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The Making Of A Doctor Of Divinity

THE bestowing of the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon a true and worthy minister of the gospel is a just and righteous act. And when the matter is seen from the right viewpoint the wisdom of it will appear the more evident. Unfortunately, however, the title has too often been allowed to degenerate into a matter of gaudy display minus much worth.

Why should not the merits of the ministry stand upon a solid basis? Everywhere else men who have truly mastered the details of their line of work and really know it, are readily recognized as an authority on that line, and are truly teachers. Such men easily step to the front and are honored by public recognition as masters in their department of life, and this is right. The physician's degree as M. D. is both a protection to the public health and a recognition of the merits of the practitioner. So it is in law, and so it should be in all professional lines. If a worthy and true minister of the gospel makes himself a master of the science of theology, and shows himself a safe and capable man to impart the same, in all justice to the minister as well as a protection to the Church, that men should be recognized and authorized to teach the precious truth. Any man who attains to this degree of proficiency is a boon to his Church, and should be so recognized and honored for it.

That such distinguished proficiency should carry with it a certain amount of "honor" is not a matter of surprise. All positions of marked efficiency and usefulness should in all justice come to be recognized, and the recognition of superiority and real merit is in itself the very soul of that deference we call "honor" which one man bestows on his brother man. Whenever one comes to manifest decided powers, grasp of thought and breadth of knowledge, together with an adaptation to impart the same, with what ready hearts men yield him their homage in brotherly recognition! And although no institution of learning may have discovered him as yet, that man is in the true sense a "Doctor of Divinity," for is he not a recognized master in matters pertaining to religion, and should he not have the right-of-way to teach the same? And more, should not the true man be protected just here?

This last statement may have a strangeness of sound, but existing

conditions thrust it to the front. In the realm where there should be the most solid ground, there is much sand; and where there should be the beauty of order there is much chaos. Too often where the degree of D. D. should be a recognition of merit, it is but a gaudy plume of favoritism, and where there should be only the glory of God in honoring one of his worthy servants, there is a bid for influence or adroit advertisement. Then, as one of our University presidents recently said, "Many of the cases which have come before us of late have been ridiculous in the extreme." This has been due to the flimsy ground on which the claims were made, while the manner of presenting them was most unparliamentary to say the least.

Not having some established rule for securing the credentials of a candidate for the degree of D. D., what wonder there should be confusion in the matter? Certain schools of recognized merit, and from which a degree would be greatly appreciated, have had the custom of conferring the degree respectively each year to two of their alumni. This was long a custom at Dickison College, where some of the best of Methodist preachers of the early days were educated. But as could easily have happened, the stock of D. D. material would run low, and the school would be found in a very awkward position. Another of our most worthy Southern colleges, having followed the custom of honoring two of our Southern Methodist preachers each year, found themselves once where they were ill at ease as to worthy men. The President, while walking about the campus, chanced to meet the city pastor and said: "We are at sea in our faculty meeting and perhaps you can help us out. We want the name of a man of your Church upon whom we can confer the degree of D. D. Can you name one?" The pastor, with a mischievous twinkle of the eye, said: "Give it to Brother Blank, of Kentucky. He will appreciate it as much as anyone I know," and behold when the announcements were made, this man had been honored with the degree. But, while it came as a bit of pleasantry, he wore it with honor till the end of his busy and useful life.

Another case is even more amusing, and to the point. A brother who had been pastor of the Methodist Church in this same town for four years, on being removed, wrote back saying that, inasmuch as he was personally acquainted with

every member of the faculty and counted them his warm friends, he would take the liberty of nominating a man he considered in every respect worthy of their annually conferred honors, and he named one of the most worthy men in the whole Connection—one who often sat as Chairman of the Committee on Episcopacy in our General Conference. The letter was duly read, and it was asked of the entire faculty, man by man, "Do you know anything of the gentleman mentioned in this letter," and they every one answered, "No; but I know the author of that letter, and know him to be a most excellent Christian gentleman." But it so happened that the Chairman of the meeting, not being well, had fallen into a slight doze while all this was being said, and some one roused him up and asked him, "Do you know this man, and will you vote for him for this degree?" The two men had not long since been in a joint temperance discussion in which the old judge came off minus many a plume, and now was his time to get even, so he stormed out, "No; I will not vote for him, but I move we confer it on the author of that letter." The whole faculty was completely trapped. They each had spoken commendatory of the writer of that letter, and to a man they stood by their action and voted to confer the degree. And to the end of his life a good man was embarrassed by the honor under which he staggered like a pigmy, while every one wondered how it came to be conferred.

The clean and modest man—who who is most worthy—will not exploit himself, and hence too often remains in unrequited obscurity. But should the worthy and true man be forgotten because the unworthy are too often in the public gaze? Too long the matter has been left to a

mere freak of fancy or accident of popularity. At the request of one of our most thoughtful college presidents, these lines have been written, and the following suggestions offered in the hope that they may lead to some definite system ere long by our schools who are authorized to confer degrees.

1. A thesis of some pretensions on some vital religious topic should be required of every candidate. In this thesis he should be expected to manifest an ability to think deeply, clearly and logically on a subject. Only such a man should be considered a master in so important a subject as divinity. Let anyone read Dr. W. E. Channing's thesis on "Christianity," found in his work, and that will illustrate what we mean. That was the thesis on which his degree was won.

2. The candidate should be well informed, especially on the theology of the day. His library should be his credentials at this point. If he is to wear the laurels of mastership he should know his subject, and be more than a magnetic, fascinating gentleman. A degree of the kind should mean, first of a I. scholarship, but by this we do not mean a college diploma, for many a great master, like old "Father James Gwinn, of Tennessee, may know what books are made of before colleges were built.

3. Next, and lastly, he should be a lofty Christian gentleman, whose aim and ambition first of all is to be like his Lord. No higher honor could be coveted than this, and no man ought to be considered an authority among us who is in the least lacking in this particular. Whatever else he may not be let him be a pattern in piety, a man of power in the world because he has prevailed with God. Then will D. D. be a title of real merit.

The Preacher As A Business Man

IT IS a common expression, "A preacher has no business sense." There are reasons for this false but prevalent opinion.

(1) The Church is suspicious of any of its pastors who deals in real estate or swaps horses too often. (2) His work as a preacher demands the pastor's time and thought so completely that if he succeeds as a preacher and a pastor, he cannot give time and thought enough for success to business enterprises. (3) His salary, as a rule, is insufficient for giving one a business standing. Notwithstanding these things, he is a good business man. That is, a

larger per cent of preachers are good business men, in the true sense of the word, than is found to obtain in any other class of men.

A good business man pays his debts. The Methodist preacher with a very moderate salary pays his bills.

It is a lamentable fact that here and there a preacher fails to pay his debts, but the rank and file of preachers are such good payers of debts that when one does fail to meet his obligations, he is a shining mark for sneering critics to shoot at. The preacher should be so careful in his business that his name means one hundred cents on the dollar.

Woman And Her Work

By REV. JNO. M. BARCUS, D. D.

"Lydia, a woman whose heart the Lord had opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken by Paul."

This passage of Scripture has an important bearing on any discussion of Woman and Her Work, especially in view of the fact the many agitators in the controversy concerning woman's rights start out by deliberately ignoring or contradicting the things spoken by Paul. At most, he is accorded only the consideration that is shown any other man who expresses an opinion contrary to their own. The reason Lydia gave heed unto the "things which were spoken by Paul" is here assigned: "She was a woman whose heart the Lord had opened." A woman whose heart is opened to the call of social and political ambition will give scant heed to such a teacher as Paul.

The woman above referred to was the first convert and the first member of the Church in Europe, and from that day to this woman has been the important factor in the work of the Church. Upon this fact has been founded the sneer that the reason women take to the Church more readily than men is because it is such a weak institution, based on sentimentalism, and her doctrines do not appeal to the strong reason of men. If the Church were the only institution among men that owed its success largely to the presence and influence of women, there might be some show of justification for such a sneer. But the fact is that woman is the dominating and determining factor in every social and religious institution in the world.

This is according to God's plan and purpose. After he had finished the material creation, he said concerning it, "It is good"—until he came to the bachelor Adam and then he said, "It is not good for the man to be alone." He saw that man alone would be a monumental failure and so, as a sort of afterthought, he made woman to be a helpmeet for him. And without question she was the masterpiece of the great Creator. From that day to this she has been the real power behind every throne. The real man is always the woman he carries in his heart. There is an old Polish proverb, "A woman draws more with the hair of her head than a pair of oxen well harnessed." In the good, old days when knighthood was in flower, a knight thought himself almost invincible if his lady's hand buckled his armor. George Stevenson, the inventor of the locomotive engine, was once asked, "What is the greatest power in the world?" He did not name steam or electricity, but said, "The greatest power in the world is the power of a woman's eye; with one glance of it she can send a man to the end of the world, and the memory of it will bring him back again." God gave woman this power for a purpose. He saw that without such power to help him his creature man would be a failure.

But power is always a dangerous thing. The same power that may be for good, if wrongly directed, may do infinite harm. It may be a constructive force to build up that which is beautiful and good or it may be an infernal machine which leaves destruction in its path. This is certainly true of woman's power. As Kate Field has said:

"Ah, wasteful women, she who may On her sweet self set her own price, Knowing man cannot choose but pay, How has she cheapened paradise, How given for naught her priceless gift, How soiled the bread and spilled the wine, Which, sent with due respectful thrift, Had made brutes men and men divine."

God, however, evidently intended that she should exert this power as

A Helper and Not a Competitor of Men.

One of the most dangerous tendencies in modern thinking concerning our social and economic conditions is to consider that men and women are equal, capable of doing the same things and therefore entitled to enter the lists as competitors in trade, in the professions and in politics. We will grant, if it is demanded, the intellectual equality or even superiority of woman, but that does not prove that God intended them to do the same kind of work. If that had been his purpose he would have made them alike and not had two patterns. Recently some agitators in the Church have worked themselves up to a fine frenzy over the idea that men and women should be limited in their

spheres of operation, simply because of a difference in sex. But surely this is a fundamental distinction and one that cannot be ignored without material hurt to both sexes. God recognized this distinction at the beginning and assigned their work accordingly. To the man he said: "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." Upon him, therefore, clearly devolves the responsibility of being the breadwinner of the family. Wherever and whenever circumstances have seemed to make it necessary for the woman to win her own bread or the bread of her children it has always been regarded as more or less a case of misfortune; and women, who by these circumstances have been forced into competition with men have been accorded a difference and a delicacy of consideration not shown to their male competitors. And it will be a sad day for both men and women whenever this cry for "Equal Rights" shall be accepted by men. In its last analysis it simply means "Every fellow for himself and the devil take the hindmost." When this becomes the accepted basis for regulating the business relationships between men and women then the days of chivalry will be over and woman's power will be largely a thing of the past and the chief corner stone in our best social institutions will be removed.

It is no more a disparagement of woman to say that she cannot and ought not to do man's work than it is a disparagement of man to say that he cannot and ought not to do a woman's work. It is not a disparagement of a physician to say that he cannot shoe a horse. It is no disparagement of a steam engine to say that you cannot pull a tooth with it or of a razor to say that you cannot split a log with it. It may be true that with a little training a woman could make as good a lawyer, doctor, preacher, sheriff, road overseer, drayman or bootblack as a man, but I no more believe that God intended her for such things than I believe that he intended man to be the mother of a family.

Where is her God-given field of work? We do not have to look far to find it, but in briefly pointing it out I am aware that I lay myself liable to be called "narrow" and lacking in proper range of vision. And it will not help me much to quote St. Paul in defense of my position, for as already intimated, he is not in very good repute in some quarters as an authority on the woman question. For myself, however, I believe that Paul was as much inspired to write what he did in regard to woman and her work as he was to write about worldwide missions. So I shall not hesitate to quote him. The first great work of woman to which I will refer is as

The Maker of a Home.

This work is fundamental. As goes the home so goes the Church, society and the Nation. Here woman's presence and work is essential and invaluable. Man cannot make a home. He can build and furnish a house, but when he has done everything he can do to make it attractive and comfortable it is but a gilded sepulchre until some woman's voice makes music in its halls. Men and women ought to get married. This is God's plan and his command and all the arguments that can be made to the contrary are not worth a spoonful of sawdust. An old bachelor by choice, or a self-constituted old maid may accomplish some useful thing in life, but God's ideal is for every normal man to be a husband and every right-minded woman to be a wife and the ideal place for them after they are married is a home. Of course, the man has his part to do in making the home, but the woman is, by pre-eminence and by God's sanction, the home builder. The ideal woman in the Old Testament "Looketh well to the ways of her household," and St. Paul exhorts Timothy to see to it that the old women teach the young women to "Love their own husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands." The home is the woman's kingdom. Here she may easily reign a queen without ever the thought of a rival. And no monarch ever swayed scepter over a kingdom more powerful or more far reaching in its influence. If women would accept graciously and in good faith the abdications their chief business is to make an ideal home there would not be so much clamor on their part for some other sphere and marriage would not so often be a failure as it now seems to be. God pity the woman, who, in her desire to voluntarily abdicate a throne like this and sighs for an opportunity to enter the lists as a competitor of man for the tawdry prizes of life, or to dabble her white

robes in the cesspool of party politics! Such a woman grasps at a gilded tinsel and lets fall from her hand an imperishable crown.

The second work I mention is Motherhood.

God's command was: "Be fruitful and multiply." St. Paul's advice is, "Let the younger women marry, bear children and guide the house." No greater honor was ever conferred on a human being than the privilege of being a mother. When God takes a little pink baby and lays it in his mother's arms and says: "Take this child and nurse it for me and I will give thee thy wages," he confers an honor and creates a responsibility which no words can exaggerate. Motherhood is a costly thing. It costs in pain, in anguish, in sacrifice and service, but if the duties involved be properly discharged the wages are commensurate with the cost. The memories of home and mother always go together. The first impressions made on the mind of a child and the last to fade from his memory are made by his mother. Her picture is the fairest and the sweetest that hangs on the walls for memory. Is hers a narrow and circumscribed life? Take this case for illustration:

She was the mother of thirteen children. For more than a quarter of a century she was practically a shut-in. Her life circumscribed by the four walls of her home. Her children crawled over her feet, pulled at her dress and sometimes trod on her heart, but with patience and love, and guided by divine wisdom and sustained by divine grace she stuck to her God-given task until her children were all grown and had taken their places

in the world's great work. Now, the hair once nut-brown, frosted by the snows of many winters, falls in waves over the brow once so fair, now furrowed with the cares and trials of wifehood and motherhood. But her children rise up and call her blessed. She moves like a queen among them and awaits with joy the time when God will say, "Your task is done. Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." Such a woman may never have her name in the society columns of a great daily. She may never be heralded as one who held conspicuous official position in Church or State, but one such woman is worth a whole regiment of women who chafe at the exacting demands of motherhood and sigh for what they are pleased to call "Woman's Rights." Of course there are many lines of Christian service open to women in which they may be abundantly useful. One of the marvels of modern Church movements is the great achievements of women in their organized work. Especially when we consider how comparatively few engage in it. To even name these various lines of activity would be a task and it is not my purpose to speak of them in detail. They ought to commend themselves to every woman whose heart God has opened. My only purpose is to emphasize the two lines of work I have mentioned above as the supreme work of woman. To my mind they constitute woman's highest obligation and no woman who has an opportunity to engage in them and willfully neglects them can compensate for her failure by any amount of service on any other line.

Richmond and Else

By W. C. EVERETT

A little more than a year ago the Book Committee established a branch of our Publishing House in Richmond, Virginia, and the Book Committee had its annual meeting there May 21 and 22. The Committee very naturally wanted to look things over, and this meeting was the occasion of my visit to that beautiful old Southern city.

My trip up was without unusual incident. I left Dallas on the Katy Limited, which carried me across the entire State of Missouri in daylight. This fine old State has recently been blessed with an abundance of rain and all vegetation is flourishing and the crop prospects promising. I stopped for two days in Indianapolis to visit my only sister, who lives there. This is a thriving city in the heart of a very rich section and contains much of interest to the tourist, about which I cannot stop now to write. After a few hours' stop-over in Cincinnati, in company with the Senior Book Agent and several members of the Book Committee, I boarded the "F. F. V." train on the C. & O., and after a most interesting ride up the Ohio River and through the West Virginia mountains arrived in Richmond the next morning. Arrangements had been made for our entertainment at the very best hotel I have ever seen. It is large and roomy and beautiful and remain a few days as a guest there lacks much of being a hardship.

The Book Committee had an interesting session, every member and both Book Agents being present. Bishop Collins Denny, who was for twelve years chairman of the Book Committee, and who now lives in Richmond, was present at most of the sessions and the entire committee is under obligations to him for his many thoughtful and timely courtesies.

The report of the Book Agents shows the following facts for the year:

Sales—	
Nashville	\$199,417.74
Dallas	215,863.17
Richmond	69,522.81
Total	\$784,743.72
Profits	
Nashville	\$ 81,054.65
Dallas	8,053.63
Richmond	8,280.43
Total	\$ 97,388.71

The sum of \$10,000 was appropriated to the supernuantes and will be distributed among the conferences as usual.

The first year of the Richmond House has more than met the expectations of all concerned and its immediate success has more than justified its establishment. Richmond is nearer the book market than any other Southern city—only nine hours from New York—and because of its location on deep water enjoys freight rates that are very advantageous. For instance, the rate on books from New York to Richmond is 30 cents per 100 pounds, while the rate on the same class of freight from New York to Dallas is nearly six times as much. Of course, when the Trinity becomes navigable

for dreadnaughts and we get those water rates we have been reading about, all this will be changed, but under present conditions it puts Dallas houses up against a real proposition. Another very fine omen for the Richmond House is the unanimity and enthusiasm with which the patronizing conferences support it. The manager, Mr. W. F. Pierce, is proving a perfect fit and altogether the new branch of our Publishing House is starting on its career under most encouraging circumstances. May continued and increasing success attend its way.

Historic Richmond.

While I had heard and read something of the history that has been made in and around Richmond I had no idea there was so much of historic interest on every hand. Through the kindness of Bishop Denny, Dr. W. J. Young, Dr. Ashby Christian, Colonel Branch, and others, opportunity was provided for the committee to visit many of the places of greatest interest, and not being required to attend the executive meetings of the Book Committee I had ample time to go in my own way and look into things until satisfied.

A striking point of interest is the old St. Paul's Episcopal Church, the Church home of President Jefferson Davis and General Robert E. Lee when in the city. It was in this church that "Winnie Davis," the daughter of the Confederacy, was christened in 1865, and it was from this church that she was carried to her last resting place in beautiful Hollywood Cemetery. On Sunday morning, April 2, 1865, President Davis was sitting in his pew when the sexton, a large man with blue clothes and brass buttons and a ruffled shirt, tinted in and handed him a note to the effect that Grant's army had broken through the lines at Petersburg. The preacher was just concluding his sermon preparatory to the sacrament, but when the President of the Confederacy got up and quietly walked out of the church the people rapidly learned the reason and the service was brought to an end. The day was beautiful and warm and clear, the air filled with the perfume of flowers, and the sweet notes of the song-birds in the big trees nearby, but the message had come from General Lee that the lines had been broken and Richmond must be evacuated at once. The next five days were filled with trying and awful scenes, which I cannot describe, if I had the time and space. It has been written up so often and so fully that it would be a useless attempt. Dr. Hatcher, a noted Baptist preacher, who spent his life in and around Richmond, describes it in a most graphic way in his autobiography, entitled "Along the Trail of the Friendly Years," and the fall of Richmond, its evacuation and burning make a page in the history of this beautiful old Southern city. The flight of President Davis, his subsequent capture and the scenes and incidents that followed are all facts of history. The pew in which he sat is marked with a suitable inscription and a memorial window is a constant reminder of those eventful days. Just across the aisle is the pew that Gen-

eral Robert E. Lee and family occupied when in the city and a memorial window has been placed near by. It represents Moses leaving the court of Pharaoh to cast his lot with his own people and bears this inscription, "By faith Moses refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the children of God, as seeing Him who is invisible." This is the most strikingly beautiful window I have ever seen and in fact is by some said to be the most beautiful in the world.

Old St. John's Episcopal Church is worth a trip to Richmond to see. It was built in 1741. The House of Burgesses sat in this church in 1775 when Patrick Henry arose in his place, now pew No. 72, and delivered the famous oration concluding with "Give me liberty or give me death." I suppose no audience was ever thrilled and stirred and moved to action by an oration as this one was. Every school-boy in this broad land knows this speech, and every schoolhouse has heard it declaimed by ambitious youth over and over again. As I stood in the same pew where this wonderful speech was made, I felt that I was in the presence of some great spirit or influence that came back out of the far past to talk over again those stirring times. The old high pulpit stands intact and has been in constant use since the church was built. An interesting attaché of this church is the sexton, an Italian with a glass eye and a rich fund of historical anecdote, gathered out of his forty years' service in this position. He likes to stand in this same pew and deliver this oration to visiting bodies and puts much animation and gesticulation into the performance. The old cemetery that surrounds the church is full of interest. The oldest grave is that of Robert Rose, a rector of the Church, who died in 1771. Edward Carrington, foreman of the jury which tried Aaron Burr for treason, with John Marshall, afterward Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, as Judge, was buried just outside the church door. George Wytche, who taught Jefferson, Marshall, Madison, Monroe and Henry Clay in old William and Mary College, lies in an unmarked grave. The House of Burgesses was in session in this church in 1781 when Aaron Burr, with 900 men, dispersed them, and it was in this same church that the Federal Constitution was ratified in 1788. Truly a historic old place.

The White House of the Confederacy is now occupied by a Confederate Museum. Days could be profitably spent in going through the collection there. A large room is set apart as the Texas Room and it is well filled with paintings, books and papers and souvenirs of all kinds. I was particularly interested in a picture of which I had heard about and the existence of which I have heard was doubted. It is a group of the Grand Jury that found a bill of indictment against Jefferson Davis for treason. It is a large group photograph and stands on the mantel in the reception room alongside of a similar group photograph of the venire from which a jury was to be selected to try the prisoner. The peculiarity of these two pictures lies in the fact that about one-third of the men are negroes, and in the Grand Jury one white man has his arms lovingly around a negro man. Be it said to the credit of some of the white men that in after years they tried to get their pictures out of these groups. The photographer who made the original pictures still conducts his same gallery in Richmond and steadily declines to change or alter the negative. He says he did not make the history and it must stand as made.

In the State Library is an oil painting of Pocahontas, the daughter of old Chief Powhattan, and who saved John Smith's life in such a dramatic way that it is out of the ordinary. She married John Rolfe and went to England to live and was there christened as "Lady Rebecca," and died there in 1617, after only three short years' residence. A very fine oil painting was made of her while in England and the picture in the State Library is a copy made by a celebrated artist sent over for the purpose. Her descendants in after years were very prominent in Virginia and all that is known of her indicates that she was a woman of superior mental endowments. Capt. John Smith, whose life she saved, died in 1631 and is buried in London.

The residence of Robert E. Lee, 1861-1865, is now occupied by the Virginia Historical Society and is fitted with rare old relics and literature. The pistol belonging to Capt. John Smith, a brick from the home of Pocahontas after she married John Rolfe, and thousands of similar items, are to be seen on all sides, while fine oil paintings of prominent people and places in Virginia cover the walls. The wealth of literary material stored there cannot be estimated. Among the other historic homes in Richmond is the one occupied by John Marshall, Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, from 1795 to 1835. It is now occupied and is in such a fine state of preservation that it does not look like an old house. The old stone

house in which Lafayette made his headquarters and in which he often received visits from General Washington, is still standing.

The battle of Seven Pines was fought only a few miles from Richmond and can be reached by trolley car. We were driven out in autos twenty miles to Malvern Hill, where one of the hard-fought battles of the war took place. The top of the old hill is covered with roses and honeysuckles and a variety of other beautiful flowers and vegetation and shows no evidence of the one hundred Federal guns that stood there and mowed down line after line of brave Southern boys as they repeatedly tried to attain the summit. The view of the surrounding country and of the beautiful James River, as it can be seen here and there through the green trees, is one long to be remembered.

Of beautiful Hollywood Cemetery I must not now write at length, though there is much there of interest. The unkept grave with the modest old tombstone and the one word "Tyler"

shows how uncertain is fame. The grave of James Monroe is marked with an old-fashioned wrought iron monument. The "Davis" family occupy a commanding corner overlooking the falls of the James River, where the waters of the beautiful stream he loved so well sing a constant requiem as they sleep their last long sleep.

Richmond is the most intensely Southern City I have ever seen. Our Church is strong and has a number of splendid Church stewards. It is the largest Southern city I have ever seen in which our Northern Methodist brethren are not represented in any way.

Of Colonel Branch, the richest man in Virginia and a great Methodist layman, and his courtesies to the Book Committee, the broad streets and beautiful homes and many other interesting features I would like to write, but must have some regard for the patience of the Advocate and its readers.

Dallas, Texas.

Epworth League Progress

By BISHOP JAMES H. MCCOY

An address to the Church from the Epworth League Board in session at Dallas, Texas, May 5 and 6.

Growth.

It is gratifying to be able to publish figures showing a substantial increase in the number of chapters and the enrollment of members. From May, 1912, to May, 1913, two hundred and sixty-nine (269) new societies were chartered with a total membership of seven thousand, one hundred and forty-three (7143). By a fair estimate this gain should place the total enrollment of the Epworth League at approximately 140,000 members.

Financial.

The treasurer's report shows a deficit for the year of \$1000. This is explained by the fact that the usual call for the ten cent assessment was reserved pending the results of Anniversary Day offering, on May 4. The fact is that a greater number of chapters contributed to the support of the Central office for the year 1912-1913 than ever before in the history of the Epworth League. This consideration makes us sanguine of an early recovery of financial efficiency.

In connection with this question of finance, the Board has set in motion a memorial to the next General Conference pleading that Anniversary Day be made a part of the Church calendar, and that a record of the offering received on that day be inserted in the Quarterly and Annual Conference minutes. Besides this, the Secretaries were instructed to conduct a canvass for personal subscriptions to the budget of the Central office. Through this address the Board desires to urge all loyal supporters of the Epworth League to give heed to this provision, and rally with promptness to the relief of the administration.

Changes in the Constitution—Honorary Members.

A class of honorary members of the Epworth League was created. An honorary member must be past thirty years of age, and must have been an active member of the society previously to his advancement to honorary membership. He has all the privileges and obligations of an active membership, except that of holding office in the chapter; provided, nevertheless, that, if in the judgment of the pastor, it is thought expedient that he should hold office, the honorary member may assume such responsibilities.

This action was taken for the purpose of trying to create a more normal and consistent movement of the membership through the successive stages of League work to timely graduation. The Board would pointedly emphasize the soundness of the principle involved and exhort the leaders in Epworth League work everywhere to make the act of practical effect.

The Junior League.

An amendment to the constitution was adopted providing that the First Department of the Senior Chapter should be charged with the responsibility of promoting and conducting the Junior League. This was done in order to secure a closer and more vital bond between the Senior and Junior work. Every Senior Chapter is, therefore, cautioned not to overlook or neglect this exceedingly important addition to its obligations.

Boy's Work.

The commission appointed in the summer of 1912 to devise an attractive and practical scheme of work with boys recommended the establishment of an order to be called "The Knights of Ezelah." The constitution of the Boy's League is to be changed to agree with the details of the proposed plan. The commission was continued

with instructions to prepare literature and promulgate the new order as rapidly as possible.

Conventions and Assemblies.

During the approaching summer twenty-five major League Conferences and Institutes will be held in fourteen States. The schedule of dates for these gatherings has been so arranged as to permit the Central office to be represented at each conference. A single theme has been adopted by nearly all the conferences, and the program used will be as nearly uniform as local conditions allow.

New ventures in Epworth League Conference work will be made at Arcadia, Mo., and at Lake Junaluska, N. C. At the latter place, from August 6 to 17 the Epworth League, conjointly with the Sunday School, will conduct a conference for the inspiration, instruction and training of its workers.

The members of the Board, with unanimous conviction, join the Secretaries in a plea to pastors and leaders to rally the young people in great companies to attend these conferences during the summer.

The International Convention of the Epworth League, which should have fallen in this year, has, by common consent, been postponed until the summer of 1914. The agreement seemed appropriate in view of the fact that the meeting in 1914 will serve the purpose of celebrating the quarter century of the Epworth League. The time and place of the convention will be determined by the commission into whose hands these particulars are customarily relinquished.

In the winter of 1914, it has been determined to hold a great all-Southern Convention in Havana, Cuba. A plan for promulgating the convention has been prepared in outline. The Board of Missions has endorsed the suggestion. Especially popular the idea has proved to be, in view of the enlarging support which the Epworth League is finding itself able to give to the Cuba Mission.

Missionary Activity.

In this connection the Board rejoices to announce an increase of \$6000 in the Epworth League's gifts to missions over last year. Of the total of \$31,000, so applied, \$10,000 went into the Cuba fund. The young people's organization thus hastened to consummation the long delayed project of building Candler College at a cost of over \$40,000.

A proposal came before the Board, and was concurred in, that all the Epworth Leagues in Mexico be unified under one administration.

Commission on Legislation.

In anticipation of the next General Conference a commission was constituted to prepare, in ample advance for thorough discussion, such changes in the disciplinary charter of the Epworth League as may seem advisable. The Commission is composed of Bishop J. H. McCoy, Dr. F. S. Parker, Miss Ada Trawick, Rev. R. W. Hood, Rev. Paul B. Kern and Rev. J. Marvin Culbreth. All suggestions for the commission should be mailed to Dr. F. S. Parker, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Invitation From Dallas.

The Epworth League Board feels a sincere pride in announcing to the Church at large the beautiful act of the Leaguers of Dallas in inviting the Epworth League to remove its official domicile to their fair and growing city. Knowledge of the magnificent way in which Dallas honored the Board at its recent meeting has already spread over the Connection, and it would be strange if there are not to be found some who are ready to confess a prejudice in favor of the Dallas proposal.

THE MISSIONARY SITUATION.

By Dr. G. B. Winton.

The exhibit of the missionary work of our Church made at the recent meeting of the Board of Missions in Dallas is full of encouragement. While in two of the six foreign fields already occupied political conditions are unfavorable, in at least two others, China and Brazil, the openings are so much more thrilling than usual that they seem to offset any hindrances in Mexico and Korea. Meantime in Cuba and Japan the work is going steadily on and the missionaries are full of hope. And in spite of somewhat depleted collections during 1912, the Board decided to go forward with the new mission in Africa. Bishop Lambuth's account of the providential leadings he had experienced, in Africa itself, in Belgium and in the homeland, made a profound impression. His address and the sight of three fine young men, who with their wives are ready to devote themselves to work in the far interior of the Dark Continent, stirred the members of the Board to an unusual exhibition of emotion.

Visiting missionaries, at home on furlough from the several fields, were in attendance on the Board meeting, and nearly all had opportunity to speak. Rev. T. A. Hearn was present from China; Rev. T. H. Haden and Miss Nannie Gaines from Japan; Revs. A. W. Wasson and C. T. Collyer from Korea; Rev. J. L. Kennedy and Miss L. E. Stradley from Brazil, and Revs. D. W. Carter, J. F. Corbin and J. A. Phillips from Mexico. Cuba alone was without a representative. The work there was represented by Bishop Candler, who has full knowledge of it, having been continuously in charge of that mission since it was founded. Bishop Hendrix spoke for Mexico, Bishop Murrah for the Oriental fields and Bishop Lambuth for Brazil.

The new turn in political affairs has made China a most inviting field. The medical work there, the school work and most of all the evangelistic work are thrilling the missionaries with new possibilities. The action of the American government a few years ago in preventing the partitioning of the Chinese territory, followed a little later by the return of a large part of the indemnity money, and still later by our early recognition of the new republic, has given the Chinese a favorable attitude toward all things American, including American missionaries. They also shrewdly suspect that our great success as a Nation, especially in founding and maintaining popular government, is to be traced to our superior religion. This conclusion on the part of some of the leading men in the new government has made a new world in China for the missionaries. They meet now eager inquiry where before there was suspicion or indifference. The schools and Sunday Schools overflow, the evangelistic meetings are crowded to the door, many having to be turned away. When Mr. Mott and Mr. Eddy were holding evangelistic meetings for students, in some instances great halls, holding thousands, would be emptied after a meeting only to be instantly filled again by others who wished the addresses repeated. A letter recently received from a missionary who is doing evangelistic work begs for a tent. The writer is tired, he says, of standing at the door of the little rented hall and saying to the people, "Please go away; there is no more room."

In Brazil there has been recently a marked increase of zeal among the native Christians and their leaders. This has resulted in large collections, including a collection for the mission in Africa. The work of securing new converts and of building up the Church goes on with enthusiasm and the school work is equally prosperous, all the institutions being crowded to the doors.

The reports made to Board from the Home Department were also most encouraging. The Conference Boards are welcoming the co-operation of the General Board and its Secretary, and in many places there are special situations which no local Board can adequately meet. The work among the foreigners in the South and West is especially promising. As yet, the South has but few immigrants. Their number is sure to be largely increased, and that soon. Plans must be made to evangelize them. Besides, there is the work in the mountain district, in the West, in the cities, among the Indians and for the negroes—work in plenty, open doors everywhere. We must enter them.

On account of a readjusting of assessments, the collection for foreign missions was a little short. This required a painful cut in the appropriations. In the total, however, there had been an increase over 1911, and the Board's liabilities were considerably reduced.

Mix your tears with sunny smiles. Light will transform their dullness into a thousand rainbow tints.



We Sold Forty Million Dishes In the Month of March

Forty million dishes of Puffed Wheat and Puffed Rice.

That's told to show you how the world is coming to these fascinating foods.

Wheat and rice, for ages, have been served in countless ways. But Prof. A. P. Anderson found a way to explode the grains.

To secure ease of digestion, he learned how to blast the food granules to pieces.

Then the millions found that these whole-grain wafers formed delightful foods—crisp and toasted, thin and porous, almond-flavored morsels.

Now our mills run night and day. Yet it's often impossible to meet the demand for these steam-exploded grains.

Puffed Wheat, 10c *Except in Extreme West*
Puffed Rice, 15c

How Folks Like Them

Folks serve them at breakfast with cream and sugar. And the grains taste like toasted nuts.

Or they mix the grains with berries, and the thin, brown morsels supply an enticing blend.

For luncheons or suppers they serve the grains floating in bowls of milk. And children and grown-ups, again and again, fill their bowls with these airy bubbles.

Girls use them in candy making. Chefs use them to garnish ice cream. Boys eat them like peanuts when at play.

In any place where nut-meats taste good, folks like the Puffed Grain flavor.

Don't let your people go without them this summer. They like good things, too.



The Quaker Oats Company

Sole Makers—Chicago

NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 8

Cash Shower Day for Southern Methodist University

At the recent meeting of the Trustees of Southern Methodist University, Bishop Atkins submitted a series of resolutions, one of which referred to above announcement, and was adopted as follows:

"Whereas, There are so many of our people who have not yet made any contribution to the building of the University, that we should order a cash collection, to be taken in every congregation in the State. The pastors should be asked to omit on that day every other collection. I think the day most suitable to be set apart for this purpose is the second Sunday in June."

This Resolution Was Unanimously Adopted—The Date, Sunday, June 8

The necessity to be met by this "Cash Shower" should be understood by every Methodist. It is well known that a great campaign is being waged for \$500,000 to meet the conditions of the General Education Board. (We must raise yet \$47,773.47.) If we raise this amount by June 30, the General Education Board will give us \$200,000 to be delivered to us as we collect our \$500,000 at the rate of \$1 for every \$4, provided that the University has no debts.

We cannot open the University until the two great dormitories to be built by the Texas Methodists have been completed. These splendid buildings are under contract but cannot be pushed more rapidly than collections can be made. The great majority of our Texas notes do not mature till fall and therefore cash must be had in the meantime.

The buildings must not stop, and debt must be shunned. Bishop Atkins and the University officials believe the people of Texas will help. A generous cash collection will keep contractors busy till the notes mature, and also enable us to collect some of the General Board's gift of \$200,000. We know the people love the University and will give something, and we believe our pastors will appreciate the conditions and inform the people. If the charge is a circuit, use next Sunday for the other appointment. If the second Sunday is inconvenient use the third, but before the month shall end, **LET ALL THE PEOPLE HAVE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY AND THEY WILL ALL RESPOND IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE RESULT WILL SAVE THE SITUATION.**

Let our pastors encourage checks and drafts—dollars, not dimes—let the "SIMPLY PASS THE HAT" be omitted, and let the people POUND the University with dollars, even as the pastor loves a pounding—(an English pound is a good Standard \$5).

SEND RESULTS TO UNIVERSITY AT ONCE.

Notes From the Field

Miami and Pampa.

We closed two weeks ago the greatest meeting at Miami that was ever held in this section of the Panhandle. We had with us in this great campaign Brothers Thompson and Phillips. They made a good combination. As helpers in revival work they are equal to the best. There were some 210 conversions and I have received eighty into the Church from this meeting, and about fifty have joined other Churches. We have had about 250 conversions and have received 153 members since conference. The salaries are paid up to date, one-half the conference collections paid and \$900 in the bank to improve the parsonage; contract let and work to begin tomorrow morning. I have the best pastoral charge in the Northwest Texas Conference. It is not to let.—J. P. Lowry, May 27.

Hughes Springs and Avinger.

We are here doing our best for God and his Church. I have just read Brother Williams' writeup of the Douglassville charge. I said amen to all he said, and especially what he had to say in regard to our presiding elder, Brother Hotchkiss. He is as true as gold on every inch of the ground. We are planning for our revival meeting here in Hughes Springs, which will start the fourth Sunday in June. We will have with us that prince of men, Brother Ansley, and by the way, he is one of the best preachers in Texas. We are planning for a great meeting. I have been very busy helping some of the brethren in their revival meetings. I went to Humble, Texas, and assisted Brother Bell in a meeting. I always find it a pleasure to visit in Brother Bell's home. He is a good man and a good preacher. This being my second meeting in Humble of course, I was no stranger. You would have to travel a long way to find a finer set of people than you will find in this little town. We ought to put at least \$500 missionary money in this town another year, and keep a good man on the job. I have just returned from Big Sandy, where I went to assist Bro. L. E. Green in his revival meeting. After a very hard struggle we had a good meeting.

You will find some of the finest people in all the land right here in Big Sandy. Brother Green is doing a good work in this difficult field, and is to be congratulated upon his success. I also assisted Brother Fletcher in a meeting in Murchison. This is my old home town and it is always a real pleasure to return and help in a meeting at home as we often do. Last, not least, we held our meeting Avinger in April, and while the visible results were not what we had hoped for yet we feel sure that much good was accomplished. We had with us in this meeting Brother Fladger, of Farmersville, and Brother Adams, of Dainzerfield. Both men did some of the best preaching I think I ever heard.—L. B. Saxon.

Iowa Park.

We have just closed a very successful meeting at Denny, a country appointment on this charge. Rev. R. L. Patterson, of Sunset, came to us on Monday after the meeting started on Sunday and remained until the following Monday. There were ten professions and eleven additions to the Methodist Church. This meeting was a great meeting for our Church at this place. We did not have a single dull service. Brother Patterson captured the people of the whole community. His preaching is of a very high order and he is one of the best helps I ever had in a revival effort and the people say they want him another year. This is two great revivals for this charge this year, for all of which we feel very grateful.—H. B. Johnson.

Daingerfield.

I have had it in my mind and heart to write the dear old Advocate about our work and will try now to fulfill that desire. We made a short move about six miles from Hughes Springs. It took about twenty minutes to make the run. We found a warm dinner on the table and a crowd of our elect ladies to welcome us, and that afternoon they gave us as fine a pounding as it has been our pleasure to receive. And to say we are delighted does not half express our feelings. As our Presiding Elder Brother Hotchkiss said we are fit as far as I am concerned. We have recently put new fences

around the parsonage and everything looks prim now. I have never served a more liberal and loyal people in my life. We close our protracted meeting last Sunday night. My brother, Rev. J. F. Adams, of Copperas Cove, Central Texas Conference, did the preaching, and it was well—the people say the best they ever heard—and that is saying some, considering "who's been here." He dug deep and planted well. I believe we will reap from such sowing. Brother Willie Davis, of Center, led the singing. He is young, but wise and religious; he did good work. The congregation gave the brethren a nice, free-will offering. A small sum remained over and they gave that to the pastor. Our second Quarterly Conference convened during the meeting and Brother O. T. Hotchkiss preached a fine sermon. He is making this old district hum. You elders and preachers in the other districts will have to go some, if you beat us.—C. H. Adams.

Crystal City.

Having been invited by Brother Vernon, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, in Crystal City to attend his revival meeting, wife and I reached the city Saturday evening before the first Sunday in May, and the meeting started the following morning at 11 o'clock. The fight was on and the battle against sin and evil raged for twelve days. Brother Vernon talked to secure the ministerial assistance which he expected, and so had to do almost all of the preaching himself; but it was well done, and really he proved himself quite a revivalist. His preaching was with power and demonstration of the Spirit. He hit straight from the shoulder, and in every way demonstrated his ability to properly manipulate a congregation. The power of the Holy Ghost was upon us from the first service, and souls were converted at almost every service. Shouts of praise went up from happy hearts—happy in the joy of the Lord. It was an old-time revival, such as our fathers enjoyed in the long ago, when I was a boy. Some elderly persons said it was the greatest meeting they had ever attended. Miss Rose Brack, of San Antonio, was with us and led the song service. She sings the gospel and there is great power in her singing. She is also a fine soloist—one of the very best, and she is developing into a fine personal worker for the Master. All of the services were well attended, and sometimes at night the crowds more than filled the house. The Christians were active, sinners were interested, and many were saved. There were

Texas Methodists to Yellowstone National Park

AWAY FROM HEAT AND WORK FOR A VACATION OF COMFORT AND RECREATION
NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN

On the FOURTH OF JULY—at 10:45 p. m.—the jolliest company of Methodist preachers and their friends that ever left Texas on a tour, will leave for Colorado points—Salt Lake City and a tour of Wonderland—Yellowstone National Park. About forty presiding elders and pastors have already arranged to go, and many applications from young and old are being received to join the party. The first equipment of Pullman sleepers, dining car and baggage car—with special railway officials in charge and with the choicest schedule possible guarantee every comfort—no crowding, no delays, no uncertainties, but the best possible trip—designed by those who know—will be given for the least possible expense. Sunday, July 6 (no traveling on Sundays) will be spent in Colorado Springs and vicinity—morning service to be held in Crystal Park above the cañon—Monday spent along the cañons of Arkansas, in the Royal Gorge, along Eagle River Cañon—Tuesday in Salt Lake City, where special entertainment, including a concert of 400 trained voices, assisted by the greatest organ in the greatest auditorium in the world, will be given. Wednesday, July 9, party enters Yellowstone National Park for a week's rest and inspiration, such as cannot be found elsewhere in the world. Entire trip may be made in sixteen days for a minimum expense of \$110 to \$140, or tourists may stop over at pleasure in Colorado or go on to the Pacific Coast—all tickets being good till October 30. Party will be limited strictly to 100 persons.—The opportunity of a lifetime for young people to take the trip in all safety and comfort. Applications for information or reservation of berths should be made IMMEDIATELY to Frank Reedy, Manager, Bursar Southern Methodist University, 1308 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas.

twenty-nine conversions and reclamations, and, if I remember correctly seventeen of this number united with our Church. The Church was greatly revived in every line. The women at Crystal City have a fine missionary society, and they are doing a great work. The society now has forty members, the membership having more than doubled this year. Sister Vernon is President of the Society. She is a great worker, and deserves much credit for the success of the Society. Brother Vernon is in great favor with his people, and is doing a great work. The Lord bless him more and more.—T. S. Randle, Superannuate of Louisiana Conference.

Lavernia.

The four appointments on this charge all have Sunday Schools and every Sunday School makes a monthly missionary offering. Over one hundred, including the officers and teachers, are enrolled at Sutherland Springs. At this place the Sunday School enrollment is 20 per cent more, at Lavernia 40 per cent more, and at Elmendorf 50 per cent more, than the enrollment of Church membership. At Parita, where a nice new church building was erected last year there is a society of eighty members who are considerably scattered and have consequently been backward in Sunday School work. The Superintendent and people had begun to think that because they had started and failed to continue so many times before, it would hardly be worth their while to

make another effort. Finally they were prevailed upon to reorganize. This they did on the third Sunday in April, which was their regular preaching day. The pastor advised them not to hope for too many members at first, not even to desire a large number to begin with. He said that it was not the number but the determination to stay with it that was necessary; that if they had eight or ten persons who had enough interest in one another's welfare to meet together every Sunday and were determined to do so that their Sunday School would certainly begin to grow within a few weeks. After he had endeavored to impress upon their minds the necessity of being determined in their efforts he supplemented his remarks with the promise of two Bibles to the two pupils who secured the greatest number of new pupils within the first eight weeks. On the third Sunday in May the pastor was there again and found about eighteen at Sunday School. The attendance on the next Sunday after organization was fifteen, and on the next two Sundays it dropped to eight or ten. And on the fifth Sunday, preaching day, they established, for the first time in the history of their Church, Missionary Day. On the sixth Sunday there was a much larger number present than there had been at any time before. The Children's Day exercises have been observed at Sutherland Springs and Lavernia. It was an inspiring and profitable service at each place. At Lavernia eleven boys sang a song and



METHODIST CHURCH, NOCONA, TEXAS—REV. N. R. STONE, PASTOR. Dedicated Sunday, June 1, 1913, by Dr. G. C. Rankin.

their manner and spirit was such as to cause one to feel that they would some day do the work of the Church in such a way as to make it amount to much more because of their services within it.—J. A. Foster.

Granbury Station.

We are still on the job and hard at work. Things are moving over this way. Held a revival; I did the preaching, my people did the singing. The meeting run for eighteen days and nights. Baptized thirteen and received three by certificate. Our people staid with us all the way through. We have some very fine people. We are having good crowds to preach to. Finances are about up to date. When we arrived in town our people met us at the station and we found everything in its place in the parsonage, with many good things to eat. In a few days we began to talk new church and preach new church, until the people began to talk it. We found a building committee four years old. But they had new life. So last week we let the contract for a new church that will cost, when finished and furnished, about \$15,000. We will break dirt for the foundation between this and the 15th of June. Our people are very much alive over the new church. Everyone is unanimous on building. We have a building committee that knows how to do things and they are going to push the work. We found a good subscription that was taken over four years ago, but most of it will be paid. We give Brother Terry credit for this. We give credit to the men that have gone before us for a large part of this work. I am sure that Terry, Cox, Hilburn, and others, will rejoice with us. We are hoping to get in the new church before Annual Conference. We are taking new subscribers for the Advocate. We will soon be in the 100 per cent crowd. The Advocate gets better.—D. A. McGuire, Pastor.

Caddo Mills.

We are still on the map over in Hunt County, and our people are doing some things worthy of special mention. We have had a good revival at Caddo Mills. My father, J. S. Huckabee, of the Central Texas Conference, did the preaching. My brother, Ira Huckabee, and his wife, rendered efficient and much appreciated service. Through the co-operation of our public school authorities we were able to get hold of the serious-minded young people in a way which they will long remember. There were about forty professions of a change of course in life, and seventeen additions to our Church. After the meeting we are now having some enthusiastic meetings with thirty-five members. Our Junior League is loyal and doing good work. These two organizations recently made a good subscription to Wesley College.

The District Epworth League Con-

Better Than Spanking

Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 187, South Bend, Ind., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child; the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulty by day or night.

ference met with us last week. We learned many things about the methods of successful work and received a much more exalted idea of our responsibility and possibilities. Our people have raised \$600 for the parsonage debt here with more to follow. The pastor's salary is coming better than it did last year. In fact, everything seems to be coming better farther on. Many valuable things, personal, have been making their way to us. Several hundred dollars has been subscribed and raised for our good causes than the above. Our presiding elder helped us to get on the one hundred per cent list. If we had time the number of Advocates we have taken, we could have had twice the above results.—R. N. Huckabee.

Big Sandy.

The third Sunday, at 11 o'clock, we began our revival meeting at the Methodist Church, in Big Sandy. Rev. E. L. Ingram, of Wills Point, preached the opening sermon. This writer preached at night. Rev. L. B. Saxon, of Hughes Springs, arrived Monday afternoon and took charge of the services Monday night and preached a fine sermon. At first the congregation was small on account of showers of rain falling just at the time people should start to Church. It was also a very busy time with the people. But the few who did attend the first services reported favorably Brother Saxon's sermons, and the congregation increased in numbers and interest until the very last service. We believe we had a very effective meeting. Not in shouting and hold-up-your-hand conversions and the number of propositions, but a spiritual uplift in the Church. A deep conviction of a more faithful, earnest, persistent Christian life, in the work of the Church and the vineyard of our Lord, and that is the only true revival, one of interest. I feel that it would be ungrateful in me not to speak of the earnest efforts of the good brother who so faithfully labored with us. Brother Saxon is a revivalist. He is one of the best. His sermons are plain, strong and forceful. He is also fearless. Not afraid to speak his convictions. The people hang on his words with profound interest. Quite a number testified to being blessed during the meeting, and some said they were determined to be more faithful to God and his Church. The good people opened their doors and hearts to Brother Saxon, and their pastor and his family, and entertained us royally. Brother Saxon made these remarks: "Green, you have some good folks here." I said, "That is true; we have some as good Christian men and women here as you will find anywhere. They further showed their appreciation and esteem of Brother Saxon and his work by a liberal contribution. We were all sorry when he had to leave us. May God continue to bless him and his good wife and children, the Advocate family and all of us.—L. E. Green, P. C.

Eleventh Avenue, Corsicana.

Have been too busy to write of our year's work thus far. First, we took down the brick veneered walls of our church building, which had already begun to fall out, and weatherboarded the outside and repapered the inside and changed our electric lights over the choir and pulpit. These improvements cost us \$700 and made the church a new building out and out. The amount was subscribed in about thirty minutes at our anniversary gathering in January and has since

been paid, with the exception of a small balance. The salaries were advanced \$200 and have been paid each month thus far. One-fourth of the Conference collections has been paid in cash and one-half secured in good subscriptions. Our Sunday School has grown so steadily that we are now pressed for room, and one class is meeting out in the open. Our enrollment since January has averaged 214, with an average attendance of 157, or 73 per cent. This is for the main school. In all departments our enrollment is 371, whereas our Church membership is only 348. We have received fifty into the Church and baptized five babies. Best of all, we have been having conversions each Sunday night for some weeks. Seven young men have publicly given themselves to the Lord and united with the Church at regular services. This Church is a working Church and they are now working along spiritual lines. Our ambition is to be known as a soul-winning Church.—Neal W. Turner, P. C.

ONE HUNDRED PER CENT BOARD OF STEWARDS.

- In the following charges all the stewards take the Texas Christian Advocate: NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE. Dallas District: Ervay Street—Rev. W. D. Thompson. Oak Lawn—Rev. J. A. Old. First Church—Rev. Geo. M. Gibson. Forest Avenue—Rev. E. L. Wright. St. John Rev. C. A. Long. Cedar Hill and Duncanville—Rev. O. T. Rogers. Trinity—Rev. New Harris. Grace—Rev. J. L. Morris. Oak Cliff—Rev. E. R. Barnes. Tyler St., Oak Cliff—Rev. J. B. Davis. Fairland—Rev. J. H. Taylor. Grand Prairie—Rev. I. W. Clark. Irving—Rev. A. T. Bridges. Wheatland and DeSoto—Rev. H. H. Liles. Coehran and Maple Ave.—Rev. J. H. Averitt. Bonham District: Ector Circuit—Rev. C. O. Shugart. Honey Grove—Rev. C. H. Buchanan. White rock and Petty—Rev. I. M. Woodward. Bowie District: Archer City Sta.—Rev. J. W. Beck. Bowie—Rev. W. C. Howell. Byers—Rev. C. P. Martin. Wichita Falls—Rev. J. W. Hill. Gainesville District: Era and Spring Creek—Rev. J. W. Slagle. Marysville—Rev. M. A. Stout. Pilot Point Circuit—Rev. L. E. Conkin. Rossiter—Rev. J. F. Henderson. St. Jo Mis.—Rev. E. V. Cole. Greenville District: Caddo Mills Mis.—Rev. R. N. Huckabee. Jacobia and Wesley Chapel—Rev. E. L. Crowson. Wylie City—Rev. J. H. McLean. McKinney District: McKinney Circuit—Rev. E. F. Lancaster. Plano—Rev. Rex. B. Wilkes. Paris District: Avery—Rev. C. L. Bowen. Blossom—Rev. A. F. Hendrix. Sherman District: Whitesboro—Rev. L. L. Cohen. Sulphur Springs District: Cumby and Miller Grove—Rev. Leonard Rea. Sulphur Springs—Rev. I. B. Gober. Yowell Cir.—Rev. S. L. Haltern. Terrell District: College Mound—Rev. N. W. Oliver. Fate Cir.—Rev. J. H. Scrimshire. Pleasant Mound and Rose Hill—Rev. A. C. Sterling.

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The Crisis Has Come

If the Texas Methodists expect to secure the splendid gift of \$200,000 from the General Board of Education, they must act now. The amount of bonds received at the office for the week ending noon, May 26, was, \$14,151.00.

The amount received from that date to noon, June 2nd (last Monday), was only \$8391.00.

We certainly cannot count anything that any pastor may have secured but had not sent in. We never count anything until it is received.

We Now Lack \$47,773.47

IT IS SEEN, THEREFORE, THAT IF WE RAISE NO MORE DURING EACH OF THE REMAINING WEEKS OF JUNE THAN WE DID LAST WEEK WE WILL LACK NEARLY \$20,000.00 OF REACHING THE NECESSARY \$500,000.00. WE HAVE ONLY THREE WEEKS. WE MUST RALLY AT ONCE. WE ARE IN FACT OFFERED \$200,000.00 TO RAISE THIS \$47,773.47 IN THREE WEEKS, OR MORE THAN \$4.00 FOR EVERY \$1.00 THAT WE WILL GIVE.

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Its music steals into the heart
Like sunshine into life;
A rare, sweet charm it will impart,
To man's prosaic strife.

Its kiss doth smooth the brow again,
Made rough by common toil;
With magic touch it healeth pain,
Nor life's fair beauty spoil.
And with a gentle mystic charm,
With matchless power complete,
A cabin's meager bounds will warm
Into a home most sweet.

It will not let life's lamp burn low,
Mid sordid discontent,
But fans life's flame into a glow,
On splendid conquest bent,
It adds a freshness to each hour,
And flings its light afar,
To glow adown man's path with
power.
Life's brilliant evening star.

THE POWER OF PRAYER.

There is and can be no limit to the power of prayer which has its inspiration and roots in the will of God and the consent of his child. Time and space are annihilated. Hindrances that baffle knowledge vanish before a faith that "laugh at impossibilities," knowing that with God "all things are possible." "All power in heaven and in earth is given," not only to our Elder Brother, but through him to all who believe in him. There is no longer a question whether God will answer prayer. "We know that he heareth us." The contact of a believing soul with God sets free forces that span the earth and penetrates the depths of human consciousness near or remote, and accomplish results which only he who worketh always "to will and to do of his own good pleasure" can measure or understand. Man in his shortsightedness and impotence, stands aghast at the problem of prayer, until at length he sees that God waits for him to find in the joy of conscious sonship the peace of God for his own soul and the vision of God toward all men. Then resting in the heart of God, he sees that God "waits to be gracious"—waits with infinite longing for the redemption of his sons through whom he will usher in his kingdom.—Charles W. McCormick.

GOSPEL MATHEMATICS.

I was taught to believe that Christopher Columbus discovered America in the year of our Lord 1492. Now I do not believe it; no one man ever discovered America; in fact, my faith now runs that America has not yet been fully discovered in any true and large sense. Columbus discovered some islands; DeSoto discovered the Mississippi River; Balboa, the Pacific Ocean; Ponce de Leon, Florida; Ranier, the mountain that bears his name in Washington; Secretary Seward added Alaska in 1867, paying a mere trifle of seven millions of dollars for more than 500,000 square miles; Peary discovered the North Pole, and Ernest H. Shackleton came within 111 miles of the South Pole; we have added the Philippines and Cuba, so that now America means more than could ever enter into the wildest dreams of Columbus and possibly it means more now than can enter into the wildest dreams of any poet or patriot; for we must remember not only territorial extent but what is beneath the soil and the seas, and in the air, and America's manhood and womanhood its Christian civilization, its destiny. Who, then, has discovered America?

What is true in the physical world is equally true, or much more so, in the spiritual world. Consider the mathematics of the gospel: here division and subtraction come before addition then follows multiplication and the higher mathematics. "Put off the old man with his deeds: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communications out of your mouth." That is subtraction, and not an easy process. "Wherefore, come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord and touch not the unclean thing, and I will be to you a Father,

and I will receive you, and ye shall be my sons and my daughters, saith the Lord Almighty." That is division, worthy of the sons of God. This is found in 2 Cor. 6:17, 18, and the reasons for this division are given in the immediate context. After these difficult and mighty processes, then follows addition and multiplication and the higher mathematics. "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord." We see that there is no standing still; every process means action. Arithmetic, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, calculus, astronomy—who can grasp the mighty and eternal possibilities? "Wherefore, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity." That is a primary lesson in addition, in the mathematics of the gospel, but if that is primary, and if it be true that few are able to make perfectly these additions, what shall we

say of the higher mathematics of our Christian experience?

There are yet continents of undiscovered truth; rivers of grace, islands of beauty, mountains of mercy, oceans of love. Who can ever see the kaleidoscopic beauties of our Lord? the majesty and potency of our God? the sweetness and holiness of the blessed Holy Spirit?—Rev. Alfred Kummer.

THE TROUBLES I SEE.

Whatever you do don't get into the habit of being sorry for yourself. Nothing will spoil your disposition and make you an all-round nuisance to your friends much quicker or more thoroughly than an indulgence in that thoroughly bad habit. Of course you have quite a few troubles and difficulties, but, dear me, other folks have had as many and as serious ones and still have kept sweet and smiling and said very little about it. An over indulgence in self pity reacts on one and makes him as soft and flabby and egotistical as a petted child. Magnifying your tribulations and then sitting down and sighing and weeping over them is a very foolish and a very unchristian thing to do. But many of us do it, just the same at least to some degree.—Christian Guardian.

For Old and Young

MY RESPONSIBILITY.

"I am glad to think I am not bound to make the world go right. Put only to discover and to do With cheerful heart the work that God appoints. I will trust in Him That He can hold his own; and I will take His will, above the work He sendeth me. To be my chiefest good."
—Jean Ingelow.

There are some who take too little responsibility, and some who take too much. The latter seem to feel a considerable degree of care for the management of the universe, or at least of the portion of this mundane sphere which comes within their survey. Even the weather weighs upon them. They are much burdened about matters of National policy, and the affairs of their friends and neighbors hardly allow them to get any rest. They cannot see anything go wrong, no matter if it be quite outside their province, without feeling that it must be set right, and that at once, must be set to go in the grooves which their wisdom could so easily mark out for it. This is very wearing, both to themselves and to all around them, who are not perhaps quite ready to submit to endless dictation and wish to have a little liberty in the conduct of their own business.

On the other hand, there are those who fall in the opposite direction, and throw off far too readily the accountability which belongs on their shoulders. They are indeed thoroughly selfish, so wrapped up in their own personal enjoyment that unless a thing interferes directly with their pleasures they refuse to be bothered about it and are evidently quite willing that others should suffer to any extent, provided they themselves are not implicated. A proper adjustment, avoiding selfish indifference and an equally selfish intrusion into what does not concern us, is somewhat delicate. Hence those lines of Miss Ingelow's, which hit the mark very accurately, should be often repeated and closely followed. It is quite enough for us to set ourselves with all diligence to discover exactly that portion of work which God has appointed to go at it. He will take care of all that lies beyond. He is well able to hold his own against the forces of wickedness, and there is no need that we worry about it. Our worry will do no good. Our part is to trust. And work! Yes, as a rule, and in moderation. But sometimes the way is so hedged up that we cannot work. It is his will, then, that we keep still that we wait that we endure. In those cases that will of His is our "chiefest good," and we may rest upon it with supreme satisfaction. In perfect peace.

"The world is wide
In time and tide,
And God is guide:
Then do not hurry,
That man is blest
Who does his best
And leaves the rest:
Then do not worry."
—Central Christian Advocate.

Because a man happens to be extravagant with his love is no sign that he will ever come to want.

THE HUMBLE ORIGIN OF GREAT MEN.

Francis Felix Faure, the sixth President of the third Republic of France was the son of a cabinetmaker.

George Stephenson, maker of the locomotive engine, was the child of a poor unknown fireman in a colliery, and learned to read and write in a night school.

Josiah Wedgwood, the discoverer of the secret of making the china that bears his name began life at the foot of the ladder. The rule which accounts for his success was, "The best or nothing."

Thomas Edison, the world's greatest inventor, was cradled in poverty and educated in want. At twelve years of age he was a newsboy on the Grand Trunk Line.

Alexander Murray, who at the age of thirty was pronounced the most accomplished linguist of his time, was the offspring of a poor shepherd.

Newell Dwight Hillis, at this writing the popular pastor of Plymouth Church, was once a sexton in a Western Church at a salary of one dollar and fifty cents per week. He worked his way through college as a poor boy.

Bishop Enoch M. Marvin was born in a log cabin amidst the narrowest and most limited circumstances. But out from that cabin he went to encircle the globe in the interest of Christian missions.

Emile Lombet, the President of France, was born the son of a small farmer.

Calvin Kingsley first saw the light of this world in the midst of humble surroundings. His young mind soon began to reach out after those things that would enlarge it. He was without such things as tablet, slate, pencil, etc. It is said that he bowed out blocks which served as tablets upon which he might solve his problems, while sticks of "pitch pine" served the double purpose of candle and pencil. The first books he owned were purchased with money he made by working a sugar grove on shares. He entered Allegheny College as janitor.

George Whitfield was the son of poor parents and obtained his education by acting in the capacity of a servant at Pembroke College. The servant, as the name implies was one who occupied the position of a servant and discharged the menial duties of the college.

Samuel Johnson, who afterwards became so famous in English literature, obtained his education at the same place and in the same way as Whitfield. So did John Moore, who afterwards became the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Horace Bushnell, the New England theologian, was reared on a farm and for several years tended a carding machine.

George Christian Fuchs, the distinguished geologist, who aided greatly in founding the study of the structure and history of the earth, was the son of a baker.

Tristram Burgess, whose speech in Congress on the Judiciary Bill was classed as "one of the greatest displays of eloquence ever made in the House of Representatives" was the child of a cooper and was bred to his father's trade.

Dr. Joseph Parker was the son of a stonemason.

Dr. John Clifford, a famous English preacher, began work as an ordinary



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"hand" at the age of eleven in a lace factory. At sixteen he was manager of the lace-mending department; later he became bookkeeper, and then began the studies which enabled him to become preacher.—Dr. Watson B. Duncan.

FAMOUS BASEBALL MANAGER ON DRINK.

Connie Mack, inspired by the actions of Chief Bender and Rube Oldring this season and their effect on the fortunes of the Athletics, recently delivered a temperance lecture as he cogitated over the lost opportunities of the world's champions. "Booze and baseball don't mix, never did and never will," said Connie. "A pitcher who thinks he can fan old Herman W. Souse is simply pitching to the greatest homerun hitter he ever faced. Once in a while you hear of some marvel who can stay out all night, drink all the brewries dry, wreck a few taxicabs and otherwise enjoy himself, and then step into the box and pitch a wonderful game of ball. Players who haven't any more sense point to 'Rube' Waddell, 'Bugs' Raymond and that brand and say, 'Ah, those were the good old days! None of your high-priced managers and their red tape then. And what wonderful players we produced in those days!'"

"Well, look at Waddell—one of the most remarkable pitchers nature ever

produced. But Waddell, with all his talent, couldn't stay in the major leagues. Why? Because he stood there and pitched himself to Old Man Barleycorn, and finally every one he threw was slammed over the fence. And that's the way they all go. Is it so wonderful, after all?"

"No, sir, the day of the stewed ball player has gone, and it won't come back. If the members of my team want to drink, all right. But they can't drink and play ball at the same time. That's settled. They can do which ever they prefer, but they can't do both."

"There are no exceptions to my rule, either. Any manager will tell you the same. 'A short life and a merry one—that's it.' And the merrier it is the shorter it will be in the big leagues."—New York World.

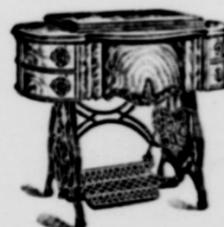
KEEP YOUR MIND YOUNG.

A man in Boston has reached one hundred years of age. Like most centenarians he feels qualified to lay down rules by which anybody can live as long as he has. Among them are these:

Walk and take plenty of other exercise.

Eat anything you want, but eat to live, not live to eat, and eat regularly. Don't take your office cares home with you.

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RELIGIOUS LEADERS TO BE DEVELOPED.

At its recent meeting in Dallas the Board of Education of our Church took the following action:

"We recognize the importance of making provision in the curricula of our colleges for those studies which serve to equip young men and women for religious leadership.

"We recommend that a group of subjects be offered by our colleges which are prepared to do so, which have for their object the equipment of religious leaders. All our colleges offer some subjects looking to this end. Your committee has considered carefully the report of Dr. Anderson, representing the Board of Education, and Dr. Chappell, representing the Sunday School Board, and feel that by co-operation definite courses of study on Sunday School management and methods may be worked out. It therefore recommends that Dr. Anderson be reappointed to act with Dr. Chappell to work out and suggest such a course of study.

"We appreciate the financial difficulties in the way of enlarging their courses of instruction, at least for most of our colleges, according to the suggestions above, and to meet these difficulties, we in co-operation with the Sunday School Board, pledge our assistance in the following ways. (1) Such contributions as we are able to make; (2) such legislation as we may be able to effect to secure means by the assessment plan; (3) joint effort on the part of this Board and the Sunday School Board in securing an endowment for religious education in our colleges.

"We call the attention of the Commission on Education to the desirability of mentioning at their next meeting the group of subjects given above as subjects of study for which credits toward degrees may be given.

"We heartily approve the arrangement by the director with the Sunday School Department and the Educational Department of the Board of Missions by which the fifth Sunday in September has been set apart as Vocation Day, and we hereby request that this day or some other day agreeable to the Sunday School Board be set apart annually for this purpose, and that the literature for that day be devoted to bringing to the attention of our young people the need of workers in the ministry and in the mission fields of our Church. We request our pastors and Sunday School workers to make this day an occasion of great prayer and effort that God's Spirit may have free access to the hearts of the scholars."

WORK OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

The Sunday School Board met May 25 and transacted a lot of important business. First of all, it received most encouraging reports from the Sunday School editor, the Superintendent of Training Work and the Superintendent of the Wesley Bible Class Department. The editor's report showed an increase of about sixty-six thousand in the circulation of Sunday School literature and a larger net income from the sale than has been realized any previous year in the history of the Church. The report of the two general superintendents showed that there had been rapid growth in both their departments during the past year as regards both interest and members. The whole field of work was viewed by the Board with great care, and appropriations for the coming year were made in accordance with the information we were able to gather. Perhaps there is no more perplexing problem in the annual deliberations of the Board than this matter of appropriations. The needs and opportunities are so great, and the means of meeting them are so pitifully small. Surely our Church in the near future will be able to devise a plan more adequately providing for its Sunday School work.

Very earnest appeals came to us for larger help for New Mexico and Southern California. But Churches are in most cases the outgrowth of Sunday Schools, and the fact that other denominations have Sunday School missionaries in the field give them a decided advantage over us in the Southwest. We ought immediately to put in this region two men who are at once effective evangelists and trained Sunday School leaders. Rev. S. M. Cheek, presiding elder of the Arizona District of the Los Angeles Conference, proposes to raise one-

third of the amount required for meeting this need in Arizona, provided the Sunday School Board and the Home Department of the Board of Missions will supply the other two-thirds. The Sunday School Board has no funds with which to meet this proposal, but the case is so urgent that it was resolved to call on the various Conference Sunday School Boards to supply this lack, and this will be immediately done. We do not believe great conferences in the older Southern States will allow us to miss our opportunity in this rapidly developing country for lack of a few dollars.

The Board passed a resolution urging Sunday School workers throughout the Church to lay special stress during the coming summer and autumn on evangelism, with a view of bringing pupils to a definite decision for Christ. Another resolution emphasized the importance of a larger observance of Children's Day and of raising the balance required for completing the Chair of Sunday School Methods in Vanderbilt University this year. A letter bearing upon this subject was prepared and will be sent out at once to all the Conference Boards.—E. B. Chappell, in Christian Advocate.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL MAGAZINE.

Like good wine, our Sunday School literature improves with age. The Sunday School Magazine for June is on our desk. Leaving out of consideration a one page article by this editor the bill of fare offered is most appetizing and refreshing. In his usual, clear and concise manner Dr. Chappell deals with the following topics: "Not Too Late" (to observe Children's Day), "The Country Sunday School in Summer," "Summer," "The Teacher Himself" and "The Junaluska Conference." Among contributed articles are the following: "How the Cradle Roll Helped," by Mrs. V. A. Godbey; "The Ten Commandments of Teaching," by Amos R. Wells; "A Wall Map," by Ruby Bachman; "A Rural Condition," by Chas. S. Stanton; "Keeping Boys in the Church Service," by Lee McCrea. The Workers' Council discusses such topics as "A Popular Sunday School Day," "A Simple Method of Maintaining Attendance in Sunday School," "Discouragement: "When to Show It," "The Pastor and the Children," "Training the Sunday School to Attend Church." The Teachers' Study offers "The Law of Consequences," by Margaret Slattery; "Hand Work in the Primary Department," by Marion Thomas; "The Junior Stage in Character Building," by Josephine L. Baldwin. Edgar M. Robinson discusses "May a Leader of Boys Smoke?" The Bible Teachers' Study Circle, conducted by Dr. H. M. Hamill, is, as usual, full of inspiring facts told in an interesting way. Those who get the Magazine for the purpose of studying the Sunday School lessons cannot afford to fail to read the first twenty pages of this excellent periodical.

ONE PRESIDING ELDER.

A long and very brotherly letter from Rev. M. K. Little, of the Dublin District, to this editor contains so many good suggestions that at the risk of hurting his sensibilities we venture to give some extracts from it in this department.

"You are doing a great work, and a work that has not been fully appreciated by the masses of our people, but keep at it, as some good seed may chance to fall in good ground.

"We are pushing the Sunday School work in every department and many school are up to a high watermark. I am putting school against school and already Dublin and Stephenville have gone beyond five hundred each, and I am sure will reach six hundred. I am now stirring our country schools and hope to double the membership by conference.

"I have for a long time, under Question Three called out every superintendent, teacher and some one connected with every school and spent about a fourth of the time on that question.

"Our success as to the salvation of our children now largely depends on keeping them in our Sunday School until they are ten to fourteen years old, and all should be converted and in the Church by that time. And fourthly are, I have no fear of any man's children who will stay with them at that age.

"I am a close observer and study every phase of the work in every part

of my district work. I sometimes drive twenty miles on Sunday morning for Sunday School and always start in time to see the opening—never fail. If the pastor or superintendent is not there at the moment I open, and sometimes have it going before either comes. I am on an on time "crank." Emphasize this feature where you go.

"I find many of our superintendents do not observe any uniformity in opening or closing and lose much of the dignity and solemnity that the work demands.

"We are getting many Teachers Training Classes in our schools over the district, in town and country. Stress that as you go. Out of these we are getting our best teachers. Some classes are being bored by worthless teachers who never see the lesson until Sunday morning and know as little about it as their pupils. I watch teachers and classes from front and rear and seek an opportunity to call attention of the superintendent and school to the marks of a successful teacher, and often point out such in the particular school.

"We have some schools which report, in the class report by the teacher, "so many knelt for prayer," and one great country school recently reported every one kneeling for prayer. Many teachers do not even bow their heads. Pastors and superintendents are responsible for much of this lack. A school can be made what the pastor wants it."

Such a letter as that from which we have been quoting does an editor more good than a whole lot of scolding. We are sure paragraphs like Brother Little's will bear good fruit. Will not other presiding elders take time to give us the benefit of their experience in dealing with the Sunday School?

HOW LEADERS ARE TO BE TRAINED.

One resolution recently adopted by the General Board of Education of our Church is destined, if adhered to, to produce far-reaching results. After recommending that a course be offered in all our Church schools that will equip our young people for religious leadership the Board said, "We appreciate the financial difficulty in the way of enlarging the course of instruction, at least for most of our colleges, according to the suggestions above, and, to meet these difficulties we, in co-operation with the Sunday School Board, pledge our assistance in the following ways: (1) Such contributions as we are able to make; (2) such legislation as we may be able to effect to secure means by the assessment plan; (3) joint effort on the part of the Sunday School Board with our Board to secure endowment for religious education in our colleges."

As to the first of these plans we believe that should the Board of Education carry it through the course would do much to make the educational assessment more popular and thus increase its own resources. Our people do not mind giving when they know that they are helping a needy cause. Many of them are painfully aware of our lack of leaders in the Churches. A young Christian trained for Sunday School and other Church leadership would prove a blessing in any community.

The second resolution pledges the Board of Education to use its influence to induce the next General Conference to enact some legislation giving the Sunday School Board sufficient income to enable it to do something worth while in the field of religious education. The two Boards working together for that end should accomplish what is needed.

And not the least important is the third plan. Of late we have been wondering why it is that when so many millions of money are being given to Christian enterprises nobody thinks of the Sunday School. Fifty of our young people go to Sunday School for every one who attends college, and these are to constitute the rank and file of the future Church. Yet nothing much has been done since the Sunday School came into being to build it upon a solid and lasting foundation. We suspect that the main reason for this is that the needs of the Sunday School have not been brought to the attention of philanthropists. Just now money could not be invested to better advantage to the kingdom of God than to endow a Chair of Religious Pedagogy for the training of Sunday School workers in every Christian school in the South.

"STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE" NOW "STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY."

In accordance with the joint action of the Sunday School Council of the Evangelical Denomination and the International Sunday School Association taken at Dayton, Ohio, last Janu-

ary, a number of changes were made in the requirements for a standard Sunday School, and the name, "Standard of Excellence," was changed to "Standard of Efficiency." These changes were deemed necessary to put us in line with the Sunday School world at large. The future Standard of Efficiency, modified so as to adopt it to the needs of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be as follows: (1) Cradle Roll; (2) Home Department; (3) Wesley Bible Classes; (4) Teacher Training or Students; (5) Our Church Helps Graded or Uniform with Graded Organization; (6) Missionary Instruction and Offering; (7) Temperance Instruction; (8) Definite Decision for Christ Urged; (9) Annual Observance of Children's Day with Offering; (10) Workers' Conference regularly held and session of school every Sunday.—Dr. Chappell, in Christian Advocate.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT MIDLAND.

Children's Day was observed May 25 at Cotton Flat, Midland Circuit. After a welcoming address by J. A. Woodward, the children rendered a program of songs and recitations, followed by a splendid talk by Judge Bryan, one of the leading Sunday School workers of the Midland country, the meetings closed with a beautiful prayer by Brother Rholfing.

There was a large attendance and many visitors. The day was a great success and our pastor deserves commendation for his effort to carry on his work under the hand of affliction. MRS. FLOYD COUNTESS.



REV. G. H. PHAIR.

Brother Phair enjoys the unique distinction of having been admitted on trial in the Texas Conference in 1874, of being superannuated in 1904, and now junior preacher on Waller Mission for the year 1913. Between the first and the latter dates there is much Methodist history, and Brother Phair has helped to make it. He has spent his ministerial career within the bounds of the Texas Conference. He has many souls for his hire. Without spot or blemish he has walked and worked among his fellowmen since he joined the ministry. He is a friend to the friendless; always ready with an open hand to aid those in distress.

He was reared in the Church of England, but becoming dissatisfied with the monotony of its ritualistic service he swung off into the world, but in 1861 was soundly converted in London, England, and was for some time engaged in preaching in the highways and byways. In 1869 he came to Texas and 1871 removed to Galveston and joined St. John's Church, Rev. J. B. Walker being the preacher in charge. Brother Phair's life has been profitably spent and he yet abides to bless those with whom he comes in contact.

HUMILITY

A distinguished lawyer once asked if there was a vacancy in the Trinity. When pressed for an explanation of his question, replied that the Rev. Doctor Blank was in town and was evidently looking for some place that would be in keeping with himself. The lawyer's wit may not be regarded as being of a decidedly religious kind, but was intended to strike at arrogance, for the divinity doctor in question was not accused of possessing in a high degree the grace of humility.

Of the several conference organs that make their weekly visits to this writer, each during the past six months has had something to say of the high grade of work rendered by one of our general superintendents, and "whose praise is in all the Churches" visited by him. "Humility" is named as a mark of this eminently useful man. One editor writes: "Everywhere he goes he seems to captivate the people. By no means least



among his many splendid qualifications for the episcopal office are his unfeigned modesty and his sincere brotherliness."

The minister of the gospel, no matter what may be his ability, no matter what may be his ecclesiastical position, should be a humble man. Gifts of a high order, accompanied by a zeal unceasing, are poor substitutes for this foundation virtue. Humility is a sure mark of one who is really a pastor of pastors. CHAS. F. SMITH.

If you are unhappy, it is probably because you have so many thoughts about yourself and so few about the happiness of others.—Mary Lyon.

Build your happiness on the unchanging God if you would lift it above earthly casualties; and use the test of uninterrupted happiness to indicate to yourself and others whether you are leaning on the creature or the Creator.—Rev. James Mudge, D. D.

There are problems which will need purity and an integrity of purpose such as have never been called for before in the history of this country. I should be afraid to go forward if I did not believe that there lay at the foundation of all of our schooling and of all our thought the incomparable and unimpeachable Word of God.—President Woodrow Wilson.

Wordliness does not consist in distinct acts, nor in thoughts of transgression, but it is the spirit of a whole life, which hides all that is invisible, real, and eternal, because it is devoted to the visible, the transient and the unreal. Christ and the world cannot exist in the same heart. Men who find their all in the world—how can they, fevered by its business, excited by its pleasures, petrified by its maxims, see God in his purity, or comprehend the calm radiance of eternity?—F. W. Robertson.

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Rev. Bruce Meador, Northwest Texas Conference evangelists is making full proof of his ministry. He has been busy nearly the whole of his time holding meetings. Recently he had a fine meeting at Shamrock and is booked for another at Canadian.

Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Hornberger, of Beckville, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mattie B., to Mr. Hartt and the happy event is to come off June 11. May heaven's blessing rest upon the young couple.

We have before us the second number of the Constructive Quarterly, a new and original contribution in the way of a quarterly. It is published by the George H. Doran Company, New York and London, and edited by Silas McBee. He has associated with him a constellation of great writers, such as James Denny, Numan Smyth, Seth Low, J. H. Moulton and others. It treats different phases of great questions pertaining to religion, and it is an able and strong periodical.

JUST ONE THING BEFORE ANOTHER

During President Taft's visit to Dallas some years ago, we had to ape some European customs when crowned heads visit sections of that country, and put uniforms on certain citizens, call them soldiers, give them guns with bayonets on them, and parade and station them along the line of march. And this was done with great pomp in Dallas. One of these armed men tried to keep an innocent citizen from crossing the street, and using his authority he thrust his bayonet through his body and killed him. After two fair trials he was given forty years in the penitentiary and the higher courts affirmed the sentence. Then it was that the Governor of the State paroled him and for some months the edict of the court has been displaced and the man who committed the horrible murder is walking about as free as a bird of the air!

The affairs of our State prison seem to be in confusion and worse in debt. They are so managed as to fall far below the self-sustaining figure and the people are facing a colossal deficit. And the people seem in a good way to have to bear a great burden in the way of taxation to meet this unnecessary indebtedness. In the last campaign much was made out of manufactured sympathy for the poor State prisoners and great promises of reform were made to the dear people. But now what have we to contend with? Bad prison discipline, immoral conduct upon the part of prisoners, other methods of punishments worse than the notorious "bat," called the "yellow heifer," and a debt, the size of which is enough to stagger the people of the State. No wonder that we are having an investigation by a legislative committee. It is time that something is being done!

It is a long time before another State election will be had, yet we are hearing of candidates and rumors of candidates. Is there any good sense in any ambitious man jumping into the race this early in the game and then giving it out that he has the field pre-empted and will not abide the judgment or advice of those who stand behind all moral and civic reform movements, but will follow his own sweet will regardless of what friends of the cause say or think? May be that sort of spirit will win, but it does not look that way to people who put principle above personal ambition and who have more interest in the cause than in the desire of some one to hold office. These are times when men need to possess the spirit of self-sacrifice and stand ready to subordinate petty ambition to the claims of righteousness and patriotism. Men are only means to an end, and it is not what they want personally, but to what extent are they qualified for great positions. Are there any set of candidates determined to take things in their own hands without any reference to the advice or counsel of those who have made clean politics possible and who believe in principle rather than in unwarranted ambition?

The antis in Runnels County took advantage of the fact that hundreds of good people had left that section on account of repeated droughts, thereby reducing the local option vote, and after securing the payment of poll taxes upon the part of the whole anti force—and then called an election to take place in the middle of the week at the busiest season. They made sure that they would reverse the verdict of more than three hundred majority two years ago and put saloons back into the county. And things did look a trifle squally for the pros. But the election came off last week—28th of May—and the pros won by about one hundred majority. So the antis of Runnels County are again plunged into distress, for when

the interstate law goes into effect, San Angelo can not ship any liquor into that territory. And as the saloon prospect is gone, the antis see a very dry spell before them. Selah! On with the battle!

Never tell all you know at one time. You will need to have some of it on hand the next time, and then those to whom you tell it will get surfeited with it and you will become stale. Learn the art of giving the other person an opportunity to say something and the communication between you will become mutual. And when your friend is talking, if he happens to hesitate, do not jump in and supply him with words. Just give him time and he will find the word he wants. Otherwise you put yourself in the attitude of an ill-mannered man or woman.

President Wilson says that there never was a time in the history of this government when lobbyists in favor of the special interests were so thick and persistent at Washington as at the present time. They are opposed to the revision of the old tariff laws and they are putting in their time cultivating Congressmen and Senators. They want the benefit for the few to the hurt of the many, and this is why the President is calling attention to their pernicious activity at the seat of government. But he is determined to be the President of all the people and not a few of them only.

We met a quaint and most interesting character at Cisco the other day. He has been there from the beginning and he is a staunch Methodist. He is odd, pious, wise and witty. For short we call him Brother Mitchell. He is true and dependable on all parts of the ground. When he talks he always gets a hearing, for he always says something. He got up at the Epworth League meeting once upon a time, and the lesson was about the children of Israel in the wilderness eating manna and quail, and he said, "I don't think they had a hard time and they had good things to eat. The fact is, they lived better than I do. They lived on patridges and bananas, and I'd be switched if I haven't had worse eating than that in my time." Nobody else tried to expound the lesson.

A FINE DAY FOR NOCONA METHODISM.

Last Saturday I went to Nocona to take part in the dedicatory service of their beautiful new church. Nocona is a thrifty town of most excellent people, situated on the Wichita branch of the Katy, midway between Gainesville and Henrietta. It is in Montague County. From Gainesville to St. Jo the road passes through a wheat country and the people were busy harvesting this grain. I have never seen a finer crop of wheat and oats in Texas than in that section of nearly thirty miles. It was an inspiring sight to look at the vast stretches of those golden fields with the reapers and the men busily engaged gathering it. That country is certainly in good shape in matters of this character. At Nocona I was met by Rev. N. R. Stone, the wide-awake pastor, and given a delightful welcome in his parsonage home. He has a beautiful parsonage home with good conveniences. The church is on the same lot, an elegant piece of property and splendidly located. For some years they have needed a new church house at Nocona. But they have had one dry year to succeed another and it looked like it was next to impossible to spring the needed enterprise. But under the faithful pastorate of Rev. T. N. Weaks, he took hold of the matter and got it projected. He raised a good subscription and started the work. But his term closed before he saw it finished. Then came Brother Stone last fall who took charge and set himself to the

task of finishing the job. They both had the co-operation of their good people and in due time the church was completed, and the bulk of the money raised and paid in. There remained only a small deficit to be secured Sunday.

The house is a brick veneer, beautiful in its design and in every way adapted to worship and Sunday School work. It is tasteful and elegant. It was built without an architect, but it would be hard to improve upon it. The windows are filled with art glass of splendid design, the pews are up-to-date, and the pulpit and carpet are all in harmony. The whole cost is something over six thousand dollars, but they used several hundred dollars of the old material in the other church. It looks like a \$10,000 property.

Sunday was a bright day. The people came in from the town and country and occupied all the space. The music was good and appropriate. The decoration was beautiful. The service was delightful. It was a pleasure to preach to such an appreciative people. They were attentive and religious. At the close of the sermon, we took the collection. The people had already strained themselves to bring the matter so nearly out, and it was thought to be doubtful if we could "lift" any more money. But a short talk to them, telling them our confidence in their further ability and interest to relieve the church of all indebtedness, and we proceeded. In a few minutes we had more than the amount asked; and then the structure was presented and it was set apart to the worship of God by the use of our ritual. It was an impressive service. It leaves our people in Nocona in fine condition and the improvement makes the congregation one of the leading ones in that section. They have recently had a good revival, conducted by Rev. D. L. Coale, and the spiritual state of the Church is in good shape. Brother Stone is doing a good work, as did his predecessor. He is a trained man intellectually and alert to every interest of his charge. He is one of our best preachers and kind-hearted pastor. The people love him and his family. We have no better and more devoted pastor and preacher than Brother Stone. He puts earnestness and thought and purpose into his work. And results follow his labors.

Nocona is one of the best towns in that part of the conference. It gets its name from the old Indian chief, Nocona, the father of Quanah Parker, and he was slain in the last raid of the savages in the Panhandle country, by the men under Sul Ross. There is a good country round about and a thriving business is done by the merchants. A prospect of a good crop year has put them in fine spirit.

Of course I went to see those two godly old people, Rev. and Mrs. L. F. Palmer. They are comfortably living in a superannate home and it is a good one. The old one was sold and this one bought. It is closer in and a great improvement on the other one. They are happy and in cheerful spirit. They have a good garden, grape vines and everything pleasing around them. What a blessing is the superannate home! We ought to have them all over the conference. Moral—Help Brother Miller to get more of them.

G. C. R.

PERVERTING THE TRUTH.

Several years ago, we do not recall how many—though it must have been eight or ten—we had in the Advocate an editorial on "Christian Socialism," and it was given that head in order to put it in contrast with "Political Socialism." The import of the editorial was the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, and the importance of adapting the gospel to the social needs of the masses. At that time a preacher of the "Social" persuasion, politically speaking, seized upon that editorial and tried to wrench it from its meaning and make it do service for "Political Socialism." We called his attention to his perver-

sion of the truth, and heard nothing more of it. The other day a "Socialist" paper in this city, copied that editorial and left the impression that it had very recently appeared in the Advocate, and, under spacious headlines of its own manufacture, did its best to put us in the category of "Political Socialists" and gave it out that we had been converted to that confused and vague fad. If the time ever comes when we are prone to travel along the lines of "Political Socialism," as taught by the wild-eyed and hair-brained set of misguided fanatics of that cult, we hope our more sane friends will see to it that we be confined to some well-ordered insane asylum.

NASHVILLE ADVOCATE IS PLEASED WITH DALLAS.

The versatile editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate was not able to be at the recent meetings in Dallas, but he was here in spirit, and from the echoes of Texas reaching him in his distant sanctum, he writes thusly:

We mean Dallas, Texas. It is known throughout the Union as one of our largest and most enterprising Southern cities. It is known throughout Southern Methodism on account of the location there of one of the branches of our great Publishing House. It is known as the place where one of our best conference organs, the Texas Christian Advocate, is published, and where the great Southern Methodist University will be in the near future. It is known for its strong type of Methodism. It is known too—but why go on in an attempt to tell all the good things about Dallas, a city which is but a sample of Texas spirit and Texas resources?

But we started to say something of the impression Dallas and Texas in general made on us all by their royal treatment of the General Boards of the Church, which met at Dallas several weeks ago. It took pluck, enterprise and the true Methodist spirit to do for those Boards what was so completely done, and that, too, in such a large-hearted way. The whole Church is under obligations to Dallas and to Dallas Methodism. They appreciate Methodist things and Methodist men down there, and that is something which Methodists love to remember.

THE CISCO DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Cisco District, Central Conference, is the youngest of all our Texas districts. It is only about two and a half years old. At first, Rev. J. Sam Barcus took charge of it, but gave it up before many months to go to the Seth Ward College, Plainview. Then Rev. C. E. Lindsey was appointed to fill out the unexpired year. He has been there ever since and he has invested in it the sum total of his talent—time, energy and enterprise. The result is, that while at first it was a weak district, it is now taking its place as one of the substantial and self-sustaining districts in the conference. It is well organized and well manned, and shows every indication of progress. I naturally wanted to drop in on their District Conference at Cisco and come into touch with the men who are doing things out that way. So last Wednesday I boarded the Texas & Pacific train and was on the ground in time to take in their afternoon session of that day. I was surprised to find such a large attendance. I am sure that there were seventy-five laymen on hand and taking part in the proceedings. I think every pastor was present. Brother Lindsey was in charge and conducting the business in a very orderly and patient manner. He manifested the skill and alertness of a tried veteran. He knows his business, and is deservedly popular with preachers and people. He is a quiet man, well-read, clear-headed, self-poised, and sane. He preaches well and travels constantly over his territory. He knows how to plan and how to execute. He is a good judge of human nature and always complacent. In all things he is a very helpful presiding elder.

The reports from the different charges showed progress. The preachers and the people are in good heart. The rains have come and the prospect for prosperous times is inspir-

ing. Good meetings have been held and people have been converted and added to the Church. There are no very strong charges in the territory, but they are developing and the most of them are giving their pastors reasonable support. There are a number of good towns and country communities, and these are coming to the front. The preachers are mostly young men, capable of endurance and hard work. The laymen of the district are liberal and enterprising. Under the circumstances they are doing their best, and when good crops return, they will put money and energy into the Church work. Those Western people are of the very best type. They have gone into that country to better their conditions and to build up a good civilization, and they have the pluck and the intelligence to accomplish things. There are but few drones among them. Therefore, the Cisco District is destined to be a good and a strong one in the work of the Church. They have contributed so far something over \$3,000 to Southern Methodist University, and will get something more before the wind-up. Rev. K. P. Barton, pastor at Cisco, is the District Commissioner, and he has done work for the institution. He was a lawyer of good practice before he entered the Conference. He is strong, intelligent and far-seeing. We had the pleasure of abiding under his cozy parsonage roof during our stay in Cisco. He and his good wife are held in high esteem by their people. They recognize in their pastor a leader worthy of their confidence and following.

At night I preached to a full house. They were there not only from the town but from the country 'round and about. They are good listeners and they are good judges of preaching. There are fewer fools and dumb-heads among those Westerners than any class of people among us. They know things. We have good Advocate workers out there and the paper is well read. They keep up with what is going on in the Church. I was at home among them, for the Advocate has long made me acquainted with them. The preachers are making strenuous efforts to put the paper in the hands of all their officials. There were but three other visitors. Judge Erskine Williams, of Fort Worth, was there, and addressed the Laymen's meeting and he made them an admirable address. Brother Garner is their local leader and he is an intelligent, consecrated and progressive Christian man. He married a good woman out of a Methodist parsonage, too, the daughter of Rev. S. W. Turner. Rev. Simeon Shaw, of First Church, Abilene, was present to represent Southern Methodist University, and he made a strong presentation of the cause, and added something over \$400 to the fund. Rev. Jerome Duncan ran over to mix with the brethren, and at 11 o'clock on Thursday he preached a most edifying sermon to a very responsive congregation. There was an old-time shout in the camp. The Advocate was given the right of way, and the audience received our presentation of the Advocate cause with apparent pleasure.

Cisco is a good town. Some years ago it was swept from the earth by a cyclone and it seemed that it would never retake its place. But those left alive went to work, and today they have a better town than ever before. They have good brick business houses and good homes, good water-works, electric lights and other modern conveniences. Our Church is strong in the community and has an inviting future. G. C. R.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Sam Barcus, of Kavanaugh Church, Greenville, have issued invitations to their twentieth marriage anniversary which will be celebrated June 6. We extend to them our warmest congratulations and wish for them all the good things of which they are so well deserving. May many more happy years be their portion.

WHY NOT?

Rev. J. W. Bewley, of Kildare, one of the "true and tried," writes: "I want to be one of 1000 local preachers to get a new subscriber to the Advocate, if there are that many local preachers." Brother Bewley doubles his number—he sends two new subscribers. We trust every local preacher in Texas will meet Bro. Bewley's challenge.

We have received the following announcement: "Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cook request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Merle Elizabeth, to Mr. Clarence Aaron Rogers, Tuesday evening, June tenth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, at seven o'clock, at the Methodist Church, Polytechnic, Texas."

C. A. Rogers, the young man named above, is a son of M. W. Rogers, pastor of the Methodist Church at Rogers, Texas, and is a graduate of Polytechnic College. He has spent the last two summers in the University of Chicago, looking forward to an A. M. degree from that University, and will strive for it till he obtains it. For the past year he has been teacher of German and Latin in the High School of Stamford, to which position he is elected for next year. He is also Transportation Secretary in the Texas Teachers' Club for the University of Chicago. Miss Merle Cook, the young lady named above, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cook, of Montague. She has spent the last several years in Polytechnic College where she graduated this year with high honors. The happy couple will leave Texas on the 12th of June, spend the summer in Chicago and return to Stamford, their future home.

Presiding Elder Burgin is planning to begin a campaign in San Antonio next week to place every steward on the Advocate list, and, of course, as many members as possible. He is enthusiastic over the prospect of having the 200 stewards in that city all readers of the Church paper. He says: "Just think what that will mean to the Church!" Dr. Burgin is a live wire and will surely bring things to pass.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Carr, of Caldwell, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Annie, to Mr. Karl G. Orts, and the pleasing event will be consummated in the Methodist Church at Caldwell, June seventeenth. After the marriage the happy couple will make their home in Hearne, Texas.

Rev. A. Lee Boyd, pastor at Cross Plains, will preach the commencement sermon for the school at that place next Sunday, June 8, at 11 o'clock, and a most interesting occasion is expected.

The Sunday School contest between the two schools at Dublin and Stephenville is still in full blast. The last report shows that Dublin registered 535 in attendance and Stephenville 511. By the way, the Dublin Methodists have moved into their new church and are once more in their own home, a splendid one it is, too.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Coe, of Graham, Texas, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Minnie, to Mr. Z. D. Fallin, and the beautiful ceremony, making them one, will take place June 13.

Rev. W. R. Kirkpatrick, of Ringgold, and his aged father, F. P. Kirkpatrick, of Arkansas, were pleasant visitors the other day. Rev. S. Kirkpatrick, of Portales, N. M., who has just recovered from an operation in this city, joined them not long since at Ringgold and enjoyed a sort of a family reunion. They had a great time together.

We had a delightful visit, recently, from Rev. M. L. Hamilton, of Centenary Church, Paris. He is making good in the pastorate, just as he made good in the presiding eldership.

A GOOD WOMAN GONE.

Last Friday night, at the parsonage home of Rev. C. L. Bounds, Greenville, his aged mother, Mrs. Ben H. Bounds, passed to her reward. She was the widow of the late Rev. Ben H. Bounds, of the North Texas Conference, and during his long and arduous life in the ministry, she was his faithful helper in all his labors for the Master. She was born in Calhoun County, Mississippi, November 29, 1844, and she was married to Brother Bounds September, 1866. They moved to Texas in 1875 and here they spent their useful lives in the itinerancy. She leaves four children and a large circle of friends to mourn her departure, but her end was one of peace and triumph.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas W. Stanfield, of San Marcos, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Emily, to Mr. James H. Terry and the happy event will culminate June 18. May they have a successful voyage across the ocean of wedded life.

In a recent issue, the Forney Messenger paid the following merited compliment to Rev. J. W. Hunt, of Snyder:

The address of Rev. J. W. Winiford Hunt at the public school auditorium Tuesday night carried the house off its feet. He is a platform orator of the first rank, a humorist unexcelled and a philosopher along with it. His audience was delighted and if he ever comes to Forney again, standing room will be at a premium. In our opinion he is in a class with Bob Taylor and if he should ever decide to leave the pulpit for the lecture platform he will rank among the highest.

W. C. Everett, of the Publishing House, is on a trip to Richmond to attend the meeting of the Book Committee, and in this issue will be found a most interesting and valuable communication. Read it and you will find pleasure and profit, for he goes over historic ground.

Put me on your list of those pastors whose entire Board of Stewards take the Advocate. I have recently sent in fifteen new subscribers, and have forty-three copies of the Advocate coming to my charge. It is a great paper and those of my people who do take it have many words of praise for it.—J. F. Clark, Iredeil, Texas.

THE PASSING DAY

During the late National campaign, a Michigan paper accused Mr. Roosevelt of drunkenness. He sought suit for libel. The trial came off last week and the verdict of guilty was rendered and the ex-President was awarded damage to the amount of six cents. He said he was not after money, but vindication.

The Texas members of Congress are well pleased with the various committee assignments awarded them. They are all in good positions and will be able to render the country and their constituents good service.

The Frisco railway, one of the leading trunk lines of the country, has been placed in the hands of a receiver. Its obligations are heavy and its creditors have thus sought to protect themselves. But the property will continue to be operated as heretofore, as the receiver will direct.

The Confederate Veterans had a great reunion last week in Chattanooga and they were present in large numbers. Every courtesy was accorded to them, even the United States Government lending them horses for the parade. They have returned greatly delighted with their reception.

The Hon. Cato Sells, of Texas, Democratic National Committeeman, has been named by President Wilson for Commissioner of Indian Affairs. This is an important position and it shows great faith in his ability to be thus appointed. He will likely tender his resignation as a member of the National Committee.

King Victor Emmanuel, of Italy, has suggested to the Italian Government that steps be taken to prevent criminals and dangerous anarchists, who bring disgrace upon their country, from emigrating to the United States. There is a desire on the part of the

King and the administration to check the flow of general emigration to America, particularly to stop such Italians from coming to this country as reflect discredit upon the Italian people.

Turkey and the several Balkan powers have signed the peace protocol in London and the world is once more at peace. Nowhere is there war between any two nations. Turkey has been taught a needed lesson and her power in the East is broken. She will no longer menace the world with her unrequited cruelties.

Congressman James Thomas Heflin, of Alabama, recently took a straw vote of the members of the House of Representatives and found that sentiment there is five to one against woman suffrage, and that sentiment in the Senate also is strongly anti.

The statement has gone forth that Governor Blease, of South Carolina, has dismissed from office all the constables of that State since the Supreme Court decision of that State that the Webb bill does not prohibit the shipment of liquor into that State for personal use.

George Bronson Rea, Secretary of the Chinese National Railway Corporation, is in London with the power of attorney of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, of the Chinese Republic, to borrow \$500,000,000 with which to build 10,000 miles of railway during the next fifteen years.

The world's Christian citizenship conference will be held in Portland, Oregon, June 29-July 6, 1913. This will be one of the notable conventions in this country during this year.

A \$500,000 office building will be erected in the downtown district of St. Louis by the Order Railroad Telegraphers, to take the place of their present inadequate quarters at Twelfth and Olive Streets.

According to a bulletin prepared by George K. Holmes, chief of the Division of Production and Distribution of the Department of Agriculture, cold storage has resulted in raising the price of commodities. This substantiates the popular conception of the effects of cold storage upon food stuffs.

Approximately 93,000 acres of mountain land in Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia have been approved for purchase by the National Forest Reservation Commission. This purchase will make almost 600,000 acres bought by the Government for the Appalachian and White Mountain forest reservation.

The total capitalization of all the railroads of the United States is less than \$16,000,000,000. The war expenditure of Europe, on the basis of the current year, would build all the American railroads in eight years. "My son," said the great Austrian statesman, Metternich, "go out and see with what unwisdom the world is governed."

According to statistics that have just been gathered, the State Railways of Belgium have sustained a loss of \$1,000,000, owing to the ten-day strike for equal suffrage which took place in April.

A bill to abolish cock-fighting has been introduced in the Cuban House of Representatives. The argument presented in the measure is that the sport is cruel, and also tends to the demoralization of the laboring classes, especially in the rural districts. There is also pending in the House a bill for the abolition of the National Lottery in Cuba.

The French Messageries Maritimes liner Senegal was blown up by a mine as she was leaving the port of Smyrna on May 21, having touched at that port on her way from Marseilles to Constantinople. There were about 200 persons on board at the time of the accident. No fatalities are reported. The Turkish-American steamship Nevada was destroyed by a mine in the same waters May 24, with the loss of 215 lives.

Suffragettes are believed to have placed a bomb in the west dome of the Royal Observatory in Edinburgh last week, which exploded, causing considerable damage to the building. Several valuable instruments of the observatory were injured.

The inauguration of General Garcia Menocal as third President of Cuba took place in Havana on May 20. On his way to the palace for the ceremony General Menocal passed through several miles of cheering citizens, and received a similar ovation after his

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inauguration. The new President declared he would try to draw closer the friendly ties which bound his republic to the United States, that trade relations would be cultivated, and favors granted to the American products in proportion as his country's products were received in the northern market.

England's part of the Chinese loan, subscriptions for which were opened May 21, has proved a great success. A conservative estimate in official quarters is that the loan was subscribed more than six times over.

James Arthur Baker, arrested in Kansas City, charged with theft at Summerland, California, in a signed confession to the police said that during much of his life he had posed as a woman and that he had been involved in intricate counterfeiting and lottery schemes.

One of the results of the Panama Canal already manifest is an increased activity in the industry of ship building. The latest order for new ocean-going vessels was placed last week with an American concern by a Chilean corporation for six boats to run between New York and Valparaiso.

The Woman's Suffragette Committee of the Senate will report favorably it is said, a bill providing for a constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote.

A special commission appointed by the City Council of Chicago to study vice conditions presented a preliminary report last week, in which it was stated that segregation of commercialized vice has proved a failure. It was recommended that a campaign be inaugurated aiming at the ultimate annihilation of the social evil in the city.

The National Drainage Congress has proposed a campaign to be prosecuted throughout the whole country against malarious diseases. Malaria has been regarded one of the most formidable and destructive of maladies, and until recent years was supposed to be the result of a pervasive venom in the air of certain regions. But the success which has crowned the efforts for its extirpation in Italy, China and Panama makes the proposal mentioned above seem altogether practicable.

A packet of about 500 love letters written by Robert and Elizabeth Browning was recently sold at public auction in London, England, and brought the sum of \$32,750. The first bid was \$3000, but the bids mounted up rapidly.

Kansas Woman Helpless

Lawrence, Kas.—Mr. J. F. Stone, of this city, says, "My wife suffered for ten years from womanly troubles, during two years of which she was totally helpless. She was examined by many physicians, some of whom gave her up to die. Finally she began to take Cardui, and since then has greatly improved in health. The tonic, strengthening, and restorative effects of Cardui, the woman's tonic, on the womanly constitution, are the most valuable qualities of this popular medicine. Cardui acts specifically on the womanly constitution. Half a century of success proves that Cardui will do all that is claimed for it. Try it for your trouble."

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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE AND SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

There has been launched in Dallas during the past week a movement that is destined to become State-wide in an incredibly short period of time and prove of incalculable benefit to the cause of education.

We refer to the subscription raised by St. Mark's Epworth League, Oak Cliff, for the endowment fund of the University. The amount, which is a sum to be appreciated, was raised in a matter of a few days, and it is at this crucial period that the Epworth Leagues are to step in and lend their aid.

The movement among the Leagues is led by Brother W. M. Jackson, a layman and member of the Epworth League, who is also an attaché of the University office. He has conceived the plan of bringing the League forces into support of this movement, and with St. Mark's League setting the example and the Executive Committee of the Dallas City Epworth League Union endorsing the plan and setting aside the third Sunday in June to be observed by all chapters in the city as University Day, the call is to go throughout the length and breadth of this State for a united effort on the part of Texas' 25,000 Epworth Leagues to join in a contributing to the endowment fund of the Southern Methodist University.

Brother Jackson's Letter.

Dear Mr. Thomasson:

I write simply to confirm the committee meeting of Wednesday noon that you may have the matter fully in hand. Realizing that in order to secure the gift of \$25,000 from the General Education Board for Southern Methodist University, it will be necessary for this committee to call the Church to cooperate, President J. A. Rogers called a meeting of the Presidents of the various Epworth League Chapters in Dallas, Wednesday, the 28th, to see what could be done in the City League Union for the University. The meeting was attended by representatives from every Chapter save two, which we are sure will cooperate with us. It was unanimously decided to set apart one day in June to be known as Southern Methodist University Day. The following plan was adopted:

Sunday, June 15, is to be known as the local Leagues as Southern Methodist University Day and the entire program at the League hour will be given to visitors sent out by the Program Committee under the direction of President J. A. Rogers. A very interesting program will be prepared and the best speakers in the Leagues will conduct these services.

Leagues will be asked to sign \$10 bonds payable in five years at the rate of \$2 per year. As the University is intended primarily to serve future generations of young people, I am sure that every loyal member will recognize it as a duty and privilege to help insure the success of the great campaign now being waged.

W. M. JACKSON,
Chm. Prog. Com. University Day,
Dallas, Texas.

CHALLENGE TO EPWORTH LEAGUERS.

Texas Methodism has for two years been struggling with a great issue—has been trying to prove worthy of a great trust. What is this trust? Citizens of Dallas wanted a great institution of learning. So they got together and raised three hundred thousand dollars in cash and notes and over a half million worth of land and sold to the Methodists. "We want a great university; you are the people to build it; we will make you a present of this money and land if you will fund and support the school."

The Church accepted the gift and then started a campaign among the Church mem-

bers. Things went fairly well for several months.

But the citizens of Dallas and the Methodists of Texas were not the only ones interested. The General Education Board of New York City was watching. The rich men composing this great philanthropic board had given away millions of dollars to further the cause of education. But they had never given a cent to found a new school. Their why where they interested in the matter of the Methodist Church in Texas trying to build a school at Dallas? Because

1. They realized that Dallas was the center and head of the most rapidly developing portion of the United States.

2. They had been startled at the magnificent generosity of the citizens of Dallas, manifested in a gift the like of which has not heretofore been recorded in history.

3. They believed in the Methodist Church and its ability to educate.

4. Statistics showed that there was not so great a number of people anywhere in America without a university as resided in and around the city of Dallas.

So this great Board said to the Church: "If you will add \$500,000 to what Dallas has given you we will complete the first million by donating \$200,000." In other words, "If you Methodists of Texas will do your duty we will give you this sum."

To date eight thousand Methodists have done their duty—many, many thousands have not. Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars have been subscribed—fifty thousand dollars are needed.

Now, what have the young people done? Is this great University which is being built for them going to be completed without their taking a hand, without their showing their gratitude for this wonderful thing that is being done for them? What about it, Epworth Leagues—you are the young people of the Church. Among your number are thousands

who will receive the benefits to be derived from this institution. Your brothers and sisters are looking forward with eagerness for the doors to open.

Shall the history of this great campaign be written without one word being said concerning the part the Epworth Leagues play? Will future generations of young people have reason to feel ashamed of us who have a most rare opportunity to put ourselves forever on record as being alive, awake, appreciative, generous, anxious to have a part in every great and good enterprise of our beloved Church?

Leagues, awake! One month is left. On June 30 the great campaign will close. The Methodists of Texas will have either won or lost. If they win, let us be glad that the Epworth Leagues helped to do it. If they lose, let it not be said that the Epworth Leagues were in any wise responsible.

Let's not let this thing fail. If the Church cannot win without us, here is our chance to save the day. But if we do nothing, no loss is the shame upon us even if this great gift is secured. There is no reason for our indifference—there is every reason for our immediate united stand.

Sunday, June 15, is set aside in Dallas as S. M. U. Day in the Epworth Leagues. Special educational programs are being prepared. "no cause of the University will be presented. Dallas Epworth Leagues are in earnest. They are going to diminish the \$50,000, yet needed, by several thousand thousand."

What about the other Leagues of Texas? Will you respond to this earnest appeal and do something now? Why cannot every Epworth League in Texas sign a note for \$10 payable \$2 a year for five years, the first payment to fall due Dec. 1, 1913?

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PROGRAM NORTH TEXAS LEAGUE.

Twenty-first annual session of North Texas Conference Epworth League, to be held at Paris, Texas, June 5-8, 1913.

Guests of Lamar Avenue and Centenary Methodist Church. Services will be held in the Lamar Avenue Methodist Church. Musical Director, Robert Ross, Paris.

Thursday Evening, 8 o'clock, June 5, 1913. Address of Welcome—On behalf of the city, Judge L. L. Hardison; on behalf of the Leagues, Ralph DeShong.

Response—President A. B. Hardin. Reception to delegates and visitors.

Friday Morning, June 6, 1913. 6:00—Sunrise prayer-meeting. 8:15—Devotional service.

8:30—President's annual address; reports of Secretary-Treasurer. 9:00—Department of Worship and Evangelism (Senior); report of First Vice-President Ralph DeShong, Paris.

"The System We Use in Our Devotional Department"—Dr. Weideman, Paris.

"How We Fill Our Program at Trinity"—Miss Stella Nash, Dallas.

Music; recess. 10:15—Department of Social Service—Devotional service and prayer. Report of Second Vice-President Wade Fleetwood, Terrell.

"Charity and Help; Practical Work in City"—Miss Dorothy Tongue, Dallas. "Bible Thoughts on Charity"—V. W. Lawrence, Terrell.

"Kind Words Can Never Die"—Misses Virgil Davis, May Belle Greer, Madolin Davis, Greenville.

"The Field in the Smaller Town"—Miss Boice Cooley, Kaufman. "The Spiritual Uplift of a Live Second Department"—Miss Margaret Vaughn. Music; benediction.

Friday Afternoon, June 6, 1913.

2:15—Department of Missionary Work (Senior)—Report of Fourth Vice-President Mrs. W. O. Jordan, Alford.

Devotional Service—Rev. O. T. Cooper, Denton. "The Missionary Department the Living Link"—Miss Willie Moreland, Bridgeport.

"The Triumphs of Missions Through the League"—Miss Hettie Wood, Paris. Song—"The Kingdom Is Coming."

"Benefits Derived from the Missionary Department to the Individual Leagues"—Earl Hamilton, Polytchnic. "If We Listen We Will Hear the Call"—Mrs. S. D. Thurston, Dallas.

Solo, "Christ's Claim Upon Our Lives"—Mrs. J. W. Love, Paris. Address—Miss Hill, Kansas City, Mo. Music; benediction.

Parade and automobile rides over the city. Friday Evening, June 6, 1913. Our First Missionary Evening—Rev. O. T. Cooper, State Fourth Vice-President, Master of Ceremonies.

Hymn—Blest Be the Tie that Binds. Hymn—On the Mountain Tops Appearing. Prayer, closed with the Lord's Prayer in concert.

Psalm 133 in unison—Led by President Harlin.

11:00—Annual Conference Sermon—Rev. O. T. Cooper, Denton, Texas. Sunday Afternoon, June 8, 1913. 3:30—Fifth Annual Missionary Rally Services. Special program, Miss Mary Hay Ferguson, Chairman Ruby Kendrick Memorial Mission Fund Committee.

Program—Hymn—"Onward, Christian Soldiers." Hymn—"Come, Thou Almighty King." Prayer—Led by Miss Webster. Conferring Model Degree. Fourth Annual Report of the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund Committee—Miss Mary Hay Ferguson, McKinney.

Song, "See that Jesus Gets Them All"—Miss Ruth Morris, Royse City. "Missions the Glory Epworth"—Dr. F. S. Parker, General Secretary, Nashville, Tenn. Hymn—"Come, Ye that Love the Lord." "The Junior Special"—Mrs. Fred Mercer, Fraternal Work—Rev. C. T. Collyer, of Korea.

Hymn—"From All the Dark Places." Reports from all districts' Fifth Annual Gifts to Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund. Announcements, including R. K. M. F. Committee for 1913-14. Doxology; League Benediction. R. K. M. F. disbursements in four years, \$4225.

Sunday Evening, June 8, 1913.

8:00—Special music. 8:30—Conservation Service and Installation of Officers—Dr. Fitzgerald S. Parker, Nashville, Tenn.

THE FIRST SESSION OF THE NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE EPWORTH LEAGUE, AS HELD AT GREENVILLE, AUGUST 29-31, 1893.

From an old file of the Advocate for the year 1893 we have found in its issue of September 7 of that year a report of the meeting which was held at Greenville, August 29-31, at which the conference was formally organized. It has occurred to us that this bit of early history will prove intensively interesting on the eve of the assembling of the conference in twenty-first annual session in Paris, and accordingly we reproduce the article as follows:

NORTH TEXAS LEAGUE CONFERENCE. (Editorial Correspondence.)

The North Texas Epworth League Conference met in the city of Greenville August 30, 1893, at 8:30 a. m., and after devotional services, conducted by Rev. Eugene C. DeJernette, of Commerce, was called to order by State Secretary Jas. W. Hill. Bishop Joseph S. Key was chosen temporary chairman and Brother DeJernette was elected temporary secretary. The address of welcome was made by Rev. I. W. Clark and responded to by the Bishop. Both speeches were enthusiastically received and a highly spiritual keynote was set, which the conference took up and sustained until the close of the session.

The first and a part of the forenoon of the second day was spent in hearing reports from the several Chapters represented in the conference, after which the Committee on Permanent Organization, which was appointed by the Bishop at the opening of the session, made the following report:

For President, Judge J. D. Bass; First Vice-President, W. G. Ditzler, of Farmersville; Second Vice-President, Miss E. Josie Critchfield, of Pottsboro; Third Vice-President, Miss Magnolia Arnold, of Sherman; Recording Secretary, A. K. Ragsdale, of Dallas; Corresponding Secretary, T. L. Rippey, of Denison; Treasurer, Miss Lizzie D. Smith, of Dallas. This report was received and adopted as a whole.

The Bishop then yielded the chair to Brother Bass, and Brother DeJernette resigned the Secretary's table to Brother Ragsdale. Miss Josie Critchfield then read a bright and suggestive essay on the "Social Aspects of the League," which was followed by a general discussion of thirty minutes, all of which was greatly on the use of editing and threw much light upon this important side of our League life and work.

Various speakers and at the end of that time Brother Archer offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by the conference: "Whereas, Recognizing the influence and power of music over the human mind and heart, and believing those instruments that have been used so long in the service of the devil could and should be utilized for the glory of God, Resolved, That we recommend to our Leagues the importance of improving their music, and where practicable introduce any and all of those musical instruments that can be attained to our service of song, make melody in our hearts unto the Lord and be made to give glory to God."

Rev. I. W. Clark was then introduced and discussed the "Relation of the League to the Pastor and to the Church." He was followed by a general discussion, which showed the delegates to be in hearty accord not only with the pastor, but enthusiastically loyal to the Church and all its institutions. Holy Church, of McKinney, led the discussion on the question of the "Mission Work of the League." His speech was well received.

The conference then adjourned to hear preaching at 8:30 p. m., by Rev. W. M. P. Rippey, of Denison. The conference met Friday morning, finished up its work, passed the usual resolutions and resolved itself into a big love feast, in which many took part, and was greatly enjoyed by all. The choir then sang "God Be With You," and the conference adjourned sine die with the benediction by Jas. W. Hill.

What a flood of memories will sweep over those who read this account of the early beginning of the North Texas Conference Epworth League. Some who afterward became prominent in the work were there for the first time. A. K. Ragsdale is among the number. We are wondering if there will be any present at Paris, June 5 to 8, this year, who were at the organization meeting twenty years ago! Almost every one of those whose names appear as participants at that time have either passed away or passed out of active League work. Bishop Key, however, still retains his interest in the young people and it would be a great benediction if he could be at Paris even for a short while and speak of the beginning of this organization.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETING.

The Gatesville District Epworth League Conference met in its third annual session with the Leagues in Meridian, Texas. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. C. G. Chappel, Gatesville, at 8 p. m., April 13, 1913.

At 9 o'clock on the morning of April 19, C. W. Overcash opened the first day's session with a short devotional service. The first day was spent in discussing the League work in general. A great many helpful talks and suggestions were made and special addresses were made throughout the conference, which were enjoyed by the conference. The Four



NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

This is a picture of the North Texas Conference Epworth League as held in Denison, June, 1908. It was at this session that the messages announcing the serious illness, and, later, the death of Miss Ruby Kendrick in Korea were received. It was at this session, too, that the first memorial service was held. A mass meeting for young people had been announced for the afternoon on Sunday, the closing day, which meeting turned itself voluntarily into a memorial service. Eleven volunteers to take the place of their fallen comrade marked this occasion as among the greatest in the history of the organization.



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Departments were discussed separately by various delegates.

A paper on "The Fourth Department. Its Field, Importance and Opportunity," by Miss Mattie Jarrett, Valley Mills, and a paper on "The Third Department, Its Purpose and How Best to Accomplish It," by Miss Bessie Elam, Ohio, Texas, inspired everyone present to a higher and better life. These two papers, by request of the conference, will be published in the Epworth Era and Christian Advocate.

The Cuba Mission Special was discussed and our district is to raise \$300 to help support a missionary.

All business of the conference was transacted through committees appointed by the chair.

The officers elected for the next conference year are as follows: President, C. W. Hill, Meridian; Secretary, Miss Carrie Swilling, Clifton; First Vice-President, Robert Foster, Hamilton; Second Vice-President, Miss E. Lillian McNeill, Copperas Cove; Third Vice-President, Miss Bessie Elam, Ohio, Texas; Fourth Vice-President, Miss Mattie Jarrett, Valley Mills; Junior League Superintendent, Miss Mary Brown, Gatesville; Superintendent Boys' League, James Butler, Moody; Epworth Era Agent, Miss Lolla James, Crawford.

At 11 o'clock Sunday morning, Rev. Alonzo Monk, Jr., Hamilton, preached to a large congregation the League sermon, his subject being, "Victory Ahead."

At 2:30 o'clock p. m. the Junior Department was taken up and several Junior Superintendents were present and reports were made. At the close of the Junior Department the Meridian local Chapter gave an ideal Epworth League program. This program consisted of short talks, Scripture readings and comments, papers, prayers, special music in vocal and instrumental, and the League lesson given in the Era. This program was only 30 minutes and was indeed an ideal program.

At 8:30 Mr. Frank Reedy, ex-president State League, Dallas, was with us and made an address liberally charged with wit, wisdom and optimism, which was enjoyed by every one present.

Monday morning, at 9 o'clock, we had the Senior League on trial. The charge was: Obsolescence, inefficiency and needlessness. Competent lawyers and experienced Leaguers took part on both sides. The house was filled to standing room to witness this trial. Every one waited in breathless silence until the jury returned the verdict in these words: "We, the jury, find the defendant not guilty."

After the close of this session, which closed the four days' conference, the conference was conveyed to the beautiful banks of the Bosque River where it was treated to a "fish fry." There was also a number of boats and everyone enjoyed this delightful outing.

The place for the next conference meeting was not decided upon, as the conference thought best not to do this at this time. Let every one watch for the two splendid papers that are to be published later.

MISS CARLIE SWILLING,
Secretary-Treasurer.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT LEAGUE MEETING.

The following is the program for the Epworth League Institute of Hillsboro District, to be held at Penelope, Wednesday afternoon, June 25, 1913, viz.:

Music will be furnished by the Church at Penelope.

2:00 p. m.—Opening address and religious services, conducted by Rev. C. W. Daniel.

Five topics will be discussed, the last three under the figure of "miners" and "mining." First—"The Cash Value of the League," by Carl Huffines of Hillsboro.

Second—"A Prospecting Tour," by Walter Ward.

Third—"Locating the Claim," by representative of the Itasca League.

South—"Working the Mines," by a representative of the Covington League.

Fifth—"The Finished Product," Harry Hughes.

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S. E. Friend Holds Record

(We are glad to offer herewith the photo and a biography of Brother S. E. Friend, of the Ovalo Circuit. Brother Friend is one of the extremely few stewards who have made a big record. We wonder if it can be duplicated anywhere in the Church. For nearly thirty-four years he has been a steward and has answered roll call 135 times in succession.)



S. E. FRIEND
Ovalo, Texas

The most of my life has been spent on the frontiers of Texas. Have never been out of the State but little and have lived in five counties of the State. I was born in Smith County, Texas, Aug. 27, 1853. Moved to Coryell County when I was less than two years old. Lived there until after the War, then moved to Grayson County and in 1874 moved back to Coryell County. After three years I came to Taylor County, where I still live. I spent one year, 1900, in Llano County. I know but little of my ancestry. My father was a native Georgian and a Methodist of the deepest hue and was as faithful to all the requirements of the Church as his health and the circumstances of the times would admit.

All who have lived on the frontier know that the Indians were a barrier to all kinds of work at times, especially, work that called one from home. I thought father the best man in the world and had no ideal beyond him. He was self-educated and was well versed in most anything that could be learned from history. But that part of his life that impressed me most was his devotion to family worship. I can see him plainer with the old Bible and hymn book (I have it yet), as we all gathered around the fireside for prayers, than in any other way. It is sweet to remember. I know nothing of a mother's love. All I can remember of mother is seeing her wrapped in grave clothes and put in the coffin. The older children told me where she had gone and that she died praying for her baby boy that he might be useful in the world and, at the end, meet her in heaven. And although that has been more than fifty years ago that prayer is still a great comfort to me. It has helped me to tide over many times of doubts and fears and a solace in many a time of discouragement. It has been the greatest stay of my life. Mother's maiden name was Wafer, but her name was Legzette when she and father were married. She had been the wife of a Methodist preacher by that name, and I believe he traveled in Louisiana. I never was taught a word of prayer, but cannot tell the day I did not pray; and in my childhood days I believed as firmly that God would answer prayer as I believed anything, and I believe today that had it not been for prayer that my father's family would have been destroyed by the Indians. But neither they nor his property were ever molested to any great extent. The coming of the Methodist preacher has been of notable event in the lives of many. So it was in mine. About the earliest incident in my memory is the coming to our home (it was always the home of the preacher) of Rev. J. H. Collard, now deceased, and father had him baptize me. I reckon it was the first opportunity he had had to have it done, and I have always been glad of its being late enough for me to remember it, but how, oh, how could I ever have been satisfied if it had been entirely neglected. Then I say, with emphasis, baptize the babies. I can't remember much of any preacher except Brother Collard until after moving to Grayson County. Then they began to be my best friends. I was just getting in my teens and our first pastor up there was W. M. Robbins. J. W. Field was presiding elder. Then some local brethren served the work

such as Brothers Carlton and George W. McGlothlin. J. M. Binkley was the presiding elder. I had never joined the Church until then. Had never thought very seriously about anything only that I was going to live right and meet my mother in heaven. About 1872 Rev. J. C. Weaver was sent to the Sherman Circuit. That was his second year. Father had been carrying every office in the Church, and he was getting rather feeble and incapacitated for so much work. One night, after Brother Weaver had preached at old Friendship Schoolhouse, just one mile west of Denison, he called a Church Conference, and after some preliminaries he said, "I want Brother Sam Friend elected as secretary." It was like a clap of thunder out of a clear sky to me and I didn't know what to do or say, so I said, "I had rather not act." But Weaver said, "I had rather not preach, but I have it to do." Well, that settled it then and forever. I went to the desk, knowing in my heart that I would never refuse to do anything that the Church wanted me to do, and I never have. Thank the Lord, I owe much to that resolution and more to Brother Weaver for the interest he manifested in me. He then had me elected as a delegate to the ensuing District Conference, and that fall as steward. The next year P. C. Bryce was our pastor, with L. B. Ellis as presiding elder. During this year, while Brother Weaver was doing so many other good things for me, he spoke the words that made Miss Alice Burleson and myself man and wife. She has been faithful and true, and is still by my side. Our one boy is with us, but our five girls have left us and made homes of their own. But such is life. Before that year was out we left there and went to Coryell County. There we had such men as B. H. Baird, Stump Ashby and J. W. Hunter as pastors, with Thos. Stanford and W. R. D. Stockton as preacher in charge. They soon had us in harness there, but we moved again to Taylor County. L. F. Collins was soon here seeing after the Master's business and we were charter members of the first Church ever organized in Taylor County. On May 22, 1880, at the old Jimmed Schoolhouse, S. B. Jones presiding elder, I was elected as Recording Steward, and have never missed a Quarterly Conference since, besides attending about twenty conferences on other works. The brethren have honored me beyond my desert. They have sent me as delegate to the Annual Conference a number of times and I love them for it all.

S. E. FRIEND.

Ovalo, Texas.

THE CONSPIRACY FIASCO.

By Rev. W. W. Pinson, D. D.

One hundred and twenty-three men were arrested and tried in Korea by a Japanese court on a charge of conspiracy to assassinate the Governor-General. At the conclusion of a notorious trial which, for its flagrant outrages of all civilized methods astonished the world, including that small portion of Japan to which a few of the facts filtered through a censored press, one hundred and five were given prison sentences ranging from five to ten years. These men were convicted on no further testimony than their so-called confessions in the police court, which, with one voice, they maintained were secured by means of unbearable torture.

Baron Yun Chi Ho, one of the number, was arrested February 9, 1912. He was cast into prison. No one knew the accusation against him. He was forbidden to see anyone for two months, and after that only in the presence of officers. He was forced to listen to the piteous cries of those who were being mercifully tortured for weeks. Then he was deceived into making admissions to the police, the bearing of which he did not then perceive. He was led to do this by the false promise of immunity for himself, and especially others of his countrymen, from further prosecution and torture. This so-called "confession" he withdrew three months before the public trial, and as soon as he knew the nature of the charges. His lawyer contended that the confession had nothing to do with this case. In open court Mr. Yun maintained his innocence consistently and unflinchingly to the end. The only evidence against him was the confession of his fellow prisoners, who, one and all declared they confessed under insufferable torture in the police investigation. They repudiated these confessions in the public court.

An attempt was made to prove that he was in some kind of meeting in a house in Seoul on certain dates. This testimony was given only in the secrecy of police investigation. The

judges in the lower court would not permit the witness to be brought in to be cross-questioned. Fortunately, Baron Yun could prove an alibi in each count. Besides, the witness testified there were 100 men meeting in a room which, by actual measurement, would hold only ten men. It was by such a dark and devious way that the court moved to a cruel and notorious miscarriage of justice.

The first court sentenced Mr. Yun for ten years. Ten years for conspiracy to murder! He was guilty or not guilty. If guilty, ten years was ridiculous; being innocent, it was monstrous! The police had pilloried Japan before the civilized world.

From the beginning, the confidence of the missionaries in Mr. Yun's innocence was unshaken. The developments have all tended to confirm this confidence. Hence, the Board and missionaries have left nothing undone that would secure a fair trial and a set free. They had confessed, to be had was employed. The General Secretary was on the ground during the first trial, rendering any proper service of which he was capable. When the verdict was rendered an appeal was promptly taken.

The higher court met. This court was far more considerate and fair. Other witnesses were called, but the Mr. Yun could not be found. When summons was sent for him he had disappeared suddenly. Hence, he has not yet been cross-questioned, so far as we have heard. What a diligent search for the truth!

Mr. Yun was again sentenced but only for six years, guilty, but not so guilty as before. Ninety-nine of the one hundred and five prisoners were set free. They had confessed, to be sure. The court had believed their retractions rather than their confessions. This left not a leg for the case to stand on. But Mr. Yun was the "man higher up." He must be held, but four years were spared as a sop to civilization, a tribute to the glimmering dawn of equity.

"Face these facts: There has never been a syllable of testimony from any source whatever to prove crime on the part of any one of the accused, though they have passed through two courts!" When a missionary to Japan wrote that for a Japanese newspaper, he wrote what is only a well known and palpable fact, especially applicable to Mr. Yun.

The case goes now to the Supreme Court. There it will be tried only on the record of the Lower Courts. There is still hope. Surely the police are not everywhere masters. Surely the voice of justice cannot be forever silenced in Japan. Surely the sense of her own unenviable position before the civilized nations of the earth will rally and summon to the front the better Japan. The confirmation of the sentence of the Lower Courts would fix on the fair name of Japan a stain that a century could not efface. Will Yun be cleared and a good and innocent man who has suffered several deaths already, be vindicated? That is a great question. But there is a greater one. Will Japan, the Japan of our dreams and our hopes, save the world from a sickening disappointment and stay the pen of history from writing an indictment against herself over which her enemies will gloat and her children will read with tears of shame?

METHODIST STUDENTS IN STATE INSTITUTIONS.

By Rev. R. P. Shuler.

Sometimes we are forced in life to face a situation rather than to create one. Perhaps the situation we must face is not of our own liking or choosing and yet it would be criminal to turn our back upon it. Because Methodists believe it would be better for Methodist young people to attend Methodist schools does not mean that the responsibility of the Church for those who attend State schools is lessened. Facts as they are must be attended to even if they are not facts as we think they ought to be. Let me call the attention of the Advocate readers to a few facts as they are:

First, the Methodist schools of Texas are full to overflowing and yet there are twice as many Methodist young people doing college and university work in the State University, State Normals and the A. and M. College as in the Methodist schools. Suppose all these Methodist young people should turn to the Church next year for education, what would we do with them? Second, when the Southern Methodist University is full and overflowing and every other Methodist school is crowded, not half the Methodist students of this State will have been provided for. Third, the fact faces us that there are more Methodist young men and women in the University of Texas alone than are doing college work in any Methodist col-

lege or university in the South, with the one exception of Vanderbilt.

In the face of these facts is it not high time that the Church began to realize that the State schools are her schools, belonging to her people and filled with her students and with such a realization, should we not immediately begin to supplement the work of the State in such a manner as to give to them that moral and spiritual development necessary to make them well rounded Christian characters? Why should the Church lose by her neglect the hundreds of strong men and women, trained and fitted, that have chosen the State school rather than the Church school for training?

I fear we have mistaken the meaning of a Christian education. The Church in giving such an education does not teach a Methodist mathematics, a religious astronomy or a Christian physics. The Church and the State give virtually the same courses and use the same books in most instances. Many Church schools teach books written by non-Christian men and many State schools teach from texts prepared by pious Christians. There is absolutely no difference here. The Church only proposes to throw her students under religious environments, with Christian men as instructors and with surroundings that inspire to moral and spiritual development. I took my diploma at a Methodist college and this is all the Christian education I received.

As I write, I find myself surrounded by almost 600 young men and women who are from Methodist homes. They are students, from the freshman to the senior years, in the University of Texas. They have the opportunity of a prayer service conducted in the University every morning. There is not one of them but that can get the benefits of a Bible study class if they desire. They can even get credits in the university for the work they do in the Bible. Hundreds of them are in my Sunday School. They crowd my church to its capacity morning and night, averaging something like 400 students at each service. Many of them are the very best religious workers I ever saw. In fact, as a whole I have never met a more moral or religious class of students than those who are connected with my Church. To be sure, there are many of the other class and this is true so far as I know in every school on the earth with a large number of students.

To my mind the Church cannot only plant her schools about over the State and furnish education to her sons and daughters, but she can also utilize the State institutions and make them become her servants and send forth men and women to do her work. We have six Methodist students in this school this year who will offer themselves to our Church for mission work. Our sons and daughters are here in great numbers and they will continue to come. It would be the height of folly, if not crime, to neglect these hundreds of the best prospects of our homes.

I am for the Church schools and shall ever be. I was educated in them and shall send my boy to them. However, I hope I do not so love any one factor of our growth so much as to cause me to despise another factor whose value is also unlimited if properly husbanded and developed. Let the Methodist Church in Texas plant herself like a great tower by the side of the State University, that her light may shine. Let her give to these 600 students a Bible Chair. Let her build a Homing Hall for girls. Let her lay her hand upon her own and possess the land which is hers by every right. Let her place a strong man here to instruct the youth in the Word of God and matters pertaining to the Church. The university stands ready to encourage such a movement by giving credits for the work we do.

If there is a place in Texas where a few thousand dollars will tell more for Methodism in the Southwest than here I do not know of that spot. I believe in our great Southern Methodist University and have put my money in it. I feel like shouting when I think of her wonderful promise. But I feel like going to the mourner's bench when I think that for years we have permitted this great opportunity by the State University to remain almost without thought or concern. Other Churches are awake. The Presbyterians have spent thousands here and their work is telling and yet they have not one-third the students here that we have. The Christian Church, with only one-fourth the number, have a Bible Chair here, endowed and working, and many of our Methodist boys and girls are in the classes. The Baptists are now getting ready to spend \$100,000 to take care of half as many students as we have. The Roman Catholics, with only some fifty students, are planning largely and will one of these days surprise Protestant Christianity with their undertaking. It is high time that the Methodist Church, with the greatest opportunity

of all, catch a vision of the field and occupy it.

We have a fine church here and it is doing wonders, but it is not enough. We must widen. We must dig deeper and build more strongly. At present we are far ahead in the procession, so far as our influence is concerned about this institution, but our crown will not remain unless we advance. I plead with the men and women of Texas to meet the demands of this opening and let us make for Methodism a strong place hard by this great institution.

MONEY A MEANS OF EVANGELIZING THE WORLD.

By Elsie Malone McCollum.

The hearts of those who visit the lands where the Christ is not known; and witness the ignorance, the superstition, the degradation prevailing there, melt in pity, and they are anxious to relieve the suffering.

We can not all visit the foreign fields, but to become interested in the salvation of these poor benighted souls, we have but to read the appeals with which the Church papers are filled; or listen to the plea of some returned missionary, as he holds before us a mental picture of the condition of things in the land of his adoption.

When we become really interested—and not until then, we will see the necessity of a financial support for the Lord's work, as well as for our temporal needs.

Christ said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." So, if the world is ever brought to Christ it must, in obedience to His commands, be through human instrumentality.

In the tenth chapter of Romans, we find these words: "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe on Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be sent?" And I will add: "How can they be sent, without money for at least their transportation and support?"

Sometimes we hear a chronic grumbler say that the Church is always calling for money—that it is "money, money, money all the time." Certainly this is true—it is just as it should be, and we challenge these grumblers to name any successful organization that is run without money.

Do not the various lodges, and all the social, political, athletic or literary clubs require money to run them? We have all heard of the old man who said, "I thank God salvation is free—I know it is free, for I have been a member of the Church for twenty-five years and it has never cost me but twenty-five cents; and I need not have paid that, if I had not wished to do so." I fear his share in the work of taking the world for the Master would be a very insignificant one—far less indeed, than that of the old negro, who, upon being asked why she still insisted upon giving to the Church four quarters of a dollar each year just as she did when she was young and strong, replied, "Case, honey, dem's de quarterly meetin' times, an' ob cose I has to go to 'em; an' I have been a member of the Church for twenty-five years and it has never cost me but twenty-five cents; and I need not have paid that, if I had not wished to do so." I fear his share in the work of taking the world for the Master would be a very insignificant one—far less indeed, than that of the old negro, who, upon being asked why she still insisted upon giving to the Church four quarters of a dollar each year just as she did when she was young and strong, replied, "Case, honey, dem's de quarterly meetin' times, an' ob cose I has to go to 'em; an' I have been a member of the Church for twenty-five years and it has never cost me but twenty-five cents; and I need not have paid that, if I had not wished to do so."

It is natural for us to feel the greatest interest in those things which have cost us the most, either in time or money—and, in proportion to our love for the cause of missions, will be our desire to aid in evangelizing the world.

While the various organizations of the Church make numerous calls for money, there is never any effort made to compel one to give to the Master's cause, for "the Lord loveth a cheerful giver." But we can not give anything until we have paid our tithe.

Solomon said in Proverbs 15:17: "Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith," and a penny (when it is the best you can do) placed in the treasury of the Lord, will bring to you more happiness, and will do more in the mission field, than a pound given grudgingly, or with selfish and impure motives.

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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 Ragsdale, care Texas Christian Advocate, Dallas, Texas.

CORSICANA DISTRICT MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Society, Corsicana District, Central Texas Conference, will be held at Groesbeck, June 17 and 18. Mrs. J. W. Downs and Rev. J. R. Nelson will be prominent visitors. Every preacher in the district is requested to come and bring his wife and to have women from each preaching appointment. Send names of delegates and visitors to Mrs. J. C. Sanders, Groesbeck.

MRS. A. C. JOHNSON,
District Secretary.

GRAPEVINE AUXILIARY.

Grapevine Auxiliary met with Mrs. J. B. Wood, Wednesday, May 28.

Members present: Mesdames J. A. Davis, L. T. Gerlick, W. E. Harman, J. J. Koonce, J. T. Lucas, J. B. Richmond, W. R. Steward, J. A. Ruffner, J. N. Willis, C. E. Walker, B. H. Yancy, Misses Mary Deen and Starr Walker, and the hostess. Visitors present: Mesdames W. E. Keeling, J. L. Lyons, J. T. Yancy, Martha Cable, Elizabeth Nash, Misses Lauretta Stainwater, Inez Faust and Luzelle Harman. This was a social meeting and each member brought a dollar and rhyme telling how she had made the dollar.

There were more dollars than there were rhymes. After the rhymes were read there was a guessing contest. Mrs. Lyons received the prize, which was a box of Nabisco. Misses Faust Rainwater and Walker entertained the society with songs and music. The hostess served cake and cream. The amount raised was \$19.50. The Society has about thirty members and this Church has one hundred and fifty women members.

MISS MARY DEEN.

POLYTECHNIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

Under the leadership of our new president, Mrs. Ed Hargrave, the Society is doing splendid work along all lines and since her trip to the Annual Meeting at Georgetown, drinking at the fountain of knowledge, and sitting at the feet of some of the most consecrated and godly women in our Church for some days there, I am sure she will bring to us the inspiration that is so essential to the growth and betterment of our Society, and will be able to so present the work of our great Church that we will all be able to catch a vision of the great opportunity that lies out before us and renew our energies and make this the greatest year in the history of our society. The first Tuesday the society meets in business session and is always well attended. The second Tuesday it meets in six circles in a social afternoon. The third Tuesday it meets in the parsonage to carry out an inspirational and educational program and enjoy a social hour. The fourth Tuesday it meets in the Mission Study class under the leadership of Mrs. Jerome Duncan. Our society has accomplished some very splendid things in a financial way, and advanced in an educational way, but most of all we crave for it a continued growth in spirituality.

MRS. JOHN COX,
Publicity Superintendent.

WESLEY HOUSE.

For some time the Woman's Board of City Missions has felt very keenly the great need of a Wesley House in North Fort Worth. After much prayer the month of June was chosen for launching the campaign for securing the necessary funds. Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth, President of the Board, is a member of the Church and Auxiliary at Polytechnic, and she selected her home Church as a place of beginning Sunday, June 1. Rev. Jerome Duncan, presiding elder of the Fort Worth District, had charge of the eleven o'clock service. He is in entire sympathy with the movement and is giving to the women his hearty support. He introduced the president, who in a few well-chosen words, stated the object of the meeting and introduced Miss Eugenia Smith, the deaconess in charge of the work. She pictured the conditions in such a vivid manner and emphasized the need of such a house in such strong terms as to move the congregation to action and in just a little time more than \$500 was subscribed to this fund.

The campaign was continued last night at Boulevard Church on the North Side, and \$500 was subscribed. It's the purpose of the presiding elder to give every charge in his district an opportunity to contribute to this laudable enterprise.

MRS. JOHN P. COX,

NORTH TEXAS WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Woman's Missionary Conference of North Texas met at Oak Cliff Methodist Church, Dallas, May 12-16. About 200 delegates were enrolled. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. L. P. Smith, Cooper; Vice-President, Mrs. J. Eddie Bell, Clarksville; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Charles Gee, Greenville; Third Vice-President, Mrs. R. W. Baird, Dallas; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Paul Jones, Dallas; Corresponding Secretary Foreign Department, Mrs. W. H. Turney, Kaufman; Corresponding Secretary Home Department, Mrs. P. C. Archer, Winnsboro; Recording Secretary, Miss Flora Thomas, Oak Cliff, Dallas; Treasurer Foreign Department, Mrs. C. B. Bryant, Whitewright; Treasurer Home Department, Mrs. J. F. Bennett, Pottsboro.

Superintendents—Department of Supplies, Mrs. W. W. Williams, Decatur; Bureau of Publicity, Mrs. B. H. Gray, Winnsboro; Negro Work, Mrs. William Bacon, Greenville; Capt. Home Guards, Mrs. F. B. Rudolph, Dallas.

Field Secretary—Mrs. Geo. S. Sexton, Dallas.

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\$6219.75 had been paid the past year on the debt on the Denton Dormitory building. \$1142 was pledged by individuals and auxiliaries for the present year. Our conference half of dues for the Home Department was directed to be applied to this fund. In two years or perhaps in the present year it is thought that the debt can be entirely cleared. The Dormitory met all running expenses the past year, amounting to \$8135.50—some \$1000 besides which was applied on the building fund and had a balance of \$466.55, including \$300 insurance fees. There was pledged for the Foreign Department \$4422.50. The two Corresponding Secretaries and one member to be appointed by the Executive Committee from a standing committee to pass on missionary candidates applying for scholarship.

Miss Mattie Benningfield was given the Ellen J. Robinson scholarship; Miss Dell Owenby, of Wolfe City, the Virginia K. Johnson scholarship, and Miss Beatrice Westmoreland, the East Texas Normal scholarship.

The representation was fixed at one delegate to the annual meeting from each department where there is not a united auxiliary, one delegate where the auxiliary is a united one.

The ideal standard, as before, requires that in the auxiliary all dues, conference pledge and expense fund be paid in full, every member a member of both departments, observance of Week of Prayer with offering from same.

In order that new auxiliaries might be organized and weak ones strengthened, a new office was created, Field Secretary, Mrs. Geo. S. Sexton, was elected to fill that office.

It was specified that the funds raised for the support of foreign missionaries be diverted, in part, to the support of our missionaries from the North Texas Conference W. M. S.—Miss Lelia Roberts, at Saltillo, Mexico and Miss Helen Hickman, at Rio, Mexico.

The reports of the work for the past year were encouraging, the delegates enthusiastic and religious. Indeed, it was one of the best meetings ever held in this conference.

McKinney was chosen for next place of meeting. The Oak Cliff women were heartily thanked.

FLORA THOMAS,
Recording Secretary.

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Appropriations for 1913.

Florida Coast work, \$17,467; Pacific Coast work, \$7710; dependent and delinquent girls, \$15,891; Gulf Coast work, \$6370; mountain work, \$16,516; negro work, \$5635; department of sociology, \$2450; deaconess work, \$3000; interest on money borrowed, \$3000; city missions, \$5616; annuities, \$1000; Indian work, \$500; Mexican work, \$10,000; contingent, \$2000; administration, \$20,020; Scarritt Bible and Training School, \$1000; total, \$118,175.

A little crippled beggar boy was taken from the streets of Soochow and sent to the men's hospital. This boy and his blind grandmother are Manchus and received a pension from the government up to the time of the revolution. After that it was beg or starve. Some of the missionaries are taking care of the grandmother, and Mrs. Nance is paying for the boy's treatment in the hospital.

Being required to observe the custom of the government schools in Korea, the Christian schools were closed the latter part of March. The commencement exercises were held at that time, and in April a new term of work began. Some of our girls have finished the school course, and will now teach in the country schools, where help is sorely needed. Two hundred dollars will take care of one of these schools for a year. Shares of fifty or one hundred dollars can be taken in them according to the station plan.

The missionaries in Korea write of the pathetic scenes that occurred at the homes of some of the ninety-nine prisoners who were released at the trial in Korea. At one place, when the pastor and class teacher returned after eighteen months' imprisonment all the town, heathen and Christian, turned out to welcome them home. On the following Sunday a great crowd gathered at the church. To the surprise of every one, the pastor and class leader resigned from their positions of leadership in the Church, saying they were no longer worthy of such positions. Each, with sobbing voice and tear-stained face said: "I did not tell the truth; I lied at last." The pastor said: "I should have died rather than tell a lie, although I did it after I had been tortured three different times until flesh could endure it no longer, and I became unconscious; but that is no excuse, and I can no longer be a leader in the Church." Sobs were heard all over the church, and when one was called on to pray, a mighty revival spirit swept over the whole congregation. Pray with us that this may be the beginning of a revival that the Spirit may use in bringing many into a closer relation with himself.

The following paragraph, taken from Mrs. Ross's report, will give the women of the auxiliaries some idea of the amount of work done by our splendid Treasurer: "I have received for the two departments \$475,285.37, signed notes at the bank for borrowed money for \$102,400, and disbursed \$522,588.55 by writing 1360 checks and almost as many return receipts. I have made quarterly reports and one annual report for each department. I have written numbers of letters besides receipting for the money. I have received vouchers for city mission work expended to the amount of \$69,677.45."

The meetings held by Mr. Mott in China have been larger than those held even in India. The average attendance has been over two thousand. It was necessary to utilize the largest halls in the different cities. For example, in Canton the new theater, the largest building of its kind in China, was used. In Tsinanfu the great hall of the Provincial Assembly was kindly granted by the government. In Nanking and Peking it was necessary to erect great pavilions. There was eager, intense, responsive attention given by the students at every place. The meetings were attended with the largest fruitage in definite decisions which Mr. Mott has had in all his experience among students. In three cities alone there were over 2400 inquiries. The unprecedented response in every center has placed a great burden of responsibility on missionaries and Chinese workers. In the city of Tsinanfu over five hundred government students decided to become Christian inquirers.

One of the most startling facts is that Buddhism in Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles is aggressively propagating itself from these centers. Buddhist temples have been erected in which cultured priests administer the rites and ceremonies of their religion, and through a series of lectures are reaching large numbers of Americans, especially women. Recently

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SANGER BROS. DALLAS TEXAS

thousands of Hindus have come to the United States.

The number of Japanese at present in the United States is 130,000. The number in Hawaii is 72,000. The number of Chinese is 300,000. The opposition on the Pacific Coast to the Japanese, Chinese and Koreans seems to grow more intense each year. The present attitude in California is an illustration of this. The Orientals in Canada, including Chinese and Japanese, are less than 40,000.

The Sunday School at Tien-sz Tsaung (the name applied to the neighborhood in which the Soochow University, Laura Haygood and the hospitals are located) has grown to twice the capacity of the church. The men's class is sent to the hospital for instruction, and the hundreds of women are sent to our hospital, where Dr. Margaret Polk, by urgent request of the superintendent of the Sunday School, acts as superintendent of that department.

Mo-Ka-Huo-Yoen is the name applied to the compound in which is located at the Davidson Memorial, with its department of girls, boarding school, industrial school, kindergarten, kindergarten training school, and woman's work. This great plant has grown from a small-sized day school to its wonderful proportions through the wise judgment and careful planning of its able head, Miss Virginia M. Atkinson. There is a regularly organized Church within this compound—a self-supporting Church, the product of our mission work. The congregation has so grown during the past year that it has to worship by sections. At the morning service all under twelve years of age go to the kindergarten chapel, where special service is held for them. Even then the church is crowded to discomfort with those who have come to hear the gospel of the Son of God.

The cause of Christian unity in America is receiving its greatest impulse from the foreign field.

The work at Kong Hong, in Soochow, has developed most wonderfully. In March of 1912 a day school was opened for the special benefit of a class of young girls who were probationers. The school was made possible by the gift of \$125 from an Arkansas lady and by the aid given by the Harris Memorial ladies of Memphis. The school soon grew from thirty to forty-five pupils, and others are ready to enter as soon as room can be made for them. The growth of the school has fully demonstrated that the school was needed.

I am sending you five new subscribers. This makes my entire Board of Stewards subscribers. We are the first in the Gatesville District. I have visited sixty-eight different homes scattered over a wide area. In some a preacher had not been in years. This is a widely scattered work, but I am going into every Methodist home and lots of others besides. More has been paid the ministry than at a corresponding date the last two years. I haven't the records farther back than that. More Advocates are taken; more has been paid on the parsonage and more members have been received.—L. B. Sawyers, Coryell, Texas.

All of my Stewards are subscribers to the Advocate and have been for three months.—E. F. Hudgens, Harbin, Texas.

Every member of the Quarterly Conference of Junction Circuit, West Texas Conference, takes the Advocate.

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- Tickets, three cents per mile round trip, on sale from June 23 to June 28, inclusive, with return limit July 13.

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A strong, helpful program has been prepared for the Bible Conference, and will be given without charge of any kind.

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- (6) Dr. John A. Rice, one of the leading preachers of our Church.
- (7) Dr. W. F. Tillett, the leading teacher of doctrines in our Church; and other speakers and lecturers will give addresses day after day.

Be sure to arrange for a two weeks' stay in a delightful climate, and picturesque scenery. Stay full limit of ticket.

SOUTHERN ASSEMBLY.
Lake Junaluska, N. C.

CARNEGIE GIVES A MILLION.

Rev. John M. Moore, D. D.

Carnegie has given a million dollars to the Medical Department of Vanderbilt University. That announcement in the Nashville papers last Saturday afternoon was received with great enthusiasm by the people of that city. This was a sunburst from a dull sky to those who have been greatly exercised about the medical school. The American Medical Association has been making some demands upon medical schools that cannot be disregarded. The "ethics of the profession" require absolute loyalty to the demands of the greatest organization of medical men in America. That association has declared that the entrance requirements shall be in 1914, that every medical school shall have a competent hospital in which its scientific claims may be carried on, that every medical school shall have an adequate library, that every medical school shall have acceptable laboratories, and finally that every medical school shall have at least four professors who give their full time to teaching. These demands Vanderbilt Medical School could not meet and her teachers were embarrassed, if not alarmed.

Vanderbilt Medical School had a total financial valuation of \$325,000. The Galloway Memorial Hospital is in course of construction and is located on the campus of the medical school. When it is completed it will have cost \$500,000. Only \$150,000 is yet in hand. The attendance at the medical school this year is 350. But the demands of the American Medical Association—in accord as they are with the requirements of science and with the progress of the profession—would have driven the medical school out of existence had not Mr. Carnegie or some other benefactor come to its relief at the critical moment. All the requirements of the association can now be met and Vanderbilt is to have a real bona fide medical department equal in every way to the present demands of the medical profession.

Mr. Carnegie has given \$200,000 for a building in which will be the lecture rooms, library and laboratories. He has given \$500,000 as an endowment, which will take care of the salaries of the required four full professors and more. No one thinks that this will be sufficient to establish a great medical school. The friends of medical education in St. Louis met a few years ago and declared that Washington University of which Dr. David F. Houston, now Secretary of Agriculture, is chancellor, should have a great medical school to cost \$5,000,000 and they subscribed half of that amount at that meeting. Those in Nashville who are acquainted with the mind of Dr. H. S. Pritchett, the president of the Carnegie Foundation, believe that this gift is only a symptom and that other gifts are to come to Vanderbilt Medical School, whereby medical education in the South may be greatly advanced.

This gift of \$1,000,000 puts Mr. Carnegie first in the size of gifts made by individuals since its beginning. Mr. W. H. Vanderbilt gave \$900,000; Dr. W. K. Vanderbilt has given about \$500,000 in the last ten years.

Chancellor J. H. Kirkland has declined the presidency of the University.

Mrs. Powell Almost Dead

Dry Ridge, Ky.—"I could hardly walk across the room," says Mrs. Lydia Powell, of Dry Ridge, "before I tried Cardui. I was so poorly, I was almost dead. Now, I can walk four miles and do my work with much more ease. I praise Cardui for my wonderful cure." Cardui is successful in benefiting sick women, because it is composed of ingredients, that act specifically on the womanly constitution, relieving headache, backache, irregularity, misery and distress. Only a good medicine could show such continual increase in popularity as Cardui has, for the past 50 years. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic.

of Arkansas, and the presidency of Tuft's College near Boston in view of the call to administrative work, which this great donation makes immediate. His splendid achievement in securing this magnificent gift from Mr. Carnegie is greatly appreciated by the friends of Vanderbilt University.

IMPORTANT CABLE.

We have received the following cable:

"Yun accorded new trial."

We have not had time for a letter giving fuller explanation. An extended dispatch from Seoul, Korea, has been published on this side. The following is a brief extract:

"The Supreme Court here today nullified the decision of the Appeals Court, which, on May 20, sentenced six prominent Koreans to varying terms of imprisonment on a charge of conspiring against the Japanese Governor General, Count Terachi.

"The Court ordered a re-examination of the case by the Taiku Court of Appeals, on the ground that the judgment of the Seoul Court had not made it clear whether actual preparations had been made by the conspirators for the assassination of the Governor General, and the chances are that the case will be dropped. The Supreme Court holds that both secret plotting and actual preparation are necessary for conviction.

"The Seoul Court of Appeals, in the second trial, sentenced Baron Yun Chi-ho, a former Cabinet Minister, to six years' imprisonment; Yan Ki-tak, former editor of the vernacular edition of the Korean Daily News; An Tai-kuk, Im Chi-chung and Yi Seung-nun, all to six years, and Ok Kwanpin to five years, while ninety-nine of the accused were acquitted."

ED F. COOK.

CLARENDON COLLEGE.

Another commencement of Clarendon College has come and gone. The college halls are silent, the students having taken their departure for their respective homes. A great many of these students have made arrangements to return in the fall, and the indications are that Clarendon College will be overflowing with pupils when it opens again in September.

Clarendon College is better equipped at this time than ever before for doing good work. The administration building is not surpassed in all its appointments by any other building of its kind in all this country, and the young ladies' home is an imposing structure, having all the modern conveniences that any parent could wish for his daughter. The scholarship and culture of the faculty of Clarendon College are of the highest order and the faculty have a genius for imparting knowledge to those committed to their tuition.

The alumni address was delivered by W. E. Garrison, a graduate of Clarendon College, and it was all that could have been wished. Clarendon College feels proud of Brother Garrison, for his address reflected great honor upon his Alma Mater. We expect to hear great things from our Brother Will in the future.

Brother Slever procured the services of Dr. Bradfield, of Austin, to do all the speaking at commencement, except the alumni address. Year before last he got Bishop Monzon and last year he got Dr. Stonevald Anderson to do this work, and they did it well.

We were exceedingly glad to meet our old conference classmate one time more and to look again into his intelligent, ruddy face. The literary address of Dr. Bradfield on the dynamic power of Christ in civilization was edifying in the highest degree, showing careful preparation and much thought on the part of the speaker.

Dr. Bradfield's commencement sermon, setting forth the radial force of Christ, was a masterpiece of pulpit deliverance, making his audience feel and realize that it is the personality of Christ that saves men from their sins.

The sermon of Dr. Bradfield to the undergraduates on the great resurrectional idea was one of the most powerful presentations of the great subject that it has been our privilege to hear in many a day. The baccalaureate address of Dr. Bradfield on "The Pre-eminence of the College Graduate" was an eye-opener, presenting facts that cannot be gained. What a blessing it would be if every college graduate in Texas and every father and mother in Texas could hear this remarkable address. We hereby give proclamation to all the colleges and universities of the land, if they want something worth while on their commencement occasions, to call upon Dr. W. D. Bradfield, of Austin, and he will deliver the goods.

Sunday afternoon there was a grand rally of the young people of the town and of the college, led by Rev. O. P. Kiker, and everything on that occasion was uplifting and inspirational. My epithet for Brother Kiker is sui generis.

The outlook of Clarendon College was never more hopeful, her hold upon the patronage of the Panhandle country is waxing stronger and stronger and she still claims to be the Athens of this part of the world.

S. E. BURKHEAD.

PROGRAM GEORGETOWN THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE.

Admission on Trial.

Wesley's three sermons and Book of Discipline.

Chapel service.

Arithmetic and geography.

Bank's Manual of Christian Doctrine.

Public lecture.

English grammar and rhetoric.

Swinton's Outlines of World's History.

Public lecture.

First Year.

Kern's Ministry to the Congregation.

Chapel service.

Angus-Green's Cyclopedic Handbook of Chapters XVIII-XXI.

Wesley's Doctrinal Standards, Sermons 1-26.

Public lecture.

Tillett's Personal Salvation.

Purves' Apostolic Age.

Public lecture.

Second Year.

Sheldon's System of Christian Doctrine, Parts I-III.

Chapel service.

Lawrence's How to Conduct a Sunday School, Atkins' Kingdom in the Cradle.

Wesley's Doctrinal Standards, Sermons 27-52.

Public lecture.

Angus-Green's Cyclopedic Handbook of the Bible, Chapters I-X.

Bruce's Training of the Twelve.

Public lecture.

Third Year.

Sheldon's System of Christian Doctrine, Parts IV and V.

Chapel service.

McTear's History of Methodism.

Angus-Green's Cyclopedic Handbook of the Bible, XI-XVI.

Public lecture.

Hendrix's "Skilled Labor."

Mott's "The Pastor and Modern Missions."

Davis' Elements of Psychology.

Public lecture.

Fourth Year.

Davis' Elements of Ethics.

Chapel service.

Fisher's Grounds of Theistic and Christian Belief.

Jevon's Elements of Logic.

Public lecture.

Fisher's History of the Christian Church.

Tiger's Constitutional History of American Episcopal Methodism.

Public lecture.

Post Graduate.

Chapel service.

Smith's "The Days of His Flesh"

Lindsay's "The Reformation in Germany."

Public lecture.

Curtis' "The Christian Faith."

Forsyth's "Positive Preaching and the Modern Mind."

Public lecture.

Bishop Lambuth will deliver five lectures, as follows: "David Livingstone, the Pathfinder," "The Inadequacy of the Non-Christian Religion," "The Adequacy of the Gospel," "Cloud of Witnesses," "Brazil: The Neglected Continent," "How We Found Wenbo Niamba."

William Adams Brown offers six lectures on the following subjects: "The Contribution of Modern Theology to the Preacher's Equipment," "What Does It Mean to Be a Christian?" "The Bible, What It Is and How to Use It," "The God of the Christian," "From What and to What Are We Saved?" "The Church, Its Present Opportunity and Duty."

Rev. A. J. Weeks and Bishop Edson H. Hughes will each deliver a series of lectures, subjects to be announced later.

The chapel exercises will be conducted by Rev. James Kilgore, D. D.

PASTORS AND SUPERINTENDENTS CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Please send your Children's Day collections to the Rev. R. F. Brown, Midlothian, Texas, not to the Secretary of the Board. This notice is made because several charges have been remitting to our Secretary, Rev. A. D. Porter, all of which is extra cost and work.

R. F. BROWN,
Treas. S. S. Board, Central Tex. Conf.

THAT WAYNESVILLE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

June 25-29, 1913.

We wish to state that if as many as eighteen preachers will agree to go in a body from this city, or vicinity to the great Missionary Meeting soon to be held at Waynesville, N. C., by using their clergy permits by way of Dallas, Texarkana, Memphis and Chattanooga, it will cost them for the round trip only \$31.85, including the benefit and convenience of a through sleeper, with no change of cars. And they will have the benefit of a daylight run from Chattanooga by way of Hot Springs, N. C., through one of the most mountainous and romantic countries in the world. And their tickets will be good until fall. But the above number must go in a body in order to get the through sleeper. Many congregations ought to send their pastors on this proposition. Now if you can join this party and want further information write to Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, Station A, Dallas, Texas.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

The Methodist Church at Campbell Texas, will be dedicated on third Sunday in June. All former pastors and presiding elders cordially invited to be present. Dr. G. C. Rankin will preach the sermon.

C. B. GOLSON, P. C.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

- Gatesville District.**
This is to give notice that Rev. G. F. Winfield has been relieved of the pastorate of Meridian Station by Bishop James Atkins, and Rev. C. L. McDonald has been appointed to supply the work beginning June 1.
S. J. VAUGHAN, P. E.
- M. Theodoroff, the Bulgarian Minister of Finance, who is to represent Bulgaria at the financial conference in Paris in connection with the Balkan settlement, has announced that the Balkan States would ask for a war indemnity of \$400,000,000, of which Bulgaria's share would be \$200,000,000.**

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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

The rate is TWO CENTS A WORD. No advertisement is taken for less than 50 cents. Cash must accompany all orders.

In figuring cost of advertisement each initial sign or number is counted as one word.

We cannot have answers addressed to us, so your address must appear with the advertisement.

All advertisements in this department will be set uniformly. No display or black-faced type will be used.

Copy for advertisements must reach this office by Saturday to insure their insertion.

We have not investigated the merits of any proposition offered in these columns, but it is intended that nothing of a questionable nature shall appear. You must make your own trades.

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I HAVE an extra set of new International Encyclopedia, 17 volumes, in good condition; cost \$50. Will sell one for \$35 f. o. b. this station. D. A. GREGG, Meeker, Okla.

FINE OPPORTUNITY.

IT HAPPENS that there are now two vacancies in the Albuquerque District. Each place affords a fine opportunity for a young man or a man with a small family. Each place is a small station with a parsonage well furnished. The salary for each place is about \$700, and perhaps more for a man who does things. No one need apply who cannot send the very best of recommendations. Write me at 706 South Arno Street, Albuquerque, New Mexico. J. H. MESSER, P. E.

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DO YOU NOT want an efficient gospel singer for your summer meeting? Then write GEO. P. BLEDSOE, of Gilmer, Texas. Three dates now open. Available after June 15.

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LAKE SHORE ASSEMBLY.

Our lake to secure the same concessions from the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce that we have heretofore had, and other conditions that have arisen make it undesirable to have a session of the assembly this year.

J. N. O. ROACH, President;
C. M. WOODWARD, Secretary;
Board of Trustees.

NOTICE TO THE HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

As I expect to be out of the State during the first three weeks of July my appointments from July 1 to the 25th are called off. Other announcements will be made next week. Rev. J. R. Morris will preside at the Epworth League Institute June 25. I have been unavoidably delayed in preparing the Sunday School program. It will also appear next week.

HORACE BISHOP.

IF THE BABY IS CUTTING TEETH.

Be sure to use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pains, cures wind colic, and is the remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. (Advertisement.)

Houston District—Third Round.

- Texas City, June 8.
 - Tabernacle, June 8.
 - Seabrook and Pasadena, June 29.
 - Washington Ave., June 28.
 - Katy and Sugarland, July 2.
 - Grace Church, July 6.
 - League City Cir., at Crosby, July 6.
 - Alvin, July 13.
 - Arcadia, July 13.
 - Cedar Bayou, July 16.
 - Angleton, July 19, 20.
 - Iowa Colony, July 20.
 - Columbia, July 23.
 - Brazoria, July 27.
 - Harrisburg, July 30.
 - First Church, Galveston, Aug. 9.
 - West End, Galveston, Aug. 9.
 - First Church Houston, Aug. 9.
 - McKee St., Aug. 10.
 - Trinity, Aug. 10.
 - St. Paul's, Aug. 17.
 - Bruner, Aug. 17.
 - McAshan, Aug. 20.
 - Humble, Aug. 24.
- J. KILGORE, P. E.

Bowie District—Third Round.

- Electra Mis., at Rocky Point, June 7, 8.
 - Electra Sta., June 8, 9.
 - Wichita Mis., at Holliday, June 14, 15.
 - Henrietta Sta., June 15, 16.
 - Burkburnett, at Bacon, June 21, 22.
 - Belleuve, June 22, 23.
 - Iowa Park, at Iowa Park, June 28, 29.
 - Bowie Sta., June 29, 30.
 - Petrolia, at Riverland, July 5, 6.
 - Byers, at Charlie, July 6, 7.
 - Burkburnett, at Bacon, July 12, 13.
 - Ringgold, at Morris Chapel, July 13, 14.
 - Meargel, at McCormick, July 19, 20.
 - Archer City, at Bells, July 20, 21.
 - Vashti, at Newport, July 24.
 - Post Oak, at Trace, July 26, 27.
 - Blue Grove, at Deer Creek, July 27, 28.
 - Crafton, at Cundiff, Aug. 2, 3.
 - Sunset, at Salona, Aug. 9, 10.
 - Dundee, at Eagle Bend, Aug. 16, 17.
 - Wichita Falls Sta., Aug. 17, 18.
- T. H. MORRIS, P. E.

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SCRIPTURAL SERMONS.

BRETHREN, ATTENTION. You preachers who would like to have me come some time this summer or fall and preach to your people a good, solid set of Scriptural sermons from my charts and Bible, "What Make People Methodists?" These sermons will greatly encourage the Church and build up the faith of your people—make them better Methodists. My address is H. M. PIRTLE, Trenton, Texas.

WILL HELP IN MEETINGS.

I WISH to say to those who are desiring help in their summer revivals that I would be glad to assist you in the battle. In the last three meetings I should be glad to assist them. I think I can do them good service. Address me at Corsicana, Texas. H. P. SHRAIDER.

MY HOME is now at Corsicana.

If the brethren can use me in their protracted meetings I should be glad to assist them. I think I can do them good service. Address me at Corsicana, Texas. H. P. SHRAIDER.

I WILL spend a short time at my home in Oak Cliff during June and July and pastors in Dallas and nearby towns can have my assistance in revivals during the time. At present address (Rev.) WILLIAM H. EVANS, Lock Box 310, Memphis, Tenn.

Marshall District—Third Round.

- Harleton Cir., at Ore City, June 28, 29.
 - Henderson Cir., at Carlisle, July 4-6.
 - Henderson Sta., July 7.
 - Harrison Cir., at Grover, July 12, 13.
 - Gilgore Cir., at Hopewell, July 26, 27.
 - Rosewood Cir., at Rosewood, Aug. 2, 3.
 - Church Hill Cir., at Oakhill, Aug. 9, 10.
 - Bettes Cir., at Simpsonville, Aug. 13, 14.
 - Kellyville Cir., at Kellyville, Aug. 16, 17.
 - Jefferson, Aug. 21.
 - Beckville Cir., at Rehoboth, Aug. 23, 24.
 - Halville Cir., at Summerfield, Aug. 26.
 - Longview, Aug. 27.
 - Lancoville Cir., at Glenfawn, Aug. 30, 31.
 - Marshall, First Church, Sept. 2.
 - Marshall, Summit St., Sept. 3.
 - Gilmer, Sept. 6, 7.
 - Elysian Fields Cir., at Mt. Zion, Sept. 9.
- F. M. BOYLES, P. E.

San Augustine District—Third Round.

- Lutkin, June 27.
 - Burke, at Burke, June 28.
 - Livingston Sta., June 29.
 - Shelbyville, at Nueville, July 4.
 - Center Circuit, at Short, July 5.
 - Center Sta., July 6.
 - Pine Hill, at Pleasant Hill, July 12.
 - Tenaha, at Joquim, July 19.
 - Gary, at Bethlehem, July 26.
 - Carthage, July 27.
 - Kenard, at Fairview, Aug. 2.
 - McLrose, at Carthage, Aug. 5.
 - San Augustine, Aug. 8.
 - Geneva, at Chapel Hill, Aug. 9.
 - Hempill, at Pine Hill, Aug. 11.
 - Corrigan, at Mt. Hope, Aug. 14.
 - Livingston Cir., at Providence, Aug. 16.
 - Mt. Enterprise, at Concord, Aug. 23.
 - Garrison, at Arlem, Aug. 24.
 - Appleby, at Arlem, Aug. 30.
 - Nacogdoches, Aug. 31.
 - Tampson, Sept. 3.
- J. W. MILES, P. E.

Cisco District—Third Round.

- Strawn, at S., June 7, 8.
 - Corman, June 14, 15.
 - Eastland, at Pleasant Grove, June 17.
 - Ranger, at Pleasant Grove, June 17.
 - Gordon, at R. Chapel, June 28, 29.
 - Thurber, 8 p. m., June 30.
 - May, at Macdonald, July 5, 6.
 - Spe Springs, at Okra, July 6, 7.
 - Pioneer, at Crosscut, July 12, 13.
 - Rising Star, July 13, 14.
 - Seranton, at Barnes Chapel, July 19, 20.
 - Deledemonia, at Salem, July 23.
 - Staff, at Grand View, July 24.
 - Cisco Mis., at Bluff Branch, July 26, 27.
 - Cisco Sta., July 27, 28.
 - Eolian, at E., Aug. 10, 11.
 - Caddo, at Pecan, Aug. 16, 17.
 - Wayland, at Acker, Aug. 23, 24.
 - Carbon, at Bear Springs, Aug. 30, 31.
- C. E. LINDSEY, P. E.

Obituaries

The space allowed obituaries is twenty to twenty-five lines, or about 170 or 180 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all obituary notices. Parties desiring such notices to appear in full as written should remit money to cover excess of space, to-wit: At the rate of **One Cent Per Word.** Money should accompany all orders. Resolutions of respect will not be inserted in the Obituary Department under any circumstances, but if paid for will be inserted in another column.

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POGUE.—Mrs. Emma O. Pogue (nee Dial) was born Oct. 12, 1841, in South Carolina. Her parents moved to Marshall, Harrison County, Texas, in 1843. In 1857 she was happily married to Mr. Thomas H. Pogue at Marshall, Texas. To this union were born six children, three boys and three girls, five of whom survive her, one girl dying in infancy. I will call their names as she always affectionately called them: Jimmy, who has an elegant farm home at Pine Forest, Texas, and good citizen of the county; Willie and Bennie F. who live at Gafford's Chapel, Hopkins County, Texas, and one near the old homestead. They, too are good citizens and farmers, having homes of their own. Mrs. John H. McKinney, their firstborn, lives in Orange County, Texas; Mrs. George W. Sandrede, of Commerce, Texas. These are the daughters. She has one brother, Rufus Dial, and one sister, Mrs. Belle Stokes, who survive her. She was of a wealthy family, two of her uncles being leading physicians of Marshall, Texas. She knew no hardships until the breaking out of the Civil War. Before that time they had moved to Hopkins County. From here her husband entered the Confederate service, in 1861, as First Lieutenant of Captain S. A. Minter's Company. With her two little children, she bore the hardships of those lonely years with the fortitude of a good Christian mother. She was always ready to administer to the needs of both white and black. She had no enemies. She and her husband were the best friends this writer ever had. From her girlhood she was religious. With her husband she joined the M. E. Church, South, at Pine Forest, Texas, under the ministry of Brother Bud Sherwood, July, 1876. In this Church she lived a faithful member until removed to the Church above. After six months of suffering, in the home of her son and daughter, Early, on the beautiful Sabbath evening of April 20, she, without a struggle fell asleep. Underneath a wreath of flowers, and in the presence of a large concourse of relatives and friends, at Gafford's Chapel, we laid her by the side of her companion, who had preceded her by eight years, to await the resurrection morning. Impressive services were conducted by the pastor, Brother McMillan. Would say to the children and grandchildren, meet her in the beautiful home to which she has gone. Her friends of forty-two years' association.

B. F. SHEPPARD AND WIFE.
Sulphur Springs, Texas.

BENNETT.—David W. Bennett was born in Anderson County, Ky., Oct. 12, 1839; died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Tom McLaugherty, Hondo, Texas, May 15, 1913, aged 83; joined the M. E. Church, South, March 16, 1852; was licensed to preach in 1894, and ordained deacon by Bishop Galloway in Seguin, 1898. He was a faithful and efficient local preacher, powerful in prayer, helping the regular preacher, visiting the waste places. He was a Confederate soldier for four years in Wood's Regiment. He was buried in Seguin May 16, Rev. M. K. Fred, D. E. Carr and H. G. Horton conducting services. The writer, who had known him fifty-five years, paid tribute to his religious character and record as a Confederate soldier. H. G. H.

JORDAN.—Sallie Elmira was born in Henderson County, N. C., April 25, 1849; was married to S. D. Jordan in 1859, to which union were born six children, five of whom survive her, but one went on before to the glory world. She came to Texas in 1885. Sister Jordan was converted and joined the Missionary Baptist Church in 1882 and lived a consistent Christian life to the day of her death, which occurred April 11, 1913, at Campbell, Texas. She and her husband came here with their son, Rev. J. R. Jordan, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church, last November and have made many friends. Sister Jordan was a faithful wife, a devoted mother, an obliging neighbor and an exemplary Christian woman, loved God and his Church with an ardent love and leaves her impress on her family. All her children are Christians. We shall see her again. A friend, C. B. GOLSON.

MILBURN.—Dr. John R. Milburn, who was the youngest child of Rev. and Mrs. Williamson Milburn, was born in Starrville, Smith County, Texas, Feb. 14, 1859; died in a sanitarium at Dallas, May 17, 1913. He grew to manhood in the old country home at Starrville, and was educated in the public school of his native county. After reaching his majority he identified himself with the commercial life of Tyler, where for several years he enjoyed a very successful business career. Later he graduated in medicine and settled in Rusk, where he became one of the most successful physicians in that part of the country. On June 1, 1886, he was married to Miss Katie Shook, a daughter of Rev. Jefferson Shook, of sainted memory, of the old East Texas Conference. To this union were born two children—both girls. I need scarcely say that Dr. Milburn was a man pre-eminent in intellectual endowments and of high attainments in his profession. He was recognized on all sides as one of the most gifted citizens of East Texas. In social life he was all one could desire in a friend. In conversation he was easy, suggestive, instructive and often he spoke with great felicity of expression. But the great characterizing fact of his life was his deep personal consciousness of his sonship with God. This consciousness was founded in faith in Jesus Christ as his personal and all-sufficient Savior. To him Christ was no myth, but a divine reality. He was an intelligent and devout student of the Word of God. I have rarely known a man who had a keener relish of the gospel narratives. He believed all the doctrines of the old-time gospel. He professed religion and joined the Church early in life, and his love for the Church was unsurpassed. He contributed to her support cheerfully and liberally, and continued to manifest this love by active personal service in the prayer-meeting, the Sunday School and in official relation. For ten years consecutively he was Recording Steward of the Church in Rusk. He was a man given much to the habit of secret prayer, and, therefore, his religious experience was deeply spiritual. He was a cultured Christian gentleman, a good neighbor, a true and faithful husband and an affectionate and indulgent father. But, alas, he is gone! He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Miss Reb and Mrs. W. H. Baldwin, all of Madill, Okla., besides other relatives. His funeral service was conducted by one of his former pastors, Rev. B. R. Bolton. We laid his remains to rest in the beautiful cemetery on the old red hill at Rusk at three o'clock Sunday afternoon, May 18, to await the resurrection of the just. Sleep on, dear uncle Roland. Sweet be thy rest among thy native hills. We shall miss thee through all the coming years, but we shall meet again in the sweet bye-and-bye. J. M. PERRY.

HENRY.—C. W. Henry was born in Murfreesboro, Tenn., June 3, 1853. He was married to Miss Carrie Owen, to whom were born two children, one dying at the age of six; the other, Owen Henry, a midshipman in the United States Navy at Annapolis, a fine young man, an honor to his parents. Brother Henry moved with his family to Texas in 1909; lived in Cleburne nine years, in Waco the last two years. He died at the Provident Sanitarium April 8, 1913. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church when eighteen. Was a devout Christian, always found faithful to the demands of his Church. He was a devoted husband, a loving father, a good provider for his household. How proud he was of his son Owen, and how eagerly did he look forward to the home-coming in June. He was a genuinely good man, highly respected of all who knew him; unpretentious, straightforward, honorable. He believed in God and loved the Savior. He has now gone home to be with those who are arrayed in white robes and have palms in their hands. His friend, A. D. PORTER.

Russom.—Irvin Caldwell, son of John and Lella Russom, was born Dec. 9, 1907; died March 16, 1913. Little Irvin was a sweet tender flower, unscathed by this world, and this tender, innocent plant has simply been transplanted into heaven. While hearts are breaking and tears are flowing, the thought comes, though God has taken this precious child to himself yet the parting is not forever, and we may meet him in the kingdom of God. May mamma, papa, brothers and little sister, whose hearts are bowed down with sorrow, remember that death was the door by which this loved one stepped into the presence of God. May we meet him over yonder in that home that our Savior has gone to prepare for those who love and are faithful to him. His aunt, PEARL BOAZ.

Harrold, Texas.

McCORKLE.—Isabel Vidania McCorkle (nee Brown) was born June 6, 1833; died May 2, 1913. Four children preceded her to the great beyond; seven remain behind to await the summons. Those living are: C. C. Harper, Alex Harper, Mary Burkes, Martha Ardis, Salitha Hicks, Robt. L. and Henry C. McCorkle. She was the surviving widow of Logan H. McCorkle, of revered memory. Converted in early life, her's was a long pilgrimage in the Master's service. Her life for so many years has been so intimately associated with the Church life at Forest Academy that it will hardly seem like the same place without her presence. She was a Methodist of the old time and her voice never failed to ring out clearly in God's praise. It was one of the most natural things in the world for Grandma McCorkle to shout. She did not have to be "worked up" to the shouting point; she lived in that higher atmosphere to be found upon the mountain top of Christian life. We rejoice in the fact that God spared her so long to bless the world with her presence and service. Heaven should be a dearer place to the loved ones left behind since Grandmother has gone on before. We cannot afford to miss that "Home of the Soul," where the people of God are rapidly being gathered. Her pastor, W. L. TITTLE.

SARTOR.—Effie Cleora Sartor, daughter of Brother John Y. and Sister Lizzie Sartor, was born in Wilcox County, Ala., Nov. 23, 1887; died in Runnels County, Texas, May 12, 1913. Deceased was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of fifteen and remained a faithful member of same until death. When only two years old, from a severe attack of fever, she became a cripple for life, and although never entirely free from pain, she bore her suffering patiently. Her sister having married and gone, she was the only daughter left at home, and was a great comfort to her widowed mother. How lonely that mother will be now. May she be comforted in the thought that Effie is beyond pain and suffering now. She has gone to be with Christ and to reap the reward of the faithful. May God comfort the sorrowing ones and give them grace and faith for this time of sadness.

J. NELAND HESTER.
Novice, Texas.

PATTERSON.—Sister Mary Catherine Patterson (nee Dark) was born in 1842, in Meriwether County, Ga. She was happily married to Mr. Malcome Patterson. To them were born nine children, five boys and four girls. In an early day Sister Patterson joined the M. E. Church, South, and until her translation to glory she was a consistent member of the Church. Her death was very much unlooked for and very sudden. Just before day, May 13, 1913, her dear daughter found her in bed in a dying condition. Her request not to be sick long when the end came was granted her. Her husband and three children had gone before. Her Christian life was beautiful. With her good, congenial spirit every place in the home was made bright and happy. For a number of years she was a widow, a widow indeed. Her spirit was brave and true. With the spirit of a Dorcas she met life's many problems and responsibilities, and with her mother-spirit and love she found a way to provide for her own. Mother, dear sweet mother, has been taken. She is resting from her labors, but her works will abide. Children, weeping children, as you think of her good and beautiful Christian life, try to live as she lived so you can meet her in the skies. W. VINSANT.

Bighill, Texas.

HUFFMAN.—Mrs. Jane Huffman was born in Tennessee, Jan. 27, 1827; died in Harrison County, Texas, May 21, 1913. Between these dates there is a long stretch of time, covering eighty-six years, four months and twenty-four days. These were years of self-sacrifice, toil and faithful service on the part of this good woman. She raised fourteen children to be grown and married, and raised ten grandchildren. Up to ten days before her death she was sewing buttons on the garments of motherless children and otherwise ministering to their needs. She was another "Dorcas" (see Acts 9:36-39). She did not forget her heavenly Master, either. She professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist Church at an early age and lived a good life ever afterwards. She and her husband were strong supports in old Lagrone's Chapel Church for many years. Many a tired and hungry servant of God has found shelter under their roof and food at their table. God will not forget their labors of love (see Heb. 6:10). May God bless and save the many loved ones left behind. Her pastor, M. I. BROWN.

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SWEARINGEN.—On Wednesday morning, April 9, 1913, just as the light of a new day was tinging the eastern sky, the light of life of Willis Swearingen slowly faded away and the pure spirit of a good and honorable man was carried heavenward. He was born on June 5, 1838, in the eastern part of Greenup County, Ky., where he lived until he reached the years of manhood. He was married fifty-one years ago to Miss Sarah Fitch, of Ohio, and they lived happily together until God took him. Nine children blessed the union, all of whom were with him at the last except one daughter, Myrtle, who preceded him to the better land in 1902. Father was stricken with pneumonia on January 17; then later Bright's disease developed, causing him to suffer for almost three months, while he waited bravely and patiently for the end, which he realized full well was near at hand. When asked if he wanted anything he would invariably answer, "All I want is rest, rest." He was converted twenty-six years ago in Fort Worth, and afterwards joined the Methodist Church. He was a good husband and affectionate father. He leaves an aged companion, O. God, strengthen her in her declining years, and help us, her children, to live so that we may be an undivided family in heaven. We laid his precious body to rest in Oakland Cemetery, Fort Worth, Texas, to await the resurrection morn when we shall all see him again. His devoted daughter,

FRONA DUNN.

Azle, Texas, May 20, 1913.

PORTER.—Mr. Elisha Porter, one of the best men in the country, so say those who knew him best, died at Mahoney, Texas, May 17, 1913. Brother Porter was born in Mississippi Aug. 17, 1855. He joined the M. E. Church, South, when he was forty-two years old and lived a consistent life until death. Brother Porter was a man of much suffering. He was afflicted with consumption for quite awhile before he went away, but he bore his afflictions with great patience. I had many happy seasons of grace with him during the last six months of his life. It may be truly said of him, he was a good man. May the blessings of God be abundant upon his bereaved family is the prayer of his pastor.

W. H. BROWN.

Sulphur Springs, Texas.

CRUMP.—On last Friday morning, May 16, 1913, our old brother, W. J. Crump, of Harper's Chapel, went home to rest with God. Brother Crump had suffered much and long with that dread disease, consumption. For months he could not speak above a whisper, but most of his talk was of Jesus. He leaves a wife, with whom he had lived for forty-seven years, and several grown children to mourn for him. But, thank God, they do not weep as those who have no hope, for Brother Crump was a good and faithful man of God. Peace be to his ashes and blessings upon his bereaved family is the prayer of his pastor.

W. H. BROWN.

Sulphur Springs, Texas.

HARRIS.—Baby Zenas Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Van Harris, was born Sept. 25, 1912; died May 25, 1913. Little Zenas was never well during his brief stay here, and in spite of the tender care of physicians and fond parents he left early for the home of the soul in the Father's house above. His little body was laid to rest on Sunday in the Hutto Cemetery in the presence of a large number of kindred and friends. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. H. B. Watts, of S. U., conducted the funeral services, and preached a splendid comforting sermon. While the shadows fall thick and fast in this life, we may look up and rejoice in the fact that, even though here we have no continuing

city, yet we seek one to come whose builder and maker is God. Little Zenas has gone to live with him who said "Suffer the little children to come unto me." Thank God, the sorrowing parents may say with David, who, when passing through a like experience, said, "I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me." The little darling did not tarry long in this world of sickness, sorrow and sad partings, but has gone on before and will be watching at the beautiful gate to welcome home papa and mamma when God shall send for them. May God richly bless and comfort Brother and Sister Harris.

J. EUGENE MATLOCK.

WHITSON.—Charles Everette Whitson, the subject of this sketch, was born April 28, 1895, and died May 13, 1913. Everette was converted at Mt. Zion in the summer of 1909, under the ministry of Rev. E. A. Maness, and joined the M. E. Church, South, soon after at Smith's Chapel. He remained at member at this place until the summer of 1912, when he, with his parents, moved his membership to Miller Grove. Here he remained a faithful member until he was called from earth to heaven. Everette was a good boy. He loved the Church and was faithful in attendance on Sunday School. We know where to find him. He lived right and died in the faith. He leaves a father and mother, several brothers and sisters, together with other loved ones and friends, to weep over his departure. Yes, we will miss him here, but let us so live as to meet him on the other shore where partings will be no more. Funeral services were held in the Methodist Church at Cumby by the writer, and we buried his remains in the Cumby Cemetery, there to await the resurrection morning, when the dead in Christ shall rise. His pastor,

J. LEONARD REA.

DAVIDSON.—Mrs. Mary Davidson, wife of W. M. Davidson, was born in Van Zandt County, Texas, Sept. 2, 1858; married to Brother Davidson Jan. 8, 1878. To this union were born eight children, two of whom preceded her to the glory world. Sister Davidson professed religion in August, 1877, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in which Church she lived a consecrated life till God called her home. She suffered the most excruciating pain while sick and prayed for the Lord to release her and let her go. She sang and talked of heaven. Just a few days before her death she sang in clear tone "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken." Just two years to a day from the time her son, "Pat," died she passed away. She died April 25, 1913, and was buried April 26 in the Camp Springs Cemetery. Sister Davidson was one of those old-fashioned mothers whom everybody loved. She was quiet and unassuming, and yet she was not ashamed of her Christ. She will be missed in the home; her husband is left lonely; the children will miss her loving hand and tender care and her counsel. We will all miss her, but thank God we know where to find her. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors."

C. E. JAMESON.

BURNS.—Mrs. Nancy J. Burns (nee Estes) was born March 4, 1834; departed this life May 16, 1913. When she was about three years old her parents moved from Tennessee, her native State, to Wayne County, Ill., and from there to Arkansas, in her sixteenth year. Over thirty years ago she, with her husband, Brother J. H. Burns, moved from Arkansas to Texas, and lived the most of the time until her death not far from San Antonio. Her aged husband, three sons and four daughters survive her, while

one son and one daughter have gone on before. Sister Burns lived a sweet-spirited, quiet Christian life. She was for sixty-three years a member of the M. E. Church, South. She now is at rest and the loved ones who are faithful shall meet her in the sweet bye-and-bye. J. A. FOSTER.

WELLS.—Amy Wells was born April 22, 1895; died at her parent's home near Mineral Wells, Texas, May 10, 1913. At the age of fourteen she gave her heart and life to God and lived a devoted Christian life, loved God and her Church. She was a teacher in the Sabbath School, and a great worker in the Church. Her spirit was that of kindness; in her home, in the Church, in the Sabbath School, in the social gatherings; yes, we will miss her smiling face and charming ways. Amy was a loving and beautiful daughter, a kind and patient sister and an earnest, consecrated Christian. The influence of her beautiful character, like her redeemed spirit, still lives and shall never die. Our loss is heaven's gain and Amy's eternal reward in glory. We do not say farewell, but good-bye. Amy, good-bye for a little while, we shall meet you some day face to face in that land where there is no hour of parting; all is peace and love and joy. Her pastor, C. F. BELL.

Quarterly Conferences

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

Greenville District—Third Round.
Jones-Bethel and Wesley, at J. B. June 7, 8. Kavanaugh Station, June 15, 18.
Wesley Station, June 22, 25.
Campbell Circuit, at Twin Oaks, June 27-29.
Lone Oak Circuit, at Glory, June 29, 30.
Greenville Mission, at Concord, July 5, 6.
Commerce Mission, at Center Chapel, July 11-13.
Commerce Station, July 13, 14.
Merit Circuit, at Alliance, July 19, 20.
Fairle Mission, at Olive Branch, July 26, 27.
Celeste Circuit, at Orange Grove, August 2, 3.
Floyd Mission, at Bethel Grove, August 9, 10.
Kingston Mission, at Ballard Grove, August 16, 17.
Wolfe City Station, August 24, 25.
Caddo Mills, at Union Hill, August 29-31.
C. M. HARLESS, P. E.

Paris District—Third Round.
White Rock, at W. C., June 7, 8.
Centenary, June 22.
Fattouma, at Sylvan, June 28, 29.
Roxton, at Elm Grove, July 5, 6.
Bonham St., at Cross Roads, July 12, 13.
Euberna, at Forest Chapel, July 13, 14.
Annona, at Garland's Chapel, July 19, 20.
Clarksville Mis., at Union, July 20, 21.
Woodland, at Falkner, July 26, 27.
Detroit, at Red Oak, Aug. 2, 3.
Blossom, Aug. 3, 4.
McKenzie, at Maple, Aug. 9, 10.
Bogata, at Fulbright, Aug. 16, 17.
Lamar Avenue, Aug. 17.
Bacwell, at Albion, Aug. 30, 31.
Deport Cir., Sept. 6, 7.
Avery, at Shawnee, Sept. 13, 14.
Paris Cir., at Reno, Sept. 14, 15.
W. F. BRYAN, P. E.

Decatur District—Third Round.
Decatur Cir., at Oliver Creek, June 14, 15.
Kram and Ponder, at Story, June 28, 29.
Argyle, at Chum Chapel, July 5, 6.
Paradise, at Gravel Hill, July 12, 13.
Bridgport Sta., July 19, 20.
Decatur Sta., July 20, 21.
Alford, at Easter, July 26, 27.
Cues, at Pleasant Grove, July 27, 28.
Jackshoro Mis., at —, Aug. 2, 3.
Willow Point, at Westbrook, Aug. 3, 4.
Justin and Roanoke, at J., Aug. 9, 10.
Oak Dale, at Ferrin, Aug. 16, 17.
Boyd, at Fairview, Aug. 23, 24.
Rhoads, at Dids, Aug. 24, 25.
Greenwood, at Sidell, Aug. 30, 31.
Bryson and Jermy, at B., Sept. 6, 7.
Jackshoro Sta., Sept. 7, 8.
Mexican Mis., at Bridgport, Sept. 9-15.
Bridgport Mis., Sept. 14, 15.
S. C. RIDDLE, P. E.

Sulphur Springs District—Third Round.
Mount Vernon, at Creecy's Chapel, June 7, 8.
Cooper, June 14, 15.
Ben Franklin and Pecan Gap, at Pecan Gap, June 21, 22.
Lake Creek, at Brushy Mound, June 28, 29.
Candy and Miller Grove, at Miller Grove, July 5, 6.
Como and Forest Academy, at Como, July 12, 13.
Reily Springs, at Arbala, July 19, 20.
Klondike, at Haven's Chapel, July 26, 27.
Vowell, at Jardin, July 27, 28.
Winshoro, Aug. 2, 3.
Brashear, at Rockdale, Aug. 9, 10.
Sulphur Springs Mis., at Harper's Chapel, Aug. 10, 11.
Purkey, at Pleasant Hill, Aug. 16, 17.
Birthright and Tira, at Birthright, Aug. 23, 24.
Sulphur Bluff, Aug. 30, 31.
Sulphur Springs, Sept. 6, 7.
R. C. HICKS, P. E.

Dallas District—Third Round.
Preaching Services.
Oak Lawn, 11 a. m., June 8.
Oak Cliff, 11 a. m., June 15.
Tyler St., O. C., 8 p. m., June 15.
St. John's, June 22.
First Church, 11 a. m., July 6.
Grand Prairie, 8 p. m., July 6.
Trinity, 11 a. m., Aug. 17.
Grace, 8 p. m., Aug. 17.
Quarterly Conference.
Grand Prairie, July 6, 7.
Forest Ave., July 9.
St. John's, July 10.
Cochran and Maple Ave., July 11-13.
Ervasy St., July 16.
Cedar Hill and Duncanville, July 19, 20.
First Church, July 23.
Irving, July 26, 27.
Tyler St., O. C., July 30.
Wheatland and De Soto, Aug. 2, 3.
Oak Cliff, Aug. 6.
Oak Lawn, Aug. 13.
Trinity, Aug. 19.
Grace, Aug. 20.
O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

Terrell District—Third Round.
Royce City, June 7, 8.
Terrell, June 8, 9.
Kemp and Becker, at B., June 14, 15.
Rockwall, June 21, 22.
Chisholm Cir., at Poetry, June 28, 29.
College Mound Cir., at C. M., June 29, 30.

Mohark Cir., at Tolosa, July 5, 6.
Scurry Cir., at Warsaw, July 12, 13.
Forney and Mesquite, at F., July 19, 20.
Elmo Cir., at Lawrence, July 20, 21.
Pleasant Mound Cir., at P. M., July 26, 27.
Gainesville Cir., at Ward's Chapel, Aug. 2, 3.
Crandall Cir., at Montgomery Chapel, Aug. 9, 10.
Hutchins and Wilmer, at W., Aug. 16, 17.
Lancaster, Aug. 17, 18.
A. L. ANDREWS, P. E.

Gainesville District—Third Round.
Bonita Cir., at Illinois B., June 7, 8.
Woodbine Cir., at Friendship, June 14, 15.
Denton Street Sta., June 22.
Broadway Sta., June 22, 23.
Pilot Point Cir., at Wesley, June 28, 29.
Pilot Point Sta. (Q. C. Friday night), June 29, 30.
Autrey Cir., at Oak Grove, July 5, 6.
Denton Sta., July 6, 7.
Era and Spring Creek, at S. C., July 12, 13.
Marysville Mis., at V. S., July 19, 20.
Myra and Hood, at Myra, July 20, 21.
Sanger and Gordonville, at Boliver, July 26, 27.
Valley View Sta., July 27, 28.
Montague and D. M., at Mt. Tabor, Aug. 2, 3.
Dexter Sta., at Rock Creek, Aug. 9, 10.
Rosston Mis., at Rosston, Aug. 16, 17.
T. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Sherman District—Third Round.
Travis Street, June 8, 9.
Collinsville and Tioga, at C. June 21, 22.
Waples Memorial, June 28, 29.
Bells Cir., at Va. Point, July 5, 6.
Pilot Grove Cir., New Prospect, July 12, 13.
Howe Cir., Gunter, July 19, 20.
Pawshoro and Preston, Preston, July 26, 27.
Sandler and Gordonville, Sandler, August 2, 3.
Kew Memorial, August 9, 10.
Harless Chapel, August 10, 11.
Van Alstyne, August 16, 17.
Trinity, August 23, 24.
Sherman Cir., August 30, 31.
Whitesboro, Sept. 6, 7.
R. G. MOOD, P. E.

McKinney District—Second Round.
McKinney, at 7:30 p. m., June 8.
Blue Ridge, June 14, 15.
McKinney Cir., June 28, 29.
CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

Decatur District—Second Round.
Bridgport Sta., June 7, 8.
Justin and Roanoke, at R., May 17, 18.
S. C. RIDDLE, P. E.

CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE

Cisco District—Third Round.
Thurber, 8 p. m., June 8.
Eastland, at Fisher, 11 a. m., June 12.
Gorman, June 14, 15.
Ranger, at P. G., June 17, 11 a. m.
Gordon, at R. Chapel, July 28, 29.
May, at Macedonia, July 5, 6.
Speersprings, at Okra, July 6, 7.
Pioneer, at Crosscut, July 12, 13.
Rising Star, July 13, 14.
Desdemona, July 16.
Staff, 11 a. m., July 17.
Scranton, July 19, 20.
Cisco Sta., July 26, 27.
Cisco Sta., July 27, 28.
Eolian, at E., Aug. 9-10.
Caddo, Aug. 16, 17.
Wayland, Aug. 23, 24.
Carbon, Aug. 30, 31.
C. E. LINDSEY, P. E.

Brownwood District—Third Round.
Winchell, at Salt Branch, June 7, 8.
Norton, at Maverick, June 14, 15.
Bangs, at Zephyr, June 21, 22.
Ballinger Sta., June 27.
Wingate, at Mazeland, June 28, 29.
Winters Sta., June 29, 30.
Glencove, at Glencove, July 5, 6.
Brownwood Mis., at Chapel Hill, July 9.
Coleman Sta., July 12, 13.
Irdian Creek, at Elkins, July 16.
Gouldbusk, at Rockwood, July 18.
San Ana, July 19, 20.
Talpa, at Norwood, July 26, 27.
Cleman Mis., at Echo, July 30.
Blanket Sta., Aug. 2, 3.
Brownwood Sta., Aug. 9, 10.
I. H. STEWART, P. E.

Gatesville District—Third Round.
Moody Sta., June 7, 8.
Turnersville, at Prairie View, June 14, 15.
Gatesville Sta., 8 p. m., June 16.
Kilbuck Sta., June 22.
Meridian Cir., at Dyersville, June 28, 29.
Oglesby, at Stockton, July 5, 6.
Crawford, at Evergreen, July 12, 13.
Fairy and Lanham, at Pleasant Valley, July 19, 20.
Jonesboro, at Ireland, 2 p. m., July 21.
Evant, at Slater, July 26, 27.
Copperas Cove, at Pidoke, 2 p. m., July 28.
Gatesville Cir., at Ft. Gates, 2 p. m., July 30.
Nolanville, at N., Aug. 2, 3.
McGregor Sta., 8 p. m., Aug. 4.
Valley Mills, at Lane Ch., Aug. 9, 10.
Killey Cir., Brown's Creek, Aug. 16, 17.
Hamilton Cir., 8 p. m., Aug. 20.
Hamilton Cir., at Leesville, Aug. 23, 24.
S. J. VAUGHAN, P. E.

Fort Worth District—Third Round.
Central, June 8, 9.
McKinley Ave., June 8-10.
Glenwood, June 11.
Missouri Ave., June 15, 16.
Weatherford St., June 15-17.
First Church, June 29, 30.
Mullek Memorial, June 29, July 1.
Boulevard, July 2.
Handley, at Harwell's, July 6, 7.
Brooklyn Heights, at Haslett, July 12, 13.
Kendale, at Cold Springs, July 13, 14.
Smithfield, at White Chapel, July 19, 20.
Arlington, July 27, 28.
Diamond Hill, Aug. 3, 4.
Riverside, Aug. 2-5.
Grapevine, at Ellis, Aug. 9, 10.
JEROME DUNCAN, P. E.

Corsicana District—Third Round.
Horn Hill Cir., at Forest Glade, June 7, 8.
Groesbeck Cir., June 8, 9.
Frost Cir., at McCord, June 14, 15.
Dawson Sta., June 22, 23.
Barry Cir., at Barry, June 28, 29.
First Church, Corsicana, June 29, 30.
Chattfield Cir., at Chattfield, July 5, 6.
Rice Sta., July 6, 7.
Wortham and Richland, at Wortham, July 12, 13.
Corsicana Cir., at Grape Creek, July 19, 20.
Eleventh Ave., at David Schoolhouse, July 20, 21.
Kirvin Cir., at Streetman, July 26, 27.
Kerns and Powell, at Long Prairie, Aug. 2, 3.
Mexia Sta., Aug. 3, 4.
Big Hill, at —, Aug. 9, 10.
Thornton Sta., Aug. 10, 11.
JOHN R. NELSON, P. E.

Dublin District—Third Round.
Comanche Cir., at Sidney, June 7.
Comanche Sta., June 8, 9.
Harmony, at Hassa, June 14.
Gustine, at Gustine, June 14, 15.
Stephenville Cir., at Whitas C., June 21.
Stephenville Sta., June 22, 23.
De Leon Cir., at Downing, June 28.
De Leon Sta., June 29, 30.
Huckabay Cir., at Huckabay, July 5, 6.
Runyan Cir., at Runyan, July 6, 7.
Duffau Cir., at Plainview, July 11.
Iredell Sta., at Iredell, July 12, 13.
Carlton Cir., at Fairview, July 18.
Hico, July 19, 20.

Proctor Cir., at Pervis, July 26, 27.
Tolar and Lipan, at Lipan, Aug. 2, 3.
Biufade, at Marvin C., Aug. 5.
M. K. LITTLE, P. E.

Waco District—Third Round.
Bruceville and Eddy, June 7, 8.
Annulla, at Ross, June 14, 15.
West, at Brookes, June 21, 22.
Riesel and Astell, at Battle, June 28, 29.
Austin Avenue, July 3.
Lorena, at Mooreville, July 5, 6.
Mt. Calm, July 7.
Chira, at Coon Creek, July 12, 13.
Fifth Street, July 14.
Clay Street, July 16.
Bosqueville, at Greenwood, July 19, 20.
Herring Avenue, July 22.
Fm Street, July 23.
Hewitt, at Spring Valley, July 26, 27.
Morrow Street, July 27, 28.
W. R. ANDREWS, P. E.

Uvalde District—Third Round.
Eagle Pass, June 7, 8.
Asherton, at Woodard, June 11.
Leason, at Berry's Chapel, July 12, 13.
Batesville, June 21, 22.
Dilley, June 28, 29.
Utopia, July 5, 6.
Sabinal, July 6, 7.
Del Rio, July 12, 13.
Pearson, at —, July 14, 15.
Rock Springs, at Montel, July 19, 20.
Uvalde, July 20, 21.
Laredo, July 26, 27.
S. B. BEALL, P. E.

Hillsboro District—Third Round.
Munger Charge, at Callina, June 7, 8.
Coolidge Charge, June 8, 9.
Irene Charge, at Salem, June 14, 15.
Covington and Oceola, at Covington, June 18, 11 a. m.
Itasca, June 21, 22.
Abbott Charge, at Abbott, July 5, 6.
Huron Charge, at Bethel, July 12, 13.
Hillsboro, Lane Street, July 13, 14.
Peora, at Red Point, July 16, 11 a. m.
Brandon, at Honest Ridge, July 19, 20.
Hillsboro, at First Church, July 20, 21.
Levadae, at Berry's Chapel, July 23.
Delta, at Delta, July 26, 27.
Kirk, at Prairie Hill, July 27, 28.
Hubbard, at Hubbard, July 28, 8 p. m.
Whitney, at Whitney, Aug. 2, 3.
Penelope, at Birome, Aug. 9, 10.
MORACE BISHOP, P. E.

Cleburne District—Third Round.
Brazos Avenue, at Chapel Hill, June 7, 8.
Anglin Street, June 8, 29, at 8 p. m.
Joshua, at Bethany, June 14, 15.
Burleson, at Crowley, June 15, 16.
Godley, at Grace, June 21, 22.
Lillian, at Mt. Peak, June 28, 29.
Georges Creek, at Eulogy, July 5.
Glen Rose, July 6, 7.
Grandbury Cir., at Colony, July 10.
Granbury Sta., July 12, 13.
Cresson, at Acton, July 15, 16.
Blom, at Parker, July 19, 20.
Walnut Springs, July 26, 27.
Morgan, at Kopperl, July 27, 28.
W. W. MOSS, P. E.

Georgetown District—Third Round.
Holland, at Mills' Chapel, June 7, 8.
Hutta, at Robinson's Chapel, June 10, 11.
Georgetown, June 15, 16.
Granger, at Ionah, June 21, 22.
Salado, at Prairiedell, June 28, 29.
Belton Cir., at Leona, July 5, 6.
Temple, Seventh Street, July 6, 7.
Bartlett, July 13, 14.
Troy, at Oenaville, July 19, 20.
Florence, at Mt. Horeb, July 23.
Rodgers, July 25.
Temple, First Church, July 27, 28.
T. A. CAMPBELL, P. E.

Weatherford District—Third Round.
Springtown, at Agnes, June 7, 8.
Millsap, at Glover's Chapel, June 14, 15.
Mineral Wells, June 15, 16.
Santo, at Palo Pinto, June 17, 18.
Weatherford Cir., at Greenwood, June 21, 22.
Aledo, at Bethel, June 25.
Weatherford, at First Church, June 29, 30.
Weatherford, at Courts, June 29, July 1.
Whitt, at Fossilville, July 5, 6.
Graham Mis., at Henry's Chapel, July 12, 13.
Graham Sta., July 13, 14.
Ebasville, at Ivan, July 16.
New Castle, at Profit, July 19, 20.
Olney, at Hurt's Schoolhouse, July 26, 27.
Loving, at Red Top, July 27, 28.
Azle, at Silver Creek, Aug. 2, 3.
JAS. CAMPBELL, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Third Round.
Palmer, at Reager Springs, June 7, 8.
Britton, at St. Paul, June 14, 15.
Ovilla, at Long Branch, June 28, 29.
Maypart, at Enterprise, July 5, 6.
Forreston, at Falls, July 12, 13.
Red Oak, at Dixon's Chapel, July 16.
Mansfield, 4 p. m., July 17.
Barnwell, at —, July 20, 21.
Ennis, July 21, 22.
Laly, July 20, 21.
Mudholthorn, July 25.
Bethel, July 27, 28.
Waxahachie, July 27, 28.
A. J. WHITEHIRST, P. E.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

Cuero District—Third Round.
Port Lavaca and Traylor, at Traylor, June 5, 6.
Midfield, at La Ward, June 7, 8.
Palacios, at Carancahue, June 14, 15.
El Campo, June 21, 22.
Provident, at Boxville, June 28, 29.
Nixon, July 5, 6.
Smiley, at Elm, July 8, 9.
Pandora, at Gillett, July 12, 13.
Stockdale, at Sunnyside, July 19, 20.
Lavernia, at Elmendorf, July 26, 27.
Cuero, Aug. 2, 3.
Range, Aug. 2, 3.
JOHN M. ALEXANDER, P. E.

Beeville District—Third Round.
June 7, 8, Oakville, at Mineral.
June 10, Pharr.
June 11, Mission.
June 14, 15, Kennedy, at Couch.
June 18, Aransas Pass, 8 p. m.
June 19, Rockport, 8 p. m.
June 27, Brownsville, 2:30 p. m.
June 27, Brownsville, 8 p. m.
June 28-29, McAllen, at Edinburg.
June 29, Harlingen, 8 p. m.
June 30, Kenedyville, 9:30 a. m.
June 30, Callalen, at Ricardo, 8 p. m.
July 1, Bishop, 4 p. m.
July 5, 6, Mathis.
July 12, 13, Sinton, at St. Paul.
July 13, Taft, Q. C., at Gregory, at 3 p. m.; preaching, at Taft, 8 p. m.
preaching, at —, Aug. 2, 3.
I. H. GROESCLOSE, P. E.

San Marcos District—Third Round.
Kyle and Buda, at Buda, June 7, 8.
Gonzales, June 14, 15.
Lockhart, June 16.
Letton Springs, at Clark's Chapel, June 21, 22.
Leaville, at Floyds, June 28, 29.
Waldler, July 3.
Belmont, Oak Forest, June 5, 6.
Luling, July 12, 13.
Sears, July 14.
San Marcos, July 20.
Stanley, Harris Chapel, July 26, 27.
Martindale, July 30.
THOMAS BRIDGEMAN, P. E.

San Angelo District—Third Round.
District Conference, Sterling City, June 5-8.
Sherwood at Mertzon, June 14, 15.
Ozona, June 16.
Sterling, at Moon's Chapel, June 21, 22.
Water Valley, at Grape Creek, June 25.
Garlen City Cir., June 27.
Midland, June 28, 29.
Midland Cir., June 29, 3 p. m.
Paint Rock Cir., July 5, 6.
Revival meeting at Miles July 7, 13.
W. D. BRIDGEMAN, P. E.

Llano District—Third Round.
Star, at Knox, June 7, 8.
Llaneta, at McCreeville, June 11.
Llano Cir., at Chick, June 14, 15.
Llano Sta., June 18.
Mason Cir., at Loyal Valley, June 20.
Fredonia Cir., at Pontiac, June 21, 22.
Richland Springs, Varga's Chapel, June 28, 29.
T. W. COWAN, P. E.

San Antonio District—Third Round.
Center Point, June 8.
S. A. Cir., at Salado, June 15.
Kerville, June 22.
Boerne, at R., June 20.
Potter Cir., at Exsar, July 6.
Medina, at Tarpley, July 12, 13.
Bandera, July 12.
Harper Cir., at James River, July 20.
S. H. C. BURGIN, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE

Jacksonville District—Third Round.
Keltys, at Wells, June 7, 8.
Teop and Bethel, at Teop, June 14, 15.
Overton and Aris, at Overton, June 15.
Centenary, June 22.
Grace, June 22.
Jacksonville Sta., June 23.
Jacksonville Cir., at Prov., June 28, 29.
Gallatin, at Union Chapel, July 5, 6.
Alto Cir., at Cold Springs, July 12, 13.
Alto Sta., July 13, 14.
La Rue, at —, July 19, 20.
Elkhart, at Corinth, July 23.
W. Salzman, at Cove Springs, July 26, 27.
Baldwin, Aug. 2, 3.
Rock (evening), Aug. 3.
Cushing, at —, Aug. 9, 10.
Frankston, at Frankston, Aug. 16, 17.
Brushy, at Brushy, Aug. 23, 24.
Huntington, at —, Aug. 23, 24.
T. T. SMITH, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Third Round.
(No Part)
Cason, at Lang's Chapel, June 14, 15.
Queen City, at Barnum, June 21, 22.
Atlanta, June 22, 23.
Nash, at Buchanan, June 28, 29.
Texarkana, Central (preaching), June 29, night.
O. T. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Marlin District—Third Round.
Marquez Mis., at Bishopville, June 7, 8.
Franklin, June 8, 9.
Camerton, June 27.
Davilla, at Tracy, June 28, 29.
Lockhills, at Salome, June 29, 30.
Centerville, at Evans Chapel, July 5, 6.
Normange, at Flynn, July 6, 7.
Jewett, at Duffalo, July 12, 13.
Calvert, July 20, 21.
Hearne, July 27, 28.
Pragan, at Otero, July 28, 29.
Marlin, July 27, 28.
Travis, at Powers' Chapel, July 31.
Mayfield, at Friendship, Aug. 2, 3.
Rosedale and Bohemian Mis., Aug. 3, 4.
Durango, at Hevins, Aug. 5.
L. H. and Chilton, at Chilton, Aug. 6.
Brenson, at Bome Prairie, Aug. 7.
Fairfield and Dew, at Dew, Aug. 9, 10.
Teague, Aug. 10, 11.
Leon Mis., at Guy's Store, Aug. 16, 17.
Wheelock, at Alexander, Aug. 23, 24.
Kosse, at —, Aug. 30, 31.
Miano, at —, Aug. 30, 31.
510 Chambers St., Marlin, Tex.
I. F. BETTS, P. E.

Tyler District—Third Round.
Canton Ct., Morris Chapel, June 7.
Emory Ct., Woosley, June 14, 15.
Tyler, Marvin Church, June 22.
Colfax Ct., Holly Springs, June 28, 29.
Big Sandy Ct., Gladewater, July 5, 6.
Edom Ct., Neusteter, July 12, 13.
Mt. Sivan Ct., Red Springs, July 19, 20.
Whitehouse Ct., at Whitehouse, July 26, 27.
Murchison Ct., Red Hill, Aug. 2, 3.
Garden Valley Ct., Sand Flat, Aug. 9.
Grand Saline Station, Aug. 10.
Wells Point Ct., Frontvale, Aug. 16.
Tyler Ct., East Tyler, Aug. 17.
Tyler, Cedar Street, Aug. 18.
Ointman Ct., at Olive Branch, Aug. 23.
Minola Station, Aug. 24.
Alba Ct., Aug. 30.
Lundale Station, Aug. 31.
Edgewood Station, Sept. 6.
J. B. TURRENTINE, P. E.

Beaumont District—Third Round.
First Church, June 8, 11 a. m.
Roberts Avenue, June 8, 8 p. m.
Kountze, at West Nona, June 14, 15.
Kountze Mis., at Fuqua, June 15, 8 p. m.
Orange and Orange Mis., at Orange, June 21, 22.
Sibber, at Buna, June 27.
Call, at Watson's Chapel, June 28, 29.
Kirbyville, June 29, 30.
Liberty, at Hardin, July 5, 6.
Dayton, June 6, 7.
Wallisville, at Wallisville, June 8.
Sack Lake and China, at China, July 19, 20.
Newton, at Farras' Chapel, Aug. 2, 3.
Jasper Cir., at Homer, Aug. 9, 10.
Jasper, Aug. 10, 11.
Batson and Saratoga, at Saratoga, Aug. 13.
Nederland, at —, Aug. 16, 17.
Port Arthur, Aug. 20.
Woodville, at Woodville, Aug. 21.
Warren, at Village Mills, Aug. 22.
Port Bolivar, at —, Aug. 23, 24.
E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

Navasota District—Third Round.
Shiro, Farris Chapel, June 7, 8.
Magnolia Mission, Spring Branch, June 14, 15.
Madisonville Station, June 29, 30.
Navasota Station, July 3.
Huntsville Mission, Union Grove, July 5, 6.
Onalaska and Carmona, Carmona, July 8.
Groveton Station, July 9.
Cimarron, June 25.
Angusta Ct., Welch, July 12, 13.
Midway Mission, Midway, July 19, 20.
Crockett Station, July 25.
Crockett Mission, Porter Springs, July 26, 27.
Graepland and Lovelady, Lovelady, July 27, 28.
Montgomery Mission, Montgomery, Aug. 2, 3.
Coke Springs Mission, Evergreen, August 8.
Conroe Station, August 10.

Oakhurst, Riverside, August 10, 11.
Cleveland and Shepherd, Shepherd, Aug. 16, 17.
Willis, New Waverly, Aug. 23, 24.
Huntsville Station, August 3, 25.
Bryan Mission, Millican, August 30, 31.
Bryan Station, August 31.
E. L. SHETTLES, P. E.

Brenham District—Third Round.
Brenham, June 8, 11 a. m.
Thorndike, at Thorndike, June 14, 15.
Rockledge, June 15, 16.
Goldings, at Ledbetter, June 28, 29.
Lexington, June 29, 30.
Hemstead, July 6.
Wharton, July 12, 13.
B. B. Bly, at Camp Ground, July 17.
Chaparral, at Camp Ground, July 17.
Lane City, at Matacorta, July 19, 20.
Ray City, July 20, 21.
Glen Flora, at Glen Flora, July 26, 27.
Sandy, at San Felipe, July 25.
Walker, at Oakland, July 2, 3.
Tandawood, at Center Point, Aug. 9, 10.
Walls and Pulisear, at F., Aug. 16, 17.
Brockshire and Patterson, at B., Aug. 17, 18.
Boswell, Aug. 23, 24.
Keweenaw, Aug. 24, 25.
Somererville, Aug. 28.
S. W. THOMAS, P. E.

Diesburg District—Second Round.
Conest, at Dalton, June 7, 8.
Nash and Omaha, at Naples, June 8, 9.
T. T. BRIDGEMAN, P. E.

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE

Vernon District—Third Round.
Quannah Sta., June 7, 8.
Quannah Mis., June 7, 8.
Medine Mound Mis., June 21, 22.
Estelino Cir., June 28, 29.
Walbert and Garcoo, July 5, 6.
Crowell Mis., July 12, 13.
Kirkland Cir., July 19, 20.
Childress Sta., July 26, 27.
Chillicothe Sta., Aug. 2, 3.
Mason Cir., Aug. 9, 10.
Gabel Mis., Aug. 16, 17.
Vernon Sta., Aug. 23, 25.
Crowell Sta., Aug. 30, 31.
T. G. MILLER, P. E.

Southern Methodist University

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We are proud to report three new passengers this week. This makes eighty-seven...

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REPORT FROM A FEW TOWNS RECENTLY VISITED BY DR. BOAZ.

The Waco District Conference, at Waco, was attended and through the most of the...

On Sunday, Colman preached \$1000, having already paid \$2000 in cash, and was since...

Brother J. H. Stewart, presiding elder, has, as H. Boskard, District Commissioner...

Convention was visited on Sunday, June 1, and readily pledged \$3,150. Dr. M. L. Seavey...

NOTES FROM A FEW POINTS IN NORTH TEXAS.

White Wright has now given something over two thousand dollars, adding over twelve hundred in a recent visit there.

On course Presiding Elder Hicks and Pastor Barnes are active and enthusiastic workers...

MERIDIAN COLLEGE.

The commencement exercises of Meridian College from May 19 to 26 were most interestingly attended.

On Sunday, May 27, Brother E. W. Alderson delivered the commencement sermon...

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We are sorry that this closes his quadrennium in the Gatesville District. Brother Leath, our very efficient principal, will leave in a few days...

Our two distinguished visitors added much to the pleasure and profit of our commencement. As mentioned above, Dr. Packard's sermon was a treat of a lifetime.

HENDERSON-BROWN COLLEGE.

The commencement exercises which last week marked the closing of the twenty-third year in the history of Henderson-Brown College...

The commencement sermon was preached to a record-breaking crowd, at the Methodist, upon the theme, "Put on the Whole Armor of Christ."

One of the features of every commencement at this institution is the series of inter-society contests. Medals are offered for excellence in declamation and oratory...

The chief event of the week's entertainment was the graduation of the college class on Wednesday morning. A great address was made to this class by the Hon. George B. Nesbit...

It was a great series of exercises that took place at Henderson-Brown last week, and it is such festivities as these that are making this school a power for Christian education throughout the Southwest.

Marion, Ark. SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

Now that the exercises are over and our well-loved girls have returned to their homes, we who are left are left a little bit contented, albeit with a sense of feeling some what bereft.

It was more than "a little pain" to part from those who will not return, and yet we send them forth as Christ's messengers to various parts of the earth...

Commencement at Scarritt is a different experience from that in any other school. Most of these young women have already passed through the "sweet-girl-graduate" experience...

Friday, May 16, was class day, and the planting of the ivy beside the wall in the center of the 209 p. m. brought pleasure and sweet memory pictures to all who participated.

On the front porch were grouped the graduating class, Bishop Hendrix and Miss Gibson, and presented her with a dainty little watering-pot.

Miss Gibson, in her own dignified and graceful manner, introduced Rev. Frank G. Smith, of the First Congregational Church...

Four Texas girls were among the number of graduates, two as deaconesses and two as foreign missionaries.

Texas sisters, if you could realize all this school means to the advancement of Christ's kingdom on earth, you would never lose an opportunity to encourage young women to come here for training...

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missionaries assembled to prove their love to their Alma Mater and listen to a fine address by Rev. Donald Munro.

Tuesday night typified our parting tears, for a heavy rain intensified the feeling of sadness as the thought of tomorrow's farewells came over us.

Looking upon these messengers of the Master, so soon to be out in the great harvest fields of the world, we thought, "O what these consecrated lives will mean to humanity, and if we could but catch a vision of the souls to come here for training, not only as missionaries and deaconesses, but to fit themselves to take up all of womanhood's high duties in any sphere.

of suffering humanity, and the call of God's poor and pain-stricken hearts needing balm of sisterly love, and the practical training in home and business relations, as well as for Church workers and Sunday School teachers, all combine to awaken broad thoughts and stimulate to the highest endeavor, soul, mind and heart; while the refinements of life in household and food elevate and strengthen the body.

When Jesus was on earth he gave himself to the building up of men, and into the hands of these men he put one weapon for the conquest of the world, that of prayer. "If ye ask anything in my name, I will give it."

The men from some of the country districts in Korea have appealed to our missionaries to open day schools for girls in connection with the country and village Churches.

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