from the past. One of earth's sweetest flowers has been plucked and transplanted to the heavenly home. We are sad, for we miss her and the embrace of those little arms. But our loss is heaven's gain. So good-bye, sweet Elma Lee.

PAPA AND MAMMA.

### RICE-RICE.

Brother Jim H. Rice was born about the year 1836, departed this life March 21, 1913, at his home near Energy, Texas, after being sick for a few days with pneumonia. I have no way to know for sure how old Brother Rice was as I failed to find any record of his age, and there was no one left to tell the story, as the only one of his kin that I know anything about died a few hours later, who was his sister, Miss Annie Rice. Miss Annie Rice was about fifty-eight years old at the time of her death, she died less than eighteen hours after her brother, Jim H. Rice. These two came to Comanche County about twenty-one or two years ago and settled near Energy, Texas, where they were living at the time of their death. Miss Annie was not sick but a few days, with some type of fever, and as soon as she learned about the death of her brother, she told us what to do with him and soon died. We were sure that she had her way about the matter. We dug one large grave at Energy, Texas, and put them both in it side by side to wait for the resurrection morning. Brother and Sister Rice came to this country as members of the Methodist Church, and remained so until death. They were true to the Church in every way, walked before men as a child of God should walk. They were good neighbors and everybody soon learned to love them. We will miss them very much. They were at Church as often as the weather would permit people of their age. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord!" Their pastor,

HENRY FRANCIS,

Gustine, Texas.

**TUCKER.**—Everet Marion, son of N. L. and Mary C. Tucker, was born in Breckenridge County, Kentucky, August 14, 1894. Came to Texas in 1901 and with the exception of three years in Clay County, had lived near Allen, Collin County, February 22 he, with a companion, went hunting and by accidental discharge of his gun the entire load went into his body, which in six or seven hours resulted in his death. In 1906, during a meeting held by Rev. L. S. Barton, at Allen, he was converted and joined the Methodist Church and lived a very devout Christian. He was devoted to his father and mother and heeded their counsel and advice and in morals and religion he was considered by his associates as a model. He was a subscriber to the Texas Christian Advocate and spent much of his leisure time in reading. That he was admired and loved in the community was attested at his funeral. His funeral was preached by his pastor and his body laid to rest in Allen Cemetery.

A. P. HIGHTOWER.

**STROUD.**—Mrs. Francis Helen Stroud, daughter of Joshua and Sarah Hall, was born in Alabama July 25, 1839. Moved with her parents to Texas in 1846 and settled in Lockhart. She was twice married. To Henry Dillard in 1853, who was killed at Millican Bend, La., 1863. To this union two children were born; Mrs. P. J. McDonald, Luling, and Frank Dillard, of Milburn. She was married to J. C. Stroud May 5, 1903, and fell on sleep in Devine February 6, 1913. She left three brothers, C. Hall and Captain V. Hall, both of Waco, and Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, and her husband. She said to the writer a few days before her death that she had spent most of her life in the practice of medicine. Sister Stroud was converted at Lockhart in 1851, and joined the Methodist Church, where she remained until the Lord called her home. Her last days were days of suffering but through them all God sustained her. She loved to talk of God's dealings with her. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." J. W. LONG, Pastor.

**NATION.**—Amanda Elizabeth Nation was born April 17, 1892; died February 3, 1913. Lizzie was twenty years, nine months and sixteen days old and the only child of Brother and Sister Nation. She was one of the most popular young ladies of Rain Springs community. To know Lizzie was to love her. She was loved by everybody, far and near. She professed religion in July, 1910, and joined the Church, under Rev. D. F. Pulley, and remained faithful unto death. She labored faithfully for the Lord while here on earth till the summons came and said, "It is enough, come up higher. Our loss is heaven's gain. It was hard for us to look the Lord in the face and say, Thy will be done. It left a vacancy in the home here in this world that can never be filled. Thanks be to God that Jesus came and told us that she was not dead, but only asleep, and that God has a place prepared for those who put their trust in him. We know a tree by its fruit; none other than heaven is Lizzie's home. She leaves a father and mother and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her death.

W. P. F.

**PITMAN.**—Pierce King Pitman was born March 25, 1853, in Georgia. He was raised in Roanoke, Alabama, and came to Texas in 1873. He was married to Clara Elita Dallas, May 10, 1882. From this union there were three children. The little son, Daniel Wayne, only lived seven years and was taken to heaven. On his deathbed he talked of the beautiful things he could see in heaven. The two daughters that remain are Mrs. Stella Gregg and Mrs. Vida Joiner. Brother Pitman was converted at the old Hawkins campground and from that date, the summer of 1887, he lived a consecrated Christian life. When I was his pastor six years ago I found him to be a teacher in the Sunday School and I considered him one of the best men that I have ever met. He was a great sufferer before he died, and death was a release, for he was ready to go to the place that was prepared for him. At his funeral it was great to hear the old men who had known him for years tell of his Christian life and how they would miss him. At the time of his death he was the superintendent of the Sunday School, and all of the school marched before the body to the grave. A good man has gone home. A good woman is the widow who will follow. The daughters are religious and some day all will get together over the river. May the writer also make the landing and be with them there. Brother Pitman was buried at Farmer where he had lived for many years.

J. HALL BOWMAN.

**RUTHERFORD.**—Mrs. Fannie G. Rutherford (nee Cloud) was born in Austin County, Texas, September 1, 1853. In 1859 her parents moved their family to Milam County, Texas. Sister Rutherford was married to J. H. Rutherford in March, 1869. To this union were born four children. One of these children, the eldest, died while the family resided in Milam County. In 1879 Brother and Sister Rutherford moved to Comanche County, where they lived till the death angel called for her. One child died in Comanche County September, 1909. Sister Rutherford was converted August 16, 1887, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in which Church she lived till her summons to come up higher, which was March 16, 1913. She laid her armor by and went to her reward. We laid her body away to await the resurrection morn, March 17, at Mercer's Gap, in the presence of a large concourse of friends and relatives, who are bereft because she is gone. May our heavenly father comfort the husband and sons who mourn her departure. She leaves them the riches of a devoted Christian life. She is gone, but not forgotten. We will meet you again, dear one, in the sweet bye-and-bye.

J. T. LASSETTER.

**HARMAN.**—Mrs. Mary Harman, affectionately known as "Aunt Mary," went to sleep Saturday morning, and Sunday evening, at five o'clock, awoke in that heavenly home that her Savior said He would prepare for those who loved him. She lingered on earth for sixty-nine years. She was a strong Christian character. She was left, in early life, with nine fatherless children. She saw all these grown and God-fearing. Every life that touched hers felt a closer walk with God. She loved the fifteenth Psalm, and in living out its precepts she won the love of old and young. She is now realizing her life's desire, "Oh, for a closer walk with God." Her children, relatives and friends, are calling her blessed and holding her name dear. May we follow in her train, while she waits for us across the river.

MRS. J. F. MARSHALL.

Dexter, Texas.

**KENDRICK.**—Mrs. Emma Ozela Kendrick (nee McCarver) died at her home in Thornton, Texas, March 18, 1913. She was born November 19, 1858. She was united in holy wedlock to Thomas B. Kendrick in 1875. To this union seven children were given, five of whom preceded her to the better land. She leaves her husband, four brothers (of whom the Rev. C. S. McCarver was one), one sister, two children, several grandchildren and many friends to mourn her death. She united with the Church in early life and lived a Christian life until her death. For a number of days before her death you could hear her whispering the words of the twenty-third Psalm, "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want." It has been my pleasure to know this good family for twenty years. I held the funeral services of her dear boy, Haney, who preceded her to the better land several years ago. I also attended the funeral service of her dear daughter, Tommie, who died later. We preached the funeral of this good woman from the words of her last utterance, "The twenty-third Psalm, 'The Lord is my Shepherd.' May the good Lord keep and comfort the bereaved ones, in my prayer.

J. O. JORDEN.



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**McGHEE.**—Mrs. Ella A. McGhee (nee Phillips), was born March 14, 1843, in Henry County, Virginia, and died of la grippe in Chickasha, Oklahoma, March 19, 1913, where she was buried. She was married to John Wesley McGhee in 1866. They moved to Texas in 1894 where he died in 1899. The remaining family the same year moved to Oklahoma. She was the mother of nine children, two of whom with her husband preceded her to our eternal home. She was converted in early life, living under all conditions a consistent Christian. Her faith was steadfast. She loved her home and children, always giving kindly advice to those she knew and entreating the stranger to live for heaven. No more do we hear her motherly voice on earth, but from eternity's shores we hear that voice calling her loved ones home, where families are not broken and all tears are wiped away.

D. C. BELL.

**MYRICK.**—"Little sweet Lola Merl has gone to glory and by the grace of God, we expect to meet her," were the words of the broken-hearted parents, Lola Merl was born September 15, 1912; died March 21, 1913. Though her stay in this world was short, it was long enough to entwine herself about every heart of the home, and to make an everlasting impression on their minds. Her sweet smiles and cooling lips brought into the home pleasure and joy which shall abide forever and this old world is a little brighter and humanity is drawn a little closer to God, because Lola Merl came as a bud of sunshine and fragrance. A new cord of love links this world to the eternal city of God and father and mother have a greater interest in the city of pure delight, for there they have a jewel that awaits the morn of resurrection when hearts shall be joined in sweet fellowship around the throne of God. We pray God's richest benedictions to rest upon the home.

BERT B. HALL.

**HENLEY.**—Ralph, son of Robert and Pearl Henley, was born April 17, 1910; died March 12, 1913. Little Ralph was a sweet child, and was the light and cheer of the home; but unexpectedly the death angel came and took father's and mother's darling, and left his dark shadow in their home. When listening now for his sweet voice to cheer their hearts they are reminded of a little newly-made grave, where we laid his body to rest. Then many sad questions and sorrowful reflections, no doubt, fill their hearts. This sadness and sorrow, dear parents, can be dispelled only by a Christian's hope and consolation. Your precious child is with Him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not." Weep not, dear parents, as those who have no hope, your baby cannot come back to you; you can go to him. He is in heaven beckoning papa and mamma to a brighter home. Remember earth has no sorrow God cannot heal.

COR. SEC. W. H. M. S.

Era, Texas.

**CANNON.**—Mrs. Mary Eunice Cannon (nee Newsom), died at Fort Worth, Texas, April 28, 1912, and was buried at the Newsom family cemetery in the western part of Parker County. Her husband, James Cannon, survived her, together with five children, her mother and several brothers and sisters. When about twelve years of age, she professed religion and joined the Freewill Baptist Church, thus remembering her Creator in the days of her youth. She lived in this Church until about nine years before her death, when she united with the M. E. Church, South, and was a member of the same until her death. Her many friends and relatives, who knew and loved her, may do more than mourn for her here below—they may live so as to meet her in the City of the New Jerusalem.

J. M. BOND, JR.

**LUDASILL.**—W. W. Rudasill was born July 14, 1858, in North Carolina. He came to Texas while a young man and spent the most of his life in Brazos County. He was married to Mrs. S. J. Sample March 17, 1880. To this union were born two sons and a daughter, all of whom it was his privilege to see started in life with their families. He was well known throughout the county and is missed by his many friends. He died January 10, 1913.

E. A. SAMPLE.

**WHEELER.**—Margaret Wheeler was born March 9, 1907, and died March 16, 1913. On her sixth birthday little Margaret was taken with diphtheria. Everything that loving hearts and skillful brains could employ to stay the dreaded enemy of mortal life was done, but all failed and the little life, so beautiful and so sweet, passed away just one week after taking ill. She was the light and joy of her home and endeared herself to the hearts of her proud and loving parents by the thousand things she said and did. They will miss her now more than words can ever tell, and long will the sigh for "the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still." She will be missed from our Sunday School, of which she was a loyal and faithful little member. But she is not gone from us forever. We shall see her again. In the midst of our sorrows let us think of her unfading and radiant life, and of the divine revelations which now are hers and shall be ours if found worthy.

T. F. SESSIONS.

Corpus Christi, Tex., March 21, 1913.

**WILLFOUNG.**—Miss Minnie Willfoung was born near Hutto, Williamson County, July, 1855; departed this life February 19, 1913. She was the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Willfoung. She was laid to rest in the Whitehouse Cemetery, the funeral services being conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. J. Morphis. She was converted at Mt. Horeb and joined the M. E. Church, South, six years ago, and has lived a devoted Christian life ever since. She was reared in one of the best Christian homes in this country. Her home life was beautiful. She was kind, patient and loving. While there is a vacant place in our Church, Sunday School and home, there is one more star added to the crown of Him who sits at the right hand of God. Dear Minnie, how we miss you! But our loss is heaven's gain. May we all take courage, fight a good fight of righteousness and be numbered with the loved ones gone before. Written by one who loved her—her Sunday School teacher,

MOLLIE MARCUS.

Liberty Hill, Texas.

**GAMBLE.**—Mrs. Virginia C. Gamble, whose maiden name was Carter, was born in Marshall County, Ala., June 30, 1847; died in Floydada, Texas, March 2, 1913. She was converted early in life and joined the M. E. Church, South. On Sept. 15, 1879, she was married to John H. Gamble. To this union seven children were born, six sons and one daughter; two sons died in infancy. Those living are Mrs. H. M. Terry, O. A. Gamble, of Marietta, Okla., Ira D. Marvin and Arthur, of Floydada, Texas. These, with the husband, brothers and sisters, and a number of other relatives, are left to mourn the loss of this noble woman. Mrs. Gamble, with her husband, moved from Alabama to Ellis County, Texas, January, 1891; lived there till November, 1901, when they moved to Floyd County, where she lived till God called her home. Until her health failed a few years ago, Mrs. Gamble was active in all Church work. Especially was she devoted to

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the work of the Sunday School, being an intelligent woman, and with such a wonderful knowledge of the Bible, she did lasting good, and her influence over those who were so fortunate as to be associated with her will live forever.

STOWE.—Mary Agnes, daughter of Herbert and Mattie Coker Stowe, was born in San Pedro, Calif., Sept. 12, 1911.

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REPORT OF S. H. JOHNSON, TREASURER OF TEXAS CONFERENCE, FOR MARCH, 1913.

Beaumont District—E. W. Solomon, P. E. Beaumont, Roberts Ave., J. L. Power; Dom. Mis., \$40. Call Circuit, L. Christian; Dom. Mis., \$8. Dayton, J. W. Bridges; Dom. Mis., \$51. Kirbyville, J. R. White; Dom. Mis., \$25. Wallisville, J. F. Wallace; Conf. Claims, \$12. A. B. S., \$1; Orphanage, \$9; S. S., 1.

Dom. Mis., \$11.28; New Boston, Jno. W. Goodwin; Education, \$104. Nash, A. G. Hall; For. Mis., \$25. A. B. S., \$2; Orphanage, \$8. Pittsburg Station, W. W. Watts; For. Mis., \$59; Dom. Mis., \$55. Pittsburg Circuit, B. C. Ansley; Dom. Mis., \$20. Green City, W. W. Adams, Conf. Claims, \$15.40; For. Mis., \$20; Dom. Mis., \$30; Orphanage, \$10. Redwater Circuit, T. D. McCarty; Dom. Mis., \$25. Winfield, S. N. Allen; For. Mis., \$15; Dom. Mis., \$22.

Respectfully submitted, S. H. JOHNSON, Treasurer Texas Conference.

Quarterly Conferences

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

Greenville District—Second Round. Floyd Mis., April 13, 14. Merit Cir., at Antloch, April 19, 20. Fairlie Mis., at Kizer, April 26, 27. Wolfe City Sta., April 27, 28. Kingston Mis., at Kingston, May 10, 11. Caddo Mills, at Hemdris, May 17, 18. Greenville Mis., at C., May 24, 25. C. M. HARLESS, P. E.

Bowie District—Second Round. Bowie Sta., April 12, 13. Ringgold, Belcherville, April 19, 20. Nocona, April 20, 21. Byers, Valetine, April 26, 27. Petrolia, Petrolia, April 27, 28. Megargal, Amerene, May 3, 4. Archer City, May 4, 5. Vashit, Vashit, May 10, 11. Post Oak, Buffalo Springs, May 11, 12. Crafton, Park Springs, May 17, 18. Sunset, Dry Valley, May 24, 25. Dundee, Dundee, May 31, June 1. T. H. MORRIS, P. E.

Bonham District—Second Round. Petty and White Rock, at Petty, April 12, 13. Ladonia Sta., April 13, 14. Dodd Cir., at Lannius, April 19, 20. Bailey Cir., at Pleasant View, April 26, 27. Trenton Cir., at Blanton Chapel, May 3, 4. Leonard Sta., May 4, 5. Brookston Cir., at High, May 11, 12. Telephone, May 18, 19. Forest Hill and Bells, at Bells, May 26, 27. Ravenna Cir., May 31, June 1. Windom Cir., June 7, 8. O. S. THOMAS, P. E.

McKinney District—Second Round. Prosper, at E. R., April 12, 13. Frisco, April 19, 20. Weston, at Roseland, April 26, 27. Celina, May 6, 7. Wylie, at St. Paul, May 10, 11. Plano, at 7:30, May 11. Renner, May 17, 18. McKinney, at 7:30 p. m., May 10. Josephine, May 24, 25. Nevada, May 25, 26. Farmersville, May 31, June 1. Carrollton and E. R., at C., June 7, 8. McKinney, at 7:30 p. m., June 8. Blue Ridge, June 14, 15. McKinney Cir., June 28, 29. CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

Dallas District—Second Round. Cochran's Chapel and Maple Ave., April 12, 13. Ervay, April 19, 20. Irving, at Bethel, April 19, 20. First Church, April 23. Trinity, May 13. St. Mark's, May 14. Wheatland and DeSoto, May 17, 18. Oak Lawn, May 21. Grace, May 25, 26. O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

Terrell District—Second Round. Forney and Mesquite, at M., April 12, 13. Crandall, at Seagoville, April 13, 14. Mahank, April 19, 20. Kemp and Becker, at B., April 20, 21. Pleasant Mound at Rose Hill, April 26, 27. Quinlan, at Oak Grove, May 3, 4. Lancaster, May 10, 11. Hutchins and Wilmer, at H., May 11, 12. Kaufman, May 18, 19. A. L. ANDREWS, P. E.

Bryson and Jermyn, at Jermyn, May 3, 4. Jackshoro Sta., May 4, 5. Royd, at Garvin, May 10, 11. Bridgeport Mis., at Sand Flat, May 17, 18. Wilder Point, at Gibtown, May 24, 25. Mexican Mis., May 26. Oak Dale, at —, May 31, June 1. Jackshoro Mis., at —, June 1, 2. Bridgeport Sta., June 7, 8. Justin and Rounoke, at R., May 17, 18. Lark, May 21. S. C. RIDDLE, P. E.

CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE

Gatesville District—Second Round. Jonesboro, at Union Grove, April 12, 13. Ewart, at Cox Chapel, April 16, at 11 a. m. Fairly and Lanham, at L., April 19, 20. Hamilton Cir., at L., April 26, 27. Hamilton, April 27, 28. Crawford, at C., April 30, 2 p. m. Gatesville Cir., at Mayfield, May 3, 4. Oglesby, May 10, 11. S. J. VAUGHAN, P. E.

Hillsboro District—Second Round. Kirk, April 12, 13. Bella, April 13, 14. Penick, Charge, at Mesquite, 11 a. m., April 17. Pevon, April 19, 20. Whitney Sta., at W., May 4. Hubbard, at H., May 11. E. BISHOP, P. E.

Waco District—Second Round. Riesel and Axtell, at Axtell, April 12, 13. Mt. Calm, April 13, 14. Hewitt, April 19, 20. Herring Ave., April 20, 21. Bosqueville, at Bosqueville, April 26, 27. Mesa Sta., May 4, 5. Austin Ave., at —, May 11 a. m. Morrow Street, May 4, 8 p. m. W. B. ANDREWS, P. E.

Corsicana District—Second Round. Chatfield, at Tupelo, April 12-13. Rice Station, April 13-14. Wortham and Richland, at Richland, April 19, 20. First Church, April 20, 21. Corsicana Ct., at Eureka, April 26-27. Kirwin, at Cotton Gin, May 3, 4. Mesa Sta., May 4, 5. Kerens, at Powell, May 10, 11. Big Hill Ct., May 17, 18. Thornton Sta., May 16-18. JNO. R. NELSON, P. E.

Dublin District—Second Round. Duffan, at Shipper, April 12, 13. Irell, at Oden's Chapel, April 13, 14. Hico, April 15. Carlton, at Larkin, April 19, 20. Proctor, at Graham Chapel, April 20, 21. Bluffdale, at Acre, April 26, 27. Tolar, April 27, 28. M. K. LITTLE, P. E.

Georgetown District—Second Round. Granger, April 5, 6. Florence, at Wesley Chapel, April 12, 13. Georgetown, April 13, at 8 p. m. Temple, at Seventh Street, April 20, at 11 a. m. Temple, First Church, April 20, at 8 p. m. Troy, at Pendleton, April 26, 27. Rogers, May 4, 5. T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

Llano District—Third Round. Bertram, at Strickland, April 12, 13. Kemper, at Lantford, April 13, 14. Marble Falls Cir., at Kingsland, April 19, 20. Burnet, at Lake Victor, April 26, 27. Cherokee, at Cherokee, April 26, 27. Johnson City, at Johnson City, May 10, 11. Maros, at Blanco, May 11, 12. Marble Falls Sta., May 14. Lark, May 21. San Saba Sta., May 24, 25. San Saba Cir., at China, May 25, 26. Mullen, at Duran, May 30. Center City, at North Brown, May 31, June 1. Goldsmith, June 1, 2. Star, at Knox, June 7, 8. Loneta, at McCreary, June 11. Llano Cir., at Chick, June 14, 15. Llano Sta., June 18. Richland Springs, at Varga Chapel, June 21, 22. Fredonia, at —, June 28, 29. Mason, at —, June 29, 30. J. H. COWAN, P. E.

San Angelo District—Second Round. Sherwood, April 12, 13. Sterling, at China Valley, Apr. 19, 20. Water Valley, at Carlshad, Apr. 20. Garden City, at Fairview, Apr. 24. Midland, Apr. 26, 27. Midland Circuit, at Prairie Lee, Apr. 26. Paint Rock Circuit, May 1. F. B. BUCHANAN, P. E.

Uvalde District—Second Round. Del Rio, April 12, 13. Millett, April 19, 20. Pearsall Sta., April 20, 21. Laredo Sta., April 26, 27. S. B. BEALL, P. E.

Austin District—Second Round. South Austin, April 11, 12. Ward Memorial, April 12, 13. V. A. GODBEY, P. E.

Cuero District—Second Round. Laverna, at Sutherland Spgs., April 12, 13. JOHN M. ALEXANDER, P. E.

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE Sweetwater District—Second Round. Colorado Sta., April 13-14. Colorado Mis., at Plainview, April 19, 20. Fluvanna, at Crowds, April 26-27. Sweetwater Mis., at Ada, May 3-4. J. M. SHERMAN, P. E.

San Augustine District—Second Round. Kennard, at Kennard, April 12. Center Cir., at Sand Hill, April 19. Center Sta., April 20. Sandhill, at Sandhill, April 26. San Augustine, April 27. Gary, at Tennessee, May 3. Carthage Sta., May 4. Mt. Enterprise, May 10. M. House, at Elm Grove, May 17. Hemphill, May 20. Geneva, at McMahons Chapel, May 24. Livingston Cir., May 31. Appleby Mis., June 7. Nacogdoches, June 8. J. W. MILLS, P. E.

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Navasota District—Second Round. Grandland and Lovelady, at Percella, April 11. Augusta Cir., at Liberty Hill, April 12, 13. Montgomery Cir., at Stoneham, April 20, 21. Crockett Cir., at Loretta, April 26, 27. Crockett Sta., April 28 and 29. Cleveland and Shepherd, at Fostoria, May 3, 4. Cold Springs, at Point Black, May 10, 11. Oakhurst Cir., at Dodge, May 11, 12. Bryan Mis., at Steep Hollow, May 17, 18. Irena Sta., May 18, 19. Willis and New Waverly, at El Mina, May 24, 25. Huntsville Sta., May 25, 26. E. L. SHETTLES, P. E.

Beaumont District—Second Round. Kirshville, April 12, 13. Rockville, at Pinedale, April 19, 20. Jasper, April 20, 21. Newton, at Lark's Chapel, April 26, 27. Call, at Bossman, April 30, 7:30 p. m. Baton and Saratoga, at Baton, May 3, 4. Warren, at —, May 10, 11. Woodville, at —, May 11, 12. Port Arthur and Stowell, at Stowell, May 17, 18. Nederland, at —, May 24, 25. Port Arthur, May 25, 26. E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

Brenham District—Second Round. Waller, at Kirby's Chapel, April 12, 13. Hesper, April 19, 20. Glen Flora, at Lago, April 19, 20. Bay City, April 20. Sealy, at Buckhorn, April 26, 27. Sealy, at San Felipe, May 3, 4. Rosenberg, May 4. Froeschler, at Camp Ground, at P., May 10, 11. Lane Cir., May 17, 18. Wharton, May 18, 19. Wallis and Fulshear, at Wallis, May 24, 25. Richmond, May 25. S. W. THOMAS, P. E.

Jacksonville District—Second Round. Alto Cir., at Atty, April 12. Alto Sta., April 15. Mount Selman, at Mixon, April 18. Elkhart, at —, April 19. Cushing, at —, April 26. La Rue, at —, April 29. Brushy Creek, at —, May 3. Huntington, at —, May 9. J. T. SMITH, P. E.

Houston District—Second Round. Cedar Bayou, April 13. Alton, April 16. Houston, First Church, April 20. Genoa, April 20. Brazoria, April 23. Angleton, April 27. Iowa Colony, April 27. Arcadian, May 4. Woodland Heights, May 4. Katy, May 11. Columbia, May 18. J. KILGORK, P. E.

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**One Million Dollar Endowment Campaign Is Now On**

LET THE WHOLE LINE ADVANCE.

This thrilling order given in a famous battle is the order for Texas Methodism at this time. By conference resolutions April and May have been designated the time for an every-member campaign in Texas in behalf of Southern Methodist University. The time thus set aside is at hand. Let the whole line advance, should ring out over the entire State. Every presiding elder, every district commissioner, every pastor and every local committeeman should move actively until the whole field has been thoroughly canvassed and the necessary funds secured. Let these officers in the army of Israel repeat the order and let every man appear in his place. It is an inspiring undertaking. Victory is in sight. Let no man falter.

At least fifty more must be added to the Knickerbocker Special. Many more can give \$100 annually for the five years. An innumerable host can give \$20 annually, more or less. Every loyal Methodist ought to have some part.

DR. H. A. BOAZ IN NORTH TEXAS.

After a most strenuous and successful week in Waco and Corsicana Districts, Dr. Boaz passed through Dallas on Saturday on his way to North Texas. Sunday morning he was at Leonard, securing \$501 in addition to what had been pledged there on a previous visit by Commissioner L. S. Barton. Trenton gave in cash \$125, having also been visited by Brother Barton.

Monday night he gave his lecture, "Fools in Eden," to a large and appreciative audience in Bonham. Bonham had already pledged more than \$2000 but added \$647.50.

Tuesday afternoon Rev. O. S. Thomas, Presiding Elder and Trustee of S. M. U., and Brother Whitesides, pastor at Bonham, accompanied Dr. Boaz to Honey Grove where he lectured at night. Brother Barton had already secured more than \$3000 in Honey Grove, but \$1425 was added to the list. Additional sums will be secured from all these towns later.

On Wednesday night Dr. Boaz spoke to a good audience in Greenville but did not have time to do any soliciting, hurrying home in order to visit East Texas. Four days' work resulted in \$2875 in good subscriptions, \$445 of which was in cash.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Rev. W. L. Tittle, District Commissioner for the Sulphur Springs District, calls our attention to the fact that every preacher in his district has subscribed to Southern Methodist University. We believe that this is the only district out of fifty with such a record.

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What about it, Presiding Elders?

What about it, Preachers?

Let's see what district will be the next one to cross the line.

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- Adams, J. F.
- Bailey, R. O.
- Balby, C. V.
- Baldridge, J. H.
- Breton, Preston
- Boaz, H. A.
- Bowman, Henry
- Bowman, Marvin W. Lee
- Bowman, J. Hall
- Bowman, Henry C. Little
- Bowman, T. E.
- Bachman, J. W. R.
- Brown, R. F.
- Brown, W. M.
- Bell, C. F.
- Campbell, James
- Chappell, Ashley C.
- Clark, J. F.
- Collie, D. L.
- Coale, D. A.
- Crawford, J. E.
- Creed, J. J.
- Culwell, S. L.
- Fort, J. W.
- Gore, J. O.
- Gray, W. T.
- Hawk, E. B.
- Head, J. W.
- Helzer, R. H.
- Hightower, C. C.
- Hotchkiss, M. S.
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- Keener, W. H.
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- Kinslow, W. F.
- Knowles, S. B.
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- Josephus
- Lindsey, C. E.
- Little, Chas. H.
- Little, M. K.
- Lloyd, E. L.
- Loyd, J. F.
- Matthews, W. H.
- Mc Cain, J. N.
- McGhee, F. L.
- Mims, J. C.
- Morris, Franklin
- Morton, O. A.
- Morphis, W. J.
- Munger, H. I.
- Morris, W. C.
- McLean, Dr. J. H.
- Nelson, Jno. R.
- Nevill, S. P.
- Patison, J. W.
- Pollard, J. G.
- Porter, A. D.
- Ray, F. A.
- Richardson, S.
- Rice, Jno. A.

- Rucker, S. J.
- Ruffner, J. A.
- Shuler, R. P.
- Singleton, F. E.
- Singley, W. T.
- Stanford, Henry
- Smith, E. A.
- Smith, M. M.
- Tyson, J. L.
- Turner, O. B.
- Turney, A. E.
- Turner, Neal W.
- Taylor, T. W.
- Vinsant, Wallace
- Williams, C. V.
- Watford, A. E.
- Wright, C. R.
- Wagner, B. R.
- Walker, J. H.
- Walker, R. A.
- Webb, L. A.
- Whitehurst, J. A.
- Wilkins, Chas. E.
- Williams, E. P.
- Winfield, G. F.
- Wisdom, E. M.
- Wynne, J. M.

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- Alexander, J. M.
- Albritten, J. W.
- Booth, L. E.
- Boyd, Geo. M.
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- Barr, W. L.
- Beall, S. B.
- Buchanan, F. B.
- Boothe, C. H.
- Barton, T. N.
- Buck, E. L.
- Clark, J. H.
- Carter, N. W.
- Coker, A. T.
- Cowan, J. W.
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- Darby, M. L.
- Dorsey, J. D.
- Draper, H. E.
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- Edgar, J. S.
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- Godbey, V. A.
- Groschese, J. H.
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- Harrison, J. E.
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- Hocutt, E. G.
- Hubbard, E. Y. S.
- Hawk, D. E.
- Hunter, E. A.
- James, A. N.
- King, J. T.
- Keathley, W. R.
- Lehman, C. A.
- Lilly, L. C.
- Lynn, J. M.
- Liles, Z. V.
- Lovett, J. E.
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- Morgan, J. E.
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- Myers, B. A.
- McKinney, W. M.
- Nickels, Wm.
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- Pennybacker, J. F.
- Parker, R. E.
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- Will, W. L.

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- Clark, M. W.
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- Griswold, J. T.
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- Hardy, Ben.
- Hearon, C. W.
- Henson, Jno. R.
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- Hinds, W. C.
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- Jameson, C. E.
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- Myers, L. N.
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- Willett, T. C.
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- Wright, E. L.
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PITTSBURG DISTRICT.

"Through great tribulation," we have come to the close of the "first round," and the good work done by our preachers and people under conditions that have been unfavorable in the extreme, justifies this public mention and word of commendation. There were but three Sundays in the whole quarter that could be called good, but the work went on in spite of bad weather. The preachers reached their charges promptly after conference and received a glad welcome, and have entered upon the work with good spirit.

E. D. Watson holds the reins at Atlanta, and he is guiding the affairs with a master hand; he is a new man, but fits the fine, new parsonage and dependable people there just like a new glove. They have up a mutual case of being well pleased, and are making a good start into a year of large promise.

Boston Circuit is a new charge that has good promise in it, and is served by G. M. Yearwood. They have bought a parsonage since conference, and have laid plans for a year of push

and aggressiveness. The preacher will do his part.

J. M. Honeycutt is back at Cason, taking up the work where he left it on going to conference, and he and his people have determined to have a better year than the last one.

This is Cookeville's second year as a charge. J. S. Rogers is the preacher, and he has made a good beginning. A new railroad building through this territory has put new life into things over that way, and our Church is trying to keep step with this spirit of advancement. At least one new church is practically assured on this charge this year.

A. M. Pinkham is in charge of Cornett Circuit. This too, is its second year. It made a good record last year, and has started to do better this year, and one of the good things they did at the start was to increase the preacher's salary. We have some true, good people in this charge and they are going to push the battle to success.

Dalingerfield is served by C. H. Adams. His move was so short that he hardly knew he made one (he could have walked it in a pinch), and he was soon on the ground. His people accuse him of doing some great preaching, and he brags on his people much. There is no place in the district where pastor and people chime in with more perfect rhythm, and that gives promise of doing their work better. Watch them! They'll have a good report at the end of the year.

J. E. White, at Dalby Springs, started the year with the "grip," but he came out of it safely, and now has a grip on his charge that promises good results. This is an old charge that has not yet done its best, or realized its possibilities; but we have some as fine people there as can be found anywhere, and a larger and better day will come to that charge. It's coming now.

Douglassville is served by D. A. Williams. He has captured his people and is leading them wisely and safely. You may expect good reports from them all along, and at conference they will be found in the front rank.

L. B. Saxon, who served Douglassville well last year under very trying conditions, owing to the long, critical illness of his wife, has taken hold of the Hughes Springs charge with good spirit and earnestness, and is having success. Already he is planning a vigorous campaign and counting on great things. His many friends will be glad to know that the health of his good wife has rapidly improved and gives good promise of being entirely restored.

J. T. Hooks is doing well at Linden. The town is growing fast and shows decided improvement along business lines, and we have a great opportunity there. Our people are making large plans for the District Conference there in June, and are counting on it for results.

G. L. Taylor has captured Mt. Pleasant. This is one of the places in the district where we have been slow in coming into our own, but we are facing a better day. Brother Stafford showed our people there last year some things that they could do, and others for which they should strive, and they are reaching out for them. No better appointment could have been made than was made when Brother Taylor was sent there, and our work is forging to the front with rapid steps. The Sunday School shows decided improvement, the salary has been increased \$200, the conference collections have been provided for, and more than half paid in cash, and other steps of progress, all pointing to a better day for Methodism in Mt. Pleasant.

Nash is doing well under the leadership of A. G. Hall; he hit the place "a running," and hasn't slowed up till now. Salary of pastor increased and a good start on the conference collections. The preacher says, "We are going to pay out," and I believe they will.

The preachers at New Boston and De Kalb last year Walker (ed) away but they have a Goodwin (Goodwin) in his place. J. W. is in high favor and is doing extra well. The new church at De Kalb is going up, and will be rushed to completion, and when finished it will be a gem of beauty. More than half of the conference collections paid in cash and the balance provided, with an excess of \$500 in cash for the Orphanage.

Pittsburg Station is "going some." Already they have had two preachers this year and the first quarter just gone. Watts stayed two months and lengthened his tether so as to take in the whole conference and other "foreign territory," and Jesse Lee came and has been on the ground three weeks; long enough to get his breath back and take his bearing. The exchange was made without a jostle and the work moves along to success. If it takes two preachers, the presiding elder and a resident circuit preacher to make out one quarter, who can prophesy as to the other three

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quarters? The charge has paid about \$100 to the Orphanage this quarter.

B. C. Ansley has charge of Pittsburg Circuit, and is not allowing the grass to grow under his feet. Although the charge lost one of its good appointments at our last conference, the stewards put the salary at the same that it was last year, and have set in to pay it. This is one of the best circuits in the conference and is getting better every year. 'Twould be hard to find a more faithful Board of Stewards in any man's country.

Queen City and W. W. Adams are working well together. He is visiting his people and praying with them and doing his work with faithfulness and good spirit. They will have a good year, unless the signs fail.

T. D. McCrary is in charge of Redwater Circuit. The people are much pleased with him, and he is delighted with them. He is planning to look after some neglected territory adjacent to his charge and he and his people may be counted on for a good year's work.

G. W. Davis has made a fine start at Central Church, Texarkana. In spite of the many unfavorable Sundays since conference, he is preaching to large and appreciative congregations. This Church is destined yet to take the place in the "rate city" that its location makes possible to it. This Church has the unique distinction of being the only one in our conference, if not in the Connection, of having in its membership a United States Senator and a Congressman, too.

Hardy Memorial Church would not seem natural with any other pastor than Ed Morgan. He is now in his fourth year, and it promises to be his best one. The Sunday School and congregations have grown until the church was entirely too small, and they have enlarged the church and added nearly one-half to its seating capacity and still they need more room. If they were just able to build a \$50,000 plant, the perplexing problem would be solved. The salary of the pastor has been increased \$300, and the pastor holds the receipt of the Conference Treasurer for all the conference claims. If you get ahead of Ed Morgan you will have to start early and keep moving.

Sam Allen is Bishop of Winfield Circuit and has captured the whole thing. Already he is taking steps and laying plans for a new church at Winfield, and we confidently expect to see it carried through this year. The salary has been increased \$200, and everything is full of promise.

J. H. Westmoreland is serving Winnsboro Circuit, and is doing well. The parsonage debt of long-standing has been greatly reduced and steps are being taken to wipe it out entirely. The stewards very willingly and with good spirit raised the pastor's salary \$100 over anything they have done in recent years.

On the whole the work of the district shows a hearty growth. The increase in the salaries of the preachers is a little more than \$1200, and that of the presiding elder nearly \$300. New churches and parsonages are planned and the outlook is encouraging and full of promise. From reports of the preachers just received I give the following statistics:

Sermons preached, 425; pastoral visits made, 1911; additions, 185; cash on collections, \$1470; cash on salaries, \$4118; other objects, \$3640; new subscriptions to Texas Christian Advocate, 102.

With gratitude to Almighty God for his blessing in the past and faith in his leadership for the future we start into the new quarter with the determination to make it a better one.

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