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EDITORIAL

CONDITION OF THINGS IN TENNESSEE.

While in Nashville and Chattanooga a few days ago we made some investigation of conditions in those cities.

In Nashville there is not much attention at the present time to the violations of the State-wide liquor laws. The Mayor of the city is in sympathy with the law violators and he goes to the limit in shielding them. In other words, he does his utmost to prevent their molestation in violating the law. Then, too, they have a District Judge and a Prosecuting Attorney who put themselves to no sort of trouble to have these violators indicted, or to prosecute them vigorously when they happen to be indicted occasionally. Under these conditions it is easily seen why the prohibition laws in Nashville are not enforced at the present time. And the same is true in Memphis. But is not the same true everywhere when the law is first tried? All over Texas in our local option counties when the law first went into effect it was poorly enforced, but by and by things changed and the law became observed. So it will be in Nashville and in Memphis. Time will solve the problem and bring officials to their senses. Public sentiment will not stand for that sort of thing, and there will be a change in those cities in course of time.

In Chattanooga things were just as bad as in Nashville and Memphis a few weeks ago. But the District Judge ruled that the presence of a United States revenue permit was prima facie evidence of the illicit sale of liquors and he instructed the Grand Jury to indict every place carrying such a permit. The Grand Jury followed the instruction and scores of the soft drink men were brought before the court and convicted. They were given a good stiff fine and from thirty to sixty days on the road. But the Judge brought them before him and told them that he would have them pay the fine, but would suspend the road sentence during good behavior; and if one of them violated the law again he would not only enforce the suspended penalty, but have them indicted on all their offenses and give them the limit of the law. As a result, Chattanooga is as dry as the enforcement of the law can make it. So it is in Knoxville, and every other town and city in the State except the two above mentioned. If those two had officials in charge like those in Knoxville and Chattanooga, the same

would be true in their cases. It will be true as time advances.

We learned from various sources that the people of the State have made up their minds that State-wide prohibition shall remain on the statute books. A vast majority of them favor the minority in the Legislature who have left Nashville and taken up temporary abode in Alabama in order to prevent a majority from tampering with the election law and the prohibition law. The people who believe in both of these laws elected a majority and sent them to the Legislature, but a number of them deserted their standard and went over to the enemy.

At the next election these mistakes will be righted. We heard many expressions of appreciation of Governor Hooper, both as a man and as an efficient official. He was elected by the best element in the Republican and the Democratic parties. Governor Patterson had at his back the worst element in both of these parties. And the faction of the Democratic party claiming to be the "Regulars," have with them some of the bitterest whiskey Republicans in the State. And so far as party is concerned, neither one is holding to its own support. They are divided on the whiskey question until the old party lines are practically wiped out. The people are lined up on moral issues and not on political questions in Tennessee. It is, "Shall corrupt politics under the regime of the whiskey interests rule the State, or will the people who oppose these interests rule?" Upon this single proposition the people are fighting out their battle in Tennessee. And in the end the good people will gloriously triumph.

ANOTHER REASON IN FAVOR OF STATE PROHIBITION.

Last week the Supreme Court of the State handed down an opinion in favor of bona fide clubs keeping and dispensing liquors to its members without having to obtain a liquor license—that is, in territory where liquor is not prohibited under local option laws. The case went up from Dallas sometime back when the County Attorney tried to get out an injunction against the Country Club of this city to restrain it from selling liquors without a license from the city, county and State.

Under this decision the Elks, the Eagles, the Country Club, or any other chartered organization with an actual membership of a permanent character, can carry on a regular saloon for their own benefit without paying to the State a dollar of revenue, or without coming under the restriction imposed upon the saloon business by the Robertson-Fitzhugh law. They can sell on Sunday, on election days, to minors, or to women, provided that they sell only to their own members, and there is no law to prevent them. Hence all that a number of tony gentlemen have to do in order to escape the liquor laws is to get them up a bona fide membership, apply to the State for a charter, and they have a right to conduct a saloon within

their club or lodge precincts and they are within the protection of the law.

This is the reason why the chartered clubs with their certified membership in Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, Galveston and other saloon centers, have their existence. Were you to take liquor privileges away from them the most of them would disband. And now the highest court in the State tells us that the law has no power to prohibit or restrain them.

The only way to reach them is not through legislative enactment, for we have tried to get several Legislatures to give us a special law against them but have failed, but to adopt State-wide prohibition, and this will sweep the saloons in the clubs and everywhere else out of existence. Nothing else will do it. But State-wide prohibition will do the work. Then, by all means, let us adopt prohibition the 22nd of July. On with the battle!

A TRUTH ACCIDENTALLY TOLD.

"Liberty," a liquor paper published in San Antonio, and which is supposed to represent the real liquor sentiment of the State, recently was caught napping and told the following truth—the first one in its history: "If we had no local option, prohibitionists would never call a State-wide election; they would know they could not win. Local option is the first step towards State-wide prohibition, and is as unjust and tyrannical as the latter." There now! We have known all the time that the real anti had no use under the sun for local option, and the pretense now set up by them that local option is an ideal system and ought not to be disturbed, is a falsehood pure and simple, and only a subterfuge. We have won every dry county under local option after a hard fought battle with the antis. They have always arrayed themselves against it as ferociously as they are now fighting State-wide prohibition, and after we have won by good majorities they have entered the courts with injunctions to prevent the Commissioners from declaring the result. And when we finally won in this initial litigation, they have gone into the higher courts and on to the Supreme Court of the United States, and done their best to defeat the will of the people as exercised under "the benign influence of local self-government."

But now when they see State-wide prohibition staring them in the face, they purr like sick kittens over the "beauties of local option." But this ignorant and crude liquor organ at San Antonio has no more sense than to blurt out loudly the very sentiment that has existence deep down in the heart of every uncompromising anti. Time without number we have heard their anti-local option speakers declare that local option is "wrong in theory and vicious in practice, and that it is undemocratic and un-American." This was back in the days when there was no thought of State-wide prohibition. But

now they have apparently changed fronts and they are agonizing over the fate of local option if the people should vote in State-wide prohibition! Their hypocrisy is monumental and without parallel in the history of moral movements.

PERSONAL LIBERTY BURIED.

From the Ballinger Daily Ledger of May 2, just as the local option law went into effect, we clip the following:

"Friday evening at 6 o'clock the citizens of Rowena buried 'Liberty.' Some 500 of the best men of that place taking part. J. J. Henkhaus led the funeral party around the square carrying a miniature coffin in his arms. This was closely followed by Hon. John Maddox, of Ballinger, and Hon. P. J. Baron, of Rowena. A hole had been dug on the public square and a monument erected with the following inscription engraved on the face, 'There Lies Our Liberty; Died April 28.'

"Hon. John Maddox made a beautiful talk which brought tears to several people's eyes in the audience. Everything was carried on orderly. On top of the tombstone was placed a bottle of whiskey and a bottle of beer, but was stolen that night."

One of these days the men who officiated at the obsequies of personal liberty will also go the way of all the earth; but that beautiful land of the West, with its increased moral sentiment, happy homes, good schools, commanding church buildings, and sober citizens will continue to flourish; and the infamous liquor traffic will only be remembered as a criminal incident in the far-off history of that proud county. The graveyard is a fine moral sanitarium and it ultimately disposes of false ideas of liberty and of those who prostitute their ability in its defense. In the meantime Runnel's County is lifting up her multiplied voice in shouting, "Farewell to the saloon and blessings upon the men and women who branded it with infamy and visited upon its diabolical head its merited vengeance." On with the battle!

The man who does not undertake to translate his convictions into action may have a creed, but has no right to lay claim to religion.

The mother who devotes more time to her clubs and societies than to her home may be popular with the women of her community, but her husband and children are not well acquainted with her.

Character has always been the product of antagonisms. The strength of an Ocean Greyhound is measured by the tempests she weathers. The journey up the mountain is irksome, but it means a range of vision. He who knows no struggle builds a character at once insipid and worthless . . .

When Misfortune snuffs out the light, have you felt in inky darkness to find a loving hand? Wretched he who finds it not and faces the valley of sighs alone Happy he who hears the whisperings of a Voice that can calm him in the time of storm. An hour like that is the supreme test . . .

LETTER FROM ALABAMA

By REV. H. B. URQUHART

Nothing has come from your pen, Mr. Editor, more significant than two of your late editorials, namely: "Undue Haste in Receiving Members Into the Church," and "The Decadence of Old Time Religion in Our Present Day." These deliverances are in complete accord with a manifest revision from the fallacies of a false optimism, and a swinging back to a greater sobriety. It is not a pessimistic cry, but the warning call of a wise prophet; and the only pity is that in the last named editorial there was apparent throughout the spirit of apology. These truths ought to be declared from the pulpit and by the religious press until the two evils are cured.

The days have been resonant with the siren song of Zion's prosperity by men who, lured by selfish ends, have held cheap her sacred altars. They have exulted in her material progress as the supreme evidence of her spiritual vitality, often the best evidence of the absence of spiritual life. That the Church is of God and that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it is quite sufficiently evident from the fact that she survives the treachery of false prophets and flies from the embrace of seducers and the debauchery of their unholy caresses to the outstretched arms of pulsing hearts and streaming eyes that have loved and wept for her. These are they who let low the bars for the incoming of every spiritually halt and blind unrepentant one that will swell the sum total of membership by a single unit. These are they who with enjoining words have enticed many an unwary sinner uncleaned of his leprosy into joining the Church and have admitted him with all his uncleanness to the sacred privileges of the Church's sacraments simply upon his untutored affirmation of their requirements.

Man an unawakened sinner has perished in the delusion, perpetrated by such prophets, that shrouds as non-essential "ye must be born again," or regards the new birth as an easy and not altogether uncomfortable transition, and ridicule the idea of a radical and verifiable change of heart. Ye must be born again regardless of your Church membership, for "except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." And this does not mean merely a change of "attitude," but a change of heart, a renewing of the nature. "If any man be in Christ he is a new creature."

Bishop Wilson's recent utterance is exactly in line: "We take people into the Church too easily these days. You have never impressed them with the heinousness of sin; that the only way to be saved is to be born again. We find a man living very decently in a community and we say, 'You ought to be in the Church,' when really so far as being born again is concerned, there is many a heathen who could come in as well. What is the ground upon which a man should come? 'Ye must be born again'—not a work on the outside, but in the heart and life, accomplished by the Spirit of God. That is the ground of entrance. I do not hesitate to say that no man should come into the Church unless he has been born again, or is earnestly seeking it."

The senior Bishop and you, Mr. Editor, become here double accusers. And against whom lies this accusation? The charge stands against the ministry of the Church, for they alone have the power and authority to admit to the fellowship of the Church. Did this change come from a less eminent source some were ready to cry out in derision. But here is the senior Bishop of the Church, the Church's beloved, whose garments are girded with the rays of a coming day, who lays at the feet of the ministry this solemn charge; and by his side stands the faithful and observant editor.

These men are not prone to vagaries; they speak the words of stern conviction, the one the call of the stalwart warrior in the hottest fight; the other the warning cry of the veteran whose hoary faith now lays hold upon victory and fruition. The utterances of these men are worthy of thought for they are weighty words and not idle.

Shall Church membership be cheapened as a thing unworthy of serious thought and solemn prayer? Shall not a man count the cost and deeply consider its solemn vows before assuming its obligations. Gethsemane's awful shadows fall athwart the Church and hallow its precincts; a crown of thorns and cruel mockery, with suffering and humiliation, cry "sacred," the uplifted cross and a dying Christ proclaim "divine;" angels and all heaven take up

the refrain and cry "holy, holy." Shall man cheapen the Church of God? What burning shame that men should prostitute to their personal ends her sacred vows and exalted privileges. No greater condemnation will come to the unfaithful minister than that he treated as unhallowed the Church ransomed and sanctified by the blood of the Son of God. It were to treat as common and trample upon the very agony of soul of the Son of God. It were to barter for a price, "O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me;" it were to drag down in cheap exchange with mock solemnity, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani."

Sinful and suffering humanity cry out for the sanctity of the Church. Debauched sin, crushed and hopeless it calls from out its despair and darkness to the Church to cancel and break the guilt and power of sin. No other help it knows. God is not revealed to it except through the Church. It is the Church that must interpret the Scriptures to a sinful world. With the Church is the world's hope for with the Church is the knowledge of God, and to her the world calls, "Show us the Christ."

The bitter cry of the lost, perishing in complete hopelessness and forever gone away from God, in abandoned tones of utter despair calls back for the purity of the Church.

The suffering Christ, sinful humanity and lost souls speak for the purity of the ministry and sanctity of the Church.

The decadence of old time religion in our present day grows out of a decadent ministry and a consequent cheapening of the Church. Here opens a fertile field for thought and fervent discussion—a discussion that should be honest, candid and pointed. We are upon times and conditions when in the fear of God, putting aside indirectness and generalities, we should speak the truth one with another in love. Honest men in peril face the truth with candor.

We are a mighty people, but God is not with us as of old. There is cause, and this the Church should seek to know and, removing, return unto the Lord. And in this respect it remains for the ministry to take the lead.

The first need of the Church is for a consecrated ministry. That the Church needs an educated ministry may be true; but we need a ministry, first of all consecrated. We have emphasized an educated ministry at the expense of a consecrated ministry. The young man of modern college education seems not equipped with the gift and grace of evangelism; and here may be the weak point which has developed the professional evangelist, who is adept in swaying men, but not usually a college man. This is a circumstance worthy of consideration. It often occurs that a modern college young man cannot equal in effectiveness the young man without such advantage in the general work of the ministry. This is not an argument against education for the ministry, but may be an argument against the spirit or method of education. The Wesleys and Whitefield were the greatest of evangelists while they were the best educated men; but their education was that type that did not spoil them; or it may be they were the type of men which education could not spoil. At any rate it is a serious question whether our ministry has not been impaired by an almost exclusive stressing of education to the neglect of consecration. Quiet but thoughtful men have seen danger here.

An educated and cultured ministry without spiritual power is a decadent ministry under which the Church will suffer, and the decadence of godliness will be a consequence. The decadence of the ministry involves a number of questions, first among which may be soundness of administration and fidelity to doctrine.

Included in administration is episcopal supervision and the exercise of a wholesome general discipline by the pastor. Episcopacy must mean something in vital touch with the whole life of the Church. But it has come to pass that very largely the ministry alone receives intimate episcopal oversight, while it is almost unknown to the Church in the broad life of its membership. The ministry feels the touch of episcopal authority while to the Church it is an unknown quantity; and neither the ministry nor the Church feel the touch of sympathetic episcopal fellowship. The very heart of episcopacy is destroyed by the too exacting formalism of cold executive functions. Its mellow effectiveness is just in proportion as it comes in sympathetic helpfulness in touch with all the Church. The Church by making it a machine has impaired the episcopacy. From being chief in pastorate it has degenerated to be a servant of tables. Far better would it be to elect strong laymen to do much of the work now put upon the

episcopacy that it might be given wholly to the general pastorate. Removed largely from the office of the ministry, they are deserving of our tenderest sympathy and prayers. If our chiefs be drawn from the one business here is the first entering in of a decadent ministry. Have they lost the grace of working with sinners? Then here must be the first return to the old time way.

An effective ministry must stand for something in discipline. Laxity here is death. There is no escaping this result. If we put no difference between the world and the Church the world is not helped, but the Church dies. God will not witness but withdraws his presence when the world and the Church lie down together. He is a jealous God.

So also a live ministry must stand for something in doctrine. The Church was in her spiritual glory when her doctrines found expression in life. It is virility of conviction that counts. Here we are a divided ministry. A widespread disclaimer of many of our doctrines exists amongst us, and the

doctrines that made us a mighty people are called in question. They remain the same in our books, but not in our faith and life. Therefore, the standard of our religious life is lowered, the resultant of a decadent ministry.

Let every Methodist doctrine be honestly, sincerely, tearlessly, and understandingly proclaimed without compromise, and the preacher will be surprised at the results, one of the greatest of which will be that it will either make himself a better man or drive him voluntarily from the pulpit. An honest man cannot preach these doctrines understandingly without becoming better, or quitting. To be sure the people will get mad, and your superior most likely will not stand with you. "Lo, I am with you alway." Go on. Victory is ahead. God will honor the doctrine.

To a decadent ministry may be charged unsoundness of administration, laxity of discipline, and infidelity in doctrine. These three explain the decadence of old time religion in our present day.

Girard, Ala.

The Book of Supreme Influence

An Address Delivered by Hon. W. J. BRYAN, at the Celebration of the Three Hundredth Anniversary of the King James Translation of the Bible, Held at Chicago, May 4, 1911

For nineteen hundred years the battle between the spiritual and the material conceptions of life has raged around the Bible. "Search the Scriptures," was the command of Christ and to the Scriptures the Christian world has turned ever since for its authority.

Atheists and materialists have assailed the Bible at every point; they have disputed the facts which it sets forth and ridiculed the prophecies which it recites; they have rejected the account which it gives of the creation and scoffed at the miracles which it records. They have denied the existence of the God of the Bible and have sought to reduce the Savior to the stature of a man. They have been as bold as the prophets of Baal in defying the Living God and in heaping contempt upon the Written Word. Why not challenge the atheists and the materialists to put their doctrines to the test? When Elijah was confronted by a group of scorners who mocked at the Lord whom he worshiped, he invited them to match the power of their God against the power of his and he was willing to concede superiority to the one who would answer with fire. When the challenge was accepted he built an altar, prepared a sacrifice, and then, to leave no room for doubt, he poured water upon the wood and the sacrifice—poured until the water filled the trenches about. So firm was his trust that he even taunted his adversaries with their failure while his proofs were yet to be presented. The prophets of Baal, he said to their credit, had enough confidence in their God to agree to the test, and their disappointment was real when he failed them—they gashed themselves with knives when their entreaties were unanswered.

Why not a Bible test? The Book of Books has lived and grown through the centuries; we are celebrating the three hundredth anniversary of the King James translation. The Christian world has confidence in the Bible; it presents the book as the word of God but the attacks made upon it by its enemies continue in spite of the growth of the Bible's influence. The Christian world, by its attitude presents a challenge to the opposition and this is an opportune moment to emphasize the challenge—the moment when Christianity around the world is celebrating the triumphs that the Bible has won during the past three centuries.

Is the Bible the work of man, or is it an inspired book? Is it the product of human wisdom, or did its authors speak as they were commanded by the Lord?

Atheists and materialists declare that it is merely the work of man—that it was written under the limitations that apply to human wisdom. Taking this position, they must necessarily contend that, unless man has degenerated in ability and declined in wisdom, he can now produce a book equal to the Bible. Let them produce it.

Judged by human standards, man is far better prepared to write a Bible now than he was when our Bible was written. The characters whose words and deeds are recorded in the Bible were members of a single race; they lived among the hills of Palestine in a territory scarcely larger than one of

our counties. They did not have printing presses and they lacked the learning of the schools; they had no great libraries to consult, no steam boats to carry them around the world and make them acquainted with the various centers of ancient civilization; they had no telegraph wires to bring them the news from the ends of the earth and no newspapers to spread before them each morning the doings of the day before. Science had not unlocked Nature's door and revealed the secrets of rocks below and stars above. From what a scantily supplied storehouse of knowledge they had to draw, compared with the unlimited wealth of information at man's command to-day! And yet these Bible characters grapple with every problem that confronts mankind, from the creation of the world to eternal life beyond the tomb. They have given us a diagram of man's existence from the cradle to the grave and they have set up sign-posts at every dangerous point along the path. We turn back to the Bible for the Ten Commandments which form the foundation for our statute law and for the sermon on the mount, which lays down the rules for our spiritual growth. The Bible gives us the story of the birth, the words, the works, the crucifixion, the resurrection and the ascension of Him whose coming was foretold in prophecy, whose arrival was announced by the angel voices, singing Peace and Good Will—the story of Him who gave to the world a code of morality superior to anything that the world had known before or has known since—the story of Him who is the growing figure of all time, whom the world is accepting as Savior and as the perfect example.

Let the atheists and the materialists produce a better Bible than ours, if they can. Let them collect the best of their school to be found among the graduates of universities—as many as they please and from every land. Let the members of this selected group travel where they will, consult such libraries as they please, and employ every modern means of swift communication. Let them glean in the fields of geology, botany, astronomy, biology and zoology, and then roam at will wherever science has opened a way; let them take advantage of all the progress in art and in literature, in oratory and in history—let them use to the full every instrumentality that is employed in modern civilization; and when they have exhausted every source, let them embody the results of their best intelligence in a book and offer it to the world as a substitute for this Bible of ours. Have they the confidence that the prophets of Baal had in their God? Will they try? If not, what excuse will they give? Has man fallen from his high estate, so that we cannot rightfully expect as much of him now as nineteen centuries ago? Or does the Bible come to us from a source that is higher than man—which?

But our case is even stronger. The opponents of the Bible cannot take refuge in the plea that man is retrograding. They loudly proclaim that man has grown and that he is growing still. They boast of a world-wide advance and their claim is founded upon fact. In all matters except in the science of life, man has made wonderful progress. The mastery of the mind over the forces of nature seems almost complete, so far do we surpass the ancients in harnessing the water, the wind and the lightning.

For ages, the rivers plunged down the mountain sides and exhausted their energies without any appreciable contribution to man's service; now they are estimated as so many units

of horse-power and we find that their fretting and foaming was merely a language which they employed to tell us of their strength and of their willingness to work for us. And, while falling water is becoming each day a larger factor in burden-bearing, water, rising in the form of steam, is revolutionizing the transportation methods of the world.

The wind that first whispered its secrets of strength to the flapping sail is now turning the wheel at the well.

Lightning, the dread demon that, from the dawn of creation, has been rushing down its zig-zag path through the clouds as if intent only upon spreading death has been metamorphosed into an errand-boy and brings us illumination from the sun and carries our messages around the globe.

Inventive genius has multiplied the power of a human arm and supplied the masses with comforts of which the rich did not dare to dream a few centuries ago. Science is ferreting out the hidden causes of disease and teaching us how to prolong life. In every line except in the line of character-building, the world seems to have been made over, but the marvelous changes by which old things have become new only emphasize the fact that man, too, must be born again, while they show how important are material things to touch the soul of man and transform him into a spiritual being. Wherever the moral standard is being lifted up—wherever life is becoming larger in the vision that directs it and richer in its fruitage, the improvement is traceable to the Bible and to the influence of the God and Christ of whom the Bible tells.

The atheist and the materialist must confess that man ought to be able to produce a better book to-day than man, unaided, could have produced in any previous age. The fact that they have tried, time and time again, only to fail each time more hopelessly, explains why they will not—why they cannot—accept the challenge thrown down by the Christian world to produce a book worthy to take the Bible's place.

They have prayed to their God to answer with fire—prayed to inanimate matter with an earnestness that is pathetic—they have employed in the worship of blind force a faith greater than religion requires, but their Almighty is asleep. How long will they allow the search for the strata of stone and fragments of fossil and decaying skeletons that are strewn around the house to absorb their thoughts to the exclusion of the architect who planned it all? How long will the agnostic, closing his eyes to the plainest truths, cry "night, night," when the sun in his meridian splendor announces that noon is here.

The Bible has stamped its impress upon the map of the world; its boundaries are clearly marked and the light that emanates from the Christian nations is flowing outward toward those who sit in darkness. Back of the progress that marks the present-day is the code of morals that Christ proclaimed and back of that code of morals is the divine character of Him who is both Son of God and Savior of mankind. It is not necessary to rely upon his birth as a virgin's child or upon his mysterious resurrection to prove his claim to our worship. "He walks to-day along the shores of every sea" and performs that continuing miracle which we behold when a man begins "to hate the things he loved and to love the things he hated"—that mysterious power that converts the selfish, self-centered human being into a center from which good influences flow out in every direction.

The followers of Buddha may look upon life as a misfortune, if they will, and see escape only in the loss of individual identity—"the dew-drop melting into the sea;" those who believe in the Bible will still regard life as a great opportunity to be crowned with a heavenly reward.

The followers of the Arab prophet may put their faith in force and rely upon the sword for proselyting power; those who believe in the Bible will still trust in the persuasive influence of love and depend upon its manifestations to bring recruits to the army of the Prince of Peace.

The followers of Confucius may content themselves with the negative philosophy of their teacher; those who believe in the Bible renew their strength in proportion as they embody in their lives the precepts of Him who would make man a positive force for good—an overflowing spring.

The materialist may confine his thoughts to the things that the senses can weigh and measure; the Christian's faith reaches out toward the throne above and takes hold upon the verities that the mind cannot grasp.

The atheist may delude himself with the thought that he has driven God out of the universe; the Christian sees the Creator everywhere, hears His voice in the promptings of conscience and feels His presence in his heart.

To the doubts and "I do not know" of the agnostic, the Christian, Bible in hand, answers: "I believe."

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Conscious Existence for the Soul After Death

Sermon Proached by REV. FRED A. BOND at Noita, Texas, April 2, 1911

I am well aware that there are people who teach that man is a material being, body, soul and spirit. They say man is wholly a material being, and that when he dies he is just like the hog, or horse, or any other animal; and that all the soul he has goes into the grave with the body and remains there in absolute unconsciousness till the resurrection, and then man will wake up and go to the judgment, and the righteous will be given eternal life, and the wicked will be burned up, or annihilated. So I have concluded to preach you this sermon, and see what we can find out on the subject. As proof of my proposition I shall give you first four Bible characters — three of them are named, three of them the Bible says died, two that died, the Bible says were buried; and yet we have them all alive—two of them here in conversation with the Lord Jesus in the presence of three living witnesses to testify to the fact, and the other two both alive—one of them in a state of happiness and joy, the other in a state of misery and woe, if the Scriptures are to be believed. Then I will call your attention to a large number, how many I do not pretend to know, for the Bible does not say, who lived in this world and were put to death in various ways; and yet we have them alive and in a state of conscious existence, and the blessed old Book tells us just where they are. So now, without any further preliminary, I will proceed at once: The first character I call your attention to is that of Moses. Now I do not suppose that anyone would deny that there was a man lived years ago who was named Moses; you are all perfectly familiar with his history—you remember that God sent him, with Aaron, into Egypt to deliver the children of Israel, you remember how they finally went out of Egypt and through the Red Sea. I can not follow his history any further; we see that he has been here, but what became of him? Now if you will turn to Deuteronomy 34, and begin at the fifth verse, you will find this: "So Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the Land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. And he buried him in a valley in the Land of Moab, over against Beth-peor; but no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day." Now here we have the statement that Moses died, and was buried; and if he was a material being, body, soul, and all, as some folks would have us think, then where God put the body, there he put the soul also, and there they will remain until the resurrection, unless you can prove that he separated the material soul from the material body, and carried the material soul somewhere else and put it away; and we will never hear tell of him any more until the resurrection; so we will leave Moses there now in that grave, and take up the second character. And his name was Elijah. Now I am sure that no person would be so foolish as to deny the fact that there lived a man in ancient days who was named Elijah. You are all familiar with his history; you remember how that God came to him one time and said, "Elijah, I have a message for you to deliver to Ahab;" you remember how he went to him and told him that because of their sins God was going to send a drouth on the land; and when it came, then how Ahab sought for Elijah, and how that he was sent again to meet Ahab, and God said, "I will send rain upon the earth;" you are also familiar with the test of who was the true God, and how the fires came down and consumed the sacrifice after it had been saturated with twelve barrels of water, and then a trench cut around the altar and filled with water. Why do you suppose he had them to do that? Well, he was expecting the fire to come, and he also knew that those false prophets had been accustomed to secret fire on their altars when they offered their sacrifices, and by the time they went through with their order of service the whole thing would be on fire, and they had thereby been blinding the people and making them believe that those dumb idols were consuming the sacrifice; and Elijah wanted to show them that he had not put any kind of a job on them like that. Well, we have seen that he was here, but what went with him? Where is he now? In 2 Kings, chapter 2

and verse 11, we have this: "And it came to pass, as they still went on and talked that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven." Now here we have the simple record of the Book as to what went with Elijah. Will we ever see or hear of him any more? Yes; if you will go to the Gospel of Matthew and begin at the first of Chapter 17 you will find this: "And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, and was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him." Now, who is there with Jesus? The Book says that Peter, James and John were there; and who did Moses and Elijah appear to? The Book says, to them. And to show you that the disciples saw them, I call your attention to verse 4: "Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias." This shows that the disciples saw them and knew them. How did they know anything about them? Moses had been dead for fifteen centuries, or nearly so, and Elijah had been in heaven nearly nine centuries; but they are here and able to talk with the Lord Jesus, and Luke tells us that they talked with him about his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem; showing us beyond the possibility of dispute that not only was Moses alive, but he was able to talk and know something about what is going to happen in the future. Now I assert that no language could make any fact any plainer than these Scriptures make the fact that the soul does not go into the grave with the body and stay there in absolute unconsciousness. Well, now, the other two characters are found in Luke 16, and beginning at the nineteenth verse: "There was a certain rich man which was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores. And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores." So here we have the other two, but what went with them? They have been here, but they are not here now. Well, Luke tells us what went with them, in the same chapter, beginning at verse 22, "And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried." Now, if the inspired penman had quit right there, and never penned another sentence in regard to the subject, we might have concluded that the soul goes into the grave with the body; but, thank God, he did not stop there, but he pulled aside the curtain of the future and shows us just what became of these two men. "And in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom." Well, what was he doing? The record is that he cried and said: "Father Abraham, have mercy on me; and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame." And Abraham said, "Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus his evil things, but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented; and besides all this between us and you there is a great gulf that is fixed so that it is impossible for one to pass from hence to you." And so far as the record goes to show, he had all the faculties of being that he ever had; he is able to recognize Lazarus, and he can remember, for Abraham calls on him to remember that during life he had his good things, he is also capable of feeling, for he said, "I am tormented in this flame." He is also sensible to thirst, for he said, "Send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented." "Yes," says some one, "I believe all that, preacher, but that is describing things that will take place after the resurrection and the judgment; I believe men will be conscious then, and I believe that the wicked will be utterly burned up and annihilated." Well, let us see whether this is representing things that will take place after the judgment: When the rich man saw that he was forever beyond the reach of hope or mercy, saw that his case was forever settled, then he turned his eyes back to his father's house, and said, "I pray thee, then, that thou wouldst send him to my father's house." Where do you suppose that was? I would guess it was somewhere in the country around Jerusalem. Well, what is the matter there, that he wanted Lazarus to go

there? He said, "For I have five brothers there, that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment." Now, the Bible says that when the Lord shall come with all the holy angels, that before him shall be gathered all nations, and he shall separate them as a shepherd does his sheep from the goats; and when that time comes there will not be anyone here to warn and admonish, but the rich man is calling for Lazarus to go and warn his five brothers, showing beyond dispute that the soul of the rich man at least was not in the grave in an unconscious state. And I assert that no language could make anything any plainer than this passage makes the fact that the soul does not go into the grave with the body, and there remain in a state of unconsciousness till the resurrection; and so far as this record shows, there is not even a single hour intervening between the death of the rich man and his lifting up his eyes in hell, and being in torments. So this completes the four characters. And the next thing I call your attention to is a vast multitude, how many I do not know, for the Bible does not say, but they have lived in the world and were put to death in various ways, but we have them all alive, in a state of conscious existence, if the Scriptures are to be believed; and, thank God, the blessed old Book tells us just where they are. We are not left to grope our way in darkness and uncertainty in regard to the future. So, then to the Book we will go and see what we can learn about it. My first Scripture is Revelations, and beginning at sixth chapter and verse 9 we have this: "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow-servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled." Now here we have the statement that John saw the souls of some of the martyrs, and that they were crying for the avenging of their blood on somebody that is still dwelling here on the earth; and it is not possible for anything to be made any plainer than this Scripture makes the fact that the soul does not go into the grave with the body, and remain there in a state of absolute unconsciousness, as some folks would have you believe. "Well," says someone, "but, preacher, that Scripture does not tell us where those souls were, and you said that the Bible tells us just where they are." Now, if we can locate the altar, then we have the place where John said he saw them located: so we will see if we can get a Scripture that locates the altar; and in Revelations 8:3 we have this: "And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne." Now, here we have one Scripture that locates the altar before the throne; and if we can find a Scripture that locates the throne, we will have the altar more definitely located. So we will see if we can do that. In Revelations 9:13 we have this, still in regard to the altar: "And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God," so we have here a verse that says the altar is before God. The next Scripture is in Revelations 14:17, "And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven." Here we have the statement that the temple is in heaven; and now we will go back to Revelations, seventh chapter and ninth verse, and read: "After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude that no man could number of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God forever and ever. * * * These are they which came out of great tribulations, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb, therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them." Well, what do you suppose he means by that statement, "Serve him day and night in his temple?" for Revelations 21:25 says: "And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day, for there shall be no night there." Surely, then, that ex-

pression, "Serve him day and night in his temple," can not mean anything else than while day and night continues with us here they are in heaven serving him. Now let me put these things together and see what we have. First, we have the temple in heaven, for I have read it to you in the Bible; and, second, we have the throne in the temple, for the Bible says so; and, third, we have the altar before the throne, for the Book says so; and, fourth, we have the souls of the martyrs and a great multitude of others before the throne, and therefore they are in heaven; and we, therefore, are forced to the conclusion that the soul does not go into the grave with the body and there remain in a state of absolute unconsciousness. No, thank God, the soul will survive the ravages of death and live on forever, either in happiness and joy, or in misery and woe. Thank God for the hope of heaven when this life is ended; for the hope of reunion with the loved ones that have gone on before. My father and mother are both there, and many of the loved ones are gone never to return; but, thank the Lord, we can go to them.

JUDGE BROWN TALKS.

Discusses the 300th Anniversary of the Translation of the Bible.

At the anniversary meeting to celebrate the 300th anniversary of King James' translation of the English Bible, held at the First Presbyterian Church, Austin, Texas, Sunday, April 30, 1911, Judge Brown, the chief justice of the supreme court of the State of Texas, made an address.

That the translation made by the learned men appointed by King James 300 years ago to make translation of the Bible was a great event in the progress of civilization of the world and the beginning of the common use of the Bible for the common people. Before this time the progress and enthusiasm of learned men in regard to this book came up for gradual process to this time. For many years before this event it was only considered to be the book for few who could read were supposed to be superior beings and the only ones able to think correctly. That the progress of the English Bible and the reading of it by the common people had made strong English speaking nations and the sentiment has grown among these nations that there should be universal peace, and the recent celebrations throughout the country have emphasized the sentiment, as stated in the London Bible Jubilee, that a war between English-speaking people would be a crime against civilization and a sin in the light of the New Testament principles on which the English speaking people have been reared.

That by the influence of this book the morals had been improved of both of the family and political life. By the teaching of this book his old father and his sons never carried arms, which was a common practice, to be ready to resent any imaginary danger, disagreement or offense.

They had experienced no trouble, great progress had been made in circulation and reading the book. It was the fundamental of the best of all laws in every nation.

The Bible contained the plain simple truth for every man and every woman in every nation, and the law by which he will be judged, and each individual must be accountable for himself before God, but before the judgment he has the right of repentance, to go direct to God and claim a pardon in the name of His son.

As an old man he was not pessimistic; by that he saw a great future when every individual tribe and nation will be the subject of the King of Glory.

CONCERNING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

In this article I do not expect to use any high-sounding words, nor give so much time to correct language; but will give some of my thoughts with reference to our young people.

I remember as correctly as if it were but yesterday when I turned to the good. Until that time I had few or no thoughts of the future. I cared for nothing but the present, and it seems now as if the concern I had for the present was but a dream, and while reading one night, all of a sudden, as if awakened out of a sound sleep, I saw my real self—my past life, with all of its folly and sin—came and stood before me; and as I beheld it I heard myself saying, "By the grace of God I am going to be a Christian gentleman," and when I had put this determination into effect it was a surprise to me that I had not done it sooner. And I am of the opinion that there are many to-day in just such a condition, merely drifting along with the easy tide of life which leads to destruction, who, if appealed to in the right way or brought in touch with the right thing would turn to things that are high and noble much sooner than

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Good literature is a channel through which many a young person can be reached; or it may be just one word spoken at the right time, or a single act in the life of some godly man that will cause them to stop and think and reflect on their past lives. There are many who are ambitious to achieve great things as far as worldly matters are concerned at a remarkably early age; and is this because they naturally take to these things, or is it not because this side of their lives has been appealed to? Nor do I in the least mean to discard this work, for it is good that one should be thus aroused, but it is my candid opinion that a great many of our people are taking pains to stress this side of the question and are neglecting the most important one of all, namely, of having fellowship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and when we do this we will get results. A great many times we realize good results with very little real effort on our part, for the field is white unto harvest; and the souls of men are laying bare to a cold, unfriendly world, and we should go out and pluck this fruit to the glory of God. It may be we pass a man day after day and think little or nothing about him, when if we could see through all of the outward part we would find in him, buried deep beneath human sorrow, heart-aches, disappointments and the lack of encouragement, a priceless jewel—a great loving heart longing for the things of God. Then let us go to the crowd—the ignorant, worldly, immoral—just as they are. The Spirit of God is striving with them. And if, while the Spirit says come, the bride says come, out of these stones, hard as they are, will arise children to Abraham.

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Notes From the Field

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE.

Clarendon.

Clarendon Methodism is jubilant with high expectations, anticipating the great privileges of the next few days. On Sunday, the 21st inst., Rev. B. W. Dodson, of Memphis, a veritable thesaurus of learning and knowledge, will preach the annual sermon for the city school, and on the 28th inst. Bishop Mouzon, the Chrysostom of Texas Methodism, will deliver the commencement sermon for Clarendon College. Such is the appetizing bill of fare prepared for us by our splendid school men. Immediately after the commencement exercises the theological institute will begin. This is the first time it has been essayed, but the brethren have signified great interest in it and there is promise of a fine attendance. The program is filled with great promise. Bishop Mouzon, Dr. Joan A. Rice and Vanderbilt's great Gus Dyer, the only one of his kind, and many others of note, are on the program. There is no doubt it will be "a feast of reason and a flow of soul." I believe some one has said that before. We hope the Advocate's editor can come up and enjoy the rare rest and exhilarating air and helpful words the Panhandle Athens and its college halls provide for special occasion. As for the responsibilities left with the Methodists in this end of the earth it is enough to say that we are ready to render account. Clarendon District Conference closed last week. There was every token of new life, high purpose, widening vision, glowing hope and consuming zeal. Bro. Story has his hand on the helm and the ship is steadily bidding defiance to wind and wave. The brethren are full of hope. Reports indicate precious faith and deepening experiences. Revivals are breaking out here and there. Prosperity seems surely smiling on the land. Promise is bright for a great year. But probably the Secretary will give you full report. As for ourselves, we are constantly endeavoring to promote righteousness and win souls. The great host of Methodists press on daily into new and more blessed experiences.—S. E. Wasson, May 18.

Denton Mission.

Our second Quarterly Conference for the Denton Mission convened at Dudley, Texas, May 13 and 14. Rev. S. A. Barnes, our very efficient presiding elder, was on hand and in his place, preaching and presiding with his usual power and grace. Everything considered, we think things are moving along fairly well over here. Our finances are somewhat slow in coming in, but we expect to make it all O. K. on the home stretch. Some of the main events of our Quarterly Conference were a great sermon by the presiding elder at 11 a. m., a prohibition rally at night, in which Dr. Barnes delivered a great address on State-wide prohibition. Sunday at 11 a. m., another great sermon to a great crowd. We all went our way rejoicing in the fact that God had wonderfully blessed us and given us the victory again.—C. E. Lynn, P. C., May 17.

Ward Memorial, Stamford.

That some will be interested in hearing a word from this field, we feel sure. We have just closed our revival meeting with results that make us thank God and take courage. There was good interest manifested in the services from the start, conversions resulting all along with continued regularity until the close of the meeting. Nearly thirty professed faith in Christ, and most of this number united with our Church. The spiritual life of the Church was renewed, many who were lukewarm renewed their covenants with God, and a most wholesome religious atmosphere now abounds. The pastor was fortunate in securing the assistance of Brother R. H. Woods, of Abilene, revival singer and personal worker, than whom there is seldom a better found. His consecration to God's cause is a benediction to all with whom he comes in contact. Many date their conversion in this meeting to a personal meeting with Brother Woods. He uses the sword of the Spirit and prayer. Our presiding elder, Brother Putman, and the pastor of St. John's, Rev. Robert E. Goodrich, kindly assisted the pastor with the preaching, and made possible the notes of victory in this campaign for souls. From the day of our coming here there has been a marked spiritual atmosphere, which has been responsible for some conversions along during the year at the regular services. We hope to keep this revival fire burning on the altar, and to see

souls saved at each regular preaching service. Every member taken in has been previously taught concerning the vows assumed, and we feel that the work has been intelligently done, and that the same will abide. All departments of the Church work at Ward Memorial are in fine shape, for which we give God the glory.—Frank Meadows, Pastor, May 18.

Hylton.

I have just returned from Slater's Chapel, where our second Quarterly Conference was held. Brother Shaw was on hand, and preached to the comfort and delight of all present; a well-filled house. Simeon, as he is called by his most intimate brethren, is a great man, a lovable man and a great missionary. We have learned to love him so much. But you need not think you can laze around and fare well under his administration. When he says "Go," we go—and some go out of the district. Conference was held in the afternoon, with good attendance; all places represented, except one; good reports, all things considered. Brother Shaw got sick and we had to send him home on Sunday, and I had to fill his place. Well, you boys know how things went off. Possibly I did not preach as big a sermon as he would have, but I got the biggest text you most ever saw. So we had a fine time and a good day. The dinner—if you could have been there to have seen it! My wife was along, too. I don't eat so awfully much, but she got one square meal. And you ought to have heard her talk about those good folks. She thinks we are in the swim, and she thinks almost as much of Shaw as of Gus Barnes. Then Monday morning found us visiting ten homes of the sick and infirm, reading, talking and praying. "Freely ye give, freely ye receive." We cried and shouted, and thanked God that it has ever been our privilege to come this way, and that God has laid his hand on us for this great and responsible work. I love these people like my own. One subscriber to the Advocate. God bless it and its many readers. May the editor live long to fight the battles of sin, and with his efforts and ours together may we drive the saloon out of our great State.—J. M. Slatten, P. C., May 16.

Blanket.

Blanket high school closed May 5. There were most excellent entertainments on Thursday and Friday nights at the school building, and the pupils showed that they had been hard at work, and have made rapid improvements. Prof. Eaton, as principal, seemed to have given general satisfaction. And I believe the five assistants gave about as good satisfaction. We had as good a school this year as you generally see in any town of 1000 or 1500 people. Sunday following at 11 o'clock, in the Methodist Church, our Junior pastor, Rev. Humphrey Lee, preached one of the best commencement sermons I have ever heard—I mean one of the most spiritual sermons, as well as intellectual. Brother Humphrey is quite young indeed, but he seems to be filled with the love of God and his finished education is no injury to him, for he knows how to use it for the glory of God and the good of his fellow man. May God continue to greatly bless him, and the people with whom he labors. Education is a great blessing to anyone if it is seasoned with the love of God. Brother Lee, our Junior pastor, is doing fine on Blanket charge. He preached a very spiritual sermon last Sunday, May 14, to the mothers. It was plain, practical and very instructive. We are very well pleased, Bishop, with our two pastors—one of the biggest and two among the best in the Central Conference. I must not close without saying that we've been thinking for several years that we had one of the best presiding elders in the conference, and now we almost know it. He is a dandy, good one. That was a great sermon that Brother Gus Barnes preached to his District Conference and was published in the Advocate and every preacher and layman ought to have read it, or heard it. But our presiding elder gives us sermons as good as that. His people certainly are pleased with his work in general.—W. R. Crockett, L. D., May 15.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Boerne.

This has been the best year, so far, of this charge, as far back as the people can remember. In the beginning we planned to beautify the church and parsonage. We put \$300 in this work. Then we planned the

revival at Boerne. We have taken in nineteen members, making fifty-one members received in the eighteen months I have been on this charge. We have added three to the W. H. M. Society, which makes fourteen members in all. Sunday was a red letter day for us. After preaching at Comfort to a large and appreciative congregation, Rev. S. H. C. Burgin came with me to Boerne for the night service. That day the Episcopalians had a great Church picnic with dinner on the ground, so we naturally expected a small crowd that night, but to our surprise the house was full and at the close of the service we raised about \$35 for the conference collections. This insures my collections, which were raised 30 per cent over what was paid last year. The people are becoming more interested all the time in the Church. We intend to have Bro. Rector, of Galveston, in July, and make a special effort to reach the German people, who are in the majority here. We propose to do something for our Lord here in spite of the world, flesh and the devil. I cannot close without saying something about our presiding elder. He is one man that the German people will come and hear. The people are simply elated over his preaching. He is a man that not only tries to do things, but just gets out and does them. No place is too small or too far away to receive his attention. He spends his time with the preachers and helps them. We want to say that we are for Burgin for Bishop or any other office that he aspires to. God is blessing us; to Him be all the praise.—B. A. Myers, May 19.

CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Bono.

Yesterday was a great day with our people at Bono. Some of our elect ladies had trained our little folks for our Children's Day exercises, and well did they do their work, too, for each child rendered his part beautifully. A liberal offering was given which will be sent to our Sunday-school Secretary. At the opening of the 11 o'clock service I dedicated three babies in holy baptism to the Lord. To me there is no more beautiful service than to see parents come and give their children in holy baptism back to the Lord. This is the teaching of God's holy Word, and as Methodists we ought not to fail to give our children this God-given right. At the close of the service we administered the emblems of our Lord's broken body and shed blood to a large number of earnest and devout communicants. All in all this was a good service, and as we clasped hands with one another in token of our friendship and brotherly love we could not but feel that God had met with each of us. In the afternoon I preached at Liberty to a small company of attentive hearers. At this place we hope to organize a Church and build a house of worship this year. Brethren, we are going some, but, praise the Lord, he is going with us every step of the way.—S. P. Nevill, P. C., May 22.

Berry's Creek.

Our meeting at Berry's Creek, near Georgetown, closed Sunday night. There were about a dozen professions of faith and five persons added to the Church. Brother J. E. Matlock did most of the preaching. We are building a new church cut there. Bill of lumber already in.—C. G. Shutt, May 20.

Elm Street—Waco.

We have recently closed a revival at Elm Street Church. The meeting resulted in a most gracious awakening of the membership. Our presiding elder, Rev. W. B. Andrews, came to the rescue of our pastor, Bro. Creed. He preached two powerful sermons. Rev. Ashley Chappell, of Fifth Street Church, preached several strong sermons that did great good. His sermon to men only accomplished much good, and several men were brought to Christ. Our pastor did some most excellent preaching, and by his earnestness and tenderness won and held the hearts of the people. His appeal to the unsaved was from the depths of a heart overflowing with love. It was indeed a rare treat to hear him. There were about forty conversions and reclamations, with about twenty-five additions to the Church. Splendid children service the first Sunday of the meeting. The children of our Church are becoming greatly interested in Sunday-school and Church work. Our Sunday-school is growing wonderfully. We all think that Bro. Creed is the right man in the right place; he has certainly won the hearts of his people. Should the congregations continue to grow, as they have grown since his coming to us, old Elm Street will have to enlarge her borders so that she will be able to ac-

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commodate the great throngs of people that visit the services. We have had already to add a new Sunday-school room to accommodate the increase of pupils. We would not forget to add that the wife of our pastor is one of the main spokes in the wheel that is doing so much to accomplish good in our Savior's name. We give God the glory for the victories thus gained and are hoping and praying for still greater things in the future.—Thos. B. Gardner.

Richland.

The second Quarterly Conference for the Richland charge came off at Grape Creek May 20-21. On Saturday the people brought dinner on the ground and we had a royal feast. Dr. Nelson, our efficient presiding elder, was on hand and looked after all the interests of the Church. He always does. On Saturday afternoon it rained so we had no service at night. On Sunday at 11 a. m. the presiding elder preached us a very able sermon on soul-winning. At night we had the Children's Day service, which was real good and reflected credit on those who had the children in charge. Really, we are proud of our Grape Creek Sunday-school. We were sorry to see our presiding elder leave. We will be glad when the time comes for him to return.—D. C. Stark.

Duffau Circuit.

Our Sunday-school at Pleasant Hill rendered a very fine and well-prepared Children's Day program on May 14. Brother R. L. Fair, our new superintendent, is proving to be the right man for the place. The pastor and people are well pleased with him. His teachers and committee did not spare anything in order to make the day a success. The pastor had the privilege of addressing the children. I did my best to show the children that the Lord wanted them to work for him in the Church. It was said by some that there was present the largest crowd of people that ever gathered at old Pleasant Hill. They came, not with baskets, but with big boxes of good things to eat. Our collection was good.—Henry Francis, Pastor.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Goliad.

Sunday night, May 14, we closed a most satisfactory meeting. Rev. W. H. Crum spent two weeks with us, preaching with great power and acceptability. No meeting in years has been so successful in reaching the entire town. Large congregations attended from the first service to the last, following the words of the preacher with eager attention. Twenty-one have been received into the Church with some others to follow, but best of all, the meeting has been a great blessing to our entire membership. As Bro. Crum has been in Texas only a few years and is not known to many of our preachers, I wish to say a word about his work. He has the right idea of what a revival should be, and works along sane and scriptural lines. He possesses splendid preaching ability, making a large use of scripture in his sermons. Nature and grace have worked together admirably in equipping him for his chosen work. He seems to enjoy

perfect health of body and spirit and radiates an atmosphere of hope and good cheer. With us he drew all classes and for practical, direct and forceful preaching of the great themes of salvation I have not heard him surpassed. Any pastor will find him a safe and wise helper. Thus far the year has been one of progress with us. All departments of our work are doing well, harmony prevails and a more loyal band of Methodists cannot be found.—J. W. Black.

Gilmer Station.

We have moved into our new church, by all odds the finest one in Marshall District, Texas Conference. One, Marvin, at Marshall, is larger and more massive, but for beauty and finish it is not the equal of ours. The Board of Trustees will report it worth \$20,000 at the next Annual Conference. Now for a great meeting. Bro. Holder comes to us soon.—J. A. Stafford, May 20.

Rusk Station.

Our second Quarterly Conference is past. Our presiding elder was with us and preached a splendid sermon to a large and appreciative audience. The Church is advancing along all lines. The report of the Home Mission Society showed that one hundred dollars had been raised and expended for parsonage repairs. We had the well walled with brick from the bottom up, and cemented on the inside and out from the ground up, and now it is one of the very best wells of water I ever saw. Our Home Mission Society, with its present corps of officers, is doing a splendid work. In answer to Question 6, the stewards raised the salary two hundred dollars over last year. This scribe is in clover. I am still doing like Frank Luker's "nigger." Mother's Day was a red-letter day for Rusk. Our large church was filled to overflowing. Features of the occasion were addresses made by Rev. Walter Hillsman, pastor of the Baptist Church, and Hon. B. B. Perkins, Chairman of the Board of Stewards. It was a great day, and we all enjoyed it very much. By the help of the good Lord, we expect to see Rusk one of the best appointments in the conference. Pray for us, brethren, that we may have a great revival. We will begin our meeting on the second Sunday in June. Brother Turentine, of Palestine, will assist me.—Chas. W. Hughes.

Nacogdoches.

On yesterday we closed what was perhaps the most thorough and far-reaching revival in the history of this Church. Rev. D. L. Coale, with his singer, Rev. C. A. Boughton, assisted the pastor in this meeting. No preacher ever made more earnest appeals nor preached a purer, sweeter and more winning gospel than our own personal friend and beloved brother, D. L. Coale. He is perfectly surrendered to the will of God and completely consecrated to the work of soul-winning. Without thought of his own comfort and ease, without desire for his own praise or fear of public criticism he manfully denounces every form of worldliness and holds up as the normal state of Christian experience purity of heart and life as evidenced in perpetual, self-forgetting,

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God-honoring service. To hear him patiently, persistently and hopefully as he holds up Christ in every message is to get a new vision of life and a firmer hold upon eternal verities. To be associated with him is to dwell in a heavenly atmosphere and to see once more the "word made flesh" and dwelling among men. Bro. Boughton, too, is entirely consecrated to his work, and sweetly does he sing of saving grace. He is a splendid leader of song and one of the best soloists anywhere to be found. As a result of this meeting our Church has been quickened and stirred as never in its history; more than one hundred conversions and reclamations have taken place, and about sixty have united with our Church. Moreover, several are to be received later and some will join other churches. Of those received into our membership thirty-nine adults were baptized, the others coming in by assuming the vows. Since conference we have received about one hundred and ten persons, chiefly on profession of faith. Being equipped with a new, modern and commodious church building and a splendid parsonage, and having a present membership of about four hundred and fifty, we are confidently looking forward to greater usefulness in our Master's service than we have hitherto known. Among the good things done by Bro. Coale while here was the taking of fifteen subscriptions to the Texas Christian Advocate, which means a more intelligent and more useful membership.—S. S. McKenney, May 20.

Groveton.

For the first time in its history Groveton has paid out in full at the second Quarterly Conference. Brother Boyles came and preached another great sermon, as he always does. He had about eighty at the conference. Groveton is going on the up-grade. We have started canvassing for subscriptions for that new church. Most of our people are working people, and we are getting them to subscribe so much a month until the church is completed.—W. C. Morris, P. C.

Brenham Station.

We closed a two week meeting April 7. The pastor was ably assisted in the meeting by Rev. W. D. White, of Navasota. Bro. White's preaching was of the highest order, of the most heart-searching character. His arraignment of sin in its hydra-headed forms was most scathing and withal unoffensive. For a sane, logical, scriptural and persuasive preacher commend me to W. D. White. Human estimates cannot show the measure of good accomplished in this great meeting. The power of God came more and more upon preacher and people and in some of the closing services the effulgence of divine glory was so manifest as to make us all feel that God had come down our soul to greet while glory crowned the mercy seat. Prof. C. G. Spindler did most excellent service as evangelistic singer. Bro. Spindler is consecrated, devout and put all of his great strength of character into his work. Brenham Station has not been in a better condition for almost every standpoint for years. The Church is greatly strengthened and our people look hopefully to the future and we feel that certainly God is with us in our great work. Success to the Advocate.—S. W. Thomas.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Copeville.

Not having reported our charge yet, perhaps a few lines would be of interest to our Advocate family and our limited acquaintance in the conference especially. Copeville Mission was formed by combining two appointments each from the Princeton Circuit and the Josephine Circuit, being located between those two places, and on the Santa Fe Railroad. We picked up Lavon, four miles south of Copeville on the Cotton Belt Railroad, which makes us five appointments. We began at once to clear out the underbrush by organizing our work and repairing and refurbishing our parsonage, that we might better view our inheritance as a new man from those in authority. As we made our first rounds we sought at once for the most vulnerable place to attack our job, and, after the repairs, etc., above mentioned, we concluded that our good people were "perishing for lack of knowledge," and, encouraged by the campaign waged by the Advocate, we

began to canvass for our Church or began. We have not succeeded as well as we should in this work, but the thirty-two new homes into which the weekly messages of truth which our dear paper bears, I am sure, will assist in dispelling the dark mists from the minds of our Methodist people, so they may be the better able to give reasons for their being Methodists, etc. Having no organization at Lavon, we secured the assistance of Brother W. H. Brown, of Whitesboro, Texas, and held an eight days' meeting, closing out on Easter Sunday night. Owing to the unfavorable weather conditions, rain, mud, etc., we did not have a large attendance, but had about thirty conversions among the school children. We organized a Church there with fourteen members on May 14, with several more names for membership. We baptized two small children. Our beloved presiding elder, C. A. Spragins, came on the second round May 20 and 21. After an excellent sermon Saturday and dinner on the ground, our Quarterly Conference was held. It was good. While not paid in full, we were much encouraged by the reports to date; feel sure we will report finances all up at the end of the year. We had stirred up our people about baptizing their children, and had a crowd of fourteen ready for our presiding elder to baptize, as we were glad to honor him with that beautiful and important work. That makes eighteen infants and children baptized to date this year on our work, and we have hardly begun to get the eyes of our people open to their obligations as Methodist parents on this very important subject. I am sure we need a profound revival along these lines. We need more thoroughbred Methodists everywhere. We have already dedicated one church, and are planning for another's dedication (the one at Copeville) soon. We also expect to build us a church at Clear Lake this year. For fear this letter will find its way to the waste basket I will close, as it is already too lengthy. More anon if this appears in print.—W. R. Kirkpatrick, P. C., May 22.

WACO METHODISM.

Rev. W. B. Andrews presided. He preached at Whitney. Had one accession. He is looking after all the interests of the district. Creed reported fifty-four at prayer-meeting. Fine congregations. Four received into the Church. They are needing more room for congregation and Sunday-school. This Church is doing fine under its pastor. McCain reported 144 in Junior League. Sunday-school doing fine. Good congregations. Hightower reported Children's Day observed at his church yesterday. He has been holding a meeting at Corsicana for the past week or so with good results. Munger reported 237 at Sunday-school. Two accessions to Church by certificate. Dr. McLean was present in his perennial good humor. Bro. Lousden was present and offered an earnest opening prayer. He also made a brief report for Austin Avenue, in place of Bro. Knickerbocker, who left this morning for Vernon to hold a revival. Chappell is also away holding a revival at Waxahachie. These brethren are captains of the host when it comes to holding revivals and building up the Church.

May 22.

THE GATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

On Wednesday evening, May 10, 1911, the 38th annual session of the Gatesville District Conference convened in Copperas Cove, Texas. The opening sermon was preached by W. S. P. McCullough, of McGregor.

May 11, the devotional services and opening of the business session was conducted by Presiding Elder S. J. Vaughan, after which W. J. Mayhew, former Secretary, called the roll. All the pastors answered to the roll call with the exception of three, who were provisionally hindered from attending the conference. Their reports were made by the brethren and their fields of labor are in good condition. Though it was the busiest season of the year eighteen of our strong laymen answered to their names, and others kept coming until the close of the conference.

By a vote of conference the hours of meeting were fixed at 8:30 to 10:45 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Preaching services were announced for 11 a. m., 3:30 and 8:30 p. m. each day. There were good attendance upon all the services. Reports on the spiritual state of the Church by the pastors showed special interest taken in the pastoral instruction of the children, and preaching on the call to the ministry, urging the

young men to make special preparation for their life's work if God has called them to preach. Our presiding elder insisted that every pastor preach on the "Call to the Ministry."

A number of local preachers were present, making verbal reports, others sending splendid written reports. A committee of three local preachers were appointed by the presiding elder to consider the advisability of a local preachers' conference, to be held at some future time and place in the district. The committee was composed of J. W. Shook, B. F. Moore and F. O. Waddill.

The following were licensed to preach: Tilman Lowe Jones, John Arthur Watson and Earnest Chloé Lambert.

The conference recommended the following for admission on trial into the Annual Conference: Chas. Benj Diltz, Murand Council and Early Simpy Cook.

On motion the conference recognized the orders of G. W. Featherston, an elder from the Methodist Protestant Church.

A laymen's meeting was held at which Walter Amsler, District Lay Leader, presided. After introductory remarks by the President, W. S. P. McCullough addressed the conference on "The Mission of the Church." O. B. Hoover read a paper, "What of Our Gifts Should be Made to the Unevangelized?" Several thousand leaflets of this paper will be published and distributed over the district. It will also be published in the Texas Christian Advocate. J. M. Robertson addressed the conference on the "Modern Collection Plans vs. Scriptural Plans," in which he distinguished between "give" and "pay." Walter Amsler spoke on "What Is the Every-Member Campaign, and How to Work It." B. L. Nance, Sunday-school field worker of the Central Texas Conference, addressed the conference. Walter Amsler was elected District Lay Leader, and O. B. Hoover was elected Church Extension Leader.

The report on education was read and adopted, after which G. W. Turner, President of Board of Trustees of Meridian College, was introduced, and speeches were made by J. M. Robertson, W. S. P. McCullough, G. F. Winfield and S. J. Vaughan. By vote of conference, report of Committee on Education was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion of the presiding elder, the following were elected trustees of Meridian College for ensuing year: G. W. Turner, J. S. Bonds, P. S. Hale, C. W. Tidwell, J. M. Robertson, G. W. Winfield, O. B. Hoover, M. W. Turner, S. J. Vaughan, O. C. Swinney, W. J. Mayhew, R. T. Turner, J. A. G. Weaver, R. E. Davidson, M. L. Ayers, A. H. Williams, W. S. P. McCullough, J. A. Ruffner, W. J. Hearon, John S. Pool, B. A. Evans, R. D. A. Tharp, Sam H. Amsler, J. P. Cox and Dr. W. R. Nail.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference:

- J. M. ROBERTSON.
- O. B. HOOVER.
- H. C. SMITH.
- WALTER AMSLER.

Alternates:

- C. M. Stribling.
- W. H. Schley.

Clyde B. Rogers, of Gatesville, and Miss Clay, of McGregor, were elected to scholarship in Southwestern University.

The following preached during the District Conference: W. S. P. McCullough, O. C. Swinney, of Morgan; J. B. Gregory, M. S. Hitchkiss, Missionary Evangelist; T. M. Dalton, Neal W. Turner, A. C. Lackey, G. F. Winfield, President of Meridian College; S. J. Vaughan and C. C. Hightower. These brethren really preached. There were shouts of amen, and hallelujah from both preachers and laymen. The singing was led by the pastor, J. F. Adams, who knows how to entertain a District Conference. Sunday afternoon was observed as Mothers' Day by having a general temperance rally, at which time J. C. McKelvy, Chairman of the Prohibition Committee of Coryell County, made a stirring speech on State-wide prohibition, and how to organize in precincts to carry the county. Several mothers took advantage of the occasion and spoke against the saloon and liquor traffic.

Sunday night the Holy Spirit came in great power, and a young man was happily converted. An old-fashioned hand-shake followed, and the benediction was pronounced.

The next District Conference will be held in Valley Mills.

W. M. BOWDEN, Sec.

SAN ANGELO DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

During the twenty-fourth session of the San Angelo District Conference, held in Menard, May 10-13, Rev. L. C. Matthis, presiding elder, in the chair, the following proceedings were had, the whole time of the sittings being used in routine work, prominent be-

ing given to Christian testimony and preaching of the Word. Several of the preachers failed to reach conference, but there was a splendid attendance of laymen and godly women not a few.

True piety, gentility, and culture are elements of Christian leadership. Our beloved possesses all these to extraordinary degree. Every department of Church work was carefully reviewed and the fact that progress is being made was brought out by each review.

Space is not available in which to more than mention that the sermons preached were creditable to the brethren who preached them as well as worthy the occasion which called for them. The same is true of the speeches made by young men and women on Epworth League day; of the uplifting addresses of certain talented women, and, finally, of the magnificent addresses made by zealous laymen, but here it is met to specify: Hon. H. E. Jackson pulled out the table of obligation, covered it with the cloth of duty and set on a bill of fare by courses of service which made the evangelization of the world an easy probability during this generation to those who accept the validity of the conclusion. "We can, and we will." Judge C. C. Walsh, our District Lay Leader, followed with an address which, beginning with the logic of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, dipped into the paths of retrospection from whence it soared into the realms of sublime utterance and pictured the redeemed tribes of heathendom turning from false gods to worship the true and living God as a result of a united Christendom, lifting up before them the Savior of the world. Mr. G. G. Johnson, Conference Lay Leader for the whole West Texas Conference, then spoke. He summed up, emphasized and enlarged upon the views of those who preceded him. He made a great speech and in all things magnified his office.

Three good men were granted license to preach. Brothers S. J. Estes, J. P. Watson and J. H. Maxwell were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial. The District Conference heard the reports, passed the characters and renewed the licenses of seventeen local preachers.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference:

- E. D. WILSON.
- C. C. WALSH.
- REV. S. J. FRANKS.
- J. F. COWSERT.

Alternates:

- Jeff Wilcox.
- J. R. Brooks.
- A. D. White.

Rev. Rex B. Wilkes, Financial Agent for the Cherokee Junior College, visited the District Conference and preached a helpful sermon on Thursday night.

The people of Menard, led by Rev. J. C. Campbell, our pastor for that charge, extended a cordial welcome and dispensed a bountiful entertainment to all visitors. The citizens of Menard are progressive, high-minded and justly proud of their beautiful and growing city.

Junction City was selected as the next place to entertain the District Conference. A. Y. OLD, Sec.

NOTICE, PITTSBURG DISTRICT.

The Pittsburg District Conference will be held at Hardy Memorial Church, in Texarkana, beginning at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, June 6, 1911. Rev. A. T. Walker will preach on the night before. Yet all the preachers and delegates be present on Monday night to hear Brother Walker.

We hope to have Bishop Mouzon with us.

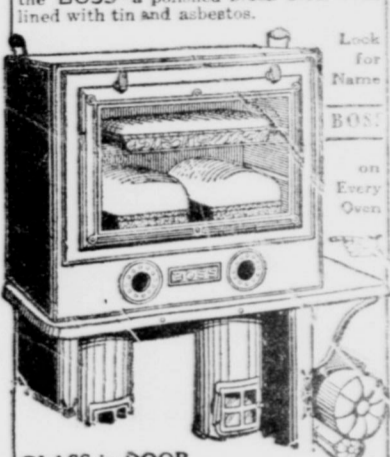
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VERNON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The session of the Vernon District Conference was held at Chillicothe, Texas, beginning Friday, May 5, at nine o'clock a. m. There had been two good days of Sunday-school and Epworth League preceding the regular sessions of the District Conference which was splendid preparation for the work of the conference. The program for the two special days had been carefully prepared by the presiding elder and was of high order. The League Conference has been written of by another and will appear in the League columns of the Advocate. On the Sunday-school day we had with us Rev. R. B. Bonner, our Conference Sunday-school Evangelist and his wife. Certainly there was no mistake made when Bonner and his good wife were put into the field to look after this important interest of the Church. He is master of the situation, having acquainted himself with all the details of the work, especially as it relates to the ordinary Sunday-schools of the conference. His are not theories, but plans that may be successfully operated in every school. The common verdict is that for practical work in the organization and development of the modern Sunday-school, Bonner has few superiors anywhere. Sister Bonner is also an expert in the primary department and gave the conference the benefit of her knowledge along that line. Besides these there were helpful talks from local Sunday-school workers.

The District Conference opened Friday morning with a love-feast in which there was the note of victory and the work was begun under the influence of genuine religious fever which continued until the very last service. W. Y. Switzer was elected Secretary. All the pastors in the district were present as were also a goodly number of laymen from all over the district. The committees for the transaction of business were appointed by the presiding elder as follows: State of the Church, G. J. Irvin, D. B. Beatty, J. W. Walkup; Missions, W. M. Pope, T. J. Rea, H. Hunt; Education, A. L. Moore, E. L. Witty, S. L. Page; Quarterly Conference, Records, L. B. Tooley, J. E. Eldridge, G. W. Backus; Temperance, G. S. Wyatt, J. W. Beverly, W. P. Davis; Financial System, T. B. Hilburn, W. E. Lovelace, W. M. Crutchfield.

The local preachers were all either present or represented by their pastors and each presented such reports that would indicate that they are real live forces in the work of the Lord in this growing section. The following local preachers reside within the bounds of the Vernon District: A. S. Deal, L. E.; G. A. Monroe, R. M. Bailey, H. J. Hoover, J. W. Coker, E. A. Butterfield, J. W. Martin, C. T. Neece, George Hare, L. E.; J. R. Kunkle, L. D.; C. S. Shires, L. D.

The reports of the pastors of the various charges of the district indicated progress in every department of the Church work. A large number of conversions have already been had as a result of revivals in some of the charges and many were reported converted at the regular services. One new parsonage has been erected besides other material progress.

Preston Florence, of Childress, and R. E. Darns, of Aeme, were granted license to preach.

Childress was unanimously chosen as the place of meeting next year.

G. W. Backus, of Vernon, Lay Leader, made his report for the past year, in which he stated that he had made fifteen visits and had raised for the Laymen's Movement \$250 besides specials.

S. L. Page, of Toibert, was elected Lay Leader for the district for the ensuing year.

The following were elected as Lay Delegates to the Annual Conference:

- S. L. PAGE.
J. W. WALKUP.
G. W. BACKUS.
WILLIAM CRUTCHFIELD.

Alternates: S. T. McMinn, W. C. Cox.

Licensing Committee was nominated by the presiding elder, and elected by the conference as follows: A. L. Moore, G. S. Wyatt, A. W. Waddill and W. Y. Switzer.

Strong resolutions were adopted by the conference relative to the great prohibition campaign now on in Texas, which was ordered published in the Advocate and the Dallas News. Resolutions were also passed commending the Advocate and pledging every effort to increase its circulation, also commending our worthy presiding elder and assuring him of the ap-

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preciation and love of both preachers and laymen. Resolutions of thanks to the people of Chillicothe and the pastor host, Rev. A. W. Waddill, for the delightful entertainment afforded.

Rev. S. E. Wasson, D. D., of Clarendon represented the Mission Board, preached at the morning hour on Friday to the delight of all. Dr. H. A. Boaz was a welcome visitor and delivered his famous lecture, "Man or Monkey," Friday night. Rev. C. M. Shuffler, Conference Missionary Evangelist, was also present and spoke to the conference as did also Rev. S. W. Turner, Secretary of the Texas Methodist Tract Society.

During the sessions great prohibition addresses were delivered by Rev. J. Winford Hunt, of Snyder, and Rev. G. S. Wyatt, of Childress. The preaching was done by the brethren already mentioned and Revs. T. B. Hilburn, L. B. Tooley, R. B. Bonner, S. W. Turner, J. G. Miller and W. M. Pope.

Rev. G. S. Slover, President of Clarendon College, was present and represented his school before the conference.

A more delightful season has seldom been enjoyed and a more harmonious session would be hard to find than that described. The Vernon District has a presiding elder who is not only loved by the preachers and people, but who looks with care and wisdom into every department of the work committed to his care. Few presiding elders have been called upon to solve more difficult problems this year than ours, and none have been more uniformly successful in meeting the demands of the Church at his hands. W. Y. SWITZER, Secretary.

Report of Committee on Temperance.

The following report was unanimously adopted by the District Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of the Vernon District, in session at Chillicothe, Texas:

The great question of temperance has had through the years its ebbs and flows. Sometimes the tide would rise high, as though it would sweep the Nation, and then the ebb would come, and apparently the advantage gained would disappear, but soon would break again as though the lion sleeping in his lair had grown to larger proportions, and had been well groomed for the renewed struggle. The whiskey traffic has ever been on the alert for any attack made against its interest. Like a mighty monster stretching itself across this fair land of ours, it has been for years, and is to-day, the best organized interest in this our native land, thus stretched with its shiny coils either upon or around every interest known to our country, even with its dare-devil tentacles, seething with the very fumes of hell, trying to grasp control of the very Church of God. If you dare strike its head in New York, its thousand-buttoned tail will rattle in New Orleans; if you trample on its tail in New Orleans, its red, blistering, withering, damning tongue will hiss in New York, and, raising its hydra-head, it demands to be let alone. You can not touch its awful body anywhere that you do not excite its wrath and arouse it to action upon the uttermost part of the Nation, and even beyond the seas. Laying its powerful hand upon the corporations of our country of every kind, upon the politics of our country of both great parties, when it speaks every weakling falls on his knees and begs for mercy. Thus it is making cowards of our leaders in politics, of our most successful men in the commercial world, of the editors of the great dailies of our Nation, and, shame to say, of occasionally a man whom the Church has clothed with the sacred functions of the pulpit. It is this great power, in alliance with every power of evil known in the catalogue of crime—the crook, the thug, the gambler, the hobo, the drunkard, the murderer, the worse than drunkard, the prostitute—it is this great power that the good women and the good men of our State are brought face to face with to-day in fierce conflict. A power that does not scruple to take advantage by any means, right or wrong, that will misrepresent and slander even the name of our Lord, if by such misrepresentation and slander it in any wise sees the remotest opportunity to forward its interests. But in the name of our God we set up our banners, and in the name and interest of the young manhood and young womanhood, of our wives and mothers, and of our homes, and of the Church of God, we expect, on the twenty-second day of July, 1911, to wipe from the face of this fair State of ours this awful traffic, that its black folds may never again hang with sickening grief upon the hearthstones of the wives and mothers as they are forced to look upon the husbands and sons cursed and damned by the power of rum.

It is with great pleasure that your

committee is informed that the large majority of our laymen intend to vote against the accursed business. We are sorry, indeed, that there is a single man in all the district in our Church, which has always unequivocally announced herself as standing for temperance and prohibition, who will even for a moment consider the question, much less vote against prohibition. And we sincerely trust that even those who are now regarded as antis will get right before the election and not bring a reproach upon our great Church and crucify afresh the Son of God and put him to an open shame by voting for the perpetuating of the whiskey traffic, and, through it, for the perpetuation of gambling and prostitution. Your committee further believes that if the cause of prohibition should fall on the day of election, the cause of failure will have to be laid at the door of the unfaithful, treacherous members of the Church.

Therefore be it Resolved: 1. That we as a District Conference reiterate that we stand for State-wide prohibition.

2. That we urge every member of our Church throughout the district to stand with us in this great fight, and not only to vote right, but also to induce every man they can possibly reach to vote with them.

3. That we lay it upon the conscience of every pastor and local preacher that it is his bounden duty to inspire those of his members who are right in theory to enthusiastic, active effort, and to faithfully labor with every one of his members whose mind and heart are in any wise inclined to vote with the antis, to induce him to vote right.

4. That we regard any preacher in our Church who in this mighty struggle gives an uncertain sound, or for any cause fails to do his duty, as recreant to his trust and unfaithful to the vows of his ministerial relationship to his Church.

G. S. WYATT, JOE W. BEVERLY, W. P. DAVIS, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE VERNON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Texas Christian Advocate.

It has been impossible for us to see the impropriety of a great religious paper using its editorial or other columns in the discussion of great moral issues that are presented to the people from any source for their consideration and suffrage, but, on the other hand, we regard it the duty of the editors of such papers to enlighten the people through their columns to the fullest extent possible. And especially do we not consider it as a thing out of the line of duty for our Church papers to discuss the question of prohibition, which is now attracting so much attention in our State. Neither do we take it to be foreign to thunder from the pulpit, the unquestioned duty of all good citizens to vote and use their influence for prohibition.

We therefore rejoice that the editor of the Texas Christian Advocate is not only ready to fill the editorial columns with the strongest fulminations against the ruinous traffic of whiskey, but has thrown open its columns to every man who desires to express himself in behalf of prohibition and against the saloon.

We commend the undaunted courage of our editor, Dr. G. C. Rankin, and assure him of our unqualified support, and of the fact that the slanderous and malicious attacks of the cohorts of the whiskey traffic, instead of driving him from us and decreasing our estimate of him or his great work, only tend to draw our hearts closer to him and to lift him to a higher place in our affections and admiration. "On with the battle!"

Resolved, That we obligate ourselves as pastors and members of this District Conference to do our share in increasing the circulation of the Texas Christian Advocate to the number (39,699) desired by the editor and publisher.

G. S. WYATT, W. M. POPE, W. P. DAVIS, J. G. MULLEN, T. B. HILBURN, W. Y. SWITZER.

Commending the Presiding Elder.

Whereas, Our presiding elder, Rev. J. G. Miller, at the expenditure of a great deal of time and thought, prepared a most splendid program for both the League and Sunday-school days; and

Whereas, He has shown a most lovely Christian spirit in all his work toward the members of this conference in his capacity as presiding of-

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ficer, giving free and unlimited rein to all alike to express themselves on any and all questions of proper discussion before the conference; therefore be it

Resolved, That we express our hearty appreciation of his work, and extend to him our most earnest thanks for his courteous treatment, and assure him that he has and will continue to have, our unqualified support in carrying out any and all plans he may have for the advancement of the Master's Kingdom throughout the district.

G. S. WYATT, JNO. E. ELDRIDGE, W. Y. SWITZER, W. P. DAVIS.

THE BOWIE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The thirtieth annual session of the Bowie District Conference met at Nacoma, Texas, May 3-4, 1911. The presiding elder, Brother John E. Roach, was present to preside. The District Conference of the Woman's Home Mission Society was held on May 1-2 at the same place. Thus the work of the district was already in hand on the opening of the conference.

Brother A. E. Prince preached the opening sermon on Tuesday night—after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

Conference opened Wednesday morning with a devotional service in which Dr. C. M. Bishop gave a very helpful and inspiring exposition of John 3:1-10, after which the roll was called, the number present being larger than at any previous service of the conference for years.

The conference plunged into business by calling for local preachers' reports. These reports show that the local preachers have been doing some excellent work during the past year. Some of the local preachers are supplying charges, and their reports were among the best.

The presiding elder then gave us his annual message—telling of what things we have done in district and what we can yet do.

Brother L. P. Smith gave us a very helpful sermon on the Bible at the 11 o'clock hour.

The reports of the pastors show that work of the district is far in advance of any previous year—already the revival fires are burning. Many are being brought to Christ in our spring revivals. Our district evangelist, Brother J. Leonard Rea, is bringing things to pass—young men and young women are giving themselves to the special work of the Church as a result of his ministry.

The conference licensed the following brethren to preach: Henry J. McGown, W. B. Arnold and Henry A. Shook. Arthur Wall was recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial.

Brother E. B. Thompson was with us, as was also Dr. Boaz. Brother Thompson preached on the needs of his work in interest of superannuates homes. The conference gave him an offering. Dr. Boaz preached the closing sermon. It was a great sermon.

The conference showed its appreciation of our presiding elder, Brother Roach, by presenting him with \$25 with which to buy a watch as a remembrance of our love and esteem for three and a half years of faithful service on the district.

Oh, yes; I nearly forgot to tell you that our district gave Brother Turner pledges for tracts to the amount of \$102. We are not first or second, but tied with the first district, only one other taking as many tracts as we.

The devotional and spiritual of the conference was beyond compare. We had a feast of good things. Dr. Bishop's sermon on "Life" and his two devotional half hours lifted us to "higher ground."

We go back to our labors with glad hearts—happy because we had this one more District Conference.

ELBERT H. COBURN, Secretary.

PROHIBITION RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the Bowie District Conference.

The Bowie District Conference of the North Texas Annual Conference, M. E. Church, South, in session at Nacoma, Texas, May 3-4, 1911, passed the following resolutions regarding State-wide prohibition:

Whereas, The citizens of the State of Texas are confronted with a great responsibility, that of ridding the State of the licensed liquor traffic, and

Whereas, The issue is clearly before the people of this great commonwealth, he who would vote for God,

home and native land, should stay off any blind switches which the antis may offer as a subterfuge. There is but one clear track. And that is whether this State shall continue to license the open saloon or prohibit the same. We should be on our guard lest our foes inject personal or political issues into this campaign that are utterly foreign to the question.

Therefore, irrespective of creed, political faith or religious cult, let every citizen—the white man, the black man, the yellow man—go to the polls on July 22 and cast a vote that shall lift burdens from hearts that are crushed; that shall remove open and flagrant opportunities from the victims of appetites; that shall give to that youth of our land the glorious privilege of growing into noble men and virtuous women without their feet being entrapped by the menacing snares and pitfalls of which the open saloon is the principal source.

Be it resolved, therefore, by the members of this the Bowie District Conference, both clerical and lay, that we reaffirm our unalterable antagonism to the legalized liquor traffic, and pledge ourselves to stand in the forefront of the battle to rid our great State of the monster curse of the age.

Resolved, also, That the Secretary be instructed to furnish copies of this paper to the Dallas News, the Fort Worth Record, the Home and State, and Texas Christian Advocate.

J. A. KERR, CHAS. P. MARTIN, H. B. JOHNSON, ELBERT H. COBURN, Secretary of the Conference.

CISCO DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Cisco District Conference will meet in Eastland June 27-29. Any of the connectional brethren who contemplate attending will be given a place on the program, if they will notify the presiding elder by June 1.

Prominence will be given to the laymen. Superintendents and teachers will be asked to report on Sunday-schools, the stewards on Church finances, Church leaders on missionary and conference collections, Leaguers on Epworth Leagues. Superannuates and local preachers will be asked to supplement the pastors' reports on the spiritual state of the Church. Mrs. Hagerman, of Ranger, will report on Woman's Home Mission work in the district and Mrs. Plider, of Pioneer, on foreign work.

The following committees are appointed:

For License and Admission—S. L. Culwell, J. N. Vincent, J. R. Kidwell. For Deacons and Elders' Orders—W. D. Gaskins, B. S. Crow, J. J. Rape. The conference will begin Tuesday, 2:30 p. m., and continue through Thursday. J. SAM BARCUS.

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THE TREMULOUS SILVER CHORD.

The twilight hour had come. The lingering rays were fading beyond western hills. The stars had appeared on duty for their long night vigil. The soft southern zephyrs were fanning my tired brow. The fragrant aroma of the tall magnolia and the full-blown lilac were borne to me upon the evening breeze. The blessed Bible lay open before me. I had been reading the great apostle's letter to the Church at Corinth. Through them he had spoken to the ages—and to me. I was ravished with his statements. The lesson of the "corn of wheat" stirred my heart as never before. It was an hour of sweet and holy meditation. My angel baby hovered near me. Listening love heard the rustle of a wing. How thin the veil! Just beyond the flesh, that twilight air was filled with the disembodied dead. My loved and lost for a little while! Beyond the vale of tears, beyond the valley of sighs—roamed my sainted child. Yes; we shall meet where the eye is fire and the heart is flame.

In that hour of reverie, suddenly a merry child burst into my room. In a clear, flute-like tone it broke into a wild ecstatic glee. The piano sat in the shadow of the opposite corner. Its keys without the touch of human hand. The silver chords were dumb and silent. The moment the happy child uttered its cry of joy, my ear caught the soft and distant sound of music. I listened intently. One thought stamped its image as the other fled. The child's voice had stirred the silent strings. The flute-like note had started its own sound-waves. We don't need any dissertation on science here. Take your theory and pass on. Let me enjoy this reverie. The old silver chord—in the very pitch and tone of that elf's voice—began to vibrate. It created its own sweet harmony. The entire gamut felt the tremor of that voice.

Like phantoms, multitudes of thoughts passed before me in that twilight vision. The dying melody of those silver chords, whose silent tongues were set a-going, stirred me profoundly. I thought of Whittier's soliloquy in "My Soul and I." Was I not then face to face with a profound fact!

Like warp and woof all destinies

Are woven fast,

Linked in sympathy like the keys

Of an organ vast.

Pluck one thread, and the web ye mar;

Break but one

Of a thousand keys, and the paining jar

Through all will run.

Is not my heart like a harp of a thousand strings! Will not the touch of the Almighty's hand sweep the strings of the human soul. Will not the music be like that of some grand cathedral choir whose sound shall reach the distant shore. Ah! your soul may be silent now. It must needs be kept in tune with the Infinite. In some twilight hour your ear will catch the sound of its softest melody and feel the renewed touch of a vanished hand. But there is a difference! If these chords are swept by spirits—forces that live beyond the shadows—its music can never die. But there is a note whose harmony is gone—it soon fades away, for

Time has laid his hand
Upon my heart, gently, not smiting it.
But as a harper lays his open palm
Upon his harp, to deaden its vibrations.

J. M. N.

THE BAROMETER ON THE WALL.

There was a period in the early history of Texas when the great prairies were trackless and almost uninhabited. Nothing broke the silence of those vast plains save the occasional howl of some prowling wolf or the

thunderous tramp of a moving herd of buffalo. Long before the advent of the great trunk routes to the Pacific, no path crossed these far-outstretched leagues except the trail of drifting cattle, or the great highways along which these vast herds were driven from the Staked Plains to the far away Dakotas. In those primitive days men traveled as they were guided by the compass and their polar stars. Long trains of covered wagons, drawn by dull and stupid oxen, would bear a human cargo that sought its fortune in the land toward the setting sun. These caravans would make their few miles in daylight hours. At night-time the pioneers slept uneasily amidst a stillness that was too often broken only by the war whoop of marauding Indians. On those November days the alert eye of the westerner sometimes caught the glimpse of a dark belt lying low along the horizon of the northwest. He knew what it meant. There was no other recourse but to seek shelter from the approaching blizzard. The old Texans used to say they "smelt a norther." I do not know the philosophy of their presentment. This I do know: such would be their sense of a rapidly advancing norther, that long before its arrival they had made every possible protection against its awful severity.

That reminds me! One day I chanced to stop at a ranch-house far out on our western frontier. It was in a closing day of December. It had been one of unusual warmth considering the time of year. I had not noticed the long, dark bank that girted the northwest. The old ranchman happened to look at the barometer whose fluid condition showed disturbance in the atmosphere. He at once walked to a convenient place. That view instantly changed all his plans. A roaring fire, everything under shelter for, believe me, in less than an hour a great blizzard was raging over all those mighty plains! He saw the indications in the barometer hanging upon the wall. He read the unerring signs of that dark belt that lay along the distant horizon. He was wise enough to prepare against the night of falling temperature and mighty blizzard.

Ah! my friend. Had it occurred to you that your conscience is like a barometer? God speaks of the very appearance—the shadow of sin. The conscience is so affected by divine grace as to become extremely sensitive to the approach of sin. If you are able to read its shifting indications you'll find it subject to the changing spiritual atmosphere. It is sensitive—intensely so—to its environment. God does not intend that I shall feel the power of actual sin. Thank God for this lesson! As I watch my conscience, I discover signs of an approaching storm. So very far are these indications in advance of its presence, that when it bursts upon me it finds me proof against its blasts and sheltered from its awful strength. Christ is to me a shelter in the time of storm. But the guarantee is in the precaution. Thank God for this unerring spiritual barometer! * * *

THE TEST OF CHRISTIAN LIFE.

No man's experience will exhaust the possibilities of God's grace, and therefore no man's experience can become the exponent of the fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ. Each must learn to examine himself in the light of the Scriptures, to apply to his own heart the scriptural tests of a gracious state, and to build upon the sure foundation without reference to the peculiarities found in other people. In some temperaments powerful emotions inevitably attend conversion, and must be looked for in every step of advancement toward the maturity of grace. In others but little emotion is to be expected. The circumstances of their earlier lives do not warrant the belief that their transition into the

kingdom of grace, by personal faith, will produce startling sensations. Their experience grows with the development of their moral agency, and perhaps with as little emotional excitement. The main thing is the scriptural standard of experience, which is the Spirit of adoption. Whether it comes suddenly with the rapturous joy and conscious pardon, or reveals itself in the soul so quietly and gently as to require inward searching to verify its presence, it must be accepted as God's own testimony and seal, and nothing else should be allowed in its place.

The time was in the history of the Church when this point received more attention than now. May it not be that we have erred in not keeping it more prominently before the mind as the real test of Christian life? It is well to make much of the enjoyments found in Christian fellowship, and to speak of the highest possible attainments in the life of faith; but even this should not divert attention from the inestimable privilege of all believers, the true basis of permanent joy in God which is the abiding presence of the Holy Ghost as the Spirit of adoption. All varieties of experience come back to this standard, for in the manifestation of the Spirit of adoption there is a variety enough to meet every peculiarity of constitution, temperament, circumstances, and outward conditions and there is flexibility enough in God's plan of dealing with men to adapt his working energy to every particular case; but the standard of privilege is invariable, as the law of God is unbending and the conditions of salvation are unalterable. The variety has respect to incidentals, but the essential requirement of the new birth, followed by holiness of heart and life, is in all cases imperative.—Bishop S. M. Merrill, in Christian Experience.

THE MESSAGE OF THE GARDEN.

I remember, some years ago, going over Hampton Court Palace with intense delight. And when we came to the gardens, there was pointed out to us a vine—I think of the kind which is called the Black Hamburg vine—and this one vine, year after year, amazed everybody by the abundance of its grapes. The yield was extraordinary: nothing was known like it: no one could understand its splendid harvest, until at last it was discovered that its roots had reached to the flowing waters of the Thames. It is a great thing to enjoy Christian privileges. It is sweet to be in the garden of the Lord. But the secret of harvest, and of all that makes life rich, is that the roots should be dipping in that living water which flows so near us wherever we are set, but which rises among the everlasting hills—Geo. H. Morrison.

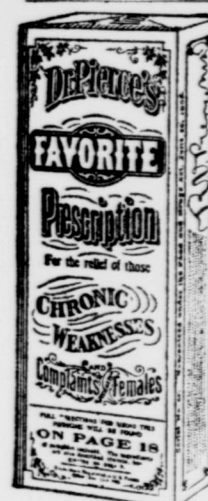
LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

Important Meeting of Executive Committee.

By R. B. Eleazer.

The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement held an important meeting in Nashville on the 5th, with the following members present: President John R. Pepper, Memphis, Tenn.; F. M. Daniel, Mammoth Springs, Ark.; J. S. Carr, Durham, N. C.; W. B. Stubbs, Savannah, Ga.; C. A. Sanford, Sherman, Tex., and for a part of the session, Dr. W. W. Pinson, of Nashville. A number of important matters came before the committee, a brief report of which will be of general interest.

The report of Dr. C. F. Reid, the new General Secretary, showed that since taking the office last August he has traveled very widely, attending twenty or more of the Annual Conferences and presenting the movement also at District Conferences, missionary institutes and laymen's meetings. Especial stress has been laid upon the practical phase of the work and an effort has been made to enlist the Churches as widely as possible in the educational campaign and every-member canvass for missions. It was shown that this plan was rapidly coming into favor, having been given the right-of-way this spring in several of the big conferences and in many dis-



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tricts in other conferences. Wherever given a fair chance, this plan has resulted in a very great increase in offerings to missions and, as well, in a quickening of all the other financial and spiritual interests of the Church.

The Treasurer of the Board of Missions reported that donations aggregating about \$25,000 have come in to the board directly through the movement. This, of course, represents perhaps the smallest part of the results of the work.

Dr. W. F. McMurry, of Louisville, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, appeared before the committee and requested that the Church Extension be given representation on the official collection envelope adopted by the movement. This question was discussed at length by all the members of the committee and a form of Duplex envelope was adopted embracing on one side ministerial support and current expenses, and on the other foreign and home missions and the other benevolences.

On motion it was ordered that the Missionary Secretaries of the various conferences be advised of the readiness of the Laymen's Movement to cooperate with them as fully as possible and inviting, in turn, their co-operation in the plans of the movement. It was shown that in the conferences where the Secretaries have made this a special feature, their work has been attended with very gratifying results. A resolution was also adopted and ordered sent to each of the district leaders throughout the connection, urging that they get in touch at once with every Church leader and missionary committee and push the work as earnestly as possible. D. H. Abernathy, of Pittsburg, Texas, a former member of the committee, having passed away since the last meeting, Messrs. Carr and Stubbs were appointed to prepare resolutions with relation to his death.

On motion of F. M. Daniel, Dr. C. F. Reid was re-elected General Secretary, to serve until the next general meeting, which will be about two years from date. R. B. Eleazer, who has been for some months in the office of the movement, was elected Recording Secretary. A resolution was passed asking presiding elders of the various conferences to arrange their District Conferences so as to permit the attendance of the General Secretary and requesting that they devote one day of each conference to the Laymen's Movement.

President Pepper gave a very interesting report of the progress and prospects of the Southern Assembly grounds at Waynesville, N. C., which are being developed under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement and which seem destined to become the great Chautauqua of the South. A thousand acres of ground have been purchased for this purpose. A lake of two hundred acres will be formed by impounding a mountain stream that passes through the grounds. The grounds are located in the heart of the sky-land of North Carolina and the bottom of the lake will be six hundred feet above the church steeples of Asheville. One hundred acres will be devoted to boulevards and parks; a splendid hotel and auditorium will be erected, the latter to accommodate not less than four thousand people, and 3,500 lots will be sold for the erection of summer homes. The enterprise is meeting with the warmest support in all quarters where it has been presented, \$180,000 of the \$250,000 of stock having been sold.

At last, everything comes out of the ground and somebody has to dig for it.

An attractive woman who talks of attractive women is as rare as the mountain idleweiss.

Believe in yourself, believe in humanity, believe in the success of your undertakings. Fear nothing and no one. Love your work. Work, hope, trust. Keep in touch with to-day. Teach yourself to be practical and up-to-date. You can not fail!

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The advance of civilization has relegated to the junk heap of the centuries a thousand misconceptions of human rights and mistaken practices and theories of government by selfish and misguided men. The divine right of the king, witchcraft, duelling, slavery, the lottery, one after another have gone down before the impact of an awakened public conscience, and an ever-growing acuteness of moral perception. The mighty swing of human progress is away from that which oppresses, weakens and debases and toward that which liberates, strengthens and uplifts the individual and the mass. "Reforms do not go backward," and neither do revolutions growing out of justice and right.

The prohibition movement is but another advance of civilization. It will no more fail or go backwards than civilization goes backward. It is not a wave, for waves recede; it is not a tide, for tides ebb and flow; it is the inevitable, irresistible swing of civilization to higher levels. Let no man in our ranks question its expediency, or its ultimate triumph. It is sure, it is right, and—

"Right is right, as God is God.
And right the day will win;
To doubt would be disloyalty,
To falter would be sin."

We as Methodists can but fall into column and move with God's mighty procession. The liquor traffic is utterly wrong and rotten. There is no such thing as restraining or regulating it. It is in its nature and practice utterly inimical to God and to the common demands of humanity. For it to exist at all is monstrous. Against this oppressor of the poor, debaucher of youth, manhood and womanhood, deadly destroyer of the home, foe of good government, friend of the devil and enemy of God, the Church must prepare for war, now openly pitched in battle array in Texas. There is but one issue, "The Traffic or the Home." Let us not be sidetracked by any argument of expediency, or confused by anarchistic boasts, or led astray by threadbare fallacies of "personal liberty" or "local self-government." The man who says that the prohibition law will not be obeyed is an anarchist and would trail the flag of Texas under the feet of the brewer, distiller and their corrupt minions. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by this District Conference, in session assembled:

1. That we heartily indorse the State-wide movement now on against the liquor traffic in Texas.

2. That we urge on every Methodist voter and every other good citizen to go to the polls on July 22 and vote to put the traffic out of our fair State.

3. That we condemn the cowardly, time-serving attitude of the great bodies of Texas in their support of the abominable traffic in homes and human hearts and lives, while we unequivocally indorse and pay our compliments to the sturdy and unpurchasable rank and file of Texas weekly papers in the towns and villages who faithfully support us, and to whom we largely look for victory.

4. That we, as preachers and laymen, pledge ourselves on our return home, by the most practical method that presents itself, to raise money among the prohibitionists to send The Home and State into every anti and doubtful home in our respective counties during the campaign. (Signed) C. W. SIMPSON, Chairman.

J. W. HUNT, Secretary.

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THE UNIVERSITY PEOPLE ARE ACTIVE.

We clip the following from the Daily News of May the 18th. It shows that the university movement is active and that it is taking on form. It is only a question of a few weeks until work will be in progress. Everything indicates enterprise:

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Methodist Educational Commission of Texas yesterday Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge of Chicago were engaged as the building and landscape architects of the Southern Methodist University. It was after an extensive correspondence on the part of President R. S. Hyer with the college presidents of the country that negotiations were opened with this firm. Charles Hodsdon, a representative of the firm, had a conference with President Hyer at Georgetown early in the month. Francis Willard Puckey appeared for the firm at the meeting of the executive committee.

The promoters and friends of the Southern Methodist University are highly pleased with the selection of Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge, who are perhaps the greatest builders of college structures in the world and who are the successors of H. H. Richardson, considered by many the greatest American architect, who began forty-four years ago to adopt the Romanesque style of architecture for college buildings. He built Austin Hall at Harvard.

Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge took over Mr. Richardson's business. They were engaged by Gov. Stanford of California twenty-five years ago to be architects of the buildings of the Leland Stanford University. One of the stipulations of the contract was that the buildings were to be so constructed as to withstand earthquakes. They were accordingly built but one story in height. The members of this firm are the architects for Harvard College, Brown College, Vassar, Wellesley, the University of Chicago, the University of Wisconsin and Ripon College in this country, and for the Girls' College, Constantinople, Turkey; the American Girls' College in Spain and for several other colleges and universities, sixteen in all.

Architect is Delighted.

Dr. Hyer and Mr. Puckey, who are being entertained by H. H. Adams, 3609 Gaston Avenue, visited the site of the Southern Methodist University yesterday.

"Nature could do no more than she has done for the site," declared Mr. Puckey. "I lack the adjectives to express my appreciation of this site as a free field for building and landscape architects. The highest point gives a view right down over the city. In the development the buildings will be overtopped by the main building on the highest eminence, the whole pre-

senting an architectural composition that is unsurpassed elsewhere.

"The part of the grounds that will be utilized at once for academic buildings is larger in area than the entire site of the University of Chicago. With the exception of the Leland Stanford University, of California, I know of no university that has ever been started with a well-defined plan for future development such as has been worked out for the Southern Methodist University. Most of the colleges have worked along in a haphazard way until they got into deep water, when they woke up to the idea of beauty, economy and convenience in the treatment of buildings they found themselves burdened with a hodgepodge of structures that did not lend themselves to a proper scheme without the removal of some of the most offensive of the structures, and even then it has been impossible to create a perfect university group. But in the case of this institution all this has, by the wisdom and foresight of the Methodist Educational Commission of Texas, been avoided. The commissioners have begun with a well-digested and completely thought-out scheme for the ultimate development of the university buildings and grounds."

Style Not Decided Upon.

The style of architecture for the Methodist University has not yet been decided upon.

"There is no such thing as a pre-determined style of college architecture," said Mr. Puckey. "Everything depends on the local conditions, the requirements of light, shade, air, exposure, ventilation, the materials available.

"Within ten days President Hyer will receive from our firm a preliminary sketch of the buildings for his criticism and for further suggestions, and the plans will be developed just as soon as Dr. Hyer and the commission can approve them.

"Our contract includes the development of the grounds. Before the buildings are ready for occupancy we will have transplanted some of the bois d'arc and hackberry trees from the hedges inclosing the site to the grounds and will have avenues of trees growing. This will give a wooded appearance and make a setting that will greatly enhance the beauty of the buildings. The soil appears to be very fertile, so that trees and shrubbery will grow very well in it."

Dr. Hyer declared the development of the grounds would not be delayed very long by the commission in criticizing the plans.

A GREAT PROHIBITION ISSUE NEXT WEEK.

For some time the editor and publisher of the Advocate have been arranging for a great prohibition issue of the paper, and we are now about ready to send it forth. Next week the columns of the Advocate will be devoted largely to the issues involved in the pending State-wide prohibition campaign, and it will be a potent contribution to the conflict now on. We have asked a large number of distinguished men to take different phases of the prohibition issue and to treat them drastically for our readers. We have heard from practically all of them and will hear from the remainder between this and next Monday; and all these carefully prepared communications will have the right of way in the Advocate next week. No such single issue of any paper in Texas, completely filled with such valuable and authoritative contributions on this subject, has ever been issued from the press of Texas. Our preachers and readers generally ought not only to read the next issue carefully and hand the same to their neighbors, but hundreds of them ought to order extra copies and scatter them broadcast over the State. It will be a vote maker!

NORTH TEXAS COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

This great school for girls had its commencement last Sunday. The sermon was preached by Dr. Burgin, of San Antonio. The sermon was highly spoken of. The closing exercises followed in regular succession. The graduating class was about the largest in the history of the institution, and the matriculation went beyond anything heretofore recorded. It reached 523. Mrs. Key, that wonderful woman, has done perhaps the best year's work of her eminently useful life. And she is planning large things for the future.

The trustees met Monday afternoon and went over the general condition of the school and found it excellent from every point of view. The people of Sherman have aroused themselves and they propose to contribute a good fund for the erection of another handsome building just north of the central structure. It was ordered built by the board. It will cost \$15,000 and the most of the funds are in sight. It will be ready for occupancy, perhaps, by the beginning of the fall term. This will complete the facilities of this school and put it on a great forward movement. Mrs. Key retains her vigor and resourcefulness and she communicates her optimism to all those about her. She has a wonderful influence over the student body and they all worship at her shrine. She is looking for the largest opening she has ever had next term. There were many of the preachers of the conference and laymen as well as the commencement exercises. Bishop Key's health is remarkably good, and he is one of the most courtly and attentive men in hospitality that we have ever known. The Church throughout its connection is a better Church because such a man as Bishop Key still lives and moves among his brethren. It is always a benediction to come under his influence.

A PROFITABLE VISIT TO MERIDIAN.

Last Saturday I went to Meridian, the county seat of Bosque. It is situated on the Santa Fe some forty miles below Cleburne. The town sets back a mile from the railroad and has a commanding position among romantic hills. Evidently the Bosque River is not far away, for the cliffs and winding forest are nearby and give to the surroundings an attractive appearance. The country is rather broken, but the land is fertile. Crops are looking well, particularly the corn and oats, and the cotton has a fine stand. The town has a clean and prosperous air about it. The people are intelligent and moral. The homes are modern and the business houses excellent. It is a place of good schools. This is the home of our Brother J. M. Robertson, that excellent layman who is always in evidence in all our Church councils. He is a successful lawyer and a devoted and consistent Church worker. And he is an exception to the rule that a prophet is without honor in his own country. He is honored, loved and respected among his home people. I was met at the depot by Rev. Neal Turner, the pastor, and Prof. G. T. Bludworth, in charge of our school at that point. In fact, my visit to the town was primarily to preach their commencement sermon. But the prohibitionists took advantage of my visit to call their county meeting at the courthouse for Saturday afternoon to more thoroughly compact their organization and to put more life into their campaign. A large crowd gathered in the courthouse and attended to their detail business, and by 4 o'clock the house was filled with an enthusiastic audience, and for more than an hour I gave them a prohibition address. It was received with demonstrations of interest. Those people are alive to the issue and they are going to poll a large majority for our cause.

Sunday morning an immense audience gathered at the college chapel for the commencement exercises. I have not seen a more intelligent and a more earnest congregation of people anywhere. The music was good and specially prepared for the occasion. I preached to them on "The Mission of the Gospel to the Educated Man," and had close attention from beginning to close. It was in all respects a delightful service.

That is the school of the Gatesville District, and people were there from the patronizing territory. I was agreeably surprised at its facilities. It has a large, modern and commodious stone building of three stories and well equipped for school work. It is imposing and majestic in its architecture and finely adapted to school pur-

poses. This closed out its second year of active work, and it enrolled during the year about one hundred and seventy-five pupils. Eight of them had finished the course, which is thorough as far as it goes. The building cost something over thirty thousand dollars, but in Dallas it would have cost half as much more. They now need an ample dormitory, and plans are at work to that end.

Prof. Bludworth, who is one of our best school men, has concluded to retire from school work at that point. He has done well and put the institution on a good foundation. Rev. G. F. Winfield of the Northwest Texas Conference has been elected to supply the vacancy, and he is already on the ground and hard at work. He is one of our live, alert and thoroughly competent men and he will make it a continued success. He has his faculty about organized and they are men and women of the best qualifications. The district has taken hold of the institution with purpose and made a good assessment for it. Everything points to a fine opening for next year.

I was delightfully entertained in the new parsonage home of Rev. and Mrs. Neal Turner. It was recently built near the church and it is now a handsome property, estimated at a value of \$2500. Brother Turner is a son of Rev. S. W. Turner, and a most successful minister. He has good preparation for work, is resourceful, has a magnetic personality and the people recognize in him a good preacher and a wise leader. He is serving his second year. He has a good brick church structure, a live membership and the work is prosperous. I met Rev. S. J. Vaughan, the live presiding elder. I heard nothing but the most favorable report of his work. He has that district on the move, and it is developing into a strong district. He lives in Gatesville. Quite a number of the preachers were present Saturday and some of them remained over Sunday.

Sunday afternoon I dropped up to Morgan, in the same county, seven miles back toward Cleburne. They wanted me to speak to them on prohibition. I was taken in charge by Rev. O. C. Swinney, the pastor, and had wholesome entertainment and communion in the parsonage. Morgan is a town of about 1000 people, and we have a good church property there and an excellent membership. The preacher is in good favor, strong, influential, devoted and faithful. He has all the interests of his charge in fine condition and the outlook for a prosperous year is fine. At night the house was filled with people and we had a good service.

At four o'clock Monday morning I was up and wending my way to the depot, where I got the early train for Dallas. I fell in with Rev. E. B. Hawk, of Walnut Springs, and we had a pleasant time as far as Midlothian. I am not at liberty to tell the nature of his visit to Waxahachie—in fact, I do not know it, but have my suspicions. He is one of the live and promising young men of the Central Conference.

G. C. R.

THE TREATMENT OF REV. J. S. ADAMS.

Some days ago Rev. J. S. Adams, the temperance lecturer, visited Victoria and was making a speech on the streets on the subject of prohibition. He was arrested for violating a town ordinance forbidding preaching on the streets of that town. He went to jail six days as the result of his offense. Now, if Victoria has a law of that sort, it is a foolish law and not worthy the respect of good men and good women; but as long as it is a law, then law abiding people ought to observe it. Maybe that Mr. Adams defied the law and went on with his lecture. If so, he made a mistake. But we do not know the particulars.

However, Victoria is not noted for the enforcement of some of its other laws. The State has a law forbidding the sale of liquors on Sunday. Does Victoria observe it? We have heard not. Liquor people have the right of way in that town and officers are not quick to detect such violations of

law and to punish the offender. Yet when a man takes the street to speak against saloon evils, he is at once hauled up by the custodians of the peace and given a jail penalty. It is a mortal crime to say anything on the streets of that pious town against the saloon, but it is all right for the saloon to put all laws under its feet, and the officers are blind to the offense. Verily, verily Victoria officials have done themselves and their community no good by their recent action. They have strained at a gnat and gulped down a whole brigade of saloons—Sunday saloons at that! No wonder that the best class of citizens in that community feel disgraced by the action of their officials. But when the saloons rule, good people mourn! On with the battle!

REV. JOHN H. REYNOLDS IMPROVING.

Sometime back Rev. Jno. H. Reynolds, the good old man of the North Texas Conference received a fall while attending the District Conference at Howe, resulting in the breaking of the two bones in one of his arms, and the shock to his nervous system was severe. At the time he suffered intensely, but he has gradually improved until now his condition is favorable. He is one of the best men we have ever known, pure in heart, consecrated in life and as true as the needle to the poles on every moral and religious issue. Brother Reynolds is one of the old-time Methodist preachers and his long life of devotion has endeared him tenderly to all the brethren. Everybody loves him because he loves everybody, and we, along with hundreds of others indulge the prayer that his life may be spared for years to come as a blessing to the Church. The world is better because of the life and the prayers of such a man as Brother Reynolds.

REV. G. E. CAMERON'S GOOD WORK.

From Monday's edition of the Shreveport Times, May 13, we clip the following note concerning the work of Rev. G. E. Cameron, pastor of First Methodist Church of that city:

Just after the sermon yesterday morning at the First Methodist Church \$55,000 was pledged by the members toward the erection of a magnificent edifice to cost not less than \$100,000. The movement which was definitely launched yesterday morning is the result of a sermon by the pastor, Dr. G. E. Cameron some three weeks ago on the need of a new building and the quickness with which over half of the necessary amount was raised yesterday is an evidence of the awakened enthusiasm among the First Methodist congregation of this city under the pastorate of Dr. Cameron. Dr. Cameron has been pastor of the First Church only since December 18, and within that time the Church membership has been increased over two hundred. When he took charge in December the Sunday-school had a membership of 150, and to-day it has an average attendance of from 425 to 550, the latter number being in attendance yesterday.

FEDERATED LABOR SAT UPON THEIR PRESIDENT.

The federated labor unions of the State had their annual meeting in Waco last week, and they disposed of many things that came properly before them. They criticized Governor Colquitt very severely for his veto of the eight-hour law passed by the last Legislature, and they took him to task for his inconsistency on the question of local self-government. It seems that the Governor has called forth the fire of the labor organizations and they are expressing themselves in no mild terms.

But the principal thing they did was to sit hard upon the effort of their President, William Hoefgen, to lug the question of prohibition into the proceedings and adopt stringent deliverances upon that question. He was strongly in favor of condemning State-wide prohibition and did his best in his recommendations to pull the organization into the State campaign. But they gave him to understand that the labor organizations of Texas did not recognize the right of their bodies

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to dictate to their members how they should vote on prohibition or any other moral issue. They left that to the individual conscience and judgment of each man as a citizen, and they said so in unmistakable terms.

The Bartender's Union and the Brewer Workers are members of the federated union and through their special effort the President did his best to commit the labor organizations against prohibition. The organization did right when they administered to him the just rebuke. It would have been of incalculable injury to the laboring people to have followed the dictum of the President on that subject. Besides this, thousands of laboring people are prohibitionists.

ANNIVERSARY OF BISHOP HENDRIX'S ELECTION TO THE EPISCOPACY.

We clip the following account of Bishop Hendrix's election to the Episcopacy from a Kansas City paper. It will be read with interest by our people, as the good Bishop has often presided at our Texas Conferences:

"I give my love to the world. These were the dying words of the poet Whittier, and I repeat them because they seem to express what is in my own heart at this time."

Eugene Russell Hendrix, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, spoke with great feeling last night at the Central Methodist Church, Eleventh Street and the Paseo, at a reception tendered him and Mrs. Hendrix in honor of Bishop Hendrix's election to the Episcopacy twenty-five years ago. The Bishop, although between 65 and 70 years old, still is robust. He testified to his love for life and of the work that he is doing among his people.

Fully 700 persons gathered at the church last night to do the Bishop honor. It was long after 11 o'clock before the reception was over.

Letters From Notables.

The exercises were opened by the singing of a hymn and a prayer by the Rev. Joseph King, of Nevada, Mo. Following this a large number of congratulatory letters were read by Dr. H. M. Dobbs. These included expressions of friendship on the part of President Taft, Charles W. Fairbanks, W. J. Bryan, Bishops of the Methodist Church, and Presidents of many of the leading educational institutions of the United States and England, as well as messages from representatives of all Roman Catholic Churchmen. Altogether more than 200 letters and telegrams were received by Bishop Hendrix.

Greetings from the city of St. Louis were extended by the Rev. S. H. Walwright, presiding elder of the District of St. Louis of the Methodist Church. The speaker called attention to the peculiar advantages of education and travel that had been Bishop Hendrix's.

Following the representative from St. Louis the Rev. S. P. Cresap, presiding elder of the District of St. Joseph, brought congratulations from that section of Missouri. He characterized Bishop Hendrix as one who would occupy a permanent place among the foremost Churchmen of America.

Bishop Hendrix, being President of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, a fitting tribute was paid him by the Rev. C. B. Spencer, who represented this organization and the Kansas City Ministerial Alliance. The Rev. Mr. Spencer is the editor of the Central Christian Advocate.

Greetings Are Brought.

Greeting from Wesleyan University were brought by Professor Clarence A. Waldo, now of Washington University, Central College at Fayette, Mo., of which Bishop Hendrix was President for a number of years, was represented at the reception by its President, William A. Webb.

It was Judge John F. Phillips who addressed the congregation on the part of the laity. He spoke of his long acquaintance with Bishop Hendrix and of the fact that they were boys together.

The Rev. J. C. Morris, of Kansas City, had been chosen as the one to

present Bishop Hendrix with a beautiful silver loving cup. His address was with reference to the dignity of the office of Bishop.

Following the Bishop's response refreshments were served in the church.

OF INTEREST IN TEXAS ALSO.

From a Florida exchange we clip the following tribute to "Mother." It was delivered at Southerland, Fla., on Mothers' Day:

At the close of the sermon, President Hilburn said: "Mothers' Day! It is most fitting that I should observe this day, as it is my mother's first day in heaven." And he paid a loving tribute to the dear mother then lying in her far-away Texas home "asleep in Jesus." Those who know the life of this noble "mother in Israel," as reflected in the beloved President, felt the truth of his words as he portrayed her lovely Christian character. The writer, who for three years has stood close to Dr. Hilburn than any other in a knowledge of the inner vital work of Southern College, feels that the success of this institution of the Church is due in no small measure to the devoted zeal of Mother Hilburn, and the careful, Christian training of her children.

Sister Hilburn had reached the ripe age of seventy-six, and with her husband, Rev. A. S. Hilburn, now nearly eighty years old, lived in Rising Star, Texas. Of the five children living, three of the four boys were guided by her into the ministry, and the other, Hon. San J. Hilburn, State Senator, is one of Florida's strongest and most liberal laymen.

Saturday afternoon a telegram announced the serious illness of Sister Hilburn, and a few minutes after another briefly read: "Your mother is dead." If our Church could have seen as I saw, the struggle of a great soul between a tender love to mother and devotion to a God-given work, it might the more truly appreciate the worth and sacrifice of Dr. Hilburn as President of the Southern College. At this close of the school year, with the election of the faculty which is to carry on the great work of Christian education, and the discussion and the shaping of vital financial policies with the Board of Trustees, which meets next Friday, Dr. Hilburn recalled his mother's injunction to "first discharge your duty to God and the Church." Indeed, this sentiment was repeated in the last letter her dear hands penned to him. Mother-love pleaded for a visit home, and then enjoined devotion to duty.

Of Mother Hilburn it may truly be said: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors," for hers have been long and oftentimes difficult, but always discharged with an eye single to His glory.

"Asleep in Jesus! O, how sweet To be for such a slumber meet! With holy confidence to sing That death hath lost his venomed sting"

PERSONALS

Brother J. L. Miller, of Wortham, was in to see us recently.

Rev. S. E. Wasson, of Clarendon, is in Guymon, Oklahoma, assisting the pastor in a series of meetings.

Guymon, Oklahoma, is endeavoring to build a Junior College. They propose to turn it over to our Church.

Central Texas College, Blooming Grove, has closed a most prosperous year. President W. M. Board has been re-elected.

Rev. J. F. Carter, of Rosebud, writes that he is getting along finely with the new church; that it will be a beautiful building when completed and a lasting credit to Methodism.

Rev. J. A. Batchelor, of San Francisco, dropped in to see us recently. He was on his way from the meeting of the Board of Missions at Nashville.

Rev. J. D. Read, our pastor at Alma, paid the Advocate a pleasant visit the other day. He brought encouragement in Church work from his field.

Rev. H. H. Goode, of the Bonita charge, was in the city this week and called to see us. The Advocate has no better and no more loyal friend than Bro. Goode.

We are in receipt of a highly appreciated note from Rev. S. W. Thomas, of Brenham. He speaks in high terms of the Advocate and its work, and he says it will surprise us to know that there are many of the best Germans of that section who will vote

the prohibition ticket. The antis are claiming the bulk of the German voters, but they will find out that they do not own them all. Many of them are the staunch friends of all moral issues.

While at Meridian last Saturday we had the pleasure of greeting Rev. C. C. Hightower, of Clifton. He has things well in hand down there and his work is prospering.

Bro. Mood sends us the official statement that Bishop Mouzon has appointed Bro. R. B. Moreland to Bridgeport and Bro. Finis Crutchfield to Celeste, to take effect June 1.

Rev. F. A. White, of Bandera, delivered the baccalaureate address before the graduates of the city high school. The Bandera Enterprise speaks of it as a very able deliverance.

Rev. W. D. Thompson, pastor of our Church in McKinney, delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the McKinney High School last Sunday. His theme was "Visions and High Ideals."

Rev. M. K. Little, of Dublin District, was in the city recently and as is his way of doing, he gave the Advocate a brotherly call. He is one of the best friends of the Advocate and his district always comes up well.

Rev. D. F. Fuller, of Lone Oak, was in to see us this week. He has his hand on the situation up there, and he is doing some good work for prohibition also. He is one of our most systematic and painstaking preachers.

Rev. W. J. Mayhew, of Valley Mills, took in the commencement at Meridian last week and we had the pleasure of meeting him. He is doing a splendid work on his charge and the year is progressing successfully.

We traveled from Plano to Sherman and back this week with Brother Jack Bowman, of the former place. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of North Texas Female College and one of our strongest laymen.

Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Morris have issued cards to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Jessie Wells, to Mr. James M. Wheeler, the happy event to take place in Marvin Methodist Church, Tyler, June 7, 1911.

Rev. P. C. Archer, of Winnsboro, has recovered from an illness of some months ago and he is busy with his work. We met him in Sherman recently and found him the same genial and pleasant brother.

Rev. Thomas Gregory, of Uvalde, preached the commencement sermon for the high school of that city on the 14th of this month. The Uvalde Leader-News speaks in glowing terms of his effort.

Rev. W. C. Young, an honored local preacher in Dallas for years, attended the late Confederate Reunion in Little Rock. Bro. Young, more than sixty years ago, was pastor of what is now First Church in that city.

Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, presiding elder of San Antonio District, preached the baccalaureate sermon of the North Texas Female College last Sunday. He delivered it before a capacity house in Travis Street Methodist Church.

Rev. T. S. Armstrong will preach the commencement sermon next Sunday for Central Texas College, Blooming Grove. Rev. A. E. Carraway will deliver the evening sermon, and Dr. Jno. A. Rice, of Fort Worth, delivers the baccalaureate address.

We had a pleasant visit from Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, of San Antonio. He was returning from Sherman where he had preached the commencement sermon last Sunday before the students, faculty and a large congregation at the North Texas Female College.

While in Bosque County recently we had the great pleasure of meeting Uncle John Cox, one of our staunchest Methodists in the Gatesville District. He is a great friend of the Advocate and stands by it under all circumstances.

We have a most appreciative letter from Rev. L. A. Webb, of Canyon City. He is an old friend of other days, and he is doing a good work in the Panhandle country. We have known him for many years, and he is one of our strong men.

From the Ballinger Banner-Leader of recent date we note the fact that Rev. E. V. Cox preached the commencement sermon for the schools of that town, and an excerpt of the sermon is given. It was introduced with this compliment: "Rev. E. V. Cox de-

livered the baccalaureate sermon Thursday night to a crowded house. He was in splendid trim and seemed to catch the spirit of his environment, and gave the graduates and audience a fine sermon."

The Associated Conference of the Epworth League and the Sunday-schools of the Dublin District will hold a great meeting at Hico June 9, 7, 8, and a large attendance is expected. We have promised to be with them on the evening of the 7th and speak on prohibition.

Rev. J. E. Buck, of Devine, has sent us a list of names to whom he desired sample copies sent some time ago. Out of the number he has secured twelve regular subscribers, with more to follow. Bro. Buck is a live wire and accomplishes what he undertakes.

Mrs. Nannie Curtis, of Waco, than whom there is not a more energetic temperance worker in Texas, has prepared suggestions and plans for the woman's work in the State-wide campaign. They may be had of Mrs. R. B. Davis, Waco, Texas, for the mere postage—about five cents in packages of fifty.

We are in receipt of an invitation from the graduating class of Trinity College, N. C., to attend their annual commencement exercises. That is one of our great schools and it is developing along all lines. They are now busy building another large and commodious structure on the campus. The college is in the midst of one of its most prosperous closings.

In a personal letter from Rev. R. Gibbs Mood, presiding elder of Greenville District, he states that Commerce is preparing to pay off their church debt. Wesley (Greenville) has ordered an addition to their church in order to properly house the Sunday-school, and there have been some good revivals within the district. Bro. Mood had a great District Conference, and everything is very hopeful in his territory.

The Blanket Signal gives a very complimentary notice of a sermon preached before the graduates of the High School Sunday, May 7, by Rev. Humphrey Lee. Brother Lee is only eighteen years old, and he is the son of Rev. Joseph Lee, pastor of Blanket. He is a licensed preacher in the Brownwood District, and has charge of Zephyr Circuit. He is a most promising young man, and already stands high as a preacher and a lecturer.

CORNERSTONE LAYING FOR KEY MEMORIAL.

At 4 p. m. fourth Sunday in May, we will lay the cornerstone for our new church at Key Memorial. Bishop Key will have charge of the services. All former pastors earnestly invited to be present. J. R. ATCHLEY, Sherman, Texas.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

The Downing church, on DeLeon Circuit, will be dedicated on the fourth Sunday in June. Dr. G. C. Rankin and our presiding elder, Brother Little, will be with us. All former pastors invited. EUSTACE P. SWINDALL, P. C.

THE STATE-WIDE WORK.

Houston, Texas, May 20.—The campaign from the standpoint of the State-wide prohibitionists is rapidly warming up and much interest is being stirred throughout the entire State. The larger number of the counties of the State have been organized in almost every precinct, and literature is being distributed in a way in which it is deemed will be most effective for the propagation of prohibition sentiment. A handbook for the use of speakers during the campaign is being compiled under the direction of Chairman Ball and Judge D. E. Simmons, who, for a number of years prior to his removal to Houston, was assistant attorney general of Texas.

Local rallies have been held at a number of places and many others are being planned. Senator Horace W. Vaughan, of Texarkana; Senator R. E. Cofer, of Gainesville; Judge D. E. Garrett, of Houston; Judge Poindexter, of Cleburne, and Comptroller W. P. Lane, have made a number of speeches and have a number of speaking dates for the immediate future, and Cone Johnson, of Tyler, is expected to go on the stump for the campaign within the next week or ten days. It is given out that Rev. Father Patrick J. Murphy, pastor of the Catholic Church at Dalhart, who opened his campaign at that place last Sunday, will be on the stump in the prohibition cause from now until the end of the campaign. He will speak at the El Paso rally tomorrow and Monday, and the latter part of this month will be at Beau-

Southwestern University and Summer Normal

Southwestern invites the attention of friends to the advantages now offered in the Summer Session. Nine of the regular members of the Faculty will give courses in Science, Languages, English, Mathematics, Education and Theology. In addition to these six public school teachers have been engaged for work in the Normal. Students who wish to make up entrance units or study for college credits will find a variety of courses from which to select.

Teachers and those seeking certificates will find unusual opportunities. Classes that are too large will be divided so that every student may receive the attention he needs. Last year, throughout the State, only 62 per cent of those who stood examinations were successful. At Southwestern 76 per cent of the applicants passed on examinations graded by the State Board of Examiners.

Mrs. Little, of Temple, will have a model class for teachers of the primary grades.

For the first ten days there will be a course of lectures open to all summer students. Professor Ross, of the University of Wisconsin, will be of special interest to teachers.

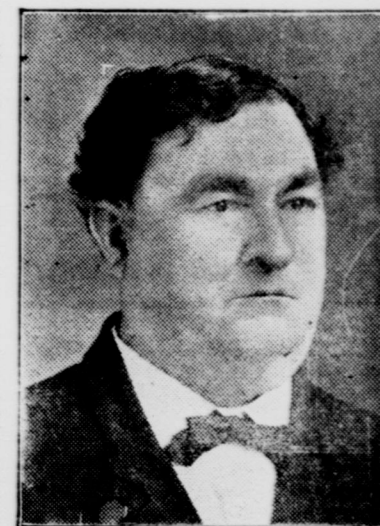
mont, Port Arthur, Liberty and other East Texas points under the direction of Chairman A. F. Ewell, of the Jefferson County prohibition organization. Father Murphy was the star speaker at the Waco rally of the pros, and his speech has been put into print and more than 100,000 copies have already been sent out from Houston. State Chairman Thomas H. Ball is en route to El Paso, and with Father Murphy will to-morrow and Monday speak at two big meetings which have been planned by the prohibitionists of El Paso.

Mr. O. P. Basford, of Austin, has been appointed Assistant State Secretary with headquarters at Houston. Mr. Basford is a man of wide experience in matters of organization and his peculiar talents along this line will make him of much service at prohibition headquarters. THOS. H. BALL.

CENTRAL TEXAS COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT MAY 28.

Commencement sermon by Rev. T. S. Armstrong, 11 a. m., and Rev. A. E. Carraway, 8 p. m., May 30. Baccalaureate address, 10 a. m., by Dr. Jno. A. Rice.

The school closes in a prosperous condition and is doing a fine work for Methodism. President W. M. Board has been re-elected.



DR. J. S. HILL, Greenville, Texas.
The man who is stirring the whole world with his new discovery, an antidote for opium and liquor habit, America, France, Japan and China are especially interested in this great discovery. Dr. Hill is a Texan, and after eighteen years of scientific research and scientific investigation, has at last been rewarded with finding a perfect antidote for all narcotic habits. Cigarettes and all tobacco habits are conquered by this great discovery.

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COMING LEAGUE MEETINGS.

(Send dates for publication to the League Editor.)
Gateville District League, Crawford, May 5-7.
Greenville District League, Celeste, May 26-28.
North Texas Conference League, Sherman, June 3-11.
Lake Shore Assembly, Wichita Falls, July 24-31.
Texas State Encampment, Epworth-by-the-Sea, August 4-11.
State Sunday-school Institute, Epworth-by-the-Sea, August 12-19.

NOTES.

Rev. W. D. Keene is now League editor of the Baltimore Southern Methodist.

The Western North Carolina Leaguers are looking forward to their assembly meeting at Hickory, N. C., June 28-July 1, with great expectations.

The Epworth League Department of the Central Methodist Advocate is presided over by three editors, namely, E. O. Harbin, Louisville, who is editor-in-chief of the department; J. B. Harris, of Lexington, Ky., and R. P. Bell, of Parsons, W. Va. We understand that this paper is sponsor for three conferences, namely, the Louisville, Kentucky and Western Virginia, and no doubt these brethren look after the gathering of League news from their respective sections.

The California Leaguers have definitely settled upon the date and place for their next annual meeting, namely, June 28 to July 2, at Berkeley, Cal. This statement is made by President W. B. Herms, in a recent communication in the Pacific Methodist Advocate, viz: "Announcements relative to railroad rates and accommodations will be made from time to time on this page of the Advocate. Keep yourselves posted. Remember that you will have the opportunity to combine the meetings of the International Sunday-School Convention at San Francisco and our conferences by coming a few days earlier, the former taking place from June 20 to 27."

The following extract from a letter written by Mr. J. E. Russell to President Herms, and by him quoted in the communication mentioned, seems to express the sentiment in general of the California Leaguers at this time, viz: "Have interviewed Judge Rector, Noel Garrison, Gordon Winton and others regarding this matter and they are all in favor of holding our conference in one of the bay cities in the latter part of June. We can have a strong conference there and gain strength to go to Epworth-by-the-Sea next year. Epworth-by-the-Sea is the goal for which we should all work, and I think we can gain it in a short time."

FLORIDA LEAGUERS PREPARING FOR STATE CONFERENCE.

We note from League Editor D. B. Sweat's columns in the Florida Christian Advocate that exhaustive preparations are being made for the approaching session of the Florida State Epworth League Conference at Orlando, June 2-23. A unique feature of this session will be the method employed in taking care of the Boy Scouts, concerning which the following official statement has been issued, viz:

The Boy Scouts to Camp.

The entertainment of the boys will be a unique feature of the Orlando conference. The local committee has secured tents for the boys and these

will be spread on the lawn near the Church—enough room to entertain all the boys who attend. They will take their meals at the homes nearby to which they will be assigned by the committee. Rev. J. Marvin Culbreth, assistant editor of the Epworth Era, expects to enjoy the encampment with the young fellows, and while there give some practical lessons in the work of the Boys' League, especially the Scout features recently included in the work for boys by our leaders. Mr. Herbert Franklin, Orlando, is the chairman of the Boys' Committee, and he will be glad to have any suggestion as to the work of the encampment. He would like to know how many boys expect to attend from each place.

HISTORICAL FACTS.

In an historical resume of this organization, we note the following interesting facts, viz:

The Florida Epworth League was organized at Kissimmee eighteen years ago, the first meeting being held in June, 1894. From that day until the present time the Epworth Leaguers of Florida have met annually in the month of June, without a missing link in the chain.

Ocala, Tampa, Madison and Kissimmee have each entertained the conference twice; Lake City, Gainesville, Fernandina, Monticello, Tallahassee, Live Oak, De Land and Orlando once each; and now Orlando is preparing to excel what she did before and surpass all the rest in the entertainment of the conference in 1911.

The first President of the State League Conference was the Rev. R. L. Honiker, and he served three years. Other brethren have filled the position, as follows: Rev. W. J. Carpenter, four years; Mr. C. E. Howard, of Orlando, three years; Rev. J. E. Mickler, two years; Rev. Frederick Pasco, three years; Colonel O. O. McCallum, of Live Oak, one year; and Rev. C. F. Blackburn, the present incumbent, two years.

Last year there were present, according to report made in the Year Book of the conference, 162 delegates, representing the six districts as follows: Tampa 66, Bartow, 53; Miami 15, Jacksonville 12, Ocala 9, Tallahassee 7. There were two presiding elders present, one college president and twenty pastors. We ought to have at least 200 delegates present this year.

A NEW MEXICO.

Yes, it is surely coming. There is a stirring in the tops of the trees. The revolutionary movements have opened the eyes of the government to the fact that the people must and will have representation in the affairs of the Nation. The dust of decades is being shaken off. Mexico is coming to herself. President Diaz in his recent message to Congress advocated the no re-election, and the Congress of the Nation is now wrestling with the problem; and there is scarcely a doubt but that new electoral laws will be instituted, and, instead of the old regime, Mexico will have a new president every six years, elected by the people. This will infuse new patriotic life into Mexican citizenship and lay the foundation for permanent peace and prosperity.

The United States appears to be showing herself a really friendly Nation. Interference in Mexico's affairs would have been a greater blunder. It would have given Mexico an indefinite setback and irreparably crippled the immense interests of Americans in this country.

We believe that new doors of opportunity will now be opened for the entrance of the Gospel of Christ. There will be more liberty of thought and action. The question of large estates will be solved. The mighty canyons that furrow the mountain sides will be dammed and thousands of acres of uncultivated lands will be opened to add to the Nation's wealth and greatness. O, men and women of God, we must be about our Master's business! His kingdom must be set up; will you have a part in it? You may if you will. With the ushering in of political reforms let us, through prayer and unceasing toil, bring in the great sin killing and soul-constructing revival which has always been one of the greatest factors in the making of really great and strong Nations.—Editor F. S. Onderdonk, in Mexico Methodist.

VERNON DISTRICT ORGANIZED.

The Epworth League Conference for the Vernon District met at the Methodist Tabernacle, Chillicothe, Texas, Wednesday morning, May 3. In the absence of a regular district organization the presiding elder, Rev. J. G. Miller, had charge of the meeting throughout the day. Devotional services were conducted by Preston Florence, of Childress. Rev. J. E. El-

dridge, of Margaret, was elected Secretary pro tem.

The following topics were discussed: "What We Hope to Get Out of This Conference;" "The Influence of the Epworth League in the Formation and Development of Christian Character;" "What the League Has Done for Me;" "The Epworth League as the Agent for the Evangelization of the World"—by W. Y. Switzer, J. E. Eldridge, D. E. McGee, G. J. Irwin and others.

At 11 o'clock Rev. L. B. Tooley, of Kirkland, preached a great sermon on "Christian Courage."

The afternoon session was full of interest occasioned by the following discussions: "What is the Attitude of the Church on the Amusement Question, and How Can the League Help to Sustain That Attitude;" "The Junior League and Its Work;" "The Duty of the Church to Furnish Social Life for Our Young People;" "The Problem of Social Life for Our Young People Solved by the Epworth League;" "The Fourth Department: What It Is and What It Means"—by S. L. Page, Rev. J. R. Henson, W. Y. Switzer, J. E. Eldridge, Mrs. W. Y. Switzer and others.

Quite a number of delegates from all of the districts were present. The record shows sixteen Epworth Leagues in the district.

After the program had been concluded, permanent organization for the district was entered into and the following officers were elected: Rev. W. Y. Switzer, of Tolbert, President; Preston Florence, of Childress, First Vice-President; Miss Emily Easley, of Chillicothe, Second Vice-President; Miss Carrie Allie, of Crowell, Third Vice-President; Elliott Quattlebaum, of Chillicothe, Fourth Vice-President; Mrs. W. Y. Switzer, of Tolbert, Secretary and Treasurer.

A meeting of the cabinet of the new organization was held on Thursday, May 4, at which time plans were formed for an aggressive campaign throughout the district for the Epworth League.

MRS. W. Y. SWITZER,
District Secretary-Treasurer,
Tolbert, Texas.

FROM THE THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE EPWORTH LEAGUE TO THE THIRD VICE-PRESIDENTS OF NORTH TEXAS.

I am sure you realize the importance of faithfulness on the part of the individual League officers, for it is through them alone that we can hope to do anything as a Conference League. Should one officer fail to do his or her whole duty we as a Conference League are crippled just that far. I am sure you are not willing that our department work shall be reported a failure due to your negligence. You are thoroughly familiar with the duties of the Third Vice-President and the kind of report you are expected to make. Just use the blank forms used by the Third Vice-President of your local Chapter. Let your report to me include all the work done in your department since June 1, 1910, and as near June 1, 1911, as possible. Possibly I haven't your name, but if not, I am taking this means of reaching you. If I have written you I am appealing again for a fuller report. Let every Third Vice-President who reads this reply as early as possible. I count you one of the faithful. Write me if I can be of any service to you. Do all you can to make our Conference League a success at Sherman, June 8-11, with your presence and prayers. Yours for a greater conference.

(MISS) MARY K. BROWN,
2712 Ross Ave., Dallas, Texas.

EPWORTH-BY-THE-SEA.

The time is fast approaching when the hosts of Texas Methodists will be planning for their annual pilgrimage to dear old Epworth. This gathering has proven of untold blessing to thousands and is looked forward to by many as the green spot in the year.

May it well be considered so, for it would be hard for any one to attend Epworth and not receive a great uplift. It is one place where you do not have to do with the idea of having to keep up with the styles. Men can go without their coats and a woman in calico is just as much a part of the thing as those dressed in fine linen.

We confess to some disappointment that the Texas people do not shoulder the financial responsibilities with more zest. The proposition to the Sunday-schools of Texas was the thing and should have yielded a handsome fund. Brother Ragsdale writes that it has not been what he had expected and hoped. We believe, however, that Epworth will come out with flying colors.

It has been suggested that a lot of our Mexico people attend this year and that we have a big tent as Mexico headquarters and have a rousing time. Brother Stanford of Monterrey is enthusiastic over the idea and we heartily second the motion. There are special rates on always, and we are sure that the National Lines will do the

same this year. We suggest that those interested write to Rev. Henry Stanford, General Trevino St, Monterrey, N. L., and see if this matter can not be brought to a focus. It will furnish the tired worker of these high altitudes with a delightful outing at sea level, give him a spiritual uplift never to be forgotten, and send him back to his work with a new grasp on life. It does another thing, and that is, puts our workers in touch with a great part of the best young life in the home land. On to Epworth!

MISSIONARY ASSESSMENTS AND SPECIALS.

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

The recent session of the Board of Missions was the longest and one of the most interesting and important sessions in its history. It was the first annual session under the new constitution. Some important changes in policy were proposed. The board was face to face with greater opportunities and larger demands than ever before. It was, therefore, essential that time and thought should be given to its business, and it was also inevitable that under such conditions there should be a difference of opinion. On many points the difference was quite emphatic, and the discussions were animated and protracted. All of which was wholesome, and led at last to clearer understanding and more intelligent action. It would be interesting to detail the important measures adopted, but there were so many and of such far-reaching significance that they cannot be adequately treated in a single communication, and must be left for consideration at other times. Our purpose at this time is to make plain, in the light of the action of the board, a matter on which much depends, and about which we are constantly receiving inquiries.

Nothing has been more perplexing and more difficult to get clearly understood than specials and their relation to the assessment and to the regular budget. Since the board has adopted a new set of by-laws and after protracted discussion expressed its mind on that subject, it is important that the matter be clearly understood.

Under our present regulations there are three classes of objects: First, those objects which are included in the annual budget of appropriations, and which are necessary to the maintenance and continuance of the work already begun. Such are the salaries of missionaries, support of schools, sustaining of native workers, rent of chapels, homes for workers, etc. Whatever else we do these expenses must go on, or we must retire some of our work or workers. This last is not to be thought of, but the income from assessment has not for years been sufficient to meet this demand. In order to meet it this year we are compelled to appropriate one hundred thousand dollars more for these objects alone than was raised on the assessment last year. Hence we must rely on raising a hundred thousand dollars of this amount by means of specials over and above the assessments. Any of these objects may be taken as specials. When so taken, all money raised on them may be counted on the assessment. Two things must be apparent to all: One is that these necessary objects should be our first care, and that those desiring to undertake specials should make these objects their first choice. The other is that in raising money for such objects the amount should in every case exceed the assessment, if possible, since we must raise \$100,000 more than we raised last year on the assessment in order to take care of our work. Should we not do this, no matter how much we raise otherwise there must be a deficit, since all these objects must be taken care of, and the income from assessment is insufficient.

Second, there are objects for which a contingent appropriation has been made. These are new enterprises greatly needed, and necessary to the immediate and normal development of the missions. They are made contingent on the money being raised to put them through. Unless a sufficient amount is raised for these objects they will not be carried out. There are some \$60,000 represented in these contingent appropriations. This amount added to that for the first class of objects mentioned above makes a total equal to the full sum raised last year on both assessment and specials. These, therefore, we ought to be able to care for this year. Objects of this class are to be taken as specials, and money raised on them may be counted on the assessment the same as in the first class. Money so raised, however, should be in large measure, if not altogether, a surplus over and above the regular assessment, else it is clear we cannot carry them and the absolutely necessary budget without deficit.

Third, certain specials were voted to be raised outside of and indepen-

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dent of the appropriations. They stand on their own merits, and have their own funds, which have no direct connection with the other funds of the board. Money received for these specials must be so used, and no other funds of the board can be used for them without the special authorization of the board. No money contributed to these specials can be counted on the assessments. They are to constitute an appeal apart from and independent of the budget and the assessment.

Nothing that has been said applies to woman's work, either foreign or home. Their work as to methods of raising money and to administering it when raised, is distinct from the general work of the board. Money raised for woman's work can in no case be counted on the assessment or in any way affect the general budget.

Let these three classes of objects be kept in mind and there need be no confusion on the subject of specials. And if the whole Church will unite in swelling the income on the assessment by raising the entire amount in every charge and then multiplying those charges that go far and away beyond the assessment, we shall get on the highway of safe and sure progress. This can be done by following the instructions of the board in giving our first care and attention to supporting and strengthening the work already established. This will give us a larger basis for appropriation by swelling our regular income, and will form a solid basis of advance with resources to hold and care for the advance when made.

This policy has met with most gratifying favor throughout the Church. Churches have been quick to seize upon it as a means of going beyond the assessment. Messages are pouring in on us from every section of the Church that make the heart thrill with joy. By taking objects included in the budget and making the Every-Member Canvass many Churches are raising three and four times the amount of their assessment. Letters bearing this cheering assurance are coming to us almost daily. A jubilant chorus of progress is swelling all along the line. Let us keep it swelling till the whole Church catches it up and the whole mission field breaks forth into rejoicing. Every day the light grows a little, every day the way opens and grows clearer, and "the best of all is God is with us."

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REV. E. HIGHTOWER, Editor, Waco, Texas.
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EDITORIAL NOTES.

When Henry Ward Beecher was asked what he would do for a dead Church he replied that he would wake up the pastor. If your class is not doing as it should suppose you try waking up the teacher. Give to your work more sympathy, more study, and above all, more prayer. If you have an obstreperous scholar make him the object of your special care and prayer.

This office does not keep Sunday-school supplies. If you want to know anything concerning missions in the Sunday-school write to Dr. E. H. Rawlings. If you are interested in any phase of the teacher's work, write to Dr. H. M. Hamill. If the Adult Class Movement interests you, correspond with Dr. Charles D. Bulla. The address of all these brethren is 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee.

An educational adage says, "As is the teacher, so is the school." It is just as true that as is the Sunday-school teacher, so is the class. Given the best modern equipment, the lazy, unconsecrated teacher will fail. Given the most unpromising environment, the consecrated teacher will by the grace of God work miracles in the transformation and development of human character.

The Oklahoma Methodists have planned for a Methodist Assembly to be held at Sulphur, Oklahoma, beginning August 15. Those Oklahoma Methodists are wide-awake folks and of course know that the Sunday-school is the biggest thing there is, and so have given it a very prominent place in their program. Our whole Epworth Sunday-school Team will go there next. And we are glad to pass good things on to our lusty young neighbor.

Robert C. Ogden says, "The great social duty of our age is the saving of society, and the salvation of society begins with the saving of the child." This is sound doctrine. And we go further and say that no child is really saved—nor safe—until he is won to Christ. The most effective of all agencies for winning the child to Christ in this twentieth century is the Sunday school. Hence it is the most valuable institution in present day human society, and those who are managing it are carrying the greatest responsibility of the age. Let no superintendent or teacher think lightly of his work. In it are the destinies of Church and State in the ages to come.

Rome was not built in a day, and character is not transformed nor matured in an hour. Let no teacher be discouraged because of dull or inattentive or mischievous pupils. An author who knew all about real difficulties and hindrances in the work of the Lord wrote, "Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." To take the dull, unresponsive girl and by giving her such wholehearted, sympathetic love that she must respond not only to the love of the teacher, but to the love of Christ—to awaken at last in the bad boy such noble aspirations as shall result in a christian manhood—this is a work that makes glad the angels in heaven. The teacher should regard each scholar as a separate opportunity and then try to make the most of the opportunity.

The team for Sunday-school week at Epworth by-the-Sea is now completed and in training. Dr. E. B. Chappell will lecture every day on a subject to be announced later. Dr. Hamill will hold an institute for teachers. Mrs. Hamill will conduct an institute for elementary workers. Dr. Bulla will give training in the Adult Class work. Dr. Rawlings will explain our missionary policy for the Sunday-school and tell how to work it. Dr. Rice will have charge of the devotional hour and preach at night. On Sunday there will be a model Sunday-school conducted by Dr. Hamill and a Sunday-school mass meeting in the afternoon. Our purpose is to give our Sunday-school workers who go to Epworth by-the-Sea a course of real training for Sunday-school service. Bear in mind that Sunday-school week is the second week of the encampment and will begin August 12 and close August 18. You feel a special interest in the Sunday-school and can spend but one week at Epworth make your arrangements to be there during Sunday school week.

At Dallas some of the visitors criticized the program because there were sectional meetings. They wanted to hear all phases of Sunday-school work discussed. The Executive Committee still believes that in a conference that covers only two or three days it is better to give part of the time to sectional conferences because it is out of the question to cover all phases of the work in general in so short a time. At the same time it is very important that all Sunday-school workers, and especially pastors and superintendents, be well informed as to all branches of the Sunday-school. At Epworth there will be no sectional meetings unless a special demand for them should arise during the progress of the institute. Each morning will have a separate hour, and with a trained expert in each department, it will be possible to make a study of the whole Sunday-school question. Moral: Be at Epworth Encampment for 1911 during Sunday-school week.

A SHORT LETTER.

Cannot resist writing at least, a short letter. I am now holding Sunday-school Institutes in Gatesville District. I spent three days with Rev. J. F. Tyson, on the Hamilton Circuit, which is a most delightful charge. Brother Tyson's Sunday-schools are doing such excellent work. They are progressive. Four young men of his Sunday-schools have offered themselves for the ministry and six young women have volunteered themselves for special missionary work. We met those young people and we are glad to say that they are a noble band. You will hear from them later in life. Brother Tyson is certainly in favor with his people.

We were with Rev. N. J. Peeples for three days. He seems to be master of the situation on the Evant charge. His Sunday-schools are doing good work.

It was simply my joy to attend the Gatesville District Conference. It was the best all-round district conference this writer ever attended. Every thing was done in a strictly business way. The sermons were of a high class and especially spiritual. God's great spirit was manifest every day. At the noon service Saturday, there were twenty or more persons shouting at the same time. Their shouts were heard several blocks away.

During July and August we have decided to do Sunday-school work in connection with the revival meetings, spending one whole week at each place. The plan will be something like this: visiting from house to house, between services, working per-

sonally in the interest of the Sunday-school and the revival, organize Cradle Rolls, Home Departments, Wesley Adult Bible Classes, hold a few teachers meetings, organize soul-winning bands, etc.

Brother pastor, if you need such service during July or August, and my time is not all taken, I'll assist you. Write me. B. L. NANCE. Sunday-school Field Worker

AS A FACTOR IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

It is scarcely possible to estimate the greatness of the Sunday-school as a factor in christian education. Mark we say christian education. This does not seem strange when we say that there are twenty-eight million Sunday-school teachers in the world. What cannot be done by these twenty-eight millions, of teachers devoting one hour each Sabbath to the task of impressing moral and religious principles and truth upon young and impressionable minds. And it is pleasing to reflect that of these twenty-eight million teachers in the whole world, sixteen millions are in the United States and Canada. It is also a matter of record that during the past three years Sunday-school have increased at the rate of two hundred a week, and it is a matter of record that the additions to the Church from these schools have been at the average rate of seven hundred and fifty-five a day. There are three million American men in Sunday-schools have increased at the rate all the men's guilds, brotherhoods, Church clubs, and Young Men's Christian Associations combined. Herein is one strong factor in the christian education of the youth of America. And then this system of christian education is thoroughly organized. As a matter of fact, the so-called trusts, political parties, labor unions, world missions—scarcely any of them are more carefully and thoroughly organized than is the Sunday-school business. The whole nation, the states, the counties, the townships—all of them have their distinct organizations. And they are working organizations, too. Thus the Sunday-school has become, and is increasingly becoming more so, a powerful factor in the christian education of the times and country. Its power cannot be estimated.—Methodist Recorder.

A GREAT TEMPERANCE BOOK FREE.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilbur F. Crafts, of Washington City, have donated to the prohibition cause of Texas 1000 copies of the World Book of Temperance. This book aims to condense in small compass the latest scientific discoveries as to the harmfulness of even moderate drinking of beer and wine, with lesson of Scripture and history, that the Sunday-school temperance lessons and the scientific lessons of public school teachers may both be freshened by illustration from temperance branches of the subject. Its full in-

dexes adapt it for cyclopedic use by all reformers. It is a magazine of destructive explosives with which to undermine the power of the saloon.

This donation to the cause of these books amounts to a value of over \$250, for which the Sunday-school workers of Texas are very grateful.

The book will be sent to any pastor or superintendent who will send 10c in postage stamps to the Texas Sunday-school Association, 408 Plateau Building, Dallas, to cover the freight on same from Washington City and postage from Dallas. Order early, so that you will be sure to get one.

THE GREAT INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The thirteenth convention of the International Sunday-school Association composed of the Sunday-schools of all denominations of North America, will convene in the city of San Francisco, June 20 to 27.

10,000 Sunday-school workers are expected to attend this convention, from every State and Province, representing every evangelical denomination in the land. It will be the largest gathering of religious workers ever held on the Pacific Coast.

Seventy-four delegates have already been appointed, and we can select 70 more if they desire to go, but application must be made to Texas Sunday-school Association, 408 Plateau Building, Dallas at once. Full particulars will be given.

This will be one of the rarest treats of a lifetime. It would be a great investment for a Church to send its pastor, and the Sunday-school to send its superintendent. Write to Dallas headquarters at once for full particulars.

J. T. McCLURE, Central Chairman.
ROBT. H. COLEMAN, State President.
WILLIAM N. WIGGINS, General Secretary.

THE EVERY MEMBER CAMPAIGN.

Under the direction of the Central Campaign Committee of the Corsicana District.

This is the second week of the speaking part of the campaign. There is a readiness on the part of people to hear, for the seating capacity of the places where the services are properly advertised are insufficient to accommodate those that attend. But there is no wonder that the public is taking note, for the mission problem is being presented from so many different viewpoints—preachers, doctors, farmers, business men, lawyers, elect ladies, real estate men, teachers, all are turning on the light to illumine this great problem. Many are heard to say, "I never saw it in that light before." We of the Corsicana District are realizing that "Methodism is Christianity in earnest."

Here comes our annual report, stating that we have paid for missions from all sources, \$1,039,430.48. Of this

the Woman's Foreign Mission Society paid \$278,973.70 and the Home Mission Society paid \$205,512.15. The converts from heathendom in our mission fields paid of this sum \$16,511.60. Last year we paid 47 cents per capita, but this will raise us to 60 cents per capita. This is encouraging, but let every member of the Corsicana District resolve to pay twice the amount paid last year. We are responsible for 40,000,000 souls in the non-Christian world. It will take 1600 missionaries to reach this number; and it will take \$2 from each member in the Southern Methodist Church to send this number. But money is not our greatest need. You ask, "What is it then?" The leaders of the great missionary move say, "Our greatest need is prayer." Hence let us pray more for the coming of the kingdom. REPORTER.

CAMPAIGN SONG.

The following campaign song, written by our Quaker Prohibitionist, may be sung to the tune of "Old Black Joe." It is entitled "Tex—as—Dry."

Come voters all, and bravely take your stand,
Arise now, and vote for God and native land,
Stand for the right and soon the day will come,
With happy voices softly singing,
Home Sweet Home.

Chorus.
We're waiting, yes waiting, it's coming
bye and bye;
To set the echoes sweetly ringing,
Tex—as—Dry.

Our sunny land is longing for the day,
When by our votes we'll sweep saloons away,
When, through the mist, a brighter dawn we'll see,
With echoes bounding o'er the hillsides,
Tex—as—Free.

Chorus.
Close out saloons, by voting as you pray,
Rescue our boys from pitfalls in their way,
Then joyous songs, from happy homes will come,
And blend in chorus o'er the valleys,
Good—Bye—Rum.

Chorus.
Gird on your armor, ready for the fight,
Look through the shadows, for the gleaming light,
Strike down the dram shops, all along the way,
And hear the joyous shouts of freedom,
Some—Sweet—Day.

Chorus.
That Christian soldier does poor execution who gets his weapons out of the devil's armory.

Self-denial is something more than parting with your threadbare pantaloons.



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Our Contract will make your children independent in a few years time and will pay them from 100% to 300% on their small savings made each month. In the event of the child's death you are assured of an estate. All parents should investigate for the benefit of the little ones.



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District Agent,
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Miss Mildred Reidsma, Amarillo, Texas \$1,000 Contract Holder.

THE 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 Ragdale, care Texas Christian Advocate, Dallas, Texas.

HASKELL AUXILIARY.

The last meeting in February closed a most successful year with our W. H. M. Society at Haskell. We have a connection membership of fifty and I can truthfully say that a big majority of them are loyal to all the interests of our work. In fact, we have an ideal auxiliary.

Our Treasurer reported over \$1200 collected and expended, but we are going to do better than that this year. We have built a modern new parsonage, with nine rooms, besides bath and halls, which is valued, including lot, at \$4000.

We also gave a life-membership to the mother of our society, Mrs. F. G. Alexander. She is the only charter member left of the old Aid Society of twenty years ago, but has been an active worker all that time.

In connection with our work we have adopted a Bible study twice each month that enhances the value as well as interest of our society.

The new officers are: Mrs. S. W. Scott, President; Mrs. C. D. Long, First Vice-President; Mrs. P. D. Sanders, Second Vice-President; Mrs. T. J. Simms, Third Vice-President; Mrs. G. J. Graham, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. W. Fields, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Albert English, Treasurer; Mrs. R. C. Montgomery, Press Reporter; Mrs. Hardy Grissom, Agent for Missionary Voice.

Interest in our work has revived and under the able leadership of our President we expect good things for this year.

MRS. R. C. MONTGOMERY, Press Reporter.

GRAFORD W. H. M. SOCIETY.

The Women's Home Mission Society of Graford, Texas, has elected the following officers who were duly installed by our pastor, Rev. J. J. Calloway, March, 1911: Mrs. R. P. Lee, President; Mrs. Ellen Howard, First Vice-President; Mrs. J. J. Calloway, Second Vice-President; Miss Mertice Calloway, Third Vice-President; Mrs. W. R. Sikes, Recording Secretary; Mrs. S. A. Briggance, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Fauks, Treasurer; Mrs. J. P. Bailey, Press Reporter; Mrs. A. E. Powell, Agent Missionary Voice.

Another year's work has passed and we feel that we have much for which to be thankful.

We have quite a number of members ready for any duty required of them, and we trust the officers, with the aid of our consecrated pastor and his family, to make this the banner year of our society.

We look back upon the past year with grateful hearts and ask the prayers of the workers that we may accomplish much for our Master the coming year. MRS. J. P. BAILEY, Press Reporter.

REPORT OF W. H. M. SOCIETY, CLOVIS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The second annual District Conference of the Clovis District convened in the Methodist Church at Elida, N. M., April 19 to 22, with J. Rush Goodloe, presiding elder, in the chair, and from beginning to end a deep spiritual feeling pervaded the entire conference.

Thursday afternoon was devoted to the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society. Mrs. R. S. Overstreet, President of the New Mexico Home Mission Society, called the meeting to order. The address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. C. A. Coffee, of Elida, in a most charming manner, and the response by Mrs. W. S. Merrill, of Portales, was very pleasing and delightful.

After a song, Mrs. A. B. Ellis, of Melrose, read a portion of the fourth chapter of Second Kings (which gives an account of the first parsonage on record), also the fifteenth chapter of John, after which a number of sentence prayers were offered and the prayer concluded by Rev. W. L. Self, of Knowles.

A very helpful talk was made by Mrs. Overstreet, which touched a responsive chord in every heart, for we recognize in our President a very

efficient leader and are willing to follow her leadership anywhere.

A paper, "What Is Meant by the Connectional Work of the Society," written by the Conference Treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Lidington, of Clovis, was read by Mrs. W. F. Bayless, also of Clovis. This was followed by a discussion on "Ways and Means for Keeping Members of the Society Interested in the Work," which was led by Mrs. D. D. Swearington, of Clovis, and some very practical suggestions were brought forth.

Reports were read by delegates from the following societies: Clovis, Texico, Portales, Elida, Knowles, Taiban and Melrose, and all showed a marked improvement and increased interest over last year. A special song by the Elida choir closed the meeting and afterward Rev. A. J. Weeks of San Antonio, Texas, was introduced and spoke for a short time encouragingly of the work being done in New Mexico. His sermon at night was a spiritual feast to all whose good fortune it was to be present. The hospitable homes of Elida were thrown open to the delegates and no efforts were spared for our comfort and entertainment. Mrs. Overstreet and the writer were delightfully entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell.

This article would not be complete without reference to an eloquent sermon on "Education," delivered on Friday morning by Rev. George H. Givan, of Alamosordo. We very much appreciated Bro. Givan's helpful presence and trust that he may live many more years to bless humanity as he is now doing. MRS. A. B. ELLIS, Secretary Woman's Home Mission Society, Clovis District, Melrose, N. M.

BOWIE DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, There is before the people of our State a movement to remove the licensed liquor traffic from Texas; Whereas, We believe the open saloon is a great menace to our homes and an open enemy to our children; be it

Resolved, That we, the women of the Bowie District of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, North Texas Conference, in session at Nocona, Texas, declare relentless war against the whiskey traffic and pledge earnest support to every sane movement looking to success in the campaign for State-wide prohibition in our State.

MRS. L. B. HOLT, President. MISS FRANCES PIERCE, Sec.

CLARENDON MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

When I said to the Clarendon women recently, "I am glad the day is fast approaching when our women shall be one, in fact, as well as in spirit, in our great missionary work; when we shall be called missionary women instead of Home Missionary Society and Foreign Missionary Society"—I did not mean that one woman should ever do the work of two; nor did I mean that it is wise or expedient that one woman should hold the same office in two different societies.

But our women have acted as if I meant to effect economy of the working force at once. I have been almost conscripted into the office of press reporter for both societies; and I shall always write for both societies at the same time.

Quite appropriately, I think, these two societies have been called the right hand and the left hand of the Church. We should be co-workers indeed. But beyond this we are members of His body and co-workers with Him. We promise God that these two hands are not locked in listless idleness stretched across the seas to tear down the decaying structure of heathenism the other, with no less zeal, with open palm is dispensing necessities to the unfortunate at home.

It has been most fittingly suggested that for every dollar invested to convert the heathen, God gives us ten dollars' worth of purpose to deal with the heathen at home. And whether our work is at home or abroad, it is the same work. "There is one God and Father of us all." His Kingdom and children are the same everywhere.

Clarendon has two very active and faithful societies. As is usual, the Home Mission Society is the larger. However, the Foreign Missionary Society here is full of the Spirit of the Master. Our reading courses are well planned. The work is very interesting. At present we are studying the book offered by the Foreign Board. We expect to finish this in June. Then we shall enter upon the study provided by the Home Mission Society. One

prepares us for the other. This activity is broadening our intellectual view and deepening our spirituality. We have greatly appreciated the regular programs sent out by the boards and have observed each one with pleasure and profit. The approaching Annual Conference are held before our eyes with pleasurable anticipations. Clarendon will be represented by a full corps of delegates in each of these.

We are praying that these conferences may result in a great uplift to the women of the Church in these parts. Respectfully,

MRS. S. E. WASSON, Press Reporter. Clarendon, Texas, May 6, 1911.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, The State of Texas is engaged in a struggle to free itself from the curse of the open saloon; and Whereas, Every loyal citizen should take a stand on the right side of this great question; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Woman's Home Mission Society, of the Texas Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session at Marlin, Texas, representing a membership of nearly sixty-six thousand, and a constituency of two hundred thousand, that we urge the voters of our State to go to the polls on July 22 and cast their votes for the freedom of Texas and a stateless flag.

Resolved That as your mothers wives, daughters and sisters who are building your homes and doing our best to make this country what it ought to be, that we pledge you our sympathy, prayers, influence and every assistance we can render, and we urge every woman in Texas to stand by us in this great fight for our homes.

Resolved That these resolutions be furnished the press of the State for publication.

(Signed) MRS. ALEX. WOLDERT, President. MISS ELIZABETH HILL, Treasurer. MRS. H. T. CUNNINGHAM, First Vice-President. MRS. GEO. CALL, Corresponding Secretary. MRS. E. C. BRAMLETT, MRS. JEFF D. HEFLEY.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted.

MRS. H. T. C.

ANNUAL MEETING, W. F. M. SOCIETY, NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, North Texas Conference, was held May 8-11, inclusive, in Donham, Texas, that hospitable North Texas town of historic name and so dear to the hearts and memories of some of us. Each of the one hundred or more delegates and visitors was entertained in the "best home" in the city, and nothing had been left undone to enhance the welcome accorded us.

Especially thought had been given to the preparation of beautiful anthems and solos for the public evening meetings. We were glad to note the presence and interested attention of an unusual number of visitors from our various auxiliaries who were not voting members of the conference, also several of our most representative pastors and laymen.

The President, Mrs. L. S. Barton, presided in her own excellent manner over the sessions, and also brought a comprehensive report of the recent council meeting which we were all awaiting so eagerly. After hearing it, we felt acquainted with the essential conditions of each of the foreign fields and also the home base; and the work of the conference and its committees followed as closely as possible the decisions and recommendations of the council.

Instead of the Memorial Chapel in memory of Ruby Kendrick, proposed last year, our Conference Society is to house at a cost of \$500 and \$150 per annum for maintenance an already existing day school in the South Ward of Songdo, Korea, the very spot where Ruby Kendrick was to have labored. We are glad to know that the council is this year going to concentrate all possible forces upon the building of the absolutely necessary adequate facilities for our school in Rio, Brazil, to cost \$125,000. All auxiliaries are urged to hold jubilee meetings in October or November, the funds therefrom to go into the Rio fund. Our conference should give special heed to this work as our own special conference pledge goes to this work, and our own Misses Dye and Hickman labor in Rio. Delightful and inspiring letters from these young ladies, also Rebecca Tejada, of Guadalajara, Mexico, were received by the conference. Miss Dye's was one of farwell, as after June she will no longer be our girl alone. The conference will give her a wedding remembrance as a token of our love for her, our appreciation of her character and what the privilege of helping her is

her beautiful life of service for the Master has meant to us.

The leaven of the spirit of union which is permeating the entire religious world was evidenced by the appointment of the executive officers as a commission to meet with a similar commission to be appointed by the Home Mission Society, North Texas Conference, and if satisfactory arrangement of all details can be made to effect a union of the two conference societies.

The union of all local auxiliaries has been left optional, but all recommendations and the spirit of the most progressive workers are tending to that end.

Throughout the conference the excellence of the Missionary Voice and the necessity of enlarging its circulation were stressed.

The reports of officers showed growth in all departments. The total receipts for the past year were \$8,171.49.

Mrs. W. F. Barnum, Division Manager of the Western Division of the Woman's Council, was present part of one day, giving an interesting address upon "Mission Study," and explaining various details of the work.

All the devotional exercises were unusually spiritual and helpful, and the noon devotionals conducted by our own missionary, Miss Norwood Wynn, of Guadalajara, Mexico, constituted one of the best of the many good things of the conference. Her evening address upon Mexico was one of the most forceful and convincing presentations of the dire needs of our mission fields which have been for centuries under the dominance of Roman Catholicism that we have heard; and her presence for the first time at an annual meeting since she first volunteered eleven years ago was a benediction upon the entire conference.

Miss Cordelia Irvin, of Korea, former roommate of Ruby Kendrick, was present the latter part of the conference, and won the hearts of all by her sweet tribute to Miss Kendrick and her clear and thrilling expose, in two day and one evening address, of conditions in the Korean mission field, the block of 2,000,000 souls entrusted to the M. E. Church, South, for evangelization.

The opening consecration sermon, one that stirred the hearts of his hearers, was preached by Rev. W. E. Thomas, and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. L. S. Barton, assisted by other ministers.

Dr. Geo. M. Gibson, of First Church, Dallas, preached the annual sermon, a splendid and inspirational discourse.

Two young ladies volunteered for special work on the closing night of the conference.

Further details of the conference will appear in the minutes which will soon be printed.

The officers elected, and the order arranged to accord with the council requirements are: President, Mrs. L. S. Barton; First and Second Vice-President, in charge of Children's and Young People's Work, Mrs. Geo. S. Sexton; Third Vice-President, Mrs. R. W. Baird; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. J. H. Bowman; First, Second and Third Honorary Vice-Presidents, Mrs. W. H. Howell, Mrs. Abbie Allen and Mrs. R. W. Thompson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Turney; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Allen; Treasurer, Mrs. C. B. Bryant. MRS. W. H. ALLEN, Recording Secretary.

AUXILIARIES OF THE NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Once more and for the last time before our annual meeting I come to you with the earnest plea for a report and promptly at the close of this month, only one more week before the month is out. I trust in the societies where there is no Press Reporter your Corresponding Secretary will answer this appeal.

I hope to meet many of our reporters at conference, and know personally those with whom I have had such pleasant relations the past year. I feel sure we will get a larger vision of our duties, responsibilities and privileges in this great branch of Christian service.

Now, friends, my report is made from your reports, and this is our principal means of knowing how the work is progressing; so you see how very necessary it is that you send in a summary of your work the past quarter or year.

Through the District Secretaries, pastors, or an address taken from the columns of the Advocate I have tried to get in touch with every auxiliary, but there are still some societies I have not yet reached, so I beg that each answer with at least a card or better still a report; this will make our work go and grow in the Northwest Texas Conference.

May God bless every effort for the advancement of his cause. MRS. LEE PERMINTER, Press Superintendent Northwest Texas Conference.

MY DOCTOR

MIGHTY FINE

Mrs. Mattie Cain of Carrsville Thinks all the More of Her Doctor Since He Advised Her to Take Cardui.

Carrsville, Ky.—"My doctor," writes Mrs. Hattie Cain, "who advised me to take Cardui, for my troubles, is a mighty fine doctor, and I say God bless Cardui and the people who make it.

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GUSTINE W. H. M. SOCIETY.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of Gustine perfected their organization in March and became "connectional."

We are doing some very efficient work, having just paid for our pews and placed three fine hollow wire gasolene lights in our church.

Our new officers are as follows: Mrs. C. E. Gallager, President; Mrs. M. M. Carter, First Vice-President; Mrs. Jones, Second Vice-President; Mrs. Betty Hamilton, Third Vice-President; Mrs. R. E. Huling, Recording Secretary; Mrs. O. G. Campbell, Corresponding Secretary and Press Reporter; Miss Mamie Jones, Treasurer; Mrs. Green Fritz, Agent for Missionary Voice.

We have a membership of twenty-one, and expect to grow and keep pace with the development of our town through which the Cotton Belt Railroad is now building.

We have a nice church, furnished with fine pews and lights, but there are still many little things for us to do about the church and parsonage, which, with visiting the sick and meeting the strangers who will come with the advent of the railroad, we expect a very busy year.

God has rewarded our efforts in the past, and we trust him for our future. MRS. O. G. CAMPBELL, Press Reporter.

CENTRAL W. H. M. SOCIETY, TEXARKANA.

The Home Mission Society of Central Methodist Church of Texarkana, Texas, has just passed through another year of successful work.

Our local work has been so heavy for the past few years that we have not been able to do as much connectional work as we would like to have done.


Our members have a fine opportunity to minister to the sick as we have several sanitariums in our city, and I do not exaggerate when I say there are hundreds of visits made to the sick and an unlimited number of flowers left to brighten the invalid's room that are never reported in our society.

Not long since one of our good ladies passed through one of our sanitariums with a basket of cape jasmine, and, as she scattered these beautiful blossoms among the sick and afflicted, it was delightful, indeed, to see their smile of genuine pleasure and note their words of praise as they received these tokens of sympathy and love.

The following report of our work from March, 1910, to March, 1911, tells its own story of usefulness, energy and worth:

Number of visits to sick and strangers	899
Number of needy assisted	63
Number of garments given away	92
Value of supplies given away locally	\$45.00
Flowers sent to sick	14
Trays sent to sick	22
Amount expended on parsonage	\$1400.00
Amount expended on other local work	168.75
Number of members paying dues	42
New members	6
Number taking Missionary Voice	13

MRS. S. J. HENRY, Press Reporter. 500 faculty men co-operated in the Bible study work in 295 institutions.



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PASTORS IN THE SAN ANGELO DISTRICT, TAKE NOTICE.

At the recent session of the San Angelo District Conference, at Menard, Tex., the Committee on District Parsonage recommended an assessment of \$600 on the various churches in the district to be used in repairing and improving the district parsonage at San Angelo. The District Conference unanimously adopted the recommendation, and distributed the fund among the various pastoral charges in the district upon the salary per cent basis as follows:

San Angelo, First Church, \$94; Chadburn Street, \$31; San Angelo Circuit, \$18; Miles, \$15; Rochelle Circuit, \$25; Brady, \$54; Lohn Circuit, \$18; Eden, \$27; Menard, \$22; Junction City, \$31; Paint Rock, \$39; Sherwood, \$7; Ozona, \$36; Sonora, \$36; Eldorado, \$27; Sterling City, \$39; Garden City, \$24; Midland, \$54; Water Valley, \$13.

This money is to be sent to Mr. Sam Crowther, San Angelo, Texas, as it is collected by the preachers. Let each pastor remember his part in this item and proceed with the collection as promptly as he can. A. Y. OLD, Secretary.

Paint Rock, Texas.

EL PASO DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTES.

The twenty-first session of the El Paso District Conference was held in the beautiful little city of Marfa, Texas, May 11 to 15, 1911. From the opening hour clear on through to the close the work was fraught with interest to the onward movement of the kingdom in this part of the New Mexico Conference.

The three years of continued drought in the Southwest has been a trying period to the Church; but, notwithstanding this ordeal, there has been a steady and healthy growth along all lines, so much so that the membership, pastor's salary and the benevolent collections have doubled in the past four years.

During the year many revival meetings have been held, scores converted and numbers added to the Church. The report of the Committee on the Spiritual State of the Church indicated that our people, as a whole, are consecrated, Christian people.

The El Paso District has an active, progressive set of men as pastors, and every one of them seems to be doing his very level best to win souls and to advance the kingdom of God among men. I do not believe a more energetic lot of men can be found in and district in Methodism.

While the work is advancing rapidly in the larger towns as centers, and in some places in the rural districts, yet there are many villages and communities in the country we long to reach. But this is a problem we have been unable to solve, and it seems that it will remain unsolved until we can get more money from abroad, or until we can develop the resources on our own field with which to maintain workers among the ranchmen, miners, dry farmers and others. In the meantime, there will continue to be a crying need for the gospel in these out-of-the-way places.

J. B. Cochran, presiding elder, by the time limit will retire from the district this fall, but he will retire with the love, esteem and confidence of a host of admiring friends, not only of our own people, but from all denominations of the El Paso District as well. A fairer-minded, more considerate, a better organizer, and a better equipped man in every particular than J. B. Cochran is very hard to find.

C. S. Wright will go from Trinity Church, El Paso, after four years of most phenomenal success. Every preacher in the district is

glad to welcome the congenial, scholarly and only T. L. Lallance as a member of this conference again.

Rev. J. R. Moore, for eleven years a missionary in Korea, but now stationed at Las Cruces, delivered a striking and helpful address on missions.

The Missionary Institute, in connection with the District Conference, was a very helpful and inspiring one along the line of home mission work, and every address was up to high-water mark.

P. T. Ramsey, of Roswell; Hubert M. Smith, of Pecos; W. H. Duncan, of Fort Stockton, and J. Allen Ray, of Artesia, are each planning to build a magnificent new church in the near future. These are all prosperous, growing towns, and they propose to build in keeping with their surroundings.

A new charge in El Paso, one to the south of Deming, and one in the Pecos Valley, will probably be organized at the Annual Conference.

J. L. Williams, a promising young man of Pecos, was licensed to preach. Delegates to the Annual Conference:

W. N. SANFORD, of Alpine. M. N. SHIVE, of Highland Park, El Paso. W. PRESSLEY, of Sierra Blanca. A. W. CLARK, L. E., of Ft. Stockton.

Dr. Curry, Vice-President San Antonio Female College, delighted and inspired the conference with an able address on "Christian Education."

George Ward, our own superannuate, who always has a good word for everybody, was on hand, and seemed as vigorous as usual.

Rev. A. C. Bell, preacher in charge, and his people were most royal conference hosts. No finer folks can be found anywhere than the Mitchells, Livingstones, Howells, Barclays, Randalls, Browns, Ivys and many others. Almost every home in Marfa was open to the reception of delegates.

The Marfa country is one of the very best for cattle in West Texas, and the cattle raised here command the top of the market in Kansas City and St. Louis. The recent heavy rain is making the grass hum.

An irrigation project is being launched about twelve miles southeast of Marfa in the building of the St. Stevens' dam, which will impound enough water to irrigate and develop a fertile valley of more than ten thousand acres.

The rugged tableland near old Ft. Davis, about thirty miles northeast of Marfa, is rapidly developing into a fine fruit country. The alluvial soil and the altitude seem just right for the big winter apple.

Marfa has one of the most magnificent court houses in all West Texas. It looks almost as stately as many capitol buildings.

Marfa is blessed with a fine system of public schools. Prof. Griffin, the Superintendent, is a consecrated, Christian gentleman, and his influence for good is being felt in all the surrounding community.

The next session of the El Paso District Conference will be held in Pecos City, Texas.

GEO. H. GIVAN, Secretary.

BAKING ALWAYS IN SIGHT.

This is an age when conservation is a recognized sister of economy. People are eager to hear of any plan or any invention that will save anything. There is coming out of Cincinnati the Boss oven—a portable affair with a glass door. It can be used on any kind of a stove or range in which either oil, gasoline, acetylene, alcohol or gas is the fuel. Housewives appreciate an oven in which they can always see their baking without opening the door. It means freedom from the worry and loss caused by burnt or fallen bread and cakes.

Domestic Science Schools, where practical baking demonstrations must be successful, endorse the BOSS glass door oven because, due to its method of construction, heat is perfectly distributed to all parts. The glass door is held in place by patented yielding pressure retaining strips, which permit expansion and contraction—insurance against glass breakage on account of heat. The glass door fits so snugly that escape of heat from oven is impossible. The Huenefeld Company, of Cincinnati, will be glad to send free to all our readers their Boss Recipe Book and Cookery Helps and Hints, with illustrated description of their glass door ovens, which do a baking at a cost of less than a cent.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Jacksonville District.

The date of the Jacksonville District Conference is changed from June 27 to June 19. Meet at 10 a. m. We very much desire that every Conference Board will have a representative at the conference, and for this purpose have changed our date three times. In addition to committees already announced we announce for Southwestern scholarship S. W. Lowe, B. R. Bolton and P. D. Turner.

J. T. SMITH, P. E.

DANIEL BAKER COLLEGE, BROWNWOOD, TEXAS.

Announcements are being issued this week for the twenty-second annual commencement of Daniel Baker College, June 3 to 7. The past year has been one of marked progress and growth. The attendance has been larger than any previous year and the percentage of students remaining throughout the entire session is far greater than ever before. The program for commencement week will consist of Celebration of Literary Societies, Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. William Caldwell, Ph. D., of Fort Worth, Texas; Address before the Christian Associations, Rev. William Caldwell, Ph. D., of Fort Worth, Texas; Reception Art Department, Annual Concert, Annual Meeting of Board of Trustees, Annual Meeting Alumni Association, Annual Alumni Address and Banquet, Graduating Exercises.

TO THE PASTORS AND SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE NORTH-WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren.—Please remember that Rev. M. E. Hawkins, Canadian, Texas, is Treasurer of our Conference Sunday-school Board. In remitting your Children's Day offering please send it to Bro. Hawkins and not to me.

I am glad to tell you that perhaps as many as 180 schools are holding Children's Day services, but there are about eighty schools that have not yet ordered programs. About ninety schools failed last year. We don't want any to fail this year. We don't want a single blank to show in the Children's Day column on our minutes next fall. Has your school ordered? If not, won't you write me at once telling me how many programs needed? Please don't let your school fail. Faithfully your secretary, R. B. BONNER.

THE SIZE OF THE SEA.

An officer of a liner once remarked to the writer that most men seemed to be as ignorant about the size of the sea as they are of the distance between the heavenly planets. Here

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

FOR SALE.

A choice two-story residence. Easy terms. One acre. Fine orchard. Good neighborhood, close to schools. A bargain. J. B. JONES, Georgetown, Texas.

HELP IN REVIVAL MEETINGS.

The Rev. Rex B. Wilkes, who was appointed by Bishop Akins at the last session of the West Texas Conference as financial agent of the Cherokee School, is so situated, and the conditions of the school is such, that he can give time to assist the brethren in meetings through the summer months. Those needing efficient help will do well to write to Bro. Wilkes at once, Llanon, Tex. Arrangements have been made to open the school in September, and the outlook for a good school is full of promise. J. D. SCOTT, P. E.

REVIVAL WORK.

I would like to assist some one in meetings this summer, or conduct the song service, or be with some evangelist during the summer. For reference: Bro. R. P. Brown, pastor Comanche M. E. Church, also G. M. Simmons, Sunday-school superintendent, Comanche, Texas. Address, H. E. DONAHU, Comanche, Texas, L. B. 296.

are a few facts: The Pacific covers 63,000,000 miles, the Atlantic 30,000,000, and the Indian Ocean, Arctic and Antarctic 42,000,000. To stow away the contents of the Pacific it would be necessary to fill a tank one mile long; one mile wide, and one mile deep every day for 440 years. Put in figures, the Pacific holds in weight 948,000,000,000,000,000 tons. The Atlantic averages a depth of not quite three miles. Its waters weigh 325,000,000,000,000,000 tons, and a tank to contain it would have each of its sides 430 miles long. The figures of the other oceans are in the same startling proportions. It would take all the sea water in the world two million years to flow over Niagara.—Tid-Bits.

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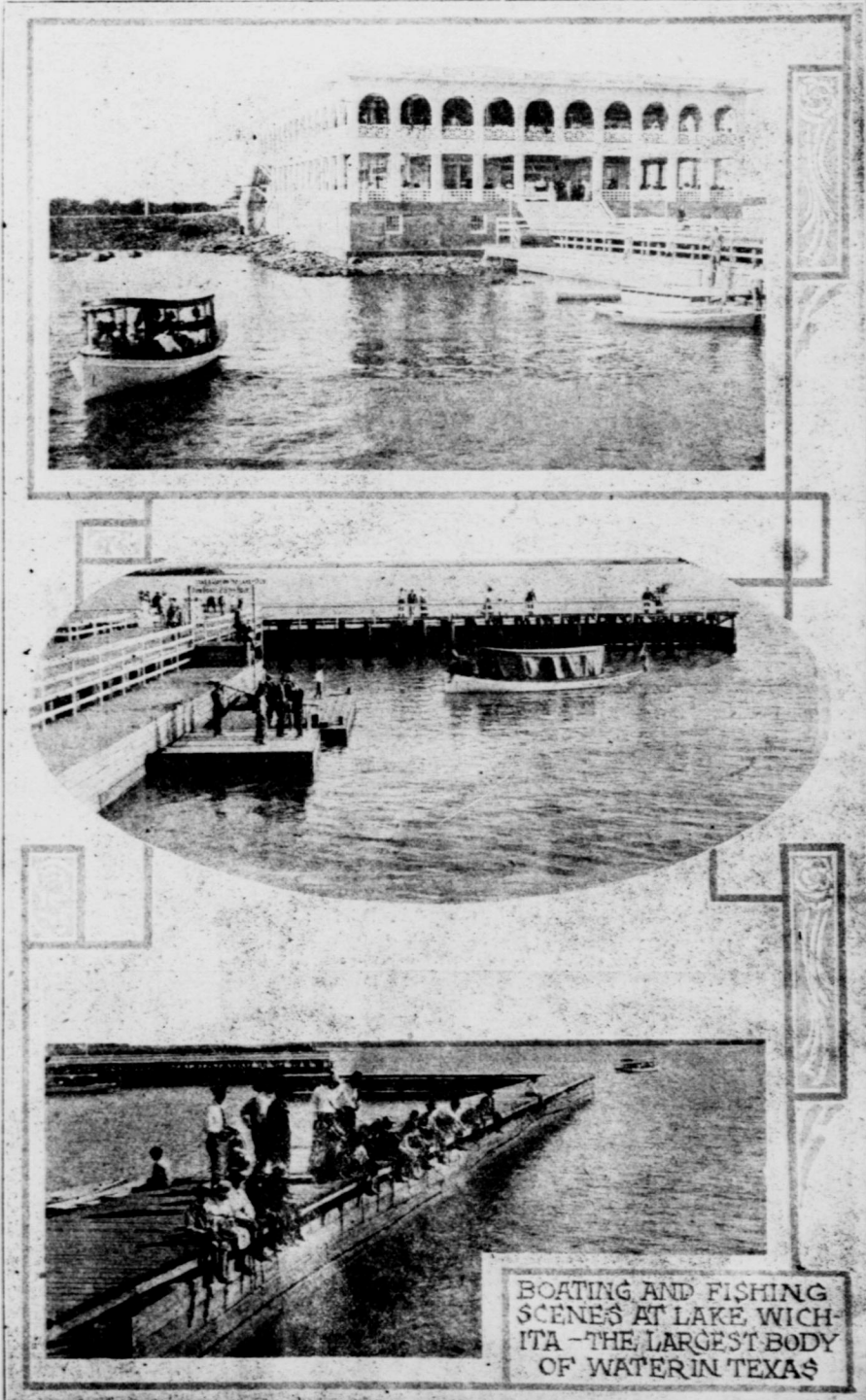
Fleming-Thompson.—In Clareville, Texas, May 10, 1911, Mr. William A. Fleming and Miss Lena E. Thompson, Rev. J. F. Pike officiating.

LAKE SHORE ASSEMBLY.

Already inquiries are coming in concerning cots, board, etc. Oklahoma is interested and those who attend the Assembly may expect to clasp the hand of our neighbors on the north. Many of the preachers and members of the Church in Oklahoma were former Texans, so they are coming back to see us. They will receive the glad hand. Those who desire special information concerning hotel rates, tents, etc., may write Mr. F. Happy Day, Wichita Falls, Texas. He will cheerfully give information. We are receiving many kind words on the strength of our program.

Every day now sees the beautiful grounds of Lake Wichita improved. Make your arrangements and spend the week with us. Time, July 24-31.

L. S. BARTON.



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Poetry Can in No Case be Inserted.

Extra copies of paper containing obituaries can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent. Price five cents per copy.

MAY.—Rev. Albert G. May was born October 13, 1839, in Illinois; died April 17, 1911. He was ordained deacon by James O. Andrews; was ordained elder by Bishop Pierce; was licensed to exhort by William Hubert and to preach by J. W. Phillips. I first met Brother May at Coleman, Texas, in 1863. He continued in the active ministry for over thirty years. He was an efficient preacher; was blessed with great revivals. He was often on the frontier where he was exposed to the hostile Indians. I do not know the time he located. He made his living, after location, by farming. He was a very devout man. In reading his diary one is impressed with his earnestness of perseverance in prayer. Some few years ago he moved to Dallas where he made his home till he departed this life. He was seldom able to attend Church. He suffered a great deal. I visited him during his sickness. He would take me by the hand and say, "And are we yet alive and see each other's face." I never knew a cleaner, purer man. He was an affectionate man. He was very small in stature, weighing about one hundred and fifty pounds. His funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Brother C. M. Harless and myself. He left his impress upon his family. One of his sons has entered the ministry. This is an imperfect sketch of his life, by his friend and brother.

G. S. SANDEL.

HARRELL.—Miss Annie Harrell, eldest daughter of M. D. Harrell, was born in Mississippi, September 19, 1877, and died at South Bend, Texas, March 21, 1911. Between these two dates she thirty three and a half years of a beautiful life. Miss Annie was trained up in the right way, and loved God from her infancy to the time of her death. Her religion was practical, and yet genuinely spiritual and was ever the same at home as abroad; in private as in public. Miss Annie was the idol of her brothers and her father and stepmother were no less devoted to her. Indeed, we all miss her and are lonely without her. It could not be otherwise. She was a friend to everybody and always had a kind word for every one. She never spoke unkindly of a living soul. A severe cold developed into quick consumption and death claimed the victory over human love, human skill and human endurance; but it had no power over the soul. She gave evidence of the soul's triumph over death when she turned to a loved one and said: "Show me the way across the valley and the river;" and then seeming to see her way through the valley and across the river, she exclaimed "Oh, the hills of the valley." May the Father's richest blessings rest upon the bereaved family and may their hearts find comfort in the hope of meeting Annie in a world where death never comes.

ARTHUR THOMAS.

Peoria, Oregon.

JONES.—The sweet little spirit of Murrell Elizabeth Jones, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Jones, returned to God who gave it on Wednesday morning, May 10, 1911. This little flower sprang into the home August 1, 1909. She was the idol of her parents and all who knew her. She was dedicated to God in holy baptism September 4, 1910. The remembrance of this act of dedication in baptism is one of the sweetest remembrances of the child that the parents have. They spoke of it again and again. Little Murrell was sick only a few days. During her suffering everything was done that human hands could do for her restoration, but in the providence of God it seemed best that she come home. Loving hands tenderly laid the little body to rest in Stamford Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon. May God who doeth all things well so lead the lives of the sorrowing father and mother that in the morning of the resurrection, the family chain shall be unbroken, and with little Murrell and others who have gone on before, they may continually be before the throne of God worshipping him day and night.

F. L. MEADOW, P. C.
Stamford, Texas.

Humors feed on humors—the sooner you get rid of them the better. Mead's Sarsaparilla is the medicine to take.

MAXWELL.—Mrs. Anna Lula Maxwell, wife of R. W. Maxwell and only daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Morris, was born in Dalby Springs, Texas, November 22, 1886. She was married on the 27th day of January, 1911, and died in Sherman, Texas, March 26, 1911. These words tell of the beginning and the earthly ending of one of the sweetest young women that this writer has ever known. Born in a preacher's home, Mrs. Maxwell early in life gave her heart to God and joined the Church of which her father was pastor. From the beginning she was a devoted and earnest Church worker, and was always the center around which moved the young life of her local Church. She was especially prominent in League and Sunday-school work, and excelled in the management and instruction of little children. The writer will never forget a talk made by her during a meeting of the city Leagues of Dallas, when she consecrated her life to God and to his service. Her earnest words and beautiful spirit melted the entire audience to tears. Shortly after this she began to make preparations for the higher work to which she had given her life, and entered the Scarratt Bible and Training School at Kansas City. Her parents and friends feared that her physical strength would not permit her to carry out this cherished desire, and such proved to be the case. In Sherman she entered with renewed vigor into Church work, and was teacher of a most inspiring class of young women. She gave a great deal of time and thought to this class, and it became one of the best in Travis Street Sunday-school. In her home life Miss Anna Lula was one of the loveliest daughters and sisters that it has been my pleasure to know. Between her and her father there was a comradeship the like of which is rarely seen. They entered into each other's lives and thoughts with a spirit of mutual understanding that was as rare as it was touching and beautiful. To her mother she was tenderly devoted, and was never happier than when relieving her of some work or care. Mother and daughter were more like companions, and each found a sufficiency of joy in the society of the other. Genial by nature, she had a heart of pure gold, which radiated the home with sunshine and happiness. Her marriage was an unusually happy one, and she loved her husband with a true wifely devotion. The married life was all too short from our viewpoint, and yet those two precious months were filled with a complete love, which was unmarred by an unkind word or act. Her noble young husband was true to the vows that bound her to him, and has the comfort of knowing that he made her life radiantly happy. She was sick about two weeks, and made the greatest fight for life that I have ever seen. One disease after another laid its awful hand upon her frail body until the good Father called her to himself, where no trace of sickness or sorrow can ever find her again. In her lucid intervals she expressed entire readiness for the last change, and her perfect trust in Christ her Savior. Even in semi-delirium she spoke of taking beautiful walks in the city of love, to which her dear spirit was even then hastening, and when she felt her feet slipping on death's awful shoals she called in delirium for the dear one who had never failed her, and who would then have gladly given his life to hold off death's cold and relentless hand. All was done that medical skill or tender nursing could accomplish. Her noble brother-physician fought with wonderful power, and several times seemed to sweep back the very waves of death. She died quietly and peacefully as a tired child goes to sleep, and left to loved ones a beautiful memory, which with God's grace will comfort them until they see her again in the sweet by and by. Good-bye, Miss Anna Lula. Through our tears we can see your beautiful face surrounded by the rainbow of God's everlasting promises.

A. L. ANDREWS.

STILES.—Mrs. Susie Stiles (nee Dewees) was born in 1892; died March 8, 1911. Her parents moved to Dumont when she was just a child. Being converted and uniting with the Church when very young, she did a good work for the Lord, although not quite nineteen. Besides being a consecrated Christian, she was a dutiful daughter, a devoted wife and a loving mother; even though she was called away when her little son was but twelve days old. Her whole heart's desire was to make him a little jewel to shine for God. She leaves the husband and little son, father, mother, one brother and three sisters to mourn for her. But dear, bereaved ones, why weep for her; true you have lost her for a time, but she has gained heaven for all time and eternity. Just

prepare to meet her on the banks of sweet deliverance, where God with his own hand will wipe all tears from the eyes of his dear children. She is beckoning for you, loved ones in that home not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

ARAH NEWMAN.

STRONG.—George Seaborn, Sr. was born Feb. 2, 1846, near Cedartown, Ga., and died at his home nine miles east of Henderson, Texas, April 15, 1910; was happily married to Miss Lavinia Reese, August 18, 1865, by Rev. A. C. Farrimen, and of this union there came ten children, two boys having died when small. In Aug. 1871, he was converted under the ministry of Rev. J. R. Bellamy and united with the M. E. Church, South, in which he filled the office of steward, trustee and Sunday-school Superintendent. A little over twelve months have passed since the spirit of our dear friend and brother winged its flight into the glory-world, and they have been months of sorrow and loneliness to his numerous friends and devoted family. Oh, how hard to give up one whom we loved so dearly, and one whose place it will be so hard to fill in the Church he loved so well, and in the community in which he lived so long. How sad to go to old Church Hill and not see Brother Strong there. The Church doesn't seem natural without him, because he was always there. We sometimes imagine we can almost hear him praying, and his remarkable prayers so often filled to overflowing the hearts of the entire congregation. Never can the people of the Church Hill community forget him, and our Church will never be the same it was when we had Bro. Geo. Strong as a leader in all things that pertained to God and the right. His life has left behind it an influence for good that shall live on and on, and many can testify that their lives have been made better by having been associated with this man of God. Many times in experience meetings have we heard him make the remark: "It is my ambition to give myself entirely to the service of my God, and to die serving him," and this he did. He died at peace with God and all mankind. He was a sufferer from heart-failure (or a number of years, and it was this trouble that snatched him without a moment's warning into the land where there is no suffering. Glorious thought! Ready and waiting when the summons came and while we feel lost without him we should only strive the harder to live the life he so often exhorted us to live and meet him over on the other shore where we'll have to part no more. The wife of his youth is almost prostrate with grief because of the taking away of her companion beside whom she had walked for forty-five years sharing his troubles and sorrows as well as their many blessings all through life. Very seldom one ever left home without the other. There was always the preacher's home and their children are the preacher's friend. Bro. Strong always paid liberally into the Church and all religious affairs. Had been a subscriber to the Advocate thirty-five years or more, raised eight children to be grown and married and the Advocate makes its weekly visits into five of their homes. The children are all staunch members of the Methodist Church and are trying to emulate the example their father left them. Press on; he is beckoning you to come. Bereaved wife, be faithful a few more days; Christ, the destroyer of death, holds out to you a crown of eternal life. In the family burying ground the remains were tenderly laid away under a mass of flowers in the presence of a large concourse of weeping relatives and friends, to await the resurrection of the just. Rev. H. G. Williams, assisted by Rev. J. C. Jones, conducted the funeral services. Farewell, dear friend till we meet again.

EFFIE COPENHAVER.

Henderson, Texas.

LOWRIMORE.—Rev. James H. Lowrimore was born December 9, 1841; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in early life; was married to Mary Roberts, in 1869; came to Texas 1878; departed this life March 24, 1911. To this union eight children were born, four living. Mrs. Suda Henson, Mrs. Cora Boldin, Larkin and Charlie Lowrimore. J. H. Lowrimore was licensed to exhort July 27, 1875, by Joseph Johnson, Presiding Elder of the Corinth District, North Mississippi Conference; was ordained deacon by Bishop Warren A. Candler at Georgetown, Texas, November 18, 1900. At Blooming Grove, Texas, the Corsicana District Conference convened on April 27, 1911; the roll was called and all marked present but one; that one had gone to answer roll call at the bar of God. Brother Harris, as he was always called, was a man who had power with God and with men, power in his home, power in his preaching and his Church. He would not compromise with the devil

on any part of the ground. If he had enemies, it was for Christ's sake. He was a soldier, not merely in the Church, but for the Church. He was true to his convictions. No man ever preached in my pulpit whom I thought more of as a man sent from God, because no man could have done and preached with such power except God be with him. The last meeting we held together, at the close when many were shouting praises to God, he said he felt that he would soon be shaking hands with loved one over there. As the years go by, men will still be telling to their children and to one another, the story of this great and useful man of God. As I write these lines, my heart grows tender at the memories of my friend and brother, who never espoused a cause in which he did not believe, and never met an opponent of whom he was afraid. To his loved ones, we will say, our prayer is that we may all join him in heaven where there are no more good byes.

J. T. McKEOWN.

HALL.—Brother Hall was born in Alabama, October 16, 1828; was converted at the age of twenty; and joined the Methodist Church in 1848. Brother Hall has been a member of the Methodist Church for the past sixty-three years, and he was a person that never got tired following his Master and guide. He came to Texas in 1867. Forty-three years of his life were spent in Coryell County. Brother Hall was married the second time. He was first married to Miss Sara Ann Deuvall, in Marion County, Arkansas, in the year 1849. He was the father of nine children, seven girls and two boys. He was married the second time to Miss Lucinda Sandland, in Coryell County, in the year 1875. Brother Hall and wife moved to McCulloch County some twelve months ago, to spend their last days with their son W. B. Hall, who lives six miles west of Brady. Brother Hall was only sick for a few days before his death; death resulted from old age. He died Friday, April 21, 1911, at the home of his son, W. B. Hall. He was laid to rest in the Brady Cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor. We feel that Bro. Hall has gone to receive his crown of righteousness, that is laid up for him. He is survived by four children and an aged wife, who are left to mourn their loss. May the blessings of God be upon those who are left behind, and may the Holy Spirit comfort the bereaved ones. May we say with the Apostle Paul, "Thanks be unto God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

SHAN M. HULL, P. C.

BROWN.—Hazle Brown, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, departed this life, after a protracted illness of five months January 18, 1911. She was 18 years, one month and 21 days old. Was converted four years ago under the ministry of Rev. L. F. Chapman, pastor of the Methodist Church here at that time. Though she never united with any Church, a purer or more loyal Christian could not be found. I never before saw exhibited such patience and fortitude on a sick bed. Without complaining or murmuring she suffered till death claimed her. A purer, sweeter spirit never passed from its tenement of clay to the more genial realms of immortality. She was young in years, still it is a melancholy truth to which every heart in this community will respond in painful accordance that a pure and consecrated soul has ceased to live among us. She is greatly missed in the home, in the Church and in the community. Her unselfish, altruistic life left its noble impress on all. I hear our Lord saying: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." May the blessings of a merciful and compassionate God comfort the sorrowing parents, and ultimately lead them to the haven of rest where there will be a reunited family and where partings will be no more.

A. N. JULIEN.

Chico, Texas.

ROPER.—Edward, the little son of T. and Ella Roper, was born May, 1909, and died April 9, 1911, he being 23 months old. The Lord saw fit to send the Death Angel and take from the fond embrace of father and mother their sweet baby, the idol of their home. But I would say to father and mother, Weep not for him, for Christ said of such is the kingdom of heaven. But will say, Live faithfully and we will see him on the other shore.

W. R. COKE, L. P.

Flisk, Texas.

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CHAMBERS.—Sister Annie Chambers was born October 22, 1857, at Cottage Hill, near the town of Weston, in Collin County, Texas. Her early life was one of service in the Master's vineyard, having become a Christian at the age of fourteen. On September 8, 1875 she was married to Mr. Chambers. A short while after the happy union they moved to Drop community near Justin in Denton County, where she lived a useful Christian life until her death, April 15, 1911. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Morrell, who survive her, have lived at the place of her birth these many years, and in their old age, they only await the summons to come up higher where there will be no sad partings. To mourn her death, she left a father and mother, three younger sisters, a faithful husband and five children, and a host of friends. But we need not weep as those who have no hope, for she has only gone on to wait our coming. Sister Chambers was always found at her post of duty, true to her home, true to her Church, true to her God. She devoted the whole of her life to the welfare of others, never too tired or weary to in some way be of service to those about her. Truly it can be said of her, "she is dead, but yet she liveth," for the noble life she lived dwells in the hearts and lives of all who knew her. She bore her weeks of suffering previous to her death with marvelous patience never complaining or resenting her cross. Now there is a missing face in the home, a vacant pew in the church and a sorrow in the hearts of her loved ones. She will be missed so much. But let us look up, we know where to find her.

N. W. OLIVER.

VANDERBILT BIBLICAL INSTITUTE.

The Vanderbilt Biblical Institute has provided an exceedingly attractive program for its next session, June 21-28. "Evangelism" in its many different phases and methods will be the main theme; pastoral and personal evangelism being the main point of emphasis. Courses of lectures will be delivered by the following distinguished speakers: Dr. Charles L. Goodell, the eminent evangelist pastor of the largest Methodist Church in New York City; Dr. Edward Judson (son of Adoniram Judson, of sainted memory), pastor of the great Institutional Church on Washington Square in New York; Dr. Henry Churchill King, the eminent author and able president of Oberlin University; Dr. Herbert L. Willett, of Chicago University, whose scholarly addresses on the great Bible evangelists are full of inspiration; Dr. Warren H. Wilson, whose special work is the country Church and the problem of rural evangelism. Individual lectures will be delivered by Drs. James I. Vance, G. W. Dyer, Thomas Carter and Prof. Wm. R. Webb. All the afternoons will be devoted to open conferences and discussions of the many different phases, problems and methods of evangelism. These discussions will embrace "Pastoral and Personal Evangelism," "Evangelism for City and Town," "The Country Church and Rural Evangelism," "Organized Evangelism." These discussions will be participated in by a large number of pastors. No fees of any kind will be charged those who attend. Board in Wesley Hall will be only \$1.00 per day or \$5.00 for the seven days. Let those who desire programs or other information write to Prof. J. L. Cunningham, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

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San Angelo District—Third Round. Eldorado, May 27, 28. Sherwood, June 10, 11. Ozona, June 14. Water Valley, June 17, 18. Sterling, June 20, 21. Garden City, June 24, 25. Midland, July 1, 2. Paint Rock, July 5, 6. San Angelo Circuit, July 15, 16. L. C. MATTHIS, P. E.

Cuero District—Third Round. Port O'Connor, at Bloomington, May 27, 28. Port Lavaca, at Traylor's Chapel, Monday, May 29. Nursery, at Terryville, June 2, 4. Markham, at Ashby, June 10, 11. Falacios, June 17, 18. El Campo, 8 p. m., Monday, June 19. Cuero, 8 p. m., Wednesday, June 21. Pandora, at Dewville, June 24, 25. Smiley, at Cabeza, July 1, 2. Nixon, at Gillette, July 8, 9. Laverna, at Parita, July 15, 16. Stockdale, at Sunny Side, Tuesday, July 18. Leesville, at Floyd's, July 22, 23. Yorkum, July 29, 30. Shiner, at Moulton, July 26, 31. Hope, at Massey Grove, August 5, 6. JOHN M. ALEXANDER, P. E.

Cisco District—Third Round. Desdemona, at Graham's Chapel, June 17, 18. Eastland, at Fisher, June 19. Ranger, at Ranger, June 24, 25. District Conference, at Eastland, June 27-29. Breckenridge, at Aecilan, July 1, 2. Wayland, at Gunsight, July 8, 9. Sipe Springs, at Okra, July 15, 16. Seaford, at Barnes Chapel, July 22, 23. Rising Star, at R. S., July 29, 30. Pioneer, at Pleasant Valley, July 29, 31. Caddo, at Cedar Springs, Aug. 5, 6. Cisco Mis., at Bedford, Aug. 12, 13. Kokomo, at Flat Woods, Aug. 13, 14. Carbon, at Carbon, Aug. 20, 21. Cisco Sta., at Cisco, Aug. 21, 22. Campmeeting, at Mangum, Aug. 28, 29. J. SAM BAIRCUS, P. E.

Uvalde District—Third Round. Hondo, May 27, 28. Devine, at Bigfoot, June 3, 4. Laredo, June 10, 11. Moore, at Frio Town, June 17, 18. Cotulla, June 21. Dilley, June 24, 25. Uvalde Sta., June 28. Uvalde Cir., at Sansom, June 29. Sabinal, July 1, 2. Utopia, July 8, 9. Eagle Pass, July 15, 16. Rock Springs, July 19. Crystal City, July 22, 23. Carrizo Springs, at C. S., July 23, 24. Del Rio, July 29, 30. S. B. BEALL, P. E.

Austin District—Third Round. McDade, at Lawrence Chapel, May 27, 28. Webberville, at Hany's Chapel, June 3, 4. Weimar, at Oakland, June 10, 11. Rock Island, at Glass's Chapel, June 17, 18. Eagle Lake, at E. L., June 18, 19. Columbus, at C., June 20. Smithville, at S., June 23. Elgin, at E., June 24, 25. Lagrange, at L., July 1, 2. Flatonia, at Colony, July 8, 9. Luke's and Walnut, at S. L., July 12, 13. Cedar Park, at C. P., July 15, 16. West Point, at Ford's Prairie, July 22, 23. Manchaca, at Shepard's Chapel, July 29, 30. South Austin, at A., July 30, 31. University Church, Aug. 19, 20. Ward Memorial, Aug. 29, 31. McDade Mis., Aug. 26, 27. First Church, Aug. 28. NAT. B. READ, P. E.

San Marcos District—Third Round. Staples, at Hunter, May 27, 28. Martindale, at Prairie Lea, 3 p. m., June 7. Belmont, at Nixon, 10 a. m., June 5. Seguin Sta., 8 p. m., June 9. Kyle, at K., 5 p. m., June 17. Buda, at Lytton Springs, 3 p. m., June 24. Gonzales Mis., at Denton's Cr., 3 p. m., July 1. Gonzales Sta., 10 a. m., July 2. Luling, at Soda Springs, 3 p. m., July 8. Lockhart Sta., 10 a. m., July 10. Dripping Springs, at Driftwood, July 15, 16. San Marcos, 8 p. m., July 22, 23. Waelder, July 29, 30. W. H. H. BIGGS, P. E.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE Decatur District—Third Round. Alvord Sta., June 3, 4. Decatur Sta., June 4, 5. Argyle Cir., June 10, 11. Rhomb Cir., June 11, 12. Bryson Cir., June 17, 18. Oakdale Cir., June 24, 25. Boyd and Garvin, July 1, 2. Decatur Cir., July 2, 3. Paradise Cir., July 8, 9. Bethel and Gravel Hill, July 9, 10. Bridgeport, 8 p. m., July 19. Ponder and Krum, July 17, 18. Decatur Mis., July 18, 19. Justin and Roanoke, July 22, 23. Lake Shore Assembly, July 25-31. Jacksboro, Aug. 5, 6. Chico Cir., July 12, 13. Chico Sta., Aug. 13, 14. Willow Point Cir., Aug. 19, 20. Greenwood Cir., Aug. 26, 27. L. S. BARTON, P. E.

Gatesville District—Third Round. Denton Street, June 11, 11 a. m. Broadway, June 11, 8 p. m. Dexter, at Dexter, June 17, 18. Collinsville and Tioga, at Collinsville, June 24, 25. Pilot Point, June 25, 26. Woodbine, at Friendship, July 1, 2. Wesley and Bethel, at Bethel, July 8, 9. Sanger, at Sanger, Tuesday, July 11. Era and Spring Creek, at Lois, July 15, 16. Vanev View, July 15, 17. Denton Sta., July 23, 24. Aubrey Cir., at Oak Grove, Tuesday, July 25. Myra and Hood, at Hood, Aug. 12, 13. Marysville, at Marysville, Aug. 19, 20. St. Jo, at Illinois Bend, Aug. 26, 27. Roston, at —, Sept. 2, 3. We congratulate all concerned upon the splendid showing thus far, and would urge every pastor and official to be equally diligent during the incoming

quarter. By so doing we will be able to report everything in full at the end of the year. E. H. CASEY, P. E.

Sulphur Springs District—Third Round. Pecan Gap and Ben Franklin, at P. G., June 3, 4. Sulphur Springs Sta., June 11. Lake Creek Cir., at Anderson's Chapel, June 17. Cooper Sta., June 18. Cumbly Cir., at Oakland, June 24, 25. Reiley Springs Cir., at Arbala, July 1, 2. Hagansport Mis., at H., July 8, 9. Yowell Cir., at Jordan, July 12. Brashear Cir., at B., July 15, 16. Willsboro Sta., July 22, 23. Weaver and Saitillo Mis., July 29, 30. Sulphur Bluff Cir., at Birthright, Aug. 2. Como Cir., Aug. 5, 6. Klondike Cir., Aug. 12, 13. Mount Vernon, at Creasey's, Aug. 16. Purley Cir., Aug. 19, 20. W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.

Paris District—Third Round. Roxton Cir., at Elm Grove, June 19, 11. Clarksville Mis., at Union, June 17, 18. Clarksville Sta., June 18, 19. Bagwell Mis., at Albion, June 24, 25. Deport Cir., at Rugby, July 1, 2. Pattonville Cir., at Rock Ford, July 2, 3. Woodland and Kanawha, at K., July 8, 9. Blossom and Sylvan, at S., July 15, 16. Detroit Cir., at D., July 16, 17. Annona Cir., at Garland Chapel, July 22, 23. Rosalie Cir., at McKenzie, July 29, 30. White Rock and William's Chapel, at W. R., Aug. 5, 6. Avery Mis., at Shawnee Chapel, Aug. 12, 13. Paris Cir., at Hopewell, Aug. 19, 20. Bonham Street, at Cross Roads, Aug. 20, 21. Emberson Cir., at Forest Chapel, Aug. 26, 27. Centenary, Sept. 2, 3. Lamar Ave., Sept. 3, 4. District League Conference will meet at Rosalie June 27 at 8 p. m. J. M. SWEETON, P. E.

Georgetown District—Third Round. Granger and Jonah, at Jonah, May 28. Belton Cir., at Leona, June 2, 4. Florence and Mt. Horeb, at Wesley Chapel, June 9, 10. Troy Cir., at Oenaville, June 17, 18. Temple, Seventh Street, June 19. Holland Cir., at Heidenheimer, June 24, 25. Rogers Sta., June 25, 26. Rogers Mis., June 26, 27. Corn Hill and Weir, at Goodeville, July 1, 2. Bartlett Sta., July 2, 3. Belton Sta., July 7, 8. Temple Sta., July 8, 9. Salado Cir., Bell Plains, July 15, 16. Taylor Sta., July 17. Georgetown Sta., July 22, 23. W. H. VAUGHAN, P. E.

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McKinney District—Second Round. Farmers Branch and Carrollton, at C. May 27, 28. South McKinney, 7:30 p. m., May 28. Renner, June 3, 4. CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

Paris District—Second Round. Paris Cir., at Rena, May 27, 28. Bonham Street, at B. S., May 28, 29. Lamar Ave., June 3, 4. Centenary, June 4, 5. J. M. SWEETON, P. E.

Cleburne District—Third Round. Grandview Cir., at Chappell Hill, May 27, 28. Huma, at Lone Willow, June 3, 4. Godley, at Bruce, June 10, 11. Burleson, at B., June 17, 18. Joshua, at Crowley, June 18, 19. Cresson, at Fairview, June 24, 25. Granbury, June 25, 26. Lillian, at Prairie Grove, July 1, 2. Mansfield, July 2, 3. The Cleburne Sunday-school and Epworth League Conference will be held June 27-29, 1911. E. A. SMITH, P. E.

Weatherford District—Third Round. Santo, at Elm Grove, May 27, 28. Gordon, at Blue Flats, May 30. White, at Bethesda, June 1. Mineral Wells, at M. W., June 4, 5. Mineral Wells Cir., at Mount Vernon, June 5. Grafard, at Oran, May 18, 19. Newcastle, at Union Hill, June 22. Olney, at O., June 24, 25. Farmer, at Huns, June 26. Loving, at L., July 2, 3. Ellasville, at South Bend, July 8, 9. Graham Cir., at Connor's Creek, July 15, 16. Graham Sta., July 16, 17. JAMES CAMPBELL, P. E.

Waco District—Third Round. Austin Avenue, June 4. Elm Street, June 5. Morrow Street, June 6. Fifth Street, June 7. Clay Street, June 8. Aquilla, at Wesley, June 10, 11. Whitney, June 12. Bosqueville, at Wesley, June 17, 18. China, at Greenook, June 18, 19. West, at Brooken, June 24, 25. Lorena, at Mooreville, July 1, 2. Bruceville, July 2, 3. Mt. Calm, July 8, 9. Reisel, at Battle, July 15, 16. Herring Avenue, July 15, 17. Mart, July 23, 24. Hewitt, at Spring V., July 30, 31. W. B. ANDREWS, P. E.

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Nolanville Cir., at N., July 29, 30. Turnersville, at Mt. Zion, Aug. 5, 6. Turnersboro, at Sardis, Aug. 12, 13. Fairly and Lanham, at L., Aug. 19, 20. Hamilton Cir., at Blue Ridge, Aug. 26, 27. S. J. VAUGHAN, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Third Round. Milford, at Milford, May 27, 28. Arlington, June 3, 4. Britton, at Trumble, June 10, 11. Ennis, June 13, 12. Palmer, at Carrell, June 17, 18. Maypearl, at Oak Branch, June 24, 25. Bardwell, at Avalon, July 1, 2. Italy, July 2, 3. Venus, at Barnsville, July 8, 9. Britton, at St. Paul, July 15, 16. Mithothian, July 16, 17. Orlita, at Long Branch, July 22, 23. Red Oak, at Red Oak, July 26. Forrester, at Falls, July 29, 30. Waxahachie, July 30, 31. Bethel, Aug. 5, 6. T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

Dublin District—Third Round. Harbin and Green's Creek, at G. C. June 3, 4. Dublin Sta., June 4, 5. Ilco Sta., June 8. Stephenville Cir., at White's Chapel, June 10. Stephenville Sta., June 11, 12. Comanche Cir., at Sidney, June 17. Comanche Sta., June 18, 19. Harmony Mis., at Hebron, June 20. Eastline Mis., at Energy, June 21. De Leon Cir., at Downing, June 24, 25. De Leon Sta., June 25, 26. Gorman Sta., July 1, 2. Bunyan Cir., at Bunyan, July 5. Huckabee Cir., at Pigeon, July 8, 9. Daffan Cir., at Charlotte, July 15, 16. Carlton Cir., at Spurlin, July 21. Fredell Sta., July 22, 23. Bluffdale, at Wesley C., July 27. Tolar and Lipan, at Lipan, July 29, 30. Proctor Cir., at Edna Hill, Aug. 1. Pervis Mis., at Pervis, Aug. 2. M. K. LITTLE, P. E.

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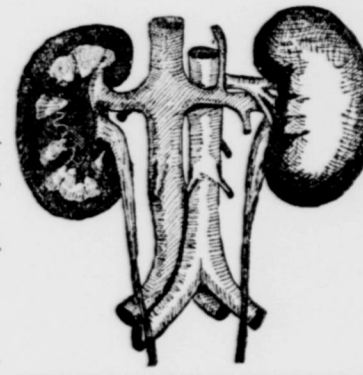
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Amarillo District—Third Round. Bovina, at Summerfield, June 3, 4. Hereford, 8 p. m., Monday, June 5. Canyon, 8 p. m., Tuesday, June 6. Amarillo, Houston Street, 8 p. m., June 14. Amarillo, Buchanan Street, 8 p. m., June 15. Amarillo, Polk Street, 8 p. m., June 16. Channing, at Middle Well, June 17, 18. Dalhart, 8 p. m., Monday, June 19. Stratford, Tuesday, Wednesday, June 20, 21. Dalhart Cir., at Ware, Thursday, Friday, June 22, 23. Texline, at Corlina, June 24, 25. Dumas, July 1, 2. Hartsford, at July 4 to July 14. Ochiltree, July 15, 16. Pampa, Monday Tuesday, July 17, 18. Panhandle, Wednesday, July 19. Canyon City Cir., at Day, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., Thursday, July 20. Wildorado, at Adrian, July 22, 23. O. P. KIKER, P. E.

Marlin District—Third Round. June 3, 4, Davilla, at Tracy. June 10, 11, Durango, at Blevins. June 11, 12, Lott and Chilton, at L. June 17, 18, Hearn and Bremont, at H. June 18, 19, Calvert. June 24, 25, Kosse, at Stranger. June 25, 26, Marlin. July 1, 2, Petteway, at Beck Prairie. July 8, 9, Fairfield, at Dew. July 9, 10, Teague. July 11, 12, Centerville. July 15, 16, Iola, at Bedias. July 21, 23, Travis. July 23, 24, Rosebud. July 29, 30, Jewett, at Cedar Creek. Aug. 1, Wheelock, at W. Aug. 5, 6, Maysfield. I. F. BETTS, P. E.

Jacksonville District—Third Round. Alto Cir., at Atoy, June 3, 4. Alto Sta., at Mt. Zion, June 5, 6. Caro and Cushing, at Caro, June 11. Sacul, at Douglas, June 17, 18. Troup and Overton, at Arp, July 24, 25. Malakoff, at Pleasant Grove, July 1, 2. Athens, July 5. La Rue, at La Rue, July 8, 9. Elkhart, at Holmes Chapel, July 15, 16. Eustace, at Meredith, July 22, 23. Keltys, at —, July 29, 30. Frankston, at Poyner, Aug. 5, 6. Jacksonville Sta., Aug. 9. Neches, at Pleasant Grove, Aug. 12, 13. Grace Church, Palestine, Aug. 13. Centenary, Palestine, Aug. 16. Jacksonville Cir., at Antioch, Aug. 19, 20. Rushy Creek, at Campground, Aug. 19, 20. Rusk, Aug. 23. Bullard, Aug. 27. Mt. Selman, at Tatum's Chapel, Aug. 30. A special word first to pastors. On this round Questions 15 and 17 will be called. Not only do we wish the report of these societies, but we want the presence of all the officers of each of them. I hope each pastor will prepare his report on Question 18 with his discipline open at the question, otherwise he will overlook some part of it. Then Question 23 will be up for answer and the pastor should see to it that the report is ready and in proper shape. Second to the Stewards: This is the beginning of the last half of the conference year. Only about 35 per cent of the assessments for the support of the ministry has been paid during the first half. You will have to stir with energy on the last half. Do your best on this round. J. T. SMITH, P. E.

Beaumont District—Second Round. May 27, 28, Magnolia Springs. June 3, Liberty, 10 a. m., and Sunday, 8 p. m. June 3, Dayton, 8 p. m., and Sunday, 11 a. m. June 5, First Church, Beaumont: Quarterly Conference. D. H. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Brenham District—Third Round. Wharton, June 3, 4. Lane City, at Matagorda, June 24, 25. Waller, at Linn Grove, June 28. Rockdale, June 29. Thordale, at Pleasant Hill, July 1, 2. Bellville, at Camp Ground, July 8, 9. Chappell Hill, at Camp Ground, July 8, 9. Sealy, at San Felipe, July 15, 16. Giddings, at Burton, July 22, 23. Van Vleck, at Iago, July 29, 30. Bay City, July 31. Caldwell Mis., at Cook's Point, Aug. 5, 6.

Albuquerque District—Third Round. Star, June 3, 4. Bard and Puerto, June 10, 11. Logan, at San Jon, June 17, 18. Cimarron, June 24, 25. Koehler, May 27, 28. Cariso, July 1, 2. Tucumcari, July 8, 9. J. H. MESSER, P. E.

El Paso District—Third Round. Deming, May 27, 28. Lordsburg, May 30. Carisbad, June 3, 4. Alamogordo, June 4, 5. Roswell, June 10, 11. Dexter, June 11, 12. Hagerman, June 13. Hope, June 14. Sacramento Mis., June 17, 18. Artesia, June 21. Dayton, June 24, 25. Carisbad, June 26. Trinity, July 4. J. B. COCHRAN, P. E.

Clovis District—Third Round. Melrose, at Taiban, May 27, 28. Causey, at Inez, June 3, 4. King, at Ranger Lake, June 10, 11. Knowles, at Eunice, June 14, 15. Elda, at Kenna, June 18. Please take a collection at each appointment for Children's Day Fund. J. RUSH GOODLOE, P. E.

Every day let us renew the consecration to God's service. Every day let us in his strength pledge ourselves afresh to do his will, even in the veriest trifle. He does not bid us to bear the burdens of tomorrow, next week or next year. Every day we are to come to him in simple obedience and faith, asking help to keep us and aid us through that day's work; and tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow, and through years of long to-morrows, it will be but the same thing to do, leaving the future always in God's hands. —Selected.

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Bishop E. E. Hoss, Nashville, Tenn., will preach the commencement sermon for La Grange College, Georgia, on Sunday, June 4.

Bishop J. H. McCoy, of Birmingham, Ala., preaches the commencement sermon for Memphis Conference Female Institute next Sunday.

Rev. J. E. McCullough, superintendent of the Methodist Training School, Nashville, has tendered his resignation, to accept the Secretaryship of the American Interchurch College for Religious and Social workers.

Dr. J. W. Boswell, who, since his retirement from the editorship of The New Orleans Christian Advocate, has been serving in the pastorate, now leaves his charge at Shannon, Miss., to take work with the Sunday-school Department of our Church at Nashville.

FACTS OF INTEREST

It is announced that Colonel Roosevelt plans, in the summer of 1912, to spend several months in Greenland hunting polar bears.

On May 16 President Taft and Cabinet gave final approval to the proposed treaty of arbitration with Great Britain, and it will be transmitted at once by Ambassador Bryce to the British foreign office.

Forest fires have done \$1,000,000 damage in Lycoming, Potter, Cameron, Elk and McKean Counties, Penn. Similar fires have also caused much loss in Western Maryland and West Virginia.

The wages of the trainmen in the United States and Canada have been increased \$37,000,000 in a year, according to the report made to the International Convention of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen by W. G. Lee, President of the Brotherhood.

It is charged that several speeches, not delivered in Congress, but which appear in the Congressional Record, by Republican members, are identical and the same, evidently prepared for them by a literary bureau in Washington City.

President Taft, in a recent speech at Harrisburg, Pa., before the Brotherhood of Railroad Men, declared emphatically against permitting Government employes to affiliate with organized labor unions. He cited the experience of France to show that it would be a serious menace to the public interests.

The achievements of science in the annihilation of time and space are so numerous, though wonderful, that a conversation over the telephone last week between New York and Denver attracted but little notice. This was the first time that the wires ever carried the sound of a human voice two thousand miles. It was made possible by the expenditure of \$100,000 in

making connections for a continuous line, and kept busy for four months a large force of linemen. The next move will be in the direction of continuous service from New York to San Francisco.

King George has revived the custom which obtained in Queen Victoria's reign, that no divorced person be received at court. The King, in receiving a richly-bound copy of the Authorized Version of the Bible, said: "In a secular aspect it is the first of National treasures, and in its spiritual significance the most valuable thing this world affords."

France paid a terrible toll on May 20 for her magnificent endeavor to attain supremacy of the air when a monoplane, the driver of which had lost control, plunged into a group of members of the Cabinet who had gathered to witness the start of a race from Paris to Madrid, killing the Minister of War and injuring the Prime Minister, Monis, his son and a well-known sportsman.

The United States Supreme Court, on Monday, May 16, decided the famous contempt case against the labor leaders, Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, in favor of those men. The court of the District of Columbia had sentenced them to imprisonment for contempt in disobeying the boycott injunction. The Supreme Court unanimously holds that the only sentences that can be imposed on the labor leaders are fines.

Forty-seven per cent of the people of working age in this country live in the rural districts. They furnish fifty per cent of our successful business men, while the cities, with twenty per cent of our population, furnish only seventeen per cent of our successful business men. Small wonder is it that the thoughtful men of this country are beginning to see the great wisdom of the fullest development of our country population.

What is known as the "Free List Bill" has passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 233 to 109, it receiving the entire Democratic and twenty-four of the Republican votes. This bill is one of the most radical movements toward free trade that the country has witnessed since the adoption of the protective tariff, and its effect upon the interests involved, should it become a law, will be watched with intense interest. On the results are based the continuation in power of the Democratic party.

Secretary of War Jacob M. Dickinson has resigned, and Henry L. Stimson, of New York, has been appointed in his place. Stimson was the Roosevelt candidate for Governor of New York, and his appointment will please many Republicans and strengthen the hand of Mr. Taft in the Empire State. Mr. Dickinson is a Democrat from Tennessee. He gives no reason for resigning but the pressure of private affairs. He will return to his home and devote himself to business. Along with the appointment of Mr. Stimson as Secretary of War, the President appointed C. S. Millington, of New York, to be assistant Treasurer of the United States in New York. Both appointments, it is thought, look to the unifying of the Republican party in New York.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1850.

H. G. H.

In the Advocate of May 11, on editorial page, it is said, in speaking of Oklahoma City being selected as seat of next General Conference, "For the second time in our history, the one exception being Dallas, this body convenes west of the Mississippi River." You overlook the second General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which convened in St. Louis, Mo., on the 1st of May, 1850.

There were but two conferences in Texas at that time—Texas and East Texas. The delegates to that General Conference from East Texas were R. Crawford and William C. Lewis; S. A. Williams, reserve. From Texas Conference, Robert Alexander and C. Richardson; J. W. Whipple, reserve.

At this conference laymen were made eligible to membership on the Joint Board of Finance of Annual Conferences.

Henry B. Bascom was elected one of the Bishops.

Arrangement was made for two Book Agents—one in the East and one in the West. John Early was elected for the East and Edward Stevenson for the West.

Thomas O. Summers was elected Book Editor and John B. McFerrin editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate.

M. M. Henkle was elected editor of the Ladies' Repository and E. W. Senon Missionary Secretary.

At the previous General Conference Drs. Bascom, A. L. P. Green and C. B. Parsons had been appointed our Commissioners to adjust property rights with the M. E. Church. The Book Agents at New York and Cincinnati, having failed to recognize those rights, under the Plan of Separation, suit had been entered. That fact was reported by our Commissioners and a resolution was adopted by the conference approving course of the Commissioners. If I remember correct, Daniel Webster was employed as lawyer in defense of our rights, and he gained the suit.

The elevation of H. B. Bascom to the Episcopacy was hailed with delight throughout the country. He presided over but one conference, Independence, Mo., and died in a few weeks thereafter, September 8, 1850.

An epidemic of cholera broke out in St. Louis during the session of the General Conference and it abruptly terminated its work. John Borink, a brother of Jesse Borink, and delegate from the Georgia Conference, was smitten with cholera and died before he could leave the city.

At time of this General Conference of 1850 the two delegates from the Texas Conference, R. Alexander and C. Richardson, were probably the two most distinguished Methodist preachers in Texas. Alexander was the successor of Martin Ruter, first Superintendent of Missions, who had died in 1838. C. Richardson was from Vermont, born in 1802, attended Wesleyan University, President of a female college at Tusculum, Ala., came to Texas in 1839, organized Rutgersville College, was its first President, represented the Texas Conference in Louisville convention, and delegate to General Conference of 1846, was Secretary of Texas Conference several years, editor of Texas Wesleyan Banner, presiding elder of Galveston District, died on 11th of April, 1852, and was buried in front of the college at Rutgersville.

San Antonio District—Third Round.

Boerne, at Comfort, May 15.
 Government Hill, May 28.
 Alamo, June 4.
 McKinley Avenue, June 11.
 South Heights, June 11.
 Prospect Hill, June 18.
 Travis Park, June 18.
 Pleasanton, at Christine, June 24, 25.
 Laurel Heights, July 2.
 West End, July 2.
 Bander, July 8, 9.
 Medina Cir., at Farley, July 9, 10.
 Center Point, July 15, 16.
 Kerrville, July 16, 17.
 Harper, at Harper, July 17, 18.
 San Antonio Cir., at Salado, July 22, 23.
 S. H. C. BURGIN, P. E.

Sherman District—Third Round.

Sherman Cir., at Southmayd, June 10, 11.
 Key Memorial, June 11, 12.
 Waples Memorial, June 18.
 Travis Street, June 24, 25.
 Whitewright, June 25, 26.
 Pilot Grove Cir., at New Prospect, July 2.
 Howe Cir., at Cedar, July 8, 9.
 Bells, at Virginia Point, July 15, 16.
 Denison Mis., at Harless Chapel, July 16, 17.
 Van Alstyne, July 29, 30.
 Pottoboro and Preston, at Progress, Aug. 4, 5.
 Trinity and Messenger, at Trinity, Aug. 5, 6.
 Sadler and Gordonville, Aug. 11, 12.
 Whitesboro, Aug. 12, 13.
 Southmayd Cir., Aug. 19, 20.
 A. L. ANDREWS, P. E.

Hillsboro District—Third Round.

Coalidge Sta., May 27, 28.
 District Conference at Covington, June 1-4.
 Leno Cir., at Rienzi, June 11, 12.
 Brandon Cir., at Bynum, June 17, 18.
 Aunze Cir., at Callina, June 24, 25.
 Hubbard Sta., June 25, 26.
 Covington Cir., at C., July 1, 2.
 Hanes Sta., July 2, 4.
 Kirk Cir., at Ben Hur, July 8, 9.
 Penelope Cir., at Mesquite, July 15, 16.
 Abbott Cir., at Honest Ridge, July 19.

Lovelace Cir., at Pleasant Hill, July 22, 23.
 Peoria Cir., at Kearby, July 29, 30.
 Line Street Sta., at L. S., July 29, 30, 8 p. m.
 First Church, at F. C., Aug. 5, 6.
 Della Cir., at Watt, Aug. 12, 13.
 HORACE BISHOP, P. E.

Marlin District—Third Round.

Buckholts, at Milano, May 13, 14.
 Cameron, May 31.
 Davilla, at Tracy, June 2, 4.
 Durango, at Blevins, June 10, 11.
 Lott and Chilton, at L., June 11, 12.
 Hearne and Bremond, at Hearne, June 17, 18.
 Kosse, at Stranger, June 24, 25.
 Calvert, June 18, 19.
 Marlin, June 25, 26.
 Petteway, at Beck Prairie, July 1, 2.
 Iola, at Bedias, July 8, 9.
 Centerville, at Nimeveh, July 12.
 Fairfield, at Duff, July 15, 16.
 Teague, July 19, 17.
 Travis, at Sneed's Chapel, July 21, 23.
 Rosebud, July 23, 24.
 Jewett, at Cedar Creek, July 29, 30.
 Wheelock, at Wheelock, Aug. 1.
 Franklin, Aug. 2.

Maysfield, at Friendship, Aug. 5, 6.
 District Conference will convene at Calvert June 26-29. Rev. J. F. Carter, of Rosebud, will preach the opening sermon Monday evening, June 26. Special attention will be given the laymen. Stewards are urged to push collections at this time so as not to fall behind. It will be hard to catch up if you fall behind now. The district has made a fine record so far this year. Let's keep it up. Preachers will please see if there are any applications from the Sunday-schools for scholarships at Southwestern and be ready to present them at District Conference.

L. P. BETTS, P. E.
 519 Chambers St., Marlin, Tex.

Stamford District—Third Round.

Albany, June 3, 4.
 Munday, June 10, 11.
 Seymour, June 12, 18.
 Welnett, June 24, 25.
 Lone Star, July 1, 2.
 Throckmorton, July 2, 3.
 Spring Creek, July 5, at 11 a. m.
 Goree, July 9, 10.
 Tuxedo, July 12, at 11 a. m.
 Stamford, St. John's, July 16.
 Ward Memorial and Leuders, July 23, 24.
 Haskell Sta., July 29, 30.
 Avoca, Aug. 9, at 11 a. m.
 Haskell Mis., Aug. 14, at 11 a. m.
 Bomarton, Aug. 17, at 11 a. m.
 J. G. PUTMAN, P. E.

Hamlin District—Third Round.

Hamlin Sta., May 28, 29.
 Rotan Sta., June 4, 5.
 Rotan Mis., at Adair, June 17, 18.
 Sylvester, at Lovelace, June 21.
 McCauley, at Niander, June 24, 25.
 Sageron, at Plainview, July 1, 2.
 Rule Sta., July 8, 9.
 Pinkerton, July 15, 16.
 Jayton, at Jayton, July 22, 23.
 Peacock, at Brazos Valley, July 25.
 Recheater, at Cliff, July 29, 30.
 Vera, at Gililand, Aug. 5, 6.
 Knox City Sta., Aug. 12, 13.
 Spur Sta., Aug. 26, 27.
 Aspermont Sta., Sept. 2, 3.
 G. S. HARDY, P. E.

Dallas District—Third Round.

Lewisville, June 3, 4.
 Grace, 11 a. m., June 11.
 Trinity, 8 p. m., June 11.
 West Dallas, 11 a. m., June 18.
 Forest Avenue, 8 p. m., June 18.
 Oak Lawn, 11 a. m., June 25.
 Ervay, 8 p. m., July 25.
 Hutchins and Wilmer, at Wilmer, July 1, 2.
 Lanester, July 9.
 Maple Avenue, July 15, 16.
 Forest Avenue, 8 p. m., July 16.
 Cochran, July 17, 21.
 First Church, 11 p. m., July 23.
 Oak Cliff, 8 p. m., July 23.
 Irving, at Estell, July 29, 30.
 Cedar Hill and Duncanville, at Duncanville, Aug. 5, 6.
 Trinity, 11 a. m., Aug. 13.

REV. FRED D. HALE,
Of McKinney Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas,
Visits the Neal Institute and Sees a Great and Good Work Going On.

Doctor Hale, Pastor of the McKinney Avenue Baptist Church in Dallas, recently made a visit to the Neal Institute, which is located in that city, and is very enthusiastic about the good work which that Institute, as well as the Neal Institute in Houston, is accomplishing in the reclamation of unfortunate men and women who have become addicted to the terrible use of strong drink and narcotic.

The Doctor was given a very cordial reception at the Institute and spent a very pleasant hour in inspecting the building, which he says is more "like a palatial home than any place of its kind I have ever been in." The Neal Treatments, about which so much has been written and said during the past two years, were originated by Dr. Benj. E. Neal and used by him in private practice for several years prior to the establishment of the large number of Institutes which are now in operation, and opening, all over the world. Through the aid of the Neal Institutes in this State, men and women who are in the bondage of King Alcohol, or who are slaves to the use of some life-sapping drug, may now be easily and painlessly cured of their afflictions.

Through Doctor Hale the management of the Texas Neal Institutes ask that all ministers and others interested in the reclamation of unfortunate ones, write, as they will be glad to co-operate wherever possible, to restore fallen ones to health, self-mastery and Christianity. Doctor Hale, in a letter concerning the Neal Institute in Dallas, says:

"I am intimately acquainted with Mr. J. R. Mattison, Manager of the Neal Institute in this city. He is a member of the Church of which I am pastor. I can vouch for the truthfulness of any statement he may make in reference to the good work of his Institute in behalf of those afflicted with the liquor or drug habit. I have visited in person the Institute of which Mr. Mattison is Manager, and it is more like a palatial home than any place of its kind I have ever been in. The Neal Institutes, established in many States, and in other countries, are doing a much needed work, in that they are breaking the bonds of those who need help and are starting them out again on a new lease of life. Their work is worth ten times over the comparatively small amount that has to be paid for it. The personal friends of the men who have not the money to take this treatment ought to come to their relief and help them back into a life of usefulness."
 ("Signed) FRED D. HALE."

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Grace, 8 p. m., Aug. 13.
 Wheatland, at Desoto, Aug. 19, 20.
 Ervay, 11 a. m., Aug. 27.
 Oak Lawn, 8 p. m., Aug. 27.
 Grand Prairie, Sept. 2, 3.
 Oak Cliff, 11 p. m., Sept. 10.
 First Church, 8 p. m., Sept. 10.
 J. M. PETERSON, P. E.

San Augustine District—Third Round.

Center Sta., June 9.
 Shelbyville, at McClelland's, June 10.
 Tenaha, at Concord, June 24.
 Gary, at Tennessee, July 1.
 Carthage Sta., July 5.
 Timpson Sta., July 5.
 Mt. Enterprise, at Redlands, July 8.
 Kennard, at Kennard, July 12.
 Lufkin Sta., July 14.
 Burke, at Ryan's Chapel, July 15.
 Corrigan, at Mt. Hope, July 17.
 Center Cir., at Mt. Zion, July 29.
 Melrose Cir., July 22.
 Nacogdoches Sta., July 23.
 Geneva Cir., July 29.
 San Augustine, July 30.
 Garrison, at Arlane, Aug. 5.
 Pinehill, at Clayton, Aug. 8.
 Hemphill and Bronson, Aug. 12.
 Appley Cir., Aug. 19.
 Livingston Cir., Aug. 24.
 Livingston Sta., Aug. 27.
 J. W. MILLS, P. E.

Big Spring District—Third Round.

Tahoka, June 14.
 Brownfield, at Meadow, June 17, 18.
 Gomez, at G., June 20, 21.
 Blythe, June 24, 25.
 Lamesa Mis., at Liola, July 1, 2.
 Lamesa Sta., July 2, 3.
 Cahoma, at New Hope, July 8, 9.
 South, at Moore, July 15, 16.
 Gail, at Durham, July 22, 23.
 Post City, July 29, 30.
 Stanton Sta., Aug. 4.
 Stanton Mis., at Woodard, Aug. 5, 6.
 Pride, at Draw, Aug. 12, 13.
 Big Spring, Aug. 19, 20.
 Seminole, at Shafter Lake, Aug. 26, 27.
 J. E. STEPHENS, P. E.

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Rev. A. G. Scruggs, Orange, Texas.

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