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EDITORIAL

THE MEETING OF THE BISHOPS IN DALLAS.

On Thursday of this week, the day that the Advocate will be mailed out to its readers, the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be in their fall session in this city. All but two will be present and their meeting will be of interest, not only to Dallas, but all Texas. It is something out of the ordinary to have such distinguished men to meet in a body this side of the Mississippi. They have never thus gathered in Texas but once before and that was during the session of the General Conference in Dallas a few years ago. But now they come specially from all over the connection to hold their semi-annual meeting in our State and in our chief city. They will receive a royal welcome.

Hence, their pictures will be found in this week's Advocate and all our readers will thus have an opportunity to look upon their faces. Bishop A. W. Wilson, of Baltimore, will be the presiding officer of the body by virtue of his seniority in office. He is one of the greatest men in American Methodism. As a preacher he is without a peer, and as an executive officer he is equally as distinguished. For years he has been the central figure in Southern Methodism, and though advanced in life and somewhat feeble in body, his intellectual powers remain intact and unabated. Next to him in tenure of office is Bishop E. R. Hendrix, of Kansas City, Mo. Then follow the others in succession as they have been elevated to this high office. A sketch of all of them will be found in this week's issue.

We are glad to thus present them to our readers. They are men of honor and high distinction. They have been singled out in this manner because of their great ability and leadership in our Zion. They are the captains of our host, and we look to them for guidance and generalship. They interpret our laws and administer the affairs of our Church. They hold our conferences, fix the appointments of our preachers, and give general superintendency to all departments of our work. Around them is crystallized certain rights guaranteed to them by the General Conference, but these rights are so hedged about by legislation that, after all, they are simply the servants of the Church. They hold their high position because of their ability to serve. They have but little, if any, arbitrary authority. They work in unison with a well-defined order of things, and while they are vested with a degree of authority they themselves are under authority and sustain the relation of brethren to all our ministers and laymen.

They are men of irreproachable characters and of singularly pure lives. It is an item not to be lightly esteemed that not a solitary Bishop in the Southern Methodist

Church, from Joshua Soule down to the present panel, has ever had the breath of suspicion blown upon his personal life and character. They stand out true and tried and say to the membership and ministry of the Church: "Follow us as we follow Christ." As a result these good and great men have the love and confidence of the Church throughout the whole connection. We glory in their strength of mind, their rectitude of life, their devotion to duty, and their lofty ideals as men consecrated to the highest service in the kingdom of Jesus Christ. Dallas extends to them a cordial and an affectionate welcome, and all Texas Methodists join with this city in the greetings. May their stay be pleasant and may their deliberations redound to the larger progress and development of Southern Methodism!

THE METHODIST EDUCATIONAL RALLY DAY.

Friday the clans of Methodism throughout Texas will gather at the great Coliseum at the Fair Grounds for a general educational rally. They will be here from the city, the town, the village, the hamlet, and from the rivers to the great Gulf. The Bishops of the Church will be present with them and take part in the exercises. They will all go in a body to the Southern Methodist University grounds and witness the dirt breaking for the first building. Addresses and other ceremonies will be in keeping with the occasion. At the rally there will be music, devotions and speeches of a high order. They will be made by men who are experts in that line of work. It will be a great event in the history of our educational work. It will mark an epoch in our progress. The whole State will get an idea of what we propose as a Church in this mighty Commonwealth. Chief pastors, men high in scholastic service, great preachers, splendid leaders will all combine to point out the duty of Methodism as she faces the greatest opportunity that has ever come to any religious denomination on this continent. That there will be a great audience there is no question. Colleges and institutes will honor the occasion, their banners will be flying and young voices will swell the glad volume of enthusiasm and enterprise. It will be a red-letter day for Methodism in grand old Texas. And we will open the eyes of our Bishops and other visitors from beyond the great river. Dallas will welcome all the hosts as they fill that commodious place and by the thousand turn their faces to the rostrum. It will mark an era in the life of the Church and in the experience of the wonderful throng. Ho, for the rally on next Friday!

There is a wrong way to do a right thing, and many people adopt it to their own injury, but there is no right way to do a wrong thing, for the wrong itself and all ways of doing it are contrary to righteousness.

THE WOMEN AND THE CHURCH.

Is it not a fact that the women outnumber the men in the membership of the Church? Examine your roll and see if it is not true. Is it not also a fact that women outnumber the men at the Sunday services? If you doubt it look over your congregation Sunday morning and Sunday evening and make an approximate estimate. Do not more of them attend the prayer service than the men? You can easily determine this any Wednesday evening by making the actual count. Would not the Church often lag worse than it does were the women to become less active in Church work?

Now there must be a reason for this condition of things. What is the explanation? Well, on general principles, the gospel appeals more to women than it does to men. When Christ came among men women were beasts of burden, and they had but few rights that men were supposed to respect. They were practically slaves, only of use to minister to men's pleasure, gratification and service. They occupied a back seat in all prominent matters as a class. It is still true in heathen countries and among the ignorant and savage circles of the world Christ brought a gospel of deliverance to womankind. He broke the shackles of slavery off them, dispelled the cloud of ignorance that overshadowed them, removed the hopeless superstition that blocked their progress, dignified womanhood, elevated wifehood and sanctified motherhood. It is no wonder that he appealed to women in his days of the flesh, and it is not wonderful that he appeals to them to-day when they properly apprehend him.

Again, women have deeper emotional natures than men, and they have tenderer sympathies. Love moves a woman much more powerfully than it does a man. Love is a dominant factor in the gospel. It stands out prominently and touches the heart, stimulates the sympathy and inspires hope. Hence, women are more easily reached by the gospel than men. It touches their hearts, it stirs their emotions, it arouses their sympathies and it touches a responsive chord in their spirituality. It has less trouble with their willpower, does not have to combat their rational objections, for women are less obstinate and less skeptical than men. They are more disposed to follow their intuitions and impulses, and they are quicker than men to avail themselves of the helpful ministries of religion. Not that in many respects they are inferior to men intellectually, but they are more susceptible and more pliable than men.

Then, too, the ordinary life of the average woman is not thrown out into the maelstrom of temptation like the masses of men are, and they are less hardened, as a class, than are men. The home environment gives to them larger protection from the grocer temptations than it does to man; and their natures are less warped, as a class, than men. As a rule, the world

handles a man more roughly than it does women, and his provocation to become sinful is larger in his sphere. Hence, you find largely more men in the lockup, more of them in the county jail, more of them in the State prison, and more of them condemned to the scaffold than women. In other words, there are far more criminals among men than among women, as a class.

Therefore, the gospel naturally appeals more strongly and enlists them more readily than it does in the case of men. They accept it with greater facility, find pleasure more quickly in its experiences, and enter more fully into its claims. Women are encouraged by the gospel to find help in their time of need, and they are quicker to yield to its service. The wifehood and the motherhood of women incline them more constantly toward dependence upon higher power for help and guidance than men. They instinctively feel the need of God's love, of Christ's sympathy, of the Holy Spirit's consolation. These are some of the reasons why there is a preponderance of women in our Church membership and Church service.

It is, therefore, no disparagement to the gospel and to the Church to say that women are more numerous in their relation to the same than are men. After all, women are the most important factors in the home and the social life of the age; and if the time shall ever come when the women of the world are devoted Christians, it will only be a question of time when mankind will come under its supremacy. For wifehood and motherhood rule the world. Let these two sources become subject to the dominion of Christ and the universal race will not be long in recognizing his power and dominion.

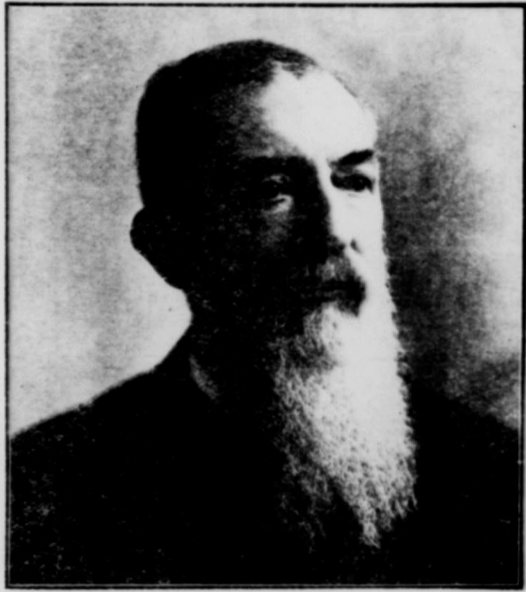
The darkest nights show us the brightest stars, and our darkest days reveal more of God and his love toward us than can possibly be seen when the glare of the sun throws his prosperous rays upon our pathways. Prosperity often obscures the spiritual vision, while sorrow and grief tend to clarify it.

If an ocean steamer is going to ride forever at anchor it makes no difference whether her chart and compass are false or true, but the moment she raises her anchor and points her prow toward a distant shore it is absolutely necessary for her compass to be accurate and her chart correct.

A recent writer has beautifully said that when God created a leaf he saw that it was good, and he used it as a pattern now widely seen in the frost work upon our window panes, in the wings of insects, in the system of rivers on the continent, and in the distribution of blood through the organism.

God made the heavens, the earth and mankind, and science is busying herself to find out how God did it.

A Short Biography Of Our Bishops



BISHOP ALPHEUS WATERS WILSON.

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He was elected Bishop by the General Conference held at Nashville, Tenn., in May, 1882, and is a son of Rev. Norval Wilson, sometime member of the Baltimore Conference. He was born in 1834, nurtured in Methodism, converted early in life, and is a graduate of Columbia College, Washington, D. C. He first studied medicine with a view to future practice. He heard the call to the ministry, joined the Baltimore Conference, in whose territory he saw much hard service. Providence ordered his withdrawal from active service for awhile, during which time he read and successfully practiced law in Baltimore. Resuming his ministerial employ, he passed through all the official relations until he reached the Episcopacy. He was delegated to each General Conference from 1879 to 1882, and distinguished himself as a wise counselor and an able parliamentarian. He was elected Missionary Secretary in 1878. In 1881 he represented the Church in the London Ecumenical Conference. Bishop Wilson is now the Senior Bishop in the College, and is ranked as the leading if not the foremost man in the American pulpit. He resides in Baltimore, Md.

BISHOP EUGENE RUSSELL HENDRIX.

Rev. E. R. Hendrix, D. D., was born in Fayette, Howard County, Mo., May 17, 1847. He was educated at Fayette, Mo., in Central College, of which he was President at the time of his election to the Episcopacy. He afterwards graduated at the Wesleyan University in 1867, and also at Union Theological Seminary in New York City in 1869, and he became a member of the Church in 1859 and was admitted into the Missouri Conference of our Church in the autumn of 1869. He was pastor of the Church at Leavenworth City, Macon City, Glasgow and St. Joseph. In 1876 he accompanied Bishop E. M. Marvin in his tour around the world from which he returned in 1877. He was shortly thereafter elected President of Central College. He received his degree of D. D. from Emory and Henry College, Georgia, in 1878. Was appointed Chairman of the Centenary Com-

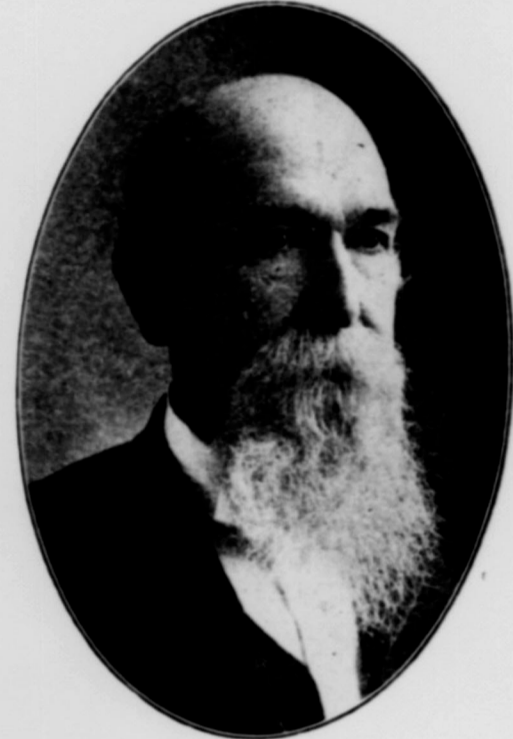
mittee in which position he distinguished himself for breadth of views and administrative ability. Bishop Hendrix is yet a fine type of manhood physically. In manner he is easy and graceful, always exhibiting the unmistakable signs of the birth and breeding of a gentleman. His scholarship is widely recognized among the educators of the land, and this, coupled with his great ability in other directions, has done much to bring our College of Bishops into front rank. As a writer he has achieved distinction, and is especially known by his great book of travel, "From East to West." As a preacher he is always strong, spiritual and forceful, and sometimes rises to great heights of pulpit oratory. He was elected Bishop at the General Conference which was held in Richmond, Va., in 1886, and resides in Kansas City, Mo.

BISHOP JOSEPH STAUNTON KEY.

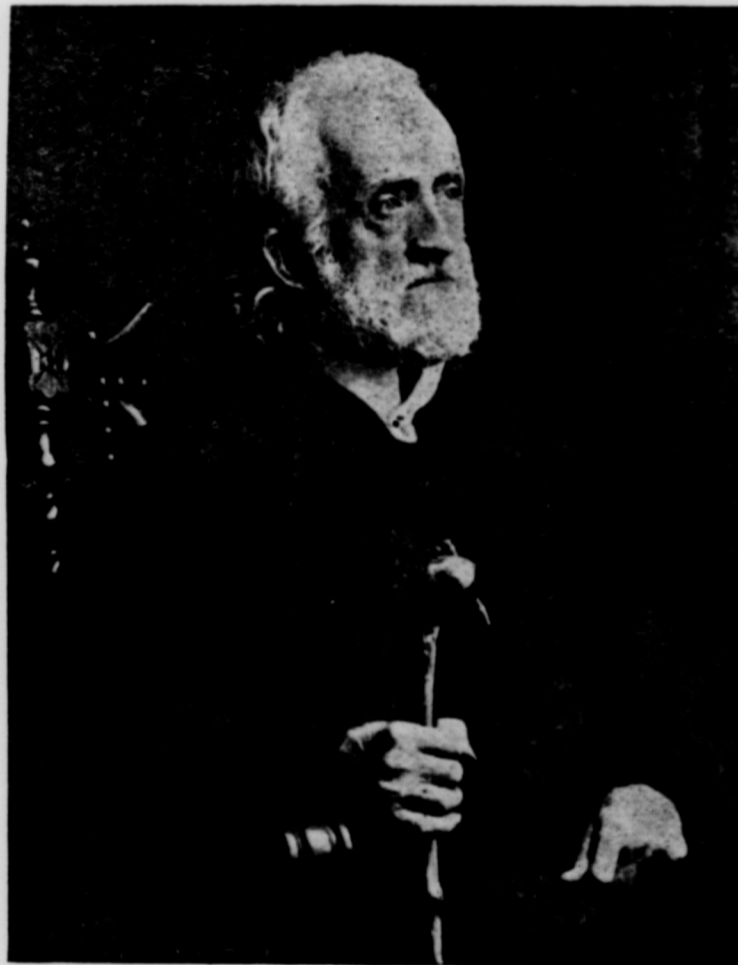
Bishop Key was born July 18, 1829, in LaGrange, Ga. His father was the Rev. Caleb W. Key, for more than fifty years an itinerant Methodist preacher in the Georgia Conference. His grandfather was a local preacher in the same State. He was converted in 1847; graduated at Emory College, Oxford, Georgia, in 1848. He entered the old Georgia Conference in January, 1849. At the division of the conference he was assigned to work in the South Georgia Conference, in which conference he labored until his elevation to the Bishopric. His work was principally in Macon and Columbus, having spent eleven years in Macon and on the Macon District; two terms of four years each as pastor of Mulberry Street, and thirteen years pastor in Columbus and presiding elder on the Columbus District. The degree of D. D. was conferred by the University of Georgia in 1867. He was appointed delegate to the London Ecumenical Conference and also of the Centennial Conference at Baltimore. Bishop Key comes from old Methodist stock, and has always been a "field hand." He is erect in stature to this day and always dignified in carriage. He possesses a tranquil, placid expression and will at once impress a stranger as a man of great symmetrical equipoise and of solid symmetrical Christian character. He was elected to the Bishopric in 1886



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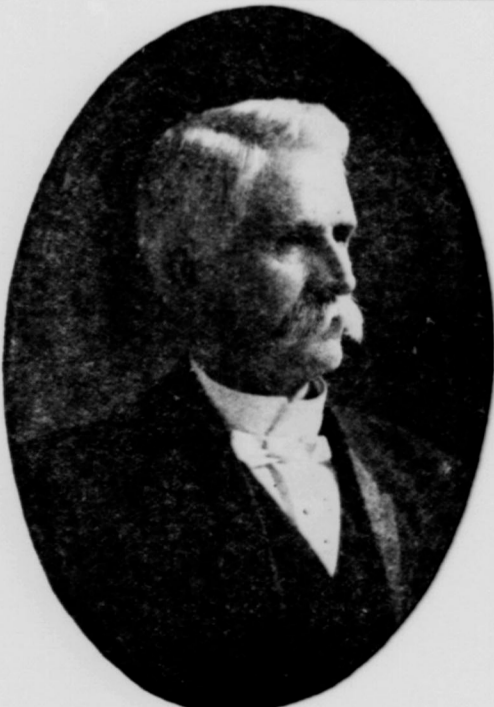


BISHOP OSCAR P. FITZGERALD. (The translated.)

at the General Conference held in Richmond. After the death of his first wife, he was married to Mrs. Lucy Kidd, whose name is a household word in Texas as the founder and President of the school for girls. They reside at Sherman, Texas, where this great Female College is located.

BISHOP HENRY CLAY MORRISON.

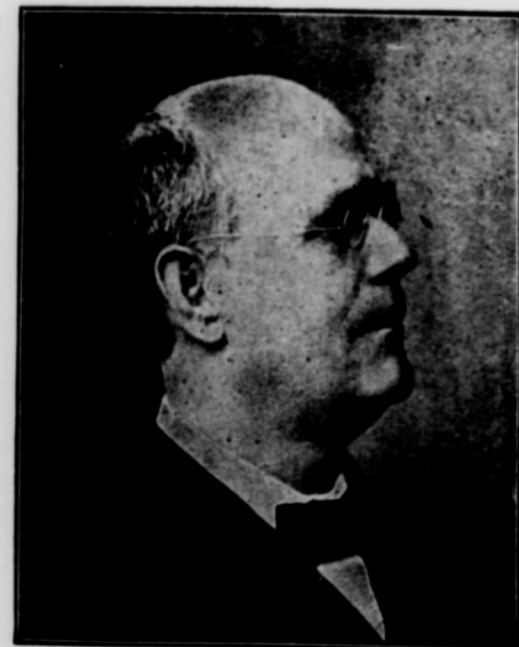
Bishop Morrison was born May 30, 1842, in Montgomery County, Tennessee. He entered the ministry in 1865, and served for twenty-one years in the Louisville Conference. His ability as a preacher soon became recognized, and in the course of a few years he was filling the leading pulpits in the State. He spent a number of years in Louisville and his style of preaching attracted the attention of the entire Church to him as a man of extraordinary parts. As a result, he was transferred to the North Georgia Conference and stationed in First Church, Atlanta. During his pastorate there the General Conference, in 1891, at St. Louis, elected him Missionary Secretary. He was re-elected at Memphis in 1894. During this term of service he resolved to raise the money and pay off our burdensome missionary debt of \$140,000. This was a herculean task, but to the surprise and delight of the Church he accomplished it in less than two years. This made him the most prominent man in the connection. That, with his accomplishments as a preacher, put him in the Episcopacy. He is a born orator. He has made large attainments in literature, science and art. What he may have lacked in the way of early education he has more than supplied by reading, hard study and observation. His residence is Leesburg, Florida.



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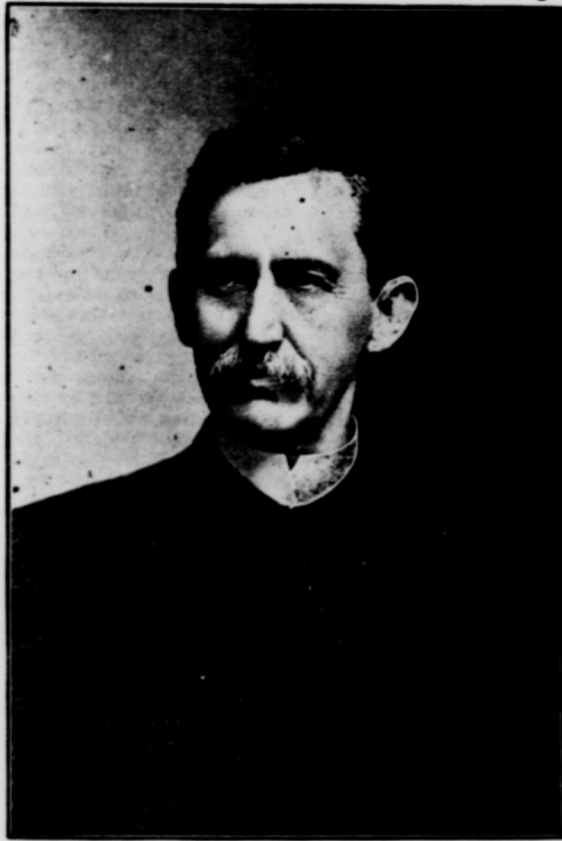


BISHOP WARREN AIKIN CANDLER.



BISHOP ELIJAH EMBREE HOSS.

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BISHOP WARREN AKIN CANDLER.

Bishop Candler was elected Bishop and was the fifth native Georgian to be thus honored. He was born on August 23, 1857, in Carroll County, Georgia. At the age of eighteen he graduated with first honors from Emory College. He was licensed to preach immediately afterward and entered the North Georgia Conference. After serving for twenty-two years in the pastorate, and for two years as Assistant Editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate, he was elected President of Emory College, a position which he held until his election to the Episcopacy. Bishop Candler has been remarkably energetic in the establishment of missionary stations throughout the Island of Cuba. Havana, Manzanillas and Cienfuegos have felt the power of his presence and he intends that numerous other localities shall be occupied. No man in our wide Church has done more to bring the Latin race to our doors. He was elected Bishop at the General Conference in Baltimore, Md., in 1898, and is making his residence in Atlanta, Ga.

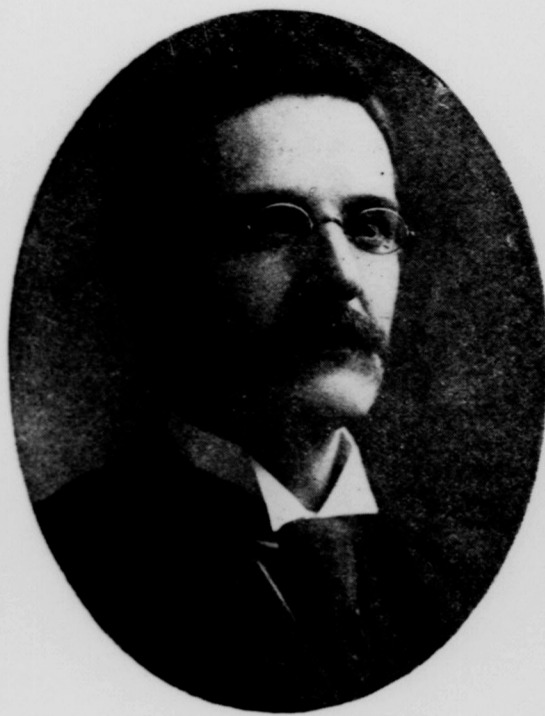
BISHOP ELIJAH EMBREE HOSS.

This distinguished minister, who was a member of the Holston Conference, was elected to the office of Bishop at the General Conference in Dallas, Texas, in 1902. He was born in Washington County, Tenn., April 14, 1849. He was converted and joined the Church at Jonesboro, Tenn., in 1859; was licensed to preach in 1866; was ordained deacon by Bishop Kavanaugh in 1870, and elder by Bishop McTyeire in 1872. He sprang from a grand old Revolutionary family, his ancestors being among the pioneers of this State, having come hither from Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania

in the early days. He was educated at the Ohio Wesleyan College and at Emory and Henry College, Virginia. He joined the Holston Conference in 1869, and served many of the prominent charges. Dr. Hoss was President of Martha Washington College, Abingdon, Va., for five years. He was then elected President of Emory and Henry College, which position he held for three years. He occupied the Chair of Church History in Vanderbilt for five years. From this position he was elected editor of the Christian Advocate in Nashville. For about twelve years he was kept in that position which terminated in his elevation to the Episcopacy. Bishop Hoss is conceded to be one of the strongest men in the Church, and his election to the Episcopacy gave universal delight. He was married November 19, 1872, to Miss Addie Clark, of Knoxville, Tenn. He has oftentimes been a delegate in General Conferences and officially represented us in world-wide gatherings. His home is in Nashville, Tenn.

BISHOP JAMES ATKINS.

Bishop Atkins was born in 1850 in Knoxville, Tenn. His father before him was one of the great preachers in the Holston Hills. His mother was a wonderfully gifted woman, so he inherited the best there was in the traditions of the Methodist parsonage. In early boyhood he attended school in his native East Tennessee. In his older days he completed his course at Emory and Henry College, Virginia. This old institution has turned out many of our great men. Bishop Atkins began his itinerant career as a junior preacher on the Bradley County Circuit. After this he rose to prominence in his conference. Several years ago he retired from the pastorate and went into the work of



BISHOP COLLINS DENNY.

Christian education. He was President of the Asheville Female College, and then became President of Emory and Henry College. From thence he was put in charge of our Sunday-school literature, and thereafter his work was before the whole Church. He is a man of incisive mind, clear and logical. He has more than ordinary powers of analysis and as a preacher he is profoundly thoughtful and discriminating. He has deep convictions and has tenacity of purpose. His home is in Waynesville, N. C.

BISHOP COLLINS DENNY.

Dr. Denny was born in Winchester, Va., May 28, 1854, and is a son of William R. and Margaret Collins Denny. He was educated in the Shenandoah Valley Academy at Winchester. He completed his education at Princeton University, taking the degree of M. A. He then entered the University of Virginia, being graduated in the schools of English language, literature and moral philosophy, and also in law, receiving the degree of B. L. He soon after began the practice of law in the city of Baltimore. He was married in that city to Miss Lucy C. Chapman. He has five children living, one the wife of our City Missionary in Richmond, Va.; another the wife of our City Missionary in Rio, Brazil. In 1880 he joined the Baltimore Conference and represented his conference in five General Conferences. At the Dallas and Birmingham Conferences he was strongly supported by his conference and a large number of delegates from other conferences, for the office of Bishop, failing of election each time by only a few votes. In 1886-7 Dr. Denny visited the Asiatic Missions of our Church by Episcopal appointment, in company with Bishop Wilson. On his return he was elected Chaplain of the

University of Virginia, a position he held from 1889-91, when he was called to a professorship in Vanderbilt which he filled with great ability. He was elected a member of the Book Committee in 1894, and was its Chairman from 1898 to 1908. In 1908, by the appointment of our College of Bishops, he went as our Fraternal Delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church assembled in Baltimore, Maryland, and addressed that great body. He was made a member of the College of Bishops at the General Conference which met in Asheville, N. C., 1910, and resides in Richmond, Va.

BISHOP JOHN C. KILGO.

Dr. John C. Kilgo was born July 22, 1861, in Laurens, S. C. His father was Rev. James T. Kilgo, who was for many years a circuit rider. He was educated in Wofford College, and was licensed to preach May 27, 1882, and joined the South Carolina Conference in December, 1882. He was a circuit rider for six years, and was connected with Wofford College as agent and professor from 1888 to 1894, when he became President of Trinity College in North Carolina, which position he held with distinguished ability until his election to the Episcopacy. Dr. Kilgo was elected a delegate to five General Conferences and represented our Church in the Ecumenical Conference in London in 1901, and was the Fraternal delegate to the Methodist Episcopal Church at Los Angeles. On December 30, 1882, Dr. Kilgo married Miss Fannie Turner, of Gaffney, S. C., and of this union there have been born five children, three boys and two girls. Dr. Kilgo was made Bishop at the General Conference held in Asheville, N. C., 1910.

BISHOP WILLIAM B. MURRAH.

Rev. W. B. Murrah, D. D., LL. D., President of Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss., honored by election as one of the Church's chief pastors, is an educator of renown and marked executive ability, and a preacher of forceful power. While Dr. Murrah has for years been a resident of Mississippi and a member of the North Mississippi Conference, he is a native of the State of Alabama. He was born at Pickensville, Ala., fifty-eight years ago and was educated at Summerfield and Columbus, Miss. He received his degree from Southern University, Greensboro, Ala., after which he joined the North Mississippi Conference in 1876, and was in the active pastorate for fifteen years, when he became Vice-President of Whitworth College, Brookhaven, Miss. He retained this position until the establishment of the Millsaps College in 1892, when he was called to the Presidency of that institution. The degree of D. D. was conferred on him in 1887 by Centenary College, and the degree of LL. D. by Wofford College in 1897. He has long been an active factor in Church Councils, having represented his conference in five General Conferences and was a member of the Ecumenical Conference in 1891, in Washington, and 1901 in London. He was Fraternal Delegate to the Methodist Church in Canada, and was elected Secretary of our General Board of Education in 1898, but declined on account of his duties in Millsaps College. Dr. Murrah married Miss Fitzhugh, of Oxford, Miss., sister of Mr. G. T. Fitzhugh, one of the leading members of the Memphis bar. Dr. Murrah was elected to the Bishopric in 1910 at the General Conference held in Asheville, N. C. Bishop Murrah will not be present at the meeting of the College of Bishops in Dallas this week on account of his absence from the United States. He is visiting our mission fields in China, Japan and Korea. His episcopal residence is Jackson, Miss.

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TO IMPROVE THE TRIAL SYSTEM.

Rev. W. P. Wilson.

"To Wipe Out Technicalities." Under this head appeared an article in The Dallas News of Oct. 5. We are having something almost daily now on this important subject, and this agitation is bound to bring beneficial results. There is something wrong and there is a cause for that wrong. A judicious agitation is liable to bring to light the cause. The writer referred to quotes from Judge Brown of the Supreme Court of Texas. The quotation indicates that the highest judicial officers are taking notice of the demands of the people for such change in judicial matters as will bring criminals to speedy trial and punishment. Whenever this is done there will be a marked change in the number of crimes committed. There might be an improvement in the proceedings of the trial court if the trial judge had authority, as Judge Brown would give him, in changing him from a mere moderator over a court of quibbling lawyers and clothe him with authority to conduct the court in the

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There is a prevalent saying among the masses that a man who has money or moneyed friends can commit the most atrocious crime and escape the gallows. Now, is this true to such an extent as to be worthy of serious consideration? Exactly what is meant by the part that money plays in the execution of the laws and in bringing to justice criminals may engage our attention just now. It is surely not true that our jurors are bribed. Such a thing might possibly occur occasionally. This writer has failed to hear of any such accusation, nor is there any censure or suspicion of wrong doing on the part of the presiding Judges. It seems to mean that the part which money plays is in securing the most able talent to be had to defend the party charged with crime. There is no reasonable excuse for this charge, provided the legal talent employed is exercised in a legitimate manner. Really, there are but two things to determine in a trial court—that is the law and the evidence. So far as a layman can see, these are the only two matters to be considered. With all the evidence before the jury, together with the instruction of the Court as to the law, this simple procedure ought to be ample for the protection of the accused, but right at this point the money shows itself in bringing to bear upon the minds of the jurors an array of talent whose chief effort consists in an appeal to the sentimental nature. Some lawyers are gifted with the unique quality of springing a copious flow of tears just at the right time, looking the twelve men in their faces, burning tears chasing each other down the legal face wrought up to an expression of the deepest sorrow over an imaginary condition. There is nothing truer than that tears beget tears, so this weeping lawyer at once has brought under his spell one or more of the twelve men who have sworn to give a verdict in this case purely and wholly according to the evidence. Thus sympathy and sentiment throws a veil over facts if it does not entirely obliterate them, and the result may be a failure to convict a man on whose garment is still the blood of his victim. What object can be at the bottom of all this oratorical display unless it be to destroy the evidence or neutralize it?

How can this effervescent display of sentimentalism be offset? By giving to the trial Judge the authority to make the attorneys stick to the evidence and the law, and hold the jury to their duty to decide the case on what the witnesses say instead of on what the attorney says in his pleadings.
 Dallas, Texas.

SHIFT

If Your Food Fails to Sustain You, Change.

One sort of diet may make a person despondent, depressed and blue and a change to the kind of food the body demands will change the whole thing.

A young woman from Phila. says: "For several years I kept in a run-down, miserable sort of condition, was depressed and apprehensive of trouble. I lost flesh in a distressing way, and seemed in a perpetual sort of dreamy nightmare. No one serious disease showed, but the 'all-over' sickness was enough.

"Finally, between the doctor and father, I was put on Grape-Nuts and cream, as it was decided I must have nourishing food that the body could make use of.

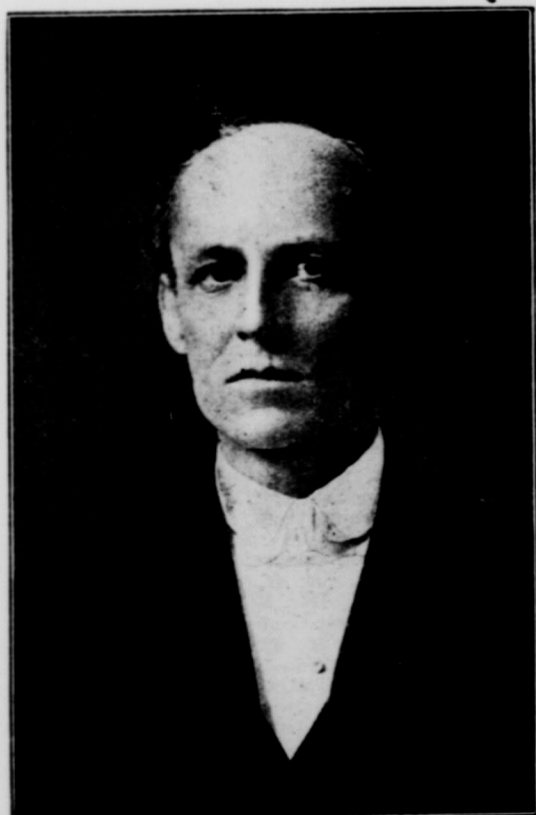
"The wonderful change that came over me was not, like Jonah's, during the growth of a single night, and yet it came with a rapidity that astonished me.

"During the first week I gained in weight, my spirits improved, and the world began to look brighter and more worth while.

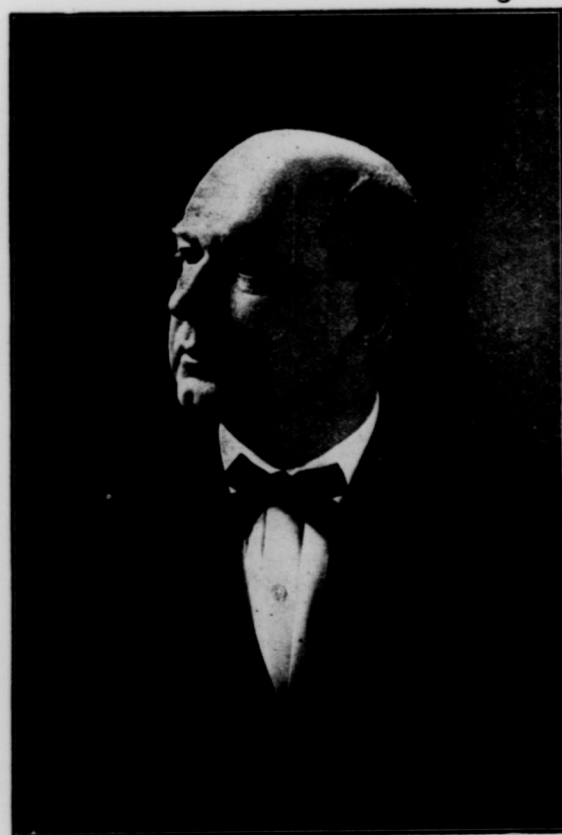
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BISHOP JOHN C. KILGO.



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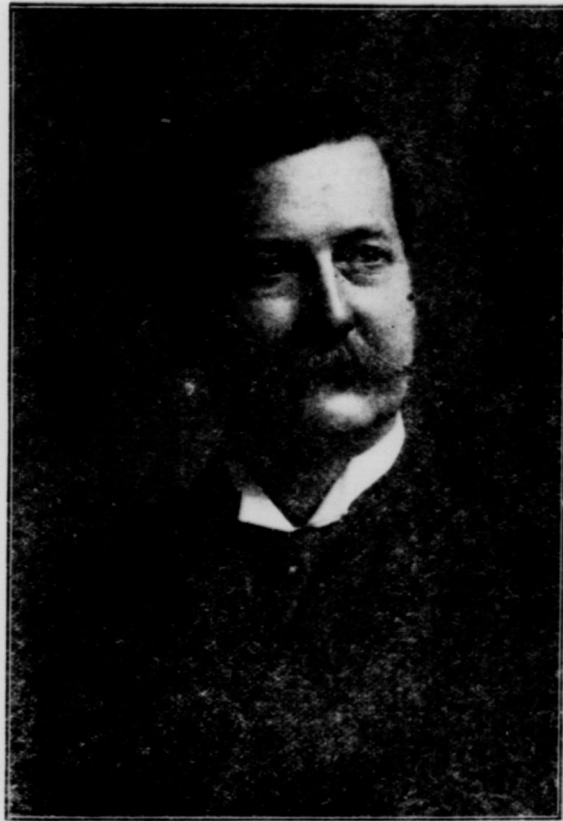
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The mid-year meeting of the Bishops will take place in Dallas October 29, 1911.

A RESOLUTION WITH THE RIGHT RING.

At the session of the West Texas Conference the following resolution was unanimously adopted. It means that the conference has pledged itself to push the subscription list of the Advocate in that territory to a high-water mark this year. If the other conferences will do likewise, then the list of subscribers to the paper ought to reach twenty thousand more than at the present time. We feel sure that when the other conferences read this they, also, will fall into line and take similar action. Read the resolution:

Resolved, That we set the mark at ten new subscribers for the conference year and that we earnestly attempt to reach this figure. (Signed)

E. B. BUCHANAN,
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**Fifty-Third Session
 West Texas Conference**

The fifty-third session of the West Texas Conference met in San Marcos, Bishop Atkins presiding.

San Marcos is a popular place for such a gathering. In the past years the conference has often met there. The town is picturesque in its location. It is situated at the head of the beautiful San Marcos River, as clear and limpid as crystal. The courthouse and the business section, with some of the residences, are at the foot of a rugged chain of hills almost reaching the proportions of mountains. The bulk of the homes are on the slopes of these hills running back to the summit of them. A magnificent valley of fertile land stretches away in the distance, through which run the I. & G. N. and the Katy Railroads. From the crest of the hills the whole scene presents to the eye an enchanting panorama, the like of which is rarely seen anywhere else in Texas.

The town has greatly improved since the last conference met there. A splendid new courthouse occupies the center of the square, a number of new brick business houses have gone up; many elegant homes have taken the place of old ones, a new United States Custom House is nearly completed, a modern Baptist college has been erected and the splendid State Normal School crowns a prominent hill. The population has made material growth, until it is one of the most prosperous and moral communities in all this section. It is becoming noted as an educational center. The Coronado Institute, under the Presidency of Rev. Sterling Fisher, is one of the leading schools of the section. Other schools I have already mentioned. Hence, San Marcos is one of the most delightful towns and one of the most attractive places to live in Texas. Its hills, its valleys and its river are especially attractive to the

eye and the taste of a man brought up in the Tennessee mountains. It reminds him of an old home feeling.

Our Church here is strong in its membership. It is numerous and able. Among them are men who do things in the community. The church building is the best wooden structure of the sort in the State. It is large, commodious and tasteful. It has been recently enlarged, renovated and put in first-class shape. It has spacious galleries, elegant furniture, new carpet and a large sweet-toned pipe organ and choir loft. It is a beautiful church. Rev. C. H. Booth, the popular pastor, has done a great work, raised a large amount of money and had a good increase in the membership. He has been wonderfully successful. He and his committee, headed by that valuable layman, Brother G. G. Johnson, did great things in entertaining the conference. Nothing was left undone to make the entertainment large, cordial and wholesome. Every member thought he had the best home in the town.

The conference is largely made up of younger men, with only a sprinkling of the old heroes present. Rev. J. W. Joyce, Rev. H. G. Horton and a few others are still among the membership, but many of the once familiar faces are either gone above, or they are not able to be present. The conference is growing in membership, and it has vigorous and aggressive men among its leaders. They present a fine appearance. They look like men born and trained with an eye toward bringing things to pass.

Bishop Atkins, looking well and vigorous, took the chair promptly at 9 o'clock, called the conference to order and announced the old conference hymn, "And Are We Yet Alive," and it was sung as only a body of Methodist preachers and laymen can sing such a hymn. The Bishop led in a stirring prayer, and it met with many hearty responses. He prayed for the Advocate by name, its editor, its publishers, and its patrons. In fact, the prayer was deeply spiritual and comprehensive in its petitions. Following this was the Scripture lesson taken from the gospel according to St. Luke, tenth chapter. A few practical and pertinent comments were made. "They were sent forth as disciples, two and two. We see in this the idea of companionship. The gospel is a gospel of social spirituality. While it deals with the individual it recognizes the importance of fellowship. It sanctifies the associations of men. It makes their duties common, their relation sacred and their work more successful. The work of two men is multiplied in its efficiency. What cannot be done by one man can be easily done by two. These companionships select and adjust themselves naturally. All ministers ought to be the closest of friends. No one ought to pull against the other one. They ought to be one in purpose, and in love and one in hope; for they are one in Christ if they are true preachers. No ambition, no jealousy, no envy, no rivalry ought to separate them. They ought to stand together as one man. There is no companionship like that among Methodist preachers. This is one of their supreme joys. Now, as preachers, we are come together this morning to review the work of the past year and to lay plans for the year to come. Let unity of spirit prevail and our work will be a success. Let us recognize the special presence of the great Head of the

Church, give Him the right of way in our hearts and in our deliberations and all will be well with our Zion." After this was sung, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Sterling Fisher, former Secretary, came forward and called the roll. Nearly all the ministers and most of the laymen answered to their names. Sterling Fisher was unanimously re-elected Secretary. He has filled this position from time immemorial, and is one of the best in Texas Methodism. He is accurate, painstaking and brotherly, and most accommodating to all who have dealings with him. His work is greatly appreciated by the brethren.

The presiding elders read the Standing Committee, and the Chairman of each committee announced the time and place of meeting. Rev. J. H. Groseclose is the editor of the minutes, and he is expeditious in his work. Last year he had the document finished and distributed throughout the conference within ten days after the adjournment of that body.

Rev. Brother Hill presented a beautiful gavel to the conference made of wood from beyond the Rio Grande. It is made of ebony and other hard material. The Bishop accepted it in behalf of the conference.

Connectional papers were received and referred to their respective committees.

A cordial invitation from all the citizens of New Braunfels to the conference to visit that little city and become its guests for a season. The town is only a few miles from the seat of the conference. Our German pastor made a happy speech emphasizing the cordiality of the invitation. So did G. G. Johnson, Dr. Burgin also spoke and the conference unanimously accepted for Friday afternoon.

A number of brethren were introduced to the conference and they were given a glad welcome. Dr. Jno. M. Moore, Dr. Parker and Dr. Bulla, of Nashville were among the number.

The names of the presiding elders were called, their characters passed and they submitted their district reports, as will be seen below. These reports show remarkable progress in all departments, regardless of the dry season throughout the entire conference. These reports give a bird's-eye view of the work, and as it is impossible to give a detailed statement from all the preachers, we do give these statements from the men who have led the hosts during the year. Read what they said about the work in general:

The Rev. J. D. Scott, presiding elder of the Llano District, said: We have scarcely ever faced such hard, difficult conditions as have obtained this year in the Llano District. The long, continued drouth, with a series of short crops and the decline in the price of cotton, have brought distressing financial conditions. But with all this, the faithful preachers and laymen as laborers together, under our gracious Father, have gained a good financial increase for the purposes of the kingdom. We have good revivals at a number of places, 600 or more accessions to our membership; have built and furnished one new church; added to and improved other churches and parsonages; paid and arranged for the liquidation of debts on property resulting in much material improvement. The Cherokee Junior Col-

lege has been projected and opened up in the district with a property worth more than fifty thousand dollars—the title secured to our Church. The school has had a successful opening, having at present one hundred and thirty pupils. We are happy in securing the Rev. C. A. Lehmburg, of our German Mission Conference, as the President of this school. With gratitude to God, in faith and courage we press forward.

The Beeville District has had a successful year. Rev. A. L. Scarborough, the presiding elder, reported the Churches had received something more than 1100 members, and in every way there has been a healthy growth. Half a dozen new churches and parsonages have been built this year in new fields. In three years this district has built twenty-five churches and parsonages, and several such enterprises are on hand now. Brother Scarborough illustrated his strenuous work by saying that in serving his district this year he had bought more than 260 railroad tickets and traveled more than twenty-three thousand miles. "That's going some," says he.

Rev. L. C. Matthis reported the San Angelo District: We have had a hard year financially; the hardest in thirty years. At the beginning of the year we planned the building of not less than fifteen churches, but crop failure for the third year in succession prevented building them; but we built two churches and one parsonage, and paid off several church and parsonage debts. We have had about one-thousand conversions.

Rev. J. M. Alexander, presiding elder of Cuero District, reported that he had held eighty-three of the eighty-four Quarterly Conferences and three special conferences; that he had insisted all the time on the pastors and officials applying the best business principles to the finances of the Church. There had been three hundred conversions and two hundred and fifty additions on profession of faith and a net gain by certificate and confession of three hundred and fifty. Have done considerable building of churches and parsonages and paying debts. In spite of drouths, floods and other difficulties there has been an increase in salaries and collections of about ten per cent.

The Uvalde District was cut out of the San Antonio District at the last conference, and, wrapped in swaddling clothes, started out on the first precarious year of its existence. Rev. S. B. Beall was made presiding elder. The report of this district, as given by the elder, on the first morning of the conference, showed a marvelous development, and testified to the good judgment of Bishop Atkins in making Sam Beall its ruling spirit. All salaries and benevolences were in full. On the former there was an increase of \$2700 over last year. For all purposes there was raised over \$38,000. The district, besides this, supports a missionary whose whole time is given to the preaching of the Word within its bounds, and in addition thereto the district is supporting two Mexican missionaries. During the year over 500 have been received into the Church. One parsonage has been built. When the drouth conditions that have prevailed for the past three years are considered, the report is indeed a marvel and testifies to the untiring energy and consecration of the presiding elder and his faithful preachers. May the Lord continue to

add his blessing and unto him be the glory, for he worketh in us mightily to the pulling down of strongholds and everything that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God.

Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, presiding elder of San Antonio District, said: Strenuous year because of drouth, prohibition campaign, etc. Unusual material progress, five new church buildings completed or under way; total cost about \$115,000. Two new Church organizations. Conference assessments largely increased in several instances from 100 to 200 per cent. A few small deficits on some of these heavily assessed mission charges, but large increase on benevolent collections, on the whole; \$1000 special for missions. Total amount raised for all purposes about \$90,000. About 800 accessions to all the Churches within the district during the year. Eighteen hundred dollar increase on pastors' salaries.

Rev. W. H. H. Biggs, of San Marcos District, reported: Financial interest a little behind what they were last year, but owing to some material improvements more money has been raised. This church was improved by raising the floor and putting in these galleries. Buda has scented their church with excellent pews. Brothe. Johnston is the only preacher I ever knew to go into a one-story box parsonage and to transform it into a two-story framed house, but he has accomplished that and kept a shelter over his family during the improvement, and he accomplished that at a very small cost by superintending the work in person. The spiritual interests have been better than last year. An extraordinary revival here at San Marcos; good revival at Buda, also at Gonzales, and good meetings at other places. Notwithstanding the loss by certificates and purging the rolls, we have a net increase of three hundred and twelve members.

Nat B. Read, presiding elder of Austin District: The Austin District has enjoyed a year of prosperity. Every preacher has been faithful to his charge. Many of the appointments were visited with gracious revivals. The detailed reports from the preachers in charge will show that a healthy growth was attained in the numerical strength of the Church. With three or four exceptions every charge reports "out in full" on all assessments, sufficient surplus has been raised to more than cover the entire assessment on the district. Parsonages have been secured, churches repaired and church debts paid. The outlook for the future is exceedingly flattering.

Rev. D. E. Hawk, of University Church, Austin, made a fine report. For all purposes his people paid \$15,042. The debt on the church is paid or provided for, 158 members were added to the Church and all departments of the work are in good care. We record these special items because all Texas Methodism has a special interest in this Church. It is the Church of the students who go from all parts of the State to the University, and many of our congregations throughout the State have contributed to the building of this church. Their money has been well invested and the plant stands there an honor to the Church and a factor in the work of Texas Methodism in behalf of its young manhood and young womanhood. All the preachers in the Austin District made exceptionally fine reports. The work is in fine condition throughout that territory.

Dr. J. H. McLean, of the Orphanage, at Waco, was among the brethren looking after the interests of that great institution. The report of its work for the year showed it to be in good shape. It is one of our most useful and popular connectional institutions. It has a strong hold upon our Texas Methodism.

Rev. I. Z. T. Morris, the friend of homeless children, was present looking somewhat improved in health. This has been a year of feebleness and his years of long and persistent service with him have made inroads upon his vitality, and he has not been so active the past year as is his custom.

The Cuero District was called and the preachers uniformly made good reports. Rev. M. K. Fred, of Edna, reported a new \$20,000 church in process of erection. The name of Rev. W. R. Campbell, after years of service, has gone on the superannuated relation. Rev. Emmet Hightower, of the Central Conference, and President of the State Sunday-school work, was a welcomed visitor to the conference. Rev. J. W. Long and Rev. J. M. Perry are the two tall men in the conference, and they have attained good height intellectually and in efficiency. Jno. Williams, one of the best laymen in the conference, living at Shiner, is always an interested lay member of the conference. He is true and solid on all parts of the ground and he

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stands erect on all questions. Rev. H. G. Horton is probably the oldest man in years and in point of service, is still active in the business of the conference. He has long been nominal in his relation, but he is Chairman of the Board of Church Extension, and he is authority on that question. He is the best informed man in Methodist history than any man in Texas. He has helped to make it. Rev. J. A. King, after forty years of active service in the conference, has gone into a nominal relation. He has been one of the most faithful men in the conference. Rev. J. B. Dobs, our Bohemian missionary, made a most excellent report of his work. He has an important field, and is doing his best to bring things to pass. Rev. R. G. Humme, of Victoria, reported that at the beginning of the year their churchhouse was burned, and the Jews tendered the congregation the use of their synagogue, and our people have used that place of worship since then. Our people are rebuilding, and have raised for all purposes \$10,000. The reports were all full.

The Beeville District covers one of the widest ranges of territory of any district in Texas, and we presume any presiding elder's in the State. When fully populated it will make several large districts. The preachers made most encouraging reports.

Rev. A. W. Wilson, of Floresville, has more than fifty copies of the Advocate in his charge and his people are a progressive people. The Advocate is well represented in that district.

Rev. J. A. Pledger increased the subscriptions to the Advocate from five to twenty, and increased the volume of church property from \$1000 to \$5000, and had nearly 100 increase in membership. Everything in full.

Thursday morning was a trifle lowering, with a sprinkle of rain, but the air was balmy and pleasant. The conference came together on time and looked refreshed from the night's rest. Rev. J. W. Rowland conducted the opening exercises. The minutes were read and the Bishop plunged into the

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business of the body. Dr. C. M. Bishop, Regent of Southwestern University, appeared on the floor of the conference and was warmly received by the brethren. Dr. W. F. McMurry, Church Extension Secretary, arrived and was at home among the brethren. Dr. R. C. Armstrong, of the Central Texas Conference, was introduced, and he represented the Sunday League of America.

In the afternoon Rev. F. S. Parker, D. D., Epworth League Secretary, preached an edifying sermon, in which he appealed to the congregation for the old-time Methodist way of preaching and testifying. At night Dr. Bulla, of Nashville, spoke to a large audience in the interest of Sunday-school work.

The names of the old guard were called and passed. A few of them were present and responded, and their talks were tender. Some of them sent messages to the conference, not being able to come in person. They have in the West Texas Conference a list of the finest old men in the Church, among them are J. T. Gillette, H. T. Hill, W. J. Joyce, H. G. Horton, N. W. Keith, Wm. Monk and others.

Wm. Monk deserves more than a passing notice as well as others. He is the grand old man in the conference. For many long years he stood in the forefront of active service. He was a tower of strength in his day, but he is now old and broken in health, and he has not been at a session of the conference for some years. He has an impressive personality, tall, venerable and majestic. He has a noble head and face, reminding one of Bishop Joshua Soule as the Bishop appears in his pictures.

Dr. R. S. Hyer, of Southern Methodist University, was present and mixing with members and delegates.

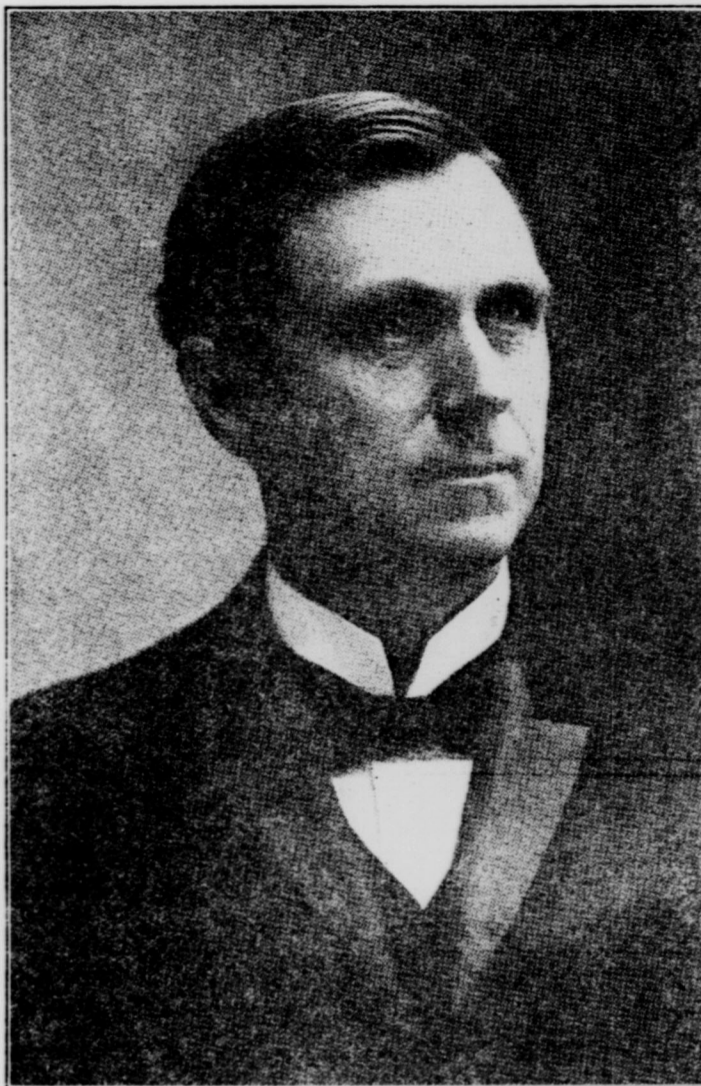
The Llano District was called. The reports showed up well. Some of the preachers had a hard time with some of their collections on account of the drouth. The spiritual conditions showed up well. Brother Scott and his preachers did well in their work.

The San Angelo District was called. This is a large district, covering a dry section of the State, but the brethren did their best, and the results are largely satisfactory.

Rev. S. L. Batchelor, of Junction City, reported a new church and a new parsonage and raised \$5000. Rev. B. F. Buchanan reported well for Midland. Drouth affected the membership, a number having moved from that section. Paid the last of the church debt and raised for all purposes \$6000.

San Antonio District preachers made a good showing. E. E. Swanson, of Alamo, reported 162 Church members and 285 in Sunday-school. Rev. J. D. Young reported Laurel Heights with a new \$85,000 church in process of erection, and will be completed by January 1. Z. V. Liles, at Prospect Hill, reported 250 in Sunday-school and a well-equipped church building, and raised more than \$7000 for all purposes. V. A. Godbey reported Travis Park in good care: 1398 members, 1317 in Sunday-school and finances in full. T. F. Sessions reported West End more than 400 in Sunday-school. This Church is located in a school community. One hundred and eighty-five members in the Epworth League. Paid \$21 per member. S. J. Drake reported 50 more pupils in Sunday-school at Kerrville than Church members and all finances in full. R. A. Waltrip, at Center Point, made an exceptionally fine report. Dr. Harrison, of the San Antonio Female College, reported the school in good condition. Special emphasis laid upon the spiritual work of the school. The League is educating a girl in Korea. Collections slightly deficient. Dr. Culver, of Polytechnic College, was given a warm reception by the brethren.

Afternoon session Rev. D. E. Hawk conducted the opening services. The object of the meeting this afternoon was to have the mission cause presented. Bro. Godwin read the report, and then the speech-making began. Dr. Jno. M. Moore, Secretary of the Home Department, spoke first. He outlined the progress of the work throughout the world. He explained the plans of the board in arranging for the support of the Foreign and the Home Departments, showing that \$125,000 per year is assessed against the Church for the home work, and \$400,000 for the foreign. So that it will take a collection in excess of these amounts throughout the Church in order to meet the demands of the field. He then explained the working of the Home Department of which he is the Secretary. In a general sense, the Home Department is a sort of clearing house through which the work of the home mission interest is done. The Conference Boards need help to care



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for the work in the cities and in the mountain sections, and this Home Department of the Mission Board is the aid these local boards to make their work a success. The Home Department is also arranging to aid the preachers in their evangelical services.

Rev. A. J. Weeks, Home Secretary for Texas and New Mexico, was the next speaker. He pointed out the greatness of the territory to be covered, the rapid growth of the population and the needs of the field. The home mission work among the foreign population is appalling. The Mexicans, the Germans, the Italians and others make a great problem for the Church. It will take money, organization and missionaries to solve this problem. We ought to start a movement to raise \$100,000 for this work in Texas alone. It will take faith, courage and self-sacrifice to do the work. After Brother Weeks spoke a large number of the brethren made short talks, and a most favorable impression was made upon the conference. The session was an exceedingly interesting one. Bishop Atkins spoke earnestly on the subject. But the most eloquent and stirring speech that was made was by a native Mexican missionary, Rev. E. B. Vargas. It was a thrilling deliverance and one that carried conviction. It opened the eyes of many concerning the ability of a trained and well-equipped Mexican. The report was adopted by a rising vote, and it carries plans with it of far-reaching promise.

Rev. J. A. Phillips, presiding elder of the Monterrey District, Mexican Border Mission Conference, was a visitor to the conference. He was once a member of this body and he was made to feel very much at home among the brethren.

At night Dr. McMurry had a great audience and he gave to them a great speech in the interest of Church Extension. He had a fine hearing and made efficient use of it.

The preachers of the San Marcos District were called. They reported progress in most all departments, notwithstanding the drawbacks, on account of the drouth. Rev. J. G. Forrester, at Lockhart, reported 280 in Sunday-school; 400 in Church membership, and the Leagues are supporting a missionary. C. H. Booth, San Marcos, 143 net increase; 1187 enrolled in Sunday-school; \$1000 in specials, and \$15,138.50. Rev. J. F. Webb, Seguin, made an exceptionally good report.

Friday morning brought in a stiff norther and the brethren walked more briskly when they started toward the conference room. Just before the

Good meetings were held in nearly every charge, and the net increase in membership was marked. Many specials were reported also. The presiding elder feasted on no idle bread. He traveled in an auto and lived among his preachers and people, preaching and giving oversight to the work.

C. C. Walsh, Conference Treasurer, made his report, which was an elaborate statement of the financial exhibit of the conference for the year, and it shows that on the general assessments ordered by the conference amount to \$15,000. This is a good showing, and yet the conference determined to do even better than this next year. Prother Walsh is a most accurate and painstaking Treasurer. He does all the work of this department without money or price—purely for the love he has for the Church.

At night a great crowd filled all the available space in the church to hear George Stuart's address. His subject was, "Lopsided Folks," but he applied it in an educational need, and really represented Southern Methodist University. It was an extraordinary address, just such as might have been expected. It completely captured the audience. A collection was taken in behalf of the endowment fund, amounting to \$8000. The result is very gratifying, and evinced much concern in the great movement.

It was cold Saturday morning and overcoats were in demand. Rev. I. Z. T. Morris opened the conference with religious exercises. Rev. H. G. Horton read the report of the Board of Church Extension, showing an increase in excess of last year of nearly \$1000. The Orphanage report was read and Dr. McLean made an address, setting forth the work and its needs. He stated that the institution is in better condition to-day than ever before.

Rev. H. A. Boaz, D. D., and Rev. George R. Stuart, the great evangelist, were given a hearty welcome to the conference. They have been doing good work in the interest of Southern Methodist University.

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2	J. O. Andrew	1795	1832	1871	37	39	76
3	William Capers	1799	1846	1855	56	9	65
4	Robert Paine	1800	1846	1882	46	36	82
5	H. B. Baseom	1796	1850	1850	54	1	54
6	G. F. Pierce	1811	1854	1884	43	30	73
7	John Early	1786	1854	1873	68	39	87
8	H. H. Kavanaugh	1802	1854	1884	52	30	82
9	W. M. Wightman	1808	1866	1882	58	16	74
10	E. M. Marvin	1823	1866	1877	43	11	54
11	D. S. Doggett	1810	1866	1880	56	14	70
12	H. N. McTyeire	1825	1866	1889	41	23	64
13	J. C. Keener	1819	1870	1906	51	39	87
14	A. W. Wilson	1824	1882	.....	48	.....	.....
15	Linus Parker	1830	1882	1885	52	3	55
16	E. C. Granbery	1830	1882	1907	52	25	77
17	K. Hargrove	1829	1882	1905	63	23	76
18	W. W. Duncan	1839	1886	1908	47	22	69
19	C. B. Galloway	1849	1886	1909	37	23	60
20	R. Hendrix	1847	1886	.....	39	.....	.....
21	J. S. Key	1829	1886	.....	57	.....	.....
22	A. G. Haygood	1829	1890	1896	61	6	67
23	O. P. Fitzgerald	1829	1890	1911	61	21	82
24	W. A. Candler	1857	1898	.....	41	.....	.....
25	H. C. Morrison	1842	1898	.....	56	.....	.....
26	E. E. Boss	1849	1902	.....	53	.....	.....
27	A. Coke Smith	1849	1902	1906	53	4	57
28	J. J. Tigert	1856	1906	1906	50	1	50
29	Seth Ward	1858	1906	1909	48	3	51
30	James Atkins	1850	1906	.....	56	.....	.....
31	Collins Denny	1854	1910	.....	56	.....	.....
32	John C. Kilgo	1861	1910	.....	49	.....	.....
33	William B. Murrain	1853	1910	.....	57	.....	.....
34	Walter R. Lambuth	1854	1910	.....	56	.....	.....
35	R. G. Waterhouse	1855	1910	.....	55	.....	.....
36	Edwin DuBoise Mouzon	1869	1910	.....	41	.....	.....
37	James Henry McCoy	1868	1910	.....	42	.....	.....

BISHOP JAMES HENRY McCOY.

James Henry McCoy, D. D., was born in Blount County, Alabama, August 6, 1868. He is a son of the late Rev. W. C. McCoy, D. D., who was a member of the North Alabama Conference from the date of its organization to the time of his death, eighteen years ago. He graduated from Southern University, Greensboro, Ala., with the degree of Master of Arts, in 1899. In the fall of that year he joined the North Alabama Conference. He has served as pastor in this conference for fifteen years, closing his pastoral work at Highlands Church, when he became President of Birmingham College. He was editor of the Alabama Advocate for eighteen months. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him by Southern University. He was elevated to the Episcopacy at Asheville, N. C., in 1910. He was married December 31, 1895, to Miss Annie Bradley. He makes his residence in Birmingham, Ala.

ferred at once to the Texas Conference, where he served Churches in Caldwell, Flatonia, Austin and Galveston. He was transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference, where he served Abilene Church for two years and First Church, Fort Worth, four years. He was then transferred to Kansas City, where he served Central Church three years. He was then transferred to West Texas Conference and was pastor of Travis Park Church, San Antonio, four years. Then for two years he was professor of theology in Southwestern University, from which chair he was elevated to the high office he now holds in the Church. This took place at the General Conference held in Asheville, N. C., in 1910. He was married to Miss Mary E. Mike, of Bryan, Texas. Bishop Mouzon is held in high esteem by Texans, the more so by reason of the memories of our sainted Bishop Ward. His episcopal residence is San Antonio, Tex.

BISHOP EDWIN DuBOISE MOUZON.

Edwin DuBoise Mouzon, D. D., was born May 19, 1869, in South Carolina, the son of Samuel Cogswell Mouzon. His mother's father was the Rev. Archibald Purifoy; his great uncle was the Rev. William P. Mouzon, of the South Carolina Conference. His paternal and maternal ancestors were Huguenots. He graduated from Wofford College in 1889. He went at once after graduation to Texas to serve the Bryan Church as a supply for six months. He returned in the fall of 1889 to South Carolina and joined that conference, but was trans-

BISHOP R. G. WATERHOUSE.

Rev. R. G. Waterhouse, D. D., was born December 24, 1855, in Rhea County, near Spring City, Tenn. His father, Franklin Waterhouse, being a prominent farmer of that county. He received his preliminary education in the Rhea County common-school and the high school at Spring City, Tenn., under Hon. John R. Neal, former Congressman of the Third District of Tennessee. He then entered Hiwassee College where he remained one year, after which he entered Emory and Henry College, and after a four years' course graduated in 1885. Before entering Emory and Henry Col-

lege, however, he served as junior pastor on the Kingston Circuit, Holston Conference, and was a missionary in the Cumberland Mountains for two years, and then became pastor at Jonesboro. He served as City Missionary at Knoxville, Tenn., and was pastor of Church Street for four years, and presiding elder on the Radford District for two years. He was elected to the Chair of English in Emory and Henry College in 1892. In 1893 he was made President, succeeding Bishop James Atkins. When he became President of Emory and Henry there was a debt of \$41,000. He not only paid this but made large improvements and increased the equipment of the college to the extent of between \$60,000 and \$80,000, and the attendance of students has grown from 100 to 233. He has represented the Holston Conference in five General Conferences, and was delegate to the Inter-Church Conference on Federation in 1905. He has been a member of the Board of Education since 1902. He was elevated to the Episcopacy in 1910, and lives in Los Angeles, Cal.

BISHOP WALTER R. LAMBUTH.

Walter R. Lambuth comes of missionary parentage. His father was Rev. J. W. Lambuth, of the Mississippi Conference, who went with his bride to China in 1854. Walter Lambuth was born the same year in Shanghai, China. His mother, Mrs. M. I. Lambuth, came of Scotch ancestry, her maiden name being Mary Isabella McClellan, a descendant of the Gordons of Edinburgh. In 1869 the boy came to the United States, spent several years at Emory and Henry College, Va., where he graduated in 1875. In the year of 1877 he graduated from the Medical Department of Vanderbilt University, married the daughter of Dr. D. C. Kelley, and spent nine years in China, establishing the Sochow Hospital, and acting for a year as Superintendent of the mission. In 1882 Dr. Lam-

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buth took his second medical degree this time from Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, and went to Edinburgh, Scotland, for special work in surgery. In 1887 Bishop McTyeire appointed him Superintendent of the Japan Mission. He continued in that field until 1891, when upon returning to the United States he was elected in 1892 to fill a vacancy in the Missionary Secretaryship left by the death of Dr. Weyman Potter. In 1894 he was elected Secretary by the General Conference, and again during the years of 1898, 1902 and 1906, making eighteen years he spent in this office. Dr. Lambuth was the Chairman of the Second Commission of the World's Missionary Conference which convened in Edinburgh, June 14. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in 1909. Bishop Wilson and Dr. Lambuth were special Commissioners in 1907 from our Church to unite the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Church of Canada into the Methodist Church of Japan. He was elected Bishop at Asheville, N. C., in 1910, and is now in Africa looking after our interests in that great country. He has chosen Nashville, Tenn., as his permanent residence.

INCREASE IN SUICIDES.

There are wrongs, too base, it is said, to describe their vileness and culpability precisely as they are. Suicides of late have come to be so frequent they may almost be spoken of as epidemic. The readers of our larger daily papers see the gruesome

story of one or more of these tragedies in nearly every issue. Many of them, said it is to say it, are, as a contemporary says, wayward young women. And this journal, in language strong indeed, but none too strong, comments upon the situation as follows:

"The shocking thing about it is that the physical suicide in nearly every case was preceded by a moral suicide. It was a case of infatuation, ending in depravity and retribution. The weaker vessel fell upon the rocks and was broken; the stronger vessel escaped the millstone of human law, to fall some day underneath the crushing weight of the Divine law. Who does not pity the weakness, the silliness, the lack of poise and moral stamina of many young girls whose misfortune it has been to have overfond and indulgent fathers or mothers. 'I want my daughter to have a nice time now, for she will not have it when she gets married,' said a mother to us the other week. That is the devil's philosophy wherewith the basis for an undisciplined and unhappy and useless life is laid, and not a few parents have adopted it. That is why there is something so flabby, flippant, purposeless, conscienceless and characterless about many otherwise attractive girls we see and meet. That is why they are so vulnerable to flattery and seduction, and do not burn with indignation when vultures in the form of men, with the nature of beasts and devils, follow in their tracks. The Nation must declare war on these vultures! It must be war to the knife! They are the menace of the home, of the Church, and of the Nation. There are crimes tenfold worse than murder, and the decoying of innocent and unsuspecting womanhood into paths that lead to hell is one of them."—Presbyterian Standard.

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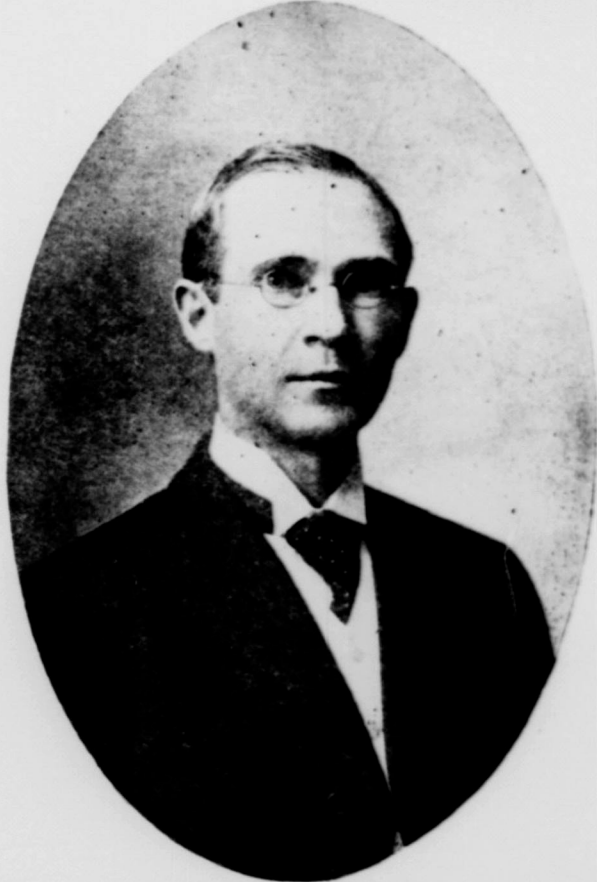
There is no other way to spend \$1.75 and get so much in lasting pleasure for every member of the family as for a year's subscription to The Youth's Companion. For the boys there are the fine articles by experts in athletic sports on the best practice in football, the knack of pitching, new "hinks" in swimming and sprinting—everything that interests the active, high-minded boy. For the girls there is encouragement for all wholesome activities indoors and out, from dainty dishes to dainty dress. For the household there is good advice about gardening, handy contrivances, ways of stretching the pockets and dimes. This reading is all in addition to the ordinary treasury of stories, articles by celebrated men and women, the unequalled miscellany, the invaluable doctor's article, the terse notes on what is going on in all fields of human activity. It will cost you nothing to send for the beautiful Announcement of The Companion for 1912, and we will send with it sample copies of the paper. Do not forget that the new subscriber for 1912 receives a gift of The Companion's Art Calendar for 1912, lithographed in twelve colors and gold, and all the issues for the remaining weeks of 1911 free from the time the subscription is received.



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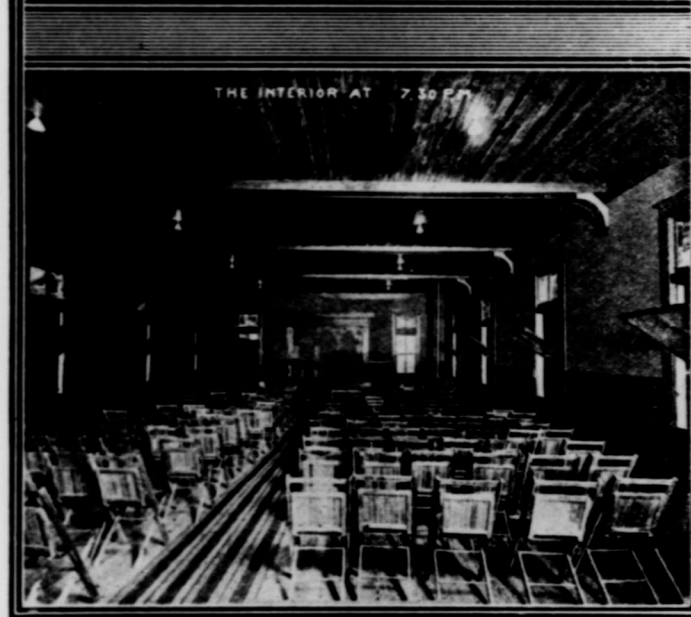
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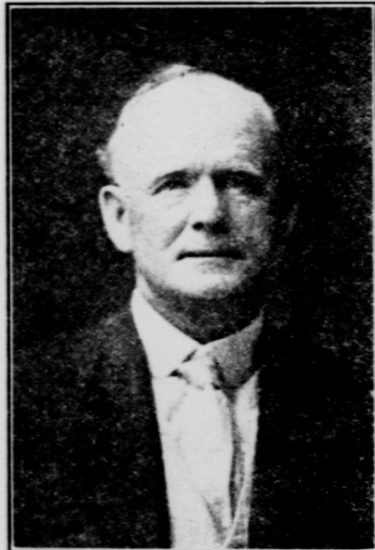
COMPLETED BUILDING 6 P.M.



THE INTERIOR AT 7:30 P.M.

The four views above show the church that was built in one day at Waco, Texas, January 12, 1911. W. B. Andrews, presiding elder and H. L. Munger, preacher in charge. To say these gentlemen are due the credit for this unusual accomplishment would be far from correct. Hon. T. L. McCullough, President of the Waco Church Extension and City Mission Society, was a very prominent factor. Mr. Oscar Myre, who had charge of all the mill work and who planned night and day how to use the hundred carpenters, paper-hangers, tinner and electricians to the best advantage, was indispensable to the successful accomplishment of the work. Most of the material was assembled the day before, and the pictures above tell the rest, except that the house was finished in two coats of paint. At 6 p. m. the crowds of people were invited into the new church to engage in a service of thanksgiving. Right heartily did all join in singing, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

THE ALEXANDER COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE. good to look around that beautiful and rapidly growing city and the easiest thing to see and to find, the city's crowning pride and glory, was the Alexander Collegiate Institute; and, of course, the temptation to stop off was strong enough to prevail. Consequently an opportunity was made like a queen on a beautiful elevation



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The brandnew concrete building, ample, strong and imposing, of modern design and accommodations, would be a credit to any educational idea anywhere. It's a fine and tastefully arranged building in every way, and fitted elegantly for its purpose as a schoolhouse.

Nearby stands the dormitory in a lovely grove of oaks, much improved in several respects and enlarged to ample proportions, being filled with as fine a specimen of Texas beauties— young ladies—as could be found in any country.

Of course, Dr. John M. Barcus and his gifted wife, both worthy and well-qualified for any situation, preside there as to the manor born. This fact is a fully guaranteed assurance to Texas parents of the very best results.

Eastward on a gentle slope stands the boys habitat with that noble Texas preacher and gentleman, Rev. Jno. W. Downs, who seems perfectly fitted to and makes a fitter to and for the splendid lot of Texas male youngsters as a competent teacher before a class.

In simple, plain truth, the plant and situations at Jacksonville, known as the Alexander Collegiate Institute, is flourishing after the best fashion.

The whole population feels a new life pulsation as they stand about in the new conditions, rejoicing in the unfoldings coming fresh as the sun rises on the crest of the new day at hand. They know what they have in Dr. Barcus and their own product—that strong, gracious, wise master, Rev. B. R. Bolton, the financial manipulator. Let everybody therefore know that old things are passing away into better over at Jacksonville.

JEROME HARALSON, Lampasas, Texas.

WORK ALREADY DONE.

H. G. H.

Dr. McMurry, the liveliest man we have ever had in Church extension business, writes he wants Church extension kept before readers of Advocate.

We looked over one issue of Advocate and found four articles on the subject.

Then we thought to press the matter of the Loan Fund, and with pen in hand we discovered Bishop Hendrix's splendid article on that subject, copied from Nashville Advocate, covering the whole case and we said: "That's enough."

But we urge the brethren to have the money at conference or before conference in hand of conference treasurer. Last year \$100.00 of belated Church extension money reached conference board treasurer nearly three weeks after conference was over and all the work of the board through. And we were pressed to the wall for that very money. We could only give Center Point Church \$65.00 for want of that money. The strangest thing I ever heard of! Just look what a discrepancy between the statistical secretary's report and the report of conference and board treasurers. We report only money in hand. We can't make a donation on a slip of paper handed the secretary of conference. Why not keep the Bishop's fund back and look him in the face and say: "Collections in full."

Ask Annual Conference treasurer who sent him this belated money and when money cash down is what we want?

Don't condemn in others what you might easily find in yourself. When the fox and the hounds run in a circle, it is mighty hard to tell the difference between the pursued and the pursuer.

Content yourself with the flight of time and the silvery tinging of the hair. The ravages of the years are forever irreparable.



The above cut is a picture of the parsonage of the Hamilton Circuit, secured during the present year. It has seven rooms, hall, front and back galleries, good barn, windmill, tank and hydrants, and lot contains one block, 300x300 feet. The charge is justly proud of their splendid property.

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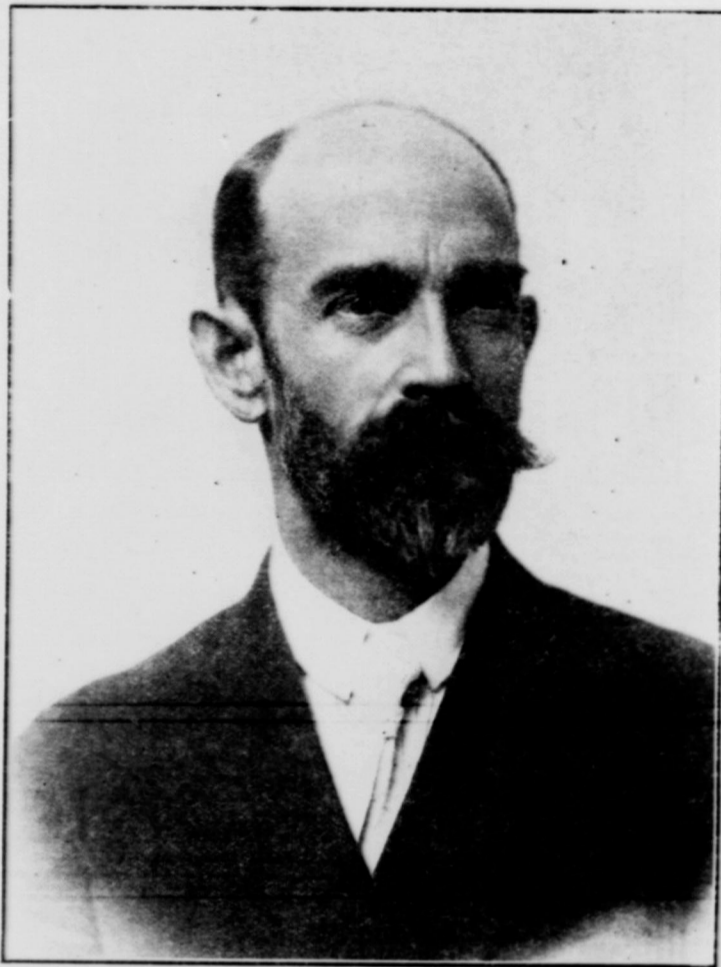
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R. S. HYER, A. M., LL. D.,
President Southern Methodist University

Read What Dr. Hyer Says.

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Dallas, Texas.
Robert Stewart Hyer, A. M., LL. D., President.

Dallas, Texas,
Oct. 25, 1911.

From all over the State I have had numerous inquiries as to the possibility of one securing a home near the Southern Methodist University. The trustees have decided that the lands donated to the University by the city are not to be offered for sale at present. These are to be reserved for an endowment fund in the future and are not to be sold until the first group of buildings has been erected.

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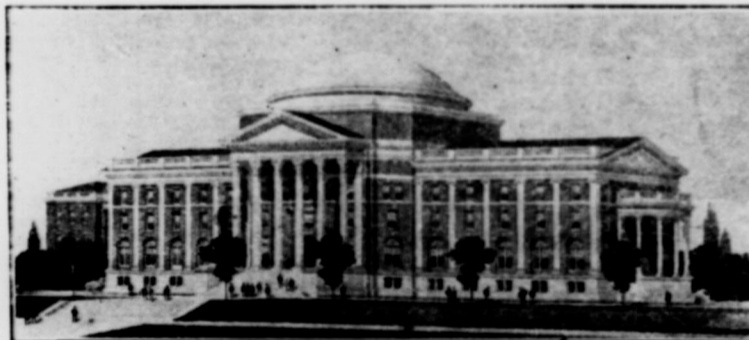
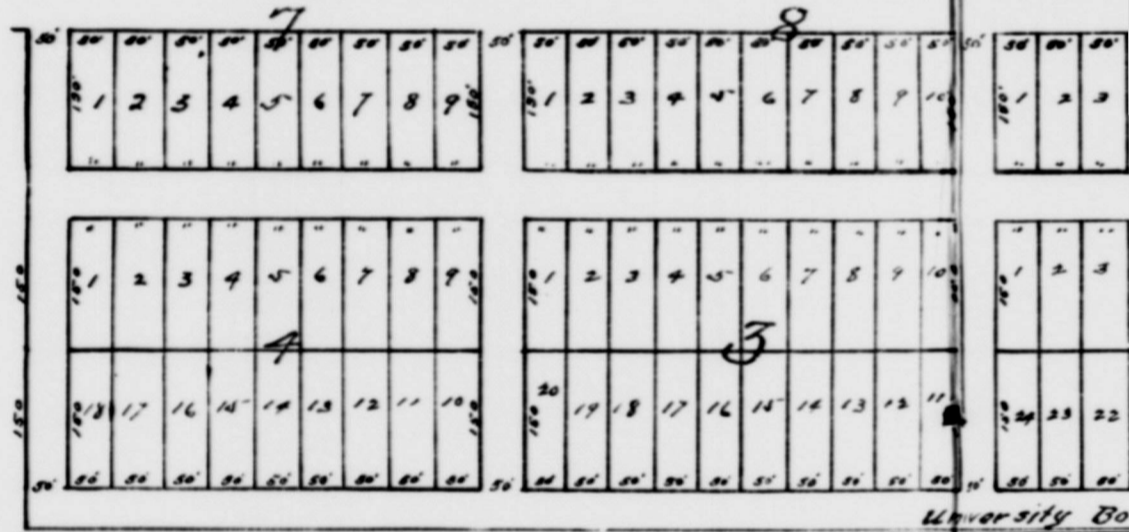
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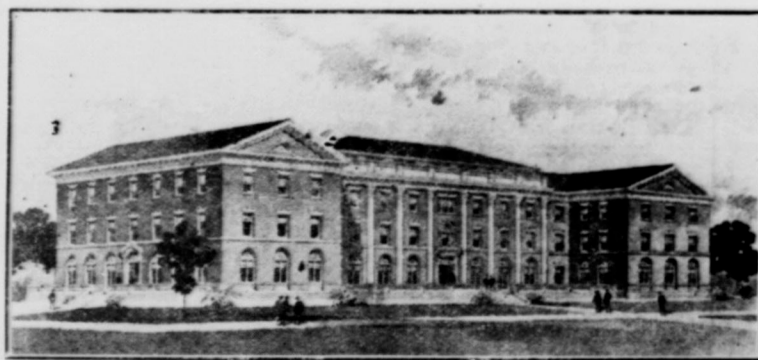
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Frank Reedy, A. B., Bursar.

Dallas, Texas.
October 23, 1911.

To the Methodist Pastors of Texas:

The officials of the Southern Methodist University are not unmindful of the value to the University of having about the grounds the homes of as many of our Methodist friends and pastors as possible. One of the great accomplishments of the University is the establishment of a University City, conserving for its every citizen those elements of civic, intellectual and religious life that make such location the most delightful in the world. For us to accomplish what we should for the young people of Texas, we must be careful as to the people whom we assist to locate about us. We have every reason to believe that we are to have the model city of the South right here at Southern Methodist University. There is room, convenience, climate, transportation, and there is a certainty that there will be a large population of the best people in Texas here in a few years. We must make it the best possible place for a man to live and school his children, and the best possible place for a parent to send children to be prepared for life.

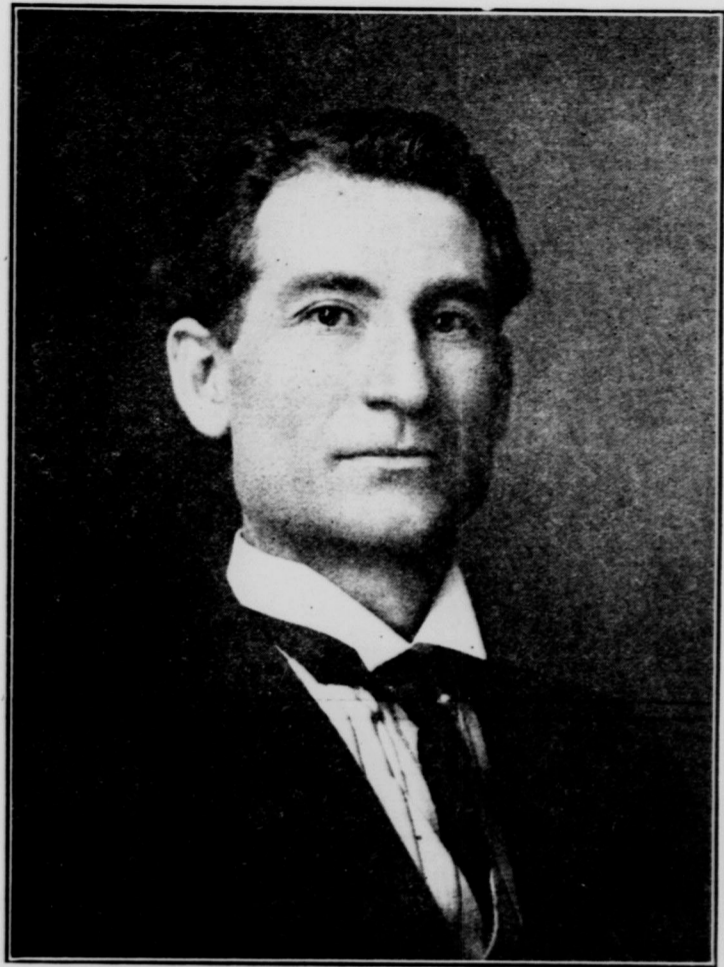
Now we know that our Pastors wish to have homes for their latter days in such a community. We must have them here, and if they expect to get property at low rates they must purchase at once. We wish to assist every person who has property for sale convenient to the University to place their best bargains in the hands of our preachers.

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(Signed) FRANK REEDY, Bursar.

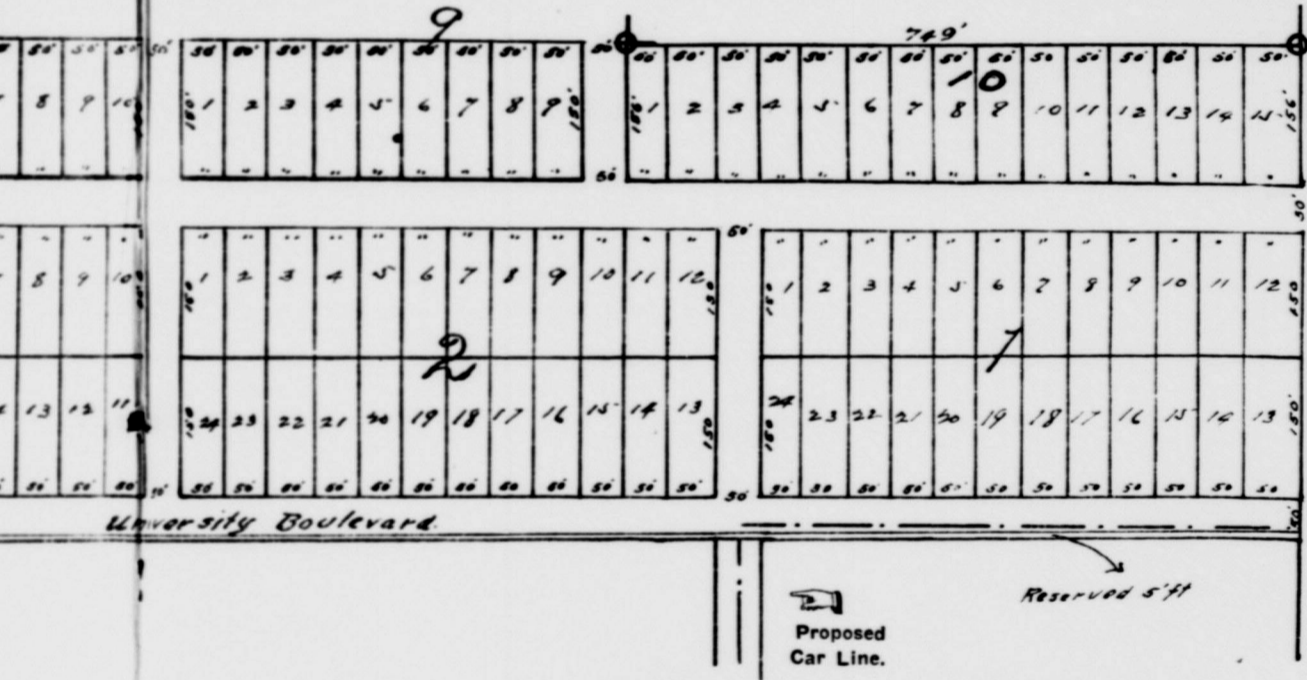
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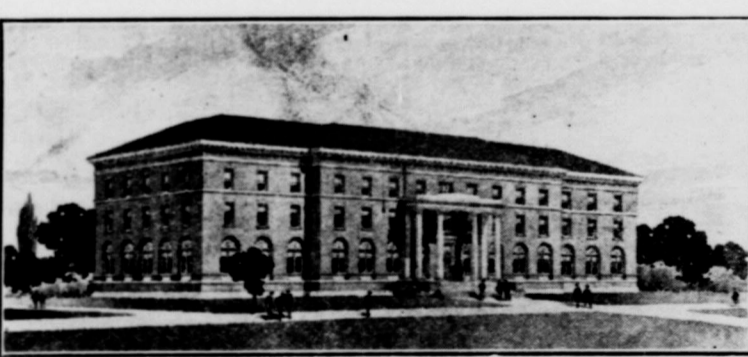
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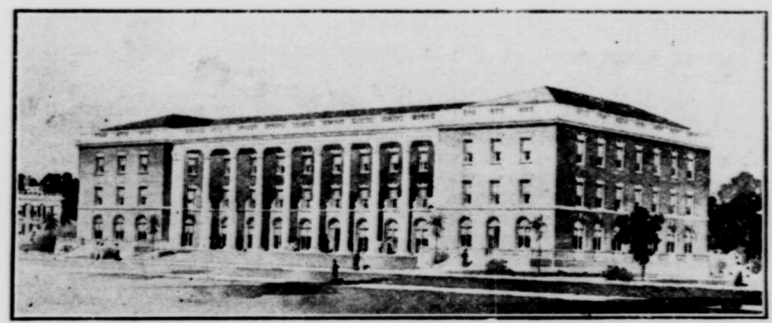
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All communications for this department should be sent to either of the above addresses.

GO YE!

The above command of the Captain of our salvation has never been revoked. It is given to all the Church. It applies to every Sunday-school worker in the world. Part of the world that should be at once invaded is the unconverted or backslidden element that is found within hailing distance of almost every Church in our land.

The above paragraph will be a waste of space unless it leads somebody to undertake aggressive work. As the fall season opens there is in towns and cities a shifting of population. About the first of December the same process takes place in rural regions. Leases expire and people seek new locations.

BROTHER BONNER AND HIS WORK.

From a personal letter which the editor received from Rev. R. B. Bonner, Field Secretary of the Northwest

SKETCHES BY COL. J. R. COLE.

A TENDERFOOT FROM NORTH CAROLINA COMING TO TEXAS, AND THE SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

In 1866 I left North Carolina, my native State, and came to Texas. I did this through no malice against either Texas or North Carolina. My leaving the Old North State didn't do her much harm and my coming to Texas didn't add any misfortunes which she couldn't stand.

Four years I had spent at Trinity College, North Carolina, under the instruction of that great preacher, President and educator, Dr. Braxton Craven; four years I had spent following my leaders in the great war, and now with the world turned upside down I had to face the future with all the difficulties of changed conditions, and realized the true prophecy of my college President when, as I was leaving for the army in 1861 just before graduating, he said, "This war is not going to be a child's play, and nothing in your life will ever turn out as you have planned."

In the summer of 1866 I was dining with the Rev. John Long and his fam-

Texas Conference, we venture to print the following words which show that in the baby conference of Texas Methodism things are being done.

"We have had a fine year. Have held seven revivals with about 225 professions of faith. Held thirty-three institutes. Delivered about 325 sermons and addresses. Reorganized fifteen Sunday-schools, putting them on modern graded plans. Got forty-six interested in teacher training course. Some gave me their names and some to their pastor. I turned all over to the pastor leaving him to follow up the work by turning all over to the pastor, leaving him to follow up the work by organizing the classes. About forty-three adult Bible classes were formed. I organized a very few while on the ground, got the promise, got the promise of others and left the completing of the organization and registration in the hands of the pastors. Do not know how well the work has been followed up by superintendents and pastors. Put in about sixteen cradle rolls and Home Departments. Last year about ninety schools observed Children's Day. This year about 170 have been furnished programs, and I presume have observed the day. I think reports will show a splendid increase in number of schools and number of students enrolled."

HOW TO REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

At the West Texas Conference Bishop Atkins urged the brethren to give their charges credit for all that they had done during the year for Sunday-schools. He told them that the law of the Church contemplated that they report the gross enrollment for the year and not the average attendance. He said that where a Sunday-school had been run for any part of the year, whether at present in operation or not, it should be reported. We respectfully commend the above divergence to the pastors living in conferences yet to be held.

WESLEY ADULT CLASS OF CHADBORNE STREET.

The Wesley Adult Class of Chadborne Street, San Angelo, was organized August 27, 1911, by Rev. S. J. Franks, who is teacher, with J. M. Rogers, President; Mrs. Ota Hall, Treasurer. We have twenty-six members enrolled with an average attendance of twenty. We are planning a great work for our class. I am writing this simply to encourage other Sunday-schools to organize the Wesley class. I think it would help any Sunday school, and especially the older people. Our school is doing splendid work in all departments. Pray for us.

MRS. ROSA CUNNINGHAM, Secretary Wesley Adult Class.

ily in Greensboro, North Carolina. He had as his guest that day a distinguished divine, the Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald, of California, at that time editor of the Methodist Advocate of that State, and since then one of our great and good Bishops. I told him if he could use me in any of the educational institutions in his State, I would be glad to put myself at his command.

Dr. Craven, my old President of Trinity, attended as a delegate the General Conference of the Southern Methodist Church at New Orleans in the spring of 1866 and became acquainted with the Rev. J. W. P. McKenzie, a delegate and President of McKenzie College in Red River County, Texas. He was a distinguished scholar, preacher, missionary and college President and after filling many places finally established, owned and conducted for many years a fine institution of learning known and patronized by all Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Indian Territory. He asked Dr. Craven to recommend to him for the chair of ancient languages in his college a young man competent for that position. Dr. Craven and Bishop Doggett recommended me, and Dr. McKenzie offered me the place and I accepted and that is how it happened with all the consequences that followed my coming West to grow up with the country.

Two or three weeks after I arrived at McKenzie College I received a letter from Dr. Fitzgerald, of California, offering me a professorship in a Methodist college of that State. It came too late; I was already a Texan and had to decline the position, grateful as I was to Dr. Fitzgerald.

What a difference it would have made to me and mine if his letter had been received before that of Dr. McKenzie! Instead of a Texan, a Cali-

forian; instead of the Trinity and the Gulf of Mexico, the blue waters of the Pacific; instead of the broad, flowery prairies of Texas, the lofty Rocky Mountains kissing the heavens; instead of the social environments of the South, those of the distant West on the shores of the Pacific.

Truly Dr. Craven's prophecy was correct. Thus I have been tossed up and down, from place to place, with good fortune thrust upon me and always lighting upon my feet, through no wisdom or skill on my part, but guided by an unseen, wise and loving Providence, and I have simply followed as best I could the leadership of my Heavenly Father.

I was a young man with little knowledge except what I learned in books under Dr. Craven and his faculty, and what I learned in my four years' course under General Lee and his faculty, and as I knew but two men in Texas and didn't know where they lived, it was a rather bold step to leave my "home, sweet home" in the "good old North State" and come to the wilds of Texas where the cowboy, the desperado, the Comanche and all the paraphernalia of the "wild Western scenes" controlled the land.

Texas then and now—in 1866 and 1911—presented different faces, different pictures. The one had blossoms and flowers that covered every valley and laughed at the sunshine, the blue heavens and the dappled clouds, and drank the dewdrops of the morning to the health of the rising sun, and the hills were covered with lowing herds and prancing horses and galloping wolves and graceful antelopes, and the hunter's horn was heard from every hill top. Now the flowers still bloom, but they are flowers with smiling lips and pearly teeth and loving eyes and blooming cheeks and the "cattle on a thousand hills" with strong arms and cultured minds and many forms are making the red tassel of the corn to blossom, the yellow wheat to wave in the breeze and the white cotton to rival the beautiful snow from the clouds.

The day I arrived at McKenzie College I met for the first time Dr. McKenzie, Professor Smith Ragsdale and Bishop Marvin, three great, strong, good men, and the Doctor's excellent family. But Providence wasn't done with me yet; I remained at McKenzie College one session and was then offered and accepted the Presidency of a Masonic Female Institute at Bonham. I remained here one session and accepted a position as Principal in an institute in Grayson County. Here Providence smiled and told me to tarry a while. I soon found one of those smiling, graceful beauties on the prairies which even then could be found here and there and I did have sense enough and courage enough to pluck that flower, and I have been grateful to Providence for driving me westward all these years.

Before I had been in Texas two years I had married. When I had been here about three years the people around me asked me to run for the Legislature. The legislative district was larger than the States of New York and Pennsylvania combined, stretching from Fannin County to New Mexico, and comprising about one hundred counties more or less, and was inhabited by old citizens, refugees from the wars, Federal soldiers, free negroes, desperadoes and wild Indians. Now wasn't that a constituency for a young fellow green from the States! This was in 1869, and the State was under military law, and Major General Reynolds was in command. I became a candidate with nine others running for the same office. Looking backward more than forty years, this appears to be the most foolish thing I ever did, but it turned out all right. I learned in the war that the bold man was the successful man, and the fighter always won the victory.

I commenced canvassing the district and had gone through two counties when I was about to be surrounded by wild Indians who were raiding over the country killing, stealing and burning, so I turned back knowing the Indians couldn't vote anyhow.

There were great, unique and rare men in Texas those days. What do you think of this crowd who listened to my second speech in Cook County when Judge Hart adjourned court for Judge Bryant and myself to address the people? Judge Harden Hart, Judge Binkley, Judge Hurt, Judge Hare, Judge Weaver, Colonel Broughton, Colonel Bouldin, etc. Well I was elected and represented that district for four sessions under Governor E. J. Davis in reconstruction days. I could tell you something about the Twelfth and Thirteenth Legislatures, but haven't time now. I have just come to the subject about which I wish to write, and you probably think I have taken a round about way to get to it.

In 1876, 1877 and 1878 I was President of the North Texas Female College. From 1879 to 1885 I was professor and President of the Agricul-

Woman's Power Over Man



Woman's most glorious endowment is the power to awaken and hold the pure and honest love of a worthy man. When she loses it and still loves on, no one in the wide world can know the heart agony she endures. The woman who suffers from weakness and derangement of her special womanly organism soon loses the power to sway the heart of a man. Her general health suffers and she loses her good looks, her attractiveness, her amiability and her power and prestige as a woman.

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tural and Mechanical College of Texas. From 1885 to 1889 I was Superintendent of the public schools of the city of Abilene, since which time for twenty-two years I have been President of a classical and military school in Dallas and professor of history and English in the Texas Baptist University. This will give you an idea of my experiences in educational matters.

In 1868 I was a delegate to the Annual Conference held at Dallas and was a member of the Committee on Education. I had been in the army for four years and had learned the necessity of discipline and the wisdom of organization. I had learned that in the broad expanse of Texas the Methodists had McKenzie College in the Northeast and Soule University in the South and a few scattered schools elsewhere, nearly all dying. There was no system, no organization. I brought in a report from the Committee on Education recommending that the conferences of Texas establish one great university for the whole State, and one college in each conference, and one academy in each presiding elder's district. This would give system and organize Methodism for the whole State.

The Chairman of the committee opposed the plan, saying we needed more "Coperas bitches" schools, and it was voted down. I was ahead of the times.

One year after that I attended the Annual Conference held in Paris, Texas, and was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Education. I had my old plan in mind and fortunately Dr. Mood, of Soule University, attended this conference in the interest of having all the conferences to unite on one university, and he came before our committee and we reported in favor of the university.

From that pilgrimage of Dr. Mood among the conferences of Texas sprung the Southwestern University at Georgetown. I was a member of the Committee on Education in the Twelfth Legislature when the Southwestern University at Georgetown was chartered by the State. That charter was referred to our committee, and the request was to charter the institution under the name of the University of Texas. The committee said there could be but one University of Texas, and that must be our great State University to be established at Austin, so the committee changed the name in the charter to the Southwestern University. I took special interest in the matter as it was a continuation of my efforts in the Annual Conferences. And now after forty years have passed and our State has grown to be the fifth in population and first in almost everything else among the States of the great American Union, we are laying the foundation of the great Southern Methodist University of the Southwest in the very city where I first urged it upon the Methodists of Texas. And colleges are erected in every conference and academies in every presiding elder's district. "The mills of the gods grind slowly, but they grind exceeding fine."

I am glad that I am living this day to see the consummation of the plan I presented forty-three years ago, though they have gone through many tribulations.

The great Southern Educational Arch is about to be finished to be the crowning glory of Southern Methodism. Trinity College founded by Dr. Craven, who was its President for forty years, and endowed with a million dollars through the influence of that great scholar and President and Bishop, Dr. John C. Kilgo, will shine over the South Atlantic States, and the Southern Methodist University at Dallas will brighten all the lands west of the Mississippi, while Vanderbilt will hold the torch of learning for the valley of the great river plunging into the Gulf. What a trio enlightening the world!

Now I have only a few more words to say. Let the conferences keep up their organizations. Let smaller bod-

ies of Methodists organize for financial and patronizing purposes. Let every Methodist who can spare a dollar have an interest in the great buildings to be erected and the endowment necessary, and as Dr. Mood (the imperative Mood), laid the foundation years ago, and as Dr. Hyer will place the crown still higher upon these great buildings, let all the Methodists, old and young, unite and continue united to make this University broad and wide and strong and beautiful to last, like the Pyramids of Egypt, through all the ages.

IMMERSION INCONSISTENCIES.

Bro. E. W. Alderson has recently been with us and delivered a series of doctrinal sermons as fine as I ever heard. So I have been thinking—and some questions suggest themselves:

1. Was the baptism of John Christian baptism?

2. Did he baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost? If not, would it be accepted to-day by any Church?

3. If it was Christian baptism in the name of the Trinity, why did Paul have those twelve disciples rebaptized?

4. Did those John baptized understand that their baptism represented the death, burial and resurrection of Christ? Did they understand that it represented their death to sin, (crucifixion with him), that their burial in the "liquid grave" represented his burial in Joseph's new tomb (which was hewn out of a rock) and that their "coming up out of" the aqueous sepulchre represented his bursting the bars of death and coming up out of the rock?

5. Did John Baptist himself understand that the baptism he administered represented the death, burial and resurrection of Christ?

6. How is it that our immersion friends cite the authority of the early fathers for the practice of immersion and yet reject the authority of the same early fathers in regard to the validity and scripturalness of sprinkling and pouring and especially in regard to infant baptism, which they all practiced and taught as an apostolic custom?

7. If infant baptism was an innovation by the Roman Catholic Church (as some immersionists say) why do we find no objection raised to it until the middle of the twelfth century? but on the contrary, that it is mentioned as a general practice by Justin Martyr and Irenaeus who wrote less than a hundred years after the death of the apostles?

8. When Jesus said to John, "Thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness," did John understand him to mean that it becometh them to "set an example" for future generations to follow? And did John understand that the baptism of Jesus represented his death, burial and resurrection?

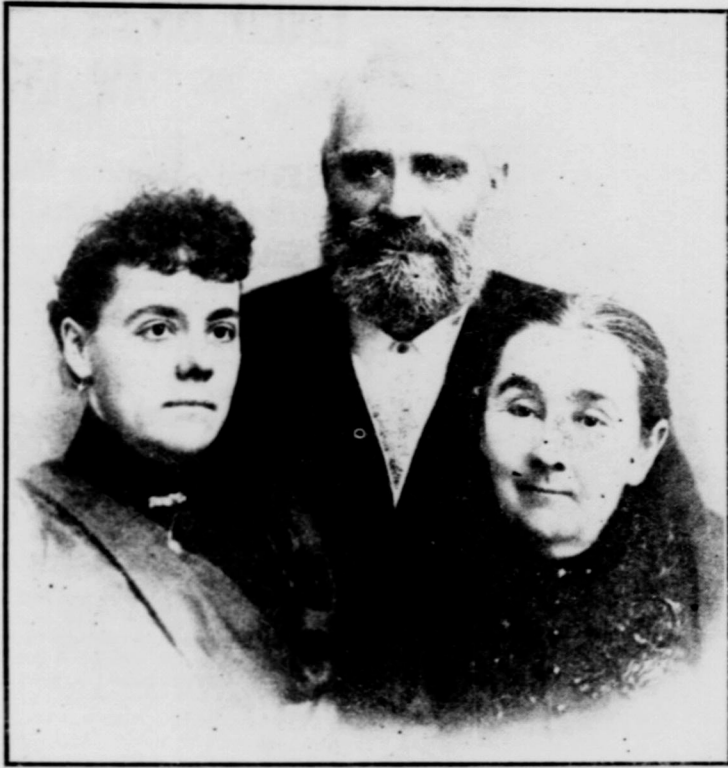
These are but a few of the many questions that arise when we begin to contemplate the claims of our immersion friends—whether we look at immersion from the standpoint of history, Scripture, reason or common sense, as being adapted to the needs of the human race and expressing the will of a pure all-wise and loving Father. J. F. ARCHER, Van Alstyne, Texas.

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The above are the pictures of J. F. Metcalf, of Dallas, his wife and daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Taylor. They have preceded him to the better land, but he still abides at the advanced age of nearly eighty years.

His grandfather, Rev. Jno. Metcalf, was about the first Methodist preacher sent to Kentucky by Bishop Asbury, in 1790. He was born of a wealthy family in Virginia, but because he joined the Methodist Church and became a preacher his family discarded him. They were proud Episcopallians. But this treatment did not phase him. He first pitched his tent in the locality now where Nickolasville stands. He projected a school and gave attention to preaching and teaching. He reared a large family there, one of them being the father of our Brother Metcalf. He founded the town and built the first log house in the place. He also built the first Methodist Church in that part of the State. Jno. F. Metcalf, whose picture we here present, was born in Nickolasville, January 24, 1822. He was married to Miss Sarah Mitchell in 1853. They were both brought up in the same community, and they were both baptized in infancy by Bishop—then Doctor—Hubbard H. Kavanaugh. Brother Metcalf joined the Church in 1848, but started to Sunday-school in 1842. He served as steward for twelve years in Kentucky and has been one practically all his life. He served three years in the Confederate army. Came with his family to Dallas in 1882, put his membership into the Church the next Sunday and to this good day never misses a service unless bad weather or indisposition of health prevents. He and his good wife had three children born to them, but only one lived to grow up and bless their home. Bishop Kavanaugh baptized all three of them. He is now all alone so far as family is concerned, but he is living in fond expectation of joining his loved ones beyond the river. He is a bright, cheerful old man, full of faith and hope. His life has been full of good works, and his friends are numerous. To know him is to appreciate him. The preachers all love him, for he has always been their friend and brother, and his Church appreciates him. His membership is at Grace Church. We want our readers to look upon his face and to read this interesting sketch of him.

THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

When in April, 1905, the Methodists of Dallas united with the students and faculty of Southwestern University who had journeyed from Georgetown and laid, amid impressive ceremonies, the cornerstone of what was to be the building for the Medical School of Southwestern University, few, if any, in that assemblage foresaw that what they were then witnessing was the beginning of extensive investment of the Methodists in Dallas. The action of the Board of Trustees in divorcing the Medical School from Southwestern marks the establishment of the first of the technical departments of the Southern Methodist University that are to give the new school its university character. Departments of law, engineering, etc., will follow, but they will not have the foundation upon which to build nor the consequent promise that the present Medical Department has.

Combining the assets of its past organization with the influence of the patronage that is already assured to the new University, the Medical School gives promise of immediately taking rank as one of the foremost medical schools of the country. Its literature is already making it known in as remote a part of the State as the lower Rio Grande, and its friends

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If the authorities of the school will take advantage of the fact that there are many young women of Texas who are so situated as to desire a course in a medical college and who are more attracted by schools in other States than by those within this State, and regulate the school to attract them, there may result a mutual benefit to the young women and to the school.

The University of Texas may not be supported from patriotic motives, but it will be supported, and the Southern Methodist University will prove a benediction to that school in emphasizing the necessity of its more generous maintenance. So, also, will the Medical Department of the University of Texas be more generously supported. The Methodist school has enough reason to gird its loins to earn and demand recognition as a foremost medical school. However, rivalry between the two schools has never been and will not be acute when each receives the same recognition from the General Education Board, or any other authority who sets out to compare them. The one is in South Texas and the other in North Texas—three hundred and fifteen miles apart. There are and will continue to be more than enough students in contiguous territory to support them both, and each school should help the other to get a law granting licenses to the graduates of both, and to keep Texas students in Texas.

Graduates of the Law Department of the University of Texas are granted license to practice, while the medical graduates are not granted license, but are required to pass the State examination, although it is not subject to dispute that the State Medical School is as thorough as the law school. This fact is generally attributed, by the students of the State school at least, and with some feeling, to the authorities of the denominational medical schools within the State, who, they say, have fought their recognition in the Legislature. They point with pride to the fact that no graduate of the State school has ever failed to pass the examination.

With opposition in the Legislature to the granting of licenses to graduates of the State Medical School on the part of denominational medical schools within the State, progressive legislation looking toward the proper

recognition of meritorious work, not only in the State school, but in all other schools as well, will be postponed. It should be realized that sooner or later graduates of the University of Texas Medical School will be granted licenses to practice with their diplomas. Patriotic Texans should resent the fact that this custom has not been established by law already and just Texans would resent it if, after thus favoring the State school, the students of other medical schools within the State which do work equally thorough were not licensed to practice without examination upon graduation.

There should be a law establishing a Supervisory Board whose duty it should be to prescribe a course of instruction, which, when complied with, would entitle graduates of those schools so complying to practice medicine without examination. The choice of the membership of this board could be prescribed by the Legislature, and we would have a law applying to the recognition of work done in medical schools similar to that which applies to recognition of work done in first-class colleges and universities leading to teachers' certificates. This law, after prescribing the amount and character of work to be done as a prerequisite to receiving the different grades of certificate, says:

"The institutions to be recognized as colleges or universities of the first-class shall be determined by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction upon the recommendation of the State Board of Examiners."

Or, if it be urged that such an enactment would be an unwarranted delegation of authority, the Legislature could itself lay down the requirements with which the various schools should comply in order to have their graduates licensed without examination.

The end in view is some plan which will operate to give medical graduates license no matter from what school they come, provided that the school is of recognized standing, and the authorities of all schools, State and denominational, which would be benefited by such a scheme should cooperate to bring it to pass.

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SUNDAY MORNING IN AUSTIN.

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I was appointed last Sunday morning by the Committee on Public worship at the West Texas conference to preach Sunday morning at Tenth Street Church, Austin, and at night to preach at the conference room in San Marcos just before the ordination of elders.

At Austin I had a fine congregation and they seemed to enjoy the word as preached. Met many of the good people and shook hands with them at the close of the service. The Advocate is popular with those people, and I am always at home among them. The music of this church is something extra. General Stacy has charge of it, and has had for years. He has a magnificent voice and he is a successful choir leader. He is the son of a Methodist preacher, and his father before him was gifted in music. Sunday morning the music was excellent. Tenth Church is in splendid condition. Dr. Bradfield has done the best work of his useful life the past year. He has packed audiences at all his services, and his preaching is of a high order. He preaches with power and point, and while he stands erect on all questions and fails not to deliver a full gospel, yet he does it in an evangelical spirit, and his ministry is a great success. Of course he returns to his charge for another year, so does Rev. D. Emory Hawk at University Church. He has also done a year of exceptionally successful work at that charge.

I dined with that noble layman, J. W. Robbins. He is known to all the preachers, and he is the true and trusted friend of them all. His house is their home when they pass that way. His good wife left him for the home beyond since last conference, and her absence is keenly missed, but it is the same religious home and to enter it is a benediction.

I did not call on his excellency, the Governor. In the first place, it was Sunday; in the second, he was out of the city, and in the third—well, I had to return to San Marcos! But I had a good day with the Tenth Street people.

The candidates for admission into full connection were called to the altar, five in number, and addressed by the Bishop before the vote was taken. The address was practical, pointed and appropriate and was heard with interest not only by the applicants, but by the conference as well. Having answered all the questions satisfactorily the young men were unanimously voted into the conference.

The Mission Home report was read and Mrs. Kerly, the Superintendent, who spoke at length on the work being done in that institution. She was given a sympathetic hearing.

Laurel Heights Church, San Antonio, and Beeville were put in nomination as applicants for the honor of entertaining the next session of the conference. After speeches had been made in behalf of the two places the vote was taken and Beeville won by a good majority and it was made unanimous.

At the afternoon session Rev. J. W. Rowland presided instead of the Bishop who was off with his cabinet. Rev. Theophilus Lee led the devotions in an earnest prayer. The report on Sunday-schools provoked quite a discussion, but was adopted.

The report on books and periodicals was read. It was very favorable to the Texas Christian Advocate. The editor yielded his time to L. Blaylock, and the conference gladly extended him the courtesy of the conference floor, and Brother Blaylock was received with much cheering when he appeared. He made a practical and business-like speech. The report was adopted.

The Joint Board of Finance reported and distributed the funds among the conference claimants, amounting to some \$10,000.

The temperance report was read and also Sabbath observance. Dr. R. C. Armstrong spoke to the latter feature of the report with vigor and emphasis.

At night Dr. J. E. Harrison preached to a good audience, though the weather was inclement.

Sunday was a great day in Israel. The service began with a love-feast at 9:30. It was largely attended. It was a deeply spiritual occasion. A love-feast at the West Texas Conference is always a great occasion, full of life and power. It took fire and put the most of the audience in good trim for the preaching service. People came in from the surrounding country and towns to enjoy the day with the conference. A great audi-

ence thronged the church. Bishop Atkins was at his best. His theme was, "Greater works than these shall ye do because I go unto my Father," taken from the 14th chapter of St. John. It was a thrilling discourse and more than met the expectation of the conference. It was followed by the ordination of deacons.

In the afternoon there was a memorial service. At night another crowded audience packed the church, and the editor of the Advocate preached the sermon. At the close Bishop Atkins ordained a class of fine young men to the eldership. It was an impressive service. The other churches of the town were served by members of the conference. We heard good reports from them all.

Thus ended a memorable day in the history of San Marcos Methodism.

Monday morning came in bright and crisp and cool. After the Preachers' Aid Society had finished its business the Bishop took charge of the conference and proceeded with its closing session. The committees on missions, education and others reported in rapid succession. The business soon reached a finishing period. A large audience filled the church to hear the appointments. They were read amid silence and the session of the conference passed into history.

A FEW CONFERENCE NOTES.

It is said to have been one of the most delightful conference sessions in the history of that body. There was not a jarring note from beginning to close, and the religious spirit was strikingly manifest.

This writer and Rev. S. H. C. Burgin were delightfully entertained at the good home of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Johnson. They are leading Methodists of the town and they live in a beautiful residence furnished with all conveniences, and their latch-string hangs on the outside. It was very pleasant indeed to enjoy the hospitality of such a household. Brother Johnson is the lay leader of the conference and takes great interest in the work of the Church.

Bishop Atkins held the conference for the second time and his presidency gave universal satisfaction. He is a man of fine spirit, easily accessible to all who want to consult him, and put himself on good terms with the entire membership. The presiding elders spoke in high terms of his brotherly bearing in the cabinet sessions. They will all be delighted to have him again next year. His preaching on Sunday was an inspiration to the great audience who heard him.

Rev. J. D. Young goes back to Laurel Heights, San Antonio, for the third time. He has a fine church building within a few months of completion, and when it is ready for occupancy Brother Young will have accomplished a great work in that part of the city. He already has a good membership, an active Sunday-school, and all the departments of Church enterprise in operation. He has been a busy man for the two past years, and he goes back with good experience for another term.

Rev. Thomas Gregory, after two years of excellent service at Uvalde, goes to West End, San Antonio. He is one of the best preachers in the conference, and as solid as a rock on all leading questions. You always know where and when to put your hand upon him. For years he has been one of their active members, and he is true and trustworthy on all parts of the ground.

Rev. J. P. Rodgers and Rev. G. F. Foyd, after a few years in that conference, come back to their old stamping ground in the North Texas Conference. They have rendered good service in that section, and it is our understanding that both will likely ask for nominal relations in their old conference.

Rev. C. H. Booth was a trifle indisposed during the conference, but we trust by this time he is at himself again. He and his committee did well by all the members of the conference. The entertainment was all that could be asked. The homes of the town were thrown open and every delegate and visitor were well provided for. San Marcos is a most hospitable town.

This writer had the pleasure of dining at Coronat Institute with Bishop Atkins, guests of Rev. and Mrs. Sterling Fisher. The Institute is in fine condition. It is well filled with boarding pupils and so is the dormitory. The patronage is general, and the student body is of good quality.

Rev. H. G. Horton, our old correspondent and a veteran in the conference, was present and as busy as ever. For more than fifty years he has been a conspicuous member of

that body, and he is the best Methodist historian in the State. His health is only moderately good, but he is active in the work of each session. In this issue will be found some of his pungent paragraphs.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals had some things to say for the Advocate, its editor and publishers. The Advocate has a strong hold on that body of good men. They know its value and appreciate its work. Hence they do not mince words when they give official utterance to their estimate of the paper.

Rev. T. F. Sessions goes this year to Corpus Christi. He had a successful pastorate at West End. He has a fine opportunity in his new field and we doubt not that he will make large use of it. Rev. V. G. Thomas, his predecessor, goes into the work of looking after Epworth-by-the-Sea. He will have charge of its agency, and knowing the needs of that department of work as he does we are sure that he will accomplish results.

There were not many connectional men at the conference, and their speeches were made on special occasions when it did not take up the time of the proceedings. This is a good arrangement, and all the conferences ought to adopt it. It gives the visitors a good opportunity, and at the same time does not interfere with the work of the body.

The Committee on Education had the following to say of the Southern Methodist University and the relation of the conference to its work: "We have had before us the report of the Commission of Education and we congratulate them upon the progress made in their plans for the establishment of the Southern Methodist University, and assure the said Educational Commission and the Texas Methodist conference of our abiding interest in the movement and our determination to co-operate in the future to the end that Texas Methodism may occupy her proper place in education, and that we may soon possess a uniform system of education in this State."

The following statistics will show in figures what the conference has done the past year: During the past year 2171 additions were added to the Church, with a net gain of 1545, the total membership in the conference being 31,612. Sunday-school scholars number 28,141, and Epworth Leaguers 5581; raised for all purposes, \$419,472; the value of all church property in the conference is nearly \$1,200,000.

Saturday afternoon, the conference went in a body to New Braunfels as the guests of the Progressive League of that town. They were met at the depot with buggies and autos and shown over the town generally, and the lot in particular, upon which our new German Church is to be built. They then repaired to the park, met under the pavilion where Mr. Landa made a unique address of welcome. Bishop Atkins responded happily in the name of the conference. George Stuart was called for and made an exhilarating talk of a most humorous nature and this closed the entertainment. There were but very few of the citizens out to welcome the conference. In fact, they showed but little, if any, interest in the visitors outside of Mr. Landa and the few vehicles that met them at the depot. The reception was a trifle more than frosty.

Dr. C. M. Bishop was presided and spoke in the interest of Southwestern University. This was his first appearance before the conference and he was given a close hearing. He spoke with force and clearness and with emphasis. He expressed himself fully on the importance of stressing the religious phase of training young people religiously in our institutions of learning. He spoke of the great history of Southwestern University, and tender reference was made to the memory of Dr. Mood and the work he did for the cause. He dwelt upon the fact that \$200,000 had been invested by the Church in the institution that 10,000 young men and young women had passed through the school, and more than 200 ministers had been trained and given to the Methodist ministry. "Such a school," he said "was worthy of the confidence placed in it by the ministry and membership of the Church. Its work and its history are sacred heritages to be preserved and perpetuated by the Church." Dr. Bishop then addressed himself to the future of the institution, and predicted that a school with such a history has a bright future. It lives in the love of its friends and patrons, and it is a fixture in the affections and esteem of multiplied thousands who feel so kindly toward it. The high character of the course

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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AGENTS WANTED. Honey. Miscellaneous. Help wanted. Free illustrated book. Any intelligent person may earn steady income. Local representative wanted. Catarrh, an excessive secretion from an inflamed mucous membrane.

of study is a guarantee of what it is to be in the years to come. The faculty is made of men who love God and humanity, and they are highly equipped and thoroughly prepared for this work. He announced himself in thorough accord with the great forward movement now being formulated, and whose tendency is materializing in huge plans at Dallas. But he added that he was glad that Southwestern is to be made more and more a first-class college in every respect possible, and he wanted to be recognized accordingly. And he wanted a good, fair chance to grow and have the sympathy and co-operation of the Church, in the work of Southwestern University. Dr. Bishop called.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES.

CENTRAL TEXAS. The class for admission on trial of the Central Texas Conference, will meet at the Polytechnic Church at 9 a. m., October 7. Let all candidates who have not been examined be on hand promptly at that hour, and let any candidate who has a certificate from either the Summer School of Theology or the Correspondence School be sure to place it in the hands of the committee before the opening of conference. E. HIGHTOWER, S. J. RUCKER, D. L. COLLIE, Committee.

CISCO DISTRICT. Pastors will please meet at Polytechnic Methodist Church, at 8:30 a. m., November 8. Hand your reports to Rev. S. L. Caldwell, Statistical Editor for this district, who will edit them and hand them to the Conference Secretary on the first day of the conference. C. E. LINDSEY.

Board of Missions. The Board of Missions will meet in the Mayors court room in the city hall. Board of Education. The Board of Education will meet in the fireman's library room in the city hall. Board of Church Extension. The Board of Church Extension will meet in room 15 on the second floor of the First National Bank. Joint Board of Finance. Joint Board of Finance will meet in room 14 on the second floor of the First National Bank. The Sunday-school Board. The Sunday-school Board will meet in room 15 on the second floor of the First National Bank. The Epworth League Board. The Epworth League Board will meet in room 23 on the second floor of the First National Bank. Class of the First Year. The class of the first year will meet in the Presbyterian Church. Class of the Second Year. The class of the second year will meet in the Presbyterian Church. Class of the Third Year. The class of the third year will meet in Calvary Baptist Church. Class of the Fourth Year. The class of the fourth year will meet in the Christian Church. C. N. X. FERGUSON.

PASTORS NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE. Dear Brethren—Please fill out the blanks on Sunday-school furnished you by Bro. Bomar. No man in our conference has done a more valuable piece of work this year than Bro.

Second—If any member of the conference or any lay delegate foresees that he will not be able to attend the conference please write us at once. Third—We do not intend to be discourteous or intolerable when we announce that it will not be at all convenient to entertain "the children."

Fourth—We anticipate with great pleasure your coming and we ask that you do not hesitate to let your "wants" be known. We are glad to do the best we can for all who come. EDWARD R. BARCUS, Gainesville, Texas.

APPOINTED AUDITOR. Will you please announce Rev. I. O. Davis as Auditor for the Gainesville District, North Texas Conference. This is to comply with a standing rule of the conference. E. H. CASEY, P. E.

BRETHREN OF THE CISCO DISTRICT. Bro. Limbrey has asked me to act as statistical editor for the Cisco district. Let all the preachers please secure report blanks and make out your report before you leave for Conference so there will be nothing to do but turn them in. Be sure your report is properly made out. Observe the instructions in the book and also those given in the Advocate a few weeks back. Then see that your report is in my hands early Wednesday morning. By so doing you will greatly oblige me, save your reputation and increase your chance of a good appointment. SAM'L L. CULWELL.

CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE NOTES. Assignment of homes having been made it will not now be convenient to provide entertainment for visitors whose names have not already been sent in. All boards and committees will meet at the Polytechnic Church and have direction from bulletin board in vestibule, concerning places of meeting. The Epworth League Board will hold its anniversary service Tuesday evening at 7:30. Dr. E. S. Parker, General Secretary, will deliver the principal address. H. M. LONG, Pastor.

A SPLENDID OPENING. The Marshall Training School of San Antonio celebrated the enrollment of its 125th student by giving the boys a holiday. This is the first time in the history of the school that the above number has ever been reached. When it is known that three years ago the total enrollment was only 59. The students are doing the best work that has ever been done in the school. The first month saw excellent reports going to many homes in different parts of the state.

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Eastward Around the World

Unter Den Linden and Champs Elysees

By: DR. W. B. PALMORE--Article Thirteen

After supper in London, in the midst of soldiers and railway strikers, we boarded a train at 8:30 o'clock and at 1 o'clock went to bed on an English Channel steamer.

The Hague is evidently destined to a more abiding and universal fame in prospect of being the place where the final peace of the nations shall be negotiated.

"When the common sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe, And the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law."

What a wonderful people are these Protestant Hollanders, who have diked in a country of their own, redeemed from the overwhelming waters of the sea, now furnishing enough cattle and butter to feed a small empire!

Holland has not only fine meadow land and cattle, but prosperous cities. The Hague has about a quarter of a million of inhabitants, Rotterdam about a half million and Amsterdam is about the size of our own city of St. Louis.

Amsterdam, a city which cuts and polishes the diamonds coming from all the diamond mines of the world. As our train was approaching this unique city the made land under its foundations having yielded to such an extent as to give the tall tops of the houses, leaning in different directions, the appearance of being tipsy.

Our second surprise came when we paid our bill. The guests generally had two bills presented, one for room and food and the other for wines or other liquors consumed. Our bill was presented in due form for lodging and food.

"First Timothy 5:23." "Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities." The house had been originally used to print the earlier editions of the Protestant Bi-

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ble. The powers of darkness seem to take intense delight in diverting and desecrating people and property once used for sacred purposes.

The ubiquitous, old-fashioned windmills of Holland are an increasing enchantment. Their outstretched long arms, moving with such a slight breeze, is a perpetual prayer for 'daily bread,' plenty and prosperity.

For the benefit of our little folks it may be well for us to explain the heading of this letter. Unter Den Linden means Under the Linden, and is the great street in the present capital of the German Empire. Champs Elysees means Elysian Fields, and is the greatest street or avenue in the capital of France.

The man who has not seen the capital of the German Empire in the twentieth century, or since the Franco-Prussian War, can have but a meager conception of the Berlin of to-day. It has been fifteen years since our last visit, and twenty-five years since those years have been marvelous.

The most magnificent pageant of modern times was the triumphal march of the German Army into Paris. A volatile little Frenchman so lost his head at the sight that he exclaimed: "Nowhere in all this world can such a spectacle be gazed upon but in Paris!"

Germany's Present Pride is a dangerous one, but she certainly has something to be proud of. Her army now is about the finest fighting machine, of its size, on earth to-day, and possibly one of the greatest impediments to universal peace.

Emperor William I and Bismarck are the two men who have written their names highest and most imperishably on the roll of German fame. The greatest streets, enterprises and buildings are named after them. In

the mausoleum at Charlottenberg the Emperor and his noble and philanthropic Empress, Augusta, sleep side by side in as soft a light and as beautiful marble as we have ever seen in any land.

Imperial Palace

is the most uninviting of a home. The only one we have ever seen that we would live in if given to us was built by the wife of Emperor Francis Joseph on the Isle of Corfu.

Warsaw, Poland. One of the most pleasing of all the great and many improvements since our last visit is the majestic and ideal Lutheran Church, where the present Emperor and his family worship.

PIRTLE AND MONK DEBATE AT GOBER, TEXAS.

Rev. J. H. Monk, an Adventist, and Rev. H. M. Pirtle, Methodist, began a debate on the night of September 20, which lasted until September 30, discussing the following propositions, viz.:

- 1. The wicked go to hell and continue there in an unending state of punishment. Pirtle affirms and Monk denies.
2. The Kingdom of God, excepting the Church as such, will be established at the end of the world. Monk affirmed and Pirtle denied.
3. The Seventh-day Sabbath was done away and the first day (the Lord's day) of the week is the day that Christians should keep. Pirtle affirmed and Monk denied.
4. The Seventh-day Sabbath of the ten commandments is binding upon all Christians this day. Monk affirmed and Pirtle denied.

The Adventists have been in the bounds of the Gober charge for four months or more preaching all kinds of heresy, claiming that men who are 80 years old will live to see the second coming of Christ at the end of the world.

and will die and go to hell, there to be burned up like chaff. So we sent for Brother Pirtle, who came and met them in the discussion above mentioned. The thinking people of all religious denominations say that Pirtle won on every proposition.

H. K. AGEE.

REPORT OF TEXAS INDUSTRIAL CONGRESS.

Dallas, Tex., October.—Reports received by the Texas Industrial Congress from eighty-nine counties in the State amply justify its work during the present year in advocating the adoption of better cultural methods.

OBITUARIES

The space allowed obituaries is twenty to twenty-five lines, or about 170 or 180 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all obituary notices. Parties desiring such notices to appear in full as written should remit money to cover excess of space, to-wit: At the rate of One Cent Per Word.

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BALLARD.—The subject of this sketch, Sister A. E. (Grandma) Ballard, was born June 7, 1827. She was married to A. J. Ballard in 1847. In 1850 she was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and for 59 years lived a consistent life.

ROSS.—I. T. Ross, son of M. C. and D. W. Ross, was born December 1, 1892. He died at Mullin, Mills County, Texas, October 15, 1911, at 6:30 o'clock in the morning.

and sisters. May they finally make an unbroken family in heaven is the prayer of a brother and friend. G. W. TEMPLIN.

MOTHERAL.—Mrs. Martha Caroline Motheral (nee Martin) was born in Erath County, Texas, 1841; was married to W. E. Motheral in 1858, and died in 1910. She came of a pioneer family, a class of daring people, to whom we owe a debt of gratitude of which we never think.

W. J. JOYCE.

ADDINGTON.—Little Jackie Addington was born December 22, 1910. On the morning of December 29, 1910, the shadow of death fell over our home. The death angel came in, taking our darling little baby boy from our arms.

HIS MOTHER.

HORGER.—Walter H. Horger was born in Polk County, Texas, January 9, 1881, and died in September, 1911, at Corsicana, after a prolonged fight with that dreaded enemy tuberculosis. He was the son of Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Horger.

REESE.—Little Gladys Laura Reese, infant daughter of Ellis and Ruby Reese, died September 16, 1911. She was three months and eleven days old. She was a bright, beautiful child and it was so hard for papa and mamma to give up their sweet little darling.

WALLER.—Mrs. Lucy E. Waller (nee Patton) was born September 28, 1843, in Lafayette County, Miss., and departed this life October 15, 1911, aged 68 years and 17 days. She came to Texas with her parents in 1852. They settled in Bask County, near Old Millville, where she has lived ever since.

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MINUTES

Of the Fifty-third Session of the West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held at San Marcos, Texas, beginning October 18, 1911, and ending October 25, 1911. Bishop James Adams, President; Sterling Fisher, Secretary.

count, and how has it been applied? \$710, applied to claimants.
23. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$7515; domestic, \$11,259.
24. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1291.
25. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? \$763.
26. What has been contributed for the support of preaching elders and preachers in charge? Providing elders, \$17,548; preachers in charge, \$129,922.
27. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$1572.
28. What is the number of societies and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of societies, 82; number of houses of worship, 269.
29. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$228,797; indebtedness, \$129,257.
30. What is the number of pastoral charges and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 157; number of parsonages, 128.
31. What is the value of parsonages and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$218,555; indebtedness, \$122,292.
32. What is the number of districts and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 8; number of district parsonages, 7.
33. What is the value of district parsonages and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$19,000; indebtedness, \$2900.
34. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 2; amount of damage, \$3275.
35. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$208,822; losses sustained, \$2575; premiums paid, \$2753; collections on losses, \$2575.
36. What are the educational statistics? No report.
37. Who is elected conference leader? G. G. Johnson.
38. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? Beville, Texas.
39. Where are the preachers stationed this year? (See appointments.)

AUSTIN DISTRICT.
N. B. Read, Presiding Elder.
Austin: First Church—W. D. Bradford.
South Austin—J. W. Long.
St. Luke and Walnut—W. A. Dunn.
University—D. E. Hawk; B. M. Whaling, supernumerary.
Ward Memorial—F. A. White.
Eastrop Station—T. Morris.
Columbia Station—A. N. James.
Eagle Lake and Altair—J. E. Lovett.
Egin Station—C. Wilson.
Flanora Station—L. C. Lilly.
La Grange and Winchester—W. R. Keathley.
Liberty Hill and Leander—P. B. Summers.
McDade Circuit—S. J. Haysgood.
McDade Mission—To be supplied.
Manor Station—J. P. Garrett.
Pflugerville Mission—D. A. Ross.
Smithville Station—R. E. Duke.
Wagner Circuit—G. T. Gibbons.
Wardville Circuit—Eugene Parker.
West Point Mission—Roy G. Rader, supply.
Professor in S. W. University—H. L. Gray.

BEEVILLE DISTRICT.
A. L. Scarborough, Presiding Elder.
Alton—C. W. Godwin.
Aransas Pass and Rockport—E. Y. S. Hubbard.
Beville Station—G. M. Boyd.
Browsville—J. M. Perry.
Cal Allen and Bishop—A. T. White.
Corpus Christi—T. F. Sessions.
Falmouth and Promont—J. E. Morgan.
Floresville—A. W. Wilson.
Gold and Fossil—R. L. Pyle.
Hallinger—J. D. Dwyer.
Karnes City—W. A. Hart.
Kingsville—O. F. Hatfield.
Kowalev—V. E. Boman.
Luling—R. L. Pyle, supply.
Mission Station—J. N. Renfro.
McAllen—C. G. Hill.
Odessa—L. A. Albire.
Pharr and Mercedes—P. L. Brown, supply.
Robstown—W. M. McKimney, supply.
San Antonio—W. N. Vermeir, supply.
Sinton—W. N. Carl, supply.
Shimone—Will S. Boyd; G. E. Boyd, supernumerary.
Tall—R. C. Aubrey.
Agent of Epworth-by-the-Sea—V. G. Thomas.
Student in Central Institute—E. A. Hunter.
Conference Missionary—Eugene J. J. Frost.
Supernumerary—J. F. Pike.

CUERO DISTRICT.
J. M. Alexander, Presiding Elder.
Cuero Station—J. S. Bowles.
Edna Station—M. K. Ford.
El Campo Station—R. S. Pierce.
Garland and Lonsie—R. G. Finnamer.
Hallettsville Station—W. W. Carter.
Providence Circuit—A. T. Cooke.
Laverda Circuit—Wm. Nichols.
Levellille—J. A. Foster.
Midfield—To be supplied.
Nixon Station—W. L. Barr.
Nursery Circuit—R. B. Pascoe.
Palafox Station—D. A. Williams.
Pantora Circuit—J. P. Chambers.
Port Lavaca and Taylor—W. F. Weeks.
Port O'Connor—G. Z. Sadler, supply.
Rango Station—J. W. Rowland.
Rock Island Circuit—David A. Keane.
Shiner Circuit—Joseph Deas.
Snidley Circuit—E. G. Broust.
Stockdale Circuit—E. W. Meaton.
Victoria Station—J. E. Pottsacker.
Yukon Station—J. F. Wells.

LLANO DISTRICT.
J. D. Scott, Presiding Elder.
Bertram Circuit—A. B. Chapman.
Blanco—E. L. Edgar.
Branford—W. L. Brandon.
Center City—R. L. McIndry, supply.
Cherokee—C. H. Doak, supply.
Fredonia—M. P. Morton.
Goldthwaite Station—F. M. Jackson.
Goldthwaite Circuit—L. N. Walker, supply.
Johnson City—J. H. Clark.
Komper—R. H. Lovell.
Lampasa—J. W. Gagnier.
Llano Station—Robert Palmer.
Llano Circuit—T. R. Kottalla.
Luseta—W. B. Moon.
Massey—H. B. Ozmom.
Marble Falls Station—N. G. Ozmom.
Marble Falls Circuit—J. R. Robinson, supply.
Miller—R. D. Moon.
Rising Springs—J. T. H. Miller.
San Saba Station—H. E. Deaver.
Sea Salt Circuit—E. E. Thompson.
Principal Cherokee Junior College—E. H. Moss.

SAN ANGELO DISTRICT.
L. C. Matthis, Presiding Elder.
Brewster Circuit—T. King.
Circuit—To be supplied.
Edinburg—H. J. Broad.
Gardena City Circuit—J. S. Moore, supply.
Hatch—S. L. Hatch.
Lobo Circuit—N. E. Brazz.
Lubbock Circuit—J. L. Young, supply.
Mandalay Circuit—H. Maxwell.
Midland Station—F. B. Buchanan.
Miles Station—S. C. Dunn.
Ozona Station—R. S. Adair.
Paint Rock Circuit—E. Old.
Rowelle Circuit—S. M. Hill.
San Angelo: First Church—W. T. Reddy.
Chadbourne Street—S. J. Frank, supply.
San Angelo Circuit—T. M. Lane, supply.
Somora—J. D. Worrell.
Sterling City Circuit—J. T. Redmon.
Shenandoah Circuit—W. E. Wall, supply.
Water Valley Circuit—To be supplied.
President San Angelo Junior College—W. M. C. Kirkfeld.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.
S. H. C. Bargin, Presiding Elder.
San Antonio: Alamo—J. L. Pinnell.
Government Hill—A. E. Davison.
Laurel Heights—J. D. Young.
Prospect Hill—Z. V. Liles.
South Heights—C. R. Cross.
Tabernacle—S. E. Johnston.
Travis Park—V. A. Godley; J. W. Shoemaker, Junior Preacher.
West End—Thomas Gregory.
Bandera—A. Guyon.
Boerne—J. L. Lawrence.
Center Point—R. A. Walker.
Hansen Circuit—J. C. Bacon, supply.
Jordanian—J. D. McWhorter.
Kerrville Station—S. J. Drake.
Medina Circuit—Geo. L. Bran.
Potosi Circuit—A. C. Gentie, supply.
Pleasanton Circuit—R. A. Myers.
San Antonio Circuit—C. W. Rylander.
President S. A. Female College—J. E. Harrison.
Asse. Pres. S. A. Female College—J. T. Curry.

Asst. Sec. Board of Missions for Texas and New Mexico—A. J. Weeks.
Field Agent Int. Sunday School Association—V. A. Godley.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.
W. H. H. Biaz, P. E.
Belmont Circuit—W. D. Williamson.
Buda Circuit—J. A. Morgan.
Dripping Springs Circuit—D. W. Walker, supply.
Gonzales Station—Gaston Hartfield.
Harwood Circuit—W. B. Simmons, supply.
Kyle and Maxwell—F. A. Gimes.
Lockhart Station—J. G. Forester.
Luling—W. C. Nunn.
Manhaca—R. B. Ranold, supply.
Martindale Circuit—Lewis McVea.
San Marcos Station—E. H. Booth.
Zephyr Station—To be supplied.
Staples Circuit—Marion Williamson.
Wardner and Thompsonville—J. T. Fryer.
President Central Institute—Sterling Fisher.

UVALDE DISTRICT.
S. B. Boyd, P. E.
Batesville Circuit—Henry Brandon.
Carrizo and Asherton—C. E. Wheat.
Cattalia Station—J. M. Lyon.
Crydal City Station—M. J. Allen.
Oak Rio Station—W. Alldritten.
Delvine and Lytle—J. E. Brook.
Dilley Circuit—L. E. Booth.
Eagle Pass Station—J. W. Black.
Houba Station—M. L. Deby.
Larosa Station—T. N. Barlow.
Millet Circuit—W. B. Wilcox.
Moscow Circuit—L. E. B. Wilcox.
Pearsall Station—Theophilus Lee.
Rock Springs Circuit—To be supplied.
Sabinal Station—E. K. Swanson.
Uvalde Station—J. H. Groveslow.
Utopia—J. A. Fisher.

TRANSFERRED—G. F. Boyd to North Texas Conference; J. I. Kelley to North Texas Conference; J. P. Bishop to North Texas Conference; J. W. Howell to Southwest Missouri Conference; W. A. Youngman to Lowland Conference; C. W. Barton to Tennessee Conference.

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upon the conference to continue to give its aid, morally and financially, to the work at Georgetown. The speech was a great one viewed from every standpoint. It was great in its merit, in its spirit, in its delicate treatment of all the questions involved. The speaker had ample opportunity to sound a note of discord, but the note was not sounded. Its notes were all harmonious and their rhythm echoed sweetly and delightfully, and the general impression was that it was an eminently wise and effective speech and it gave to him the right of way to the hearts of all the brethren. Bishop Atkins followed with an excellent speech on the general aspects of the educational movement in the Church in Texas. It was a splendid survey of the present situation, and it met a hearty response. He stated that the Educational Commission, of which he is the Chairman, was in warm sympathy with the work at Southwestern University. He also presented the interests of the new movement, and spoke of the greatness awaiting the coming of the Southern Methodist University. The two addresses put the conference in a felicitous state of mind touching all matters related to our present educational status.

CONFERENCE NOTES.
H. G. H.
The last session of West Texas Conference held in San Marcos was November 1, 1899, Bishop Hargrove presiding.

At that time the quaint little brick church easily held everything.

From attendance on present session we miss many of the old local lay members: P. C. Woods, Dr. Davis, Uncle Billy Pitts, Dr. McKie and Mrs. Kone.

Their places are now filled by a band of strong young men and fine young women who are making San Marcos Methodism a great aggressive force.

Then Alanson Brown's family lived on the side of the hill and owned the ground on the top upon which now stands the massive Baptist Academy.

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The old cemetery in the heart of San Marcos still remains and it is difficult to tell what to do with it—unless to let it alone. The people of San Marcos have sacred sentiment as well as commercial and social progress.

Conferences have been held in this strong and growing Methodist city dating from November 30, 1870, first one, under Bishop Marvin.

Then again at San Marcos, October 16, 1875, under Bishop John C. Keener, whom Jefferson Davis pronounced one of the greatest men in America. All the Mexicans were with us then.

Then again at San Marcos, October,

1883, with Bishop Linus Parker.

Again in this city, October 28, 1891, Bishop Fitzgerald presiding. It seems the people here are always ready for conference and the preachers are always glad to come.

Time was when it was claimed there was a "San Marcos ring" in West Texas Conference—in the dim past—but the conference is now too large for rings.

From the counsels and proceedings of our body we miss that fine gentleman and choice spirit, Robert H. Belvin, whose last days were spent here.

We have some excellent notes of the West Texas Conference, written by "H. G. H.," which were unavoidably crowded out this week. They will appear in next week's issue.

- San Marcos District—First Round. Lockhart Sta., 7 p.m., Nov. 4. Harwood Cir., at Seawillow, 10 a.m., Nov. 6. Kyle & Maxwell, at Kyle, 3 p.m., Nov. 11. Manchaca Cir., at M., 3 p.m., Nov. 18. Buda Cir., at Buda, 9 a.m., Nov. 20. Belmont Cir., at Nixon, 3 p.m., Nov. 25. Luling Sta., at Luling, 10 a.m., Nov. 27. Wardler Cir., at Thompsonville, 3 p.m., Dec. 2. Gonzales Sta., 9 a.m., Dec. 11. Seguin Sta., 9 a.m., Dec. 18. Staples Cir., at Staples, 3 p.m., Dec. 25. Martindale Cir., at Ferriss, 10 a.m., Dec. 25. Dripping Springs Cir., at Dripping, 3 p.m., Dec. 30. San Marcos Sta., 7 p.m., Jan. 9. The District Stewards will meet at Lockhart Monday, Nov. 5, 7 p.m. W. H. H. BIGGS, P. E.

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