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Harlem Farm Tragedy an Awful Affair

ON Saturday night, September 6, the State prison guards at Harlem Farm encountered twelve insubordinate negro prisoners and in order to reduce them to obedience, they took the prisoners and shoved them into a dark room for punishment. It was a small room only eight by ten feet and about seven in height. The ventilation was very poor and the temperature of the night very high. According to medical experts a room of this size is only sufficient to keep one man in a fair state of health and life. These prisoners were sentenced to several hours of confinement in this cell. One slop bucket was placed in there for the use of all the men and one bucket of water. All through the night, so it was given by reliable evidence, some of these prisoners were shouting out: "Men are dying in here!" But the guards only replied: "If you do not stop that noise, you will all wish you were dead before you get out."

By and by, as the night dragged its slow length away, the time was up and the guards opened the little dark, unventilated cell and to their horror found eight of the negroes dead and the other four with their mouths pressed against the apertures for ventilation, trying to get breath, in a semi-conscious condition. By proper attention these four were soon resuscitated, but the other eight, with blood oozing from their mouths and noses, were given burial. It was a fearful tragedy and one for which the State is largely responsible. Nothing like it has ever transpired in Texas, and it is to be hoped that it will never be duplicated. It is a burning shame and a lasting disgrace to Christian civilization.

The present administration is responsible for the dark cell method of punishing incorrigible convicts. Prior to its inauguration, the bat was the method used in such cases. Sometimes that method was abused by brutal guards and superintendents, but no such tragedies ever occurred as the horrible one under the dark cell method at Harlem Farm. Occasionally a man was so beaten that fatal results followed, but the bat never sent them to the graveyard in blocks of eight.

Why was this tragedy allowed or even made possible? Of course, it was not maliciously perpetrated. But it was made possible because of the fact that suitable safeguards were not thrown round the dark cell method of punishment. Where were the prison officials and what was the prison health officer doing to permit twelve men to be thrust into a room, reeking with filth and destitute of air, when it was known to all of them that one man could hardly survive in such quarters through twelve hours? What kind of men are the guards? Have they so little sense and so little humanity as to jam one

dozen men in a bunch into such a place as that and then sit there and listen to them cry out in anguish and distress and give no heed to their lamentations? That Harlem Farm outfit evidently is not qualified to take charge of howling coyotes and cage them, much less to have the charge of poor unfortunate and criminal human beings. Those immediately in charge seem to have been absolutely destitute of the first instinct of humanity. They knew, if they knew anything, that twelve men could not live in that black hole twelve hours, and the law did not require them to put that number into such a packed and jammed place. It was simply absolute indifference to the lives of those unfortunate victims that caused those guards to do such a thing. And for this reason those in authority are clamoring for the strictest investigation of the conduct of those guards and for their punishment under the law. But this is poor compensation for the agony and death of those eight negroes at Harlem Farm.

But the most discouraging feature of the whole affair is, that those guards were arrested and taken before a Justice of the Peace of that county and an investigation had. The above facts were presented, and the Justice, in a long legal opinion, reviewing the case, declared the guards innocent of all wrong and when he so announced his decision, the crowd in his court room cheered his deliverance to the echo! This is what the daily papers reported and we have no reason to doubt its correctness. Such a travesty on justice is enough to bring all law, as interpreted by the Justice of that county precinct, into contempt and abhorrence. That there was, at least, criminal negligence on the part of those guards no sane person can doubt, but that precinct court held them innocent and immaculate. And the most regrettable thing in the farce of the trial was the applause of the crowd that heard the verdict. Evidently the public sentiment of the crowd that heard those grotesque proceedings was in keeping with the interpretation of the law and the evidence upon the part of the precinct court. True, the victims were poor criminal negroes, without friends, without sympathy, serving terms in prison for their lawlessness. Nevertheless, they were human beings, living in Texas and under the supervision of Texas. They were entitled to proper treatment and to proper punishment, humanely administered. This was cruelly denied them. And when the men guilty of this denial were declared innocent of all wrong, intentional or otherwise, the crowd cheered their vindication. This speaks poorly for the humanity of those present on that occasion, and it speaks worse for their ideas of justice and law.

The Governor, his Commissioners, his superintendents, his sergeants and his guards need to remedy the discipline of

our State prisons. Texas will hold them responsible for this tragedy. They may lack funds to properly direct the affairs of those prisons, and for this they are not so responsible; but there is no excuse under heaven for crowding twelve men into a black hole on a hot night, with guards to watch over it, while prisoners suffocate and die without help or remedy. They can offer no explanation that will justify such a result. It was criminal negligence upon the part of some of them or all of them, and it has given to Texas a stigma that the

coming years will not be able to wipe out. At least the courts ought to be asked to undo the wrong that was perpetrated in that precinct hearing and the guilty ought to be punished; and the repetition of the outrage ought to be made absolutely impossible in the future. Otherwise, human life in our State prisons is possessed of neither sanctity nor value. Even poor criminal negroes are entitled to a better fate than the one made memorable by the Harlem Farm tragedy.

The Vice Crusade Succeeding in Austin

WE indicated sometime ago that the ministers of Austin were engaged in a war on segregated vice in that city and we are glad to report that their efforts are producing results. The Daily Statesman of that city declined to permit the ministers to have a column once a week for the discussion of the social evil question, notwithstanding the paper was offered pay for its space. Its main reason, as stated by it, for declining to permit the ministers to enter its columns was, that ministers are intemperate and spectacular in the discussion of that and similar questions, and that the Statesman entered thousands of homes and it did not want women and children brought face to face with the airing of such questionable matters. But the ministers went right into the war and they so bombarded the public sentiment of the community that finally the city authorities awoke to the situation, and now the Mayor and a majority of his advisers have given instructions to have all segregated houses closed under the laws of the State.

And, strange to say, when the question of enforcing the laws came up before the Mayor and the Council, they went into a lengthy discussion of the evil and the Statesman published the whole of the proceedings. It was afraid to hire one column once a week to the ministers to be used in discussing the question, but it did not hesitate to spread over several columns the proceedings of the Council, and these proceedings went further into the discussion than the ministers ever dreamed of doing. It actually put the details of the subject before the homes of its readers without a quail; yet awhile back it refused to let the ministers do the same thing under their prudent supervision. Surely, the oracle down on Buffalo Bayou, the genius who owns the Statesman, has awoke and given his permission.

Why has Texas, as well as the moral citizenship of that city, got a right to ask Austin to enforce her laws against social vice? Well, that city belongs, in a given sense, to all of Texas. Our State houses are there and it is the seat of our State administration. Our great educational institution is there and all of Texas is taxed to support the State government and the

University located in Austin. The Methodist Church alone throughout the State is sending seven hundred boys and girls there to be educated and to spend from two to four years of their young lives in that city. All the denominations combined are sending more than fifteen hundred boys and girls there, and the citizenship of Texas is sending two or three thousand young people there for training in the various departments of the University.

Therefore, have we not the right to ask the authorities of Austin to clean out the moral cesspools of that city and make a clean place for our boys and girls, with a pure atmosphere for them to breathe while there? As it is, Austin has segregated, right in the heart of the city, several dens of iniquity that would disgrace ancient Rome in her splendor of debauchery. And these places, under the protection of a so-called unwritten law, hold out their nightly inducements to the young men sent there for the benefit of training without let or hindrance. As a result many of them going there in their innocence have been known to return to their unsophisticated homes debauched and diseased for life. At least, this is current rumor.

We, therefore, congratulate the ministers and the authorities upon the fact that these places of evil are no longer to have the connivance of public sentiment in Austin, and that they will no longer be permitted to hold out their public inducements to young men and boys sent from the other portions of the State to be educated in our University. And we rejoice that the sensitive soul of the Statesman has so recovered its normal poise as to publish enough in its columns of the proceedings of the Council to more than justify the ministers of that city for their vigorous warfare on that organized system of social vice. It speaks well for the moral sentiment of Austin that she is awake to her duty to the rest of the State along these lines of needed reform.

It is said that though you carry the old conch shell far from the shores of the sea, yet when you put your ear to its wide mouth you can hear the roar of its native ocean.

The Rural Church a Social and Financial Problem

By J. W. HENDRIX

Of late years there has been a deal issued both from the press and pulpit, in regard to the country Church problem. All are agreed that the rural Church furnishes a great opportunity, and that it is almost essential to a ministerial supply, as perhaps an investigation would show that seventy-five per cent of our ministers, through the last half century, have come from the country Church, and with the decline of these Churches has come an alarming decrease in ministerial timber; and that, since the cities are being filled so rapidly with country people, the city Church is dependent upon the power of "The Church in the Wildwoods" to train in Christian life and ideals. Hence we are all agreed that this phase of our work is neglected with impunity.

We are further agreed as to the and privileges awarded to the country pastor on the front page of The Advocate of June 26th, namely: 1st. A country pastor has a right to be a scholar. 2nd. He has a right to be a reader of the latest and best books and papers. 3rd. He has a right to be a master thinker. 4th. He has a right to the warmest love and broadest esteem of his brethren. There is no trouble here. We, with one accord, assent to these things. The young men to whom the officials look, and to whom they appeal, know about the opportunity and rights of this special work, having had lectures in college and missionary institutes. But, now, where is the trouble? We are all aware that there is a losing battle being waged somewhere. A great many reasons have been given. Some of our fathers in the Gospel of today spend whole days lamenting over what they conceive to be a fact, that Methodism has lost her pristine missionary spirit, so dominant when they entered the itinerancy. Others say that the old-time spirit of sacrifice vanished and a spirit of commercialism has been enthroned; and they seek and find what to them are real symptoms of this dread, and what to them must be finally a fatal disease. Now we do not deny in toto these accusations. You may find symptoms, or even well developed cases, in every generation, of a disease that is chronic, and selfishness is chronic with all the progeny of Adam, but, in our humble judgment, the vital reason is not here. It is our conviction that there are just two vital reasons, namely, social and financial.

As to social, we do not mean a lack of social life in the country, for it is on the account of that recognized lack he is sent to improve that is part of his task. But, because of a lack of esteem and correct estimate of his brethren and friends, the pull is away from the country circuit and a man is assured accordingly. We were once at a Summer Assembly and there was a young man on the program who came up from a large mission charge. He was reasonably well equipped. The city pastor spoke explanatorily, if not apologetically about his being on this charge, which was perfectly in order and up-to-date, according to a modernism; but such is deplorable. Why not the Church and the ministry give him and others of his kind credit and consequent honor for having the missionary spirit? Yet we do not contend that this reason is basic. It is part of the cross one must bear, and may be little more than a dread.

But the financial reason is basic and can be removed. Now reserve your judgment until we explain. Among our fathers many young men were admitted on trial, who knew very little more than "the rule of three." The itinerancy, with its senior preacher, its fatherly elder, its course of study, and its country circuit, were their college and seminary course; and many of them learned rapidly and improved remarkably, coming to great usefulness in the Church. From this course of work they gained a livelihood as well as a hardihood. But what of such a career today? The writer has been up among his brethren in classes and has heard members of the classes put through a cross examination so searching as to open to all their real condition from every view point, by members of the Conference; and a man of that type in our time can scarcely enter the kingdom of itinerancy. If he is admitted he is practically excluded from a hopeful career. They almost tell him, plain out, that only a certain class of works are open to him, and to these he is doomed for life. If he is young and makes no promises of better equipment, he is most always excluded. We believe these requirements are perfectly just. There are

many in our pews today who are high school or college graduates and demand leadership and the Church can not fail to heed their demand with impunity.

We said we were agreed that a country pastor had a right to be a scholar, a reader of the latest and best books, and to be a master thinker. Yes, we will go further and say that the Church and the times demand it. Now, the larger per cent of our ministerial supply comes from farms and the poorer classes, and a majority of them must go away to college, if they seek equipment. And what will it cost a young man to enter the ministry under the above light, to put it mildly? We had as well be common-sensed and business-like while we are saying so much on this subject. It will cost him eight or ten years' college and seminary work and \$1500 to \$2500. They set about this demand for equipment as religious and self-sacrificing as any other requirement the Church may make. Many of them keep this expense down in reach by industrial work in college and at odd jobs during vacation, ranging from delivery boys, to going with the thrasher; and be as economical as they may, until they are accused by their fellows of being stingy, as industrious as time will permit, yet in the end there remains a debt which is an honest obligation and must be met. Take the time and trouble, if you will, to inquire into the private lives of some of the undergraduates and you will find that the greater per cent of them have been up against financial straits that were really embarrassing, and which remain problems often through years. Our Church methods are such as to decoy students into easy indebtedness, and many are led astray in this way. When some vacancy occurs in some elder's district, he writes to a college or seminary for a man to fill the place, stating the salary the charge usually pays. Well, the young man is looking for a place, but after an honest survey from all sides he decides it would not be safe for him to accept; so the secretary of the institution answers, "No man for the place." Then a wall goes up from some prophet in Israel about the vanishing of the missionary spirit, and a lament at present day self-seeking so running riot in the midst of our men. Now, you may wish your eyes were fountains of tears and your wails and lamentations were borne to earth's remotest bounds on tongues of thunder; but right here let me call your attention to another virtue essential to the Christian ministry, and that is common honesty. In fact, sometimes the greatest heroism is honesty. A man must take care of his creditors. We have no objection to the theory, or even the practice, that a young man should spend several of his first years on a mission, or a country circuit; but he should be decently cared for. We know Church memberships whose banking interests, during the year, runs away into the thousands—Churches set in fields of plenty, fields stocked with fine horses, white-faced cattle, and laden with rich grain, which squeeze out with many groans and self-pity a little paltry sum of a hundred or a hundred and fifty dollars a year. There are farmers by the thousands, living near to country churches, worth from a few thousand to many thousands, out of whose income not over ten or fifteen dollars reaches the Church treasury each year. Often the appeal in the "country Church problem" is to have men go and live and preach for them and their kind at a starvation salary. Often they plead with the Church like dependents and are able to live with their families and neighbors like kings; consequently your plea, and even your tears, are not taken very seriously. And too do not forget that the plea with all its pathos is often made to young men on the farm who know all their financial ability. We claim that the farmers of Southern Methodism have the wealth; but it just is not reaching the Church treasury. Now, brethren, while you are appealing to the ministry and attempting to train your young, tender ministerial sprouts to a life of self-sacrifice, do not forget to warn, teach, and rebuke that farmer, who has hardly any conception of giving and supporting the Church according to his real means, and never did without a meal in his life for the Kingdom's sake. We have our city and slum mission problems which are live financial problems, but here often we have invested, if not hoarded wealth. Though our city mission members out of their need contribute liberally, if they paid according

to their income as some farmers do, they would have no pastor. Here are two instances which could be multiplied by numberless clippings from city mission pastors:

There was a widow whose only support were two daughters. One was a "hello girl," and received \$25.00 per month. Her sister was in high school and taught in a ward school, receiving \$10.00 per month. These girls cared for their mother, themselves, paid \$20.00 per year on the pastor's salary.

Another item: There was a certain elderly lady in that city who had a son, a dependent, and her husband was paralyzed and had to be cared for almost as a child. She had to support all by milking three cows and working over a loom. She paid the same amount as these girls. Have you not in mind many well-to-do farmers who out of their abundance pay no more and often not so much? If you are not satisfied, inquire of your city mission pastor, and compare with the country circuit pastor.

Many of these country Churches have been pampered by the Church until they are spoiled. If their pastor is not up to their idea, they fuss like big petted children. They wish him to be able to give them the original in the text, at least, they desire him to be able to; but often some of them are very quiet about paying him a living for himself and some over to care for his creditors.

A man must be sane in his undertakings as well as full of faith. Whatever comes and goes, he must provide things so he can be honest. He ought not to dread the country circuit, but he must dread, with a godly dread, being dishonest. The country charge, in most cases, is able, if it can be made to think so.

We may have in mind an ideal condition, but this financial trouble can be removed, if the Church will spend as much extra money in missionary institutes to the rural district as she does with her young men.

Indian Captives and Else

By REV. B. F. GASSAWAY

When the hostile Comanche and Kiowa Indians surrendered to the United States Government in 1867 and came onto the reservation at Fort Sill and Anadarko they had quite a large number of white and Mexican captives among them. Through the efforts of Indian Agent Tatum at Fort Sill, the Indians brought in a large number of these captives. All of the white and quite a number of the Mexican captives were ransomed and restored to their families. However, there were two white girls who were kept back and they are now here in the bounds of my pastoral charge, married to Indians and have families of children. They neither one speak English and are altogether Indian in their habits of life. One of them has black hair and dark eyes. The other one is a blonde. It may be that all their people were killed when they were captured, but possibly some of their kindred still live and would love to get in touch with them once more. I write these lines to get the matter before the public.

From the best information I can procure they were captured in Texas more than forty years ago. The Indians, at the time of their capture, brought in a large number of scalps taken from men, women and children. If any of your readers among the old settlers know of any children captured and never heard from they may get a clue here leading to the identification of these women. They would never consent to leave the Indians, but if they have relatives still living it would be a source of pleasure to such relatives to know that they were still alive and happy in their present environments.

These Indians have made great progress in civilization and Christianity since the Gospel was first preached to them. However, there are many hindrances to mission work among them. Grafters and money sharks prey on them constantly, loaning them money for short terms at enormous rates of interest and securing these loans by mortgages upon all their personal property. Thus they are ground down in money matters continually and become confirmed in

the idea that all white men are grafters and their enemies.

Then the ubiquitous "bootlegger," with a persistency that defies all law, constantly plies his trade among them, while the "Medicine Man," the "Ghost Dance," the "Peyote Worship," and many other forms of superstition, make missionary work difficult and slow among them.

Our Church began missionary operations among them twenty-five years ago, and no mission ever enterprised by our Board has given a larger or more satisfactory return for the time and money expended.

However, results might have been much greater had not the course of the Church concerning this mission been so vacillating. Formerly there were two missionaries in the field and a flourishing Indian school at Anadarko, with five church buildings scattered over the charge, with a parsonage at Fort Sill and one at Anadarko. When the Indians took their allotments and removed from their old homes to new locations, some of these church buildings lost value for missionary work, one of the missionaries was discontinued, the school at Anadarko was closed and the limits of the work greatly restricted. Now we have one missionary, one lady helper sent out by the Woman's Board, two churches in use, one of these erected last year and one parsonage occupied.

We are trying to enlarge again. The membership is increasing, the members are growing in grace, a deeper spiritual life is observable among them and the spirit of revival is abroad.

We beg the prayers of your readers for the success of this mission. The obstacles in the way of progress are many, but by God's grace we shall succeed. We have two "Christmas Trees" for them at the two churches, and we make these occasions intensely spiritual and earnestly evangelistic. Will not the Woman's Missionary societies and the Sunday Schools in Texas aid us in this work by sending presents to place on these trees? By so doing you can aid materially in this work.

Anadarko, Oklahoma.

Somebody Mistaken

By J. L. JAMES

Is it not wonderful how one thing calls up another? Did you ever watch the drift of conversation for an hour and note how many things of varying interest and topic will glide into the discussion? Now, I recently said in the columns of the Advocate that I was interested in the question of freedom and foreknowledge, and soon here came two bundles of Pastor Russell's vapors! The very idea of a follower of that prophet (could we spell it profit-sigher?), the very idea of one of that ilk reading the Texas Advocate! Dr. Rankin is to be congratulated! One of that crowd is getting good anyway.

I suppose the good brother thought he would hit me with something new. I am open to new things on this question, but I confess that I am not an entire stranger to the frothings from "Brooklyn Tabernacle" (shades of Talmage!), or the warbling of the "People's Pulpit." I took a good squint at the good "Pastor's" trash pile while he was yet masquerading as the leader of the Millennial Dawn by actual name, instead of something else to hide the vagaries thereof. Leastwise I think the name "Millennial Dawn" was then attached somewhere to the thing's anatomy. I was then organizing a new charge in an Oklahoma town and I found that some industrious disciple of Dawnism had sown my field down with some of its publications. They were in the yards, on

tains his religion and sense, and if it has error in it he is safely vaccinated against it while he maintains his equilibrium.

So I examined those books, and while it was a hazy maze to wander about in, as best I could make out, the author fights almost everything that is worth while in modern civilization. He would have been at home in the French Revolution. He opposes all Churches, unless you could call his own crowd one, fights the Sunday School and the public school. He manages to take wide enough swath to give a sop to Catholics, Adventists, and the would-be "Union" bunch. Then he takes another circle, wipes out hell and eternal punishment by the simple expedient of annihilationism or universalism. It seems to me there is a streak of each here and there in this wonderful "system." But, to be frank, it is about as hard to locate this modern expounder on some points of doctrine as to catch the Irishman's flea. But at any rate, a man who has no use for Church, Sunday School or public school is a poor citizen, it seems to me, at least in his theory, and a poor theory. While it may not ruin its inventor, since he may be under the influence of other things, is at least unsafe for others, as it is sure to bring up with ruin somewhere. I am, therefore, not speaking without investigation when I say that I am an uncompromising opponent of "Dawnism," and hereafter let all such propagandists take notice that they need not waste postage on me. I am a Methodist and believe I know why. I get these stray bundles of literature, of course, just as all preachers are often imposed upon. Some folks think it would be quite a feather in their cap if they could "convert" a preacher to the error of their way of thinking. I think some of the trash has lately floated to me from headquarters, too. I read some of it and then it makes good kindling for the stove. I am careful not to "pass it on." I will not be a party to such vagaries. I may not be one of the "immortals" anyway. Pastor Russell seems to draw a wonderful distinction between immortality and eternal life. The first is for the elect, the latter for the rest of us. What a splash! Taffy for both Calvinist and Universalist! He compares the human race to a box of sawdust, with tacks intermingled. A magnet to represent Christ is stirred about in the dust, collecting the tacks, of course. The tacks are the elect, the sawdust the common herd. Did you ever see fatalistic Calvinism show its teeth plainer? Keep that magnet there a million years, and that sawdust will be sawdust and the tacks will not be any more certainly tacks. Of course, this wonderful exegete identifies the elect with his own crowd. And yet he is prodigal in his use of ink against Calvinism! Such may be theological gymnastics, but not true exposition of the Scriptures. It reminds me of a stated sermon on predestination to which I once listened. The good Calvinist made it rigid, plain and bare, surprisingly so for this modern age, and then closed his sermon with an illustration. It was the story of the Great Supper, with its "whosoever" invitation!

It is hard to fix upon the status of some of these fox-fire movements, but you can usually depend upon several things: 1. They fight the standard of denominations with all that they stand for in our modern life. 2. Their chief article of creed is to forward the movement in question. 3. They draw their membership and strength mainly from people suffering from mental aberration or lop-sidedness, or those almost helplessly ignorant, or from those who have become backslidden or soured and want an excuse to hide behind, either as a salve for a bad conscience, a harbor for stinginess or some other meanness. Of course, there may be exceptions. Good things as well as bad will bog in the mud. Beware of any man who tries to cure the ills of earth with anything that excuses sin. Beware of any sect or "prophet" that tries to explain all things, past, present and future by a fancied and highly imaginary scheme of interpretations based on the Daniel-Revelations combination. These two books have some great Scripture in them, but no parts of the Bible perhaps, have been more sinned against by mountebank expositors.

Again I would say let us beware of any man who fights well established institutions that have proven their worth to society. It is a full-grown job to fight an institution. As an illustration, look at the liquor traffic. As a principle it is indefensible; as an institution it can put up a nasty fight. If Russellism has a message for the world let it tell that message, but as long as it attacks institutions for which I stand I expect to give it no quarter.

Emory, Virginia.

Justice without mercy, or mercy without justice, either, would be a misery in itself. As in all other cases, divorce is deadly here.

SWEETWATER DISTRICT AND STAMFORD COLLEGE.

When Bishop Atkins asked me to go to the Sweetwater District and assist the brethren over there in raising \$4000.00 for Stamford College I almost staggered at the task. That the people would be willing to contribute was certain, but the fearful drouth had destroyed everything. The question was, "Could they do anything?" One thing was certain to me—there was never a truer, more loyal and liberal people than those in that district, and in the Northwest Texas Conference as for that matter. Knowing this, I addressed myself to the work. Just twelve days from the time I presented the claim to the first person, we had \$4250.00 signed up.

Not a dozen of my old friends, whom I touched personally, refused to respond with a liberal subscription. Many said, "The continued drouth has about ruined me, but I cannot deny my Church in a call of that nature."

All the preachers set themselves to the enterprise with zeal and wisdom. Rev. J. M. Sherman, the presiding elder, is a tireless worker, and he is just as efficient as he is tireless. He rendered the very best possible help for the undertaking. We knew where, when, and how to touch each point in the district. Therefore, we lost no time, were at no needless expense and secured the best results. You need not be concerned about the Sweetwater District. They are doing business down there.

God opened the hearts of the people for our success. They had a mind to save that great institution. A common expression was, "We must save that College." Brother Sherman being out of the territory for the first few days, Rev. A. M. Martin was the first to go down under the burden with me. Martin is wise and strong and he and his good people did much to bring the final victory. Brother Martin has done much for our Zion and will do much more as the years pass by. Rev. M. W. Clark, a faithful and successful man, was a power as we moved speedily among his membership. They promptly gave us a full share of aid. They came up to the help of the Lord in a Christian way. I could but thank God for such men and women.

Rev. J. W. Smith is the hungry looking man. But he looks just as hungry after partaking of an excellent dinner as before. I saw him tried several times. Smith is classic, a man of power, resourceful, and has large influence with all classes of people. He has that country in his vest pocket. I predict that he will fill more responsible positions in our ministry. The Loraine Methodists did a nice thing for the College.

Rev. W. E. Lyon is known as the four-year man. He has a firm hold on the entire citizenship of clean, classic Colorado. Both pastor and family are held in the highest esteem by all in that town. Here we secured a big donation. How pleasant was our visit there! God bless them all.

Rev. C. F. Carmack is young, aggressive and a leader of men. He had just closed a far-reaching revival at Cuthbert. Forty were added to the Methodist Church. He has a bright future and the Church has promise of much valuable service in this good man. Westbrook did her part for the school.

Rev. J. R. Plant was with us but for a short time; however, I learned that he is bringing things to pass.

Rev. W. E. Caperton, though very quiet, is nevertheless very resultful in his work. Brother Caperton was conducting a very fine revival at Dunn. Rev. J. T. Bloodworth and wife were leading in the meeting. God gave them a sweeping meeting. At Dunn and Ira, both on Caperton's charge, we secured near one thousand dollars. Many first-class boys and girls will come from this territory to Stamford College. Watch it!

Rev. J. W. Hunt is one of our most gifted young men, and he is making full use of his powers for the Church. He does not hesitate to lay himself out for God and the Church. Brother Hunt has a heroic band supporting him and they are doing the well-nigh impossible. They have the walls of their beautiful new church up to the top of the windows in the auditorium and they are paying for everything as they go. When finished it will be one of the most attractive structures in the State. We must hold our Annual Conference there in the near future. God bless that faithful man and his people. It was Snyder's collection that finished the \$4000. They did well for us.

Rev. C. E. Jameson is a most interesting character to me. I am not going to say whether or not he is handsome. You can tell when you see him. The vigor of youth is upon him, his mind is bright, he goes down

after things. He thinks for himself and expresses himself in his own forceful way. He is bringing things around and has a most promising future. The people of God on the Hermligh charge gave a large collection for Stamford College. This is a rich field for the school.

Brother C. C. Wright I did not see but favorable reports came from his charge. The College was represented by Rev. A. M. Martin in this pastorate and a nice sum was gotten.

Rev. G. H. Gattis we did not meet as we did not visit his circuit for the want of time. His presiding elder thinks he is doing business.

There are two worthy men from the local ranks serving in the Sweetwater District as supplies. I refer to Rev. J. C. Moore, and Rev. I. N. Anderson. There are no better workers among

us. They have done much for Methodism in this country. I honor them for what they are and for what they have done. Beginning with the presiding elder and extending to all the pastors I honor them. They are true, godly men.

Starting with Sweetwater Station and going to the smallest congregation, I have a profound regard for them. I thank God for what they did to save Stamford College. The whole Conference has wrought well in this heroic achievement. Stamford and Stamford country have done the marvelous thing. I reached home just in time to see my own congregation do a surpassing thing. They have given between \$3000 and \$4000 to S. W. U., but they cheerfully subscribed \$828.50 for Stamford College. God bless all our schools. J. T. GRISWOLD.



M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, SALESVILLE TEXAS.
Rev. B. S. Crow, Pastor.

The above church was built this year at a cost of \$1300. In addition to this good work, Brother Crow has had on his charge, Graford Circuit, 250 conversions and reclamations; over 100 joined the Methodist Church and as many joined other Churches.

AS HE RAN BACKWARDS HE DODGED MIGHTILY.

Since reading Judge Perkins "outburst" in your issue of September 4, and after laboring sometime to unravel his dazed condition I am now satisfied that he is afflicted with a hallucination that he "wrote" something. His family physician should be called in at once to soothe and pacify him and assure him that his "pot pourri" is entirely harmless and when put to bed with a mustard plaster properly applied, some of the madness the Judge is now venting on those who take issue with him, and more especially this scribe, would be drawn out and he, I trust, would be greatly relieved.

He is as ambidextrous as a mountain goat when it comes to dodging an issue, as agile as a deer when getting away from the facts.

I propounded to him three questions, each of which was categorically put and susceptible of a like answer as follows, (a) Did he believe that the best friend a university could have was gold? (b) Why did the Trustees resist the control of the Church? (c) Was he in favor of, and would he be accessory to the wresting of the control of the University from the Church? And I leave it to the candid judgment of the Methodists of Texas, if in his rejoinder he touches side, top or bottom of either of them. It is said the Ancient Greeks were wont to consult, upon important questions, the Oracle at Delphi, whose answers were so ambiguous that none could definitely interpret their meaning. Now it appears that the Ancient Oracle has a worthy successor residing in the State of Texas in the august person of the Sage of Greenville. Hail to you, Judge; may you live long to confuse and confound your interlocutors, befool every subject you touch and bewitch every one who differs from you. You should have taken as a preface for your last article the opening language of the celebrated story, "Ye who listen with the credulity to the whispers of fancy and pursue with eagerness the phantoms of hope, who expect that age will perform the promises of youth and that the deficiencies of the present day will be supplied by the morrow, attend to the history of Rasselas, Prince of Abyssinia." He refers with much gusto to Brothers Andrews and Williams as my "wards." Those brethren are amply able to throw their own gauntlets and defend them. I did not mention them in my article but contented myself with replying to those general accusations which applied, as I take it, to the whole Church. If he expects to find his arrows tipped with venom and balderdash feathered in my bosom he must look elsewhere and for once be disappointed as I am not conscious of either their poison sting or pigmy presence and I trust

I am superior to such assaults. In regard to my statement about Carnegie, Lee and the Hall of Fame, I desire to reiterate and reaffirm it with all the power I possess. The Judge says he did not praise Carnegie; he should read his article again. It appears that he heartily approves the action of those who want to put him in charge of the school. The Judge is only reaching over the shoulders of the Trustees to tickle his back. For myself I don't prefer him but there are those who do and in this day and time there is no accounting for tastes. Despite your defense he is an open and avowed enemy of our section and of our Church schools.

The Judge, I presume, is conversant with the traits of the "hill billy;" he was evidently raised among them or at least "toated a skillet" with one and this is doubtless the reason he is bringing so many of their characteristics into play, but the slogan and war paint of the "hill billy" is rarely considered any kind of argument except physical.

You ask me what punishment will be meted out to you for criticising the College of Bishops in this instance. I don't presume, ordinarily to pass upon such delicate matters, and will only say, since you have asked the question frankly, the proper punishment for such actions, according to my view, should be the lashings of an outraged conscience, coupled "with groans that can not be uttered." The quotation from your first article relative to the Bishops being tried, true and loyal to the Church was garbled and misquoted in your last. You remember you included the Trustees in your first article and spoke touchingly of their "loyalty," however you omitted them in the quotation above mentioned; you doubtless have a reason for it. Judge, I gave you one walloping about the "loyalty" of the Trustees, don't let me have to do it again, it is painful. Keep the records straight, as "veracity" appears to be one of your favorite words.

In regard to the editorial in the Catholic Register he says he was "mad." Yes, Judge, you would have been just as "mad" if that editorial had appeared in a paper of any other Church.

If I mistake not the same editorial was noted in the Nashville Advocate. So it appears, from your way of thinking, that our editors are getting too thick with Rome. Oh no, Judge, I know what's the matter with you, your "ox" is gored, that's it. Your temper would have been as sweet and unruffled as the jasmine bowers of Arabia the Blest, if the Register had been in sympathy with you.

You are raising the sights of your "pop gun" to shoot several thousand miles at the Pope while some of us are trying to prevent a trespass on our property right at home. Your actions in this particular remind me of the

capers of a hound "purr" I used to have. He would sit on his haunches and bark at the moon while the hogs destroyed the "tater" patch. Do you see the point?

Don't be uneasy, Judge, about the Vatican absorbing the Methodist Church with one editorial. Your fears are very much like those of the little Virginia girl who was afraid her dog, Fido, would bite Gen. Lee's army. "And in those days came a way-faring man who strained at a gnat and swallowed a camel."

I note carefully your explanation in regard to the question of Christian Education not being involved in the controversy between the Bishops and Trustees and am not the same I submit the following: The acceptance of the plan mentioned, meant, first, renouncement of Church control. Second, nonsectarian and nonreligious control by outsiders and those not in sympathy or harmony with the Church. The Bishops say that the action of the Board was a diversion of funds and property of the University from the Trusts upon which it was held, etc., is illegal (against the law), null and void. Now, I submit that if Christian Education by a Christian School is not woven in every warp and woof of the above statement and in the actions of the Board, then my mind is unable to grasp the simplest premises upon which to base an argument. The Judge with his metaphysical brain, with ability—

"To sever and divide
A hair 'twixt north and northwest side."

may be able to see the absence of the Christian elements but some of us are not able to so interpret it.

Again our brother says, "From the time the Board was organized up to the date at which the Carnegie donation was made and accepted, it managed and controlled all departments of the University." Yes, it did, but remember its actions were approved and submitted by it for approval to the patronizing Annual Conferences up to the time all this was assumed by the General Conference and no question was raised about its direction of the University affairs so long as the Board acknowledged and submitted to the Church and worked harmoniously with it. Yet for the last several years, and since the abortive attempt of the Board to throw off the yoke of the Church, its possession and management of the University has been and still is a government by force and not by law, and Mr. Carnegie knew this when he made his offer which was largely conditioned upon the Board's success in the law suit and while the Judge is his doughty champion he will not tell us, save by his actions that he wishes him success.

This concludes my discussion of the questions involved. I take my stand with Bishop Hoss and the great majority of the Church there I hope always to be found fighting as a private in the ranks. Swash-buckling has never yet deterred me from the performance of my duty nor shall it now, but I do not care to further discuss the issue with my good brother when he will not stick to his text. He can fire his "bombshells" and unlimber all his artillery, but if they are like the ones he has been shooting they are as harmless as cowpaws rattling on a rawhide. I say to the Judge as did my father, one of the frontier preachers of Texas, to a disciple of another Church when challenged for a theological debate, "The Bishop sent me out here on a buffalo hunt and I have neither time nor ammunition to waste on mice and humpbacked ones at that." Do I make myself clear?

JAMES A. KING,
Floresville, Texas.

CLEAN TEACHERS FOR SCHOOLS.

In last week's Advocate I note the following:

SCHOOL WANTED.
SCHOOL WANTED—By polished Christian young lady holding First Grade State Certificate. Strong in Latin, German and English. Has had one year's experience. TEACHER, 208 S. Ewing Ave., Dallas, Texas.

I am wondering what returns the young lady will receive on this advertisement. She should get a reply from every active Christian public school superintendent in Texas who needs a teacher of her mental qualifications.

I trust that you will watch the outcome of this and see if our Christian trustees, superintendents and principals attach the importance they should to the first line of this young lady's ad. She would receive many replies if all public school superintendents vewed this very point as does one of the prominent ones of my acquaintance. He is a prince in character-life and a successful superintendent of schools in one of the good towns in Texas today.

When this man receives an application for a position in his schools, he asks, among other things in his reply, if the applicant is a Christian and if so,

are you an "active" one. If this point is not answered to his entire satisfaction he never recommends this applicant to the Board of Trustees for election.

Of course he always has splendid teachers and they are the pride of the city in which they live. He asks no questions as to denomination, simply "Are you a Christian and working at it now?"

This very point has for years been a matter of much concern to me. I have not been able to understand why the man who employs men, and who calls himself a Christian, a man who is clean in his conversation and life, will give employment to a man whose daily walk is not correct, who consorts with evil men and women, whose tongue is given to vile stories, a man who spends his nights in revelry and who takes God's name in vain. If not guilty of all of these, at least a part of them.

I say I am not able to determine why this character of man is given any sort of position (and yet they are), when it is possible to obtain a high-toned Christian man of equal business qualifications, one who has sought out a noble woman and made her his wife and who stands four square on all moral questions.

Would to God that fewer of our professing Christian men were content merely to know that the applicant is honest, will not steal and that he "can deliver the goods."

But let us say rather, "Can you deliver the goods; are you a Christian and working at it now?" Let the Christian employer put a high premium on correct Christian life. Without this what encouragement has our young Christian men and women.

C. C. LEWIS,
Ciburne, Texas.

Man, the only creature capable of weeping, is the only one to be wept over; but it is more often true that he, the only creature capable of a laugh, is most laughed at.

One great value of initiative is the conquering of fear. Through all history we find that those that have accomplished things lived above fear. Fear of adverse criticism, fear of hardship, fear of failure, all were lost in a supreme effort to share with their fellow men the gifts God had entrusted to them.—Blanche Blessing.

There is such a thing as a divine discontent—but most people are discontented on low levels instead. The wise rhymist points the better way:

"If you must sit high and sigh
And have the blues,
Why don't you try to realize
That there are sighs and sighs,
And blues and blues,
From which to choose?
There are heavenly blues, and blue of tranquil seas,
Both pleasant—if you have them, pray have these!"
—Great Thoughts.

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Apparently, with Advancing Age.

"At the age of 50 years I collapsed from excessive coffee drinking," writes a man in Mo. "For four years I shambled about with the aid of crutches or cane, most of the time unable to dress myself without help.

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Notes From the Field

Nash.

The Church at this place has recently enjoyed the greatest revival it has experienced for years. The preaching was done by Dr. Jas. A. Walkup, of Fort Worth. He is a power for God and believes in the old-time Methodist plan of conducting revivals. The people were soon united in their work for the salvation of souls, which resulted in about thirty conversions and twenty-four accessions. Most of the converts were adults who had been hardened in sin, but are now happy in the love of God. Our beloved Bro. S. L. Culwell and wife so endeared themselves to this people by their faithful, earnest work during the meeting, that the Church presented them with about \$60 and requested that it be spent for their comfort during their vacation. A handsome purse was donated to Brother Walkup for his services. Last, but not least, came Sister Walkup near the close of the meeting. With her sweet-spirited and strong faith she proved a blessing to all.—Lela Satterfield.

Huntington.

Been very busy in our meeting. Have held six revivals on our charge, with good results in each meeting. God was present to bless and the power of the Spirit came upon us and many were made to weep on account of their sins. Many were blessedly saved and torn into His Kingdom, for which we give Him the praise. We had help in only three of these meetings, and your humble writer did the rest. Brothers Weatherby, Jewell and Treadwell helped us. They are men of God and they did us some good work. They preach a pure Gospel and are not afraid to expose sin in all of its heinousness. God give us more men who are not afraid to preach a full Gospel, and who do not just preach to please the whims of the people. Paul said, "Woe is me if I fail to declare the whole counsel of God." Brethren, let's preach a full Gospel and preach the truth as it is in Jesus. The world is hungry for the truth and I fear some are seeking to be popular and are thinking with the world. Paul says, "Come out from among them, and be ye separate, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will be a father unto you and ye shall be my sons and daughters." We have had about sixty accessions up to date to our Church. Hope to get more before conference. Are in some arrears yet with our assessments and pastor's salary, but am sure everything will come up in full. Have not been able to secure many new subscriptions for our Church papers, but hope to do better in the future. May God bless all of my brethren in the ministry.—B. C. Callaway, P. C.

Josephine-Copeville.

Since we have had revivals at each point on this work, I shall give a brief resume of the work done since conference. Have had 303 conversions and reclamations and 154 additions to the Church. Organized two new Sunday Schools, three additional prayer meetings and two Leagues, all of which are doing good work. Will organize a Senior League at Lavon in a few days. Have raised for all purposes about \$1600, and our third and fourth Quarterly Conferences yet to be held. Preacher has been twice pounded, besides having all expenses paid at the Summer School of Theology. Some of our people say that more good has been done and more real progress made this year than during any five years in the past. Not to the preacher, but to God be the glory. In fact, the preacher is only to a small degree responsible for the progress made. The secret of our success is to be found in Neh. 4:6, "For the people had a mind to work." It has been reported that when some of membership here saw the new preacher and heard that he was a first year man they exclaimed, "Well, the Lord help us!" The Lord has helped us along all lines. We have used united and persistent effort, common sense and earnest believing prayer. We have done our best and trusted in God for results and he has wonderfully blessed us. I feel that I must make especial mention of our meeting at Lavon. We began there on August 24. The majority of the people had begun to pick cotton, so it was decided that we would all do our best for one week and close. Evangelist L. L. Hursey, recently of Kennewick, Wash., but now of Paris, Texas, did the preaching. Brother Frank P. ONeal, of Commerce had charge of the music. The pastor and Christians

EVANGELISTIC HELPER.

I am in position to make two or three full engagements and should like to hear from pastors or evangelists desiring the services of an efficient gospel singer. Best references. GEO. P. BLEDSOE, Gilmer, Texas.

prayed and worked for the salvation of the lost. Brother Hursey delivered some of the most heart-searching and soul-stirring sermons that it has ever been the privilege of the writer to hear. The congregation would sit spellbound while this poet of the gospel would picture the hideousness of sin and then the beauties of holiness. Then when ONeal and the choir would sing, "Will You Be Enlisted as a Volunteer," men, women and children would come flocking to the altar. We had an old-fashioned Methodist meeting, shouting and all. Everything considered, the campaign at Lavon was the most remarkable I ever witnessed. The Lord blessed our efforts with ninety-seven conversions. One young man volunteered for the ministry. Lavon has been put on the map for Methodism. We are praising God and pressing on.—W. E. Barber.

Coolidge.

We closed the Abe Mulkey meeting last Sunday night, the 31st ult. It was a great meeting. The good it has done will never be fully realized in this world. I do not know what the number of conversions was, but it is not a measure of the benefit and power of the meeting. There are about 25 names for Church membership by ritual. The Church has been greatly revived and is in good working order. The next day after the close of the Mulkey meeting the women got together and arranged a pounding for the pastor and his family that takes the cake in every way. The parsonage adjoins the church and they decided to pull off the pounding at the church and notified the pastor that he and his family were not to come until notified. About eight o'clock one of the sisters came to the parsonage with a white veil for the Mrs. Pastor and invited us over to the church. At the door we met the bridesmaids and the best men to escort us down the aisles to the chancel where the master of ceremonies rendered a program in honor of the thirty-eighth anniversary of our marriage. The questions were laughable but the responses were serious. Then the toasts to us and to our children were beautifully rendered and the bride and groom were conducted to a back corner of the church where several big boxes of the necessities of life were presented. There was over \$50 worth of groceries and drygoods. Then the groom was given an opportunity to respond, which he was glad to do, making such remarks as he thought appropriate to the occasion. The church was filled and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. You will get a good report from Coolidge at Conference.—C. W. Macune.

Lillian and Cahill Chapel.

We give special mention to Cahill Chapel for special reason. The Lillian meeting, with Rev. A. P. Lowrey leading, has been reported formerly. At Gill Schoolhouse and Mountain Peak, Brother J. C. Mann, a student from Polytechnic, was with us to lead in the singing. He is excellent help in every way. His solos have led people to accept Christ. At Gill there were very little visible results. It was a very busy time. At Mt. Peak the Church was greatly revived, which was sorely needed, but there were only two conversions. In other respects than conversions this meeting was very satisfactory. The pastor did all the preaching in each of these. At Prairie Grove we and the Baptists held a union meeting. The results were very pleasing, except the eight or ten professions were not enough. At Old Cahill the Lord very graciously and very powerfully visited his people again. In the two weeks time there were but very few services but there were conversions. On the second Sunday at children's service there were three grandparents saved along with the children. On the Monday following there were twenty professions at the morning service and eight that night. At the close of the meeting we had the names of one hundred and three who had accepted Christ. Of these about thirty-five were reclamations. There were eighteen men in or past middle life who were reclaimed or converted. Some who had gone a long time in sin surrendered their lives to Christ. A large number of young people were saved and a good number of boys and girls just entering the teens, and several smaller children came into the kingdom. It was a great meeting indeed. The "old-time power" was manifest. Three middle-aged men came to the altar and were converted at one morning service. And then at every service following that one could see these three in the congregation or at the altar helping others to the Savior. There was nothing ever sensational, but much divine power was manifest. We received fifty-seven into the Church and will have enough to make it about seventy. Twelve gave

their names for membership in the Baptist Church. Of course, in such a great meeting all God's people worked, regardless of denominational lines. How it was all done: The preacher had good help promised, but that failed to come. He tried to get other help and failed. Then preacher and people alike felt disappointed. But somehow we looked for victory. God's presence was felt from the first service. The people worked earnestly and prayerfully from the first. A Church never rallied to their pastor more heartily. With a faith fixed in God they worked and expected victory. Other work was laid aside. The new tabernacle helped to prepare the way, but the victory came because men and women fixed their faith in God and worked with might and prayed with power. Preaching was so easy with such support! It was great; for God was with us. To him who gave the power be all the glory. On the last Saturday evening, while the preacher and his wife were at home for a little very much needed rest, buggies and wagons began to drive up. "A wedding" was the first thought. But such a pounding! Many good things to feed the physical man on and about \$10 in cash was what they had. We sang and prayed and rejoiced together in our parsonage home. This is the second pounding for the charge since May 21. We have some good people. I thank God for the privilege of being a Methodist preacher.—Jno. W. Hawkins.

Barry.

Not having written anything this year for our organ, and for fear that some might make complaint, thought I would show up. We are serving our second year at Barry. After the season of mud for three months we went to work in real earnest. The first thing done was to finish our churches at Drane and Cryor Creek. When I made my report to conference last year our church was built, but still owed \$450, and not painted. So, we have paid the amount due and painted outside and inside, seated with good pews, purchased good new pipe-toned organ and lighted church with an excellent carbide light. We began our meeting at Drane the fifth Sunday in June; was rained out. Fine services, good attendance, no conversions, no members received. Brother Neal W. Turner, of Eleventh Avenue, Corsicana, preached four times for us. Then to Barry for seven days. Brother Hawk, of Blooming Grove, helped some. We had three professions of faith, and one of them proved to be excellent help in another meeting that I held. Then to Emhouse, beginning Monday, 11 a.m. Brother Gid Bryan came that night. Gid is a fine reasoner and when folks will accept the right he makes it plain. We were just reaching the point of reaping some of what we had sown when the Baptists began their meeting, and my word was out to close Sunday night, so we did so, when our better judgment said no. We received sixteen by letter and profession of faith. Notwithstanding the devil and his agents at Emhouse, we had a good meeting, and during the meeting we got up a petition to vote out the twin brother of the saloon—the pool hall—and so it was done by a majority of about 19 to 1. Then to Lanes Chapel where we ran one week. Good meeting among Church members; no farther results. Then to Cryor Creek, one of our new Churches, where we have bought an additional half acre, new organ and put in carbide lights. Here we held one week. Most of the preaching was done by Brother Burton, of Purdon Circuit. He is new, but good. We had a personal worker Brother Connell from Greenville, now of Emhouse. I must say that he is the best I ever had. We had a very great meeting, fifty conversions, twenty-seven joined our Church and others to join Baptists. I must say, that there is more real brotherhood here than any place on my charge. Can't tell the Methodists from the Baptists. This closed our meetings. Have had something to come from Satan's quarters that makes our heart sad, but in it all we have been made to rejoice. Will make our next report at conference.—R. O. Bailey.

Dumas.

We have just closed a great meeting at Dumas. It was great in many respects. First the Church was revived with old-fashioned heart-felt religion and manifested it with outward appearance and expression. (Backsliders were reclaimed and sinners converted.) A general conviction seized the people from the beginning. Rev. Zora B. Pirtle of Higgins, Texas, was with me and did the preaching. Brother Pirtle is fine help. He is at home in a revival. His preaching is practical and intensely spiritual. He reaches the folks. I can heartily recommend him to any pastor who may desire real, safe help in a meeting. Just preceding this meeting, we held our meeting at Spurlock in Sherman County. I was assisted here by

Rev. J. P. Patterson of Stratford. Brother Patterson is a great preacher. The people were delighted and edified by his preaching, and they did not hesitate to express themselves to the pastor. We had a good meeting. During this meeting my wife took sick with appendicitis in connection with an old trouble of some years' standing. The following week I took her to a hospital in Amarillo for an operation. They really performed three operations in one. She was in the hospital during my meeting at Dumas. She is at home now doing fine. We have had an opportunity at this time to know our people. The Dumas people are among the best in the world. It seems that they will overwhelm us with kindness. Our four little children, one of whom was an unweaned baby, were taken into their homes and given the tenderest of care. Since wife has returned, the good women have taken her in charge and have given her every attention they would a sister. But there is where the preacher is touched with thanksgiving and made to feel more humble, and wish he could be the preacher and pastor he desires to be. They got under the financial burden in this case and made us a present of the entire expense, in addition to our salary. They are also paying the salary. I have my Conference assessments all provided for. My people are also loyal to the Advocate. They are giving it a liberal support. Now bear with me while I turn this note into a "praise meeting" and close. I praise God, first of all, for calling me into the ministry; then, for sending me to serve such good people. It has been my lot ever since I have been in the Conference to serve a kind, big-hearted and appreciative people. I pray God to keep me humble, obedient and ready for service. I pray to be used of God and the Church in the most effective way. I love the souls of men and delight to bring them a message of love.—R. J. Osborn, P. C.

Winnboro Circuit.

We began our third protracted meeting for this charge at Muskogee the second Sunday in August. Rev. W. W. Gollighugh, of Marshall, came to us on Monday evening, preaching for us twice a day until he preached nine sermons. There were sixteen conversions and reclamations, ten joined our Church. The whole Church was revived. Five new subscribers to the Texas Christian Advocate. Nine infants were baptized. This was truly a meeting of great power. Will, we think, tell on the community for years to come. To God be all the glory. Brother Gollighugh is an evangelist on whom one may depend. Our next meeting was at Forest Home; began the fourth Sunday in August. Here we were assisted by Rev. J. M. Smith, of Harleton, Texas, who preached for us eight sermons, and they were telling ones. The Holy Ghost came upon us in great power. The results were thirteen conversions and reclamations. Three joined the Church. The whole Church was put on higher ground of Christian living and experience. Bro. Smith won the affection of all the people. In many respects this was surely a great meeting. Our next meeting was at Webster. Here we were assisted by Bro. J. M. Smith, Sunday and Monday. Brother Smith left us Tuesday morning, but Bro. S. W. Allen, of Winfield, came to us and preached twice a day until he had preached eight sermons. Results: Twenty-two conversions and twenty-one joining our Church. The people say that this is the best meeting they have had for several years. We expect to start the building of a church here soon. This is a fine community, yet they have never had a church house. Brother Allen and Brother Smith endeared themselves to the people here very much. Seven new subscribers to the Advocate. This meeting was indeed a great success.—J. H. Westmoreland, P. C.

Hallville Circuit.

As we have closed the last of our round of protracted meetings, we will now give a brief report of them. We began on Thursday night before the fifth Sunday in June and ran until the fifth Sunday night in August. Bro. W. W. Gollighugh did most of the preaching for us in the Hallville meeting. He worked earnestly, but the meeting was not a very great success. We baptized three adults and two infants in this meeting. One of the happy events of the Hallville meeting was the preaching of a birthday sermon by the aged veteran of the cross, D. P. Collin. He was eighty years old, but the Lord enabled him to preach a sermon that stirred the hearts of the people. May the hand of affliction rest lightly on Brother Cullen's sacred head during his last days. From Hallville meeting we went to Maple Springs, where we had a glorious meeting. Here we baptized eight adults. Brother L. B. Saxon did nearly all of the preach-



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ing in this meeting and did it real well. The writer then went to Linn Flat and helped Brother Lowe, of Cushing Circuit, in a good meeting. On our return we held meetings at Riley's Chapel, Summerfield, Winterfield and Lagrone's Chapel, in all of which the writer did practically all of the preaching. Our good local preacher, Bro. W. G. Gordon, did us some good service in three of these meetings. They were all good, with many conversions and reclamations and about forty accessions to the Church. We think we will report about seventy-five accessions to the Church during the year, with substantial progress on other lines.—M. I. Brown, P. C.

Honey Grove.

With my family I reached this place August 15 and found a hearty welcome awaiting us. The parsonage was in order, a liberal pounding in the kitchen, etc. Bro. C. H. Buchanan, my predecessor, takes charge of Vinfa Station, Oklahoma, that place having been made vacant by the call of the pastor into work with Epworth University, Oklahoma City. I have been kept very busy this summer. After leaving Emory and Henry College, I began work as evangelist for the Amarillo District. I held only two meetings, however, before I was called to this charge. The people at Honey Grove love the Church and all its interests. This is indicated by the fact that all the officials take the Advocate, that over \$6000 was subscribed at this place for Southern Methodist University, and that the people ever stand ready to co-operate with the pastor in all the Church work.—Ira C. Kiker, P. C.

Ganado and Louise.

I am closing my second year on this pastoral charge, and my fifth in the West Texas Conference. We have two good Sunday Schools, in which a few of the classes are using the graded literature. Each school is supplied with a set of good maps, and also a set of eight books. These are more especially for the officers and teachers, but every member of the school who can ought to read them. Our Sunday School work has been hindered more than we can possibly tell by having to change teachers, and to substitute so frequently for absent ones. The congregations at preaching services have not only kept up, but at Ganado they have increased largely. We have lost several of our most faithful and efficient members by death and by letter. We have received forty-three into the

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Church. Several new families have moved into this part of the country in the last year—mostly Bohemians of the Roman Catholic or Lutheran faith. I seldom, if ever, lose an opportunity to speak a good word for the Texas Christian Advocate. I often take a copy into the pulpit, show it to the people and ask them to subscribe for it, and nearly every Methodist family on the charge has been asked to take it; and, as a consequence, we have increased the number of subscribers about one hundred per cent or more. We have a reasonably good parsonage which the ladies furnished with a good cook stove and some other things, and did some repairing—all amounting to near \$100. We also built a good barn at a cost of over \$100. We need two new churches, but our people are not able to build such houses as we need without help from abroad, unless their financial condition changes greatly.—R. G. Flummer, Pastor.

Myra.

Miss Grace Gatewood, who gave herself to the call of God during our meeting here to go anywhere the Church should direct, leaves today for Kansas City, Mo., to enter the Scarritt Bible Training School. Miss Grace is one of the best young ladies in our Church. The Church here showed their appreciation of this noble young lady by giving her a "shower" of many nice things, buying her a ticket to the school, etc. We had a nice program prepared for a "Good-Bye" service Sunday night, but the rain knocked us clear out. The prayers and best wishes of the Myra Church and all Christians of her wide acquaintance go with her. We are tied on to the mission work now more than ever before. Our meeting at Hood resulted in several conversions and reclamations and three additions to the Church. Dr. J. G. Pierce of Denton St., Gainesville, did us some excellent preaching, and greatly endeared himself to our people.—J. T. "Budworth.

Gonzales.

A few words from this delightful charge and San Marcos District may be of some interest. It is understood that Gonzales is the best town in South Texas, and one of the best in the West Texas Conference. The same thing may be truthfully said of our Church. This is our twenty-first year, without a break in the itinerant ranks, and we are happy to say that this year has been the happiest year and, in many respects, the best. No man ever served a finer class of folk than these. We have a Board of Stewards here who do things. The pastor has nothing to do with the finances. They bring everything up in full each quarter. The stewards do all the collecting. They are not afraid of hard work. Best of all, they are always willing to do whatever is laid upon them, and they do it faithfully and religiously. Our congregation are always large. I doubt whether there are more than four charges, if that many, in our Conference where the congregations are as large as we have here. Gonzales people attend Church, as a rule, and they excel other towns in this respect. During the year God has graciously blessed us with a successful revival in the Church, and with additions, by certificate and on profession of faith, at the regular services, from time to time through the year. To date, we have had forty-one accessions. All our official members are subscribers to the Texas Christian Advocate. Rev. Thomas Gregory, our presiding elder (than whom there is none greater, and, by the way, the most beloved pastor in the District), made his last call on us yesterday for this Conference year, and held our Fourth Quarterly Conference last night. The Church made the best financial report, so I was told, in its history. Salaries of preacher and presiding elder and all the Conference assessments were reported paid in full and some surplus which will be used for other purposes. The presiding elder said, "Gon-

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zales is the first charge, thus far, to report all claims paid in full." You see, we are ready for the Annual Conference, six weeks ahead of time. However, we will find plenty to do. We hope to have many conversions and additions to the Church yet before Conference convenes in San Antonio. The other preachers in the District are also coming up with full reports, and old San Marcos District will take her place on the front row when the roll is called at Laurel Heights. There has been a forward movement along every line throughout the entire District. The pastors have wrought well. Every man has made full proof of his ministry, and the reports will show unusual and unprecedented progress in every charge. Our District, by the way, distinguished itself in the magnificent response it gave toward the endowment fund for Southern Methodist University, it being second on the list. San Antonio came first and San Marcos next, in the West Texas Conference, as having given the two largest amounts.—A. B. Davidson.

Fate.

We have closed our revival campaign on the Fate Circuit. Again the Lord has been gracious unto us. At Fate we held a union meeting and the results of it were twenty-five conversions and twenty-two additions to the Churches. At the other meetings we had seventy conversions and reclamations, and in all we have received fifty-nine into the Church this year, and have baptized ten babies. We were assisted in two of our meetings by Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey, the son of our Brother W. A. Stuckey, of Kaufman, and he is splendid help. He is a strong young preacher, and under his preaching men are convicted of their sins and are led to seek a better life. Our work has been very pleasant in all its departments. In a material way we have done considerable repair work on the parsonage, bought pews for one church in place of some old chairs that were in it, and gave more than \$1200 to S. M. U. Last spring we paid thirty-three per cent of the benevolent claims of our Church and we are expecting to be able to report everything out in full when we assemble at Clarksville. Dr. Andrews, our presiding elder, is in high favor with our people. We are all anxiously waiting for the time for him to come among us again. We are closing out our fourth year on this charge. During the four years we have had 375 conversions and reclamations and have received 298 into the Church. We have paid all benevolent claims of the Church every year and have taken eight-two new subscriptions for the Texas Christian Advocate. Our work with this people has been both pleasant and profitable, to ourself at least. They have ever been kind and courteous to us and have shown us many favors that we have not deserved. They have not only remembered us with the annual annual pouncing, but their tokens of love have been forthcoming the "whole year round." For all our failures we blame ourself, but for all our successes to Christ be all the praise.—J. H. Scrimshire.

Center Point.

We have just closed one of the very best revivals at Center Point that I have seen for years. In fact a superannate who attended the meeting said it was the best he had attended for twenty years. As I wrote you before its beginning, we planned it for an old-fashioned campmeeting, but there seemed to be things in the way, so we decided to have it in the church, but to have it as near on the campmeeting plan as possible. In the first place we had a real campmeeting preacher. While we had not had the pleasure of association with Brother Clark in recent years and while he has had his experience broadened and his wisdom sharpened by contact with the worst conditions of a great downtown city charge, yet we found him full of optimism and hope for humanity as of other days. It has never been my pleasure to hear stronger appeals to the better side of humanity, more scathing denunciations of sin in every phase, and yet with all the most touching, loving, sympathetic spirit I have seen manifested for a time. Indeed it was the old-time preaching with the old-time power. Now, if Brother Clark were an evangelist I should not write thus, lest someone should think I was advertising for him. No, he is simply the friend of other days, who saw fit as pastor of First Church, Jackson, Tenn., to leave one of the busiest parsonages in the Church to come to our help in the time of great need, and his coming was a benediction to us all. We held the services at 7 a. m., 10 a. m., 8 p. m., and most of the time at 4 p. m., and let me say to those who have not been observing the morning prayer service in your revival meeting that it will give tone and spirit to the

meeting that you will get in no other way. Brother Clark stressed the duty of public testimony and experience and it was truly remarkable the number who took part in the feature of the service. There must have been at least two hundred and fifty during the meeting who publicly spoke of their love for and faith in Christ, and pledged themselves to more faithful service. We received ten on profession of faith, twenty-five backsliders reclaimed and pledged to a new life, and only eternity can tell the result to the Church.—R. E. Duke.

Byers.

On last Friday night we closed our revival meeting at Byers. Rev. F. A. Crutchfield, of Bellevue, assisted us. It was a successful revival and much good was accomplished. There were sixteen conversions and reclamations and eleven accessions to our Church. Brother Crutchfield is splendid help in a revival. He has served as pastor of this charge in former years. He is deservedly popular among these people, and they were glad to have him in their midst again.—Chas. P. Martin, September 15.

Quitman Circuit.

Well, our third Quarterly Conference is in the past, with good reports. Our beloved Elder, Brother J. B. Turrentine preached three soul stirring sermons. I speak the sentiment of the entire circuit when I say, send him back another year. Well, our revival seasons are over. With the help of four good preachers, we held forth at all six appointments, which resulted in about forty conversions and above forty members added to the Church, with more to follow and the spiritual tide high. We aim to drive up at Naogdoches with full report in November. We have added ten new subscribers to the Advocate list this year. With best wishes to the old Advocate.—W. M. Bass.

Bogata.

We are doing our best down this way to bring up a good report at Conference. We have lots of hard work here and have not succeeded as well as we had hoped, but I hope we have done some good. Our meetings were not such as we would have liked, though we had very good ones at Rosalie and Bogata. The meeting at Fulbright did not accomplish much. We have not been able to get on the one hundred list yet. I have not been able to get one subscriber to the Advocate this year though I have tried hard to do so. Our work has subscribed over \$500 to the University at Dallas, and I am going to do my best to report in full at Clarksville in December. I guess every preacher in the Conference will move this fall. The most of them did last fall, and what a time we little fellows will have getting moved in the cold and mud. It sure will be fun and a high time, but maybe we will get in by Christmas. I see that I got my name in the Advocate not long ago. It sure did look good to me.—J. W. Beckham.

Blum.

We serve an excellent people this year. They have shown their appreciation of our work in a very substantial way with poundings and various gifts coming in quite frequently. As we have visited among them, they have received us in every home with kindness and hospitality that could not be surpassed. It has made us feel like we would like to dwell here forever. The results of the year's work, so far, though not at all discouraging, are not what we had hoped for. Some fifty have been added to the Church since conference by letter and profession of faith. Our meetings were effective. Bro. L. L. Felder, of Cleburne, and Bro. K. S. Vansant, of Bardwell, rendered very efficient service in them. Their preaching was decidedly good. The prospects for closing out a successful year financially are fine. The conference claims are already in sight and we confidently believe that the stewards will bring up the salary in full. Our people deserve commendation for the way they are standing by us in this respect, considering the unfavorable crop conditions. Our presiding elder has helped a great deal in making the outlook so promising. Brother Moss is highly esteemed in these parts. He is precise and thorough as a presiding officer and his sermons have accomplished a great deal of good on the charge.—H. C. Gordon, P. C.

Naples and Omaha.

We have just closed one of the most successful revivals it has ever been my privilege to witness. We had seventy-seven conversions and in that number were some of the hardened sinners of the town. The owner of the pool room was reclaimed to the Church and the pool hall was converted into a prayer hall and is now being used for a feed store, so we got shed of our pool hall without having

to vote it out. Four bootleggers have been put in the lockup since the meeting, so you can see the meeting did good in more ways than one. Forty-six have been added to the Methodist Church up to date, with others to follow. Twenty-seven agreed to plant family altars. It was a great spiritual upheaval. Evangelist H. B. Delaye of Tyler proved himself a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth. Some of the strong business men came to the altar and got religion, came into the Church and are going to make useful Christians. Pfaffenberger rendered very valuable service with his sweet songs and personal work. He is a Christian gentleman. Our meeting at Omaha proved a blessing though we held it under some disadvantages. Four were added to the Church. The preaching was done by the pastor, except a few able sermons preached by G. L. Taylor of Mt. Pleasant. Jesse Lee was to do the preaching but sickness in his home prevented. The Church at Naples has been repainted, repaired, recarpeted, and the Elder says re-preached. We have a fine people to serve. It looks now as if we might be able to say a good year, Bishop. So mote it be.—B. C. Anderson.

Frankston.

We have closed our revival meeting for this year, however, I shall conduct two other meetings in the country near here before Conference. I am also hoping to have Brother C. A. Tower with me at Poyner late in October and preach at this place on the dogma of our Church, and also on revival lines. At Poyner, Methodism has been greatly neglected, and but few people here ever heard the good old Methodist dogma preached, and it is my desire to have it preached by a man who can deliver the goods. The Campbellites and Baptists have had the field at Poyner for some time, and they think the world belongs to them. When our revival meeting was announced in the early part of the year with the Baptist pastor present, he very soon announced his revival meeting to begin one week later, and thereby caused a conflict in the meeting; however we had a grand meeting, the best we ever had in Poyner, so I am informed by the members of our Church. The meeting was conducted by Brother Homer K. Morehead, who did the preaching, and he did it well. Homer is one of the strongest young preachers I ever heard. His sermons are strong and convincing. Under his preaching sinners were converted. The Church was greatly revived. Everybody fell in love with Brother Morehead and his manner of preaching. As a result of this meeting, we received eight into our Church, all of whom are among the best people in the community. We had with us in our revival meeting at Frankston Brother Geo. W. Davis of Texarkana and he did great preaching. Our church here was greatly strengthened from every view point. We received some of the best people in town into our Church. At Frankston, both Methodist and Baptist are co-laborers in the work of the Lord, and both denominations work in harmony. I never labored in a more pleasant field. God bless the good people here. I love them all. When the roll is called at Conference, we expect to report all Conference assessments paid in full and at present we have received fifty on profession of faith, with more to follow. In conclusion, I wish to say that we have one of the most efficient Presiding Elders I ever saw. We all dearly love Brother Smith and wish that he had four more years to be on this good district. When he comes I almost feel that my father has come, and we are always glad to see him. He is a great blessing to the Church, and may he live long and continue to bless the Church and encourage young preachers. We have more than doubled the subscription to the Advocate. Brethren, pray for us. With love to all.—Sam W. Stokely.

Huckabay.

As I have completed my round of protracted meetings on the Huckabay Circuit, I want to report the results of the same. I began first at Pigeon, July 11th and continued to the 20th. Here we had a good meeting. The Church was greatly revived and six conversions. Here I was assisted by Rev. E. G. Thomas of De Leon, Texas, and G. W. Glenn of Bunyan, Texas. They both did very fine preaching. They are good helpers. I feel under many obligations to them for their help. My next meeting was at Oakdale. We began July 26th and closed August 3rd. Here I had the help of Brother E. L. Lloyd of Stephenville Station. He did very fine preaching. He is fine. Here we had a good revival and several conversions and four additions to the Church and want to say that my people and myself will ever feel grateful to Brother Lloyd for his faithful work. Next we began

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at Corinth on August 2nd. This meeting was held by my older brother, U. J. Morton of DeLeon Circuit and J. W. Glenn. On account of a very sick boy, I was not permitted to be in this meeting but one time. These brethren did very fine preaching and we had a good meeting, but only one conversion, but we had a meeting at this place in April and had twenty-five conversions and twenty additions to the Church and I want to say many thanks to those Brethren for their good help in this meeting. Then we next began at Huckabay, August 15th, and closed on the 26th. Here I had at first E. W. Morton, my oldest son from Stockdale, Texas, West Texas Conference. He did the preaching for three days, then he had to go. Then Brother E. G. Kilgore from Florida, whom I had engaged to help in this meeting came, and continued to the close. Here we had a great meeting. We had at least forty conversions and reclamations and thirty-four additions to the church and we had a great revival among all Christians. We had the old time power with us and old time shouting the praise of God. Many sang. It is as good as, if not the best, meeting Huckabay has ever had. To the good Lord be all the glory. I want to say that we all feel very grateful to the brethren that did the preaching. It was fine all the way through. Brother Kilgore is as good help as I ever had. May the good Lord bless him in his work. Next we began our last meeting at Hannibal the 30th of August. Here we had a good revival in the Church and one conversion. Here I was assisted by Brother James Haver of Gordon, Texas, and Brother Johnson of the Presbyterian Church at Exray, Texas. They both did some very fine preaching, which we are very grateful for. This closed my meetings for this year. We have seventy-five conversions so far and seventy have joined the Church this year. I have had many things to hinder me this year in my work. My son, who has been sick for two years, was at Marlin sanitarium the first part of the year and I went there and stayed with him a while, then took him to Dallas, then brought him to my house the first of June and he lingered until the 12th of August and died in great peace and went home to heaven and it has been a very hard year with me, but the good Lord has been with us and His grace has been sufficient for us, and I want to thank all my good friends and brethren for their prayers and help in this, our time of need.—J. E. Morton, P. C.

Weatherford.

For more than five years I have been in the evangelistic work. I have held ninety-three meetings ranging from the remotest little country place to some of our best appointments. They belong to the common and uncommon varieties, some noisy and some distressingly quiet, with every type of conversion that one can expect to see, from the happy, exultant kind to the calm and gentle surrender of some even of a doubtful kind, but I suppose this is the common lot of every Methodist preacher. I have enjoyed the work and the fellowship of the brethren, though the work is hard and keeps one so much away from his family. When I was in the pastorate I heard much about the evangelist getting too much money, but that doesn't apply to this scribe. In a few instances my conscience hurt just a little for fear I was getting too much, but in most cases my conscience smote me surely because I got so little. During these twenty-four years of my ministry I have had such little acquaintance with money it has gotten to be a fixed habit with me and habits are hard things to cure. I have just closed a meeting for Brother Raba at Santo. Conditions were very unfavorable both in the Church and out. I dreaded the fight and so did the pastor. Through faith and prayer and

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NEWS FROM THE FRONT.

Revival at Soochow.

Among our activities during the past quarter was a large mat-shed meeting which was carried on in the central part of the city for fifteen days. It began very auspiciously on the 27th of April (the Day of Prayer for China) when all Christians of the city—native and foreign—met in the shed and prayed most earnestly for this storm-tossed country. The attendance varied with the weather, which was more or less rainy; sometimes the shed, holding some 1500 or more, was full and again there were only a few hundred. In the course of these meetings there must have been fifteen or twenty thousand who heard the gospel message. Preaching the gospel in China is very different from what it is in the United States where there is background that makes the whole subject more or less familiar. Much of the hearing here is the hearing of the ear, and does not mean that the people understand after they have heard. These meetings resulted in four hundred probationers. This means that this number were convinced of the truth of Christianity and were willing to give their names as those who wish to learn more of the doctrine.—Joseph Whiteside, Soochow, China.

Making Opportunities Count.

I still go to Toyotsu on an average of twice a month. I teach English Bible to the teachers in the Government buildings, which is, as far as I know, the only case of the kind in the country. But, the teachers made the plans and invited me to take charge of the class; and, I am assured there is no objection to the class being taught in the buildings. While waiting for the teachers to complete their duties, I meet about three hundred of the young men in two sections for drill in conversation. This provides for my traveling expenses, affords a pleasant contact with the young men, and does not cause any loss of time from other duties inasmuch as the train schedule causes me to reach the school a little too soon for the teacher's class.—J. W. Frank, Nakatsu, Japan.

Self-Support in Korea.

The advance along the line of self-support has been rapid during the quarter. The local Church at Wonsan has become an entirely self-supporting Church. This result has been reached after a campaign urging upon the people the necessity of giving the tenth to the Lord. No less than thirty-seven of our members have pledged themselves to tithe and the amount of this contribution alone is nearly enough to support the Church.—M. B. Stokes, Wonsan, Korea.

The Priests on the Run.

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Missionaries Still Needed in Japan.

Our work is in the very center of Buddhism. The majority of the people look on us with suspicion, if not with positive hatred. In the villages in reach of Kyoto there are more than two hundred thousand people who have no one to give them the gospel. My heart is going out toward these people, but what am I and my small force "among so many?" We pray and trust that the Lord will multiply the loaves as we hand them out to the people.—W. A. Davis, Kyoto, Japan.

First Impressions of China.

We are in the very midst of heathenism. It rolls like an ocean all around us. We cannot step out to our front gate without seeing a half-score of people who know absolutely nothing of our God and His Christ. If we walk a few blocks we see hundreds. There are seventy-five thousand people in Sungkiang and only two hundred and fifty Christians. There are more than a hundred heathen temples, and only three Christian Churches. For seventy-five thousand people there are only five ordained preachers. Oh, that the Church at home could but see the fields as we see them! "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."—Rev. L. D. Patterson, Sungkiang, China.

Unevangelized Japan.

In Japan there yet remain 25,000,000 wholly unevangelized farmers, 1,000,000 fishermen, 8,000,000 practically untouched business men, 743,000 factory employes, 800,000 Army and Navy men in active service, and a large body of

students, who are still without God, and most of them know too little to be called in any sense evangelized.—Maud Bonnell, Kobe, Japan.

Encouraging Note From Huchow.

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Report From Wonsan Hospital.

During the quarter the number of treatments entered on the books was 2143; of this number thirty-eight were Japanese, twenty-seven Chinese and twenty-seven foreigners. The total number of visits made to the homes of patients by myself and helpers and included in total of treatment, was eighty-four.

The in-patients numbered fifteen, not counting one foreigner. The foreigner was first officer on board a large British merchant ship that brought a consignment of rails for the new Seoul-Wonsan Railroad. An attempt to save a large part of a "liter" load of rails from going to the bottom of the bay almost cost him his life. He was badly crushed about the chest and suffered a dislocation of his collar bone; he was also bruised about the head. He suffered terribly for a while but soon recovered and returned to his ship after a stay in the hospital of about five days. He was our first foreign patient for the Wonsan Hospital.—Dr. J. B. Ross, Wonsan, Korea.

New Dispensary at Nanjing.

On March 5th, just twelve months after opening our hospital here, we opened a dispensary at Nanjing, a rich silk center about twenty-four miles from here. I was led to do this because of requests from the Chinese through our native pastor, Mr. Loh, and too, from the fact that we had a thriving Church there. The city ripe for every kind of Christian work, and I felt sure that the expense of opening up the dispensary would, in a short while, be met by the Chinese. I spent in rents, repairs, etc., about \$180 and opened up in a clean, well-painted house, fitted up to suit our needs; and this especially as the dispensary adjoins our chapel and the patients can be talked to and preached to as they wait. We had thirty the first day; a month later, seventy, and last week—three months after opening—one hundred and two, with receipts amounting to \$46. All costs have been covered, and the funds received from the wealthy there help to take care of the poor here. We go to Nanjing once a week leaving at ten o'clock Tuesday night, getting back at 2 a. m. Thursday; twenty hours of this time spent rowing forty-eight miles. With a good motor boat we could do it in three hours.

DR. F. P. MANGET.

Huchow, China.

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"Your letter of recent date regarding the depressed financial conditions came duly to hand. In accordance with your instructions, we are trying to scale down the appropriations

to the required amount. But, O, how it does hurt my very heart to have to dismiss workers when they are so badly needed in this gracious work!"—Rev. J. L. Hendry, Huchow, China.

"I am greatly disappointed that we cannot hope for any enlargement in 1914. I have some open doors that I feel we ought to enter. I don't see how we can stay out and be free from reproach. We have a great opportunity, and we cannot shirk."—Rev. W. A. Davis, Kyoto, Japan.

"There are hundreds of villages all over this district, many of which have never seen a missionary, and some have never seen a Christian in their streets. It behooves us not only to send native helpers and preachers to these heathen villages, but to go with them, thereby showing our personal interest."—Rev. J. R. Moose, Songdo, Korea.

THE SUCCESS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

By Robert B. Eleazer.

Foreign missions is not only the greatest enterprise in the world today, but it is also one of the most successful. The Gospel is making rapid progress throughout the world and at a rapidly increasing rate. Up to the year 1910 there were 2,223,000 converts out of heathenism, which is no bad testimonial in itself to the success of missions. But the really startling thing about this gain is in its rate. The first half of the Nineteenth Century the average gain was 2800 per year. During the next thirty years the average annual gain was 21,500; during the next twenty years it was 25,600 per year; and during the last ten years 85,200 per year. If this rapidly increasing rate can be maintained (and there seems to be no reason why it should not), it fore-shadows a most wonderful ingathering in the year just ahead and brings within range of possibility the evangelization of the world within the lifetime of some of us.

It is unquestionably true that never were the opportunities so great for propagating the Christian faith, nor the response of the world so cordial. A few years ago we prayed that God would open the doors of heathen lands that the missionaries might go in. Nowadays nobody dares offer that prayer any more, for the reason that we are today passing by a hundred times as many open doors as we are entering. And yet, in spite of the inadequacy of our missionary force and equipment, results are being attained, much greater than can be shown in any numerical exhibit. The whole nation of China, for example, has been transformed politically by the spirit of missions and is rapidly being regenerated socially and morally. Opium smoking, but yesterday the vice of a hundred million Chinamen, has within ten years been almost eliminated. Woman has been set free from the social slavery of four thousand years. The educational system has undergone a complete revolution. In all these respects the ground is being made ready for a great harvest of individual Christian life.

On the whole, there is every reason why the Christian world should regard its missionary enterprise as a splendid success, and the outlook as encouraging in the highest degree. The one dark shadow in a picture otherwise bright with marvelous possibilities is the pitiful response of the Churches of Christendom to the cry of the world's need. So long, for example, as the average per capita gifts of our Southern Methodists to Foreign Missions is less than a penny a week, we cannot escape the charge of unfaithfulness to our Lord and indifference to our perishing fellowmen. When our people know the facts they will no longer be content to have their loyalty and love measured by any such standard.

ENDORSEMENT OF PLAN.

In the Advocate of last week (August 21), there appeared an article as Number Two, from the Conference Committee on Evangelism. To me this report has the correct ring in the whole, at least. For years, it has been my firm conviction that some definite plan should be adopted in every district and Conference along the line of evangelism. Many have been selected or suggested, but this report of this committee comes nearer meeting the requirements than any yet suggested to my knowledge. Beyond any doubt this is the crying need of the day. The lack of genuine spirituality throughout the Church, as a whole, affects the general interests of the Church. A membership be it of a local congregation or the Church in general, which is wide awake in spirituality, is a loyal membership, and meets every true need of the Church, be it an adequate support for the ministry, or the Mission cause,

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or education, or anything else brought before them. When this problem is properly solved, every other problem of the Church is solved; the solution only then needs to be demonstrated.

It is my firm conviction this evangelistic cause has been greatly imposed upon; and for this reason many do not give the past plans their support. All will admit the need, but the plan is the question. Too often these places are sought by the man, and in many cases these parties are not a success in the pastorate, or in other places appointed by the authorities, hence they seek an easier place in which to labor. The duties of the pastorate are irksome, the requirements too great, they consider, and so we find them having a special call to the evangelistic field. Now, such is the case, some time. It is possible that some are thus called, and, if so, we find successful results for the Church; when otherwise, we too often find a bank account trying to be enlarged, and such parties refuse to go to places, regardless of the needs there, because they cannot be paid what they desire. Such has been my experience and observation, as the same has been with many others. "Ten the very place which can pay very little is the most needed. Let this need be met there and that very place will become a stronghold unto the Church, and then not only take care of itself, but often help in the care of other places. All that such places need, often, is proper care.

Evangelists are a necessity; they are God-called and not self-made. What the Committee on Evangelism should do is to select the man and not the man select himself. If this is done, it will fill a long felt want and requirement, and the Church will reap great results from such labors. It is not so much the question of finance, for that will take care of itself. What every district, city and Conference needs is a wide awake evangelist—one who loves God, men and the Church. Such a man will put money in the evangelistic treasury rather than take it out. He will be an asset rather than an expense. He should be a man with business ability as well as pulpit strength—for both are needed—otherwise his expense will be too great.

I hail the day with gladness which brings to us this great forward move-

men in evangelism, and hope that another Conference year will give every district, city and Conference a wide awake evangelist, chosen by the Church, throughout Texas Methodism (if not the whole Connection.) A strong man should be chosen, and not send out any other kind, and a sufficient support allowed him for such labors.

I heartily endorse the plan set forth by the Committee on Evangelism. Let it be adopted and great will be the results unto the Church, which means unto the Lord. May the good Lord help the Church to carry out this, or better, plans. C. E. CLARK, Columbia, Texas.

"THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH."

I want to say amen to Brother Porter's article on the above subject at our Sunday School Conference held at Eleventh Avenue Church. I asked the question, "Should the words, 'Holy Catholic Church,' be stricken from the Apostles' Creed?" The answer came, "No. Teach them the meaning of it." In the rural districts we have a great many people who are not willing to be taught; they are our enemies. You may correct them, but they will not stay corrected. By all means let the General Conference restore the old form. G. W. KINCHELOE.

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A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

This department is not given to blowing the Baptist horn—our brethren of this ecclesiastical navy seldom fail to attend to that matter themselves—but it is well for us to learn from them, as from all other Churches, whenever we can. Recently the First Baptist Church of Fort Worth, Dr. Frank Norris pastor, employed Mr. Entzinger, one of the best Sunday School men in the country, to superintend its Sunday School at a salary of \$2100 a year. That means that the Sunday School of that Church will receive the same kind of attention that is being given to other departments of Church work and to the public school. Various leading Churches over the country already have paid superintendents, and the number of such Churches is increasing. And why not? If childhood and youth are the period of most ready response to religious teaching, and if Christianity is the greatest thing in the world, is it not the part of wisdom for the Church to invest its money in the only institution whose distinctive function is religious education. We hope to live to see the day when many of our own Churches in Texas will be following the example of the First Baptist Church of Fort Worth.

IS PROGRESS WORTH WHILE?

According to the Youth's Companion a scientific study of the soil and the seed and climate in Germany increased the average yield of wheat per acre from nineteen bushels in 1890 to twenty-nine bushels in 1910. Notwithstanding that showing, there are doubtless a few German farmers who cling to the methods of their fathers and insist that scientific farmers are impractical theorists and that their work only humbugs credulous people. We know two farmers living side by side. One takes the best farm journals, attend farmers' institutes and talks with other successful farmers, and makes two bolls of cotton grow where his farm used to yield one. The other takes no farm papers, hoots at the idea of farming on paper, refuses to consider the advice of his neighbor cultivates the soil the same way every year regardless of the season or other conditions and gathers on an average about half as much cotton per acre as his progressive neighbor. The same difference of attitude toward progress is to be found among Sunday School workers. Recently a Church official explained with approval why his Church did a certain thing in a certain way by saying they had been doing it that way for the last forty years. The logic of such reasoning is that farmers ought to till the soil with "scooter" plows, cut their grain with cradles or reaping hooks, and haul their families to church in ox wagons. For a quarter of a century the most successful Sunday School workers in the world have been meeting from time to time to compare notes, discuss methods and purposes, and learn wisdom from each one's personal experience. What they have thus learned they have published in books, and are constantly publishing in periodicals for the benefit of other workers. It is a trifle presumptuous for any one Sunday School worker to assume that his wisdom exceeds that of the Sunday School world, and that he has nothing to learn from the thousands of others who are doing the same kind of work. Nothing succeeds like success, and the wise man in any line of work is willing to follow in the steps of another who has successfully blazed a trail through a difficult region. The wise Sunday School worker who is loyal to Christ will learn all he can from others.

BY WAY OF REMINDER.

The editor is working with his coat on and a gentle rain is falling; two signs that the long, dry, baking, enervating summer is at an end; that people are back home with their children in school; that gins are buzzing, cotton moving, milliners busy and everybody and everything going at increased speed. This is the golden season of the year for building up the Sunday School. It may be a little easier to get hold of people in the spring, but the full tide that flows into the Sunday School and Church at the vernal equinox ebbs about the time of the summer solstice only three months later, for our people are leaving home (or going home) for the summer in increasing numbers every year. Where teachers in public schools are used in Sunday School frequent, and sometimes fatal, breaks occur in the work about the first of June. But in Sep-

tember people are just settling down for the winter and spring and there need be no serious disarrangement of the working force or disturbance of plans for a period of nine months. Classes organized and pupils enrolled now can be held for months with comparative ease. Many people are moving to town. Some of these are from communities where there was no Sunday School, or only an intermittent Sunday School; others are from small communities where they knew all their neighbors and were perhaps community leaders. Their new and larger surroundings render them diffident. If such people enter the Sunday School it will be through the active interest of their neighbors. They have come to town to educate their children, and the bashful youngsters in their homes can be made into useful Church leaders for the next generation. All this is stimulating. This is the best time to organize the Adult Classes, to increase attendance, and to systematize all the work. What are you doing about it?

WHAT THE PRESIDENT SAYS.

At the recent World's Sunday School Convention, at Zurich, Switzerland, a letter from President Wilson was read containing this weighty testimony: "No study is more important to a child than the study of the Bible and the truths it teaches, and there is no more effective agency for such study than the Sunday School. It certainly is one of the greatest factors in our lives in the building up of character and the development of moral fiber, for its influence begins almost as soon as the child is able to talk and continues throughout life. The Sunday School lesson of today is the code of morals of tomorrow. Too much attention cannot be paid to the work which the Sunday School is doing."

AN APPRECIATION.

The death of Mrs. S. H. C. Burgin, August 22, 1913, in San Antonio, Tex., has brought sorrow to a wide circle of devoted friends, from Missouri to Southern Texas. Few of our pastors' wives have been so extensively known or so deeply loved by so many as she. With pastorates in the Southwest Missouri Conference, in the Missouri Conference, in the Montana and in the West Texas Conferences, she and her husband, going hand in hand together in their great work with God, have touched hundreds of lives and have left upon them impressions for good which time will never efface.

On the 18th day of October, 1899 there was a wedding in Kansas City of unusual interest to many friends of both parties. It was the marriage of Miss Lora Miller to Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, a young minister at that time in charge of a mission church in the city. His reputation was yet to be made. There were no glittering prospects before them. The only thing that seemed apparent was the life of self-sacrifice. The only thing that seemed apparent was the life of self-sacrifice and hardship belonging to the life of the ordinary minister.

Many wondered that so gifted a woman as Miss Lora should give up a splendid position in the Kansas City Schools to marry a young minister who had neither money nor reputation. But real love knows ever its own reasons, and a true woman follows heroically the inevitable leading of their logic. Her soul was allied with his in the great work to which God had called him. And from the beginning of their married life she contributed her full share of earnest effort, of faith and prayer, which helped so largely to make his ministry such a phenomenal success.

Mrs. Burgin was one of earth's rare characters. Who that ever knew her could forget her charming personality? Beautiful in form and feature, with an expression of face as honest and sincere as it was winsome and attractive; with a voice soft, persuasive, and musical in its tones; with kindness, gentleness and sympathy unbounded for those in distress, and with love unfeigned for all, she was certainly a woman one could never forget.

She was educated in the best schools of the day. She possessed a brilliant intellect, a mind quick and active and well-stored with useful information. She had read much of the world's best literature and knew how to preserve and to use the things that were of practical value to her.

stay a positive delight. She was her husband's confidential counselor in the innermost secrets of his heart. To her children she was the very light of life.

She was a devout and consistent Christian. Her faith was simple and childlike in its acceptance of God's truth but virile, strong, unconquerable in the great struggle with disease and death. When she came to Kansas City to undergo a surgical operation that meant possible death, the surgeon marveled that a mother could say good-bye to her husband and children and so calmly enter the operating room and trust her life to him and to God. It was her deep abiding faith in God that all would be well. And when she knew that the end was near, she made the same careful, thoughtful preparation for it that she would have done to go on a long journey, talking over every detail with her husband, her only anxiety being for him and the children. And when the end came, it was a holy triumph over the powers of death and the grave. The funeral service was held in Central Church in Kansas City where she had so long been a loved member of the Church, and was conducted by the pastor, Dr. Dobbs, and the writer of this memoir, assisted by Rev. W. C. Hill, pastor of the Institutional Church.

The interment was in beautiful Mount Washington Cemetery. The sun was sinking in the cloudless sky in the West. The stillness of the Sabbath day pervaded all nature about a sobbing multitude as the minister read: "Earth to earth, dust to dust." The curtains of night gathered around the quiet sleeper, "safe in the arms of Jesus."

And there we left her beneath an embankment of flowers, every leaf and petal of which was eloquent with the undying love we bore her, and turned sadly to our homes, knowing that in the good providence of God we shall see her again. The sorrowing husband and dear little children return to their desolate home in San Antonio: the aged mother and brothers and sisters in Kansas City go to their homes with their great sorrow; but all of them live in the confident hope of seeing her again in the Kingdom of God. May the blessing of heaven be upon them all.

W. T. McCLURE, Kansas City, Mo.

INEXCUSABLE CARELESSNES.

We refer to the way some pastors write Church certificates. On a recent Sunday I was handed three certificates. The first, correct as to form and representing a college student, was written on the front side of a picture postal card. The young man stammered an apology for the postal card. The next was typewritten on an ordinary postal card, represented both a man and his wife, and below it was a typewritten note to the lady who had requested the certificate, and the pastor's name was signed, not to the certificate, but to the note. The third, containing four names, a man, his wife and two daughters, was written on cheap paper and in the following form: "Dr. _____ and wife, with daughters— and —, have been acceptable members of the M. E. Church, _____ Conference, _____ District, _____ Charge. The last certificate bore no date, and there was nothing to indicate whether it had existed for one day or ten years. The lady presenting the second certificate remarked that she did not know why her former pastor sent their certificate on a postal. She added that prior to her marriage she had belonged to another denomination, and that she still had in her possession a handsome letter from that Church. Such things may be comparatively trivial, but many people on going away strangers feel more deeply about them than is sometimes realized. The Discipline furnishes a blank form in which it commands that all certificates be written, and when a pastor fails to copy that form he gives evidence of great carelessness. The difference between a postal card and a two-cent stamp is so small that it looks like a pastor might show enough consideration for good people leaving his charge to furnish them a decent Church certificate and enclose it in an envelope. And it is better to give each member a separate certificate, because it often occurs that coincident with a move a family divides. And it may increase a child's interest and sense of responsibility to the Church to have and present his own certificate on going to a new Church. And the Discipline says that every member removing from a charge shall be furnished a certificate.

Another thing: A few pastors are mighty careless about sending certificates. In more than one instance repeated letters on the part of members themselves and of the pastor of the Church with which they wished to unite have failed to elicit certificates, where it was known that the pastor to whom request was made was at home alive and well. Why will Methodist preachers set such a bad example of carelessness before their flocks?

Christian principles are like the unshaken trunks of forest trees; while the mere emotions are like the smallest branches, swayed by the gentlest breezes and the mightiest winds, yet always coming back to their proper place because those principles are unmovable.

There is something in ourselves that creates the very opposition we encounter. In fact both our friends and foes with all their attractions and repulsions are manufactured out of our dispositions and attitudes. There is never a lover as beautiful or a hater as ugly as they are described by ardent self-interest.

Prejudice grows like the bean stalk in the nursery tale, and like that bean stalk it leaves a wreck at last.

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HOT SPRINGS CHURCH GONE.

We clip the following from the Western Methodist:

Awful fire. Central Church and parsonage complete loss. Insurance on church, together with all furnishings, \$33,000. Insurance on parsonage, \$1,000. 150 or 200 of our members homeless and foodless. Great distress. Wife and I saved most of our clothes, but I lost every book of my splendid library. Have just closed a deal for the use of the Princess Theater for church services. In haste,
 ALONZO MONK, Pastor.
 Sept. 8, 1913.

McDade precinct recently held a local option election and the vote was more decided in favor of local option than before. For ten years they have had local option and they are going to keep it.

Rev. J. T. McClure is back from Plainview, where he has been laboring to secure the \$50,000 endowment fund for Seth Ward College, and in connection with the brethren up that way the amount was more than gathered. All told it now totals \$77,260. Plainview raised the bulk of it, but much needed help came from the vicinity. The faculty and students of the college subscribed \$5600 of it. This is a magnificent result and it puts Seth Ward College in its true light before the Church. No doubt but that the Northwest Texas Conference will take it over at its approaching session.

Rev. Bruce Meador, evangelist for the Northwest Texas Conference, has done a fine work. He has not confined himself to the centers or to the populated districts, but he has also gone into the hedges and byways and helped the brethren where he is most needed. He is a faithful preacher and a true man. Last year at Stamford he did a splendid work under difficulty, but he left permanent results to show for his investment of energy and talent. We do not know whether he desires to continue in this relation another year, for we have had no word directly from him for months, but if he should return to the pastorate, the Northwest Texas Conference has no better and more dependable man for pastoral work. He has been tried on all parts of the ground and is not found wanting.

JUST ONE THING BEFORE ANOTHER

"Big Tim Sullivan" is dead! Who was "Big Tim Sullivan?" He was until lately a big Irish politician in New York who made millions out of the saloon business, horse-race gambling, theaters and the like, and he finally became a Tammany Congressman. From no other section of the country perhaps could he have reached a seat in the United States Congress except, maybe, Chicago. Think of that sort of man helping to make laws for a Christian civilization! Well, under over-indulgence and other things, his mind gave way some months ago, and he was being confined at the home of his brother. But he managed to evade the nurse one night three weeks back, wandered out, and was run over by a car and killed. He was picked up, kept in a morgue several days and was about to be buried in the potter's field when a policeman happened to gaze into the silent face and recognized "Big Tim." Then all the Bowery vicinity was in mourning and he was given a great funeral from that quarter, and for two or three days the dailies were filled with his life and character. In the esteem of some people, it requires only a few strange elements to make some men famous.

A while back the daily papers had an Associated Press dispatch from the seat of the Missouri Conference, giving certain statements anent the tobacco question said to have been made by Bishop Hoss. One of them was, that "no gentleman would use tobacco." Without waiting to find out whether or not the Bishop made any such statement, our confrere, the Dallas News, in two or three editorials, took the Bishop severely to task for the remark and then proceeded to lecture preachers in general about their extreme way of magnifying minor vices to the neglect of larger ones. Now it turns out that the Bishop made no such remarks, and we know he did not at the time. He is not given to speaking unadvisedly with his mouth. Here is what he said: "To make the use of tobacco a sin is to grade down the general conception of sin until people lose sight of its enormity. Smoking a cigar is a question of expediency. Ministers are frequently entertained in homes where tobacco is offensive, and under such circumstances no gentleman will use it." This ought to satisfy the captiousness of the News editor. Aside from what the Bishop said and what the News may think, there is a growing tendency in the Church to discount the tobacco habit upon the part of ministers. And the General Conference will sooner or later require young men coming into the conferences to abstain from the use of tobacco.

Dr. Thomas Carter, of the Vanderbilt University, astounded us beyond measure when he entered the Nashville Banner in his communications against the Bishops in general and Bishop Hoss in particular, taking the side of the enemies of the Church in the Vanderbilt muddle. His style of writing was a grief to the whole Church, and some of his utterances were exceedingly offensive to good taste and propriety. His articles were copied in the Nashville Christian Advocate without editorial comment. But Bishop Hoss literally pulverized the positions of Dr. Carter and rendered the Church a great service in the doing of it. Dr. Carter evidently felt most sensitively the effect of the fearful blows given to him by Bishop Hoss, for in last week's Advocate he comes out and disclaims that what he said in those articles were his personal views. He says he was merely voicing the views of the great outside masses! We must confess that this explanation is more astounding than the original offense. In the first place, who authorized Dr. Carter to enter the role of voicing the disgruntled utterances of the masses against the Church? In the second place,

how could he write such things as he did and send them forth over his own name without becoming morally responsible for his utterances? Tell it not in Gath and publish it not in the streets of Ascalon, lest the daughters of the Philistians rejoice! We are doubly astonished at such an explanation!

One of our esteemed readers, after perusing the editorial in last week's issue, on "How Can a Christian Sin?" says: "One would suppose you mean to assert as a fact that a Christian can not sin; and, therefore, a person who sins at any time is not a Christian." Well, if a man sins he is a sinner at the time and he needs to repent of it, get forgiveness for it and become restored to the Father against whom he committed the sin. When the prodigal son left home and spent his substance in riotous living, he was a sinner against the love of his forsaken home and against the father whom he disgraced; but when he came to himself, returned in penitence and made confession, he was accepted and given his old place in the home circle. Sin is an overt act, a violation of God's law, and whosoever commits it willfully and deliberately, is in direct antagonism with God, and there is but one of two dispositions that God can make of such an act of transgression. He must either punish it or forgive it. If it is repented, he gladly forgives it; otherwise, punishment follows. Therefore, if any man sins, he has an advocate with the Father, even Jesus Christ the righteous.

Mayor Gaynor of New York recently took a vacation and went on an ocean voyage for rest and recuperation. Two years ago an assassin tried to kill him as he was then entering a ship for a vacation, but the bullet only wounded the mayor severely. But it weakened him for life and since then he has been in declining health. So in midocean, the other day, he died suddenly of heart failure. He was pre-eminently a self-made man. Left without a father in boyhood, he helped his mother until he was able to go to school. He graduated by his own hard effort and went through college. He rose to a high position as a lawyer and became a great judge. On account of his high character, Tammany was forced to nominate him for Mayor or suffer defeat at the hands of the fusionists. He was triumphantly elected and gave to New York a clean administration. His death is universally mourned and great honor was paid to his memory. His career shows what material, professional and political success is possible to the American boy who determines to make a man. And whatever may have been the foibles and weaknesses of Mayor Gaynor, he had an abiding trust in God and often gave expression to it.

The Seventh Day Adventists are a busy and persistent lot of people. They are putting forth every effort to scatter their literature broadcast in order to keep their peculiar cult before the hedges and highways to accomplish their end. We noticed in the Nashville Democrat recently that the Southern Publishing Association, located in Nashville, Tenn., and the Publishing House of the Adventists, recently received an order for two carloads of books, about thirty-five thousand copies all told, from their headquarters at Fort Worth, to be turned over to their colporteurs who are operating in Texas, Arkansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma, for distribution. Yes, sir, 35,000 copies of books for this territory. Is it not time for our people and preachers to get busy in putting our own sane and wholesome literature in the hands of the people? Suppose the Advocate were put into every Methodist home, or some good book, what would be the outcome? It would be a safeguard against the influence of much pernicious literature now finding its way into the hands of our own people. This Seventh Day Adventist literature seeks to nullify and secularize our Christian Sunday, and when this is done our strongest bulwark is gone. Let us think on these things and seek to give the truth, and no error, to the people. Say what you please, but it is what people read that gives complexion to their moral and religious sentiments.

In last week's Baptist Standard, we find the following, written by one of the leading ministers of the Baptist Church:

Recently, dropping into his office, Dr. J. F. Love was found with Dr. S. J. Reid of Ireland, examining the statistical tables in the American Baptist Year Book and trying to explain the figures to the good Irish brother, who was very much puzzled by the inaccuracy of the tables. The farther they went the more our Irish friend insisted that statistics of American Baptists ought to be accurate. We finally concluded that he was right, but what can be done about it? Baptists are free. They use their freedom in many ways, one of which is that they will not go much to statistics.

This is a timely deliverance. The Baptist Church has no well-defined method of enumerating its membership. Every congregation is a law unto itself and many of them never revise their membership for years. The old list stands from time to time and from it you can not get an accurate account of the real and normal numbers that belong to that congregation. Therefore, there is not much reliability attached to the statistics of membership as gathered by our Baptist brethren and published to the world. Not so with our Church. They are revised annually before they go into our printed minutes. We know with reasonable accuracy the actual status of our membership at the close of each conference year. We are not supposed to carry, from year to year, on our Church rolls as members, those who are lost sight of, those who have been dead for a long time, and others who fall by the way. And when we publish our list of members to the world, it is approximately a bona fide list and in the main reliable. We are not surprised that the "Irish preacher" is puzzled over Baptist statistics in America, and we are glad that one of the wide-awake ministers in that Church wants their method of enumeration reformed.

The negro yearbook, just issued, gives the following statistics and they are worthy of attention. These figures show what economical and industrious negroes are doing as home builders and every Christian citizen in America rejoices in their success. Give the negro good teachers and good ministers, and the best among them prove their fitness to be citizens of our great country and their worthiness of the encouragement and co-operation of all good white people:

Fifty years ago the negroes owned only a few thousand dollars worth of church property; now their church buildings are valued at \$57,000,000. In 1867 there were 1800 schools for freedmen, with 2000 teachers and 116,000 pupils; last year there were 1,700,000 negro children in Southern common schools and 100,000 in normal schools and colleges, with 34,000 teachers. Fifty years ago virtually all negroes were farm hands, and few owned their farms; now, while agriculture is still the predominant occupation, there are negroes in every line of work, and 900,000 farms are operated by them. They own more land than is embraced in the State of South Carolina. Thirty-six thousand negroes are engaged in business; they own sixty-four banks, capitalized at \$1,600,000. No other emancipated people have made so great progress in so short a time. The Russian serfs were emancipated in 1861; fifty years afterward it was found that 14,000,000 of them had accumulated about \$500,000,000 worth of property, an average of about \$36 per capita, or \$200 to the family, and that about 30 per cent of them were able to read and write. In fifty years the 10,000,000 negroes of the United States have accumulated over \$700,000,000 worth of property, about \$70 per capita, or an average of \$350 to the family; and 70 per cent of them have some education in books.

BISHOP MOUZON IN NORTH TEXAS.

Last week North Texas was visited by Bishop Mouzon. Last Sunday a week ago he preached at Whitesboro and dedicated their church building. It was a great day for Whitesboro Methodism. A day or so following, he went to Sadler and rendered a similar service and the community was largely blessed by the Bishop's visit and ministrations. The next night he ran over to Howe and dedicated our church at that point, after preaching a fine sermon. Services of this character are very helpful to the Church. It is not often that our Bishops are able to get to the smaller towns and rural districts, but when they do, their visits are largely beneficial to the work. A lasting impression is made on the people and they treasure such events as more than ordinary. We congratulate Grayson County on having had so much of the service of Bishop Mouzon and we underline for the appreciation of the hundreds who enjoyed the pleasure of his sermons and association.

THE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE OPENING.

On Wednesday of last week, the opening exercises of Polytechnic College took place. It was my pleasure to be present and take part in the event. The large chapel was filled with a substantial class of boys and girls. They were there from the city, the town, the village and the country districts. They looked rosy, robust and determined. I could not count them and they were enrolling too fast for me to find out the exact number. But it was one of the largest and most successful openings in the history of the institution. Dr. Boaz was back at his old post and in charge. His face was wreathed in smiles as he stepped upon the platform and looked into the faces of that throng of young life. He looked very much at home and felt even more so, I venture the suggestion. He will have charge of the school until he frees it of debt and converts it later on into a great school for girls.

Dr. Roach had charge of the music and it was well rendered by members of the music faculty. Dr. John Rice made the opening address and it was opportune, to the point and full of practical suggestions to the boys and girls. He was at one time a school man and knows something from experience of that sort of work. Hence he spoke out of a matured mind and an experienced heart. I made a few feeble remarks in conclusion and then a general hand-shaking followed. Many of the citizens of the vicinity were present and quite a number of the preachers. It is a most exhilarating occasion and the college starts off with bright prospects.

The campus is looking better than we have ever seen it. The trees are growing and the grass is in evidence. New girls' dormitory, rather the renovated dormitory, is now one of the handsomest buildings on the hill. Mrs. Wagner made this possible by contributing the money to reshape and put the edifice in first class shape. It is just now approaching completion. The other buildings are in good repair and the whole hill had the air of life and optimism. If Polytechnic College had been injured in the least by the present great educational movement, there was nothing to indicate it in the opening the other day. In fact, it seemed in better condition and more hopeful than ever before. We have never doubted the future of this school since Dr. Boaz first took hold of it. We have too much at stake over there now to even dream of a retrograde state of things. It has progress and permanency written all over it. And now that Dr. Boaz is back in the saddle, we venture the statement that inside of a year or so he will have every dollar of the indebtedness of the school met and other plans on foot for its further enlargement. Let the Church continue its undivided confidence in his efforts in the future as

in the past, and Polytechnic College will rise to even higher altitudes of prosperity. It has one of the best faculties of any school in the country and they are men and women of lofty characters and splendid ideals.

Dr. Frank Culver is the pastor at the College Church and he is busy looking after the spiritual interests of all the students. He is wonderfully adapted to work of this sort and the institution is fortunate in having him thus associated with the student body. It was my delight to dine with him and his excellent family and the association was very pleasant indeed. He lives in a good parsonage and he has a large membership, even over and above the many members brought to him from the student members.

G. C. R.

Our Church schools are having the best openings of their history. All their accommodations are taken and they are running over. The people of Texas are patronizing our schools. That the Church school has its permanent place in the public sentiment of the State there can be no sort of doubt. Religious people, in large majorities, prefer to have their boys and girls educated in the Church school, where spiritual matters are made a specialty. In this they are wise and far-seeing.

Dalham County, by about twelve majority, went wet last Wednesday according to newspaper reports. The county had been dry for two years or more, and this result is disappointing to us. It is the first dry county to be won by the anti in six or eight years. But it is only a temporary victory. Those good people will come again and reinstate that county in the dry column. On with the battle!

The Ringgold people, under the leadership of Rev. W. R. Kirkpatrick, have just about paid off the last of their \$1,250 debt, and the building is ready for dedication. This is splendid result for those struggling people, and they and their faithful pastor deserve much credit for the result.

From a letter sent out to the membership by the official board of Seventh Street Church, Temple, that Church is in good condition. The church and the parsonage have been repaired and renovated, they have good congregations and the financial state is encouraging. They have sixty-two copies of the Advocate, and the pastor, Rev. E. P. Cox, is directing things wisely.

President Wilson has appointed Dr. James Cannon, Jr., of the Virginia Conference, as a delegate from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to the Fourteenth International Congress on Alcoholism, which meets at Milan, Italy, September 22-29. Doctor and Mrs. Cannon sail from New York on the steamer Olympic on September 13, and will remain in Europe only a few days after the conference is over, returning by the middle of October. Twelve delegates were appointed by the President to represent the United States. Congress appropriated \$4500 for the expenses of the delegates.

PERSONALS

Brother Hawkins, our Sunday School worker, was a pleasant visitor to this office recently.

Brother J. F. Bickley of Merit was in to see us the other day, and reports things in good shape up his way, despite the shortness of crops.

We hear good reports of the work of Rev. W. R. Gouldelock, at Princeton. That town is situated in one of the best sections of Collin County and he has good material to work on.

Rev. J. W. Bludworth and his people, of Roxton, have their church almost ready for dedication, and on the

fifth of October we expect to be present with them and take part in their dedicatory service.

Rev. and Mrs. John B. Bell of Humble, are rejoicing over the advent of a boy and his name is James Kilgore. Long may he live to make happy those parental hearts.

Rev. W. R. Crawford, of Joaquin, now an honored and a useful local preacher in our Church, was a pleasant visitor to this office this week. He is one of the warm friends of the Advocate.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stevens of Dallas, son-in-law and daughter of the editor of the Advocate, are happy in the advent of a beautiful little daughter. She came to them September 12th and her welcome is something royal.

Rev. C. A. Spragins is closing his third year on the McKinney District and he has things in good condition throughout his territory. He is a persistent worker, with fine preaching and executive ability and he is leading his workers sanely and successfully.

Rev. J. B. Davis, of Tyler Street, this city, and his workers have the best Sunday School attendance, all things considered, of any congregation in the city. They have outgrown their quarters and need more accommodations. That Sunday School is in the forefront.

Rev. C. L. Bounds is busy working for Wesley College. He is engaged in raising funds for its betterment and he is devoting his strength in that direction. Wesley has a fine location, with the foundation already laid for a successful career, and with proper financial backing it has a glad future.

Rev. W. R. McCarter, of Lewisville, is finishing a quadrennium of successful work. He will leave things in fine condition for his successor. The church building and the membership are in splendid shape. Brother McCarter is one of our most successful workers. He will do well anywhere.

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Archer of Celina, have issued cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mattie Mae to Mr. Orr Stinnett and the happy event took place September the eleventh. The wedded couple will be at home after October the first at Van Alstyne. We wish for them all the happiness their hearts can contain.

Rev. F. O. Miller, working in the North Texas Conference in the interest of the Superannuate Home movement, was to see us this week. He made a good report for his enterprise, and says that public sentiment is developing rapidly in behalf of that movement. This is as it ought to be, for there is no work in the conference of greater importance.

The Passing Day

The vexed Thaw case is now before the courts in Vermont, the Canadian authorities having transported him last week. New York is doing her best to get hands on him so as to put him back in the asylum, and his lawyers are resisting this effort strenuously.

The mystery of several days over the murder of a woman whose body was found cut into parts and floating in Hudson River, has been cleared up by the arrest and confession of a Roman Catholic priest by the name of Hans Schmidt. According to his own statement he slew her, cut her in twain and dropped the parts in the river. Her name was Anna Amuller, a German servant girl. The authorities believe him to be insane.

Forty-five selected prisoners from the penitentiary at Joliet, Ills., have been put on their honor, and without stripes or guards have established a camp near Dixon, where they are engaged in work on the public road. They are as free as other citizens save for the bond of honor by which Warden



REV. J. H. WESTMORELAND.

Pastor Wimsboro Circuit, Texas Conference.

When Bro. Westmoreland writes that he will do a certain thing, it is as good as done. We know he will reach the goal. He joined the 29 club, but ran the number of new subscribers up to 30. Of course, all his stewards read the Advocate. On another page in this issue appears a report from his charge.

THE 100% LIST.

Harmony Circuit—Rev. J. F. Tyson. Trans-Cedar Mission—Rev. D. F. Pulley.

Estelline—Rev. T. B. Hilburn. Electra—Rev. T. W. Preston. Weimar—Rev. G. T. Gibbons. Total—243.

Allen is seeking to hold them to their appointed work. This work in the open, though arduous, is regarded as pastime in comparison with idleness in the prison walls. To prevent weakening on the part of any, they have organized a guard over themselves. The experiment gives promise of better roads and better men.

The Mexican Congress is now in session and developments of various kinds are now looked for. The Provisional President has not yet submitted his message, and it is supposed that his policy will then be defined.

Judge Brown has, on a change of venue, transferred all those alleged Fort Worth arson cases to Parker County, and thus, the excitement so rife in Fort Worth over the matter, is somewhat subsiding.

The courts in New York have decided that during the impeachment proceedings against Governor Sulzer, he is not authorized to exercise the functions of his office, and this decision makes the Lieutenant Governor the acting Governor in the meantime.

The Lower House in Congress is working on the currency bill and the Democratic party is having things its own way in the proceedings. The action of the party is governed in the wind up by the action of the caucus.

The Socialists of Dallas are busy trying to secure enough names to a petition to recall the Mayor and the Commissioners. They are dissatisfied with the official acts of the Commission.

Because the trees were drinking all of the water the ancient spring of Rock Springs Park, in Alton, went dry. August Dohrmann, keeper of the park, chopped the roots of the trees away from the spring and the flow of water started again.

The Jefferson Davis Memorial Association of New Orleans recently presented to the Louisiana Parish that bears his name a fine oil painting of the illustrious Chieftain of the Lost Cause. The South honors herself in paying respect to the memory of this great and good man.

Thirty missionaries, speaking twenty-four languages, have been employed for the past year by the Chicago Tract Society to work among the foreign population of that city. These workers held 1170 public meetings, visited 72,770 homes and distributed more than thirteen million pages of literature. The work was done at a cost of \$20,376.27.

At Juvisy, France, on September 1, the French aviator Pegoud, after rising to a height of 3000 feet, intentionally caused his monoplane to invert itself, and after flying upside down for a short distance, righted it and descended safely to earth. He repeated the feat on the next day.

Attorney General McReynolds has begun another legal attack on the "hard coal trust." Technically it is for the dissolution of the Reading Company's control of coal mining and coal carrying railroads—the most po-

tential combination in the anthracite fields. This combination, controlling at the present time sixty-three per cent of the entire unmined deposits of anthracite and marketing about thirty per cent of the annual supply, will own or control, in time, if not dissolve, the attorney general warns, "every ton of commercially available anthracite known to exist."

It is announced that the work of dry excavation on the Panama Canal has been completed ten days ahead of the time set a while back, and that the water will be admitted on the Atlantic side early in October. Dredges will complete the work of removing the debris remaining.

Thousands of children were thrown out of work on September 2 in Massachusetts by the operation of the new State law which prohibits the employment of any child under fourteen years of age in a workshop, and provides that no child under sixteen years of age shall work more than eight hours a day or more than forty-eight hours a week. Employers violating the new law are liable to both fine and imprisonment.

Ex-President W. H. Taft was unanimously elected president of the American Bar Association at its closing general session held at the Royal Victoria College, in Montreal on September 3. No other name was presented, and the announcement of his election was greeted with prolonged cheers.

Yuan Shi Kai is reported to have issued a decree announcing his intention of resigning as provisional president of China immediately after the restoration of peace.

Manuel, former king of Portugal, was married last Thursday to Princess Augustine Victoria, daughter of Prince William of Hohenzollern. The wedding was recognized by the presence of representatives of European royalty generally.

At Nowburg's Corners, Wis., September 4, automobile burglars stole \$1000 in currency from the store of Albert Chapevsky, but they did not know it. Entering the store they made off with the cash register. Down the country road, half a mile, they opened it, taking therefrom \$50 in silver, but failing to notice \$1000 in paper money in plain sight.

The United States exports to Japan were greater than their exports to all other parts of Asia combined. The total exports to Japan for the year ending July 31, were nearly fifty million dollars and if to these were added the exports to Korea and Japanese leased territory in China, the total would be \$59,335,769. This is an increase of \$4,332,000 for the year. There are those among our statesmen who feel that this increasing commerce with Japan ought to be a weighty factor in the adjustment of the dispute over the California alien land-holding legislation. Raw cotton is the largest single item in our exports to Japan.

New Aryan stock that is destined to produce a new Messiah and rule the world is developing on the Pacific Coast, according to prominent Theosophists gathered together recently in Chicago to attend the opening session of the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the American section of the Theosophical Society. Their words are: "At the proper time we expect a Messiah to appear and direct the destinies of the new race, the same as Christ did centuries ago." The most promising candidate at present is said to be Mr. Krishnamurthi Aleyona, of India, eighteen years old. Another candidate is an Englishman whose identity is not revealed, and the third is said to be a resident of Chicago.

A joint committee of the Royal Automobile Club of England claims to have discovered a new motor fuel. It is a by-product of coal and will be a substitute for gasoline. Tests have been made by the best experts with excellent results. A big commercial plant is in process of erection which, when going at full power, will produce forty million gallons per year. The price of the new fuel will be twenty-eight cents per gallon. The discovery is a matter of greater interest to England perhaps than to us, because it will make England independent of foreign supplies. The consumption of gasoline in England is about one hundred million gallons a year. Auto clubs in America are much interested in the discovery and will put experts at work to investigate possibilities in this direction for autoists here.

Investigators from the United States Treasury Department affirm they have discovered a conspiracy between United States customs officials and the officers of a steamship company for the wholesale smuggling of smoking opium into this country. Fifty-

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nine tins of opium were found in the forepeak of the Pacific mail steamer, "Manchuria." Three of the guards are said to have confessed and to have declared that there is a well-organized system of smuggling and that extraordinary profits are reaped in this contraband drug. Wealthy Chinese across the Pacific financed the system. The opium has been brought ashore by guards and secreted in some hiding place and then conveyed by automobile into Chinatown. The investigators state that the profits, amounting to \$5 per tin for the smugglers. Much of the smuggled opium is shipped at once to Chicago and New York.

The annual report of the cotton crop issued at New Orleans says the crop of 1912-13 is 14,167,115 bales, a decrease under the crop of 1911-12 of 1,971,311 bales and an increase over 1910-11 of 2,047,020 bales. The crop of Texas, which is 535,000 bales over last year, is the largest ever grown in that State, but the Texas increase has been more than offset by a falling off in other sections.

A WELCOME TO DR. GRANBERY.

Please allow me space to introduce to the many friends who so cordially welcomed me to Texas my friend, Rev. John C. Granbery, Ph. D., who comes to Southwestern. We must more and more insist upon having on all our faculties men of genuine religious experience, true evangelical spirit, and unselfish devotion to our world task, as well as the highest university training. The degrees to which Dr. Granbery has, all these make him a rich acquisition to our teaching force. JOHN A. RICE. Fort Worth, Sept. 10, 1913.

DEFENSE OF A DEAD DOG.

In my letter "On a Coach Through Yellowstone," appearing in your last week's issue I report a story of a dog told by Dr. Boaz and approved by Dr. Knickerbocker as a good one. The story as it appears in your paper is a perfect Englishman's tale and test the reputation of Dr. Boaz as a story teller and that of Dr. Knickerbocker as a connoisseur should suffer, and then in sheer justice to the dog, I am put under the heroic and painful necessity of explaining. You rob the poor dog of his name and then to add injury to insult, you attach to him a multiplicity of conclusions when in fact he possessed but one. Now the dog had a name, and according to Dr. Boaz that name was August, for he was a particularly warm number in the canine line. Hence the pertinency of the arrival of the first day of September following the sad and fateful day on which the unfortunate and venturesome creature laid hold on the conclusion of that Texas Mustang Pony. Yours for justice even to a dead dog. GLENN FLINN, Bryan, Tex., Sept. 8, 1913.

DEDICATION AND ELSE.

We are rejoicing at Howe over the payment of the church debt at last. For some years a few have been struggling along as best they could to pay interest and reduce principal. The hardness of the times prevented some doing as they expected, and finally the burden-bearers aroused; the debt was paid, and the house is now a dedicated church of God. On Tuesday last Bishop Mouzon, accompanied by Presiding Elder Mood and Rev. D. K. Porter, of Travis Street, Sherman, Texas, visited us. The good ladies gave the Bishop and visitors a reception and dining, and otherwise made them know they were among the faithful. At 8 p. m. the Bishop gave us a truly great sermon on the "Forgiveness of Sin" and in a few minutes raised the small balance of indebtedness, and then dedicated the beautiful church to the worship of Almighty God. Next morning he left us, with many wishing he may return and give us another great evangelical sermon. The church will be repainted and else added at once, and no debt left to worry the next preacher, whoever he may be. D. F. FULLER.

SAN ANTONIO FEMALE COLLEGE.

We have begun our twentieth year under most favorable conditions, having an increased attendance and a competent and congenial faculty. We start well in all respects. J. E. HARRISON.

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OFFICIAL MINUTES.

Retiring State Secretary Rev. Leslie E. Booth, San Antonio, furnishes us this week with a draft of the official minutes of the several business sessions of the Texas State Epworth League, held at Epworth-by-the-Sea, near Corpus Christi, during the Encampment, August 6-17, 1913. This draft we are publishing in full except a few sections which have already been printed in these columns, and the matter, as presented, represents the official acts of the twenty-first regular session and ninth annual encampment of the State organization.

Saturday, August 9, 1913.

With State President Rev. S. B. Beall in the chair, the first business session of the Texas State Epworth League was called to order on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 August 9, 1913. After prayer by Rev. Cullom H. Booth of Laurel Heights Church, San Antonio, the President called for such items of business as need be brought before the body and as preliminary to the session a motion was made and carried to open a register of the Leaguers present and to assist in this work President Beall appointed the following as a committee to continue the work of registration until a complete register of all Leaguers on the grounds was had, namely, Gus W. Thomasson, Dallas; Mrs. S. M. Lillard, Seguin, and Miss Katie Sue Reed, Hillsboro.

[NOTE.—This committee prepared a registration of delegates, which has been published in this Department.—Editor.]
President Beall then called for reports from the State Officers and submitted a brief verbal report of his own work, explaining how he had come to fill the office in an emergency and that his labors were very heavy and exacting as a presiding elder and hence he had not been able to devote much time to the office of President. He spoke of his great love for and interest in the work of the Epworth League and offered some suggestions relative to local chapter reports.

Secretary-Treasurer, Leslie E. Booth, report of his work stating how President Beall had appointed him to this place in the mid-year when it had become necessary to transfer Miss Dora Brack from this place to that of Second Vice-President. He reported having done considerable correspondence and having assisted the President in various things that had come up during the short term in which he had served.

Upon the request being made for reports from the Vice-Presidents it was found that none of them were present. A letter to the President from Fourth Vice-President Rev. O. T. Cooper was read in which he stated that he had visited the session of the North Texas League Conference and had spoken in the interest of our Missionary work. He also referred to his connection with the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Committee.

to make camp life here more pleasant. They were assisting in taking a census and making themselves useful in many ways. Prof. Butler spoke enthusiastically of the Scout Work and asked that the Leaguers become more interested in it.

The League Editor, Gus W. Thomasson, was called upon for a report which he declared was an innovation. He told of the effort he had made to make a success of our department in the Advocate and urged that the State and individual League organizations do something to make it even better than it had been. He spoke briefly of various features of League work and the very great need and importance for same and these remarks occasioned a resolution for a formal address to be made on Monday, following, at the eleven o'clock hour.

Annual Report of the Ruby Kendrick Hall Committee.

The following report of the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Hall Committee was submitted, and, upon motion of A. K. Ragsdale was ordered read at the evening session, in order that the larger crowd might hear it, viz:

To the President and members of the Texas State Epworth League, in Ninth Annual Encampment assembled, Aug. 6-17, 1913, at Epworth-by-the-Sea:

We, your committee on the raising of funds with which to erect a suitable memorial hall in memory of our departed comrade, Miss Ruby Kendrick, beg to submit herewith a summary of the work at this time.

Personnel of the Committee.

At the 1912 session of the Encampment your Chairman was authorized to designate the third member of the committee to serve with himself and Mrs. Dora E. Bowman. After a careful consideration of the matter, Mr. Basil E. Ryan of San Antonio, was proffered the appointment and accepted. Mr. W. N. Hagy, also of San Antonio, has been retained by the committee as Consulting Architect and has prepared and submitted plans for the proposed building.

Financial Statement.

The amount of funds on hand at our last Encampment was \$231.26, since which time we have paid out \$11.00 on incidental expenses and collected \$262.95, having on hand at this time, deposited in the American Exchange National Bank, Dallas, to the credit of Gus W. Thomasson, Chairman, the sum of \$483.21. There is outstanding in subscriptions at this time the sum of \$741.25. We have been hindered in our collections by the disturbed condition of affairs growing out of the proposal to sell our grounds at Epworth-by-the-Sea, and while the larger part of the outstanding subscriptions are good, there is but little hope of making collections against them until this matter of a permanent location is settled. It is the belief of your committee that all the money that we will need can be promptly raised when the assurance is had that the building can be erected, and we hope the way may be paved for this by the time of our 1914 Encampment.

Recommendations.

We would urge the prosecution of this work so that our plans as originally adopted in 1910, to build a Memorial Hall, be continued, but we do not favor the beginning of its erection until at least the sum of \$1,500.00 in cash is in hand. Pending the realization of this sum, we recommend that your Chairman be authorized to place the amount now on hand, together with other funds which may come in, on interest deposit until such time as same will be needed for use.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

Alice Epworth League, Mrs. A. C.	\$ 10.00
Ellis	5.00
Allen, Mrs. E. V., Kingsville	5.00
Ammons, Mrs. W. H. Kennedy	10.00
Arlington Epworth League, by Zac. T. Slaughter	5.00
Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. R. C., Corpus Christi	2.00
Aubrey, R. C., Portland	10.00
Barton, Rev. L. S., Dallas	5.00
Beadle, Mrs. Mary, Corpus Christi	25.00
Beneke, C. H. and Friends, Houston	1.00
Bennett, Miss Coy, Corpus Christi	1.00
Blackaller, Lillian, San Antonio	5.00
Bowman, J. H. and wife, Plano	25.00
Rev. J. H. Bowman, Graham	5.00
Caldwell, Miss Nannie, Corpus Christi	2.00
Carter, J. A., Pearsall	1.00
Cash Collection	17.20
Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus, Fort Worth	2.00
Chatfield, Lemayne, Laredo	5.00
Clayton, Miss Lizzie, Winters	5.00
Cowley, Mrs. W. B., Pearsall	10.00
Crow, O. C., Sinton	2.00
Cunningham, Mrs. A. W., Harlingen	1.00
Cross, Mrs. Joe., San Antonio	1.00
Davis, G. A., Corpus Christi	5.00
Dawl, May, Gonzales	4.00
Decker, C. B., Corpus Christi	2.00
DeVillars, Martha, Pearsall	5.00
Ehless, Mr. and Mrs. J. H., Corpus Christi	2.00
Ellis, Norman & Beulah, Alice Falfurrias Epworth League, T. W. Hook	5.00
First Church Epworth League, Galveston	10.00
Fisher, Albert C., Ft. Worth	5.00
Flinn, Rev. Glenn, Bryan	25.00
French, Mrs. W. D., Lockhart	20.00
Galbreath, Mrs. Scott, Paris	1.00
Griffin, Mrs. W. H., Henderson	5.00
Harlingen Epworth League	2.00
Harris, Mary S., San Antonio	1.00
Hastings, Miss Esther, Corpus Christi	25.00
Head, Miss Mabel, Nashville, Tenn.	2.00
Hood, Rev. R. W., Mayfield, Ky.	5.00
Hudson, Mrs., San Benito	5.00
Ipsen, Mrs. F. H., Corpus Christi	1.00
James, J. H., Corpus Christi	1.00
Jewett, Mr. and Mrs. J. T., Robstown	5.00
Kemp, Geo. E., Georgetown	5.00
Kemp, Mrs. Clara, Georgetown	5.00
Kennedy, Emma, Copeland	2.00
Kidd, Mrs. M. J., Loyal Valley	25.00
Kidd, Miss Rosa, Loyal Valley	20.00
Kidd, Reuben F., Loyal Valley	25.00
King, Mrs. H. J., Lane City	1.00
Laredo Seminary, Miss H. K. Noreville	10.00
Laws, Y. H., Beeville	10.00

LeMasters, Mrs. R. R., Goliad	2.50
McCampbell, John S., Corpus Christi	1.00
McDaniel, J. S., Brandon	5.00
McDonald, F. W., San Antonio	5.00
McKamy, J. S., Gregory	10.00
McKinnon, Mrs. Henry, San Antonio	5.00
Malone, E. A., Forrester	5.00
Marvin Epworth League, Tyler	25.00
Mays, F. F., Dallas	2.00
Mills, Mattie, Batesville	5.00
Mobile, Marie, Beeville	1.00
Morris, Clyde, Ft. Worth	2.00
Newberry, Mrs. G. W., Alice	1.00
Oak Lawn Epworth League, Dallas, by Foster Gillespie	15.00
Odom Epworth League, by Miss Bessie Cook	5.00
Parker, Dr. F. S., Nashville, Tenn.	20.00
Pearsall Epworth League, Mrs. T. Lee	10.00
Plano Epworth League, by Mrs. J. H. Bowman	100.00
Raetsch, Sophie, Yoakum	2.00
Ragsdale, A. K., San Antonio	5.00
Rawlings, Dr. E. H., Galveston	5.00
Ring, F. E., Corpus Christi	10.00
Robertson, Mrs. W. F., Gonzales	5.00
San Antonio City Epworth League Union, by Basil E. Ryan	100.00
Sargent, Mollie, Ft. Worth	4.00
Scott, Bettie, Staples	5.00
Sells, Miss Annie, Orange	50.00
Simpson, Daisy, Corpus Christi	5.00
Sinton Epworth League, O. C. Crow	10.00
Smith, Mrs. J. B., Stamford	1.00
Smith, Fred L., Corpus Christi	10.00
Spears, Mrs. G. McL., San Benito	5.00
Trinity Epworth League, Dallas	100.00
Tyler, Mrs. Cherry	1.00
Vaughn R. B., Tampa, Fla.	10.00
Wall, Mrs. J. E., Tampa, Fla.	10.00
Weatherford Epworth League, by Miss Corinne Jackson	5.00
Webster, Mrs. Majorie, Ennis	10.00
Woolsey, Mrs. E. L., Bay City	15.00
Yarbrough, Miss Josie, Ennis	2.00

Collected \$994.20
Balance Due \$741.25

All of which is respectfully submitted,
GUS W. THOMASSON,
MRS. DORA E. BOWMAN,
BASIL E. RYAN,
Committee.

Aug. 6, 1913.

Miss Katy Sue Reed, delegate from Hillsboro, handed in a splendid report from her chapter which was read and commented upon, and same was ordered presented to the evening session.

[NOTE.—This report, in full, was recently published in these columns. It is one of the best reports appearing in this Department in a long while.—Editor.]

Rev. Rex B. Wilkes of Plano, stated that the following boys from Plano were eligible to membership at the Encampment: Chas. Aldrich, and Jack Bowman.

Miss Ainsworth of Gonzales, reported a live League at Gonzales and told of special work being entered by the League.

Report from Trinity (Houston) told of seventy-five active members, a good revival and of substantial work being done.

Rev. Cullom H. Booth spoke on the needs of Conference Organization to help keep the whole State League work in healthy condition.

Brother A. K. Ragsdale was requested to make a few remarks and gave a forceful and practical talk on how to solve problems and conditions that confront us today.

Adjournment was had until the evening hour. At the evening session the President announced the appointment of the special police force to assist in patrolling the grounds and in maintaining order, consisting of Rev. Leslie H. Booth as Chief and W. H. Butler, R. L. Stell, J. J. Russell, Geo. A. Davis, F. S. Onderdonk, Rex Wilkes and Ike Wall as policemen.

The President also announced the appointment of the following committees, viz:
Resolutions—Gus W. Thomasson, Dallas, Chairman; Earl Huffer, Georgetown; Miss Laura Allison, Austin.
Nominations—Rev. Cullom H. Booth, San Antonio, Chairman; W. P. Rylander, San Marcos, Mrs. H. E. Luter, Corpus Christi; Mrs. Minnie F. Armstrong, Gainesville and R. L. Stell, Brownsville.

Policy—W. H. Butler, San Marcos, Chairman; A. K. Ragsdale, San Antonio; Mrs. Dora E. Bowman, Plano; W. S. Maple, Dallas and Mrs. S. M. Lillard, Seguin.

Adjournment of the business period was had until Monday morning, August 11, 11 o'clock a. m., with the address of Gus W. Thomasson set as the order of the day.

Monday, August 11, 1913.

The meeting was called to order by President Beall and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, same having been read at a previous meeting. On motion the Secretary was asked to furnish the daily papers with a copy of this report and also the report of the Hillsboro League.

On request of President Beall the Committee on Nominations made a partial report. The Chairman of this committee, Rev. C. H. Booth, stated that for reason they were not able to make a complete report with nominations for all offices therefore they asked that nominations for all the offices save President be deferred. The committee expressed the highest appreciation of the present incumbents, especially President S. B. Beall, and thanked him for the untiring efforts he had put forth. Dr. J. E. Harrison and the entire Board of Trustees were thanked for the great part they had had to do with the success of Epworth-by-the-Sea. The name of our beloved Gus W. Thomasson was then presented as the nomination of the committee for State President and he was unanimously elected amid great applause. The Nominating Committee publicly invited the President-elect to come before it and assist in the formation of the Cabinet to serve during the ensuing year.

Then followed a most helpful and inspiring address by President-elect Thomasson on practical lines of League operation, which were timely, and his message was greatly appreciated by those present.

The meeting adjourned with prayer, to meet at the President's call.

Thursday, August 14, 1913.

The third business session was called to order by President Beall at 2:30 p. m., August 14, 1913. After prayer by the Secretary the President called for items of unfinished business and the Committee on Nominations expressed readiness to make a complete report and the President so ordered.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

The following additional nominations were made, viz:

First Vice-President, Leslie E. Booth, San Antonio; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Minnie F. Armstrong, Gainesville; Third Vice-President, Mrs. S. M. Lillard, Seguin; Fourth Vice-President, Rev. Glenn Flinn, Bryan; Superintendent Boys' Work, W. H. Butler, San Marcos; Superintendent Junior Work, Miss Pearl Crawford, Corpus Christi; Secretary-Treasurer, Layton W. Bailey, Dallas; Dean of the Encampment, Dr. Geo. S. Sexton, Dallas.

The President submitted the nominations one by one and they were unanimously elected.

Report of Committee on Policy.

The Committee on Policy was asked for a report and Mrs. S. M. Lillard read the report which was as follows:

To the President and the Encampment in session duly assembled:

Your committee deprecates the unwarranted statements circulated that the League is becoming inert, and otherwise declining in usefulness; such statements are harmful and should be discontinued wherever and whenever made.

The policy of the State League should be so modified that actual Leaguers will be drawn to the Encampment, and the League made to assume its proper functions among the organizations of the Church.

There is no such word as "can't" when applied to an earnest consecrated leader, backed by spiritually endowed Christian women; therefore it is the desire of your committee to foster the bringing together in 1914 of the largest and most enthusiastic League gathering in the history of the Encampment; and to that end the following provisions are recommended to the Encampment:

1—Organization.

(A) Stress must be put upon more intense organization in the local chapters in District, in Annual and State Conferences. Especially do we consider the urgent need of more District and Annual Conference organizations.

(B) We recommend the "one by one" campaign as outlined by the General Board and urge its use. The extension idea, that of sending deputations of Leaguers to organize and to assist in maintaining chapters, is earnestly commended.

(C) That each League shall be entitled to at least one delegate, and one delegate for each twenty-five members or major fraction thereof, who have been members of their respective Leagues for a period of five months next prior to the Encampment. Said delegate shall be elected at least thirty days prior to the Encampment and the names and addresses of the delegates shall be furnished to the State Secretary immediately thereafter. Whereupon the Secretary shall make up the convention roll, which roll together with the votes of the ex-officio members of the State League shall constitute the voting strength of the State League Encampment.

2—Instruction.

(A) Through the local chapter by conducting the council as an institute or workers' meeting—the pastor, League President or other competent leader in charge.

(B) In District Institutes where both motives and methods of Epworth Work are presented. Special emphasis is to be placed upon the methods needed to conduct successfully the various departments.

(C) League libraries which contain books on management of Epworth Leagues, the League Hand Book, the Epworth Era, and other helps, as well as the general literature.

(D) It shall be the general endeavor of our State organization to have Annual Conference League meetings. We believe this Conference essential in order to carry out the instruction plans of our policy.

(E) Effort shall be put forth to correlate more clearly the platform work of the instructors at Epworth. Each must be in sympathy with the other that the best results may be wrought.

3—League Calendar.

The special days suggested by the General Board should be observed and the offerings which come from these days should be forwarded promptly to the respective treasurers, one-half to the State Treasurer and the other half to the General Board.

4—Fitness of Officers.

That the heads of the several departments be selected for their fitness for the position, and that no one be placed at the head of any department who is not willing to devote the time necessary to conduct the work of that department in a painstaking and intense manner in order that the department may be brought to the highest state of efficiency.

5—State Programs.

Your committee cannot urge too strongly the wisdom of returning to League institutional programs, as outlined and carried out heretofore. It is the sense of your committee that the League Work should be made paramount in the Encampment.

(B) That all departments of the Church be invited and urged to participate in the Encampment.

6—Program Expense.

(A) That an adequate program expense fund be provided.

(B) The Ruby Kendrick Memorial should make a strong appeal to every Leaguer in Texas, and your committee strongly recom-

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mends that each chapter should contain a copy of the magnificent report made by our President, who is also the head of the Ruby Kendrick Memorial, setting forth the wonderful achievements thereof. Offerings to this fund should be made by every Leaguer. Your memorial be established at an early date by committee further recommends that a suitable memorial be established at an early date by erecting a commodious hall for our worship at Epworth and that the same be dedicated as the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Hall.

(C) More Mission Study classes and a large enrollment of students are insisted upon and urged.

7—Evangelism.

We are pleased that evangelism is to have a more important place in League Work. Leaguers need to learn this art of winning men to the Christian life.

8—Approval of General Board Policy.

The financial plan as modified by the General Board to supplement the ten cent assessment plan through voluntary contributions on special days is approved. We recommend that the effort shall be exerted to make these offerings generous and worthy.

9—Secretary-Treasurer.

That the office of Secretary be combined with that of Treasurer, as Secretary-Treasurer, and that the President and Secretary-Treasurer be from the same town, if it is possible, or near each other.

10—Statistics.

That the President and the Secretary-Treasurer shall call upon the District Presidents and Vice-Presidents for statistical data whenever the same may be deemed advisable to aid in carrying on a systematic campaign; that system is needed and by adopting a comprehensive and systematic organization, the Encampment of 1914 cannot fail to produce desired results.

11—Dallas Office and Office Expense Fund.

That if the Secretary-Treasurer be elected from Dallas that arrangements be made with our Publishing House there for the establishment of a permanent office therein, and that an expense fund of a sufficient sum, say, \$50 per month be provided for running same.

12—Cabinet Meeting.

That a meeting of the Cabinet and Program Committee be held early in the fall, preferably at Dallas during the State Fair, and that members' expenses attending same, be paid from the general fund.

13—One Delegate From Every Chapter.

That our State Officers put forth every effort to renew the activities of the Leaguers throughout the State, and made to feel the blessed privilege provided here for their recreation and education in League and Christian work, to the end that each League shall send to the next Encampment at least one delegate, and that work be provided for every Leaguer who shall attend the Encampment.

14—Finance.

It is the sense of your committee that the finances of the League should be placed upon a sound basis; that a budget should be made for the ensuing year and that steps should be taken at this time to provide for the expenses of the State League. Therefore it is proposed that each League be assessed for operating expenses on the following basis: Each League having twenty-five members or under shall pay to the Secretary-Treasurer for the ensuing year the sum of five dollars, its pro rata share of such expenses, payable monthly, or quarterly if they so desire, but it is urged that the dues be paid monthly. Leagues having a larger membership shall proportionately, i. e., at the rate of twenty cents per member additional.

15—Keeper for Grounds.

That a keeper be employed, to reside permanently upon the assembly grounds.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. BUTLER, San Marcos.

W. S. MAPLE, Dallas.

MRS. S. M. LILLARD, Seguin.

MRS. DORA BOWMAN, Plano.

A. K. RAGSDALE, San Antonio.

Committee.

President Beall here stated that an Encampment Committee on location was deemed advisable and announced the names of the ones selected to serve on that committee. They are as follows, viz:

GUS W. THOMASSON.

REV. CULLOM H. BOOTH.

DR. GEO. S. SEXTON.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.
The Committee on Resolutions announced that they were ready to report and the following resolutions were offered and accepted.

Cuban Conference.

Whereas, it has been proposed by our General Epworth League Board to hold an all-Southern Conference of the Epworth Leagues in Havana, Cuba, in midwinter of 1914 and thereby bring our young people into closer touch with the mission field whose expense budget is now assumed by them, thus enlightening them on the scope and needs of mission work.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse said conference and, conditioned on obtaining proper rates of transportation, pledge our hearty cooperation in securing a representative attendance from this State.

Removal of Central Office.

Whereas, There has been presented to our General Epworth League Board a Memorial seeking to remove the Central Office of the Epworth League from Nashville to Dallas and said Memorial has been referred by the General Epworth League Board to its Committee on General Conference legislation, and

Whereas, There now exists a deficit in the operation of the Central Office which it is proposed to relieve by an increased patronage with resultant profits on the Epworth Era,

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the proposed plan to locate the Central Office of the Epworth League in Texas and that we pledge our hearty support toward an increasing of the subscription list of the Epworth Era to not less than ten thousand copies in this State and the rendering of such other aid as may be possible adopting as our policy, "The Epworth Era in Every Chapter in Texas."

Action of the Board of Trustees.

Whereas, the State Epworth League Encampment must stand for absolute unity in all departments of its work in order to attain the high standard of efficiency desired, and,

Whereas, our recently elected State President, Gns. W. Thomasson expressed a desire that this body should endorse such action as our Board of Trustees shall, under the leadership of God, take, finally looking to the future welfare of our Encampment and State work at large.

Therefore be it resolved that we, the members of the Ninth Annual State Epworth League Encampment, assembled at Epworth-by-the-Sea, Corpus Christi, August 6, to 17, 1913, do hereby express our appreciation of the untiring labors of and great devotion contributed by the members of our Board of Trustees, and do hereby pledge them our support and do hereby authorize said Board of Trustees to take such action with reference to the sale of Epworth-by-the-Sea, and the purchase of other property as they in their Godly judgment deem wise.

Further we authorize and empower the Executive Committee, composed of the officers of the State Epworth League, to pass and sign any resolution that may be necessary to give effect to the foregoing authorization to sell.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS LAURA ALLISON,

For the Committee.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made and carried and the last business session for this Encampment came to an end.

LESLIE E. BOOTH, S. R. BEALL, Secretary. President.

RUBY KENDRICK MEMORIAL HALL FUND.

Table with financial entries: On hand at last report \$500.71, Paid out for postage .71, Placed on time deposit and turned over to Layton W. Bailey, Sec. Treas. \$500.00, Total \$500.71.

This balances the fund in my hands and same will hereafter be handled by Mr. Bailey, the State Secretary-Treasurer, as a part of the State funds. Remittances may be made, however, as before, to myself, Mrs. Bowman or now to Mr. Bailey, and proper credit for payments will be made. It is our purpose as fast as \$100.00 accumulates to put it on time deposit and let the fund draw interest as it lies in the bank awaiting the erection of the building. Inasmuch as the committee will not go into the construction of the building until at least the sum of \$1500 has been paid in, thus making it possible to avoid debt, it is urged that all subscribers pay as promptly as possible what they have pledged.

GUS W. THOMASSON, Chairman.

Dallas, Texas.

OFFICERS ELECTED AT DENTON.

From the columns of the Denton Record-Chronicle, we have a report of the election and installation of the officers of the Epworth League of the First Methodist Church at Denton, on Sunday, September 7. This is the Chapter of which Rev. O. T. Cooper, Fourth Vice-President of the North Texas Conference Epworth League, is pastor, and is, as always follows his wake, a real, live bunch of young Methodists. Here is the newspaper's account of the event in question, viz:

"Following the devotional service of the First Methodist Senior Epworth League Sunday night the following were elected officers for the year: President, J. E. Park; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Villa Curtis; First Vice-President, Miss Bettie Bridges; Second Vice-President, Mrs. R. Ledbetter; Third Vice-President, Miss Ida Shanks; Fourth Vice-President, Miss Clara Steinman; Era Representative, Miss Anna McMurray.

To assist the officers in carrying out the work the following were elected on the various committees:

- Department of Worship and evangelism—J. L. Griffith, Esther Steinman, Ben Roberts.
Department of Social Service—Woodson Dyer, Bessie Griffith, Nina Lee Smith.
Department of Culture and Recreation—Douglas Witt, Phoebe Goode, Ben Smith.
Department of Missions—R. B. Escue, Bessie Smith, Pearl Farris.

The devotional meetings of the Epworth League are conducted each Sunday evening at 7 o'clock at the First Methodist Church. The business, social, missionary and other meetings occur at regular times. A number of new members were received at the devotional service last Sunday night.

The League has recently contributed fifty dollars for mission work in Korea, the object being the Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund. They have raised the money also to pay the tuition and fees for a young lady student, who will attend college the present year.

The League will join in with the organizations of the First Methodist Church for the monster Rally Day to be observed the first Sunday in October. "The outlook for young people's work in the Church is most promising. We have a band of faithful, earnest young people and they are ready for every good word and work," said Rev. Mr. Cooper, the pastor, Monday.

TITHING.

In the Advocate of August 21. Bro. T. C. Willett, of Turkey, Texas, criticizes my article of July 17. I want to thank Brother Willett for hunting up the quotation of Peter in Acts 15:10. I think the Methodist people will believe the quotation of Peter as readily as if Paul were author.

Abraham paid tithes to Melchizedek, who must have been the Lord for he had neither beginning of days nor end of years. Afterward it became an ordinance of the Hebrew Nation and a line of priests bearing the Levitical priesthood collected the tithes.

Please read the entire seventh chapter of Hebrews. Verse twelve reads, "For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law." The eleventh verse shows the Levitical priesthood was not perfect and I am glad our Lord did not come of that tithing-gathering tribe, verse fourteen, but "sprang out of Judah of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood." Then read verses 18 and 19: "For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitable thereof. For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by the which we draw nigh unto God." The entire chapter teaches just what is taught in paragraph six, Articles of Religion in our Discipline: "The law given from God by Moses as touching ceremonies and rites doth not bind Christians, nor ought the civil precepts thereof of necessity to be received in any Commonwealth; yet notwithstanding no Christian whatsoever is free from the obedience of the commandments which are called moral."

We as Christians are bound by the moral law of God contained in the Ten Commandments. These were simplified and abridged by our Lord into two commandments, viz., love to God and love to each other. Where did Christ command the payment of tithes? The only time he needed money a fish's mouth supplied it. The early Christians had all things in common. Land was sold, and the price was laid down at the Apostles' feet (Acts 4:32-35). This Scripture shows that tithing was not practiced by them, for nothing was left to pay tithes on. This, however, is not now the law of the Church.

Brother Willett, you complain because I won't submit to the law of the Methodist Church on tithing. I deny the existence of any such law. The law, the last word of the Church, you will find in paragraph 337, page 173, Discipline 1910. "They shall then ascertain how much each member is able and willing to pay." Note the word "willing," if you please, "and whatever amount each member agrees to pay he or she shall be under solemn obligation to pay. Note the word "agrees," if you please.

My contention is, Christ is a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek. All things are his. No man on earth bears that priesthood; so no man ought to put his hands on tithes. Levi paid tithes in Abraham because he was the seed of Abraham; then was of the household of faith also paid tithes in Abraham. Gal. 3:29. "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise."

That we are not under the Mosaic law but under grace. That we should take the advice of St. Paul in Gal. 5:1. "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." That we don't need the tithing system at all, and that we have the wisest and best financial system extant. If our Church wants to build a great university or to endow a college, or for missions, orphans, or to pay the preacher the money is forthcoming. The Church is not yet ready to put its preachers in the banking business nor to invest in railroad stocks or bonds, nor to invest in any commercial enterprises of any kind, nor are we ready to allow you to Mormonize the Methodist Church by going into the tithing business. We will stick to the true and tried policy of the Church in our financial policy as well as in the Church doctrine.

You infer that I am a young convert; that I have a new-found faith, etc. Let me say once for all that I am a preacher in the Methodist Church and I claim the same rights and privileges that I accord to you or any other preacher of the Church. Do you think that when we get to heaven that Peter or Paul would say to us that we are

newcomers and, therefore, must not be heard. Your position is not just along this line.

The chapter and verse you demand of me you will find Col. 2:14. "Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross." You will note that Christ did the nailing and I nor either a Campbellite could not nail anything to the cross. Therefore, I refuse to allow you to call me that name on account of the above quotation.

I can't agree with you that the Methodist Church has robbed anyone. I have a higher opinion of the Methodist people than to think so. The quotation you use to prove it was the words of a prophet. If you will read the first verse of the first chapter of Hebrews you will see that God in times past spoke unto us by his servants, the prophets; or rather he spoke unto our fathers by them. But the second verse says, "Hath in these last days spoken to us by his son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things by whom also he made the worlds." Therefore, until you can show us a commandment of Christ to pay tithes we shall "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." Gal. 5:1.

O. H. BREWER.

Kirkland, Texas.

AN APPEAL.

As traveling Chaplain for the Texas State Penitentiaries I wish to again appeal to the Christian people of Texas for more literature for the prisoners and return thanks for your liberal response to my appeal in 1912, and make some statements which may be encouraging and helpful.

First: I wish to thank every one for your help in money and literature last year, which was immense; so much so that request was made by me to hold up until the amount on hand could be reduced by distribution, and promise made to let all donors know when more was needed.

We now need more good books, Bibles, Testaments, Sabbath School quarterlies, magazines, periodicals, good religious papers, biographies, sermons, etc., and the appeal is made to all denominations; and with the confidence that the response will be as liberal in 1913 as it was in 1912. If you could see the joy you give these unfortunates in the prisons, as the Chaplain sees it expressed when distributing your gifts, then your hearts would bound with joy at your liberality. Of course eternity can only show you results; but it is plain that they will call forth from the Master the announcement, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto these, ye have also done it unto me."

Second: I am glad to state the Churches, Sabbath Schools and Leagues organized in nearly all our camps, with several hundred members in each organization, and the work progresses, despite prison environments, prejudices, ungodliness in rulers and the hindrances of ignorance and infidelity, and we are glad again to say that since January, 1912, we count 1500 who have been blessed and made the good confession in the 18 camps we serve.

Do they all remain true to their open confession, you ask? We reply do all hold out faithful in our revivals outside the prisons? Alas, no! Were not ten cleansed? yet where are the nine? Christian development in prison life is where seeds fall by the wayside and on stony ground and in soil where noxious growths spring up and choke the development; yet, God be praised, many do hold out faithful, and grow stronger in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and are bright and shining lights in our prisons. We are sending out many men by time limit, and pardon, and parole, who will return home, and take a stand, and maintain it for God, who will rise up and call you blessed in the judgment for sending them the gospel, and Bibles, and good religious literature while held as prisoners in our State prisons. Not all, to be sure. Some will be sent back; yet multitudes will not.

Third: Above being facts, we ask you to help us, pray for us, hold up our hands in this work of untold possibilities and profound responsibilities. Amen! Please let us hear from you with liberal presents to the prisoners and send us all the Bibles, old or new, that you can command. Prisoners are begging for them. Having confidence in your liberality in response to this appeal, and again invoking your prayers, I am in bonds of Christian love, your brother, DR. T. H. HALL.

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WEAVER.—Mrs. M. Etta Derrick

Weaver was born in Evansville, Ark., November 18, 1876; was baptized in infancy by Rev. T. F. Brewer and joined the Church in childhood. She attended the Seminoe Female Academy, and afterwards the Chickasha Orphans' Home and Manual Labor School while her father, Rev. W. S. Derrick, was superintendent of those institutions in Oklahoma. While leading a prayermeeting in the last named school, she first saw the light definitely as to her own salvation. She graduated from Kidd-Key, Sherman, Texas, in 1894, finishing three years' course. She was married June 15, 1897, to James Weaver at Chickasha, Okla. After that she lived at Duncan, Okla., Throckmorton and Alpine, Texas, and died at Alpine, August 4, 1913. Besides husband and parents, she leaves a daughter, Vivian; two brothers, J. H. Derrick, of Alpine, and J. L. Derrick, of Madill, Okla., the home of her parents; two sisters, Mrs. R. L. Davis, of Madill, and Mrs. C. J. Webster, of Sulphur, Okla., besides numerous other relatives and friends. A lover of good books, of her home and loved ones, modest and retiring, she was withal a friend to the poor, a loyal member of the Church and a brave soldier of the cross. Like the virtuous woman of Scripture, she was a "crown to her husband, all glorious within" her golden heart. Her pastor, HUBERT M. SMITH.

RAPE.—J. B. Rape was born in

Henry County, Ga., January 12, 1848, and died August 30, 1913. His father moved to Texas when he was quite a small boy, and settled in Camp County, near the town of Pittsburg, where he grew to manhood. At the age of twenty-one he was married to Miss Imona Cope. To this union were born ten children, wife and four children having preceded him to the land beyond. Brother Rape was a good citizen, a good neighbor, and a loving and tender father. It had not been my privilege to know him but a short while. He had been in poor health for a long time. I had a letter from him stating that he wanted to see me. I went at once to see him, and he asked me if I could take him into the Church without him being present. I told him that I could. He said that he wanted to spend the balance of his life in the Church, and that he realized that he had made a mistake in that he had not given his life to God and his Church when he was young. I took him into the Church July 28. He said all was well and that he was ready to go whenever the Lord called for him. Weep not, dear children, he cannot come to you but you can go to him. May the blessings of our Heavenly Father be upon all the bereaved and the prayer of your humble servant and pastor. J. M. HONEYCUTT, P. C.

PHILLIPS.—John W. Phillips was

born December 7, 1859, died August 21, 1913, at Daingerfield, where he was born and reared. He joined the Methodist Church at Old Harris Chapel under the ministry of Brother Crowson. He was married to Miss Hattie Turner December 24, 1885, Rev. W. A. Coppage officiating. Seven children were born to this union, all living but one. These dates give the outline of one of the noblest characters that ever lived in our midst. Jack Phillips, as he was familiarly known, was the embodiment of honor. He held office in the county for a number of years and he did his work well. His last work was cashier of the Citizens Bank. Here as in every other place he was called to serve, he did his work in a way that brought to the Lord honor and confidence among his fellowmen. Bro. Phillips loved his Church. The greatest desire of his heart was that he might get well and be able to carry forward some part of the Church work in this town. He was a steward for a number of years, and always did his work well. He was the most painstaking recording steward I have ever known. His work would always pass at District Conference. But above it all, Brother Jack Phillips was a Christian in deed and in truth. He carried his Christian profession out into the walks of men and yet, best of all, he was a Christian at home. His one great object and aim was to make tian in deed and in truth. He carried

a loving, true husband and a tender compassionate father and truly the head of the house. During the last few months he was confined to his room and most of the time to the bed, but never a word of complaint escaped his lips. He was so appreciative of every little kindness shown. No one ever visited him or sent a little token of remembrance that he did not express his thanks in words and looks. To the dear wife and children, I commend you to the love of the Heavenly Father. May each of you so live that when you come to that home above you will be an unbroken family there. C. H. ADAMS, Pastor.

BICKHAM.—W. T. Bickham was

born in Louisiana February 14, 1847; died in Big Valley, Mills County, Texas, March 27, 1913. He grew to manhood in his native State and served two years in the Confederate Army. He was married to Miss Mollie Flowers December 30, 1863. Eight children were the fruits of this union. He leaves a wife, two sons and three daughters to mourn their loss, but not as those who have no hope. They expect to meet him again some sweet day. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1875, and lived a beautiful Christian life until the Lord called him home to the better world. He was one of the very best of men, highly regarded by all who knew him; and he is greatly missed. I was his pastor three years. He was one of my best stewards. He had the interest of the Church at heart. His home and pocketbook were always open to his pastor. He is not dead, but alive forevermore. A short time before he died he asked his wife to stay with him, saying to her that he was alone, and then looking her in the face, he said, "No, I am not alone." The Lord was with him as he was walking through the shadow of death. His funeral was conducted by his pastor, J. T. Weems. May heaven's blessing rest upon the bereaved ones. May they meet their loved one in the better world. G. W. TEMPLIN.

LANEY.—Emma J. Laney (nee

Carr) was born in Linden, Cass County, Texas, May 7, 1866; died August 1, 1913; married to W. T. Laney September 26, 1888. To this union were born five children, two girls and three boys. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn their loss, one little girl having preceded her to that heavenly home beyond the stars. Sister Laney was converted in early life and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and lived a consistent Christian life until God called her to her reward. She loved the Lord and his Church with all of her heart. She was ever found at her post of duty. Her greatest desire was to live for the glory of God and to raise her children for God and his cause. She was a great sufferer in her last days on earth, having become the victim of that dreadful disease, tuberculosis. For fourteen months previous to her death, she was confined to her bed most of the time. She was the most patient sufferer I ever knew. She was never heard to murmur or complain and for the most of the time she was cheerful and happy and seemed perfectly reconciled. She said that she did not fear death at all. Her only regret was being separated from her family. Weep not for her, she is not dead but sleepeth. Remember, dear husband and children, how she prayed for you. She is watching and waiting at the beautiful gate for her loved ones. Be faithful and be true to God. Oh, dear boys, prepare to meet your mother's God, is the prayer of your humble servant. J. M. HONEYCUTT, P. C.

BRYANT.—Bro. John E. Bryant was

born near Tupelo, Mississippi, August 9, 1854. Was accidentally killed by a motor truck in Dallas, Texas, July 9, 1913, aged fifty-eight years and eleven months. He moved to Collin County, Texas, in 1878, and has lived in and around Roysie City nearly ever since. He was happily married to Miss Annie Phillips in 1878. To this union were born eight children four of whom are yet living. On December 22, 1910, Miss Iva, his sixteen-year-old daughter, a devout and consecrated girl, just passing into womanhood, was thrown from a vehicle and died in a few hours afterwards. In less than three years the father follows the tragical ending of his daughter, thereby making the stroke doubly hard on the broken-hearted mother and children. Brother Bryant professed faith in Christ early in life; joined the Methodist Church, South, and lived a

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FOR LAREDO.

Eagle Lake, Texas, Sept. 11, 1913.—In response to the call from the Laredo School for household supplies, wish to say that the Eagle Lake Auxiliary sent a box to the value of \$10.
MRS. E. ROOS, Secretary.

DECATUR DISTRICT MEETING.

The District Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of Decatur District will convene at Decatur October 1-2.

Please send names of delegates to Mrs. R. L. Tompson. Try to let nothing interfere with your being present at this meeting. All pastors in the district cordially invited.
MRS. J. W. ROARK,
District Secretary.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Please take notice Mrs. C. F. Buchanan, of Honey Grove, was forced to give up her office of Second Vice-President of the Conference because of the transfer of her husband and that Mrs. J. West Reed, of Honey Grove, Texas, has been elected to take her place. Mrs. Reed is a lovely, talented, consecrated young woman and we thank God for giving her to us as one of our conference leaders.
MRS. L. P. SMITH.

MEDICINE MOUND AUXILIARY.

In March our pastor, Rev. J. O. Quattlebaum, organized a Home Mission Society at Medicine Mound, with twelve members. The following are the officers: President, Mrs. Thurston; First Vice-President, Mrs. T. Orr; Recording Secretary, Miss Joe Foster; Treasurer, Mrs. J. O. Quattlebaum; Press Reporter, Mrs. M. J. Carille. Although we are few in number we are expecting to do great things for the cause, and praying God that he may take the supreme lead in our work, and that it may be the means of leading us all to a deeper spiritual life.
PRESS REPORTER.

The district meetings are now in progress. Pray for these meetings. We want to stress at this time in each district: First, the King's Business as a mission study; second, four young women from each district in the next three years sent to the Training School; third, one hundred new subscribers for the Missionary Voice as the minimum, a petition for Laity rights or memorial to send to Council and General Conference.

The following are still to be held:
Bonham District, Ector, September 17-19.

Sherman District, Collinsville, September 22-24.

Dallas District, Tyler Street, September 24-26.

McKinney District, Carrollton, September 29-October 1.

Decatur District, Decatur, October 1-3.

Bowie District, Bellevue, October 3-8.

Gainesville District, St. Jo, October 8-10.

There is a plan to have a meeting of all Texas Societies during the Fair, October 23 at 10 a. m., at the Publishing House.

There should be a fine representation if we are in earnest. The King's business requires haste.

TEXAS CONFERENCE NOTES.

In June we held our annual meeting. For weeks, yea months before, plans were being prayerfully thought out and worked out by our officers for the perfecting and furtherance of our work. All sides and possibilities and probabilities were viewed. Comparisons with other conferences and States were made and results tabulated, mentally and in writing, so that a wider scope, better knowledge, more enthusiasm and the blessings that were ours for the claiming were all hoped for and anticipated. These then were taken to our annual meeting, discussed, voted on, passed and incorporated in the reports of the several committees. They were sent out in

the Conference Bulletin and printed in the minutes.

Now then, what are we doing with all this? Studying it, using it, familiarizing ourself with it, putting it into our programs for Auxiliary and district meetings? How many know item by item the report of even your own department? Some do, God bless them! They supply us all with fervor and brains and zeal. But a lot of us do not. Let us start now, today, to be doers, make our district meetings, every one, regular institutes of missionary study and activity, make a start towards some definite goal and keep going.

Send more than your usual number of delegates to your district meeting, make up a party. And everybody bring home one new thought and plan.

Find out what our place as Christian women with a mighty power and influence is in the moving force around us and in the surge backward and forward of humanity's atoms.

Reach out, reach up and put other hands than just yours into the safe grip of the Almighty Father.

Is there anything objectionable in your local papers, or those read in your home?

Are comic supplements productive of good?

Are not unnecessary details published in scandals of all kinds, murder trials, etc.?

Are you watching your moving picture shows? Do they interfere with pray-meeting service or Sunday morning attendance?

We have a new Publicity Superintendent at Orange. She came to the A. M. Stark home recently, but is not sending out anything but love and smiles as yet.

Our Miss Hill has been quite ill in Houston, but has returned to her home again. No one would have known of her illness from her work!

Miss Head has had to return to the sanitarium for further treatment. Pray for these good faithful women.

Talk Texas Conference.

Attend district meetings.

Discuss School of Missions.

We have some new charts or posters of all these in preparation for all these meetings which we expect to use in person or send.

We have sent out some cards, and hope soon to have more news than we can get space for.

MRS. W. T. SPENCER,
Publicity Superintendent Texas Conference.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD.

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much hard work God gave the victory. On the last Sunday we received into the Church a fine class of young people. Credit is due Sister Rape for her untiring efforts. She is a splendid worker. Brother and Sister Rape are much loved by the entire community. I am now with Anderson at Roby. I wonder if any of the brethren have vague visions of this place. In spite of reports I have found some splendid people here. They have been hard hit 'tis true, but some of them are still holding on to God and their Church. This is a beautiful country, rich soil and will come again. Brother Anderson is held in high esteem by all who know him. Pray that God may give us a gracious meeting.—R. J. Tooley.

Wheeler Circuit.

Everything is moving along very well on the Wheeler charge. Our labor among the good people of this circuit has been very pleasant. Soon after our return from conference, we were given a most substantial pounding and during the year many good things have found their way to the parsonage till a little over a week ago we were treated to another liberal pounding. We are very grateful for all of these favors. We have held five protracted meetings this summer and in all we have had about thirty conversions and reclamations and twenty-five accessions to the Church. We had with us in these meetings the following brethren: Rev. J. A. Ianey of Tolbert, Rev. W. M. Pone of Shamrock, Rev. L. B. Smallwood of Cataline and Rev. H. B. Johnson of Iowa Park. All of these brethren rendered us good and efficient service. Their preaching was of the highest order. In one meeting the pastor did all of the preaching, except one sermon each by Rev. W. Y. Switzer and Rev. Leo Rippey. Brother Leo was of great help to us during the summer. He is a fine young man and will make his mark in the world. We have received sixty-three members into the Church this year. Our Sunday School, Junior League and Wo-

man's Missionary Society are doing good work. Lately we have repainted our church building and made some needed improvements at the parsonage. During the year I have secured ten new subscribers to the Advocate and all of my stewards now take the paper, but one, and I expect to send in his name before long. The Advocate is a great paper and should come into every Methodist home in the State.—G. T. Palmer.

Purcell, Okla.

Sunday, September 7th, marked the close of a two week's revival meeting at Purcell, conducted by Rev. C. A. Clark of Claude, Texas. An old time brush arbor was erected on the prominent corner lot of the Southern Methodist Church and the altar and aisles filled with straw. With these old-time plans and equipment, which were a novelty to some of these Oklahoma folks, and with the old-time Gospel, we had a great revival. Brother Clark is an earnest and spiritual man and a "workman who needeth not to be ashamed." He has returned home but his good work remains. The singing was led by Brother J. W. Glance of Polytechnic College, who also did us much good in training the junior and senior choirs. There were twenty accessions to the Church and others will follow. There were also a number of reclamations and a general spiritual uplift among all the Churches. We believe the revival is here to stay. The Church and the town are greatly benefitted, for which we thank God and take courage.—T. Edgar Neal, P. C.

Seventh Street, Temple.

What delightful nine months these have been! My people are so thoughtful, kind and attentive. Splendid congregations all the time; 240 accessions to the Sunday School this conference year. Church entirely too small to accommodate the school, although we added room enough for the Beginners and Primary Department in the beginning of the year. The Woman's Missionary Society and the W. W. Band doing fine work; sixty-two subscriptions to the Advocate, fifty-two of which are new. Many tracts, leaflets, pamphlets, books and Bibles distributed. The stewards are being faithful and the conference collections are coming; ninety-five accessions to the Church. The parsonage has been repaired and beautiful flowers put in the yard. Have placed two children in the Orphans' Home, which I now consider to be one of the nicest, cleanest and neatest places in existence, and of course this means good management. Have helped Bro. J. M. Armstrong, the Christy spirited preacher, in a meeting at Salado. H. B. Owens, the prince of men, who to know is to love superlatively. He has a large family of Kidd's at Loyal Valley that are worth their weight in gold. J. E. Matlock at Robinson Chapel, never enjoyed a two weeks' association more. Brother Matlock helped me in a meeting which resulted in seventeen accessions. He has a bright future before him. His \$250 horse died while I was helping him and in forty-eight hours the good people had made up about that sum and presented it to him. Was with S. B. Sawyers, Jr. in a few days' doctrinal preaching; he is doing things at Leon Junction. Also, and finally with Bro. Peoples, the steady goer at Cravill's Gap. For the third time preached the annual reunion sermon at Llano for the Mountain Remnant Brigade and have to do so again next year. We old soldiers certainly had a big time. Have had such men as Drs. Armstrong, Bishop, Boaz, Boyd Burroughs, Callaway, Chambliss, Hall, Moore, Onderdonk, Rogers, Smith, Winfield, Young and others to preach to my folks this year. Have attended fifteen funerals, married nine couples, baptized three infants; splendid prayer-meetings, more than 400 pastoral visits, cement sidewalks entirely around the parsonage and church; total money raised \$2800.—E. V. Cox.

Edith Mission.

School days are almost here, which will call me away from my work here, and I wish to state briefly some of the work done in this new field since my arrival from Georgetown in June. On my arrival here I found that a Church had been organized at Edith by Brother Lane, of Water Valley. Since then with the help of Brother Lane, assisted by Brother Slatton, of Seranton, a meeting was held. We had a good meeting with three conversions. During the summer thirteen additions have been made to the Church. At Wild Cat Schoolhouse, with the help of Brother C. W. Hardon, of San Angelo, there was conducted a meeting that will long be remembered by the people of that community. Under the preaching of Brother Hardon there were twenty professions. The last Sunday of the meeting we organized a Church with thirty members. Brother Hardon was the man for the place. We had the

privilege of having Brother H. C. Bowman with us in the meeting at Tennyson. The rain and cotton picking kept a number from the meeting. There were, however, two conversions and a Church was organized with a membership of fourteen members. There is a great field for work at Tennyson, and conditions are such that when the people hear some good, strong Methodist preaching we can expect to hear of a good Church at that place. The plan of salvation as preached by Brother Bowman made a deep impression on the people of other denominations who had heard nothing but Churchly preached, Sunday Schools have been organized at Edith and Wild cat. The young people as well as the old have shown great interest in these organizations. I am praying that my work here may prove to be a living work, and I am sure that my first summer's experience will be a lasting good for me.—Ed. E. White.

Godley.

We have just closed our series of revivals on the Godley Circuit, and in some respects have had the most prosperous year ever witnessed in the history of the circuit. During the four revivals we have had more than one hundred conversions and reclamations and eight-eight additions to the Church. Number of additions or conversions, however, can in no way measure the good done or success achieved, as the revived membership of the Church is not the least factor in God's blessing to us. Members who were lukewarm and indifferent, were restored to activity and brought into anxious, active service. Space will not permit our telling any of our wonderful experiences during these meetings; how our souls were stirred with unspeakable joy as men and women cried mightily unto God for salvation and witnessed in their hearts God's wonderful grace. Brothers A. E. Watford and W. H. Matthews, neighboring pastors, assisted me in two of these meetings and preached with wonderful power and demonstration of spirit, as was witnessed by many souls being saved. Brother E. N. Parrish, one of our conference evangelists assisted me at Concord, and held one of the greatest meetings I have ever witnessed. He is truly "a man of God." Now permit us a line in reference to the finance side of our work. When we arrived on the Godley Circuit we found four organized societies, one with no house of worship and two others whose houses of worship were greatly in need of a coat of paint and other small repairs. These two churches have been painted and repaired, and to one of them, situated at Godley, we have added a Sunday School addition which by means of sliding doors, can, on necessary occasion, be thrown open to the main church, greatly increasing its seating capacity. At Concord, where there was no house of worship, we have now under construction and nearing completion a \$1400 church, with most all the funds raised to pay for it. We also raised more than \$700 for the S. M. U. from this circuit, and aside from the pastor's and presiding elder's salaries and the other regular collections have raised near the sum of \$3000 this year. Prospects are good for full collections on all the regulars, and if so, we shall have to the credit of Godley Circuit at the close of the year more than \$4000 on finances. The Lord has been good to us and blessed us both spiritually and temporally and that is the face of a distressing drought and other seemingly unsurmountable difficulties.—B. H. Oxford.

Boston Circuit.

At the last Annual Conference we were appointed by Bishop Mouzon to labor with the good people of Boston charge. We serve a good people and were given a warm welcome. We felt at the very beginning of the year that a revival was needed. Christianity was at a low ebb. We began early by forming prayer leagues over the circuit. We only got six to join this prayer league on the entire circuit of five Churches and one outside appointment. But, God be praised, we began to pray and he began to answer. The devil began to holler loud because he got pinched. Religion began to gain ground and we began to have conversions from the word go. God gave us an increase in congregations as the year moved on. The fire began to burn more and more in Christian hearts. I shall never forget the District Conference, at which we all got renewed life and fire for our revivals. I returned home from the District Conference and began my first meeting at Liberty Hill. Had three good services and was rained out. Next, Daniels Chapel, July 10. God was with us; had a good meeting; Church greatly revived; two accessions by baptism. Next, Godley Prairie, July 24. This meeting was a success from the very first service. We began on Thursday night, Brother Goodwin, of New Boston, came to us Monday and preached us six good sermon. My



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people all like Brother Goodwin. We closed out Sunday night following with twenty six accessions on profession of faith and baptism. We went from this place to Chlebyate Springs, August 3, where we were to have a union meeting with the Baptists, but they declined the idea after we reached success. The Baptist members all took part anyhow and God gave us a great victory at this place. We received twenty-one members, fourteen for the Methodists and seven for the Baptists, with others to come in later. From thence to Old Boston. Here our congregation was divided by the meeting of Brother Rockett, of New Boston. We only ran six days, but with good results. From thence to Red Bayou, August 31. Here God was with us and gave great victory over sin and unrighteousness. On the whole charge we have had an addition of fifty-four members this year. This gives us 254 total membership. This is a good charge, four Churches in two and one-half miles of parsonage; somewhat like preaching on a station. The preacher that comes here next year won't get to preach many old sermons, for these people go from one Church to the other; preach to some people as often as six times a month. The majority of this people are loyal to the Church and preacher, especially those who have religion. But we have some outside that can cuss the preach by note. They say he preaches too hard, but this gives us new courage and we go on. As the Lord said, they don't love us because they are not of us. Just throw a dog a bone and he will growl; just throw a rack at a bunch of dogs and they will tuck their tails and holler. Just give the devil a lick and he will yell; God is still with us. We give him all the honor and praise. We will come to Nacogdoches this fall with a full report if it's God's will.—G. M. Yearwood.

Cisco Mission.

On December 4th, 1912, we arrived in Cisco to begin our first year's work as a pastor. We found a work of five appointments, one in Cisco and four country appointments. Not long after we arrived the good people of Cisco and surrounding country, headed by the Presiding Elder and wife, pounded us with a wagon load of good things to eat. Even the preacher's horse was remembered. These folks show that they have had experience

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in this line of work. My! How it was appreciated. Our revival season has come and gone, and although our meetings were not what we would have liked to have had, yet the results were very gratifying. Everything is moving along very nicely. We have about two-thirds of our Conference assessment in cash and good subscriptions, and expect to make a full report at Temple. We feel that God has indeed been good to us this year. Pray for us that this year and the years to follow may be years of successful work in the vineyard of the Master.—J. Fred Patterson.

Transcedar Mission.

The pounding came in with showers of blessings. Some of the good ladies of Pauline formulated a plan to make the old preacher and wife happy. They drove around and got the neighbors together from the oldest down to the brighteyed little boys and girls and about 8 o'clock at night here they came to the parsonage. Into the dining room they went, everyone with a present of good things. With a little ready cash, there were forty or fifty presents; still they come. After enjoying ourselves in a social and friendly way, Brother Henderson, the Christian preacher, read Psalms 23rd, and called on this preacher to pray. We tried to pray but our heart was so strangely warmed that we could not say much but praise the Lord for Brothers and Sisters and loved ones. So you see Transcedar Mission is coming to the front, Pauline leading in pounding the preacher.—D. F. Pulley, P. C.

DeLeon Circuit.

We have had a very busy summer. The Lord has been very gracious to us. We have had good revivals all over our work. The Lord has heard and answered many prayers. Our people covenanted with us in the early part of the year to pray for a great revival and through their earnest prayers, and their faithful work, and the good help from such consecrated and earnest men as J. Frank Luker of Eastland City, A. E. Turney of Dawson and W. C. Hilburn of DeLeon, with the local help of A. F. Nabors and U. J. Morton, God has wonder-

fully blessed us in the salvation of many souls. It is not enough to say that we esteem these men of God highly. But we love them because they are men; the world needs more men like them. We have had one hundred and seventeen conversions and reclamations on the work that we know of, besides the Churches wonderfully revived and at work. We have had one hundred and thirteen additions to the Church this year, and have baptized twenty-four babies. We have the most faithful lot of young people. They surely stand by their pastor. We serve a fine people, who want to move in the front ranks. And they don't forget their pastor and his family. We were the happy recipients of the largest pounding that it has ever been our pleasure to enjoy. We wish we had space to name the good things they brought us. But there is one thing, it stimulates a pastor to try to do more than ever before. This would be incomplete without mention of our faithful stewards, who have made it possible for us to do the work we have done. May the Lord bless our entire Charge.—J. D. Smoot, P. C.

Tye. Have just returned from a two week's trip on the plains in the Clarendon District, where I went to assist my brother, Rev. Ansil Lynn, pastor of Washburn Charge in some meetings. We had one good meeting at Fairview Church, and one splendid meeting at Washburn. We found a very fine class of people in the Plains country. They in a true sense love the Church, and stand by their pastor. I became very much attached to the people with and for whom I labored on the Washburn charge. The pastor is in much favor with his people. Everything on the Tye charge is moving along fairly well, considering the fact that we are facing one of the most serious crop failures in the history of the country, in the Abilene District. Our meetings for the most part were very good. We have had some thirty five or forty conversions and reclamations and fifty additions to the Church. We have had the assistance of the following Brethren in the meetings on our Charge: Rev. C. W. Young of the Trent Charge, Rev. Walter L. Barr of Sabinal, Texas, Rev. Ansil Lynn of Washburn Charge, and Rev. A. W. Waddill of Baird, Texas. The brethren all did fine work. All things considered, we had a good year, and it has been a most pleasant year to us. We are making a final pull for Conference and hope to be able to report a good year when we meet for final accounts at Vernon in November.—C. E. Lynn, P. C.

Center Circuit.

Center Circuit has had a season of great revivals. We began the second Sunday in July at Newtarn. Here P. R. White came to our rescue on Monday night. Brother White is a great preacher and he did some of it at this meeting. He preaches on great subjects and his themes burn their way into the hearts of men. The results of this meeting were twelve accessions. Next we went to Mt. Zion and here R. E. Baird did the preaching. My how he does preach! Baird has a backbone and he is not afraid to attack sin. Folks hear him and conviction comes upon men when he preaches. He rides in no airship, but he gets down where people live. The result of this meeting was twelve accessions. Next we went to Sand Hill, where we had a great revival. Everybody in this community belongs to the Church and we only received one member, but had about thirty reclamations. The preaching was done by C. B. Garrett and myself. Garrett preached some great sermons and they did untold good. He said both of us could not kill that revival. Next we went to Shady Grove, had a good revival, with seven accessions and the Church was greatly built up. This scribe did all the preaching. From here we went to Short. On Monday D. A. Williams, of Douglassville, came. My, how he can preach! He gets down where folks live and gets them in his arms and soars among the stars. He handles great themes with perfect ease. Sin has to groan and move out when Williams preaches. Results, the Church greatly revived and twenty-two accessions. From here we went to Prospect. This is one of the largest country churches in East Texas. Here J. M. Fuller, of White House, did all the preaching, and to say it was well done would be a mild way of expressing it. Fuller is a good preacher; he preaches a plain gospel and never wears gloves in the pulpit. He is a pastor that can hold a revival anywhere and anytime. We had a great meeting; sixteen accessions to the Church. Last, but not least, we went to Arcadia and began on Thursday night. This was said to be one of the toughest places in East Texas. Baird again came to our rescue on Friday morning and stayed

two days, then we were left to do the preaching. Sunday morning came in bright and sunny. My, what a crowd! Some came from a distance and by Sunday night, we could tell the Eastern skies were turning red. Signs were in sight for a bright day. Just such another revival this scribe will never witness. They sang, shouted, prayed, wept and mourned and men of all ages gave their hearts to God. The folks came in large numbers. When the house was filled, they would crowd the doors and windows. Men would come from outdoors to the altar. The Holy Ghost came down and conviction seized upon the whole community. The final result, up to the night we closed, was fifty-three accessions to the Methodist Church and some to other Churches. We have received into the Church this year one hundred and thirty, with more to follow. We will say, "A good year, Bishop: The goose hangs high on Center Circuit."—J. L. Ross, P. C.

Frisco Station.

On the 10th of August we began our revival. On Monday, the 11th, Brother and Sister E. S. Hursey came to us and remained until the close of the meeting, on August 24th. Our services were good from the first. Many of our people had been praying for a revival and were ready at first call to do all they could. We had some very fine services and the Church was graciously blessed. About sixty mere converted or reclaimed and forty-two were received into our Church. Hursey is an adept at getting the Church to work, which is quite necessary for any real revival. Another thing about Hursey that suits this preacher, is, he believes in "stringing the fish." In fact, he is working strictly for the Lord and the Methodist Church. I have never worked with a more agreeable man than E. S. Hursey. Both he and Sister Hursey are very earnest, faithful workers, and we are very glad that we engaged them for this meeting. The offering amounted to \$108.50. Since the revival, our people have given us a two week's vacation, and a full purse (mainly filled by Sister Allen) to take a trip. So last Friday my family and myself left Frisco for Galveston, where we are having a great time, enjoying the beautiful scenery, bathing and fishing.—W. J. Palmer.

ATCHLEY'S REPORT TO DATE.

In the past eight months we have held thirteen meetings, preached three hundred and eighteen times, had thirteen hundred and nine public professions and reclamations, about eight or nine hundred have joined the Church, and several have consecrated themselves for special work. The gross offerings for all purposes has been fifteen hundred and thirty-eight dollars. I regret that I have had about forty calls to help in meetings I could not fill. I have three fall dates open to begin September 28, October 19 and November 16, respectively. Who wants them? Address J. R. ATCHLEY, Conference Evangelist for the North Texas Conference, Denton, Texas.

HERE AND THERE.

Wife and I are "here," now—settled down and living in Decatur, Texas, forty miles north of Fort Worth, on the Denver. We have been in this place since July 1st of this year. A letter to Dallas will reach us, and it is only three hours' travel from here to Dallas. We like the place, the people, the preacher, natural gas for cooking and warming us in the winter.

Decatur is prospering in material things. A new school building, a new flouring mill, a new brick Masonic Temple, and a new brick Methodist Church to cost \$20,000 are being erected. Not a vacant house in the place and new dwellings are going up in all parts of the town. The Baptist College is doing fine work.

Our Church is prospering under the pastorate of Brother Nash. He and his excellent family are in great favor with the people. Brother Riddle, on the District, after serving as pastor here before Brother Nash, is doing a good work and is abundant in labors. It is indeed pleasant to associate with these officials in the Church; and with Brother Johnson, a supernuniate, and Brother Sullivan, who is closing out his fourth year on the Decatur Circuit. Brother Sullivan's wife and daughter, and Sister Riddle are noted Church workers in the Church here.

The people on the streets were glad to shake hands with Brother L. S. Barton, who served this District four years, when he stopped off a few hours last week. The people love him very much and speak of his work in high terms. G. F. BOYD, Decatur, Tex., Sept. 15, 1913.

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OUR HYMN BOOK.

I wish to give a few thoughts in connection with the question of our Hymn-book which is now discussed in the columns of our Church papers. Though not a preacher, I have been interested in Church music for more than seventy years. During the greater part of my active life in the Church I was recognized as a suitable leader in singing for all the denominations that worshipped in the union church of my community. Then we used the old tunes that were in common use in the country. We used no rag-time tunes, cared not for operatic or theatrical songs, for trilling the "r," or grotesque, sensational practices in music. But I must be brief. Our preachers even now generally select the best in our books, such as are mostly familiar and suitable. But the truth is we have too many song-books and our own Hymnal is altogether too large, and many of the tunes in it are as stale as cornbread a week old. There can be no material objection to the poetry. In my opinion the Hymn-book we had twenty years ago was better than the one we now have. I do not object to new hymns or music. Many of the latest are excellent and should be included in our selections. We need a new book of our own. It should contain less than 500 hymns. Half of Charles Wesley's and Dr. Watts' and other old hymns should be left out. The best selections from our own Sunday School books, from the Amaranth down to the latest, should be incorporated in a new book and then possibly a few others. Our children should be kept in our congregations and the music would be familiar to them as well as to adults. Some eight or ten years ago I procured a copy of our (then new) Hymn and Tune Book, and at once examined every tune in it, and I must confess I was seriously disappointed. Some of the old hymns were left out and much of the music of the kind that I have already stated.

W. J. WILSON.

San Sabas, Texas.

CHURCH DEDICATIONS.

On September 28, being the fourth Sunday, Dr. G. C. Rankin will dedicate our new church at Fall Creek on the Cresson Circuit. All those who have ever been connected with this Church are cordially invited to come and be with us. We expect a great day. All others are invited.

A. E. WATFORD, P. C.

Cresson, Texas

The new Methodist church at Pilot Point, Texas, will be dedicated September 28, 1913. Dr. Geo. S. Sexton, of Dallas, will preach the dedicatory sermon. All former pastors and presiding elders are cordially invited to be present.

G. A. LEHNHOFF, Pastor.

The Mores Chapel Church, of Kellyville Charge, Marshall District, will be dedicated the fourth Sunday in October, at 11 a. m., by Rev. F. M. Boyles, presiding elder, of Marshall, Texas. All former pastors and friends of the Church are cordially invited to be present. L. H. MATHISON.

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McKINNEY DISTRICT.

The following change has been made in the McKinney District, fourth round: Kenner, at Renner, Nov. 29, 30.

CLAS—PRAGINS, P. E.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

To the members of Quarterly Conference, Hillsboro District: Please note carefully list of appointments as rearranged this week. (See page 15.) HORACE BISHOP

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

New Mexico Conference.

All persons applying for admission on trial into the New Mexico Conference, will please meet the committee Oct. 14, 9:30 a. m., in the pastor's study of the Central M. E. Church, South, Albuquerque, N. M. Come prepared for a written examination. Remember that in lieu of examination, the committee will accept only the papers of those who have taken the correspondence course. We cannot conduct examinations after the date mentioned above. J. H. MESSER, W. W. TURNER, Committee.

New Mexico Conference.

You will please notify me at once of all delegates who will attend the session of the conference which convenes in Albuquerque, N. M., October 15. If you intend to bring your wife, notify me, so the committee can arrange. It is important to have the names of all who will be here in the hands of the Entertainment Committee by the first of October. S. E. ALLISON, Pastor, 716 S. Edith St., Albuquerque, N. M.

Pittsburg District—Fourth Round.

(Revised) Nash, at Nash, Sept. 20, 21. Hardy Memorial (preaching), Sept. 21, night. Queen City, at Law's Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Atlanta, Sept. 28, 29. Cason, at Ebenezer, Oct. 4, 5. Daingerfield, Oct. 5, Conf. 6, 1:30 p. m. Winstonsboro, at Maple Springs, Oct. 11, 12. Naples (preaching), Oct. 12, night. Winfield, at New Hope, Oct. 18, 19. Redwater, at Redwater, Oct. 19, 20. Boston Cir., at Daniel Chap., Oct. 25, 26. New Boston and Dekalb, at New Boston, Oct. 26, 27. Cookeville, at Oak Grove Nov. 1, 2. Mt. Pleasant (preaching) Nov. 2, night. Hardy Memorial, Conference Nov. 4, night. Dalby Springs, at Dalby, Nov. 5, 6. Burnett, at Walker's Chapel, Nov. 8, 9. Hughes Springs, at H. S., Nov. 9, 10. Naples and Umaha, at Naples, Conf. 10 a. m., Nov. 14. Douglassville, at Union Chap., Nov. 15, 16. Linden, at Linden, Nov. 16, 17. Texarkana, Central, Nov. 18, night. Mt. Pleasant, Conference, Nov. 19, night. Pittsburg Cir., at Keeves Chap., Nov. 22, 23. Pittsburg Sta., Nov. 21-23. Reports from trustees and women's Missionary Societies will be called for and reported this round. Much has been put off to be done this quarter, both as to the collection of the pastors' salaries and gathering in of conference moneys, and the shortness of the crops will make this work harder, but faithfulness on the part of the stewards, members and pastors will result in success. Don't let anyone fail in this supreme hour. The needs are so pressing and great that I urge and insist that every one who has any of these interests in hand meet them fully and faithfully in the fear of God. Our district can pay out of all will do their part. Won't you all help and help liberally? O. T. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Fort Worth District—Fourth Round.

Diamond Hill, Sept. 29, 8 p. m. Boulevard, Sept. 30, 8 p. m. McKinley Ave., Oct. 1, 8 p. m. Riverside, Oct. 2, 8 p. m. Arlington, Oct. 2, 8 p. m. Brooklyn Heights, Oct. 6, 8 p. m. Handley, at Harwell's, Oct. 8, 8 p. m. Hempstead Heights, Oct. 9, 8 p. m. Weatherford St., Oct. 10, 8 p. m. Kennedale, at Thomas, Oct. 13, 4 p. m. Glenwood, Oct. 15, 8 p. m. Polytechnic, Oct. 16, 8 p. m. Grapevine, Oct. 20. First Church, Oct. 23, 8 p. m. Mulkey, Oct. 24, 8 p. m. M. Avenue, Oct. 27, 8 p. m. Central, Oct. 29, 8 p. m. Smithfield, at Oak Grove, Nov. 3. H. W. KNICKERBOCKER, P. E.

OBITUARIES

(Continued from page 11).

devout and consecrated Christian life until the day of his death. The writer preached his funeral in the Methodist Church in Koyse, in the presence of a large company of sympathizing friends, and laid his body to rest in the Royse Cemetery to await the resurrection of the just. Bro. Bryant was a poor man in this world's goods, but rich in character and friends. He was truly a good man, faithful to his wife, devoted to children, true to his friends and loyal to his Church and his God. He was an Israelite in whom there was no guile. His Church and pastor could depend upon him. Through tribulation he and his daughter have entered the kingdom triumphant, and are waiting the coming of the sorrowing ones. Weep not for our loss is their gain. If faithful, we shall meet beyond tribulations' reach and lay our crowns at His feet.

TOM J. BECKHAM.

FAW—Lem B. Faw, aged forty-two years, died at the home of his brother, A. E. Faw, near Reagan, Texas, August 25, 1913. He was born and reared in Plantersville, Texas, where his mother and sister still live. He was a member of the Methodist Church since early boyhood. He had lived and worked in Mexico for the last fifteen years, as civil engineer. He identified himself there with the Church and served it as faithfully as possible under the circumstances. He had been in bad health all the year, and succumbed to an operation for abscess of the liver. He was very patient during his long illness, and never murmured or complained, trusting fully in our Savior and we are confident that he is asleep in Jesus. HIS MOTHER.

GREEN—Bessie Carolyn Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McGuire, was born August 27, 1887, and died June 25, 1913. Professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, July, 1907. She bore her afflictions with the patience of a Christian. We are glad of the Christian life. It is the happiest of all lives. It is good while in perfect health, and in sickness it is a great comfort. When we begin to face death worlds could not buy this religion. Sister Bessie said she was not afraid to die. She said she was ready. I would to God that every one, when they come to depart this life, could say that they were ready. To the many friends and loved ones, look to Jesus who knows every heartache and care of ours. Trust in him and he will comfort and strengthen you in life and finally take you home where God and our loved ones are. J. D. SMOOT.

WALLACE—Dr. A. S. A. Wallace, Plainview, N. M., passed to his reward in heaven, June 14, 1913, aged eighty years and six months. He was a member of the M. E. Church South, for many years, though not at all times very spiritual. Just before he died he often called the writer and wife to talk to and pray for him about his spiritual condition. Finally became reconciled and said he was ready to go. He practiced medicine over twenty years near Proctor, Comanche County, Texas, where he made many friends. He was very fortunate in friend-making; all who knew him seemed to love him. He was the father of Birch Wallace, Lula Wallace, Myra Crockett, Bell Harris (deceased), Nora Tisdale and six other children, who died in infancy or childhood. Nearly fifty years ago he was married to Miss Margaret Fulker, who preceded him to the glory world, April, 1903. He suffered much for six months before he died. We regret to give him up, but we expect to meet him, some sweet day. His son-in-law, W. R. CROCKETT.

CROSS—William Morgan Cross was born September 28, 1877, near Flat, Coryell County, Texas. With the exception of one year spent in Bell County, he lived all his life in the county of his birth. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church about the age of twelve. He married Miss Addie Moore, February 21, 1906. To this union three children were born, one of whom preceded him to the better world. He died June 6, 1913, and was buried in the Flint Creek Cemetery. By nature he was a quiet and unobtrusive. He was a good man—good to his parents, good to his wife and children. He was an upright, law-abiding citizen and a faithful member of the Methodist Church. He was also a member of the Farmers' Union and of two fraternal orders. He goes to join father, sister and little son in the home above while his mother, wife, two children, a brother and two sisters follow lovingly on. The influence of his godly life will abide. L. B. SAWYERS, P. C.

MORRISON.—Robert Lee Morrison was born at Charleston, Tennessee, November 15, 1858. Came to Texas when twenty-one years old; settled at Wylie, Texas, where he lived several years, then moving to Floyd, Texas, thirteen years ago, where he spent the remainder of his life; died June 22, 1913. Deceased was married to Miss Hattie Hogue December 15, 1889. To this union three children were born; one, Lucile, died in infancy; the others are Mrs. Lillian Cooper, wife of Dr. J. S. Cooper, of Dallas, Texas, and Robert Morrison at home. It was the writer's pleasure and good fortune to live with Brother Morrison and family for several months, and feel that we can truthfully say that he was a good man and a noble character. He joined the M. E. Church, South, ten years ago, but had been a professor of religion for several years before joining the Church. Being his steward and Sunday School Superintendent for some time, and living in his home, gave me a chance to know of his loyalty and devotion to his Church and his Lord. We never knew him to give so small amount as a nickel or a dime to any collection. He always gave as much as twenty-five cents to the regular Sunday School collection. He was a regular attendant at Church services, was quiet and unassuming in Church, but always took a front seat when it was possible. His home was the preacher's home. He stood by his pastor and stewards and was always ready to help make up any shortage on the pastor's salary. As a citizen, Bro. Morrison was wide-awake and aggressive, a leader in the educational, charitable and fraternal work of his community. As a farmer he was the most successful man in his community. He studied and planned his work, and did it in a systematic way, and scarcely ever made a failure at anything he undertook. He left his family well provided for. His many friends showed their appreciation of him in his final sickness, by coming from far and near to see him and lend a helping hand. He told his family that he was prepared for death and did not fear it. His only regret, he said, was leaving his wife and children. These he loved very dearly. Brother Morrison proved his affection as a husband and father by a life of constant devotion to them in looking after and supplying their wants and needs. The home was a happy one, but its circle is broken now and fond hearts bleed where happiness once reigned. The home circle may be made complete again if mother and children emulate the example of husband and father. We admonish them to do this. Truly, "the end of the righteous man is one of peace." "He (Christ) is our peace." His death is a guarantee of our righteousness if we accept him as our own and let him abide in us. His resurrection is a guarantee of ours. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Our deceased brother was buried at Wylie, Texas. Rev. J. H. Overstreet, his former pastor, conducted the funeral service. E. F. LANCASTER.

MORTON.—Thomas Marshall J. Morton, son of Rev. J. E. and Mrs. A. E. Morton, was born February 26, 1884, in Erath County, Texas. He died at his father's home in Huckabay, Texas, August 12, 1913. He made a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ and joined the Methodist Church at the age of eight years. Was married to Miss Georgie Wright in April, 1901. He was taken sick in October, 1911, and traveled extensively in quest of health but found no relief. His funeral was conducted in the absence of his pastor, by Rev. M. K. Little, presiding elder of the Dublin District, in the Methodist Church at Bunyan, surrounded by the largest number of kindred and friends ever seen at a funeral at this place; his body was borne to the Bunyan Cemetery and there under honors of the Modern Woodmen of the World his body was laid to rest. Tom was a good boy and we all know where to find him. He leaves a wife and a sweet little girl who will miss him, but God has promised to be a husband and father to them. Tom suffered long, but with patience he bore his afflictions. God in his providence has called his spirit home and we will submit. MAC M. SMITH, Pastor.

McCRARY.—Mary Augusta, infant daughter of J. A. and Florence McCrary, was born August 5, 1911, and died May 22, 1913. Little Mary's stay was short on earth, but long enough to entwine her tendrils of love around the hearts of father, mother, brothers, sister and all who knew her. Oh! how hard to give up these precious jewels but we submit to Him who doeth all things well. Sleep on, thou precious one, we will see you again one of these days in the city of God. There sad parting will come no more. Yes, we will see that sweet face again. Yes, we know that you are safe with Jesus where you will never be scarred by sin. GRANDPA.

BROKAW.—Mattie Wiggins Brokaw was born in Tarrant County, Texas, June 15, 1887, died August 25, 1913, at the age of six years. Her mother died and she lived with her father, and with her grandmother at Caddo in Stephens, until 1901 when she went to Dalhart, Texas, to make her home with her cousin, Mrs. Mollie Blair. She joined the Christian Church when twelve years of age but was associated with the Northside M. E. Church, South, of Dalhart, until 1907 when she united with the said Church. On May 10 she was married to Dr. C. P. Brokaw and on May 10, 1909, their only child, Charles Austin, was born. Dr. and Mrs. Brokaw moved to Electra, Texas, in September, 1911, where they at once took up the work of the Church, the Doctor serving as Chairman of the Board of Stewards and she as President of the Missionary Society for the year 1912. She was also teacher of a primary class in the Sunday School of about thirty, until she was taken ill, of whom she left to mourn her loss. It has been the writers' pleasure to have visited her home many times. She loved her home and was a devoted wife and mother. The writer, her pastor, was in her home near the end and read the Bible to her and she, though suffering, still possessed that beautiful life hid with Christ. As the end drew near she talked about heaven and said all is well, as she had lived so she died in the triumph of a living faith. The end came quietly and peacefully with her loved ones about her. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor and the Eastern Star. Friends evidenced their high esteem by their presence, and the number of beautiful floral offerings. The body was laid to rest in Mt. Olivet cemetery, Fort Worth, Texas, Wednesday morning, August 27. Rev. Knickerbocker assisted the pastor. By her pastor, T. W. PRESTON.

HUGHES.—Mary, the infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Chas. W. Hughes, of Rusk, Texas, was born on July 7, 1913, and died August 10, 1913. Thus she remained in the home just long enough to have her place fixed and to begin to be known. The funeral of little Mary took place the 11th of August with Rev. J. T. Smith, the presiding elder of Brother Hughes, assisted by the writer, in charge. There were many sorrowing ones there. The music was so sweet and appropriate. Bro. Smith spoke to Charlie and his good wife tenderly and then we put her away in the beautiful cemetery on the hill at Rusk. To the two brothers and mother who survive her we say, she rests in peace and in bliss. Blessed be God the Father for the certainty of the resurrection and future life. You can not bring little Mary back but there is a beckoning hand over there and heaven is much more real. God bless you. CHAS. T. TALLY.

GILMORE.—Sam Gilmore was born November 11, 1891, twelve miles south of Graham on the Brazos River where he was raised to young manhood. He was converted at the age of ten years and joined the M. E. Church, South, in which he lived a consistent active Christian life until his death. July 6, 1913, while at the river near his home, a large rock fell out of the bank above him crushing him to death without a moment's warning. "Sam was a good boy," was the expression of both old and young when we laid him in his last resting place. We miss him very much. He was our leader in Church music, and also of the young people in their social life. Our loss is his eternal gain. He leaves a widowed mother, several brothers, sisters, and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his departure. To all of them we would say, "He is not dead but sleepeth until the resurrection morn, when all those who are in their graves shall be raised." May the God of all comfort the bereaved ones. Peace to his ashes. His pastor, S. D. COOK.

WRIGHT.—Mrs. F. E. Wright, more familiarly known as "Mother Wright," was born in Virginia. Later her parents moved to Alabama and she joined the Methodist Church when quite a little girl. On December 1, 1849, she was married to D. J. Wright and to this union eight children were born. In 1902 she came to Texas, and died here June 8, 1913. Her two surviving children, Mrs. J. A. Frederick, of the city, and a son, Z. Wright from Alabama, accompanied her remains back to the old home for burial. Mother Wright was one of those gentle, modest, unassuming Christian characters, who as daughter, wife and mother was the guardian angel of the home. Her home was hospitable because her heart was large and anyone to whom she could minister was her friend. Her sunny temper, womanly sympathy and her many deeds of love and kindness made friends for her in every walk of life. We shall miss her, yet we feel that she will be better women for having known and loved Mother Wright. A friend. MRS. J. W. SMITH.

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MARTIN.—Mrs. Ettie A. Martin was born in Logan County, Kentucky, January 25, 1864; died at Vernon, Texas, August 29, 1913, her age being forty-nine years, seven months and four days. She was converted at the age of twelve and joined the Methodist Church. In 1880 she was married to J. S. Martin, and they walked faithfully together for thirty-three years, until the union was broken by the death of the wife. Into their home came six children. One died in infancy. Another, Sammie, died in young womanhood. Those who survive the mother are Elvis and Roy, sons, and Mrs. Jennie Korley and Mrs. Carrie Griffin, daughters. Sister Martin had not been in good health for many years but only recently did her condition become serious. She was carried to Vernon and given surgical attention, but it was soon realized that she was beyond all human aid. Her immediate family and loving friends gathered about her, hoping to the last, but at 11 p. m., on August 29th, she slipped away, and her suffering ended. Her remains were brought to her home in Chillicothe on the following morning, and in the afternoon practically the entire town, which had been thrown into gloom by her death, attended the funeral services at the Methodist Church, and into a beautiful flower-lined grave, prepared by her sisters of the Woman's Missionary Society. Her remains were laid to await the final call of her Master. Sister Martin was a Christian, loyal and true and faithful. She had given her life to Jesus when only a girl, and in her riper years and all through her sufferings her experience was clear and her trust was without a cloud. She gave expression to her joyous hope in her last hours, and she entered into the darkness of the valley without fear. Her life was a blessing to her family. Her husband and children bear the mark of her influence and following in her steps they will see her again some day, more beautiful than on earth, and forever free from all the sufferings and heartaches of this world. M. PHELAN.

DENVER CONFERENCE. Denver District—First Round. Pueblo, Sept. 26-28. Walsenburg, Sept. 28, 29. La Veta, Oct. 1, Nov. 16. Trinidad, Oct. 3-5. Houchens, Oct. 5, 6. Colorado Springs, Oct. 10-12. Saguache, Oct. 17-19. St. Paul's, Oct. 22, Nov. 23. Rye, Oct. 24-26. Gardner, Oct. 31-Nov. 2. Beulah, Nov. 28-30. ROBERT E. DICKENSON, P. E. Denver, Colo.

NEW MEXICO. El Paso District—Fourth Round. Lordsburg, Sept. 21-22. Clouderoff, Sept. 28. Pecos Valley District—Fourth Round. Odessa, Sept. 20-21. Pecos, Sept. 21-22. Saragosa, Sept. 23-24. Dargson, Sept. 27-28. Artesia, Sept. 28-29. Roswell, Oct. 5-6. Dexter, Oct. 5-6. Texico, Oct. 11-12. Clovis, Oct. 12-13. J. B. COCHRAN, P. E.

Albuquerque District—Fourth Round. Carrizozo, Sept. 20, 21. Tucumcari Sta., Sept. 24, 25. Amaravon, Sept. 24, 25. Tucumcari Cir., Sept. 27, 28. San Jon, Oct. 1, 2. McAllister, Oct. 4, 5. Clayton, Oct. 11, 12. J. H. MESSER, P. E.

WEST TEXAS. Llano District—Fourth Round. Mason Cir., at Mason, Sept. 20, 21. Fredonia Cir., at Fredonia, Sept. 21, 22. Richland Springs Cir., at Richland Springs, Sept. 27, 28. San Saba Sta., Sept. 28, 29. Llano Cir., at Moore's Chapel, Oct. 4, 5. Llano Sta., Oct. 5, 6. Star Cir., at Star, Oct. 11, 12. Center City Cir., at Center City, Oct. 12, 13. J. W. COWAN, P. E.

- San Angelo District—Fourth Round. Sherwood, at Mertzon, Sept. 20, 21. Ozona, Sept. 24. Garden City, Sept. 27, 28. Midland, Sept. 29, 30. Paint Rock, Oct. 4, 5. Sterling City, Oct. 11. Water Valley, Oct. 12. F. B. BUCHANAN, P. E.
- Austin District—Fourth Round. McDade Circuit at McDade, Sept. 20-21. South Austin, Sept. 21-22. Liberty Hill and Leander, Sept. 26-27. Walnut, Sept. 28, 11 a. m. Elgin, Sept. 28, 8 p. m. Webberville, Oct. 4-5, 11 a. m. Manor, Oct. 5, 8 p. m. St. Luke's, Oct. 8. Smithville, Oct. 11-12. West Point Circuit at Muldon, Oct. 13. Bastrop, Oct. 15, 8 p. m. University Church, Oct. 16, 8 p. m. First Church, Oct. 19, 11 a. m. Ward Memorial, Oct. 19, 8 p. m. V. A. GODBEY, P. E.
- Beeville District—Fourth Round. Sept. 20, Kennedy, 3 p. m. Sept. 20, 21, Floresville. Sept. 21, 22, Karnes City. Sept. 24, Berclair. Sept. 27, 28, Rockport. Sept. 28, 29, Arkansas Pass. Oct. 1, Mathis, at Mathis. Oct. 4, 5, Shidmore, at Woodsboro. Oct. 5, 6, Sutton, at Sinton. Oct. 9, Fallferris, 8 p. m. Oct. 10, 10 a. m., Alice. Oct. 10, 8 p. m., Bishop. Oct. 11, 12, Calallen, at Calallen. Oct. 12, 13, Kingsville. J. H. GROSECLOSE, P. E.
- Uvalde District—Fourth Round. Cotulla, 11 a. m., Sept. 21. Dilley, at M., 8 p. m., Sept. 21. Devine, 11 a. m., Sept. 28. Pearsall, 8 p. m., Sept. 28. Laredo Sta., Oct. 11. Del Rio, Oct. 5. Eagle Pass, Oct. 8. Asherton, 11 a. m., Oct. 12. Carrizo Springs, 8 p. m., Oct. 12. Crystal City, Oct. 13. Rock Springs, Oct. 15. Uvalde, 11 a. m., Oct. 19. Utopia, 8 p. m., Oct. 19. S. B. BEALL, P. E.
- Cuero District—Fourth Round. Smiley, at Rocky, Sept. 20, 21. Nixon, 3 p. m., Sept. 22. El Campo, 8 p. m., Sept. 25. Midfield, at Dunbar, Sept. 27, 28. Palacios, Sept. 28, 29. Provident, at Cordole, Oct. 1. Pandora, at Dewville, Oct. 4, 5. Laveria, at Parita, Oct. 11, 12. Cuernavaca, Oct. 18, 19. Runge, Oct. 19, 20. JOHN M. ALEXANDER, P. E.
- San Marcos District—Fourth Round. Manchaca, at Manchaca, Sept. 20, 21. San Marcos, at San Marcos, Sept. 28. Staples, at Staples, Oct. 4, 5. Martindale, at Martindale, Oct. 6. Lockhart, at Lockhart, Oct. 10. Leesville, at Wrightsboro, Oct. 11, 12. Belmont, at Belmont, Oct. 15. THOMAS GREGORY, P. E.
- CENTRAL TEXAS. Weatherford District—Fourth Round. Millsap, at Millsap, Sept. 20, 21. Abledo, Sept. 27, 28. Graham Miss., at Briar Branch, Oct. 4. Graham, Oct. 5. Elginville, at South Bend, Oct. 6. New Castle, at N. C., Oct. 8. Olney, at O., Oct. 9. Loving, at Hawkins' Chapel, Oct. 11, 12. Springtown, at Springtown, Oct. 18, 19. Whitsett, at Bethesda, Oct. 22. Azle, at Azle, Oct. 25, 26. Weatherford Ct., at Dennis, Oct. 29. Weatherford First Church, Nov. 3, 4. Mineral Wells, Nov. 9. JAS. CAMPBELL, P. E.
- Georgetown District—Fourth Round. Granger, Sept. 20, 21. Bartlett, Sept. 21, 22. Thrall, at Lawrence Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Taylor, Sept. 28, 29. Belton Circuit, at Cedar Creek, Oct. 4, 5. Belton Station, Oct. 5, 6. Jarrell & Weir, at Weir, Oct. 11, 12. Holland, at Holland, Oct. 12, 13. Rogers, Oct. 18, 19. Salado, at Goodville, Oct. 25, 26. Florence, at Florence, Oct. 26, 27. Troy, at Troy, Nov. 1, 2. Georgetown, Nov. 2, 3. Temple 1st Church, Nov. 8, 9. Temple 7th St., Nov. 8, 9. T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.
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Cisco District—Fourth Round. Rising Star, Sept. 20, 21. May, at M., Sept. 21, 22. Pioneer, at P., Sept. 27, 28. Eastland, Oct. 4, 5. Wayland, at Bullock, Oct. 6, 7. Ranger, at R., 10 a. m., Oct. 8. Sipe Springs, at S., Oct. 11, 12. Cado, at Cedar Springs, Oct. 19. Eolean, at Eureka, 11 a. m., Oct. 22. Deslemona, at D., Oct. 25, 26. Staff, at Flatwood, Oct. 26, 27. Cisco Mis., 11 a. m., Oct. 30. Carbon, at C., Nov. 1, 2. Cisco, at C., Nov. 5. Scranton, at Pisgah, Nov. 8, 9. C. E. LINDSEY, P. E.

Corsicana District—Fourth Round. Chatfield Ct., at Roane, Sept. 20-21. Kerens and Powell, at Kerens, Sept. 21-22. Hornhill Ct., at Hornhill, Sept. 27-28. Groesbeck Sta., Sept. 28-29. Kirwin Ct., at Shiloh, Oct. 4-5. Mexia St., Oct. 5-6. Barry Ct., at Emhouse, Oct. 11-12. Corsicana Ct., at Pleasant Grove, Oct. 12-13. Frost Ct., at Jones Chapel, Oct. 18-19. Blooming Grove, Oct. 19-20. Wortham Ct., at Nebo, Oct. 25. Wortham and Richland, at Richland, Oct. 25-27. Big Hill, at Steels Creek, Nov. 1-2. Thornton Sta., Nov. 2-3. First Church, Nov. 9-10. Rattle Cry—"Clean Sheet." JOHN R. NELSON, P. E.

Waco District—Fourth Round. West, at West, Sept. 20, 21. Herring Ave., Sept. 21. Riesel and Astell, at Riesel, Sept. 27, 28. Mart, Sept. 28. Hewitt and Spring Valley, at Hewitt, Oct. 4. Clay Street, Oct. 5. Lorena, at Lorena, Oct. 11, 12. Mt. Calm, Oct. 18, 19. Bosqueville, at Wesley, Oct. 25, 26. China, at China, Oct. 26, 27. Morrow Street, Nov. 2. Elm Street, Nov. 2. Austin Avenue, Nov. 6. W. B. ANDREWS, P. E.

Dublin District—Fourth Round. Stephenville Cir., at Sivan, Sept. 20, 21. Stephenville Sta., Sept. 21, 22. De Leon Cir., at New Hope, Sept. 27, 28. Huckabay Cir., at Oct. 4, 5. Bunyan, at Linsville, Oct. 5, 6. Duffau, at Duffau, Oct. 11, 12. Iredeil, at Iredeil, Oct. 12, 13. Haco, Sept. 14. Carlton, at Carlton, Oct. 18, 19. Proctor, at Edna Hill, Oct. 19, 20. Bluffdale, at Bluffdale, Oct. 25, 26. Tolar, and Lipan, at Tolar, Oct. 26, 27. M. K. LITTLE, P. E.

Brownwood District—Fourth Round. Coleman Mission at Fairfield, Sept. 20, 21. Bangs at Bangs, Sept. 21, 22. Wingate at Oak Creek, Sept. 26. Norton at Pleasant Rest, Sept. 27, 28. Winters Sta., Sept. 27, 28. Glen Cove at Novice, Oct. 4, 5. Ballinger Sta., Oct. 11, 12. Talpa at Talpa, Oct. 12, 13. Indian Creek at Indian Creek, Oct. 19, 20. Brownwood Mission at Turkey Peak, Oct. 22. Santa Anna Sta., Oct. 24, 26. Goldbush at Hardin, Oct. 25, 26. Blanket, Oct. 29. Coleman Sta., Nov. 2, 3. Brownwood Sta., Nov. 9, 10. J. H. STEWART, P. E.

Cleburne District—Fourth Round. Lillian at L., Sept. 20, 21. Godley at G., Sept. 27, 28. Joshua at J., Oct. 4, 5. Cresson at A., Oct. 11, 12. George's Creek at White Chapel, Oct. 18, 19. Glen Rose, Oct. 19, 20. Main Street, Cleburne, Oct. 21. Granbury Cir., at Fairview, Oct. 25, 26. Granbury Sta., Oct. 26, 27. Walnut Springs, Nov. 1, 2. Morgan, Nov. 2, 3. Blum, Nov. 9, 10. W. W. MOSS, P. E.

Gatesville District—Fourth Round. Gatesville Sta., Aug. 31, O. C. Sept. 23, 8 p. m. Moody, Sept. 20-21. Clifton, Sept. 22, 8 p. m. Oglesby at Station Creek, Sept. 27-28. Fairy and Lanham, at F., Oct. 4-5. Copperas Cove, at C. C., Oct. 11-12. Killen Station, Oct. 13, 11 a. m. Nolanville, at N., Oct. 14, 11 a. m. Jonesboro, at Sardia, Oct. 18-19. Gatesville Cir., at Winfield, Oct. 22, 11 a. m. Hamilton Cir., at —, Oct. 25-26. Evans, at Bee House, Oct. 29, 11 a. m. McGregor, Nov. 1-2. Valley Mills, at V. M., Nov. 3, 2 p. m. Crawford, Nov. 4, 2 p. m. S. J. VAUGHAN, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Fourth Round. Trumbull at Bristol, Sept. 20-21. Ferris Sta., Sept. 19-21. Palmer at Alma, Sept. 27-28. Wells at Sardia, Oct. 4-5. Bardwell at Bardwell, Oct. 11-12. Ennis Sta., Oct. 12-13. Middlethian Sta., Oct. 19-20. Mansfield Sta., Oct. 19-20. Forrester at Forrester, Oct. 25-26. Italy Sta., Oct. 26-27. Maypearl at Maypearl, Oct. 28. Red Oak at Chapel Hill, Nov. 1-2. Waxahachie Sta., Nov. 7-9. Bethel Sta., Nov. 8-9. A. WHITEHURST, P. E.

Hillsboro District—Fourth Round. (Revised) Itasca Charge, at Itasca, Sept. 20, 21. Abbott Charge, at Abbott, Sept. 27, 28. Covington and Osceola, at Covington, Sept. 29, 11 a. m. Brandon Charge, at Brandon, Oct. 4, 5. Line Charge, at L. St., evening, Oct. 6. First Church, at First Church, evening, Oct. 7. Kirk Charge, at Kirk, evening, Oct. 11, 12. Delia Charge, at Delia, Oct. 12, 13. Huron Charge, at Bethel, Oct. 18, 19. Whitney Charge, at Whitney, Oct. 19, 20. Coolidge, at C., Oct. 25, 26. Penelope Charge, at Penelope, Oct. 29. Hubbard Charge, at Hubbard, Oct. 30. Lovelace Charge, at Lovelace, Nov. 1, 2. Peoria Charge, at Peoria, Nov. 8, 9. G. A. WHITEHURST, P. E.

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Amarillo District—Fourth Round. Canyon, Sept. 20, 21. Huntsville Mission, at Weldon, Oct. 25, 26. Groveton Station, Oct. 28. Huntsville Station, Oct. 29. Willis, at Willis, Oct. 31. Crockett Mission, at Shiloh, Nov. 1. Crockett Station, Nov. 2. Conroy Station, Nov. 3. Bryan Mission, at Millican, Nov. 8, 9. Bryan Station, Nov. 9. Cold Springs Mission, at Old Waverly, Nov. 15, 16. Oakhurst, at Dodge, Nov. 16. Montgomery Mission, at Montgomery, Nov. 22. Cleveland and Shepherd, at Fostoria, Nov. 23. E. L. SHETTLES, P. E.

Brenham District—Fourth Round. Giddings, at Giddings, Sept. 20, 21. Lexington, Sept. 21, at 8 p. m. Belleville Cir., at Atkinson Grove, Sept. 27, 28. Sealy, Sept. 28, at 8 p. m. Glen Flora, at Iago, Oct. 4, 5. Bay City, Oct. 5, 6. Lane City, at Lane City, Oct. 11, 12. Wharton, Oct. 12, at 8 p. m. Chapel Hill, Oct. 18, 19. Hempstead, Oct. 19, at 8 p. m. Waller Cir., at Oakland, Oct. 25, 26. Somerville, Nov. 1, 2. Wallis and Fulshear, at Wallis, Nov. 2, 3. Brookshire and Pattison, Nov. 5. Tanglewood, Nov. 8, 9. Rosenberg, Nov. 15, 16. Richmond, Nov. 16, 17. Brenham, Nov. 23, at 11 a. m. S. W. THOMAS, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Fourth Round. (In Part.) Nash, at Nash, Sept. 20, 21. Hardy Memorial (preaching), Sept. 21, night. Queen City, at Law's Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Atlanta Sta., Sept. 29. Cason, at Ebenezzer, Oct. 4, 5. O. T. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Beaumont District—Fourth Round. Kountze Mis., at Fuqua, Sept. 20, 21. Baytown, Sept. 27, 28. Baytown, Sept. 28, 29. Burkeville, Oct. 4, 5. Newton, Oct. 5, 6. Jasper Cir., Oct. 11, 12. Jasper Sta., Oct. 12, 13. Watson and Saratoga, Oct. 18, 19. Kountze, Oct. 19, 20. Cal, Oct. 25, 26. Wallisville, Oct. 31, 8 p. m. Point Bolivar, Nov. 1, 2. Woodville, Nov. 8, 9. Warren, Nov. 9, 10. Sour Lake and China, Nov. 15, 16. Silsbee, Nov. 16, 17. Nederland, Nov. 22, 23. E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

Jacksonville District—Fourth Round. Overton and Arp, at Arp, Sept. 20, 21. Troup, at Troup, Sept. 21, 22. Jacksonville Ct., at Earls, Sept. 27, 28. Grace Church, Sept. 28. Malakoff, at Malakoff, Oct. 4, 5. Athens, evening, Oct. 5. Galatin, at Turnpike, Oct. 8. Alto Station, Oct. 11, 12. Alto Ct., at Shiloh, Oct. 18, 19. Bullard Station, Oct. 19. Eustace, at Elm Grove, Oct. 22, 23. Preaching 22, at night. Transcend, at Pauline, Oct. 24. La Rue, at La Rue, Oct. 25, 26. Mt. Selman, at Tatum Chapel, Oct. 29. Elkhart, at Elkhart, Nov. 2, 3. Centenary, Palestine, Nov. 3. Cushing, at Linflat, Nov. 8, 9. Brushy, at Mt. Vernon, Nov. 14. Frankston, at Frankston, Nov. 15, 16. Jacksonville, Nov. 17. Rusk, Nov. 19. Huntington, at Huntington, Nov. 22, 23. J. T. SMITH, P. E.

Brenham District—Fourth Round. Giddings, at Giddings, Sept. 20, 21. Lexington, Sept. 21, at 8 p. m. Belleville Cir., at Atkinson Grove, Sept. 27, 28. Sealy, Sept. 28, at 8 p. m. Glen Flora, at Iago, Oct. 4, 5. Bay City, Oct. 5, 6. Lane City, at Lane City, Oct. 11, 12. Wharton, Oct. 12, at 8 p. m. Chapel Hill, Oct. 18, 19. Hempstead, Oct. 19, at 8 p. m. Waller Cir., at Oakland, Oct. 25, 26. Somerville, Nov. 1, 2. Wallis and Fulshear, at Wallis, Nov. 2, 3. Tanglewood, Nov. 8, 9. Rosenberg, Nov. 15, 16. Richmond, Nov. 16, 17. Brenham, Nov. 23, at 11 a. m. S. W. THOMAS, P. E.

Marshall District—Fourth Round. Henderson Cir., at Buford, Sept. 27, 28. Henderson Sta., Sept. 28, 29. Harleton Cir., at A., Oct. 1. Harrison Cir., at Marshall, Oct. 4. At the Parsonage. Kilgore Cir., at Kilgore, Oct. 8. Laneville Cir., at Minden, Oct. 11, 12. Church Hill Cir., at Church Hill, Oct. 14, 15. Gilmer Sta., Oct. 19, 20. Keller Cir., at Shiloh, Oct. 25, 26. Jefferson, Oct. 26, 27. Beckville Cir., at Beckville, Oct. 29. Hallsville Cir., at Winterfield, Nov. 1, 2. Longview, Nov. 5. Ebsan Fields Cir., at —, Nov. 8, 9. Bettie, at Glenwood, Nov. 15, 16. Marshall, Summit St., Nov. 19. Marshall, First Church, Nov. 23, 24. F. M. BOYLES, P. E.

Houston District—Fourth Round. Trinity, Sept. 21. Katy, Sugarland, Sept. 21. First Church, Houston, Sept. 28. Woodland Heights, Sept. 28. Seabrook and Pasadena, Oct. 5. Brunner, Oct. 5. Alvin, Oct. 12. Iowa Colony, Oct. 19. Arcadia, Oct. 19. League City, Oct. 26. Washington Avenue, Oct. 26. Brazoria, Oct. 29. Cedar Bayou, Nov. 2. First Church, Galveston, Nov. 9. West End, Galveston, Nov. 9. St. Paul's, Nov. 16. Humble, Nov. 16. Angleton, Nov. 23. Columbia, Nov. 23. J. KILGORE, P. E.

Tyler District—Fourth Round. Emory Cir., at Emory, Sept. 20, 21. Colfax Cir., at Tunnells Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Big Sandy Cir., at Big Sandy, Oct. 4, 5. Edom Cir., at Union Grove, Oct. 11, 12. Mt. Sylvan Cir., at Sabine, Oct. 18. Lindale Sta., Oct. 19. Murchison Cir., at Murchison, Oct. 25, 26. Whitehouse Cir., at Flint, Oct. 26, 27. Wills Point Cir., at Wills Point, Nov. 1. Wills Point Sta., Q. C., Nov. 1. Grand Saline Sta., Nov. 2. Edgewood Sta., Nov. 2. Garden Valley Cir., at Sand Flat, Nov. 4. Quitman Cir., Nov. 8. Mineola Sta., Nov. 9. Alba Cir., Nov. 15, 16. Tyler Cir., at Liberty Hill, Nov. 22. Tyler, Cedar Street, Nov. 23. Tyler, Marvin Church, Nov. 24. J. B. TURRENTINE, P. E.

Navasota District—Fourth Round. Onalaska and Carmona, at Onalaska, Sept. 20, 21. Trinity Station, Sept. 21. Shiro, at Mary's Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Magnolia Mission, at Tomball, Sept. 28. Anderson and Bedias, at Steels Chapel, Oct. 4, 5. Navasota Station, Oct. 7. Grapeland and Lovelady, at Grapeland, Oct. 8. Augusta Ct., at Center Hill, Oct. 11, 12. W. H. TERRY, P. E.

TEXAS

San Augustine District—Fourth Round. Center Sta., Sept. 21. Center Cir. (Neubern), Sept. 27. Shelbyville Cir. (Shelbyville), Oct. 4. Tenaha Cir. (Tenaha), Oct. 11. Gary Cir. (Gary), Oct. 18. Carthage Sta., Oct. 19. Pinehill (Longbranch), Oct. 21. Geneva Cir. (Milam), Oct. 25. San Augustine Sta., Oct. 26. Kennard Cir. (Batcliffe), Oct. 30. Melrose Cir. (Chireno), Nov. 1. Mt. Enterprise (Mt. Enterprise), Nov. 5. Livingston Cir. (Leggett), Nov. 8. Corrigan (Corrigan), Nov. 9. Hemphill and B. (Hemphill), Nov. 15. Garrison Sta., Nov. 19. Nacogdoches Sta., Nov. 21. Appleby Cir., Nov. 22. Timpon Sta., Nov. 23. J. W. MILLS, P. E.

Midway Mission, at Elwood, Oct. 18, 19. Madisonville Station, Oct. 19, 20. Huntsville Mission, at Weldon, Oct. 25, 26. Groveton Station, Oct. 28. Huntsville Station, Oct. 29. Willis, at Willis, Oct. 31. Crockett Mission, at Shiloh, Nov. 1. Crockett Station, Nov. 2. Conroy Station, Nov. 3. Bryan Mission, at Millican, Nov. 8, 9. Bryan Station, Nov. 9. Cold Springs Mission, at Old Waverly, Nov. 15, 16. Oakhurst, at Dodge, Nov. 16. Montgomery Mission, at Montgomery, Nov. 22. Cleveland and Shepherd, at Fostoria, Nov. 23. E. L. SHETTLES, P. E.

Brenham District—Fourth Round. Giddings, at Giddings, Sept. 20, 21. Lexington, Sept. 21, at 8 p. m. Belleville Cir., at Atkinson Grove, Sept. 27, 28. Sealy, Sept. 28, at 8 p. m. Glen Flora, at Iago, Oct. 4, 5. Bay City, Oct. 5, 6. Lane City, at Lane City, Oct. 11, 12. Wharton, Oct. 12, at 8 p. m. Chapel Hill, Oct. 18, 19. Hempstead, Oct. 19, at 8 p. m. Waller Cir., at Oakland, Oct. 25, 26. Somerville, Nov. 1, 2. Wallis and Fulshear, at Wallis, Nov. 2, 3. Brookshire and Pattison, Nov. 5. Tanglewood, Nov. 8, 9. Rosenberg, Nov. 15, 16. Richmond, Nov. 16, 17. Brenham, Nov. 23, at 11 a. m. S. W. THOMAS, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Fourth Round. (In Part.) Nash, at Nash, Sept. 20, 21. Hardy Memorial (preaching), Sept. 21, night. Queen City, at Law's Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Atlanta Sta., Sept. 29. Cason, at Ebenezzer, Oct. 4, 5. O. T. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Beaumont District—Fourth Round. Kountze Mis., at Fuqua, Sept. 20, 21. Baytown, Sept. 27, 28. Baytown, Sept. 28, 29. Burkeville, Oct. 4, 5. Newton, Oct. 5, 6. Jasper Cir., Oct. 11, 12. Jasper Sta., Oct. 12, 13. Watson and Saratoga, Oct. 18, 19. Kountze, Oct. 19, 20. Cal, Oct. 25, 26. Wallisville, Oct. 31, 8 p. m. Point Bolivar, Nov. 1, 2. Woodville, Nov. 8, 9. Warren, Nov. 9, 10. Sour Lake and China, Nov. 15, 16. Silsbee, Nov. 16, 17. Nederland, Nov. 22, 23. E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

Jacksonville District—Fourth Round. Overton and Arp, at Arp, Sept. 20, 21. Troup, at Troup, Sept. 21, 22. Jacksonville Ct., at Earls, Sept. 27, 28. Grace Church, Sept. 28. Malakoff, at Malakoff, Oct. 4, 5. Athens, evening, Oct. 5. Galatin, at Turnpike, Oct. 8. Alto Station, Oct. 11, 12. Alto Ct., at Shiloh, Oct. 18, 19. Bullard Station, Oct. 19. Eustace, at Elm Grove, Oct. 22, 23. Preaching 22, at night. Transcend, at Pauline, Oct. 24. La Rue, at La Rue, Oct. 25, 26. Mt. Selman, at Tatum Chapel, Oct. 29. Elkhart, at Elkhart, Nov. 2, 3. Centenary, Palestine, Nov. 3. Cushing, at Linflat, Nov. 8, 9. Brushy, at Mt. Vernon, Nov. 14. Frankston, at Frankston, Nov. 15, 16. Jacksonville, Nov. 17. Rusk, Nov. 19. Huntington, at Huntington, Nov. 22, 23. J. T. SMITH, P. E.

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Marshall District—Fourth Round. Henderson Cir., at Buford, Sept. 27, 28. Henderson Sta., Sept. 28, 29. Harleton Cir., at A., Oct. 1. Harrison Cir., at Marshall, Oct. 4. At the Parsonage. Kilgore Cir., at Kilgore, Oct. 8. Laneville Cir., at Minden, Oct. 11, 12. Church Hill Cir., at Church Hill, Oct. 14, 15. Gilmer Sta., Oct. 19, 20. Keller Cir., at Shiloh, Oct. 25, 26. Jefferson, Oct. 26, 27. Beckville Cir., at Beckville, Oct. 29. Hallsville Cir., at Winterfield, Nov. 1, 2. Longview, Nov. 5. Ebsan Fields Cir., at —, Nov. 8, 9. Bettie, at Glenwood, Nov. 15, 16. Marshall, Summit St., Nov. 19. Marshall, First Church, Nov. 23, 24. F. M. BOYLES, P. E.

Houston District—Fourth Round. Trinity, Sept. 21. Katy, Sugarland, Sept. 21. First Church, Houston, Sept. 28. Woodland Heights, Sept. 28. Seabrook and Pasadena, Oct. 5. Brunner, Oct. 5. Alvin, Oct. 12. Iowa Colony, Oct. 19. Arcadia, Oct. 19. League City, Oct. 26. Washington Avenue, Oct. 26. Brazoria, Oct. 29. Cedar Bayou, Nov. 2. First Church, Galveston, Nov. 9. West End, Galveston, Nov. 9. St. Paul's, Nov. 16. Humble, Nov. 16. Angleton, Nov. 23. Columbia, Nov. 23. J. KILGORE, P. E.

Tyler District—Fourth Round. Emory Cir., at Emory, Sept. 20, 21. Colfax Cir., at Tunnells Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Big Sandy Cir., at Big Sandy, Oct. 4, 5. Edom Cir., at Union Grove, Oct. 11, 12. Mt. Sylvan Cir., at Sabine, Oct. 18. Lindale Sta., Oct. 19. Murchison Cir., at Murchison, Oct. 25, 26. Whitehouse Cir., at Flint, Oct. 26, 27. Wills Point Cir., at Wills Point, Nov. 1. Wills Point Sta., Q. C., Nov. 1. Grand Saline Sta., Nov. 2. Edgewood Sta., Nov. 2. Garden Valley Cir., at Sand Flat, Nov. 4. Quitman Cir., Nov. 8. Mineola Sta., Nov. 9. Alba Cir., Nov. 15, 16. Tyler Cir., at Liberty Hill, Nov. 22. Tyler, Cedar Street, Nov. 23. Tyler, Marvin Church, Nov. 24. J. B. TURRENTINE, P. E.

Navasota District—Fourth Round. Onalaska and Carmona, at Onalaska, Sept. 20, 21. Trinity Station, Sept. 21. Shiro, at Mary's Chapel, Sept. 27, 28. Magnolia Mission, at Tomball, Sept. 28. Anderson and Bedias, at Steels Chapel, Oct. 4, 5. Navasota Station, Oct. 7. Grapeland and Lovelady, at Grapeland, Oct. 8. Augusta Ct., at Center Hill, Oct. 11, 12. W. H. TERRY, P. E.

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Normangee, at Iola, Sept. 21-22. Jewett, at Oakwood, Sept. 27-28. Hearns, Oct. 4-5. Calvert, Oct. 5-6. Travis, at Cedar Springs, Oct. 11-12. Rosebud and Bohemian Mis., Oct. 12-13. Mayfield, at Sneed's Chapel, Oct. 18-19. Reagan, at Reagan, Oct. 25-26. Marlin, Oct. 26-27. Marlin, at Durango, Nov. 1-2. Lott and Chilton, at Lott, Nov. 2-3. Leon Mis., at Pleasant Ridge, Nov. 8-9. Centerville, at Centerville, Nov. 9-10. Fairfield and Dew, at Fairfield, Nov. 11, a. m. Teague, Nov. 11, p. m. Bremont, at Pettway, Nov. 15-16. Kossae, Nov. 16-17. Wheelock, at Hickory Grove, Nov. 18. Milano, at Gause, Nov. 22, 23. I. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Marlin District—Fourth Round. Normangee, at Iola, Sept. 21-22. Jewett, at Oakwood, Sept. 27-28. Hearns, Oct. 4-5. Calvert, Oct. 5-6. Travis, at Cedar Springs, Oct. 11-12. Rosebud and Bohemian Mis., Oct. 12-13. Mayfield, at Sneed's Chapel, Oct. 18-19. Reagan, at Reagan, Oct. 25-26. Marlin, Oct. 26-27. Marlin, at Durango, Nov. 1-2. Lott and Chilton, at Lott, Nov. 2-3. Leon Mis., at Pleasant Ridge, Nov. 8-9. Centerville, at Centerville, Nov. 9-10. Fairfield and Dew, at Fairfield, Nov. 11, a. m. Teague, Nov. 11, p. m. Bremont, at Pettway, Nov. 15-16. Kossae, Nov. 16-17. Wheelock, at Hickory Grove, Nov. 18. Milano, at Gause, Nov. 22, 23. I. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Greenville District—Fourth Round. Jones-Bethel and Wesley Chapel—Quarterly conference at Wesley Chapel, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Oct. 4. Preaching Wesley Chapel, 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 5, at Center Chapel Saturday night, Jones-Bethel 3 p. m., Sunday, Oct. 5. Wesley Station—Quarterly conference Monday night, Nov. 17. Preaching Sunday night, Oct. 5. Greenville Mission—Quarterly conference at Shady Grove, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Oct. 11. Preaching 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday, Salem Wednesday night, Concord Thursday night, Bethel Friday night before. Kavanagh Station—Quarterly conference Wednesday night, Nov. 12. Preaching Sunday night, Oct. 12. Celeste Circuit—Quarterly conference at Lane, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Oct. 18. Preaching at Celeste, 11 a. m., Sunday, Sept. 28. Mt. Carmel, 3 p. m., Kingston, Sunday night, Sept. 28. At Lane, 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 18 and 19. Orange Grove, Saturday night, Oct. 18. Lee Street Station—Quarterly conference Wednesday night, Nov. 19. Preaching Sunday night, Oct. 19. Lone Oak Circuit—Quarterly conference at Lone Oak, 10 a. m., Monday, Oct. 27. Preaching at Hooker Ridge, 11 a. m., Saturday, Oct. 25; Glory at night; The Hall, 11 a. m., Sunday, Oct. 26; at Lone Oak, Sunday night.

Campbell Circuit—Quarterly conference at Friendship, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 1. Preaching at Twin Oak, Friday night, Oct. 31; at Friendship, 11 a. m., Saturday, Nov. 1. Caney, Saturday night; Campbell, 11 a. m., Sunday, Nov. 2; Smith's Chapel, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 2. Commerce Station—Quarterly conference Wednesday night, Nov. 5. Preaching Sunday night, Nov. 2. Commerce Mission—Quarterly conference at Columbia, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 8. Preaching at Mt. Zion, Friday night, Nov. 7; Columbia, 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 8 and 9. Fairlie Mission—Quarterly conference at Fairlie, 10 a. m., Monday, Nov. 10. Preaching at Olive Branch, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 9; Fairlie, Sunday night. Kingston Mission—Quarterly conference at Whittaker, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 15. Preaching at Whittaker, 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday, Ballerod Grove, Saturday night; Kizer, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 16. Wolfe City Station—Quarterly conference at Wolfe City, 10 a. m., Monday, Nov. 17. Preaching Sunday night, Nov. 16. Merit Circuit—Quarterly conference at Merit, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 22. Preaching at Merit, 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday; Antioch, Saturday night, Nov. 22; Alliance, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 23; Bethel Grove, Sunday night, Nov. 23. Conference at Floyd Mission—Quarterly conference at Floyd, 10 a. m., Wednesday, Nov. 26. Preaching at Clinton, Tuesday night, Nov. 25; Floyd, Wednesday night, Nov. 26. Caddo Mills Mission—Quarterly conference at Caddo Mills, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 29. Preaching at Caddo Mills, Saturday and Sunday at 11 a. m.; Union Hill, Saturday night; Hendrix, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 30. C. M. HARTLESS, P. E.

McKinney District—Fourth Round. Princeton and Wilson Chapel, at W. C., Oct. 4, 5. All-n and South McKinney, at A., Oct. 5, 6. Prosper, at P., Oct. 11, 12. Frisco, Oct. 12, 13. Weston, at C. H., Oct. 18, 19. Celina, Oct. 19, 20. Richardson and Vicker, at B. R., Oct. 25, 26. Plano, Oct. 26, 8 p. m. Lewisville, Nov. 1, 2. Carrollton and Farmers Branch, at C., Nov. 2, 3. McKinney Cir., at W. C., Nov. 2. (Preaching) Wyle, at M., Nov. 8, 9. McKinney, Nov. 9, 8 p. m. Josephine, at J., Nov. 15, 16. Nevada, Nov. 16, 17. Anna, Nov. 16, (Preaching). Blue Ridge, at H. C., Nov. 22, 23. Farmersville, Nov. 23, 24. Anna, at A., Nov. 25, 3 p. m. (Q. C.) Plano, Nov. 26, 8 p. m. (Q. C.) McKinney, Nov. 27, 8 p. m. (Q. C.) McKinney Cir., at W. C., Nov. 28, 11 a. m. (Q. C.) CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

Gainesville District—Fourth Round. Denton Station, Sept. 20-21 (Q. C. later). Bonita Mis., at P. V., Sept. 27-28. St. Jo Mis., Sept. 28-29. Woodbine Mis., at Woodbine, Oct. 4-5. Broadway Sta., Oct. 5-6. Rosston, Miss, at Rosston, Oct. 11-12. Dexter Mis., at Dexter, Oct. 18-19. Marysville Mis., at M., Oct. 25. Myrre and Hood, at Hood, Oct. 26-27. Pilot Point Church, at Henning, Nov. 1-2. Aubrey and Oak Grove, at Aubrey, Nov. 8-9. Montague and Dye Mound, at M., Nov. 15-16. Valley View Sta., Nov. 22-23. Sanger Sta., Nov. 23-24. Era and Spring Creek, at Era, Nov. 25. Denton St. Sta., Nov. 29-30. I. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Bowie District—Fourth Round. Burkburnett, at Burkburnett, Sept. 20, 21. Bellevue Sta., Sept. 21, 22. Iowa Park, at Denny, Sept. 27, 28. Ringgold, at Morris Chapel, Oct. 4, 5. Petrolia, at Mabel Deen, Oct. 11, 12. Byers, at Byers, Oct. 12, 13. Vashit, at Pleasant Ridge, Oct. 18, 19.

Bonham District—Fourth Round. Telephone, at Lamasco, Sept. 20, 21. Windom Cir., at Hale, Sept. 27, 28. O. S. THOMAS, P. E.

McKinney District—Third Round. Carleton and F. B., at F. R., Sept. 20, 21. McKinney Cir., at F. R., Sept. 27, 28. CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

Decatur District—Fourth Round. Krum and Ponder, at Krum, Sept. 20, 21. Alvord, at A. Sept. 28-29. Preaching at Fairter, 27, 11 a. m. and at night. Paradise Ct., at P., Oct. 4-5. Bridgeport Blvd., Oct. 5-6. Chico Cir., at C., Oct. 11-12. Greenwood Mis., at Rush Creek, Oct. 18, 19. Jacksboro Mis., at Berwick, Oct. 25, 26. Preaching at Vineyard, 23 at night. Bryson and Jermyn, at J., 26, 27. Preaching at Jacksboro, 27, at night and at Bridgeport, 28, at night. Justin and Roanoke, at —, Nov. 12. Argyle Ct., preaching at —, Nov. 3 at night and Q. C. at Prairie Mound, Nov. 4, 11 a. m. Preaching at Justin Nov. 4 at night.PHONE CT., at Newark, Nov. 8-9. Boyd, at Boyd, Preaching Nov. 7, night and 9 at night Q. C. 10. Mexican Mis., Preaching Nov. 15, night. Oak Dale, at Barton's Chapel, Nov. 15-16. Jacksboro Sta., Nov. 16-17. Bridgeport Mis., at Pleasant Valley, Nov. 22, 23. Willow Pt. Ct., at Booneville, Nov. 22, 23. Mexican Mis., Nov. 25. Decatur Ct., at Sweetwater, Nov. 29-30. Decatur Sta., Nov. 30, Dec. 1. S. C. RIDDLE, P. E.

Bonham District—Fourth Round. South Bonham, at Edinburg, Oct. 4, 5. Rock Point and McGraw, at M., Oct. 11, 12. Forest Hill and Bell's Chapel, at F. H., Oct. 18, 19. Trenton, at Trenton, Oct. 25, 26. Bailey, at Bailey, Nov. 1, 2. Dodd, at Lammus, Tuesday, Nov. 4. Ector, at Savoy, Thursday, Nov. 6. Kavana, at Mullery, Nov. 8, 9. Honey Grove, Tuesday, at 7:30 p. m., Nov. 11. Petty and Whittaker, at P., Thursday, Nov. 13. Telephone Mission, Nov. 15, 16. Brookston, at B., Wednesday, Nov. 19. Leonard Sta., Nov. 23, 24. Bonham Sta., Nov. 24. Windom, Thursday, Nov. 27. Lodiota Sta., Nov. 30, 31. It is important that every member of the Quarterly Conference be present at these meetings. Let the stewards visit every member of the Church, and, if possible, pay the salaries in full at the meeting of the Quarterly Conference. Brethren, let's pay the Bonham District out in full this year. O. S. THOMAS, P. E.

Paris District—Fourth Round. Depot Station, Sept. 20, 21. Centenary, Sept. 21. Bonham Street, Sept. 27, 28. Clarksville Station, Sept. 28, 29. Roxton, at Roxton, Oct. 4, 5. White Rock, at W. R., Oct. 5, 6. Pattonville, at Shady G., Oct. 11, 12. Annona, at Annona, Oct. 12, 13. Woodland, at H.

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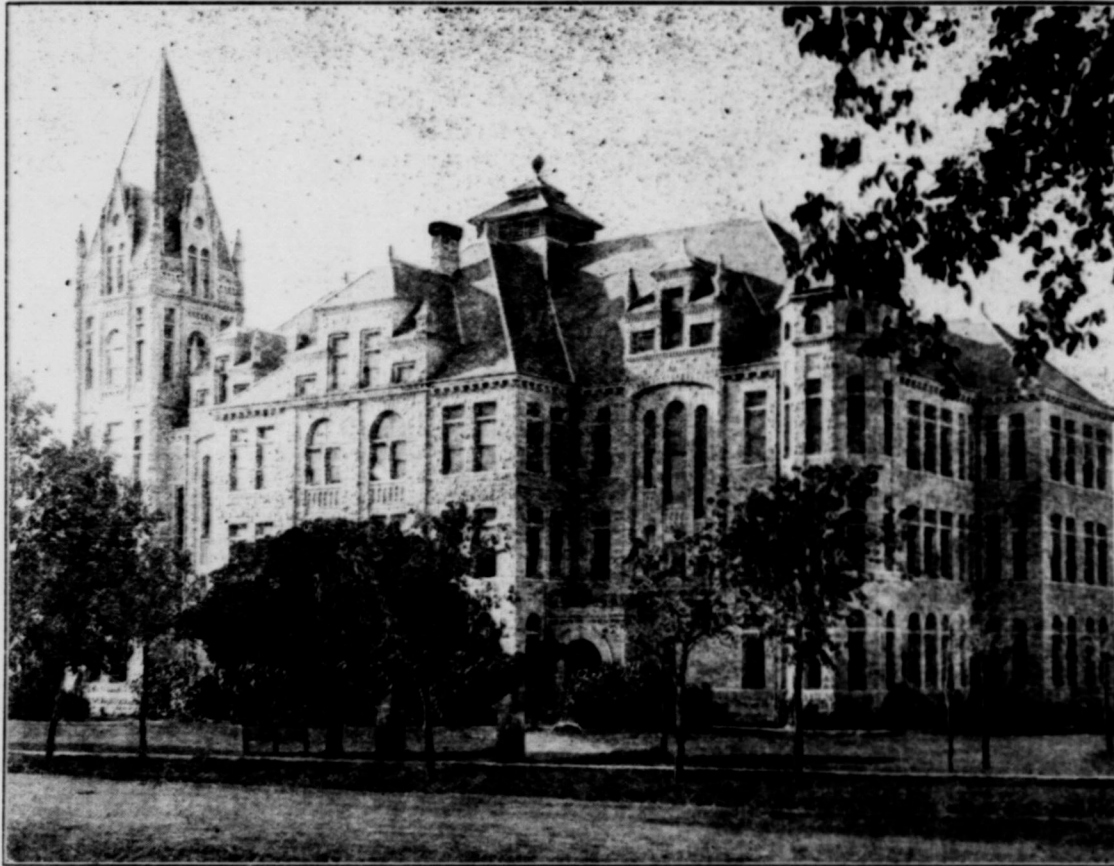
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THE SETH WARD COLLEGE CAMPAIGN REPORT.

In compliance with an arrangement made with Seth Ward College shortly after the close of the S. M. U. campaign I began a campaign for \$50,000 endowment, Sunday, August 16, at Plainview, where Seth Ward is located. The campaign lasted just four weeks and was fraught with many difficulties and beset by many limitations—four or five years of continuous drought, a good large indebtedness on the local church, and only the territory of the Plainview District to raise it. All this was taken into account in planning the campaign and it was estimated that \$40,000 of the \$50,000 must come from the town of Plainview.

The plans for the campaign were carefully made, almost a week spent in the preliminaries before we asked anyone to close up for a dollar. We knew what every man must give if we were to make the landing, and from the very beginning it was a challenge to every man to stand in his place and do his full duty. This almost every man did, and many did much more than was absolutely necessary, as the final result will show.

There were those who doubted that it could be done, but very few who were unwilling to do their share, but that success came was due very largely to the untiring efforts of Brother Hicks, the presiding elder, who had a general oversight of the campaign of the entire district, and by the use of his "Ford" and about fifteen hours a day never left a stone unturned for the campaign that was in the possible reach of one man. He burned the wind and I might add tore down fences and eliminated distance. Mud, rain, water and rocks did not turn him. I know, because I helped him pull out of some of them. Hicks knows the folks and about how much each man should give, and almost without a single exception he got it.

In the city of Plainview we had many valuable helpers. Of these Brother Barnes, the pastor, threw his full strength into the campaign and many times we were impressed that he is a long, keen, good one—there was very little he could not reach. He took the public collection at the close of the second week and brought our lead almost to \$40,000, then be-

gan the real fight for the glorious end. The most valuable man in the city's part of the campaign was Brother K. A. Long, a druggist and a well known influential business man. For more than three weeks he hired a man to take his place in the store and took the streets. I have never been associated with a more successful solicitor. There was no getting away from him without coming across. Knowing the business men and young men of the city as he did there was no room for a mistake in his estimate of their capacity and usually of their willingness. His work was monumental and most thoroughly appreciated by every one. I heard many say I could not refuse to do something if I wished for Long's sake. There were many others who did very valuable work, among the number Brothers Nash, Ansley, Faulkner, and other members of the Board of Trustees.

There were two gifts of \$500 each by Brothers A. E. Harp and L. M. Faulkner, together with seven others who gave \$2000 each, the first of whom to respond was Sister M. T. Gardner who is one of the teachers in Seth Ward; then the three Leach brothers, Joe, J. H. and M. D. Leach; Judge Otis Truelove and Brothers R. W. O'Keefe in Plainview and Brother W. I. Walker, of Hereford. These gifts made a fine start towards the splendid showing, but there were many other gifts as notable as these in proportion to their ability, ranging in amounts from \$2.50 from the little five-year-old son of the presiding elder, to \$100 and \$500 given by scores of persons less able than the above. There was much heroic giving by many men and women of means large and small, most of it in pledges for money payments, but some who did not feel able to pledge money gave valuable real estate around the school till the grand total is as follows:

Notes given in Plainview.....	\$48,200
Lots given in Plainview.....	6,450
Lots released by lifting debt they secured.....	7,000
Men not closed up on account of being out of town.....	1,000
Out of town notes closed.....	14,610
Total from all sources.....	\$77,260

There were many things that made possible this campaign. The honor of Plainview Methodism was at stake.

A splendid piece of school property worth \$100,000 could not be received by the conference without the \$50,000 endowment, but not the least of these is the present administration, headed by Prof. Pearce and wife. I heard nothing but praise and the strongest expressions of confidence of their ability and work. Prof. Pearce threw himself most vigorously into the campaign and gave every moment he had to spare to it, his was a most valuable help. One of the largest givers said, "Prof. Pearce's administration inspires me with confidence in the future of the institution."

Seth Ward is one of our youngest Junior Colleges and is the first of them all to get an endowment, and with the splendid beginning in that direction and with the promise of the best year of its history opening upon it, it is not too much to prophesy a great future for it.

The entire campaign was conducted in a prayerful and determined spirit and all praise to our Heavenly Father and the good people of Plainview District for its success.

J. T. McCLURE.

LET'S KEEP THE ORPHAN CHILDREN WARM.

Some one said the other day, "It looks like \$15,000 is sufficient to maintain the Orphanage."

The remark put me to figuring. Fifteen thousand dollars for one hundred and fifty children is one hundred dollars a child per year or eight and two-thirds dollars per month. And this for board, clothes, laundry, matron service, schooling and sundry other necessities. Who of us can feed a child for that to say nothing of clothes, books, schooling and so forth?

I ask "How does the management of the Orphanage accomplish this?" Well if it were not for the little farm the boys work, the cows they milk, the few hundred dollars of State school money and the help from some as to clothing, it would simply be an impossible task.

If improvement is to be made, where is the money to come from? There is but one answer, "It must come in the form of specials."

The call is now for money to install a heating plant. Think of the danger, inconvenience and cost of fuel when an institution like that is heated with numerous stoves.

Come along! Let's keep the orphan children warm. Funds are already coming in. The following is a list of those who have contributed to date:

Morrow Street Sunday School, Waco.....	\$100.00
D. K. Cason, Nacogdoches.....	5.00
"A Friend," Beaumont.....	1.00
Miss Kate McLaughlin, Dallas.....	3.00
Mrs. B. W. Cheaves, Waco.....	2.00
"A Friend," Brownwood, Texas.....	2.00
Miss Pearla Doyle, Dallas.....	2.00
"A Friend," Manor, Texas.....	100.00

Who will be the next? Remember cold weather will soon be upon us. Yours in the name of the one hundred and fifty orphan children, under the care of Texas Methodism,

A. D. PORTER.

Morrow Street, Waco, Texas.

EIGHTY-EIGHT, YET HALE AND HEARTY.

Living near the parsonage in Eldorado, Texas, is one of the most lovable Christian characters the writer has ever had the pleasure of meeting. Mrs. Martha A. Vaughn has been a widow for years, is now well toward the eighty-ninth milestone, yet she is hearty and moves about very well and has as clear a memory as one of twenty.

It is quite refreshing to hear her relate early experiences in Texas. She came to Texas from Alabama in 1855, and has seen and undergone the hardships of a frontier life as well as its pleasures.

Grandma Vaughn was born in Morgan County, Alabama, March, 1825, and was baptized in infancy by Dr. Jno. B. McFerrin, then a Methodist circuit rider in Alabama. She has been an active member of our great Methodist Church for seventy-three years. Through all these years she has been faithful to God, loyal to her Church, never in the least doubting her conversion nor in the least dissatisfied with her baptism (in infancy). Thus we see the verification of Prov. 22-6.

If there be any one of her old friends living, write her a nice letter thereby helping to make her last days brighter, as she does those about her. She lives with her daughter, Mrs. Nougess, has a pleasant home, and is well cared for.

Thank God for such lives as this one is and has been.

J. H. MAXWELL.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, Our Divine Father has in his infinite wisdom removed from our midst our beloved Sister Tennessee Cunningham, a charter member of the Woman's Missionary Society at Bethel; therefore be it

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to his divine will, knowing that he never errs.

2. That in her death the society at Bethel, where she lived for one-half a century, has lost a faithful member; one who was always willing to do her part of anything that was asked of her.

3. That we offer our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family, especially the aged husband who has walked by her side for nearly fifty-four years, and in this their deepest affliction may they find balm for their wounded hearts at a rich throne of grace.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the society, a copy presented to the family and one copy sent to the Texas Christian Advocate for publication.

EMMA TURNER,
FANNIE FORRESTER,
MRS. J. R. DUNANAY,
Committee.

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