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## God's Use For Unsightly Things

**W**E sometimes wonder why God has created unsightly and grotesque things. Some of them are repellant and make the shivers run over us when they creep or crawl near us. We want to get away from them. Take, for instance, the angleworm. It is such a squirmy thing and most people regard it fit for nothing except to bait the fishing hook of a boy.

But scientists now tell us that it performs an important function in the preservation of soil and in the conservation of vegetable life. By the billion these slimy workmen bore their way through the surface of the earth, opening up channels for the air and oxygen to pass in to render the soil healthful and productive. They lower the rocks by digging under them, they dissolve plant food out of grains of sand, sweeten the soil and furnish nourishment for the rootlets of growing vegetation.

In fact the scientists assure us that were the angleworm to cease to exist in a few years the most productive soil would become sour and mouldy, vegetation would no longer flourish and the race itself would die out. But we are so accustomed to the unsightly worm that we witness its squirmings and forget that it has any real mission in the world. But when we come to study this poor looking creature, it is one of God's important factors in prepar-

ing the world for the habitation and maintenance of man.

If, then, God has use for the poor unsightly worm, has he not some use for you in your higher realm of life? In your own esteem you may be unsightly and apparently of no use but God puts a different estimate upon you. You are a living entity, endowed with faculties capable of indefinite development, and it is his purpose to make you take a prominent part in the betterment of mankind. Even the angels cannot look with indifference upon you and your gifts, any more than you can look with indifference upon the worm. You are not only God's creature, but you are God's child, redeemed by the blood of his Son and worthy of heaven's recognition. Then find your sphere and begin to occupy it without delay that the world may become your beneficiary.

You have an infinite advantage over the worm. It lives a short life, guided by blind instinct, and it comes and goes with no trace of a future existence. But you are born to live through a series of years, with eyes open upon the world, with a mind full of possibilities, and with a moral and a spiritual nature giving you kinship with the sky. Even death is only to you an introduction to an unending life. Then, let your life be put to the noblest and the best uses as it is only schooling you for the life beyond.

## Use Good Old Horse Sense in Religion

**H**ORSE sense is a common expression, but it carries a practical meaning. A horse is one of our most useful domestic animals and he takes a prominent part in the industries and pleasures of life. Whether pulling the plow, drawing the wagon, cantering in the buggy or the surrey, or fox-trotting or pacing under the saddle, we all admire the well-disposed and good horse. He is a sensible animal. He has a good disposition and possessed of nothing of resentment. He even submits to injustice and unkindness without a murmur. He eats what you give him and accepts it with a whinny of gratitude. He knows his master, has his home attachments and is acquainted with his corncrib and haymow.

Mr. Beecher once passed a livery stable and saw a well-groomed and beautiful horse being led out and he said to the owner: "What is he good for? Does he work in harness? Is he a good saddler?" These questions were all answered in the affirmative. Then Mr. Beecher gravely remarked: "I wish he were a member of Plymouth Church." And why? Because he had all the qualities necessary to make him a useful member.

He had good common sense, he had good qualities, his disposition was commendable and he worked well wherever he was needed.

Can this be said of all members of the Church? Not by any means. Some of them are not very sensible, others are grouchy and fastidious about where you work them, many of them have sour and disagreeable dispositions and you have to coddle and humor a number of them to get anything in the way of useful service out of them. They are lacking in good old horse sense. They snarl, they kick, they lay their ears back, they balk when they ought to pull, they want to work in the lead or not at all; you have to parse them in the first person, singular number and nominative case, else they make trouble.

Church members with good horse sense do not esteem themselves too highly, they do not seek the uppermost seats in the synagogue, they do not hold back when the pastor projects forward movements, they work whenever and wherever they are needed, they are not easily provoked, they are not always getting their feelings hurt, they are not filled with the spirit of envy and they never kick out of the

traces. You can always depend upon them to do their part of the praying, the paying and the working. Not only when the revival is on, but at all others times they are religious and ready for service. All they want is a place to help the movements of the Church and then they pull or push or carry burdens as the opportunity affords.

Nothing beats good old horse sense in matters of religion. It seasons a man's life, it sweetens his disposition, it takes the kinks out of his makeup, it smooths

down his asperities, it stops his growling tendency, it gives to him less jaw and a great deal more of joy and it matures and enriches his experience. In other words it makes him a useful and a happy Christian man. Without it he is foolish, indiscreet, hard to please, quarrelsome, fault-finding and waspish. Good common sense is one of the best equipments for service in all and every department of Church work. Oh, for a revival of horse sense in the Church of today!

## A Campaign of Slander and Vilification

**R**EGARDLESS of who will be elected Governor of Texas, all good people deplore the campaign of slander and vilification now in progress.

Why it is that the saloon crowd are specializing this sort of a campaign is not clear unless it finds its explanation in the fact that they are dependent upon this sort of material for their hope of success.

There was a great rally of their forces in Dallas a few days ago and a number of speakers addressed the meetings. The like of it was never heard in this city. Men opposed to those conducting this meeting were abused, called ugly names and misrepresented from start to finish. They were called "crooks," "drunkards," "liars," and the like. One man, prominent in the meeting and asking the people to elect him Governor, in speaking of some of the leading men in the State, said: "They are the biggest political liars in Texas; they would slander the purest woman in the county or burn a man's house or barn were they not afraid the grand jury would indict them for the crime."

What do men seeking office for themselves or for others think about to indulge in such language? Do they think to promote their own cause? Do they imagine that people, decent people, will endorse that sort of campaign? Will such a course enhance the morals of politics, or build up a pure public sentiment? Have they no real merit upon which to plead with the people for their support? Are

A vicious tongue has concealed in it the poison of the asp and to be bitten or stung by it is to have communicated to you the worst form of infection. He or she who carries that sort of a tongue is an enemy to the peace and the weal of society.

It takes the storm and the calm, the lightning and the thunder, the rain and the sunshine, the hills and the valleys, the ocean and the dry land to make a world with conditions of growth and progress. And so it is with life. Affliction and health, joy and grief, hope and despair, happiness and misery, life and

there no leading principles of government to discuss in order to convince the voters of the State and win them over to their side of pending issues? Do they think that fair-minded people will endorse that sort of vileness and billingsgate? Surely we have fallen upon evil times when such abuses of public speech are common.

But when men represent the whiskey hosts, we need not expect anything else from them. The barroom is set for the promotion of strife, vulgarity, boorishness, blackguardism and slander. This is its stock in trade. And the barroom does not enhance its pretensions by concealing itself behind men of foul lips who assume to be its spokesmen. It only proves that such men who, otherwise decent and respectable, forget their sense of propriety and their respect for decency when they become the mouthpiece of the saloon interests. But they overshot their mark on this occasion and disgusted the better element of their own crowd. People are not fools, they do not easily follow that sort of irreverence and debauchery. Neither will slander and flagrant misrepresentation win in the long run. People are now intelligent enough to discriminate for themselves, and they will know how to cast their votes at the proper time for decent men for public office. So that if these spokesmen for the saloons in the present campaign think to increase their chances for success by this sort of tirade, they are reckoning without their host. On with the battle!

death all combine to produce the best that is in humanity. When the grace of God permeates all these diverse experiences, then out of them comes the best and the noblest found in human character.

Christ was the most sensational preacher who ever lived among men. His very attitude toward the existing order of things made him somewhat spectacular in his proclamation of truth. He attracted attention everywhere. When he opened his mouth he startled his listeners. Sometimes they took up stones to cast at him. Yes, he never preached a sermon that did not produce a sensation.



## Incidents In Western Itinerancy

By REV. J. O. GORE, Springtown, Texas.

### When the Devil Overdid Himself.

Yoakum County, with Plains as the county seat, was included in Gomez Mission, when I was appointed to it as pastor in 1907-1908. Yoakum was a newly organized county and Plains was a new town. Drinking and dancing was the order of the day. There were not many people in the county then. I have crossed it with the sight of but four human beings, passing over one blind gap and through one gate, and there was not a lane in the county. The school house at Plains was the only school house in the county and it was preaching place and dance hall. Plains also had the worst form of a "blind tiger" that I have ever known, though it was in the wet column. It had a "tiger" that run under the name of "cold drinks" joint, and its goods were "mescal whiskey" moonshined somewhere in New Mexico, and brought in by nights in a wagon. Now if you never tasted mescal, take it from Irvin Cobb that you need to practice swallowing a lighted torch every day for a week to protect your throat against it. And take it from my observation that it is not a cold drink, for when a fellow went into that joint and got a drink he seldom thought of what became of the glass at the last swallow, he dropped it and wanted to fight. No wonder Mexicans want to fight, they can't help it.

About July the 28th I began a meeting at Plains with the help of Rev. Wm. Yopp, a local preacher. On the first Sunday in August, in the afternoon, I preached a temperance sermon and as I had most of the thirteen residents of the county present, I gave them to understand that I should bring on a local option election in the county and asked every one that would stand by me in it to give me their hand, and every one came, men, women and children. But someone reported the matter to the "tiger's" faithful keeper, and after consulting his staff (an infidel editor and a drinking Irishman) the editor sent for me to come to his print shop, over the Irishman's store, on Tuesday morning; there he informed me that I would have to close the meeting for a dance. I decided to try it out with them with the trustees and locate my boundaries, so I announced to him that the meeting would go on. A merchant tendered me his store which was just finished, so we would have no trouble and at the morning services we had about all the women and girls of the town out and I put the proposition to them to know where

they would go in case of the try-out. They voted unanimously for the meeting. I knew that the dance would not last long without them, so I was satisfied with the results. On Wednesday morning, the trustees learned of the action of the editor, who was the city fiddler, and finished the dance in the school house for the time being. Business was picking up for the Church. I had raised about \$500 for a church building, and had secured half a block of land for a church and parsonage in the most favorable part of town, and organized with nineteen members.

The keeper of the tiger came to the conclusion that the only chance to keep his tiger was to get shed of his preacher, as they would not go well together. So he made his Irishman drunk, good and plenty, and sent him up to whip the preacher and run him out of town. I had lost my help that morning and was there alone. I got in a pretty bluff and thought I had it settled when some of the gang came up to the hotel and begun to tantalize him, so business picked up again and when it looked like a preacher weighing 127 had a poor show against an Irishman weighing 180, a cowboy came cross-lots in that loose-jointed gallop, peculiar to cowboys; he glanced our way carelessly, then his horse sat down and he swung himself to the ground and drug those long roweled spurs across the corner of the hotel and gathered a goosenecked hoe that leaned across the corner. Now it so happened that I had known almost nothing of that particular cowboy and that I believed him and my Irish friend to be on intimate terms, and I did not know whose turn it might be, and so I held a brave front and appeared not to see him, but I got ready to —, but to my agreeable surprise he landed the other fellow, and it certainly did look as though that Irishman was in bad with the company, for the next ten minutes. Hold him? I could not; he had it in for all Ireland and was taking vengeance on the present victim. That cowboy did ruin a "plumb good hoe" and wore the handle out. The Irishman certainly did tell it pitifully, and he was some bloody and his head was some cut up and his hands and arms and shoulders were some bruised, but we got him off.

Commissioners' Court met on the next Monday and ordered a local option election and it carried with but two condescending votes.

The devil certainly does overdo the thing sometimes.

## Several Things at One Writing

By Rev. C. G. Shutt, McCaulley, Texas.

I am very well satisfied in the main as to the way things went at General Conference. However, that little piece of maneuvering on the part of the ministry to retain the clause "Holy Catholic Church" in the Creed looks just a little arbitrary. There is no doubt that a large majority of preachers and laymen at home who were being represented by these delegates were in favor of striking it out, and by actual count a majority of the General Conference was in favor of striking it out, and yet it remains. Now, what if those who do not go to General Conference should use a little politics next time, too, and find out how their representatives stand before they send them?

My dear Brother Wyatt left out some very fine scriptures in giving his Bible reading for the benefit of the good women. Why did you do that, Brother Wyatt? Was it just an oversight? The following should have been given by all means: Joel 2:28: "And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams and your young men shall see visions." Were the daughters doing anything out of the way who were fulfilling this prophesy even in Paul's time? Acts 21:8, 9: "And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed and came unto Caesarea; and we entered into the house of Philip, the evangelist which was one of the seven; and abode with him. And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy."

And yet not a word of rebuke for these girls from Paul or any of the company, which leads me to believe that they were useful girls and doing good in the Church.

I don't know what about these women over at Corinth who probably had been recently digged from heathenism, or what they had up, possibly

some Church racket, but there is not a doubt in my mind that if they had been useful like Phillips' girls that there would have been no rebuke from Paul.

See also Phil. 4:3: "And I entreat thee also true yoke fellow, help these women which labored with me in the gospel." Now mark you these women labored with him in the gospel, I believe that clause has a deeper meaning than just having bazaars and dinners. You may depend upon it there is nothing lost today by helping the good women who labor with us in the gospel.

Rom. 16:1: "I commend unto you Phebe, our sister, which is a servant of the Church, which is at Cenchea." Now if anybody on earth, under the earth or above the earth thinks Sister Phebe could serve the Church at Cenchea so acceptably as to bring out such a commendation from St. Paul and yet never speak, he that so believes is entitled to the floor. Brother Wyatt, don't you see what a fine lot of Scriptures on that subject you left out?

I have not the time and the editor has not the space to go back into the Old Testament and speak of Miriam, Deborah, Ruth, Esther and many others. Then, again, Brother Wyatt, if you have this woman question down right I have it down wrong.

Were the good women asking for legislation about who should be boss at home? The main part of your Bible reading is on domestic relation, which is entirely foreign to the subject. My understanding is that the good women were simply asking for recognition in laboring with us in the gospel. If I am wrong, will some good woman correct me? As to home affairs, I have but little patience with the man who does not take his wife into his confidence and partnership with him in all things. I have seen a few of those lordly (?) fellows swelling around about the word

"obey," who regard their wives as servants instead of loving helpmeets. I never saw one of them but what I felt like I just wanted to knock him in the head a little. The wife bears her part of the burden much more than her part often, but her lord (?) carries the pocketbook, and if she gets a dollar to spend for the necessities of life she must honey around him and

explain and detail until it is absolutely humiliating. He will pay his lodge dues on the spot, but it is altogether owing to what sort of humor "hubby" is in if she gets a quarter to pay her Church dues. He goes where he pleases, but the wife must ask him if she wants to go to see a neighbor or go to Church. From such husbands good Lord deliver us.

## The Church And The Common People

The Texas Advocate is coming to me again and I don't hesitate to say it is the best paper in the Church for the common people. The editor is one of that class of whom the Lord has made so many, and has not grown out of sympathy with them. He knows what they need and tries to meet that need by giving them not only the news from the Churches but the leading political and social events also. To keep in touch with the common people, to recognize their rights and to be in sympathy with their efforts is necessary to keep their confidence and support. If the Church is in any way losing its hold on the common people it is because leaders in the Church sometimes fail to appreciate the efforts of the comparatively poor.

Only this morning I heard a traveling man who works hard to make a salary of sixteen hundred dollars, and who has been a faithful steward for years say he had recently heard his pastor speak in terms of contempt of the two thousand dollar salary he is being paid, and yet this preacher came from a poor family and never made five hundred a year till he entered the ministry, and the great bulk of his present salary is paid by men who earn much less than two thousand a year. It don't take a wise man to see what the effect of such speeches is on the laboring part of a congregation.

I once heard a celebrated Methodist preacher make a strong appeal to a congregation of working people for a missionary contribution. He pressed them to self-denial and at that

time he was smoking up in fine cigars as much as the daily wage of any working man in his audience. There are men now in the ministry who are getting from fifteen hundred to three thousand dollars a year and have for years and yet they are spending every cent of it and are making no provision for old age, and how the Church will call on men who have had less yearly income than they have to build them a home for their old age. I know by experience that a preacher who has a reasonably good salary can provide himself a home. I heard a preacher who has had a good salary for twenty-five years say he had three times looked on the Niagara Falls and perhaps twice on the Golden Gate, and yet he has no roof to cover his family. Preachers ought to develop a conscience on this matter and let the people see they are in sympathy with their sacrifices.

Let no preacher think this writer censorious for it is not written in that spirit. I have held those views as a pastor for years and I have tried to live up to this. The consequences are now that I am old, I own my home, paid for with my own money, and while I work all my strength will permit to keep the wolf from the door it is a great pleasure to live under my own vine and fig tree. The Lord knows there are those in the Church who ought to do more than they do but we must not get away from the common laboring man in our sympathies. The Church that loses the poor has no future.

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## Unified Christianity

No sensible person questions the power of unity in the accomplishment of any task. This truth is observed in the walks of every-day life. A small child cannot lift a large bucket of rocks due to the fact that they are too heavy when collected together. That same child, by destroying this unity of weight and taking each separately, can easily move them.

In the economic realm it is a known fact that unorganized labor can not successfully combat capital. Unity is a strong guiding principle, of any human activity, either physical, political, economic, social or spiritual; especially is this true with the spiritual activity. Since the spiritual life is most vital to us, it especially behooves us to unite all our forces in this domain.

Christianity is, by nature, a unity; it purposes a harmony. Mankind is an immense family and we are the children of a living God, from whom we have inherited through our elder brother, Jesus Christ, the conditions and promises of spirituality. Many are laboring in hope of obtaining this great inheritance; many are not. We as brothers in Christ, must restore

the broken unity which exists in our family. We should be one sheep and have one shepherd. Christ said, "And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also must I bring and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd." (John 10:16.) Paul said, "So we being many are one body in Christ, and everyone members one of another." (Rom. 12:15.)

Our obligations are often disregarded, sometimes on account of our social desires and at other times on account of our material desires. If men felt their brotherly obligations as keenly as they should, saloons, pool-halls and other contaminating places would be destroyed, not only in this great State, but also in all the United States. If you love your neighbor as yourself you will not seek to corrupt and defile his better qualities. Then let us unite all forces under the leadership of Christ our King and with an organized army let us go forward with a purpose to bring back to Christ's fold those who have been captured by the forces of sin and crown our King, king of all kings.  
DAVID MAJOR.

## Amen for "The Infant and God's Kingdom"

I have just read an article from John L. Sullivan entitled, "The Infant and God's Kingdom," No. 1, and I have just finished reading article No. 5 under the same title, and, Oh! me, how I wish I could call to my command language that would express my thankfulness for these five articles from the pen of this well-balanced man. I have never met Brother Sullivan, nor do I remember to have noticed his name until it came over the above named articles. Some years since, it will be remembered, that one John L. Sullivan wore the "belt" of physical championship, and I believe with all my soul that John L. Sullivan, of Byers, Texas, deserves the theological "belt," whether he gets it or not. I cannot understand why so large a per cent of Christian people, and Methodists at that, seem to think that it is actually essential that children grow up in sin and remain in an unregenerate state before they can possibly be regenerated; but Brother Sullivan has proven the point in question so conclusively and so strong and quoted all the Scripture necessary to show that in Christ, our living Head, all infants are restored from what was lost in Adam, and as Milton expresses it, "Retain the blissful seat," that it would be useless for me to undertake to emphasize or add anything to what has been written in those articles; but I will mention one point which

Christ while in infancy, and they must of necessity undergo the same operation in adult life, we make it necessary for God through the redemption of Christ to do the same work twice, and if the infant is not regenerated by the quickening power of Christ, then the innocent infant has to "climb up some other way" if he gets to heaven, or as Brother Sullivan said, go there spiritually dead. If we would save the children, which it is in our power to do by God's grace in one generation, the children of all Christian parents might be saved. I pray that the day will soon come when this will be done. JOHN W. SMITH,  
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## Sad, Sad, Almost But Lost

Second Reply to Rev. W. H. Hughes.

In the Advocate of June 4th, Bro. Hughes attempts to answer my reply to his first article under the above caption, but he does not touch side, top nor bottom. He reminds us of a story we once heard of a deputy sent out to arrest a man and when he came back without his man he reported that the man was "seecable, conversable, but not commendable; he was in swampy, up stumpy, railo." When they could not understand his report, he explained that he could see the man, converse with him, but could not get to him; he had gone out in the water on a rail, gotten on a stump and turned the rail loose.

So Bro. Hughes will have to explain what he means. He started out with the condition of the child, and when I knocked all his props from under him and left no argument or scripture for him to stand on, he comes back in his rejoinder and says, "he discusses a question altogether different from the one upon which I wrote." He discusses the moral or religious state of the child when born into the world, while I showed from the scripture, in Christ's words, that "Except a man be born again he can not see the kingdom of heaven."

Now, if Bro. Hughes means the man that has become a sinner, then I agree with him; but he spoke of the child in his first article and said, "The idea that a child can be trained up in the Sunday School or anywhere else in the way that he will not need conversion or regeneration, is of the devil."

Now, I hold Bro. Hughes to the proposition that this statement does have to do with the child.

Bro. Hughes says, "Brother Crockett must be as brave as the celebrated Davy Crockett, of the Alamo, or else he could not afford to differ with Jesus Christ on the necessity of the new birth, or accuse both the young ruler and Saint Paul of flagrant falsehood."

I am of the same blood of the Alamo Davy Crockett and am too brave to be bluffed by accusation of which I am not guilty.

I have received a number of congratulations and complimentary commendations by mail and in person of my reply to Bro. Hughes, one of whom, a presiding elder, who knows the doctrines of our Church and the Bible, who said, "Bro. Hughes can never answer your argument. He may come back with a slur, but he cannot answer you." And so it has occurred. Bro. Hughes did not attempt to answer a single one of the nine questions I propounded to him, but dodges the whole thing by claiming that he was talking about an adult sinner, while I discussed the moral or religious state of the child when born into the world. And he also accuses me of contradicting the statements of Christ, and accusing the rich ruler and Saint Paul of "flagrant falsehood." All of which I most emphatically deny. These are serious charges for Bro. Hughes to bring against a brother preacher. But his assertions do not make it true.

In his first article he accused all who differ from him on this important subject as being "of the devil." All of this I most steadfastly do not believe. In my short ministry I have had about 3000 conversions under my ministry and received about 3000 into the Methodist Church. Could I do that and be "of the devil?"

In his last article he accuses me of contradicting Christ's words and accusing the young ruler and Paul of lying, when I did not do neither. I believe as strongly as Bro. Hughes does that a sinner must be born again, but I deny that the child is born into this world a sinner. When I joined the Conference thirty-four years ago, our old theology taught that a child had to be regenerated, somehow, in order to get to heaven. I never did and never can believe such stuff, and thank the Lord, very few of our preachers believe it now. One of the curses of our age today is too many people think a child must serve the devil till he is ten or fif-



teen years old, then repent, get religion and join the Church. And the devil has so strong a hold on many of them by that time that it is often difficult to reach them. I believe that we ought to enroll them as members when we baptize them, and count them as members, as the Jews did when they circumcised their children (as water baptism takes the place of circumcision).

Bro. Hughes, because I asked the following questions, said I accused the young ruler and Saint Paul of flagrant falsehood. Here are the questions: "Does Bro. Hughes or any other Bible student believe that young man told the truth?"

2. "Does Bro. Hughes or any other Bible student believe that Saul of Tarsus had kept the commandments? Does he believe that Saul was keeping the commandments when he was accessory to the stoning of St. Stephen, and when he was on his way to Damascus to capture all the Christians he could find, take them to Jerusalem to put them to death?"

Now, Bro. Hughes, don't dodge these questions as you did before, but answer me plainly, yes or no—do you or any other Bible student believe the young ruler had kept the commandments? Now, does a man necessarily tell a "falsehood" every time he fails to tell the truth?

Last Monday I wanted to walk across the field to see a family, and when I asked a brother how far it was, he said, "About a quarter." But it was at least a half mile. Did he tell a "falsehood"? Certainly not. He was just honestly mistaken in the distance. So with this young ruler; in all probability he thought he had kept the commandments and so thought he was telling the truth.

Bro. Hughes says, concerning St. Paul, that "I. I. Assume the statements are false and misleading." 2. "That they were made by Saul of Tarsus, when in fact they were not made by Saul of Tarsus, but by the learned and inspired Paul about thirty years after he was converted and in the apostolic office."

Now if the reader turns to my article in Texas Christian Advocate of May 21, page 3, they will see I did not say anything of the kind, neither did I say anywhere that Paul told a "falsehood." But while he related the matter after he was an apostle, he was telling of his life and experience before he was converted, when he told how wicked he had been in persecuting the Church, etc., said he did it in all good conscience. So I repeat as I said before, while he did wickedly in all good conscience, "he was led by a misguided conscience." He doubtless thought he was doing right when he was persecuting the Church, etc.

Again, Bro. Hughes sneers at the idea where I said "Some of the best men and women I have ever known, some of whom are preachers and active workers in the Church, were so trained and taught that they never in their lives went to the altar to seek religion, and say they cannot tell when they were converted and never knew the time when they did not love God, hated sin and wanted and tried to do right." After quoting the above, says, "That is precisely the thing I deplored in my article—that the Church was being filled up with men and women, some of whom are preachers, who never were converted. The reader will take his choice of teachers, Brother Crockett or Christ." This is another one of Brother Hughes' personal thrusts. My position is not at variance with the teachings of Christ or any part of the Bible. But Solomon said: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." But Brother Hughes says: "The idea that you can train a child so he will not need regeneration is of the devil." Was Solomon "of the devil?" How should he (the child) "go"—religious and in the Church or wicked and out of the Church?

Now, Brother Hughes, I again put the following questions to you that you have never answered:

1. Is the child in an unregenerate state?

2. If so, can he be saved in this unregenerate state?

3. If he cannot, then when, how, and on what terms or conditions is the child regenerated?

4. If the child is in a regenerated or saved state, why can he not be so taught and trained that "he will not depart from it," as Solomon says?

5. If in a regenerate or saved state, is it not a fact that he remains so until he gets old enough to know right from wrong, and knowingly and willfully commits sin; if not, when and how does he lose that regenerate state?

6. If the child is in an unregenerate state, why do you baptize him?

7. What did Christ mean when he said: "Whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me,

it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea?" (Matt. 18:6).

8. What did Christ mean when he said: "Except ye be converted and become as little children ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven?" If a converted person becomes as a little child, is not a little child as a converted person. According to the rule in logic, things that are equal to the same thing are equal to each other?

9. What did Solomon mean when he said: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it?" (Prov. 12:6.)

10. What did Paul mean when he said: "Wherefore as by one man sin entered into the world and death by sin and so death passed upon all men, for that all men have sinned?" "Therefore as by the offense of one, judgment came upon all men to condemnation, even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life?" (Rom. 5:18).

11. What did Paul mean when he said: "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive?" (1 Cor. 15:22.)

12. If sin and death passed upon all by Adam's sin, did not righteousness and life come back to all by the righteousness and death of Christ, otherwise what does "all" mean?

13. If the sinner has to be converted and become as a "little child," (and

Christ says of the "little child," "For of such is the kingdom of heaven,") before he can "enter into the kingdom of heaven, is not the child fit for "the kingdom of heaven," and can an unregenerate child enter the kingdom of heaven?"

Brother Hughes says that the Church was being filled with unconverted men and women, some of whom are preachers, when I stated that "some of the best men and women I ever knew, some of whom were preachers and active workers in the Church," etc. Does he dare say that some of these preachers that are as religious and successful as the most of us and also many live and active members have lied and never were converted? Does he dare sit in judgment upon them, when their very lives and fruit attest their conversion? There is a book that says: "By their fruits ye shall know them." The same book also says: "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged; and with measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again."

Now I want Brother Hughes to answer the above questions without any personal thrust, for this is a vital and important subject and we want to get good out of it.

Last September I was asked by a younger preacher why we did preachers did not write more to the Advocate for their benefit.

J. DAVID CROCKETT, Roby, Texas.

### Among the District Conferences

#### ALBUQUERQUE DISTRICT CONFERENCE, NEW MEXICO ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The twenty-fifth session of the Albuquerque District Conference met at Carizozo, New Mexico, June 4-7, 1914. Rev. G. H. Givan presided and Rev. G. C. Emmons was elected Secretary.

A deep note of spirituality permeated the conference from beginning to end, and much prominence was given to the devotional services. Rev. G. C. Emmons preached the opening sermon Wednesday night and there was preaching thereafter every morning at 11 o'clock and every night until the conference closed. The conference enjoyed a special treat in having as a visitor Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald, presiding elder of the El Paso District, of the Mexican Border Conference. Brother Fitzgerald preached two soul-stirring sermons and, also, addressed the conference on the opportunities for work among the Mexican people. The following brethren, also, preached during the session of the conference: D. P. Wilburn, J. I. Kelly, Paul Bentley, A. N. Evans, E. W. Morton and J. J. Golden.

The presiding elder had arranged a missionary service for Thursday evening and the following spoke at that time: G. C. Emmons delivered an address on "The Missionary Spirit of Jesus"; E. W. Morton spoke on the subject, "The Foreigner Within Our Door," and J. W. Hendrix delivered an address on "The Need of a Cosmic Conscience."

The reports from the various charges of the District were encouraging and indicated that Methodism is making great progress in the Albuquerque District.

Rev. S. E. Allison is doing a great work at Albuquerque. He is winding up his fourth year at this place. During his pastorate, he has succeeded in erecting a beautiful \$25,000 church building in the heart of the city. All departments of the Church are in a prosperous condition. Brother Allison has made a record of which he may well feel proud.

At Cimarron, Rev. J. H. Walker is heroically holding up the banner of Southern Methodism under rather difficult circumstances. It is anticipated that the tangles with the Methodist Episcopal people will be adjusted at an early date.

Rev. W. L. Self is doing a good work on Clayton Circuit. He has a difficult field, but he is managing it in a most commendable manner.

Owing to the serious illness of his wife, Rev. H. W. Carter had to give up the pastorate of the Church at Gallup in April and Rev. J. J. Golden, of the Mississippi Conference, was appointed by the presiding elder to fill out the year. Although Brother Golden has been here only a short time, he has the work in splendid shape. Gallup has a fine Woman's Missionary Society and an excellent Junior League.

Carizozo, under the pastorate of Rev. J. W. Hendrix, is making progress along all lines. There is a good Sunday School, which is well organized and growing. There is a splendid Woman's Missionary Society, which is the best working force in the Church. Brother Hendrix seems to be very popular with the people of Carizozo and is making good.

Magdalena is prospering under the able leadership of Rev. F. B. Faust. A new church building will be erected soon at Kelly, which is on the Magdalena charge. There is a wide-awake Board of Stewards who keep the finances up in excellent shape. Brother Faust has recently been putting in some good licks in behalf of the prohibition cause.

Moriarty Circuit is growing. Rev. J. I. Kelly, the pastor, has recently held a splendid meeting at Vaughn. All departments of the work on this charge are in good shape. Brother Kelly is meeting with much success in

getting the men interested in the activities of the Church.

Rev. J. T. Lewis has held one revival on McAlister Circuit. There have been thirty conversions and fifteen have united with the Church. The attendance at preaching service is good. There are three good Sunday Schools and five prayer meetings on the charge.

Melrose is in good shape. There is a fine Sunday School, a splendid Missionary Society and an excellent Epworth League. Rev. W. P. West, the popular pastor, is doing good work.

San Jon has a good wide-awake pastor. Rev. E. W. Morton has been on this charge since last January and during that time has organized one Church, one Junior Missionary Society, one Boys' Club and one Woman's Home Missionary Society. Thirty-seven have united with the Church. The finances are in good shape.

San Marcial was reported to be in splendid financial condition. The Annual Conference assessment has been collected in full. There is a good Sunday School and an excellent Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Tucumcari is well organized and Rev. A. N. Evans is doing a splendid work here. There have been forty conversions and fifty-four additions to the Church. The average attendance at Sunday School is 190. There is a good Missionary Society. There is a Senior League with 160 members. The finances are in good shape.

Rev. D. P. Wilburn is doing a splendid work on Tucumcari Circuit. There is good attendance at preaching service. There are three excellent Sunday Schools. The young people on this charge take a very active part in all religious services.

Vaughn was unanimously chosen as the meeting place for the next District Conference.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference:

- G. C. EMMONS, J. E. LOVE, W. J. HANNA, J. D. EMMONS.

Alternates:

- J. M. Smith, E. F. Brown.

C. E. Nicholson, of Tucumcari, was elected District Lay Leader.

G. C. Emmons was recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial and, also, for local deacon's orders.

Although this is his first year as presiding elder, Brother Givan makes a most efficient presiding officer. He knows how to do things and the work of the district is making rapid progress under his supervision. He is a man who lives in close touch with God and thus he is able to hold the confidence of the preachers of the district. The spirit of co-operation and brotherly feeling that existed between the presiding elder and members of the conference was particularly noticeable.

Rev. J. W. Hendrix, the conference host, and his excellent people, entertained the conference in a most delightful manner. Everything possible was done to make our visit to the city enjoyable.

G. C. EMMONS, Secretary.

#### SWEETWATER DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Sweetwater District Conference for 1914 has passed into history. About fifty preachers, delegates and visitors were in Snyder during the three days session, attracted by the business and other interests of the occasion.

Rev. B. W. Dodson, presided and preached with grace and power. The sessions were crowded with matters of interest and there was not a dull moment.

The abundant rains, the advance of the crops and the unusual revivals over the dis-

trict made the occasion one of great good cheer. The opening session Thursday evening, May 28, was largely attended, the beautiful new church building being thronged. After a song and prayer service, Brother Dodson made a brief address on Church membership and the pastor of Snyder Station opened the doors of the Church and received thirty-five members, eight of whom came in by baptism, and baptized also three infants. After the reception of these members the Woman's Mission Auxiliary served ice cream and cake and a most delightful get-acquainted session followed.

Friday morning at 9 o'clock, the business session opened with prayer, songs and a Scripture lesson and comments by the presiding elder. Brother Walter Adamson, the Recording Steward of Snyder Charge, was elected Secretary and called the roll, to which a goodly number responded. The usual committees were appointed and the conference settled down to business until 11 o'clock, when Rev. M. W. Clark, of Roscoe, preached a most interesting and helpful sermon.

Preachers and delegates arrived on every train and by buggy and auto, so the afternoon session opened with renewed interest and vigor. The call of charges was taken up. As heretofore indicated, the reports showed great progress. More than 400 conversions and accessions were reported, which is unusual this early in the year.

Delegates to the Annual Conference at Sweetwater were elected as follows:

- JUDGE W. P. LESLIE, Colorado. C. L. EZELL, Snyder. S. W. ALTMAN, Loraine. REV. J. R. PLANT, of Ira.

Alternates:

- Rev. G. H. Gattis, Blackwell. T. W. Crenshaw, Camp Springs Charge.

Blackwell was unanimously chosen as the place for the next meeting of the conference.

George Henry Fine was licensed to preach and Revs. E. S. Dorsett and J. R. Plant were recommended to the Annual Conference for deacon's orders.

The conference was visited by Revs. J. D. Scott, of San Antonio; C. B. Meador, of Stamford, and J. D. Young, of Dallas. Brother Young gave his stereopticon lecture on the building of S. M. U. and took a collection amounting to \$500 to place the name of Rev. J. M. Sherman on the memorial tablet of honor at the University, the money to go to the endowment of the theological department. This money was quickly and gladly subscribed by the preachers and laymen who knew and loved Brother Sherman. Strong resolutions regarding social service, temperance and prohibition were adopted. As an answer to the Lewis-Radford liquor program, the conference openly declared for Tom Ball for Governor.

The preaching of the conference was done by Revs. G. H. Gattis, M. W. Clark, J. D. Young, Simeon Shaw, C. E. Jameson, R. A. Clements and B. W. Dodson. It was a great pleasure to have with us our former presiding elder, Brother Shaw, whose great preaching ability always attracts a fine hearing and whose indomitable work on this district, through four of the hardest years West Texas has ever had, are now bearing fruit in a well organized and loyal membership ready to move forward with a rush as better days come upon us. His beautiful sermonic exposition of the letter to Philemon, Saturday night, and his conduct of the love feast Sunday morning, brought to the visitors from all over the district memories of days of stress and struggle when he cheered and led us on.

Brother Dodson preached a great sermon at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and at 3:30 delivered his famous sermon on the "Baptism of Jesus." It is echoing around here yet. Some of the deep water brethren have been near to nervous prostration as a result, but I think with proper care and a liberal use of ice will survive. He is certainly great on the doctrines of the Church and the fellow who labors under the delusion that he is not prepared for all comers is destined to a rude disillusionment.

It was altogether a great District Conference.

J. W. HUNT.

#### SAN ANGELO DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

On account of excessive rain it was found necessary almost at the last minute to change the place of meeting from Christoval to First Church, San Angelo. The good people at Christoval had made all preparations to give the conference a good time in camp, and were greatly disappointed that the weather continued so unfavorable. However, the conference voted unanimously to make another effort to get to Christoval next year, when they will find everything in ship shape for a good meeting. The loyal people of First Church threw open their homes and gave all a pleasant stay, in spite of the short notice of the change.

All but two pastors were present, and there were about half as many laymen present as preachers. The work throughout the district seemed to be moving smoothly from reports and some excellent revivals were reported. Revs. F. S. Onderdonk, A. E. Recto, J. D. Scott were present and were given a hearing. Rev. J. H. Stewart, presiding elder on the Brownwood District, looked in on the conference for a short while.

Thursday afternoon was given up to a district meeting of the W. M. S., presided over by Mrs. A. M. Hicks, District Secretary. Some fine papers were read on the Women's work, and at night Rev. Frank Onderdonk delivered a splendid address on mission work in Mexico. Again on Sunday night we had the pleasure of going with him through many of his experiences as a missionary in that country.

Among the most important matters passed on by the conference was that of securing a

Mexican evangelist as early as possible to work among the Mexicans of the District. Another important step was taken looking to the increase of the salaries of the pastors in the district in order that they might at least have a living. Ford Oglesby of Mertzon was given the S. W. U. scholarship for the coming year. Miss Ethel Moore, of Water Valley, was elected District Secretary of the Epworth League. C. C. Walsh was elected District Lay Leader.

Delegates to Annual Conference:

- REV. J. S. MOORE, Water Valley. C. C. WALSH, San Angelo. R. W. FOSTER, Sterling City. M. S. NICHOLS, Junction.

Alternates:

- J. R. Brooks, Sherwood. H. L. Voss, Miles.

Good preaching was furnished during the session by the pastors and visitors and the conference was very spiritual.

Our presiding elder, Rev. F. B. Bachman, is at ease in the chair, and while all parts of the work are given due consideration, no time is wasted in transacting business. Altogether this was a very helpful meeting of the workers in this district.

J. FISHER SIMPSON, Secretary.

#### WEATHERFORD DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Weatherford District Conference met at Grafard at 9 a. m., June 2 and was in session one day, with Dr. Jas. Campbell, presiding elder, in the chair. At the roll call seven pastors and fourteen laymen and local preachers responded to their names. Two other pastors arrived during the day and some others met the members who were present on their way home. The usual minute business of a District Conference was carefully transacted. W. C. Ferguson was recommended for Deacon's Orders. Rev. D. L. Collic, Agent for Superannuate Homes, was present and took a collection. Rev. J. D. Scott represented the San Antonio Industrial and Rescue Home in a telling speech. Rev. G. F. Winfield, President of Meridian College, preached a strong sermon.

The following are the delegates to the Annual Conference:

- REV. C. C. McBRAYER, S. TAYLOR, W. R. SJKES, HON. I. F. TEMPLE.

Alternates:

- R. H. Pate, C. L. Walker.

The next conference goes to Coats Memorial, Weatherford.

E. HIGHTOWER, Sec.

#### LEGISLATION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1914 CONCERNING THE LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

By C. F. Reid, Gen'l Sec'y.

As Relating to the General Conference.

1. "The Laymen's Missionary Movement is recognized as a providential movement among Christian men and is welcomed as a pledge of a closer alignment of the men of the Church with the great awakening of the Church of God today. The laymen of the Church are authorized to co-operate with their pastors in a more aggressive evangelism, to develop missionary interest and intelligence, and to promote lay activity and liberality in co-operation with the regular constituted boards of the Church."

2. "The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement as now constituted, being composed of John K. Pepper, T. S. Seuthgate, C. F. Reid, F. M. Dames, Julian S. Carr, C. H. Ireland, F. H. Enochs, R. S. Munger, W. Erskine Williams and R. F. Burden, shall be a standing committee during the next quadrennium to encourage our laymen to organize for effective service, to promote a systematic Church-wide distribution of literature bearing upon Christian stewardship and missionary information, to report to the next General Conference the progress made in the enlistment of our laymen in various forms of Christian service, and to which shall be referred all matters pertaining to their work."

3. That part of paragraph 355 relating to ex-officio members of the Board of Missions was changed to read: "The Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, the President and General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, the Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday School Board, and the Corresponding Secretary of the Epworth League Board shall be ex-officio members."

As Relating to the Annual Conference.

Paragraph 372, Article 19, was changed to read: "Each Annual Conference shall organize a Board of Missions, auxiliary to the General Board, to which it shall report annually. It shall consist of one layman from each district and an equal number of clerical members, who shall be elected quadrennially by the Annual Conference at the first session after the General Conference, together with the conference lay leader, who shall be a member ex-officio of the Annual Conference Board of Missions."

In Chapter II, Section 2, a new paragraph was inserted reading as follows: "Let every Annual Conference at its first session after the General Conference appoint a Board on Activities of Laymen to consist of the Conference Lay Leader, who shall be chairman of the board, and the District Lay Leader from each presiding elder's district, the duties of this board to consist of considering plans for the better support of the ministry, the larger activity of laymen in evangelistic work, and co-operation with the other conference boards

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# Notes from the Field

## Tuscola.

We have recently closed the most successful revival ever held in the town and community. Scores were converted and reclaimed and our Church has been greatly strengthened. Rev. E. N. Parrish, of Cleburne, Texas, did the preaching. He preaches a powerful Gospel and builds up the Church along every line. Tuscola is a new growing town at the junction of the Abilene Southern and Santa Fe Railways. This charge was organized last conference. We have already built a four-room parsonage. Tuscola will soon become a full station. The success already achieved is largely due to the inspiration and wise planning of our presiding elder, Brother Ferguson is a great leader and we believe in him out this way.—Geo. Smallwood, P. C.

## Lyons Circuit.

All of our revival meetings have been announced, and good help has been secured. Beginning at Lyons on the first Sunday in July with Brother Chas. Hughes, of Rusk, and closing the latter part of August, will be a revival campaign of nearly two months, and we are planning and praying for this to be the greatest summer of our lives for winning to Christ. This is a delightful charge to serve, and some of the best people I have ever met is to be found on Lyons's charge. The Advocate is a welcome visitor in nearly all the homes of our Methodists. Brother George E. Kemp, who was here last year, did a good work for the Advocate and Methodism. Our beloved presiding elder is one of our very best preachers, and can not be excelled as a presiding elder. He is universally loved by both laymen and preachers and we all feel glad to have him come. We greatly enjoy hearing him preach and we are certainly always delighted to have him in our homes. Brother S. W. Thomas is a sweet, Christian character, and this good district will stand above high water mark next fall at Bay City, and mark the perfection, our circuit is going to do its part to this end and every dollar of the assessments will be paid in full. I love the Lord and all the brethren and ask that you pray for me that this may be the best year of my life. From time to time the Advocate will be more carefully looked after.—S. W. Stokely, Lyons's Texas, June 20.

## Emmice, New Mexico.

Emmice is a good community, having one store and postoffice, seventy-five miles west of Midland, Texas, and seventy miles north of Pecos, Texas. These are the nearest railroad points. Some land yet to be filed on. Come on, ye good Methodists, and get you a three twenty tract. It looks good to me. Our meeting began May 30 and ran eight days. There were five professions and thirteen additions. The Church was revived and weekly prayer meeting started; also an old difficulty of long standing settled. A committee was appointed to secure deed to church lot upon which we hope to build a good church before many moons. This community is rapidly settling up. Some fifteen more will join us as soon as they can get their certificates. We were ably assisted by Rev. W. R. Crockett, local deacon, of Lovington, New Mexico. The whole community was benefited by his preaching as well as his good singing. We have some ten or twelve more meetings to hold yet and if any of the brethren want to help in a newly field, come over and help us on the Lovington Circuit.—J. P. Speed, P. C. Lovington Circuit, Knowles, New Mexico.

## West Point.

It has been some time since we wrote a line to the dear old Advocate. You might think we had forgotten it, but not so. We have been reading it with interest, but one of the things we were trying to say is that West Point is still on the map of Methodism and is writing some things in her history that her people will remember with fondness. We have splendid people on this charge, a people whom it is a pleasure to serve. We are in our third year. We have held one meeting at Muldown. It was a very fine meeting. We were fortunate indeed in securing the help of Brother Sam J. Frank. He is a preacher indeed. A good mixer and a good revivalist. We had forty conversions and a number of backsliders reclaimed. It was really a great meeting. The Lord was with us and blessed our hearts and our labors. To him be the glory.—Roy G. Kaler, P. C.

## DALLAS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The forty-fourth session of the Dallas District Conference met in the Oak Lawn Church, Dallas, June 11 and 12. Rev. O. F. Samsbanch presiding. The total attendance of enrolled members was 64. Among the Confessional visitors were Dr. H. A. Bovee, Rev. C. T. Tally, Rev. C. L. Bowns, Rev. J. D. Scott, Rev. J. J. Morgan, Rev. L. S. Barton. Reports showed a total of 963 accessions for the first half of the conference year, and an increase of 1095 in Sunday School enrollment. A total of \$33,000 has been collected, of which \$14,222 is on old indebtedness. Many of the charges reported salaries paid in full to date and substantial progress on Conference Collections. Three parsonages have been secured by Duceville, Tyler Street and

Trinity. The latter charge is erecting a commodious \$6000 home for their pastor.

Grace Church has freed herself from debt, and will be dedicated the third Sunday in June. St. John's has occupied the Sunday School rooms of the new church. Ground has been broken on a new \$50,000 enterprise by the Oak Cliff Church. At Mungler Place a site has been secured and a temporary building is ready for use. The beautiful Oak Lawn Church is nearing completion. Plans are being perfected for the new First Church, to cost not less than \$400,000.

The presence of Bishop Host was a benediction. His two great messages on "Service" and "The Revelation of God in Christ" made profound impression. Other notable addresses were on "Our Church Literature," by Dr. G. C. Rankin, and "Dallas and the University," by Judge J. E. Cockrell.

The following delegates to the Annual Conference were elected:

- W. L. DIAMOND,
- W. M. BOARD,
- J. E. COCKRELL,
- E. G. KNIGHT.

Alternates:

- L. L. Jester,
- J. T. Buckingham.

Hon. E. G. Knight was elected District Lay Leader.

Delightful luncheon was served each day at noon by the ladies of the Oak Lawn Church in the basement of the new building. The social intercourse of these hours was as pleasant as it was helpful in bringing together the Methodist forces of the District. The final service of the conference was a reception tendered Bishop Host on the evening of June 12, by the Methodists of Dallas and vicinity on the lawn of Mr. B. M. Burgher, opposite the Oak Lawn Church.

The next conference will meet at Cedar Hill, C. O. SHUGART, Sec.

## HOUSTON PREACHERS TESTIFY TO HIS CHARACTER.

Because of inquiries which have been coming to me from various sources, and rumors which have been reported to me as having been circulated effecting the personal character of Hon. Thomas H. Ball, candidate for Governor of Texas, and I because of my knowledge of the facts I make this statement:

I have known Mr. Ball and his family intimately for a number of years. He has been during my entire pastorate (now in the fourth year) an active member in good standing and a steward of St. Paul Methodist Church. His conduct has at all times been that of an earnest, consistent Christian man, a faithful and devoted husband and father, and he, as well as his wife and daughters, have been important factors in the religious and charitable work of the city.

As a citizen he has been and can always be counted upon as being on the side of morality and Christianity, and any statements or rumors to the contrary are not only untrue, but arise from anxiety on the part of interested persons, to undermine his character for political purposes, in order that their own political and financial interests may not be injured by his election as Governor of Texas.

(Signed) SAM R. HAY,

Pastor St. Paul M. E. Church, South.

The undersigned hereby heartily indorse the foregoing statement of Dr. Hay.

- EUGENE W. POTTER  
Pastor Grace M. E. Church, South
- HAROLD G. COOKE  
Pastor McAshan M. E. Church, South
- W. FRAZIER SMITH  
Pastor Trinity M. E. Church
- H. M. WHALING, Jr.  
Pastor Woodland Heights M. E. Church
- CASPER S. WRIGHT  
Pastor First M. E. Church, South
- W. S. JACOBS  
Pastor First Pres. Church
- IRA F. KEY  
Pastor McKee St. M. E. Church
- EVANXER AMMONDS  
Pastor Baptist Temple
- D. L. GRIFFITH  
Pastor Brunner Baptist Church
- J. E. TRELOAR  
Pastor Calvary Baptist Church
- W. H. GRANGER  
Pastor Tabernacle M. E. Church
- S. H. BAUCOM  
Field Sect. Baptist Sanitarium
- J. KILGORE  
Presiding Elder Houston District
- FRANK H. MORGAN  
Pastor South Houston Baptist Church
- THORNTON A. PAYNE  
Pastor Emmanuel Baptist Church
- ROBERT CARROLL  
Pastor Liberty Ave. Baptist Church
- A. D. FOREMAN  
President Bapt. City Mission Board
- RUSSELL A. HARTY  
Pastor First Baptist Ch. Houston Hts.
- JOSEPH PALMAY  
Pastor First German Church
- W. L. BRUMLOW  
Pastor Baptist Church
- I. D. HALL  
Missionary Union Assn.
- E. A. KONKEN  
Pastor Bering Memorial Church
- G. T. STORY  
Pastor Hardy St. Pres. Church
- W. L. FROEHNER  
Pastor German M. E. Church
- J. W. DOBIAS  
Pastor Bohemian M. E. Ch. Houston Hts.
- A. B. BUCHANAN  
Pastor Central Pres. Church
- WILLIAMS, JAMES  
Pastor Third Pres. Church
- C. H. CRAWFORD  
Oakland Pres. Church
- DR. J. L. GROSS  
Pastor First Baptist Church

## MEETING OF THE SOCIAL SERVICE COMMISSION.

As I typewrite these lines, Rev. Harry F. Ward is in the midst of his brilliant lectures on the Church and Social Service. A number of years ago I was in his home when he had just returned from the General Conference of the M. E. Church. He was much affected. He had gone in the hope of finding or awakening in the Church some consciousness of her social mission. What he did find was much ecclesiasticism and politics, but no response to the social gospel. His eyes turned to the Methodist Church of the South, where there seemed to be less dogmatism and offensive ecclesiasticism and more responsiveness and open mind. Since that time, largely through his own efforts, he has led to see his own Church take the front rank and leadership in this field, and he himself has become Secretary of the Methodist Federation for Social Service and Professor of Social Service in Boston University. And so of the South, where are we?

Mr. Ward knows how to discern the signs of the times. His messages come as a "breath of fresh air or as streams of living water. I do not mean to say that he brings anything new. No, it is all too true for that; it is old as the Gospel—older, for it goes back to Old Testament prophetic times. Some of us have been saying these things for years. However, only an isolated voice here and there has been raised. Our Social Service Commission ought to focalize and direct these convictions and efforts. And just here I am going to tell where our main trouble lies. The brethren who vociferously cry "Amen!" when Mr. Ward and others bring us the social message—and we have all been saying "Amen" to Mr. Ward—are not always on hand when it comes to doing the thing—to attending meetings of the commission, serving on committees, etc. It does seem a little odd that when some reactionary ecclesiastic in rhetorical phrase or sarcastic witicism makes his fling at these very convictions and efforts, the approving pious ejaculations are as much in evidence and from the same source. It is not too much to hope, however, that as a result of these lectures of Mr. Ward there will be a "cener discrimination."

Last winter the following brethren were present at the Austin meeting of the commission: Bradfield, Burgin, Fields, Willis, Whaling, Gibson and Granbery; besides distinguished visitors who participated in the discussions. At our meeting yesterday the personnel was quite different: Fields, Cooper, Rice, Phillips and Granbery. We arranged to hold another meeting in Dallas in the fall, but preceding the Annual Conference. Nothing more definite and tangible has been before us than the question as to the disposition of the San Antonio Rescue Home, a question specifically committed to the commission by the conference. The committee, consisting of Gibson, Willis and Burgin, have not yet made their final report. Brother Scott has been on hand at each meeting of the commission, not only representing the cause but also manifesting interest in all questions that have arisen.

It is likely that our conferences will be asked to enlarge the commission to a basis of five from each conference. Absences on the part of some of the brethren are of course inevitable. At present there are a number of preachers and laymen especially interested in these questions who are not on the commission, and we should make a place for them.

It is likely that no question that has come before us will attract more attention than a recommendation that our Publishing House and all our Church publications employ Union Labor. This has not yet been passed by us, because we felt that for such an important measure there should be a fuller representation. A committee consisting of Rice, Gibson and Granbery has been appointed to report on this subject to the commission at the fall meeting. It is when social questions are made concrete that things become interesting. As long as we deal only in generalities we excite neither opposition nor interest.

What then has the Social Service Commission accomplished?

It has met and organized. It has indorsed certain movements which it did not originate: The cause of the education of the 50,000 Mexicans in Texas of school age who are now out of school and the effort of prohibitionists to unite on one man for Governor (this was prior to the Fort Worth Convention).

It has indorsed the San Antonio Rescue Home and discussed at length the problems connected with it, but is not yet ready to make a report.

It has issued a statement to the Methodist of Texas, setting forth our attitude on social questions, and memorialized the General Conference to make suitable declarations on this subject and to provide an agency to carry out these purposes.

It has under consideration plans for the enlargement and permanent organization of the commission.

It has also under consideration a practical means whereby the Church may become more closely related to the labor movement.

Not all that we wish and hope, yet a beginning has been made.

Dr. John A. Rice was elected vice-chairman, and the chairman was asked to act as a publicity agent.

JOHN C. GRANBERY, Chairman,  
Georgetown, Texas, June 19, 1914.

Physical sensuality is spiritual suicide. Law saves no one, only love can do that.

If a man has to die to be a blessing he should die at once.

There can never be peace between a live preacher and a dead Church.

Some preachers are more interested in filling the pews than in filling the souls that are in them.

## THE CHURCH AND SCHEMES FOR SOCIAL BETTERMENT.

By The Bishops.

There be many in our day who assume to command and correct the Church, undertaking to constrain her to renounce her position, contract her mission, and consent to exchange the service of God for what they are pleased to call "the service of humanity." They would have her abandon her high calling in Christ Jesus and give herself exclusively to all sorts of pretentious programs of "social betterment," "improved environment," and the like. They conjure her to rely upon eugenics rather than upon regeneration by the Holy Spirit for the making of a new and nobler race, and to bring to bear upon man, the free agent, stock-raising expedients and plant-culture devices as the most efficacious means to improve the species. But she may not heed the voice of these spurious renovators of mankind, who have framed their systems according to the postulates of a materialistic philosophy and not according to the pattern shown to her by her Lord in the Mount. As he is in the world, so she is in the world, "to seek and to save that which is lost." Recognizing man as a being made a little lower than the angels and not simply a little higher than the brutes, she approaches him in the altitudes of his nature, with saving powers from above, and not with soothing potions from beneath. She knows full well the disposition of a fallen and prodigal race: to get away from the Father, provided his goods may be enjoyed after his presence has been escaped and she understands the excess of riot to which such departure from God leads and the dreadful degradation in which it ends. Hence she refuses to spend her strength in merely carrying more modish apparel and more wholesome food to wayward souls and arranging more refined associations and elegant environments for them, however good such things may be; she can be satisfied with nothing less than bringing the wanderers back to the Father's yearning heart, who waits to welcome them, and to the Father's house, where there is for them not only "bread enough and to spare," but a banquet of love overflowing with heavenly joy. She believes that "the soul of all improvement is the improvement of the soul," and that social progress can never go in advance of the regeneration of personal character by the power of God and its perfection through the grace of Christ the Redeemer.

The Church is not indifferent to the bitter cries of the fallen and forlorn sons of men. On the contrary, her heart is filled with the tenderest pity and the most compassionate concern for them, as her hands are filled with "most loving ministries to them; but she holds them in too high esteem to regard them as no more than animals to be filled with food and satisfied with improved physical conditions. Because she recognizes them as freeborn and immortal souls, and not ephemeral beings which live today and tomorrow die, she declines to be the mere servitor of their appetites to the end that they may eat drink and be merry before their brief lives forever end. Because she looks upon them as children of God, though alienated from him, she refuses to regard them as hungry brutes to be pampered and "satisfied with the meat that perisheth, but does rather seek to feed them with the meat that endureth to everlasting life as beings created in the divine image and capable of becoming partakers of the divine nature.

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Why do we spend thousands of dollars for educational institutions and expect these institutions to pay dividends on the investment while the poor go unlearned. Let the colleges and universities stand, but so arrange it that the poor can get an education without cost.

## THE INEFFICIENCY OF THE CHURCH.

Under the heading, "Significant Facts," there appeared in the June 18 editorial of the Advocate a few words setting forth the alarming decrease in membership of a Methodist Conference; this is not only true of a Methodist Conference but of other conferences and Churches.

The field is getting filled with tares and so much so that it is choking out the Word.

We are spurning the old command, "Come out from among them and be ye separate," and the results are as they ever are when we forget the commands of God.

The Church is getting too much in common with the world, commercialism is slowly but surely creeping into the organization of the Church; this is more true in our larger cities than in the small towns but is nevertheless manifest in our small town Churches.

Men have begun to choose the ministry of the gospel as an avocation without the approbation of God and they are filling our pulpits with professional preachers, who have called themselves into the work for the purpose of gain; graft, that lowest of all baseness, has begun to grapple with the things of God; men are using the pulpits in many instances to their own good, their financial welfare; with this state of affairs

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We let the real called-of-God preachers go uneducated because they have not that with which to pay their way while those who enter the ministry as a vocation usually have the money to get the higher education and thus fill the higher places in the Church, good men many times, but merely orators and not divine preachers; men hear them as they would hear a great speaker and not as a divinely appointed servant of God.

Such, as I see it, is the cause largely of the inefficiency of the Church of God. The love of money (pomp power, fame and glory might also be meant in that) is the root of all evil. CHAS. H. WILLIAMS,  
Windom, Texas.

## "THAT REMINDS ME" AGAIN.

By Rev. J. O. Gore.

In noticing the reply to my erstwhile article in the Advocate by Brother Regor, allow me to leave out minute particulars and personalities and criticisms and go straight to business. Just one word about myself: I am in high spirits and am happy in the work of the Lord, serving an intelligent people and am better cared for than at any former time and am hopeful of an auspicious future.

Now, either my carbon copy is false or my meaning is misconstrued. I have never advocated a maximum salary, but opposed it at all times. I advocate a minimum salary for all the preachers in full connection. As to the amount of the minimum I should favor it being left with the conference. The fact that I named \$1000 was as it was suggested by a former presiding elder. But the main point was that there be such a minimum and that there be such regulations as to prevent the Board of Missions from siphoning considerable amounts of the missionary funds on charges that are paying a living and leaving weaker charges that are not paying a living with no appropriations or at least a little that it is not felt. Take for illustration one charge in this conference; it pays \$800 to the pastor and the board pays to it \$500, making a total of \$1300; another that pays 1000, and the board appropriates \$300 more, making \$1300. In the same conference there are other charges that pay less than \$500 with no appropriation, and I would be qualified that it costs less to live in either of the former charges than on the other class.

Now to the thought that some of the preachers are not worth what they bring; I will admit that that is true, but I will assert that it is more seldom the case than in any other pursuit. Take the profession of bookkeeping, and less is exacted of the applicant than of a preacher on admission. A few months in a practical school and he is ready. A preacher must be examined for license, and for admission he will have to stand the bookkeeping test with several other tests that the bookkeeper never heard of. Then add four years of courses of study and he is supposed to have finished his course. But if he has not been through some Church school for from four to six years he is largely disparaged to begin with. With this training and work he might not bring \$1000 in other professions, but do you suppose that the \$3600 business man would bring \$500 in the ministry? Would it be a fair test to rate a business man by what he would bring in the ministry? If you will give the minister the four years training that he usually gets in college, and four years special that he gets after his admission and he will be a long way ahead of the average business man in business, if that education is directed in business lines. The average bookkeeper has a country school education and with a few months in a practical business school he is ready for his work. But the preacher has to stand on the ordinary branches of an English education, bookkeeping among other things, then

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# In The Quiet Hour

Designed For Those Denied the Joys of the Sanctuary

## THE UNIT OF STRENGTH

### I—AN EVENING HYMN.

"What is the thing of greatest price,  
The whole creation round?  
That which was lost in Paradise,  
That which in Christ is found:  
The soul of man—Jehovah's breath—  
That keeps two worlds at strife;  
Hell moves beneath to work its death,  
Heaven stoops to give it life.

"And is this treasure borne below,  
In earthen vessels frail?  
Can none its utmost value know,  
Till flesh and spirit fail?  
Then let us gather round the cross,  
That knowledge to obtain:  
Not by the soul's eternal loss,  
But everlasting gain."

### II—THE SCRIPTURE LESSON.

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he.—Solomon.  
—Cleanse thou me from secret faults, —David.  
—Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.—Solomon.  
For we all must appear before the judgement seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.—Paul.

Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us.—Paul.

### III—AN ILLUSTRATION.

A hunter in the Alleghanies one day shot a large bald eagle. The bird measured seven feet two inches across the wings. When the sportsman went to examine his prize, he was astonished to find one of the eagle's claws held firmly in a powerful steel trap, to which was attached a steel chain five feet long. The trap and chain had many marks of vicious blows from the eagle's bill, showing how he had vainly endeavored to free himself from them. While they had not been heavy enough to prevent his flying, the hunter believed that they so impeded and wearied him as to be the cause of bringing the great bird within the reach of his rifle. Many a fine man with brain and imagination and heart capable of high, soaring flight, has been brought within reach of the enemy's gun by some trap of vicious appetite or passion that has held him down from his place among the stars.

### IV—EVENING MEDITATION.

It is a mistake to measure strength save at our weakest point. The rope, drawn to its utmost tension, must find its strength in the weakest strand. A man against whom naught can be said goes down with a sudden crash. The community is shocked from center to circumference. A secret sin suddenly comes to the surface—that's all; but whatever the magnitude of manhood, it goes for nothing now. We are no stronger than at our weakest point.

Self-glory is native to the human heart. So said Paul. We are wont to magnify our better qualities. Character, as we think, must find its interpretation in the stronger elements. Here are separate ourselves from all others. Everybody, save ourselves, weighs us in the light of our weakest point. More natural is it for men to revile than to praise us. Character, in the light of men, intensifies in the proportion that we take on purity. The subtraction of sin from

### IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

"That tenon does not fit the mortise by a quarter of an inch," said an employer to a young carpenter who had just begun to work for him.

"I thought that for a garden gate you would not be particular, and it would make no difference," answered the young man.

But it did make a difference. It made just the difference between the young carpenter having a steady summer job at good wages, and having his time occupied on his hands.

The employer found no further fault; but when the gate was finished he paid the maker without another word and dismissed him. The next day there was another man in his place. He happened to be a man who thought it did make a difference how everything was done; he

the heart, more than the addition of graces, magnifies us in the eyes of men.

We move in disguise. Too often the heart falsely reveals itself. We are not exactly what we seem to be. That character is more than reputation, is forgotten. Some one said that reputation is what we seem to be; character, what we really are. Man looks from the without to the within; God, from the within to the without. Human action is a delusive finger-board. Many a victory is unheralded, many a defeat disowned. Peaceful countenances ofttime cover restless hearts.

That weight may be a fault of which we are absolutely unconscious. An act derives its moral quality from the relation it sustains to divine law. That which does not controvert the law of God is always right. Transparent alone is sin. But our judgment—our opinion—as to the relation an act sustains to the law may be altogether false and erroneous. Provided we have exhausted our capacity to know the right, we are not guilty of sins growing out of false judgments. In this condition, that which appears right to us, from our brother's point of view—and maybe correctly—is purely a sin. Consciously, we are right; unconsciously, we are wrong. The discovery of this fact, should we persist, transforms that which is good into that which is wrong. A rich, divine experience of grace is a constant discovering of all such weights.

Another fact is that of our disposition to overlook the smaller sins—weights and faults—solely because of their insignificance. There is, they say, a small firefly that infests the region near lighthouses. They come one by one, fastening to the globe of the light. One might not affect the destiny of unfortunate crews; but, though coming singly, yet after awhile the lamp is covered so as to interfere seriously with the shining light. And then this is to be discovered only from without. The keeper within sees his light trimmed and burning. Our faults, simple and small in their consequences, may accumulate until divine light will not pass through us. And a poor mariner goes down to death.

These weights and sins are like leeches drawing blood from human veins. The drainage is so imperceptible that our weakness is not for the moment apparent. Suddenly, under the ordeal of a tremendous strain, we consciously awaken to our loss of strength in character. It is all explainable in the deteriorating results of minor faults so long entertained. On the other hand, we owe an infinite debt to our day of trial which unfolds to us this terrible condition.

Mr. Roe uses a striking analogy in his delightful volume, "What Can She Do?" Avalanches, lying across the mountain pass, often intercept the Alpine traveler. These awful messengers of death and destruction are frequently so delicately poised that a loud word may dislodge them. By so small a force they are hurled into the vales below. The character of some men is so delicately poised that the faintest whisper would remove the secret foundations of sin, rushing the character down headlong into the abyss below. Manhood, resting on anything save righteousness, is in momentary danger. Ruin is constantly impending. Such a one is always at a crisis. Like a slumbering volcano, the agencies of destruction exist within. Self-destroying instrumentalities find vent in sudden, hopeless ruin.

always did his best; and kept his situation to the end of the season.

So it happens. Frequently some little thing, which was not expected to attract attention, is noticed by some one to whom the excellence of the work has commended itself, and the man who has made painstaking the rule of all his labor, is surprised by a sudden and unlooked-for accession of good fortune. He has been brought into note by some inconsiderate trifle, which was well done merely because it was his habit to do a summer of profitless idleness.

On the other hand, many a man who is lamenting his ill-fortune, and does not know what to attribute it to, owes it to some such carelessness in the way of doing his work as that which doomed the young carpenter to a summer of profitless idleness.

There are a good many ministers

# SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

## THE FORTIETH COMMENCEMENT

The Commencement this year was the best in the history of Southwestern University. An unusually large number of the students remained for the exercises and the entertainment committee reported the largest number of visitors that they have ever provided for. There were several social events among the classes and fraternities, and the ladies of the city entertained all visitors with a brilliant reception at the Woman's Building on Friday afternoon. The Fitting School observed the season in a very appropriate manner with debates, speaking contests, etc., and made its contribution the very enjoyable Commencement occasion.

### THE DEBATE.

The Brooks' Prize Debate was full of interest. Long before the hour arrived for the program, the east and west wings of the gallery were full of fine fellows and their ladies singing songs and giving college yells and otherwise "rooting" for their respective sides.

The question was announced, "Resolved, that the time has now arrived when the nations should adopt a policy of disarmament to be completed within the next fifty years." The Alamo Society championed the affirmative side with J. R. Spivey, of Graham, and J. L. Lyons, of Glade Springs, Va., as their speakers. The San Jacintos put up O. W. Moener, of Castell, and R. W. May, of Stockdale, on the negative. It was a battle royal. Each young man acquitted himself with distinction and reflected great credit upon his Society and the institution. The decision went to the negative.

### ORATORICAL CONTESTS.

The Oratorical contests were close and strong. They brought out a fine array of splendid talent. If one is to judge by these contests, Southwestern University is still putting emphasis upon public speaking and literary work. The Juniors had five entries. Their subjects were attractive and their themes were the liveliest issues of our present day. The speeches showed logical arrangement and pure diction, and the delivery indicated originality and careful training. The medal in this contest, offered by the Farmers' State Bank, went to O. W. Moerner, who was closely seconded by T. M. Stokes, of Lampasas. The Senior contest was among four of the graduates. Competent critics pronounced it one of the best contests ever made by college young men. Mr. W. D. Blair, of San Antonio, won the decision of the judges and was awarded the gold watch offered by the Board of Trustees.

### SUNDAY EXERCISES.

The Sunday exercises were of a high and helpful order. The Baccalaureate Sermon was preached by Bishop E. E. Hoss. "The Revelation of God in Christ" furnished him a great opportunity to present a comprehensive statement of the Christian faith—both from a philosophical and a theological standpoint. It was just such a gospel sermon as one would pronounce appropriate for such an occasion. The class and audience who heard it will not soon forget that great sermon.

A departure from the time-honored custom of having a sermon to the undergraduates preached by an alumnus at the evening hour was made and a Vesper Service was substituted. The program was largely musical and here again the good taste of Prof. Manchester was in evidence. Voluntaries, solos and anthems, selections from the masters, were rendered in a manner that made one forget the common places of earth and be brought into touch with divinity. Dr. Bishop preached a short sermon which was full of sound and helpful counsel to the graduates and others. Comradeship and helpfulness were the theme. All hearts were stirred and many eyes were dimmed with tears as the President made his lessons personal and closed with an earnest appeal to the members of the class that they go out into the world in mutual service for others in view of the comradeship of the pleasant years just closing.

### COMMENCEMENT DAY.

A great academic procession formed at Mood Hall at 8:30 A. M., Monday, and moved to the Auditorium to the procession led by a great college chorus. The order of the procession was The Class of 1914, The Faculty, Commencement speakers and honorees of the University, Alumni by classes from 1876, Ex-Students, Board of Trustees. The Auditorium was crowded to the last seat; the University orchestra furnished the music. The Senior Orators' contest was full of interest. Hon. Jno. E. Green, '01, of Houston, Federal District Attorney of the Southern District of Texas, delivered the Baccalaureate address. The inspiration of the platform where he received much of his training as a public speaker brought out his best gifts in florid oratory and sound logic. Degrees were conferred upon forty-six graduates. This year the custom of awarding First and Second Honors has been discarded and now all graduates whose grade exceeds 90 per cent up to 93 per cent will receive the degree "with praise" and those who receive above 93 per cent up to 96 per cent receive the degree with "great praise" and those who receive more than 96 per cent receive the degree with the "greatest praise." Miss Mary Martha Bishop, the daughter of Dr. C. M. Bishop, received Bachelor

This was the celebration of the fortieth Commencement and special effort was made by every department of the University to observe it with propriety. The Annual Concert was given on Friday evening and it was an interesting and varied program. Each selection indicated discrimination and each performer showed careful training. The Musical Department, under the direction of Prof. A. L. Manchester, indicates the development of the scientific idea of the study of music. Every number was excellent, and yet Miss Ethel Elrod at the piano, and Miss Yulan Ussery in a vocal selection captured the delighted audience and deserved special mention.

of Arts with great praise, and several young ladies and young men received their degrees "with praise." The plan seemed to give universal pleasure. The limits of this article will not admit the names of all the graduates, but they represent all sections of the State and other States, and they will go out to join the thousand other graduates that Southwestern University has turned out in these forty years, and will reflect the same honor upon our great school that others have done. Some of them will join the Conference this Fall, others will teach, while many of them will pursue their studies in professional schools.

### ALUMNI MEETING.

In the afternoon the Alumni of Southwestern University had their annual meeting. Rev. Jno. M. Barcus presided. The address was made by Prof. Emil Carl Wilm, A. M., Ph. D., Professor of Philosophy in Bryn Mawr. The address of this distinguished son of Southwestern University proved him to be a man of profound learning. He discussed the educational situation in general, and vindicated the place for the small college in giving a liberal education and pointed out the opportunity of the Church in this special field and commended Southwestern upon the very thorough work she has done. Many others spoke. Congressman R. L. Henry paid a great tribute to the value of his alma mater in the development of Christian character and the inculcation of principles of character that are enduring. Dr. H. A. Boaz spoke of the efforts of the alumni to honor the life of Prof. Cody in the endowment of the Chair of Mathematics. He paid a beautiful tribute to his great life and announced that the Old Boys were going to see the proposition through. Already about \$14,000 have been subscribed to this fund. Judge A. L. Camp, of Fort Worth, Hon. Ireland Graves, of Austin, F. S. Onderdonk and others spoke in the love feast. A committee was appointed to arrange the constitution and by-laws so that all old students be members of this organization.

### HONORARY DEGREES.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, Presiding Elder of the San Antonio District, and upon Rev. J. W. Hill, preacher in charge Wichita Falls Station. The degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon Congressman Robt. L. Henry and Prof. E. C. Wilm, of Aurora, New York. Thus upon the fortieth Commencement the institution conferred this high honor upon two of her honored sons.

### COMMENCEMENT VISITORS.

Among the distinguished visitors at Commencement this year were Bishop E. E. Hoss, of Nashville; Dr. H. A. Boaz, of Fort Worth; Judge W. E. Hawkins, of Austin; Judge W. L. Davidson, of Austin; Judge Chas. A. Wilcox, of Austin; Judge T. L. McCullough, of Waco; State Superintendent W. F. Doughty; Judge A. L. Camp, of Fort Worth; Mrs. W. D. Haynie, of Rice; Mrs. W. A. McCord, of Bastrop; Mrs. S. B. Phillipot, of Teague; many prominent preachers and distinguished laymen, parents of sons and daughters of the graduating class, and loyal alumni, made up a great representative attendance upon this memorable commencement.

### DR. BISHOP.

The administration of Dr. Bishop as president is distinguishing the institution. He is popular with the student body, the faculty, and in the community. His commanding personality is felt in all circles. He is showing great ability in the inner affairs of the University, and is able to take good care of the material matters. His scholarly attainments and his knowledge of college affairs have enabled him to give a decided College tone to the institution. The arrangement of college courses, the selecting of the faculty, the administration of discipline are all tending to put Southwestern University in the front rank of Southern colleges. The older men of us who return here, while we do not depreciate the work of his predecessors, must notice the many marks of progress under the successful administration of Dr. Bishop. His influence and leadership is very greatly appreciated in the present campaign for new buildings and increased endowment. He has put confidence into the hearts of workers and the friends of Southwestern; and Southwestern passes her forty-first milestone with the largest assurance of future success.

JNO. E. ROACH

Georgetown, Texas, June 20, 1914.

who seem to think it makes little difference whether they study or trifle; search the Scriptures or read the newspapers; seek for souls or peddle gossip; weep over the perishing or waste their passing hours; whether they are neat in apparel and person, or foul with filth and odorous with tobacco; whether they speak correctly or make blunders that a school boy would observe; whether they labor to equip themselves for

the work and study to show themselves approved unto God, or depend on assurance, wit, noise and clap trap—but such men are likely to find congregations decreasing, friends scattering, troubles thickening, and at last they may be driven to abandon their work, and confess that life for them has been well nigh a failure. When we do our best we do none too well. When we aim at perfection we still have faults; but if we allow low we are quite sure to fall still lower. Whatever you do, do your best.—The Armory.

Small men get discouraged at the great sacrifice essential to success in a certain undertaking; while great souls are encouraged thereby and see the world's proof of their worthiness in that very fact.



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in executing their plans for larger service in all Church work."

Also, a resolution was passed without dissent, recommending to the Annual Conference a constitutional change in the Discipline in regard to the question as to who shall compose the Annual Conference, making the answer to this question read as follows: "All the traveling preachers in full connection with it, the Conference Lay Leader, all the District Lay Leaders of the conference, and four lay representatives—one of whom may be a local preacher—from each presiding elder's district."

The Annual Conference question, number 47, was changed to read, "Who is elected Conference Lay Leader, and what is the report from the Committee on Activities of the Laymen?"

As Relating to the District Conference. The answer to the question, "Who shall compose the District Conference?" was changed so as to read, "The District Conference shall be composed of all the preachers in the district, traveling and local, including supernumerary preachers whether resident without or within the limits of the Annual Conference to which they belong, the District Lay Leader, the Charge Lay Leaders, and other laymen, the number of whom and their mode of appointment each Annual Conference may determine for itself."

In paragraph 72, an item to be inquired into was inserted after number 8, reading as follows: "Number 9. As to lay activities and what the Committee on Lay Activities is doing in the bounds of the district."

Also, paragraph 79 was changed so as to read, "Who is elected District Lay Leader and who constitute the Committee on Activities? (Let this committee be composed of the District Lay Leader, who shall be chairman, and the Charge Lay Leader from each pastoral charge in the district.)"

As Relating to the Quarterly Conference. Answering the question, "Who shall compose the Quarterly Conference?" paragraph 80 was changed so as to read: "All the traveling and local preachers, including supernumerary preachers residing within the circuit or station, whether without or within the limits long, with exhorters, stewards, trustees who are members of the Church, and class leaders of their respective circuits, stations and missions, together with the superintendents of Sunday Schools who are members of the Church, Secretaries of the Church Conferences, the Presidents of the Senior Leagues if eligible, the Charge Lay Leader, the Church Lay Leaders, the Chairman of the Evangelistic Committee, the Chairman of the Social Service Committee, and none others."

Question 14 of paragraph 90 was changed so as to read, "Have a Church Leader and the following committees been elected for each Church: (a) a Missionary Committee; (b) an Evangelistic Committee; (c) a Social Service Committee, and what are their reports?"

Question 30 of paragraph 90 was changed so as to read, "Who is elected Charge Lay Leader and who are elected Church Lay Leaders? (In stations the Charge Lay Leader should act as Church Lay Leader.)"

As Relating to the Church Conference. Question 9 of paragraph 94 was changed to read, "Who are elected (a) a Missionary Committee; (b) an Evangelistic Committee; (c) a Social Service Committee for this Church?"

ORPHANAGE OFFERINGS

A Week of Praise and Thanksgiving.

The Orphanage is much in the thoughts and the heart-life of our good people, as is evidenced by the incidents of this week. On the first day of the week came a letter from Stamford containing a check for fifteen dollars from Brother J. R. Miller saying that he wanted to be the very first to contribute to the "Orphanage Field Day Fund" on September 26, the campaign day. This was a little cloud rising in the east which means that on that Field Day we will have to all put up our umbrellas to keep from the drenching which will come in the downpour of funds to enlarge our building. Remember that on Field Day when you give one day's earnings to the Lord to be used of him here, you will enlarge our home's capacity just double. Pastors, begin to think of campaign plans for your charge on that day and write me of them. The pastor who submits the best plan may have the privilege of giving the most to the home! See?

We went to the Central Texas Conference this week at Temple nine strong as delegates and visitors from the Y. P. M. S. in our home. Great times! You should have seen us! Great meetings! Finest folks I ever saw! Women who do things belong to this conference. They say, "They ain't what they was, they ain't what they gwine to be, but, thank God, they are what they is!"

The Orphanage has cause to thank God for what they "is," for these good women have answered the plea in last week's Advocate and Ethelie is to be given a chance at the C. I. A. in Denton. God bless every one of them. Women's rights? They have it already in Central Texas Conference! They have grabbed up and taken possession of every right a Christian woman ever had to do all the good they can to everyone they can. They petitioned the Mission Board by a unanimous cheering vote that Miss Mattie Ivey, who has been associated in the work at the Orphanage for a little more than a year be given another trial of her strength in Korea.

Looking forward to more weeks of praise and thanksgiving in the future, for we know that He is waiting to be gracious unto us. I am,  
Yours brother in Christ,  
R. A. BURROUGHS, Manager.

Dear mothers of the Central Texas Conference, I have no words that are adequate to express my appreciation. I am so happy!

I can hardly keep from giving the "old time shout." You can never realize what this means to me unless you were an orphan once. I should not call myself an orphan, for I have a great and good Father in heaven, keeping watch over me. You have not only helped me in a material way, but in a spiritual also; you have strengthened my belief in prayer.

I hope and pray that I will live to be a credit to the Methodist Church, which I believe God will let me be.

This fund that you have given me shall be a trust fund through which some other child shall be aided in their upward struggle. As I return it to you I realize what you have done and what you are doing for me, now that my dream and prayers have come true.

In olden times the people believed in "fairy god-mothers" who would help those who were unfortunate. You are truly my "fairy god-mothers," and by the help of God I shall be some child's "god-mother." As this is my first letter to be put in print, I must not make it long. I close-praying God to send his manifold blessings upon you. I remain, with faith in God and in you, as ever, Yours,  
ETHELIE McDERMAN.  
Waco, Texas, June 17, 1914.

SOME MAXIMS OF THE GREAT.

Every great man in the history of the world has left a written or a verbal epitome of his life in some single sentence which may easily be adopted and assimilated by other men. We give below a few of the maxims that have come to us from the wise of many ages. It would be well for any boy or girl to frame these brief sayings and study them daily until they are assimilated in the life blood.

The oldest book in all the world is a collection of precepts of morals and manners compiled in Egypt fully fifty centuries ago; that is, many centuries before Moses. This book is a many volume such as our printing establishments bring out in this day, but manuscripts on papyrus leaves. This manuscript is called "The Papyrus Prisse," its name taken from Mr. M. Prisse d'Avannes, a French philologist, who discovered the MS. in Thebes in 1847. From this remarkable manuscript now in the National Library of Paris, France, we quote only one of many precepts: "Keep yourself from the fatal malady of a bad humor, and from grumbling, and from little irritations, and from rudeness."

From The Code of Manu, a very ancient Hindu collection of precepts and laws, we quote the following: "The soul is its own witness, and its own refuge."

In the Analects of Confucius, a Chinese philosopher 500 years B. C., we find the following negative form of the Golden Rule: "Do not do unto others what you would not have them do unto you."

From the Greek poet, Hesiod, 800 years B. C., we get this:

"If a little with a little you continuously blend,  
You shall know by every little how your means of wealth ascend."

From Thales, one of the Seven Wise Men of Greece: "Unless you seek disaster, never go surety for any man."

Besides the regular Ten Commandments of Buddhism there are Ten Sins against which every Buddhist is solemnly warned:

They are: Three of the body—murder, theft and lasciviousness; three of the mind—covetousness, malice and skepticism; four of speech—lying, slander, swearing and vain conversation. Two precepts we quote also: "Those who are in earnest do not die." "Have only the best for your friends."

Three from Pythagoras, Greek philosopher, sixth century B. C.:

"Ask God for nothing that you cannot preserve in yourself."

"You are not free unless you have dominion over yourself."

"God finds nothing on earth so like Himself as a holy human soul."

From the apocryphal book, Ecclesiasticus, or The Wisdom of Jesus, the son of Sirach, we take one inspiring precept:

"Strive for the truth unto death, and the Lord shall fight for thee."

Pythagoras, Aristotle and Horace all emphasized what is known as the golden mean; that is, temperance in eating, drinking and all else pertaining to this life.

Seneca: "I will so live as to remember that I was born for others." And again: "I have no possessions so real as those which I have given to others."

Epictetus: "Life is God's world drama; it is your business to act well the character assigned to you."

Marcus Aurelius, second century after Christ, said to be the best man in human history: "I have seen the nature of the good, and it is beautiful; I have seen the nature of the bad, and it is ugly; but no one can fix upon me the ugly while I strive for the beautiful."

Again from Marcus Aurelius a magnificent truth: "Where a man can live at all he can live well."

From a Mazda-worshipper in one of the sacred books of the East: "Every other demon attacks you in front; slander assails you in the back."

From Maimonides, the greatest medieval Jewish writer, "Weigh your words well; they can't come back to you."

In later medieval times Welsh literature was distinguished by the prevalence of sententious "triads"—that is, of thoughts grouped in triplets. Here is one: "Three great measures of a man's character: What he forbids in another, what he requires from another, and what he gives to another."

Thomas a Kempis: "Watch your own faults, and you will cease to watch the faults of others."

Erasmus, greatest scholar of the Reforma-

tion of the sixteenth century: "Nothing is hard to a willing mind."

Thomas Carlyle: "Every worthy undertaking is at first impossible."

Lord Burleigh: "Be sure to keep some great man as your friend, but do not trouble him with life's trifles."

Montaigne, father of the modern essay: "The crowning achievement of the human soul is to learn how to live—and live."

Sir Walter Raleigh: "No man is safe but he that is honest."

Lord Bacon: "I believe the gospel that a soft answer turneth away wrath."

Shakespeare: "To thine own self be true; and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

Balthasar Gracian, a Spanish Jesuit of the seventeenth century: "Be common in nothing. Know how to do good to people a little at a time, and all the time."

Francis Quarles, English poet and moralist, seventeenth century: "You are below yourself if you are not above an injury."

La Rochefoucauld: "If you do not find contentment in yourself it is useless to seek it in others."

Lord Halifax: "Great difficulties do not discourage great souls; they only inspire with indomitable faith."

John Locke: "Wherein consists the most lasting pleasures of life? In health, character, knowledge, doing good, and trusting to eternal felicity in another world."

William Penn: "Do good with what you have or it will do you no good."

Fenelon, the great French pulpit orator: "Withhold your judgment about all things that injure men unless you are compelled to pronounce."

Addison: "The days of a wise man are measured by his ideas; those of a fool by his passions."

King Stanislaus of Poland: "Obey your Maker at the risk of the ridicule of men."

Jonathan Edwards: "I will live with all my might while I do live."

Benjamin Franklin: "Morning: What good shall I do today? Evening: What good have I done today?"

George Washington: "Associate with men of good quality. Better be alone than in bad company."

Thomas Jefferson: "If angry, count ten before you speak. If very angry, count a hundred."

Goethe: "All that is wise has been thought already; but we must try to think it again."

Jesus: "Love one another as I have loved you."

H. L. PINER.

WHY DO NOT WORKINGMEN ATTEND CHURCH?

By Bishop Joseph F. Berry.

In one sense all industrious men are "workingmen." The lawyer is a workingman. The physician is a workingman. The minister is a workingman. Professional and business men are tremendous workers. They put in longer and more intense hours than the man who stands beside the spindle or the forge. I use the term "workingman," however, in its more popular sense. I speak of wage-earners—employees of mines, of factories and of mercantile establishments. Why do multitudes of such people absent themselves from the Lord's house? Why are so many of them indifferent to the gospel? Why are more of them not actively engaged in Christian service as it is conducted by the Churches? These questions are being asked. They touch vital issues. They must be squarely faced. The answer has already been too long delayed.

Of course we all know that some of our most prosperous Churches are made up almost exclusively of the laboring classes. Other Churches have a large representation of laborers, and no element is more loyal or useful. At the same time we must admit that large numbers of wage-earners, especially those representing organized labor, are out of sympathy with the Church. Some of the labor organizations hold their business meetings and their picnics on the Lord's Day. Many prominent labor leaders have no use for the Church. What is the matter?

The Prejudice of the Foreigner.

In the first place it should be remembered that many of the men who make up the membership of these unions are from other lands. They were brought up under the State Church system. They were baptized, confirmed and married in the Church. From the Church they received little or no pastoral care, yet they were obliged by the government to pay their tax to support it. In Berlin, for instance, there are about forty churches. Philadelphia, with about the same population, has perhaps six hundred churches. One of the Berlin Churches has a membership of 45,000. It is impossible for such a Church to exercise any proper pastoral oversight. The multitude are away from the Church, and out of sympathy with it, though they are taxed to support it. The

only time many of them come into direct contact with the Church is when the tax collector calls. A Socialist leader in the Berlin Reichstag addressing a large company of workmen denounced the Church in severe terms, and his words were cheered to the echo. They were cheered to the echo, though every last one of his hearers was a duly baptized and confirmed member of the Church. When such people come to this country they bring their prejudices with them. They know nothing of the spirit of American Christianity. They imagine the Church here and yonder are the same. So, taking advantage of their freedom from State Church taxation, they soon isolate themselves from all Churches. This spirit of the foreign-born laborer has its influence upon all laborers. Professional demagogues see their opportunity and fan these prejudices into a flame.

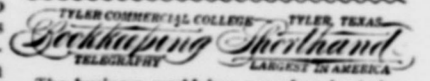
The Christian Spirit of the Lodge.

But there is another reason. Fra-

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ternal organizations multiply. Their name is legion. Most of them have absorbed the humanitarian spirit of Christianity. In cases of sickness, accident, or death, the "brothers" are on hand to do good Samaritan work. All conventionality and stiffness vanish behind the portals of the lodge. A free, easy, social time is had. The lodge takes precedence of the Church. In many cases it becomes a substitute. "My lodge is good enough religion for me," said a man the other day, not remembering that the spirit of brotherhood as practiced in the lodge room could have no existence if it were not for Christianity. It is sometimes the case that even Church members devote themselves to the lodge and merely attend their Church. If, after serving the lodge, they have a little time to give to Church duties, well and good. Said a gentleman to me recently: "I went to the city of N—, and the first thing I did was to present my Church letter. And being formally received by the pastor, I passed down the aisle to my seat. I noticed in one of the pews a fine looking man. Many members of the Church came to me at the close of the service and welcomed me, but this man passed out without as much as noticing me. The next week I entered the ——— lodge. The day after, a gentleman came running across the street through the mud to meet me. Introducing himself, he said: "I saw you at lodge last night; I want to welcome you." It was the same man whom I had noticed in the Church, of which he was a prominent member. He never thought of giving me a welcome as a member of the Church, but as a member of the lodge he was prompt and profuse in his recognition." The influence exerted by the "lodge" is shared to even a larger extent by the "federations" and "unions" and "knights" of this and "knights" of that among the laboring men. It is the fraternal organization in competition with the Church. I was entertained at the home of a man who boasted that he belonged to six lodges. Now I belong to a lodge or two myself, but I submit that this friend belonged to several too many.

The saloon is another tremendous factor in alienating people—especially working people—from the house of God. The saloon is the devil's best ally. It has degraded, brutalized, stripped and wounded its victims until all desire for things noble and pure has died out. The man who is at home in the saloon is never at home in the Church. He is against the Church, first, last and all the time. Then remember that the Churches are

everywhere recognized as the special friends of temperance. They have denounced the saloons. They have advocated prohibition. They have said that liquor drinking is a far-reaching evil, and liquor selling a diabolical crime. They have tried to win away from the gin mill its besotted victims, and to close it up by the authority of prohibitive laws. It has not been a difficult thing for the crafty saloonkeeper to persuade his patrons—especially his foreign born patrons—that the Church and prohibition mean the same thing, and that ministers are in league to take away from the laboring man his much loved dram. It is war to the knife, and knife to the hilt, between the Church and the saloon, and in some communities the latter appears to be getting a good deal the better of the battle.

I have stated some reasons which are operating outside the Church to keep workmen away. Now, are there reasons to be found within the Church itself? Let us see.

Starch.

1. The drawing of social distinctions is one reason. I cannot agree with those who insist that fine church edifices, with their cathedral windows, glistening chandeliers, magnificent organ and costly music, keep people away in any considerable numbers. Working people go to magnificent theaters and art galleries, and some to gorgeous saloons. In these places they seem to feel quite at home. It is rather the social atmosphere of the great Church that is repelling. The place is chilly. The people remind one of the laundry—starchy and stiff. They seem exclusive. "You cannot blame us for not wanting to greet people until we know who they are," said a gentleman to me a while ago. "I look upon the Church a good deal as I do upon my home," he said. "I would not want to give social recognition to all kinds of people in my home, and I should not be expected to do so in Church." What a distorted notion of the Church of Jesus Christ! My frank friend no doubt expressed the secret sentiments of many others. But the Church is not a home in the same sense in which he used the word, where the forms of social etiquette must be observed, but a democratic center where rich and poor meet upon common ground, and where the ragged drunkard and the pale-faced harlot, struggling to find a better life, will be warmly greeted and graciously helped.

Cold.

2. Must not the pulpit bear some share of the responsibility? In too many cases the gospel sermon has given place to the semi-secular lecture. Discussions of literature, of sociology, of politics and sensational comments on civic conditions—these will for a time stimulate sufficient public curiosity to fill the empty pews. But it will not last. After all, there is no substitute for the gospel message. It has a subtle magnetism which never wears out. What will draw like the cross of Calvary? The preacher who puts anything in its place is not wise. But the gospel can be preached in such a frigid and formal way as to lose all its attracting power. It must fall from the lips of a man with intensity of conviction. It must pulsate with sympathy. It must catch fire. When the pulpit is on fire the people will come to see it burn.

Carelessness.

3. Would not the Church have more of the sort of people I am writing about if we would go after them? I do not know a pastor who does not WANT to see the empty pews of his

church filled with all sorts of people from the neighborhood of his church. I do not believe there are many Church members who would not be glad to see the people come in crowds. But the trouble is we do so little to show our concern. We do not give the un-Churched to understand that we really are anxious to have them come. Most pastors do their share in the quest for the indifferent. Occasionally a missionary worker or a deaconess is sent to canvass the neighborhood. But a professional canvasser can do little good. People resent that sort of thing. But there is a working force which is doing almost nothing. It is made up of the business and professional men and cultured Christian women of the Church. If they would go to the people living up and down the street and urgently invite them to join them at Church, they would feel honored by such recognition. Such an invitation would, in many cases, be accepted. How swiftly misconceptions would be removed and old prejudices broken down. A new conception of the real heart of the Church would be received, and the indifferent flock to the sanctuary like "doves to their windows." The people in the pews even more than the preacher in the pulpit are responsible for dwindling congregations.

The Evangelistic Spirit.

4. The presence of the genuine evangelistic spirit in the Churches would also do wonders. Show me a Church where the Holy Ghost is poured out in Pentecostal power and I will show you a Church where the people are gathered together. Why are the Churches of Wilkes-Barre and Steubenville and many other cities and towns crowded to the doors just now? The reason is utterly plain. These communities have been stirred by great revivals of religion, and multitudes have been converted. The rich and the poor have pressed their way through the throngs, and have been glad to find standing room in the churches and halls. Professional men and clerks and merchants and day laborers have sat side by side with bated breath and tear-dimmed eyes listening to the gospel call. How the devil of caste has been thrown flat down! How the Holy Spirit has leveled up and leveled down! How the old weather-beaten conundrum, "How shall we reach the masses?" has been forgotten! If a mighty tidal wave of saving power could but sweep through the city Churches, and through the village Churches, and through the country Churches, what a transformation would be wrought! How the empty seats in the sanctuary would fill up and how every Christianly cause would instantly leap forward to success!

This burning, throbbing, awful problem is on our hands. What shall we do with it? What shall we do, we of the Churches? Something ought to be done. Something must be done. And that something must be done without delay.

Philadelphia, Pa.

DEATH OF BISHOP BASCOM.

By Rev. J. W. Cunningham.

The above heading appeared over a seven-line editorial paragraph in this Advocate of January 14, of this year. The last three lines read: "He held his first and only conference at Independence, Mo., that year, and he died of cholera in Louisville, before reaching his home."

My Personal Memories of Bishop Bascom.

At the time of the Bishop's sickness and death I was living in our parsonage at Middletown, twelve miles from Louisville. In the latter part of August, 1850, I was in Louisville and in the Book Depository of our Church, controlled by Rev. Dr. Edward Stevenson. I learned of the illness, in his home, of Bishop Bascom, who arrived in Louisville by steamboat from St. Louis. After several hours in the Stevenson home he left in a large mail and passenger coach for his home at Lexington. As the stage went from place to place for passengers, the Bishop became painfully ill, and though a passenger asked the driver to return with him to the Stevenson residence, the driver refused. Sympathetic passengers compelled the driver to go back and return his sick one to the Stevenson home.

The Bishop was cordially received by Dr. Stevenson and wife and was soon in bed. A physician was called, who ministered to the sick Bishop. I found him there on the second day after the evening attack in the stage coach. I was conducted to the Bishop's room, which was large and pleasant. It was the visitors' room as occasion required. A large bed was in a corner, but by suggestion from the

doctor a narrow, low bed had been introduced and placed in the middle of the room and the sick man was favorably located for enjoying the presence of visitors. I sat where I could see him and he could see and hear me and he carried on a pleasant conversation with me. He arose once and went to a bureau drawer for something he desired. He talked freely of a conference over which he had presided at Independence, Mo. He had held an earlier conference session than usual. He had discovered a need for several transfers to Missouri and had hurried to Kentucky with the desire of enlisting transfers.

He did not seem to be seriously ill, and I had no fear of a fatal ending of his illness. He hoped soon to be with his family at Lexington, and there devote himself to procuring transfers for Missouri.

I heard nothing from the Bishop, Dr. Stevenson, or any one else about "cholera" as the Bishop's case, but through the telegraph the impression went abroad that cholera was the cause of the Bishop's death.

I returned home a few hours after seeing the Bishop. Some days later I heard of his death. When I went to Louisville, and to the Stevenson home, the body of the deceased Bishop was in a coffin in the parlor. I learned from Dr. Stevenson that the funeral services would be the next forenoon. He requested me to join the young men of our Church in occupying places in the parlor with the coffin during the night. I assented, and at dark I was there with the other two. The coffin was in the remotest corner of the room, with the Bishop's face exposed.

A Christian Woman's Song to the Dead.

At 9 o'clock a well-known Methodist woman, whose home was near, came in alone, and after a look at the uncovered face, took a seat near the coffin. She was known as the chief singer of Brook Street Church. She was known as Mrs. Mary McGee. She sat in silence awhile and then in her accustomed tone of voice she sang the well-known hymn in our hymn book of that time, a portion of which I will copy:

"Thou art gone to the grave; but we will not deplore thee  
Thy sorrows and darkness ex-compass the tomb;  
Thy Savior hath passed thro' its portals before thee,  
And the lamp of his love is thy guide through the gloom.  
Thou art gone to the grave; we no longer behold thee,  
Nor tread the rough paths of the world by thy side.  
But the wide arms of Mercy are spread to enfold thee,  
And sinners may hope, since the sinless hath died."

I was sitting by a window overlooking the street. Directly after the singing commenced, I heard tapping on the stairway railing of the hall and saw on the steps, through the parlor doorway from the hall by the hall light, Dr. Stevenson. Just out of his bed in the room alone. He could see me and he beckoned to me. I went into the hall and stood by the ends of the steps and the railing above them. He came as near as possible to me. His face was near to mine, and in a low tone of voice he said to me:

"This reminds me of a scene like this when Bishops Soule and Andrew and Dr. Bascom were in this house. They dined with us and then we were in that parlor. While they were there Mrs. John McGee, who is singing now, came in and soon after sang the hymn she is singing now. Dr. Bascom left the parlor and came into this hall and walked rapidly in it. I came out, stopped him, and said: "Doctor, what is the matter with you?" He replied with emotion: "Did you ever hear such singing—singing so nearly akin to heaven as that we are hearing now?"

Dr. Stevenson then said to me: "Now Bishop Bascom is dead, his body is in a coffin in that room, and there is that same woman singing that same hymn that touched the heart of Dr. Bascom more than a year ago."

When the song ended, Dr. Stevenson returned to his room, and Mrs. McGee soon left for her home. The Bishop's wife was with him when he died and she was in her room, and hearing there it may be, the parting song in the parlor to her departed husband.

Funeral Service.

The next morning I had breakfast and then two hours' sleep. At 11 o'clock the funeral service commenced at the Fourth Street Methodist Church, the church in which the Louisville Convention of 1845 was held, and which brought into existence the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, four years and five months before, and

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I was at the funeral service there of Bishop Bascom in the forenoon following my night with his dead body.

Dr. E. W. Sehon and others participated. The church was filled with people. From it a great many people followed the Bishop's body to the grave in various kinds of vehicle conveyances. With accustomed burial service of our Church the body was deposited in a grave in that part of Cave Hill Cemetery known as the Methodist department. Then I returned to my home at Middletown—St. Louis Advocate.

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A WONDERFUL TREE.

In far-off Persia there grows a shrub which is called the sorrowful tree. Another name for this tree is the night jessamine or the sad tree. The reason why it is called the sad or sorrowful tree is because it blooms only at night.

When the first star appears in the sky, the first bud opens on the wonderful tree. As the evening advances, the buds open more rapidly until the tree is covered with a delicate bloom and it appears like one vast flower. The bloom is quite fragrant and the odor is like the perfume of the evening primrose. As the stars begin to grow dim and the dawn approaches, the flowers begin to fade, and by the time the sun has risen not a flower can be found on the tree.

During the hours of daylight the tree appears to be withering as if it had been injured in some manner; but in reality it is simply regaining strength in order to put new blossoms on the following night.

This tree is held in high esteem by the natives of the country where it grows, and is looked upon as a curiosity by florists throughout the world. When cut down, these trees send up sprouts from the roots that will mature into a flowering tree in a very short time.—Apples of Gold.

OLD AT TWENTY

Return of Youth with Proper Food.

Many persons who eat plenty never seem to be properly nourished. That's because the food is not digested and absorbed. Much that is eaten is never taken up by the system as real food, and so the tissues simply starve and the individual may, as in a recent case, look and feel old in what should be the bloom of life, youth.

"At twenty I was prematurely old. The health and vigor and brightness of youth had been, as it seemed, stolen from me. I went to work in the morning with slow steps and a dull head.

"My work through the day was unsatisfactory for my breakfast lay in my stomach like a hard lump. I was peevish and the gas in my stomach was very annoying. After supper I usually went to bed to toss half the night from sheer nervousness.

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OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

- Bishop R. G. Waterhouse. German Mission, San Antonio. Oct. 1 Bishop H. C. Morrison. New Mexico, Pecos. Oct. 14 Bishop J. H. McCoy. West Texas, Austin. Oct. 21 Central Texas, Hillsboro. Nov. 11 Texas, Bay City. Nov. 18 North Texas, Denison. Dec. 2 Northwest Texas, Sweetwater. Dec. 9

OUR DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

- (This schedule can be amended only by the presiding elders. They will do a great favor in its correction). Houston, at Angleton. June 30 Marshall, at Beckville. June 30 Marlin, at Normangee. June 30 Jacksonville, at Malakoff. July 1 Navasota, at Huntsville. July 2-5 Neasmont, at Kirbyville. July 6 Timponson, at Timponson. July 7 Hillsboro, at Mertens. Aug. 26 Yatesville, at Killen. Aug. 28

A BIG SUBMISSION RALLY IN DALLAS.

Our submission issue is now square before the people and we will vote on it July 25. If we carry it then the platform of the Democratic party will contain it as one of its planks and the Legislature will be instructed to submit to the people next year a prohibition amendment to the constitution of the State. It is, therefore, incumbent upon us to do our best between now and the 25th of July in order that we may be able to poll our biggest vote for submission. To this end we are going to have a great submission rally in Dallas the 2nd of July, one week from today. The railroads will give an excursion rate and we want to make it a monster meeting. It will be a great occasion. Colonel Thomas H. Ball and other men of State-wide reputation will speak to the crowd on that day. It will be a grand time and let everybody come who can spare the time on that day.

It is easier to pay in public when you pray in secret.

Just a Few Things Here and There

The most of the brethren send us their Church Bulletins and we often gather from them news items of interest. We gather the following item from one of these publications: "Some religious papers seem to be conducted on a plane of rewarding friends and punishing enemies. Such journals do not deserve the name of religious papers." This is a grave charge and ought not to be made by innuendo or indirection. The names of such "religious journals" ought to have been published along with accusation, or if there are such they deserve severe reprehension. We get all the religious journals in the country at this office and we must confess that we have failed to discover the state of things above mentioned in any of them.

The tale-bearer is the social buzzard of the community. He finds his delight in dead and decaying matter. If he can find a piece of unsavory gossip he picks it up, rolls it under his tongue as a sweet morsel and he makes free to distribute its odor wherever he goes. He never sees a beautiful flower, a specimen of delicious fruit, but a piece of putrid matter attracts him without fail. He will go far on his way to possess himself of something foul and bitter. His olfactories are keen to perceive the ill-smelling things of the community. No wonder that he carries with him the contagious disease known as moral charbon. The law authorizes people to kill buzzards that carry this disease from one community to another and spread it among horses, but we have no law in operation against these unfeathered buzzards that spread their social diseases.

The Board of Trust of Vanderbilt University met recently and proceeded to elect a batch of their own following to membership in that body. They sent out a declaration to the public to the effect that they would not submit these newly elected trustees to the Church for approval or rejection, as the Tennessee court ordered them to do, and placed their refusal on the ground that the General Conference had repudiated all interest in the Vanderbilt University, leaving the Church completely severed from the institution. This is a false statement. The action of the General Conference stands for itself and it seems to us that the Board of Trust is in contempt of court and ought to be treated as such. But, then, the Advocate is not disposed to take any special dish in the matter, as the determination of this question is in the hands of the Board of Education and the special commission appointed by the General Conference to consider this whole issue.

The Vanderbilt Commission, appointed to take control of the Vanderbilt question, met last week in Birmingham, Alabama, and while we have not before us the full proceedings of that body, nevertheless we learn from the published reports that the commission determined on the establishment of two great schools with well defined theological departments. Southern Methodist University, located at Dallas, was designated as the school of this grade west of the Mississippi, and a committee was appointed to receive bids for the location of the second one east of the Mississippi. We rejoice that Southern Methodist University, now so full of hope to the Church, is thus recognized by the whole Connection, and that all great educational interests on this side of the great river, as far as Southern Methodism is concerned, will now be turned toward Dallas. Therefore, Southern Methodist University is to become the center of enterprise between the Mississippi and the Pacific slope and is destined to become a marvelous success.

Another Western Trip

Last Friday night I boarded the T. & P. sleeper at Fort Worth for Abilene. Arrived there next morning and took the Wichita Valley train for Seymour. I had a good opportunity to view the country from the car window. That country, for the past four or five years, has had continuous drouths, but this year the rains have come to it in superabundance. Really its steady downpour has interfered with crops somewhat. But the wheat and oats,

Southwestern University had one of the most successful commencements in its long and honored history at its closing this year. Bishop Hoas preached a great commencement sermon and the discourse of Dr. C. M. Bishop to the young people on Sunday evening was of the highest type, religiously and intellectually. All the exercises were notable and a large class received diplomas as the fitting close of their school careers. The management of the institution is in high spirit and a number of material improvements are in contemplation. The campaign for the required \$200,000 is progressing hopefully, at least one-third of which is already secured. An air of enthusiasm pervaded the whole occasion and the outlook for this splendid school was never more inspiring. Southwestern has a wonderful history and there remains to it a large scope of work yet to be done. Its future work is bold and inviting. At this writing the Summer School is in progress and it is largely attended. A number of distinguished instructors are filling numbers on the program--among them Bishop Hoas.

Rev. R. P. Shuler and Hon. James Ferguson are having a hot set-to in the newspapers over the alleged statement by the former that the latter said in a recent local opinion campaign, "Let the cigarette-smoking boys go to hell if they want to. We have our business to take care of. My pocket-book is my principles." Ferguson denied this and challenged Shuler to prove it and referred him to two witnesses, saying that if they corroborated Shuler's statement, he (Ferguson) would cease to be an anti and become a pro. Shuler instantly found the two witnesses and they gave him a written statement to the effect that what Shuler said was the truth. All this has been published in the daily papers. That Brother Shuler has nailed the fact onto Mr. Ferguson is acknowledged by all men who are seeking the truth.

Sometime back the most prominent liquor man in Dallas and a number of his strikers were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for shipping liquor into the old Indian Territory part of Oklahoma; and said prominent liquor man came out in the papers and asked the citizens of Dallas to suspend judgment in his case until he could get before the court and vindicate himself, denying in toto the charge. Well, last week he and his pals had an opportunity to "vindicate" themselves before Judge Meek's court. After the trial had proceeded a day and a half and the evidence against them was overwhelming, they all broke down, made a complete confession of their crime and threw themselves on the mercy of the court. The result is that the prominent liquor man received a fine of \$5000 and each of his strikers was given a prison sentence of one year. Who can believe what a liquor man says? He openly confessed in court the charge that he publicly denied in the press!

It has been thought by some that the Missionary Voice would be discontinued, and we were inclined to that opinion also when the two editorial secretaries were done away with. But Dr. Pinson tells us that the Voice will be continued as usual. The price, fifty cents, will remain, and we presume that the Missionary Secretaries will edit it and send it forth instead of having special editors paid by the board. Under the old regime it was too expensive, but with the two editors disposed of, it can be produced at a much less cost to the Church. Now as it is to be continued, let our preachers and people take it and work for it and give to it as large a circulation as possible so that its information may be given to the Church. It is needful that our people become more and more intelligent on this subject and the Voice is full of matter of this character.

financial agent for Stamford College. He gave me a most encouraging report for that institution under the presidency of Rev. W. K. Strother. With the return of prosperous times, that institution will have no trouble in putting itself into a very fine condition. It is now meeting its obligations and booking students for next year. I learned that the coming of Rev. Comer Woodward to the Texas Woman's College, Fort Worth, has necessitated some changes in the appointments out that way. Rev. J. W. Hunt, of Snyder, will take Brother Woodward's place at St. Paul's, Abilene; Rev. J. E. Stephens, of Hamlin, will take the place of Brother Hunt at Snyder, and Rev. J. H. Hamblin, of Knox City, will take Brother Stephens' place at Hamlin. This is not official, but correct information. I learned that one of the preacher-students of Southwestern will fill out the unexpired term at Knox City.

I reached Seymour about noon and was met by Rev. Ben Hardy and soon had good fellowship and communion at the parsonage. I found a revival of considerable proportion in operation, led by the pastor and Rev. J. M. Bass, evangelist from the South Georgia Conference. He is a good preacher, a successful evangelist and a most brotherly man. The meeting is being conducted under a large tent and is gaining much headway. I dined at the parsonage with the pastor's family, along with Brother Bass and a number of good brethren. The occasion was a delightful one. Brother Hardy is doing a most successful work there. Seymour is a place of something over 2000 population and the county site of Baylor County. The town has evidence of enterprise and growth. The business houses are substantial, the courthouse is an imposing structure and the schools are good. The people are of good moral texture. The Advocate has free course out that way and is popular. This was my first visit, and it was only a visit between trains. They wanted me to stop over and speak on submission and else in the afternoon. A large crowd assembled on the street to greet me and for an hour and a half I spoke to them. They gave me a good hearing and they were responsive. At the close scores of them greeted me cordially and said they knew me though they had never met me. They read the Advocate and that gave me the right of way to their good graces. The Advocate is popular throughout that Western section. We have a good Church there and it stands in the forefront. Brother Hardy stands high in the esteem of the people and he is leading them wisely. I greatly enjoyed my visit to them, even though it was limited to a few hours. I hope to get back there some time and spend Sunday with them.

From Seymour I dropped back several miles late that evening to Goree, the real point of my destination. I was due there to spend Sunday and dedicate our new church at that point. I am putting in my Sundays now dedicating churches. Goree is in Knox County and located in one of the finest sections of that Western country. It is largely under cultivation and the crops all look flourishing. Brother Kaufman took me several miles into the country in his auto and it gave me a fine opportunity to see what is going on out there. The whole country has an air of prosperity. The crops are most inviting. The country is level and the soil chocolate and very productive. It is just sandy enough to make it very easily cultivated. I was surprised to see large peach orchards, but the fruit does not amount to much this season. After a rest at the parsonage with the good family of Rev. J. H. Watts, the pastor, I was taken to the comfortable cottage of Sisler J. H. Chambliss, the widow of our good Brother J. H. Chambliss, who died last October. She and her two delightful daughters are living there in their rented house. I never had a better friend and the Advocate had no better worker than Rev. J. H. Chambliss. He was one of the truest of

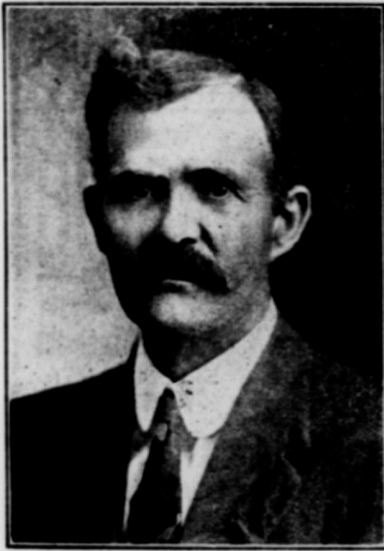
men, devout, studious, faithful and successful in his sphere. His death was a distinct loss to his conference, and to his family an irreparable loss. As I sat in the home and looked over his books, I felt the spirit of the good man communing with me. He was only absent in body. While his bereaved family still miss him and always will, yet like the good, earnest Christians that they are, they are going forward, serving the Master whom the good man loved and honored all his life. We had a good season of religious communion in that home. Brother Watts has done a marvelous work since he went to Goree. They had just about gotten their church property out of debt at the time Brother Chambliss closed his pastorate and laid down his life burden; and a storm came up and in a moment almost completely wrecked the building. It was not in condition to be righted and used again. So Brother Watts and his people concluded that they needed a better church anyway, and they tore away the wreckage, raised money and proceeded to build a new structure, more commodious and modern. They used what material they could gather from the old church, added to it and built a splendid three thousand dollar house. It is a beautiful house and adapted to their uses. And they had it paid for, and this, too, in the face of the hard years and the conference year just about half gone. The pastor and his people deserve much credit for their liberality and enterprise. We have a noble band of Methodists at Goree and they are loyal to their Church. Sunday morning the house was crowded with people from the town and the adjacent sections. Those people go to Church and distance cuts no figure with them. I have not enjoyed preaching to any congregation more than to that one. They were appreciative, intelligent and responsive. At the close of the sermon the Official Board assembled around the altar and presented the house for consecration, and it was an impressive service. It was a good day for people in Goree. In the afternoon another large audience assembled and I addressed them on prohibition. They have had local option out there for a number of years and the law is well enforced. They seemed to enjoy the address. The most of those Methodists take the Advocate and my coming was like meeting kinsmen after the flesh. It was good to grasp them by the hand and receive their Christian and cordial greeting. It breaks the monotony of office work and puts new inspiration in me to visit the readers of the Advocate and preach and speak to them.

Brother Watts is a wise and brotherly pastor and a sound Gospel preacher. He knows how to handle men and to lead them into useful service. He has a strong hold upon them and is putting our work on a sound and workable basis. He is a man of experience, religious and very persistent. Hence he does things in his pastorate. I heard a good report of Rev. J. G. Miller, the efficient presiding elder. He is busy in his district, and while I crossed his path and saw his tracks I did not get to meet him. Late in the evening I took the train, took a sleeper and woke up in Fort Worth at 5:30, got the 6 o'clock interurban and by 8 was in the office hard at work. G. C. R.

A GREAT DAY FOR GRACE CHURCH.

Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, South, this city, celebrated a red letter day last Sunday. Twelve years ago that Church was organized under the pastorate of Rev. Percy Knickerbocker, following a splendid piece of work out there by Rev. L. S. Barton. These two ministers did a great work when this Church was projected and took on shape. During the pastorate of Brother Knickerbocker, the building, the foundation of which was begun by his predecessor, was pushed through to completion, but a debt was necessarily left on the property. For this reason it could not be dedicated. Dr. A. L. Andrews did four years of good





REV. J. P. LOWERY DEAD.

Rev. J. P. Lowery, of the Miami and Pampa charge, Northwest Texas Conference, died Sunday morning last at 1 a. m. He had been conducting a revival service at Farrington Schoolhouse, and was taken down by an acute attack of inflammation of the stomach, and after a short illness passed to his reward. This will be sad news to his brethren, for he was apparently a stout and a robust man. He was formerly a member of the North Texas Conference and served a number of works efficiently and successfully; but a few years ago he transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference, where he has been uniformly successful. He was a man of good ability, strong mind and very industrious. His preaching was sound and evangelical and many have been converted and added to the Church under his ministry. He leaves a wife, several children and a large number of friends to mourn his departure.

work, followed by two years of strenuous work by Dr. C. M. Harless. Then came Rev. J. L. Morris and under him the last dollar of the debt was raised. All these worthy pastors did their part to bring about this desired result. So a great church stands there today, with a splendid building, a great equipment, a large membership and splendid Sunday School, as a monument to the enterprise and liberality of those people, led by their aggressive pastors. Last Sunday was the long-looked-for day for its dedication to the worship of God. Preparation to that end was completed and Bishop Mouzon was on hand by special invitation to preach the sermon on that occasion. A great congregation filled all the available space, the music was a special feature and the sermon of the Bishop met the expectation of the throng. It was to the point, broad, deep, well developed and delivered with power. It left a profound impression. At its close the house was formally set apart to the worship of Almighty God. We congratulate Brother Morris and his people on their success in this undertaking. With the debt out of the way, the building dedicated, that fine congregation, led by their pastor, have an open gate into a broad field of service. At night the Bishop preached to a full house at Trinity Church. Thus closed a bright day in the progress of Dallas Methodism.

A GREAT FORWARD MOVEMENT IN SAN ANTONIO.

We have before us a copy of the San Antonio Daily Express in which the whole page is devoted to the work of the Methodist Church in that city. It also contains the cuts of a dozen of our ministers and leading laymen and four or five of our church buildings. It says, among other good things:

"Methodists in San Antonio, clergymen and laymen, are militant and progressive; they are wide-awake and their Church organization within the past year has made such a wonderful growth that even its own most wide-awake members were surprised. These facts were brought out at the San Antonio District Conference held last night in the Travis Park Methodist Episcopal Church, South. "Methodism in San Antonio is going forward by leaps and bounds, accord-

ing to the reports submitted by various pastors, and not only is the membership in the Churches increasing, but attendance is growing, while the other branches of the Church organization, such as the Sunday School, the Paraca classes, the Epworth League and activities in other lines are keeping abreast with the forward movement."

The history and membership of each congregation is given, with the work of the Sunday School and Epworth Leagues. The value and prospects of each Church are also stated and the pastor is sketched. The showing is a most encouraging one and shows that Methodism is wide awake and fully alive to the needs of that city. Dr. S. H. C. Burgin, the indefatigable presiding elder, is the leader of the hosts and he is imparting inspiration and life to every part of the work. Each pastor is full of enthusiasm and devoting his best energy to the interests of his work. The fact is there is no section in Texas Methodism that has made the progress within the past few years that San Antonio Methodism has made.

Sometime ago the Travis Park congregation bought a magnificent corner lot near their present site with a view to erecting an institutional church in the near future. That now is one of the most valuable pieces of property in the city, and in a short time it will be utilized in the work of this splendid congregation. They hope before a great while to be able to project a mammoth enterprise on that lot. We congratulate San Antonio Methodism on its wonderful growth and wonderful prospects.

A DOUBLE AFFLICTION.

Not long ago the good wife of Rev. J. E. Crawford, pastor at Cisco, left him and her children for the better world. It was a sad blow to this good man and his household. But after laying her body away, he went back to his work with a bowed head, but trusting in the love of the Father. And just as he was adjusting himself to his loss, one of his little children was stricken with illness at Waxahachie and died before he could reach the bedside of the little sufferer. This adds a touch of genuine pathos to his sorrow. The brethren of his conference will remember him in this hour of trouble. May the good Father above give to him grace and strength to bear up under these burdens of grief.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Will you please announce through the Advocate the following appointments which I am making:

Dean Texas Woman's College, Comer M. Woodward.

St. Paul's, Abilene, J. W. Hunt. Snyder Station, J. E. Stephens. Hamlin Station, J. H. Hamblen. Knox City, E. E. White, Supply.

Thanking you for the kindness requested, I am, with cordial personal esteem, JAMES H. MCCOY. Birmingham, Ala., June 22.

After the first of July Bishop McCoy will give to Rev. J. D. Young, Southern Methodist University Commissioner, about ten days of special help at different points to be announced. Brother Young is one of the live wires in this movement and he is constantly on his job.

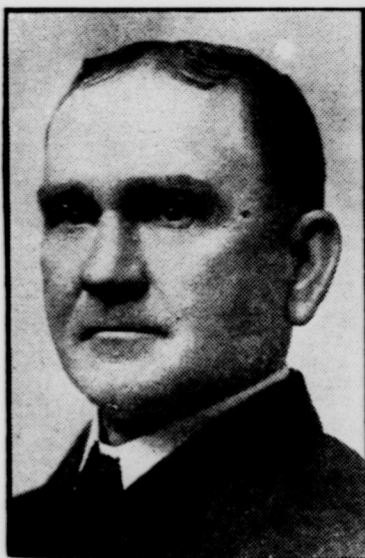
The Wesleyan College, of Kentucky, at its recent Commencement, gave the degree of doctor of divinity to Rev. U. V. W. Darlington, of the Western Virginia Conference, and also to Rev. R. E. L. Morgan, presiding elder of the Oklahoma City District. These are two of our leading ministers and they stand high in their respective conferences.

Place this on your scales: "A false balance is an abomination to the Lord; but a just weight is his delight." Paste this in your bank book: "Riches profit not in the day of wrath; but righteousness delivereth from death."

Paste this on your church pew: "An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbor; but through knowledge shall the just be delivered."

Pin this on your dresser: "As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion."

Some New Doctors of Divinity



REV. J. W. HILL, D. D.

Southwestern University rightly gave the honorary degree of doctor of divinity to Rev. James W. Hill, of the North Texas Conference. Just how he will henceforth look, walking round as a grave Doctor of Divinity, we do not know. We have know him so long as plain Hill, Jim and Gulliver, it will require sometime for us to invest him with the permanent dignity of a D. D. But this great institution has given him that degree, and now brethren, you will please take due knowledge thereof and govern yourselves accordingly. And we rejoice with you that this honor has come to him. He is entitled to it on the ground of meritorious service and attainments. He is a man of bright intellect, substantial scholarship, well versed in polite literature and a student of the Bible and Church history. Also his acquaintance with the field of theology is extensive. Therefore, brethren, he is no longer Gulliver, but the Rev. James W. Hill, D. D.



REV. SAM R. HAY, D. D.

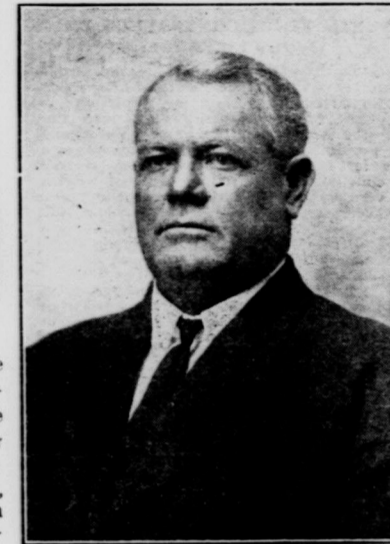
Southwestern University, at its Commencement, gave the honorary title of doctor of divinity to Rev. Sam R. Hay, of St. Paul's Church, Houston. Dr. Hay is one of the most popular and eloquent ministers in our Church in Texas and he has long stood in the front ranks of our leading preachers, and no man stands higher in the esteem of his brethren. The honor is worthily bestowed and will be worthily worn by Dr. Hay.



REV. S. H. C. BURGIN, D. D.

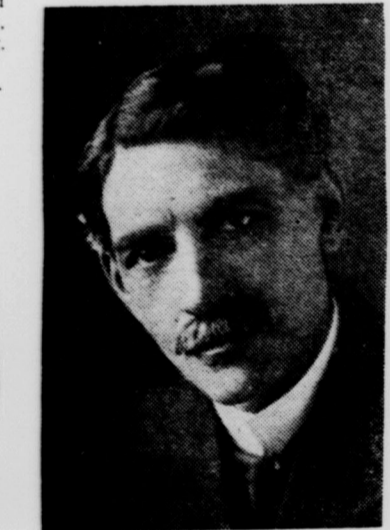
Also at the recent Commencement, Southwestern gave to Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, presiding elder of the San Antonio District, the honorary degree

of doctor of divinity. Dr. Burgin is one of the most progressive and successful men in our Texas Methodism. He is a fine preacher, a devout student, and an indomitable worker in whatever field the Church assigns him. And he is just in the prime of his robust and useful manhood. We congratulate him on his well-merited honor.



REV. J. T. GRISWOLD, D. D.

At a recent Commencement at Southern University, Greensboro, Ala., the degree of doctor of divinity was conferred upon Rev. J. T. Griswold, our pastor at Childress, Texas. Dr. Griswold is an alumnus of this institution and the institution has honored itself in thus honoring one of her worthy sons. The same degree was also given to Rev. H. M. Dobbis, of Kansas City, Mo.



REV. G. M. GIBSON, D. D.

Recently Rev. G. M. Gibson, pastor First Church, this city, preached the Commencement sermon for Emory and Henry College, Virginia. His alma mater did herself honor in conferring upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

PERSONALS

Rev. T. E. Bowman, of Venus, was a pleasant visitor to this office last week. He reports his Church work in good condition.

Rev. A. F. Hendrix, of Blossom, made us a brotherly visit this week. Things go well with his charge and throughout that portion of the conference.

Rev. J. W. Mayne and his wife are spending a season in Chicago at the University and while there will take a special course of instruction in the International Sunday School study course.

Rev. Ed Barcus and his people are now engaged in a revival service at the Oak Cliff charge. Rev. L. E. Conkin is doing the preaching. The services are being conducted under a large tent erected for that purpose.

Hon Joseph. E. Cockrell, of this city, is a member of the Commission appointed by the General Conference to take the question of the Vanderbilt issue under treatment, and he attended the recent meeting of the

Commission at Birmingham. He is one of our most capable laymen.

Rev. E. L. Spurlock, of Greenville, was a pleasant visitor to this office this week. He says things up that way are bright and promising. He has charge of the Wesley Sunday School and says it is one of the best in the Conference. He spoke encouragingly of the work of the pastors there.

A bouncing boy, full-fledged and vigorous, has arrived on time at the parsonage home of Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Preston, Valley View, Texas. He has made his presence a vital reality, and his welcome is all that he could desire.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Swift, of Waynesville, N. C., have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Nora Caroline, to Mr. Hilliard Branner Atkins, and the event took place June 13. Mr. Atkins is the son of Bishop and Mrs. James Atkins.

Rev. Claude Simpson and his people at Oak Lawn are making progress with their new church enterprise. The building is already up and covered and the basement is about ready for the Sunday School work. When completed it will be one of the handsomest church buildings in the city.

Mrs. C. A. Spragins, wife of Rev. C. A. Spragins, who underwent a severe operation in this city a few weeks ago, is now able to be out of the sanitarium and she is making rapid progress toward permanent recovery. This will be good news to her many friends and acquaintances.

Rev. George R. Buchanan, a useful local preacher of Pilot Point, died recently and went to his long-sought home. He had been a reader of the Advocate for forty-seven years and found great pleasure in the paper up to the hour of his departure. A good man has gone, but he leaves a splendid record.

The venerable father of Rev. W. C. Howell, pastor at Royse City, died a few days ago. He was a good man, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost and his end was one of peace. We extend to his preacher son our sympathy in this affliction. Dr. A. L. Andrews, presiding elder, went to Royse City and attended the funeral services.

Rev. Lawrence Cohen, in charge of the Munger Addition Church, is moving things out that way. This is our newest Church venture in this city. He has already a large membership, a lot purchased and a temporary building almost ready for public service. The location is a fine one and we ought to have a splendid congregation in a short time at that point.

Mrs. W. H. Thompson, the devoted wife of the late Rev. R. W. Thompson, is quite ill at her home in this city. She is now advanced in years and not so able to resist the progress of sickness as formerly; and we pray for her that grace that will bring continual peace through the presence with her of the comforting Spirit. May the good Father deal gently with his afflicted handmaiden.

Some time back Rev. Gus Barnes, of Plainview, preached a series of sermons on several very practical subjects and from what the local press said about them they drew large congregations and made a profound impression. The one, "My people perish for lack of knowledge," was of special interest. Brother Barnes is one of our strongest preachers and he never gives his people untempered mortar.

We regret to learn of the accident which befell Rev. and Mrs. O. T. Rogers, of the Crandall and Seagoville charge the other day. They were driving a horse to a buggy and the animal took fright, ran away and threw them out against a barbed wire fence and injured them severely—especially Mrs. Rogers, who was painfully cut about the head and face. We hope for them a speedy recovery from their injuries.

Rev. Ira Kiker and his people at Frisco, McKinney District, are getting a move on them. They were inspired to this by a generous offer of Mrs. Abbie Allen to contribute \$5000 toward a new church if the membership would do their part. The offer was accepted and the subscription is going forward. In the course of a few months Frisco will have an up-to-date and commodious modern church. Good for Sister Allen and those people at Frisco.







# Woman's Department

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

## NEW CONFERENCE OFFICER.

To the Northwest Texas Conference: This introduces to the Auxiliary Publicity Superintendents your new conference officer, Mrs. G. S. Wyatt, of Quanah, Texas.

To many Mrs. Wyatt is not a stranger. As a pastor's wife, her home has been in several of our Northwest Texas towns, and as Superintendent of this department we bespeak for her abundant success.

In leaving this part of the work there comes a feeling of sadness as one for the first time leaving the childhood home to seek a life in new and untried fields, but to every loyal Methodist the call of service cannot be turned aside unheeded, and as our conference calls me to "sit at the receipt of customs" this year I turn over to Mrs. Wyatt this which has been a labor of love, pleasure and a great blessing in my life to assume the greater responsibilities, feeling glad that I am accounted worthy this place in the Master's cause. My motto in Church work has ever been, "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might," and so in the office of Treasurer I shall put forth my best efforts; however, the habit of writing for our Church papers has grown on me that even in this new department I am liable to break into print at least once a quarter.

Now, Superintendents, may I ask that you give to Mrs. Wyatt the same hearty co-operation that you gave to me, and being a more efficient worker the work will surely grow and I shall watch with interest your great advancement and am saying for far-reaching results through this department. I mailed report blanks and as this won't reach all parts of our conference in time for you to know the new officers I have agreed to send in this quarter's report, so please send promptly your report to me by the first of July, and if you have lost or failed to receive your blank I can supply you if you write at once.

After the first, all communications to this department will go to Mrs. Wyatt.

Sincerely,  
**MRS. LEE PERMINTER,**  
Publicity Superintendent.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The fourth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Northwest Texas Conference convened at Plainview June 6-10. This was one of the most spiritual of any previous meetings and we feel two very forward steps were taken in the work. The interest in the foreign department was increased, many individual pledges were taken and the Conference Treasurer received instruction, through the adoption of the plans and finance report, to divide all dues equally between both departments, thus perfecting the union.

The underlying theme of the entire meeting seemed to be the Mother, the Home, the Child. The work of the First and Second Vice-Presidents awakened much interest and we feel this was truly right, for the hope of our Church is in the training of our children and young people.

Another pleasing feature of the program was the Mothers' Conference, and we trust this may have a permanent place in our annual meetings. This conference was largely attended both by delegates and visitors, and to many who had been in the conference before it was divided it was a great pleasure to have with us Mrs. Bloodworth, a former President and now Corresponding Secretary of the Central. Her Bible Lessons were so helpful and her presence so inspiring she has found a place in the hearts of all new members, who were not former co-workers.

Sunday morning service was made memorable not only for the eloquent and helpful sermon on "Power" brought to us by Rev. O. P. Kiker, but also on account of the baptism of the infant son of our Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. G. Merritt. The conference officers and a few chosen friends of the mother stood at the altar during the impressive service and after the presentation of the baptismal certificate by Mrs. Rollins, as she expressed the wish that the same audience could be present some time in the future when on another occasion he might be ordained a Bishop in the M. E. Church, South. Mrs. McKeown presented him a life membership certificate and little John Thomas Merritt became "Our Conference Baby."

A feeling of sadness pervaded our meeting, for we are losing from our ranks one of our faithful and efficient officers, Mrs. C. M. Woodward. To know her has been to love her, and our hearts' most earnest prayers follow her and we hope it may be only the loan of a precious treasure to claim again as we say our own at no far distant day.

In appreciation of her faithful service and in a small measure to express our esteem for her the conference officers presented a cameo and as Mrs. Rollins so beautifully expressed the sentiment of each heart in the wish "that her heart might ever be as pure and white as the head, her future have the rosy hue of the background and as the shining gold mounting, her reward in the better world be the shining gold reward of the truly faithful." In a few well-chosen and touching words Mrs.

Woodward expressed her thanks, telling us a little secret of her own heart, and as assurance to the brethren that we can keep a secret we'll not divulge it here.

Plainview entertained her guests most royally, while the citizens, pastor and press of the town felt from the very moment we stepped from the train the hospitable manner in which we were greeted made us know that already we were among friends. The delightful drive over the city and to the big well and irrigated farms convinced us we were in the California of the West. The elegant reception at the Ware Hotel, carried out in the Missionary Society colors, made the Plainview meeting one long to be remembered by the members of our conference.

Memphis was chosen as the next place of meeting and with the selection of the following officers the fourth session passed into history:

President, Mrs. D. L. Stephens; First Vice-President, Mrs. W. B. McKeown; Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. G. Merritt; Superintendent of Christian Stewardship and Mission Study, Mrs. W. R. Hilliard; Superintendent of Social Service and Local Work, Mrs. J. B. Smith, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. V. G. Rollins; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Barton; Treasurer, Mrs. Lee Permitter; Publicity Superintendent, Mrs. G. S. Wyatt; Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. E. E. Adams; District Secretaries—Amarillo District, Mrs. P. L. Persons; Abilene District, Mrs. R. E. Harris; Big Spring District, Mrs. H. G. Wilbanks; Clearwater District, Mrs. H. G. Wilbanks; Hamlin District, Mrs. J. E. Davis; Plainview District, Mrs. J. W. Pipkin; Stamford District, Mrs. P. D. Sanders; Sweetwater District, Mrs. H. G. Toole; Vernon, Mrs. H. E. President.

Member Orphanage Board—Mrs. Chas. Simmons.

## NOTES FROM THE NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Plainview Auxiliary proved ideal entertainers and we trust the good derived from this meeting will be as lasting with them as will be with the visitors the memory of this pleasant occasion.

Brother Barnes and wife are the popular pastor and pastorella of the Plainview charge and know how to help entertain a conference.

The delightful luncheon given the conference officers at the parsonage Monday, June 8, was much enjoyed by those participating and a wonderful amount of latent talent was brought to light, as delicious story tellers, poets, readers, impersonators, etc.

The President's message was soul-inspiring. Her poster illustrating her subject, "A Child of the New Territory," held the attention of that large audience, giving full expression to the great thoughts that make of her a gifted leader.

It was an inspiration to have with us Miss Eula Mae Rollins, daughter of our Corresponding Secretary. How glad we are to have our young people fill so efficiently parts assigned them on our program for we realize they are the women of tomorrow.

The children's rally Sunday afternoon was much enjoyed and the Juniors at Plainview are working to win. The flag drill and drill of the nations were evidence of much good work.

The Cantata by the young people Sunday night deserves special mention. It was truly beautiful and impressive.

Council evening was another pleasing feature of the program. Mrs. Permitter brought us the personnel of the Council in an original way. Mrs. Wyatt discussed the publicity department. Mrs. Woodworth gave us some glimpses of Latin-America with its needs. Miss Eula Mae Rollins brought to us the lives of the Orientals and our part in their salvation, while Mrs. D. L. Stephens gathered the great soul-stirring truths from the Bible lessons given by Mrs. Lucy Rider Meyer. On this occasion Mrs. Rollins presided.

We are truly blessed in the possession of such a splendid Corresponding Secretary. As we look back over the recessive of our conference we find how she has given unstinted of the time, means and great talent with which the Heavenly Father has blessed her life.

Many have been the times she has arisen from a sick bed to respond to a call for aid in some far distant place and oftentimes bearing her own expense in order that our work should not suffer. God has blessed her wonderfully with talents that she is using only for the advancement of His cause and that our women do appreciate her labor of love was shown when they refused to consider her resignation and amid applause instructed the Secretary to cast a ballot for her as Corresponding Secretary.

Her self-sacrifice, her consecrated life, her devotion to this cause has been the inspiration of many individual lives and we pray God's choicest blessings on the life and home of Mrs. Rollins.

Another faithful and most efficient officer has been our Recording Secretary and some time you have an idea her's is an easy place to fill just substitute for her awhile.

With prophetic eye we see a General Conference, the presiding Bishop has just begun a resume of his great and soul-stirring address when this sentence caught our ear: "Gentlemen, wisely and well you act in granting our women all the privileges of the Church, for see how our co-laborer has brought the Gospel light to all nations of the earth." On inquiry we learn this great Bishop was once our Conference Baby—John Thomas Merritt.

When we read the list of District Secretaries and see what splendid selections were made we feel our work can not help but succeed, but we each must give them our heartiest cooperation, earnest prayer from consecrated hearts and by united effort the great Northwest Texas Conference will then be a powerful factor in developing and advancing the Master's Cause. **MRS. LEE PERMINTER.**

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be prepared for this bureau." Mrs. Johnson has held the position for twelve years, and in fact, was the originator of the department—the old Home Mission Board. She expresses deep gratitude to all who so quickly responded to her call for the splendid exhibit. She says, "You made it a success." Also she expresses thanks and appreciation to all who aided so nobly all these years in making the work such a success. The publicity work was placed in the care of the Educational Secretary and will be directed by Mrs. Hume R. Steele, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee. Mrs. Johnson asks that you give her your cordial support and encouragement.

## CHANGES MADE BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE IN THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

1. The Council shall be a delegated body composed of a President, two Vice-Presidents, two or more Secretaries, a Treasurer, Superintendent of Bureaus, one Corresponding Secretary, and the President of the Woman's Missionary Society of each Annual Conference Society. The lines of work done in the past by the Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents will be placed in a Bureau of Mission Study and Christian Stewardship and in a Bureau of Social Service. There will be superintendents of each of these Bureaus.

2. There will be but two Vice-Presidents, these to have charge of the children's and young people's organizations of the conference. The work done by the Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents in the past will now pass to the care of Superintendents of Mission Study and Social Service. There will be but one Conference Secretary and one Conference Treasurer. Specials for each line of work will be authorized. The return to the Conference Societies of half of their dues will be discontinued by these changes. This is made necessary by these organic union. The council must become responsible for the work begun in the past through the conference half of the dues so that these enterprises will not fall through.

3. There will be no Editorial Secretary in the Council. The Missionary Voice, however, will be continued.

## Changes Made in Conference Societies.

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## Changes in Auxiliaries.

1. There will be but two Vice-Presidents, these to have charge of the children's and young people's organizations. There will be superintendents of mission study classes and of social service to correspond with the change in the conference society and the council. 2. There will be but one treasurer for the Conference work. There will be but one set of dues and one pledge. All who join the society join the whole thing. The dues and pledges will be prorated by the General Treasurer between the home and foreign work.

## When These Changes Go into Effect.

On account of their pledges made by auxiliaries and conference societies and because six months of the year have already passed, the Executive Committee recommend that no change be made in the management of the fiscal year, December 31, 1914.

It has been suggested to the conference societies that they make their readjustments at their first annual meeting after the General Conference. This is a custom in the Annual Conference in effecting readjustments of new laws and creation of new boundaries of the General Conference.

## Some Changes.

On June 1 the new workers elected at the council meeting began their work. Miss Mabel Head as Secretary of the Foreign Department and H. R. Steele as Educational Secretary.

## METHODIST WOMEN ORGANIZE.

Dallas is first Southern District of denomination where ladies have organized.

Dallas is the first district in the South where Methodist women have organized. Organization of the local women when the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, South, for the Dallas District announced through its Secretary, Mrs. O. E. Sensabaugh, the appointment of Miss Lula Bell, as First Vice-President and Mrs. E. H. Server, as Second Vice-President. Authority to appoint these officers was given at an all-day meeting of the women mission workers of the district held the 16th at the First Methodist Church.

They adopted a resolution "indorsing the work of the Board of Censors of the moving picture shows of Dallas in suppressing such pictures as in the judgment of the Board are objectionable." The resolution was signed by Mrs. John S. Turner, Mrs. Virginia K. Johnson and Mrs. W. H. Howell. Mrs. O. E. Sensabaugh, wife of the presiding elder of the district, presided at the meeting.

## CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE NOTES.

I have been too sick this past few days to write up the Annual Conference at Temple.

The new officers for the year are: President, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Waco; First Vice-President, Mrs. E. A. Milam, Glenrose; Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. B. Price, Weatherford; Third Vice-President, Miss Anna Sulzberger, Waco; Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Matlock, Waco; Treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Matlock, Waco; Superintendent of Home and Foreign Departments, Mrs. W. L. Perry, Waco; Superintendent of Mission and Bible Study, Mrs. R. Blair, Brownwood; Social Service, Mrs. E. H. Wynne, Temple; Publicity, Mrs. R. L. Brown, Midlothian; Supplies, Mrs. I. M. Langston, Cleburne; Waco Orphanage Board, Mrs. B. C. Nettles, Waco; Field Secretary, Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth, Waco.

District Secretaries: Brownwood District, Miss Cora Posey, Indian Gap; Cleburne, Mrs. W. E. Menefee, Cleburne; Corsicana, Miss Sophia Ward, Mexia; Cisco, Mrs. J. H. Walker, Stephenville; Fort Worth, Mrs. C. R. Porter, Arlington; Dublin, Mrs. Ben Bassett, Gorman; Gatesville, Mrs. Jesse Brown, McGregor Hillsboro, Mrs. Fred Long, Hillsboro; Weatherford, Mrs. W. T. Hiles, Weatherford; Waxahatchie, Mrs. Lee Campbell, Italy; Waco, Mrs. R. L. Abbott, Waco; Georgetown, Mrs. C. S. Belford, Georgetown. Mrs. R. F. Brown, of Midlothian, one of our brightest Auxiliary Superintendents for the past year, is now our Conference Publicity Superintendent. When I resigned the publicity work a month ago I asked your Auxiliary Publicity Superintendents of this conference to give my successor (who would be elected at Temple) the loyal support you have given me and I am sure you will do this. Send this quarterly report to me, however, by the first of July, so I can make my final quarterly report to Council Publicity Superintendent after which Mrs. R. F. Brown, of Midlothian, will have full charge. I made the statement in the Advocate months ago that the Auxiliary Superintendents are my "stars of hope." From this thought Mrs. R. F. Brown was presented to me the most beautiful poster I have ever seen, on which she had the name, address and district of every "Star of Hope," or Auxiliary Publicity Superintendent in Central Texas. This poster was very much appreciated at the conference meeting and I most heartily thank Sister Brown for this expression of her appreciation of my work, and I most cordially welcome her as our Conference Publicity Superintendent.

With love and prayers for the future success of all our Publicity Superintendents and other workers, I am,  
**MRS. S. HUNDLEY,**  
Moody, Texas.

## CENTRAL TEXAS PUBLICITY SUPERINTENDENTS, TAKE NOTICE.

On account of change of council publicity officer the report blanks can not get out on time to be sent to the auxiliary publicity officers for this quarter, therefore I desire that every Auxiliary Publicity Superintendent in Central Texas Conference send your quarterly report to me at once on postal. Please don't fail to do this now.

**MRS. S. HUNDLEY,**  
Moody, Texas.

## THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, DALLAS DISTRICT, NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The Dallas District Woman's Missionary Society met in Quarterly District session at the First Methodist Church, Dallas, Tuesday, June 16, 10 a. m. Mrs. O. F. Sensabaugh, District Secretary, opened the meeting with devotional exercises.

Mrs. Deatherage, Dallas, was elected Recording Secretary, and read the minutes of the last quarterly meeting, which were approved.

Miss Flora Thomas gave a very helpful and comprehensive report of the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of North Texas Conference, held at McKinney, Texas, in May.

The new standing rules made at this annual meeting were read and explained by Miss Thomas. New rule No. 10 is, "That the children and young people shall have a place on the week of prayer program and shall have some definite place in the social service work of the Church."

Mrs. W. W. Penn, of Wimsboro, was elected last week as Publicity Superintendent for the Conference Society, and October was set aside as a special time for organizing study classes among the children. The District Secretary requested that this quarter be made a special time of prayer for missionary workers.

The report of Miss Thomas was comprehensive and showed careful preparation, and was a delightful inspiration to all present. The District Secretary asked for increase in the foreign pledge, and Oak Lawn Society raised the pledge \$31, Ervay \$10 and Tyler street \$10.

Mrs. Dorough gave in beautiful and tender words her impression of the consecration service of deaconesses and missionaries at the council meeting in Fort Worth in May. Her address brought forth much applause.

Mrs. Henry Dorke gave an enthusiastic report of her work in St. Mark's Church, with the Junior Missionary Society and Epworth League.

The presence of Dr. G. C. Rankin, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate; Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, presiding elder of the Dallas District; and Rev. Walter Douglas, pastor of St. Paul's Church, gave pleasure to the assembly of missionary workers at the morning session.

An abundant and appetizing lunch, provided by members of the various auxiliaries of the district, was served in the basement of the church at the noon intermission.

Mrs. L. E. Barton presided at the opening exercises of the afternoon session. The devotional services for the session were conducted by Rev. L. I. Cohen, pastor of Munter Place Church, Dallas.

An instructive and interesting report of the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council of the First District, South, which was held in Fort Worth, Texas, was given by Mrs. Jackson, of Dallas. This report brought to the attention of the women of Southern Methodism, who had assembled there from the Atlantic to the Pacific, very vividly before the minds of the hearers, as the details of the work represented by that great gathering were brought to their attention in a clear and graphic manner by the speaker.

An earnest appeal was made by Mrs. E. R. Rudolph, who is Captain of the Home Guards of the district, in behalf of this department of home mission work, asking cooperation and aid on the part of the members of auxiliary in helping to increase the scope and influence of the work.

Various items of interest in connection with the work for social betterment, spiritually and morally, came up for consideration and discussion at this point. In connection with this discussion the following resolution was offered by Mrs. W. H. Howell (seconded also by Mrs. Virginia K. Johnson and Mrs. John S. Turner) and was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the Woman's Missionary Society of Dallas District, in district meeting assembled, hereby indorses the work of the Board of Censors of the moving picture shows of Dallas in suppressing such pictures as in the judgment of said board are found objectionable.

A question box was conducted by the District Secretary which brought out facts and information on various matters connected with the work represented by the Woman's Missionary Society, all of which was helpful and interesting.

The District Secretary announced the appointment of two Vice-Presidents for Dallas District, the First Vice-President being Miss Lula Bell, 2710 Oak Lawn Avenue, Dallas, phone number, Hackell 3874; and the Second Vice-President being Mrs. E. H. Server, 203 North Pacific Avenue, phone, CH 855.

The two Vice-Presidents will cooperate with Auxiliary Vice-Presidents in creating interest in organizing baby and infant divisions, and young people's societies in the district.

With the end of this month will come the close of the second quarter of this year. The District Secretary requests that the reports for the quarter just closing from the auxiliaries be sent to her by July 1 and she is sincerely hoping that the record made for last quarter may not be broken this quarter, which record was a report for both the home and foreign departments of work from every auxiliary in the district. It is a desirable fact that every auxiliary in Dallas District is a real Woman's Missionary Society, with both the home and foreign departments in full working force, loyal and law-abiding, according to the constitution and by-laws provided for the authority of the M. W. S. Church, South.

For the purpose of this meeting all the reports were about one hundred members and picture which was accompanying, accompanying the summer temperature, which is now rising, and the pain which fell about the middle of the day, which no doubt accounted others from coming who would have otherwise been present. The next quarterly meeting will be held in Evans Street Church, Dallas, a special invitation being given and the time will be announced by the District Secretary.

**MRS. W. H. HOWELL,**  
District Secretary, W. M. Society, Dallas District.

3301 Swiss Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

## NATION-WIDE PROHIBITION.

At the great convention in Waco, the world-wide Baraca-Philathea Association, Mrs. Curtis, President of Texas W. C. T. U., made a short talk and presented the National Constitutional Amendment resolution. Never was a measure more enthusiastically received and indorsed. It was signed by the President, Mr. Hudson, representing one million young Christian men and women. Mrs. Curtis wired immediately to Mr. Hobson and sent to the headquarters at Evanston, Illinois. All through the United States ministers of every denomination are expected to preach prohibition sermons on June 28.

July 4 has been set aside as a day for holding mass meetings in every community from Maine to California, from Alaska to Florida, for the purpose of adopting this resolution for National Constitutional prohibition.

This most important bill will come up about July 6 or 7. Two thousand women from every State in the Union are expected to spend the first week in July in Washington. For the sake of "God and Home and Native Land," every patriotic citizen is asked to write letters and send petitions to our lawmakers at Washington for their influence in favor of this amendment. A perfect avalanche of telegrams should be poured into Congress July 6. Thousands of women will be on their knees during these days, praying for victory and the safety of our homes, our Churches and our own country.

All local press superintendents are requested to embody the substance of this article in their local papers.

**FANNY L. ARMSTRONG,**  
Texas W. C. T. U. State Reporter.

## WHY I ATTEND CHURCH.

It is on a summer's morning, when the air is quiver with the love songs of the birds and fragrant with the odor of roses blown, to hear the music of the church-going bells an invitation to the world-weary to enter God's temple and find peace, because the instinct of worship is in the heart of man and the Church is the temple of the living God.

I go to Church because I find peace there, and that peace which DeQuincy described as a resting place from human labors, a Sabbath of repose from the secret burdens of the heart, as if I stood at a distance and aloof from the uproar of life; as if the tumult and fever and strife were suspended; as if there brooded over me a dove-like and halcyon calm.

I go to Church because I love the music that I hear there, the mighty roll of the great organ mingled with the marvelous symphonies of that divine stringed instrument, the human voice, untwisting all the chains that tie the hidden soul of harmony.

I go to Church because I delight to hear the teachings of the preacher; whose soul is dedicated to God, whose field is as wide as God's universe, whose theme is the destiny of man, and whose words are the oracles of Fate. Marvelous is the spell of the preacher to whom God has given genius and consecration and the power of illustration drawn from the sacred immortal Book, and from the miracles of nature, no less revealed in the crimson-tinted power turned up by the plowshare of Robert Burns upon the soil of Ayr than in the long reaches of the star girdle skies.

I go to Church because "the way is dark and I am far from home," and because the Church is the polar star to light my pathway in the rayless night.

I go to Church because the Church ministers not only to the spiritual, but also the material needs of life, and because it is there that the charities that soothe and heal and bless are scattered at the feet of manlike flowers.

I go to Church because I hear the teachings of the philosophy of Jesus, the incomparable man; and if you say his teaching is philosophy and not religion, and that he was a man and not a God, then the philosophy of that man has redeemed the world from savagery and blessed mankind with Christian civilization and to my mind, it is a thing worth while to hear.

—Tidings, St. Paul's Parish.

## CHILDREN TEETHING.

Baby is very comfortable and laughs during the teething period, thanks to Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. Purely vegetable—not narcotic.

One's obligation to God is measured by nothing less than his ability. When this truth is generally realized among Christians, the treasury of the Church will fill more rapidly, nor will the Church suffer for a lack of workers.

## Constipation.

Don't use harsh, irritating, drastic purgatives or habit-forming laxatives. Taking physic to move your bowels only makes your Constipation worse, so that you soon are dependent upon medicines. They do not touch the real cause—the source—of your trouble (liver-gall complaint) with which almost half of humanity is afflicted.

Send for our free Medical Book and be advised of the proper and natural method of curing your trouble. Gallstone Remedy Co., Dept. 916, 219 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.



# THE PASSING DAY

While working on the L. & G. N. Ry. bridge south of Fort Worth last week lightning struck and instantly killed Riley Petit, aged nineteen years, and severely injured his comrade, Ben Petit, aged thirty years. Ben was knocked from the bridge and fell thirty-five feet. He landed in some loose earth which probably saved his life.

The Hookworm Commission of the State Board of Health, in a report just made public, says: "During March, April and May, health campaigns and hookworm dispensaries have been conducted in Wharton, Freestone, Fort Bend, Washington and Hunt Counties. In these five counties there are approximately 125,000 rural population, inhabiting 447 square miles. Five hookworm dispensaries have been held at five towns, villages and schools. Microscopic examinations of hookworm disease have been made for 7552 people. Six hundred and eighty-five cases of hookworm disease have been located and have been treated. Five thousand five hundred and twenty school children have been examined and 1943 per cent, or 377, were infected with hookworms." The report says proper living is necessary for good health and proper sewage disposal is as important as is physical exercise.

The success of a campaign for an interurban line from Dallas through Denton to Wichita Falls is believed to be assured, following a meeting in Dallas last week with Joseph A. Kemp and Wiley Blair of Wichita Falls. A party of Dallas business men will go to Wichita Falls the latter part of the week to confer with citizens of that town.

The will of the late Major J. J. Jarvis, filed for probate in Tarrant County last week, places the value of the estate at \$933,936. The real estate includes 4728 acres of land in Tarrant County, 1487 acres in Wood County, 11,455 acres in Erath County, 9120 acres in Hood County and five acres at Florp Spring, in addition to lots in Fort Worth, Daugherty, Oklahoma, North Fort Worth and Rosen Heights.

A million pounds of twelve-month wool was sold in San Angelo by George Richardson. The wool brought from 14c to 20c per pound. Mr. Richardson also sold 150,000 pounds of eight-month clip at 14c to 18c per pound. He still has on hand nearly 300,000 pounds of twelve-month clip.

President Wilson says in making public letters to emphasize his view that a "psychological depression" was being created, he did so without thought of influencing Congress on the legislative program, but solely to inform the public of the method being pursued by those opposed to the Administration's program. The President added that his mail brought every day evidences of prosperity throughout the country. The President said that he had received very encouraging reports on the prospects for early passage of the trust bills through the Senate and that there were indications the bill will be supported by a number of Republicans.

The rivers and harbors bill reported from the Senate last week carries appropriations reaching \$53,000,000, which is an advance of about ten million over the House recommendations. Texas is in the bill for \$2,900,000.

President Wilson, in a letter to Rev. William H. Roberts, stated clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, in session at Philadelphia, expressed his sympathy with the movement for unity among all Christian Churches. In his letter the President said: "I have been gratified to learn that a delegation representing the American Churches will go to Europe next August in connection with the World Conference on Faith and Order. It is especially pleasing that our Churches will be represented by divines so eminent as Bishops Rhineland and Anderson and the other gentlemen you mention. May I not ask you to be good enough to make known to them, and through them, to the World Conference, my entire sympathy with the great object of the conference which looks to unity among all Christian Churches?"

At Muskogee the other day 1500 gallons of captured and condemned whisky and wine were poured into the sewer under direction of county officers and with the assistance of prisoners from the county jail, some of the latter having been the very persons from whom the liquor had been taken when the arrests were made.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt, while in London, consulted a throat specialist, who, after examining his larynx, said it would be impossible for the Colonel to undertake a continuous campaign or to speak in the open air during the next three months. He was advised to use his "talking machine" as little as possible.

Mrs. Mary C. Thaw, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, mother of Harvey K. Thaw, has just given to Henry Kendall College of Tulsa, Oklahoma, \$4000. This is her second gift to the institution within the year.

The \$200 required to erect a suitable monument over the grave of Jesse Lee Hall, famous Texas Ranger, who is buried in the National Cemetery in an unmarked grave, has been raised and the monument will be erected at once. The subscription was started by General Jesse M. Lee, with Judge T. M. Pachel, of San Antonio, as chairman of the committee.

Upon the establishment of the Federal Reserve banks within the next few weeks, millions of dollars in paper money of a new type will be put in circulation. Under the Federal reserve bank act, each of the twelve Federal reserve banks will receive advances from the Federal Reserve Board in the form of Federal reserve notes, a distinctly new sort of paper money. Commercial paper will be the collateral advanced by the various banks as security for these notes. Controller of the Currency Williams has samples of this new paper money now under consideration. At his request Joseph E. Rabbb, director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, prepared

notes of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 denominations and these have been submitted to Secretary McAdoo.

The War Department has authorized the attendance of the Infantry Brigade, Cavalry Squadron, Field Hospital and Hospital Corps detachment of the Texas National Guard at a joint camp of instruction with the Second Division of the United States Army at Texas City, August 17-26. The Battery of Field Artillery, Texas National Guard, will attend a joint camp of instruction at Cross Springs, August 17-26, with such battery of regular artillery as may be available.

A militant suffragette chained herself to the statue of the Duke of Wellington in front of the Royal Exchange in London. She then shouted to passersby calling on them to intervene in behalf of the imprisoned woman. She was finally removed by the police, and the jaws of a large crowd.

The State Pharmaceutical Association closed its session in El Paso last Wednesday with the election of officers and the selection of Houston as the next place of meeting. Officers elected were: President, Walter D. Adams, Forney; first vice-president, A. M. Fisher, San Antonio; second vice-president, C. R. Craverton, Sherman; third vice-president, William Wolfman, Brownsville; fourth vice-president, Mrs. E. B. Dwyer, Houston; secretary-treasurer, E. G. Eberle, Dallas; home secretary, J. W. Graham, Austin; historian, Miss Linn Shite, San Antonio.

Controller of the Currency Williams estimates that about \$500,000,000 in National banks throughout the United States is available for farm mortgage loans under the provision of the Federal reserve act, making it possible for National banking associations to lend money on improved farm lands. Farm loans under this act are not to be made for longer than five years and the amount of each loan is not to exceed 50 per cent of the actual value of the farm offered as security.

On pleas of guilty in the Federal Court at Dallas E. Craddock was fined \$5000 and O. P. Stoen and I. W. Kennedy and W. C. Joffe were sentenced to serve one year and one day in the Federal prison at Leavenworth, Kansas. They were charged by indictment with conspiracy to violate a Federal statute by the shipment of Feor to the old Indian Territory portion of Oklahoma.

At the meeting of the International Association of Chiefs of Police at Grand Rapids, Michigan, last week, the name of William I. Burns, the world-renowned detective, was dropped from honorary membership in the association. No official reason was given for dropping Burns, but it was stated that a majority of the delegates informally decided to eliminate him.

Detectives are searching for \$85,000 which mysteriously disappeared from a deposit box in a trust company office in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The loss of the money was discovered June 8 and was not made public in order that the "leak" could make a private investigation. No trace of the money has been found.

Three hundred and twenty-five acres of wheat, near Chillicothe, partly cut, belonging to H. A. Barnes, was set on fire, supposedly by a passing passenger engine of the Denver Road, and entirely destroyed.

The heirs of Senators and Representatives from eleven Southern States, who were denied admission to Congress during the reconstruction period following the Civil War, will ask the Government to recognize the certificates of election and pay the salary they would have been entitled to. Representative Buchanan, of Texas, introduced a bill to appropriate \$134,482.61 for Mrs. O. M. Roberts, of Austin, widow of the old Meade and former Governor of Texas, who, with David G. Burnett, was elected to the United States Senate for the unexpired term beginning August 24, 1866. Senator Burnett, together with George W. Chilton, father of Horace Chilton; Benjamin H. Epperson, A. M. Branch and C. Herbert, elected as members of the House of Representatives, were also denied admission, but no claim has been formulated for the relief of their heirs.

Plans of the receivers of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad to test the liability of the Frisco for bonds of \$26,000,000 issued by the New Orleans, Texas and Mexico Railroad, became known at St. Louis and was confirmed by John E. Johnson and Laouis Johnson, attorneys for the receivers. Prolonged litigation to determine the validity of the issue is expected. If the bonds should be declared invalid, the so-called Brownsville deal also will be invalid and the Frisco will be \$26,000,000 nearer reorganization.

Count Johann von Bernstorff, Ambassador from Germany to the United States, narrowly escaped death at Champaign, Illinois, when a special policeman fired pointblank at the automobile in which the Ambassador was being driven to the commencement exercises of the University of Illinois. The shot went wild and was not repeated. Count von Bernstorff was riding to the campus from the railroad station. He was escorted by Arthur Meeker of Chicago in the latter's automobile. Dr. David Kinley, vice-president of the university, and Dr. Ewerts Boutelle Green also were in the machine.

Brite College of the Bible, so named in honor of L. C. Brite of Marfa, Texas, who recently donated \$100,000 to the endowment fund of the Texas Christian University, is the name of the theological department of this university at Fort Worth. The building will be ready for occupancy by September 18.

Eight counties joined at McAlester, Oklahoma, forming the Katy Highway Association to build an auto road from the Kansas to the Texas line along the Katy Railway. Much of the road is built. Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties will vote \$30,000 in bonds to build a bridge across the Canadian River at Canadiana.

Senator Sheppard, of Texas, introduced a amendment to the Congressional mileage bill reducing the allowance from 20c to 5c in each direction. An effort was made to refer the amendment to two committees from which it is doubtful if it would have been reported, but after two roll calls in the Senate Senator Sheppard succeeded in having the reference

made to the committee on privileges and elections.

The employment of school principals as civic secretaries to direct social and recreational activities of communities in which they live was urged at Madison, Wisconsin, by Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president, as the next step in the development of the social center movement. "We have our schoolhouses thrown open by law to the community in many States," Mrs. Wilson said, "and we need some agency to beckon us into the buildings. I foresee the time when the school men will be the greatest force in the community, when by them shall be coordinated the education of children and that of the parents. The business of directing the work should be done by a paid public servant, to be remunerated out of the public funds."

What was started in a pleasantly ended in a homicide in Dallas last week. Re-entering a room by a brother officer, Policeman Trammel shot to death Policeman Jesse Wright in the Southland Hotel Pharmacy. Officer Trammel was indicted on a murder charge and is in jail, bond being denied in a habeas corpus trial before Judge Crawford. Both officers were married and left families.

Albert Joinesen, just freed from San Quentin penitentiary in California, tells a remarkable story of being shanghaied in Nagasaki, carried in irons across the Pacific on the United States transport Sheridan and thrust into the prison from which he was freed, to serve a three-year term for a crime he never committed. The prisoner's story was that he was drinking one night last month on a water front saloon at Nagasaki. Three strangers offered to stand him a treat. He accepted. The next morning he found himself at sea, a prisoner. Nobody understood him when he tried to explain who he was, and he was delivered at San Quentin as James Rogers, alias Peter Grimes, there to serve three years for a sentence imposed by the treaty court at Shanghai for forgery. His climate changed to be a fellow-countryman, and through him he got a hearing.

What was formerly the American yacht "American" and later the Haitian "navy" Ferrier is now just an ordinary common-place molasses barge. As the "navy" the Ferrier was the "whole show," it being the only vessel. A Yankee "skipper" was in command who was also high admiral and monarch of the seas. The downfall of the "navy" came when the vessel was badly in need of repairs.

L. C. Dyer, of St. Louis, Republican representing the Twelfth Missouri District, was unseated by the House last week by a vote of 147 to 98. His election was contested by Michael J. Gill, Democrat. By a vote of 126 to 108 a resolution declaring Gill illegally elected was adopted and Gill immediately took the oath of office.

The steamship Liberia from Portland, Maine, via Norfolk, Virginia, to Salt Pond, Africa, is in Galveston for a brief stay. The Liberia is commanded by a white man, but "Commander" is a negro, Chief Alfred C. Sam, who has been corralling the blacks on his "Back to Africa" movement. A number of negroes who have been patiently awaiting the arrival of the Liberia at Galveston, turned about as soon as the vessel docked at pier 41 and literally threw themselves upon the leader in the ecstasy of their delight.

Edward Zurcher, Secretary and Treasurer of the Industrial Workers of the World, expounded the beliefs of that organization before the Federal Industrial Commission at its meeting in Patterson, New Jersey. Among other things Zurcher said: "When a man wants a day off and can't get it, he drops a screwdriver into the machinery. The Industrial Workers of the World," he continued, "does not advocate arbitration, mediation or conciliation. These methods have been rejected by the workers and have never proved to be a success."

The North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II was in collision off Southampton with the steamer Incomore, loaded with grain. The Kaiser Wilhelm has a big hole in her side amidship and the freighter is in dock with her bows badly damaged. The line was en route to New York and had a passenger list of 1000. No one was hurt. Both captains did their best to avoid the collision. The

two steamers stood by each other until it was certain that assistance was not needed.

Judge T. W. Daugherty died last week in Abilene at the age of seventy-nine years. He was a former State Representative from Denton County and assisted in the survey for the present town of Denton. He served in the Confederate Army. He is survived by a widow, three sons and two daughters.

According to figures of Judge Owens of the County Court of Cook County, Illinois, insanity is on the increase in Chicago. The moving picture craze and baseball have played their part in increasing the number of cases, according to Judge Owens. Both amusements, he said, too severely stimulated the emotions of those interested in them. The cases during the year 1913 numbered 2470, and for the five months of 1914 ending May 31, 1284.

Robman Wamaker has given to his flying boat the name of "America." His flying boat is being completed at Hammondsport, New York, for the flight across the Atlantic.

Thousands of Government employes throughout the country enjoyed their first Saturday half holiday for the summer last Saturday. President Wilson recently issued an executive order, effective today, granting Government employes Saturday afternoon off from June 15 to September 15.

Elmer Sullivan, who was lodged in jail in Dallas, having been brought from Williamson County, charged with knowledge of the tragic death of old man Harned, the Llano horse trader, has been released from custody. The Grand Jury voted "no bill" on his establishment of a strong alibi.

Twenty automobiles valued at between \$25,000 and \$50,000 were burned at Dallas Saturday when a match carelessly dropped in a tank caused an explosion of gasoline in a garage.

The Texas Press Association held its thirty-fifth annual convention at Wichita Falls last week. The session closed Saturday, after selecting Corpus Christi for the 1915 convention and electing the following officers: President, D. E. Harris, Rusk County News, Henderson; vice-president, Walter B. Whitman, Holland's Magazine, Dallas; secretary, Sam B. Harbin, Echo, Richardson; treasurer, C. F. Lemman, Houston; attorney, C. E. Gilmore, Wills Point; essayist, Miss Laura V. Hamner, Chanie, orator, Lee J. Rountree, Georgetown; poet, J. H. Lowry, Honey Grove.

William T. Steele, a Fort Worth attorney who died last May, left practically his entire estate of \$25,000 to charities. Mr. Steele was eighty years old and had been a resident of Fort Worth for thirty-five years.

With the late Lord Strathcona's gift of \$25,000, the first leper colony in the United Kingdom will be established next fall in a deserted part of Essex. There are now only twenty cases of leprosy in the entire United Kingdom. They are isolated, but widely scattered, and the bringing of them together for care at a central colony will not only assure more comfort for the afflicted, but will enable new research into the disease.

George Thomas Mayne, Jr., of San Francisco, Cal., has been selected by the President to be Ambassador to Russia and will be nominated in the near future. Mayne was originally considered for Ambassador to France, which post was recently given to Representative Sharp of Ohio.

Ole Olsen, a Danish millionaire, will undertake to finance a new North Pole expedition under command of Knud Rasmussen, the Danish explorer. The expedition will probably start for the North next summer and will be provisioned for two years.

The steamer Matesic, the largest excursion boat on the Mississippi River, struck the curbing of a waterworks tower near St. Louis early Saturday morning and sank in ten minutes. Thirty-three persons were on board and of these only two, a watchman and deckhand, were unaccounted for.

Henry L. Johnson of Atlanta, Georgia, re-

gro, Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, has been asked by the President to resign. Though criticised by Southern Democrats for so doing the President has stated he will appoint another negro to succeed Johnson. The position has been filled by negroes for years.

Nine burned and mutilated bodies, the splintered fragments of an aeroplane and the charred remnants of a big dirigible balloon were the mute records, at Vicenza, Austria, of one of the most tragic, certainly the most sensational, disasters which have occurred since man learned to fly. The catastrophe, which resulted in the death of all concerned, followed a minor attack by the aeroplanes on the dirigible at a great height during the Austria maneuvers, and should show more than any previous accidents to flying machines have done, the horrors that would be likely to attend aerial warfare.

Two hundred and fifty miners were untouched in Mine 20 of the Hillcrest Collieries in Alberta, Canada, when an explosion took place last week. Ninety-four bodies have been rescued, but all hope of rescuing alive the remaining unfortunates has been practically abandoned. Under Government leadership the work of rescue is still being pushed.

In May, 1912, Nathan Cohen, aged thirty-six, arrived in New York from Santos, Brazil. In March, this year, he was picked up by the police of Baltimore and sent to Ellis Island as an undesirable alien and ordered deported. He was shipped out on a Lamport & Holt line steamer to Porto Barrios, Brazil, where they refused to accept him as a Brazilian citizen. On to Russia Cohen was then shipped, as he claimed Russia as his native country, but he was refused admission to Russia because he had no papers proving that country his birthplace. He was accordingly brought back to Ellis Island and will in all probability become a regular guest of the steamship line which first brought him to New York, unless his birth certificate permitting his deportation to Russia is forthcoming. Cohen is indeed a man without a country—a derelict upon the face of the earth and the bosom of the mighty sea.

President Wilson in a letter to H. B. Joy, President of the Lincoln Highway Association, expressed the wish that the Mason and Dixon line be forever forgotten. Said the President the road run from Philadelphia to Gettysburg through Washington would be a good means of further obliterating sectional feeling between the North and South. "I am sure the entire country is interested to see to it that there no longer exist a North or a South in this absolutely united country, which we all love," wrote the President, "and that the imaginary Mason and Dixon line should be made once and for all a thing of the past."

During the demonstration of a non-explosive gasoline can at Austin, an office in the Littlefield building was wrecked and five persons were seriously injured. While demonstrating the can was dropped on the floor and the gasoline flowing from it became ignited from flame, which was being used in connection with the exhibition. An explosion followed.

Because the parents of a young mother, who married a poor man against their wishes, refused to send her a ticket to come home unless she forsake her three-month-old baby and hubby, a tragedy in real life was enacted last week in a Kansas City Court. The mother took the baby to the court and offered

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the baby to the county. "I will commit suicide if the county does not take it," she told the probation officer. The matter was presented to the Judge, who made the baby a ward of the court and without a word, a tear or a kiss the heartless mother handed over the child and left the court. On the one hand it was family and social position in Massachusetts; on the other it was love and poverty in Kansas City. She chose the former. The husband accepted work in the harvest fields.

Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, of Austin, recently elected President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, is in a state of nervous collapse at Mishawaka, Ind. Mrs. Pennybacker was to have spoken at the Convention of Women's Clubs at South Bend, Ind., on Tuesday. Because of her condition 1000 invitations for a tea and reception have been recalled.

Carnegie Frank Skinner, adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Skinner, who were frozen to death on Pike's Peak in August, 1912, was awarded the \$100,000 estate of his foster parents in a judgment handed down by Judge Kenneth Force of the Fourteenth District Court at Dallas. The judgment was entered after a hearing held several weeks ago in the case of W. H. Fitzgerald et al. vs. R. C. Ayres, et al., to construe the wills left by the Skinnors.

Twenty persons were injured, one seriously; eight houses were destroyed by fire and six others dynamited as the result of lightning setting fire to a tank containing 25,000 barrels of oil at Meadowlands, near Washington, Pa. A partial collapse of the tanks caused the burning oil to spread over a wide territory. Upward of 2000 volunteers were used fighting the fire.

Title of transcontinental railroads to some \$700,000,000 worth of petroleum lands as against other private claimants was upheld by the Supreme Court in a test suit brought by Edmund Burke, of California, against the Southern Pacific Railroad Company. At the same time Justice VanDevanter, for the court, stated that seemingly the Government's right to attack the railroad's title for fraud or error had expired in 1900 or 1901. It was made plain, however, that the Government's rights were not involved in the case before the court and there was no mention of the recent suit brought by the Government against the Southern Pacific to regain the lands in question.

The Texas Building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition will probably be a replica of the Texas capitol, but on a much smaller scale. The Commission will meet next week at San Antonio to work out details.

Baron De Rothschild, famous as a physician, playwright and automobilist and a member of the Rothschild banking family, was shot and slightly wounded at Paris by an unknown man. He received a bullet in the thigh. The man escaped in the crowd. The motive for the attack is not known.

Miss Austin M. Palmer, of New York, a prominent club woman is heart and soul with the fight the General Federation of Women's Clubs, made on present dress styles at their recent convention in Chicago. "The clothes worn by respectable women today are outrageously immodest, outrageously indecent and outrageously unsuitable." All the man-made or women-made laws in the world, she believes, would not make a change. Women, she declares, know best how to discipline other women. Social ostracism is the answer.

If the amendment recently added to the constitution of the State of West Virginia at a general election in November, 1912, is properly enforced, that State will be dry territory on and after July 1. Brewery properties valued at \$6,000,000 must be abandoned as breweries on that date. The new law makes it an offense to manufacture brewery products in the State.

The pilot boat Jennie Wilson brought into Port Eads at the mouth of the Mississippi, Capt. Chas. Lawrence and crew of 12 of the schooner, J. R. Allison, which foundered at sea, June 15. When the schooner foundered the captain and crew put off in two small boats. They were rescued 24 hours later by a schooner 200 miles off South Pass and transferred to the pilot boat.

A heavy part of the work of dredging the Houston ship channel from Bolivar Roads to the turning basin, a contract that was awarded June 1, 1912, and which has represented an expenditure of approximately \$2,300,000, is now practically complete. It is anticipated that by Aug 1 the work can be turned over to the United States Engineering Department and to the deep water interests of Houston completed.

In a collision at Oklahoma City Sunday afternoon, between a big auto fire truck and a street car one fireman was killed, one fatally hurt and several others injured. Two negro passengers on the street car were slightly injured by broken glass.

The State National Bank at Little Rock, Arkansas, has closed its doors and will be turned over to a receiver. The bank was capitalized at \$500,000. Directors of the bank say that all liabilities will be met and there will be no loss to depositors.

The fifth annual convention of the International Association of Rotary Clubs is meeting at Houston this week. Nearly a thousand delegates from every portion of the United States and Canada and a few from Europe are in attendance.

"Health Sunday" was observed in more than fifty Philadelphia churches Sunday, when prominent medical men from all parts of the country addressed congregations on the fundamental principles of public health. Specialists, general practitioners, hospital heads, college experts, Government surgeons and writers on medical topics from the pulpits urged a greater interest in such questions as the housing problem, milk supply, segregation of consumptives, war on the social evil, elimination of occupational diseases, child labor, playgrounds and the part to be taken by the Church "in saving men's bodies as well as their souls."

When he entered the car in which they were caged at Chicago, Emerson de Dietrich, manager of a theatrical production, presenting a troupe of trained lions, was set upon by six lions, killed and partly devoured. While the keepers were recovering Dietrich's body a lion escaped from an adjoining cage and terrorized the residents of the thickly populated quarter in which the car stood. The escaped lion

finally was driven back to its car, having harmed no one. A pike pole from the fire department was used to withdraw Dietrich's body from the lions, after it had been sprinkled with formaldehyde to drive the animals away.

The Gulf and Interstate, the Concho, San Saba and Llano Valley, the Texas and Gulf and that part of the Pecos and Northern Texas south of Sweetwater will be merged with the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe system.

Only members of the Protestant sects will participate in the World's Church Peace Conference to be held in Constance, Switzerland, August 2, the details of which have been made public by Dr. Frederick Lynch, Secretary of the Church Peace Union. There will be delegates from England, Germany, Norway, Russia, Belgium, Italy, Austria and Switzerland. According to Dr. Lynch, this year's conferences are intended as a preliminary step toward a Church peace conference of great proportions to be held in 1916, the year of The Hague Peace Conference.

Mrs. M. Bowie Burns, a niece of James Bowie, the hero of the Alamo, died in Fort Smith, Arkansas, Sunday, and her body was brought to Dallas for burial. Mrs. Burns was 78 years old. It is said that Mrs. Burns is the last of the Bowie family. So far as is known here she has no living relatives, save by marriage. She was born in Mississippi, and first came to Dallas in 1838.

Twelve persons, most of them women and children were drowned in the Oswego Canal near Syracuse, N. Y., Sunday, when a launch in which they were riding struck a log and capsized. There were nineteen on board the little vessel, but seven reached shore in safety.

At Butte, Montana, an attempt was made to blow up the miners' hall, but the charge failed to do any great damage. Deputy Sheriff in attempting to clear union hall of the warring factions of miners fired a fusillade, killing one and wounding three men. Chas. H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of miners, who was to have addressed a peace meeting in the hall, fled through the rear door when the shooting began.

The fourteenth International Sunday School Convention began its session at Chicago, Tuesday night with four thousand delegates present. The main session in Memorial Temple, President W. N. Hartshorne, of Boston, presiding.

A score of persons were injured and about fifty houses were wrecked as the result of a tornado which struck Watertown, S. D., Tuesday. Property damage is estimated at \$100,000.

Several trial flights made at Hammondsport, New York, by Rodman Wanamaker's trans-Atlantic flying boat, America, showed the machine flies fast, is well-balanced and is handled almost as easily as a flying boat of less than half its size and weight. Flights were made by Glenn H. Curtis, Lieutenant John C. Porte and George Hallett, all of whom expressed themselves as well pleased with her behavior. The pilots were more enthusiastic over the performance of the machine than was the designer, Mr. Curtis.

The simple, but impressive funeral service of the Anglican Church was held for the late Mme. Lillian Nordica in the King's Way House Church, Mayfair, where she was married just five years ago to George W. Young of New York. Flowers were banked in profusion around the peculiar-shaped casket, the altar and the pillars. A large congregation was present, including many singers with whom the late Mme. Nordica had performed. Ambassador Page was represented by his secretary.

Newton Wilson, a wealthy mining engineer and lumberman of Beaumont, Texas, died Tuesday in a St. Louis hospital where he had gone several weeks since for treatment. He was 56 years of age.

Hood's Texas Brigade began its annual session at Ennis Wednesday morning. But few of the old or grade are left, but what it lacks in numbers is made up by an enthusiasm that lives on forever.

The Belgian steamer, Gothland, from Montreal to Rotterdam, grain-laden, struck Cretaceous Rocks, near Scilly, England, Tuesday. Wireless calls brought quick aid and her crew of 86 and 130 passengers were safely rescued. The Gothland will probably prove a total loss.

The mediation is still on at Niagara Falls, but there is yet no definite plans of conciliation. The United States is insistent that the provisional President shall come from the Constitutionalists, and the Huerta faction is just as certain he shall not. The Carranza and Huerta men will not counter and Carranza has not yet taken any formal action on the invitation from the American peace commissioners at Niagara Falls to meet with them. The whole situation is just about as it was a week ago. Apparently no nearer a solution.

Judge Emory Speer, United States District Judge in Georgia, failed of impeachment, but was not relieved of all culpability so far as charges against him were concerned. The committee in its report to Congress says, "We regret inability to either recommend a complete acquittal of Judge Speer on the one hand or his impeachment on the other. Thus the matter stands and the Judge continues in office."

White House officials have given out letters from business men in different parts of the country tending to uphold the President's contention that business conditions are good and that there is an organized effort on the part of big business to postpone action on the proposed anti-trust legislation.

A distillery operated in defiance of the United States internal revenue laws, in a local option county in New Mexico, when offered by sale by the United States marshal of New Mexico, was bought by the local organization of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. The action of the women forestalled the possibility of the equipment again being used for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

The will of the late Jacob H. Riis, social worker and author, has been made public at New York by his son. The will says that Mr. Riis had accumulated no money to give to the settlement which he founded in that city and which bears his name. He asks an advisory board to guide the affairs of the settlement, named Theodore Roosevelt, Lyman

Abbott, Robert Bacon, and other prominent persons as members.

Commendation of President Wilson's attitude on the Mexican situation was voiced by Senator W. S. Kenyon, of Iowa, in a speech last week before the Fellowship Club of Chicago. Said Senator Kenyon: "While many cannot accept the President's views on the Mexican situation," Senator Kenyon said, "we should all be glad that he and Congress are trying to bring about peace and not war. Whether or not our views coincide with those of President Wilson he is our commander-in-chief, and it is up to us as a nation to give him our best support in whatever stand he takes."

State's Attorney Hoyne, at Chicago, has gained more than enough evidence to indict at least one official of the defunct La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank in Chicago. He said he has "apparently a prima facie case against one officer of the bank," which means a case which can be submitted to a jury in a trial.

Jesse R. Grant, of New York, son of former President U. S. Grant, was named as defendant in a suit brought by his wife, Elizabeth Grant, to compel the United States Trust Company as trustee under the will of Julia Dent Grant, his mother, to pay her a sum sufficient to support her "in a manner befitting the income and position of her husband."

Two thousand pounds of dynamite is alleged to have been stolen a few weeks ago at Gatun, Isthmus of Panama, and an attempt was made to blow up the spillway locks at that place. The plan was discovered and the dastardly deed averted.

An effort will be made by those interested in federal regulation of cotton and grain, to have the two bills relating to these commodities put through under a special rule. This is the plan that has been agreed upon by members of the committee on agriculture. The cotton bill has already been reported, and the grain bill is being whipped into shape by a sub-committee, which has practically completed its labors. As soon as the full committee reports the grain bill, both measures will have a rule proposed, under which they can be put through with only limited debate.

A fire at the Parker-Browne Manufacturing Chemical Co., in Fort Worth, did damage Monday night to the extent of \$40,000. Carbon dioxide gas from exploding gas drums materially assisted in extinguishing the fire.

With the Turkish Government formally protesting against the proposed sale of the American battleships Mississippi and Idaho to Greece, rumblings of war between Greece and Turkey has been carried to the White House. Diplomatic representatives of the two countries have called on President Wilson—one to urge and the other to oppose the deal. Greece takes the position that if she buys the vessels, the balance of power in the Mediterranean will be preserved and peace maintained, while Turkey claims peace best can be guaranteed by the refusal of the United States to aid in augmenting her rival's naval force.

Seventy million dollars in gold have been exported to Europe since January 1. The treasury department officials show only a passing interest in this phenomenal exportation. The gold reserve supply at the New York treasury practically was exhausted and over \$40,000,000 was sent to New York last week from other treasuries. "What difference does it make if Europe draws on us for \$100,000,000 or \$200,000,000 worth?" John Butt, Treasurer of the United States, remarked when asked about the movement. "The United States has plenty of gold. We have more than a billion dollars' worth of gold in reserve."

John D. Rockefeller has sent Miss Eva Booth, Commander of the Salvation Army of America, \$11,000 for sufferers from the Empress of Ireland disaster. The money was sent to her in London where she is attending the World's Congress of the Salvation Army.

Baroness Bertha von Suttner, the Austrian writer who had devoted most of his life to the cause of peace and to whom was awarded the Nobel peace prize in 1905, is dead in Vienna. Baroness von Suttner was undergoing a cure for obesity. She left instructions that her body be cremated at Gotha, without religious ceremony, speeches or flowers, her ashes to be placed in a columbarium there.

Gasping for breath as he ran, John Sigenbailer, an Oklahoma farmer, carried his son, eight years old, two miles to a doctor. The lad's skull had been smashed and the brain exposed by the kick of a vicious mule. Sigenbailer was working in his field while his son walked beside him. The lad strayed too close to the heels of the mules, and a vicious kick from one of the animals struck him in the head. Sigenbailer lifted the boy in his arms and ran to Ezan, two miles away. From there he went to Boynton, and the boy was placed on a train and taken to a hospital at Muskogee.

NOTICE. TEXAS CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

Uncle John Adams, who died June 3, at his home in Tyler, was a member of the Brotherhood. So please act accordingly. I noticed an account of his death, and at the time did not think of the Brotherhood until one of the brethren notified me. Fraternally yours, ALVIN P. BRADFORD, Secretary-Treasurer, Cedar Bayou, Texas.

A CREED FOR THE DISCOURAGED.

I believe that God created me to be happy, to enjoy the blessings of life, to be useful to my fellow-beings, and an honor to my country. I believe that the trials which beset me today are but the fiery tests by which my character is strengthened, and made worthy to enjoy the higher things of life, which I believe are in store for me. I believe that my soul is too grand to be crushed by defeat; I will rise above it. I believe that I am the architect of my own fate; therefore, I will be master of circumstances and surroundings, not their slave. I will not yield to discouragements, I will trample them under foot and make them serve as stepping-stones to success. I will conquer my obstacles and turn them into opportunities.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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

AGENTS WANTED.

AGENTS WANTED who have a conveyance to go in the country and write fire and cyclone insurance. One who will work can make good, easy money. Address 611, Wheat Bldg., Fort Worth, Texas.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Gartside's Iron Rust Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesmen wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES.

FOR SALE at a Bargain, four reel feature film, "Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst in Eighty Million Women Wanted." Perfect condition, including Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico State rights, with ones, threes, sixes, photographs and other lobby display. State-wide campaigns are now being waged by women everywhere in the interest of "Votes for Women." A political drama of today that all live exhibitors will want to book. A business woman, with this suffragette feature film, can make \$25 and up a day. WYNDHAM ROBERTSON, Settegast Building, Houston, Texas.

FREE FOR SIX MONTHS—My special offer to introduce my magazine, "Investing for Profit." It is worth \$10 a copy to anyone who has been getting poorer while the rich, richer. It demonstrates the real earning power of money, and shows how anyone, no matter how poor, can acquire riches. "Investing for Profit" is the only progressive financial journal published. It shows how \$100 grows to \$2200. Write now and I'll send it six months free. H. L. BARBER, 435, 28 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago.

GOSPEL SINGER.

HAVE open dates for summer months, as chorister, soloist and personal worker. Reference furnished. STANLEY G. BURDINE, Box 754, Corsicana, Texas.

"THAT REMINDS ME" AGAIN.

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after admission there are four years' course marked out for him, none of which the ordinary business man could get by.

In an article like this it is hard indeed to keep out of personations, and I am determined that they shall not enter in.

In the last instance: My appeal is for a better qualified ministry, a more efficient service. Our anti-Pedobaptist brethren are filling the country with such ignorant preachers that their only qualification is to mislead, in many instances. We need therefore to better equip our ministry and to better support our ministry so that our people will be intelligent in the country as in the towns and villages, and able to stem the tide of anti-nomianism that is being so strenuously taught in the rurales. And as in all other pursuits, a man is free to carry any side line that will equal things, is not permissible in the ministry of our Church, then it is either the duty to get rid of these men or keep them.

Admitting the fact that some are not worth their keep, it is also true in all other pursuits. For 85 per cent of business men fail. Do that number of ministers fail? Then it is plain that their rating is better than in any business. My plea is a better equipped ministry, a better paid ministry and to get rid of the ones that are not worth their keep and make room for those that are and to assure them that there is a living for them when they are in, and not to put the burden on those who are willing to bear it. We need, and to keep the fellow who is not willing to make sacrifice for the Lord in luxury. Care for the man that is worth his keep and let the other fellow find some other calling for maintenance and preach in the local ranks.

I'm not complaining for myself. "Bub," but pleading for the fellow that is up against it worse than I am. I would be willing for this to be made the rule and my own case made an exception of. For you as many preachers in conference have received less than myself, and have far larger and more expensive families than mine. I'd for these children and needy wives. A man who is called of God can endure the hardships, and the trials, but is it justice to those women and children to keep them in want and suffering all their lives? I do not accuse our boards of willfully neglecting those, but will they not think of them in the lonely desolate places, and give them hope and happiness by doing what they can to alleviate their need.

When I have freely spoken my mind it always makes me feel better, and I get help from the letters from the laity and preachers that send me letters of encouragement and approval and from the brethren that write criti-

HELP WANTED.

I want a white woman or girl as house-keeper and cook for small family. To the right party will give a good home and good wages. Address, with reference, CHAS. P. BOWMAN, First National Bank, Paducah, Texas.

MALE HELP WANTED.

LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE WANTED. Splendid income assured right man to act as our representative after learning our business thoroughly by mail. Former experience unnecessary. All we require is honesty, ability, ambition and willingness to learn a lucrative business. No soliciting or traveling. All or spare time only. This is an exceptional opportunity for a man in your section to get into a big paying business without capital and become independent for life. Write at once for full particulars. National Co-operative Realty Company, L-551 Marden Building, Washington, D. C.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ANY INTELLIGENT PERSON may earn steady income corresponding for newspapers. No experience required. PRESS CORRESPONDENCE BUREAU, Washington, D. C.

SANITARIUMS.

CALDWELL'S Sanitarium, McKinney, Texas, for treatment of internal and external cancers. Come or write for book of information.

WILL HELP THE BRETHREN.

I wish to say to any of the brethren through the Advocate, that I have some unfilled dates for revival work, and will be glad to correspond with any pastor needing help. Fraternally, THOS. G. WHITTEN, 400 W. 12th St., Sta. A, Dallas, Texas.

PREACHER WANTED.

I WANT a single man as pastor, for a circuit some miles from the railroad, in the Grayson District, West Oklahoma Conference. It will pay about \$3 per month until conference, with a partially furnished parsonage. Good people to serve. If interested, send good recommendation at once to W. J. STEWART, P. O., Guymon, Oklahoma.

cisms and they all make me think some more. I want to be right in head and heart, and I know of no better way than to give my views and let men give theirs. I claim for myself the ability to bear criticism and brook opposition. I love the man that takes a fair issue with me and I try to profit by just criticism. I find it easy to criticize, but hard to live above the critics, and as long as I am just I shall not expect to become perfect in my own estimation, nor in the estimation of others. But I am trying to stretch forth into the things are before.

MARRIED.

RATLIFF WARREN. At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Warren, at Garrettsville, Ohio, on June 13, 1914, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Ratliff and Miss Ethel Florence Warren were united in matrimony. June 13, 1914. Rev. George E. Kemp, their pastor, officiating.

HEATHSWINE. At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. P. Swain, of Douglasville, Texas, on June 10, 1914, Mr. Tom Heath and Miss Clifford Swain, Rev. D. A. Williams officiating.

GARDNER FLETCHER. On May 27, 1914, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Fletcher, Mr. R. H. Gardner and Miss Myrtle L. Fletcher, Rev. M. L. Moody officiating.

ROGERS WADE. At home of bride, December 21, 1913, Mr. R. M. Rogers and Miss Ida Wade, Rev. R. V. Tooley officiating.

ROGERS HEART. At home of bride, December 24, 1913, Mr. W. R. Rogers and Miss Ethel Heart, Rev. R. V. Tooley officiating.

Fitzburg District—Third Round.

(Revised.) Cookville, at Maple Springs, June 29, 29; Atlanta, Friday night, June 20; Brown City, at Lewis's Chapel, June 22; London, at Pearl Hill, June 28, 29; Boston Co., Red Bayou, July 4, 5; Dolly Springs, at Spring Hill, July 11; New Boston and De Kalb, at De Kalb, July 13; Harry Memorial, Henderson, July 11, night; Nash, at Red Springs, July 18, night; Redwater, at Aconia, July 19, 20; Whitefield, at Pleasant Grove, July 25, 26; Mt. Pleasant, July 26, 27; Higgins Springs, at Mims Chapel, Aug. 1, 2; Dammersfield, at Harris Chapel, Aug. 2, 3; Douglasville, at Cedar Grove, Aug. 9, 9; Naylor and Oregon, at Naylor, Aug. 16, 16; First Church, Tarkenton, Aug. 16, 16; Hardy Memorial (re-opening), Aug. 16, night; Cemetery, at Walker's Chapel, Aug. 22, 22; Wilson, at Redfield Chapel, Aug. 23, 24; Whiteburg, at Morris Chapel, Aug. 29, 29; Pittsburg Co., at La Fayette, Sept. 3, 3; Pittsburg Memorial, Sept. 3, 3.

Big Spring District—Third Round.

(In Part.) Lamona, at Liberty, June 27, 28; Stanton, July 2; Andrews, at Cobb, July 4, 5; Seminole, at Bessemer, July 11, 12; Big Spring, at 8:30 p. m., July 14; O'Donnell, at Brown, July 18, 19; Tabala and Sharon, at S., July 23, 26; Cordonia, at R. Bar, July 29; Post, Aug. 1, 2; Brownfield, at Meadow Home, Aug. 23, 24; Plains, at Harris, Aug. 29, 30.

W. H. TERRY, P. E.

An honest doubt may be the embryo of quite a vital faith.



Obituaries

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

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

WALKER—Mrs. Nettie Walker (nee Kenrick), was born September 1, 1881, and departed this life May 28, 1914; was united in marriage to A. S. Walker in 1898. To this union four children were given. Husband, four children, father, one brother, with other connection and a host of friends mourn her death. In her brief, quiet days she united with the Church and lived a devoted Christian life until the Master called her home. She suffered much. Was confined to her bed most of the time for three years with consumption. She died triumphantly and rests under the shade of the tree of life. May the good Lord comfort the bereaved ones. We laid her to rest in the Thornton Cemetery in the presence of a host of mourning friends, to await the resurrection morning. May the Lord bless and care for the poor little motherless children. J. O. JORDEN.

ARCHIBALD—Mrs. J. B. Archibald (nee Rogers) was born in Clay County, Georgia, June 25, 1861, and died at home near Thornton, Texas, June 14, 1914. She moved to Texas in the year 1873; was married to T. B. Archibald November 29, 1877. To this union five children were given. She united with the Church at twelve years of age and lived a Christian life until the Master called her home. Will we miss her? Yes, we will miss her. She leaves her husband and five children, one sister and one brother, and a host of friends to mourn her death. She was stricken with paralysis some months before she died. She suffered much, but endured her suffering with Christian courage and passed away triumphantly. We laid her to rest in the Cobb Cemetery in the presence of a host of mourning friends to await the call, "Come home." May the good Lord bless the bereaved ones. J. O. JORDEN.

SHANNON—Brother J. A. Shannon was born in East Tennessee on November 4, 1836. He was converted at the age of twenty and joined the M. E. Church, South, in which he lived until the sad day of his death, which took place in the home of his son-in-law, J. W. Collier, on April 11, 1914. In 1866 he was married to Miss Elizabeth Stallings and shortly afterward moved to Texas and settled in Fannin County, and from thence to Lamar. Brother Shannon was a true Confederate soldier and faithfully served his country's call. His religious life was exemplary—faithful to every call of the Church—and, like a hero, he led his own and others around him to victory. His spirit peacefully went to God on the above date, and loving hands interred his body by the side of his loved daughter, Mrs. John Collins, in the old Mt. Labor Cemetery, to await the resurrection morn. The wife and children know where to find him. W. J. BLUDWORTH.

ROGERS—James Willis Rogers, oldest son of Spencer A. and Jane M. Rogers, was born in Franklin County, Tennessee, September 19, 1852. Came to Cooke County, Texas, in the fall of 1874; removed to Denton County in 1876; was married to Mrs. Sarah Phillips in 1884; died March 12, 1914. The above is a brief mention of a humble, devoted Christian, one who loved God and his fellowman and spent his life in trying to advance the Redeemer's cause in every step of sane. The environment of Brother Rogers, in his youthful days, was adverse to piety in a marked degree. Dissenters for the manufacture of whiskey and brandy on every side; Sabbath desecration; rabbit hunting, ball playing, card playing and gambling of every species, the general trend of the community, but, fortunately, there was one Sunday School in the community and he, in company with the writer of this sketch, attended one same regularly. He had a taste for reading and I supplied him with good books; the result was that in early life he was soundly converted under the ministry of Rev. Allen Tribble, of the Tennessee Conference, joined the M. E. Church, South, of which he remained an honored and useful member until the day of his death. When Brother Rogers removed to Denton County he located near Oak Grove Church, Aubrey Circuit; was elected superintendent of the Sunday School and for about thirty years he was present at every session, unless providentially or officially prevented, having for a number of years held the office of Recording Steward of his circuit. Thank God, St. Paul tells us in the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians that our labor shall not be in vain in the Lord, and Brother Rogers' life is a striking exemplification of the truth of that precious promise; for he certainly impressed upon the community in which he so long resided the value and beauty of a consecrated, Christian life that will be remembered and imitated many days hence. Brother Rogers married a widow who had two bright, intelligent little boys. No earthly parent ever took more pains in training an own child than he bestowed upon them, and doubtless they would both say that he was a father in every sense of the word. They are both exemplary members of the M. E. Church, South. The present superintendent of a long-time pupil of his, we feel sure will follow his footsteps. May success crown his efforts. JOHN W. MURPHY, Pilot Point, Texas.

HOBBS—Sister Daisy Hobbs (nee Turner) was born April 30, 1827, three miles south of Petty, Texas. She and O. H. Hobbs were married December 27, 1901, T. W. Lovell officiating. To this union were born one son and two daughters. These and the husband survive here. After a protracted illness of several months her release came and she went to her rest January 24, 1914. To know her was to love her and to be made better. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church when a child. Before her marriage was one of the faithful young Christians in her home Church, Sunday School and League at Whitebeck. She was a kind and faithful wife and a devoted young mother. Her sufferings are now over. We know where to find her. She is happy with the loved ones come before. We will see her again "some happy day." T. W. LOVELL, Ex-Pastor.

M-CLISKEY—Byron McCluskey was born April 9, 1911, departed this life June 14, 1914, at his parents' home, near Bluff Dale, Texas. He is a son of Mr. J. P. McCluskey and wife, Mrs. Mary McCluskey. Little Byron was not with us very long, as he only lived three years, two months and five days. He was in the field with his brother when a snake of some kind bit him. This took place in the afternoon of his lay. He died early Sunday

morning. His little body was put at rest in the Patilla city of the dead to await the resurrection morning. Services conducted by his pastor, Rev. Henry Francis. Many friends were present. Byron was a fine, lovable, good child, many times placing kisses on his mother's cheeks. Dear loved ones, you have another reason now to go to heaven, as Byron is there. You cannot bring him back, but you can go to him. I fancy that I can see him as he sits in heaven and, looking back this way, with his little hands beckons, saying, "Come on this way." Take it to God in prayer and be good to the end. His pastor, HENRY FRANCIS.

SMITH—Ruby Kendrick Smith, little daughter of J. C. and Mrs. Mary Smith, was born December 14, 1910; was dedicated to God in baptism by Rev. Mac M. Smith, pastor of Ganyon Church, January 11, 1914. She died from the bite of a snake May 25, 1914. The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. E. Morton, pastor, assisted by M. M. Smith, in the Odens Chapel Church, in the presence of a large company of kindred and friends. Her little body was quietly laid to rest in the cemetery close by the church in the "wild wood." She was named in memory of Miss Ruby Kendrick, our missionary to Korea who died but died to live again. Her life is being multiplied as the fragrance of sweet flowers; so the life of this little girl will be magnified in almost every thought of her kindred and bring a "longing for and hastening unto for the coming of the day of God." We commend the sorrow-stricken parents and kindred to Him who said, "suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." MAC M. SMITH.

DON'T STOP CULTIVATING THE CORN AND COTTON.

In the country correspondence of the press of the State, the statement is becoming frequent that "the farmers are almost ready to lay by their corn and cotton." Texas has had an unusually wet spring, which very probably indicates a dry summer and it is a well known fact that plants do not root so deeply in the wet springs. Therefore, if there has ever been a time when the crops should receive frequent shallow cultivation up to the time of making the ear or the opening of the boll that time is now. Maintaining the soil much by cultivation will keep all the moisture in the ground, moisture that will be greatly needed if there should be a season of drouth. Two or three late plowings of corn have been known to make a difference of from five to twenty per cent in the yields, and this difference expressed in dollars and cents will mean a good deal later on. Farmers should not be too ready to "lay by," since keeping at it will make the crops more profitable.

Here is the advice given to the farmer by Colonel Exall:

"We quit cultivating all of our crops too soon; laying by a crop, which means throwing a little earth to it and deserting it, costs this country a hundred million dollars a year. If I should tell you that the Fair Association had offered \$500 as a premium to the best yearling steer that would be shown this year, and that I had bought a good calf on the first of January that would be just the right age to show in October, that I had fed him properly balanced ration, right in quantity and in quality, had taken first-class care of him in every way and that he had responded splendidly to the treatment and that on the first day of July he weighed 900 pounds and I had said to him: "Buck, you have often heard me say that I am going to show you at the Fair and hope to win a premium. Now, it is true that the grass is a little short and the water is somewhat scarce and that there are ticks and mosquitoes and other things to contend with, but you have had such an unusual opportunity in the early part of your life, you are so vigorous, big and strong that it seems to me that you ought to be able from now on to take care of yourself. I want to go fishing; there is the pasture, do the very best you can and meet me on the first of October and we will show, and I hope that we can win a prize."

You have possibly carefully prepared your seed with care, that you have planted and cultivated it, keeping up a constant mulch cultivation, so as to lose no moisture by capillary attraction or unnecessary evaporation, and that you have not allowed any weed to get any nutriment or moisture that the crop should have, that you have religiously done all of these things until the corn is four feet high, vigorous and strong with a large amount of live weight to sustain and is just getting ready to determine whether it will raise one ear to the stalk or two ears, big ears or little ears, or no ears, according to whether there is enough food to sustain life, and then produce a crop, you, as a rule, treat it just as I treated Buck—throw a little earth to it, say that you have "laid it by" and go fishing or somewhere else and leave it to fight the hot winds, the dry earth, the suckers and the weeds and get ready to perform its life-work. You can not expect, under such circumstances, to win any more than I could expect to win with my prize steer, Buck."

Other crops of like nature should be cultivated with shallow cultivation that cuts no roots but does prevent loss by evaporation and loss by growth of weeds, until they are fully matured.—Texas Industrial Congress.

CROP PRIZES.

The Sunset-Central Lines have just sent to the various agents of the United States Agricultural Department in Texas under the jurisdiction of Prof. W. F. Proctor, and in Louisiana under Prof. Mason Snowden, a quantity of illustrated circulars showing the various prizes to be offered to farmers along the lines for excellence in crop productions. The prizes are as follows:

"For the best general field of corn of not less than ten acres, making the greatest production and showing the best system of cultivation: One thoroughbred Shorthorn sire. "For the second best field, under the same conditions: One thoroughbred mature Duroc-Jersey boar. "For the best general field of cotton of not

less than ten acres, showing the best production and best method of cultivation: One thoroughbred Jersey, Guernsey or Holstein sire. "For the second best general field of cotton, under the same conditions: One thoroughbred mature Berk-hire boar. "For the boy or girl making the best corn production under the boys and girls' corn and cotton club rules, a thoroughbred Jersey heifer not more than two years old. "For the boy or girl making the best production of cotton, under the same rules, one Jersey heifer not more than two years old."

Both Prof. Proctor and Prof. Snowden are enthusiastic over the proposed contest as not only stimulating the farmers to better cultivation, but also creating an interest in a better class of live stock and the entire proposition is one which will prove of vast benefit to the farmer.

Copies of the circulars will also be in the hands of the agents of the Sunset-Central Lines.

A TWENTIETH CENTURY CHILDREN'S CRUSADE.

Long experience has shown it to be impossible to turn adult Mohammedans from their faith. So now, the emphasis is to be placed on capturing the children. First, a scientific study of the conditions among the eighty million children of the Moslem world will be conducted by the Continuation Committee on Mohammedan Lands of the world's Sunday School Convention, which was held at Zurich last summer. The survey's experts will co-operate on interdenominational lines with representatives of different mission boards in Moslem lands, and with governmental officials. They will endeavor to arrive at the most effective methods of teaching, the best types of childhood literature, picture tracts and simple text-books. The survey will not be narrowly religious, nor will it merely concern the problem of the Sunday School. It will include the whole consideration of the child. The results of this significant investigation will be placed at the disposal of all the mission forces and public authorities. The completed findings will be reported at the World's Sunday School Convention to be held in Tokyo in 1916. The results given in that report will be available to all the missionary boards as the basis for a modern crusade upon Islam.

The crusades of the Middle Ages cannot compare in scope and sweep with this great crusade of the twentieth century, if the Christian Church rises to its opportunity. The present-day crusade will be conducted not by the sword, but by primer and blackboard.—Exchange.

THE KITCHEN BEAUTIFUL.

Now a word as to the kitchen beautiful; if we spend hours upon hours in this room we have a right to insist that it shall be beautiful. Happily, order, that is heaven's first law, is likewise the first law of beauty in the kitchen, and utility the keystone of its wise decoration. So we find that even a row of knives, can openers, strainers and small utensils hung up in orderly and convenient arrangement above the work table, may become an ornamental feature of the room. So, too, a well-arranged display of pots and pans conveniently hung near the range, instead of tucked away in a dark closet, is a decorative asset not to be despised. But if we mix indiscriminately together gray agateware and blue, in iron and aluminum the sought-for "effect" is lost.

A plate shelf can be made highly decorative if set out with casseroles, platters, jugs and pitchers of one kind or another, providing only that the things are suitable, harmonious in color and not too many of them. A plate shelf that becomes a "catch-all" is infinitely worse than none at all.

Finally no kitchen can be attractive that is ill-lighted; and the color of the walls has almost as much to do with this as the size of the windows. Since a woman can, as a last resort, paint the walls herself—adding perhaps a pretty stencil border—there is no good excuse for having them other than cheerful and bright. It is not necessary to be an artist; directions given in the booklets published by our best paint houses are simple and the cost small.—Exchange.

DID IT SAVE A LIFE?

"While playing around the house," writes Wm. Buchli, of Nashville, "the doctors lanced it three times. One said my leg was so drawn up that it never would be straight. For four months I could not get about only on crutches. A friend brought me some Gray's Ointment, which I began to use at once, and in four weeks I was sound and well, out playing ball." Gray's Ointment can always be depended upon to prevent serious blood poison, and to relieve malignant skin diseases such as Ulcers, Boils, Carbuncles, Old Sores, Festered Wounds, Poison Oak, etc. For a Free Sample, write Dr. W. F. Gray & Co., 850 Gray Bldg., Nashville, Tenn. 25c a box at drug stores.

MEMORABILIA! THE TRUTH IS THAT—for the people of Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and adjoining territory, Colorado Springs, Denver and Boulder, Colo., are three of the most attractive, easily reached and comparatively inexpensive vacation places in the West; that they are excellently reinforced by numerous others near by, and that, with their cool altitudes, pure and mineralized waters, delightful atmosphere and rugged picturesqueness, no equally inspiring or healthful situations can be found in any direction! With double-daily solid through trains using quick schedules between Fort Worth and Denver, including superb dining car service affording all meals at moderate prices and under conditions assuring their leisurely enjoyment, and carrying palatial observation sleepers from New Orleans, Shreveport and Dallas in connection with the Texas & Pacific Ry., also standard sleepers from Galveston, Houston, Corsicana and Dallas in connection with the Trinity & Brazos Valley Ry., and from San Antonio, Austin and Waco in connection with the Mo., Kans. & Texas Ry., the Fort Worth & Denver City Ry.—("The Denver Road")—leaves nothing to be desired in the way of transportation service to and from the delightful territory referred to—and is therefore in a class to itself. Ticket Agents of either of the several lines herein mentioned, or Mr. A. A. Glisson, G. P. A., Fort Worth, Texas, will gladly supply beautifully illustrated resort booklets, maps, schedules and information as to low-rate round-trip fares, etc., and all invite calls and correspondence.

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#### A NATION'S RELIGION, THE MEASURE OF ITS CIVILIZING INFLUENCES.

There be philosophers among us, distinguished by narrowness of vision and lack of information who decry foreign missions with such words: "Let the heathen alone; they are happy and satisfied with their religion; it is as well adapted to them as ours is to us." And one has gone so far as to say that if they live up to their religious creeds they will be as good as we, and that a beautiful, inspiring code of morality was in vogue among the people of the East centuries before Christians sat in conference to pass upon the books that now constitute our Bible. It would seem from this that Christians are a lot of fanatical bigots attempting to propagate their religion where it is not needed. But is this true?

There is only one thing wrong with the statements that misguided friends unblushingly make, and that is they are unqualifiedly false. It is well known that Asiatics have no sense of wrong in regard to matters which the Bible condemns. They are untruthful and immoral. The first chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Romans is a literal description of heathendom today. Its society is rotten and nowhere else in Asia is it more licentious than in Japan, which is lauded as the most enlightened and advanced of the Asiatic nations. Infanticide, degradation of womanhood and other wrongs still prevail in the East, while Sutteeism, cannibalism and other horrible things have been banished only through the influence of Christianity. From personal observation and from information we received in Asia from others who had had the opportunity of making a wider study of moral aspects, we are convinced that the morality of the heathen world is as black as the blackest midnight. China has had Taoism for twenty-five hundred years; Confucianism for twenty-three hundred years; Buddhism for eighteen hundred years; Moslemism for eighteen hundred years; Mohammedanism for twelve hundred

years, but we venture to say that she has made more progress in morality during the past century on account of the influence of the open Bible, whose leavening potency has been felt throughout the domains of this venerable empire, than during all the other years put together. It is a mistake to think that Confucianism, Buddhism and Mohammedanism have retarded the progress of the Eastern races. They have lifted them to as high a level as their systems were capable of doing, but have stopped there. The only nations of the East that are advancing in morality and civilization are those that are being influenced directly or indirectly by the great principles of Christianity.—Baltimore Southern Methodist.

#### ON HITTING BACK.

It is a decidedly dangerous habit to cultivate. If some one charges you wrongfully or says mean things about you, it is so natural to conclude that the only way to straighten the matter out is to try and do the same kind of thing to him. The club he throws at you, you think you ought to throw back at him, aiming it a little straighter, and throwing it a little harder. But how many times have we all found out that this business of trying to get even is a mighty poor one. Almost the universal testimony is that the very best thing to do when anyone throws anything at you that isn't coming to you, is to shut your eyes tight and pretend you don't see it. It may take a good deal of poise and self-control to do it. Your eyes may long to open themselves, and your fingers may itch to close themselves upon that missile, but if you can hold on to yourself, you will master a disagreeable situation. Don't hit back. In the first place it is undignified, and it is quite worth while maintaining your dignity. And then it is foolish, very foolish. And, worst of all, it is unchristian. You can scarcely afford to be all those three things at once.—Christian Guardian, Toronto.

# Southern Methodist University

## Action of the Commission of Education Appointed by the General Conference

The following is a paragraph from the report adopted by the General Conference in reference to the final settlement of the Vanderbilt matter, and in the location of Universities under ownership and control of the Church.

"Eighteenth. We express the belief that there should be east of the Mississippi River one such institution and one such institution west of the Mississippi River, and in this connection we express our pleasure at the establishment, by the membership of our Church in the State of Texas, of Southern Methodist University, situated and located in the city of Dallas, in said State, and commend such institution to said Commission for its consideration."

The Committee charged with this responsibility met last week in Birmingham, and the following statement from Bishop Mouzon clearly indicates the history made.

"Definite action was taken upon two things, first the establishment of a University in some city east of the Mississippi, and second, the designation of Southern Methodist University at Dallas as the University of the Church west of the Mississippi River. This was really nothing more than we had expected. There will be an other meeting of the Commission soon, at which time more definite action will probably be taken.

"Everything is just as favorable as we could expect. They are going to do everything for the University that we have a right to expect. The Commission expressed the feeling that the entire Church is to be congratulated upon what has been done here in Dallas. This means, among other things, that the entire influence of the Church will be given to making S. M. U. a great University. It means too, that the theological department will be the Biblical School of the entire Southwest and West."

This is a definite confirmation of the policy and future of S. M. U. The very fact that the Commission often referred to its timely establishment as Providential, stirs the hearts of Methodists to even greater achievements. There is nothing left but to succeed.

## Comment on Buildings of S. M. U.

President M. L. Lefler, of A. C. L., and five members of the faculty of Polytechnic College visited us Monday, and below we quote from Brother Lefler's impression of his trip to the buildings and grounds and what he thinks of Dallas Hall.

Dallas, May 11, 1914.

Dear Mr. Reedy: I had the pleasure this morning of going over Dallas Hall, your Administration Building, and want to state that while I have visited many prominent buildings for schools and universities in the United States, I feel safe in saying that this is one of the best built and planned of any I have ever seen. I think it is splendidly suited for the work of a college or university, as it seems everything has been put in and nothing left out that a school man could conceive of. I know of no higher terms to speak of your building—save as to its beauty, its suitability and substantiality—which I am free to say I think is well combined in Dallas Hall.

Yours very truly,

M. L. LEFLER,

President Alexander Collegiate Institute.

G. S. Hardy: "This is the greatest enterprise the Church has ever undertaken. You have here the foundation for the greatest university that will be in the South for the next one hundred years. When I look at these buildings and see what you are doing here I feel like I was born forty years too soon."

He thinks if it can be done, Texas Methodists ought to hold all of the annual Conferences in Dallas in 1915, the same week, at the different churches in the city with separate Bishops presiding over each. Hold the sessions of the conferences during the day and have great educational rallies at night.

Bryan, Texas, June 14, 1914.

Mr. Frank Reedy, Dallas, Texas. Dear Frank—I had to hoof it in the other day, but the mud and walk did not dampen my enthusiasm over what I saw out on the hill. I never really appreciated the magnificent location

of the campus before and those buildings surprised me. That Men's Dormitory is the most complete thing I ever saw, and for appropriate beauty and service I think nothing south of Washington can be compared to the

Administration Building. It is just great and you can put all the contents you wish into that word. I get better pleased with my investment in the University all the time.

Thanking you for your kindness in sending me out, I am, as ever,

GLENN FLINN.

The following letter from Mrs. Pritchett, of the faculty of Polytechnic College, is typical of the expressions received from those who know the needs of great school buildings: Mr. Frank Reedy, Bursar Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. Dear Mr. Reedy:

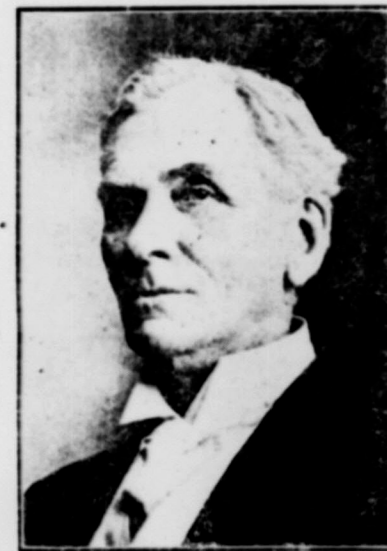
In reply to your letter of recent date in regard to my visit to the buildings of the Southern Methodist University, I wish to express, first, my appreciation of the courtesies shown me and my guest by Dr. Hyer.

The buildings seem to me to be ideal for their purposes. I cannot conceive of a dormitory building better suited to young men and to the management than the one which you so kindly showed us a few days ago. Our Church has cause to feel very proud of the possession of such edifices erected for the sole purpose of Christian education. I hope that I may again have an opportunity to visit the institution in the near future, when the buildings shall have been completed and a large student body is enthusiastically at work.

Sincerely,  
MRS. H. L. PRITCHETT.

We appreciate the fact that one of our Trustees, Rev. R. E. L. Morgan, of Oklahoma City, has been honored by his Alma Mater and we now number him with the others whom we refer to as "Doctor," and a much loved Doctor is he.

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We take much pleasure in presenting above photograph of our good friend, Dr. J. W. Carhart, of San Antonio, who recently has bequeathed to the University his magnificent private library and other personal effects that will be valuable, both in library and museum. Brother Carhart's library has been one of the finest personal collections in Texas, and coming at this time as it does, is one of our splendid gifts and it is all the more appreciated.

This is the sixth valuable collection of books given S. M. U., and we earnestly hope that this method of reaching young men and young women and inspiring such character as will strengthen the Church of the future will induce many other friends to do likewise.

Dr. Carhart's name and memory will be honored and loved through the hundreds of years of service of Southern Methodist University to humanity.



The above is the photograph of one of the most aggressive and interesting Schools in our Church—First Church, Belton. Rev. J. C. Mimms, pastor, is President of the Sunday School Board of this conference; Mr. W. C. Rylander,

superintendent, is also a member of that board. They have a membership of 350, with average attendance of 250, 27 teachers, graded lessons, home department, cradle roll. Their library contains 700 volumes and the Sunday

School is indeed proud of its music, especially its fine orchestra. The school is noted for its efficiency along all lines and has done much to keep the Church up to its high standard. The last evidence of its spirit of aggressiveness

and loyalty to all such movements is shown from the fact that Superintendent Rylander has sent in to the University office nine bonds to be credited to the Department of Religious Education, being subscribed for by classes,

with teachers as follows: H. B. Jones, F. F. Pierce, Miss Irene Scoggin, Mrs. Hattie Shine, J. F. Tarrant, Mrs. J. C. Mimms, H. R. Shine, Mrs. Oscar Lusk, G. B. Marsh. And there are other bonds yet to follow.