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## EDITORIAL

### THE MISSIONARY SPIRIT OF THE GOSPEL.

The gospel of Jesus Christ is a missionary gospel. Its compass and scope take in the whole world. It knows no special individual, no special race, no special nation. It recognizes universal humanity. The great commission embraces the sum total of mankind. There is not a solitary exception to this world-wide principle of salvation.

It is, therefore, the bounden duty of every Christian to put forth some effort to propagate the truths of the gospel. The salvation of every individual presupposes a desire to save others. And the same is true with reference to the Church organizations. Only those organizations multiply their memberships and promote their local success in proportion to their endeavor to extend the benefit of the gospel to others. The moment that their efforts in this direction diminish their zeal and intensity, that moment their progress is arrested and spiritual stagnation begins. The missionary spirit is the life of the Church. When the Church bestirs itself to send the gospel to the neglected places and to carry it into the regions beyond, it grows in spiritual life and enlarges its spirit of generosity and benevolence. Its local work becomes prosperous.

There never was a time in the progress of the Southern Methodist Church when there was such a call upon its zeal and resources for missionary investment as at the present time. The doors of foreign fields are wide open and the peoples of the world are crying out for the gospel. Young men and young women are offering themselves to the Church for work of this kind, and the Church in turn is begging for the means with which to meet the demands. At our recent meeting of the Board of Missions the only thing that oppressed those present was the appalling lack of funds to meet the urgent calls. From Mexico, from Brazil, from China, from Korea, from Japan, to say nothing of the calls from the needy sections of our own land, the cry was for men and for money to fill the waste places with the good tidings. Those in charge of these several mission stations were persistent in their request for an enlarged appropriation. In their own esteem those fields are all white unto the harvest. Right at this very moment the board could use a million dollars more than our annual contribution for the demands in all these sections of missionary enterprise.

It was positively depressing to the spirit of the entire board to have to limit appropriations and in some instances to turn down worthy and importunate calls. We are facing momentous opportunities and startling responsibilities. God, upon his part, has gone far in advance of the liberality of the Church in preparing the way throughout the world for the advance of the gospel. He has removed obstacles and he has put it into the hearts of scores of consecrated men and women to volunteer their time and their tal-

ent for the work, but the Church is balking the plans of Providence by its failure to furnish the contributions. We need to arouse our slumbering sense of duty in this emergency in order to co-operate with the plans of the Father in extending the Redeemer's kingdom.

We are without excuse. Our Church is an immensely wealthy Church. There are millions in the possession of its membership. Our duty is plain. We must redouble our effort to give our people the facts and the information touching this great matter. The Church press needs to flood its columns with more missionary intelligence and our preachers need to stress this great question with larger emphasis. When the people are informed they will respond. In some measure they have made great improvement over past years. Our laymen are taking on renewed life and interest. The prospect for a great forward movement is brighter than heretofore. To this extent we are encouraged, but the call is so urgent and the demand so great that we almost grow impatient at the slowness of our progress. Let the incoming year be one of larger plans, of wider vision and of sharper conscience. Then we will see Zion travail and sons and daughters in larger numbers will be born unto the Lord Almighty; for the development of the missionary idea will only quicken the spiritual energy and promote its spirit of evangelism. The reflex influence of the forward movement to spread the gospel will deepen the life of the Church and send a thrill of revival power throughout the whole connection. The one is the inspiration of the other. Then let the Church hear the cry from the ends of the earth and gird herself for a world victory!

### ALLEGED CONFERENCE RINGS.

We sometimes hear it alleged that there are certain rings in the conferences, made up of a few influential brethren, and that through such organizations the affairs of the conferences are controlled. Generally speaking, we do not believe that these combinations exist to the extent they are set forth by their critics. As a rule, one good preacher has just about as much influence in his conference as any other one, and the largest part of the fears expressed by brethren who claim that such rings exist is mostly imaginary. Nearly all Methodist preachers meet on the level and conduct their business upon the square.

But occasionally it so happens that two or three designing brethren adroitly get together and manipulate things in such way as to control and dominate the proceedings and the appointments of the conference. They study Church politics, lay certain wires and bring about certain results. Wherever such things exist they are not for the glory of God, but for the promotion of human interests and human ambition. They ought to be broken up whenever their existence is discovered. No two or three men have any right to dominate the action of the conference, and when they use their influence to

that end they are going beyond the limit. Members of the conference ought to be brethren and their work ought to be open and frank. Church politics have no place among an aggregation of men professing faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. That sort of business ought to be left to ward politicians. Christian men ought to live above such petty combinations.

When such objectionable rings exist they are easily exposed, and the rank and file of the membership can dispose of them in short order. Therefore, if conference rings spring up they are short lived. Those engaged in them can be made to realize that bossism is at a discount and that they who seek to control appointments and places through any such trickery need expect no favors at the hands of the rank and file of the conference. So that we need have no fear of the conference ringsters. It is an easy matter to teach them a needed lesson. But we repeat, as a rule there is but little of this sort of business among members of the conference. May the time come when there will be none of it!

### SIN STANDS OUT, BUT RIGHTEOUSNESS IS RETIRING.

Sin is bold and spectacular. It is brazen and self-assertive. And it is abnormal, not to say unnatural. Its very boldness startles the human mind. We stand aghast and shudder at its heartless tragedies. There are ten thousand upright and devoted dentists in the world following their vocation and conforming in all things to the laws of their country, but you rarely ever see their names in print or their doings emblazoned abroad. But let one infamous reprobate in that profession away over in the great city of London murder his wife and abscond with another woman, and the papers of two continents are full of his crime, his flight and his capture. Even steamships are transformed into blood hounds to pursue him across the sea and wireless telegraphy registers his doings hundreds of miles from land.

But not so with righteousness. Its deeds of purity and its ministers of philanthropy relieve the suffering and the afflicted daily, and but little prominence is given such matters. The daily papers take it for granted that their readers are only slightly interested in such events, as the world expects righteousness to behave itself and do its duty to mankind. Hence, there is nothing startling or spectacular in the work of the Church. It moves along in the even tenor of its way and the world makes but little noise about its doings. The fact is it is the natural and the normal thing to live right and make your life a blessing to mankind. This is commonly expected in ordinary esteem. As a result, the world never hears of its real heroes. They live and labor and sacrifice unseen. They are never thrown into the foreground. But God knows them and their names are written in the Lamb's book of life. Their reward is sure in heaven. They make themselves blessings to the race and there is a crown for them beyond the stars.



PLAINVIEW METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH. REV. C. N. X. FERGUSON, PASTOR.

It is built of the best red brick and trimmed with stone. It has steam heat, heavy oak furniture and the floor of the auditorium is covered with cork linoleum. Also a \$2000 Estey pipe organ. It has ten Sunday-school rooms and a seating capacity of one thousand. It cost \$37,000. Was opened for public worship September 11, 1910. Nearly one hundred souls have been converted or reclaimed at her altars. The second session of the Northwest Texas Conference, which will meet in November, 1911, will be held in this building—if the brethren are willing.

HEAVEN'S REMEDY FOR OUR CHURCH TROUBLES, THE CAPACITY-MAKER FOR THE WORLD'S GREATEST POLITICAL MOVEMENT.

Go into whatever general Church gathering you will—in any country, in any Christian denomination, and there you hear the same wail and cry from the saintly preachers, the younger ministers and the lay members—what is the matter with the Church? Why don't more men attend Church? Why don't more men come into the ministry? Why are denominational colleges losing ground? And why are not preachers better paid?

These heart-rending lamentations, together with an earnest plea from a lovable and distinguished Bishop to please tell him the rock-bottom cause for all our Church ills, has stirred me to action. And after fervent prayer, earnest thought and diligent investigation, I am convinced that an acknowledgment of man's extremity will be God's opportunity.

Working hither and thither for the solution—organization of Church leagues, unions and brotherhoods here, and Church entertainments, socials and societies there, all brought only a temporary help. A permanent remedy has not been found in man's making, and the Church's ills are said to be continuing right along as the days go by.

With everything in the intellectual and physical realms—scientific discoveries and mechanical inventions—progressing infinitely more in the present than in all future ages, surely Christendom will stand aghast at the present losing of ground in the religious realm—on part of the Church—the most important of all to the human race.

But, admitting there is trouble at some point in our Church lines and seeking to rectify the trouble, must not be taken by friends or foes as an attack on the Church. Far from it. To the writer, as to millions, the Church brought the gospel—as she saw it—which was enough to show us the way to the Lord—enough to create a better civilization, enough to fit the masses for a measure of representative self-government, and therefore, civil, political and religious liberty.

He is an enemy to our present civilization who would throw dirt at the

Church, the prime instrument used—in God's hands—for furthering our progress. He is no less an enemy to human welfare who would refuse to use the providential means God is revealing unto us in the Scriptures, for the betterment of the Church and civilization of the future. And when God's remedy is undertaken, with all the power of heaven backing it up, then the mightiest religious uplift and forward movement of the Church since the days of the apostles will be on.

The Lord is showing us we are not building on the right foundation, and consequently something is prevailing somewhat against the Church. When Jesus commanded us to build his Church on God-revealed-knowledge that Jesus is the Christ, and his 29th century disciples are building on something entirely different, why of course he is grieved to say the least.

Our Catholic friends hold Peter is the "rock" on which Christ's Church is to rest. Some Protestant friends hold our Conference of Faith is the "rock," while still other Protestants (my own Southern Methodists) claim "the Church's foundation is men who have confessed that Jesus is the Christ." See Senior Sunday-school Quarterly for July, 1910, pages 6 and 7.

What does Jesus say the true foundation is? Why shouldn't Christians accept his words unreservedly? What excuse will we have for not doing it? He tells us in Matt. 16:13-29 what the foundation is; and in Matt. 21:42 that he (Jesus) is the Chief Corner-stone.

Right in the first part of that short conversation with his disciples at Caesarea Philippi, Jesus told Peter he was blessed, not because flesh and blood had revealed the truth to him (that Jesus was the Christ), but because God had revealed it to him. And right in the next breath Jesus said to Peter: "Upon this rock I will build my Church," etc.

Now, to ascertain what Jesus meant the "rock" to be, find what Jesus said Peter's blessing was. Jesus didn't tell Peter he was blessed because he was a true disciple; nor because somebody had told him truthfully about Jesus; nor because his confession was true; nor yet because of the fact that Jesus was the Christ. On the contrary, Jesus told him he was blessed because his belief was not based upon what flesh and blood (man) had told him, but because it was based on God-revealed-knowledge that is, a God-inspired understanding.

And if Peter's blessing, at that time, consisted in having a God-revealed-knowledge that Jesus is the Christ, then your and my blessing, today, consists in the very same. It is plain that Jesus meant the great truth he was speaking about, to be the "rock" upon which he would build his Church, and not upon the mere man to whom he was speaking.

Jesus also said the gates of hell should not prevail against his Church. Now the Scriptures teach us that the prince of hell is more powerful than man. Could Jesus have afforded to say (and I speak reverently after the manner of man) that the gates of hell should not prevail against a Church built upon mere man? Much less could he have afforded to say that the gates of hell should not prevail against a Church built upon the mere words of man? But how like Jesus to have said—the gates of hell shall not prevail against a Church built upon God-revealed-knowledge or upon anything furnished by the Almighty God!

In the light of this, we can now understand verse 29: "Then charged He his disciples that they should tell no man that He was Jesus the Christ." As He had just taught them, He did not want people's belief in Him to be based upon what flesh and blood had told them, but rather upon a God-inspired understanding—the very best knowledge obtainable in all the universe, and which was the "rock" He was then building His Church upon.

God has opened this great Scriptural truth to Christendom, and every Church has got to quickly herald the Word, or witness heaven's commission in other hands. No business or profession can thrive on ignorance or doubt, and neither can Christianity. Investigate member by member and you'll find not one in a thousand possesses a real, clear knowledge of Jesus and his gospel, and can explain it. They have been going to "flesh and blood" for knowledge, which is wrong, and their knowledge is, of course scant. "No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost," says Paul.

Saint Paul understood as Jesus taught, that our belief in Jesus and his gospel had to be based, not upon man's word to us, but upon knowledge revealed from above. Not until the believer seeks knowledge only from our Lord for a true interpretation of the Scriptures will he be a confident, aggressive, successful Christian. And

not until the Church teaches that God-revealed-knowledge is the true foundation of Christ's Church, and Jesus the Chief Corner-stone, will we be obeying, pleasing and receiving his victorious assistance.

Everything really great and progressive in this world has come in given periods. Nearly all the great writers came together. The great painters nearly all lived at the same time. Nearly all the great musicians came in company. All the world's discoveries and inventions came in one age. The earth's greatest industrial era has come in our generation. But the world has passed on from these eras to a culminating reign of justice. This is our present period.

This demand for justice between man and man, between the people and the politicians, and between the people and monopoly, can be realized only through complete public ownership of public government. To assume this increased measure of self-rule, the masses of every state and clime must first be fitted therefor. This capacity-maker has ever been and will ever be—Christianity.

With this present pressing need of mankind absolutely dependent upon the Christian religion for help, who doubts a great world-wide religious uplift to bring it about? Indeed providence seems to have timed these two mighty world-movements together, because one is dependent upon the other. Herein lies the present opportunity of the Church, and because of its magnitude and importance we must build on the foundation the Lord told us, viz: God-revealed-knowledge that Jesus is the Christ.

Christians have got to have a greater knowledge of Christ and his gospel than any possessed since the first century in order to produce the religious uplift sufficient to equip the masses for the increased measure of self-rule which they are everywhere demanding. Only a God-inspired knowledge will do it. NOEL GAINES, Frankfort, Ky.

"So this is a little girl, eh?" Mark said to her as she displayed her children. "And this sturdy little urchin in the bib belongs, I suppose, to the contrary sex?"

"Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."—James 1:22.



CARRIZO SPRINGS CHURCH, REV. L. C. LILLY, PASTOR.

This church was formally opened by our presiding elder, Rev. A. J. Weeks, September 18, 1910. It has a union auditorium, two Sunday-school rooms and pastor's study. All conveniently open into one room when needed. The extreme dimensions are 64x32 feet; cost of building, \$5200, not including furniture, lighting or premises. Value of all, \$5000.

Carrizo Springs is a town of only about 1800 people; half station, with a membership of 132, none of whom are wealthy, but they have made somewhat of a sacrifice to build a church that will meet the needs of that growing town.

**BIBLE WORK OF THE GIDEONS. LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN.**

The Opening Move for this Season—  
Two-day Conference at Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 3 and 4.

Primary emphasis in the work of the Laymen's Movement this year will be put upon the training of about ten thousand members of missionary committees. To this end, missionary committee-men's conferences are to be conducted in the seventy-five cities where conventions were held last year. The first one of these conferences met at Greensboro, N. C., October 3 and 4. The following action, taken with great heartiness and unanimity at the close of the conference, indicates in a general way, the character of this season's campaign in last year's convention cities. Additional regular conventions will be held in about twenty large cities and county conventions in some hundreds of smaller centers.

J. CAMPBELL WHITE.

**Official Action of the Greensboro Conference.**

The Laymen's Missionary Conference of Pastors and Missionary Committee-men, to the number of nearly one hundred, assembled for the consideration of the best methods of deepening and extending the missionary spirit among our Churches, record our deep gratitude to God for his signal blessing upon our efforts during the past year, and solemnly resolve to continue the work as God may give us wisdom and strength.

The convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement held in Greensboro last January led to an increase in the subscriptions of our Churches to foreign missionary work from \$7304 per year to over \$20,000 per year, or from an average of \$1.20 per Church member to an average of \$3.28 per member. Alongside of this nearly trebling of the offerings for this work, there has been splendid increase in the contributions to various other causes. We believe that the Laymen's Conference also prepared the way for the remarkable success of the canvass for a new Y. M. C. A. building in Greensboro, for which the sum of \$65,000 was subscribed within a single week. This one object has thus secured more than three times the total amount contributed by our Churches for foreign missions annually, and illustrates afresh the principle that

with an enlarged missionary spirit every Christian enterprise is substantially benefited. In view of the fact that the Churches of Greensboro expend annually for Christian work in America about \$100,000, we reiterate our conviction expressed at the convention last January, that our contributions to the evangelization of the vast non-Christian world should be still further increased until they are equal at least to one-fourth of the total amount contributed for all Church purposes.

We find on careful examination that even now, after the special efforts of the past year, not over 60 per cent of our Church members are systematic contributors to the work of missions. For the sake of our Church members themselves, as well as for the sake of Christ and the needy world, we believe that our efforts should be earnestly and prayerfully directed to securing definite subscriptions from the remaining 40 per cent of our Church members, together with as many adherents as can be enlisted. We call very serious attention to what we regard as a great and fundamental mistake, viz., for the heads of families to subscribe for their whole families, instead of each member of the family being led to make a definite personal subscription to the work of evangelizing the world. The grace of giving and the habit of giving should be cultivated and developed in every individual life. This grace and this habit can be developed far more easily in childhood and youth than in maturer years. We, therefore, set before ourselves the purpose of enlisting absolutely the whole Church membership as individual, systematic and proportionate givers, according to the Scriptural principles enunciated in 1st Cor. 16:2.

Out of our experience during the past, we desire to indorse strongly the characteristic features of the Standard Missionary Church as emphasized by the Laymen's Movement, viz:

1. A missionary pastor.
2. A missionary committee.
3. A missionary Sunday-school.
4. A program of prayer for missions.
5. A systematic missionary education.
6. An every-member canvass for missions.
7. The weekly offering for missions.

As an immediate working policy, we recommend:

1. That a serious attempt be made by the missionary committees of all our Churches to complete their canvasses for individual subscriptions to missions, with the definite aim of enlisting every member as a subscriber.

2. That as a preparation for this work, a further campaign of education be conducted in all our Churches, continuing for at least three or four weeks, including sermons by pastors, interchange of pulpits where practicable, public addresses by laymen, mid-week services for conference and prayer, distribution of literature, etc.

3. That this conference recommends most earnestly to men the mission study class method of becoming informed about missions and undertakes to organize at once as many men's mission study classes as possible.

4. That we emphasize anew the importance of each missionary committee spending one evening every month in the prayerful discussion of its work, including not only the missionary finance of the congregation, but the promotion of missionary intelligence and habitual prayer for missions among the whole Church membership.

5. That three times a year, at times to be selected by the Greensboro Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, a conference be arranged of all pastors and missionary committees with carefully arranged program for discussion and prayer concerning the supremely important interests committed to our leadership.

6. That a suitable anniversary of the convention of last January be arranged by the Executive Committee.

7. That an Executive Secretary be employed to assist in extending the methods and spirit of this movement in North Carolina and that at least \$600 be contributed by Greensboro to the support of the extension work, the hope being that other cities in the State will join in making the work continuous for at least one year.

off then the rich; for if a poor man has to seek meat for his stomach, he is more likely to get what he is after than the rich man who seeks to stomach for his meat. It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness. It is not the quantity of our goods but the blessing of God on what we have that makes us truly rich.—C. H. Spurgeon.

**Cultivate A Good Temper.**

It may be a commonplace thing to say, but it has the charming truthfulness of commonplace, to say that more than half the difficulties of the world would be allayed or removed by the exhibition of good temper. In official or parliamentary life most people, who have had great experience, will tell you that the main difficulty in accomplishing a good work consists, not in the innate arduousness of the work itself, but in prevailing over the humors and tempers of the men who have to frame it, to consider it and to bring it into execution. Temper is not only, as the good Bishop (Wilson) said, "nine-tenths of Christianity," but it constitutes nine-tenths of secular success as well as of religious life.—Sir Arthur Helps.

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"O let me not wander from thy commandments."—Psalm 99:10.

**WELL WORTH THE MONEY.**

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MRS. E. V. GORDON.  
Childress, Texas, Jan. 1, 1910.

**The Contented Heart.**

To be poor is not always pleasant, but worse things than that happen at sea. Small shoes are apt to pinch, but not if you have a small foot; if we have little means it will be well to have little desires. Poverty is no shame, but being discontented with it is. In some things the poor are better

Notes From the Field

Lagarto.

Brother Marcus Williamson was sent to us last November, and he has done good work here trying to win souls for his Master, and is loved by every one. Our revival meeting started on July 22 and closed on July 31. Brother Williamson was assisted by Brother Farriss, of Sandia. We had two services a day, and the Lord was with us in every service. It was the best meeting we have had for years. There were nine conversions and accessions to the Church, and we pray that there will be more to come out on the Lord's side, and may we who have already taken up the cross try to serve him better each day. We made a good report at the fourth Quarterly Conference; all collections paid up in full. May the Lord bless our pastor and family.—A Member, Oct. 16.

Lorena.

Praise the Lord for another good meeting on Lorena Circuit. At Rosenthal we had no summer revival; grading and traveling the roads prevented. On October 2 our Sunday-school workers, E. L. Nance, began at 11 a. m., and I went to his assistance in the evening, and for a week we canvassed the entire Church. He is great in this field in the homes, among the young people and children. He won every one with prayers and tears and earnest, intelligent effort in this personal way. A great revival is on in the entire Church. All were busy in gathering the cotton, yet many said this was the most helpful meeting they had ever attended. We had services at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. The interest was intense, while the crowds were small. Two new members received, but a great spiritual movement in our Church. Everybody is in love with Brother Nance. We are winding out for conference, hopeful and thankful.—H. B. Henry, Oct. 18.

Wayland.

Another conference year nearly gone! Our fourth Quarterly Conference was conducted Saturday, October 15, by our beloved presiding elder, Rev. M. K. Little. One more good service gone into history. The 11 o'clock sermon was something great, and one that did much good. All of the business session was carried out in usual form, and gave evidence of progress on this work. Some of the stewards brought up full reports. All are encouraged, and say everything will be paid before the preacher leaves for conference. We never attended a Quarterly Conference that seemed more spiritual, and where everybody seemed so delighted. We received four into the Church—three by letter, one by vows. Also our precious little baby, Bryant King, was baptized by Brother Little. Indeed, it was a good meeting. The bountiful dinner, spread by our good women of Guntis, will never be forgotten by all who attended and took part. No evidence of hard times and poor crops there. This preacher and family are happy. We like our people. We believe our people like us, if they mean what they say. So don't so many of you sorry preachers ask for Wayland Circuit. We have had a profitable year. All of the conference claims will be met, and we will make a good report. To God be all the glory.—Ben S. Crow.

Somerville Station.

We were pounded without warning or apology. In our fourteen years of experience in the conference we were never more completely surprised than we were this morning when Brother John Deryberry drove up to the station with a delivery wagon. Wife said to me: "What did you order?" And I said: "Not anything." She said: "You had better go and see; he must have made a mistake." So I went to see, and I said: "What have you?" and he said: "You ought to know." I said: "I do not know." And he said: "You will just have to keep them." I said: "All right." I then realized for the first time that it was a pounding, and one of the best ones that we have ever had. It looked like some one had taken a peep into our pantry and knew just what we needed, for everything was just right. We do not know who are the leaders in this pounding, but we thank them and all who helped in it. Among the many sacks we found little ones with four whole dollars in it, and they looked as large as full moons to me. This is the second big pounding we have had this year, and some wood and corn that came in at other times. Again we thank all who have been kind to us in any way, and we hope to meet all in heaven.—W. W. Gollighugh, Oct. 14.

Fate Circuit.

We have almost come to the end of another conference year. We are now rounding out the corners and trying to close up our year's work. Our fourth Quarterly Conference was held in September. The pastor's and presiding elder's salaries were not paid in full, but the stewards made an excellent report, considering the early date of our conference, and they say it will all be paid in due time. We have nearly all of our conference collections secured. We feel sure that we can at the Annual Conference report everything in full. This is a fact that the Lord has blessed us with a good revival at every appointment on our work. On the third Sunday in July we began our meeting at St. John's Church. Rev. Finis A. Crutchfield did all of the preaching except one sermon, which was preached by Uncle Nelse Keen. In this meeting we had thirty-six conversions. We then went to Mount Zion. There Brother Crutchfield did all the preaching and there were twenty-four souls saved. Our next meeting was at Millwood, and there the Lord blessed our labors by saving fourteen from their sins. Our last meeting was at Munsion. We had neither a church

house nor an organization, but we had a great meeting, in which there were thirty-five conversions. The two last meetings the pastor did all the preaching except two sermons preached at Millwood by Brother Turner, a Baptist preacher living in the community, and one sermon at Munsion, preached by Brother Holt, of Benson. In all, on the work this year we have had 135 conversions, have received eighty-six into the Church, and have organized one Church. The Lord has been good to us this year, for all of which we give him all the praise and honor.—J. H. Scrimshire.

Lott and Chilton.

As the conference year is fast coming to a close, I will proceed to give in my report. After making a move across the conference we struck Lott on the same night of the first blizzard. My, what a change from the piney woods to this high rolling prairie! But we received a warm welcome that in a great measure tempered the wind. We spent the first few days in the good home of Brother M. A. Reese, which, indeed, was a great delight. We were soon in the parsonage and starting on our year's work. We have been striving to "make good," and we look back with some degree of satisfaction over the success of the year. I believe all departments of the Church have advanced during the year. We divided the charge station after I came here, making Lott a three-fourths station and giving Chilton one Sunday. We held our protracted meeting here in Lott, beginning the third Sunday in August and ran over the fourth. I was assisted by Brother Gollighugh, of Deville Station. We had a great meeting. Brother Gollighugh did us fine work. His plans cannot be beaten. He organized the town into districts for prayer-meeting, and appointed some ladies to lead, and he and I would hold a meeting each afternoon on the street. All these services were very successful. We had between thirty and forty conversions and reclamations; received nearly thirty into the Church. They gave Brother Gollighugh a free-will offering of between \$10 and \$50. We were delighted with his work. At the close of the meeting they gave us a nice pounding, which was greatly appreciated by this preacher and his family. We will hold our protracted meeting at Chilton beginning October 21. I will be assisted by my brother J. F. Adams, of Aquilla. We are pulling for everything in full at Galveston.—C. H. Adams.

Plainview.

Our revival was a great success. Seventy or eighty souls were converted and eighty-one have united with our Church since the meeting began. Brother Hotchkiss did all the preaching. He is a splendid revivalist. Our people love him. Our Sunday-school has increased in attendance from 175 to 200. The Woman's Home Mission and Woman's Foreign Mission Societies have made great advancement. Notwithstanding the cry of hard times, this has been a year of financial success. The pastor's salary has been raised making it \$2100, and will be paid. The conference assessments were raised \$150, and will be paid, with some excess, and a \$411 cash special on missions. Early in the year a note against the parsonage property amounting to \$150 was paid. The Woman's Home Mission Society and a \$70 range installed in the parsonage kitchen. The church, which had been started, has been completed at a cost of \$7,000. \$7000 has been collected on this church and the balance secured in subscriptions and gifts. A deed containing the trust clause and conveying the Seth Ward College to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has been secured. This property, consisting of a dormitory and boys' dormitory, situated on a campus of twenty-eight acres and the lots and blocks adjoining it, is worth \$100,000. This is now in the possession of the Church, and is clear of all encumbrance. A live President is in charge a good number of students are now at work and others will enter soon. All in all, this has been the best year of our ministry. Plainview, with a plucky membership of nearly 600, with Seth Ward College to attract the choicest citizens of the south plains, and with the most handsome church edifice in the West, is destined to become the leading appointment in the new conference. So note it be.—C. N. N. Ferguson, Oct. 17.

Our Fifth Sunday Missionary Rallies.

Following the order of the District Conference of the Beaumont District, we will have rallies in the second and fourth divisions of the district, embracing the fifth Sunday in October. The Kirbyville Division, under the direction of Rev. C. M. Thompson, Chairman of the second division, will hold its first rally at Newton, beginning Friday, October 28. The program has been published, and it betokens a good time. Brother Hotchkiss, the presiding elder, will be with them and dedicate their elegant new church on Sunday morning. The fourth division, Liberty, will be in session at the same time, at Liberty. This is projected on a Key W. make the most interesting religious occasion ever held in Liberty County, outside of our own material in our territory, we are drawing on Beaumont for the services of Judge Campbell, Mr. Bright and Rev. S. W. Kemper, and on Houston for Prof. F. W. Horn, Rev. John L. Williams and Mrs. John E. Green. Our missionary interests in general will have consideration, while as special arms of this great movement the Laymen's Missionary Movement, the Woman's Foreign and Home Missionary Societies will be well considered, as will also the Sunday-school and League as important factors to the Church's movement for the con-

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version of the world. The third division of the district will be held at Kountze November 2 and 3, and the first division, perhaps, the week following, at Beaumont. The motto of our aggressive presiding elder is to put Beaumont District in the van of all other districts in the conference in the development of her resources, both of men and means. To my own knowledge, every pastor in the district is seconding his efforts, and the heartiest co-operation between the pastors and presiding elder exists. It is not "On with the battle" with us, but "Push the battle to a conclusion."—Thos. G. Whitten, Dayton.

Houston.

I am rounding out all right for conference. Have everything in hand and hope to meet all the demands. This is a magnificent charge, located in a fine country and settled by the best kind of people. I am now closing my thirtieth year in North Texas. I joined in Dallas in November, 1880. I never have had a vacation, never missed a roll call or an appointment except once or twice, caused by sickness. I have taken in our Church over 1600 members; have had over 2000 conversions under my ministry. I have faithfully filled every appointment given me, except one; have made no pretensions of any kind more than I am a Methodist traveling preacher. I was educated here in North Texas in the Leesburg Academic Institute, in Camp County; was married here and reared my children here. I love old North Texas and all its people. The Lord and the people have been good to me and mine. I pray for a blessing on our conference session at Wichita Falls in November.—W. J. Hudworth, Oct. 22.

Hale Center.

With this conference closes our second year at this place. There have been no great things done during these two years, but the Church has been gradually growing all along in its different departments. This has been the best year of the two, though we suffered the loss of our church by fire in July, and are handicapped somewhat by that loss, but are moving right along as we can in our other quarters, the school house and the Baptist Church. No efforts will be made now to build before next summer or fall, very likely, on account of the close times. We have held meetings at both places of Church organization. At the first Brother G. B. Overton, a superannuate of the Louisville (Ky.) Conference, was with us and rendered fine help. The people as a whole were very much pleased to have him, and enjoyed his plain, earnest gospel preaching. Brother Overton, though a superannuate, is not an old man at all in his manner, but younger than many far his junior in years. We can gladly use him at any time on our charge, and recommend him to others for good preaching and other helpful assistance. The visible results of the meeting were conversions and the same number of additions to our Church. Not so many in numbers, but the Church in general was toned up greatly, which was badly needed. We gave Brother Overton only a pittance—\$10—and feel sure that the conference collections will come up all O. K. from this point on the charge. Our meeting at Hale Center was held under a large tabernacle built for that purpose, well seated and lighted. Brother C. E. Brown, our Superannuate Home Agent, was with us for that meeting with his singers, Brother Albert C. Fisher and wife, in charge of the singing. Now, these are a team in a meeting. Brother Brown does the preaching in the old-time style, speaks not. His ministry has that earnestness about it that carries force with it to the hearts of his hearers. Any Church would be the

better by having him preach his series of sermons, and then his messages to the unsaved appeal to the manhood within the breast of every individual, and it is hard to turn away. Brother Fisher and wife are simply grand in their line. Such singing as we had will long be remembered by all who heard it. Brother Fisher is a fine soloist, and Sister Fisher cannot be beaten as an organist. She also assists her husband in duties. Any pastor or community who wants a great meeting need not hesitate to have this trio as helpers, for they bring about results. This place gave Brother Brown in cash and good subscriptions for the superannuate homes fund \$172, and gave Brother Fisher and wife \$75 besides paying all of their expenses from and return to Fort Worth. This may seem rather large to one or small to another, but we went our limit for these earnest workers, and that gladly. It is our purpose to go to Clarendon with Hale Center's head up; all reports in full as a result of the year's work, a good part of which was from this last meeting. Visible results were thirty-six conversions, fifteen additions to the Methodist Church, five to the Baptist and one to the Presbyterian Church. Three children were baptized, and all Christian people are feeling better spiritually. To the Father, Son and Holy Ghost be all the glory. Many of our members read the dear old Advocate. Success to it always.—C. E. Clark.

Buffalo Gap.

Another twelve months have rolled around and conference is near at hand. We are away out here in Taylor County. I hardly know how to describe this charge, or what to say about it. For I fear some preacher or preachers have their eyes on this charge, hoping to succeed this scribe; for I have evidence of this fact because of so many visiting brethren. Some of them visited during my last meeting at the Gap. These were: C. E. Lynn; Sisk, from Ovilla; E. A. Thomasson, from Sweetwater; Rev. Sandals, Rev. C. W. Young, from McCauley, and Sanders, from the Gap. Now, readers, this looks suspicious. But four weeks later here comes Sisk back with the elder to hold our fourth Quarterly Conference. The elder was not feeling very well, and my, how Sisk did preach! I think he wants to come to the Gap next year; I do not know. But this is not all. Monday morning here comes Rev. J. W. Fort, of First Church, Abilene, and J. T. Hicks, of St. Paul's, Abilene, with his steward, Arnold. Well, I would not have thought anything, but Barnes

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put Fort up to preach, and oh, how that man of God did preach! He stood the Apostle Paul before us with his learning and compared all his advantages with the excellency of the knowledge of Jesus Christ. We had a good time, and I wound up with an old Methodist handshake. And I forgot my charge. Do you think that Fort or Hicks want to come to the Gap as my successor? And what did Hicks mean by bringing his steward? Something wrong. Boys, you can all look out, for I want to come back myself. Our fourth Quarterly Conference has gone into history. The salary was \$110 behind, collections not all in hand yet, but think we will get the greater part. Had a good year; sixty-five additions—a net gain of forty-seven members. Baptized eleven children; married six couples; held five funerals; held eight protracted meetings; had thirty-eight conversions, and have eaten as many chickens as any man. Am in good health; weigh 168 pounds, and have expanded until I shout the praises of God. Oh, how I was delighted to have the above named brethren visit us, and to hear them preach! May God's richest blessings rest on them and their labors! And Brother Barnes is not for trade. God bless him and the great work he is doing.—J. M. Slatten, Oct. 19.

Mount Selman.

I have been looking for notes from the field from our pastor, Rev. H. T. Perritte, but he is timid about going into print, so I write a few lines from Mount Selman. Brother Perritte was appointed to fill out an unexpired term here September 1, 1909, and this is his first work. He was reappointed to us again at conference for this year. But when he came last fall he soon began to work up interest in a church building, and by conference we had a good structure and did hope to be in the new church by January 1, but money ran short and work was suspended until a short time ago. The workmen are now at work finishing up, and I want to say in this connection that credit is due the Woman's Home Mission Society here for this renewal of the work. This society, with about fifteen members, is one of the best in the Texas Conference. They have paid off about \$150 debt on the parsonage in the last year, and now have raised some \$50 more toward finishing the church. We have a fine Sunday-school, which has raised somewhere near \$150 toward the church building. We have both Senior and Junior Leagues, with good membership and interesting service. Brother Perritte has developed wonderfully physically and in preaching ability, and is making good. He preaches some good scriptural, Methodist doctrine, and has received a good many into the church. The work has so developed that we think the line can be drawn, the preacher given fewer appointments and thus get better results, as he has spread out over considerable territory. We want him a while longer. Everybody likes Brother Perritte. Good case, Bishop.—W. F. Brinson, L. E., Oct. 24.

Willis Charge.

We have been hard at work this year, and in some ways good results have followed. Our meetings were not as good as we had prayed for, but the work as a whole is in very good shape. Willis has one of the best Woman's Home Mission Societies, according to size I have ever seen. These ladies are never-tiring workers. We have placed a \$299 organ in our church and spent \$150 on furnishing our parsonage. Most all of this was done by our good women. But this is only a part of what they have done. Their constant pounding at the parsonage is too good to mention. We expect to see a new coat of paint on our parsonage and church soon. I am sure our collections are going to be in full. The preacher's salary is going to be behind some on account of not being where we could take care of an evening appointment. Our presiding elder is greatly loved by all of our people. After each Quarterly Conference we hear his sermons spoken of like this: "Wasn't that fine?" or "That was the best thing I ever heard!" Now, if the Bishop and our beloved are willing, we want to be returned here for another year.—C. E. Garrett, Oct. 24.

Milburn Circuit.

We are now finishing up our second year's work on the Milburn Circuit. My first year's work has been on the above circuit. The Lord has greatly blessed us during this time. We are sorry that we are not going to be able to make a better report at conference than what we are going to make, but I believe I can say (and tell the truth) that I have done my best. We moved to Richland Springs last February. We rented a little two-room house for a parsonage, but we are glad to report that Milburn Circuit has something better for a parsonage than what we had when we moved here. We are now living in a brand-new parsonage. This is a four-room bungalow built in modern style. The house is painted from top to bottom, and the back gallery is screened. The windows and doors are also screened. The rooms are all nicely papered; in fact, the house is complete. Our Woman's Home Mission Society has been a great factor in the building of this house, and they are deserving of a great deal of credit—in fact, what would a preacher do without a Woman's Home Mission Society? The house cost \$1000. We have not had as many conversions and additions as we reported last year, but we feel thankful for what we have had. I held my first meeting at Placid. We had some thirty conversions and organized a church with twenty-two members. My next meeting was at Mercury. Brother and Sister Campbell, of Menard, assisted me in this meeting. We closed the meeting with eight conversions. We feel that our church was greatly helped by having had Brother Campbell and wife with us. They did us good work. Brother Sam J. Frank, of San Angelo, assisted me in two meetings, one at Varga and one at Locker. We closed the meetings with twenty conversions and received thirteen into the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Brother Franks is a strong preacher; in fact, he fought sin from start to

finish. Our people were greatly benefited by Brother Franks' preaching. My last meeting was held at Richland Springs. Brother J. S. Bowles, of San Saba, did the preaching. Brother Bowles assisted Brother Kelly in a meeting here some two years ago. Our people were glad to have him with them again. We feel that Brother Bowles did us most lasting good. We closed the meeting with eight additions, and our church is much stronger. Our people were drawn much closer together. As to our conference collections, we will report everything in full, but we are going to come up somewhat behind on the preacher's salary. Taking the drouth into consideration, I think we have done very well. It could have been worse.—Shan M. Hull.

Columbus.

Rev. John E. Green has been pressing the revival conflict for the salvation of souls in Columbus for nineteen days with all the vigor of a strong soldier from every standpoint. In his preaching there is logic, wit, humor and pathos. His appeals to the head and heart are exceptionally strong and clear. Church members express advance in spiritual life. Six additions to the church. Nearly all the adults in this place are members of some church. We can note some conversions through the year and some additions to the church.—A. Noble James.

Sherman.

We have just closed a fine meeting at Key Memorial. Rev. T. M. Kirk, of Sanger, Texas, did most of the preaching, and it was as fine revival preaching as I ever heard. We have received seventeen into the church as a result of the meeting so far, and the church received a great spiritual uplift. Key Memorial is coming to the front. We have received into the church since January seventy-two members, raised \$8000 in subscription on a new \$10,000 church and made forward movements along all lines. Key Memorial will come up to conference with the best report she ever had. Now for a full report and the launching of the new church.—J. R. Atchley, Oct. 24.

Abbott Circuit.

By a strange inadvertence I failed in my recent report to the Advocate to mention the fact that Rev. E. M. Dalley, of Peoria, preached for me two days in my Bell Spring meeting. It was his old home congregation, and his old friends were delighted that he had so soon become "an able minister of the New Testament. Monday, October 24, was the occasion of our fourth Quarterly Conference. It was held at Willow. Big crowd, big dinner, good cheer, good reports and a sermon which, for modesty of thought, fervor of spirit and forceful delivery, one will rarely ever hear equaled. Brother Nelms was at his best. The common people (still) hear him gladly.—M. A. Turner, Oct. 25.

Denton Mission.

We are closing out a fairly successful year on the Denton Mission. We have had some fine things during the year, one especially, in which we had the assistance of Rev. C. W. Young as preacher and Brother C. E. Conner as singer. Charley Young, as he is known in this country, is one of the most fearless preachers we have ever known. He does not compromise with sin at all. He fights sin and the devil with great force, and seldom ever fails to put the enemy to flight. Brother Conner is a fine gospel singer. The meeting of which we write resulted in fifty conversions and reclamations and twenty-six additions to the church, and much good otherwise. We had a good meeting at Denton. We have built two new churches during the year, and they were certainly needed. There was not a single church building here at the beginning of the year. The serious drouth that has prevailed in this county for almost two years has hindered the work of the church, or at least it seems so. But we believe, all things considered, we have had a very good year, for which we are very grateful, indeed.—C. E. Lynn, Oct. 24.

Aquilla.

One more year's work for Jesus, one less of life for me, but, thank God, heaven is nearer and Christ is dearer than he was last year or at any time before in my life. You ask me why? Is it because we have not had any troubles, trials, temptations, or disappointments? Is that the reason? No, for we have had them all to contend with; but we are happy in a Savior's love because we have seen Satan conquered and sin overcome and souls made happy through faith in Christ and in answer to prayer. We had more than seventy-five conversions and reclamations during the year. We organized a new church, and there were eight additions to it. Many of our people are happy and serving God with all the fervor of a regenerated soul. We have five good prayer-meetings on this work, all of them advancing the Master's kingdom on earth. One young man called to the ministry in answer to prayer. Why should we not be happy and sing the praises of a wise and good God, who can do more for us than we could hope for or even ask? Aquilla Circuit is not a weakling any more by any means. I wish I had the power of composition, that I could do justice to Waco District in regard to her advancement in the last four years under the direction of our presiding elder, W. L. Nelms, it would make good reading. But I will leave that to some one who can do it justice. The Advocate has been a power to this young preacher. It has in some measure been our steering wheel, the Bible our chart and compass, to tell us where we were, and the Advocate the wheel to steer us there. Our brother, C. H. Adams, from the Texas Conference, assisted us in our battle. Brother Della Sauls, County Treasurer of Hill County, did some efficient work in leading our singing in two meetings. God has wonderfully blessed Brother Sauls in his singing. May his richest blessing continue with him. Brother C. H.

Buchanan, of Elm Street, East Waco, did some fine work for us, and many were the blessings received while sitting under his wise ministry. Rev. J. N. Vincent, from Carbon, assisted in my last meeting and established Methodist in a neglected place as it has never been before. We see the landing as to the collections assessed by the church, and if our chart and compass fail us, we will make the landing. Thank God for the Woman's Home Mission Society. We almost wish we could nominate some of them for stewards. How they would rustle to bring up the salaries of the preacher in charge and presiding elder! But we trust in God and hope for the best along these lines. Thanks to the editor for his wise reminders in regard to care of parsonage and lobbying for something better. Lord deliver us from such practices!—J. F. Adams, Oct. 21.

Bridgeport.

We have just closed a most gracious revival at Bridgeport. It continued for two weeks. Rev. E. N. Parish, of Joshua, Texas, assisted us. We received nineteen into the church at the close. No report was kept in regard to conversions and reclamations. The benefit to the church is incalculable. Large crowds attended the services, despite the fact that it was a most busy season. Mr. Vallie C. Hart, of Dallas, conducted the singing. He was formerly the singer for Major Penn, the great Baptist evangelist. He has not lost his power, and combines fine musical talent with a splendid religious personality. Rev. E. N. Parish is a remarkable revivalist. After having heard such men as Sam Jones, Moody, Sturt, Mulkey, and others, the writer is of the opinion that Brother Parish ranks high among the best of them. He is a most forceful speaker, simply in style, clear and forceful in argument, terrific in denunciation of sin, dealing with it in its subtle and modern aspects, withering in ridicule and sarcasm at the follies and follies of the age, and master of the finest pathos, persuasive in appeal to lost men and most devout and humble in his personal religious life. He draws largely upon a most varied personal experience and life, moving his audience to tears at frequent intervals. While he is of the opinion that the revival is full of poetic sentiment, he combines in a high degree all of the essential elements of a great evangelist. If it were not for his excessive modesty and retiring nature he would be already widely known as one of our greatest soul savers. He never publishes the results of his great meetings, nor stands in the limelight, as do some others. After hearing him in a meeting, I feel that others who need the help of such a man should know where to find it. Bridgeport will long feel the force of the great meeting held in her midst.—T. H. Morris.

LAUREL HEIGHTS, THE ELEVEN-MONTHS-OLD CHURCH.

When the West Texas Conference convenes at Austin, Texas, the 26th instant, in all probability the Laurel Heights Church will be the youngest church to send up a report. To be exact as to the age of the church when the conference convenes, the charge will have been organized ten months and twenty-eight days.

In the early part of the year several friends were kind and thoughtful enough to furnish the Advocate with some information as to what the church and pastor had done, and what they expected to do. As the year is practically closed, it may not be out of place for the pastor to state just what has been accomplished. As every one connected with the movement has contributed something to the success of the same, I use the pronoun "we" purposely.

We arrived in the city November 25, just one month after the session of the West Texas Conference had been held, owing to the fact that the old Northwest Texas Conference met later. The next three days were spent in looking over the field and in making arrangements for a parsonage, as well as preliminary work preceding the organization. The parsonage was arranged for, and on the 28th, in the parlors of the rented parsonage, we proceeded to organize the church with thirty-two members. Preceding this organization we organized the Sunday-school with forty-seven members.

Monday, the 29th, we organized a Woman's Home Mission Society with eight members, and they proceeded to elegantly furnish the rented parsonage. The same day we called together the six male members of the congregation and let the contract for a bungalow tabernacle building to be used as a place of worship. The contract price for the building was \$1500, furniture and piano, etc., \$500, December 12 we worshiped in this building, much

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The first Quarterly Conference was held January 24, with nineteen members present. The officers were elected and the boards duly constituted and the year's work was officially launched.

The first week in March Bishop H. C. Morrison conducted an eight-day revival meeting, which proved to be of great blessing to the church and community.

During the eleven months we have received 213 members into the church. Less than 100 of this number came from Travis Park. Enrolled in the Sunday-school more than 200, and have a Woman's Home Mission Society of more than forty members. The pastor has preached seventy-six times, attended 184 services and board meetings and made 1690 pastoral calls.

The church budget of \$7150 has been provided for, floor plans for the new church building, which is to cost not less than \$50,000, exclusive of the furniture, have practically been agreed upon, and \$27,000 has been secured in gilt-edged subscription.

Peace, harmony and hopefulness prevail within our gates, and at the last meeting of the Official Board a resolution was unanimously adopted requesting the Bishop to return for another year the present pastor.

J. D. YOUNG.

FORT WORTH NOTES.

Prof. Peacock, of the San Antonio school, was present and reported his school in fine condition.

The meeting at McKinley closed yesterday with a great shout of victory. There were some twenty-five conversions and additions to the church.

Brother Long has just raised an extra amount for the new church enterprise, and he is worshipping in the new building. He also took some \$500 yesterday for conference collections.

Brother Buckley closed his meeting yesterday with fine results. About twenty conversions and additions. The brothers Knickerbocker exchanged pulpits at the morning hour. Dr. H. A. Boaz preached at Weatherford Street. Presiding Elder Sam R. Hay preached at the same place at night. There were good services in all the churches. About forty conversions and additions in all the churches. Professor Peacock is laying plans to establish a military school in Fort Worth. All the churches of the city will join in a great union Methodist service at the First Church the first Sunday in November. Bishop James Atkins will preach.

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The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.—Psalm 34: 18.

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All the foregoing is rather the upper half of the picture. In the lower half is the scene of the healing of the demoniac boy after the Master had come down from the mountain into the multitude. There are three reasons for this dual picture. First, it was the custom of the times to paint a heavenly and an earthly picture on one canvas. Second, historically the two events came close together. Third, in point of art it gave the artist excellent opportunity to express the contrast between human suffering and divine glory.

The Transfiguration, therefore, is not a historical picture, though it pictures one of the most stupendous facts in history. It is a devotional picture. It was originally painted in 1519-20 on the order of Cardinal Giulio de Medici, afterwards Pope Clement VII. Soon after completing this masterpiece Raphael died and this picture hung over his bed as he lay in state and was carried in his funeral procession.

The picture is now in the Vatican in Rome, and is known as "The Jewel of the Vatican." The great young painter was only 37 years of age when he died.

### THE DREAM OF FAIR WOMEN.

Tennyson's poem, "A Dream of Fair Women," celebrates in verse the lives of certain women in history and fable, but he does not give their names. He sings of them through the deeds or events that immortalized them. They are: Helen of Troy; Iphigenia, daughter of Agamemnon; Cleopatra of Egypt; Jephtha's daughter; Jane Clifford, whom he calls "Fair Rosamond," daughter of Lord Clifford; Margaret Roper, daughter of Sir Thomas More; Joan of Arc, whose name is thus given in the poem; Eleanor of Castile, wife of Edward I of England. All of these women are distinguished for their beauty, and for their sins, or their tragic death, or some connection with tragedy.

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better degree the rights of tenants against landlords, at least in permanency of tenure. It also had retaliatory measure in its constitution against agrarian oppression. The badge was green ribbon rosettes, and the society was organized in 1898. It accomplished some good, but fell short of its original purpose.

### U. S. HISTORY BY PRESIDENTIAL TERMS.

(11) James K. Polk.

Born in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, November 2, 1795; died in Nashville, Tenn., June 15, 1849. Democrat; term 1845-1849. Contemporary English ruler; Victoria 1837-1901. Poet laureate, William Wordsworth, 1843-1850.

First sewing machine, Elias Howe, 1846. Smithsonian Institution organized by Congress 1846, James Smithson, an English chemist and mineralogist, having bequeathed for the establishment of said institution the sum of \$575,000. War with Mexico. The Northwest boundary question; this had been in dispute since 1807. The United States always claimed 54-40, and "fifty-four forty or fight" became the war cry just as "free trade and sailors' rights" was the cry in 1812. But June 15, 1846, a convention from England and the United States settled it at 49 degrees north latitude. Mexican treaty ceded to United States upper California, which then embraced California, Nevada, Utah, parts of Kansas, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico. California gold accidentally discovered by laborer, 1849, on Sacramento River. In one year San Francisco, a miserable village of no consequence, had 15,000 people. The Wilnot Proviso was a bill in Congress, defeated, to prohibit slavery in all territory secured by treaty with Mexico. Department of the Interior added to Cabinet. It was first called the Home Department.

States admitted: (14) Florida, 1845; (15) Texas, 1845; (16) Iowa, 1846; (17) Wisconsin, 1848. Political parties 1849: Lewis Cass, Democrat; Zachary Taylor, Whig; Taylor elected. Van Buren ran on the Free Soilers' ticket.

### THE LITTLE BLUE SPOOL.

There was once a little blue shuttle in a great loom that was weaving beautiful silk cloth of many colors.

You have seen a loom, have you not? You remember the long rows of silk threads called the warp, and the shuttles were spools of different colored threads. These little spools were shot through between these threads, from right to left, from left to right, making the woof that bound the whole into a firm cloth.

But one day a little shuttle, or spool, that carried a certain shade of blue thread, said to himself: "There isn't very much blue, that I can see, in this silk. I don't believe I'm of very much use, and I'll just not work any more."

And he didn't. And when the silk was taken from the loom it was found that the silk was ruined, for there were great gaps in it where the little blue spool should have run through.

We all have a part in the great loom of life, and, like the little blue spool that spoiled the beautiful silk, we each must do our share of the work or spoil the whole web.—Jewels.

### A REAL LADY.

Margaret was a tomboy. Even her two grandmothers, who thought that Margaret, like the king, "could do no wrong," secretly confessed to themselves that the child had earned the title her father gave her. To be sure, they didn't speak it right out. One grandmother said she was "lively," and the other declared that she was "excitable," but what they really meant was plain "tomboy." Of course she was fond of playing with dolls, especially on rainy days, but her chief delight was in climbing big trees and hanging head down from the stout limbs. She was fond of fishing, too, and she knew how to bait her own hooks. Her father said she could swim like a puppy dog, and he never had a "caddle" as active and untiring as she on the golf links. She could row a boat better than her brothers, and, as to sailing a catboat, there wasn't a boy in the harbor that could beat her. She never went through a gate if there was a fence to climb, and she often came home bearing the evidence in

torn skirt and stockings of a wrestling-match with that "abomination of desolation," a barbed wire fence. Lost hair ribbons were her daily sacrifice to the idol of heedlessness! Beyond all reasonable question, Margaret was a tomboy. Nobody knew it better than the dog Bowser, who always sought her after his daily bath, and left his autograph on the front of her white dress!

The dear old ladies who daily sat on the porch of the summer hotel, making embroidery for the country church fair and mildly abusing the minister, wondered if Margaret would ever outgrow her masculine habits and become "ladylike." The maiden ladies, who always know how to raise children, and were just old enough to forget when they were "tomboys" themselves, sadly shook their heads and hoped they were mistaken about the future. And Margaret was scolded and disciplined and reasoned with till the end of the long, joyous summer; and the only person who rejoiced in her abundant activity was the Irish laundress, to whose weekly income she made so abundant contributions! And the bright September found the girl stronger, brighter, handsomer, more freckled and sunburnt, but not a mite more "ladylike" than she had been in June.

Margaret's dearest and most intimate school chum was Eunice Freeman. They shared each other's secrets and chocolate candy, and their teacher said they reminded her of the letters Q and U in the alphabet, as they never were found apart! In every word that had a Q in it you always found U following it! So the school girls nicknamed them Q and U. Margaret was Q because she always led, and Eunice followed with a blindness of devotion that almost reached idolatry.

Just before Christmas the school was to have a grand entertainment, and in the procession which formed part of the festivity Margaret and Eunice were to march side by side. Margaret's mother had bought her a beautiful new dress for the occasion, and the child's eyes glistened with pleasure when she saw it, for she was very fond of pretty clothes.

"Don't you think it's very handsome, dear?" her mother asked. "Oh, yes, mother, beautiful, and I'm so much obliged to you!" replied Margaret, enthusiastically.

"With that pretty pink sash that grandma gave you for Christmas I think my little girl will look as well as any girl in the procession," said mamma, with a little pride in her voice.

"Mother," said Margaret, with a serious look in her big brown eyes, "would you mind very much if I didn't wear it in the procession?"

"Not wear it, dear! Why, what do you mean?" exclaimed her mother.

"Why, you see, mother," said Margaret, "Eunice is not going to have a new dress, and I thought—you don't care much, do you, mother? And Margaret had her arms about her mother's neck.

When Margaret came into school on the day of the festival, Eunice was the first to meet her.

"Why, Margaret Redfield," cried Eunice, "where is your lovely new dress?"

"Don't I look well enough in this?" laughed Margaret.

"You'd look sweet in a calico kimono!" said her fervent admirer. "But you said—"

"There's Miss Williams beckoning to us," interrupted Margaret. "I can hear you running upstairs!" And Eunice never knew.

"Tomboy, is she?" exclaimed Grandma Chaffin, with tears in her dear old eyes. "Tomboy, eh? Well, maybe she is; but, if she isn't a real lady, then the good Lord isn't making them these days!"

And I agree with her. Don't you?—S., in Christian Register.

### THE PRAYER OF A HORSE.

By direction of Acting Police Commissioner Bugher there has been posted in every stable where police horses are kept a card bearing a copy of "The Prayer of a Horse." This is it: To Thee, My Master, I Offer My Prayer:

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Do not jerk the reins, and do not whip me when going up hill. Never strike, beat or kick me when I do not understand what you mean, but give me a chance to understand you. Watch me, and if I fail to do your bidding, see if something is not wrong with my harness or feet.

Examine my teeth when I do not eat. I may have an ulcerated tooth, and that, you know, is very painful. Do not tie my head in an unnatural position or take away my best defense

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against flies and mosquitoes by cutting off my tail.

And finally, O my master, when my useful strength is gone, do not turn me out to starve or freeze, or sell me to some cruel owner to be slowly tortured and starved to death; but do thou, my master, take my life in the kindest way and your God will reward you here and hereafter. You may not consider me irreverent if I ask this in the name of Him who was born in a stable. Amen!

The Acting Commissioner found the prayer in Pittsburg recently, and it struck him so forcibly that he obtained a copy and arranged to have it reproduced for the Police Department. He thinks it will serve to obtain better treatment of the horses by men who sometimes lose their tempers and abuse them.—New York Times.

"Lord, I believe: help thou mine unbelief."—Mark 9:24.

### WISE WORDS

#### A Physician on Food.

A physician, of Portland, Oregon, has views about food. He says:

"I have always believed that the duty of the physician does not cease with treating the sick, but that we owe it to humanity to teach them how to protect their health, especially by hygienic and dietetic laws.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL ITEMS

REV. V. A. GODBEY, Editor, Austin, Texas.

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### EDITORIAL NOTES.

We are occasionally asked how to teach missions in the Sunday-school, and this question is always interesting, as it indicates an interest in the subject and a recognition of the obligation to do it. We believe that the pastor of the Church should be asked to take charge of this department, and once in each month he should have ten minutes in the opening exercises before the main school, and have free rein to teach missions as he thinks best. The Sunday-school teacher should drop in a little missionary teaching from time to time, as the suggestions of the lesson seem to justify. If inspiring notes from the field can be obtained, let them be read to the class before the lesson begins. These notes should be short and newsy, and the class should be permitted to make any comment the members are disposed to make. To be clear in our meaning we publish such a note as we believe would be profitable, as follows:

"The conquest of Christianity in pagan lands is going steadily on. The Bible has found its way into 470 different tongues, and multitudes of the heathen are reading the story of the cross, in their own language. A century ago there was no native Christian ministry in the foreign field; there are now about 93,000 active pastors and evangelists, and over a million communicant members. And at present they are reported to be coming into the native Churches at the rate of three thousand a week. The man who prates about the failure of missions in this day is an ignoramus."

The new methods of Church work have made necessary a change in the architecture of houses of worship, and the transition of the times is finding expression in the buildings erected. A house that was modern ten years ago is now outgrown, as new agencies are at work which require special provision in the building for their departments. No preacher or building committee is capable of building a suitable church now without reading and travel, especially the former. In some cities the pastors are making provision for the work by building an additional house by the church building, in which rooms are constructed for all the new enterprises. This is an economical and practical method, as it saves the house of worship which already exists, and it has the advantage of keeping the sanctuary holy, setting it aside for public worship only. The New Orleans Christian Advocate has the following note concerning such an additional building:

"The Methodists of Camden, Ark., are erecting a ten-thousand-dollar club house in connection with their church building, this addition to have a well-equipped gymnasium, reading rooms, club rooms for boys, and a large assembly room for their adult Bible class. It is to be known as the Ramsey Memorial Hall, named in honor of the first contributor to the building fund and a prominent layman of our Church who died a few months ago. This Church, of which Rev. W. C. Watson is pastor, supports Rev. B. W. Waters, one of our missionaries in Japan."

Promotion Day has come and gone with most of the Sunday-schools which have such an occasion, and the time is at hand to tactfully correct any mistakes which have been made. This should be done without damage to the grading of the school as far as possible. It is better to lose two or three children from the school than to lose a system that will do better work and ultimately secure more pupils for the school. It will require courage and firmness, as well as tact to keep the school from lapsing into outgrown methods. Moses was surrounded by a complaining set, and they murmured against him, and sighed for the feshpots of Egypt. The murmurers did not all die in the wilderness, but there

are some of them alive unto this day. However, in the infancy of this movement, it will be necessary to make some concessions, and let education and time do its work. Many of our greater Sunday-schools have taken hold of this new method with zest, and they make a great occasion of promotion day. The following item reports such an occasion:

"Promotion Day for First Church (Birmingham, Ala.) Sunday-school on a recent Sunday brought out fourteen hundred members of that live school. The address of the occasion was delivered by Rev. J. D. Simpson, President of Birmingham College. Prof. L. P. Giddens, of Birmingham College faculty, is the superintendent of this Sunday-school, which has now an enrollment of about fifteen hundred."

If you attend the Dallas Fair, do not fail to visit the Publishing House and carefully examine the supplies in the Sunday-school department. Ask information of managers of the Sunday-school Institute, which will be in progress during the Fair in the Publishing House building, and they will help you to secure some books on the subject that will be profitable reading. Attend the sessions of the Sunday-school Institute, and return to your home with a stock of new ideas that will help your school. By this means your community will share in the benefits from your trip.

The members of the Conference Sunday-school Boards, and of the State Campaign Committee, should consider themselves under obligation to send interesting notes to the Sunday-school page. Send them at once to the Sunday-school editor and they will be published as soon as space permits. The success or failure of this page in promoting Sunday-school interests is not entirely with the editor. The presumption is that all who are interested in the Sunday-school will help to make it sparkle.

It is said that one-third of the child population of school age in the United States is outside of Protestant Sunday-schools. The total number is given at about 8,000,000. In addition to this is the great number of children under age, and just beyond it, who should by all means be in the Sunday-schools. Some of this number are within a short distance of your own home and would attend your school if asked to do so. The Sunday-school of today is the Church of tomorrow, and you are God's special agent to do this work. The untaught Lazarus lies hungry at your gate, and you have been brought up amid a luxury of religious advantages. There will be a reckoning by and by, and some one will be to blame if a harvest of criminals, wrecks and lost souls is produced upon soil that should have been made to enrich the kingdom.

### THE PASTOR'S DUTY.

The pastor cannot safely abandon this teaching of those who are to teach the members of the future Church to enthusiastic young women or young men totally uneducated except by others, themselves uneducated. Goodness, spirituality, prayerfulness, indispensable as each is, can never by themselves make suitable Sunday-school workers. It is the duty of the pastor to train up teachers. If he does not do it, who will? And if he does not do it well, who will correct his errors? And if untaught or ill-taught teachers propagate their ignorance, the inefficiency and ignorance of his Church and the struggles of his parishioners with doubt must be charged in large measure to the pastor himself, who, while pretending to stand for the truth of the Bible, has not trained his teachers to teach it.—Shailer Mathews.

### A LITTLE HOMILY FOR PREACHERS.

Text: First Timothy, 3:5: "But if a man knoweth not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of God?"

The text needs no exposition, as its meaning is clear and goes straight to the mark. It is only necessary, therefore, to make the application. It is occasionally said that preachers' children are bad and turn out badly.

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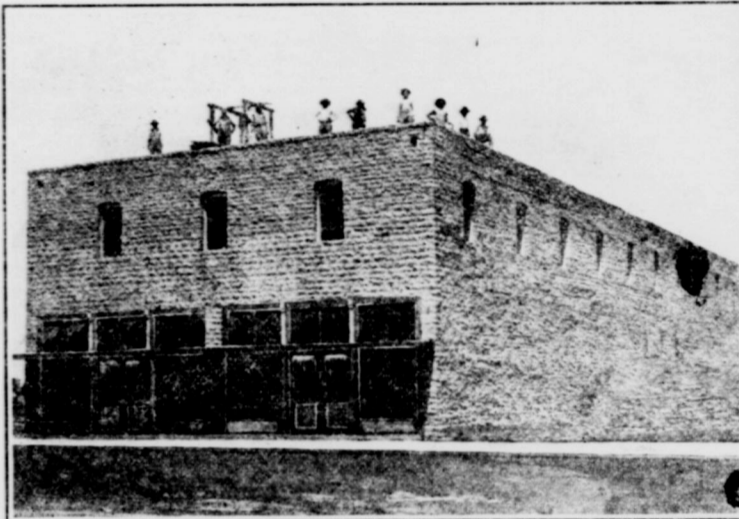
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History abounds in evidence that refutes this charge. The children of preachers have furnished the world much that has enriched it in every sphere of action and knowledge. But every preacher knows that there are many sons and daughters of preachers of the last generation who have been lost to the Church, and who are living worldly lives, and some of them are leaders of the enemy. Some one is to blame for this condition. This is a world of cause and effect, and there are causes back of this loss in preachers' families. The principal reason is that the preacher did not "know how to rule his own house." He was useful as an evangelist, but a failure as a father. He was not suited to the pastorate, because he could not intelligently guide the affairs of the Church. Since he did not know how to guide and govern his own house, how could he wisely govern and guide the Church? This is equally applicable to the Sunday-school teacher. We have known teachers in schools whose children did not even attend the schools or the services of the Church, and the parent went to Sunday-school alone, apparently unconcerned about this state of affairs. There are local preachers in our ranks who have like conditions in their homes. The question of the text needs to be asked in a quiet hour by every such leader in

the Church. "If a man knoweth not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of God?" Not infrequently we hear parents make the honest statement: "I did not know how to rear my children, and my failure was due to my ignorance of the whole matter." This confession is in a measure true from any lip. None of us yet know perfectly how to rule our own household, but this is a day of increasing light on this great question, and there is some ignorance that is no longer excusable, even on the part of these who have a very ordinary education. Great books abound which lead the way and tell how to guide the growing youth, both at home and in the Church. The day is at hand when the Church should cease to put men into the ministry who do not know how to guide their own households. That knowledge is now accessible, and pastors should be required to acquire it, and then guide the Church accordingly.

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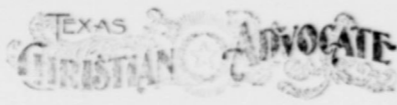
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OUR CONFERENCES.

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Central Texas, Waxahatchie, Bishop Atkins, Nov. 14
North Texas, Wichita Falls, Bishop Murrain, Nov. 23
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THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The West Texas Conference is now in session at University Church, Austin, and the editor, the publisher and the keeper of accounts are down there hard at work. This is the first time that body has met in Austin otherwise than at Tenth Street, but it is being handsomely entertained by the University Church people.

Bishop Atkins, for the first time, is holding the conference. In fact it is his first conference in Texas. But the brethren are receiving him joyfully. He is a strong, prudent, far-seeing executive, and we doubt not but his work will be greatly helpful to the Church and satisfactory to the preachers and people.

Rev. J. W. Moore and his people at Beaumont had a great day last Sunday at their Church dedication. Bishop Candler was on hand and preached a great sermon, after which the splendid house was dedicated to God.

Rev. W. W. Watts and his people at the Tabernacle Church, Houston, are pushing their new Church enterprise. When it is completed it will be an elegant house of worship. They have moved out into a wider field and the location is a fine one.

The Nashville Christian Advocate is growing in popularity. Dr. T. N. Ivey, the editor, is largely endowed with gifts for work of this character, and his long experience in religious editorial work fits him admirably for the delicate and important duties now devolving upon him.

A VISIT TO NASHVILLE, TENN.

Last week we were called to Nashville to attend a meeting of the Board of Missions. I went by way of the Cotton Belt and made good time to Memphis. At Texarkana I was joined by Mrs. Barnum, one of the lady members of the Board, and at Memphis we were joined by Brother Daniels of Arkansas and Dr. George B. Winton, of Ardmore, Okla. We reached Nashville on Tuesday morning on time, and after refreshments, repaired to the mission room in the Publishing House. By the way, this was my first visit to Nashville since this magnificent structure was erected. It stands on Broadway, not far from the Union Depot. It is a stately four-story building, with all modern improvements, its machinery occupies two floors and it was in full operation. The two upper floors are occupied by offices for the different departments. The whole plant looked like a hive of industry. I only spent one day there and nearly every moment of that time was given to the business of the Board. So I did not get to call upon any friends in the building.

The Board meeting was only fairly well attended. Five Bishops were present: Bishops Wilson, Hendrix, Denny, Kilgo and Mouzon. The others were absent looking after their fields of labor. Eight of the ten lady members were on hand and quite a number of the others. Bishop Wilson presided. He is looking much improved over his condition at Asheville last May. He has a better color, his voice is stronger and his vitality in better trim. His great intellectual vigor has never deteriorated, even when his health has run low. His talks to the Board evinced his old-time strength of mind and clearness of utterance. Every word that he spoke sounded like the fall of a trip-hammer, and his position on any and all questions had much weight. Bishop Hendrix is looking well, and he is one of the most useful members of the Board. He is a master of Church law and he has a wide vision, coupled with rare good business judgment. The three new Bishops present took quite a lively interest in the proceedings. Judge Daves, of Atlanta, Ga., is one of the most forceful among the lay members. The good women are strongly represented on the Board. There is not a commonplace one among the ten. Miss Gibson is usually their spokesman and she is as clear as a sunbeam. Mrs. Luke Johnson, of Georgia, is a striking figure. Mrs. McDonald is one of the best informed members of the Board. She is alert, has quick perception, and expresses herself with point and directness. Miss Moore, of Athens, Ala., is a tower of strength. She has a face that wins confidence and sympathy the moment she rises to speak and her voice is clear, far-reaching and resonant. She is one of the most intellectual and influential women in the Church, and with all her ability and great success as a school woman, she is modest and unobtrusive. Well, I might go on and mention others, but the above is sufficient to give the readers a good idea of the sort of men and women who compose the Board of Missions.

Dr. W. W. Pinson is the secretary of the Board, and he has been connected with it for a quadrennium. He is, therefore, familiar with all its business and has its details on the end of his tongue. His classification of the business items facilitated the proceedings very greatly. The Board adopted a new constitution and a new set of by-laws for its government. These grow out of the long experience of those who have been connected with the Board for years. The Virginia Conference did a noble thing in that they asked the privilege of raising, in addition to their own general and local assessments, the entire assessment of the Board for funds to carry on the work in Korea. This, in

deed, is generous, for that old conference never limps when it comes to bearing its part of the burdens of the Church. There was quite a discussion over the proposition to be made to the Woman's Council to buy a new location for their college in Rio, Brazil. They have offered to them a splendid site in the heart of the city for something over \$100,000, and as it was an obligation peculiar to the women of the Church, the rest of us were willing to leave it to the lady members present to say what disposition should be made of the proposition. They retired and considered it, and reported in favor of it by a vote of six to two. But as there was a slight division among them, and as the secretary was rather opposed to it at this time, since the Joint Board would have to stand for the money necessary to meet the payments, until the women can get it from their constituents, it was deemed best to refer the matter for further consideration to the executive committee and the Woman's Council for final action. The question of examining complaints sent in by conferences touching the assessments sent to them, was also referred to the executive committee for adjustment.

Dr. Cook is the assistant secretary of the Board to help look after the work in foreign fields. He is of great help to Dr. Pinson, as he also has had much experience in matters of this sort. Dr. John M. Moore has charge of the home mission department of the Board. He was present and in charge of his work. The Texans all know Dr. Moore and he needs no comments in this connection. Suffice it to say that he gives promise of a successful career in this department. Dr. John R. Nelson, his predecessor, cultivated the field and left a robust sentiment upon which Dr. Moore will operate. The fact is, under the circumstances and with the limited means at his command, together with the unorganized condition at the time he took charge, Dr. Nelson did a magnificent work during the past quadrennium in this department. He succeeded in putting things in good condition for his successor.

Nashville is an interesting old city. It is the capital of the volunteer State and the center of interest in Tennessee. The State house occupies a prominent position on a commanding hill overlooking the entire city. The population has made good increase within the past ten years. It is a city of churches. Old McKendree has been rebuilt on the old site and it is now a downtown Church. The Tennessee Conference had just adjourned and sent Rev. Stuart French, D. D., to this old congregation. He is a Holston man, though he had just closed a quadrennium in Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Deitwilder, late of Asheville, N. C., goes to West End, the most aristocratic congregation in the city. His parish takes in Vanderbilt University. Dr. Eird, his predecessor, it is said, will go to Asheville.

Tennessee is now in the throes of a political convulsion. My readers have some idea, already, of the conditions there. The contest between Patterson and Carmack a few years ago started matters, and his unfortunate death brought them to a climax. Then following that, after his slayers had been convicted and sentenced for twenty years to the penitentiary and the Governor pardoned them the moment the Supreme Court affirmed the action of the lower court, threw the whole State into a furor of excitement. Following this the Republicans adopted a prohibition platform and nominated Captain Ben Hooper for Governor and the Independent Democrats met and endorsed Hooper. After that the straight Democrats met and nominated Senator R. L. Taylor for Governor on a platform that straddled the prohibition question, and now the battle is joined. It is red hot! It has reached a stage at which there is a

general mixture. Whiskey Republicans and some of the whiskey negroes are supporting Taylor, while prohibition Democrats and prohibition negroes are supporting Hooper. The question of prohibition has entered more largely into the fight than any other feature. What the outcome will be awaits to be seen, but from what I heard in Nashville, Memphis and on the train, Senator Taylor has the fight of his life on his hand. Three times he has been Governor and now he is United States Senator, but his fights heretofore have been bagatelles compared with the colossal contest he is now facing. I merely mention these things because we have thousands of Tennesseans among our readers, and because further, the prohibition question is involved. G. C. R.

THE NASHVILLE MISSIONARY TRAINING SCHOOL.

While in Nashville last week I was invited by Dr. James C. McCulloch to become the guest of the Texas Club of the Training School for dinner, and I gladly accepted the invitation. I went and the school was a revelation to me. I knew that such an institution was in that city, but never dreamed of its large proportions. Some three or four years ago Dr. W. R. Lambuth, now one of our Bishops, projected the enterprise. The old Governor's mansion was purchased and fitted up for the beginning. It is located near the capitol grounds and on a most admirable site. It is not far from that portion of the city where practical lessons in mission work can be given, and this is one of the features of the institution. By and by it grew until larger accommodations were necessary and additional property was bought. This has gone on until today they have six large buildings right adjoining each other and they are admirably fitted up for work of this character. The whole property cost about \$80,000 and it is nearly, or quite, paid for. These buildings have been renovated and added to until they make a splendid plant for the work to be done. They are three-story brick structures, substantial and commodious. They have a faculty of some ten teachers, an extensive course of study, and nearly one hundred students. Training in studies and practice for home and foreign work is thoroughly given. It is well equipped and really one of the great institutions of the Church. Dr. and Mrs. J. E. McCulloch are specially adapted to its management and everything seemed to be running like clock work. It has under its tuition both young women and young men, though the former are in the majority by large odds.

I was surprised to find twelve students there from Texas. After the regular dinner, which was a most palatable one, these Texans gave me a round-table entertainment of half an hour, at which additional refreshments were served. They gave me a good insight into the work done by the school, and they expressed a desire, and rightfully so too, to have the Mission Training School brought more largely before our Texas people. Of course I surrendered to them, and promised to write this special account of it. The following Texans are there: Misses Dora Brack, San Antonio; Mamie Blanchard, Waco; Frances Urban, Bullard; Abbie McKinzie, Jacksonville; Annie Cherry, Giddings; Lillie Reed, Denton; Alma Edwards, Forrester; Verbena Barnes, Big Springs; Anna Koch, Henrietta; Mollie McConnell, Childress; Susie Mitchell, Arlington, and Rev. Wilber Wheeler, Carter valley. The most of these I had met before, but did not know that they had gone to this great school. It was a pleasure to meet them and be their special guest on that occasion.

This splendid school has another feature over and above its regular term, and that is a regular mid-winter institute. This embraces twelve

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or fifteen days and it includes the Christmas holidays. It is open to all classes of Church workers, men and women who want special courses in Church training, and especially young ministers who desire to study special lines of this sort. The finest experts in this country and from the old world are employed to conduct this Church normal school, and it is usually very largely attended. This, I am told, is a most admirable part of the work done by this Mission Training School and its influence is already beginning to be felt.

The entire plant is to the territory beyond the Mississippi what the Scarritt Bible and Training School is to the territory this side of the boundary. Two such institutions ought to give to the Church the matured fruits of thorough training, and the coming generation of ministers and Church workers ought, through these agencies, to be a great improvement on the present list. It speaks well for Southern Methodism when such wonderful facilities as these are furnished, and the future will give to us skilled workmen in these lines of training. It is to be hoped that our young women who contemplate special work in the Church will crowd these places and thus prepare themselves on a large scale. Reader, if you ever visit Nashville, do not fail to inquire for the Mission Training School and you will come away from it with your vision greatly enlarged.

G. C. R.

## DEATH OF REV. JOHN SHACKLEFORD GILLETT.

This worthy and most excellent man passed to his home beyond on Thursday, the 20th inst. Though far advanced in age and for some time in feeble health, nevertheless, his death will be read with surprise and deep sorrow. He was one of the most faithful and popular members of the West Texas Conference, and his passing away will make a big gap in the lines of the old guard. John Shackelford Gillett was born Sept. 10, 1832, in Matagorda County, Tex. His father was an honored minister of the gospel, and his mother a most pious woman. Hence, he professed religion and joined the Church in the fall of 1847, when nine years of age, under the ministry of Rev. Thomas Lancaster. He was licensed to preach in 1857, Rev. Asbury Davidson presiding elder; was admitted on trial in the Texas Conference in 1852, at Waco, Bishop Kavanaugh presiding; was ordained a deacon at Goliad Nov. 11, 1859, Bishop George F. Pierce presiding. That was in the old Rio Grande Conference. Was ordained an elder Nov. 11, 1866, at Seguin, Bishop E. M. Marvin presiding. He spent his life in three conferences, the Texas, the Rio Grande and the West Texas, yet he was never transferred from either. He fell into them from time to time as conference boundaries were changed, or new conferences were created. From 1857 until the fall of 1900 he was a faithful and an active itinerant Methodist preacher, except the years 1883-1884, during which years his relation was nominal on account of poor health. But even during one of those years he served a charge as a supply.

In 1857-58 he traveled the Medina circuit, in 1859-60 the Refugio Mission, in 1860 Pleasanton circuit, in 1861

Sutherland Springs circuit, in 1862-63 the Clinton circuit, in 1864-65 the Cibola circuit, 1866 San Antonio Station, 1867-68 the San Marcos circuit, in 1869 the Medina circuit, in 1870-72 the San Antonio District, in 1873 the San Antonio Station, in 1874 the Corpus Christi district, in 1875 the San Antonio District, in 1876-79 the San Marcos Station, in 1880-81 Lockhart circuit, in 1882 San Marcos Station, in 1883-84 superannuated, in 1885-86 San Marcos circuit, in 1887-89 the Luling circuit, in 1890 Lockhart circuit, in 1891-94 Cuero District, in 1895-97 Beeville District, 1898-1900 Pearsall Station, and in the fall of 1900 the old warrior permanently superannuated. What a record of service expressed in the figures above given! One-third of his ministry was spent on districts. Such was his popularity that he often retraced his steps on stations, circuits and districts. He was elected a delegate to the General Conference that met in Atlanta. The record from which we have gathered the above data, prepared for the Advocate by his own hand at our request, we quote the final note: "I have preached in school houses, court houses, private houses, under brush arbors, under trees and in church houses. Had many conversions in all these places, but do not know the exact number. Had many glorious camp meetings and protracted meetings."

There never lived a truer man than John S. Gillett. His whole life was an open book, and his character was as transparent as a crystal stream. He was a man of good mental parts, studied and understood the fundamental doctrines of Methodism and he preached them with clearness and power. The spirit of a vital evangelism ran through his life and ministry. He was genuinely a religious man. He loved God and he loved his fellowmen. He was unselfish and the whole purpose of his life and ministry was to do good and make the world better as he passed through it. There was nothing austere in his nature; he was as gentle as a woman, but as courageous as a lion. No brother preacher, living or dead, can ever rise up and say that John S. Gillett ever did him an intentional wrong. Neither can any man or woman lodge aught against his name. But his life-work is done; he has answered the roll call beyond the sky. The world is poorer because he has departed, but he has left a name that can not be estimated in value by figures. His brethren will miss him, but the power of his influence will linger with them for years to come. Glorious life that he lived and triumphant death that he died! If he did not pass out with a clear vision of God and heaven, then there is not much hope for the rest of us. Peace be to his ashes and everlasting joy to his spirit.

## DEATH OF REV. J. S. GILLETT.

H. G. H.

On October 21 received a telegram from W. R. Gillett, saying: "Rev. J. S. Gillett died last night and will be buried at 2 p. m. Saturday," and I hurriedly send you a few lines about my dear old friend and brother. Conference Committee will prepare full memoir. I seem to have known John Gillett all my life. Met him soon after my arrival in Texas fifty-three years ago. He was in 1859 on Medina circuit and I the Uvalde, adjoining works. We soon fell in together. He was tall, healthy, young, a graceful speaker and a fine singer, rode a big horse and armed for Indians or all foes of the Lord Jesus. Everybody loved him and he loved everybody—but most of all he loved Carrie Kerr, whom he married. I have heard his clear, musical voice in many a meeting. Our presiding elder, Ivey H. Cox, ordered us to go far down on the Leona in an Indian country and hold a meeting with twelve families who had grouped there for mutual protection. Armed with Bibles, hymn books, Discipline, pistols, bread and jerked beef, we struck out. Far west of Pleasanton, on a vast prairie, night

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and a band of armed Mexicans overtook us. We put on a bold front and the Mexicans let us alone. After a two-days' meeting we started back over the same prairie. Gillett was singing and I glancing around for Indians. Soon far off we saw a band of men coming as though to intercept us. We could not make them out, but drew our pistols and braced up for a fracas, at the same time indulging in a rapid trot. They also increased their speed and one of them waved a sombrero at us. Gillett said: "An Indian don't do that," and we halted. The men came up and proved to be old Capt. Tomlinson and a band of Texas Rangers who had just had a fight with squad of Comanches. Then came beef and coffee and another song from Gillett, but I was a little shaky, for the last thing my father said to me in Georgia was: "The Indians will scalp you." Annual Conference, camp-meetings, quarterly meetings have we attended together for many, many years. He was my presiding elder and I was his presiding elder. He was Secretary of the Board of Missions and I was Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, and then he was on the Board of Church Extension with me until his health gave way. He was sweet-spirited, a fine gentleman, a long-headed Churchman. A many a long ride has he taken on the dangerous frontier with Andrew Jackson Potter and with John Wesley DeVilbiss. He and Uncle Myers could sing a camp-meeting through. Souls by the hundreds have been converted under his evangelistic preaching, but now the good brother has crossed over the divide, and his toils are over. The old timers will not forget him.

## A SUNDAY IN MELISSA.

Last Sunday morning we took the interurban and ran up to Melissa, a station on the Houston & Texas Central, just beyond McKinney. It is a small town of about 500 people, but they are an excellent people. They are moral and peace loving. It is rare that anything ever occurs there to disturb the harmony and order of the community. They are a prosperous people, for the land is productive and this year has been good in seasons. The crops are all good and prices are fine. There are good church buildings in the town. However, ours has been backward until within the past few years. Brother D. L. Coale, while pastor, headed a movement to erect a neat Church house and succeeded, but necessarily left it incomplete. Rev. S. T. Francis was sent there last year, and by the co-operation of his small though valiant membership, it has been finished. It stands there today a beautiful little structure and a credit to the town and the people. It is a framed building and of tasteful architecture. It is substantially furnished. It is beautifully papered, has an elegant carpet upon much of the floor, and it is provided with electric lights. It is painted white and has every appearance of thrift. It cost close to \$1,500, exclusive of the lot. It will seat something more than 200. It was crowded at the morning service.

The music was specially prepared and it was good and appropriate. The people were serious and devout. The service was spiritual and helpful. At the close of the sermon the house was presented free of debt, by the official board, for dedication. Our elegant form of service was used and it was impressive. At present, our congregation consists of something above fifty members, but we will grow more rapidly now. We have our own finished home and this fact will add to our development. Among our people are many of the best in the community. They are full of hope and zeal. Brother Francis has done a fine year's work. He has Anna and one country appointment in addition, and the condition of all of them is good. He has all his conference collections in cash and in hand. He will go up to conference with a fine report along all lines. He is a very active and systematic preacher and pastor, and he brings things to pass. Sunday was a great day for his work and the people seemed to enter into its spirit with pleasure and delight. We have readers of the Advocate up there and they gave us a warm welcome. G. C. R.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

There are at least eighty forms of heathen religions in existence in the United States. The Chinese have sixty-two temples and the Japanese twelve.

Korean members of the Presbyterian Church gave last year for Church work \$47,000. The average Korean wage for a day's work is 20 cents.

The Methodist Episcopal Church reports the following statistics of its Sunday-school work. Schools, 34,783; officers and teachers, 366,712; scholars, 3,113,631; home department, 177,497; Crade Roll, 191,908. Total enrollment, 3,849,658.

Says the Nashville Christian Advocate: "The Church has been greatly bereaved in the death of Rev. H. F. Chreitzberg, D. D., of the Western North Carolina Conference, who died at his home at Monroe, N. C., on October 10, 1910. The malady which caused his death was typhoid fever. He was born on February 24, 1850. He was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference in 1873. In 1893 he became a member of the Western North Carolina Conference, and filled some of the strongest appointments. He was a striking personality among his brethren, and exerted a strong influence as preacher, pastor, and citizen."

## CHURCH DEDICATION.

Our church at Walnut Springs, Texas, will be dedicated the first Sunday in November. Doctor Rankin will be with us. All former pastors are cordially invited to be present.

EUGENE B. HAWK, P. C.

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### BONDS DONATED AT EPWORTH.

As an evidence of their keen appreciation of the possibilities at Epworth and a desire to aid in every possible way, the following friends of the movement donated bonds as indicated at the recent encampment. This wipes out about \$1400 worth of our liabilities and helps to place us where we can "go forward." The new Board of Trustees are planning carefully and wisely and they hope for the fullest co-operation on the part of the entire church.

These bonds will be cancelled and placed in the hands of our treasurer to be held for a "bon fire" at next encampment. Who will be the next to add to our fuel for this fire? Every bond turned in cancels that much of the mortgage on our Epworth summer home.

Rev. F. B. Buchanan, San Antonio, one; G. Onderdonk, Nursery, one; Ella May Uptegrove, Dallas, one; Georgetown Epworth League, one; Miss Mary Wallace, Yoakum, one; Mrs. W. H. Ammons, Kennedy, one; Devine Epworth League, one; Orange Senior League, two; W. N. Hagy family, San Antonio, five; West End Philathea, San Antonio, one; Dr. T. B. Coopwood and wife, Lockhart, eight; Miss Jessie B. Roy, Austin, one; J. S. McKamy, Gregory, one; W. H. Laws, Beeville, one; Kingsville League, one; Lockhart Epworth League, one; W. H. McCracken, Kingsville, one; Pittman Philathea Class, Corpus Christi, one; Miss B. Malone, San Marcos, one; San Marcos Junior League, one; David Peel, San Marcos, one; W. S. Partlow, Liberty, one; John J. Russell, Plano, four; Rev. I. F. Betts, Marlin, one; Woman's Home Mission Society, San Marcos, one; Rev. John M. Barcus, Georgetown, one; Rev. J. J. Morgan, Terrell, one; J. L. Brown, Runge, three; Miss Florence Colston, Fort Worth, two; Laredo Board of Stewards, one; J. H. Bowman, Plano, six; Rev. H. A. Boaz, Fort Worth, three; Rev. George S. Sexton, four; Corpus Christi Senior League, four; Mrs. C. H. Hooper, Laredo, one; W. P. Rylander, San Marcos, one.

A number of these bonds have been sent in for cancellation.

We need just now in order to pay out on all our obligations a considerable sum of money and we look confidently to the friends of Epworth to help us. The place has proven its worth, it is no longer an experiment and an investment here will bear definite fruit. Won't every League, Sunday-school, Woman's Society and layman in Texas send us a donation for Epworth? We want some habitable camp houses and a better sewer system and we are in good shape to take care of our crowds. We have some plans in which you can co-operate after the conferences are over, but we need money now. If you have an unpaid pledge carried over from last year or a new one made this year

### Better Than Spanking

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

please remit to Rev. S. C. Riddle, Whitewright. He needs the money and needs it now. Yours still for a "Greater Epworth." A. K. RAGSDALE, San Antonio.

### FROM THE STATE SECRETARY.

When the fall season starts in everybody gets busy. At least this is the time everybody ought to get in line and put into practical operation their plans made during the summer. Every one in vacation time (though we are always strongly advised to think of other things and give ourselves over to a complete relaxation) thinks out their plans for the coming year and when that season is over and they are back at their desks or other work these plans begin to materialize. From Epworth this summer hundreds of young people went home determined to do better League work. They saw League work there as they had never seen it before. A vision of usefulness spread out before them. New plans for their League at home was the outcome, and today there are many Leagues throughout our State benefiting by this representation at the encampment. There were others not represented that have benefited because they heard of it and read the splendid reports through the press of the doings there. Thus Epworth has truly become a clearing house for our state Epworth League work. The good that it has done can never be estimated.

While in Mexico in September many familiar scenes of life at our summer home were found on the walls of the churches. In Monterey three large pictures were framed and hanging on the walls of the League room. And then, too, we met so many people who had been to Epworth and so many Mexicans who had heard about it and they seemed as much enthused over it as Texas Leaguers who have had the opportunity of visiting the encampment. Next year Mexico will be the mission study and it is expected that there will be a large delegation from across the Rio Grande.

But I did not start out to tell you about Mexico or Epworth, for I intend to talk to you about that all the rest of the time between now and the next encampment through the columns of the Advocate; I want only to bring you a little message of greeting. I haven't had much time since the encampment to write.

One of the big things we want to do this year is to get out a year-book of our Epworth League work in the State. To do this we must have the co-operation of all of our Leagues and Leaguers. We want to get out a book that will be a credit to the organization, giving its history, sketches of those who have built it up, statistics as near as possible, and then outline the program for next year at Epworth. Co-operation in this means more than sympathy with the movement because sympathy doesn't buy much these days. We would like to have financial help from every chapter in the State of Texas interested in such a proposition. We want to furnish every League in the State with several copies and every League that helps in this will receive mention of its fact in some way. If you feel an interest in this movement sit down and write me, or Mr. Ragsdale, or the League editor that you do. That will help some, but if you can inclose a check that will help more.

There are many other things that ought to be done—things that will mean much to the work generally. A cabinet meeting will be held next month to consider all these things. We would like to have suggestions to place before this cabinet meeting. How can the program at Epworth be improved? What have you to criticize about the last encampment? What can be done to make Epworth greater than it is now? Have you ever contributed anything to make it better and bigger? Think of these questions and a thousand more that will tend to improve our summer home and write us about it during the next two weeks so that the cabinet may have the benefit of your suggestions, as well as those of half dozen State officers whose hands are tied and whose suggestions are lonely without yours.

Allan Ragsdale has been working at this thing about eighteen years and many more splendid Leaguers in the State. It won't be long before they will be getting old (some of them are now wearing drawn work on their heads) and this very important work will fall to us little fellows. Now, if we don't get in and absorb some of the

wisdom of these "old timers" I am afraid the work will suffer. They have been at this work a long time and have builded up a wonderful organization for us.

I intended to write only a few lines, but have wound up by writing a melody. I want every one who reads this to think over our State work and our summer home and let us hear from them personally as well as through the Advocate at all times with any suggestion that will help the work along.

L. E. A.

### FROM LOUISIANA.

The State Secretary sends us extract of letter he received recently from Mr. Chas. O. Beauchamp, president of the Noel Memorial Church Epworth League, at Shreveport, La. Mr. Beauchamp is also president of the City Epworth League Union at that place, and by the way, this is one of the live unions of our Church.

"The Noel Memorial Church Epworth League is the largest Epworth League in the city and in North Louisiana. This League has increased 300 per cent in the past three months in membership. Our League hopes to have you with us at an early date. Can't you pay our 'Live Wire' a visit when you visit points in East Texas?" And in a postscript Mr. Beauchamp adds:

"On Sunday evening, the 16th (October), our League will have Prof. James E. Conder, of Texarkana, to deliver his splendid lecture, 'The World's Needs, Equipped Young Men.' He is one of Arkansas' prominent Leaguers. Give me names and addresses of 'live wire' Leaguers in East Texas so I can use them from time to time."

Mr. Beauchamp, though I have never met him personally, is made of the kind of material that will make a League a great success. He is a live wire himself and when Leaguers come in touch with a live wire it electrifies them and they in turn become live wires. I dare say that the Shreveport young people are doing a great work under the leadership of Mr. Beauchamp and that we may expect to hear much from that direction. The idea of co-operation which he seeks in his letter is a splendid one and if some of our Leaguers across the Louisiana line in Texas would get in touch with him I am sure that it would be to their mutual advantage.

L. E. A.

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L. E. APPLEBY,  
State Secretary.

### RESOLUTIONS.

At the last meeting of the Executive Council for the Southwestern Young Women's Christian Association Conference, just closed at Epworth-by-the-Sea, the secretaries and leaders voted unanimously that hearty thanks be expressed to the Texas Epworth League for the use of their convenient and ideally located grounds and equipment. We are especially indebted to Mr. A. K. Ragsdale for his generous thoughtfulness for our comfort; to Mr. L. E. Appleby, Field Secretary for the League, for his untiring efforts in our behalf during the opening days, and to Mr. B. H. Ferrell, to whose constant generosity we are greatly indebted. We are also appreciative of Mr. Knight's services, as well as of all others who have contributed in any way to the efficiency of the Conference, and trust that this is but the first of many annual conferences.

We feel sure that the Epworth League of Texas, which has already achieved so much, will through its encampment, meet an ever increasing need for inspiration and Christian fellowship.

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Business Manager.

Epworth-by-the-Sea, Corpus Christi, Tex., Sept. 5.

### WRITE TO THIS LEAGUER.

A new chapter has been formed at Little Elm, and as all its members are new in the work our experienced Leaguers are asked to write the secretary, giving helpful suggestions.—Editor.

### Secretary's Letter.

Dear Mr. Thomasson: I am sending you a list of officers of our newly

organized League here. They are as follows:

President, W. J. Collier; first vice-president, Roy Barger; second vice-president, Miss Ella Clark; third vice-president, Mrs. Netha Wharton; fourth vice-president, Mrs. Charles Jones; secretary, Mrs. Clara Collier; treasurer, S. L. McLeynolds; Epworth Era agent, Mrs. Clara Collier.

I am writing today also to each vice-president, sending in our officers, so we can get in touch with all the work and get as much encouragement as possible from our fellow workers. Dear Leaguers, everywhere we need any and all help we can get, as we have not a member who ever took an active part in League work before, but we are anxious to make our League a power for good in this community, and with our Heavenly Father as our great leader, and the prayers and help of all our fellow-workers we feel that we can. Especially would we like to hear from Leagues in the rural churches, for we realize that there are difficulties in our way that the Leagues in the city do not have to contend with.

Through a short communication in the Advocate we have already received some splendid help and we would be glad to hear from any Leaguers who are seeking an opportunity to do good. With prayers for the advancement of our splendid work, I represent the Little Elm Epworth League. MRS. CLARA COLLIER,  
Secretary and Era Agent.

R. F. D. No. 1, Little Elm, Tex.

### NORTH TEXAS CABINET MEETS.

A cabinet meeting of the North Texas Conference Epworth League was held in Dallas Saturday afternoon, Oct. 15. President A. B. Hardin in charge. The other officers present were Miss Mary Kate Brown, Mrs. H. A. Hudspeth, Mrs. Fred Mercer, Miss Mary Ferguson and L. L. Nelms. We were honored with the presence of our ex-president, Mr. O. L. Hamilton, who is an old Epworth Leaguer and we were indeed glad to have him with us. The other officers of the cabinet, Ed S. Brown, R. G. Piner and Miss Lucy Davidge, were unable to be with us.

We opened our meeting with a prayer by Brother Hamilton, after which we entered into discussions and heart-to-heart talks as to how we might be able to get in close touch with the chapters in the conference and do our full duty towards them.

It was decided that some concerted action be taken on each matter considered before dispensing with it.

The first matter for consideration was a suggestion from Brother Hamilton that the conference pay the expenses of one Leaguer in the North Texas Conference to the encampment at Epworth next summer. The plan was well thought out and appealed to us as being a splendid means of increasing interest in the local chapters. So the plan was adopted and it was voted that a committee composed of the president, secretary and one other to be appointed by the president meet some time in the near future to perfect plans for the contest which will be announced later. But it is well to mention here that the Leaguer who goes to Epworth at the expense of the conference will be a member of the League who brings the best report to conference next June.

Mrs. Mercer then submitted a new plan for increasing interest among the Juniors, which was approved by the members of the cabinet and Mrs. Mercer was authorized to carry the plan out as outlined by her.

Each department of the League work was carefully talked over to give the new vice-presidents a clearer understanding of the work they are to do, and the meeting closed with a feeling in each heart that Epworth League work is worth our best efforts. We feel better prepared for our year's work and we hope with the co-operation of every Leaguer in the conference to make this a year to surpass all previous in efficient work for our Master.

L. L. NELMS,  
Secretary and Treasurer,  
Sherman, Tex.

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## THE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

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

Miss Cora Posey, our conference organizer, will soon be in the Houston District for the purpose of organizing foreign auxiliaries in those charges where there are none. We hope to secure the co-operation of the pastors and women in this great work.

MRS. W. B. TYER,  
District Secretary Houston District.

The District Conference of the Foreign and Home Missionary Societies, Jacksonville District, will convene at Athens, Texas, November 15, and 16. We are to have with us Miss Mattie Ivey, our Korean missionary; also Miss Tucker, Bible reader. Their presence insures an interesting meeting. I do hope we will have a good attendance and that God will abundantly bless the meeting.

MRS. E. E. GUINN,  
District Secretary F. M. S.

Our two auxiliaries, the Foreign and Home, observed jointly the Week of Prayer service two weeks ago. We did not confine ourselves entirely to the printed program, but those who contributed to it did great credit to themselves and the cause. Our women were drawn closer together and I believe closer to our heavenly Father, and a deeper interest aroused for the work. The offering amounted to over \$50.00. We can never estimate the good derived from these annual consecration services held throughout our auxiliaries.

Bro. Burroughs, our much loved pastor, preached two excellent sermons for us; and we want the Bishop to send him back to us.

MRS. E. E. GUINN,  
District Secretary F. M. S.

### QUEEN CITY.

We have such a splendid W. H. M. Society that I want to make a report of three quarters, beginning with the first of December, 1909.

There are twenty-one members and as each paid all dues, extra dollar and conference expense fund (\$2.45) for the year, we were classed with the ideals in the minutes at Longview in May.

Our meetings are weekly and we have missed only one and that on account of excessive rain.

We are using in our meetings 1200 Bible questions, by J. J. Hill.

The Week of Prayer program was interesting and instructive and all leaders prepared their work well and nearly all other members did the work assigned them.

Our work is as follows:

#### Amounts Raised.

Membership dues	\$16.40
Baby Roll and Brigade	3.95
Conference expense fund	5.00
Free will offering	25.00
Extra dollar	15.55
Birthday offering	6.00
Entertainment proceeds	10.50
Free will offering during month of June	46.95
Week of Prayer offering	6.65

#### Amount Expended.

Amount on parsonage	\$55.29
Assistance to needy	10.57
Given locally	3.12
Visits to sick and strangers, 538. magazines and papers given, 523; subscribers to Our Homes, 7.	

MRS. F. O. FAVRE,  
Press Reporter

### BAY CITY, TEXAS.

The W. H. M. Society of Bay City held a very profitable Week of Prayer. Expressions from elder members are to the effect that greater interest was manifested than ever before. As a result \$10.26 was sent in as an offering to Ruth Hargrove Institute. Service was held each afternoon at 3 o'clock and on Sunday our pastor, Rev. Schroeder, gave us a sermon on the work of W. H. M.

This auxiliary is preparing to hold its annual bazaar and rummage sale before the holidays. Our officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Kate Moore; First Vice-President, Mrs. Amos Lee; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Z. Payne; Third Vice-President, Mrs. P. G. Secrest; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Chas. Matchett; Conference Treasurer, Mrs. Porter; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Geo. Fullingim; Local Treasurer, Mrs. Dr. Rugeley; Agent for Our Homes, Mrs. Tom Castleton; Press Correspondent, Mrs. Geo. Fullingim.

We hold monthly sales at one of the

grocery stores and sell cakes, pies, bread, chickens, etc., realizing \$10 and up at each sale. We have recently placed a nice carpet in our new church and finished paying one \$2000 pledge on same.

OCE MOORE FULLINGIM,  
Press Correspondent.

### TO THE MEMBERS OF THE AUXILIARIES OF THE NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE.

Dear Sisters.—I come to you, not as a stranger, but in the capacity of a new officer. In reviewing the work of the past year, under the leadership of our dearly loved ex-President, Mrs. W. E. Dudley, we realize that much has been accomplished. But in listening to the needs of the various charges in New Mexico, as told by our pastors at Annual Conference, and in reading of the great work that is being entered into by the General Board, we feel that our efforts are but the beginnings of the work we hope to do in the immediate future. When each Home Mission member realizes the privilege of being part of this great work and the opportunities that are on every hand, then shall we enter an era of great results. May our daily prayer be

"Let me not die before I've done for Thee,

My earthly work, whatever it may be. Call me not hence with mission unfulfilled;

Let me not leave my space of ground untilled;

Impress this truth upon me, that not one

Can do my portion that I leave undone."

I would urge the auxiliary officers to reply promptly to all communications from their conference officers, as it is only in this way that we can obtain a complete record of the work.

Try to collect the one dollar pledge and the conference expense fund of 25 cents per member. As soon as possible, not leaving it until the last quarter of the year. The more completely connective our auxiliary is, the broader does it become, and the more the members are interested in the great work.

May we each be a subscriber to Our Homes, which paper will shortly be united with the two other missionary magazines into one great monthly magazine that will keep us informed of the missionary movement throughout the world. May our aim this year be to have every woman in the Church a member of the Home Mission Society.

In conclusion, I send loving greetings to each auxiliary of the New Mexico Conference; and shall hold myself ready at any and all times to co-operate with you.

MRS. R. S. OVERSTREET,  
President of New Mexico Conference.

### ATTENTION!

Home Mission Women of Northwest Texas Conference.

By this time every auxiliary in our conference should be well organized for the membership campaign.

About two weeks ago I sent out instructions concerning the campaign, together with an appeal for the co-operation of all our members, and a personal letter to each President.

Remember that we are going to double the membership in our conference. This is our first opportunity to show the other conferences what the "new" Northwest Texas Conference can do. Any other conference that tries to come out ahead of us will have to fight hard during this campaign. A large portion of our territory is in West Texas, and the women here know how to "hustle." So, sister conferences, if you think we are weak, just watch us work during this campaign, and wait to hear the results. Let every President manage this work in a business-like way, and put every woman to work. I have heard of a President, of one auxiliary with eighty-two members who has divided the auxiliary into four circles with a captain for each one. Each circle is designated by a different color. A chart showing the membership of the women of the Church and the auxiliary has been prepared. This chart was made on a large piece of cardboard, by working it off into squares, with as many squares as there are women in the Church. Silver stars were

used to show the number of Home Mission members. As new members are brought in a star the color of the circle bringing in the member is added to the chart. By this means it is easy to keep up with the number of new members, and to know which circle is ahead. This plan has gotten up a good deal of rivalry, and bids fair to be a splendid one. At the close of the campaign a big home mission jubilee will be given to the circle bringing in the most members. I pass this plan on to others.

Be sure to plan for a public service during these three months. A good time to have it will be while your pastor is at conference. Plan to have one "Our Homes" program. I will be glad to send suggestions for this program to any auxiliary wishing it.

Now, let us be definite in our aims. This month we must bring in 955 new members. We can do it. Let each District Secretary feel that there is a special responsibility resting on her during this campaign. Let each auxiliary report to me by the tenth of November the number of members taken in during October. Don't fail to do this. I will be glad to give help to the auxiliaries as far as I am able during the campaign. I would be glad to hear from some auxiliary each week.

MRS. ROBERT E. GOODRICH,  
Campaign Manager Northwest Texas Conference,  
Stamford, Texas.

### SCARRITT AND THE "TEXAS CLUB."

September 8, 1910, marked the opening of Scarritt Bible and Training School for the 15th session. A large number of students were present for the opening, these students coming from many different States. Miss Gibson had but recently returned from Edinburgh and Miss Howell from London, while others of the teachers had enjoyed vacations in various sections of the country. We were a very happy family reunited that day—the old students happy to be back again and to greet loved teachers and friends of last year, and the new ones equally happy to be here, having looked forward, many of them for years, to coming.

Bishop Denny was present and led the devotional service of the opening. We were very happy to have him with us and appreciated his talk very much.

After the devotional service Miss Gibson told us in a very interesting way of the World's Missionary Conference at Edinburgh. Miss Howell followed, giving another phase of the great conference, and at the class we felt almost as if we, too, had been privileged to attend in person.

Bishop Hendrix then made a short talk to us, giving us a prayer as a year's motto. Said he, "It always seemed to me such a selfish prayer to pray, 'Now I lay me,' etc., so I am going to give you one that will not be selfish and one you can use through the year." Then we rose and repeated with him:

"Now I get me up to work,  
I pray the Lord I may not shirk,  
If I should die before the night,  
I pray the Lord my work's done right."

With that thought we began the year's work and through this first month it has been with us and with our school motto: "Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God." It is inspiring us daily to higher and nobler work for him.

Texas falls a little short of her usual number of girls in Scarritt this year. We had expected seventeen, but two have not yet arrived, so the "Texas Club of 1910" numbers at present fifteen. We are very proud of this number, yet would like to have first place again. Of the States represented, Missouri comes first with eighteen or nineteen; Texas, fifteen; Georgia, thirteen, and California seven, while the others are below with from one to five.

The "Texas Club" was reorganized October 1, with Miss Virginia Booth, of Austin, Texas, as President and Miss Nellie Wynn, of Egan, Texas, as Secretary and Reporter. The club comprises: Seniors—Lena Koch, Llano; Elizabeth Cox, Farmer's Branch; Rachel Jarrell, Texarkana; Edith Fuess, Cuero; Mollie Womack, Nacoma; Lydia Ferguson, Belton; Ella Bowden, Brownwood; Mittle Shelton, Stamford. Special—Virginia Booth, Austin; Bettie Terry, Clarksville. Juniors—Lillian Black, Blossom; Martha Johnson, Lockhart; Eva Kiker, Hamlin; Nellie Wynn, Egan; Ethel Stroman, Uvalde.

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We recognize Misses Carrie White, of Oklahoma, and Etta Helin, of California, who lived in Texas before moving to these States, also Misses Saturnina Silva and Mercedes Fenandez, of Mexico, who are supported by Texas Conference. These two Mexican girls are graduates of the normal school at Saltillo, Mexico, and hope to go back as workers among their own people.

Another interesting pupil in school now is Mrs. Melissa Kim, a young Korean widow, who was converted in Korea, taught for awhile in a mission school there, then went to the Virginia School in Huchow, China, for four years, and finally came to America for further study. She has worked for six years among the Koreans in California, and now hopes to finish her course here and go back to Korea to help in the evangelization of her own land.

The club was proud to have as guest at its first meeting Miss Mary Dechard, of Austin, and wishes to thank her for her good words about Scarritt and the club in a recent Advocate.

The welcome accorded the Juniors by the Senior girls was indeed a warm one. How happy it made each one feel on entering with that loneliness that must come to the heart of each one who leaves behind those dear to her heart, to meet the words of welcome, to meet the sweet smile, and feel the kind touch of the affectionate hand, that waits to greet each new Scarritt girl.

The school with its splendid faculty is doing an excellent work. The profound spirituality which exists here is to be observed on entrance. The opening of each recitation with prayer assures us of success each hour. The morning watch and the vesper service have a wonderful influence upon the home life.

Every Methodist should feel proud of Scarritt. We pray that the students may live up to the school's ideals; then having received the training course, go out to be a blessing to mankind.

NELLIE WYNN,

Secretary and Reporter Texas Club,  
MITTIE SHELTON,  
Assistant.

### MARRIED.

Briggs-Johnson.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Rev. G. A. Johnson, near Wood, Panola County, Texas, at 10 a. m. September 25, 1910, Mr. R. M. Briggs, of Wilmer, and Miss Perola Johnson, Rev. W. S. Easterling officiating.

Brewster-Charles.—At the home of the bride, near Long Prairie, Texas, October 9, 1910, Mr. W. P. Brewster and Miss Daisy Charles, Rev. G. W. Klucheloff officiating.

Slight-Sanford.—October 12, 1910, at Travis Park Church, San Antonio, Texas, Mr. Ralph Slight and Miss Mary Sanford, both of Alpine, Texas, Rev. J. E. Harrison officiating.

Carlton-Long.—At Mt. Selman, Texas, October 16, 1910 Mr. H. L. Carlton and Miss Jocie Long, Rev. W. F. Brinson officiating.

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## ART DEPARTMENT.

Miss Fowler's Art History class was organized this week with a membership of eighty-five. The class will be divided into two sections, and the subject for study this winter will be "Art of the Netherlands."

### In the Studio.

The Art History class continues to be very interesting. The study of "Art of the Netherlands" has begun. Wednesday the two groups of mankind that have been the greatest factors in modern civilization. These are called the Latin and Germanic groups. Of the people in these groups the Italians are unquestionably the best artists of the Latins and the Dutch and Flemish among the Germanic nations. The Belgians (or Flemish), Dutch and Walloons form the nation called the Netherlands. It is the art of this nation that the class will study this winter. Miss Fowler impressed it upon the class that for the appreciation and production of high art there are many essentials, the greatest of which is culture.

One of the girls who has recently returned from Dallas saw in the Baptist Sanitarium there, a large painting of the late Mrs. J. E. Jones, which was presented to the Sanitarium by Mr. Jones in memory of his wife. The portrait, which is the work of Miss Eva Fowler, is an exceptionally fine piece of work and has been the subject of much favorable comment.

## AUSTIN NOTES.

First Church, Godbey: Eighteen members received since last report, fourteen infants baptized during the month. Congregations good. All reports in full for conference.

University Church, Booth: The quadrennium is closing out nicely. There had 155 additions to the church during the year, seventy of them last month. A revival meeting is now in progress. Rev. Walter Mills, our pastor at Nacogdoches, Texas, is doing the preaching with very great acceptability. The meeting is doing "great good."

Ward Memorial, Pennybacker: All reports in full for conference. Net increase in membership of fifty.

South Austin, Long: One addition since last report. Collections in full. Sunday-school is doing exceptionally fine work. Its growth is marvelous.

St. Luke's (Hyde Park) Church, Hunter: Everything in good shape for conference; eleven additions since last report. Conference collections have all been paid. Brother Hunter has found it necessary to go to a higher altitude, and will not be back next year. He has been stationed at Mancos, Colo., by Bishop Hendrix, and will leave for that place about October 24.

Manchaca Circuit, Renfro: Had three additions since last report. All reports in full for conference. Charge in good condition.

Below we print a statement of Brother Booth's work during his four years' stay at University Church. This written report was requested of him by a unanimous vote of the Methodist Preachers' Association. It is a wonderful record:

Report of University Methodist Church for quadrennium ending October 26, 1910:

Additions by certificate, 556; additions by profession of faith, 193; total additions, 749; membership four years ago, 296; present membership, 568.

Of the present membership only 125 were in this Church four years ago, and 443 have been received during the quadrennium.

Money raised during quadrennium for all purposes, \$55,500; value of property increased from \$8000 to \$65,000; pastor's salary increased from \$1200 to \$2000; conference collections increased from \$286 to \$680; Epworth League membership increased fourfold; Sunday-school enrollment increased threefold; Women's Home Mission Society membership increased twofold; Woman's Foreign Missionary Society membership increased threefold.

During the four years ten young men have given their lives to the Methodist ministry. Of these seven have already been licensed to preach, and two of them have joined the conference. Not less than twelve young people have declared their purpose to give their lives to the work of foreign missions. Four of this number are now in Scarritt Bible and Training School preparing for this great work.

During the quadrennium three former members of this Church have gone out to the foreign mission field. Two young men have also entered Christian work as Y. M. C. A. Secretaries.

## Gold Dust.

"The astronomer can tell us how far it is from each star to the earth, but no human being can calculate the effect of a kind word or a kind deed. The monuments of granite and of bronze will crumble into dust, but there is a monument which endures—it is the lasting influence which heart exerts upon heart."—W. J. Bryan.

Never, never wait for post-mortem praise. Speak the kind words which love prompts, and remember that words of loving kindness are the best possible tonic which can be given even to the happiest of mortals.—Kate Tannatt Woods.

All pain, sickness, weariness, distress, languor, agony of body or mind, whether in ourselves or others, is to be treated reverently, seeing in it our Maker's hand passing over us, fashioning by suffering the imperfect or decayed substance of our souls. Every sorrow is a billow on this world's troublesome sea, which we must pass over on the Cross to bear us nearer home. Each trouble is meant to relax the world's hold upon us, and our hold upon the world; each loss to make us seek our gain in heaven.—Dr. Pusey.

The experience that comes when one who is nearest and dearest to us passes on into the unseen world is strangely significant. We at once realize that death is not the end of life, but merely one phase of experience in life, and its nature is to uplift and purify the friend left on this side, and to offer its absolute testimony to the persistence of the communion between the two—the one still an inhabitant of the visible world, the other of the unseen world. He who has gone on to the life just beyond is as real a personality as ever.—L. Whiting.

## A GREAT BOOK.

I have just finished reading "The Ideal Ministry," by Herrick Johnson, D. D. This is a volume of nearly five hundred pages packed full of good thought which, if carefully read, will enlighten the mind, stir the soul and make one a better preacher and wiser man. It is the best book on preaching that I have read. It is the latest and perhaps the best book on the subject now in print. I commend it to my brethren of the ministry.

C. N. N. FERGUSON.  
Plainview, Texas.

## PERSONAL NOTE.

To all the Brethren of the North Texas, West Texas, Texas and East Texas Conferences, in which I have served pastoral charges in the past—Greeting:

Dear Brethren—We are still in the land of the living and serving the Pilot Grove Circuit in the Sherman District, in place of Brother Jacobs, who was appointed to the charge, his health having failed, and he had to give up the charge. I would say to all the brethren, and especially the North Texas Conference brethren: Pray for this good man, for he is very sick. He leaves the charge in good condition. His people love him. Everything will come up in full.

J. M. HOLT.  
Denison, Texas.

## PREACHERS WANTED.

I want two active, vigorous men for circuit work. I prefer young men who wish to join our conference, but can use older men if they are able to do hard work. Write me or see me at Annual Conference at Ardmore.

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T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

### Northwest Texas Conference.

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itors and all having business with the conference. All the above included persons whose names do not appear in the printed journal of the conference will kindly send their names at once to Mr. J. S. HAYTER, Secretary, Clarendon, Texas, certainly not later than October 15, 1910.  
G. P. KIKER, P. C.

The class of the fourth year will please meet the Committee for Examination at the Methodist Church in Waxahachie Tuesday at 9 a. m., November 15, 1910.  
JAMES CAMPBELL, Chairman.

The class of the fourth year in the Northwest Texas Conference will meet in Clarendon on Tuesday morning, November 8, at 9 o'clock.  
ROBT. E. GOODRICH.

The Committee on Examination for admission on trial to the Northwest Texas Conference will meet the applicants at Clarendon, Texas, October 8, at 9 a. m., at such place as the pastor may designate.  
C. B. MEADOR, Chairman.

The class of the third year of the Northwest Texas Conference will meet at the Methodist Church in Clarendon Tuesday morning, November 8, at 9 o'clock.  
A. L. MOORE.

The class of the second year will meet the committee in the church at Clarendon Tuesday, November 8, at 8 a. m.  
J. M. SHERMAN, Chairman.

The class of the first year in the Northwest Texas Conference will meet in the Tax Assessor's office on Tuesday morning, November 8, at 9 o'clock.  
C. W. HEARON.

## Railroad Information.

The Fort Worth and Denver Railroad has authorized tickets to Clarendon for the meeting of the Northwest Texas Conference, to be sold at all stations between Fort Worth and Texline, at one and one-third fares for round trip, on Monday and Tuesday, the 7th and 8th of November, and for trains arriving in Clarendon on the morning of November 9. Final return limit, November 15, 1910.

All railroads within the territory of this conference have been requested to cooperate with the "Denver" in these dates and rates, and it is presumed that they will do so.

JOHN M. BARCUS, Secretary Northwest Texas Conference.

The presiding elders of the Northwest Texas Conference will meet at the Methodist Church in Clarendon at 2 o'clock p. m., November 8, 1910.  
J. G. MILLER, P. E.  
Clarendon, Texas.

The Committees of Examination for the new Northwest Texas Conference will be appointed at the first session of the conference, November 9, and will be ready for work immediately thereafter. Let all undergraduates and those up for admission take due notice and be ready to meet committees as per above announcement. This by authority of Bishop Atkins.  
J. G. MILLER, P. E.  
Clarendon, Texas.

## CENTRAL TEXAS.

### Railroad Information.

For the meeting of the Central Texas Conference, at Waxahachie, the M. K. & T. Railway has authorized a rate of one and one-third fares for round trip. Tickets on sale on Monday and Tuesday, the 14th and 15th of November, and for trains arriving in Waxahachie on the morning of the 16th, with final limit for return November 24th.

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JOHN M. BARCUS, Secretary Central Texas Conference.

The class of the first year will meet the committee at the Methodist Church in Waxahachie, Texas, November 15, at 9 a. m.  
C. L. BROWNING, Chairman.

## Statistical Reports.

Please remember that the late General Conference made some changes in the report blanks, and that you must provide yourselves with these new blanks on which to prepare your report for the Statistical Secretary. Remember our standing rule No. 1.  
R. G. MOOD, Secretary.

## Railroad Rates.

All the roads traversing our territory have made a rate of one and one-third fares for the session of the conference. Tickets will be on sale November 22, 23 and 24, limited for return to December 1. When you go to buy your ticket, if your agent has not received instructions as above, pay full fare, take a receipt for same from the agent, and this will entitle you to reduced rate returning.  
R. G. MOOD, Secretary.

The committee and class of the first year will meet at the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday morning, November 22, at 9 a. m., promptly. Let all of the class be present at that time and bring their certificates from the Correspondence School or from the Summer Institute of Theology. Let the members of the committee and the class be on hand promptly at the time and place as announced above.  
R. G. MOOD, Chairman.



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MOSS.—Mrs. Christianna Moss (nee Watson) was born near Boston, Bowie County, July 18, 1830, being more than eighty years old at the time of her death, September 22, 1919. She was married to Azariah Moss July 2, 1849, and in 1854 they moved to Dallas County, settling near what is now Wheatland, where the old home now stands. For a half century and more this has been a noted home for upright citizenship and old-time hospitality. It was here that eight children were born to them, five of whom survive her. They are, James L., of Fort Worth; Stephen Ellis and M. P., of Dallas; Robert L., of Amarillo, and Mrs. Mike H. Thomas, of Dallas. Edward K. Moss, J. B. Franklin and Mrs. J. W. Allen are dead. This was a large and interesting family, and has made a large contribution to the county in which they lived. Sister Moss was among the oldest native Texans, and one of the few who knew Texas as a Republic. She knew of hard struggles and Mexican oppression. To live then was a question of a survival of the fittest. Kind hands laid her body to rest in the old cemetery at Wheatland, Texas, where rests the sacred dust of her husband and children. She had been a member of the Methodist Church from girlhood, and her house was the preacher's home. Being her pastor more than twenty-five years ago, I can testify to her loyalty and devotion to the Church. With more than ordinary intellect, a consecrated life and temporal ability, she was a dominant force in uprightness and integrity. She had a place in the hearts of all who knew her. She died in the home of her daughter, Emma (Mrs. Mike H. Thomas), in Dallas, Texas. May memories of mother lead to a higher life her surviving progeny. Peace to her sacred dust!

M. K. LITTLE.

Weatherford, Texas.

BEATY.—At her home near Margaret, Fourd County, Texas, at 2:25 p. m., September 19, 1919, Mrs. Cynthia M. Beatty (nee Gilmore) departed this life. She was born in Morgan County, Ga., November 23, 1824; joined the Methodist Church at the age of seventeen; was married to James Beatty June 11, 1843. She was the mother of seven children. Her husband and one daughter preceded her to the spirit land. The other sons and daughters, the eldest son residing in Manchester, Ga., the others residing in Fourd County, Texas, still survive her. She had been an almost constant sufferer from rheumatism for twenty-five years, and for the last eight or nine months had been confined to her bed. Though her extreme suffering sometimes produced irritability, she was generally patient, and died without a murmur. The writer has known Sister Beatty for the last twenty-two years, often conversing with her religiously, and at all times she had strong faith in God, and expressed the sentiment that "these light afflictions, which are for but a moment shall work out for us a far more eternal and exceeding weight of glory." The storms of life raged long and furiously, but the end was peaceful, and she seemed to get a glimpse into the land of spirits even before leaving this, calling in her last moments of consciousness the names of her sisters, Nancy and Martha, who had long since passed over the river of death. Her patient, faithful and consistent Christian life strongly commends itself to her children, children's children and surviving friends. Let us be resigned to that merciful providence in the economy of God that removes from the stage of action in this world to that rest that remaineth to the people of God when they are no longer called for active labor in this life. Let us imitate her example of piety and faithfulness and be as ready to meet the summons, which is sure to come, as she was.

J. C. ROBERTS.

Dublin, Texas.

NEWTON.—Nathaniel Milburn Newton was born February 19, 1842, in Sumpter County, Ala. He moved to Texas in 1852, settling twenty-five miles south of San Antonio. He joined Hood's Brigade at the age of eighteen years and was sent to Virginia, where he soon contracted measles, the effects of which weakened him throughout his life, and he was discharged and returned to Texas. In 1868 he married Miss Ella Jane Davidson, daughter of Rev. Asbury Davidson. Ten children, eight of whom survive him, blessed the union—Mrs. W. C. Lott, of San Antonio; Mrs. W. E. Astin, of Bryan; Milburn D., Marvin G., Oscar B., and Holland M., Newton, and Misses Clara and Annie Mae Newton of Austin. Brother Newton had been a member of the Church since his early boyhood, and served as steward in Lavaca, Texas, for ten years, 1872-1882; in Georgetown for nine years, 1882-1891; and in Austin for three years. In his early life he was a merchant and cattle and land owner, but for some years he had retired from active business on account of failing health. His was a beautiful life, full of gentleness, patience, liberality and modesty. Those who knew him best said: "There was never a sweeter spirit taken back to its Maker." His peace with God and resignation to go will always be a comfort to the bereaved family. The writer conducted the funeral services in Austin October 29, 1919, and the body was taken by the family to Georgetown, Texas, where Rev. John M. Bureus committed the body to its last resting place.

V. A. GODBEY, Pastor.

MITCHELL.—Sister M. A. (Missie) Mitchell passed to her good reward on August 6, 1919, passed from a life of the greatest bodily suffering to one where suffering has no place. In the passing she left just for a little time her aged mother, well beyond the four-score milepost and one of the most saintly women the sun shines on, to greet on the other side her ascended itinerant father. She passed and left in tears six good children, to greet on the other side three with smiling faces her coming. She passed brothers and sister and a noble, Christian husband and a host of friends, to greet on the other side her ascended father, who knew her here and hailed her coming there with songs of joy. I knew Sister Mitchell in her young womanhood, thirty-five years ago. I knew her as wife and mother, and know her when she was going down beneath an incurable affliction and now that she is gone I write her down as one of the best women I ever knew. The chronicle of her earthly life is as follows: She was born in Dime County, Texas, February 15, 1842; was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Marian Donigan; professed religion at home when she was fourteen years old; was taken into the Methodist Church by Rev. R. S. Finley. She was twice married, first to Felix Carnes, she was a widow for several years, and then married Mr. James Mitchell, who with six children, survives her. They miss her from the home. They grief is poignant, but they are comforted by knowing she rests in peace. Her body was buried in the Lone Star Graveyard, Jacksonville, Texas.

DARLINGTON.—Mrs. Walton Spruill Darlington, the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Spruill, was born in Martindale, Hays County, Texas, September 3, 1878. With her parents, she made her home in San Antonio from early childhood. When quite a girl she graduated with distinction from Central Institute, in San Marcos, she was happily married to H. E. Darlington, of this city, June 27, 1897. She was bereaved of her husband in November, 1914. For the past five years she has made her home near Dilly, Texas, where she managed successfully her splendid ranch, and where just two years ago she had built a beautiful country home. In her home she was a charming hostess, and frequently entertained delighted guests, for she had a large circle of admiring friends. To have received her graciousness and hospitality was to have her as a faithful friend. No one will ever know how large and frequent were her ministries of love and relief to the suffering and needy. The last few years of her life she became greatly interested in "Christianity, and was determined to do noble things for the Church in her community. The writer saw her happily converted a few years ago, and knew that she desired to contribute to the upbuilding of the Church. She is survived by her mother and three sisters—Mrs. G. W. Tipps, of Houston; Mrs. Rose Morris, of New Orleans and Mrs. John Huntress, of San Antonio—and two brothers—J. T. and A. J. Spruill, of Dilly, Texas. She was a general favorite with her relatives and friends, and was deeply bereaved in her death, which occurred in Santa Rosa Hospital, in this city, September 16, 1919. We shall hope to meet her again. May God's grace comfort the sorrowing mother and relatives and friends, in the prayers of their friend.

Z. V. LILES.

San Antonio, Texas.

FISHER.—Mrs. Anna Mary Fisher was born in Indiana County Pa., May 2, 1862. She and John M. Fisher were married June 17, 1873. Fifteen children were born to them, thirteen of whom and their father survive their mother. Several years ago she professed faith in Christ, joined the Methodist Church and since then has lived before her family and friends in such a manner as to command their love and confidence. By many sacrifices for love's sake and through many years of unselfish service, she has raised a large and respected family of children, who today are rising up and calling her blessed. That God rewarded her here, and now she has come to reap her reward eternal. On September 28, 1919, she fell asleep, and the angels took her to the great beyond.

E. L. SILLIMAN.

Roanoke, Texas.

WALKER.—Mrs. Janie Ann Walker was born in Nash County, N. C., April 17, 1822, and died in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joe Jones, in Coryell County, Texas, June 22, 1919. She was married to A. Walker in 1835, and moved to Texas in January, 1877. Sister Walker was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to the day of her death. She was in feeble health for quite a while. In her late illness she bore her illness with becoming fortitude. Kind friends ministered faithfully to her needs during her sickness. But the decree of the death angel could not be stayed. On the above date her soul took its flight to the God who gave it. Be faithful, kind children and grandchildren, and be ye also ready, for ye know neither the day nor the hour when the Son of Man cometh.

J. P. TYSON.

SKINNER.—Fannie E. Skinner (nee Veary) was born March 8, 1836, and died August 25, 1919, at her father's home, near Corinth, Van Zandt County, Texas. She was married to John Skinner January 11, 1902. Of this union there were two children. Sister Skinner was converted and joined the Church at the age of fourteen, and lived a true Christian life. She was a true, devoted wife, a patient, tender mother. She was loyal and true to the Church, not only loyal, but a worker in the Church and in the protracted meeting. She put forth an effort to lead sinners to Christ. Her last testimony was that the future was bright, and she only regretted to leave loved ones behind. May the grace that sustained Sister Skinner be with the loved ones left behind and draw them to the cross until they are called up to meet her.

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MASSIE.—John Bramwell Massie was born February 8, 1847, in Hanover County, Va. He removed from there to Kentucky and served four years in the Civil War in the Kentucky cavalry. He was married to Miss A. B. Massie June 25, 1867. To this union were born eight children, seven of whom, with their mother, are still living. He was an early settler in Throckmorton County, Texas, where he has been honored with many positions of trust and responsibility. He served four years as County Judge and eight years as County and District Clerk. Brother Massie joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of nine or ten years, and in the truest and fullest sense of the word remained a consistent member until he was translated to the Church triumphant. To try to enumerate the many noble traits of character possessed by this good man is to fail in the undertaking. He was of a modest and unassuming type, and therefore many of his golden deeds of charity were in secret and away from the eyes of the world. Being an early settler, he had excellent opportunities of helping the needy homesteader, and many have been the times that he has done so; and now they cherish the memory of a good man who counted it a privilege to assist his fellows. Brother Massie loved his Church with an abiding love, and though he was called upon to endure trial and affliction, yet his faith was unwavering, and with faith in the goodness of God he still held on and gave to the Church liberally of his time, his care and his means, and was one of the strongest pillars in our Church. In his home life was exemplified the love and devotion for his wife and children, and now they rise up and call him blessed. On April 18, 1919, after eating supper, he retired and before midnight his redeemed spirit had taken its flight to that house not made with hands. The end was sudden, but it found him ready, for his life had been one of peacefulness, a long and fruitful life brought to a peaceful closing, and he died in the triumphs of a living faith. His funeral was held at the Methodist Church, and he was buried with Masonic honors. A large concourse of sorrowing friends followed the remains to the cemetery, where he was laid to rest to await the resurrection of the just. We miss his kindly face and presence from the Church. His place is vacant in the home, but he has left the impress of his godly life upon the political, moral and spiritual life of the entire town and country. His family have the comforts that faith brings to that home over there. May all who knew him strive to emulate his exemplary life. Devoted husband, kind father and faithful friend, we will meet you again when the morning cometh and night with its shadows shall flee away.

W. C. CHILDRESS.

Throckmorton, Texas.

SPURLOCK.—Joseph G. Spurlock was born October 21, 1875. At the age of nine years his mother died, leaving him in the care of his half-brother, J. S. Neeley. The sterling character of Brother Spurlock was evidence of the loving care and training of this half-brother, who had for him the love of a father and brother combined. At the age of eleven years he joined the M. E. Church, South, in which faith he lived a consistent member until his triumphant death. On May 2, 1908, he was happily married to Miss Annie Rogers, daughter of Rev. M. W. Rogers, now pastor at Rice, Texas. She, with her little son of one month, survives him to mourn the loss of a husband and father. In 1898 he moved to Hunt County to Throckmorton County, where he has since resided. He taught school for several years, and for the past four years he had held the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector. On the evening of October 1, about 6:30 p. m., while trying to arrest a drunk disturber, he received the full discharge of a shotgun in the abdominal region, from the effects of which he died October 3, at 2:30 p. m. He expressed his sorrow at the suffering of one of his assailants that he had wounded, and said: "That is what I wish, because his life had no fears of death, because his life had been one of preparation. Joe Spurlock was a man from every standpoint. He was a steward in the Church, a teacher in the Sunday-school, and was loyal to its every need of his time and money. How we miss his cheerful presence and his going has left a void hard to fill. He was a true friend to his pastor, and we feel a deep personal loss. The whole town is shocked and grieved, and greatly deplored his tragic end. But his work on earth is ended. He was a martyr to his country and duty, and the influence of his life will abide. On Tuesday, October 4, 1919, he was laid to rest with Masonic honors, attended by a large, sympathetic concourse of people. The writer, assisted by Rev. W. P. Davis, conducted the funeral rites. To those who mourn we can offer only the comfort of the old-time gospel, and pray that it may sustain and comfort. He has only passed into the full enjoyment of the better life, and we hope to meet him there some day. May peace be to his dust and everlasting joy to his redeemed spirit.

W. C. CHILDRESS.

Throckmorton, Texas.

BOONE.—Mrs. Alice Boone, who has been called away, was for many years our friend and neighbor. We loved her. She was always found on the side of right and God. Here was a goodly heritage in Christ Jesus our Lord, and with the keenest appreciation of the noble and true we would that we might add one tribute to the preciousness of what her life has meant and the memory of her means to us today. The last time we saw her, some two years

since, she placed the dear hands in ours and on our knees she asked that "God would greatly multiply the bread broken by the hands of his child to the hungry hearts in Mexico." She will ever live in the lives of those who knew her. She was a woman of prayer and consecration, and to know her was to be more closely drawn to her Lord. We wonder why she should go just now, but He knoweth best. We bow with submission and with thanksgiving for her memory today. May that same grace which kept her through all the years and made her life a blessing be the sufficiency for the bereaved ones. Sincerely,

MARTHA NUTT, MRS. D. L. NUTT, MRS. J. R. MORRIS.

McLARTY.—James Harvey McLarty was born in Tennessee September 29, 1827; died September 18, 1919. September 22, 1857, he was married to Miss Mary Catherine Oliver, who went before him to the better world a few years ago. Of the seven children, four still live. They are: Mrs. B. W. Lewis, Paris, Texas; Mrs. S. W. Granbery, Newark, N. J.; Mr. J. O. McLarty, Buffalo, Texas, and Mrs. A. E. Patterson, Henderson, Texas, with whom our brother made his home during his feeble years. Patriotism, as well as other noble impulses, was a part of the being of Brother McLarty, and accordingly he served as a faithful soldier of his country, as well as in the army of Jesus, which he entered in early manhood and served until his Captain's call, which found him with untried blade and burnished shield. He was one of the "old guard" at Henderson, and for many years an active member, and true ally, to God and the interests of the Methodist Church, which he long served in an official relation as recording steward. On the strength of his years his record was one of faithfulness, for he loved the people of God, and the care and beautifying of the temple of the Lord claimed his attention. Though for a few years his infirmities had been such that he could not meet with the congregation, yet his faith never suffered any strain, and his tired body reached the last span in hope and his spirit was set free September 18, 1919, on the Sabbath eve, before the call of the church bell that had often called him to worship. Dr. L. Alexander, who had known him long, spoke tender and appropriate words. His children have in his life a priceless heritage. He sleeps well. God, as in the case of Moses, buries his workmen, but carries on his work. May the tender, thoughtful children of our brother carry on the work he has laid down, and come at last to fall joy with him. His pastor,

J. C. JONES.

MASSIE.—Miss Lorena Massie was born in Throckmorton, Texas, of J. B. and A. B. Massie. Her parents were devoted Christian people and trained their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. As a result Miss Lorena joined the Church at about the age of eight or nine years, and her life until the end was most exemplary. Her fidelity and faithfulness to her duty were unwavering. Her faith was such as is given to but few of God's children. She would grow happy and rejoice in expectation of the home which she could so plainly see before her. Her father preceded her to the heavenly home by the space of six months, and she would grow radiantly happy over the prospect of being with him again. Her chamber was a Bethel to every one who came. After assuring every one of her perfect willingness to go with Jesus and finally bidding them good-bye, she calmly fell asleep in Jesus September 15, 1919. The people called Methodists die well. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

W. C. CHILDRESS.

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**EUBANKS**—Mrs. T. C. Eubanks (nee Ida Wilson) was born December 25, 1871, and was married in 1892. To this union were born three children—two sons and two daughters. She departed this life in Fort Worth September 14, 1910. Sister Eubanks professed faith in Christ in early life and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and remained true to her church obligations and its teachings to the time of her death. The Sunday-school, of which she was an active member, passed strong resolutions commending her Christian character and lamenting her untimely departure. She is survived by her husband, three children, many relatives and a host of friends. We preached her funeral in Krumboltz to a church full of loving and sympathizing friends and relatives, then laid her body to rest in the near-by cemetery to await the resurrection of the just. She impressed her religious life upon her family and community. God gave her the happy privilege of seeing all of her children converted and united with the Church. She left her family as an imperishable legacy. Her redeemed spirit passed into the great beyond to greet those long ago gone to wait for loved ones coming, and be with Christ forever. May God bless her children, husband and family. We shall see her again, sorrowing ones, to part no more.  
T. J. BECKHAM.

**OWEN**—Preston Owen was born August 29, 1844, in Montgomery County, Texas. He moved to Kerens, Texas, in 1886, where he lived until his death, September 22, 1910. He was married to Miss Anna Fortson October 22, 1872. His wife, with three of their five children, survives him. Brother Owen was for twenty-five years a member of the M. E. Church, South. As a business man he stood high, and his integrity was rewarded with large success. As a citizen and neighbor he was greatly esteemed, and as father and husband he lived in the hearts of his family. One of the strong evidences of his kindly disposition was the large number of negroes, of whom he employed a great many, who were at his burial and sought a last view of his face before he was laid away. Blessed is the name of the man whom the humble mourn when he has passed away. To the bereaved wife and two daughters and son and the grandchildren many friends extend sympathy. Our prayer is that the God whom he believed and served may guide and comfort them. A good man has gone, and the community, as well as the family of the deceased, has sustained a great loss. May the peace of God abide with the bereaved hearts.  
W. E. BOGGS.

**GOWAN**—Mrs. Hettie Gowan (nee Harrison) was born in Denton County, Texas, October 17, 1878, and departed this life July 4, 1910, after a brief but painful illness, at her home in Bellevue, Texas. Sister Gowan was converted when a child and soon after joined the Methodist Church, and till her death she was a faithful and consistent Christian. She was married to R. S. Gowan nineteen years ago, and was ever a faithful and dutiful wife and companion. To this union were born seven children, the youngest, a babe, preceding her to the better world just one week. Her husband, six children, her father, a brother and a sister, together with a host of friends, those who weep without hope, for Sister Gowan was ready to meet her Lord in peace. She only wished to linger for the good of her loved ones. "God's will be done," was the expression of her submission to the divine decree. Rev. John E. Roach assisted this pastor in the funeral services, and her remains were laid to rest in the Bellevue Cemetery to await the resurrection of the just. Peaceful be her rest! Her pastor,  
S. M. BLACK.

**CHADWICK**—On the evening of October 4, 1910, just as the sun was sinking into his rest, the spirit of little Eva May Chadwick took its flight to the better world. Not quite three years ago this sweet little girl came to cheer the home of Brother and Sister Marian Chadwick, and to bless their lives by her sweet, loving disposition. But the fatal hand of death plucked the bright little flower, and called her little spirit home. There was a large congregation gathered at the church to witness the solemn service. Brother and Sister Chadwick are two of our very best people on the Beckville charge, and, of course, they have many friends who will pray for them in this sad hour. May the good Lord bless the father, mother and all the children.  
L. R. SAXON.

**WARTHAN**—Mary Aury Warthan, daughter of Sylvester and Ida Warthan, was born September 2, 1892; died September 18, 1910, at Coahoma, Texas. That little Mary has gone from us as a pang of sorrow, but, since we know where she has gone, our hearts find relief; for the Lord knows better how to care for children than we. Angelic tears may find a place in her eyes when our condition she sees; trials to bear, sorrows through which we must go, hardships to overcome, broken hearts that are hard to heal, temptations that test our wills, and, indeed, a life that is hard at its best. But there is no rightful place in our eyes for tears for her, happy and forever at rest with her Lord. Rather let us cease to grieve and trust in Him who has saved her, that he may be our Savior, too. Then, with him, with her, forever together live.  
L. R. SMALLWOOD.

**Aches and Pains.**

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**HELP THE PASTOR.**

Now and then a pastor who has not had the co-operation of his members as he ought, and his church, therefore, has failed to make the progress that he desired, comes to the conclusion that a big lot of very mean people have their names on the rolls of his church. This same feeling gets a grip on that class of church people who are known as "the burden bearers."

The writer has had a varied experience embraced by four pastorates. He knows what it is to be obstructed by the do-nothingism, and worse, of church members. He has had all the feeling on the subject that the average pastor is at all likely to have. He has thought all sorts of things and made all sorts of pleas to the religious vagrants whose names were on the church rolls where he was pastor.

A recent Sunday afternoon he spent in a retrospect of his life as a pastor. Everything came back fresh to him and he went over the whole of the four different pastorates that he has had with the conclusion that more people just don't know how to do things than most people have any idea of. It is bound to be true that any Christian wants to do his duty, but that many of them fail is a matter of common knowledge.

This article is written to suggest some way in which church members may help their pastor. The pastor is the leader and not a pack horse. Leadership presupposes followers. When a church calls a pastor it assumes obligations to follow his leadership. Note these things:

Every member of a church ought to make it his business to believe implicitly in the man he helped call as his pastor. There are counter influences in every community which, if allowed, will destroy the confidence of certain church members in their pastor and absolutely set them against him. These influences more than all else, likely, account for the disruption of pastor relations. That a church ought not to yield to them goes without saying, but the fact is churches do that very thing. In the ongoing of time, God will let the mildew of his displeasure settle down on such a church.

One of the best ways in which to help a pastor is to attend the public services of the church, and so far as possible, take part in them. In the great day of final accounts, it will be a revelation to many church members when they see the deep wounds they inflicted on the hearts of their loyal pastors by absenting themselves from the public services. Every pastor understands that unless providentially hindered, absentees put their influence directly against the things for which the church stands and he understands that this means an addition to his already large burden. Church members ought to make it a matter of conscience and Christian agency to attend the public worship of their churches.

Another thing that is important to the pastor is that when members are helped by a service which he conducts, let them make it a point to tell him that he helped them. It is terribly trying on a conscientious pastor to have his people, or any considerable number of them, come in and sit down in a service as dumb as oysters and when the benediction is pronounced, get up and go out with an air which says: "The agony is over and I am glad of it."

Another important thing still, members ought to refrain from criticizing their pastor adversely in the presence of other people and especially the unsaved. If a pastor has said or done anything conceived to be wrong, brotherliness and common decency require that the party so thinking will go to him about it and not to other people. The writer some time ago, heard of a prominent member of a church who said to the pastor at the conclusion of a service: "That was a great sermon." That afternoon, less than four hours later, the same man said to a group of people, some of whom were not saved: "Our pastor is undoubtedly a very weak man." Such a man does not even know the gentilities of life, much less the decencies of Christianity.

Another good way to help the pastor is to see that he and his family are comfortably provided for. The right kind of Christians will not tolerate the idea that their pastor and his family are being stinted by the meager provisions made for their support. It is true of preachers as it is of horses, the better treatment they are given, the better service they will render.

A vital thing to be remembered by the right kind of Christians is that a pastor's reputation is as delicate as that of a woman. This reputation he

commits as a sacred trust to the members of his church. It is unthinkable that any church member ought to be allowed to damage the reputation of a pastor in a community and yet retain his membership. By as much as a pastor's reputation suffers on account of the evil tongues of those associated with him in church life, his effectiveness as a pastor and leader is lessened.

Still another good way to help the pastor is for every member of the church, deacons and all, to do the plain duties assigned them by the church. It ought to be as disreputable to betray a trust committed to one by a church as it is to betray a trust committed to him by any business firm. Let none of the members of a church "lay down on their jobs, but all keep their traces tight," and the church will prosper in spite of what may be on the outside.

J. H. GAMBRELL,  
Superintendent Anti-Saloon League,  
Dallas, Tex.

**MY ASSOCIATION WITH JOHN S. DAVIS.**

John S. Davis came to Texas in 1869-70. All these years we have been closely associated, assisting each other in meetings. During these thirty-five years of my association with him I have always found him true and upright in all his dealings with men, and above all things he was true to God. As a revivalist perhaps he had no superior in the conference, as hundreds of rejoicing Christians brought to Christ through his ministry will gladly testify. His dislike for fads and shams was such that sometimes he seemed arbitrary. So much can be said of this man's character, but if I were to put my hand on the greatest things about John S. Davis I would put my hand on his heart, one of the truest, kindest hearts that even beat in human bosom.

We often assisted each other in

meetings. I followed him and he followed me on different works as pastor and I always found his influence strong and beneficent. He was my pastor at one time and also my presiding elder. I always knew where to put my hand on John S. Davis. The music of his life was no uncertain sound. The beautiful language of the 23rd Psalm describes his character more forcibly than any words of mine can do. He was my friend and I loved him. For many months this godly man had been a great sufferer; then death came to his relief. I have not the shadow of a doubt of his eternal salvation. He has left a vacancy not only in his home, but in the conference and in the hearts of us who loved him that can never be filled until we meet him in the glory of God's eternal sunshine. Thank the Lord for men as true and firm for righteousness as John S. Davis.

I am glad we have had the blessing of the life and character of such a man and his influence will go on forever. He has been a blessing to my own life and the lives of my family.  
JAS. A. WALKUP,  
Sta. A, Ft. Worth, Texas.

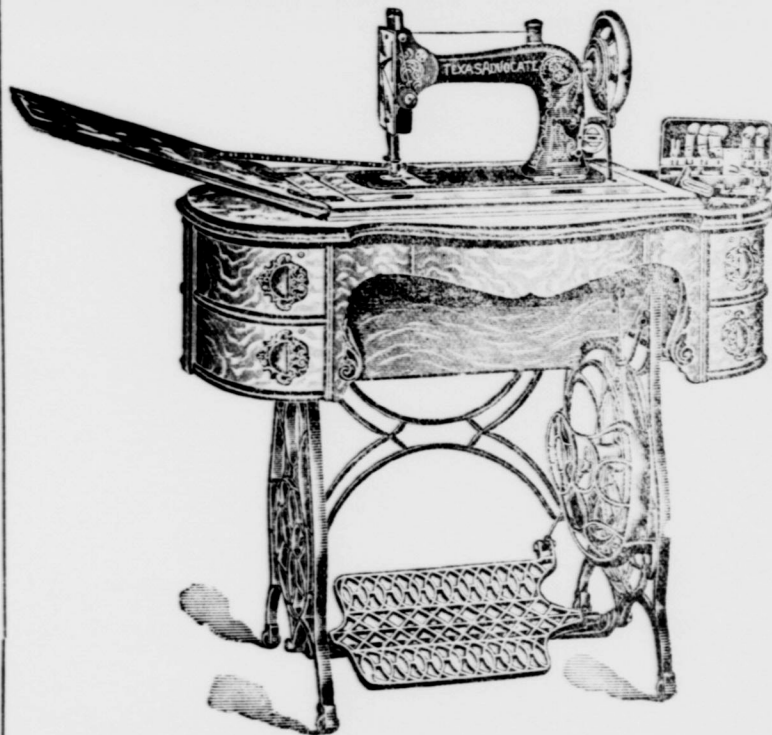
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## PERSONALS

Rev. L. B. Saxon, of Beckville, was to see us the other day. He brings a good report from his charge.

Rev. S. W. Turner, of Midlothian, dropped in to see us last Monday. He is closing out a good term at his place and will report well at conference.

Rev. S. L. Batchelor, of Junction City, was on his way recently to the session of the West Texas Conference and made the Advocate a pleasant call.

That most excellent brother, C. B. Jones, of Greenville, favored us recently with a brotherly visit. He is one of the best workers in Kavanaugh Church.

Rev. E. H. Lang, president of the Weatherford College, was over to take in the Fair recently and paid his respects to the Advocate force. He brings a good report of his school. He has about one hundred matriculated so far.

Rev. J. T. Gannway, of Venus, was a pleasant visitor to this office this week.

Brother J. A. Edwards, of Chatfield, did not fail to greet the Advocate force while in the city the past week.

Brother W. A. Mathis, of Big Springs, the land out on the border, gave us the pleasure of a delightful call this week.

Rev. Jno. M. Moore, D. D., of the Mission Board at Nashville, spent last Sunday in the city on his way to the West Texas Conference. He preached at night to a large congregation of his

old friends and admirers, and he was given a cordial welcome. Dr. Moore is popular in Dallas where he served a quadrennium as pastor of First Church.

Brother J. C. Turner, of Pickton, took in the Fair this week and also the Advocate office. He made us a pleasant call.

Rev. P. R. White, of Edgewood, dropped in to shake hands with us the other day. He has had a good year and his charge is in splendid case.

Brother William P. Lockhart, of Wayland, brightened up this office with his presence this week. He was here taking in the Fair.

Rev. B. R. Bolton has been transferred from the Central Texas Conference to the Texas Conference and appointed by Bishop Murrah Financial Agent of the Alexander Collegiate Institute.

Rev. L. B. Elrod, of Marshall, spent last Sunday in the city and we are glad to have had a brotherly visit from him. He has done a hard year's work and now he is preparing to render a good account at conference.

Mr. Jno. A. Crawford, of Beckville, was a pleasant caller last week. People from that section of Texas are able this year to take in the Fair, and thereby be enabled to compare East Texas with other portions of the State—and they are so doing. They are going back well satisfied with East Texas.

Rev. L. G. White, of the Mood Hall at Southwestern University, made us a pleasant visit this week. He says that everything is crowded down there. So far they have an enrollment of 726 students, the largest number in the history of the University.

Brother J. H. Weaver, of New Boston, is a most entertaining visitor. He was in the Advocate office this week. He has been a steward in the Church

for forty years and during all that time he has been a subscriber to the Advocate. All good stewards take and read the Advocate.

Rev. Jesse Willis, of Groveton Station, visited Dallas last week. He reported his charge in good condition. He will go down to Galveston prepared to make a good showing. We were pleased to see him in the Advocate office.

Rev. V. G. Thomas, of Corpus Christi, is moving forward with his new church enterprise. The old church building has been removed and work on the new one is soon to begin. Bro. Thomas was in Dallas the past week in consultation with the architect, and we were glad to have a call from him.

Mr. M. S. Steger, of Carthage, was in Dallas last week, and called on the Advocate force. He is one of the leading Methodists of his section, and the Advocate, of course, is always in his home. He reports that his section of the State is enjoying greater prosperity than for many years. Good crops and favorable prices have wrought a revolution, and the people are much encouraged.

Rev. J. R. Moose, who has served our Church as missionary in Korea, returned to this country on account of the health of his daughter and has taken work in the New Mexico Conference. He reports her health as improving and hopes for an early restoration. Bro. Moose is taking active steps looking to the increase of the Advocate circulation in his charge, which stamps him as a wide-awake preacher.

Mr. J. F. McKenzie, of Clarksville, called on the Advocate last week. He brought encouraging reports from his section. He says there is scarcely a farmer there who will not this year pay off all debts and have money to his credit in the banks. For two or three years Northeast Texas suffered from too much rain and crop failures resulted. Many farms were not cultivated for lack of tenants; but the present prosperous year has compensated for all the losses, and the people are contented and happy.

Rev. D. E. Hawk, recently transferred from Holston to the West Texas Conference, was in the city on his way to Austin last Monday, and he gave the Advocate a brotherly call. He is a fine preacher and companionable and brotherly man.

We had a fine visit from Rev. I. E. Betts, of Marlin, recently and he told us of his great meeting which closed Sunday night. He had that efficient evangelist, Rev. D. L. Coale, with him to do the preaching. There were a great many conversions, and last Sunday more than fifty united with the Church on profession of faith, and there are others to follow. Six young

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men dedicated their lives to the ministry, among them the eldest son of the pastor. On the first Sunday in November, Bishop Mouzon will be with those people and dedicate the new church. It will be a great occasion.

Rev. E. B. Hawk called to see us this week. He is closing out a successful term at Walnut Springs. Sunday week we will be with him and take part in the dedication of the church in that town.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Bowman, of Breckinridge, called by during their visit to the Fair.

We had the pleasure of a visit by Rev. F. L. Jewell, Quitman; Mr. A. C. Stroup, Blue Ridge; Brother Tate, Kosse.

Rev. A. P. Hightower, of Ector, came by and greeted us with his genial smile. He says the Fair is improving.

Rev. M. L. Moody, of Hylton, Texas, called while in the city. He says there has been a wonderful growth to Dallas since his last visit some years ago. Brother Moody was here accompanying his father-in-law, who came for surgical attention.

### INTERNATIONAL FAIR.

Many of the attractions scheduled for the San Antonio International Fair, beginning November 5 and ending November 20, will be of a highly educational value.

Enthusiasm is being manifested everywhere over the coming International Fair. The grounds have been improved and the buildings in many instances completely remodeled. Ample amusements will be provided, and sixteen days of enjoyment and recreation, as well as educational profit, will be afforded all who visit the San Antonio Fair this year.

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness."—Matt. 6:33.  
Be filled with the Spirit.—Eph. 5:18.

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