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## The Present Issue Of The Advocate

**I**T IS not often that we ever step aside on the editorial page to call attention to the Advocate; but with the present issue we feel justified in saying a word about the character and subject matter of the paper. For years and years the publishers have bent every energy and spent a great deal of money to give to the Church the very best conference organ possible; and while they have not at all times realized their dreams in this direction, yet they have felt some gratification over the fact that in their part of the work they have contributed much toward making the Advocate one of the potent factors in the development of Methodism throughout this great western section of our country. As a result the Advocate has the largest circulation of any one of our Southern Methodist papers and its character and subject matter will not suffer in comparison with the best family religious papers in our American Methodism.

This present issue is an illustration of the above statements. Take it into your hands, turn its pages carefully, look at its mechanical make-up, glance at its subject matter, and then we are confident that you will be forced to the conclusion that the Texas Christian Advocate is, in some sense worthy of the Church it represents. You first get a bird's-eye view of the history of the Church from the beginning, with facts and information of a very valuable character. Our connectional interests will stand out before you and the splendid history of the Church shows up well and commendably.

In the next place, the entire proceedings of all the patronizing conferences are given in one general survey and in the order in which each one was held; and yet they come in such order, even with their appointments, that they look like one great conference had been in session and put its work on official record. In other words, you have the progress of Methodism, throughout the territory represented, given to you in one issue of the Advocate. Such is the importance of this issue, that every Methodist can well afford to put it on file for future reference.

Then, too, we give the list of our delegates to the General Conference, along with their pictures, places of abode and labor. Their faces stand before you as the men whom their conferences elected last fall to represent them next May at Oklahoma City. The clerical and the lay delegates alike are here and we feel just a trifle of self-congratulation at the enterprise that we have been able to consummate in this matter. It has taken labor, as well as time and money, to bring forth such an extraordinary issue of the Advocate. But we have an idea that our patronizing territory is entitled to the best we can do for it, and this explains this issue of which we are now writing.

Editorially, we are also giving all our

time, our energy and every item of talent toward making this department of the Advocate a contributing force in the march of Methodist events. We have now had fifteen years of experience and we have learned a great many things in this time of long service, and the Advocate is getting the full benefit of it.

Now, we want to thank our preachers and laymen for the help they have given us in making the Advocate what it is today. Without you, we would have failed; but with you we have in some measure, succeeded. And we feel emboldened to ask you, if possible, to redouble your zeal

## Treatment Of Our Dumb Animals

**O**UR dumb animals are our friends. They bear our burdens, they draw our loads and often guard our interests. We could not possibly get along without them. They are a part of our civilization. They make up a large part of our homestead.

The horse is indispensable. We cultivate our farms with him and his kind. From morning until evening he draws the plow across the field where the corn and the cotton grow. In the autumn he pulls the wagon that gathers our crops and carries them to the crib, or the garner, or the market. We sit behind him and drive our buggies and enjoy the ride at his expense. Sometime we throw the saddle across his back, buckle it on him and then mount him for a ride to the country, or the field or to town. What an inspiration it is to feel the thrill of his movement as we guide him with the bridle! What a noble animal he is! He carries himself proudly and when touched lightly by the spur or the quirt he throws additional spirit into his action. Sometimes he moves like the wind just for our pleasure. So that he is both serviceable in the production of our crops and as a means to our pleasure. Usually he has a good disposition. He never kicks us or runs away with us except under strong provocation. He responds to our love and kindness and at times he is actually affectionate toward us. When we put his hay and oats into his mow he seems to speak his words of thanks to us.

Take the cow and how she enters into our very life. Her milk, her butter, her cheese and her beef make up a large part of our table supplies. Nothing prepared for the table would be hardly complete were it not for some portion of her production. The fact is we could hardly live without her. For every dollar we put into her she returns it tenfold with her useful articles. And when we carry her feed to her, how gratefully she moos her thanks to us. And she is so gentle and patient toward us. She could become furious and thrust us through with her horns, but it is very rare that she ever re-

and thoughtfulness of us and in the year before us we will still do larger things for our cause through this medium. See to it, brethren, that the Advocate has a place in the homes of your people, and we will do our part to fulfill all your expectations in the way of a constantly improving conference organ.

With the experience of the past to instruct us, the observation of the present to guide and strengthen us, and with the hopes of a great future to inspire us, we send forth this splendid edition of our paper with gratitude to God and thanksgiving to the Church, and with the prayer that it may continue more and more a blessing to our Zion.

sents bad treatment, even in this way. When we become angry at her and show a vicious temper and often abuse her, instead of her resenting it, she does her best to keep out of our way without ever turning upon us like a human being would do under similar circumstances.

What a wonderful animal is the dog! He is such an intelligent and affectionate fellow when we show him kindness. He watches our home by night and gives the alarm when intruders are near; he chases off other animals that have no business on the premises, he hunts game for us and he follows us by day and by night out of love for our company. The farm would be incomplete without the presence of the dog. His bark assures us that we have a sentinel on guard faithful to his trust. He never bites us and never shows an ugly disposition toward us unless we actually force him to do it. He has been frequently known to die for those who love him.

And we might single out the cat, the pig, the mule, the fowl and a long list of domestic animals without whose contributions to human weal life would not only be incomplete, but actually wanting in many of the necessities of our existence.

Then what should be our treatment of these dumb animals? The question is easily answered. We ought to be kind and considerate toward them. As a rule they have no way to resent ill treatment, or to protect themselves against our impositions. We ought to feed them well and work them considerately. The man who willfully strikes a dumb animal, or the man who underfeeds him, or the man who overloads him, or works or rides him beyond his strength, is a bad man. He would treat human beings the same way were he not afraid to do it. We are glad that the laws of most of our States protect animals from man's inhumanity and cruelty. God cannot love a man who, without cause, whips his dog, beats his horse, kicks his cow, stones his cat, strikes his pig, or cripples his fowls. Such a man has a mean heart in him and knows nothing of the principles of kindness. Yes, he deserves punishment for such treatment of these helpless creatures.

But what about the boy who does these things? Well, he is a bad boy and such conduct is only proof that when he becomes a man he will be a bad and vicious citizen, unless he changes his way of doing. His parents ought to teach him to be kind to the horse, to love his dog, to be gentle with the cow and to be considerate of the old house cat. They ought to impress upon him the cruelty of killing the bird unless it be for food, or to interfere with the nest or the young of the bird. It rarely ever fails that the boy who is kind to the dumb animals grows up to be a humane man and a kind neighbor; but the boy who practices cruelty on dumb animals will in all probability grow up to be unkind to his fellow beings and have trouble with them. The vicious boy and the heartless man usually make the citizen for whom the criminal court, the jail and the penitentiary are prepared in after life. A kind-hearted boy never grows up into a mean and quarrelsome man. He learns the value of love in his youth and he practices it steadfastly when he goes out into the world and mingles with his kind.

In boyhood is the time to learn these lessons and to practice these virtues. The dumb animals afford a realm among which he can be easily taught the value of love and humaneness. It is not a bad idea to permit your boy to have his dog, or his lamb, or his chickens, or his pigeons, or his calf, or his colt on condition that he will make this dumb animal his companion and love it and care for it. It will tend to bring out the good that is in him and make him gentle and tender-hearted. And when you get these traits developed in the boy he is directly in the road that leads to Christ and to God. These dumb animals are God's creatures and it is only one more step toward loving God when the boy loves God's creatures.

Let us, then, learn to be kind to the dumb animals in the presence of our children and in this way develop our own kindness of heart and at the same time lead our boys into this course of conduct. We will be doing the dumb animals a favor, we will be doing ourselves and our children a favor; yes, we will be doing humanity a favor. God's word says: "A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast."

Any system claiming to be related to Christianity that denies the miraculous or the supernatural is a libel on what Christ teaches. He has all power on earth and in heaven; he is God as well as man, he lives in the past, the present and the future; and he is unchanging and unchangeable. He has charge of the forces of nature and directs all currents of power. Therefore, the Unitarianism of this day is the infidelity of the days long gone. It masquerades in the garb and name of Christianity; but in reality it has nothing fundamentally in common with the Christianity of Christ.



# The Presiding Eldership

By REV. J. W. HEAD, Covington, Texas.

In preparing this article for our Advocate the General Conference is not very much in the writer's mind. But he wishes to state in the spirit of a most humble mind, but also in the plainest terms possible, just a few things which enter into the cause of the dissatisfaction among our people regarding the presiding eldership. He disavows any grievance to be aired or any bitterness to be condoned, and the hope is cherished that he will not be set down as a fault-finder and accuser, for he is neither.

In the writer's humble opinion, we need no additional legislation on this subject, unless it be to limit the term of service to four consecutive years, and possibly to fix a guarded age limit. But it is possible that the Bishops would regard unfavorably any such legislation on the ground that the presiding elder is the Bishop's personal representative. But he is not that alone. He is just as much the representative of the preachers and people. However, the writer is willing to let the present law stand as it is, but would urge that our good Bishops and presiding elders themselves reduce the evils complained of to the minimum. The following, therefore, may be urged:

1. That the Bishops know the men whom they appoint from all possible sources—not merely from the man who is to be succeeded, as it too frequently is, but from the preachers and people as well. It may be charged, at least in some instances, that, while the Bishop is fully advised in his assignment of the pastors, he appoints presiding elders upon information from limited representative sources. Just how the Bishops are to get this larger information is another matter—it might be brought about by wise legislation. At any rate, they ought to have it, and there will be inefficiency and dissatisfaction until they get it and put it into use. Suppose, now and then, a presiding elder is known to be unacceptable or inefficient, as sometimes we all know they are, who is going to have the temerity to volunteer the information, except in a secret and confidential way—and, to do things that way is very distasteful, if not despicable. It ought to be provided for either by a wise method adopted by the Bishop himself or by law. The law, or at least custom which amounts to law, provides a method by which the Bishop may get information in the pastor's case, but how about the elder? Who will inform on him, unless asked to do so?

2. The presiding elder must be adapted to the type and conditions of the field to which he has been assigned. A country district cannot understand, though the people may be never so intelligent in their way, a "high-stepple" man. Neither can a district made up of cities and towns use well a man who is unaccustomed to city life and ways. In either case, the man's ideas and methods are, in some degree, foreign. Usually our districts are composed of a number of village stations, circuits and missions grouped around a leading city or town. Now, any city preacher can do well, as presiding elder, in the country, if he has religion and then the good sense to leave behind him some of his city airs, and just be a good, plain, brotherly man among the people, and show, by doing it, that he wants to help them do the work. Our people in small towns and in the country can understand and will love a great man from the city if he is the right sort and willing to work. But a man who has not the good sense and religion to adapt himself to all men and all conditions—a man who is not humble enough and big enough—to do that, has no business in the eldership, no matter where he is from. "How about the man who cannot be used anywhere else?" Some one may ask. Do not know—let us pass on.

3. A presiding elder should be perfectly frank and open in his dealings with his preachers and the people. As a whole the preachers and people can be trusted absolutely and they want nothing concealed. They desire to know and do the right things, and they want no double dealing. In their very hearts they resent it—sometimes in prolonged and painful silence. They want things to come straight and be done in the open. There are certain delicate matters which presiding elders cannot avoid. They must deal with them and it requires great tact—especially if they must point out what they regard as shortcomings or errors—they ought to do it with brotherly frankness, and face to face; but let it be done in love and wisdom and much patience.

4. Presiding elders must not be drivers, but leaders, of men. The people will follow a man who loves them and who is willing to work. An army

despises a general who always stays in the rear. People will distrust and refuse to follow a dictator who does nothing but give advice, or issue orders, and draw his pay. These serious words could not have been written into this paragraph if there had not been such calamities in flesh and blood. A normal man will have driving power but it should be used in leadership. May the good Lord keep us delivered from the dictatorial, arbitrary man who is afflicted with the hallucinations that his is the very flower of all wisdom; from the man who so vainly thinks that his is the final authority, and who goes around more as an overseer than as a helper in the work. The writer states nothing but the simple truth when he says that many a preacher, already loaded to the breaking point, has been made to feel the additional strain imposed by a lack of sympathy, commendation and co-operation. And the sad thing about it is, they cannot tell it—for there is no one to tell it to.

5. The presiding elder ought to be willing to take over his part of the work—the actual work to be done in building up the Churches. It is not so much advice and exhortation we need—but work—helping to pull the

load; by preaching and going in and out, as the pastor is expected to do, among the flock. The district is made up of charges and in these charges the work is to be done. Presiding over the Quarterly Conference is the least thing about it—any pastor, or even layman can do that. Getting the information the Bishop needs will take care of itself as the work goes on. In every charge there is more than one man can do, and some things which the pastor cannot do—and ought not try to do. There is a sense in which we need less "presiding" and more "elder." It is not a mere circulating medium, whose chief employment is to gather and impart "information" we need, but a man who stays on the ground and keeps himself in touch with the work as one of the workers. If it is to be otherwise we might as well abolish the relation altogether. We have not out-grown the presiding eldership. We need it. It is indispensable under our present system. Let it stand, and reduce the "evils" to the minimum.

NOTE.—After penning the above, the writer read it over very carefully and thoughtfully, and he was surprised to see how easily it might be taken for a lecture intended for Bishops and presiding elders, but he assures the reader it was not so intended, and this last fact renders apology unnecessary. J. W. H.

# "Athletics?"

By REV. J. B. McCARLEY, Matador, Texas.

Do the words "owned and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," mean anything in our Church school athletics?

It has long been my purpose to write an article on the above subject, but press of other matters have crowded it out until now.

In my opinion our schools have gone to seed on so-called "athletics" and more especially the schools owned and "controlled" by our Church.

In fact, if we watch the games played by a State school, or any other secular institution and then turn our attention to one of our own Church schools we would not be able to discern which team belonged to the Church school and which belonged to the school with no religious atmosphere.

Let me state just here that I am not opposed to athletics, in moderation, so long as it is clean and helpful, for I believe that each student should have all the wholesome athletics that their parents are willing to pay the bill for, and no more.

Now comes the point that I am driving at:

First. No school owned and controlled by the Methodist Church should allow gambling on any of its athletics. Neither should any Church school employ any man to coach their team that uses profane language or that gambles on anything whatsoever, large or small.

Why? Because this man is to be a model for the boys that he has under his instruction, and the Church school should not be the place to turn out a lot of "tin horn sports" and "cussers."

But one says, "It is impossible to prevent gambling on these games" and I answer that it is not impossible to expel every student gambling on any game. But you say "we need the patronage. We can't afford it." Then I say I had rather see every Methodist school in our connection close down for the want of patronage than to see them descend to the level of knowingly allowing gambling in any form in their institution.

Second. We see the athletic department of our schools advertised and written up more than all of the rest of our school work put together. Should this be? Not by any means, for if a bright young man or young lady burn the midnight oil and graduates at the head of the class there is but little note made of it, but let the athletic team win the "pennant" we see glaring headlines in all the papers, including the dailies concerning this great feat. This puts a premium on the development of brute strength, while it ignores the weightier matter of the development of brain, or true man and womanhood.

But you have so often heard it stated that the "athlete" makes the best student. I deny this statement and while it is true that each player must make a certain grade to hold his position on the team, yet it is also true that the grade required is only the "minimum" grade or a fraction above.

My observation has been, after studying the situation for many years, that the leading athletes of a school are, as a rule, its most unworthy students, requiring more concessions, more discipline and asking more special privilege than all of the balance

of the school combined. Of course, I state this as a rule, and there are some fine young people who are exceptions to it as to all rules.

Third. It is the custom of many of our schools to make concessions to leading athletic students, employ coaches, etc.

I challenge any man in charge of any of our Church schools the right of using any money paid in for any other purpose (than athletic fees) for paying athletic coaches, or contributing to their support in any way, or for making any concessions to any student for athletic purposes.

Such use of money collected for tuition, board, library fees, incidentals contributed by annual conferences or in fact for any cause whatever (except athletic fees) and applied to the athletic department, is a misappropriation of funds, the wrongful expenditure of the same.

The trustees of all of our schools should look into this matter and ascertain if the Church or private individuals are being "duped" into paying for athletics instead of for the purpose to which they are supposed to be paying their money.

More than one of our schools have ing for athletics instead of for the gone in the "hole" and careful investigation as to expenditures should be the duty of each and every trustee of our several schools, requiring an itemized statement of the same so as to show where the leaks are.

I am aware that I have struck an unpopular chord, but, if it leads to a right use of our Church money, cleans out gambling in our Church schools on their athletic and debates, etc., I shall feel that I have attained the purpose for which this is written, and will willingly submit to any criticism that I shall have called down upon my own head.

Brethren of our schools and of the several Boards of Trustees, let us stand by God's institutions of learning and purge them of evil until any school having the name of the Methodist Church behind it shall stand not only for high morals, but for truly Christian education.

I am yours for better Church schools.

## TO PURGE OUR RITUAL.

Among Methodists a standard work is Watson's Dictionary, in which I read as follows:

"The Romish Church now proudly assumes the title Catholic in opposition to all who have separated from her communion."

Now is the title not hers by long usage, the talk of the common people and even the decrees of our courts? It is not Scriptural. Let her have it. She needs it to show she is a segment of the Church universal—a mere segment, at her best.

The retention of "Holy Catholic Church" in the Methodist ritual is indispensable. It confuses thought and offends. Allow an old man, a preacher for seventy years, to quote from an excellent article written by Rev. W. C. Hays for the Advocate at Nashville. He says:

And why persist in the use of a word which carries with it such consequences? Are we not under obligation to God and to those "for

whom Christ died" to apply to this matter the logic which Paul applies to another in the eighth chapter of First Corinthians? Allow me to quote some of it. "Now as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth." Ponder the last sentence in connection with the matter under discussion. "We know that an idol is nothing in the world. . . . Howbeit there is not in every man that knowledge; for some with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat it as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled." Apply this reasoning to the thing in hand. And may we not go on with exhortation and say: If any man hear thee which hast knowledge declare in the Church, "I believe in the Holy Catholic Church," shall not the conscience of him who is weak be emboldened to say it, meaning the Romish Church? Has it not proved so in many cases? Then, "when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ." Are we not, then, bound by the love of God and man to say: "If this phrase cause my brother to stumble, I will not use it while the world stands?" Well, what shall we put in place of it? I say the phrase we had so many years—"the Church of God." This is absolutely Scriptural. In fact, it seems to be the phrase selected by the Holy Ghost to define exactly that which we mean by "Holy Catholic Church." Some say "Church of Christ." This is not quite so good, for the reason that it does not occur in the New Testament in that form. To be sure, he says "My Church," and we have "Churches of Christ;" but nowhere have we the "Church of Christ" as applied to the universal body, while we have the other so used in several places. Dr. Green says, "Holy Church of God." Some one else has suggested "Holy Church of Christ." But I would omit the word "holy" as being superfluous. If it is the Church "of God" or "of Christ," it is, in the nature of the case, holy. I have noted above that the "Church of God" seems to be the phrase selected by the Spirit, and it is difficult for man's wisdom to improve on divine inspiration.

"Church of God" is Scriptural. And do we not teach that all Scripture is given by inspiration of God?  
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## SEVERAL THINGS AT ONE WRITING.

### The Change of Name.

I saw some weeks ago that the change of name proposition was lost. However, if the proposed name had been "The Methodist Church," or "Episcopal Methodist," I am quite sure the vote would have been much heavier for the change.

### The Woman Question.

I cannot see where the danger would be in giving the good women the rights they are calling for. When money happens to fall into the hands of good women they are more apt, as a rule, to put it to a good use than men are. The fact is the Church in many places would be about bankrupt but for the good women. I notice that women made the largest donations

to the Southern Methodist University. Now a woman starts the list with \$1000 for Southwestern. If she puts her money to good use she is very apt to put other rights placed in her hands to good use.

### The Presiding Elder Question.

If any radical legislation on this question is proposed at the coming General Conference there will doubtless be enough presiding elders present to prevent it, as quite a large per cent of the delegates are of that class. I do not think there is so much dissatisfaction about the number of years that a presiding elder may serve as there is about him getting salary so far out of proportion to the average pastor, and the manner of collecting the same. In some districts the presiding elder gets one-seventh of the amount raised for the support of the ministry. This often runs the presiding elder's salary up to \$3000 or \$4000, while many of the pastors who possibly have larger families, get less than \$800. On this per cent plan you cannot raise the salary of the pastor in charge, no matter how meager his support, without also raising the salary of the presiding elder, though the latter may be already amply provided for.

The per cent plan is giving much dissatisfaction and should be abolished and let the District Stewards make the assessment a stipulated amount and divide it among the charges as they do the conference collections.

How would it do for the District Stewards in each charge to look after the salary of the presiding elder? That would let the presiding elder and pastor in charge each stand on his own merits. I presume the presiding elder would not object, he is supposed to be as popular as the pastor.

### Having the Christ Spirit.

I see there was a surprise raised when a preacher in one of the conferences asked to be appointed to a mill town on a small salary where he could have commanded a city Church on a large salary. Why should that cause a surprise? Was it not the Christ Spirit? Honor to His name. I have a thousand times more respect for a man like that than I do for the one who will bring questionable means to bear in order to exalt himself at the expense of a more worthy brother. Such things ought to be the rule and not the exception, then it would create no surprise. Talk about precedents, that preacher has certainly set a good one. Now, would it not be refreshing though if a few hundred preachers, who have been getting the best salaries, to say to their brethren who have not been so fortunate: Brethren, we have had a good thing of it for a few years, we will give you a lift now. You take the large Churches this year and we will go down on Hard Scrabble Circuit and Pull Tight Mission and even things up a little. Talk about your rural problem—that would be a good way to solve it. Then let the laymen do the same thing. Let those of the small Churches say to the tall steeple folk: All right, send your preacher down here among us and if he is a little stiff we will bear with him this year anyway and do our best. It might work so well that it would surprise the natives and revivals would break out in town and country.

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# Our Letter From New York

Anti-Saloon League at Work in New York—Governor Glynn an Unknown Quantity—Brooklyn Eagle Shows Up Tammany—to Get Good Government Remove the Cause of Bad Government.

William A. Anderson, General Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, has come to New York and begun a campaign looking to the abolition of the saloons in this State. No man in this eastern country has been more cordially hated and traduced by the liquor men than Mr. Anderson. In Maryland he gave the saloon men more things to think about than all the other anti-liquor crusaders put together who ever waged war on rum and immorality in that State. No campaigns against the liquor interests have ever been so generally exploited both in the advertising and in the news columns as has been his. Considerable complaint has been made from time to time about the amount of space that Anderson has been given in the news columns of the papers, but the reason for this has always been that Anderson furnished news that was worth printing.

### A Practical Worker.

Mr. Anderson has been no theorist. He has worked along practical lines, and while his methods have been frequently characterized as disingenuous

and unfair, there is no doubt that he matched the other fellows at their own game and frequently went them one better.

There was no trick of politics, no parliamentary device to which, to use an everyday expression, he was not "he." He studied Maryland politicians and the game of politics as it is played in that State as a scientist studies a strange bug under the microscope. He was ready for any jump the bug might make. He learned its habits and its structure, and his intimate grasp of political situations, his knowledge of the careers of Maryland politicians and of their affiliations, has been a constant source of support to his opponents.

His experience and accomplishments there and elsewhere will help him here, but he will find whiskey more firmly entrenched in New York State than in Maryland. He will also find the Catholic Church and the gamblers lined up solidly with the saloon men behind Tammany Hall. Most likely the same elements were united solidly against him in Maryland, but they were not so strong.

Mr. Anderson's call to New York shows that there is a widespread movement and a general determination to take the saloons and Catholicism out of politics, and then the moral elements without regard to politics are coming together to do it. The defeat

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of Tammany Hall last November by such a union and the side tracking of politics pointed out the way and proved that in no other way can the job be completely done. Such a movement is becoming Nation-wide and the flame is spreading like a prairie fire in dry old summer time. Rum and Romanism must go.

**Gov. Glynn An Unknown Quantity.**

Governor Glynn has wakened up to the fact that there is a strong growing feeling in this State against Irish Catholic rule and he is trying to soothe things down a little. He knows as everybody else knows that every city department and every department of the State, including the schools, is packed and jammed with Irish Catholics, and that Tammany Hall and the Democratic party is responsible for it. He knows that city and State officials, subordinate officers, bookkeepers, clerks, inspectors, stenographers, public contractors, guards, attendants, policemen, detectives, firemen, school superintendents and teachers, and all laborers in the parks, public grounds and buildings and on the streets and roads, are largely Irish Catholics. He knows that in years gone by the Catholic Church fought the public school system of the State, and that the Republican party put a stop to that Church drawing out its pro rata of the school fund for the support of Catholic schools. He knows the Church would do the same thing now if it could; but, as it can't, that it is controlling them, which is the next best thing. Dr. Finley, Irish Catholic, was recently inaugurated as Commissioner of Education, and the Governor paid a glowing tribute to him and a brother Catholic and to the public schools of the State. He said:

"Education which reaches from the highest to the lowest, which knows no distinctions of race or class, which is made the rightful heritage of every child and becomes the reliance of every citizen, is the greatest influence for good that any Nation can possess. Where such education flourishes, there liberty breathes; where it grows and spreads, there tolerance and humanity will be found. No man whose intelligence has been quickened into life, is willingly a slave; no man who does not know the reasons for his enfranchisement is really free. Ignorance and tyranny go hand in hand; liberty and enlightenment are brothers."

But does education spread and flourish and liberty breathe where the Catholic Church controls? Is intelligence quickened into life or tolerance, freedom and humanity noticeable in Catholic countries and communities? In such places does not ignorance and tyranny go hand in hand? And if the Catholic Church had had its way in the past or could have it now, would there be any public schools in this country?

On January 7th, the American, Hearst's paper, replied and complimented the Governor, but mainly to get in a hint than we have politics in our public schools. He said:

"The speech delivered by Governor Glynn at the inauguration of Dr. Finley as Commissioner of Education, and Dr. Finley's proved capacity and broad general culture marks an epoch in the history of public education in New York State. It denotes as thoroughly and as convincingly as could any possible incident the divorce of New York's system of public education from any political control, and the setting up of a standard which any other State must do well to equal."

The only way to "divorce" our public school system from politics and Catholicism is to keep Catholics and Tammany Hall, and all men named Glynn, Finley, Murphy, Sullivan, Fitzgerald, O'Connor, etc., out of power. Their religion, if it can be called religion, and their politics are so tightly linked together that the chain cannot be broken with a pile driver and "divorce" is impossible.

**Brooklyn Eagle Devotes a Page to Tammany.**

The Brooklyn Daily Eagle of January 11, had a full page article outlining the inside story of the plan to destroy Tammany Hall by keeping from it all city, State and National patronage. It showed conclusively that the Wilson administration was behind the movement and that all anti-Tammany forces worked together to defeat Tammany and boss rule, and to divorce politics from city governments. The Eagle diplomatically alluded to the evil influences that had always been behind Tammany and given it the power it has always wielded for robbing the people of this city and State, but it lacked the courage to say that those influences were the Catholic Church, the saloons and gamblers and the thugs and thieves. The Eagle said:

"There is another factor which enters into this program of the new movement against Tammany Hall.

The patronage of the State figures largely in the rewards meted out to those who are of Tammany, and who obey its laws. This patronage comes in the way of many high positions, many appointments, many minor places and many millions of dollars in State contracts. There are many public institutions, and men and women must fill the places in them. There are great public works to be constructed; there are highways to be built; work on the canal; work on the waterways; work on the gigantic water supply system; buildings to be erected, and hundreds—yes, thousands—of jobs and contracts—all of which, in the past, have held the army of ballot fighters solidly in the rank."

Then the Eagle says that Governor Glynn is an unknown quantity in the fight against Tammany. He is a member of Tammany Hall, an Irishman and a Catholic and friendly to the saloons; in the language of a man close to Boss Murphy, "he is one of our kind." In other words, he is not an American, a German or a Protestant.

The Eagle thinks that the cutting off of city, State and National patronage will starve Tammany to death. Yes, but why not destroy the things that make Tammany and other organizations like it possible? When the combination of rum and Romanism with city and State politics is wiped from the face of the earth the job will be finished and not till then. And how easy it will be to do that if the people will go about the work right. Take the tariff question and the currency question out of politics and then bring together the moral temperate Protestant elements in the Democratic and Republican parties, North, South, East and West, and the job will be done. On these two questions I will let others talk. On the currency bill the Philadelphia Record says:

**Currency a National Question.**

"There was no party question involved in the currency bill; there is no feature of the bill which is in any sense whatever an issue between the parties, and it is gratifying that so many Republicans at both ends of the Capitol voted for it that it cannot be regarded as a party measure. The country is indebted to a Democratic President and a Democratic Congress for it, but it is a National and not a partisan measure, and was not passed by a mere party majority. The Republicans attempted at one time to believe that the gold standard was involved, but when the gold standard act of fourteen years ago was expressly reaffirmed they had no further opportunity of drawing party lines on the bill."

**John Hays Hammond on the Currency and the Tariff.**

John Hays Hammond, the mine expert, on December 30 in Atlanta, criticized President Wilson's tariff policy and the Administration's course of conduct in Mexico, advocating restriction of the Monroe Doctrine to that country and Central America. His remarks were made in the course of an address before the Social and Economic Section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

On the tariff question Mr. Hammond said:

"The tariff problem which so vitally affects the welfare of our Nation should be entirely dissociated from partisanship, and should be regarded as purely an economic issue. In the revision of the tariff the principle of protection should be maintained, since by that policy we would be able to establish the principle of reciprocity in making commercial agreements with other Nations and at the same time prevent our country from becoming the dumping ground, as I have said, for the surplus products of nations competing with us in foreign trade."

The Louisiana Senators and many Democratic Congressmen from the sugar belt growing sections of the West voted against the present tariff bill. Wool growing Democrats and Democrats in the manufacturing business are generally in favor of a tariff. I merely mention these things to show that the tariff and currency bills are even now half way out of party lines, and so is the Wilson plan about Mexico. Governor Colquitt agrees with Mr. Hammond in regard to the Mexican question. The two old historic National parties have come close together on many things. Now let them come together and join hands to fight Rum and Romanism.

**To Get Good Government Remove the Cause of Bad Government.**

It is not hard to comprehend why the Catholics, the saloon men, gamblers and loafing criminal classes so persistently line up together and work so diligently together politically in this city as an adjunct to the Democratic party. Many of them get office year after year; others get positions and labor; many get contracts and

others "rake offs" on the purchase of city supplies and on purchases of property for city buildings, parks, etc. And many, very many, expect to get leniency and light punishment when they get into trouble, and invariably they do get it. When a thief or a rowdy or a drunk gets arrested the first move by his friends is to see the Irish Catholic district leader; he telephones to or calls on the Irish Catholic Borough leader and he and perhaps others of his kind see that the District Attorney and the judge, who are of the same kind and breed, are approached, and then at the trial there is either a light or a suspended sentence. Such things are common every-day occurrences—indeed, they are the rule. A party with such a following, such evil formidable influences behind it cannot deal out law and justice or run a city in the interest of morality and decency. To get good government the cause of bad corrupt government must be removed. All that is necessary to accomplish that is the united co-operation of moral Protestant people regardless of politics. Let the wicked combination against them be squarely met and overthrown. Nothing short of an unconditional surrender, an evacuation and a retreat will suffice. If to do it there is a shattering of parties and a crash of worlds let the disasters come. Let us have honesty, decency, morality, and finally peace if we have to fight to get it.

E. H. QUICK.

New York, N. Y.

**HE HAS NO FAITH IN A REPUBLICAN.**

We have read with much interest the letters from Mr. Quick, of New York, from the viewpoint of the Southern Democrat. There may occur reasons that would stand in the way of his proposition for Northern Republicans and Southern Democrats to get together and run the Government. In the first place, we infer from the run of his letter that, with the Republicans North, it is anything to beat the Democrat and the Catholic. While with the Democrats South, it seems to be anything to beat the Republicans and the negro. In the light of the history of the past fifty years, he may consider that it is to the interest of the Southern Democrat that a foreign element rule in the North. Again, he may conclude that if the Catholics have lost their grip on all the Nations of Europe he need not dread them here. Napoleon, the First, spoke a living truth when he said that you could not rob a people, and at the same time convince them that you were their friends. We are no Catholic, but we have about as much faith in the infallibility of the Pope as we have in the friendship of the Northern Republicans for the Southern Democrat.

DALLAS LEWTER.  
Dexter, Cooke County, Texas.

**TEXAS METHODISM AND THE STATE UNIVERSITY.**

On every side there are now to be found commissioners, agents, campaigners and other representatives of special causes of the Church, one of whom I am, which for the next two and a half months I have left my Church in the hands of such preachers as Bishop Mouzon, Dr. Rankin, Dr. Boaz, Dr. Godbey, Dr. Bishop and a few others of that stripe and am now busy with a persistent and thus far successful campaign for the liquidation of the indebtedness of the University Methodist Church and the launching of a Bible Chair and Girls' Homeing Hall for students of the State University.

At the last sessions of the several Annual Conferences my work was indorsed by strong resolutions by every conference in Texas. The indebtedness of the University Methodist Church was assumed by these bodies and the presiding elders of the several districts in Texas were instructed to look after the matter of raising this money. However, it was understood between the Texas Bishops and myself and also understood by the presiding elders that I was to give my time and attention to this matter until the last Sunday in March, which day has been set apart as University Church Day and will be observed by all our pastors and people.

Thus far I have met with signal success. I find the people anxious to take care of the interests of Methodism in and about the State University. The situation is this: We owe 17,000 on our church building. The General Board of Church Extension has agreed to give us \$2500 of this amount, providing the whole is paid. The local Church has agreed to pay \$7000 on top of what has already been paid by that membership. This leaves \$7500. The officials at Austin have agreed to deed to the several conferences land adjoining the church building and ideally located for the Bible Chair and Girls' Homeing Hall and now worth upon the

market more than we ask the Methodists of the State to assume of this indebtedness, if the Methodists of the State will in turn give to them this amount.

In fact, this church is clearly a State-wide proposition and the Methodists of the whole State should assist in bearing this burden. There are now over 600 Methodists in the State University. Our Church is running over with students and the good that is being done is without limit and cannot possibly be estimated.

Thus far I have secured \$2315 in subscription, four hundred of this amount being contributed by friends at Temple, Texas, and directed, in that it goes toward the purchase of opera chairs for the galleries of the church. The following districts have contributed this amount:

Waco District.....	\$1050
San Marcos District....	540
Austin District.....	650
Georgetown District....	400
Cleburne District.....	200
San Antonio District....	200
Corsicana District.....	210
Hillsboro District.....	65

The pastors can most materially assist me by just a little active backing and paving the way for my coming to these towns that I can visit. In the many smaller towns, where it will be impossible for me to touch, they can help me no little by securing such subscriptions for this cause as may be had.

I hope that every presiding elder in Texas will feel the obligation of this matter. Upon the success of this movement depends the erection of a Bible Chair and Homeing Hall and the good results that will most surely follow. There is no more important work now being done in Texas.

We want to see other districts lined up with the above in the next report I make of this campaign.

R. P. SHULER.

**NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE MISSION SUGGESTIONS.**

We, the Board of Missions of the Northwest Texas Conference, in mid-year meeting assembled at Clarendon, Texas, January 14, 1914, do hereby most respectfully submit to the presiding elders and through you to the pastors and people of our conference the following suggestions for your favorable consideration:

1. Full collections for Home and Conference Missions, if possible, by April 1. Strive for a goal of \$2000 excess for Conference Missions.
2. Appoint Missionary Committee in every pastoral charge and engage in "Every Member Campaign."
3. Organize a Woman's Missionary Society in every preaching place where practical or possible.
4. Strive for a great revival throughout the conference with a goal of ten per cent increase in membership on profession of faith.
5. Call upon the pastors throughout the conference to give at least one meeting to some needy field or place, under the direction of the presiding elders, as a "Committee on Evangelism."
6. Have the Conference Missionaries to make quarterly reports to their presiding elder and to the Conference Missionary Secretary.
7. Fix the goal for the Sunday School at the membership of the Church and organize each school into a Missionary Society.
8. Fix the goal for the Epworth League membership at 20 per cent of Church membership and raise \$1000 for Cuba Special, if possible.
9. Put the Texas Christian Advocate on the 100 per cent basis in every charge in the conference, extend the circulation for the Missionary Voice and look well to missionary publicity.
10. Use missionary charts as furnished by this board.

The above was indorsed by the presiding elders and becomes the program for our conference operations during the year. We sincerely hope that all of these great interests will have the fullest sympathy of our people and that the "Whole Line will advance" to the glory of God and the upbuilding of our beloved Church.

HENRY M. LONG,  
Conf. Mis. Secretary.

**THE MESSAGE FOR TO-DAY.**

The worthy volumes on Christian evidence would fill an ordinary library. Our arguments are innumerable and unanswerable. The argument from the Bible, the argument from achievement, the argument from humanity are all unanswerable. But controversial literature is not attracting much attention in our day. The message for our day is found in 1 Peter 2:15, and reads as follows: "For so is the will of God, that with well-doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men." Men of the every day world cannot understand our philosophy or our theology, but they can understand a godly life. It is with well-doing that we put to silence the ignorance of foolish men.—Wathman-Examiner.



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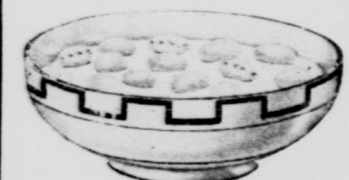
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Just A Few Things Here And There

When Christ was on earth his enemies accused him of stirring up the people for making trouble for existing order of things. Had he lived in this day in his flesh, these same enemies would call him a crank and other opprobrious names. He is not here in his body form, but his earnest followers are and they are made the targets of these railers against civic righteousness and public morals. The man, in their esteem, who believes in "liberal" ideas, is a broad man, a statesman; but those who advocate public purity and the suppression of evil institutions, are narrow-minded and fanatical. It was ever thus, but the only genuine reforms that have been accomplished are due to the men and women who stand for a public conscience and who array themselves against the vice and iniquity of modern times.

If anybody has any definite views on what he conceives to be needed legislation or revised legislation and wants his views published, let him seat himself by his desk, carefully write his views in legible style, eliminating all needless personalities, sign his or her name to the article for publication along with the communication, and mail it to this office. It will be published regardless of whether the editor agrees with said article or not. The Advocate is a medium for free expression of ideas and thoughts among our Methodist people and when those ideas and thoughts are expressed in proper form and spirit they will find publication through this medium. So, brethren and sisters, if you will comply with the above suggestion, the columns of the Advocate are wide open to you along these and other lines. But when you thus express yourself, you alone are responsible for your utterances, and not the editor of the paper. He is responsible alone for the form and spirit of the matter published. It is his duty to keep out all harmful and improper matter, but not the honest and proper communications of any Methodist who has anything helpful to say to the Advocate readers.

The Houston Chronicle came out recently in an editorial in which it advised its anti coadjutors of the press to cease hurling sarcasm and contempt at the leaders of prohibition, and get down to hard sense and cold reason in dealing with the proposition.

It acknowledged that the movement had great headway and was decidedly the most dominant factor in the politics of the State. Yes, and by and by some of these other anti dailies will cut their eye teeth and open their eyes to the same truth. Prohibition is here to stay and the anti who wants to make fun of it is a very foolish man and unworthy serious consideration. Yes, he is a blind bat in the hollow tree of public opinion.

Those Churches away from the center in Houston are not to be lost sight of in the shuffle. They are not quite so conspicuous in their buildings and locations and they do not figure so extensively in the public prints, but they are taking care of Methodist interests at important points and their work is of prime importance. Among them is Woodland Heights, the youngest one in the organized life of the city. But under its wide-awake pastor, Rev. H. M. Whaling, it is moving steadily to the front and gives promise of a fine future. Rev. E. W. Potter has charge of Grace, a splendid plant, replete with life and bubbling over with energy, and under the guidance of its wise pastor it is a dominant force in that part of the city. McKee Street is a congregation of long standing and its results are found all over the fifth ward. Rev. I. F. Key is proving himself the right man in the right place and things are moving in that part of the city. McAshan started twenty years ago in a part of the city where it was needed, and today Rev. Harold G. Cooke is leading it successfully. It has a deep hold in the locality where it operates. Rev. J. O. Coppage is just beginning his work at Washington Ave., but he already has things in hand and the promise for a good year is inspiring. Brunner Addition has a little world of its own, and Rev. H. K. Morehead is guiding affairs with prudence and success. Rev. W. F. Smith has his hand firmly on Trinity and his people are following his lead with harmony.

We notice in the public prints two important announcements: 1. That J. W. Robbins, of Austin, and one of the best known laymen in Texas Methodism, has been secured by the Southern Methodist University authorities to become one of their educational commissioners; and that he is already in the field and will inaugurate an aggressive campaign among a certain class of our well-to-do laymen who have not yet been reached. This is an important adjunct to the University force and large results ought to follow the work of Mr. Robbins. 2. That Rev. Frank Onderdonk, our missionary for years in Mexico, has been secured by the Southwestern University authorities to aid in the effort to raise needed funds for the institution. He is one of our most capable and virile ministers, popular on the platform and winning in the social circle, and we congratulate the University on securing such a capable man. With these added factors to plan for soliciting money, our educational interests ought to go forward with great strides during this year.

Comptroller W. P. Lane and Lieut. Governor Will Mayes have both replied to the request of Hon. Cullen Thomas to get together on some plan by which our prohibition forces can be united on a single candidate for Governor; and they peremptorily refuse to enter any such a plan of adjustment. They give it out that they are in the field and can be elected to the office, and that they will not submit to any arrangement that would look to the elimination of either one or all of them. Their stand is greatly pleasing the anti press, and they are complimenting Messrs. Lane and Mayes very highly for their great wisdom and statesmanship. They know that their only chance to elect an anti to this high office again is to keep two determined pro candidates in the field, but neither Mr. Lane nor

Mr. Mayes give that feature of the question any consideration. They both expect to be Governor, and no sort of argument can convince them to the contrary. But the July primaries will very thoroughly convince them!

In our last issue we had a little paragraph on "Dallas Society," and mentioned one little stunt that was pulled off at a leading hotel; and this inspired the following, after quoting it, in the columns of the Houston Post:

"The suspicion has long prevailed in select circles that if anything of this kind was destined to break out in Texas it would erupt at a point next door to the vine and fig tree of Dallas' moral disciple. It is particularly sad that while these Pharisees were busy trailing the devil in Austin and other cities, his majesty was getting in his finest work at the head of navigation on the Trinity. Some other things besides charity, it seems, could better subserve the eternal fitness of things by beginning at home."

If the editor of the Houston Post had any moral sense of a high order, he would be able to distinguish between brazen women of the world flouting their offenses against society under the connivance of law and ordinarily good women of "society" indulging in improprieties at social functions. But the Post has run with the saloon gang so long until its power to make such discrimination is obliterated. It was not thus twenty years ago. Furthermore, if the Post had any disposition to tell the truth about the crusade against social vice in Austin, it would have also said that the same crusade was successful in Dallas. But the Post cares nothing about little matters like the simple truth. It is afflicted with moral blindness. Hence, we will pass its fling on with nothing more.

PERSONALS

Rev. C. C. Childress, of Anna, made us a brotherly call last week.

Rev. J. T. Taylor, of Brandon, was a pleasant visitor to this office last week.

Brethren F. P. Dunkle and B. F. Naylor, of Lelia Lake, brightened this office with a visit recently.

Rev. John E. Roach, one of the Commissioners of Southwestern University, was a pleasant visitor to the Advocate office last week.

We enjoyed a pleasant visit from Rev. Minor Bounds, of Lewisville, the other day. He starts off well on his new work.

We had a delightful visit from Dr. W. E. Boggs, of Arlington, this week. He has made a fine start with this good people.

Rev. J. T. Bludworth and son were pleasant visitors this week. Things out at Cedar Hill are moving on pleasantly with him.

Rev. C. P. Combs, of Wheatland and Duncanville, dropped in to see us this week. He is making a good start in his new charge.

Rev. S. P. Gilmer, now residing at Killeen and engaged in evangelistic work, made us a brotherly call recently.

In a note from Rev. J. H. Brazwell, of Venus, he informs us that his oldest son, editor of the local paper in Venus, was recently operated upon for appendicitis and is doing well at this writing.

Last issue we announced the serious illness of Mrs. J. M. Armstrong, and now we make the sorrowful announce-

ment of her death. She died about the date of the last paper. This removes a splendid woman from the membership of the Church and leaves the home of Rev. J. M. Armstrong in great sadness. But her end was one of peace. Obituary will follow later.

Rev. J. J. Morgan, Bible Society Superintendent, has been ill for some days with pneumonia and has been in Mineral Wells during his illness; but he is now out of danger, we are glad to say, and will soon be at his post again.

Rev. J. F. Carter and his people are emerging from the floods all right, and his Church work is moving off finely. The Stewards gave him a raise in salary of \$300 over last year, and this is a mighty good sign.

Rev. T. R. Morehead, of Troup, was a welcome visitor to this office last week. He and his people are arranging to build a handsome new brick church in the near future, and Bro. Morehead was in the city looking after plans to that effect.

Mrs. Virgil Pace, of Huntsville, Texas, has issued invitations to the marriage reception of her daughter, Miss Sarah Catherine to Mr. McDade Wilburn, on January 29th instant. The happy couple will be at home in Houston after February 15.

Rev. J. M. Binkley, the splendid old man of the North Texas Conference, and one of the Advocate's long and cherished friends, is not very well these days. He had a fall not long since and fractured one of his ribs and otherwise bruised himself painfully. But while he is confined to his bed, he is not very seriously hurt and we hope for him a speedy recovery. The Church has no truer or worthier man than Brother Binkley.

We had a delightful visit from Brother J. H. Garner, of Cisco, last week. He is one of the lay delegates from the Central Conference to the General Conference. He is not a "leading lawyer," as we inadvertently stated at the time of his election. He is a leading merchant, however, and a prominent man in the councils of the Church.

Rev. J. F. Lawlis and his people and Llano have made some marked improvements in their church building. The walls have been papered, the floor and furniture repainted and a new carpet laid. They have spent about \$400 in the improvements and the interior of the edifice looks like a new one.

Rev. C. F. McKinney, of the Blue Ridge charge, writes us that the printed minutes of the North Texas Conference place his report last year in error. He states that his charge paid out everything in full. He made a fine report at conference, and the error is just one of those things that will occur once in a while despite the care, the painstaking effort and conscientious oversight of the editor of that document.

We have just read a delightful letter from Mrs. S. A. Thornal, of Neches, along with her renewal for the Advocate. She has been reading the Advocate more than forty years and finds it a great help to her. She not only takes one copy for herself, but when her son and daughter married and set up homes of their own she put copies of the paper in these new homes.

A man usually gets into office by attacking the record of the man who is in ahead of him. After a man gets into office he thinks it mighty mean of anybody who tries to get in by attacking his record.—Sioux City Journal.

Intoxicating liquors are the fathers of half the crimes in the country, and the grandfathers and great-grandfathers of all the rest.

THE AFTERGLOW.

In that chapter of emerald beauty, I Corinthians 13, in his climax, the Apostle Paul wrote: "Now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face; now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known." O, the significance of that "now" and "then" expressed in the one and implied in the other! In the study of grammar in our school days, we were taught to parse them as adverbs of time; but under the tuition of the Holy Ghost, St. Paul used the adverb "now" as that of time, present tense; but when he wrote the adverb "then," he swept far beyond the boundary of time into the realms of infinite duration.

And this opens up to us a fine field into which we may liberate our pent-up thoughts. For a while the world may allure us with its blandishments. But as the child separated from its mother may be held pleasure-bound by toys for a while, but soon tires of these and stretches out its little hands pleadingly for mother, so the soul tires of the flowers that fade and the fruits that perish, as the apples of Sodom which with their beauty tempted the passerby only to turn to ashes at his touch and mock his hunger.

The soul finds its center rest nowhere but in God. "Come unto me \* \* \* and I will give you rest," was spoken by Christ who knows the needs and secret longings of the human heart. And it is only when vitiated by the subtlety of Satan that the heart runs out after transitory things. Thus it was with our first parents in the Garden of Eden; and so it has been with all their posterity. But in man's fall, the desire for something beyond and above himself was not eliminated, but vitiated. And grace alone has redeemed our fond desires for companionship with the celestial. The ties of our sacred relationship here on earth are divinely intended to draw our affections heavenward, and intensify our desires for heaven.

When a mere boy and far away from home, while thinking of my loved ones there, I stood on the bank of a swollen river and watched its turbid waters rolling on toward the sea. And when I recalled to memory the fact that the pure waters that came gurgling from the old family spring were mingling with those of that restless river, I felt nearer home and more interested in that stream; for it seemed to have a friendly message for me.

And so with us as we press the margin of the stream of time. We may rightly feel that from our family circle loved members have gone to swell the waters which constantly are pouring into the crystal sea. The Holy Scriptures employ the metaphor of the waters, the rivers and the sea to represent the heavenly host. And we may well be glad, amid our sorrows, that we may regain our loved ones where, at last, all the good shall be gathered like the waters of a great sea. The perturbation of a known star often leads the astronomer to the discovery of another one hitherto unknown far out in the trackless fields of appalling space. The Holy Spirit brings to the light of the soul's vision the otherwise inexplicable drawing to the sunlit hills of glory.

But we may change from the above metaphor—from the rivers, lagoons and lakes the waters are drawn up, and it appears as if the sun had consumed them to quench its burning thirst. The heavens are overcast with clouds, dark and gloomy, then a beautiful bow paints its archway across the storm cloud's frowning brow. It is then we behold again those waters collected and revealed to us in transformed beauty. St. Paul says: "Doth not even nature itself teach you?" So with the telescope of faith trained upon the heavenly field, through the rainbow, we can look upon an enrapturing scene of our loved ones in transfigured beauty. "I do set my bow in the cloud," said the Almighty.

And Paul says we are compassed about by a great cloud of witnesses. Not a blackened storm cloud, but one given out in discordant sounds like the pulse-beating thunders of the storm, but that made vocal by the myriads of angels' trembling harpstrings accompanied by the melody of the voices of all the redeemed. Well might the old apostle to the Gentiles write: "Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named." That assures us that we are akin to heaven, of royal blood and "partakers of the divine nature." Hence, we are taught when we pray, to say: "Our Father, which art in heaven." "I will come again and receive you unto myself," promised the Son of God as the deep shadows of the cross began to fall about him.

"Faith lends its realizing light, The clouds disperse, the shadows fly, The invisible appears in sight, And God is seen with mortal eye." J. E. VINSON. Corinth, Miss., Jan. 16, 1914.

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## The Passing Day

Republican Leader Mann was the first to applaud the message of President Wilson...

1. Effectual prohibition of the interlocking of directorates of great corporations—banks, railroads, industrial commercial and public service bodies.

2. A law to confer upon the Interstate Commerce Commission the power to superintend and regulate the financial operations by which railroads henceforth are to be supplied with the money they need for their proper development and improved transportation facilities.

3. Definition of the "many hurtful restraints of trade" by explicit legislation supplementary to the Sherman law.

4. The creation of a commission to aid courts and to act as a clearing house of information in helping business to conform with the law.

5. Provision of penalties and punishments to fall upon individuals responsible for unlawful business practices.

6. Prohibition of holding companies and a suggestion that the voting power of individuals holding shares in numerous corporations might be restricted to one corporation.

7. Giving to private individuals the right to found suits for redress on facts and judgments proven in Government suits and providing that statute of limitation should run only from the date of the conclusion of the Government's action.

Speaker Champ Clark, in a letter of declination to attend a democratic dinner in Washington Wednesday night, said: "I have cut all dinners and functions except those I feel under obligations to attend in my official capacity. I did this for two reasons: (1) Because I have not time to attend them. I have too much to do. (2) Mr. Spofford, so long Librarian of Congress, once told me that most public men and army and navy officers who died in Washington dug their graves with their own teeth," a saying which I took to heart."

M. F. Taylor, his wife and four children were found dead at their home in Fort Worth Tuesday. A pistol with four empty cartridges was found alongside Taylor's body. The fact that Taylor has been out of employment for some time leads the police to believe the man killed himself and family. The peculiar odor coming from the apparently deserted home attracted neighbors, who forced an entrance. The bodies were all badly decomposed and indications are the deed was committed about December 6, as he had not been seen since that time.

The efforts to raise \$100,000 additional endowment for Randolph-Macon College have been successful. The raising of this amount secures for the college \$50,000 additional from the General Education Board.

We are pleased to learn that Dr. J. D. Hammond, President of Paine College, is steadily improving, following a surgical operation of some two weeks ago. He has been in Wesley Memorial Hospital, Atlanta. We trust that he will soon be able to take up again his work at Augusta.

Mrs. Gertrude A. Lee, who became chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Colorado, January 15, by virtue of the resignation of the elected chairman, George T. Bradley, is a machine politician, according to her declaration expressed emphatically tonight. According to her views a machine—impregnable and unassailable—is the only factor which can assure party success. Therefore, she is planning to build in Colorado one of the greatest political machines of the age. "By a machine," she declared, "I do not mean a corrupt body, but on the other hand, an organization pure in principle and certain in purpose. Consequently, I am opposed to steam-roller methods."

President Wilson has issued the following appeal: "Our sister Nation of Japan is suffering from two very serious disasters. The failure of crops in the eastern part of that country has brought hundreds of thousands of persons face to face with the terrible misery of slow starvation, and in the southwestern island of Sakura a sudden great volcanic eruption has carried death and desolation to large numbers in a thickly populated district. I appeal to the humanity of our American people that they may give expression to their sympathy for the suffering and distress for so many of their fellowmen by generous contributions for their aid. Such contributions can be made to the local Red Cross treasurers or sent directly to the American Red Cross, Washington."

Miss Marguerite Quayle, daughter of Bishop William Quayle of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Oklahoma and formerly of St. Paul, is receiving the radium treatment for cancer at the sanitarium of Dr. Howard A. Kelly.

More than 21,000 acres of agricultural lands in Carson National Forest, New Mexico, were thrown open for homestead entry January 16, on recommendation of Secretary Lane, when President Wilson issued a proclamation.

In harmony with the resolution passed by the Thirty-Third Legislature, the Governor has appointed five Texas women to be members of the Panama-Pacific Exposition Commission. The duty will devolve upon this commission to collect funds for the erection of a building and the gathering of an exhibit of Texas products. The appointees are Mrs. Eli Hertzberg, San Antonio; Mrs. E. P. Turner, Dallas; Mrs. W. V. Gallarath, Fort Worth; Mrs. P. V. Pennybacker, Austin; Mrs. H. B. Fall, Houston.

Six hundred cases of eggs from Shanghai, China, were included in the cargo of the liner Siberia which arrived recently from the Orient. These eggs were admitted duty free under the new tariff act. Under the 5c tariff, 4000 cases of Chinese eggs were received in San Francisco last year.

Society in Chicago was deprived of one of the brilliant affairs of the year when Miss Bryan Lathrop canceled her arrangements for what was intended to be a large and costly reception. In place of spending the money for the entertainment of her friends it will go to aid the suffering poor. The probable cost of the social gathering was mailed to the United Charities with a kind word for the needy from Mrs. Lathrop. At the United Charities with a kind word for the \$600 had been received.

The Validity of the so-called "blue sky law" of Iowa was sustained in a decree filed in Federal Court by Judge Smith McPherson. The law seeks to control the sale of investment securities in the State and its constitutionality was assailed by investment brokers of Kansas City, St. Louis and New York.

Flames, fanned by a stiff river breeze, entirely destroyed the Atlantic Coast Line docks at Jacksonville, Florida, January 17. The loss is estimated at \$400,000. Four ships caught fire and floated down the St. Johns River in the wake of five burning lighters, cut loose from the docks.

More than fifty miles of wolfproof fencing is being placed around one of the large pastures of the William Whitehead ranch in Sutton County, Texas. Mr. Whitehead has suffered heavy losses from the depredations of wolves and other wild animals.

C. T. Jackson, Cleburne, Texas, manager of the peanut factory, stated January 17 that the mill was running regularly and the capacity of the plant was being taxed to supply the demand. Over \$16,000 worth of products were shipped out last week. The plant will run three months longer before cleaning up the supply of peanuts already on hand.

An American syndicate has offered to the Turkish Government a loan of \$120,000,000 on condition that it shall receive several important timber and railroad concessions in Asia Minor. According to a dispatch from Constantinople the concessions contemplated include the sole right of exploitation of timber areas and railroad concessions in Central Anatolia. This scheme of promotion was first suggested by Arthur Chester of New York two years ago. It is stated that H. Djavid Bey, formerly Turkish Minister of Finance, fails to secure in Paris the funds needed by the Turkish Government, he will favor negotiations with the Americans.

Warden Morgan, of Leavenworth, Kansas, has issued an order completely abolishing the wearing of stripes in the Federal prison. For years just those prisoners who attempted to escape were forced to wear stripes for six months, after their capture. Now all stripes are a thing of the past.

There is no longer a cloud of any description on the financial horizon, according to the leading credit men of the United States, who recently held a conference in Chicago, at which the business outlook was one of the big topics of discussion. The fundamental changes that have been made in the laws affecting business will, the credit men declare, tend to foster a period of prosperity that will stand out in pleasing contrast to the last six months of partial depression and large failure liabilities. The establishment of the Federal banking reserve system, if kept out of politics and organized strictly along business lines, will help to prevent any financial crisis in the future, they assert. The two sources of danger in the new banking and currency law are held to be politics, and the possibilities of inflation, which would encourage speculative excesses and bring about various economic ills that always result therefrom. Fred K. Salisbury of St. Paul, President of the National

Association of Credit Men, said: "The Federal banking reserve system will be the means, I believe, of enabling all who are entitled to the extension of credit a means of obtaining accommodation, but it is not going to open up indiscriminate lending or the extending of credit to those who are not deserving of it. No commercial period has caused men to be more thoughtful than that through which this country has just passed," said S. J. H. Tregoe, of New York. "Whatever feeling of depression there has been in the last six months or so," said Mr. Tregoe, "has been the result of the period of readjustment and reconstruction of financial and business conditions. The fundamental changes in our laws have been more potent, the average business man discovered. Now that these laws are in effect, I expect to see a steady improvement in business. There is no cloud on the horizon or cause for alarm."

Recent experiments conducted by the Post-office Department with a view to increasing the weight limit of the parcel post have proved so successful that parcels weighing 100 pounds soon may be shipped by mail. Postmaster General Burleson is giving the scheme serious consideration and is known to favor it. The weight limit of parcels at present is fifty pounds. "The 100-pound weight limit has no terrors for me," the Postmaster General declares. He expresses the belief that 600,000,000 parcels would be transported through the mails during the next year with a revenue of about 16c each.

Mrs. George C. Lee, eighty years old, a widow of a Boston banker, died in Brookline, Mississippi, January 14. Her daughter, Alice, was the first wife of Theodore Roosevelt and the mother of Mrs. Alice Roosevelt-Longworth.

The Bulgarian Parliament was dissolved in Sofia, Bulgaria, by the Premier, Dr. V. Radoslawoff, because it refused to pass a provisional appropriation bill. The sitting lasted only nine hours.

Ten thousand men have returned to work in the mines and mills in the Wheeling district since January 1. Several plants that have been closed, or running part time, will soon open to full capacity.

The big Emsley rail mill of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company, which shut down after running on short time, has reopened on double time. Other mills, employing about 5000 men, will resume operations at once.

Unusual activity has been displayed in the cotton mills in the last ten days, at Fall River, Massachusetts, and plants are running full capacity. Manufacturers say business is certain to expand and prices will advance.

Requests approximating \$1,000,000 were distributed among some four hundred of the older employees of B. Altman & Co., Fifth Avenue and Thirty-Fourth Street, today. The individual bequests were sums from \$1000 to \$5000, according to length of service, ranging from fifteen to forty years. All these were beneficiaries under the will of Benjamin Altman, head of the concern, who died on October 7, 1913, leaving an estate valued at about \$30,000,000.

Alcoholic drinks have long been interdicted in the Greenland colonies and in later years also in Iceland and the Faroe Islands. It is now proposed to make the prohibition apply to the Danish West Indian Islands, where intoxication among the natives has claimed a large number of victims. The members of the St. Thomas Colonial Council support the proposal, which means that in the near future all of Denmark's colonies will be dry.

Six violent earthquake shocks caused a panic among the inhabitants of Leghorn, Italy, January 15. The people rushed in terror into the streets and gathered in groups on the squares and other open spaces. The shocks started at 4:25 a. m. and lasted until 9:27.

President Wilson, as President of the American Red Cross, has issued an appeal to the American people for funds to assist the people of Japan, who are suffering not only from the earthquake, but from the failure of crops.

Professor Charles F. Raddatz, a member of the Baltimore City College faculty, the oldest and most picturesque of Maryland educators, and an uncle of H. H. Duck, of Houston, Texas, died January 14 in the University Hospital, Baltimore, from a complication of diseases. Since Professor Raddatz entered the institution he had been a student of Dr. J. C. Hemmeter, a former student and a close personal friend. His age was against him, and although Dr. Hemmeter did everything in his power to prolong the life of his patient, Professor Raddatz expired.

The brain of Dr. Edward Charles Spitzka, alienist and neurologist, who recently died in New York, which was removed for preservation in the collection of the American Anthropometric Society, weighed 1400 grams. The average human brain weight is 1300 grams. Dr. Spitzka founded the society, the members of which, including his son, Dr. Edward A. Spitzka, will study his brain.

The fifth Annual Convention of the Texas Industrial Congress, which was postponed from December 13, on account of the serious illness of Colonel Henry Exall, the late President, will be held during the National Corn Exposition at Fair Park, in Dallas, on February 21. The prizes offered by the Congress

for the largest net profit per acre in the several lines of farming, aggregating \$10,000 in gold, will be distributed at the convention, and the program, to include a public memorial service in commemoration of the great, unselfish service of Colonel Exall, will be announced later. All who were selected as delegates to attend the convention set for December 13, last, are delegates for the postponed meeting. A full attendance of the members, delegates and friends of the congress is urged, because it will be decided then as to whether the Congress will continue its work or not, and if the decision is favorable the officers and directors will be chosen and the work outlined for 1914. The Congress will have an exhibit as a part of the National Corn Exposition, which will last from February 10 to February 24 inclusive, and reduced rates to Dallas for visitors to the Exposition will be in effect from every part of the State.

An effort to vote Chicago dry will be made at the April primaries, it was announced today. Despite the decision last November of the allied temperance forces that it would be unwise to press the saloon issue this year, a group of temperance workers last night decided to circulate petitions for the placing of the question on the ballot—Jan. 14.

Count Yukyo Ito, fleet Admiral of the Japanese Navy, died last Wednesday in his seventy-first year. Count Ito had more to do with the development of the Japanese Navy than any other man. He entered the service in 1848 and studied for a considerable time in the United States. In the war between China and Japan in 1894 he took a very prominent part, commanding the combined squadrons of the Japanese fleet which fought the battle of the Yellow Sea, afterward blockading the port of Wei-Hai-Wei and then appointed chief of the naval general staff and many honors were conferred on him for his services in the war. During the Russian-Japanese War he acted as chief of the naval general staff and contributed greatly by his strategy to the retention of the command of the seas by the Japanese fleet.

The estate left by Joaquin Miller, the poet who died last year, is valued at \$41,996, according to an accounting filed in the Probate Court in Oakland, California, by Mrs. Abbie Miller, the widow. The estate, which is unencumbered, consists principally of the poet's home place, "The Heights," in the hills near that city.

The nomination of John Shelton Williams, now Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to be Controller of the Currency, and as ex-officio member of the Federal Reserve Board, was confirmed by the Senate in executive session Monday.

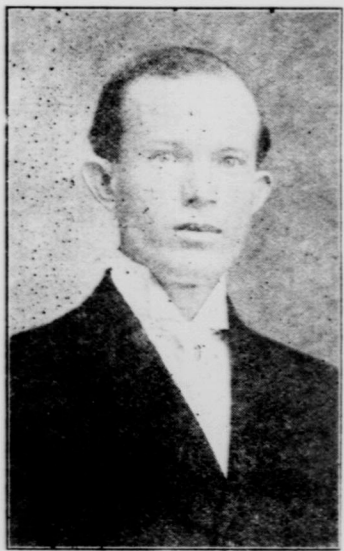
January 19 the 107th anniversary of Robert E. Lee was generally observed throughout the South, but particularly in Virginia. In Richmond the day was observed as a holiday and services commemorating the birth of the South's great chieftain were held.

In a mutiny of prisoners in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Monday, seven persons were killed and three wounded. The mutiny was started by Prisoners Reed, Lane and Koons, who on returning from the tailor shop, approached the back door of the Administration Building and told turnkey Jack Martin they desired to see the parole officer. On his opening the door Reed fired on him with a sixshooter, shooting him through the cheek. They then took the keys from him. In the melee that followed Pat Oats, Assistant Warden; F. C. Godfrey, guard; H. H. Drover, Superintendent of Reformation Department; Judge Ino. R. Thomas, Chinn Reed, Tom Lane and Chas. Koons were killed. The three latter were prisoners. In addition to Jack Martin, the turnkey; C. L. Wood, guard; and Mary Foster, telephone girl, were wounded. None of the prisoners escaped.

Judge Thomas was killed while sitting in the office of the Warden, where he had gone on business. He was formerly United States Circuit and District Judge and was prominent at Muskogee, where he lived.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary Monday voted favorably on the bill introduced by Senator Root to enable the Supreme Court to review decisions of State courts declaring State statutes in conflict with the Federal Constitution. Under existing law an appeal may be had to the United States court on the Constitutional question if a State court upholds the validity of the act, but if the act is held violative of the Federal Constitution the United States Supreme Court cannot review of the finding of the State court.

The many friends of Dr. W. H. Park and family, of Soochow, China, will be pleased to read the following message from him to our Missionary Secretaries: "We are a happy, united family once more. We are all back in our own home, in Soochow, and the best experts of the country pronounce our daughter, Margarita, free from all trace of tuberculosis. No scars are to be found, and the lungs are as sound as a dollar. It is indeed a wonderful recovery. She was down with what looked like galloping consumption the first of June and was free from all trace of the disease by the middle of September. Did prayer have anything to do with this magnificent result? Mrs. Park and I gave her every care and attention, of course; but with all that, the result is marvelous. The diagnosis of tuberculosis was sure and certain, and now the cure is just as sure; for she weighs 114 pounds, against 93 then, and has not a trace of the disease. We know you will rejoice with us."



REV. R. H. LEWELLING, Normangee, Texas.

who led the Texas Conference in Advocate report in 1913. As this has been Brother Lewelling's custom every year of his ministry in Texas we have asked him to tell how he does it, and the following is his reply:

In the work that I have done for the Advocate I have never lost a moment of time from other duties. I secure a mailing list of the Advocate and in my visiting I secure the subscriptions. This is easily done if you love the work. I simply tell of the quality of the paper and let them know that all well informed Methodists read the Advocate. I then meet any and all objections; any Methodist preacher can do this. Then I make an attempt to secure the subscription. I do this gently, every book agent knows that dollars excites the average man, therefore, I suggest that if he has no objections I will send the paper to him. I usually secure the subscription but if I fail I do not despair, but every time I see that person I tell them of something I saw in the paper that is of special interest to them. It is a good thing for a preacher to read his Church paper—and again ask them to allow me to send the paper to them. I keep up until they subscribe or move. I collect for the paper in my visiting and in this way I lose no time. In 1912 I received 30 new subscribers. In 1913 I received 53 new subscribers.

I find that those that take the Advocate are the most regular in church attendance, most liberal, and most active in the Church work, to say nothing of being best informed. Get a man to read the Advocate and you will soon have him interested and at work in every department of the Church. "On with the battle!"

R. H. LEWELLING. It is not necessary for us to say Brother Lewelling is a success in all lines. We remember the vigorous protest his presiding elder in the West Texas Conference made when he transferred from that conference.

### THE 100 PER CENT ROLL.

Knox City—J. H. Hamblen. Douglassville—Rev. D. A. Williams.

### OUR 1913 RECORD BREAKERS.

The following brethren sent the largest list of new subscribers from their conferences in 1913, the number running from 20 to 58 each. Few stopped at 20.

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#### A THOUGHTFUL KINDNESS.

Rev. W. H. Brown, our North Texas Evangelist, writes us as follows: "I know of no better way for me to serve the Lord this year with some of my money than to have you send the Advocate to some poor people who are not able to pay for it. So you may send it to at least ten persons who cannot pay for it and charge to my account."

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GET-ACQUAINTED MEETING.

There will be a reception at St. John's M. E. Church, South, corner East Side and Beacon Streets, Dallas, Thursday, 8 p. m., January 22, in honor of our pastor, Rev. W. R. Douglass, and family.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.

NEW JUNIOR LEAGUE.

(Editor's Note—This inquiry is referred to the State and Conference Junior Superintendents for attention.) We met Sunday, January 4, organized the Junior Epworth League. Now we want to

Not a Day in Bed

Gramling, S. C.—In a letter from Gramling, Mrs. Lula Walden says: "I was so weak before I began taking Cardui, that it tired me to walk just a little. Since taking it, I do all the housework for my family of nine, and have not been in bed a day. Cardui is the greatest remedy for women, on earth." Weak women need Cardui. It is the ideal woman's tonic, because it is especially adapted for women's needs. It relieves backache, headache, dragging feelings, and other female misery. Try Cardui. A few doses will show you what it can do for you. It may be just what you want.

know if we need literature of any kind and if a secretary's book is needed. Write us about what is necessary, for we want to run this League in the best and most interesting way so as to interest the young.

As some think it won't last long, we will greatly appreciate all information.

MRS. O. M. SHIPP, Newport, Texas.

THE MISSIONARY VICE-PRESIDENT'S DIGEST.

Edited by Miss Mary Hay Ferguson.

A SUPPOSED PRAYER IN 1797.

(The following delicious piece of sarcasm is taken from the closing pages of a little book, "Letters on Missions, Addressed to the Protestant Ministers of the British Churches, by Melville Horne, late Chaplain of Sierra Leone, in Africa; printed by C. P. Wyckoff at Schenectady in 1797." If it is a fair sample of the appeals being published in England and reprinted in America at the close of the eighteenth century, it is no wonder that a new missionary spirit was awakened and that the American Board was organized.—Editor.)

Others of us appear ashamed of these Simonical practices, and say: "Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest; only shew me a little more indulgence than thou hast shewed to thyself. Excuse me from watching and agonizing with thee in Gethsemane. I will take up my cross; I only deprecate the being crucified upon it. I am willing to forsake much; but compassionate my weakness, and do not command me to sell all. I will follow thee anywhere on land; but O spare me the horrors of a voyage by sea. I will preach for thee amongst the poorest of my own nation; but do not send me to a strange country.

"I acknowledge I am a miserable sinner, unworthy to be a doorkeeper in thy house; nevertheless, my elocution is popular, I am much followed and applauded: will it not be more for thy glory for me to stay at home, while any man of inferior talents may go and preach to the heathens? I have heard that they offer human sacrifices in Otaheite, eat men in New Zealand, are absolutely brutish at Port Jackson, and that the scorching sun and heavy rains in Africa are inevitably fatal. O let the life of thy servant be precious in thy sight! Send me to untamable barbarians, or to a clime where I cannot be certain of my life for a day.—Missionary Review of the World.

SOME PROVERBS OF AFRICA.

Ashes fly back on the face of him who sows them.

The dawn does not come twice to wake a man.

Not to aid one in distress is to kill him in your heart.

Working in competition quickens the hands.

He who marries beauty marries trouble.

If you don't praise me, don't spoil my good name.

A bribe blinds the Judge's eyes, for a bribe never speaks the truth.

Hope is the pillar of the world.

He who forgives ends the quarrel.

Inquiry saves a man from making mistakes.

The frog enjoys himself in water, but not in hot water.—New York Sun.

MISSIONS IN MEXICO.

At the present time there are over ninety thousand Protestant adherents in Mexico as a result of mission work. The influence of these people is out of all proportion to their number. They are the best educated and frequently become the most powerful persons in their communities. Graduates from mission schools and colleges are assuming high rank among the professional and public men of the land.

The Methodist forces, particularly are

making a profound impression in Mexico. To take a single instance, the number of students in the schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is double the number of students in the schools of all other denominations combined. But every mission of whatever denomination is doing creditable work. The influence of mission school education upon the future of Mexico is incalculable. The "Abraham Lincoln of Mexico," Benito Juarez, once said to a Methodist minister: "Upon the development of Protestantism depends the future happiness and prosperity of our country." —Christian Herald.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

REV. E. HIGHTOWER, Editor, Weatherford, Texas.

All communications for this department should be sent to above address.

WHAT ABOUT THE EPWORTH LEAGUE?

In the Advocate of December 18, 1913, we published a letter from Miss Tucker, Junior League Secretary, containing enquiries relative to the usefulness and probable future of the Junior Epworth League, and our answer thereto. In the Advocate of January 1, the Epworth League Editor intimates that our utterances deserves a reply, which lack of time and official limitations hinder him from making. Having no official limitations, and regarding the subject of work for our young people as one of the most vital that our General Conference will have to consider, we venture to add a few observations to what we have said before.

1. We do not believe that the Sunday School would be benefited by the destruction of the Epworth League. Personally this editor has been a friend to the Epworth League, and has done what little he could to promote its welfare.

2. There is a general conviction that in our Church the Epworth League movement has not been an unqualified success. The fact that the Epworth League Board has a "commission" to gather data looking to General Conference action is proof that said Board is not satisfied with the present status of the League, and that they face the future with some anxiety.

3. In many of our conferences where there has been steady growth in other departments there has been an actual and continuous falling off in Epworth League membership and in the number of Epworth Leagues for years. Many of our leading charges, with pastors of undoubted ability to succeed, have no Epworth League at all. Take two leading conferences for example: The North Georgia Conference, with a membership of 117,507 and 82,301 enrolled in the Sunday Schools, reports an Epworth League enrollment of only 2465. The Central Texas Conference with a membership of 79,030, and with 511 Sunday Schools showing an enrollment of 56,985, reports only seventy-three Epworth Leagues, with a membership of 3338, and fifty-seven Junior Leagues, with a membership of 1854. These two strong conferences, taken at random and because they are fairly representative of our Church in all departments of work, show more than nineteen times as many persons in the Sunday School as in the Epworth League. If we had the Junior League enrollment for North Georgia it might improve the showing for the League a trifle, but the difference would probably make no material change in our figures. During the last conference year the Sunday School in our Church made a gain in enrollment of 103,685. What was the gain in the Epworth League? If one department in "Editor Thomasson's" business showed a steady decrease in the volume of business and could not pay its own way, and another department showed a profitable increase each year, "Editor Thomasson" would either discontinue the department in his store that was eating up his profits; or else he would discharge the management and put some one else in charge. If the General Conference can find a way to make the Epworth League a profitable enterprise to the Church, by all means let it adopt that way. If it cannot succeed under an independent Epworth League Board with almost as many paid officers as there are to look after the Sunday School which has nearly twenty times as many members as the Epworth League, then it might be well to let the Sunday School Board try its hand on the Epworth League.

4. No institution is needed in the Church unless it can find a distinct field of its own wherein to work. Has the Epworth League such a field? And is it working its ground? Its legitimate work in the Charity and Help Department has been taken over in most Churches by other and stronger agencies. Socially it has been crowded out by the organized class. In the Devotional Department it still has a field, but that it has been a general success in building up the spiritual life of our young people may be questioned because of the fact that it has ceased to exist in many Churches where a few years ago it flourished.

5. We do not undertake to fix responsibility for the general failure of the Epworth League. Possibly "Editor Thomasson" may think that pastors are in some measure to blame. But the fact that so many pastors have no Epworth League who have done well with every other line of Church work suggests that the fault is not all in that quarter. In fact we know a number of leading pastors who after years of earnest effort to make a success of the League have concluded that the enterprise was not worth what it was costing in time and nervous force and have turned their attention to other channels for reaching

The Japanese who come to this country to be educated say that our song birds do not give them half the pleasure and comfort that the insect musicians of their own country do. There are many of these singing insects in Japan, ranking from the squeaking cricket to the highly prized black beetle that is called "susumushi," the name itself meaning insect bell. It is said the sound this little beetle gives forth is very similar to that of the sweetest and most delicately toned silver bell imaginable. It is also said that a few years ago Mr. Takahira, the Japanese Minister at Washington, had an idea that he would import some of these insect musicians, so that we could hear what real music was.—Exchange.

DID IT SAVE A LIFE?

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

possible to do the amount of detail work that is necessary for the successful carrying forward of plans for Sunday School extension and improvement. We have sought to evolve a plan that would meet this difficulty economically and effectively.

"Leaving to the wisdom of each Conference Board the working out of ultimate details we suggest that, where it has not already been done, a District Secretary be appointed for each district; and that the most suitable person for the place be chosen, whether preacher or layman, whose business it shall be to cooperate with the Conference Sunday School Board and with the presiding elder in promoting the Sunday School interests of the district."

"We further suggest that each Sunday School Board, or its Executive Committee, meet as soon as possible after the session of the Annual Conference and formulate its plans for the year; and that as fast as plans are matured they be communicated to the presiding elders, whose aid shall be earnestly sought to make them effective. Especially let presiding elders be urged to plan for district institutes."

"The chief difficulty in the way of even the smaller institute lies in the fact that many superintendents and teachers are so situated that they cannot leave home for more than a few hours at a time. Some presiding elders have met this difficulty in part by one day sectional meetings. We, therefore, suggest that where railroad facilities render the plan feasible a one-day district institute be held for superintendents, another for teachers, another for pastors and so on. Let the time be given not to speech-making, but discussion of actual Sunday School problems. Where it is not feasible for a whole district to come together in such meetings as are here proposed we suggest that a district be divided into convenient groups of pastoral charges, and that institutes be held for each group. We also suggest for such meetings the use of all available local talent; and in addition a plan might be worked out whereby our various Conference Boards could exchange workers, so that new talent and efficient service could be given to every part of the State. The employment of expert service is commended where means of compensation are at hand."

May we suggest that each District Secretary write at once to the Chairman of his Conference Sunday School Board for information and instructions. Following are the names and addresses of the Chairmen for the English-speaking Conferences: West Texas Conference, Rev. J. A. Pledger, Yancy, Texas. Central Texas, Rev. J. C. Mimms, Belton, Texas; Northwest Texas, Rev. B. W. Dodson, Memphis, Texas; Texas Conference, Rev. W. F. Davis, Wharton, Texas; North Texas, Rev. O. T. Cooper, Denton, Texas. We are sorry not to be able to give the name of the Chairmen of the Sunday School Boards of the Mexican Border and German Mission Conferences.

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# Woman's Department

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## MADISONVILLE AUXILIARY.

We have just closed a very successful year's work in our Auxiliary, and we enter upon the new year's work with great interest and enthusiasm. While our President and all other officers the past year did faithful work, we feel that we have a broader field and better opportunities for work than we have had before, and we hope to accomplish great things in the future. Our Church has just been remodeled, for which we paid \$314.60. Some new furniture was placed in the parsonage at an expense of \$107.80. Money and clothing to the amount of \$22 was sent to the Orphanage at Waco. Number of visits to sick and strangers, 206. Dues paid by adults amounted to \$60.20 and the amount paid by Brigade and Baby Division was \$18.41.

Our newly elected officers are: President, Mrs. E. A. Berry; First Vice-President, Mrs. S. W. Dean; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Willie Randolph; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Fannie Jones; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Anna Jopling; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Erin Butts; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mabel Byers; Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Bullard; Local Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Hawkins; Agent of Missionary Voice, Mrs. Alpha Evans; Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. Berta Dean; Press Reporter, Mrs. Fannie Thomason.

MRS. C. E. BULLARD.

## CENTRAL AUXILIARY, PARIS.

Having received information and inspiration through the medium of the Advocate's Missionary Page, we hereby desire to open a correspondence with same, trusting that some may be benefited in like manner as we have been.

We deem this an excellent way in which to exchange ideas and plans to more effectually carry on our work.

After a recess of about three weeks the

## BEST BOOKS

### ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS FOR THE YEAR

In connection with the study of the Sunday School lessons, we are pleased to give below a list of books on the Gospels and the life of Christ that will be found useful for reference and study:

No teacher is well prepared to teach the uniform lessons without access to a good commentary.

Our magazine is fine and every teacher should have it and Peloubet's Notes or Tarbell's Guide.

Price of either of the latter \$1.10 each, postpaid.

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Studies in the Portrait of Christ. Two vols. By Rev. Geo. Matheson. \$1.00 per volume.

Life of Jesus. Forbush. 50c.

The Walk, Conversation and Character of Jesus Christ. By Alexander Whyte. \$1.20, postage 12c extra.

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In the Master's Country. Martha Tarbell. 25c and 50c.

The Story Life of the Son of Man. Whipple. \$2.50 net.

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The Social Teachings of Jesus. By Shaler. 50c, postage 10c.

Life of Christ in Recent Research. Sunday. \$1.75, postage 15c.

The Trial and Death of Jesus Christ. Prof. James Stalker. 50c, postage 10c.

The Personal Friendship of Jesus. J. R. Miller. 60c, postage 10c extra.

The Holy Land. Rev. John Kelman. \$1.50, postage 30c.

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Woman's Missionary Society of Centenary Church met Monday, January 5, at the church. The Society had received a very interesting and instructive letter from one of her faithful members, Mrs. A. F. Boyd, which was read by the Secretary, Mrs. L. P. McCuiston and thoroughly appreciated by all. Every officer was present and read fine annual reports. The Society has done excellent work throughout the year, and begins the new year with a clean record. The Fourth Vice-President's report is so worthy of special mention that it is published herewith. The installation of the new officers was conducted by Rev. Hamilton in his always spiritual and impressive way, helping each one to see the beauty and honor of doing something in His vineyard.

Report of local work and social service of the Missionary Auxiliary, for the year 1913:

Local cash fund.....	\$ 108.76
Local charity, cash.....	55.38
Cash for parsonage.....	109.95
Cash for Church.....	180.50
Cash for district parsonage.....	20.00
Cash from charity fund.....	33.23
Cash for social service.....	674.90
Cash for flowers.....	200.00
Two boxes, valuation.....	75.00
Total.....	\$1293.58

445 visits, benevolent and sick.  
109 visits to strangers.  
200 vases of flowers to sick.  
52 vials to sick.  
128 magazines distributed.  
49 cottage prayer meetings held.

MRS. M. E. HOOKS,  
Fourth Vice-President.  
MRS. P. W. COFFEY,  
Press Reporter.

## FROM WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE PUBLICITY SUPERINTENDENT.

One of the most important matters that I shall ask the Publicity Superintendent of each Auxiliary to attend to during this, the first quarter of the new year, is to at once supply me with the name and address of the Superintendent of each Young People's Society. If no Superintendent has been elected, please send me the name and address of each leader. These are evidently quite a number of Young People's Societies in this conference. Unfortunately I have no information as to their officers, no way of sending them Bulletins and blank reports, and have no record of what they are doing.

The Auxiliary at Paint Rock has contributed through the proper channels \$3.10 towards purchasing necessary property for the Girls' School at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Mrs. C. A. Broome of San Angelo reports \$67.50 as their Week of Prayer offering. This Auxiliary also reports a collection of \$30 for the Dallas Home and more than 4000 garments sent to the flood sufferers. This branch of our organization is moving forward all along the line. The plan which they are now operating under is including all of their members to take part in their services and is teaching them how to give.

From Sinton comes an acknowledgment of a visit from the District Secretary, Mrs. Ida Foster, who has greatly assisted them with plans for their work for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Foster sends the gratifying account of the organization of eleven new adult Auxiliaries in both Home and Foreign Departments, and three new Young People's Societies and six Juniors for the quarter just ending, making a grand total of thirty adult Home, twenty-one adult Foreign, three Young People's and seven Juniors, and all reporting nicely. We wish to extend our personal thanks to Mrs. Foster for her assistance to us in the work.

Mrs. Yeh Harle has been appointed District Secretary of the San Marcos District. We look for good work from this stronghold of Methodism.

We regret to have received our last report from Mrs. William Will, of Travis Park, San Antonio. Due solely to Mrs. Will's belief in "rotation in office" another is taking her place as Publicity Superintendent.

Here follows a letter from the Robstown Y. P. S.:

Last June Mrs. Ida Foster organized the Robstown Young People's Missionary Society with five members. A good interest was shown from the first, and the number of members has increased to sixteen.

During the vacation period the girls wished to meet at one of their homes every week in alphabetical order. A short program was given from the Young Christian Workers pamphlets and a book in Korea. After the business and program, light refreshments were served and friendship welded by pleasant social intercourse. The amount of ten cents per month was decided upon for dues, a penny collection to be taken at each meeting to be used for flowers, fruit, or relief in cases of sickness. In August a box of linen was sent to the Waco Orphanage. In September an ice cream social was given, the society clearing about thirteen dollars.

— the beginning of school meetings have been held twice a month—the business meeting being held at the church and the social meeting at the home of a member, who serves refreshments at the close of the program, one feature of which is a review of work at a previous meeting. The study of "Mexico Today" is proving to be of great interest.

The week of prayer was observed on Monday at 4 o'clock. Subjects were given for prayer through the week as suggested in printed programs sent by Mrs. Foster. An

offering for the Girls' Schools at Rio, Brazil, was made.

During the Epworth Encampment the Superintendent, Mrs. J. T. Jewett, with two of the girls, attended the missionary meeting conducted by Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Lee. This meeting was educational, inspirational and spiritual, helping all present to see a vision of opportunity and blessing. The work of the Robstown Young People's Missionary Society has just begun. The prayers of all are needed for its highest development. May God add His blessing to all missionary effort.

## ECTOR W. M. SOCIETY OFFICERS FOR 1914.

Following are the officers for Ector W. M. Society for 1914: President, Mrs. W. H. Coursey; First Vice-President, Mrs. Frank Butt; Second Vice-President, not yet elected; Third Vice-President, Mrs. J. T. Luton; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. J. J. Pritchett; Corresponding Secretary Home Department, Mrs. Lee Dulancy; Corresponding Secretary Foreign Department, Mrs. W. H. Coursey; Treasurer Home Department, Mrs. R. K. Crittenden; Treasurer Foreign Department, Mrs. J. W. Houston; Local Treasurer and Agent, Mrs. J. J. Pritchett; Recording Secretary and Press Reporter, Mrs. J. W. Houston.

We have a membership of thirteen in the Home and four in the Foreign Department.

## PRESS REPORTER.

## ALLEN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Following are the newly elected officers of Allen Missionary Society: President, Mrs. R. Emerson; First and Second Vice-President, Mrs. P. Milligan; Third Vice-President, Mrs. M. Brown; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. J. W. Thomas; Recording Secretary, Mrs. George Berry; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. G. Butler; Treasurer, Mrs. James Garland; Agent Missionary Voice, Mrs. A. A. Humphreys.

MRS. H. G. BUTLER,  
Corresponding Secretary

## HANDLEY MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Handley Missionary Society is seldom heard from through your beloved paper, yet we are a band of wide-awake women, working for the Master and trying to assist others around about us. We have twenty-six members enrolled. We have accomplished many things this last year and hope to do more this year. We have commenced by painting the church in the local part of the work. We meet every Monday, the first being a business meeting, reports from the Vice-Presidents and committees; the second, Bible study; the third, the study from The Voice; and the fourth, a social afternoon to plan and arrange for future meetings. Our last regular meeting in December we elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Henry; First Vice-President, —; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Iry; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Mebee; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Smith; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Kell; Corresponding Secretary and Conference Treasurer, Mrs. Rountt; Local Treasurer, Mrs. Ragland; Agent Missionary Voice, Mrs. Pruitt.

MRS. E. R. ROUNTT, Sec.

## MARLIN AUXILIARY.

A very interesting meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was held in the Methodist Church the first Monday in January. Mrs. J. W. Spivey presided over the meeting. After six years as President she was out one year, but was elected at the last meeting of 1913 for the present year. It is no flattery to say she makes a superior President and there is always "something doing" when she leads the Society.

During the devotional service we have voluntary prayer for our missionaries, and especially for our own Miss Maggie Rogers in Soochow, China, who is being supported by this Auxiliary. The Society was divided into circles, each circle to be responsible for the upkeep of one room in the parsonage. The Young Ladies Missionary Society, under the leadership of Mrs. J. W. Bartlett, will form the seventh circle and will have charge of the dining room. All the members of the Church will be asked to co-operate in this work.

Report for last year was read as follows: Money raised for local purposes, \$468.45. There are fifty-five members in the Home Department. Amount raised for Connectional work, \$166.74. There are forty-one members in the Foreign Department. Total amount raised, \$635.19. Subscribers to the Voice, 46.

We take the Study Course and find it both pleasant and profitable. Officers for the ensuing year are:

President, Mrs. J. W. Spivey; First Vice-President, Miss Mattie Spencer; Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. W. Bartlett; Third Vice-President, Mrs. T. S. Clark; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. A. L. Branson; Treasurer Home Department, Mrs. F. M. Burkhead; Treasurer Foreign Department, Mrs. W. M. Gummell; Corresponding Secretary Home Department, Mrs. B. C. Clark; Corresponding Secretary Foreign Department, Mrs. S. J. Barton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. Threadgill; Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. J. W. Cook; Publicity Superintendent, Mrs. I. F. Betts; Agent Missionary Voice, Mrs. J. T. Batson; Local Treasurer, Mrs. A. L. Branson.

## PUBLICITY SUPERINTENDENT.

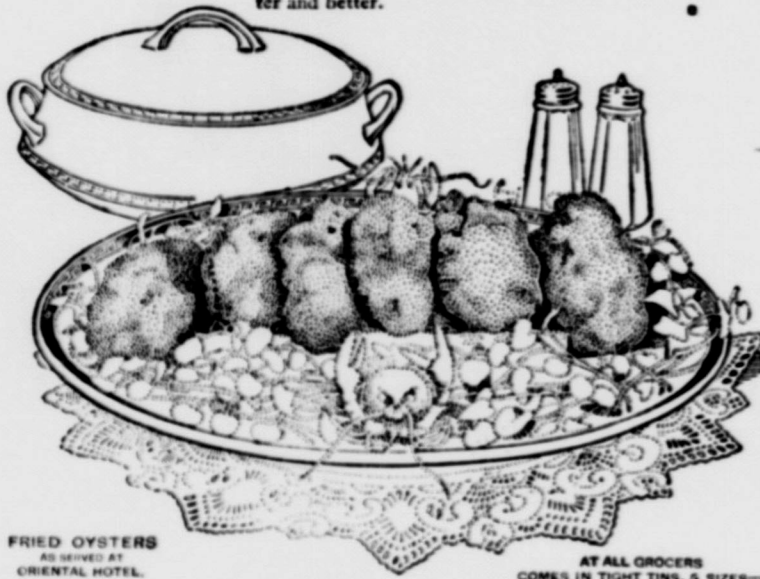
"Sometimes I think I have been purified and sometimes I think I have been petrified," said the brother who measured his spiritual attainments by his feelings. There are many like him. Joyful feeling is a result of faith. But emotion is not faith. Do we really love God and yearn with an ardent longing for the coming of his Kingdom? That is the real test of discipleship.—The Methodist Times.



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## EVERYBODY READS THIS.

It is intended for each one of you, for you are just the other person in this boat. Having consented, at the request of the manager, Rev. R. A. Burroughs, to become the financial agent of your Orphanage at Waco, I make here and now my debut as such. My engagement has nothing to do with the assessments made by the conference boards, that is, for the pastors to look after. My business is to raise funds for the building of several houses which are absolutely necessary on the premises; viz.:

First—A new dormitory, of sufficient accommodations to take care of a hundred children. The present one is packed to distress. Sometimes three children have to occupy the same bed. The manager is doing his best to keep the door open for new comers by trying to find proper homes for some outside, but still the overflow continues. Then nearly everything else is huddled into the dormitories. This building, we think, will cost about \$20,000, or nearly so.

Second—A hospital, separate from all other buildings, with modern equipments. You can see the necessity for this; there is none now. This building will cost about \$2000 with its appurtenances.

Third—There must be a building away from all others where infectious and contagious cases may be cared for in safety to the other inmates. All can see this must be done. This building may not cost beyond \$1500.

Fourth—A modern laundry away from the dormitories comes in with its appeal for sanitary reasons, if for no other.

The enlargement of the chapel will come with the new dormitory.

Now, beloved reader, it can not be difficult for you to see what I am expected to try to help you do, and at the earliest day. These four things we must do, and begin right now to do them.

Then again, some of you know that I have had a hobby for a long time concerning the dependent and incorrigible children of the State. It is this: An industrial school, with a shop and machinery for the purpose of teaching the boys some trade so that in going out of the institution they would be prepared to enter at once some line of self-supporting business and be independent.

This we want to do at the Orphanage as soon as you can furnish us the money. It is hoped also that when we get that far along we shall be able to make things for sale and thus aid in supporting the institution.

Now, my brethren, the pastors: These things are to be done by your people. This is their Orphanage, not mine. We are your servants only. And if you want these improvements

made at your Orphanage you must give us a chance through your pulpits to reach the people.

Keep us out and prevent us from doing your own work and the responsibility becomes yours. Open and help us willingly and we shall do our utmost for success. Pray for us. Direct remittances to me at Lampasas, Texas, for the present.

Lovingly your servant,

JEROME HARALSON,  
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# The Conquests of Methodism in Texas

Summarized to January, 1914, By J. Marvin Nichols.

## A Survey of all that Territory Occupied by the Annual Conferences of Texas and New Mexico.

With Many Comparisons, Useful Deductions and Historical Facts.

### The Foreword.

Of course, our vast army of readers are familiar with our beginnings in the United States. Philip Embury, a local preacher from Ireland—and a carpenter—settled in New York and held the first Methodist service in that city in 1766. This was the first of the kind in the New World, and was not voluntary on the part of Embury. Had it not been for Barbara Heck, a zealous Irish Methodist, perhaps Embury would not have played his part in the primitive history of Methodism in this country. He organized a Society, first preaching in his own house, then in a hired house, afterwards in the "Rigging Loft," known as the birthplace of American Methodism.

Embury continued in this work about three years, assisted much of the time by Captain Thomas Webb, of the British army. Embury surrendered his work to the first missionaries sent from England by Mr. Wesley. These missionaries Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, landed in Philadelphia in the autumn of 1769. Two months before their coming, they were preceded by Robert Williams, the first itinerant preacher to reach America. Williams was a volunteer, and not appointed by Wesley. He was the Apostle of Methodism in Virginia and North Carolina.

Robert Strawbridge, another Irish immigrant, began to preach in Maryland about the time Embury began in New York. He settled on Sam's Creek, in Frederick County. There he built what is known in Methodist history as the Log Meetinghouse. In point of time, so close were the efforts of Embury and Strawbridge together, that it is a mooted question which was first built in America—John Street Church in New York, or the Log Meetinghouse on Sam's Creek in Maryland.

Francis Asbury was the apostle of American Methodism. With Richard Wright as a companion, he was commissioned as a missionary to America. He landed in Philadelphia October 27, 1771, and the next year Wesley appointed him General Assistant in America. The first conference of Methodism held on American soil convened in Philadelphia, July 4, 1773. Thomas Rankin presided. The members "in Society" numbered 1160. Eleven years later, notwithstanding the long war had between England and the Colonies, the number had been swelled to 14,988, several hundred local preachers and exhorters, eighty-four itinerant preachers, between sixty and seventy chapels, and a mighty host of Methodist friends. The Societies were widely scattered throughout the Union except in the New England States. At that time nearly nine-tenths of the members lived south of Mason and Dixon's line. At the close of the Revolution not one of Mr. Wesley's missionaries was left in America, except Mr. Asbury.

The independence of the Colonies found the Methodist missionaries returned to England and the country deserted by the clergy of the Established Church. The people were entirely without the sacraments, and the Methodists began to clamor. Thousands of children were growing up without baptism, and flaming evangelists were in the pulpits, they themselves never having partaken of the sacrament. Mr. Wesley had long since been convinced that the position of the Anglican Church on the question of apostolic succession was an error, and that he had the right to ordain. He consulted such men as Coke and the saintly Fletcher. Dr. Coke was ordained Bishop by Wesley, and at the same time Vasey and Wheatcoat were ordained elders. These men were sent to America to organize the Methodists into a separate Church, and to ordain Asbury "joint Superintendent with Coke." They sailed from England September 18, 1784, and landed in New York in November. Freeborn Garrettson was commissioned to gather the Methodist itinerants and preachers from all parts of the Union. He faithfully carried out his commission, and at 10 o'clock Friday morning, December 24, 1784, began the first General Conference of American Methodism. It is known as the "Christmas Conference," and was held in Lovely Lane Chapel, in Baltimore, Maryland. Bishop Coke presided, and on taking the chair he presented the letter signed by John Wesley—and organic Methodism in North America was born.

Nearly every division in Methodism has been over a question of polity, and not of doctrine. Of course the separation of Wesley and Whitefield in 1741, which resulted in Calvinistic Methodists, is to be excepted. But this split came about before American Methodism was fairly established. From the planting of Methodism in America until the General Conference of 1844—a period of more than seventy-five years—nothing like a division had occurred. Our readers are all familiar with the great question that arose in the General Conference of 1844 touching slavery. The story of Francis A. Harding, of the Baltimore Conference, and of Bishop Andrew need not be repeated here. Out of all that stormy discussion came the Plan of Separation, and the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Bishops Soule and Andrew were recognized as our General Superintendents, and the General Conference was held in Petersburg, Virginia, May, 1846.

### The Field.

Almost beyond thought is the field of operations for Texas Methodism. If Methodism does what she ought to do, a few more years will make Texas Methodism the balance wheel of the Connection. The bigness of the Lone Star State is already a staggering thought in both Church and State. When her influence is to be thrown in a given direction, men have learned that she is to be reckoned with very seriously. "What will Texas do?" is heard on every hand in the big gatherings. And why not? Is not Texas an empire within herself, and become each year a vast dominion within her own boundaries? Make a map out of South Carolina, New York, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Delaware and Tennessee. Then pick up the map of Texas and you can cover the whole business. It has an area of 265,780 square miles, an equivalent of 170,099,200 acres divided into 249 counties. One way Texas is 620 miles; in another, 760. She has both extremes of everything, and between these points everything imaginable. Somebody said: "The Lord made everything in the world by a pattern he found in Texas." The scope of territory within Texas' bounds is almost unthinkable. Texas has 33,414 more square miles than the Austrian Empire; larger than the German Empire by 62,365 square miles, and is more than one-third larger than France. You could put the population of the United States on Texas soil, and then not crowd them as much as they are in New Jersey. With the growth of population, and if Methodism occupies her field, what will she be in the days of the coming generations?

The history of Methodism in Texas is thrilling and romantic. Methodism, with her civilizing influences, entered Texas on the north at old Jonesboro, in 1817. Spain, because of DeSoto's adventure in 1542, and that of Espejo in 1582, considered Texas her territory. This introduced Romanism. Nothing challenged the claim of Spain until the Crozet grant of 1712. The King of France granted to Anthony Crozet, a keen financier, Louisiana and all lands to the Rio Grande. That took in Texas, a Romo-Spanish claim. Catholicism has two points in view—subjection to the King, subscription to the Pope. Crozet determined to open trade with Mexico through Texas. Spain rose up and at once built from the Rio Grande to the Sabine a chain of missions—a combination of the fort and the cathedral. Thus came about those historic ruins in Southern Texas—the Alamo, San Fernando, Concepcion, Espada, San Jose, San Juan, and the like. The Methodism that entered Texas on the north at old Jonesboro played no small part in the drama of Texas independence as it moved southward. With the common list of patriots, our pioneer preachers and laymen throttled Romanism at San Jacinto, and mingled their best blood in that final baptism at the Alamo.

Prior to Texas' independence, and the attendant religious liberty, Texas was absolutely without civil or religious freedom. During this period a large scope of country lay between the Main and Sulphur Forks of Red River, which, while in Texas, was considered to be in Arkansas. In Texas, all colonists must adhere to Romanism; but along Red River, the cradle of Texas Methodism, there was religious freedom. In 1817, at old Jonesboro, a Methodist class was organized, which will scarcely be questioned as the first in Texas. From that day, our great Church moved southward, toward the seemingly impregnable chain of Spanish missions, triumphantly crossed the Rio Grande, and moved still southward until today she is reckoned with in the City of Mexico—the citadel of Romanism in the New World.

There are many great and honored names that belong to the roll of pioneers who laid the broad foundations on which rest the mighty structure of our present Methodism. Those herein mentioned are not exceptional—only in that they are so intimately connected with our organic movements. Organic Methodism in Texas is the progeny of missionary zeal in the Mississippi Conference. Missionaries were sent to the Republic of Texas late in the fall of 1837, having no definite field assigned them. As a result of the work, in 1838 they reported 450 members. Three Church buildings were erected—one at San Augustine, one in the McMahan settlement on the Polyzoach, and another in Washington, on the Brazos. At the Mississippi Conference held in Granada, Mississippi, December 3, 1838, the Texas territory was forced into the Texas Mission. Littleton Fowler was made presiding elder. Jesse Hord, S. A. Williams, T. S. Sneed and I. L. G. Strickland were sent as missionary itinerants.

At the General Conference held in Baltimore, Maryland, in May, 1840, the Texas Mission territory was constituted as the Texas Conference. It took organic form at Rutersville, Texas. At its organization it had seventeen itinerants, twenty-five local preachers and 1623 members. At the General Conference of 1844, the Texas Conference, together with the Red River Mission territory, became the Texas and East Texas Conferences. At Marshall, in 1845, the East Texas Conference was organized, with thirty itinerants, forty-eight local preachers and 3625 members. At

the General Conference of 1866, the Trinity Conference was set apart out of the territory in North and East Texas. It was organized at Sulphur Springs, in 1867, with forty-six itinerants, twenty-eight local preachers and 7495 members. At the General Conference of 1874 the name "Trinity" was changed to "North Texas," as it now stands. The General Conference of 1866 created the Northwest Texas Conference, which was organized by Bishop Marvin, at Waxahachie, in September, 1866, with thirty-nine itinerants, eighty-five local preachers and 3870 members. The General Conference of 1858 formed the Rio Grande, now West Texas, Conference. It embraced the territory west of the Guadalupe River, large in extent, but thinly populated. It was organized at Goliad, November 9, 1859, with twenty-eight itinerants, twenty-three local preachers, and 1634 members. In 1874 the German Mission Conference was set apart to take care of that movement which had its rise in the German Mission enterprise at Galveston, consequent upon the great German influx of annexation year, 1846. Successive General Conferences have made many radical changes in the boundaries of the Texas Conferences. This paper will deal only with the very latest reports of those bodies as they now stand: New Mexico, German Mission, West Texas, Central, Northwest, Texas, and North Texas Conferences.

### A Comparison.

Throughout the whole world, Southern Methodism is under the jurisdiction of 50 Annual Conferences. According to membership, Texas is divided as follows: New Mexico, 7285; German Mission, 1740; West Texas, 37,422; Central Texas, 78,692; Northwest Texas, 36,659; Texas, 74,494; North Texas, 65,777. Grand total, 302,069. (These figures do not include any part of our membership belonging to conferences whose territory laps

## The Minutes

(Note:—The items of increase and decrease do not include the report of the German Mission Conference for 1912. This would affect the matter to a very small extent.)

- 1. Who are admitted on trial? New Mexico, 5; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 8; Central, 23; Northwest, 9; Texas, 13; North Texas, 9; total, 58; 1912, 65; decrease, 3.
- 2. Who remain on trial? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 9; Central, 16; Northwest, 14; Texas, 18; North Texas, 15; total, 74; 1912, 50; increase, 24.
- 3. Who are discontinued? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 3; West Texas, 2; Central, 1; Northwest, 3; Texas, 1; North Texas, 1; total, 6; 1912, 6.
- 4. Who are admitted into full connection? New Mexico, 2; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 5; Central, 8; Northwest, 5; Texas, 6; North Texas, 12; total, 38; 1912, 45; decrease, 7.
- 5. Who are readmitted? New Mexico, 2; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 1; Central, 1; Northwest, 1; Texas, 1; North Texas, 1; total, 3; 1912, 8; decrease, 5.
- 6. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? New Mexico, 3; German Mission, 2; West Texas, 5; Central, 5; Texas, 6; North Texas, 7; total, 33; 1912, 38; decrease, 5.
- 7. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 2; Central, 1; Northwest, 1; Texas, 2; North Texas, 2; total, 6; 1912, 4; increase, 2.
- 8. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 2; Central, 1; Northwest, 1; Texas, 2; North Texas, 2; total, 6; 1912, 4; increase, 2.
- 9. Who are the deacons of one year? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 4; West Texas, 8; Central, 15; Northwest, 12; Texas, 11; North Texas, 12; total, 63; 1912, 45; increase, 18.
- 10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? New Mexico, 2; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 3; Central, 6; Northwest, 5; Texas, 5; North Texas, 6; total, 27; 1912, 40; decrease, 13.
- 11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? New Mexico, 2; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 3; Central, 5; Northwest, 5; Texas, 6; North Texas, 6; total, 27; 1912, 36; decrease, 9.
- 12. What local preachers are elected deacons? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 6; Central, 11; Northwest, 3; Texas, 8; North Texas, 8; total, 37; 1912, 22; increase, 15.
- 13. What local preachers are ordained deacons? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 6; Central, 12; Northwest, 2; Texas, 8; North Texas, 7; total, 36; 1912, 20; increase, 16.
- 14. What traveling preachers are elected elders? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 2; West Texas, 5; Central, 13; Northwest, 7; Texas, 11; North Texas, 6; total, 43; 1912, 49; decrease, 6.
- 15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 2; West Texas, 5; Central, 10; Northwest, 7; Texas, 11; North Texas, 6; total, 42; 1912, 47; decrease, 5.
- 16. What local preachers are elected elders? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 4; Central, 1; Northwest, 1; Texas, 4; North Texas, 1; total, 8; 1912, 3; increase, 5.
- 17. What local preachers are ordained elders? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 4; Central, 1; Northwest, 2; Texas, 4; North Texas, 1; total, 7; 1912, 3; increase, 4.
- 18. Who are located this year? New Mexico, 1; German Mission, 1; West Texas, 2; Central, 1; Northwest, 1; Texas, 1; North Texas, 2; total, 8; 1912, 12; decrease, 4.
- 19. Who are supernumerary? New Mexico,

over into Texas, except the New Mexico Conference.) The statistics of the world gave, in 1913, Southern Methodism 1,956,466 members. Texas has 302,069, or nearly 15 1/2 per cent of the entire Church.

The Church's total outlay of property is \$75,000,924; Texas, \$9,828,971, or 13.1 per cent. (This does not include value of educational plants found in separate reports.) The world's Methodism paid for missions \$386,975.50; Texas, \$125,400.26, or not quite 32.5 per cent. In her loyalty and devotion to the Church, Texas leads the world. Her noble sons and daughters are scattered throughout the earth in the service of the King, in many things she takes the initiative. She was the first whose Leaguers offered to support foreign missionaries. She was the first to swing open her own doors to rescue the fallen girls, and many other such interpretations of the spirit of Christ.

### The Conferences.

- 1. New Mexico Conference—Twenty-fourth session held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Bishop James Atkins presiding. Rev. J. F. Hedgpech, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, Pecos, Texas.
- 2. German Mission Conference—Fortieth session held in Castell, Texas, Bishop J. C. Kilgo presiding. Rev. F. W. Radetzky, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, Plehewville, Texas.
- 3. West Texas Conference—Fifty-fifth session held in Laurel Heights Church, San Antonio, Texas, Bishop James Atkins presiding. Rev. Sterling Fisher, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, San Marcos, Texas.
- 4. Central Texas Conference—Fourth session held in Temple, Texas, Bishop James Atkins presiding. Rev. Jno. R. Morris, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, Hillsboro, Texas.
- 5. Northwest Texas Conference—Fourth session held in Vernon, Texas, Bishop James Atkins presiding. Rev. A. L. Moore, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, Big Spring, Texas.
- 6. Texas Conference—Seventy-fourth session held in Nacogdoches, Texas, Bishop E. D. Monzon presiding. Rev. G. T. Hutchkiss, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, Pittsburg, Texas.
- 7. North Texas Conference—Forty-seventh session held in Clarksville, Texas, Bishop E. D. Monzon presiding. Rev. R. Gibbs Mood, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, Sherman, Texas.

New Mexico, Foreign, \$819; Domestic, \$1708. German Mission, Foreign, \$940.92; Domestic, \$951.10. West Texas, Foreign, \$9249; Domestic, \$13,502. Central, Foreign, \$12,296; Domestic, \$18,860. Northwest, Foreign, \$6767.85; Domestic, \$12,017.52. Texas, Foreign, \$10,803; Domestic, \$13,727; North Texas, Foreign, \$11,590.08; Domestic, \$21,163.33. Total, Foreign, \$52,470.91; Domestic, \$72,929.35. Grand total, \$125,400.26. 1912, Foreign, \$56,406.86; Domestic, \$69,524.44. Grand total, \$125,931.30; decrease, \$459.04.

34. What has been contributed for Church Extension? New Mexico, \$883; German Mission, \$277; West Texas, \$5310; Central, \$8353; Northwest, \$4463.80; Texas, \$2886; North Texas, \$6321.91; total, \$33,894.71; 1912, \$33,116.81; increase, \$777.90.

35. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? New Mexico, \$84.50; German Mission, \$117.10; West Texas, \$879; Central, \$1077; Northwest, \$378.64; Texas, \$898; North Texas, \$65.84; total, \$4300.08; 1912, \$4366.65; decrease, \$66.57.

36. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? New Mexico, presiding elders, \$4971; preachers in charge, \$31,840; German Mission, presiding elders, \$520.95; preachers in charge, \$3220.55. West Texas, presiding elders, \$19,949; preachers in charge, \$139,203. Central, presiding elders, \$34,434; preachers in charge, \$205,573. Northwest, presiding elders, \$19,432.70; preachers in charge, \$106,956.43. Texas, presiding elders, \$26,469; preachers in charge, \$196,590. North Texas, presiding elders, \$28,370.59; preachers in charge, \$166,647.52. Total, presiding elders, \$134,156.24; preachers in charge, \$882,640.61. Grand total, \$986,796.85. 1912, presiding elders, \$175,593.89; preachers in charge, \$794,636.15; grand total, \$920,230.04; total increase, \$66,566.81.

37. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? New Mexico, \$284; German Mission, \$102.50; West Texas, \$1650; Central, \$2833; Northwest, \$1433.21; Texas, \$3018; North Texas, \$2498.98; total, \$11,725.69; 1912, \$12,030.81; decrease, \$305.12.

38. What is the number of societies and of the houses of worship owned by them? New Mexico, societies, 98; houses, 53. German Mission, societies, 28; houses, 251.4. West Texas, societies, 356; houses, 27. Central, societies, 627; houses, 4991. Northwest, societies, 502; houses, 196. Texas, societies, 739; houses, 576. North Texas, societies, 556; houses, 428. Total, societies, 2909; houses, 2079.24. 1912, societies, 2822; houses of worship, 1988. Increase, societies, 87; increase houses of worship, 86.34.

39. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? New Mexico, value, \$316,985; debt, \$39,662. German Mission, value, \$51,675; debt, \$2125. West Texas, value, \$1,004,040; debt, \$177,690. Central, value, \$1,901,580; debt, \$136,578. Northwest, value, \$828,200; debt, \$135,509.05. Texas, \$2,153,280; debt, \$171,427. North Texas, value, \$1,633,273; debt, \$107,773.28. Total, value, \$7,899,931; debt, \$770,764.33. 1912, value, \$7,272,549; indebtedness, \$715,009. Increase value, \$626,382; increase indebtedness, \$55,755.33.

40. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number of parsonages owned by them? New Mexico, charges, 51; parsonages, 41. German Mission, charges, 16; parsonages, 16. West Texas, charges, 166; parsonages, 141. Central, charges, 218; parsonages, 209. Northwest, charges, 153; parsonages, 136. Texas, charges, 224; parsonages, 193. North Texas, charges, 191; parsonages, 185. Total, charges, 1018; parsonages, 921. 1912, charges, 959; parsonages, 869. Increase, charges, 59; increase, parsonages, 52.

41. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? New Mexico, value, \$64,950; debt, \$5588. German Mission, value, \$10,000; debt, \$2070. West Texas, value, \$281,050; debt, \$21,533. Central, value, \$448,380; debt, \$24,545. Northwest, value, \$202,710; debt, \$15,626. Texas, value, \$1,744,225; debt, \$166,894. North Texas, value, \$808,725; debt, \$22,431. Total value, \$1,660,740; debt, \$107,767. 1912, value, \$1,262,368; indebtedness, \$114,458. Increase, value, \$398,372; decrease, indebtedness, \$6,691.

42. What is the number of districts and district parsonages? New Mexico, districts, 3; parsonages, 1. German Mission, districts, 2; parsonages, 1. West Texas, districts, 1; parsonages, 6. Central, districts, 12; parsonages, 1. Northwest, districts, 9; parsonages, 5. Texas, districts, 9; parsonages, 1. North Texas, districts, 11; parsonages, 11. Total, districts, 54; parsonages, 44. (Estimated in absence of Central and Texas Conferences' reports, 1912, districts, 53; parsonages, 44. Increase, 1 district.)

43. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? New Mexico, value, \$4500; debt, \$1100. German Mission, \$3000; debt, \$—; West Texas, value, \$—; debt, \$—; Central, value, \$—; debt, \$—; Northwest, value, \$18,000; debt, \$—; Texas, value, \$—; debt, \$—; North Texas, value, \$43,700; debt, \$4750. Total (this can give no idea because of incomplete secretarial reports), 1912, value, \$121,800; indebtedness, \$20,922.

44. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year, and what was the amount of damages? New Mexico, 3; amount, \$810. German Mission, churches, 1; amount, \$75. West Texas, churches, 3; amount, \$865. Central, churches, 5; amount, \$3084. Northwest, churches, 3; amount, \$240. Texas, churches, 7; amount, \$4550. North Texas, churches, 7; amount, \$13,177. Total, churches 29; amount, \$21,341. 1912, churches, 30; amount of damages, \$42,057. Decrease, churches, 1; decrease damage, \$20,716.

45. What are the insurance statistics? New Mexico, insurance carried, \$107,175; premiums, \$939; losses, \$810; collections, \$10. German Mission, insurance, \$35,761.50; premiums, \$130; losses, \$—; collections, \$—; West Texas, insurance, \$484,835; premiums, \$696; losses, \$—; collections, \$4071. Central, insurance, \$976,814; premiums, \$636; losses, \$697; collections, \$697. Northwest, insurance, \$472,898; premiums, \$4273.92; losses, \$272.50; collections, \$272.50. Texas, insurance, \$692,291; premiums, \$6058; losses, \$—; collections, \$1545. North Texas, insurance, \$735,500; premiums, \$6269.08; losses, \$5638.05; collections, \$6078.95. Total, insurance, \$3,506,334.50; premiums, \$30,972; losses, \$7417.55; collections, \$12,674.45. 1912, insurance carried, \$3,375,420; premiums paid, \$20,798; collections on losses, \$5442.50. Increase, insurance, \$130,914.50; increase, premiums, \$10,174; increase collections on losses, \$7231.95.

46. What are the educational statistics? See reports of the several conferences in this issue.

47. Who is elected Conference Leader? New Mexico, Ira J. Avers; German Mission, M. D. Fields; West Texas, A. A. Hughes; Central, Erskine Williams; Northwest, F. P. Works; Texas, T. N. Graham; North Texas, Epps G. Knight.

48. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? New Mexico, Pecos, Texas; German Mission, San Antonio, Texas; West Texas, First Church, Austin, Texas; Central, Hillsboro, Texas; Northwest, Sweetwater, Texas; Texas, Bay City, Texas; North Texas, Demson, Texas.

49. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See the appointments for the several conferences in this issue.



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NEW MEXICO

MINUTES

Of the Twenty-fourth Session of the New Mexico Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held at Albuquerque, New Mexico, Beginning October 15, 1913, Ending October 19, 1913; Bishop James Atkins, President; J. F. Hedgcock, Secretary, Postoffice of Secretary, Pecos, Texas. Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? William Lee Jenkins, Arthur Garfield Chaplain, Joseph Albert Dardens, John Grover Chancey, Robin P. Gould. 2. Who remain on trial? J. E. Conder, J. J. Jones, who are discontinued? C. Bruce Holmes. 3. Who are admitted into full connection? Jerome Elmer Fuller, William Pickney West. 4. Who are readmitted? John Wesley Campbell, Otis Asbury Morris. 5. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? T. J. Beck, from Texas Conference; J. J. Golden, from Mississippi Conference; J. H. Walker, from Louisville Conference. 6. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? 7. Who are the deacons of one year? John Irvine Kelly. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Jerome Elmer Fuller, William Pickney West. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Jerome Elmer Fuller, William Pickney West. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William Lee Jenkins. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William Lee Jenkins. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Abner Norman Evans. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Abner Norman Evans. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? John D. Wagner. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? John D. Wagner. 16. Who are located this year? R. M. Huff. 17. Who are superannuated? R. B. Evans. 18. Who are superannuated? W. E. Foulks, George Ward, J. A. Trickey. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? The names of all the preachers were called and their characters passed. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 34; members, 7251. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 132. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 267. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 10. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 908. 26. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 55. 27. What is the number of Sunday School officers and teachers? 725. 28. What is the number of Sunday School scholars enrolled during the Conference year? 5878. 29. What was assessed by the last Conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1600. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$874; Mrs. Matthews, \$200; Mrs. Clayton, \$200; George Ward, \$250. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign, \$607; special, \$212; total \$819; Domestic, \$1537; Home Missions, \$171; total, \$2708. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$842, and Birthday Loan Fund \$41; total \$883. 33. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? \$84.50. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding Elders, \$4977; Preachers in Charge, \$31,840. 35. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$284. 36. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of societies, 98; number of houses of worship, 57. 37. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$316,985; indebtedness, \$39,662. 38. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 51; number of parsonages, 41. 39. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$64,950; indebtedness, \$5588. 40. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 7; number of district parsonages, 1. 41. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$4500; indebtedness, \$1100. 42. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 3; amount of damage, \$810. 43. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$107,175; losses sustained, \$810; premiums paid, \$939; collections on losses, \$10. 44. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$765. 45. Who is elected Conference Leader? Ira I. Avers. 46. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Pecos, Texas. 47. Where are the preachers stationed this year? (See Appointments.)

10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None. 11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None. 12. What local preachers are elected deacons? None. 13. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None. 14. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Hermann Oscar Lanch, William Frederick Buss. 15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Hermann Oscar Lanch, William Frederick Buss. 16. What local preachers are elected elders? None. 17. What local preachers are ordained elders? None. 18. Who are located this year? None. 19. Who are superannuated? H. Jordan, J. C. Winkel, C. W. F. Lehmburg. 20. Who are superannuated? None. 21. What preachers have died during the past year? None. 22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called one by one and their characters passed. 23. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the conference? Local preachers, 14; members, 1726. 24. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 114. 25. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 17. 26. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 10. 27. What is the number of Epworth League members? 289. 28. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 30. 29. What is the number of Sunday School officers and teachers? 194. 30. What is the number of Sunday School scholars enrolled during the conference year? 1662. 31. What was assessed by the last conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$450. 32. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$378 collected and paid to claimants. 33. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign, \$940.98; domestic, \$951.50. 34. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$277. 35. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? \$117.10. 36. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$529.95; preachers in charge, \$5920.65. 37. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$102.50. 38. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of societies, 28; number of houses of worship, 2514. 39. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$51,673; indebtedness, \$2125. 40. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 16; number of parsonages, 16. 41. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$20,700; indebtedness, 150. 42. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 2; number of district parsonages, 1. 43. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$3000; indebtedness, —. 44. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 1; amount of damage, \$75. 45. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$35,761.50; losses sustained, —; premiums paid, \$130. 46. What are the educational statistics? \$219 collected. 47. Who is elected Conference Leader? M. D. Fields. 48. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? San Antonio, Texas. 49. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Appointments.

18. Who are located this year? U. S. Tabor, at his own request; J. J. Franks, at his own request. 19. Who are superannuated? J. T. Weems, F. J. Perzin, W. B. Mooman, who surrender their credentials, and withdrew from the ministry and membership of the Church. 20. Who are superannuated? Wm. Monk, A. G. Nolen, T. G. Woolls, C. W. Perkins, W. H. Killough, W. O. Shugart, W. J. Joyce, J. A. King, R. A. Holloway, H. T. Hill, N. W. Keith, J. T. Gillett, C. Williamson, J. M. Shuford, W. R. Campbell, H. G. Bragg, R. B. McSwain. 21. What preachers have died during the past year? G. W. White, H. J. Holland. 22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called one by one and their characters passed, except A. R. Chapman, who surrendered his credentials and withdrew from the ministry and membership of the Church. 23. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the conference? Members, 37,327; local preachers, 95. 24. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 609. 25. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1591. 26. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 98 Senior Leagues and 60 Junior Leagues. 27. What is the number of Epworth League members? 5138. 28. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 310. 29. What is the number of Sunday School officers and teachers? 2967. 30. What is the number of Sunday School scholars enrolled during the conference year? 33,380. 31. What was assessed by the last conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6994. 32. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$6694. 33. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$6329; Domestic, \$13,302; Special, \$2920. 34. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$5310. 35. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? \$879. 36. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$19,949; preachers in charge, \$139,293. 37. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$1656. 38. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of societies, 356; number of houses of worship, 277. 39. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$1,004,040; indebtedness, \$177,690. 40. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 166; number of parsonages, 141. 41. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$281,050; indebtedness, \$21,333. 42. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 8; number of district parsonages, 6. 43. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$—; indebtedness, \$—. 44. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 3; amount of damage \$865. 45. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$484,835; losses sustained, \$—; premiums paid, \$6966; collections on losses, \$4071. 46. What are the educational statistics? Value of schools, \$1,322,500. 47. Who is elected Conference Leader? A. A. Hughes. 48. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? Austin, Texas. 49. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Appointments.

13. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Murand D. Council, Elijah Henderson Earls, Jno. G. Thomas, Zebedee Fallin, Jno. B. Isbell, Walter W. Ward, Claus S. Satterfield, Olin W. Nail, Geo. E. Ryan, Christopher C. McBrayer, Wm. Ray Witherspoon, Franklin P. Hunsucker. 14. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Tolbert Marion Dalton, Eugene Blake Hawk, John Wesley Hawkins, Wm. Arlie Neill, Wm. Thomas Singley, Jno. F. Adams, W. M. Bowden, W. T. Kinslow, Geo. I. Korngay, J. O. Leath, O. B. Turner. 15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Tolbert Marion Dalton, Eugene Blake Hawk, Jno. W. Hawkins, Wm. Arlie Neill, Wm. Thomas Singley, Jno. F. Adams, W. M. Bowden, W. T. Kinslow, Geo. F. Korngay, O. B. Turner. 16. What local preachers are elected elders? None. 17. What local preachers are ordained elders? None. 18. Who are located this year? A. E. Turley. 19. Who are superannuated? A. D. Livingston, Geo. W. Owens, J. R. B. Hall, G. W. Wills, Jno. F. Neal, W. H. Vaughan, A. P. Lipscomb, R. J. Tooley, E. J. Maxwell, J. W. Dickinson. 20. Who are superannuated? R. B. Young, W. H. Crawford, J. M. McCarter, I. E. T. Morris, C. G. Shatt, Samuel Morris, W. F. Graves, E. M. Sweet, A. Long, C. Rowland, W. V. Jones, R. W. Walkburn, W. J. Lemons, H. M. Glass, J. A. Walkup, J. J. Canafax, J. E. Walker, J. M. Bond, F. M. Winburne, J. P. Mussett, E. T. Bates, J. J. Canafax, R. Simpson, Jerome Haralson, R. A. Snoddy, W. A. Gilliland, H. P. Shradley, W. Harris, I. F. Harris, Wm. F. Loyal, C. E. Gallagher, D. C. Ellis, W. C. Harris, J. C. Carter, S. T. Cherry, E. T. Boone, E. B. Chenoweth, L. G. Rogers, D. C. Stark, S. W. Turner, V. L. Mills, J. W. Montgomery, M. H. Major, C. L. Browning. 21. What preachers have died during the past year? Jerome Duncan, Chas. E. Brown. 22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? See supplement. 23. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Members, 78,370; local preachers, 322. 24. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1132. 25. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 3336. 26. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? Senior Leagues, 73; Junior Leagues, 57. 27. What is the number of Epworth League members? 5183. 28. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 511. 29. What is the number of Sunday School officers and teachers? 5087. 30. What is the number of Sunday School scholars enrolled during the conference year? 58,999. 31. What was assessed by the last conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$15,034. 32. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$13,053. 33. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign, \$12,296; domestic, \$18,860. 34. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$8353. 35. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? \$1077. 36. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$34,434; preachers in charge, \$205,573. 37. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$2833. 38. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of societies, 627; number of houses of worship, 4997. 39. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$1,901,580; indebtedness, \$136,578. 40. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 218; number of parsonages, 209. 41. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$438,380; indebtedness, \$24,545. 42. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 12; number of district parsonages, —. 43. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$—; indebtedness, \$—. 44. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 5; amount of damage, \$3084. 45. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$976,814; losses sustained, \$697; premiums paid, \$6336; collections on losses, \$697. 46. What are the educational statistics? —. 47. Who is elected Conference Leader? Erskine Williams. 48. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? Hillsboro, Texas. 49. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Appointments.

T. Palmer, T. J. Rea, Ed. Alonzo Tharp. 11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? S. H. Adams, Ira C. Kiker, George T. Palmer, T. J. Rea, Ed. Alonzo Tharp. 12. What local preachers are elected deacons? Counsel Bruton Ingram, Earnest Sylvester Dorsell and Joseph Elbert Yeats. 13. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Counsel Bruton Ingram and Joseph Elbert Yeats. 14. What traveling preachers are elected elders? W. I. Canfran, S. B. Cox, J. E. Eldridge, I. W. Hawkins, C. E. Lynn, I. C. Willett and George Smallwood. 15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? C. E. Lynn, S. B. Cox, J. E. Eldridge, T. S. Willett, D. W. Hawkins, W. I. Canfran, George Smallwood. 16. What local preachers are elected elders? Fred Pilley, William Marion Murrell, Samuel Davis Roberts. 17. What local preachers are ordained elders? William Marion Murrell and Samuel Davis Roberts. 18. Who are located this year? S. E. Wilson at own request. 19. Who are superannuated? L. E. Riddle, A. T. Culbertson, R. B. Bonner, C. A. Clark, Leon Henderson. 20. Who are superannuated? A. B. Roberts, Geo. F. Fair, J. L. Hollers, J. A. Crutchfield, W. L. Harris, R. S. Heizer, H. C. Jolly, C. S. McCarver, B. F. Gassaway, I. L. Mills, J. R. Mood, J. W. R. Bachman, J. M. Baker, R. M. Morris, Sam. C. Vanaman, J. A. Hyder, J. M. Solie, Jno. R. Steele, M. D. Hill, A. H. Hussey, W. E. Caperton, W. P. Davis. 21. What preachers have died during the past year? J. H. Chambliss. 22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? F. G. Cox expelled from the ministry and membership of the Church. 23. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the conference? 36,659. 24. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1353. 25. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1353. 26. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 99. 27. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3480. 28. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 276. 29. What is the number of Sunday School officers and teachers? 2504. 30. What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the Conference year? 28,372. 31. What was assessed by the last conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6011. 32. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$4789. 33. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$3484; domestic, \$10,703; Special, \$113.87. 34. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$4463.80. 35. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? \$378.64. 36. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$19,432.70; preachers in charge, \$106,956.48. 37. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$1433.21. 38. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of societies, 502; number of houses of worship, 156. 39. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$838,200; indebtedness, \$135,509.05. 40. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 151; number of parsonages, 136. 41. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$202,710; indebtedness, \$16,626. 42. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 9; number of district parsonages, 5. 43. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$18,000; indebtedness, \$—. 44. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 3; amount of damage, \$240. 45. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$472,898; losses sustained, \$272.50; premiums paid, \$4273.92; collections on losses, \$272.50. 46. What are the educational statistics? (\$3983.58, Educ. Ext., \$1032.28) \$5015.86. 47. Who is elected Conference Leader? F. P. Wood, Amarillo. 48. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? Sweetwater. 49. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

WEST TEXAS

MINUTES

Of the Fifty-Fifth Session of the West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held at Laurel Heights, San Antonio, Texas, Beginning October 22, 1913, Ending October 26, 1913, Bishop James Atkins, President; Sterling Fisher, Secretary, Postoffice of Secretary, San Marcos, Texas. Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? Roy G. Rader, William N. Carl, Arthur M. Foster, Geo. G. Smith, Joseph P. Watson, William Garrett Callahan, G. Traylor Hester, Oma Clyde Crow. 2. Who remain on trial? W. L. Wall, O. M. Cole, Robert W. Fischer, J. R. Robinson, Geo. L. Keverer, R. L. Flowers, W. M. McKinney, H. M. Rathif, Will S. Boyd. 3. Who are discontinued? Henry Brandon, at his own request; W. B. Simmons, as his own request. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? James Henry Maxwell, Lewis McVea, Robert Eugene Parker, John Fisher Simpson, Emmet Hillary Mays. 5. Who are readmitted? John C. Campbell. 6. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? U. S. Tabor, Denver Texas Conference; L. N. Myers, Northwest Texas Conference; J. C. Simmons, in class of second year, South Georgia Conference; S. F. Goddard, East Oklahoma Conference; A. E. Rector, German Mission Conference. 7. Who are received from other Churches as local preachers? None. 8. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? J. H. Meredith, Methodist Episcopal Church, Wm. J. Briant, Methodist Episcopal Church. 9. Who are deacons of one year? D. A. Ross, A. T. Coker, W. F. Weeks, S. L. Batchelor, J. L. Burns, Geo. F. Ryan, Edwin A. Hunter, E. L. Edgar. 10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. H. Maxwell, Lewis McVea, Robert E. Parker. 11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. H. Maxwell, Lewis McVea, Robert E. Parker. 12. What local preachers are elected deacons? J. Fisher Simpson, Chas. H. Doak, Geo. G. Smith, Robert W. Fischer, Shelby J. Estes, W. D. M. Ward. 13. What local preachers are ordained deacons? J. Fisher Simpson, Chas. H. Doak, Geo. G. Smith, Robert W. Fischer, Shelby J. Estes, W. D. M. Ward. 14. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Shan M. Hull, James H. Clark, C. E. Wheat, J. N. Rentfro, L. A. Alkire. 15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Shan M. Hull, Jas. H. Clark, C. E. Wheat, J. N. Rentfro, L. A. Alkire. 16. What local preachers are elected elders? None. 17. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

CENTRAL TEXAS

MINUTES

Of the Fourth Session of the Central Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held at Temple, Texas, Beginning November 5, 1913, Ending November 10, 1913, Bishop James Atkins, President, Jno. R. Morris, Secretary; Postoffice of Secretary, Hillsboro, Texas. Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? Archie W. Gordon, C. Ozier Hightower, Allen D. Cosgrove, Wm. G. Gwaltney, Thomas D. Ellis, Willoughby, T. Boulware, Robt. H. Bond, J. Fred Johnson, Jefferson D. Ramsey, T. H. Burton, Wm. E. Hawkins, Jr., Elmer Crabtree, Zebedee Fallin, Thomas Sorrels, Paschal W. Layne, James C. Mayhew, Guy H. Wilson, T. J. Story, Geo. G. Mitchell, Horace Potret, Claud T. Brockett, B. Y. Dickinson, Jonathan M. Hays. 2. Who remain on trial? Elisha W. Bridges, Murand D. Council, Jesse M. Fryar, Samuel P. Gilmore, Horace C. Gordon, J. G. Thomas, Milan J. Vaughan, Angus E. Watford, W. G. Bailey, Claud F. Bell, Marcus M. Chunn, Joseph M. Hester, Early S. Cook. The following in class of first year: Joseph Bartok, R. T. Capps, Lloyd E. Hill. 3. Who are discontinued? None. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? J. M. Bond, Jr., C. B. Diltz, L. L. Felder, I. E. Matlock, O. A. Morton, R. H. Oxford, F. O. Waddill, C. V. Williams. 5. Who are readmitted? None. 6. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? T. S. Barcus, Northwest Texas Conference; J. W. W. Shuler, Holston Conference; R. L. Reese, Florida Conference; Seba Kirkpatrick, New Mexico Conference; J. A. Dozier, East Oklahoma Conference; J. D. Young, Northwest Texas Conference; A. C. McSwain, West Texas Conference; R. B. Blair, East Oklahoma Conference. 7. Who are received from other Churches as local preachers? L. E. C. Presbyterian, James D. Kursell. 8. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? None. 9. Who are deacons of one year? Hugh B. Landrum, Ruby Otis Sory; Remaining in class of third year, H. W. Gillette, Willie C. House; Roy A. Langston, John D. Smoot, Preston H. Broxton, J. F. Isbell, J. A. Siceolf, James R. Kidwell, Walter P. Vaughn, Henry C. Bowman, Henry Francis, Chas. H. Little, Frank A. Ray. 10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. Marvin Bond, Chas. Benj. Diltz, Frederick Oldham Waddill, Joseph E. Matlock, Chas. V. Williams, Brinkley H. Oxford. 11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. Marvin Bond, Chas. B. Diltz, Frederick O. Waddill, Chas. V. Williams, Brinkley H. Oxford. 12. What local preachers are elected deacons? Murand Council, Jno. G. Thomas, Zebedee Fallin, Jno. B. Isbell, Walter W. Ward, Claud L. Satterfield, Olin W. Nail, Geo. E. Ryan, Christopher C. McBrayer, Wm. R. Witherspoon, Franklin Pierce Hunsucker.

NORTHWEST TEXAS

MINUTES

Of the Fourth Session of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held at Vernon, Texas, Beginning November 12, 1913, Ending November 16, 1913, Bishop James Atkins, President, A. L. Moore, Secretary; Postoffice of Secretary, Big Spring. Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? A. C. Aston, C. A. Duncan, T. A. Jackson, J. W. Martin, J. R. Plant, L. B. Smallwood, G. W. Smith, R. W. Wilkins, Joseph E. Yeats. 2. Who remain on trial? O. B. Annis, R. E. Barnes, Chas. A. Chval, Z. R. Fee, G. H. Gattis, W. E. Garrison, A. V. Hendrix, S. H. Young, C. O. Huff, C. L. McDonald, L. N. Lipscomb, Jno. L. Rucker, J. O. Quattlebaum, E. L. Yeats. 3. Who are discontinued? W. H. Wright, A. C. Chamberlain, and A. L. Boyd, at own request. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Samuel Houston Adams, Ira Claude Kiker, Thomas Jefferson Rea, George Thomas Palmer and Ed Alonzo Tharp. 5. Who are readmitted? None. 6. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? Ed. R. Wallace and B. Y. Dickenson, from Central Texas Conference. 7. Who are received from other Churches as local preachers? H. H. Linder from Congregational Methodist; I. D. Ferguson, Methodist Protestant Church. 8. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? None. 9. Who are the deacons of one year? J. W. Cadwell, J. W. Watson, A. D. Jamison, F. T. Johnson, Ira A. Smith, J. B. McReynolds, F. L. Meadow, O. M. Addison, B. J. Osborn, C. C. Wright, C. E. Jamison, J. W. Smith. 10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons. S. H. Adams Ira C. Kiker, George

GERMAN MISSION

MINUTES

Of the Fortieth Session of the German Mission Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held at Castell, Texas, Beginning October 16, 1913, Ending October 19, 1913, Bishop J. C. Kilgo, President, F. W. Radetzky Secretary, Postoffice of Secretary, Pichevieve, Texas. Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? Alvin B. Vetter. 2. Who remain on trial? G. W. Muennink (second year). 3. Who are discontinued? None. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None. 5. Who are readmitted? None. 6. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? None. 7. Who are received from other Churches as local preachers? None. 8. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? None. 9. Who are the deacons of one year? O. W. Benold and D. G. Hardt; C. W. F. Lehmburg remains in class of third year; C. H. Waltersdorf remains in class of fourth year.

January 10. What deacons? Joseph Marj 11. What deacons? W. J. E. Buttr 12. What deacons? Jesse Ed. Prather Henry Druh Elmore Stee 13. What deacons? Sams Geo. E. Stee aron, Robt. ard S. Mars 14. What deacons? W. George Hall, Kimbrough Augusta Jeff Russell, H. Payne, Hiran Jewell, Mari Saxon. 15. What deacons? Will Chas. M. J Lemuel H. A Eberidge P Jewell, Mario 16. What deacons? Littleford Ferdinand D 17. What deacons? Littl 18. Who Morris at his 19. Who a A. L. Carnes O. Moore. 20. Who i J. D. Burke, ain, H. M. Russell, I. M. Fowlk C. H. Brook Wm. Sproule C. L. Farrin Little, J. C. Graves, J. W. Bryce, A. M. Bryce, A. M. 21. What past year? A 22. Are al life and offi A. M. Pooki 23. What and members and missions ers, 180; met 24. What ALBU G. H. Albuquerque Carrizo—J. Cimarron—J. Clayton Circu Gallup—A. W Maglalena—A Melrose Circ Moriarity Cit McAllister C San Ion Circu Las Cruces—A Tucumcari—A Tucumcari—C Watrous—To EL J. B. I. Almagordo—A Alpine—H. M Buenavista—J Clint and Val Deming—E. A El Paso, Abil El Paso, Higu El Paso, Miss El Paso, Trin Fort Stockton Lamaca Circu Las Cruces—Lordsburg—W Marfa—J. C. Sierra Blanca Toyah—G. H. Tularosa Circ Van Horn an Student Vande PECO J. H. Artesia—Ellis Blacktown C Carlsbad—J. Clovis—Arthe Dayton and I Elda—L. Jac Hagerman Cir Hope—E. F. I Odessa Circu Malaga Circu Lovington—J. Pecos—J. F. Portales—A. C Rogers Circu Russell—T. J. Sacramento M Texico—T. L. Toyah Valley TRANSFERR ference; J. Arkansas C Central, Tex Robin Good G. Shapland ference. GEI EA H. W. Houston, Bieri Houston, Ebe Blittis School Bellville, Pete Grasseville—1 East Bernard Cuero and Ral B. Moon, elder, West Texas Conference; W. F. Campbell, elder, East Oklahoma Conference. 7. Who are received from other Churches as local preachers? James K. Lane, elder, from the Congregational Methodist Church; M. L. Allisbush, elder, M. E. Church. 8. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? John Drury Womack, elder, from Christian Church; C. E. Mock, elder, M. E. Church. 9. Who are the deacons of one year? Rufus C. Beard, John S. Hendrick, Frank Platt, Thos. E. Bledsoe, J. B. Boy, W. H. Edwards, Benjamin C. Ansley, T. D. McCrary, W. F. Smith, Thos. I. Beck, L. L. Lloyd.



10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Walton Day, Jesse Lee Ross, Thomas Scott Ogle, Arthur Lee Conner, Joseph Mary Vondracek.

24. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1312.

\$410,000, endowment, \$145,000; Southern Methodist University: Value of property, \$1,250,000; Alexander Collegiate Institute: Value of property, \$80,000; Chappell Hill Female College: Value of property, \$20,000.

10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? M. C. Sooter, T. E. Cannon, J. V. Davis, J. W. Baughman, E. B. Jackson, W. E. Dale.

27. What is the number of Epworth League members? 5370.

NORTH TEXAS

MINUTES

Of the Forty-Seventh Session of the North Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held at Clarksville, Texas, Beginning December 3, 1913, Ending December 7, 1913; Bishop E. D. Monzon, President; R. G. Mood, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary, Sherman, Texas.

15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? M. C. Sooter, T. E. Cannon, J. V. Davis, J. W. Baughman, E. B. Jackson, W. E. Dale.

The Appointments for Our Conference Preachers for 1913-1914

NEW MEXICO

ALBUQUERQUE DISTRICT.

G. H. Givan, Presiding Elder. Albuquerque—S. E. Allison. Carrizo—J. W. Hendrix. Cimarron—J. H. Walker. Clayton Circuit—W. L. Self. Gallup—A. W. Carter. Magdalena—F. B. Faust. Melrose Circuit—W. P. West. Moriarity Circuit—J. I. Kelley. McAllister Circuit—J. T. Lewis. San Jon Circuit—J. A. Darden. San Marcial—G. C. Emmons, supply. Tucuman—A. N. Evans. Tucuman Circuit—D. P. Wilburn. Watrous—To be supplied.

EL PASO DISTRICT.

J. B. Cochran, Presiding Elder. Alamogordo—J. E. Conder. Alpine—H. M. Smith. Buenavista—Archie Crawford. Clint and Yeleta—J. E. Fuller. Deming—E. C. Morgan. El Paso, Alta Vista—W. H. Duncan. El Paso, Highland Park—W. R. Evans. El Paso, Mission—H. H. Bond. El Paso, Trinity—C. W. Webber. Fort Davis Circuit—R. E. Hickman. Fort Stockton—W. R. Howell. Lamesa Circuit—To be supplied. Las Cruces—C. K. Campbell. Lordsburg—W. S. Huggett. Marfa—J. C. Jones. Sierra Blanca Circuit—To be supplied. Toyahvale—G. H. McAnally. Tularosa Circuit—A. B. Weaver. Van Horn and Kent—E. D. Lewis. Student Vanderbilt University—Otis A. Morris.

PECOS VALLEY DISTRICT.

J. H. Messer, Presiding Elder. Artesia—Ellis Smith. Blackfoot Circuit—J. D. Wagner. Carlsbad—J. R. Goodloe. Clovis—Arthur Marsten. Dayton and Lakewood—J. A. Bell. Elida—L. Jackson. Hagerman Circuit—W. W. Turner. Hope—E. F. Cramer. Odessa Circuit—John Chaney. Malaga Circuit—J. N. S. Webb. Lovington—J. P. Speed. Pecos—J. F. Helguth. Portales—A. C. Bell. Rogers Circuit—R. G. Marshall. Roswell—T. L. Lallier. Sacramento Mission—W. L. Jenkins. Texico—T. I. Beck. Toyah Valley Circuit—To be supplied.

TRANSFERRED—H. M. Bruce, Pacific Conference; J. W. Campbell and H. L. Wheeler, Arkansas Conference; Seba Kirkpatrick, Central Texas Conference; J. A. Ray and Robin Gould, Los Angeles Conference; A. G. Shapland, Western North Carolina Conference.

GERMAN MISSION

EASTERN DISTRICT.

H. W. Weise, Presiding Elder. Houston, Bering Memorial—E. A. Konken. Houston, Ebenezer—G. W. Muenink. Blatts Schoolhouse—To be supplied. Bellville, Peters and Burlay—H. O. Launch. Grassyville—D. G. Hardt. East Bernard—F. Buss. Cuero and Rabke—F. Mummie; C. H. Waltersford, supernumerary. Elm Creek—O. W. Benold; C. W. F. Lehmburg, supernumerary. San Antonio and Cibola—P. H. Hensch, and one to be supplied; J. C. Winkel, supernumerary. New Braunfels and Wade—D. Schimpf, supply. Fountain—J. F. Koch. Yancey—J. G. Mueller. "Der Mission Freund"—J. A. G. Rabe, Editor.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

C. A. Lehmburg, Presiding Elder. Mason—F. W. Radetzky; H. Jordan, supernumerary. Llano—R. Moerner. Fredericksburg—W. D. Wiemers. Bartlett and Beyersville—A. R. Vetter. Harper and James River—R. Gannenthaler. Cherokee Junior College—C. A. Lehmburg, President.

TRANSFERRED—To West Texas Conference, A. E. Rector. Commissioners for Southwestern University—H. O. Lannch, F. W. Radetzky.

WEST TEXAS

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

V. A. Golbey, Presiding Elder. Austin, First Church—W. D. Bradford. Hyde Park and S. Austin—R. A. Waltrip, and R. E. Price, junior preacher. University Church—R. P. Shuler. Ward Memorial—L. C. Lilly. Bastrop Station—L. C. Mathis. Columbus Station—J. D. McWhorter. Eagle Lake—R. L. Pye. Elgin—J. E. Lovett. Flatonia Station—B. W. Allen. Lagrange Station—A. S. J. Haygood. Liberty Hill and Leander—M. J. Allen. McDade Circuit—R. C. Aubrey. Manor Station—J. P. Garrett. Smithville Station—F. A. White. Wenmar Circuit—G. T. Gibbons. Webberville Circuit—W. R. Keathley. West Point Circuit—Roy Rader. Walnut Mission—D. A. Ross. Garwood Circuit—Clint F. Stewart, Supply. District Missionary Evangelist—H. M. Whaling. Professor in Southwestern University—H. L. Gray. Conference Evangelist—J. C. Wilson. Secretary of Education—W. D. Bradford. District Commissioner of Education—W. D. Bradford.

BEEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. H. Groseclose, Presiding Elder. Alice—W. N. Carl. Atanas Pass—C. W. Godwin. Beeville—A. W. Wilson. Berclair—E. A. Potts, supply. Bishop—J. N. Rentfro. Brownsville—J. S. Bowles. Calallen-Opdon—G. F. Harris, Supply. Corpus Christi—T. F. Sessions. Fairfarms—J. H. Clark. Florville—G. M. Boyd. Green—V. G. Thomas. Gregory—R. E. Parker. Harrington—A. T. White. Karnes City—A. Y. Old. Kennedy—W. L. Brandon. Kimesville—O. F. Hatfield. Mathis—W. W. Nunn. McAllen—E. H. Mays. Mercedes—J. D. Dorsey. Mission—E. A. Hunter. Oakville—A. M. Foster. Pharr—J. T. King. Fiviera—Scott Randle, supply. Robstown—W. M. McKinney. Rockport—R. L. Flowers. San Benito—H. M. Ratliff. Sinton—E. Y. S. Hubbard. Skidmore—O. C. Crow. District Missionary Evangelist—S. F. Goddard. Student Vanderbilt University—Will S. Boyd. District Commissioner of Education—T. F. Sessions.

CUERO DISTRICT.

J. M. Alexander, Presiding Elder. Cuero—C. B. Cross. Edna—M. L. Darby. El Campo—W. A. Manley. Ganado and Louise—J. D. Worrell. Goliah and Fanning—J. E. Buck. Hallettsville Station—D. A. Williams. Provident City—A. T. Coker. Laverna Circuit—I. P. Chambers. Midfield Circuit—L. A. Alkire.

SAN ANGELO DISTRICT.

F. B. Buchanan, Presiding Elder. Brady Station—J. T. Morris; J. T. H. Miller, Junior Preacher. Eden and Menard—W. L. Wall. Edith Circuit—Jno. C. Campbell. Eldorado—J. H. Maxwell. Garden Circuit—S. J. Estes, supply. Junction Circuit—C. W. Rylander. Lohn Circuit—R. R. Cumbie, Supply. Midland Station—J. M. Perry. Miles—R. A. Rowland. Ozone Station—W. M. Crutchfield. Paint Rock—R. S. Adair. Rochelle Circuit—O. M. Cole. San Angelo, First Church—A. J. Weeks. San Angelo, Chaborn St.—C. W. Hardon. Sonoma—J. Burns. Sterling City—Shan M. Hull. Sherwood Circuit—J. F. Simpson. Water Valley—J. S. Moore, Supply. District Commissioner of Education—W. M. Crutchfield.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

S. H. C. Burzin, Presiding Elder. San Antonio, Alamo—A. N. James. Government Hill—T. N. Barton. Laurel Heights—C. H. Booth. Prospect Hill—N. B. Read. South Heights—F. M. Jackson. McKinney Avenue—S. B. Johnston. Alamo Heights—G. Hartsfield. Travis Park—D. E. Hawk. West End—L. E. Booth. Hill Crest—S. L. Batchelor. San Antonio Mission—J. W. Shoemaker. Bardera—J. H. Meredith. Boerne—R. W. Fischer. Center Point—R. E. Duke. Fowlerton—J. T. Redmon. Jourdanton—S. W. Kemmer. Kerrville Station—S. J. Drake. Medina—A. C. Gentile, Supply. Poteet—R. H. Obar. "Seagrave Station"—C. Dunn. President San Antonio Female College—J. E. Harrison. District Commissioner of Education—J. E. Harrison. Principal Marshall Training School—J. T. Curry. Commissioner of Mission Home and Training School—J. D. Scott. Conference Field Sunday School Secretary—A. E. Rector.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.

Thomas Gregory, Presiding Elder. Belmont Circuit—W. D. Williamson. Blanco Circuit—H. B. Owens. Dripping Springs—H. S. Goodenough, Supply. Gonzales Station—A. B. Davidson. Harwood Circuit—G. T. Hester. Kyle and Buda—W. H. H. Biggs. Leesville Circuit—J. D. May. Lockhart Station—Thee Lee. Luling Station—Robert Paine. Lytton Springs—L. W. Walker, Supply. Manchaca—W. A. Hart. Martindale—Lewis McVea. San Marcos—W. T. Renfro. Seguin—D. E. Carr. Staples—Marcos Williamson. Wadler and Thompsonville—J. G. Forester. President Coronar Institute—Sterling Fisher. District Commissioner of Education—W. T. Renfro.

UVALDE DISTRICT.

S. B. Beall, Presiding Elder. Batesville—C. M. Rabe. Carrizo Springs and Big Wells—W. N. Vernon. Cotulla Station and Asherton—J. W. Long. Crystal City Station—W. L. Hightower. Del Rio Station—J. W. Allbritton. Devine and Lytle—C. E. Wheat. Dilley and Millett—J. E. Morgan. Eagle Pass and Safford—J. W. Black. Hondo Station—M. K. Fred. Laredo Station—W. A. Dunn. Moore Circuit—W. C. Callahan. Pearsall Station—E. E. Swanson. Sabel Station—W. L. Barr. Uvalde Station—A. L. Scarborough. Utopia Station—H. Stuckey. Tehuacana and Frio Town—J. A. Pledger. Rock Springs Circuit—W. J. Brient. District Commissioner of Education—J. A. Pledger.

CENTRAL TEXAS

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT.

J. H. Stewart, Presiding Elder. Ballinger—W. H. Doss. Bangs—W. B. Vaughn. Blanket—W. T. Jones. Bronte—T. L. Sorrels. Brownwood—K. P. Barton. Brownwood Mission—H. A. Nichols. Coleman—S. J. Rucker. Coleman Mission—T. D. Ellis. Novice—C. T. Brockett. Gouldbuck—A. D. Cosgrove. Indian Creek—L. A. Clark. Norton—J. G. Thomas. Robert Lee—Archie W. Gordon. Santa Anna—J. B. Curry. Talpa—H. C. Bowman. Winchell—W. A. Neill. Wingate—J. L. Speer. Winters—J. M. Neal. Commissioner of Education—S. J. Rucker.

CISCO DISTRICT.

C. E. Lindsey, Presiding Elder. Breckenridge—J. H. Baldrige. Carbon—W. T. Singly. Cisco—J. E. Crawford. Cisco Mission—R. H. Boyd. Desdemona—J. Fred Patterson. Foltan—M. D. Council. Eastland—J. Frank Luker. Gordon—C. E. Simpson. Gorman—J. H. Walker. May—C. V. Williams. Pioneer—T. G. Story. Ranger—J. M. Armstrong. Rising Star—J. N. Vincent. Staff—R. T. Capps. Seanton—J. W. Hawkins. Sipe Springs—W. A. Clarke. Thuber—F. M. Wisdom. Wayland—W. W. Layne. Romney—W. T. Boulware. District Evangelist—S. P. Gilmore. Commissioner of Education—J. E. Crawford.

CLEBURNE DISTRICT.

W. W. Moss, Presiding Elder. Alvarado—J. G. Bellard. Barnesville—T. M. Dalton. Burleson—J. A. Dozier. Cleburne, Main Street—W. H. Matthews. Anglin Street—C. A. Bickley. Brazos Avenue—E. F. Hudgens. Cresson—A. E. Watford. Godley—B. H. Oxford. Grandview Station—W. J. Heaton. Grandview Circuit—A. C. Smith. Glen Rose Station—W. M. Bowden. Glen Rose Mission—W. G. Gwaltney. Granbury Station—C. N. Morton. Granbury Mission—H. C. Gordon. Joshua—L. A. Reavis. Lillian—Z. Fallin. Morgan—J. W. W. Shuler. Venus—J. E. Bowman. Walnut Springs—S. P. Nevill. Commissioner of Education—W. J. Heaton.

CORSICANA DISTRICT.

E. A. Smith, Presiding Elder. Barry and Embouse—J. U. McAfee. Blooming Grove—G. J. Ryan. Big Hill and Odds—J. F. Isbell. Chatfield—B. F. Kimbrow. Corsicana, First Church—J. W. Fort. Eleventh Avenue—Neal W. Turner. Corsicana Circuit—K. S. VanZandt. Dawson—W. H. Harris. Emmet Circuit—W. E. Hawkins. Frost—Henry Stanford. Groesbeck—E. B. Hawk. Harmony—Z. L. Howell. Mexico Station—E. P. Williams. Mexico Circuit—O. Bailey. Ferens and Powell—Wallace Vivanti. Kirvin and Streetman—Seba Kirkpatrick. Purden—T. H. Burton. Rice—P. M. Rice. Thornton and Steel's Creek—H. B. Landrum. Wortham and Richland—Walter Griffith. Richland Mission—E. O. Williams, Supply.

DUBLIN DISTRICT.

S. J. Vaughan, Presiding Elder. Banyan—Mac M. Smith. Bluffdale—Henry Francis. Carlton—O. A. Morton. Comanche Station—C. L. Cartwright. Comanche Circuit—H. B. Clark. DeLeon Station—W. C. Hillborn. DeLeon Circuit—J. D. Smoot. Dublin—S. G. Thompson. Dublin—J. E. Morton. Gustine—C. H. Little. Comanche Mission—G. H. Wilson. Harbin and Green's Creek—L. L. Feller. Hico—R. W. Nation. Huckabay—M. J. Vaughan. Irredell and Clairette—J. F. Clark. Proctor—J. W. Childers. Stephenville Station—E. L. Lloyd. Stephenville Circuit—C. O. Hightower. Tolar and Lipan—S. C. Baird. Alexander—C. F. Kiker. Commissioner of Education—Sam G. Thompson.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT.

Jno. R. Nelson, Presiding Elder. Arlington—W. E. Boggs. Fort Worth, Boulevard—Thomas S. Barcus. Central—C. R. Wright. Diamond Hill and Harwells—B. R. Wagner. First Church—J. A. Rice and E. R. Stanford, Asst. Pastor. Glenwood—Sterling Richardson. Highland Park and Lemphill Heights—W. S. P. McCullough. Missouri Avenue—F. E. Singleton. McKinley Avenue—H. B. Urquhart. Mulkey Memorial—H. F. Brooks. Polytechnic—F. P. Culver. Riverside—Warner Moore. Weatherford Street—J. G. White. Brooklyn Heights—H. W. Gillette. Grapevine—J. A. Ruffner. Huddle and Sagamore—C. A. Evans. Kennedale—B. F. Alsop. Kennedale—W. G. Bailey. Acent Superannuate Home—D. L. Collie. State Superintendent Sunday League of America—R. C. Armstrong. President Polytechnic College—H. A. Boaz.



Field Secretary of Sunday School Association—C. S. Field. District Superintendent Anti-Saloon League—Atticus Webb. Agent Texas Christian Advocate—J. D. Odom. Superintendent Children's Home Society—Z. T. Morris. Commissioner of Education—H. F. Brooks.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT. M. K. Little, Presiding Elder. Clifton—J. H. Braswell. Crawford—A. C. Lackey. Copperate Cove—J. F. Adams. Evans—L. B. Sawyers. Fairy and Lanham—H. B. Henry. Gatesville Station—C. G. Chappell. Hamilton Station—J. W. Bowden. Hamilton Station—Monzo Monk. Hamilton Station—C. B. Ditz. Inesthorpe—M. L. Lathan. Killeen Station—R. A. Walker. Killeen Station—J. C. Mayhew. McGregory—Geo. F. Campbell. Meridian Station—S. B. Knowles. Meridian Station—N. F. Peoples. Moody—C. C. Hightower. N. L. Valley—L. F. Hill. Oglesby—R. H. Heizer. Turnersville—F. O. Waddill. Valley Mills—H. D. Huddleston. President Meridian College—G. F. Winfield. Commissioner of Education Southern Methodist University—W. B. Wilson. Student University of Chicago—J. O. Leath. Commissioner of Education—C. C. Hightower.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT. T. S. Armstrong, Presiding Elder. Bartlett—J. B. Berry. Belton Station—J. C. Mimms. Belton Station—J. M. Fryar. Florence—W. D. Gaskins. Georgetown—W. L. Nelms. Granger—Franklin Moore. Holland—J. W. Holt. Hutto—J. E. Matlock. Rogers—M. W. Rogers. Salado—E. R. Patterson. Thrall Station—Horace Poteet. Taylor—A. E. Carraway. Temple—H. W. Knickerbocker. Temple, Seventh Street—E. V. Cox. Troy—O. Swinney. Farrell—J. A. Stiefel. Oenaville—E. S. Cook. Weir and Jonah—J. D. Ramsey. Professor Southwestern University—J. C. Granberry. Commissioner of Education—Franklin Moore.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT. Horace Bishop, Presiding Elder. Abbott—W. N. Curry. Brandon—J. F. Tyson. Coolee—C. W. Macune. Covington and Osceola—J. W. Head. Hillsboro, First Church—John E. Morris. Line Street—J. W. Patton. Hubbard—J. A. Webb. Huron—J. N. Hester. Irone—J. D. Hendrickson. Irone—J. M. Wynn. Kirk—O. B. Turner. Lovelace—J. J. Calloway. Malone—R. L. Reese. Munger—C. E. Statham. Penelope—J. R. Kidwell. Peoria—Elmer Crabtree. Whitney—J. B. Dodson. Conference Evangelist—J. S. Huckabee. Commissioner of Education—L. A. Webb.

WACO DISTRICT. W. B. Andrews, Presiding Elder. Aquilla—W. H. Keener. Bosqueville—N. E. Gardner. Bruceville and Eddy—W. J. Mayhew. China Springs—Rev. W. L. Connell. Hewitt and Spring Valley—M. A. Turner. Lorena—C. W. Irvin. Mart—W. H. Howard. McCall—B. A. Evans. Riesel and Axtell—Frank Hughes. Waco, Austin Avenue—H. D. Knickerbocker. Clay Street—D. A. McGuire. Elm Street—J. F. Creed. Fifth Street—Ashley C. Chappell. Herring Avenue—W. T. Gray. Morrow Street—A. D. Porter. City Mission—J. T. Bloodworth. West—W. T. Kinstow. Y. M. C. A. Secretary at Mart—J. V. Baird. Assistant Manager of Orphanage—J. N. McCain. Commissioner of Education—A. D. Porter.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT. J. A. Whitehurst, Presiding Elder. Bardwell—R. O. Sory. Bardwell Mission—J. M. Hays. Bethel—S. B. Sawyers. Britton—G. W. Kincheloe. Ennis—J. W. Kincheloe. Ferris—S. L. Culwell. Ferris—Joseph L. Lee. Italy—S. A. Ashburn. Mansfield—H. I. Dinger. Maypearl—R. E. Dunn. Milburn—R. F. Brown. Milford—Geo. F. Koenig. Ovilla—C. V. Oswald. Palmer—M. M. Morphis. Red Oak—I. E. Hightower. Waxahachie—J. M. Barcus. Commissioner of Education—J. D. Young. District Commissioner of Education—R. F. Brown.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT. James Campbell, Presiding Elder. Aledo—B. S. Crow. Aze—J. M. Bond, Jr. Elbasville—Marcus M. Chunn. Graford—W. J. Morphis. Graham—J. H. Bowman. Graham Mission—S. D. Cook. Loving Mission—W. W. Noble. Millsap—C. F. Bell. Mineral Wells—M. S. Hotchkiss. Newcastle—F. A. Ray. Olney—H. L. Vincent. Santo—J. J. Rape. Springtown—J. O. Gore. Whit—F. L. McGee. Weatherford, First Church—E. Hightower. Counts Memorial—C. W. Daniel. Weatherford Circuit—Preston Broxton. Commissioner of Education—J. Hall Bowman.

TRANSFERRED—B. Y. Dickinson to North West Texas Conference; E. P. Swindall to Texas Conference; W. C. House to East Oklahoma Conference; E. R. Wallace to Northwest Texas Conference.

NORTHWEST TEXAS. ABILENE DISTRICT. C. N. N. Ferguson, Presiding Elder. Abilene, First Church—C. W. Hearon. Abilene, St. Paul's—C. M. Woodward. Anson—A. M. Martin. Buffalo Gap—T. H. Davis, supply. Cape—R. E. L. Stutta. Clyde and Eula—J. W. Smith.

Clyde Mission, R. R. No. 2—C. A. Duncan. Sweetwater Station—Simeon Shaw. Cross Plains—E. L. Sisk. Hawley—J. T. Ross. Merkel—E. R. Wallace. Nugent—E. L. Yeats. Ovalo—A. D. Jameson. Tuscola—George Smallwood. Putnam and Moran—J. W. Cadwell. Trent—C. W. Young, supply. Tye—M. H. Hudson. District Commissioner of Education—Comer M. Woodward.

AMARILLO DISTRICT. J. T. Hicks, Presiding Elder. Amarillo—Polk Street—E. E. Robinson. Amarillo Mission—W. I. Caughran. Beving—C. L. McDonald. Channing—H. K. Monroe, supply. Canyon Station—F. M. Neal. Canyon Mission—Ed. Graham, supply. Dalhart—J. W. Mayne. Dumas—B. J. Osborn. Glazier—P. L. Fort, supply. Hansford and Plemmons—C. R. Thomas, supply. Hereford—S. B. Cox. Higgins—Z. B. Pirtle. Ochiltree—J. W. Kizznar, supply. Panhandle—P. G. Huffman. Stratford—J. P. Patterson. Texline—W. P. Edwards. Wilford—G. T. Palmer. District Commissioner of Education—E. E. Robinson.

BIG SPRING DISTRICT. W. H. Terry, Presiding Elder. Andrews—A. C. Aston. Big Spring Mission—J. T. Trice, supply. Big Spring Station—A. L. Moore. Brownfield—J. B. McReynolds. Coahoma—Thomas Hanks. Gail—W. C. Hart, supply. Lamesa—S. H. Adams. O'Donnell—T. A. Jackson. Plains—S. B. Cox. Post—D. W. Hawkins. Seminole—J. W. R. Bachman. Stanton—W. C. Hinds. Tahoka and Slaton—J. P. Callaway. District Commissioner of Education—A. L. Moore. Evangelist—C. H. Ledger.

CLARENDON DISTRICT. J. W. Story, Presiding Elder. Clarendon Station—H. M. Long. Clarendon Mission—J. A. Scoggins, supply. Claude—C. D. West; C. A. Clark, superintendent. Canadian—M. E. Hawkins. Cataline—L. S. Smallwood. Goodnight—W. H. Avery, supply. Hedley—G. H. Bryant. Lakeview—T. W. Sharp. Memphis—B. W. Dodson. McLean and Groom—J. T. Howell. Miami and Pampa—J. P. Lowry. Mobetie—J. C. Carpenter. Newlin—C. O. Huff. Plymouth—J. S. Aaron, supply. Quail—J. A. Aaron, supply. Shamrock—W. M. Pope; R. B. Bonner, superintendent. Washburn—A. Lynn, supply. Wellington Station—A. L. Bowman. Wellington Circuit—J. E. Eldridge. Wheeler—A. V. Hendrix. President Clarendon College—G. S. Slover. Professors Clarendon College—S. E. Burkhead, P. E. Riley and W. Y. Switzer. District Commissioner of Education—H. M. Long.

HAMLIN DISTRICT. G. S. Hardy, Presiding Elder. Aspermont—M. M. Beavers. Hamlin—J. E. Stephens. Knox City—J. H. Hamblen. Jayton—A. B. Keen. McCaulley—C. B. Smith. Peacock—G. W. Smith. Pinkerton—To be supplied. Rotan—M. L. Story. Rotan Mission—To be supplied. Rochester—R. D. Steward. Elm—O. M. Addison. Sagerton—L. K. Malone, supply. Spur—G. J. Irvin. Spur Mission—To be supplied. Sylvester—F. T. Johnson. Vera—C. D. Pipkin. Tuxedo—M. L. Moody. District Commissioner of Education—J. M. Stephens.

PLAINVIEW DISTRICT. O. P. Kiker, Presiding Elder. Afton—J. M. Owen, supply. Bartonite—D. C. Ross. Crosbyton—C. E. Lynn. Dimmitt—I. A. Smith. Floydada—G. W. Shearer. Happy—B. T. Sharp. Hale Center—J. A. Sweeney. Kress—B. W. Wilkins. Lubbock—W. M. Lane. Littlefield—B. Y. Dickinson. Lockney—T. E. Williams. Lockney Mission—V. L. Formway, supply. Lorenzo—S. J. Upton, supply. Matador—J. B. McCarley. Plainview Station—S. A. Barnes; Leon Henderson, superintendent. Plainview Mission—Z. R. Fee. Silvertown—G. R. Fort, supply. Tula—M. S. Leveridge. Turkey—T. C. Willett. District Commissioner of Education—S. A. Barnes.

STAMFORD DISTRICT. J. G. Miller, Presiding Elder. Albany—O. P. Clark. Avoca and Bethel—H. H. Liles. Bomarton—L. N. Lipscomb. Goree—J. H. Watts. Haskell Station—W. P. Garvin. Haskell Mission—L. L. Mills, supply. Munday—W. C. Childers. Seymour Station—Ben Hardy. Seymour Mission—W. M. Murrell, supply. Stamford, St. John's—W. E. Lyons. Throckmorton Station—F. L. Meador. Throckmorton Mission—E. A. Cox, supply. Ward Memorial and Luaders—W. B. McCown. Weinert—V. H. Trammell. Woodson—J. W. Watson. Westover—Ed. Tharp. President of Stamford College—W. K. Strother. Commissioner of Education of Stamford College—C. B. Meador. Student Southwestern University—O. B. Annis. Missionary to Bohemians—Chas. Chval. District Commissioner of Education—Ben Hardy.

SWEETWATER DISTRICT. J. M. Sherman, Presiding Elder. Blackwell—G. H. Gattis. Colorado—R. A. Clements. Camp Springs—J. E. Yeats. Fluvanna—S. H. Young. Hermleigh and Dunn—C. C. Wright. Ira—J. R. Plant. Lorraine—C. E. Jameson. Roby and Royston—J. D. Crockett. Roscoe—M. W. Clark. Snyder—J. W. Hunt.

Sweetwater Station—Simeon Shaw. Sweetwater Mission—J. C. Moore. Westbrook Circuit—C. F. Carmack. District Commissioner of Education—J. W. Hunt.

VERNON DISTRICT. J. G. Putman, Presiding Elder. Childers Station—J. T. Griswold; A. T. Culbertson, superintendent. Childers Mission—J. O. Quattlebaum. Chillicothe—M. Phelan. Crowell—R. A. Stewart. Dumont—J. W. Martin. Estelline—T. B. Hilburn. Kirkland—T. J. Rea. Lazarre—J. S. Sessums, supply. Margaret—J. B. Wood. Odell—Leslie Robeson. Paducah—C. S. Cameron. Quannah Station—C. S. Wyatt. Quannah Mission—R. E. Burns. Tolbert—J. A. Laney. Tell—J. L. Rucker. Vernon Station—A. W. Hall; L. E. Riddle, superintendent. Vernon Circuit—L. B. Tooley. District Commissioner of Education—G. S. Wyatt. Conference Commissioner of Education—Rev. C. M. Woodward.

TRANSFERRED—A. C. Smith, Central Texas Conference; S. R. Twitty, Little Rock Conference; T. S. Barcus, Central Texas Conference; L. S. Meyers, West Texas Conference; T. E. Graham, East Oklahoma Conference; D. B. Dook, Ira C. Kiker, Gordon B. Carter, North Texas Conference; W. E. Garrison, East Oklahoma Conference; Lavincie Jackson, New Mexico Conference.

TEXAS CONFERENCE

BEAUMONT DISTRICT. E. W. Solomon, Presiding Elder. Beaumont, First Church and City Mission—W. J. Johnson and I. B. Manly. Beaumont, Roberts Ave.—L. J. Power. Batson and Saratoga—John A. Moore. Burkeville—R. M. Stewart, supply. Call Mission—L. Christian, supply. Dayton—J. W. Bridges. Jasper Station—F. D. Dawson. Jasper Mission—John A. Henderson, supply. Kirbyville—P. K. White. Kountze—A. G. Scruggs. Kountze Mission—J. W. Wiggins, supply. Liberty Circuit—A. E. Blount, supply. Nederland—J. C. Stewart. Newton—W. A. Belcher. Orange—A. S. Whitehurst. Port Arthur—W. H. Crum. Port Bolivar and Stowell—A. L. Conner. Siblee—O. W. Hooper. Sour Lake and China Weems Wootton. Wallisville—J. F. Wallace, supply. Warren—T. E. Bledsoe. Woodville—W. C. Hughes.

BRENHAM DISTRICT. S. W. Thomas, Presiding Elder. Brenham—C. F. Smith. Bay City—J. F. Carter. Bellville—G. C. Cravy. Brookshire and Patterson—T. S. Williford. Bay City Mission—George E. Kemp. Caldwell—C. U. McLarty. Chappell Hill—F. O. Favre. Goldsboro—T. S. Ogil. Glen Flora—J. P. Hardy. Hempstead—M. P. Hines. Lexington—John L. Williams. Lexington Mission—H. B. Daily. Lyons—S. W. Stokely. Matagorda and Lane City—D. S. Burke. Knox City—J. H. Hamblen. Richmond—W. G. Harbin. Rockdale—E. G. Cook. Rosenburg—G. V. Ridley. Sealy—G. W. Riley. Somerville—C. M. Myers. Thorndale—J. E. Buttrill. Wallis and Eubank—W. W. Horner. Walker—L. E. Weatherly. Wharton—W. F. Davis. Student University of Chicago—Nathan Powell. (Brenham Quarterly Conference.)

HOUSTON DISTRICT. James Kilgore, Presiding Elder. Houston, First Church—C. S. Wright. Houston, St. Paul's—R. H. Hay. Houston, Grace—E. W. Potter. Houston, Woodland Heights—H. M. Whaling. Houston, McKee Street—I. F. Key. Houston, McAshan—Harold G. Cooke. Houston, Washington Ave.—J. O. Coppage. Houston, Brunner—H. K. Morehead. Houston, Tabernacle—W. G. Harbin. Houston, Trinity—W. F. Smith. Harrisburg—R. E. Ledbetter. Angleton—F. G. Clark. Alvin—A. N. Goforth. Brazoria—L. H. Bradford. Columbia—J. W. Cullen. Arcadia—F. C. Brown, supply. Cedar Bayou—A. P. Bradford. Galveston, First Church—O. E. Goddard. Galveston, West End—W. M. Sherrill. Humble—J. B. Bell. Katy—D. B. Boddie. League City—M. Wilson, supply. Iowa Colony—E. D. McCann, supply. Seabrook and Pasadena—E. J. Harris. Texas City—H. V. Watts. Velasco—C. E. Clark. Port Missionary to the United States Immigration Station—J. E. Reischneider. (Galveston, First Church Q. C.) Secretary Washington City Church Commission—George S. Sexton. (Houston, St. Paul's Q. C.) Student American University—L. A. Graham. (Tabernacle Q. C.) Field Editor of Texas Christian Advocate and Agent Superannuate Homes—J. E. Green. (Tabernacle Q. C.)

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT. J. B. Turrentine, Presiding Elder. Alto Station—W. W. Armstrong. Alto Circuit—C. B. Fuller, supply. Athens Station—E. H. Collins. Brushy Creek—A. A. Rider. Bullard—C. E. W. Smith. Cushing—J. D. Womack; H. T. Pitman, junior preacher, supply. Elkhart—J. I. Weatherly. Eustace—A. G. Coleman. Frankston—Preston Florence. Gallatin—W. B. Moon. Jacksonville Station—L. B. Elrod; B. R. Bolton, superintendent. Jacksonville Circuit—J. C. Huddleston. Kelys—J. M. Mills. LaRue—A. H. Callaway, supply. Malakoff—E. C. Escoe. Mt. Selman—A. L. Houston. Neches—John M. Cochran. Oveston and Arp—M. F. Wells. Palestine, Centenary—F. T. Ramsey. Palestine, Grace—J. W. Campbell. Rusk—C. W. Hughes. Red Lawn—M. F. Daniel. Trapp—T. R. Morehead. Transcend—D. F. Pulley, supply. Commissioner of Education Alexander Collegiate Institute—A. A. Kidd. (Jacksonville Q. C.) Commissioner of Education Southwestern Uni-

versity—C. T. Tally. (Jacksonville Q. C.) District Missionary Evangelist—C. E. Mock. (Kelys Q. C.) Secretary Y. M. C. A., Ennis, Texas—H. H. Davis.

MARLIN DISTRICT. I. F. Betts, Presiding Elder. Bremond—C. E. Garrett. Buckholts—W. H. Beaty. Calvert—J. D. F. Houck. Cameron—W. D. White. Centerville—T. C. Sharp. Davilla—O. O. Gaston. Durango—S. W. Lowe. Fairfield and Dew—W. A. Craven. Franklin—Allen Tooke. Gause—J. W. Cole. Hearne—L. H. McGee. Jewett—J. L. Red. Kosay—O. F. Zimmerman. Leona Mission—E. A. Sample, supply. Lott Station—I. E. Thomas. Marlin—W. F. Packard. Marquez Mission—J. R. Tidwell, supply. Maysfield—S. A. Weimer. Normange—R. H. Lewelling. Rosebud Station—A. A. Wagnon. Rosebud Mission—To be supplied. Teague Station—A. T. Walker. Travis and Chilton—R. S. Marshall. Wheelock—J. F. Garrett. Professor Southwestern University—Frank Seay. (Marlin Q. C.) Manager Texas Methodist Orphanage—R. A. Burroughs. (Marlin Q. C.) Bohemian Missionary—J. M. Vondracek. (Rosebud Q. C.)

MARSHALL DISTRICT. F. M. Boyles, Presiding Elder. Beckville Circuit—J. W. Treadwell. Bethany Mission—I. O. Dent. Church Hill Circuit—Frank Platt. Gilmer Station—H. M. Timmons. Gilmer Mission—L. L. Owen. Hallville—M. I. Brown. Harleton—C. M. Kennedy. Harrison Circuit—J. M. Smith. Henderson—C. A. Tower. Jefferson—H. T. Perritte. Kelleyville—W. J. Cannon. Kilgore—A. J. McKey. Laneville—John Cockrell. Longview—H. C. Willis. Marshall, First Church—J. W. Bergin. Marshall, Summit Street—W. W. Gollubugh. Rosewood—J. S. Wilson, supply. Conference Missionary Secretary—J. W. Bergin.

NAVASOTA DISTRICT. E. L. Shettles, Presiding Elder. Anderson—R. O. Wier. Augusta—H. A. Abney, supply. Bryan and Brazos County Mission—Glenn Flinn; J. C. Thomson, junior preacher. Cleveland and Shepherd—T. W. St. John, supply. Cold Springs—W. T. Ayers. Conroe Station—J. W. Johnson; A. L. Carnes, superintendent. Crockett Station—D. H. Hotchkiss; H. T. Swartz, superintendent. Grapeland and Lovelady—H. A. Matney. Groveton—C. C. Bell. Madisonville—J. E. Morgan. Millican—E. Binford. Midway—Ed. Frayer, supply. Montgomery—S. D. Harger. Navasota—J. L. Massey. Onalaska—J. W. Wardlaw. Oakhurst and Dodge—A. J. Frick, supply. Shiro—D. W. Gardner. Trinity—H. B. Smith. Willis and New Waverly—W. L. Pate. Walker County Mission—J. L. Webb, supply. Porter Springs—R. F. Hodges, supply. Chaplain State Penitentiary—W. T. McDonald. (Huntsville Q. C.) Chaplain United States Army—E. P. Newsom. (Huntsville Q. C.) Bohemian Missionary—Joseph Dobes. (Bryan Q. C.)

PITTSBURG DISTRICT. O. T. Hotchkiss, Presiding Elder. Atlanta—E. D. Watson. Boston—R. J. Deets, supply. Cason—W. W. Adams. Cookville—J. M. Honeycutt, supply. Cornet—G. M. Yearwood. Dangersfield—L. H. Adams. Dalby Springs—J. E. White. Douglasville—D. A. Williams. Linden Springs—L. B. Saxon. Ludden—J. T. Hooks. Mt. Pleasant—G. L. Taylor. Nash—A. G. Hall. Naples and Omaha—B. C. Anderson. New Boston and DeKalb—M. N. Terrell. Pittsburg Station—Jesse Lee. Pittsburg Circuit—B. C. Ansley. Queen City—J. S. Hendrick. Redwater—T. D. McCarty. Texarkana, First Church—Geo. W. Davis. Texarkana, Hardy Memorial—C. T. Cummings. Winfield—S. N. Allen, White. Winnboro Circuit—J. H. Westmoreland, supply; Gus Garrison, superintendent. Commissioner of Education Southern Methodist University—W. W. Watts. (Pittsburg Q. C.)

TIMPSON DISTRICT. J. W. Mills, Presiding Elder. Appleby Mission—J. T. Kirkpatrick. Burke and Diboll—P. S. Wilson. Carthage—H. J. Hayes. Center Station—C. B. Garrett. Center Circuit—J. B. Ross. Center Station—C. Callaway. Garrison Station—J. L. Dawson. Gary Mission—W. W. Thomas, supply. Geneva Mission—N. A. Griffin, supply. Hemphill and Bronson—J. B. Luker. Kennard—W. F. Campbell. Livingston—J. F. Kidey. Huntington and Manning—L. F. Smith, supply. Lufkin—W. H. Vance. Melrose—R. B. Jones. Mt. Enterprise and Caro—L. H. Mathison. Nacogdoches—S. S. McKenney. Pinehill—C. J. Atkinson. San Augustine—J. W. Goodwin. Shelbyville—R. L. Bridges, supply. Tenaha—R. E. Beard. Tempan—M. L. Lindsey. Student Southwestern University—Walton Day. (Nacogdoches Q. C.)

TYLER DISTRICT. J. T. Smith, Presiding Elder. Alba Circuit—J. R. Ritchie. Big Sandy—I. F. Pace. Ben Wheeler—L. F. Jewell. Canton—W. L. Russell. Collins—P. I. Milton. Mineola—J. C. Carr. Edom and Chandler—E. P. Swindall. Emory—W. H. Edwards; J. W. Cummings, junior preacher. Grand Saline—L. L. Lloyd. Lindale—W. S. Easterling. Mineola—J. C. Carr. Mineola Mission—L. G. Rogers, supply. Mt. Sylvan—M. J. Bigger. Murchison—L. E. Green. Quitman—W. M. Bass. Tyler, Marvin—W. F. Andrews. Tyler, Cedar Street—J. E. Luker. Tyler Circuit—W. A. Foude.

Whitehouse—J. M. Fuller. Willis Point—E. L. Ingram. Willis Point Circuit—G. M. Fletcher, supply.

TRANSFERRED—H. O. Moore, to the West Oklahoma Conference; C. M. Simpson, to the North Texas Conference; Thos. I. Beck, to the New Mexico Conference; Thos. G. Whitten, to North Texas Conference.

NORTH TEXAS

BONHAM DISTRICT. Rev. W. W. Watts, Presiding Elder. Bailey Circuit—J. R. Atchley. Bonham Station—J. Sam Barcus. Bonham Mission—E. H. Coburn. Brookston and High—I. S. Ashburn. Dodd Circuit—J. L. Johnson. Ector—W. H. Brown. Honey Grove Station—C. B. Fladger. Honey Grove Circuit—R. P. Buck. Laonia Station—J. M. Sweeton. Leonard Station—J. F. Alderson. Ravenna Mission—J. A. Wheeler. Trenton Circuit—M. C. Dobbs. Telephone Mission—R. T. Breedlove. White Rock and Petty—A. P. Hightower. Windom Circuit—B. B. Hall. District Commissioner of Education—I. S. Ashburn. Commissioner of Education Southern Methodist University—Rev. O. S. Thomas.

BOWIE DISTRICT. T. H. Morris, Presiding Elder. Archer City—J. R. Wages. Bellevue Station—J. W. Beck. Blue Grove Circuit, W. R. Kirkpatrick. Bowie Station—W. L. Tittle. Byers Circuit—J. L. Sullivan. Burkburnet Station—W. F. Davis. Burkburnet Mission—W. H. Vail, supply. Crafton Circuit—S. M. Oanby. Dundee Mission—G. R. Slagle. Electra—R. N. Huckabee. Henrietta Station—F. A. Crutchfield. Iowa Park Circuit—H. B. Johnston. Megargel Mission—A. Wall, supply. Nocona Station—N. R. Stone. Petrolia Circuit—J. D. Thomas. Post Oak Mission—W. R. Arnold, supply. Ringgold Mission—P. S. Warren. Sunset Circuit—R. L. Patterson, supply. Yashti Circuit—L. E. Tannery. Wichita Falls Station—J. W. Hill. President Southwestern University—C. M. Bishop. (Wichita Falls Quarterly Conference.) District Commissioner of Education—F. A. Crutchfield.

DECATUR DISTRICT. S. C. Riddle, Presiding Elder. Alvord Station—W. J. Wilson. Argyle Circuit—M. C. Sooter. Bryson and Jermyn—W. A. Thomas. Boyd and Garvin—H. K. Acee. Bridgeport Station—T. M. Kirk. Bridgeport Mission—Clarence Bonds, supply. Bridgeport Mexican Mission—Santiago Gomez, supply. Chico Circuit—E. L. Silliman. Decatur Station—A. R. Naah. Decatur Circuit—G. B. Carter. Greenwood Mission—T. E. Cannon. Justin and Ponder—C. N. Smith. Jacksboro Station—L. P. Smith. Jacksboro Mission—C. M. Clark. Krum and Sidel—L. D. Shawver. Paradise Circuit—W. W. Barnett. Perrin and Barton—G. W. Green, supply. Rhome Circuit—J. W. Glance. Roanoke and Elizabeth—E. H. Crandall. Willow Point—T. J. Durham, supply. District Commissioner of Education—L. D. Shawver.

DALLAS DISTRICT. O. F. Sensabaugh, Presiding Elder. Cedar Hill—J. T. Hudworth. Cochran and Maple Aves.—A. B. Chapman, supply. Dallas—Cole Ave.—J. H. Taylor, supply. Ervay Street—W. D. Thompson. First Church, G. M. Gibson. Forest Ave.—E. L. Wright. Grace Church—J. L. Morris. Munger Place—L. L. Cohen. Oak Cliff—E. R. Barcus. Oak Lawn—Claude M. Simpson. St. John's—Walter Douglas. Trinity—New Harris; H. A. Bourland, superintendent. Tyler Street—C. O. Shugart. West Dallas Mission—W. W. Johnson. Duncaneville and Wheatland—C. P. Combs. Grand Prairie—D. B. Doak. New Texas Christian Advocate—G. C. Rankin. (First Church Q. C.) Secretary Home Missions—John M. Moore. (First Church Q. C.) Agency Secretary American Bible Society—J. J. Morgan. (Oak Cliff Q. C.) Commissioner Southern Methodist University—L. S. Barton. (Oak Lawn Q. C.) Commissioner Southern Methodist University—J. T. McClure. (Ervay Q. C.) District Commissioner Education—Walter Douglas. District Missionary Evangelist—T. G. Whitten. (Tyler St. Q. C.)

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT. J. F. Pierce, Presiding Elder. Aubrey Circuit—H. C. Hand; J. W. Tinchler and I. E. Wood, supernumeraries. Bonita Circuit—H. M. Cowling. Denton Station—O. T. Cooper. Dexter Mission—J. W. Cannon. Era and Spring Creek—J. W. Clifton. Gainesville, Denton Street—J. L. Pierce. Broadway—T. J. Beckham. Marysville Circuit—M. A. Stout. Myra and Hood—J. W. Slagle. Pilot Point Station—G. A. Lehnhoff. Pilot Point Circuit—Earl M. Jones; J. M. Henry, junior preacher, supply. Ronston Mission—H. M. Isbell, supply. Sanger Station—R. E. Porter. St. Jo Mission—E. V. Cole. Valley View Station—T. W. Preston. Woodbine Circuit—J. E. Henderson, supply. Montague Circuit—S. E. Pritchett. District Commissioner of Education—O. T. Cooper. Chaplain State Juvenile Training School—J. A. Stafford. (Denton St. Q. C.) Commissioner Southwestern University—J. E. Roach. (Broadway Q. C.)

GREENVILLE DISTRICT. C. M. Harless, Presiding Elder. Caddo Mills Circuit—E. F. Brown. Campbell Circuit—J. V. Davis. Celeste Circuit—L. E. Conkin; H. M. Cosby, superintendent. Commerce Station—R. F. Bryant; A. W. Gibson, superintendent. Fairlie Mission—J. B. Adair. Floyd and Saven—L. L. Naugle. Greenville, Kavanaugh—C. C. Young. Lee Street—T. N. Weeks. Wesley—E. W. Alderson E. L. Spurlock, superintendent. Greenville and Cash Mission—C. H. Russell; Willie McGaw, junior preacher. Jones Bethel and Wesley—S. L. Crowson. Lone Oak Circuit—W. H. Wright.

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 Quinlan Circuit—N. W. Oliver; Harrison  
 Baker, junior preacher.  
 Wolfe City Station—J. H. McLean.  
 Conference Secretary of Education—E. W.  
 Alderson.  
 District Commissioner of Education—C. C.  
 Young.  
 President of Wesley College—D. H. Aston.  
 (Kavanaugh Q. C.)  
 Commissioner of Education for Wesley Col-  
 lege—C. L. Bounds. (Lee Street Q. C.)  
 District Missionary Evangelist for Greenville  
 and Paris Districts—R. N. Huckabee. (Wes-  
 ley Q. C.)

**McKINNEY DISTRICT.**

C. A. Spragins, Presiding Elder.  
 Allen and South McKinney—R. B. Curry.  
 Anna and Melisa—C. C. Childress.  
 Blue Ridge Circuit—C. F. McKinney.  
 Carrollton and Farmer's Branch—D. F. Fuller.  
 Celina Station—J. F. Archer.  
 Copeville Circuit—J. J. Cooper.  
 Farmersville Station—P. C. Archer.  
 Frisco Station—Ira C. Kiser.  
 Josephine and Lavon—W. E. Barber.  
 Lewisville Station—Minor Bounds.  
 McKinney, First Church—C. A. Long.  
 Nevada Station—J. O. Davis.  
 Plano Station—Rex B. Wilkes.

Prosper Circuit—R. L. Ely.  
 Princeton and Wilson Chapel—J. D. Cunning-  
 ham.  
 Renner Circuit—J. E. Short.  
 Richardson Circuit—G. F. Jones.  
 Roseland and Cottage Hill—W. E. Kirby.  
 Weston Circuit—E. F. Lancaster.  
 Wylie Station—C. B. Golson.  
 District Commissioner of Education—C. A.  
 Long.  
 Agent for Homes for Superannuates—F. O.  
 Miller. (First Church Q. C.)

**PARIS DISTRICT.**

W. F. Bryan, Presiding Elder.  
 Annona Circuit—K. R. Isbell.  
 Avery Mission—J. J. Mason.  
 Blossom Station—A. F. Hendrix.  
 Bogata Circuit—W. E. Dale.  
 Clarksville Station—J. H. Griffin.  
 Clarksville Mission—W. A. Pritchett.  
 Detroit Station—T. W. Lovell.  
 Deport Station—H. E. Anderson.  
 Detroit Circuit—A. D. Hill, supply.  
 Emberson Circuit—J. D. Hudgins.  
 Paris, Bonham Street—W. J. Bludworth.  
 Paris, Centenary—M. L. Hamilton; W. D.  
 Mountcastle, supernumerary.  
 Lamar Avenue—W. T. Whiteside.  
 Paris Circuit—I. M. Woodward.  
 McKenzie Circuit—J. W. Baughman.

Pattonville Circuit—J. W. O'Bryant.  
 Roton—C. L. Bowen.  
 White Rock and Williams Chapel—J. W. Beck-  
 ham.  
 Woodland and Kanawha—F. C. Adams.  
 District Commissioner of Education—H. E.  
 Anderson.  
 Field Editor Texas Christian Advocate—E. S.  
 Hursey. (Centenary Q. C.)  
 Conference Missionary Secretary—M. L. Ham-  
 ilton.

**SHERMAN DISTRICT.**

R. G. Mood, Presiding Elder.  
 Bells Circuit—Frank Richardson.  
 Collinsville and Tioga—R. S. Kerr.  
 Denison, Waples Memorial—E. L. Egger.  
 Trinity—E. A. Maness.  
 Mission—W. A. Fleming supply.  
 Hagerman Mission—D. W. Grounds, supply.  
 Howe Circuit—G. W. Whisler.  
 Pilot Grove Circuit—A. T. Bridges.  
 Pottsboro and Preston—M. R. T. Davis.  
 Sherman, Key Memorial—R. B. Moreland.  
 Travis Street—D. K. Porter; S. L. Ball,  
 supernumerary.  
 Sherman Circuit—J. H. Averitt.  
 Sadler and Gordonville—J. D. Whitehead.  
 Van Alstyne Station—J. F. Holmes.  
 Whitewright Station—F. B. Wheeler.

Whitesboro—W. R. McCarter.  
 North Texas Female College—Business Man-  
 ager, L. A. Hansen. (Travis Street Q. C.)  
 Financial Agent, J. M. Binkley. (Travis  
 Street Q. C.)  
 District Commissioner of Education—F. B.  
 Wheeler.

**SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT.**

R. C. Hicks, Presiding Elder.  
 Brashear Mission—J. S. Hughes, supply.  
 Cooper Station—S. M. Black.  
 Como and Forest Academy—J. H. Scrimshire.  
 Cumby Circuit—J. Leonard Rea.  
 Klondike Circuit—H. L. White.  
 Lake Creek Circuit—J. C. Gibbons.  
 Mount Vernon Circuit—N. C. Little; W. J.  
 Baker, junior preacher, supply.  
 Pecan Gap and Ben Franklin—W. B. Byars.  
 Purley Circuit—W. B. Martin.  
 Reiley Springs Circuit—Rev. DeWitt Hotch-  
 kiss, supply.  
 Sulphur Bluff Circuit, C. W. Glanville.  
 Sulphur Springs Station—J. B. Gober.  
 Sulphur Springs Mission—Alex. Hubbard.  
 Winnboro Station—E. H. Casey.  
 Yowell Circuit—S. L. Habern.  
 District Commissioner of Education—J. H.  
 Scrimshire.  
 Conference Missionary Evangelist—W. H.  
 Brown. (Sulphur Springs Q. C.)

**TERRELL DISTRICT.**

A. L. Andrews, Presiding Elder.  
 Chisholm Circuit—E. G. Roberts.  
 College Mound—E. L. Harris.  
 Crandall and Seagoville—O. T. Rogers.  
 Elmo Mission—I. A. Thomas.  
 Fane Circuit—A. C. Sterling.  
 Forney Station—L. A. Burk.  
 Garland Station—O. E. Moreland.  
 Hutchins and Wilmer—J. P. Humphreys.  
 Kaufman Station—W. A. Stuckey.  
 Kemp and Becker—M. H. Read.  
 Lancaster Station—S. T. Francis.  
 Mabank Mission—E. B. Jackson.  
 Mesquite and Pleasant Mound—T. L. Huff-  
 stutler.  
 Mesquite Circuit—J. W. Brown.  
 Rockwall Station—C. W. Dennis.  
 Royse Station—W. C. Howell.  
 Scurry Mission—H. B. Chambers.  
 Terrell Station—G. C. French.  
 District Commissioner of Education—W. C.  
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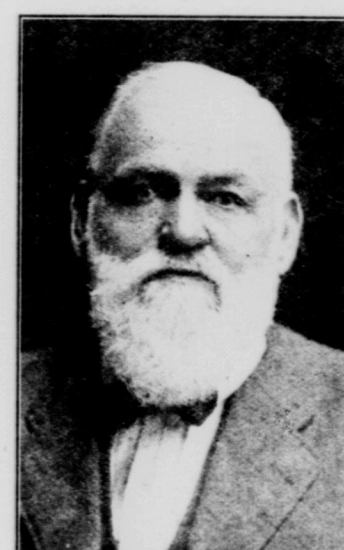


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**History Of The General Conferences Since The Christmas Conference, 1784  
 Before The Separation In 1844**

1784—The Christmas Conference, or first General Conference, was opened in Lovely Lane Church, Baltimore, Maryland, at 10 a. m., December 24, 1784. Freeborn Garretson, after six weeks of travel, covering over 1200 miles throughout the United States, brought together 60 out of the 81 ministers. Bishop Coke, having been ordained by Wesley before leaving England, presented Wesley's Letters Credential, the famous magna charta of Episcopal Methodism in America. Upon its adoption, the Episcopal Church in America was formed. Asbury was elected Superintendent. Liturgy, as prepared by Wesley, ordered read in the congregations. This was the first Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It was authorized that the sacraments and ordinances, according to Episcopal form, be celebrated in American Churches. Mr. Wesley's plan adopted.

1792—The Second General Conference assembled in Baltimore, Maryland, November 1. Revision of Discipline undertaken. "Shall the Bishop appoint the preachers?" and "Shall the preachers be allowed an appeal?" were the main questions. The O'Kelley schism resulted, afterwards known as the "Republican Methodists," "The Christian Church," "The Independent Christian Baptist Church," and other offshoots now extinct. Name of presiding elder appears for the first time in the Discipline. Provision made for trial of preachers and arbitration between members. Right of appeal from lower to higher Church-court secured. This conference provided for the assembling of a similar body.

1796—The Third General Conference assembled in Baltimore, Maryland, October 20. The whole Connection divided into the "six original conferences." They were: New England, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Virginia, South Carolina and the Western Conference. The "Charter Fund" instituted, the object of which is now in our Superannuated Fund. "Deed of Settlement," securing and protecting Church property enacted. Agreement that lo-

cal preachers be ordained deacons. Arrangement for trial of local preachers with the right of appeal. Resolution to strengthen the Episcopacy introduced.

1800—The Fourth General Conference assembled in Baltimore, Maryland, May 6. Resolved that General Conference should consist only of elders who had traveled four years. Annual Conferences directed to send journals to General Conference for revision. Annual Conferences ordered to pay salary of Bishops, instead of leaving them to private liberality, or dependent on some society for support. Recommended the purchase of ground and erection of parsonages. Salary of itinerants raised four dollars per quarter, making it \$80. Rule abolished requiring preachers to give account of private gifts. New York Conference added, making seven instead of six. Resolution passed to elect an additional Bishop. Richard Whatcoat elected by majority of four votes. Vote on proposition that General Conference be a delegated body was negative.

1804—The Fifth General Conference assembled in Baltimore, Maryland, in May. Proposition for a delegated General Conference up again. Negative again, with the provision for its submission to the Annual Conferences and the result to be brought before the General Conference of 1808. This year marks the great camp-meeting era in American Methodism. Discipline examined by paragraph and vote taken on each separate item. Rule adopted that Bishops allow Annual Conferences to sit one week. Pastorate on charges limited to two years. Discipline ordered printed in two parts—Spiritual and Temporal. The first part ordered for the use of the negroes in the South. Rule for the expulsion of marriage with "unawakened" persons modified, so as to "place them back on trial."

1808—The Sixth General Conference assembled in Baltimore, Maryland. Like all the General Conferences gone before, it was a conventional and not a delegated body. Out of the one hundred and twenty-nine members reported in the minutes, Philadelphia and Baltimore alone had almost the majority and power. The former had thirty-two, and the latter thirty-one.

The whole Discipline was at the mercy of a mere majority. The great question of a delegated body forced itself upon them. A committee of fourteen—two from each of the seven conferences—was ordered to draw up a plan. This committee detailed a sub-committee to make separate drafts. Joshua Soule's paper provided for a general superintendency in the itinerancy. The great issue in the conferen was: "The General Conference shall not do away with the Episcopacy, nor reduce our ministry to a presbyterial parity." The plan contained the following important restrictions, and may be considered the Constitution of American Methodism:

- 1—The General Conference shall not revoke, alter, or change our Articles of Religion, nor establish any new standards or rules of doctrine contrary to our present existing and established standards of doctrine.
- 2—They shall not allow of more than one representative for every five members of the Annual Conference, nor allow of a less number than one for every seven.
- 3—No rule of government could be so altered as to do away with the Episcopacy.
- 4—The General Rules of the United Societies could not be changed.
- 5—The privileges of trial and appeal must remain with the ministry and membership.
- 6—The produce of the Book Concern and the Charter Fund could be used only for its original purpose.
- 7—Provided, any of the above restrictions could be changed only upon the joint recommendation of all the Annual Conferences and a majority of two-thirds of the succeeding General Conference. William McKendree was elected Bishop. Bishop Coke was the great missionary Bishop among the peoples of the West Indies, Wales, Ireland and Africa.

1812—The Seventh General Conference assembled in New York, May 1. This was the first delegated conference and was composed of ninety members. The civil government had passed the ordeal of the first Congress under the Federal Constitution. Now was to be tested the fealty of Methodism's representative in the highest judiciary of the Church to the Constitution itself. At the opening Bishop McKendree made a communication in writing. It was distributed among appropriate committees by portions. This marked

the birth of our time-honored custom of Episcopal Addresses. Local deacons made eligible to the office of elders.

1816—The Eighth General Conference assembled in Baltimore, Maryland, May 1. This was the second delegated conference. Episcopal Address read. Enoch George and Robert R. Roberts elected to the Bishopric. The select committee on slavery reports that "the evil seems to be past remedy." The Course of Study for candidates for the ministry instituted in this conference—the first in the history of the Church. The process of dividing the work, and for the alternation of the fields, first instituted among the Bishops at this conference. In addition to the address to this General Conference, Bishop Asbury leaves his valedictory, addressed to Bishop McKendree.

1820—The Ninth General Conference assembled in Baltimore, Maryland, May 1. Composed of eighty-nine delegates, from eleven conferences. Bishop McKendree presents the Episcopal address. Missionary Society organized. Educational interests set forward. District Conferences for local preacher's created. Slavery legislation prominent. Canadian Methodism question up. Joshua Soule elected Bishop. Soule was the author of the Constitution of the Methodist Church passed at the General Conference of 1808. He was not ordained because, by his own volition he refused to abide by the resolution touching the question of presiding elders and the manner of their appointment. The suspended resolutions cause great turmoil throughout the Church.

1824—The Tenth General Conference assembled in Baltimore, May 1. The three Bishops and about one hundred and twenty-five delegates were present. This body was stirred by the memorials which poured in. Such as, "The people were the source of legislative authority;" "The power of the Bishops was to be found nowhere else but in the popes;" "We have no Constitution;" "The restrictive parts of the Discipline are not binding on succeeding General Conferences after 1808; nor "upon the laity, as they were made by a legislative body, without the design or authority to adopt a Constitution." The great question of the election of presiding elders, which

was "the suspended question," is up again. The constitutionalists won. The feeling was at high tide. Resolution passed that Bishops have annual meeting to plan work. This was the origin of our "May Meetings" as we understand them now.

1828—The Eleventh General Conference assembled at Pittsburgh, Pa., May 1. This was the first conference ever held west of the Alleghamies. William Capers chosen as a delegate to English Methodism. The presiding elder question disposed of. The first formal amendment to the Constitution in the history of the Church initiated. In the conference of 1824 Upper Canada had been constituted a separate conference on a mutual division with the British Conference. At this conference (1828) the five delegates of the Canada Conference were seated, and represented 10,000 members. By their own choice they were set apart, but resolution does not appear until the Journal of 1832.

1832—The Twelfth General Conference met at Philadelphia, May 1. No less than six of the future Bishops were members of that body. Unanimously recommended that the ratio of membership be one in fourteen, and that no conference be without representation. This was the last conference Bishop McKendree ever attended and the first and only time Bishop Emory ever presided.

1836—The Thirteenth General Conference met in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 2. On motion of Nathan Bangs, and for the first time in the history of the Church, a Judiciary Committee was appointed. Its functions were defined in the motion—"To whom may be referred all appeals or complaints of any character against the acts and domes of an Annual Conference, etc." The conference committed itself squarely and strongly against "modern abolitionism." It is to be remembered there was no slavery legislation by the General Conferences 1828, 1832 or 1836, or until long after the division of the Church. Waugh, Morris and Fisk were elected Bishops. The last mentioned, on his return from Europe, declined to be ordained.

1840—The Fourteenth General Conference was held in Baltimore. The



contents of the Bishop's Address the absorbing theme. Constitutional powers of General Superintendents and the official rights of Annual and Quarterly Conferences were prominent questions. The subject of slavery caused heated debate. Out of these issues arose the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

**Since The Separation In 1844**

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**1850—The Second General Conference** was held in St. Louis, Mo., May 1-14, 1850. The conference did not organize until May 2 on account of the lack of a quorum on the first day. There were one hundred and one delegates present. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. The publication of a Sunday School paper at Charleston, S. C. was ordered. H. B. Bascom was elected Bishop.

**1854—The Third General Conference** was held at Columbus, Ga., May 1-31, 1854. There were one hundred and nineteen delegates. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. The Sunday School Society and the Tract Society were established. The commissioners in the suit against the Methodist Episcopal Church reported a decision by the Supreme Court in favor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. A Publishing House, to be established at Nashville, Tenn., was ordered. Revs.

**1844—The Fifteenth General Conference** held in New York City. The delegates from North and South, gathered with a felt sense of depression. The question of slave-holding the paramount issue. Great debate over Bishop Andrew. "Plan of separation" adopted. Property rights and interests warmly discussed. This marked the last year of united Episcopal Methodism.

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**1858—The Fourth General Conference** was held at Nashville, Tenn., May 1-31, 1858. There were one hundred and fifty-one delegates. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. The General Rule "forbidding the buying and selling of men, women and children with an intention to enslave them" was expunged. The office of Financial Secretary of the Publishing House was created. The ratio of representation in the General Conference was changed from one for every fourteen to one for every seventeen members of each Annual Conference.

**1862-66—The Fifth General Conference** was to have been held in New Orleans in April, 1862; but it did not meet, as the War between the States was then raging. It met in New Orleans, April 4 to May 3, 1866. There were one hundred and forty-nine delegates. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. Two Boards, the Foreign and the Domestic, were established. Bishops Andrews and Early retired from active service. The name of the Church was changed to Episcopal Methodist Church, subject to the approval of the Annual Conferences. The plan of lay representation in the Annual and General Conferences was adopted. The limit of the pastoral term was changed to four years. The Church Conference was ordered. The ratio of representation was changed from one for every seventeen to one for every twenty-eight members of each Annual Conference. W. M. Wightman, E. M. Marvin, D. S. Doggett, and H. N. McTyeire were elected Bishops.

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**1870—The Sixth General Conference** was held at Memphis, Tenn., May 4-26, 1870. There were one hundred and

twenty clerical and one hundred and six lay delegates. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. The plan of two Mission Boards was abolished. The District Conference was established. A commission was appointed to confer with delegates from the Colored Methodist Church on the subject of the organization of a General Conference for the latter. John C. Keener was elected Bishop.

**1874—The Seventh General Conference** was held in Louisville, Ky., May 1-26, 1874. There were one hundred and thirty-four clerical and one hundred and twenty-one lay delegates. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. Revs. A. S. Hunt and C. H. Fowler and Gen. Clinton B. Fisk were fraternal delegates from the Methodist Episcopal Church. The organization of the colored people into a separate Church was approved.

**1878—The Eighth General Conference** was held in Atlanta, Ga., May 1-25, 1878. There were one hundred and forty-nine clerical and one hundred and twenty-nine lay delegates. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. The Publishing House was reported insolvent. The Book Committee was instructed to put the House into liquidation in case no relief could be obtained. The Woman's Missionary Society was established. The Book Committee was given control of the Publishing House.

**1882—The Ninth General Conference** was held at Nashville, Tenn., May 1-25, 1882. There were one hundred and forty clerical and one hundred and twenty-nine lay delegates. Thomas O. Summers was Secretary. He died during the session, and John S. Martin was elected Secretary. The Book Committee reported the Publishing House debt funded. The matter of changing the name of the Church to Methodist Episcopal Church in America was referred to the Annual Conferences. A. W. Wilson, Linus Parker, J. C. Granbery and R. K. Hargrove were elected Bishops.

**1886—The Tenth General Conference** was held at Richmond, Va., May 5-25, 1886. John S. Martin was Secretary. There were one hundred and thirty-seven clerical and one hundred and thirty-one lay delegates. The connectional plan for the entertainment of the General Conference was adopted. A revision of the hymn book was

ordered. The Quarterly Review was adopted as a connectional publication. Plans for organizing Annual Conferences in China and Brazil were adopted. The Woman's Department of Church Extension was organized. W. W. Duncan, C. B. Galloway, E. R. Hendrix and Joseph S. Key were elected Bishops.

**1890—The Eleventh General Conference** was held in St. Louis, Mo., May 7-26, 1890. William P. Harrison was Secretary. There were one hundred and fifty-one clerical and one hundred and forty-three lay delegates. A general Board of Trustees was formed. An additional Secretary for the Board of Church Extension was elected. Two additional Secretaries for the Board of Missions were provided for. An Assistant Sunday School Editor was provided for. The Book Agents were ordered to publish at San Francisco the Pacific Methodist. Provision was made for establishing Epworth Leagues. A. G. Haygood and O. P. Fitzgerald were elected Bishops.

**1894—The Twelfth General Conference** was held at Memphis, Tenn., May 3-21, 1894. W. P. Harrison was Secretary. There were one hundred and seventy-two clerical and one hundred and seventy-one lay delegates. The ratio of representation was changed from one for every thirty-six to one for every forty-eight members of each Annual Conference. The licensing power was changed from the Quarterly to the District Conference. The Board of Education was established. W. W. Smith was elected Secretary of Education. The Epworth League Board was established, and S. A. Steel was elected Epworth League Secretary. Rev. John F. Goncher, D. D., was fraternal messenger from the Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. Alexander Sutherland from the Methodist Church of Canada, and Rev. T. Bowman Stevenson, D. D., from the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

**1898—The Thirteenth General Conference** was held in Baltimore, Md., May 5-23, 1898. There were one hundred and thirty-six clerical and one hundred and thirty-six lay delegates. J. J. Tigert was Secretary. Bishop Keener retired from active work. Warren A. Candler and H. C. Morrison were elected Bishops. Rev. J. F. Berry, D. D., and Hon. J. P. Dolliver, M. C., were fraternal delegates from the Methodist Episcopal Church. The

Woman's Parsonage Aid Society was changed to Woman's Home Mission Society. Vanderbilt University was made entirely connectional, the General Board of Education to confirm all trustees nominated by the Board of Trust. A commission to define the Constitution of the Church was appointed. The Book Committee was empowered to establish a Publishing House at Shanghai, China.

**1902—The Fourteenth General Conference** was held at Dallas, Texas, May 7-26, 1902. There were one hundred and thirty-nine clerical and one hundred and thirty-nine lay delegates. J. J. Tigert was Secretary. Bishops Fitzgerald, Hargrove and Granbery retired from active service. Rev. DeWitt C. Huntington, D. D., and Hon. John L. Bates, Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts, were fraternal messengers from the Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. F. Luke Wiseman from the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and Rev. Ralph Brecken, D. D., from the Methodist Church of Canada. The famous war claim matter, after much discussion, was adjusted. E. E. Hoss and A. Coke Smith were elected Bishops. The office of deaconess was provided for.

**1906—The Fifteenth General Conference** met in Birmingham, Ala., May 3-21. There were one hundred and forty-six clerical and one hundred and forty-six lay delegates. J. J. Tigert was Secretary until his election to the Bishopric, when A. F. Watkins was elected Secretary. All preachers in charge of pastoral work were authorized to perform the rites of baptism and matrimony. Rev. J. W. Sparling, D. D., was fraternal messenger from the Methodist Church of Canada. Rev. Dinsdale T. Young from the Wesleyan Methodist Church and Rev. W. S. Matthew, D. D., and Vice-President C. W. Fairbanks from the Methodist Episcopal Church. A resolution calling for a re-statement of faith was adopted and a special committee appointed. J. J. Tigert, Seth Ward and James Atkins were elected Bishops.

**1910—The Sixteenth General Conference** was held at Asheville, N. C., May 4-21, 1910. There were 155 clerical delegates and 155 lay. Rev. A. F. Watkins, D. D., was elected Secretary. The following were elected Bishops: Collins Denny, J. C. Kilgo, W. B. Murrah, W. R. Lambuth, R. G. Waterhouse, E. D. Mouzon and J. H.

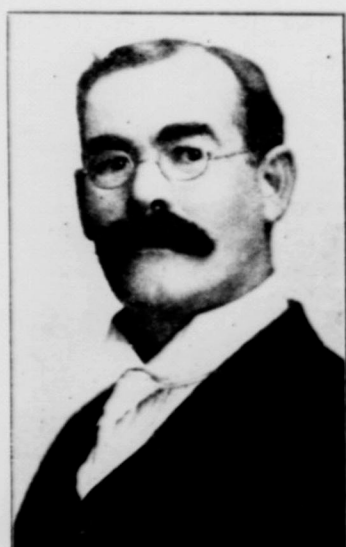
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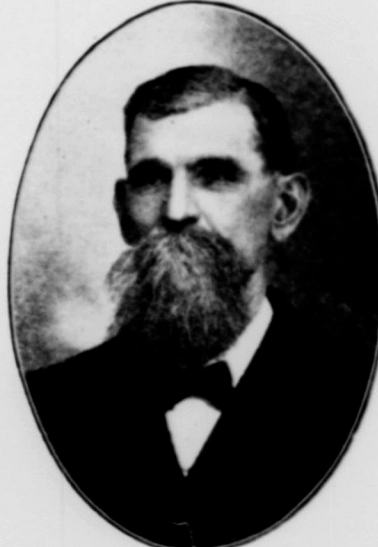
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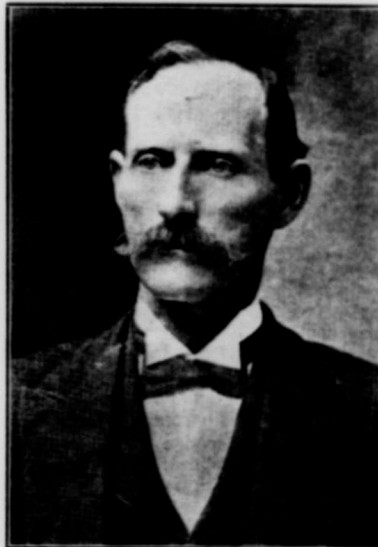
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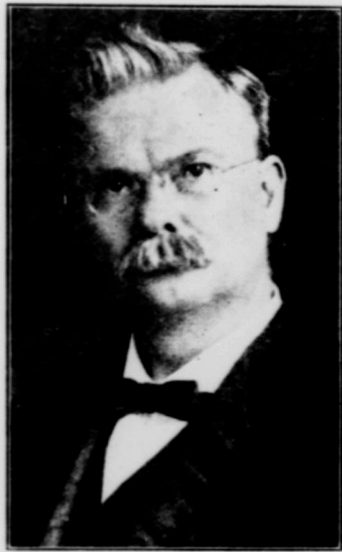
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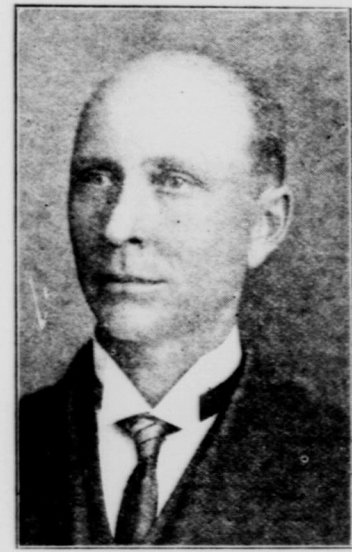
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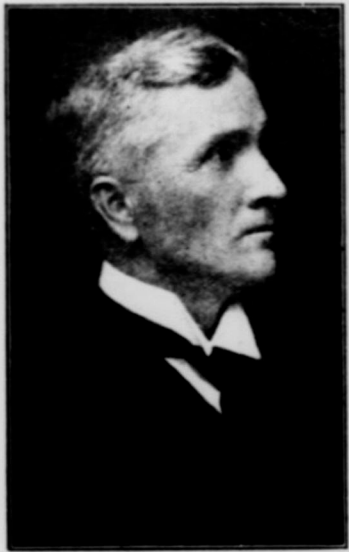
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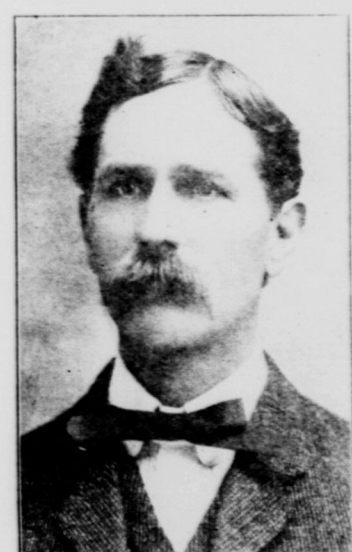
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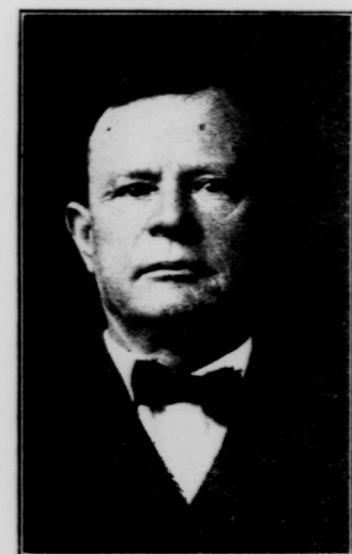
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McCoy. Bishop J. S. Key was placed on the superannuated list. The following fraternal messengers were present and delivered addresses: Canadian Methodist Church, Rev. W. R. Young, D. D.; British Wesleyan Church, Rev. John S. Simon; Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D.; Methodist Church in Japan, Bishop Y. Honda and Rev. M. Hori; Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. N. Luccock, D. D., and Gov. J. Frank Hanly; African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Rev. C. G. Clement; Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. C. L. Bonner. The Mission Departments were unified. A Commission of Appeals was created. Various changes in the Ritual were

made. Salaries of connectional officers were increased. The Bishops were requested to submit to the several Annual Conferences within the quadrennium the question: "Shall the name of the Church be changed from the 'Methodist Episcopal Church, South,' to the 'Methodist Episcopal Church in America?'" The report of the Vanderbilt Commission was adopted. The following new connectional officers were elected: Editor of the Christian Advocate, T. N. Ivey; Missionary Secretary, W. W. Pinson; Secretary Epworth Leagues, F. S. Parker; Secretary of Education, J. E. Dickey, who resigned and was succeeded by Stonewall Anderson.

op in 1846 in Petersburg, Va.; died in Anderson, South Carolina, Jan. 29, 1855; was 56 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 9 years.

**ROBERT PAINE.**

Born in Pierson County, North Carolina, Nov. 12, 1799; ordained Bishop in Petersburg, Va., 1846; died October 20, 1882; was 47 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 37 years.

**HENRY B. BASCOM.**

Born in Hancock, N. Y., May 27, 1796; ordained Bishop in 1850 in St. Louis, Mo.; died in Louisville, Ky., September of the same year; was 54 at age of ordination and was in the Bishopric less than one year.

**GEORGE F. PIERCE.**

Born in Greene County, Ga., Feb. 3, 1811; ordained Bishop in Columbus, Ga., in 1854; died in Georgia in 1884; was 43 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 30 years.

**JOHN EARLY.**

Born in Bedford County, Va., Jan. 1, 1786; ordained Bishop in Columbus, Ga., in 1854; died in Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 5, 1873; was 68 at age of ordination and was Bishop 39 years.

**HUBBARD H. KAVANAUGH.**

Born in Clark County, Ky., Jan. 14, 1802; ordained Bishop in Columbus, Ga., in 1854; died March 19, 1884; was 52 at age of ordination and was Bishop 30 years.

**WILLIAM M. WIGHTMAN.**

Born in Charleston, S. C., Jan. 29, 1808; ordained Bishop in New Orleans, La., in 1866; died Feb. 15, 1882; was 58 at age of ordination and was Bishop 16 years.

**E. M. MARVIN.**

Born in Warren County, Mo., June 12, 1823; ordained Bishop in New Orleans, La., in 1866; died Nov. 26, in St. Louis, Mo., and is buried in that city; was 43 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 11 years.

**D. S. DOGGETT.**

Born in Virginia in 1810; ordained Bishop in New Orleans, La., in 1866; died October 25, 1880; was 56 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 14 years.

**H. N. McTYEIRE.**

Born in Barnwell County, S. C., Feb. 28, 1824; ordained Bishop in New Orleans, La., in 1866; died in Nashville,

Tenn., in 1889; was 42 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 23 years.

**J. C. KEENER.**

Born in Baltimore, Md., Feb. 7, 1819; ordained Bishop in Memphis, Tenn., in 1870; died in New Orleans in 1906; was 51 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 39 years.

**A. W. WILSON.**

Born in Baltimore, Md., Feb. 5, 1834; ordained Bishop in Nashville, Tenn., in 1882; lives in Baltimore, Maryland, and is our Senior Bishop; was 48 at age of ordination, and has been a Bishop 32 years.

**LINUS PARKER.**

Born in Oneida County, N. Y., April 23, 1829; ordained Bishop in Nashville, Tenn., in 1882; died March 5, 1885; was 53 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 3 years.

**J. C. GRANBERY.**

Born in Norfolk, Va., December, 1829; ordained Bishop in Nashville, Tenn., in 1882; died in Richmond, Va., in 1907; was 53 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 25 years.

**R. K. HARGROVE.**

Born in Alabama, Sept. 17, 1829;

**Bishops of the M. E. Church, South**

**JOSHUA SOULE.**

Born in Bristol, Maine, August 1, 1781; elected Bishop in 1820 in Baltimore, Md., but declined; re-elected and ordained in Baltimore in 1824; died in Nashville, Tenn., March 6, 1867; was 43 at age of ordination and was a Bishop for 43 years.

**JAMES O. ANDREW.**

Born in Georgia, May 3, 1794; ordained Bishop in 1832 in Philadelphia, Pa.; died in New Orleans, March 2, 1871; was 37 at age of ordination and was a Bishop for 39 years.

**WILLIAM CAPERS.**

Born in St. Thomas' Parish, South Carolina, Jan. 26, 1790; ordained Bishop



ordained Bishop in Nashville, Tenn., in 1882; died in Nashville, Tennessee, 1905; was 53 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 23 years.

**W. W. DUNCAN.**

Born in Boydton, Va., Dec. 20, 1839; ordained Bishop in Richmond, Va., 1886; died in Spartanburg, South Carolina, 1908; was 47 years at age of ordination and was a Bishop 22 years.

**C. B. GALLOWAY.**

Born in Kosciusko, Miss., Sept. 1, 1849; ordained Bishop in Richmond, Va., 1886; died in Jackson, Miss., 1909; was 37 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 23 years.

**E. R. HENDRIX.**

Born in Fayette, Mo., May 17, 1847; ordained Bishop in Richmond, Va., in 1886; lives in Kansas City, Mo.; was 39 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 28 years.

**J. S. KEY.**

Born in LaGrange, Ga., July 18, 1829; ordained Bishop in Richmond, Va., in 1880; lives in Sherman, Texas; was 57 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 28 years.

**A. G. HAYGOOD.**

Born in Watkinsville, Ga., Nov. 19, 1839; ordained Bishop in St. Louis, Mo., in 1890; died in Georgia in 1896; was 51 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 6 years.

**O. P. FITZGERALD.**

Born in North Carolina in 1829; ordained Bishop in St. Louis, Mo., in 1890; died in Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 5, 1911; was 61 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 21 years.

**W. A. CANDLER.**

Born in Carroll County, Ga., Aug. 23, 1857; ordained Bishop in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1898; lives in Atlanta, Ga.; was 41 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 16 years.

**H. C. MORRISON.**

Born in Montgomery County, Tenn., May 30, 1842; ordained Bishop in Baltimore, Md., in 1898; lives in Leesburg, Fla.; was 56 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 16 years.

**E. E. HOSS.**

Born in Washington County, Tenn., April 14, 1849; ordained Bishop in Dallas, Texas, in 1902; lies in Musko-

gee, Okla.; was 53 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 12 years.

**A. C. SMITH.**

Born in South Carolina in 1849; ordained Bishop in Dallas, Texas, in 1902; died in 1906; was 53 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 4 years.

**J. J. TIGERT.**

Born in 1856 in Kentucky; ordained Bishop in Birmingham, Ala., in 1906; died in Tulsa, Okla., in 1906, and is buried in Nashville, Tenn.; was 50 at age of ordination and was a Bishop not quite one year.

**SETH WARD.**

Born in Texas in 1858; ordained Bishop in Birmingham, Ala., in 1906; died in China in 1909 and is buried in Houston, Texas; was 48 at age of ordination and was a Bishop 3 years.

**JAMES ATKINS.**

Born in Knoxville, Tenn., in 1850; ordained Bishop in Birmingham, Ala., in 1906; lives in Waynesville, North Carolina; was 56 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 8 years.

**COLLINS DENNY.**

Born in Winchester, Va., May 28, 1854; ordained 1910 in Asheville, N. C.; lives in Richmond, Va.; was 56 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 4 years.

**J. C. KILGO.**

Born in Laurens, S. C., July 22, 1861; ordained 1910 in Asheville, N. C.; lives in Durham, N. C.; was 48 at time of ordination and has been a Bishop 4 years.

**W. B. MURRAH.**

Born in Pickensville, Ala., in 1853; ordained 1910 in Asheville, N. C.; lives in Jackson, Miss.; was 57 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 4 years.

**W. R. LAMBUTH.**

Born in Shanghai, China in 1854; ordained 1910 in Asheville, N. C.; lives in Nashville, Tennessee; was 55 at time of ordination and has been a Bishop 4 years.

**R. G. WATERHOUSE.**

Born near Spring City, Tenn., Dec. 24, 1855; ordained Bishop 1910 in Asheville, N. C.; lives in Los Angeles, Calif.; was 55 at time of ordination and has been a Bishop 4 years.

**E. D. MOUZON.**

Born in South Carolina, May 19, 1869; ordained Bishop 1910 in Asheville, N. C.; lives in San Antonio, Texas; was 41 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 4 years.

**J. H. McCOY.**

Born in Blount County, Ala., Aug. 6, 1868; ordained Bishop in 1910 in Asheville, N. C.; lives in Birmingham, Ala.; was 42 at age of ordination and has been a Bishop 4 years.

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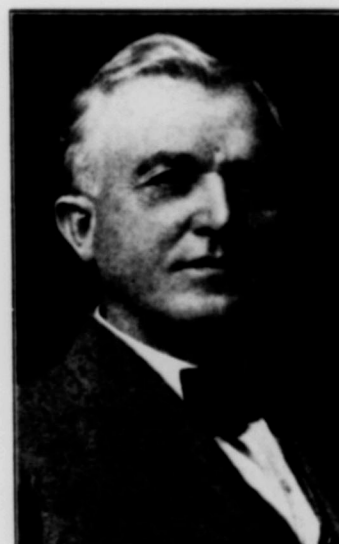
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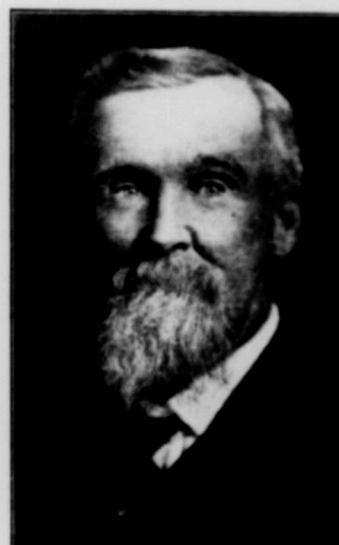
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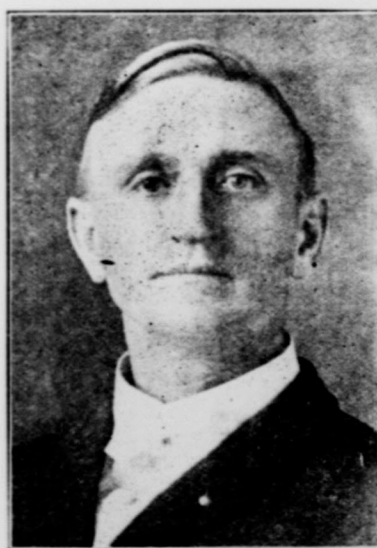
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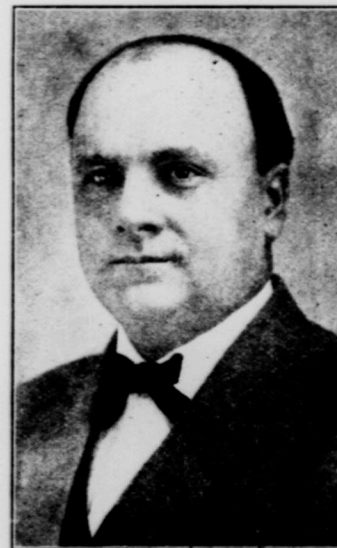
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## Ceremony--The Pulse Of The Church

By REV. W. H. HUGHES, Dallas, Texas.

The worship of Almighty God is a most solemn and responsible duty, as well as the greatest privilege given to men, and is the highest delight of the God-fearing soul. "For the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." But to rush into his presence with cant and a superabundance of stilted ceremonies, which are only to be seen of men, is an offense and an insult to his divine majesty. Old Balaam gave the metes and bounds of that which said, "I cannot go beyond the word of the Lord my God, to do less or more." Num. 22:18. When God first set up the Tabernacle his command was, that every vessel was to be made according to the pattern shown in the Mount. In the worship

of Almighty God that pattern is the Holy Scriptures and anything, less or more, than that which is taught therein is a flagrant disregard of God's command. To come short in our worship of what God requires is regarded by all as justly punishable. But it seems that we have wholly forgotten that excess in forms and ceremonies in worship is more God-dishonoring than too little. We cannot do less or more in his worship than the Word of God requires, without guilt and sin. Perhaps the possibility of transcending and going beyond, and doing more in our forms of worship than God requires, which is the sin of presumption, has attracted less thought and attention than any other sin. We are so prone to come short that we have lost sight of the greater sin of going too far. We are not surprised when we read that King Saul lost both his crown and his kingdom, when he was expressly commanded to

ites, when he, through his avarice, came short of the command of God and saved for himself the best of the cattle. He did less than the Lord his God commanded.

But now, turn to the other side of this question and inquire if it is not equally dangerous to be too elaborate and go too far in our worship? One or two Bible instances will fully illustrate this side of the question. Aaron and his sons were set apart expressly as priests; their business was to offer burnt sacrifices and superintend other ceremonies. Aaron had just offered by fire the sin offering and the people shouted for joy, and his sons, Nadab and Abihu, "took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the Lord, which he commanded them not." Lev. 10:1. Because they presumed to do more than God commanded, they died and were buried with none to mourn their death. When Israel and all their cattle were famishing for water, God commanded Moses and Aaron to "speak to the rock" that it give forth water, but they thought it would be more majestic to smite the rock twice with the rod. To us perhaps this addition to God's command was a very small

thing, yet for it God deprived them both of entering the promised land. The preacher or leader has fearful responsibilities.

Everything material and religious has its limits, and anything "less or more" is dangerous. Eating, drinking and sleeping, in due bounds, constitute the law of health, but a failure to use any of these, or an overindulgence of one or all of them, may prove fatal. A distaste for food, or an abnormal appetite are both indicative of an unhealthy organism. These simple facts, when applied to material things, will not be questioned. But while they are just as true in religious matters, men without thought or reverence pile on pretentious ceremonies as though God could be placated by empty flattery. When the scribes and Pharisees used this sort of worship Christ called them hypocrites, and said they did it to be seen of men and they had their reward. Is this sin of overmuch ceremony now any better than it was then? or has God changed?

Proper ceremonies within proper limits are the pulse of the Church, and like the pulse of the body, they indicate her spiritual conditions. They must both flow from the heart, and will give infallible evidence of the

health condition. A normal pulse has its bounds, but subnormal or an over-number of pulsations are sure evidence of disease and danger. This is just as true of the Church. We must not come short of, or transcend our guidebook, the Bible. Well defined ceremony in the Church is worth a careful study. And as the ceremonial dispensation was fulfilled and abrogated in Christ Jesus, we are to look in this matter to the New Testament alone. With these facts before me, I would define New Testament ceremonies as follows: They are always an outward expression of an inward condition. Now as New Testament ceremonies are few and exceedingly brief, let us count them one by one and see if the above definition is correct. The Lord's Prayer is the longest formula given by our Lord. True prayer goes out in word from a heart conscious of its need of help. Genuine prayer is always read from the heart, never from books. The next ceremony in order of time, given by our Lord, is the sacrament which is exceedingly brief. In it we express by these signs an inward gratitude for redeeming grace and dying love. The next is holy baptism. All the ceremony in this marching order of the Master is



couched in one verse, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen." Water baptism is an outward expression of inward grace. Any ceremony which does not spring up from the heart as a well of living water, but is only partly repeated with the mouth, is but as "sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal," and is an insult to the God of all the earth. This is the way Saint Paul describes it: "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." The source of all pious ceremony is the heart. All New Testament ceremony is simply the heart revealing itself in words. Instead of elaborate ceremonies contributing to the growth and power of experimental godliness, it has always by stealth and fungus growth inserted itself into the Church, until just in proportion to its increase, vital piety has decreased. When the Apostolic Church grew numerous and popular, ceremonies increased until religion was choked out. Roman Catholicism today is the dead and rotten carcass of a life departed.

When the second Pentecost of power by the Holy Ghost was sent upon

Wesley and Whitefield, and simple, experimental godliness by faith was restored to the Church, Scriptural holiness, like a flood, swept over the lands. Its power and success were equaled by the Church in the apostolic day. But we have grown numerous, rich and fashionable, and now ceremony, the vampire which flatters and sucks the life-blood of all true religion, is here and doing its deadly work. So voluminous are they that they consume from one-half to three-quarters of the hour set apart for the preaching of the Word, by which God proposes to save the world. I suppose that every preacher wants to save sinners and why he will allow the preaching of the gospel to be minimized by long ceremonies in which no sinner was ever yet converted. I cannot see, unless it is to please the formal and fashionable. Better adopt old Balaam's motto: "If Balak would give me his house full of gold and silver I cannot go beyond the word of the Lord my God, to do less or more."

Therefore Saint Paul, in defining the solemn public worship of our God, instead of making it a grandstand, sensational performance, just to be seen of men, or as the children would say, "just for fun," he teaches us that wor-

ship is for the edification of the saints, and therefore not to be in an unknown tongue. He says: "Except ye utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken, for ye shall speak into the air \* \* \* I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh shall be a barbarian unto me. \* \* \* I will pray with the spirit and I will pray with the understanding also; I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the understanding also." 1 Cor. 14. Therefore if we, like the Romish Church, pray in an unknown tongue are we not barbarians? Saint Paul in the above quotation places singing and praying precisely on a par. He describes them in exactly the same words, and while we would not dare hire somebody to do our praying, what about "singing with the spirit and with the understanding, also," when some paid prima donna screams out some operatic tune, and mumbles out the words so indistinctly that the congregation cannot catch one word of sentiment of the hymn? Where is the spirit or understanding? I think good vocal music is the sweetest on earth. A sweet human voice, uttering distinctly in melody the rich sentiment of the grand old hymns of Wesley or

Watts, is the most soul-inspiring sound I shall ever hear until I hear the angels sing. The preacher may feel flattered by the large crowds drawn by these operatic performances but there is no honor to him or his God.

Any ceremony not indited by the Holy Spirit and which does not come up from the great deep of the heart, but is only repeated by rote from the lips, is a falsehood in God's house, and a travesty upon divine worship and an insult to the great Jehovah. When we come into his house and in his august presence, we had better not make ourselves too familiar and pert, but remember what God said to Moses at the burning bush, "Draw not nigh hither; put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." God help us to be reverent, sincere and candid in our worship of Almighty God! In an early day in Texas a good brother had preached, and another brother followed with an exhortation, which he began by saying, "Brother E— has preached you the truth, the whole truth, yea, more than the truth." This "more than the truth" is the part to which we most earnestly object and protest.

**THE TONIC OF THE SPIRIT.**

There is no stimulant like spiritual inspiration. Men seek exhilaration in wine, when the only real exhilaration is found in "the river of water of life." They get a "pick-me-up" for the body while the soul remains heavy as lead. What is the use in exciting the body when the real springs of vitality are sealed? But it is our folly to magnify the body and to minimize the soul, and we think we only want fresh air when we really need a new heart.

The Spirit of the Lord brings the secret life which turns heaviness of heart into the fresh joy of the morning. The only true sparkle of life is born of his communion; it comes not from a cistern but from a spring. It is "the joy of the Lord" that is exhilarant, and that thrills the soul as with the pulse of recreation. Let us believe more confidently in the ministry of the Spirit for dealing even with jaded nerves and physical depression, and ignore those perilous stimulants which lift us only to drop us again in deeper pits of weakness and despair. —Christian Herald.

Cold prayers never kindle revival fires.

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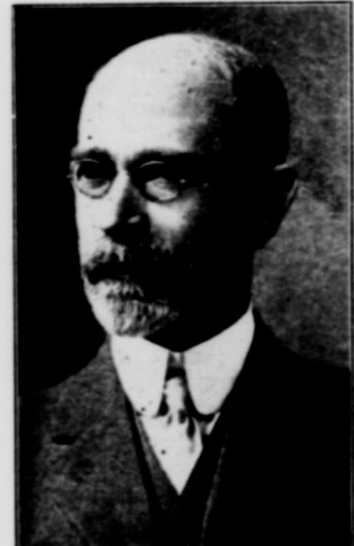
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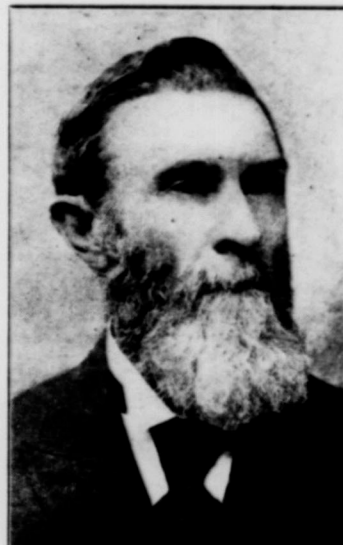
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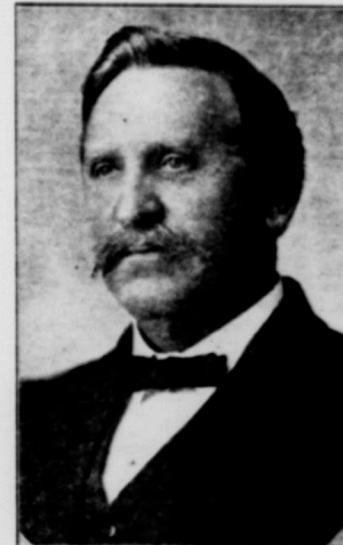
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# Woman's Department

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## HILLSBORO (FIRST CHURCH) AUXILIARY.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church met in regular business meeting Tuesday afternoon, January 6, 1914, at the church. After the devotional exercises, and the closing up of the year's business, the following officers for the ensuing year were installed by Mrs. E. H. Edens, who is the Secretary of the Hillsboro District: President, Mrs. Charles Read; First Vice-President, Mrs. J. T. Guthrie; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Lloyd Bardette; Third Vice-President, Mrs. D. W. Campbell; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. J. E. Chambers; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. T. Sims; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. R. Lang; Connectional Treasurer, Mrs. Walter Collins; Assistant Connectional Treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Jackson; Foreign Treasurer, Mrs. Elsie Morris; Agent of Voice, Mrs. Emily Farnsworth; Organist, Mrs. S. L. Robertson; Superintendent Publicity, Mrs. Fred Long.

Our Connectional work was reported to be in a good condition. Plans for the local work for the year, were discussed by members present and among the things decided upon was a pledge of \$1000 dollars to be paid in 1914 on the new church building—this in addition to the handsome art glass windows already put in by the Society. A large portion of this pledge was covered at this meeting by individual subscriptions of members present.

A lyceum course for the season of 1914-1415 is to be arranged for, to be given in the basement auditorium of the new church, which has a seating capacity of about fifteen hundred. The ladies also are to give a dinner the first Monday in March, the proceeds of which will be applied to their church pledge. A committee was appointed to prepare the year books for devotional meeting and social teas, this plan having proved so successful with this society for the past four years. The large attendance, new members enrolled and enthusiasm displayed at the meeting indicate a most successful year for the Society.

MRS. FRED LONG,  
Superintendent of Publicity.

## SAN FRANCISCO WOMEN ARRANGE MISSIONARY CONGRESS AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION IN 1915.

The Panama-Pacific Exposition will be world-wide in its representation and practically universal in its scope. It would seem that no phase of life is to be overlooked. One of the most attractive features is the series of world congresses that will bring together men and women of every cult. Notable among these conventions in course of preparation is the Woman's Congress of Missions to be held in San Francisco in June, 1915, under the auspices of the Women's Board of Missions of California and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and allied societies. The cooperation of the missions of the world and people everywhere interested in the spread of Christ's teachings is being asked to make it a gigantic success.

The Congress is the outgrowth of the altruistic spirit of the women of California. These women are fundamentally the same as women have been since the days of Mother Eve, their pivotal thought is the good of the child—the future of the race. This is the sociological problem of the age—woman's age-old problem—and it is being realized by the intellects of our day that the solution must go hand in hand with Christianity. The darkest blot on the pages of Confucianism, Buddhism, Hinduism and all pagan forms of worship is their treatment of their women and children. One of the objects of the congress will be to give world-wide publicity to the crushing burden borne by the women of the pagan lands.

In the smaller halls of the Auditorium it is proposed to arrange a series of "eye sermons," depicting different aspects of missionary labor. These visual presentations will be partly denominational; for instance, as showing the village schools established in Burma by the Baptist Church; the carrying of Christianity into Moslem homes by the Congregational Church; something of Islam and its women, as affected by the spiritual guardianship of the Reformed Church, and many other features. Illustrations showing the restless millions waiting for Christianity and something of the degradation of their women, along with the modern hospitals and dispensaries established by the mission boards, will be an interesting

## Mrs. Vest Felt Like Crying

Wallace, Va.—Mrs. Mary Vest, of this place, says, "I hadn't been very well for three years, and at last I was taken bad. I could not stand on my feet, I had such pains. I ached all over. I felt like crying all the time. Mother insisted on my trying Cardui. Now I feel well, and do nearly all my housework." No medicine for weak and ailing women, has been so successful as Cardui. It goes to the spot, relieving pain and distress, and building up womanly strength, in a way that will surely please you. Only try it once.

feature. The International Congress of Missions will close with a monster pageant, allegorically depicting the coming of the nations of the world to Christ.

The Congress of Missions does not represent all the California women's endeavor to spread the Gospel, however. At the Panama-Pacific Exposition, which is to be held from winter to winter, 1915, they will conduct a great exhibit of things affiliated with missionary service. Well placed in an exhibition palace will be, according to present plans, the greatest and most comprehensive exhibit of missionary endeavor ever made. Every missionary is being invited to exhibit something unique from his district. There will be a wonderful collection of photographs showing strange people to whom the Gospel is being carried. There will be a picture of the little outposts and of the strongholds of Christianity in all foreign lands as well as pictures showing the missionary as he goes about the King's business teaching and ministering.

The Brownsville Auxiliary elected officers for the coming year at their regular business meeting December 1.

At the business meeting January 5 the following officers were duly installed: President, Mrs. John R. Hoove; First Vice-President, Mrs. Chas. R. Watson; Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. S. Bowles; Third Vice-President, Mrs. J. K. Bull; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. R. L. Stell; Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. S. Stell; Corresponding Secretary Home Department, Mrs. A. C. McCaughan; Treasurer, Home Department, Mrs. C. W. Colgin; Secretary and Treasurer Foreign Department, Mrs. F. P. Richardson; Agent of Voice, Mrs. M. R. Boyers; Press Reporter, Mrs. W. B. Walton.

In our last report we had seventeen paid members in our Home Department and six members in the Foreign Department.

December 9-13, inclusive, the Woman's Exchange conducted a Christmas shop in the Parish House of the Episcopal Church. All kinds of articles were donated and sold. The sales in the shop and a Japanese sale held later, netted our society \$42.

For the past three years the Ladies' Societies of the Christian, Episcopal, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches have conducted a Woman's Exchange, each society holding a market every four weeks.

On the first Monday in each month we hold our business meeting.

In November we commenced a systematic study of the Bible, holding this meeting the second Monday.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church have joined us in the study of "Immigrant Forces," meeting with us the third Monday.

We have decided to hold a social meeting each month this year. The January meeting will be held at the parsonage with Mrs. J. S. Bowles.

MRS. J. K. BULL,  
Third Vice-President.

## WINTER'S AUXILIARY.

At our last regular meeting in December we elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: President, Mrs. C. D. Garrett; First Vice-President, Mrs. L. Roberts; Second Vice-President, Mrs. E. P. Eason; Third Vice-President, Mrs. R. K. Cogdell; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. J. M. Skaggs; Treasurer Home Department, Mrs. J. Wilcox; Treasurer Foreign Department, Mrs. J. Hall; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Monroe; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. D. Springfield; Press Reporter, Miss Lena Pierce.

Although our membership is small, we have entered into the new year with enthusiasm and hope to accomplish much good.

We are working to pay for the seats in our new church just finished, and not leaving the other work undone.

Pray for us that we may succeed, and that our membership may increase.

LENA PIERCE,  
Press Reporter.

Winters, Texas.

## CENTRAL TEXAS NOTES.

The publicity report for Central Texas this quarter is the best ever. There were one hundred and seventy-two Auxiliary Superintendents writing to me and telling me of their good work during the quarter. Please remember Mrs. S. Hundley, of Moody, is now the Publicity Superintendent for the conference. She takes up the work cheerfully and no one will feel there has been any change. You all know how dearly I love the publicity work and Mrs. Hundley says she will be delighted for me to help in this work when I can spare the time.

## "A Better Friend."

A short editorial, in fact only a few lines, appeared in the Nashville Advocate at the beginning of the new year that helped me much. The thought was, I will be a "better friend to you during 1914. Will each one of us determine to be a better friend to the missionary cause during 1914?"

Every report that has reached us from the District Secretaries has the above ring to it. God bless them, for every one of them gave their very best last year, but they for that very reason are able to do even more in 1914.

Mrs. C. S. Bedford, of Georgetown District, and Miss Cora Posey, of Brownwood District, were the first to report. Every Auxiliary in both districts for foreign departments sent in good reports. The next to report were Mrs.

E. H. Edens, Mrs. W. P. Hancock, Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs. E. W. Kimble and Mrs. Shelby Cosgrove. Every Auxiliary of the Cisco District sent in a report by their splendid Secretary, Mrs. Kimble. Mrs. E. H. Edens, of Hillsboro District, is doing a most excellent work by visiting her Auxiliaries and much good is being done there. She belongs to a tribe that is called the ever faithful. Mrs. Edens is already planning great things for 1914. Will the women of Hillsboro District stand by her? You will, for I know how you love and appreciate her.

Mrs. W. P. Hancock, of Waxahachie District, sent in one of the largest reports of the conference and yet she said we fall so far short of what we ought to do. Waxahachie District is one of the largest districts and we are expecting even greater things of them this year.

Mrs. A. C. Johnson, of the Corsicana District, sent in a splendid report from every Auxiliary except two. Groesbeck and Kerens failed to report to her this quarter. Every Auxiliary in Corsicana District has a Foreign Department except two. It is very likely those two would have if at all possible. Mrs. Johnson is ever faithful to this glorious work even though she, too, has many anxious hours now, caused from sickness in her home.

Every Auxiliary in the Gatesville District reported except Moody and Valley Mills. Mrs. Shelby Cosgrove, their splendid District Secretary, is not yet satisfied and is praying and expecting great things of you women of Gatesville District.

Mrs. E. W. Kimble, of Cisco District, gives the following: The money raised the fourth quarter is only \$2.25 less than what the District raised in the previous year, according to minutes of 1913.

Mrs. M. J. Thompson, of the Dublin District, sent in a splendid report from every Auxiliary in her district. It is an inspiration to see the time and thought the District Secretaries give to his work. Mrs. Thompson is doing a most splendid work on the Dublin District.

My! that report from the Cleburne District is good! Especially the financial part, which reported \$271 sent in on the pledge this quarter. Mrs. W. E. Mendice, of Cleburne, is the splendid Secretary of this district.

The report of Mrs. C. R. Porter, the faithful Secretary of the Fort Worth District, reached me on time. She looks well after our woman's work in that district both Home and Foreign Departments.

The report of Mrs. W. T. Hiles, of the Weatherford District, came on time and she is praying and planning for better year in 1914. Women of the Weatherford District, to the rescue!

This report must go to Advocate today, as I go January 16 to executive meeting in Waco, and I am sure when I reach Waco, Mrs. R. L. Abbott, District Secretary of Waco District, will have a full report for me, as she always does.

May we not in these beginning days of the new year read again with profit some well known lines? Here they are:

"There are lonely hearts to cherish,  
While the days are going by;  
There are weary souls who perish  
While the days are going by.  
If a smile we can renew,  
As our journey we pursue,  
O the good we all may do  
While the days are going by!"

MRS. J. H. STEWART.

## WEATHERFORD AUXILIARY.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church held its first meeting of the new year Monday afternoon, the newly elected officers having charge. There were twenty-five present and much interest manifested. The reports for the past year were closed and the following amounts had been expended:

For local work, \$171.80.  
For Connectional work, \$161.40.

In many respects the past year has been the best for the society for several years.

Some plans for the present year were discussed. Mrs. H. C. Shropshire, Third Vice-President, who has charge of the reading course, invited the entire Society to meet in her home on the third Monday for the first lesson of the year. Our book, "The King's Business," is very interesting and instructive, and it is our wish that every woman in the Church might be induced to take this course.

A very encouraging letter was read from Miss Mitchell, our deaconess at Thurber, saying the General Board had recently sent an Italian missionary to take charge of the foreign work at that place. This was glad news to our women, who felt it was a direct answer to prayer, for a missionary to the foreigners at that place has been our chief need.

The following are the officers for the year: President, Mrs. J. W. Braselton; First Vice-President, Mrs. J. C. Massey; Second Vice-President, Mrs. B. W. Akard; Third Vice-President, Mrs. H. C. Shropshire; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. W. E. Richards; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ben Hartley; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. S. Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Hutchens; Agent for "Our Homes," Mrs. J. D. Kussell.

We regret that less than one-tenth of the women of the Church are engaged in this magnificent work.

MRS. E. HIGHTOWER,  
Chairman Publicity Work.

## RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed at a meeting of the W. H. M. Society of Alba, Texas, January 12, 1914.

Resolved, first, That we, the W. H. M. Society, of Alba, Texas, having learned of the transfer of our devoted pastor, Rev. J. C.

Huddleston, to another charge, wish to express our deepest regrets at the change. Brother Huddleston having been with us for more than a year has endeared himself to each member of our society and not to us alone, but to the citizens of our town also, and especially among the young people was he a favorite.

Resolved, second, That we have never had a more faithful and earnest pastor—one who was always ready to respond to the call of duty. We heartily recommend him to the work to which he is sent as being a fearless Christian soldier, ever ready to do his duty to God and the Church. We pray God's richest blessings to follow him in his new field of labor.

Resolved, third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent Brother Huddleston; one spread upon the minutes of our auxiliary, and one sent to the Texas Christian Advocate for publication.

MRS. MAMIE SMITH, Pres.  
MRS. E. L. FOSTER, Cor. Sec.

## NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE WOMAN'S WORK.

Report for year 1913, by Mrs. J. D. Camp, Conference Treasurer.

Amount raised for dues:	
Adult	\$2990.24
Young People's Society	64.00
Junior Society	57.39
Baby Roll	34.31
Life Membership	26.00
Week of Prayer, Adult	244.87
Week of Prayer, Junior	1.31
Baby Mite Boxes	27.47
F. McE. Mite Boxes	.70
Junior Mite Boxes	7.86
Young People, Korea	11.30
Pledge, Adult Society	2102.30
Pledge, Young People's Society	8.20
Pledge, Junior Society	1.50
Extension, Junior Society	5.40
Retirement Fund	40.70
Scarlett Bible and Training School	19.10
City Missions	3.50
Sue Bennett School	5.00
Special	8.20
Educational	2.85
Scholarship	123.00
Bible Woman	60.00
Miss King, China	40.00
Virginia K Johnson School	22.00
Deaconess Scholarship	82.60
Expense	294.15
Minutes	80.23
Total for year 1913	\$6360.98

Local Work.	
Amount raised for Parsonage	\$2397.28
Church	3359.70
Local Supplies	1336.25
Supplies sent off	478.20
Needy	268.30
Specials	89.11
Expense	59.60
Grand Total	\$7988.44
	\$14,349.42

MRS. J. D. CAMP,  
Treas. Northwest Texas W. M. S.

## RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, God in his wise providence has seen fit to remove from this life Mrs. G. W. Ausburn, wife of our friend and brother, Mr. G. W. Ausburn, of Vera, Texas; be it therefore Resolved (1), That we wish to record our appreciation of her noble Christian character, her devotion to our Woman's Missionary Society and the Church of God.

Resolved (2), That we hereby extend to Brother Ausburn and family, relatives and friends, expressions of sympathy and remembrance in this hour of sorrow.

Resolved (3), That these resolutions be sent the bereaved ones and that a copy be sent to the Texas Christian Advocate.

MRS. W. B. FORD, President.  
MRS. CLAUD HURD, Secretary.  
MRS. WM. HENDERSON, Treas.

Loss of appetite is an ailment that indicates others, which are worse—Blood's Sarsaparilla cures them all.—Adv.

## SUPERANNUATE AND LOCAL PREACHERS.

I read with much interest all that is published in the Advocate. I eagerly read Brothers Shutt's and Carter's communications on Superannuate preachers, and feel inclined to add somewhat on the subject myself.

There may be superannuate and local preachers, who give their pastors trouble, but I am glad to testify that it has not been my misfortune to have them in any of my pastoral charges. I will refer to one superannuate, the devout and beloved Daniel Morgan of Lometa Circuit.

He owned a small farm, which he cultivated. He had a large family mostly girls. He kept up regular appointments, was the most punctual Sunday School superintendent I ever knew, was always willing to co-operate with his pastor. He was very popular, and married most of the young people, and buried nearly all the people who died in his part of the country. I rejoiced in his popularity, and was glad he received so many marriage fees. I think a pastor should be satisfied if his salary is paid and not begrudge the marriage fee, the poor superannuate and local preachers receive. They deserve all they get. In my early ministry, I usually has from two to six local preachers in my charge, and they were great help to me. I esteem it a great privilege, for a young pastor, to have a few local preachers in his pastorate to whom he can go for advice when he meets difficult problems in his work. All young pastors meet conditions in which they need advice and the presiding elder may be many miles away, and if he can get the advice of an old minister it is a great help to him. I arranged the work of

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my local preachers, by the disciplinary plan. When the protracted meetings were held, I had my local preachers to call in their appointments and unite with me in the revivals. And, oh, what glorious meetings we did have by the score, and my local preachers were great factors in those meetings. Let us use our local preachers for God's glory and the salvation of sinners.

GEO. F. FAIR,  
Riviera, Tex., Jan. 16, 1914.

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## Notes From The Field

See Also Page 6.

Gregory.

Some things that have been done on Gregory charge this conference year: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Orphanage, Rescue Home and Bible Cause assessments paid to Conference Treasurer by January 1. Seventeen members have been received. Planning to build new church at Gregory.—R. E. Parker.

Boyd.

January 17 and 18 were the days on which the first Quarterly Conference for Boyd and Garvin charge was held. Our own beloved S. C. Riddle was with us in the Spirit of the Master. His good preaching, splendid advice and sweet spirit always makes us feel that a man of God is with us. Each charge on the work was represented. The Board of Stewards raised the salary for the preacher in charge considerably over that of last year. All of the services were good. The brethren expressed themselves as being very hopeful for the year. May we not be disappointed.—H. K. Agee.

Byers Circuit.

Leaving Decatur December 11, 1913, we drove into Byers, Texas, on the 13th behind Halley's Comet, the circuit horse, mid slush and mud. After a most pleasant night with Brother and Sister Ed Grogan, on Sunday we met a fine, responsive congregation morning and evening. Those first services caught us, and we are still caught. Have been to Valentine twice and to Charlie once, and at all three of the places we have been heartily received. The pounding was done by more than one hundred of Byers' young and old, not all Methodists, either. The "donation" was large in the same proportion of the number of donors—from tooth-picks to whole cured ham we did store away and will enjoy for many a day. Many other tokens of love, too numerous to mention. Our Advocate list is large and we expect to still increase it.—Jno. L. Sullivan.

Boyd.

As soon after conference as we could we packed our belongings, bade the good people of Perrin charge good-bye and reached our new field the next day. We met with a kindly reception and were taken care of in the homes of our people until our goods arrived, which were soon set in order, and we began the work for another year. I have made one round on the charge, have been in a number of the homes of my people and find them very hopeful for the year's work. From the very start tokens of appreciation found their way to the parsonage, but on the night of the 9th we were visited by the good people of the town and vicinity, each bringing his "pound" right into the dining-room. They came and placed their packages on the table and about the room, and then the company proceeded to enjoy themselves. The young people filled the yard and entertained themselves with outdoor games, the older folks having charge of the indoor pleasures. All had a good time. We had worship, led by the writer, consisting of songs, a talk and prayer. After our guests had gone the family went to taking an inventory of the goods left us and we saw that the good people had given us one of the "biggest" poundings of our lives; too numerous to mention. May the Lord bless each donor and help us to give to them a year of effectual service. I forgot to mention that the good ladies, just before the pounding, placed a nice oil cook stove in the kitchen, which was appreciated very much.—H. K. Agee.

Adelo Circuit.

We have been here two months and the time has surely passed quickly. We have been busy in many ways. Our first duty was a very sad funeral. Next a visit to bereaved family. We find the people and members of the Methodist Church anxious for their pastor visit them at all times. The appointments consist of five organized Churches in very good condition, spiritually, but they need much improvement materially. Church Conference has been held at each Church. The rolls have been revised and all are in good shape now. We expect to set the time for our summer meetings soon. We have one new appointment since conference. First Sunday afternoon at Center Schoolhouse, Saturday night at Wheatland. Our first Quarterly Conference was conducted December 23. Had a short report, but some very good interest manifested and a faithful promise to do better next time by pastor, laymen, also presiding elder, but he always does the best he can—and that's always good. The Crows were remembered Christmas by Brother and Sister Campbell with a big box of fruit, nuts and candies, etc. O how surprised and delighted they were. The parsonage and yard have been cleaned and fumigated and quite a good deal of hard work done about the place. Water pipes taken up and repaired, then put back in proper place and in good condition. We are now rebuilding the fences. We keep busy trying to do good in many ways. There is much indifference to the cause of Christ, but we are trying to do our duty. Pray for us.—B. S. Crow.

Fresno, Calif.

Perhaps a few words about the work here in Fresno, California, might be of interest. The First Church here now numbers almost a thousand members. The Second, or North Side Church, at first a mission Church, but

now a self-supporting congregation, numbers four or five hundred members. The First Church has two pastors, H. O. Breder and Sherry Shaw, both very efficient proclaimers of the gospel as well as splendid organizers. Today Brethren Martin and Shishmanian officiated at the Lord's table. They were schoolmates in the Kentucky Bible School more than fifty years ago. Brother Martin has preached all around the world, but principally in Australia and California. He preached in Fresno eleven years. Brother Shishmanian served his thirty years as a missionary in Constantinople and did very efficient work there. Now these heroes have retired from regular ministerial service and have located with the Fresno congregation, which Brother Martin says is the best organized congregation in the world. We are to commence in a few days building a seventy-five thousand dollar church. Our Bible School has eight organized Adult Classes, a class of elderly women, numbering seventy-five, is thoroughly organized for all-around Church work, and a class of elderly men the same. Other younger adult classes are equally well organized, and give splendid reports. Of the thirty members from Texas, who joined this congregation twenty-six years ago the majority have gone to their reward. A few yet remain and are doing efficient work for the Master. All the Churches in this city begin evangelistic services this week. The preachers are to do the pulpit work, while the other members are to do the house-to-house work. Last week a religious census of the whole city (40,000) was taken; so the visitation will be easy. I hope to communicate to you good results.—Amanda Bostick, 388 Valeria St.

Douglasville.

We are starting off nicely on our new charge, and our first Quarterly Conference for the current year was held here January 17 and 18. Everything is in fine trim. We have organized the Board of Stewards for a more systematic service. Heretofore they have been unorganized and without system. As proof, am putting them all on the Advocate list. Enclosed find batch of subscriptions. We have a wide-awake Board of Stewards. They very enthusiastically raised the pastor's salary \$150. This brings the assessment up to \$1000 for the preacher in charge, and \$125 for the presiding elder. They made a good financial report at the Quarterly Conference, for which we are thankful. Last year was a perfect success in many respects, but in others we were not so successful. Our finances were all paid in full and we had some good revivals on the charge. We begin our new year thankfully and hopefully. We serve a most excellent people. Our Sunday Schools are doing nicely and our Home Mission Society is energetic and is doing things. And the proverbial pounding came, and with it came a crowd of jolly, happy-hearted people to "welcome the new preacher" back to his "new charge." So, we begin with encouragement and hope. The Advocate is in fine favor with our people and its editor is a well-beloved man over here. They regard him as the political genius of Methodism and the faithful shepherd of the prohibition fold. And he is. (Our presiding elder can't be excelled, either). I am going to do my best this year for the Master's kingdom. Brethren, remember us at the throne of grace.—D. A. Williams.

Roxton.

Immediately after conference closed we began boxing, preparatory to moving. The mud had dried sufficiently by Wednesday for us to begin our journey of sixty-five miles from Avery to Roxton. I loaded my surry with bedding, fruit, meat, etc., and in addition two of my boys, Weldon and Leslie. I did not get lonesome, for you know that boys do not keep very still, especially on a long journey, like that was to them. They would sing, sleep and ask more questions than I could answer. Occasionally Weldon would ask, "Will we have to move next year?" I would answer him by saying, "I don't know; that depends on what the Bishop says;" and he would say, "I am going to tell him to let me stay next time." The first day after we started we took dinner with Brother Isbell and family at Annona. We continued our journey of the first day until we reached Detroit, where we were entertained in the parsonage home of Brother Lovell and family. We resumed our journey early next morning and reached Paris, where I was joined by wife and the other children Thursday afternoon, as they went through on the cars. Here I left my horse and surry at the home of one of my brothers, and we took the train for Roxton. Upon our arrival we were met at the train by Brother C. L. Cunningham, one of our stewards, where we were entertained for awhile, then at the home of Brother C. R. Caldwell for the remainder of the time until the parsonage was completed, for the rain had delayed the workmen to the extent that it was five days before we could get moved in after our arrival. We enjoyed the communion we had in these Christian homes. As our former charge (Avery) faded away in the distance, our hearts were sad, because we were leaving our first love in the ministry. We love these good people who stood by us the three years we were with them, sharing their joys and mingling our tears together. Brother Mason has a great people to labor with. We feel, however, that we have come to as great a people as we left. We have received a royal welcome. Pounded? did you ask? Well, I should say so! We have been pounded nearly every day since we came. Good things to eat, wear and a lot of

brand new furniture for the new parsonage. We have an appreciative people to serve, we believe. We are having fine services. Our prayer meeting is increasing numerically and spiritually. The attendance upon public worship is fine, and I believe we can take the blue ribbon in the Sunday School work. Our schools are well organized, with a fine supervising and teaching force. We have a fine W. H. M. Society. Brethren, pray for us that we may have a great year for our Christ.—C. L. Bowen.

### DALLAS METHODISM.

The Dallas Methodist Pastors' Association met at the Publishing House at 11 o'clock, January 19.

With the exception of two, all of the pastors of the District were present. Also there were several visitors. Among these was Mrs. Virginia Johnson who spoke of the very fine work that is being done at our Mission Home and Training School. The pastors assured her of their sympathy and co-operation in her work.

Much of the hour having expired, the paper for the morning was deferred until the next meeting, so as to give time for the reports of the pastors. There being many reports made the Secretary will not give each report separately. Without an exception the reports showed that progress was being made in every department. The attendances on the preaching services and Sunday School are rapidly increasing in practically all of the charges. Several of the Churches are embarrassed for lack of room for the Sunday School scholars. The most encouraging part of the reports was a general awakening on the part of the laymen. They seem to be getting a vision of the work that should be accomplished in the city and district.

Presiding Elder Sensabaugh reported that nine of the charges had increased the salary of the preachers for the new year.

Not for years have the prospects been brighter for Dallas Methodism.

W. D. THOMPSON, Secretary.

### A WORD FROM BROTHER E. N. PARRISH.

Almost two months I have been at home enjoying a much-needed rest. Last year I began a revival work the first Sunday in January, and for eleven months I worked hard, trying to lead every soul to Christ that I could. And I must say that 1913 was the best year of my life. Many souls were saved, some of whom are now in Southwestern University, preparing for the ministry. We were also blessed in raising money to build new churches and pay others out of debt. But we do not want all the glory. God bless the pastors who had prepared the ground and stood by us during the meetings. I shall not forget such men as Dr. Brewer, Harkins, Bowman, Crandall, Neal, Black and all of whom it has been my pleasure to labor with.

I am now in fine trim for work again. So I am looking forward to the new year with a purpose deep in my soul to be a better man, more useful to my Church and to mankind. Have made several dates for the year. The first one will begin the fourth Sunday in next month.

E. N. PARRISH.

Cleburne, Texas.

### NOTE FROM BROTHER FRANKS.

This supply has been promoted. I have my commission from both my presiding elder, Dr. Godbey, and Bishop Atkins. So I am in the field for work. Have held two meetings in the bounds of McDade work. The pastor, R. C. Aubrey, determined to hold some winter meetings. While it seemed a new thing to many in the country, the wisdom of the pastor was clearly demonstrated, for in each meeting we had success; conversions and accessions followed the labors put forth. The people will think more of winter meetings in the future. I am booking dates for meetings as they come in and stand ready to go to any call. The Austin District is moving notwithstanding we were hurt by the recent floods. With such a man as V. A. Godbey at the head, and reinforced by a noble band of pastors, it can't help but go forward. Brethren, if you need me, call for me; I will help you if I can. I will look out for the Advocate as I have always done, whatever my relation has been.

SAM J. FRANKS.

4001 Avenue C, Hyde Park, Austin.

### THE STILL HOUR.

At the close of the day, when cares have sped and the quiet night is around us, how sweet it is to be with Jesus! To be alone with Him and feel at home with Him! What a refreshment it is, a well in the desert, the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. Home feeling is everything. How the cares of life ebb away and the sorrow of yesterday are as the clouds that swiftly pass to come no more. We can almost welcome the trials of life for if they lead to such fellowship, they have been as the dew of Israel. We can tell our Savior things we would not care to whisper to another, knowing that in the secret of His tabernacle He will hide us. He will understand where others either can not or will not. But here, what a refuge! He knows. He will not misunderstand. He will be pitiful and merciful, for He remembers that we

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are dust. His presence is light, as when the night is gone and we raise the blinds and let in the sweet and gentle morning. There is no other-wise like this, and as one might turn aside where the springs are full and the flowers are in bloom and the birds are singing sweetly, and there is a peace above expression and a fragrance that touches the soul, so here when the day is done there wait the sweet repose and the blessing. It is a time when patience comes back, and sympathy, broad as humanity, comes with it. Hatred, with its vulture wings flies out into the night, and the dove-like presence that hovered above the Nazarene fills all the hour with an ineffable love. With Jesus! Is there any tryst that will stir the best that is in us like that? The day is not half so dull and the night is bereft of

its darkness. If there has been a casket in the home, and the dear face within has looked unresponsively to ours, we can look into the face of Jesus and understand that "it is with the righteous well." The night shall be as the morning. The grave becomes the portal of the Savior's happy home, and the grief of the rent heart is turned to sweetness of the holiest hope. We seem to be nearer heaven and the coming glory when alone with Jesus.—Selected.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD AND W. E. HAWKINS.

The Sunday School Board has employed Mr. W. E. Hawkins to give his whole time to institute work in the bounds of the Conference for the year. He is to make his own plans and will give each institute an opportunity for a freewill offering for the work. We ask for him the hearty co-operation of both presiding elders and pastors. With this he will be of untold benefit to the work. Wherever Brother Hawkins has been the school as well as individual workers have been greatly helped. Your Board, brethren, is doing its best to keep abreast with the best in the Sunday School work. Help us to help you. W. F. DAVIS, Chairman Tex. Conf. S. S. B. S.

PUTTING HEART INTO IT.

We often hear of one's "putting his heart into his work." We never hear of one's putting his heart into his head. Yet one is just as possible as the other. A great publicist not long ago characterized his great political enemy as thinking much, but "thinking feebly." He meant that his enemy had many opinions but few convictions, and that his few convictions were anemic and almost inert. He had a heart and a great one. The trouble was that his heart was not in his head. And we cannot but think that what leaders—yes, followers—in Church and State need most to-day next to the direct operation of the Holy Spirit on the heart is that union of heart and head which breeds alert, robust, convictions. It means much to say of one that he has a "mind of his own." That mind may be too flit in some cases and too nearly static in other cases, but it has sleeping in it the forces of the soul which evolve that strong conviction which is one of the priceless assets of manhood. This is not good psychology in theory, but it stands the test in practice.—Christian Advocate, Nashville

SAN ANTONIO MEXICANS. By J. A. Phillips.

We are much gratified at the ready response of the people of Texas to our call through the Texas Christian Advocate for help for the Mexicans in San Antonio. Mrs. Hewitt has received boxes and bundles from ten or fifteen places and is disbursing the clothing. She will acknowledge the receipt of these by post card or letter to each one where she can get the address. We hope that hundreds may remember us.

The San Antonio Light of January 13, and the Express of the 14th, give accounts of efforts by the Mayor and County Judge to give rations to the thousands of refugees who are coming to San Antonio. The army post cannot do this, so they think. So we do not yet know whether or not anything will or can be done by the National, State or city government. Mrs. Hewitt has helped thirty needy families by giving them food, that is, during the last two months. She is helping now regularly, six or eight families. I have appointed a committee from our Mexican Church to co-operate with the Wesleyan Community Home in all this work. Our purpose is to do the work in the most skillful way possible. We do not wish to break down self-respect. We shall endeavor to find the merit of each case. I have also had calls for laborers and will find men as fast as possible to suit these calls.

It would be a fine thing if some people who live in the rice region of the State would send us a few sacks of rice. Corn and beans would be very acceptable. I have announced publicly to my Church that we must rigidly insist that all we do is for the purpose of helping the needy, and as fast as possible to help them to get on their feet, and not with any reference to propaganda. We do not ask anybody whom we help whether or not he is a member of any Church or attends any Church. When I say propaganda, I mean sectarian. But we do believe that this is a way to show that Christianity is true to the principles of its founder. Please send gifts to Mrs. A. Hewitt, 623 S. San Saba St., San Antonio, Texas.

TO THE PASTORS OF JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT. The pastors' Conference and Missionary Institute for Jacksonville District is called to meet at Gallatin on February 10, 2:30 p. m. Let every preacher in the district be on hand. This is an important meeting for our district; none of us can afford to miss it. J. B. TURRENTINE, P. E.

A SUPERANNATED PREACHER IN GREAT NEED OF HELP.

Corpus Christi, Texas, Dec. 3, 1913. Rev. D. L. Collier, Polytechnic, Texas.

Dear Brother Collier:—I see you are Agent for the Superannated Homes. I write to call your attention to one of your superannuates who lives here—Brother Cherry. He has been here for two years, greatly broken in health, and I can't see that he is any better. He has his old mother, now old and very feeble, three or four children, all small. They have nothing. We have taken care of them now for two years. Having so many others to take care of and the continuous call for them, is making it quite a task on me. \* \* \* This year your conference gave Brother Cherry \$300. Well, I learned today that it took it all to pay back house-rent and drug bill and they were in actual need again. I have arranged for his house rent and groceries for the month of December. He ought to move from here, and he thinks a change would help him, but he makes no effort to that end as he has nothing to make efforts with. Can't you do something for him? He moved out in a little bit but got out at the edge of town, and soon winter will be on, and even with all I can do they will suffer. Let me hear from you in regard to the matter. The brethren of your conference will have to help me. We have taken care of him now for two years and done so gladly, and will do whatever else we can. But the problem gets worse instead of better and we sorely need help. You know we have so many needy cases in this supposed health resort that we are really overloaded." Your friend, T. F. SESSIONS.

AN URGENT APPEAL. Dear Brethren.—The above letter speaks for itself. I have sought for advice and information that would help me to solve the problem of assistance for Brother Cherry, but have so far been unable to do anything for him, so have decided to make public a part of Brother Session's letter, and make this appeal through the Advocate. My suggestion is this: Let every member of the Brotherhood send the mortuary fee (\$2.00) for Brother Cherry's immediate relief. You can send the money to immediately used to help this worthy and needy Brother. And, I will not confine this appeal to members of the Brotherhood, but call upon every Christian man or woman who reads this to send something, whatever amount you please to assist a brother in need. Do not delay, the case is urgent, but send at once. Yours in His cause, DANIEL L. COLLIE, Agent Superannated Homes, Polytechnic, Texas, P. O. Box 279.

BROTHERHOOD AUXILIARY NOTICE. CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE. We are greatly pained to have to announce another death in our Brotherhood Auxiliary, Sister J. M. Armstrong, who died in Ranger, Texas, January 14. This is the third call since conference. These are the conditions that test the strength of our organization and at the same time show its great value. Surely no one of us will fail our bereaved brothers in these times of great need. Please send your fee of \$1.00 as soon as possible. Members of the Northwest Texas Conference division will send to Rev. C. B. Meador, Stamford. The Central Texas will send to me. Yours for the Brotherhood, JNO. M. BARCUS, Sec-Treas. Waxahachie, Texas.

TRANSFERRED. At my request, Bishop Atkins has transferred me from the Central Texas to the North Mississippi Conference. In connection with this announcement I desire to state my very high appreciation of the kind treatment that I have received at the hands of the Board of Finance of Central Texas Conference during the two years of my membership as a superannuate. In view of the fact that most of my effective ministry has been in North Mississippi, I think it proper that I now go back to that conference. I shall still make my home at Uvalde, Texas. W. C. HARRIS.

NOTICE. For the good of the people and myself I only take two meetings a month and to prevent conflict I wish you would arrange your meetings where I'm called for first and second Sunday in each month and I can give ten or twelve days to each meeting. Your brother, Glen Rose, Texas. F. M. WINBURNE.

A CHANGE. Rev. C. M. Harless has divided the Lone Oak Circuit since conference. Rev. W. H. Wright has Lone Oak Station and Rev. J. H. Moreland has Lone Oak Circuit, with C. W. Thomas as junior preacher.

DEDICATION. Bishop Mouzon will preach at Wheatland and dedicate our new church there on Saturday, January 31, 1914. All former pastors invited. C. P. COMBS, P. C.

J. D. SCOTT SPECIAL FOR RESCUE HOME, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Below is statement of an account of special collections for Rescue Home, secured through the efforts of J. D. Scott, Special Commissioner: 1913 November 14, Center Point.....\$101.50 November 24, Lampasas.....68.50 December 10, H. W. Schoolfield, Supt. 73.38 December 15, Taylor, A. E. Carraway 21.60 1914 January 2, Mullin.....6.70 January 5, H. W. Schoolfield, Supt. 138.20 January 10, Uvalde.....18.00 C. C. WALSH, Treasurer West Texas Conference.

POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES. Rev. W. H. Brown, Dallas. Rev. J. R. Ritchie, Alba. Rev. J. C. Huddleston, Jacksonville. Rev. T. N. Lowrey, 817 W. 15th, Waco. Rev. G. A. Marvyn, who lost everything he had by fire on August 30, has moved to Denison and he may now be addressed Lock Box 219, Denison, Texas.

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

The greatness of man does not show itself in its ability to build cathedrals, to sculpture, to paint, to write, to invent, to discover, to control men, to found nations, etc., but in its ability to commune with God and do his bidding.—Western Methodist.

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

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Pastor desiring my services for winter or spring income should write me early. Address GEO. P. BLEDSOE, Gilmer, Texas.

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OPEN DATES—I have open dates for four or five meetings during the months of February, March and April. Who wants them? Address J. C. WILSON, Alpine, Texas.

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HELP WANTED.

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Any Church, College or League desiring one or more lectures this winter on the Gospel of Triumph, Revolution, Republic, etc., in China, address Rev. M. C. Wilcox, Ph. D.—veteran missionary—San Antonio. Highly recommended by Doctors Burgin, Godbey, Grocose, Gregory, etc. Terms reasonable.

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TWO EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Education has arranged for two educational conferences during the year. The first is to be held February 26 and 27 at Nashville; the second, August 4-7, at the Southern Assembly, on Junaluska Lake. The program for the February conference will be completed and published in a few days. While this program contemplates specially the presence of the presidents and principals of our colleges and schools and their active participation in the discussions, Conference Secretaries of Education, representatives of Conference Boards, editors of our Church papers, pastors and all others interested in the educational work of our Church are cordially invited to attend and to take part in the Conference.

On account of the Interdenominational Bible Conference being in session at Nashville at that time, special rates are granted by the railroads. Within the State of Tennessee, round trips are sold for one fare, plus 25 cents; without the State, round trips for one and one-half fare.

It is the plan of the Board to make the August Conference a great inspirational meeting. Further information concerning plans and the program will be made public later. STONEWALL ANDERSON.

PLAINVIEW DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE.

The Missionary Institute and Preachers Meeting for the Plainview District will be held in Plainview, February 10, 11, 12, beginning 2 p. m., Tuesday, 10th, closing noon, Thursday, 12th. O. P. KIKER, P. E.

DENVER CONFERENCE.

Durango District—Second Round. Flora Vista Charge, at Cedar Hill, Monday Eve., Feb. 9. Farmington Charge, at Farmington, Tuesday Eve., Feb. 10. Durango Charge, at Durango, Wednesday Eve., Feb. 11. Mancos Charge, at Mancos, Thursday Eve., Feb. 12. Artec Charge, at Artec, Saturday Eve., Feb. 14. La Plata Charge, at Thomas Chapel, Monday Eve., Feb. 16. D. E. BUNDY, P. E.

Tyler District—First Round.

(Revised.) Edom and Chandler, Jan. 24, 25, at Chandler. Cedar Street, Jan. 25 (Evening). Grand Saline, Jan. 29 (Evening). Edgewood, Jan. 30 (Evening). Wills Point Sta., Feb. 1. Emory and Point, Feb. 7, 8, at Point. Alba, Feb. 8, at Golden.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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WANTED—A live preacher that can make good for Aztec Station, Durango District, Denver Conference. Aztec is a small county seat town, on the D. & R. G. R. K. Has a good church, well organized and active membership, salary about nine hundred dollars per year. No "Grouches," "Faddists" nor invalids need apply. Send full information, recommendations, and correspondence at once to Bishop E. E. Hoss, Muskogee, Okla., or to D. E. Bundy, P. E., Farmington, New Mexico.

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Mt. Sylvan, Feb. 14, 15, at Mt. Sylvan. Murchison, Feb. 18, at Murchison. Mincola Miss., Feb. 20, at Olive B. Quitman, Feb. 21, at Liberty. Tyler Cir., Feb. 28, March 1, at Bascom. Marvin, March 2. Willis Point Cir., March 5, at Myrtle Spgs. Canton, at Canton, March 6. Ben Wheeler, at B. W., March 7. Colfax, at Oakland, March 8. This is a revised list, and it will be noted that several week-day dates appear. This was in order to give stewards and people December in which to rest from the strain of the closing month of last conference year. J. T. SMITH, P. E.

Corsicana District—Second Round.

(Complete Round.) Zion Rest, 11 a. m., Feb. 1. Corsicana, 11th Ave., 7:30 p. m., Feb. 1. Rice, Feb. 7, 8. Kerens and Powell, at K., Feb. 14, 15. Pardon, at Pardon, Feb. 28, March 1. Mexia Cir., at Cedar, March 7, 8. Groesbeck, March 8, 9. Thornton, at Steel Creek, March 14, 15. Big Hill and Odds, at B. H., March 15, 16. Corsicana Cir., at Eureka, March 21, 22. Corsicana, First Church, 8 p. m., March 22. Frost, March 28, 29. Emmett Cir., at E., March 29, 30. Blooming Grove, April 4, 5. Chatfield, at Tupelo, April 11, 12. Harmony, at Alliance Hall, April 18, 19. Dawson, April 19, 20. Corsicana, 11th Ave., 8 p. m., April 22. Barry and Embouse, at E., April 25, 26. Mexia, May 2, 3. Wortham Miss, at Hardin, May 9, 10. Wortham and Richland, at W., May 10, 11. Corsicana, First Church, 8 p. m., May 11. E. A. SMITH, P. E.

Sweetwater District—Second Round.

Roscoe, at R., Feb. 7-8. Loraine, at Champion, Feb. 14-15. Westbrook, at Cuthbert, Feb. 21-22. Colorado Sta., Feb. 28, March 1. Blackwell, at Slater's Chapel, March 7-8. Fluvanna, at Bethel, March 14-15. Sweetwater M. S., at Moody, March 21-22. Snyder Sta., March 26. District Conference, at Snyder, March 27-29. Sweetwater Sta., April 5. Iray, at Sharon, April 11-12. Roby, at Koyston, April 18-19. Dams, at Pleasant Hill, April 25-26. Camp Springs, at Crenshaw, April 27. J. M. SHERMAN, P. E.

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**NICHOLS**—Our little friend, Ardis Nichols, departed this life December 17, 1913. She was the only surviving daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. Marvin Nichols, and the beloved granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Curtis of this city. She was born in Nocona some fourteen years ago. During these years she had lived in Nocona, Dallas, Gainesville and Denton. Her school career began here in Denton. Last year she completed the grammar school course. At the time of death she was in her first year of the High School. She was studious in her habits, and grasped rapidly the subjects she undertook to master. She was universally loved by both teachers and schoolmates. With the coming of larger growth she felt the need of committing her heart definitely to Jesus Christ; so, more than three years ago she made a public confession of her faith, and united with the Methodist Church, South. She was in her place regularly at the services, especially was she faithful to the choir rehearsal each Friday night when she would accompany her aunt, Miss Villa Curtis. She was taken ill on Monday with scarlet fever. She bore up under the pain and suffering with unusual patience and hopefulness. She was anxious to live and had expressed the hope that the fever would soon give way and that she might be again restored to health. And so we all hoped. But, alas! the frail body was unable to resist the strong and persistent attacks of the dreaded disease. On Wednesday night, after the few days of suffering, the weary body found relief and the prepared soul entered the higher and holier realm. The facts given above tell somewhat of the life so suddenly terminated. But how meager these feeble words! The beautiful life of this earnest, tender, trustful, affectionate child cannot be told. It is known only by those who realized by association the true charm of her winsome personality. She was a beam of sunlight in her own home—the joy, the hope and the comfort of those who loved her best. The qualities which made her so much beloved by the relatives, drew to her the affections of all those who came to truly know her. Never in the memory of this writer has he known one of her age to have been so rich in the wealth of true friendships. If she were the darling of her hearthstone, she was certainly the favorite daughter in her community. The old and the young alike loved her. All, irrespective of age or station, wept when she went away. Her life among us has been a blessing. The memory of her will abide as an unceasing benediction.

O. T. COOPER,  
Denton, Texas.

**CURRY**—Mrs. J. B. Curry, whose maiden name was Ala May Rape, wife of Rev. J. B. Curry, pastor of our Church at Santa Anna, was born September 12, 1881, in Ellis County, Texas, and died at Santa Anna November 26, 1913. She was married to J. B. Curry June 3, 1902. Four children were the result of this union. The baby girl died in infancy and thus preceded its mother to the land of rest. Sister Curry was converted in childhood and joined the Christian Church. In early young womanhood she united with the M. E. Church, South, of which she was a loyal and faithful member to the end of her earthly life. Some eighteen months ago Sister Curry was stricken with that dread disease, tuberculosis. Friends arranged for their removal west in the hope that she might regain her health and fully recover. She made a brave fight and all of us hoped she was doing fairly well and stood a good chance to get well. But during the recent session of conference she grew rapidly worse and died on November 27. Two skillful physicians, a faithful nurse, her good, brave husband, her father and mother and sister, and many friends did all that earthly hands could do for one who suffered as she did. She bore her sufferings bravely, and met the end with faith and hope and went to the Master unafraid. She was a true, faithful Christian, and as the wife of an itinerant preacher, she did her part uncomplainingly and in a spirit of love and joy. She knew the end was coming and talked and planned with her husband concerning the after days. She is greatly missed by all her friends and loved ones, but most of all by her children and her brave, good husband, who did so much during the last months to save her from worry and toil and give her a good chance to get well. Blessings on them and on the memory of this good wife and mother who lived her life so well and has now come to peace and rest.

J. H. STEWART,  
Brownwood, Texas.

**LOWRANCE**—Mrs. Mary Delphia Lowrance, wife of J. N. Lowrance (nee Boston), was born in Coffee County, Tennessee, January 30, 1857, where she grew to womanhood. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church when she was about fifteen years of age. She was married to J. N. Lowrance December 22, 1881. She was the mother of eight children, five boys and three girls, two of the boys having died some years since at the age of about fourteen and fifteen, leaving six children, three girls and three boys, with her husband, to mourn her departure. Sister Lowrance was a

devout Christian; was a teacher in the Sunday School at the time of her death. She possessed all the marks of a truly good woman. She was quiet and unassuming in her manners. To know her was to love and respect her. Her home was the place where she reigned as queen. She was a good wife, a loving mother, a kind, considerate neighbor. She was hospitable in her disposition and in her home her friends were always welcome. Her pastors always found in her home a warm welcome. Her friends were numbered by her acquaintances. She had lived in the Red Oak community during her married life and during all that time, those who were the most familiar with her testify that they never heard her speak a harmful word about any one. Her death on November 14, 1913, was sudden. She was out in the meadow with the children picking up pecans, when she fell and expired almost instantly. She was ready though so unexpected both to her, and her relatives and friends. We held her funeral service in the Methodist Church in Red Oak Saturday, November 15, assisted by Rev. J. A. Whitehurst, Rev. Joseph Lee and Rev. Wright, of the Presbyterian Church. All these brethren spoke tenderly of her and her life in the presence of a large circle of neighbors, friends and relatives. We laid her remains in the old Bells Chapel Cemetery by the side of her boys and loved ones. Her great desire while living was that her children should all live right. May her prayers be answered and may husband and children all meet her again where no sad partings will ever come. Her pastor,

I. E. HIGHTOWER,  
Red Oak, Texas.

**COCKE**—Mrs. Harriet Anne Cocke, daughter of the noted G. J. Neill, was born near San Marcos, Texas, April 4, 1852. Here she bled into beautiful womanhood; and on the 2nd of August, 1871, was married to William M. Cocke. Shortly after their marriage they moved to Uvalde County, where they spent the rest of their lives. Here Sister Cocke joined the Methodist Church, and reared her children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Nine children blessed her home, six boys and three girls; all of whom are living except one son. Her husband died on October 15, 1905. She ever felt lonely and sad after his death. But on the morning of November 5, 1913, she left her sorrow and tears, and joined her husband on the other side. May God's love and mercy lead the sons and daughters in the way everlasting.

WALTER L. BARR,  
Uvalde, Texas.

**COLMAN**—Mrs. Ida Colman (whose maiden name was Ida Jones) was born April, 1885, and died January 4, 1914, at Caro, Texas. She leaves husband, and one little girl, mother, and brother, sister, to mourn her death. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church six or seven years ago. She lived a consistent Christian until her death. She had been an invalid for several years. She was perfectly resigned to the Master's will. Truly her sun went down while it was yet day. She was an affectionate mother, a devoted wife, kind neighbor. She was loved by all who knew her. From a human standpoint this is a strange, sad dispensation of providence, but God is too wise to err and too good to be unkind. He doeth all things well. Methinks the heavenly host were present, and only waited for the severance of the "silver thread," the breaking of the golden bowl, to escort her through the gates into the city, to that place, prepared for her a house not made with hands, eternal and in the heavens. To the bereaved ones I would say live so that when death calls you away from friends and loved ones, you may go to join her in our Father's house.

L. H. MATHISON, Pastor.

**JACKSON**—Edward B. Jackson, Jr., the son of Rev. E. B. Jackson and Nettie Jackson, was born in the parsonage at Elmo, Texas, October 9, 1913, and departed this life from the parsonage home in Mabank, Texas, January 9, 1914. All was done for him that skillful physicians, father, mother and kind friends could do, all to no purpose. Pneumonia did its fatal work in eight days. Oh, how their hearts bled as he suffered with that awful disease. With what anxiety they watched and hoped and prayed. The day before he died a relaxation of suffering was observed with profound gratitude; the parents expressed their delight, but had all hopes blasted by the faithful physician's anxiety; in sorrow watched him die, with a host of friends of Mabank. Oh, how he is missed in the parsonage home! But, thanks to God, the influence of his immortal spirit abides still. He was so bright and promising. His father expressed his gratitude to this scribe, feeling that he was a gift from God, and expected to plan great things for him religiously, and educationally. But death caused a great disappointment as their hopes faded into disappointment and sorrow. Weep not dear parents Christ said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." He was laid away in the Mabank Cemetery, January 9, 1914, to await the resurrection morn.

Bro. G. A. Crane, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, held the funeral services in the Methodist Church of Mabank. These parents weep not as those who have no hope, but are looking forward to a glorious reunion in those bright mansions above.

J. W. GRIFFIN.

**SHEARER**—Walter Lafayette Shearer was born December 16, 1852, and died June 20, 1913. He was born in Wayne County, Kentucky. Brother Shearer was a good man and had many friends. He professed faith in Christ about ten years ago. He was a Methodist in belief, but never joined any Church. He was sick for months and it was always a pleasure to visit him in his sickness. May God bless his brother and many friends who cared for him in his sickness.

W. W. NOBLE, P. C.

**SIMS**—Mrs. Kate Sims, daughter of W. O. Hightower and Kate Bradford, was born in the Methodist parsonage at Weatherford, Texas, December 6, 1879. Deprived by death of a mother's love and care when five weeks old, she was carried to her grandparents, I. O. and Rebecca Hightower, in Johnson County, and by them the delicate babe received the benefit of experienced nursing and was tenderly reared through the hills of childhood, first on the farm and later in the town of Granbury. When she was twelve years of age her father married Miss Vernon Lane, of Georgetown, Texas, and the rest of her childhood was spent in the home of her second mother. After coming of age she went to Gordon, Texas, to teach school, and there she was later married to Mr. J. S. Sims. Always frail and with energy that far exceeded her strength, she developed a pulmonary trouble several years ago that developed into consumption. Her frail constitution gave way before the ravages of the disease; and although everything that medical skill could suggest was tried, she faded like an autumn leaf and took her flight to realms of bliss from her home in Gordon at 7 p. m., November 4, 1913. Her only child, a delicate son some seven months old, had preceded her by about three months. While still with her grandparents Kate took Christ as her Savior and united with the M. E. Church, South, and was active in the work of the Church until too feeble to leave her bed. For years she was a conference officer in the Home Mission Society. Her present pastor testifies that she continued her Church work, through all sorts of weather, long after failing health would have justified her retirement. After her baby's death she seemed to see that the certain end could not be long delayed. She told the writer that she was very tired of suffering, and that her chief desire was to go on and find her baby. She discussed her change as calmly as mortals speak of the most ordinary events of life. There was no dark valley for her. To some of her uncles and aunts, who helped nurse the frail baby on the farm, her going is the loss of a younger sister rather than a niece; and her father mourns the death of his first-born; but we expect to have a family reunion in our Father's home, and when we see her there her brave spirit will not be hampered by a frail tenement of clay.

EMMETT HIGHTOWER.

**MIMS**—Mary Emiline Mims, daughter of Brother and Sister J. R. Mims, was born May 4, 1911; died December 29, 1913. Little Emiline was sick only a few hours, and when relief came in death, the sweet little smiles so characteristic of this tender flower, was still left stamped upon her face. How sad! She was the jewel of the home; the circle broken, the voice so sweet forever hushed, the little pattering feet that hastened to meet "papa" have ceased to move. We know the home will be lonely without her. But the Lord knows best. Jesus said, suffer the children to come, and she gone. Heaven will feel nearer and dearer than ever before. May the Lord strengthen the faith of the bereaved ones as the years come and go, and finally on the banks of sweet deliverance all may be reunited again. Her pastor, S. L. HABERN.

**JACKSON**—Little E. B. Jackson, son of Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Jackson, was born in Elmo, Texas, October 9, 1913; departed this life January 9, 1914, in Mabank, Texas. Short was his stay on earth, and shorter in his new home, but in that little time he won our hearts, he was so sweet. He was very sick for a week, then God sent an angel to bear his little spirit to its heavenly home, to be with Jesus evermore. He left an almost broken-hearted father, mother and little sister, but dear ones, look higher, he, with the other little ones, is waiting and watching for you up yonder, where no sorrow comes, and some sweet day you may hold him in your arms again, not as you held him here, his last few days with you, but well and happy. May the blessing of the Heavenly Father rest upon and keep you to the end.

MRS. E. CORE.

**CARSON**—Sallie Carson (nee Bailey) was born July 27, 1839; married to W. S. Carson, October 19, 1854. Being baptized in infancy she was almost a lifetime member of the M. E. Church, South. After living a devoted Christian life she has gone to reap her reward, and is now waiting for her loved ones to follow her to the beautiful city above. Sister Carson departed this life January 2, 1914. She lived a widow twenty-two years. She was the mother of seven sons and one daughter. One of the boys died six years ago. With the exception of one other son all were present when we laid her body away at Verona to await the resurrection morning. Friends and relatives mourn her departure, but know that she has gone to the place that Jesus has prepared for those who love and trust him.

C. F. MCKINNEY.

**SIMONS**—Mrs. Flora Simons (nee Wells) was born in Texana, Texas, December 31, 1833, and supposed to have been the first white child born in Jackson County, and passed to her reward December 25, 1913, in Edna, Tex. Her parents, Dr. F. F. and Martha Wells, came to Texas in S. F. Austin's first colony, and settled in old Brazoria, later moving to what is now Jackson County. She was married to Geo. F. Simons June 6, 1860, who preceded her to the beyond. To this union there were seven children born, three of whom survive her—C. S., Geo. F. and Dr. F. W. Simons. She joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, soon after her marriage, to which she remained a faithful and helpful member until transferred to the Church triumphant. She had the distinction of having lived under four flags, respectively of Mexico, Republic of Texas, Confederate States of Amer-

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- 8—Pain or soreness under right rib.
- 9—Sciatic rheumatism.
- 10—Constipation or liver trouble.
- 11—Palpitation or pain under the heart.
- 12—Pain in the hip joint.
- 13—Pain in the neck or head.
- 14—Pain or soreness in the kidneys.
- 15—Pain or swelling of the joints.
- 16—Pain or swelling of the muscles.
- 17—Pain and soreness in nerves.
- 18—Acute rheumatism.

ica and United States of America. Her sweet, cheerful disposition was like the tube rose, casting sunshine and cheer by her kind words and smiles. She loved her Church as her family and expressed herself as being "so happy" during her illness. She is gone, but her "good works do follow her." She leaves many relatives and a host of friends to mourn their loss. Her pastor,

M. L. DARBY.

**RENEAU**—On Friday night, December 26, 1913, at 12 o'clock, the death angel knocked at the door of our beloved Jeanetta Reneau and claimed her spirit for the glorious world beyond. Our hearts are indeed made sad because of the removal of so faithful a member from our midst. Mrs. T. M. Reneau was a devoted Christian after God's own plan. A true wife and mother, a loyal member of the Methodist Church and a worker in the "Willing Workers" band of ladies. Her daily motto was: "Never to speak an unkind word of any person and to lead souls to Christ." I have often heard her say, "If I can just be instrumental in leading my dear family and many souls to Christ, I know the reward my Master will give me will be all I could ask." And we feel sure she was given a glimpse of the beautiful beyond, for just a few moments before she left us she opened her eyes, smiled and said, "I'm ready to go. All is well." Oh, what a consolation to those left behind! How each of us can rejoice in such a good-bye from one so dear to us! Weep not dear ones. She is only waiting on the other side. Yes, waiting and walking the pearly streets of the New Jerusalem, and while she can not return to us, we can go to her. Jeanetta May Russell was born September 25, 1871, in Paducah, Kentucky; moved with her parents to Greenville, Texas, in 1882; married to T. M. Reneau, July 14, 1894; died December 26, 1913; was buried at Clinton, Texas, December 27, 1913. A husband and five children are left to mourn her departure. Remember, dear ones, "Tis only a flower plucked from this earthly abode transplanted in God's heavenly garden." Written by one who loved her dearly.

MINNIE HALL.

**AUSBURN**—Gussie Ausburn (nee Harris) was born March 8, 1866, in Baxter County, Arkansas, and departed this life December 25, 1913, at the sanitarium in Ft. Worth, Texas. She was married to G. W. Ausburn September 23, 1888. The moved in 1900 to Wagoner, Oklahoma, where they resided for seven years. During this time she endeared herself to all by conducting their Sunday School and other service when necessary. In 1907 they moved to Vera, Knox County, Texas, and this was her home at the time of her departure for her home above. Sister Ausburn was converted at the age of nine and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. To Brother and

Sister Ausburn were born five children, four boys and one girl. The little girl preceded her to the heavenly home some 10 years. She used every opportunity to do good and was at all times about her "Master's business." Her husband said he owes much of what he is today to her. She was a power in prayer, bringing the two worlds together while the audience was swept by the influence and power of God. Her children, with one exception, is religious, and he asks the prayers of all in his behalf. Sister Ausburn was buried here, after a religious service conducted by Brother Chase, of the Christian Church, and her pastor. Many friends mourned her departure, for all loved her who knew her. She leaves a heart-broken husband, four boys, one brother and sister who feel most keenly their great loss. The end of her days was perfect peace and her works do follow her. May the mantle of this good woman and faithful worker fall upon her husband and children until they go hence to meet her in that "sun-bright clime."

C. D. PIPKIN, Pastor.

**HOWARD**—The subject of this sketch, Bro. T. N. Howard, was born June 10, 1838, and died December 25, 1913. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in Dallas County, near the town of DeSoto, about fifty one years ago, and lived a consistent life to the end. In 1860 he was married to Miss M. J. Parks at DeSoto, Dallas County, Texas. Five children were born to this union, four of whom survive him. In the death of Brother Howard we realize that a good and true man is gone. May the blessings of God rest upon his loving companion and faithful and obedient children who are left to mourn their loss.

L. A. REAVIS, P. C.

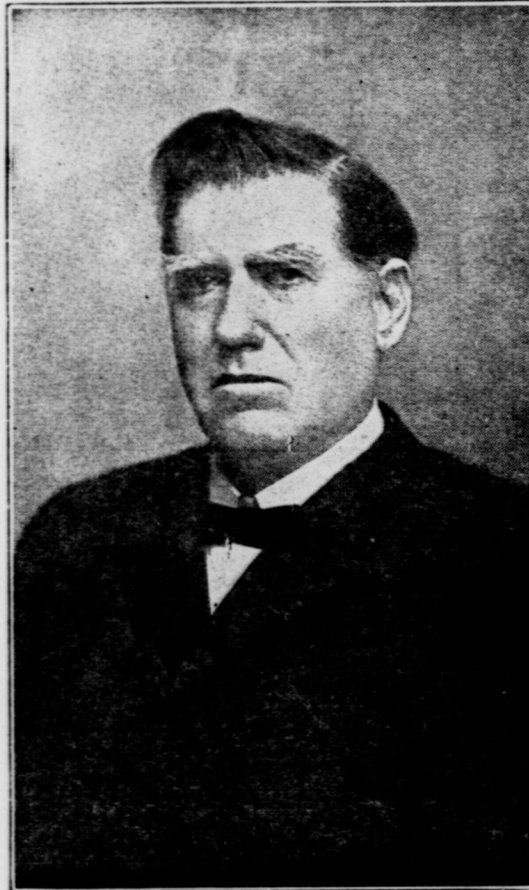
Take the children to Church. They have a right to go. If they bother the preacher, get another preacher. Better lose your pastor than your child.—Midland Methodist.

We have agitated the temperance question so long and continuously that the opponents thereof have gotten used to the vibration just as experienced trainmen regard not the motion of the swaying cars. What we need now is to shake the subject—shake the saloon till neither barrel nor bottle can abide with its rattling walls.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

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You needn't keep on feeling distressed after eating, nor belching, nor experiencing nausea between meals.  
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My Beloved Rankin:

I have just gone through your wonderful book. Your dedication of "Men and Measures" is marvelous. "The story" of your life will be a blessing to many people.

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Abilene, Tex., Sept. 25, 1912.

I have finished reading "The Story of My Life." I have not read a book in years that gave me more genuine joy and pleasure. I have only one boy, but I want him to read and reread it, and I shall recommend it both to the young and old wherever I shall go. I have always loved and admired you as I have but few men. But since reading your book, the struggles of your early life, the hardships through which you have passed, and the victories won, I want to say I admire and love you as never before. I anxiously await your next volume, and I want the first copy. May the good Father continue to guide you in the great work which you are now accomplishing.

GUS BARNES.

It is certainly full of interest and shows that you have been down the line some yourself. Your efforts have been well directed, while your footsteps have been guided by an unseen hand. Your career has been most wonderful. It reminds me of some of my experience in life. I, too, have gone through some broad valleys, muddy waters and rocky roads. You are certainly engaged in a great work.

CHAMP TAYLOR.

Plemons, Texas.

This is not the most learned, not the most instructive, not the most literary book of my acquaintance, but it is by all odds the most laudable book that I have ever seen.

E. A. BERRY, Dis't Attor.  
Madisonville, Texas.

I have just finished reading "The Story of My Life," and found it a lively and entertaining story. Your sketches of the prominent persons of your acquaintance are particularly illuminating and enjoyable. I was especially impressed by your estimate of the character of Dr. W. E. Munsey. I am not widely informed on the prominent men of our Church, so it is not strange that I should never have heard of him. But certain language you use has excited my interest and makes me want to know more of the man. You speak of his end being "so sudden and pathetic," and of "the clouds that gathered around the sunset of his brilliant life."

Of great men Methodism has made a respectable showing. It had its origin among great men; and all along the line there have been those in its ranks that have loomed large in the world's eye. And it seems to me that today the Church can exhibit quite a host that is exceedingly active and useful.

So it is with a feeling of apprehension that I read these words about Dr. Munsey.

COKE ODOM.

Grandview, Texas.

It is almost a sin to put in a man's hands a book like "The Story of My Life." He forgets all duties and responsibilities until the book is ended. I cannot tell you how much I appreciated the volume and I am sending you a marked copy of the Alabama Christian Advocate with the review. Supposed that this had been done before. The book is now in Brother Glenn's hands. My wife organized a Brotherhood Club among a group of young men that seemed to be adrift. It has led a number into the Kingdom and transformed a number of lives. In the hands of one young man who was one time reckless and wild, but now has a passion for winning and helping young men, I placed your book, and he felt that he had never read anything more helpful to him personally.

H. WHITEHEAD.  
Birmingham, Alabama.

For some time I have been intending to drop you a line of thanks for the great pleasure the reading of your book—"The Story of My Life"—gave me. On my last birthday one of my children sent the book to me and I feel sure it will please you to know that one of the old preachers reads the book in the spirit with which it was evidently written, and that it brought in his many days of pain and depression a ray of sunshine. Your love and devotion to that elect body—your sainted mother, and the grim resolution of school and college life—do you great honor, and are not only the indication of a strong religious character, but the promise of a useful and distinguished life, such as yours has been. I shall endeavor to see to it that my grandchildren, especially, read the book.

CHAS. E. LAMB.

Clarksville, Texas.

Gonzales, Tex., March 15, 1913.

I have just finished "The Story of My Life"—at three sittings—and my heart's verdict is that it is the most thrillingly interesting book I have ever read. I read until 2 a. m., one night, and was sorry to put it down, even for a few hours. There is not a dull page in the book. I laughed and cried all the way through, and when I had finished, I felt like I had gone through a camp-meeting revival. I wish every man, woman and child in Christendom would read it. It is much more interesting and entertaining, and infinitely more instructive than any novel I have ever read.

A. B. DAVIDSON.

"The Story of My Life" is a splendid contribution to biographical literature. Myself and wife read it with intense interest. It is an inspiration to any young man to purpose noble achievements, and will be a legacy to your children better than gold. With sincerest wishes for your happiness, and continued usefulness.

H. A. BOURLAND.

Dallas, Texas.

While visiting Dallas during the Fair, I called at your office and bought one of your books—"The Story of My Life." I have read it and wish to say it is the most interesting book I have had the pleasure of reading. I wish every reader of the Advocate could read this book, especially the young people. It certainly is an inspiration for one to climb to a higher plane of this life, as well as to prepare ourselves for the better world. May God's richest blessings rest upon this editor and writer in the evening of his life is the prayer of a poor country boy.

BASCOM BRIDGES.

Providence, Oklahoma.

I have found the story of your life very interesting. It is to such books that we look for vital connection with the past.

As respects the sale of your book, you have made an excellent point in printing it on the plan of a boy's daily experiences, and making it inspiring to worthy ambition in boys.

J. E. GODLEY.

St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. George C. Rankin, a veteran of the militant ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has written a book which he calls "The Story of My Life." He was the son of one of Andrew Jackson's Indian fighters and was born in Tennessee and brought up in the country from which he transfers many amusing incidents into his naive account of the experiences of an interesting, varied and useful life. Forty-six years ago he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and in it found a wide field for his activities. He writes of his work as a preacher, temperance evangelist and editor. Many places and some well-known people figure in these pages. Besides the rather crude drawings there are photographs of the Rankin family, a group of Christian young men and women, of whom any man might be proud. —New York Advocate.

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**KEEPING THE ORPHAN CHILDREN WARM.**

It has been two weeks since I made my last report, because the receipts have been so small. I am fully aware of the numerous calls that are being made through the pages of the Advocate and in other ways, for almost every cause. I must insist, however, dear friends, that there is nothing right now of more importance than the finishing up of the job of heating the Methodist Orphanage. Will not those who are making special gifts please remember the heating plant at the Orphan's Home?

Previously reported	\$1,874.19
These two weeks as follows:	
Mrs. L. A. Anderson, Zyback	10.00
C. T. Dupree, Gohson	1.00
Morgan Sunday School, Morgan	11.20
Mrs. Mollie H. Cox, Polytechnic	2.00
E. C. Stovall, Graham	5.00
G. A. F. Parker and wife	
Hereford	5.00
Mrs. E. A. Roberts, Cooledge	2.00
Mrs. R. T. Hill, Austin	10.00
Friends in Mercury	5.00
Mrs. Mary Markham, Sherman	25.00
Total	\$ 76.20
Grand total	\$1,950.39

Anyone sending money for this fund please so state. Send to A. D. Porter. But if sent to the Orphanage or to Brother Burroughs, state the object for which given. If any one does not see his or her name appear in the Advocate after two weeks, please write me. A. D. PORTER, Morrow St., Waco, Texas.

**PRESIDENT REYNOLDS OF HENDRIX COLLEGE VISITS DALLAS.**

President J. H. Reynolds of Hendrix College, Conway, Ark., made a special visit to Dallas last week to look into the business methods, office details, etc., relative to Southern Methodist University. He also made a trip to the grounds and inspected the buildings under the direction of President Hyer, and upon his return to his home wrote Mr. Frank Reedy, Barsar of the University, and from that letter we quote as follows:

"I wish to congratulate the Methodists of Texas upon the bigness of your plans for the Southern Methodist University, and the wisdom even down to the minutest detail, with which they are being carried out. You are happy in the selection of a city and a site. The coming ages will also prove the far-sighted wisdom with which you acted in securing the services of experts in laying out a comprehensive scheme of buildings, walks and drives before you erected any buildings. A university built after a plan looks fifty per cent better than one built without a plan. Many institutions have discovered their mistake and are destroying at the cost of thousands of dollars that they may reconstruct according to some plan. Moreover, you are wise in constructing nothing but fire-proof buildings.

"The success of your campaign is the most remarkable in the history of education in the country. This is more notable by reason of the fact



**Men's Building at S. M. U. UNQUESTIONABLY THE "LAST WORD" IN COLLEGE HOMES FOR YOUNG MEN— As it appears to-day**

It is necessary to visit and study the location and interior arrangement of this splendid home for our boys to realize how it will assist in making a college career what it ought to be. All the old difficulties have been met with a solution, meaning comfort, privacy, quiet, discipline, regularity of habits and study, as well as economy.

The architecture is in full accord with that of the splendid Administration Building—fireproof, substantial, neat, and the kind that never gets out of date. A century hence, fine buildings will be of similar type.

**THE SPLENDID 132 ACRE CAMPUS OF S. M. U. WILL NOT BE A "CRAZY-QUILT DESIGN."**

**COME AND SEE AND REJOICE WITH US**

The completion of this building—meaning the collection of \$100,000.00 is one of the two conditions of opening S. M. U. this fall. The other condition is that of completing the Dallas Hall by citizens of Dallas, and they will surely take care of that item.

**EVERY DOLLAR PAID IN MEANS A STEP TOWARD THE OPENING, SEPTEMBER 15, 1914**

**Statement of the Condition of**

**The American Exchange National Bank**

**OF DALLAS, TEXAS,**

Made to the Comptroller of the Currency at the Close of Business, Jan. 13th, 1914.

**RESOURCES.**

Loans and Discounts	\$ 8,836,863.74
United States Bonds, par	1,106,000.00
Bonds	802,000.00
Banking House and Fixtures	120,000.00

**CASH—**

On Hand	\$1,468,415.77
With Other Banks	3,254,831.71
With United States Treasurer	50,000.00

**Total** \$15,638,111.22

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital Stock, Paid in	\$ 1,500,000.00
Surplus Fund	1,000,000.00
Undivided Profits, Net	148,734.21
Circulation	1,000,000.00

**DEPOSITS—**

Individual	\$9,265,434.83
Banks and Bankers	2,354,797.87
United States Government	369,144.31

**Total** \$15,638,111.22

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that you have received no large gifts. That is your next problem, namely, to reach your men of wealth. You ought to find men who would give their twenty-five, their fifty, yes, their hundreds of thousands of dollars. In our campaign over here almost half of our two hundred and fifty thou-

and dollars was the gift of about a half dozen men. "With hearty good wishes for the great University of Dallas, I am, Very truly, J. H. REYNOLDS, President, Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas.

**Mexicans in Particular, Foreigners in General**

By J. A. PHILLIPS.

Let's give the Mexican a square deal. As a missionary I have found that there are four elements that go to make people what they ought not to be; bad heredity, bad environment, personal weakness and personal perversity. We cannot ask folks to choose better parents, but we may help them to be better fathers and mothers. We may improve, to some extent, their environment, even without consulting them. We can appeal to men, women and especially children, by public preaching, by personal contact of teachers; kindergarten, Sunday School, etc., and by the influence that Christian families may have on the families that are not Christian. In addition to these methods, we may do much by house-to-house visitation.

We are doing all this in San Antonio. Besides the work of the ministry in Church and Sunday School, our deaconesses visit from house to house. They try to help the needy and to give counsel to the young. Our kindergarten has some thirty-five or forty pupils. They have the Wesley House, a boys' club and a girls' club, a library and reading room and social evenings.

The regular attendance at our church services is about one hundred. We have enrolled at the present time one hundred and sixty in Sunday School. Our Home Department and cradle roll are doing fine work, although they are just started. Our teacher-training class is the most enthusiastic I have seen. With a nominal membership of about two hundred in the Church we have raised to date for this conference year, \$517, and have till February 12 to round out the conference year. Considering the fact that so many of our members are scattered throughout the State, we have really raised about \$4 per member.

I give the above facts merely to encourage the friends of Mexicans in Texas. The petition which we are now circulating in the State asking that provision be made for the education of Mexican children in our public schools throughout Texas is merely another way of trying to lift up these people. This petition was started in the Interdenominational State Sunday School Convention (Mexican), held in this city last July. It afterward received the endorsement of the Mexican Methodist District Conference, the Ministerial Union of San Antonio and the West Texas Conference. It has the signature of Bishop E. D. Mouzon, J. W. Hill (Gulliver), G. Onderdonk, Jackson B. Cox, F. S. Onderdonk, J. E. Harrison, President San Antonio Female College, and over a hundred others. The Mexican papers of San Antonio, Alice and San Marcos are taking it up, also the German Methodist paper, "Mission Friend."

I am aware that there is some indifference among Americans and Mexicans, too, with regard to the education of these people. But until we prepare people so that they may not only make a living but lay by for a rainy day, we shall continue to have a lot of un-

necessary problems to solve. I have been surprised to note what some folks read into Jesus' statement, "The poor ye have always with you." They have made it to read like this: "It is the will of God that the kind and degree of poverty which inevitably produces ignorance, vice and crime, will, should, must always exist, and to undertake to abolish it is to fly in the face of Providence." As a corollary of this theory, almsgiving is for the purpose of saving the soul of the giver. That being true, it would be equivalent to taking away a means of grace, to abolish misery.

We had as well understand, once for all, that unskilled labor cannot lay by for sickness, old age and misfortune. If we are to be self-sustaining as a nation we must see to it that our citizenship have, in each individual case, two or three ways of making a living. This requires as a foundation, the elements of an English education.

Now, as to the evangelization and Christian development of the foreigners in Texas, it cannot be done by mere pulpit ministrations. The people to whom we preach must go to their Christian neighbors to find out what we mean by such expressions as regeneration, faith, repentance, love, forgiveness of enemies, etc., etc. This is not new. It has always been so. The early Church looked after the physical wants of its members, their deacons became preachers, they spread the gospel from household to household. Martin Luther was the father of the public free school system. Our Church schools prepare our children for taking their places in the business, social and cultured world. John Wesley was a practical philanthropist. Livingstone and all other true missionaries endeavored to develop the whole man and the whole of society.

Missionaries to foreigners in Texas can organize, put the Bible in the hands of the people, point the soul to God, inspire men to be other-worldly. But a few index fingers pointing upward is not enough. We need hands to lift up and many of them. Let our business men, our farmers, our doctors, our teachers, our blacksmiths and all the rest, do what a considerable sprinkle of our Christians in the various walks of life are doing and have been doing, that is, live their religion all the time in the presence of those who have known little of it.

I know that there are thousands of our good men and women in Texas who love the Mexicans and Bohemians and Italians and would greatly rejoice to see them wrought into our citizenship to the enrichment of society. Let me exhort that you be more hopeful and that you do not wait till a mission is established. Give them the glad hand, let them know that you love them. Be careful to entertain strangers, you may entertain messengers of God or those who are to become messengers some day. And yet, we must have systematic effort

through the Churches in order to get the largest returns. We need a genuine revival of love for those who have been neglected. Without this I do not believe there is any hope for any other sort of revival. The Epistle of James is certainly in harmony with the teachings of his brother, Jesus Christ. We shall never be able to conquer our lust for gain by ceasing to make money. God has commanded us to conquer the earth. Our only hope is to see to it that all men become shareholders in the good things of this life. As the education of the masses takes away the conceit of the few, so the liberation of the masses from misery will do away with the selfishness of the vulgar rich, provided God be recognized all the way through.

We have already gone a long way toward this goal. But Christianity is a great wealth-producer and a great generator of power. With all the increase of wealth and power we have had in the past fifty years our responsibility has increased to an awful degree. Shall we be true to our trust? If remediable ignorance and bad environment produces a high rate of mortality, and it certainly does, especially among infants, then we cannot escape the conclusion that those who can remedy these conditions and do not, are in some measure, at least, responsible for the death of their fellow men. This makes us constructively guilty of homicide, if we are guilty of neglect. The main question we have to answer is, how may we get the vital spark of God's love to take fire on the inside of our fellow mortal? There is another like unto it, how may we help our badly-environmented fellow human being to create for himself a better atmosphere in which to grow? And these two principles are closely bound up together. We have no right to eternalize the parable of the good Samaritan to the point that we forget that people are still, by the hundreds, left by the wayside torn and bleeding. Yes, I know they may be somewhat to blame for being so careless as to fall among thieves. But Jesus came to seek and to save that which was lost. The whole have no need of a physician but they that are sick. And who are we? We are not our own, we are bought with a price. There is no difference, for all have sinned and come short of the glory to God.

Weak and full of wants as we are ourselves, we must make up our minds, or rather take heart, to do some little good to this poor world while we are in it. Kind words are our chief implements for this work. A kind-worded man is a general man; and gentility is power. Nothing sets wrong right so soon as gentility. There are a thousand things to be reformed, and no reformation succeeds unless it be genial. No one was ever corrected by sarcasm; crushed, perhaps, if the sarcasm was clever enough—but drawn nearer to God, never.—Frederick William Faber.

Truly it may be said that "the tender mercies Truly it may be said that "the tender mercies of the tactless are cruel." Little do they dream what annoyances they give, what pain they daily and hourly occasion. They are wholly unconscious, for instance, of the wound they inflict upon the man who has an impediment in his speech, when they are beforehand with him in the word he is struggling to bring forth. Nor does the man who has the misfortune of wanting a leg or arm feel less indignant at the officiousness which keeps his infirmity constantly in the minds of the company by forcing assistance upon him which he does not want.—Great Thoughts.