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✦ The Public Schools And Darwinism ✦

THE public school system is the pride of Texas and all citizens who believe in general education support it with great unanimity. It is one of the great bulwarks of intelligence and its tuition is going a long way to give children the benefit of mental training. Intelligence is one of the fundamental qualifications of good citizenship, and when that intelligence is associated with good morals then the country is safe.

Such is our devotion to our public school system that it is very rare we find anything in connection with it worthy of serious criticism. And the exception now under consideration is not so much with the system as it is with those who make it their business to supervise the public schools and to select books for their course of study. And just at this point we are forced to raise an urgent objection, and we do it in behalf of thousands of children of Christian people who patronize and support the public schools.

It is in the province of public schools to teach general religious truth and good moral principles, but it is not their province to inject into their curriculum any sectarian book, touching the tenets of any particular denomination; and were our public schools to do such a thing we would be among the first to rise up and condemn the practice. It is the province of the home and of the Church to attend to matters of this character.

But, on the other hand, it is not the province of the public school to put into their courses of study any book antagonistic to religion, much less a book teaching or countenancing a system of speculation contrary to the Scriptures. And this is being done by our public schools. We refer to the text book on Physical Geography, of which R. S. Tarr is the author. By reference to page 369, paragraph 243, we have this language: "Early man. The origin of man is unknown, although scientists generally agree that he has developed, by the process of evolution, from some high form of animal. This belief is based upon the close resemblance between the body of man and ape, and receives support from the fact that, in habits and mode of living, some savages are little above animals. But even the least civilized men have powers that no animal possesses, while civilized man is so far above the highest animal that some people believe it impossible that he is a descendant of an animal."

True, the paragraph quoted pretends to give both sides of the question in so far as it deals with the origin of man; but it takes particular pains to give the whole advantage to the Darwinian theory of evolution. It tells what "scientists think" on the subject, and over and against this, it tells what "some people" believe on the same question. Now, as a matter of fact, Mr. Darwin himself never accepted the

theory of man's descent from lower animal as a fact established by science. He assumed it as a theory and used it only as a working basis in his pursuit of the question. He gave up his quest for the "missing link" as a hopeless task, and the world of science has gone no further in its efforts to supply the unknown quantity in the equation than did Mr. Darwin. The whole theory is a system of plausible speculation without any accepted facts of science to support it. Neither is it true, as this book assumes, that "scientists generally" accept the theory of man's evolution from the "ape" family.

At most it is only a vague theory, supported by speculative investigation, but if it were even more largely established by assumed facts, it would not make it true as a scientific formula. And to take up a vague theory, exploded by some of the best scientists of modern times, and make it a part of the text book on physical geography to be studied by the formative minds of children, is utterly without excuse, and introduces into their thinking a subtle element of skepticism right in the inception of their mental training. It puts them in direct antagonism with the accepted teachings of God's Word, as believed and followed by multiplied thousands of Christian people. It gives to them an unsupported theory as against the plain statements of the Bible.

Furthermore, it gives them a false and ridiculous idea of their origin, and puts them into direct kinship with the ape, an animal unworthy, in any sense, to be associated with man who is made in the image of God and endowed with immortality. We disavow any such relationship and scorn any man-developed theory that affirms it. It is contrary to much that is labeled science, it is an insult to human merit, and a gross reflection upon God's supremest work of creation. Where is the Christian father and mother who want their child taught that he or she descended from a miserable monkey? Yet, this book, contrary to Christian teaching, is in the course of study in our public school system for this very result. We enter our solemn protest against such an outrage, and we ask those in authority to eliminate that rot from this text book, or to take the book altogether out of the course.

And we do this not as an ignoramus. We have all of Mr. Darwin's books in our library; also Mr. Huxley, Mr. Spencer and the rest of them, and we know what they teach. Yes, and we have others just as reliable and we are familiar with them. But aside from all these, we know what God's Word teaches on the subject and this has more weight with us than all the books originated by the wisdom of men. And until the scientists can give us something based upon undisputed facts touching this question, we want their idle speculation kept out of the hands of impressible childhood. The public schools have no right

to impose such dreams upon our children. We put them in these institutions for a different purpose altogether. We have science enough, established upon rational and supported facts, for our children to study, and it is not necessary to drag their youthful minds through the vague theories of skeptical scientists. And when those who make up the course of study for our children force such a book upon them, regardless of our wish in the matter, they are going beyond their province, and if

they persist in it they will justify the opposition of the Roman Catholic Church to our public school system. At present the public school system is in favor with Protestant Christian people, and we see no good reasons for raising objection to its enlargement and perpetuity as a system of mental training. From our point of view it is time to call a halt and to stop the encroachment of skepticism upon the course of study as taught our children in the public schools.

The New York Christian Advocate And The New Baptist Bible

SOMETIME ago we passed judgment on the new Baptist Bible, and the Baptist papers came back at us defending that revised Bible, and among other things one of them quoted what purported to be an editorial paragraph from the New York Christian Advocate supporting the contention that the Baptist Bible is all right. We were unable to lay our hand at the time on any copy of the New York Advocate containing the exact quotation as given, and we wrote to Dr. George P. Eckman, the distinguished editor, inclosing him the quotation and asking him if it was correct. We now have his reply, and he says: "I enclose herewith the only thing I have ever said in the Christian Advocate about the Baptist Bible. You will observe that it is quite at variance with my alleged editorial. I wish you would correct the blunder if it is doing any harm."

We quote the "blunder" from our confrere, as follows:

Out of the din of prejudice and bigotry, it is real refreshing to read the following broad-minded and scholarly editorial in the "New York Christian Advocate," (Methodist). The "N. Y. Christian Advocate" is a Methodist journal of the very first water, and is perhaps the leading weekly published by that denomination. It says of the "Baptist Bible":

"It is a careful and conscientious revision. The changes introduced are such as to commend them to all sincere lovers of the Word of God in its purity. * * * We are sorry to see in some quarters an undue jealousy of what is thought to be a denominational bias in this enterprise, suffered to affect the sentiment and language of the Christian community in their judgment of this enterprise. * * * It is our settled conviction that there was never undertaken in any age a version in any language that has so many marks of care and accuracy, whether in the text selected or in the renderings themselves, or that, on the whole, betrays so few traces of traditional or ecclesiastical errors as this."

This is what was quoted from the New York Advocate by the Baptist paper; and below we give the exact editorial paragraph, to which Dr. Eckman refers, as his only "editorial utterance on the Baptist Bible":

An Improved Bible.

December 12, 1912.

After much serious and scholarly work

a new revision of the English Bible has been produced by the Baptists. A more careful examination of this work than is intended here may be presented later. It is enough now to note that the number of radical changes made is very inconsiderable. The secretary of the Baptist Publication Society declares that the revisers "have aimed, so far as it was consistent with strict interpretation of the thought, to eliminate obsolete Elizabethan words and replace them with those in general modern use."

Like several other revisions of the Bible, the chief value of this one is that it will serve as a commentary in the hands of persons not acquainted with the original tongues from which the Bible is translated. That it will have any large effect upon the diction of pulpit prayers or religious phraseology in general, a result which some of its advocates predict, is hardly to be believed. There is a delicate beauty and charm about many of the archaic expressions of the King James Version which will always tend to make it influential in molding the speech of preachers, just as there is a widespread disposition to cling to the settled forms of a liturgy hallowed by long years of use, however awkwardly it may be suited to modern ideas.

Victor Hugo in his old age, well said: "When I go down to the grave I can say, like so many others, I have finished my day's work, but I cannot say that I have finished my life. My day's work will begin the next morning. My tomb is not a blind alley, it is a thoroughfare; it closes with the twilight to open with the dawn."

Money is not the end of life, as many people seem to think. It ought to be only a means to a higher and better equipped life. He who makes it the end of life's effort, becomes its slave and it hardens him and makes him selfish. It is a fearful tyrant as a task master. But as a means to a noble end it can be made a wonderful element in life's greatest endeavors.

If a man's religion is all of the head he will be inclined to a perfunctory course of conduct, cold and rationalistic; if his religion is all of the heart he will be wild, enthusiastic and full of fanaticism. It takes good sense and good motives and good impulses to make a real good case of religion. The head and the heart combined produce good results.

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empire.—Decline and Fall, chapter XVI, toward the close. Grotius, to whom he refers, states that the number of Dutch martyrs exceeded 100,000; Sarpi reduces the number to 50,000. Alva himself boasted that during his six years' rule as the agent of Philip II, he had caused 18,000 persons to be executed, but this does not include the much larger of those who perished by siege, battle and in prisons. At the sack of Haarlem, 300 citizens, tied two and two and back to back, were thrown into a lake, and at Zeutphen 500 more, in the same manner, were drowned in the Yssel. Motley, Rise of the Dutch Republic, Vol. 2, page 504: "The barbarities committed amid the sack and ruin of those blazing and starving cities are almost beyond belief; unborn infants were torn from the living bodies of their mothers; women and children were violated by the thousands; and whole populations burned and hacked to pieces by soldiers in every mode which cruelty in its wanton ingenuity could devise."

"The horrible massacre of St. Bartholomew (Aug. 24, 1572) was sanctioned by Pope Gregory XIII, who celebrated it by public thanksgiving, and with a medal bearing his image, an avenging angel and the inscription, 'Egonottorum strages. The number of victims of massacre in Paris and throughout France is variously stated from 10,000 to 100,000; De Thou and Ranke give 20,000 as the most moderate estimate (2000 in Paris). Roman Catholic writers defend the Pope on the ground of ignorance; but he had abundant time to secure full information from his nuncio and others before the medals were struck. It is said that Philip II of Spain, for the first time in his life, laughed aloud when he heard of the massacre."

"The infamous dragonnades of Louis XIV were a continuation of the same politico-ecclesiastical policy on a larger scale, aiming at the complete destruction of Protestantism in France, in violation of the solemn edict of his grandfather (1598, revoked 1685), and met the full approval of the Roman clergy, including Bishop Bossuet, the advocate of Gallican liberties."

"The most cruel of the many persecutions of the innocent Waldenses in the valleys of Piedmont took place in 1655, and shocked by its boundless violence the whole Protestant world, calling forth the vigorous protest of Cromwell and inspired the famous sonnet of Milton, his foreign secretary: 'Avenge, O Lord, thy slaughtered saints.'"

"These persecutions form the darkest, we may say, the satanic chapters in Church history, and are a greater crime against humanity and Christianity than all the heresies which they in vain tried to eradicate."—Schaff, Vol. VI, pp. 56-57.

I have in my possession now an article denying responsibility for these atrocities and charging them against the civil power. That is subterfuge and presumes upon the ignorance of Protestants. Rome dominated the civil power. Rome never repented of these atrocities, but on the contrary sanctioned and applauded them. She never denied responsibility then; it is too late to deny responsibility now. What Rome has written she has written. She has made her bloody bed; let her lie on it.

This is the Rome of history. What is she today? Doubtless there are those among you who say all that is in the past, and we ought to forgive and forget. I am willing to forgive and forget when the spots of the leopard change. But there is no indication of change. I must call your attention to the fact that the motto of Rome is "Semper idem" (always the same).

Does the Church still hold to the doctrine of papal infallibility? She does. In the Western Catholic, issue August 8, 1913, in answer to a question in the "Question Box," M. J. Foley, priest and editor, says: "No Pope has ever erred in the exercise of his office as Supreme Teacher of the Universal Church, defining revealed truth. Whatever the private life of any Pope may have been, it does not affect the validity of his official acts, hence does not affect the Church's doctrine."

Does she still teach that the priest can forgive sins? She does. The same paper, issue of April 19, 1913, in the "Question Box," same editor, says: "He can forgive sins."

Does the Church still teach that the Bible is not a rule of faith? She does. The same paper, issue June 12, 1913, in the "Question Box," same editor, says: "The Bible is not now, and never was, a rule of faith."

tians who venerated images of our Lord, the Blessed Virgin and the saints, were guilty of idolatry. In order to prevent idolatry, they destroyed images, paintings and other representations of Christ, the Blessed Virgin and the saints. Twice in its history the Church resisted the iconoclast movement; at Nicæa in 787, and at Trent in 1563."

Is the Church still intolerant? Let me give some quotations from them: (a). The Pittsburg Observer, January 9, 1913, speaking of a woman who "was brought up in the Catholic faith and trained in the parochial school, but who married a Protestant, left the Church, joined a Protestant Church, and is raising her family Protestants," says: "The harlot or drunken woman is a model of virtue compared to her," etc.

(b). The Western Watchman, October 17, 1912, says: "We admit there is a real menace in 'Romanism.' We have always maintained that Protestantism is a mild form of insanity, as witness the Baptists. When the world gets sufficiently enlightened under influence of Catholic education to attempt the elimination of this madness, many people may find themselves behind madhouse bars, who are now editing newspapers."

(c). The Western Catholic, June 20, 1913, speaking of the Menace, says: "The gallows is too good for the publishers and circulators of this filthy menace to morals and to the peace of neighbors. They ought to be put out of their devilish business and the decent people of this country can put them out and keep them out. We Catholics helped to make this country free and are doing something to keep it free and decent, but we can do more. The continuance of such publications as 'The Menace' is a disgrace to Americans and if Catholics do not endeavor to stop it they will fail in their duty as Americans, as Catholics, as men."

(d). The Western Catholic, April 11, 1913, says: "The Public High School teachers of Wichita, Kansas, celebrated the opening of their social building by a banquet on last Good Friday! For shame! Why, the ignorant soldiers gambling on Calvary's heights for the garments of the dying Savior were gentlemen compared to these modern pagans. Shame! Infamy! Alas for Kansas! Alas for the children of Wichita who must be educated by such libels on our common humanity!"

(e). The Twelfth Annual National Convention of Catholics, held at Milwaukee August 10-13, 1913, among other resolutions adopted the following:

"We protest against the action of a portion of the daily press and other secular organs in giving prominent space to the slanderous reports applied by the anti-Catholic and anti-religious press agencies of Europe and elsewhere on Catholic matters. Therefore, until such time as we can secure a daily press animated by Catholic principles we call upon all Catholics to make prompt and vigorous protest to editors and owners against every such offense; and should oral or written protests prove ineffective, to withdraw their support from all papers and magazines which persist in insulting our Church."

(f). The Chronicle, March, 1913, says: "Pius IX issued an encyclical in 1864—and this is not medieval history and a pronouncement of the dark ages—in which that distinguished Christian says: 'We must again and again mention and condemn the most grievous error which is entertained by some Catholics who think that heretics (Protestants) who live far from the true faith and Catholic unity, may arrive at eternal life. The opinion is absolutely contrary to Catholic doctrine.'"

(g). The Western Catholic, August 1, 1913, says: "Non-Catholic mothers are murdering Protestantism. How? By refusing to bear children! In order to save tottering Protestantism those 'childless' women are endeavoring, and sometimes with success, to steal Catholic children, rob them of their divine faith, and raise them Protestants—thus postponing, for a time, the final dissolution of the sects—a dissolution that will be all the more terrible because of the tears and the grief and the heartaches of outraged Catholic parents."

(h). The Western Catholic, July 25, 1913, in answer to the question, "What must a Catholic do who has married a Protestant before a justice of the peace, if he wishes to receive Sacraments?" says: "He is not married at all and he must go to his pastor to have his marriage rectified." In May 16, 1913, issue of the same paper, we find this on the same subject: "If you have married out of the Church since April 19, 1908, your marriage is certainly invalid; you are simply living in sin;

you are not married at all, and this is the case whether your partner be a Catholic or a Protestant."

In other words, my dear Protestant friends, all who are not married before a priest of Rome are living in open adultery and the children born of that relation are bastards, is the doctrine of the Catholic Church! Yet in spite of this imputation against the virginity of our wives and mothers, we go on supporting with our money the slanderous and blasphemous institution that teaches it and send our children to be brought up under the influence of her schools.

(i). The Western Catholic, August 29, 1913, in reply to the question, "If a social or other entertainment is given for a non-Catholic Church and the proceeds are to be applied to the support of that Church, is a Catholic allowed to take tickets and attend?" says:

"Jesus Christ founded only one Church which He called His own; therefore, it is wrong for any Catholic to help support any Church other than that Church founded by Jesus Christ," etc.

Protestant money in large measure has built the churches, hospitals and schools of the Catholics in this country, but not one penny are the Catholics allowed to put into Protestant Churches and institutions. The Catholics have just organized a Church here, and I doubt not that the "sisters" will soon be padding the streets begging for funds to build a "mother church." I have no objection to their building and worshiping here as they please, but I do resent the unmitigated "gall" displayed when they come holding out their begging palms to us.

(j). Rome still holds "the principle of persecution in connection with her doctrine that there is no salvation outside of her bosom," and in these United States today she is still employing the boycott, suppression of the press and murder as the weapons of her persecution against those who dare to lift their voices in defense of the faith of our fathers.

On the evening of June 12, Rev. J. Crowley, an ex-priest of the Catholic Church, by invitation of the Guardians of Liberty, of Oelwein, Iowa, spoke at the opera house in that city, subject, "Rome's Real Attitude Toward Public Schools." At the close of the lecture he was attacked by a Roman Catholic mob just as he was entering the door of the Mealey Hotel and struck over the head by a piece of gas pipe, while women in the crowd shouted, "Kill him!" "Cut out his heart!" "Send a dagger through him!" On the evening of June 17, Rev. Wallace Sharp, pastor First North Side Christian Church, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, was scheduled to deliver an address, subject, "Martin Luther and the Reformation." Infuriated Roman Catholics stormed the hall and attempted to break up the meeting.

In the Texas Baptist Standard of July 24, is given an account of a "murderous attack" on Rev. W. H. Granger, a Baptist preacher of Skidmore, Texas, in consequence of a series of anti-Catholic sermons. "The assailant struck the preacher a terrific blow in the face, inflicting two cuts on the nose," then drew his revolver to complete his dastardly work, when he was disarmed by bystanders.

I mention these things to show you the present spirit of Rome. She is still intolerant. She would still murder the heretics. Yet the associated press, so far as I could find, carried no line of these atrocities. Why? Because Rome has the press muzzled with her "boycott."

Is Rome still the harlot that she was in the days of Luther? Let ex-Priest Jeremiah J. Crowley say. In a signed statement given out August 23, 1913, he says among many other things:

"Diabolism is just the word for the system's dark and dire activities, vouched for in documents solemnly signed by a score of priests, all at the time holding responsible and representative positions. These documents are on file at the Vatican itself. Certified copies were deposited, also, with the Apostolic Delegation, Washington, D. C. Many of these papers form court records in the State of Illinois. Several Archbishops and Bishops were, likewise, kept fully informed of their contents."

"These papers disclose, set forth, expose and establish a condition of things in American episcopal life as darksome, wicked and depraved as might the most forbidding epochs of the Middle Ages. They demonstrate a state of present-day priestly degradation that would bring blush of shame to the pagan priesthoods of antiquity in the very blackest periods of Greece and Rome."

To this the Roman clergy make no reply but to heap upon Crowley vituperation and abuse. The Western Catholic, issue July 11, says:

"Poor fallen Crowley! We used to pity you, but now we despise you." Concerning this man Crowley I ad-



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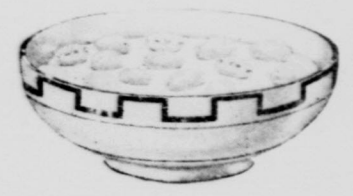
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Notes From the Field

Plainview Mission.

We held four meetings on this charge during the summer. In my first meeting at Halfway, Rev. Geo. F. Fair, a superannuated preacher of the Northwest Texas Conference, did the most of the preaching. Brother Fair has been out of the regular work for several years, but this by no means cripples his preaching. He preaches with clearness and with power. His work is of that type which endures when he is gone. Two of my meetings I held myself. In the last meeting of the season, Rev. Z. R. Fee, the pastor of the Silverton Circuit, did the preaching. He preached splendidly during the eight days of the meeting. The Church was greatly revived and there were seventeen conversions. Splendid personal work was done during the meeting. As to the work of the year, we have received into the Church nineteen members, baptized five infants and two adults. The conference claims have been duly looked after and we hope to make a good report on this line at conference this fall.—Jas. T. Ross.

Bartonsite.

Results to date on this charge, in many respects, have been very gratifying while in others not so encouraging. Began the year with only one Sunday School and now we have four. Enrollments are small, of course, in this sparsely settled country. Notwithstanding the lack of inspiration growing out of large crowds, they continue doing good work, not despising "the day of small things." Our season of revivals brought twenty-eight souls into the Kingdom of God, and joy to many hearts and homes. The Church was greatly revived and her step much enlivened. Rev. J. T. Ross, a young theologian from Seth Ward College, assisted in one meeting. At one place a prayermeeting was established and promises well. We have a net increase of twenty-nine to our membership. Our records show about sixty per cent collected on conference claims and forty per cent on salary; balance on claims duly provided for, and the Board of Stewards feel very sure of paying every dollar on salary. We are now on the home run for conference and hope to land safely with both feet. This we will do in good style if we pick ourselves up like men of faith and address ourselves to our yet unfinished task. Have not reached the 100 per cent subscription to the Texas Christian Advocate, but aim that way.—D. C. Ross.

Artesia, N. M.

Just closed last Sunday night a great meeting, with the aid of Bro. R. H. H. Burnett so well known throughout Texas. This meeting was a great blessing to the religious forces of Artesia, and resulted in twenty-five additions to our own Church, and several to the other Churches. Our new church building was not quite completed, so we used a tent, and for two weeks Brother Burnett preached great sermons to ever-increasing crowds. Many in Texas will be glad to know that this very useful man is still with us, and while not as strong as in other days, he preaches the gospel with its old-time power. Many of his sermons will rank with the best I ever heard, measured from any point of view. His sermon on Sunday morning on John 3:16 made us feel that the days of Munsey had returned. In spite of many hindrances, the meeting was a great success. Bro. J. C. Gage, the pastor of Methodism in these parts, was also with us, and helped much in the meeting. This has been a very hard year in this section, but in the face of manifold difficulties I go to Albuquerque on October 15 with a full report, perhaps the best I have made, all things considered, in the twenty-two years.—Ellis Smith.

Crowell.

We are now nearing the end of the year and will soon be on the way up to Conference. The year has been largely uneventful in Church circles, not only with us Methodists, but with others as well. No one of us has had really a successful meeting this year. The Methodists had a District Conference in the spring, and the Baptists had an association in the summer. Some modest attempts have been made in the way of protracted meetings, but no marked success has been recorded. We believe, however, that some growth has been attained in the general life-tone of

all our people. Crowell will compare most favorably with other towns in the line of Sunday Schools and in her church-going habits. With particular reference to the Methodists, I would say that we clearly lead in wealth, numbers and in influence. We have the best choir in West Texas, the two leading music teachers being members of the Methodist Church, besides having a most capable soprano leader, and those dependable for special music at the call of the pastor. Our Church building is old, but we have in the infant classroom an organ and in the auditorium a splendid new piano put in this year. The outlook is good now for a wheat crop, there being a large acreage already sown and a fine season in the land. Should we realize a good crop next year I am quite confident we will build a new church. We built last year a most excellent brick school building, and three years ago our new and commodious courthouse was erected, which is a real beauty. In fact all the buildings recently constructed have been of the most up-to-date design. We can refer with pride to our public school, which cannot be surpassed in this portion of the State. The superintendent and the next two higher grade teachers are members of the Methodist Church, and all the teachers are of good moral character. We rejoice in the products of our music school, feeling that in this line we go just a little in advance of other towns in the West. Two of our teachers, already more than ordinarily proficient, went away, one to Sherman, Texas, and the other to Chicago, Ill., for special courses in music this season. We boast of having the best county newspaper in the Panhandle—also the property of a public-spirited man and Methodist. This is one newspaper plant in a modest sized town that makes its proprietor a good living and some more. Crowell has never had a saloon, and we voted the pool hall out of business today, and thus we are free from that, though quiet, yet undesirable place of business. Ford County lying between Pease River on the north and Wichita on the south, has a variety of soils, though dark, heavy land prevails and is well adapted to wheat and maize, though produces other crops in fair yield when seasonable with rain. Our products are well known at the State Fair, our exhibits having been awarded prizes for excellence in the exhibition at Dallas. But we forbear lest you think we are seeking to take you away from your old homestead, which is not our purpose. We only wanted you to know of the promise this country gives to the morrow. We have helped quite well in Southern Methodist University. More next year.—George J. Irvin.

Humble.

After two very successful years on Alba Circuit the last of which I received one hundred and thirteen people into the Church and raised conference collections for first time in history of the charge and received a good salary, Bishop Mouzon sent me to Humble. Our reception was good enough for anybody and the folks have been kind to us up to this good hour; we have never been treated better in a material way. We have held two meetings, one in our Church in town and one out on the oil field one mile away. Rev. L. B. Saxon helped us in both meetings and that means we had good help. Saxon is one of the best practical Gospel preachers we have among the young men of our conference. I have had him in three meetings since I have been a pastor and I have not had better help; he has a hold on my people; they always welcome him back, and last week they went out from town to hear him preach again. I am following good men as I always have done and always expect to follow good men as long as I am an itinerant preacher. I believe in Methodist preachers. We have problems to solve down here as in all oil field towns that we don't have in regular established and well organized charges. We have had a very good year considering oil field town conditions.—John B. Bell, Sept. 29.

Bovina Circuit.

Last Sunday, Sept. 14, was a red letter day at Bovina. Our fourth Quarterly Conference was held on Saturday, Sept. 13. Rev. O. P. Kiker, our faithful and efficient presiding elder, was on hand looking after all the interests of the Church. A good attendance from the other points of the charge were present. On Sunday, Sept. 14, our splendid church was dedicated at 11 a. m. Dr. Geo. S. Slover preached a very fine and helpful ser-

mon, his subject was "Life," after which Brother Kiker pronounced the sentence of dedication. There was no debt on the property, hence there was no collection except for incidentals. We have had only sixteen members at Bovina until recently, but as faithful a little band as can be found anywhere. They paid for the house as they built it, without any help from the Board of Church Extension. They also paid all their assessments for preachers' salary and conference collections in full at the fourth Quarterly Conference, two months before the Annual Conference. They have paid altogether this year a little more than \$600, that amounts to nearly forty dollars each. Now, if you know of a Church that beats that I would like to see them, especially when we consider that none of them are wealthy. After the 11 o'clock services a bountiful dinner was spread of which all partook freely. Then at 3 p. m. Brother Kiker preached a splendid sermon. His subject was "Power," and at 8 p. m. Dr. Slover preached again from Matt. 6:33, at the close of which three persons put themselves on the altar for God's service. We had a considerable turnout from Farwell, Texas, and from Texico, New Mexico, also letters of congratulation from the following brethren who have been pastors at Bovina: J. A. Sweeney, who was pastor when the building was begun also V. H. Trammell and C. L. McDonnald. All in all it was a very helpful service.—H. K. Monroe.

Coahoma.

This has been a hard and busy year with us on the Coahoma Charge. I was not able to preach for three months after our Annual Conference. I swam the pool of etherence. I swam the pool of ether treatment of physicians. We have had many difficulties in our meetings to overcome, but have succeeded in securing victories. At New Hope we had seven conversions and only two additions, at R-Bar, five conversions and two additions; at Sateen, five conversions and ten additions; at Vincent, four conversions and few additions, and Rev. C. Bruce, mediator, was with us here. We had two conversions. I assisted Rev. W. C. Hart at Gail in his meeting and I held a meeting at Arapaho, Oklahoma, the last of August, for Rev. C. R. Brewer, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. While crops with us are short, yet prices are good and we are hopeful that we shall clear the deck and come out with colors flying. There are some noble members in this charge.—M. D. Hill, P. C.

Bagwell.

We have just closed our meeting at Bagwell, which was a grand success. We had between sixty-five and seventy conversions and reclamations. Thirty-six joined the Methodist, fifteen went to the Baptist, two to the Presbyterian, and one wanted to join the Campbellites. People young and old got religion and shouted in the old Methodist way. But the most good that was done, probably, was the revival of the Church. Old gray-haired men did personal work, that had never done so before. Brother J. R. Atchley did the preaching for us, and he did it well. Any child could understand him. He is plain, practical, pointed, safe and sound in his theology. We labored against great difficulties at the beginning. One Methodist and one Baptist came out and built an arbor, about large enough to whip a cat under, but not near high enough. The P. C. got in his buggy and drove twenty-two miles and gathered up lights for the meeting and then helped raise the arbor. When everything was in readiness, "the man of God cut down a stick and cast it in thither, and the iron did swim." Now, I can hear it whispered, "Our church must be painted." We go to Albion the second Sunday in October, which will close our meetings for the year. The Lord has greatly blessed us in our meetings this summer, and I am praying that He will give us a great revival at Albion. Brethren, pray for us.—J. W. Brown, P. C.

De Kalb and New Boston.

We have had good meetings at New Boston and De Kalb. We co-operated with the Baptists and Presbyterians and engaged Rev. Thos. A. Rockett, a Presbyterian Evangelist from Winnboro, to do the preaching. He began at New Boston the third Sunday in August and for two weeks bombarded the devil's citadel of worldliness in the Church. It was a hard fight, but the enemy finally capitulated, and we had a great victory, resulting in seven additions and a number of conversions and reclamations in the Church, and about the same visible results to the Baptist Church. There were also a number of reclamations in the Presbyterian Church. The fight was a little harder at De Kalb, as cards and dancing were strongly entrenched in the Churches there, but we won the fight after a siege of more than three weeks. Quite a number agreed to give up card playing and dancing after



The above is a picture of Brother and Sister J. A. Burrows, of Bonita, Texas. The Advocate has been a constant visitor to their home since 1870, the year they came to Texas. Sister Burrows holds in her hand the Christian Advocate and Brother Burrows the Bible. Brother Burrows' father was a subscriber for a Methodist paper when he was a boy at home, he himself taking the St. Louis Advocate before coming to Texas. So he has been a reader of a Methodist paper all his life. It is needless to say that he is one of the faithful men of Bonita Church, for all will know this from the above record.

making public acknowledgment of their sins. We have had four accessions to our Church there, with others to follow; but we feel that the greatest good was done inside the Church. We believe that Brother Rockett's preaching was very far-reaching in its results, and its influence will be felt for years to come. He is bold and fearless in his denunciation of sin, and often gives offense to the worldly-minded, but they usually return to hear him through and when they do they are sure to be benefited by his preaching. We are sending the Advocate a picture of our new church at De Kalb. This building was enterprised by our predecessor, Bro. A. T. Walker, and a subscription was raised, but no work was done until we came and took the matter up. The cost is about \$5000 furnished. It has the most beautiful interior of any church of its size I ever saw. It has four Sunday School rooms.—John W. Goodwin, P. C.

Graford.

Rev. C. S. Huckabee came to Graford this year and conducted the greatest revival that ever came our way. His son, Prof. Ira Huckabee and wife, conducted the singing. This evangelistic band is a power. The songs Bro. Ira sang are sung by all classes of people as they go about the highways and in the fields. Brother Huckabee's great gospel sermons are in our hearts and cheer us today. The revival is here yet. Thank God.—B. S. Crow.

Troy Circuit.

Troy Circuit is affiliated with the Georgetown District which in turn is affiliated with the Central Texas Conference and every connectional connection is intact, wires up and phones in good order. Every call this year from the Central Office of our great connectionalism has been heard and readily responded to. Telegrams and letters from the Bishops, Educational Commissioners, elders and all have given commands and we have obeyed immediately. Bishop Mouzon wired us to raise two hundred dollars more for S. M. U., and in two days we wired back it is provided in "glit-edge" notes as per your request (Pendleton did it). Troy had already met Brother Young in a private way, public service being rained out, got something like a thousand dollars. Then "Niek" sat on bank of creek at Waco and at odd times when he wasn't running his trotline for thousand dollar suckers, he would drop his minnow hook over here and catch fifty dollars out of P. C.'s pocket, string it on with his big fish to make 'em look bigger and little ones "littler." When it comes to getting the Lord's

own coin to carry forward his work "Niek" displays "fishop-timber"—see. Now where am I? I started to say, Troy Circuit is made up of three little towns, Troy, Pendleton and Oenaville, a nice three-legged stool, made of good timber, Harwell is the oldest piece in it and heads the Board of Stewards at Oenaville, commanding a ore, Lou Logan and Matthews, and they obey their general's orders, as reports show and will shine at Temple. Dr. Whigham keeps the stewards at Pendleton in good healthy working order, so much so, that Dusk, Carpenter and Neal run away with the finance and paid the P. C.'s salary ahead of the quarterlies. Chas. Meyers and Thos. Cranfor ("no truer Romans") though made up of pure German and Irish blood, along with Dr. Ellis, Gill and Robinson will come in on the home stretch at our annual and tell the pastor to say "Bishop, everything is up in full." The year has been a great one in many respects: some I'll mention. We had a great meeting at all three Churches. At Pendleton twenty additions and seven children baptized; at Oenaville fourteen additions and seventeen children baptized. Brother Preacher, if you can beat that record (seventeen babies at once) baptized, then speak out, and send the Advocate your picture and a writeup. At Troy twenty additions and four children baptized. Now, whatever may be lacking in this present generation of Methodists, you

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see we are raising up another, and begin aright by dedicating them to God in infancy. Bros. Evans and Clower helped me in my meetings this year and they were good help—just good enough. The help was mutual, in return we remunerated these school boys to the amount of \$262.50. I might say more about the boys and the work and the workers but this article is growing too long, so will bow down and out and promise not to infringe on your valuable space often.—N. E. Gardner, P. C.

Tehuacana and Frio Town.

Brother Morgan of Dilley and Millett claiming the banner in Uvalde District. Read this and see. We have had the same good presiding elder, Brother S. B. Beall. All the collections in full, salaries in full, and \$3000 for Southern Methodist University. Just count the cash for this year and we have the round sum of \$26 per capita. We had a good meeting, Miss Rosa Brack doing the leading in song. She is superlative. Have had twenty-eight additions to date. We have more Sunday School pupils than we have Church members. Yesterday we had the largest attendance of the year, and nothing special on either. I have yet to serve a better class of folk. We have increased the number of Advocates about one-third. All but few of the homes have this great paper in them now. We are pressing the battle and expecting the victory on many lines. To God be the praise and glory forever.—J. A. Pledger.

Megargel Mission.

We have closed our revival campaign on Megargel Mission and the Lord has wonderfully blessed our labors. Here at Megargel we had about fifty conversions and reclamations, and twenty-eight additions to the Church. We have had good revivals at all points on the charge. We did all the preaching and the results were one hundred conversions and ninety additions to the Church. The good people of Megargel gave us eighty dollars free-will offering and Lone Oak gave fifty, which was duly appreciated. We serve a fine people. Our short stay among them has been very pleasant, indeed. They don't do things by halves. They have built a nice church at Megargel and the Home Mission Society has installed a nice Epworth organ, and a gas chandelier. Our Sunday School is progressing nicely under the management of our efficient superintendent, E. A. Spradlin. We have about seventy-five enrolled, have good attendance and great interest. The prospect for closing out a successful year financially is fine. We hope to be able to report everything in full. We feel that God has indeed been good to us this year. Pray for us that this year and the years to follow may be years of successful work in the vineyard of the Master.—Arthur Wall, P. C.

Gatesville Circuit.

We have been making some progress here. Had good meetings at Winfield Chapel, Fort Gates and Coryell. At the first place the pastor did all the preaching and people say it was the best meeting in years. Father helped me at Fort Gates and the whole Sawyer's delegation encamped there. The good people kept us abundantly supplied with horse-feed and all sorts of esculents. We certainly appreciated their kindness. At Coryell, Brother Mayhew, of Clifton, assisted me. He is a forceful preacher and as good a revivalist as I ever had. The crowds were the largest and the meeting the best Coryell has had in a long time. To our regret, untoward conditions prevented meetings being held at Rowland Chapel and Leon Junction. Bro. E. V. Cox, of Temple, rendered me a fine service at Leon Junction by conducting a doctrinal institute. In spite of perverse weather, large crowds attended these services. Brother Cox is strong in the presentation of the salient doctrines of Methodism, and earnest and devout in his Christian experience. We have appointed our Missionary Committees. We must pay out on the benevolences. All you committees of the Gatesville Circuit, get busy. All your members, respond liberally. Don't contribute only a dollar, where you can and ought to put down ten. You owe the Lord a tenth, all over you may consider a gift. The Winfield Chapel committee is busy at work and has their amount almost subscribed and a great deal paid in. The Coryell committee, so far as I have heard is at work. The others I have not heard from, but am sure they are active. Who will bring up the best report? The people have been exceedingly kind to me and I shall shed no tears if I am sent to labor among them another year. Under Brother Vaughan's energetic administration the district has enjoyed unexampled prosperity. He has been a father to his preachers. Inexorable



M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, DE KALB, TEXAS—REV. JNO. W. GOODWIN, Pastor.

statute removes him this year. We almost wish the Northern law were in vogue.—L. B. Sawyers.

A DEAF MUTE WRITES.

To the Members of the Mission Board of the Central Texas Conference: Rev. L. Blackstone, whose letter appears in this issue of the Advocate, is a member of my Church. He has the best education of any deaf mute in Fort Worth, and probably in the State. He has felt called to preach to his people in their language (of which he is a master) for a long time, but he did not yield to the call until after the death of his little son last spring. He was licensed to preach in June. I hope you will read his letter and give this matter your serious and prayerful consideration. The question of our responsibility to the deaf and the case of Brother Blackstock will be brought before the Board for some action at your meeting at Temple in November. J. E. CRAWFORD.

Pastor McKinley Ave. Methodist Church, Fort Worth, Texas.

The Letter.

As I sit here tonight I hardly know how to begin the discussion of the subject which has been uppermost in my mind for many years, and which has caused me more heartaches than anything else, namely, "The Deaf and their Salvation."

Beloved reader, had you ever stopped to think of us, had you ever supposed that there were hundreds of us in every State in the Union? Have you ever stood on the street corner watching two of us gesticulating at each other? If so, you have possibly wondered if the rapid motion of our hands and fingers expressed any intellectual thoughts. Under the head of "The Deaf Mute Voice," a paper for the deaf, published in Jackson, Mississippi, appears these words: "There is a language that is silence, there is a silence that is speech." Nothing could be truer.

The English language is composed of many sounds which are formed into intellectual words by the motion of the tongue and lips. Unless you have heard these sounds you cannot imitate them, hence the impossibility of teaching children born deaf to speak an audible language. But Dr. Thomas Galludet introduced a set of characters which may be formed on the hand. Each of these characters represents a letter of the alphabet, and by practice words may be spelled off with amazing rapidity. Still this method of conversation was not fast enough, and a system of signs has come into use which enables us to converse rapidly and intelligently. As each character represents a letter, so each sign represents a word in the English language.

Now, since I have made this clear, let us ask, "When a deaf child goes to school, how do they teach him, and what do they teach him? By this system of sign language (of which every teacher in our schools possesses a perfect mastery) they are able to say anything to a deaf child that any other teacher can say to hearing children. So that you need not be surprised when I tell you that the course of study comprises practically the same as our High Schools. When a deaf pupil graduates from one of our schools for the deaf, he can tell you as much about grammar, geography,

algebra, etc., as any student fresh from one of your city High Schools.

The above facts, while having little to do with the sad subject in hand, will serve to throw light upon any assertions I shall later make. Now, beloved reader, if a deaf young man or woman can read United States history and understand it, do you not suppose they can read unwholesome books and papers and understand them well? If they can read the Declaration of Independence and be inspired by the beauty of each patriotic phrase, can they not read the account of some prize fight and be filled with a desire to do something like it? The deaf can become interested in any and all sorts of books, and forget the Bible about as easily as anybody. They can learn to drink and gamble as well as any one. Are not our ministers standing in their pulpits every Sunday crying out warnings against these, and causing young and old to be filled with fear and a desire to flee from the wrath to come? But who is crying out to our unfortunate deaf, or where is our pulpit? Oh God! this sob rises in spite of me. I am one of these deaf of which I speak. I have run the road of sin and shame. I speak from what I consider the saddest experience of them all. Verily, I know whereof I speak.

"Do not our schools for the deaf, which can teach so much, do nothing to insure these pupils with some high and holy purpose in life?" you may ask. Indeed they do. If you could sit in the auditorium in one of our schools and understand the flow of noble intentions expressed by those of the graduating class on the last night of the school, you would wonder how it was possible for me to draw such a picture of wasted lives. But, dear reader, you forget the world outside that school building, a world which, alas, understands us about as much as the average city man understands agriculture. In a great many cases these noble aspirations and good intentions are indirectly the cause of our fall. Like the hearing young man just out of school who is raised on the farm, these deaf young men head for the big cities to begin life and fulfill their great aims. But, alas, he finds the city full of men more desirable for many reasons. Jobs that had seemed easy to get were impossible for him. The busy boss has no time to stop and write a couple of pages to him every few minutes. Now and then, it is true, he may find an opening and get a trial, but I know from experience that this trial is given him, nine cases out of ten, through sympathy only, and not with any consideration of the value of his work. Now, when he is looked upon in this light, it is pretty certain that the time-keeper will not string out a row of figures opposite his name.

Well, now, life is real, and full of requirements for the human body, and these requirements invariably cost money. The sensible man looks for the place where he can get the necessities of life the cheapest. Where his income will not allow of the best, he takes the poorer sort. Possibly some of my readers know something about the crowd of young fellows who live in the cheap boarding houses in our big cities. It is here that my fellow mute soon finds himself alone, perhaps, as far as his own friends are concerned. He is lonely after the first few days, and dejected too because of his inability to do the things he had

planned. His boarding house associates hardly notice him. They don't know how to talk to him, and besides, most of them don't think he would get the idea if they got pencil and paper and told him what they were talking about at supper. However, this state of affairs don't go on forever, and some day and in some way one of the good fellows happens to notice him. Why, he is so glad to possess that one friend he could hug him, and would not dare to ask him any questions about himself. This new friend soon puts him next to the other boys, and then—I think I need not tell you the rest. You can guess it. If you met him on the streets now you would not believe it was the same man who delivered that noble speech in school only a few months ago. Not long since I was standing on a street corner conversing with a young deaf mute when a jaunty young fellow with his hat hanging on one ear paraded by, saluted my companion with a vulgar motion, and passed on. My companion smiled and nodded, much pleased. When I hear these young deaf boys, just out of school, talking about their friends at the boarding house and their skill at pool and poker, you cannot blame me for making some kind of an outcry.

Brethren, for God's sake, let us do something. The best sermon ever delivered by Sam P. Jones would not interest them unless they happened to read it later. Where is their preacher or their church? They must be provided with a preacher who can talk as they do, who understands the Bible and can make it clear and interesting, one who loves them, who does not condemn them, but sympathizes and pleads with them, one who has been in their place even to the minutest detail and realizes their impending peril. Four years ago a deaf young man in Memphis, Tennessee, while intoxicated, staggered onto the L. and N. railroad tracks in front of a fast mail train, and received injuries from which he died a few hours later. Was there a minister to point the way for him in his last few hours? Where is his soul today? Are people not responsible for their acts because they speak a strange language? If so, why do we then educate volunteers and send them into far away countries as missionaries to preach in foreign languages? Are the deaf irresponsible for their acts because they are deaf? No. Dearly beloved readers, here is a field for mission work which has been neglected for all these years. But, thank God, through my own salvation I have had my eyes opened and my heart touched, and have accented the call of the blessed Jesus to the ministry and struck out boldly into the great sea of sin to battle to the last for salvation of my fellow mutes. My craft is frail and needs strengthening. Will you help?

Yours in Christ Jesus,
REV. L. BLACKSTOCK,
1223 Gould Ave., Fort Worth, Texas.

THE POLYTECHNIC CAMPAIGN.

The \$100,000 campaign for the Polytechnic College, which has been in progress ten days, is meeting with splendid success. Thus far a little more than \$40,000 has been subscribed. Dr. Boaz and Commissioner Young report \$37,000 of this amount from the city of Fort Worth, and also a great wave of enthusiasm over the entire city for

the college and a great victory in sight in the near future.

Rev. M. K. Little, is the first presiding elder to report his district out in full. Commissioner Barton returned Monday with a broad smile and under "a triumphal arch." His grip packed full of subscription notes, totaling \$3000, the entire apportionment for the Dublin District. Hats off to Commissioner Barton and Presiding Elder Little.

Rev. W. B. Wilson, working in the Cleburne District, reports progress. Though we have no definite figures as to the amount subscribed. Rev. J. T. McClure was unable to reach his field, the Hillsboro District, until Saturday. But everybody that knows J. T. McClure expects to hear the report "collections in full" in a short time. The same report is expected of Commissioner Wilson.

The presiding elders and pastors of the conference are rallying to the campaign slogan, "One hundred thousand dollars for Polytechnic College by November 1." Below is a letter from Dr. Nelson, of the Corsicana District, which gives some idea as to the spirit and interest manifest in the campaign:

Dr. H. A. Boaz.

"Fort Worth, Texas.

"Dear Dr. Boaz: I write to say the Corsicana District is wide open to you and your cause. Brother Bryan, District Commissioner, and I will render you every assistance possible. I rejoice in your great start in Fort Worth. If possible, let us raise the \$6500 and more in this district before conference. Yours cordially,

"JOHN R. NELSON."

RESOLUTIONS ON REV. J. T. SMITH.

Whereas, The work of Rev. J. T. Smith as presiding elder for the Jacksonville District will cease at the close of the conference year by the law of the Church; and

Whereas, His work on the district for the past four years has been eminently successful and satisfactory to us. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is with deep sadness and regret that we give him up and that we hereby assure him of our confidence and love and that our prayers will always go with him wherever he is called to labor.

Signed: J. R. Ritchie, W. E. Williams, E. A. Reed, Emmott Wall, Nimrod Ragsdale, S. E. Acker, A. F. Earle, Oscar Punch, W. S. Ault.

This was passed unanimously by the fourth Quarterly Conference of the Jacksonville Circuit, Jacksonville District, Texas Conference, September 27, 1913. J. R. RITCHIE, P. C.

DIDN'T KNOW

That Coffee Was Causing Her Trouble.

So common is the use of coffee as a beverage, many do not know that it is the cause of many obscure ailments which are often attributed to other things.

The easiest way to find out for oneself is to quit the coffee for a while, at least, and note results. A Virginia lady found out in this way, and also learned of a new beverage that is wholesome as well as pleasant to drink. She writes:

"I am 40 years old and all my life, up to a year and a half ago, I had been a coffee drinker.

"Dyspepsia, severe headaches and heart weakness made me feel sometimes as though I was about to die. After drinking a cup or two of hot coffee, my heart would go like a clock without a pendulum. At other times it would almost stop and I was so nervous I did not like to be alone.

"If I took a walk for exercise, as soon as I was out of sight of the house I'd feel as if I was sinking and this would frighten me terribly. My limbs would utterly refuse to support me, and the pity of it all was, I did not know that coffee was causing the trouble.

"Reading in the papers that many persons were relieved of such ailments by leaving off coffee and drinking Postum, I got my husband to bring home a package. We made it according to directions and I liked the first cup. Its rich, snappy flavor was delicious.

"I have been using Postum about eighteen months, and to my great joy, digestion is good, my nerves and heart are all right. In fact, I am a well woman once more, thanks to Postum."

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"There's a reason" for Postum.

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dressed a letter of inquiry to the pastor of the First Methodist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, April 7, 1913, who replied: "He is a veritable character, and has the endorsement of many Protestant ministers in this city."

Crowley wrote a book, "Romanism—A Menace to the Nation," in which he exposed some of the evils of that Church, and offered a reward of \$10,000 to any person who can prove that he was ex-communicated and that the statements and charges in his book against the priests, prelates and Popes are untrue. The Western Catholic, issue of August 1, 1913, says that the reason the challenge is not accepted is: "He fails to give names and dates and places when he makes his charges."

Now, the priest who penned that editorial had evidently read Crowley's book; no other inference can be drawn from what he says in the editorial. If he had read it, then he is guilty of evasion of the most vicious sort; for in that book Crowley tells of the formation of a "Catholic Laymen's Association" in the city of Chicago for the protection of Catholic mothers, wives, sisters and daughters from prelate and priestly lust. This association, under date "Chicago, January 1, 1902," addressed to Cardinal Martinielli, Delegate Apostolic Washington,

D. C., a memorial reciting a few of the priestly outrages and saying: "It is only because these enormities have grown to such frightful proportions as to threaten the very sanctity of our homes and to make every Catholic man, with wife and daughters, shudder to reflect that they or their friends are exposed to such dangers, and that such unspeakable shame is brought upon their Holy Mother Church."

This memorial was signed by men representing nearly every Catholic parish in the Archdiocese of Chicago and was supported by resolutions adopted and signed by a number of other priests, whom Crowley names. This memorial is on file at the Vatican, so Crowley states. If so, then the untruth of Crowley's statements can be easily verified, if they are untrue, by simply bringing the memorial to light. Will Rome do it?

This seems to be sufficiently specific as to names, places and dates, and to justify the belief that "silence gives consent."

The Rome of history, the Rome of today and the Babylon of Revelation of every foul spirit, and a cage of are one and the same, and as such is "the habitation of devils, and the hold every unclean and hateful bird." (Revelation 18:2).

Ada, Oklahoma.

The Trip to Yellowstone Park

By REV. GEO. S. WYATT

Number Three.

We are now in camp at the Upper Geyser Basin. We have been assigned to our quarters, our baggage has been placed in our respective tents where we can get at what we have, even if we cannot get what we want on account of having had to leave so many things at our entrance into the Park. But the ladies are well pleased, for in each room is a nice table with wash bowl and pitcher, and just above, at about the right height, is a splendid mirror, with which a woman covers a multitude of faults. Supper is announced, and the fare is all that one could ask or expect. The matrons are the very embodiment of politeness and courtesy. The general matron, Mrs. McCartney, is accompanying us on the entire trip, and is in her place to see that everything is done that would add the least to our comfort and pleasure. The girls and boys who attend to the tents and wait on the tables are mostly from the schools and colleges of the Nation. Of course, they are modest and reserved, and intensely given to the work that they have in hand. You are surprised to find away out here a body of such fine and splendid boys and girls; but there are three objects, as I gathered, that induce them to go out there: 1. To get the benefit of the health-giving climate for the three long summer months; 2. To have an opportunity to see the many wonderful things that are to be seen in the National Park; and 3. To make the wage that is paid them for the services rendered.

Supper being over there seems to be quite a stir in the air. It has been announced that the Texas delegation will entertain around the campfire tonight, and those who are responsible for the stunt that is to be pulled off are all in a nervous strait, and the people from the North are wondering what good can come out of Texas. The time for the entertainment arrives. Some two or three hundred are gathered about the place of entertainment. After several good hearty jokes were cracked, Brother Knickerbocker the imitator H. D. proceeded in one of our beloved Little Oscar's most facetious ways to introduce that fearless speaker of the Northwest Texas Conference, Y. W. Hunt, who made a most entertaining and captivating speech, and proved to the satisfaction of his entire audience that he, somewhere in the ages past had been a pretty baby, though they were forced to the conclusion that he had somewhat departed from what he had been as a baby. After the speech, Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker, chairman of the Entertaining Committee, abdicated in favor of Judge Tom Smith, who was to sit as judge in the case of the State against Rev. A. B. Davidson, the giant preacher, weighing about ninety-six for assaulting the boy preacher, Rev. T. H. Morris, weighing about two hundred and seventy-five. The accused and the accuser were brought into court face to face. The poor little boy preacher had his ear bitten partly off and head all bruised and mangled well bound up. The lawyers, both for the state and defense, announced ready for trial. The witnesses were called and sworn that they would not tell the truth nor anything that pertained to the truth during the giving of their testimony. For about one hour and a half things were kept lively; the wit-

nesses were often trapped in their testimony, and the lawyers were hardly ever out of a wrangle. The judge had great difficulty to sit in dignity and maintain order in the court room, but he eventually showed himself master of the situation, and announced with a great deal of authority, for he always spoke with authority and not as the scribes and Pharisees, that his decision was that the State had failed to make out its case, and he therefore dismissed it from the docket. So far as the writer knows the consensus of opinion was that Texans are on to their job as entertainers. We Texans went to bed strong in the belief that we had made good.

We slept well and were up early the next morning to take in the sights of the Upper Basin, to fish and to have a good time generally. This Basin contains twenty-six Geysers and more than four hundred hot springs. Here are to be found the Giant and Giantess, the Grotto, Beehive, Grand, Lions, Riverside, Splendid, Castle, Daisy and Old Faithful, the popular friend of the tourists, because of the fact that he erupts every sixty-five to seventy minutes and affords a most excellent opportunity for observation. Old Faithful gives his exhibition day and night, summer and winter, with rarely a variation of five minutes, throwing a stream of hot water about two feet in diameter upwards to a height of 125 to 150 feet, when it remains seemingly stationary for something like three minutes. It is a most beautiful sight at night when from the Old Faithful Inn nearby the searchlight is thrown upon it while in eruption. In this Basin of numerous hot springs and wonderful geysers is the Old Faithful Inn, one of the most costly and attractive log houses to be seen anywhere. The logs for the most part are rough as they appear in their natural state. "Massive logs tapering on each ascending balcony appear as giant trees. The staircase leading to the lookout has split logs for steps. Windows of diamond shaped glass; and dainty French curtains are exquisitely beautiful against the setting of rough logs." In the center the building rises eight stories high, and from this lofty eminence you have a most charming panoramic view of the geyser basin. It was built at a cost of two hundred thousand dollars. The chimney of this immense structure has four large and four small fire places, and fastened to the chimney is a great iron clock that keeps mountain time. After the tramp of sight-seeing and fishing when the evening came the most of us were ready for the bed and we did not have to take a sedative to help us over into the land of Nod. The weather was cold enough to make sleeping under a comfort and two or three blankets comfortable. The sleep you get in this climate is so refreshing that you awake like a new man ready for any task that comes to hand. So we were up by five the next morning with a good appetite and anxious to start on our journey for Yellowstone Lake. So after a hearty breakfast and considerable bustle to get things in shape we are ready to be loaded into our respective vehicles to start on a day's journey that brings to our view some of the most charming and beautiful scenery that is to be found on the whole trip through the Park. We start out by the Old Faithful Inn that marvelous construction of which I've already spoken, up the Firehole River with magnificent mountains covered with

the most beautiful pine forest, on either side. We soon reach one of the loveliest cascades, Kepler, on which the human eye ever looked. The water leaps from boulder to boulder in a rocky chasm in a series of beautiful falls, the whole measuring from 100 to 150 feet in height, whose loveliness is enhanced by the dark background of forest on either side. As the stories of ancient mythology rushed in upon the mind it was not difficult to see the mountain and water nymphs dancing hither and thither upon every side. This is a scene that will stay with the observer for the years to come. For two miles further we travel up the Madison River, no longer called Firehole since you left the Geyser Basin, then the road leaves the river and follows up Spring Creek Canyon to Craig Pass in a narrow gorge. From this point a trail leads in a southerly direction to Shoshone Lake through Norris Pass. And now we are on the Continental Divide, the watershed of the Continent, which vast range of mountains, extending from Mexico to Canada, is a salient feature of Yellowstone Park—entering near the southeast corner and extending northwest between the head waters of Yellowstone River on its eastern slope, and Snake River on the western, separating Yellowstone Lake from Shoshone Lake by less than a dozen miles. On the summit of this great range a few miles south of Yellowstone Lake is Two Ocean Pond with two outlets, one through the Yellowstone and Missouri into the Atlantic, the other through Snake River into the Pacific. It is impossible to put into words the scene that falls upon the seeing eye as you look out from Shoshone Point. From here you get a view of Shoshone Lake as it nestles in its beautiful valley, and its waters seen to dance in delightful glee in the midst of their wild beauty; you can also get a fair view of the three snow-capped peaks of the Teton Mountains, which form a portion of the boundary between the States of Idaho and Wyoming, some fifty miles in the distance, their dizzy heights, 14,000 feet, overlooking all other peaks of the Rockies. Though we again cross the Continental Divide at a "pass" that is very level yet the drive from Shoshone Point to Yellowstone Lake is less attractive than the drive from Upper Geyser Basin to Shoshone Point. Just about one mile from West Thumb Bay, you catch your first glimpse of Yellowstone Lake, nestled among the forest-crowned hills which bounds our vision. Its beautiful waves are gleaming and sparkling in the bright and glorious sunlight, and apparently you can hear their shouts of joy borne on the wild winds that sweep in delightful glee across the bosom of the Lake. The scene is of transcendental beauty, and sends a thrill of sweetest ecstasy into the soul of every beholder. We soon hasten to eat our lunch, view the things of interest, the springs, the paint pots and geyser cones, one of which is out in the lake about ten or twelve feet on which you can stand, catch a trout out of the ice cold water and without taking it off of your hook cook it in the geyser on the cone of which you are standing, and then away to Yellowstone Lake. We pass the Natural Bridge on our way. This bridge spans a small creek. The abutments are thirty feet apart, and the arch sixty feet high. We are now traveling along the lake side, and just before you reach Lake Hotel, as you look down the avenue out through the forest for the road way to the eye it seems that the avenue extends across the lake, presenting to your vision one of the most picturesque views that is to be seen in your travel through the Park. We soon reach the camp, and every lover of piscatorial sport hastens to rent him an outfit with which to do the work, and to fishing he goes.

Did I catch any? Well, you should have seen the beautiful Salmon trout that I lifted, after winding on the reel some hundred and fifty feet of line, over the banisters of the bridge that spanned Yellowstone River just below where it runs out of the lake. You may talk of the exhilaration that comes to the human organism through inhaling the life-giving ozone from off the mountain tops and the glow of health that mounts the cheeks of the tired and worn traveler as his body is found by the life-inspiring waves of the breezes that sweep across the Texas plains, but there is nothing in all the world to me that sets the springs of health and vigor in proper adjustment as the thrill like an electric shock sent through body and brain by the long expected, and yet unexpected, (reconcile the paradox if you can), bite of a good sized game fish at the other end of my line. Let the weather be hot or cold, wet or dry, feeling well or otherwise when you began, the effect is the same. You feel like you can wait almost an age just to get another such thrill, or walk a mile more further just on the expectation awakened. Of course, the tug of war comes when you have to



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At night we enjoyed another great time around the camp fire. Original compositions were read by Brothers Weeks and Knickerbocker, a song was sung by the S. M. U. quartette and stories were told. Knickerbocker offering a nickle for the best one, for which this writer was voted the prize. When the winner was chosen Knickerbocker tried to get out of paying it by saying that he did not have a nickle, but his good wife who did not intend to see her husband fall down on his proposition for the sake of as small a thing as a nickle, came forward and paid the prize. It was a great evening for all present, and there were many. A good night's rest prepared us for the fish that many of us intended to take the next morning. So after breakfast, Frank Reedy, Vaughn and Jackson, Glen Flinn, wife and myself, J. D. Young and wife, and H. A. Boaz, Jean White and Mrs. Owens, making eleven in all, in four boats started for the fishing grounds, and in the course of some two hours we brought into camp something like one hundred pounds of Salmon trout.

Dinner, or lunch I believe they call it now, over we took our respective hacks and coaches for the next jaunt which landed us at Yellowstone Canyon. There was not much of special interest to be seen on this run from Yellowstone Lake to the Canyon, except the ever-charming Yellowstone River flowing like a stream of burnished silver through the entire distance of seventeen miles; the Mud Geyser, which is about five miles from the camp at the lake, sending forth its blue, pasty mud, and odors that to the delicate nostrils is anything but agreeable, and sounds that suggest the confusion and chaos, and desolation of the infernal region, its grotesqueness at once attracts and repels you, and brings to the mind the words of Dante:

"Boil'd here a glutinous thick mass, that round Lined all the shore beneath, I that beheld, But therein naught distinguish'd, save the bubbles Raised by the boiling, and one mighty swell Heave, and by turns subsiding fall."

If hell be more desolate and dreary than is to be found round about this dark and gloomy Mud Volcano with its dismal and four-producing sounds, who would care to journey to its barren and naked shores? Not I, nor do I believe that a single one of all the tourists who looks upon this volcano of mud that kills everything that its

blistering, blasting self touches, and listens for a few minutes to its muffled disturbing sounds, as the thought of "that lone land of dark despair, where no Sabbath's heavenly light arise, no God regard your bitter prayer, no Savior call you to the skies," fills his mind and awakens his soul, wants to go there.

We pass through Hayden Valley (we Texans would say, prairie), which reminds us of our own beautiful plains and rolling prairies, and creates within many of us a longing for home, away down South in Dixie. Off to the left of our road and in sight is a peculiar freak in the windings of a creek which runs into the Yellowstone River, and which furnished the Northern Pacific Railroad their monogram. We stop at the Upper Falls, and are driven along the road next to the Canyon walls up to Point Lookout, and such was the over-awing power of this mighty canyon with its falls and peculiarly variegated walls, that you felt that you were in the very presence of the Almighty God of the Universe, so much so that the spirit of mirth and levity was entirely absent from every one that viewed this awful scenic display. We are soon in camp. After supper we meet around the campfire but do not pull off any extra stunts except to eat popcorn, which is popped over a campfire in abundance for the benefit of the visitors. Our friends from Ohio and elsewhere towards the North insist on having the pavilion for dancing both on Saturday night and Sunday night, but Mrs. McCarthy, the General Matron, informs that they cannot offer such an insult to the large number of preachers who are present, besides, that the management believes in honoring the God of the Sabbath by keeping the Sabbath holy, and that settles the dancing. Of course, we appreciated Mrs. McCarthy's courtesy and gave her a vote of thanks. So Sunday morning and night were taken up with religious services, Sunday at 9:45 a. m., preaching by Dr. Boaz at eleven and by Dr. Knickerbocker at night. So the Sabbath was spent in a most delightful and helpful way. The Sunday School lesson taught by Rev. G. L. Bryant was presented in a very clear and strong way, and the sermons by the above named brethren were forceful and lucid deliverances.

At the luncheon hour the management gave to each guest a souvenir, and laid a card at each plate with a number of questions to be answered, among which was this one: "What do you think of the service?" One of our Northern brethren answered it thusly: "I am coming back again. But to hell with Texas." It is such unguarded, and uncalled for utterances like the above that awakens anew the

smouldering embers, that for years he has been trying to extinguish, in the heart of every true Southern gentleman. Nobody asked him what he thought of Southern manhood or womanhood. They were both there before him, and as fine a specimen of noble manhood and womanhood as ever graced the social circle throughout the race: womanhood true and tried, beautiful and lovely, whose faces shone with a radiance as heavenly as ever sparkled with the light and glory of an indwelling Christ; and manhood was there in the brightness and brilliancy of its nobility, with manners so Chesterfieldian that it would never have dared to stoop so low as to utter the unmanly phrase quoted above, whose culture was deep and broad, and whose heart throbbled with the grandest instincts and impulses of a mighty and lofty ambition.

I would that I could picture to you in an intelligent and clear way the wonderful and majestic things that our eyes were permitted to see in this exhibition of God's almighty power; but, as I look at it now from this distance it seems to me a task that is absolutely impossible. I have not read a single effort to describe the wonders seen here, even the one by Dr. Wayland Hoyt, that in any wise uses the name of the Great God, or in any way refers the possibility of such majesty and awe to His All-powerful hand. How any man, much less a believer in the God of the Bible, can look upon Yellowstone Canyon and not stand with head uncovered and heart bowed in the consciousness of his own littleness as his thoughts are filled with the over-mastering influence and power of the God of Nature as well as of grace, is more than I can divine. To every worshipful soul God is here in the sweep of His awful majesty. You see Him in the rushing, foaming rapids that appear to swirl in maddening fury around the boulders in mid-stream and projecting into the waters from the mountain side; you see Him in the wild dash of the waters over the Upper Falls, painting upon their rough and turbulent bosom the variegated colors of green, until they dash themselves in roaring confusion on the rocks one hundred and fifty-two feet below, filling the Canyon for many feet around and above with a most enchanting white mist upon which our God paints through the king of day the colors of the beautiful rainbow; you see Him in the swift onward flow of the river making ready for its plunge down a precipice as high again as Niagara to a depth of three hundred and sixty feet, the great volume seemingly waiting a moment on the edge of the smooth level rock over which it leaps at a single bound to the revolting but ever-attractive gorge below, one unbroken body of charming foam, where again you see all the colors that you behold with such delight at the Upper Falls; you see Him in the midst of the gloom of the awful canyon into which the river has leaped flowing on now through its appalling depths apparent-

ly dwindled to a silver thread as you view it from Point Lookout, or Artist's Point, or Inspiration Point one thousand five hundred feet above the river its walls almost perpendicular so marvelously marked by the handiwork of God, by whatever means He used, in sculpturing upon their vast and solemn faces such a variety of colors, yellow, green, brown, crimson, gray, white, black, a perfect wilderness of colors; enclosing between types of the castles of the middle ages, domes and pinnacles of solid rock, and towering crags on which the eagles build their nests and raise their young. As you look upon the waters at the bottom of the yawning abyss, whose beating, foaming rush you cannot hear, the very silence, still as the midnight, "profound as death," impresses you with the awfulness of the God of all creation, and your soul cries out, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high. Great and marvelous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty." And with Moses, before the burning bush, you feel like taking off your shoes for the ground whereon you walk is holy.

After you had a view of the falls and canyon from the several places, Point Lookout, Grandview, Artist's Point, and Inspiration Point, it is hard to decide which affords the best opportunity for observation, but, I believe, it is conceded that Inspiration Point gives you the best view of the falls, and that Point Lookout gives you the best combined view of the falls and canyon. But to appreciate these magnificent scenes you must see them, for as you look upon them you will appreciate the fact that it is not in the power of any tongue to describe them, for as high as the heavens are above the earth you will feel that the possibility of description is beyond you. You can gaze in amazement and wonder, and feel what an infinitesimal speck you are in comparison with the Almighty God who made you and spread out in His creation such beauty and grandeur for your unworthy eyes to behold. If we poor mortals could only see the God of heaven and earth with eyes and souls of reverence with what closeness to us would we recognize the God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in all, our souls would be lifted up into realms of the spiritual and visions of God and man would be ours that come only to souls that are deeply and truly reverent. Beyond the power to value such a vision worth to a poor mortal. Throughout mind and soul there flash lights of beauty and glory divine that dispel every gloom, disperses every cloud, lifts every bosom, drives away all earthly care and sorrow and enables the soul for awhile to revel in the unbroken companionship of the Christ, and to sweep with the eye of his soul the beauties of his heavenly home, and to rejoice with joy unspeakable as he beholds the halos of joy and peace that cover the spires of the Eternal City.

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MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD.

The Executive Committee of the Texas Methodist State Sunday School Conference met at the Publishing House in Dallas at 10 a. m., Tuesday, September 22, 1913. This committee consists of the president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, and the chairman of the various Conference Sunday School Boards of the State. Those present were: E. Hightower, President; A. E. Rector, Vice-President; W. C. Everett, Secretary; B. M. Burgher, Treasurer; O. T. Cooper, Chairman of the Board of the North Texas Conference; B. W. Dodson, Chairman for the Northwest Texas Conference, and J. C. Mimms, Chairman for the Central Texas Conference; Rev. R. F. Brown, Treasurer for the Central Texas Conference; Rev. E. R. Barcus, of Dallas; Mr. A. S. Mathis, of the Publishing House; Dr. John R. Nelson, presiding elder of the Corsicana District. Dr. R. S. Hyer and Frank Reedy were also present and on invitation participated in the proceedings.

Discussion developed the fact that there is a strong demand for a modern Sunday School exhibit at our Annual Conference, including such working material as the best stereographs or lantern slides, and the house was requested to spare no pains or expense in furnishing a full exhibit of Sunday School appliances at all our conference this fall and was assured of the active co-operation of those present in securing time for the exhibits, and making them a success. Brother Everett assured the commit-

tee that this request would be cheerfully and fully met.

Inquiry and discussion disclosed the fact that moving pictures are out of the question for most Sunday Schools for a number of reasons. One is they are rather expensive. Another is that it takes first-class electric appliances and a strong and steady current to handle them. Still another is that the films are made on celluloid which is highly inflammable and very dangerous except in experienced hands. We make this explanation in answer to numerous inquiries on the subject. Rev. R. F. Brown and Rev. E. R. Barcus were made a committee to take under consideration the matter of securing the services of a Sunday School specialist to do institute work at our coming Annual Conference, any plan they might devise being of course subject to the approval of the executive heads of the Conference Sunday School Boards. It being so near Annual Conference time doubt was expressed whether any thing worth while could be accomplished in this direction; but the Board thought the plan might be tested, the idea being that a common arrangement for all the conference might secure the maximum of efficient service at a minimum of expense.

Much time was given to a discussion of the work of Conference Boards. The fact was developed that all our Boards have good plans, but that their operation requires more time and attention than a busy pastor or layman can spare from nearer and more pressing duties. The chair suggested that if each Conference Chairman or Field

Secretary were given an adequate appropriation for clerical assistance, so that he could push the Sunday School work without robbing other interests committed to him, the plan might go far to solve the problem of effective work by our Conference Boards. After further discussion it was suggested by B. M. Burgher, who is postmaster at Dallas and a very farsighted and successful business man, that the best way would be for the Conference Boards to unite in employing for a part of the year a competent stenographer to be located at the Publishing House and subject to the order of the chairman of the various Conference Boards, and under their direction to any presiding elders who might wish to organize any kind of district work or campaigns—the reason for a common stenographer being economy and the Publishing House being the logical place for a central office. Mr. Burgher pointed out that time and expense could be saved by this plan because the House has all necessary equipment and supplies, and the committee was assured that the House would do all in its power to make such a plan effective. Accordingly, the committee recommended to the Conference Boards that through the Chairman and Secretary of the State Board such an office be opened in Dallas and a stenographer be employed for the first five months of next year, the expense being borne in just proportion by the five English speaking conferences. The conference officers from the three conferences represented pledged their influence to carry out the plan and make it a success. The salary of such a stenographer would be approximately seventy-five dollars per month, or three hundred and seventy-five dollars for five months. It was deemed best for each conference to bear its own expense for postage and literature.

O. T. Cooper, J. C. Mimms, B. W. Dodson, A. E. Rector and E. Hightower were appointed to draft a suggestive plan for conference and district work next year, and to draft a report to be submitted to the Conference Boards.

The Educational Commission having asked the Sunday Schools of Texas to raise fifty thousand dollars for the endowment of Department of Sunday Schools in Southern Methodist University, the committee endorsed the plan and suggested that the Rally Day collection in 1914 be devoted to this object. After full and free discussion it was the unanimous opinion of the meeting that the State Sunday School Conference should be continued, but that in view of the other plan outlined for next year, and the fact that it will be General Conference year, it would not be expedient to plan for a State meeting. The Treasurer submitted a report showing a balance on hand of one dollar and some cents.

R. M. Burgher tendered his resignation as Treasurer and it was accepted and he was re-elected. E. Hightower offered his resignation as President and it was laid on the table. W. C. Everett resigned as Secretary and was unanimously re-elected.

An enjoyable feature of the occasion was a noon luncheon at the hotel with W. C. Everett as host.

(This much is printed for general information. A full report will be duly transmitted to each Conference Board).

NEEDED—A BETTER PLAN FOR FIELD WORK.

We do not know how many years ago our General Conference made plans for the appointment of Sunday School agents. Some such provision has been in our Discipline ever since the editor began to read it, and that harks back not less than thirty years. From time to time futile effort has been made to strengthen our law at this point and make it effective. In the last few years a number of Conference Sunday School Boards have tried to put good men in the field and support them while they devoted their time and attention to the work of improving our Sunday School interest. All such efforts have ultimately failed for lack of an adequate financial plan. The last General Conference authorized two or more conferences to unite in a plan of this kind. But that too has not proved a success where tried, for reasons which need not here be stated. And yet that Sunday School field work is needed is not for a moment questioned by persons who are familiar with modern Sunday School movements and conditions. The only feasible plan we see is to give the General Sunday School Board authority for employing such men as are needed and means for their support. It may not be expedient to have as many field men as there are conferences. It is certainly wise in our conference and district work to utilize all available local talent; but frequently little such real talent is to be found, and even where it exists it is not always available. Many Sunday School Conferences and institutes are

little more than a force because leaders and speakers do not grasp the real issues that are at stake and know neither the possibilities of the Sunday School nor the means of realizing those possibilities. We certainly need enough well-equipped Sunday School specialists to go to the aid of conferences, presiding elders, pastors or superintendents who need and want help. And since the plan of the Conference Boards sending out such workers has failed we see no better way than for the General Conference to enact such legislation as will enable the General Board to employ men and direct their work. In this view the editor speaks for no one but himself. If any interested party has a better suggestion to make we shall be glad to give free use of these columns to its discussion. We earnestly hope and pray that our next General Conference may be full of men with enough Sunday School knowledge and vision to give the relief that is sorely needed.

HEART-TO-HEART WORK.

Rev. Geo. Hunt, one of the pastors at the University of Wisconsin, says: "The student has a great passion for reality. He is impatient of conventions which he sees are merely veneer. Any preacher preaching from the heart who will get the factory boy will also get the student." What he aims to say is that human nature is human nature, whether covered by a university gown or a pair of overalls, and that human nature responds to genuine sympathy. The teacher who would succeed must begin by loving the scholar.

WHY THEY STUDY THE BIBLE.

In the Journal of Religious Education for August, 1913, Frank L. Jewett, instructor of the Texas Bible Class, an institution affiliated with the State University, gives a partial list of answers from students to the question, "Why are you taking a Bible course?" Eleven replied, "For general culture." Six, "For use in life work." Two, "To teach it to others." One, "To know the Bible." Six, "For spiritual benefit." Thirty-nine, "General desire for knowledge of the Bible." One only, "To get a university credit." Some answers, which we quote below, should be of great interest to all who study how to teach the Bible.

1. "My first reason is to learn more about the Bible, and to strengthen what little knowledge I have of it."
 2. "In such a course as this the Bible can be studied in more detail than is possible in a Sunday School class."
 3. "To get an unprejudiced idea of the Bible."
 4. "In order to live a more intelligent, consecrated Christian life, I felt that I must make a thorough and systematic study of the life and teaching of Jesus."
 5. "Christ is my ideal. I want to know as much about Him and His work as possible."
 6. "Expect to be a missionary teacher in Mexico. I was ashamed that my knowledge of the greatest Book in the world should be so helter-skelter."
 7. "Solely for my own good."
 8. "My study of the education of the Greeks, Romans and Jews influenced me in selecting this course."
 9. "That I may learn how to be a Christian."
 10. "To fit myself to be a good teacher in the Sunday School."
- In view of such answers what teacher of the Bible knows the large possibilities for good that are bound up in his work? "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

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PHYSICIANS AND INTOXICANTS.

It was but a few years ago that it was common for physicians to prescribe alcoholic drinks in the belief that they were beneficial to both the sick and the well. That was before the nervous system was understood as it is today. A few weeks ago a congress of alienists and neurologists adopted resolutions urging railroads to require all employees to abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors. These specialists in nervous diseases do not pretend that they are better qualified to run railroads than trained railroad men, but they are so convinced that most accidents are caused by liquor that, as experts, they felt called upon to express an opinion. Truly times have changed. For the whiskey traffic the day of doom draws near.—Presbyterian Advocate.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION.

Whereas, According to the powers that be of our great Church it becomes necessary that Rev. J. T. Smith, our beloved presiding elder, move at the close of this conference year, having served this district four consecutive years, which has been a season of great prosperity, not only to our local Church, but to the entire district, as a result of his wise counsel and unsurpassed leadership; and

Whereas, We experience a personal loss in his leaving us, feeling that no one else can ever take his place in our hearts and that it would be hard to find one to meet the intricate responsibilities of leadership as he has met them during the past four years; therefore, be it resolved

1. That we as a congregation extend to Brother Smith our sincere thanks for all these years of such faithful, unselfish service, and we pray that our Lord's richest benedictions and grace may be upon him and his estimable family wherever the Church may see fit, under the providence of God, to place him in the future, and that the pleasure of the Lord may continue to prosper in his hands.

2. That a copy of these resolutions be placed in Brother Smith's hands, and copies also be given to the Banner, the Jacksonville Daily, and the Texas Christian Advocate for publication.
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The Joint Board of Publication of the Texas Christian Advocate will meet in the Preachers' Room at the Publishing House, 1398 Commerce Street, Dallas, Tuesday, October 7, 1913, at 10 a. m.

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President.

Rev. W. H. Hughes, "Uncle Buck," has a striking communication in this issue. True, it is lengthy, but it is full of pith and very suggestive. Let not its length deter you from reading it. Aside from its general merit, his reference to the Superannuated Home movement is worthy of special emphasis. He, himself, has contributed a comfortable home to that cause and one of our honored superannuates is living in it. What a blessing good men can confer upon the old preachers and the Church by deeding good homes for this cause.

Wesley College, Greenville, has had a fine opening. Everything was in readiness for that event. The Campus has undergone extensive improvements. Walks are put down, numerous trees planted and a variety of shrubbery. The whole place is beginning to take on shape and beauty. Rev. D. H. Aston and his co-workers are greatly encouraged and Rev. C. L. Bounds, Financial Agent, is busy in the field with encouraging prospects. The County Summer Normal will be conducted next season at Wesley College.

Rev. J. H. Griffin, of Clarksville, is closing out a most successful year, despite the fact that he has had severe personal affliction. Thus far he has received into the membership of the Church more than one hundred members and all departments of the Church are thoroughly organized and in fine working order. We doubt if any member of the Conference will show a better record than our pastor at Clarksville. He and his people are already making extensive preparations for the entertainment of the North Texas Conference in December and a great welcome awaits that body.

JUST ONE THING BEFORE ANOTHER

We had our plans all arranged to attend the session of the West Oklahoma Conference and a pleasant time was being anticipated; but Bishop Atkins has changed the time of the Central Conference to the very date of the West Oklahoma Conference, and our plans have gone to pieces. What a pity that a Bishop does not once in a while consult the wisdom of an editor before he acts! But alas, an editor is the work ox of the Church and his convenience plays a very little part in a Bishop's arrangements. However, we presume that the West Oklahoma Conference will manage in some sort of way to proceed without our presence, and personally we will have to accommodate our convenience to the irrevocable situation.

In one of the San Antonio papers Senator McGregor, of Austin, announces that he is going to take the stump at an early date and show the people the necessity of eliminating all phases of the prohibition question from the politics of the State, so that the coming election and the next administration will not be harassed by this pesky issue. Bah! Who is Senator McGregor, of Austin? He is a rabid anti, an import from Missouri of a few years back, and of course he and his sort have been eliminating the prohibition issue from the politics of the State for several years. But they do not want to eliminate the saloon from Texas politics. That is the institution that threw the full force of its influence toward the election of Mr. McGregor in his Senatorship. But let him "take the stump," for this is a free country; but he will have just about as much success in relegating prohibition as he did in bringing Governor Colquitt and the Legislature together in that famous embalmed beef episode on his grassy lawn a few months ago!

Governor Sulzer is in a predicament, regardless of what the verdict in his impeachment trial may be. When he was nominated for the position of Governor of New York, last year, the country accepted it as the triumph of the best type of politics in the Empire State. President Wilson hailed it as a good omen; and when he was elected, the democracy of the country rejoiced. But now it turns out, from the evidence thus far educed, that after his nomination he was receiving and using campaign contributions for his private ends, and that he invested much of these in Wall Street speculations. This is a humiliating exhibition and a great chagrin to good men who pinned their faith to him. And his miserable effort to avoid a trial on grounds purely technical is proof positive that he feared the result. However, the Tammany pack back of his impeachment and their efforts to destroy him in the name of political virtue is just about the most grotesque performance that the country has ever witnessed. If Sulzer had obeyed the edicts of Tammany, instead of defying that political organization, he might have collected a million for campaign purposes and diverted it to his personal use, and Tammany would have never growled. It is a demonstration of the old adage, "When thieves fall out, then honest men get their dues." But there are no honest and praiseworthy dues coming either to Sulzer or Tammany Hall. It is to be hoped that both of them will tell all the meanness and peculation that they know about each other before this impeachment trial is over. Such a revelation would stagger belief.

The vice crusade in Austin has been a success. It was started upon the right sort of basis and it has proceeded orderly, and hence it has appealed to the moral sentiment of the city. Before a gun was fired, the ministers arranged to take care of every fallen woman who wanted to get on her feet and have her womanhood restored.

Their war was not a pitiless war on unfortunate women. So that by the time their places were closed by law, there was provision made for them. True, but few of them will avail themselves of this, but it is offered to them generously. Any community on that basis will win public sentiment on its fight on the social evil. It is a maulin public opinion that will tolerate public social vice, segregated or otherwise, in the face of settled laws on the question. But the woman who wants to reform ought to have the opportunity for reformation. The trouble is, that but few of them want to change their lives. And those impudent and brazen faced madams, whose business it is to decoy and beguile unsophisticated girls into those dens for immoral purposes in order to keep up the supply, deserve neither pity nor sympathy at the hands of outraged law. Hard work in the penitentiary is too mild a fate for them.

We notice in one of our exchanges a touching episode in Austin the other day. A poor unfortunate girl who had been living a life of shame became disgusted with the same, and the keeper of the house where she plied her trade phoned the facts to Rev. R. P. Shuler and invited him to come to her place and talk to the girl. He got the humane officer and made the visit and found that what the woman had phoned him was true. The girl was in tears and very penitent. He gave her every assurance that she should be cared for, and he and Mrs. Shuler opened their doors to her to receive her kindly until arrangements could be made at the Rescue Home for her in San Antonio. Where is the man of the world, the one who sneers at the work of the ministry, who would do as this Austin minister and his good wife did? It is proof that Christ is still among the unfortunate in spirit and it is further proof that the wayward girl who is sincerely sorry for her life and wants to reform, will be given an opportunity by those who are doing their best to break up public dens of vice. Good men who are fighting social vice are not the enemies of these unfortunates, but their best friends.

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

In company with Rev. Nathan Powell we drove out to the University campus last week and looked at the progress of the improvements. The Administration building is about completed externally save the copper covering on the dome. Inside the workmen are putting on the finishing touches and the whole enterprise is taking on a complete appearance. It is by all odds the most magnificent school building that we have ever seen in this country or Europe. It is the perfection of architecture, combining the best and most attractive and convenient features of ancient and modern designs. It is qualified to stir the pride and admiration of the observer viewed from any and all angles. It looks like a great institution of a high grade of learning. There is nothing shoddy or inferior in its makeup. The very best material in the way of wood and stone and metal enters into its construction. It is symmetrical and perfect in its proportions and it carries an air of majesty and stateliness. It looks like it was built for the ages and for the generations. It stands on a splendid eminence, on a level with the highest skyscraper in the city, and its view is wide and extensive. As we stood on one of its porticos and look out over the wide expanse of city and country for miles we thanked God for permitting us to live to see the day about which the fathers only thought and hoped and dreamed.

The boys' dormitory is above the second windows and progressing encouragingly. It will also be pushed to as early a completion as possible and

when finished it will be in harmony with the Administration building in style and commodiousness. The girls' dormitory has been let to contract. By next fall those in charge hope to have three buildings and perhaps the Science hall, with improved water-works from their own well, all completed and ready for business. The campus will be put in beautiful shape also. So it will not be long until Methodism in this western section will have come into her own, educationally. Our prospects are alluring and our hopes are regaled with anticipation of coming victory.

Stewards, talk up the Advocate in your rounds this month and help your pastor place the Church paper in more homes. It will make your work easier in future. Try it.

Rev. F. O. Miller, our Agent for Superannuated Homes, was at First Church, this city, last Sunday, and he made a strong appeal for this worthy enterprise. And notwithstanding the gloomy day and the mud, a fair congregation was present and a splendid response was made to his call. Wherever Brother Miller goes and presents this matter, the people hear him gladly and good results follow. No man in the Conference is doing a more worthy and needed work than Rev. F. O. Miller.

Bishop Mouzon is making full proof not only of his office but of his ministry as well. He spent last Sunday in Fort Worth and preached three times. He had a great day at First Church in the interest of the Polytechnic fund. His effort added largely to the amount now secured and the good work goes on. The total in Fort Worth to date is \$36,000. The Bishop preached at 9 a. m. to the policemen at the City Hall and at night at Central Church. He put in a busy day with good results. And the day was not the most propitious either in point of weather. Fort Worth is waking up to the interests of Polytechnic College, and they propose to swell their contribution to at least \$50,000.

We wish every subscriber who appreciates the Advocate would show it by getting another subscriber this month. You know somebody who ought to take the Advocate. Get him, or her to do so.

At the residence of Rev. Thos. G. Whitten, of 400 West 12th Street, Oak Cliff, on Sept. 11, 1913, Mr. L. D. Heckman and Miss Norma Whitten were united in marriage, the father of the bride officiating. Mr. Heckman is one of our leading business men of Port Arthur and intimately connected with the city government. Miss Norma is the accomplished daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. G. Whitten and she is held in high esteem by a large circle of admiring friends. They start right by taking the Advocate into their home.

In the last issue we misrepresented, unwittingly, the sex of the new baby of Rev. and Mrs. O. T. Cooper. We made the report that a "boy" was added to that parsonage home; but such is not the case, by long odds. She is a girl and weighs eight pounds. So we hasten to apologize to the young Miss and express the wish that her development may be rapid and her usefulness enlarged as the years go by.

Last Sunday the rain kept us from Cresson, where we were booked to dedicate a church. But it was too inclement and muddy for such a service. So we took advantage of our stay in the city to drop into Tyler Street Church unannounced to worship with Rev. J. B. Davis and his people. It was a very forbidding day, and very muddy in that section of the city, but we had a good audience. The Sunday School is one of the most robust in the city. It has an enrollment of more than 700, near-

ly twice the membership of the Church. There were 179 present last Sunday despite the weather. We preached to the congregation and the service was edifying. Brother Davis and his good wife are doing a fine work over there and they have the beginning of a splendid enterprise. They are well organized, full of enthusiasm and developing all departments of Church work. That Church is a veritable beehive of industry.

The General Sunday School Board has sent out a request to the various Conference Sunday School Boards for special contributions this year for Sunday School extension and evangelism in New Mexico and Southern Arizona. The opportunities now opening up in these rapidly developing sections of our country are great and the need for help is urgent. The Sunday School Board is trying to meet this need. The first two conferences to which the appeal was sent were the Missouri and the Kentucky. The former responded with an appropriation of one hundred dollars, the latter with an appropriation of seventy-five dollars. We trust that all other conferences will do as well in proportion to ability.

PERSONALS

Rev. Brother Roberts, of the East Oklahoma Conference, made us a delightful visit last week.

Rev. C. N. Morton, of Glen Rose, was in to see us this week. He is closing out four successful and pleasant years with that delightful charge.

Rev. E. S. Hursey, one of our Conference Evangelists for the North Texas Conference, has been kept busy all the year and he has had good meetings. He is one of our most persistent workers.

Rev. J. H. Averitt, of Cochran Chapel, was a pleasant visitor recently. He always brings a few subs. when he comes. He has had a good year out there and will soon be ready for conference.

Brother M. E. Lancaster, of Lockhart, made the Advocate a pleasant visit this week. He gave a good account of matters in his part of the State. He is one of the many useful laymen of the West Texas Conference.

We are in receipt of an invitation to the marriage of Miss Edna Earl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin Gullledge, of McGregor, to Mr. Dudley C. Johnson, and the pleasing event will come off October 8.

Rev. M. K. Fred, of the West Texas Conference, is making good in his charge. He and his people are putting a seven thousand dollar addition to their church and he is putting the Advocate among his people. He is impressing his leadership at Hondo.

Rev. T. C. Sharp, of Centerville, was to see us last week. He and his people are contemplating some church improvements at an early day, and when that is done their place of worship will be adapted to Sunday School work, also.

Rev. J. A. Stafford is doing a good work as Chaplain of the Reform School for Derelict Boys at Gatesville. He has a rare opportunity to put in excellent service in behalf of this neglected class of boys and he is doing his best to help them into a better life.

It is our pleasant duty to announce the marriage of Dr. Warren W. Penn, of Winnsboro, Texas, and Miss Natalia Evans Griffith, of Greenville, Texas. They were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Alexander, Memphis, Tenn., Rev. Dr. Shaffer officiating. Mrs. Penn is a cousin of

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Rev. J. W. Hill, and she and her husband natives of Texas, and well and favorably known. Dr. and Mrs. Penn will be at home, Winnsboro, Texas, After January 1, 1914.

Brother James M. Roberts, of Troup, father of the wife of Rev. M. N. Terrell, pastor of Troup, died September 25. He was one of God's noblemen, a life-long member of the Church and its liberal supporter.

In our last issue "Rev. B. K. Thompson" wrote many complimentary things about Rev. F. G. Cox. We knew nothing about the facts in the case at the time and we published the letter. This is all we are permitted to say as a pretext for publishing said letter.

The venerable mother of Rev. J. D. Odom died the 20th instant, at Grandview. She had lived there and been a member of that Church for a half century and she was ripe for the Church triumphant. Her end was sudden, but peaceful. She has left those who rise up and call her blessed them.

Rev. B. W. Dodson, of Memphis Station, was a pleasant visitor in this office recently. A short while back he had a controversy with a brother of the Disciple Church persuasion, and from all reports that brother has been a very sad man. Brother Dodson is strong both in the pulpit and on the platform.

Rev. W. J. Bludworth, of Roxton has his new church ready for dedication and the service will be conducted next Sunday, the 5th. We are to be with him and his people at that time. He wishes in this public way to extend an invitation to all former pastors and presiding elders to be present on that important occasion. His Quarterly Conference will be held Saturday, the 4th.

Rev. J. B. Bennett, an aged and consecrated local preacher of this section, died in Fort Worth the 24th instant. He was born in Jackson, Mississippi, and he was eighty-two years of age. He had lived long and usefully in Texas and he is revered by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. His remains were brought to Dallas and interred in West Dallas Cemetery.

We appreciate the kind words of Brother W. T. Davis, of Trinity, who writes: "While I am a Baptist, I freely admit that your paper is one of the best religious papers I have ever read."

Brother W. T. Watkins, of Lockhart, and the Advocate are old friends. He writes: "I learned my alphabet from its pages fifty years ago at my sainted mother's knee. Have been a reader of it for more than forty years." To him it "grows better each year. Children trained to love the Church and its institutions make the pillars of the Church in their maturity."

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The Passing Day

The impeachment trial of Governor Sulzer, of New York, is developing some deplorable weaknesses, even in a Governor.

Two negro drug fiends went on a rampage in Harrison, Mississippi, last Sunday morning and they started out before day to "shoot up the town." As a result three white men and six negroes fell before their murderous guns, and it wound up with both of them being lynched.

The Federals of Mexico, last Sunday, near Piedras Negras, Mexico, won a decided victory over the army of the Constitutionalists. The fighting lasted two days and was a bloody affair. The Mexican situation is still complicated.

A project for the establishment of a university for Jewish students in Jerusalem was recently discussed at the Zionist Congress in Vienna. The cost of the university is estimated at \$500,000, one-fourth of which has already been promised. Dr. Weigman, of Manchester, England, urged the necessity of such a university, owing to the restricted facilities afforded Jewish students in Russia and Roumania.

The Liberal Republicans of Mexico have nominated Colonel David La Fuente as their candidate for the Presidency of the Republic, and the campaign is warming up all along the line.

Four candidates for the nomination for Governor in the primary next summer are now in the field. Two Pros. W. P. Lane and Lieutenant Governor Mayes, and two Antis, Chester Terrell and William Hanger, and the end is not yet.

Two youths, not over twenty, attacked and robbed an express car on the Alabama Great Southern last Thursday night. It is said that they took from the express safe at least \$50,000. Arrests have been made, but it is doubtful if the bandits are among them.

The Tariff Bill, in the hands of the Conference Committee, is about ready for final passage. The Democrats are nearly a unit on all of it except the tax on cotton futures, and this will be decided in open conference. The bill will be in the hands of the President the latter part of this week.

Mrs. Russell Sage at eighty-five years of age has succeeded in disposing of \$10,000,000 of the enormous wealth left her by her husband. She is still persevering. May the Lord prolong her life to the century mark.

In a speech from the throne of the Netherlands delivered last week at the opening of the States General, the new Dutch Cabinet declared its intention of granting the franchise to women. The speech said that a bill is to be introduced removing the constitutional obstacles in the way of granting woman suffrage.

Remarkable results in the treatment of cancer with radium have been secured in the Middlesex Hospital of London. The surgical staff, in making the announcement, does so with the conservatism that characterizes the medical profession in all such matters. "We do not maintain we have cured these cases by radium," it is stated. "What we have done is to cause growths proved microscopically to be cancerous to disappear in a truly astounding way under radium rays."

Last year the United States mined \$92,000,000 in gold. California, Colorado and Alaska leading in its production in the order named. The output of silver was \$39,000,000. Missouri is not prominent in these metals and yet its mineral industries are well at the front and growing fast.

Presbyterian Churches, of all divisions possess about 2,000,000 members and property worth about \$200,000,000, an average of a hundred dollars to each member; while the Baptist and Methodist denominations have each about double the number of the members in the Presbyterian fold, although a century or less ago outnumbered the other two combined, the Presbyterians in the United States

"The assassin of former President Madero of Mexico has himself been assassinated. Lieutenant Colonel Francisco Cardenas, who shot the Mexico Executive on the night of the tragic ride from the palace to the penitentiary, has been murdered at Michoacan. With Cardenas died

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Send us your pro rata this week and two more for good measure. And then continue the good work.

We have never appealed to Texas preachers in vain for any good work. Hence we count on those new subscribers.

The last living witness of the Madero tragedy, Vice-President Pina Suarez died when his chief died, shot as he was shot. The soldiers in the attendant automobile were executed "in the interest of justice," but Cardenas, who commanded the soldiers, was promoted.

The Catholic Party of Mexico has nominated Federico Gamboa as their candidate for President of the Republic in the coming election. Provisional President Huerta will support the nomination.

Dr. Alexis Carrel of the Rockefeller Institute for medical research has devised a method by which the entire visceral organism of an animal may be kept alive for many hours outside the body, so that the digestive and other functioning processes may be observed and studied. These processes go on in the eviscerated organs just as they do in the normal animal.

Secretary Bryan announced the appointment of Henry St. George Tucker of Virginia, President of the Jamestown Exposition on behalf of the Panama-Pacific Exposition, to visit China and Japan. Other members of the commission are William P. Spurgeon, managing editor of The Washington Post, and Charles H. Green of California. The commissioners will sail from San Francisco, October 2.

Canada has a male population of 3,821,995 and a female population of 3,384,648, so that the excess of males over females is 437,347. In every Province the males are numerically in the majority. British Columbia leads in this respect with 110,758 more males than females. Ontario comes next with 75,396 more. Prince Edward Island has only 416 more. Ontario has the largest number of divorced males, 189, and the largest number of divorced females, 277. Ontario also leads in the legally separated class in both males and females, the figures being 539 and 693, respectively. Ontario has most single females, 762,923, and the most single males, 762,330.

In the production of gold in the United States for 1912 there is marked decrease as compared with the previous year. The decrease amounts to \$3,438,500. There was an increase in the output of silver of 3,367,400 ounces over the previous year. The output of gold has decreased in Australia as well. But the increase in South Africa was such as to make the world's output in gold greater in 1912 than in 1911. California, among the States, led in State gold production, putting out \$20,008,000; Colorado came second with eighteen and three-quarter millions, and Alaska third with a little over seventeen millions.

OPENING OF SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

We have had the largest enrollment of students of college grade in the history of the institution. The Fine Arts and Fitting School departments are also both well-filled; and the friends of Southwestern are more hopeful than ever of the great future of the school.

The new members of the faculty are all in place and are taking hold of their work with enthusiasm. The student organizations have already organized for the year's work. The Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. have been especially active. Our pastor, Dr. Nelms, planned and carried out a special service in the interest of the various young people's religious organi-

zations on Sunday evening. Most interesting addresses were made by Dr. Cody, Dr. Grandbery and Prof. Seay on the work of the Sunday School, the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. and the Epworth League respectively. The schedule for chapel services this week is specially arranged also in the interest of these organizations, and some speakers from a distance have been invited to be present and speak. We are hoping and praying for a year of great efficiency in religious education.

The key-note for this was set in a great address by Dr. F. P. Culver on the day of our formal opening, Friday, September 26. His subject was the Supremacy of Character. I have never seen the student body sit through an hour with more interested and rapt attention. It was a noble utterance in language, thought and delivery.

On October 6 we expect to hold a local celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the first opening of the university. Address will be made by Rev. O. T. Hotchkiss, who was one of the first matriculates of the school; Col. W. K. Makemson, who as a citizen took part in the original establishment of the institution in Georgetown and Dr. W. D. Bradford, the president of the Board of Trustees. We will furnish you an account of this event later.

At its last annual meeting the Board of Trust decided that the full celebration of this anniversary should be observed at the next commencement. We are preparing to make that occasion one of the most impressive educational events ever given in Texas.

Georgetown, Texas, Sept. 29, 1913.

A PLEA FOR RECOGNITION.

For some time it has been my idea to write a few words to the Methodists of Texas in regard to two of the old heroes of the Cross who labored faithfully as pioneers in this East Texas country, and who have long since passed to their reward, to wit: Rev. S. A. Williams and Rev. D. Poe. Both lie buried in San Augustine soil. Brother Williams, who was the presiding elder of the San Augustine District in 1850, sleeps about a mile Northwest of the courthouse, in an open field, once the property of his family, but now passed into other hands. He and one of his children repose side by side in this field, and up to a little while ago the beasts of the field had free access to their resting place. No enclosure of any kind marks the graves, though monuments have been erected in the past, but these have almost entirely crumbled into dust, and have been broken up, so that dates are no longer to be discerned on the stones. Brother Williams has a memorial window in the new Methodist Church.

Rev. D. Poe and his wife sleep across the street from the parsonage in an unmarked grave. The grave was once situated under the pulpit in the old Methodist Church, erected in 1872. Last year the old Church property and lots were sold, the Church moved and converted into a residence. Where once stood the Church is now a garden. Both of these missionaries, Brother Poe and wife, died on the same day of congestion, and the house last occupied by them

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still remains. I am asking this morning if Texas Methodism is not willing to erect a suitable memorial to the memory of these heroes? A deed to a sufficient parcel of land can be obtained where repose the ashes of Brother Williams, and a new tablet should be erected where stood the old one. A strong metal fence should mark the hallowed spot.

A tablet, or memorial of some kind, should be placed near the grave of Brother Poe and wife, and by saying near the grave I mean to indicate that the exact spot seems hard to locate. But we know approximately where their ashes sleep. They ought not to be allowed to pass into utter oblivion, which will be the case in a few more years, if attention is not given soon.

Shall Texas Methodism forget these heroes of the Cross, who suffered great privations that the gospel might be preached to sinful man? I trow not.

If any reader of the Advocate feels sufficiently interested to assist in the erection of suitable memorials to these pioneers, you may remit any amount to T. B. Sanders of San Augustine, Texas, and this writer pledges himself that a committee shall be appointed at the next session of the Texas Conference who shall supervise the construction and erection, etc., of these memorial tablets. Let us hear from you. H. B. SMITH,

Pastor M. E. Church, South, San Augustine Station.

LET'S KEEP THE ORPHAN CHILDREN WARM.

The nearer we draw toward conference, the nearer winter is. The Orphanage is without a heating plant. Won't you help us to install one?

The need is urgent, brethren, friends and kind-hearted ones; will you not heed the call of the one hundred and fifty orphan children who look to the Methodists of Texas to keep them warm?

The money is coming, as the accompanying list will show, but it needs to come still more.

Thanking you in advance, you who are going to be next.

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REGARDING EPWORTH.

Dr. J. E. Harrison, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, in charge of negotiations relating to the disposition of the organization's property at Corpus Christi, writes us that there have been no late developments in the sale situation which can be made public at this time. It is expected, however, that an announcement will soon be forthcoming which will indicate fully the plans of the board and assure a measure of relief to the state of uncertainty which exists in the minds of the Leaguers. The board is working diligently toward a solution of the problems with which it is now confronted and the exercise of patience by the membership at large will materially aid in the speedy attainment thereof.

DALLAS NOTES.

Grace Church League has adopted a novel plan in the election of officers which no doubt will result in great good. For the new year, they have elected "Associate" officers from the younger members, the idea being to train them for the more responsible positions in the League Cabinet. The new officers are as follows: President, Mrs. E. A. Brehm; First Vice-President, Miss Ruth Christian; Associate, Glen Addington; Second Vice-President, Miss Mabel Munden; Associate, Drew Collett; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Ewing Gardner; Associate, Mrs. Elton Rogers; Fourth Vice-President, Miss Earle Swan; Associate, Miss Marie Maklev; Teacher Mission Study Class, Capt. Roy Hardin; Associate, Mrs. Sam Clark; Treasurer, Miss Mary Capers; Associate, Elton Rogers; Corresponding Agent, Miss Thulay McMurray; Associate, Walter Seaman; Junior Superintendent, Miss Pearl Davie; Associate, Miss Jessie Dunham; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. Ewing Gardner.

Miss Arlean Wynn and Miss Mabel Munden leave this week for the Normal School at Denton. Miss Mary Alice Jones and Wayne Addington also leave for the State University. All of these are some of the faithful members of Grace Church League and they will be missed but they will attend the League work where they attend school.

Dates for the Dallas District Conference have been changed to next spring and the Conference will be held about a month prior to the North Texas Conference. On account of the impetu it will take to the North Texas work from Dallas District, we believe the accommodation will result in more ultimate good than to hold it in the busy fall in the meantime, the work of organizing Leagues in all of the outlying charges in the district

will be pushed with vigor, and it is to be hoped that when the Conference meets next spring, every charge in the district will have a live, enthusiastic League.

The following have been elected in First Church League: President, J. Barney Davis; Vice-President, Miss Mary Kate Brown; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Jos. Agee; Third Vice-President, Miss Winnifred Gill; Fourth Vice-President, Miss Minnie Mae Van North; Secretary, Frank Brown; Treasurer, E. L. Thurman. The newly installed officers are planning for great things in First Church League. A mission study class, cottage prayer-meetings, settlement work, and many other things are to be taken up and pushed aggressively.

An item from Ervay Street League which came too late for the bulletin tells of an average attendance of almost one hundred at the League meetings. How many of our Leagues can do this? It means that the League services are conducted in an attractive manner, and above all, that there is spirituality and power in them, for nothing else is so much of a magnet to draw young people to a religious service.

Tyler Street League held their annual election of officers Friday night, September 5th. The following were elected: President, Alger Jones; First Vice-President, M. F. Farmer; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Mollie Savage; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Alger Jones; Fourth Vice-President, Miss Myrtle Byrom; Secretary, Harry Vandagriff; Treasurer, Ross Bush. On this occasion, refreshments were served, and all enjoyed a delightful social hour. With the new set of officers, Tyler Street League will move forward with the same zeal that has characterized its every effort since organization.—Epworth Doin's

The September session of the Dallas City Epworth League Union was attended by three hundred and fifty Leaguers. The program was planned to show the relation of the Union to the State, Annual Conference, District and Local Chapter organizations, the general theme being "Co-operation," and the speakers being Gus W. Thomasson for the State organization; O. L. Hamilton for the North Texas Conference; J. Barney Davis for the Dallas District, and Frank Jensen for the local chapters. The loving cup attendance trophy was won for the evening by the German Methodist Church League and for the year by the Tyler Street League. The October meeting will be held with First Church, and the November meeting with Trinity. President J. A. Rogers is a very popular and efficient executive.

LEAGUE FINANCES SOLVED BY HILLSBORO CHAPTER NO. 507.

For a long time our League was operated as most other Leagues are, that is, our treasurer was the only one who looked after the collections of dues, and most of the time waited until the members called to pay. As a result we did not have sufficient funds to carry on the affairs of the League and when we gave an entertainment, it was on a "credit." Then we would "hustle" first one way then another to raise money to pay our bills. After much thought we asked our pastor (Rev. John R. Morris) to allow us to elect League Stewards, which he gladly did, and approved the plan. The plan is this: We divided our roll into lists of ten and elected real good Leaguers, ones that we could depend on, to take these lists and collect the dues each month from their respective list. By so doing we were soon on a "cash basis" and have money to help many other worthy causes. Under this systematic plan dues do not accumulate and are easier paid. We also find that it distributes the work and stimulates interest. Since this plan has proven to be worth so much to our League, we submit it for the consideration of others.

SEABROOK SUGGESTED.

In regard to your "Epworth-by-the-Sea," I note you are contemplating a change of location. Is it possible to interest you in a tract of fifty acres on Galveston Bay, situated at Seabrook, Texas? We Houston people, who have summer homes out here, feel the need of an influence like your Epworth band. The resident section needs uplifting. Aside from this, we have good bathing, elevation and won-

derful salt air—in fact, in point of health, this locality can not be improved upon. An interurban has been surveyed through this particular tract which will put you in touch with Houston and Galveston, as we are half way between the two cities. Thinking and hoping you will consider this, at the same time pardon my presumption. I am, with best wishes, an interested Methodist.

MRS. M. D. L. MARTIN.
 Seabrook, Texas.

A NEW ATTENDANCE PLAN.

First Church League, Houston, is effectively using a new plan in their chapter for one of their Sunday evening meetings. Contrary to the average League, the young ladies were not doing their share in the devotional meetings, it being found that most of the talking and praying, too, were being done by the young men. It was suggested at the July business meeting, and by one of the interested young ladies at that, that a certain Sunday each month be set aside for a "Young Ladies' Night," so a committee of three was appointed to arrange for the August meeting. They were allowed to choose their own subject, and well they did, "Women of Japan," combining the influence of the women in Christianizing and civilizing Japan, together with a short description of the country. One young lady gave some random selections from "The Lady of the Decoration" so effectively until the question was asked, "Has she been touring Japan?" The advertising this meeting received beforehand doubled the attendance, and now the September committee is working hard to beat the record of the August committee. In order to pass the work around, a different committee is appointed each month. Some of the other Leagues might use this plan with their young men, in case they are not doing their part, or vice versa. At these meetings, the young men are only allowed to join in the singing (not all of that) and Scripture reading.

FRED. H. WIGZELL,
 First Vice-President.

FROM TAYLOR EPWORTH LEAGUE.

While at Epworth, I spoke to Mr. Thomasson about enjoying the League page of the Christian Advocate. He thanked me for my interest, and asked me to write something about our League. At that time I wondered how I could, but our League had six representatives at Epworth and we came home full of enthusiasm.

On Sunday evening, September 7th, in the Church Auditorium, we observed Rally Day. The church was decorated with pot plants, League colors, the Maltese cross and the League motto. The program was the one sent out for the Anniversary Day. We didn't follow this exactly, as we haven't any Junior League. Rather unexpectedly we had with us that night Rev. D. W. Carter, presiding elder of the San Antonio Mexican Border Mission. We have in our city a number of Mexicans, who are trying to secure enough money to build them a little church. He had preached for them in the afternoon, and he asked for a ten minutes' talk on our program. We granted this with pleasure, and he told us how anxious they were for a church, and how easily we could help them: "Just a word here about this work. I, in company with our pastor, Brother Carraway, and a number of others, visited their services one Sunday afternoon. The minister couldn't speak a word of English. They had no one to play the organ for them, so I did so. They knew their songs from memory, and sang in Spanish, and we in English. I saw some baptized, and some received into the Church at the close of the service. They appreciated our presence very much. The League hopes to aid them as much as possible during the coming year.

These are the new officers elected for the year: President, Archie Carraway; First Vice-President, Miss Mary Moody; Second Vice-President, Miss Idell Johnson; Third Vice-President, Miss Myrtle Jackson; Fourth Vice-President, Willie Veale; Secretary, John Cornforth; Treasurer, Willie B. Mack; Era Agent, Miss Georgia Hope; Organist, Miss Rosalie Jones.

We are planning for one of the best years yet. I am anxious that our presiding elder, Rev. T. S. Armstrong, will see fit to organize a District League Conference right away, and let the Leaguers on this district enjoy some of the blessings the North Texas Leaguers enjoy.

MARY MOODY,
 Taylor, Texas.

(Editor's Note.—If the editor could speak personally to each Leaguers this page could not be made to hold

Your Boy

First, ask your doctor about Ayer's Sarsaparilla as a tonic for the young. Then use it or not, as he says.

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the letters that would be received in response to his request. This letter from Taylor is a striking example of buried talent. The Taylor chapter, as this report shows, has been doing things. But the League at large has been denied the pleasure and profit of knowing about them until now. What an inspiration this letter brings! Let other follow this example and send in reports accepting this as a personal invitation from the editor to do so.)

PREPARATION.

The most important business of life is preparation—preparation for any venture, enterprise, business or calling. Haphazard, lick-or-miss methods or attempts to do things without ample, painstaking preparation beforehand, invites failure, and the invitation is usually accepted.

Efficiency is the keynote of success in any business. This cannot be attained except by diligent study of the thing to do and going at it intelligently and perseveringly.

The lawyer who is eternally reading, delving and investigating, independent of the matter he has in hand, is the lawyer who is never briefless or wanting clients.

The doctor who starts out with a diploma, and lets matters go at that, who does not get in touch with the colossal strides that are being made in his profession, soon stagnates, and his finish will show that he has done more for the undertakers than for his patients.

The man who goes through life, in a hit-or-miss way, expecting in his declining years, or on his death-bed, to square accounts with his Maker, will inevitably find a dismal illusion confronting him, and everlastingly too late.

I take it that the prime object in this life is to prepare for the life to come. If we concede that the Bible, as a whole, is an expression of the Divine will, if we satisfy ourselves that we can learn from this book our relation to God, and what he expects of us in this life, if it is possible that we can know by painstaking review and analysis of the histories the allegories, the poems and prophecies of this interesting and varied collection known as the Old and New Testaments, what is necessary in order for us to pursue an intelligent course in this preparation, then, it seems to me, the proper and most appropriate place to pursue this study is in the Sunday School.

The Bible is one of the greatest classics, and ignorance of the Bible is proverbial among business men, professional and otherwise. These men would feel aggrieved if you were to charge them with ignorance of Shakespeare's plays, and yet they take it as a joke if they look for Ephesians in the Old Testament, and would be perfectly complaisant if you were to quote from the third chapter of Hezekiah; they can tell you something about Jonah and the troubles he had with a certain whale, or the scrap David had with a certain muscular Philistine; but in so far as getting out of this great book the divine spirit of Mercy, Truth and Love towards man, they would not know where to commence, much less to analyze or explain.

I claim that one cannot put too much vigor or intelligence in the study of the Bible. It is susceptible of the most painstaking and exhaustive research. There is nothing to apologize for or minimize, but we should have a teacher who has taken in all the circumstances attending the history, prophecy or poem and get out of it the great lesson that the Book was intended to convey.

JAS. T. JENKINS,
 Dallas, Texas.

"THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH."

(A letter to Rev. A. D. Porter, pastor Morrow Street Methodist Church, Waco, Texas).

Dear Brother Porter: You have the wrong view of the word Catholic in the expression, "The Holy Catholic Church." Your objection to it is that in the minds of Methodists the word means Roman Catholic. You say that when they repeat it Sunday in the service they think of the Roman Catholic Church.

If it is true that it sets them thinking, it is well. They will not long think wrong. Nothing but prejudice against the word can make one dislike it. Perhaps I should say, dislike, for the Church that the word Catholic is supposed to name has caused prejudice against the word. This is wrong. The word is not to blame; but we

should be to blame if we abandoned it to be used in its narrowed and unreal sense. The Roman Catholics have not appropriated this word as a distinctive name; they claim that they are the universal Church, and that besides them there is no other. That is what I deny, and am pleased to deny every Sunday morning. My affirmation that I believe in the "Holy Catholic Church" is a denial that I believe in the Roman Catholic Church.

As well object to the word "Christian" because some people have appropriated that term to their own particular Church. The fact that there are people who in their use of this word exclude me and all Christian people but themselves makes me the more ready to use the word in its only true sense, to include all that are Christ's. When I so use it, I protest against the narrow meaning that narrow people would give to it. It is exactly the same in the use of the word Catholic. We do wrong if we allow pirates to take possession of the word until it actually becomes a stranger to us, and we say, I don't like it. We Methodists are not doing this, and I am glad that we are not.

The words, "I believe in the Holy Catholic Church," are the words of the Apostles' Creed, and if we adopt the Creed, let us keep the words. In any composition, particularly in any great composition, I prefer the words of the author, or authors. Is it not the form, as well as the thought, that has given life to what men have written? I prefer a hymn as it was written. The General Conference simply went back to the words of the Apostles' Creed; they could not have done better. The only reason for a change in a statement of doctrine, such as the Apostles' Creed, is that something there stated is untrue or vicious. There is no such objection against the words, "Holy Catholic Church."

The best name for the Church we believe in is the Holy Catholic Church. There are not two other words that can take the place of "Holy" and "Catholic." "Catholic" is the word that has always been used for "universal." Of course, synonyms can be substituted, but we don't want substitutes. I cannot see the need of substitutes. I believe there are no proper substitutes. No two words have exactly the same meaning: if you substitute, you change the meaning. The substitute we formerly had, "The Church of God," I believe is as good as could be made. I have no objection to it in itself; I can truly say, I believe in the Church of God. But I prefer the words of the Creed, because they are the words of the Creed, and because they are better. You say that your preference is, "Christ's Holy Church;" you say that we might say "Christ's Holy Universal Church." When you have once said "Christ's," you need not use other descriptive terms. Christ has but one Church, and it is holy and all-inclusive. "Christ's Church" would be a sufficient designation, just as "Church of God" would be. Yet I can see how one might use either expression under misapprehension, understanding by it his own Church, the organization of which he is a member. It seems to me that the expression, the "Holy Catholic Church," can have but one meaning, that it cannot fail to be understood by every one, and that it describes exactly the Church that Methodists believe in. The "Holy Catholic" Church is the Church made up of all who are holy; that is, of all who belong to Christ. I am glad the General Conference gave us back this form; and I am pleased, on your invitation, to "stand forth and say it."

Your brother,
 A. ANDERSON,
 Waco, Texas.

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PHILLIPS.—John W. Phillips was born December 7, 1859; died August 21, 1913, at Dalgnerfield, where he was born and reared. He joined the Methodist Church at Old Harris Chapel under the ministry of Brother Crowsou. He was married to Miss Hattie Turner December 24, 1885. Rev. W. A. Coppage officiating. Seven children were born to this union, all living but one. These dates give the outline of one of the noblest characters that ever lived in our midst. Jack Phillips, as he was familiarly known, was the embodiment of honor. He held office in the county for a number of years and he did his work well. His last work was cashier of the Citizens' Bank. Here, as in every other place he was called to serve, he did his work in a way that brought to the Lord honor and confidence among his fellowmen. Brother Phillips loved his Church. The greatest desire of his heart was that he might get well and be able to carry forward some part of the Church work in this town. He was a steward for a number of years, and always did his work well. He was the most painstaking recording steward I have ever known. His work would always pass at District Conference. But above it all, Brother Jack Phillips was a Christian in deed and in truth. He carried his Christian profession out into the walks of men and yet, best of all, he was a Christian at home. His one great object and aim was to make his home a Christian home. He was a loving, true husband and a tender compassionate father and truly the head of the house. During the last few months he was confined to his bed, but never a word of complaint escaped his lips. He was so appreciative of every little kindness shown. No one ever visited him or sent a little token of remembrance that he did not express his thanks in words and looks. To the dear wife and children, I commend you to the love of the Heavenly Father. May each of you so live that when you come to that home above you will be an unbroken family there.

C. H. ADAMS, Pastor.

EAKIN.—William G. Eakin was born August 11, 1838, State of Indiana, and moved to Virginia when a boy; married Miss Samantha Weddle, July 10, 1857. To this union nine children were born, two dying when infants, seven yet living. He served the South through the Civil War; moved to Tennessee in 1868, to Texas in 1877. His first wife died September 17, 1878. He was again married October 23, 1889 to Mrs. S. A. Dennis. To this union were born two children who are yet with us. Brother Eakin was a valiant soldier of the Cross. As he served his country, so he served his Lord, faithful unto the end. Joined the Methodist Church more than forty years ago and filled every position in the Church that a layman could fill. Though he was unable to attend Church after he became his pastor, yet in his home he loved to talk of his Lord. More than once have I seen the tears of joy fall from his eyes as he would talk of Christ and his love for a lost world. In the last talk I had with him while he was conscious he said, "I am only waiting for the coming of my Lord." To his wife and children who yet survive him, I would say, "Though it is hard to give him up, yet you know where to find him."

H. M. COWLING.

Bonita, Texas.

THARP.—Sister Emily P. Tharp (nee Fisher) was born November 25, 1849, in Carroll Parish, La.; departed this life, gently and peacefully, August 17, 1913, in Roddy, Van Zandt County, Texas. She moved to Kemp, Kaufman County, Texas, in the fall of 1864; was converted at the age of fourteen under the preaching of Brother Dick Wadkins and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church; was married to John A. Tharp July 28, 1868. To this union were born nine children; seven living, two having died in infancy. Five sons are preachers. All living have families. All her children and grandchildren seem to love her to the point of sacred devotion. The lutes hang out for Sister Tharp from the doors of all who knew her. She was an angel of

tender love and mercy. In the trying hours of sickness and trouble, always with Bible in hand, a messenger of love, mercy and truth in the sick room, always ready and willing to pour the oil of consecration onto the troubled waters of bereavement and sorrow. In time of family troubles or neighborhood broils, her words, fitly spoken, were like apples of gold in pictures of silver. Chaste in word and thought, kind and sympathetic in manners, courteous, yet courageous and prompt always, she was constantly in demand. She, in company with her husband, would visit the prisoners in prison, sing and pray with and for them and distribute religious literature and depart with their benedictions on her head. In short, she was the living, moving, breathing embodiment of practical, painstaking Christianity. The writer's family has frequently been the grateful recipients of her tender sympathy and helpfulness in times of bereavement and trouble. She was continually going about doing good. Her faith and trust in the God of her Bible was always strong and complete—was transcendent. Her love and friendship, tried and true; her labors, unceasing in the work of her Lord. Many, very many, in the last days, will rise up and call her blessed. Her children and loved ones know where to find her. May they all emulate her glorious example! May they honor her in all things and meet her, an unbroken family, in heaven! The writer's family have been near neighbors and on close and intimate terms with her and family for twenty-two years. She was first a bright and leading light in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, but later joined, together with her husband, the Free Methodist Church, and her light has grown brighter and brighter until the present perfect day. A great concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends witnessed her funeral. Her Sunday School class almost covered her casket in beautiful bouquets of emblematical flowers. Peace to her soul!

C. C. GIBBS.

TAYLOR.—Miss Zora Taylor was born near Clarksville in Red River County, Texas, April 29, 1893. While a little child she gave God her heart and united with the Church. This wise choice had a great influence over her life. She continued to follow the Christ whom she had learned to love and to trust until August 2, 1913, at her home in Beville, after several weeks of sickness and suffering, she left us and went to her heavenly home to be with her Lord forever. She was not afraid to die. Said she, "I am not afraid. God will help me over the river." Her faith triumphed and her way was bright to the very last. Her loved ones know where she has gone. She was a builder of true Christian character. So she died well, and those whom she left behind are not mourning as those who have no hope. Father, mother, sisters and brothers are better because of Zora's pure, sweet life. She will be waiting and watching for them in the beautiful home over there.

A. W. WILSON, P. C.

AIRHART.—W. L. Airhart died May 22, 1913, and was about seventy-six years of age. Brother Airhart was a good man. He was converted in the Civil War and joined the Army Church. Soon after he came home he joined the Methodist Church, South, and lived a consistent member until his death. At the time of his death he was a Church trustee. He was an official in the Church most all the time. He had been taking the Sunday School literature more than forty years. He was one of the best Sunday School teachers I have ever known. He was married to Miss M. A. Ramsom in 1899. This union was blessed with three children—two girls and one boy. His son, Rev. W. R. Airhart, is an able minister in the Methodist Church. Each of his daughters and their families are members of the Methodist Church, South, and are good, faithful women of the Church. His wife and children greatly mourn their loss of husband and father. Of Brother Airhart it may well be said, "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace." His pastor,

W. W. NOBLE.

CHILDRESS.—On June 18, 1913, Franklin Marion Childress was called into the fuller, more perfect life which Jesus went to prepare for his children. Brother Childress had been ill only three days and died almost without a pain. He was born in Alabama in 1857. In 1866 he came to Texas and settled in Corvill County, where he lived until within four years of his death, when he moved to Callahan County. He was married to Mary Elizabeth Coats, January 22, 1858. To this union nine children were born, seven of whom are still living, and

all except one of these are professed followers of Christ. Brother Childress was a member of the Methodist Church, South, for fifty-four years. He was a very faithful member. He did his duty in every way possible for his Church. He was a kind father, a well beloved neighbor. His community and Church miss his presence very much. But he was waiting for the summons to go. He often said that he was ready. "May his tribe increase." ANDREW C. ASTON, Cross Plains, Texas.

WALKUP.—Florence Lillian Walkup (nee Kennedy) was born August 3, 1865, in Decaturville, Tenn., and moved to Texas in 1899. She was married to Dr. H. B. Walkup May 20, 1886, and departed from this life July 21, 1913. Was laid to rest July 22 at Lott, Texas. To this union, there were four children born, three of whom preceded her to the land of rest. She leaves a husband, daughter, brother and I think two sisters, and a host of friends, who mourn their loss. To know her was to love her. In the community in which she lived those who knew her best saw the light of the Master manifested, for a kind disposition portrayed this character whenever opportunity afforded. The first time my attention was called to Sister Walkup, she was living near Greenville, Texas. There the tender-hearted hand and gentle voice gave comfort to many, who will never forget her. I think they came from Leonard to Lott, Texas, where they lived for six or seven years. Here this good woman rendered abundant service to the Church and the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In fact, everywhere she could find something to do for those who needed her assistance. Finally her health failed and the pew was vacant, and her pastor missed her bright face and cheerful voice. On a visit to her home to learn the cause of her absence, one was greeted by a bright smile, which caused one to feel better for having gone. A visit to her home would help the most skeptical. The Church in Lott has lost a most faithful and useful worker and the Woman's Home Missionary Society a most ardent worker, the home a loving, tender mother and wife. The earth is poorer, but heaven is richer and nearer these loved ones. Weep not, dear ones, for she is only waiting at the gate for her dear, loving daughter, who so faithfully did all that kind hands could do and the loving father who stood by and helped in the conflict of life so gladly. Praise the Lord for religion that keeps us to the end. By her pastor, D. W. GARDNER, September 10, 1913.

CALVERT.—Brother Wm. W. Calvert was born in Kentucky February 22, 1830. He was married to Silvia Justice November, 1858. To this union were born eleven children, four of the children having died while they were small. Sister Calvert died in Kentucky in 1881. Brother Calvert moved from Kentucky to Denton County, Texas, in 1882, and lived in Denton County until his death, May 19, 1913. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church, South, in 1884, under the ministry of Rev. C. B. Fladger. I think the seven remaining children were converted and joined the Methodist Church, South, about the same time under Brother Fladger's ministry at Chinn Chapel. Brother Calvert lived a consistent Christian life and was faithful until death. He was laid to rest in the Chinn Chapel Cemetery May 20, 1913. The funeral services were conducted by this writer. He leaves seven children and a host of grandchildren with many friends to mourn his death. His children and most of his grandchildren are Christians. They weep not as those who have no hope, but are trusting father's God. May they make an unbroken family in that city in the skies.

M. C. SOOTER, P. C.

BRANNON.—Andrew Edward Brannon was born August 22, 1892, in Polk County, Ga. His parents moved to Collin County, Texas, with him in December, 1895; thence to Hunt County in 1901, where he lived with his father and mother till early the summons came on August 17, 1913. He was just nineteen years, eleven months and twenty-five days old when the Master came and called him to his eternal reward. He was converted at the mourner's bench a year ago, but did not fully receive the witness of the Spirit till just a few days before his death. This came one afternoon when alone with his father and mother. After they had prayed, he began shouting the praises of the Lord, assuring them that he was a "child of God." Many of his unconverted friends called often to see him, and he never missed an opportunity to warn them to flee the wrath to come.

the whole grade's work? Why He was kind and affectionate and made many friends, who showed in many ways their appreciation of him. As his pastor, we feel most keenly his loss, and our hearts go out in sympathy to relatives and loved ones. And we point these sad hearts to the good Father above for comfort. We feel sure that our loss is his eternal gain, for he left a living testimony behind that he has gone to dwell in that land that is fairer than day. Let us live to meet him around the throne.

J. VIRGIE DAVIS.

SPARKMAN.—G. C. Sparkman was born in White County, Tenn., November 11, 1849, died near Irene, Hill County, Texas, August 13, 1913. His father died when he was only ten years old, leaving him largely the dependence of his mother and two younger children. Shortly after his father's death, he moved with some relatives to Moran County, Alabama, where his mother died when he was seventeen. When he was twenty-one he was married to Miss Elizabeth Meaus, to whom six children were born. She died in 1887. He was married a second time in 1890 to Miss Leah Griffin, who also became the mother of six children. She died near Lovelace in 1895. In 1905 he moved to Texas and settled in Hill County. It was about that time I became acquainted with him and a warm friendship followed. Brother Sparkman was a lifelong Methodist and attended upon the ordinances and supported the institutions of the Church as long as he lived. He seldom missed a Quarterly Conference whether he was an official or not. He was devoted to his Church, his Bible, his family and his home. His son, Robert E., of Irene, and his daughter, Mrs. Vest of Pardon, have homes of their own. His son, William, of the first marriage, and four younger children, were living with him when he passed away. He was an honest man, poor in purse, but rich in faith. His family are Methodists and following his instructions, they expect to meet him beyond-by.

HORACE BISHOP.

MITCHELL.—Edna May Mitchell (nee Allen) was born January 9, 1889. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church at Stockdale, Texas, when only ten years of age. She ever lived a faithful and consistent Christian life. On March 20, 1912, she married Mr. W. M. Mitchell. But in spite of all the loving care of her husband and her father and mother, Brother and Sister R. C. Allen, of Sunnyside, she went home to her Heavenly Father June 26, 1913. She was buried from the Methodist Church in Stockdale by Brother Gilbert McClain, of Floresville, and the W. O. W. Circle. There was a large number of friends gathered to show their love and pay tribute to her character.

EDWARD W. MORTON, Pastor Stockton M. E. Church, South.

ROBBINS.—Uncle Nat Robbins was born March 2, 1835. Joined the Methodist Church at the age of ten years, at Bird's Church, Alabama, and was married to Eliza Durham, November 14, 1859. Four children were born to them—three sons, who so tenderly administered to his last wants, survive him. He came to Texas in 1875, and made one of her truest citizens. He fought through the Civil War. He was noted for his physical stamina. As a man, he was the very embodiment of honesty and integrity—affable, but not a man of policy—nothing concealed about Uncle Nat. He loved his home and family and the beauty of devotion of old age was exemplified in the lives of Brother and Sister Robbins, the latter of whom is yet with us. For sixty-seven years he lived a faithful Christian life in every sphere. He kept up the family altar until his death. He loved his pastors and it was a source of pleasure to visit his home. The Church had no better friend or supporter. He loved its services, was always in his place when he had strength to get there. He put implicit trust in Him who said, "I am the way," and in this way he has gone to the "Father's house." He was ready and watching for the hour of death that came to him December 18, 1912.

F. E. HUDGENS, P. C.

DEEN.—Miss Mary Deen, beloved daughter of R. L. and Elizabeth Deen, born February 2, 1868; died June 17, 1913, at her home in Grapevine, Texas. She was converted at sixteen years of age and lived a consecrated Christian life. Her whole life was permeated with holy ambition to serve her Lord, and because of this she was so anxious to serve her Church. She heeded the exhortation given by Paul, "Study to show thyself approved." She was a workman that needed not to be ashamed. She was always alert to learn and know the latest and best methods of doing

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God's work. Some one has said of her, "She lived ten years ahead of her Church," but her life was not lived in vain. She had a burning desire to do God's bidding and, oh, what a joy to us who loved her to know she has gone to her rich reward! She was the center of love and affection in her home. How they will miss her there, but the sweet perfume of her life will abide forever and will be a guide to her loved ones as they follow her on to that beautiful beyond. It is hard to understand why one so useful must leave us first, but some day it will all be made plain when we see our Savior face to face.

MRS. J. T. BLOODWORTH, MRS. W. R. STEWARD.

ARCENEUX.—Mrs. Elizabeth Arceneaux was born in Jasper, Jasper County, Texas, February 29, 1860; died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. W. Lawson, Orange, Texas, August 20, 1913. She was a direct descendant of the Blewitt and Traylor families so long and so well known in South and East Texas and who were among the early pioneer families of the country. During her childhood days she moved with her parents from Jasper County to Jackson County, which was then in an unimproved condition and not long since inhabited by the Indian. In 1879 Miss Elizabeth Traylor was united in marriage to Arcema Arceneaux of Louisiana and of French descent, and they walked faithfully through life together until the death of the latter at Edna, Texas, in 1896. From the fruits of their marriage four children were born, one of which, Mrs. Regina Simons, died in 1904, at Edna, Texas, just in the bloom of young womanhood. The children surviving the mother are Herbert and Arthur Arceneaux and Mrs. F. W. Lawson of Orange, Texas. She also leaves a widowed and aged mother, Mrs. Regina Traylor, and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her departure. Mrs. Arceneaux had not been in good health for many months but only recently did her condition appear to be serious. She was given medical attention, but it was soon realized that she was be-

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Woman's Department

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

NOTICE, MCKINNEY DISTRICT.

The date for the district meeting has been changed from September 29-October 1 to be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Please elect delegates at once and send names to Mrs. Charley Johnson, Carrollton. The entertaining auxiliary (Carrollton) cordially invite the attendance of the presiding elder and the pastors. Notice for the program in these columns. It is replete with good numbers. A rare treat will be the messages of Rev. Frank Onderdonk, of Mexico, who will be with us during the session.

MRS. REX B. WILKES,
District Secretary.

DISTRICT MEETING, PLAINVIEW, TEXAS.

The District Meeting for the Plainview District will be held in Hale Center, October 9 and 10. All delegates' names should be sent to Mrs. N. W. McClesky, Hale Center, Texas.

MRS. J. A. SWEENEY,
District Secretary.

Sept. 22, 1913.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT MEETING.

The District Meeting of Weatherford District will hold its annual meeting in Courts Memorial Church, Weatherford, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 14, 15. All auxiliaries in District especially invited to send delegates, as we will expect to get great inspiration and spiritual uplift from each other. Program to be announced later. District pastors cordially invited.

MRS. W. T. HILES,
District Secretary.

STERRETT AUXILIARY.

A few ladies of the Sterrett community met July 24, at Mrs. Will Chapman's and were organized by our pastor's wife, Mrs. I. E. Hightower, into a Home Missionary Society. The officers were elected as follows: Mrs. T. M. Horton, President; Mrs. Will Chapman, First Vice-President; Mrs. Ed. Hosford, Second Vice-President; Mrs. D. K. Thomas, Third Vice-President; Mrs. Robert Reed, Fourth Vice-President; Mrs. W. A. Culbertson, Treasurer; Miss Ada Stevens, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Lou Hickman, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. M. Harwell, Press Reporter and agent for Missionary Voice. Although we are small in number, by the help of our Master we hope to accomplish much good in the future. The least things done on earth sometimes amount to the greatest in heaven.

MRS. T. M. HORTON.

NOTES FROM TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Queen City Home Department has united with the foreign work. They have not had a foreign auxiliary until this month, so you see another auxiliary for our district.

Mrs. W. J. Adams' Sunday School class (Hardy Memorial), Texarkana Avenue, new in our work and I have just found out they are boys, twenty-five in number. We will have a report from them at the district meeting, Oct. 13, as two volunteered to go for one day. Am sorry Mrs. Adams has not given me their age, but you will see them at the meet.

Miss Laura Bell Proctor has gone to her work in Augusta, Georgia, Sept. 11. Owing to difference in climate she didn't go when requested to come in July.

Marlin District Meeting was held this year at Buffalo. A most pleasant and we hope, profitable time was spent.

Mrs. Whitehurst, Conference Second Vice-President, Mrs. Spivey, our Conference Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Durham, Deaconess from the Houston Co-operative Home, were with us and their presence was an inspiration.

There were seven delegates present from the Buffalo, Jewett, Cameron, Gause, and Marlin auxiliaries and both

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meet our party, and our attention was instantly centered on them. We recognized Miss Glenn, Miss Perkinson, Mrs. Borchers (nee Miss Elizabeth Davis), Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Borchers, Mr. Manuel, a Y. M. C. A. Secretary, and many others, but they were not allowed to come on board until eight o'clock, after the visit of the health officers and the custom house officials. Their welcome was as cordial as loving, loyal hearts could offer. Similar experience had rendered Miss Glenn most skillful in dealing with officials and our hand baggage was duly inspected and passed before leaving the ship and was carried on the heads of porters called "carregadores" to automobiles in waiting. The surpassing beauty of the drive on the Avenida "Beira-Mar" which is considered the finest in the world, cannot be put into words. This marine drive skirts the bay for miles and the stone sea wall seems impregnable, and yet we were shown a place now repaired where the tidal wave that rose last March had crushed the wall and leaped over the magnificent avenue carrying devastation with it.

On our arrival at the Colegio Americano, familiar faces greeted us: Miss Hickman and Miss Ferguson, our hostesses and Misses Pescud and Bartos, who with four older pupils, had come from Petropolis on the early train. At twelve o'clock, we had breakfast. Our schools comply with the customs of this country—having coffee and cereal at an early hour, ranging in different places from 7 to 8:30 a. m. Breakfast at 11 or 12. Dinner at 6 or 7 p. m. with coffee and tea between.

A visit to the Custom House and bank where we wished to cash some of our Traveler's Checks occupied most of the next day. The officials again were most kind, and our trunks and packages for our missionaries were passed free of duty. The trunks were committed to a porter with a hand-cart who hauled them to the College nearly five miles from the dock. They reached their destination safely before we arrived—much more promptly than is customary by our system of checks and baggage express.

At half past four the next morning we were awakened to take the six o'clock train to Bello Horizonte which we wished to visit before Conference. After a long drive through the fresh morning air, we met Bishop Lambuth and Dr. Cook at the station. We left our trunks in Rio and carried what we needed in suit cases. Miss Glenn again saved us much trouble through familiarity with the customs of Brazil and modes of travel. Giving our baggage to two "carregadores," she hurried on before us to the train to secure seats. The system of handling baggage in this country is unique. The passenger enters the car and the "carregadore" hands all his baggage through the window and when he reaches the end of his journey he disposes of it in the same way. All trunks must be sent by express hence most people travel with hand baggage and aisles and seats are piled up so that passage through a car is a difficult task. A delicious lunch put up at the College, served us for breakfast and dinner as we did not reach Bello Horizonte until 10 p. m., when Misses Howell, Fenley and Henderson and Dr. Lander met us. In passing through Juiz de Fora, we caught a glimpse of some of our friends for a moment and were delighted. The ride over the mountains is a wonderful feat in engineering. The track winds around it so that it can be seen in three places at once from the car window. There are twenty-six tunnels between Rio and Bello Horizonte. Every hour of our stay in Bello Horizonte was filled with engagements. The city is beautiful, modeled, we were told, after the plan of Washington, D. C. Our chief interest naturally centered in the Collegio Isabella Hendries and we attended classes, held conferences with the missionaries in the faculty and made our first talks through an interpreter to the school of 190 pupils assembled in chapel. We also held a meeting for women in the chapel and many women came who would not have gone into a church.

The school has outgrown its present accommodations and the building needs enlargement. Our party, including Miss Howell and Dr. Lander, called on Senor Brandao, the President of the State of Minas Geraes, and had a cordial reception.

On Tuesday morning, at six o'clock, we left for Juiz de Fora, and spent a day and night there en route to Petropolis to attend Conference. This short stay which was refreshing will be supplemented by a visit on our return from the South Brazil Conference. Misses Warne, Epps and Hyde form a happy group of workers. Leaving on Wednesday, as our train was late, we missed connection for Petropolis and decided to go on to Rio and take the train for Petropolis the next day. The ride from Rio on the mountain

is marvelous. We ascend from sea level 3000 feet and then descend 500 feet to Petropolis. At one time the Bay of Rio is in full view and the scenery all the way is beautiful. Miss Perkinson and others met us at the station. The little city, with a river running through it, reminded us of Geneva. Collegio Americano, which we soon reached, stands on a high hill, beautiful for situation and commanding a view of the surrounding mountain ranges. No picture that we have ever seen of the College does it justice. Our welcome from Misses Perkinson, Pescud and Barton made us feel truly at home.

The Conference session had begun the previous day. The mornings were devoted to committee meetings and the Conference opened at noon with an intermission at half past two for refreshments, and adjourned at five. There was a sermon every night. All business was conducted in Portuguese. Dr. Cook preached on Sunday morning and made an address daily. The service he rendered was a great blessing to the Conference, especially the Sunday sermon interpreted by Dr. Lee. Bishop Lambuth guided the Conference wisely and met some delicate and difficult problems with tact and wisdom. Our prayers on shipboard for the Conference were answered. We had the privilege of addressing the Conference twice through an interpreter—a novel experience—requiring mental gymnastics. We held profitable conferences with the women missionaries two mornings. Eleven of them were present. The appointments were read on Tuesday night. Saturday afternoon was devoted to consideration of women's work and a report was made from each school. As these reports were given in Portuguese, we could not understand them, but took it for granted that they were good. Few changes were made in the appointments of the women. For health reasons it was decided that Miss Hickman, who had been ill, should take her furlough at once instead of waiting until next year when it was due. The time for the furloughs of Miss Blanche Howell and Miss Richmond being due, they were given leave of absence. Perinson was transferred to Collegio Americano, Rio, and Andrew to Central Institute, Rio. An interesting feature of the closing service on Tuesday night was an offering to give a watch and chain to the African Chief who had been so kind to Bishop Lambuth. Enough money was raised to send also a bracelet and some trinkets to his favorite wife. An American watch also went to her from Miss Bennett. Dr. Lee, who suggested the gift, went to a jeweler's at once and bought the watch and other presents and return-



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ed to show them to the Conference and give them to the Bishop. The Conference adjourned sine die at ten o'clock, after which the entire company were invited to a banquet in the Sunday School room, given by Senor Castro and his wife. The floral decorations were handsome and the refreshments were most appetizing and enjoyable. It was a happy ending to the Conference session. The next day we went to Rio de Janeiro to spend a few days before sailing to Buenos Ayres to attend the Conference in South Brazil. The Conference will be held in Porto Alegre. MISS MARIA LAYNG GIBSON, MISS BELLE H. BENNETT.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

By C. F. Wright.

We love the words M. E. Church,
South—
There's beauty in the same,
Falling sweetly from the mouth
Of children calling her name.

We love the name as mother;
To loose it, 'twere like one dead
To change it for some other,
Like another mother instead.

We know we love this one,
We might not love the other.
Let the name stand as begun,
Our own sweet living mother.

We've loved her many a year,
We'll love her while we live;
No name to us 'er so dear
All our love to her we give.

Let her sweet name stand,
'Tis as the apple of our eye;
A memory of our beautiful Southland,
We'll love until we die.

C. F. WRIGHT,
Gainesville, Texas.

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Not a Day in Bed

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



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THE CONFERENCE OF TEXAS PRESIDING ELDERS.

The Texas presiding elders... gathered in the city of Houston recently, to attend a kind of First Monday Conference.

Except as to one item, outsiders have not been told what they conferred about. That it has a conference between churchmen must be admitted, but it was far from being a Church conference. The elders were thoughtful enough to have the resolutions adopted at the Carnegie donation to Vanderbilt University, published in the September 11 issue of the Advocate. For this they have the thanks of a wellwisher. I make these resolutions my text for what follows.

After reference to the fact that the Board of Trust had solicited and accepted the donation, resolution numbered one contains these words: "And in view of the litigation now pending such action is not only inconsiderate of the feelings and wishes of the Church, but is open to the suspicion of serious design to influence public sentiment against the Church, and if possible, the pending litigation."

Now, I call on the elder that wrote the resolutions to give the chapter and verse wherein the Church expressed its feelings and wishes about the Carnegie donation? The College of Bishops has expressed its feelings and wishes on the subject, but the Church has not so much as intimated what it wished or would do about the donation. It is evident the writer of the resolution mistakes the College of Bishops for the Church.

Resolution numbered two is as follows: "That the acceptance of this gift with the condition attached, and in view of the veto of the Board of Visitors, constitutes a gross breach of trust, for a pecuniary consideration. This resolution declares that all the trustees that voted to accept the donation are traitors and bribe-takers."

Rosy as a Girl

Summit, N. C.—In a letter received from this place, Mr. J. W. Church, the notary public, says: "My wife had been ailing for nearly 12 years, from female ailments, and at times, was unable to leave the house. She suffered agony with her side and back. We tried physicians for years, without relief. After these treatments all failed, she took Cardui, and gained in weight at once. Now she is red and rosy as a school girl." Cardui, as a tonic for women, has brought remarkable results. It relieves pain and misery and is the ideal tonic for young and old. Try it. At druggists.

sations, and the writer should make public acknowledgment of his wrong doing. Competent lawyers, men of high character, living in and around Nashville, advised the Board of Trust that it had perfect right under the law to accept the donation, and the Board acted on this advice. On the other hand, competent lawyers, men of high character, living in and around Nashville, advised the four trustees that voted against accepting the donation, that the Board did not have such right, and assisted in the preparation of their protest. Some one may say my version of the matter makes a lot of lawyers responsible for all this row. Well this is true to a large extent.

Therefore, I suggest that the next Conference of Presiding Elders adopt resolutions to this effect. Resolved that we view with alarm the conduct of certain lawyers, living in Nashville, Tenn., and denounce them for butting in and causing Sandy Carnegie to donate a million dollars to the Medical Department of Vanderbilt University, for a pecuniary consideration. GEO. S. PERKINS, Greenville, Texas.

HURRAH FOR JUDGE PERKINS.

One of our eminent judges said there was no way to escape criticism but to do nothing and say nothing. But I go him one better and say there is no way. If a man does right, he is criticised; if he does wrong, he is criticised, and if he does nothing, he is also criticised. But there is one we should not fear, and that is doing and saying right or what we believe to be right. Now to the point in the Judge's first article in the Advocate. I read and reread it, because of what Dr. Rankin said about it, for I have great respect for him and see very little room to ever criticise what he says, but he is human. Now, I think the burden of the Judge's contention was that all were human beings, even the Bishops, and that we ought to be very careful. He sure did score the Catholic article, and I think justly so, for they are no part of our family, but Kirkland and the Trustees are. And just think, one of the writers or criticsers went way back twenty years and brought up what Kirkland said in a lecture in Alabama, that gold was the best friend Vanderbilt had.

Now, he did not say that it was Carnegie's gold. When you think about it in the right way it is not true that gold is the best friend any of us had, if it is owned by a friend and the worst if owned by an enemy? Now all of these criticisms may have been intended for good but it is hard to discern between a friendly and a harsh criticism in cold print. As to myself, I am with those who turned the gift down. God bless the Advocate and all who make up its reading matter. I hunger for every issue and get more religious consolation from it than any other source. Surely it is the silent preacher. J. L. CHILES, Grapeland, Tex., R. F. D. 4, Box 24.

SEVERAL THINGS AT ONCE.

By Rev. C. G. Shutt. First: I heartily endorse the Bishop and the minority of the Board of Trust in the Vanderbilt matter. In this I am sure I voice the sentiment of the Church in these parts.

Second: I say amen with all my heart to the work that is being done by the ministers at Houston, Dallas and other cities in their efforts to shake off the segregated cesspools from their civic life. These leprous, cancerous blotches upon society have been giving out their stench too long already. The smaller towns and rural districts are affected by them. Let other places line up for battle and never let up until we are rid of these disease and crime breeding death holes.

In the meantime let every lover of purity and morality discourage in every way possible picture shows, theaters and vaudevilles which have the taint of impurity about them. That means a big per cent of them.

Then let all who are in favor of decency exclude from their homes all magazines, novels and other rotten literature which winks at the social vice. Our national laws should be wide enough in their scope to prohibit the carrying of such trash in the mails. The facts are, we ought to have laws that would put every dirty rascal in the penitentiary who writes, publishes or circulates such rot.

I believe that these dens of vice are being recruited continuously by the reading of trashy novels and attending low grade theaters and picture shows. Let us shut down the flood gates at the source.

We go wild about the improvement of stock and advance in farming and manufacturing interests and are woefully negligent to tone up the race. It is time we wake up.

Third: Let the ministers, Churches, W. C. T. U., Y. M. C. A., Sunday Schools and all people who are on the side of morals and decency put their heads together and establish a great

daily paper which shall stand for temperance and law enforcement.

We all must read the papers in order to keep abreast with current events, but I am sick and tired of having the pictures of fallen men and women staring at me when I open a paper. It is a burning shame that column after column of our daily papers are filled with the travels or trials of some rake or scapegrace.

Who wants to read about such scoundrels anyway? Let their women men rot. It is time for decent women to stop throwing bouquets to fallen men. The idea of these women up in Canada getting up a "turkey trot" whatever that is, for that criminally insane fellow Thaw! They were a bunch of daisies! I know the publishers of such papers say, "The reading public demands it." But these same papers are largely responsible for creating such a morbid appetite. This all shows that we have waited quite long enough about getting out a good paper. Let us go to work at once to get up a great, decent daily paper.

Fourth: Let us work to stock our Sunday School and home libraries with good clean books. The country is being flooded with Christian Science, Millennium Dawnism and other heresies, while thousands of good books are becoming shelf worn in the great publishing houses of the Churches. You may depend upon it that if the Church does not awake from her lethargy and put in circulation good volumes to counteract this floodtide of rot, she will reap the consequences in the near future. Georgetown, Texas.

Men who bemoan their lack of opportunity are generally the ones who wanted the opportunities they did have.

Friendship never yet survived the death of love, for though friendship may turn to love, love turns to friendship never.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

One year ago last June Rev. T. W. Lovell, assisted by the writer, began a series of services at Milford school house. Before the revival closed a committee was at work planning for a Church building. The Church is now standing, known as Bell's Chapel. On October 12, 1913, Dr. G. C. Rankin will preach the dedicatory sermon. At night Brother Lovell will preach. All are cordially invited to be present. J. D. CUNNINGHAM, Pastor.

Dr. Rankin will dedicate our new brick church at Bailey October 19, 1913. All former pastors invited to be present. C. P. COMBS, P. C.

You Needn't.

You needn't keep on feeling distressed after eating, nor belching, nor experiencing nausea between meals. In other words, you needn't keep on being dyspeptic, and you certainly shouldn't. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures dyspepsia—it strengthens and tones the stomach, perfects digestion, creates a normal appetite, and builds up the whole system.—Adv.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES.

NEW MEXICO.

All persons applying for admission on trial into the New Mexico Conference, will please meet the committee Oct. 14, 9:30 a. m., in the pastor's study of the Central M. E. Church, South, Albuquerque, N. M. Come prepared for a written examination. Remember that in lieu of examination, the committee will accept only the papers of those who have taken the correspondence course.

We cannot conduct examinations after the date mentioned above. I. H. MESSER, W. W. TURNER, Committee.

You will please notify me at once of all delegates who will attend the session of the conference which convenes in Albuquerque, N. M., October 15. If you intend to bring your wife, notify me, so the committee can arrange. It is important to have the names of all who will be here in the hands of the Entertainment Committee by the first of October. S. E. ALLISON, Pastor, 716 S. Edith St., Albuquerque, N. M.

WEST TEXAS.

The West Texas Conference will meet in Laurel Heights Church, San Antonio, October 22. Those who are entitled to entertainment by our committee and whose names do not appear in the Journal should send us their names at once. Let the preachers whose wives will attend the conference be sure to send in their names not later than October 5, as the committee will meet to make the assignment on October 7. CULLOM H. BOOTH, 127 W. Woodlawn Ave.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Send no Church Extension papers to me at Seguin for current year later than October 18. H. G. HORTON.

Owing to the fact that two members of the committee will be busy with other matters, Brother W. T. Renfro will take entire charge of the class of Third Year at San Antonio, West Texas Conference. Reports of work done should be sent to him. THOMAS GREGORY, Chairman.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

In response to enquiries I call attention to page 46 of Minutes of West Texas Conference, 1912, wherein it is shown that by action of Board of Church Extension ten per cent was added to the assessment for the

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Washington City Church, so that the assessment for Church Extension paid in full will pay what the conference pledged for said Church. It is hoped that full reports for this very pressing cause will be the order of the day at conference. THOMAS GREGORY, President Board Church Extension.

CENTRAL TEXAS.

I wish every preacher who expects to bring his wife to conference, to write me at once. E. A. SMITH.

The Class for Admission will meet the Examining Committee at First Church, Temple, Nov. 4, at 9 a. m. Candidates will come prepared for a written examination. Sermons can be handed to me. E. HIGHTOWER, Chairman Committee.

NORTHWEST TEXAS.

All preachers who intend bringing their wives to the coming session of the Northwest Texas Conference at Vernon will please notify A. W. Hall of their intention at the earliest possible date, that entertainment may be provided for them. A. W. HALL.

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NOTICE TO TEXAS PREACHERS.

By postponing and re-arranging some dates for meetings I have some open dates for October and November. Write me at 217 Bethel St., Houston, Texas. CHAS. C. BELL.

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Amarillo District—Fourth Round. (Revised.)

Stratford, Oct. 4, 5. Dumas, Oct. 8. Channing, Oct. 11, 12. Dalhart, Oct. 13, 14. Glazier, Oct. 18, 19. Higgins, Oct. 19, 20. Oehlert, Oct. 25, 26. Hansford, Oct. 27, 28. Plainsboro, Oct. 30. Panhandle, Nov. 1, 2. Polk St., Nov. 4. Hereford, Nov. 5. B. and H., Nov. 6. Vega, Nov. 8, 9. O. P. KIKER, P. C.

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OBITUARIES

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yond all human aid. Her family gathered about her, but at 2 p. m., August 29, she left them and her sufferings ended. She endured her affliction with great fortitude and patience. She became a Christian when only a child and united with the Church and in her riper years and all through her sufferings her experience was clear and her trust was without a cloud. Her life was a blessing and she entered into the valley of death without fear. The remains were carried to Beaumont the next day after death and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon an impressive funeral service was conducted by Rev. W. J. Johnson from the residence of her cousin, J. Blewitt Smyth, followed by interment in Magnolia Cemetery. Friends evidenced their esteem by their presence and by the large number of floral offerings. May her children bear the marks of her influence, sustain the name and character that she left and following in her steps they will see her again some day more beautiful than on earth, and forever free from the heartaches of this world.—F. W. L.

ARRINGTON—Henry Clay Arrington was born in Union Parish in March, 1852, and died at his home near Nash, Texas, July 21, 1913. His remains were interred in the Nash Cemetery July 22, after services conducted at the Methodist Church by the writer. When a young man he came to Texas and married Miss Missouri Post the year he became a member of the M. E. Church, South, and was a consistent Christian man afterward. The union of Brother and Sister Arrington was blessed with eleven children, eight of whom yet live to bless the world. Truly they are the delight of their mother and she has cause to be proud of them. For the last eleven years Brother Arrington was a great sufferer, but bore his afflictions with Christian fortitude, arguing on all occasions that "God doeth all things for the best." A good man has gone from our midst. We miss him, but those who knew him best have the greatest assurance that he was just "called up higher." He was faithful to his family and to his Church—for many years superintendent of his Sunday School. May we all strive to meet him in that land of perpetual sunshine and gladness.—A. G. HALL.

KNIGHT—John Richard Knight was born September 21, 1844, in Talladega, Alabama, and died August 26, 1913, in Childress, Texas. He was married to Miss Martha Stubbs September 5, 1872, and their home was blessed with six children. The mother and all the children survive the husband and father. This good man was converted and joined the Methodist Church when he was a youth, sixteen years of age. Brother Knight was really a beautiful Christian character. Every virtue of grace was blended in his life. There can be no question that he added to "faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity." These blessings abounded in him. Therefore his life was not fruitless, but his influence was large and his reward will be great. He certainly had an abundant entrance into the glories above. He was a happy Christian. Even in the midst of great suffering he rejoiced in the Lord. As I visited him and talked to him about the future, he would smile and say: "I want to go." Once he said, "Is it a sin to pray to go and be with the Lord?" A good man has gone. He leaves many friends and an excellent family to mourn his departure.—J. T. GRISWOLD, Pastor.

WARD—Marvin B. Ward, son of E. G. and L. E. Ward, born in Ellis County, Texas, August 21, 1894. Brother Ward came to Taylor County in 1905 and located near Abilene. Marvin was an honorable and upright young man and was loved by all who knew him. He was always in Sunday School and Church. Marvin was not religious, and during the meeting at Wiley many prayers were prayed for him. Near the close of the meeting he was taken sick with typhoid fever and grew worse all the time. Near the last days of his life he told his mother he was ready to go. Marvin departed this life August 12, 1913. His father, nine brothers and sisters, preceded him to the better world. He leaves a noble, Christian mother, one brother and two sisters to mourn the loss of son and brother. May they be submissive to Him who doeth all things well. The body was laid to rest in the Caps Cemetery August 13, 1913. Rev. Rock conducted the funeral in the absence of the pastor.—R. E. STUTTS.

CUMMINGS—Hubert Freeman Cummings, son of our dear Brother Isaac Cummings, died August 28, 1913, in his father's home near Dumas, Texas. He was born near Marble Falls, Burnet County, Texas, May 23, 1898. He was the youngest child of a large family. It is comforting to the sorrowing ones to know that he publicly accepted Christ as his Savior during our meeting at Spurlock, which had just closed, where the family hold their membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Dearly beloved, I shall not say for you not to weep, but weep not as those who have no hope, rather rejoice in the assurance that all those who "sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." May you find comfort in the doctrine of the resurrection, and look to the Lord who shall renew your strength day by day. Freeman is only sleeping, waiting the dawn of the resurrection morn when he shall come forth clothed in immortality to be reunited with you to live throughout an endless eternity.—B. J. OSBORN, Pastor.

KNIGHT—John T. Knight, son of Rev. T. A. Knight, of McDaniel, was born at Buffalo Gap, November 3, 1898. John was thrown from a horse September 8, 1913, and died from the effects of the fall September 10. John was converted at Castle Peak, in Taylor County, in 1909, under the ministry of his father. It is a great thing to have our children brought to Christ under our influence. John was a good, devoted Christian. He had confessed the call to the ministry. He was obedient and kind to his father. His father dearly loved him and had planned for him a great future. He was loved by all who knew him. His brother and sisters loved him with a tenderness of devotion seldom seen. Our dear Brother Knight in passing through great sorrow. Only a few months ago Sister Knight was called to her home above, and now John has gone to be with his dear mother in heaven. We mourn, but not as those who have no hope. Some good day we will go to live with loved ones gone before.—JOS. P. CALLAWAY.

CARTER—Judge J. H. Carter was born in Missouri, July 11, 1843; died August 29, 1913. He was married to Miss A. F. Kinchard, August 31, 1868. Of this marriage three children survive him—Lawrence and Frank Carter, of Gallatin, Missouri, and Morris, of Burkholder, Texas. After the death of his first wife he married Miss M. K. Webb, February 14, 1878. To this union six boys were born—A. M. Carter, C. E. Carter and R. B. Carter, of Archer County, Texas; and W. O. Carter, of Fort Worth, Texas. Brother Carter was converted when young, lived a consistent member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church until he came to Texas in 1902, after which he united with the Methodist Church, South. He was truly a fine Christian character. He proved his faith by his work. On Sunday before his death on Friday, he prayed an earnest prayer at the close of the 11 o'clock service for his community and family. His neighbors and family will miss him and especially Sister Carter, his devoted wife. In his death we have lost a good neighbor, his wife a faithful husband and his children a devoted father. Let us all live to meet him where parting will be no more.—J. B. PARR.

BASS—Laura Estelle Bass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bass, was born July 5, 1903; died September 15, 1913, after a long affliction, which was pronounced fatal from the first. She bore her confinement and sickness, always pleasant, never worried or complained. Often sat in her bed and sang little songs though her voice was very weak and say she was happy; never afraid to die, though she knew she was likely to expire at any time. Her pleasures through life were in seeing others enjoy themselves. While her stay was short here, it filled a purpose; it showed all who were acquainted with her and her long afflictions, to have Christ with you in your last hours is something indescribable by us; that there is nothing we could accomplish in this life that we could compare with the life with Christ. Her sweet voice shall be no more; her little arms have ceased to clasp our necks; her tender lips shall never press ours again—she has gone where we hope to go, where sorrow and tears will be no more—but her sweet memory will be ever present.—W. H. BASS.

COX—Charles A. Cox was born in Hudsonville, Ill. February 29, 1864; moved to Denton County in 1881; departed this life June 30, 1913. He was married to Miss Lettie M. Beard in 1888. He professed faith in Christ fourteen years ago and joined the Methodist Church. The Church was

to him first. His time and money were spent in its behalf. He was, till the last, the preacher's friend. The poor man in this world's goods found a friend in Brother Cox. He has been known to borrow money for his own use and check it out to the man who was in need of provision for his family. The name of Charley Cox stands as a symbol of help to the people who lived in the country round about him. He was public spirited. His local community miss his sound advice. Truly his family miss him the more. In my private talks with him, he expressed his love for God, often. We miss him. His family is stricken by their loss. He leaves a wife, three sons and daughter, with his mother and other relatives and many friends to mourn his loss. May the God whom this man loved, shower blessings on his loving wife and children. May the sons, above all things else, emulate their father, and become the good man he was. We laid him to rest in the Krum Cemetery to await the final call of things.—L. D. SHANAN, P. C.

JOHNSON—Mrs. Emma D. Johnson (nee Marsh) was born in Georgia in 1864, came to Texas in 1885, and with her parents settled in Parker County, twelve miles east of Weatherford; was married to Brother J. S. Johnson July 31, 1887. To this union eight children were born, all of whom are living. Sister Johnson was converted and became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in her childhood days, and was a consistent member until her taking away. She was foremost in all good works, loyal to her Church and pastor, and received any Methodist preacher sent as her pastor. Sister Johnson was a sweet, consecrated Christian woman, was kind and ready to lend assistance to any one in trouble or that needed her assistance in any way. She was a good wife and a loving mother. She bore her sufferings with patience, ever looking to Christ as her Savior. Her experience was clear and her trust was without a cloud. She gave expression to her joyous hope in her last hours, and she entered into the darkness of the valley without fear. Her life was a blessing to her family. Her husband and children bear the mark of her influence and following in her footsteps they will see her again some day, more beautiful than on earth, and forever free from all the sufferings and heartaches of this world. Her home was hospitable because her heart was large and any one to whom she could minister was her friend. Her sunny temper, womanly sympathy and her many deeds of love and kindness made her friends in every walk of life. She passed to her eternal reward on June 21, 1913, near Groveland, Jack County, Texas. Her pastor.—THOMAS JAMES DURHAM.

"WHEN DOES REGENERATION TAKE PLACE?"

At the conclusion of his article in the Texas Christian Advocate of August 21, Brother Clint C. Reynolds asks some theologian to tell him when regeneration takes place. I am just an humble Methodist preacher and may not fully comprehend the import of his article, but it seems to be an effort to refute the doctrine of natural depravity. It is not surprising that an enquiring mind holding the view Brother R. tries to maintain should wonder "when regeneration takes place." It is strange that so good a writer as he cannot see that if his view be correct as to natal depravity there is no place or need for regeneration to take place at all in the case of a child accepting Christ immediately on reaching the period of accountability. He has simply to "decide" for Christ and go on his way rejoicing, not worrying in the least as to having

"Sprung from the man whose guilty fall Corrupts his race and taints us all."

Just here is where the awful seriousness of this matter comes in. If our Church has been correct in teaching natural depravity all along these years, to depart therefrom will bring fatal and wideweeeping consequences. God's maledictions may be expected to fall heavily upon us, as in the olden time, for healing the hurt of his people slightly (Jer. 8:11). As I see it, it's an awful mistake to teach a child that he is not utterly depraved (depraved in every part) and therefore does not need the regenerating, the sanctifying, power of the Holy Ghost to the complete crucifying of the carnal nature.

It is inspiring to see our Bishops sounding no uncertain note in this regard. On page ten of the Nashville Advocate of August 15, Bishop H. C. Morrison says among other pertinent things: "We are to preach the depths

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of depravity, total depravity, and hence the necessity of conversion. Be converted and know it. Be converted or be damned."

Dr. Gross Alexander, in our July Methodist Review, page 621, says: "Everybody who knows original Methodism and present-day Methodism knows how vastly inferior the latter is to the earlier type. If anybody says this is pessimism, it is prima facie proof that he knows neither Methodism nor pessimism." This being true, who dare claim that this inferiority is not traceable largely to the treatment this fundamental doctrine of depravity has had in recent years: Better seek for the old paths and walk in them. For one, I sincerely wish that the next General Conference would restore to the Ritual the old form of the baptismal ceremony. It would greatly help our young preachers and the people called Methodists to carefully read a little book entitled "Fletcher's Appeal." It would aid them to see when regeneration takes place. It might even help Brother Reynolds to read or re-read this volume.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Salado, Texas.

MARRIED.

Jones-Murry—Near Abernathy, Texas, at the home of her parents, on the evening of September 17, 1913, Mr. Geo. M. Jones and Miss Locke C. Murry, Rev. D. C. Ross officiating. **Graham-Harris**—August 10, 1913, in the County Clerk's office, Fort Worth, Texas, Mr. W. G. Graham and Miss Elma Harris, Rev. Thos. Keene officiating.

Withe-Lawson—August 9, 1913, in the County Clerk's office, Fort Worth, Texas, Mr. J. C. Withe and Miss Grace Lawson, Rev. Thos. Keene officiating.

Cento-Parrs—In Glen Rose, Texas, September 22, 1913, Mr. George W. Cento and Miss Minnie Parrs, Rev. F. M. Winburne officiating.

Burks-Leacrooy—At Buna, Texas, July, 1913, Mr. Chas. C. Burks and Miss Lorena Leacrooy, Rev. I. B. Manly officiating.

Richardson-Freisier—At Silsbee, Texas, June 11, 1913, Mr. J. H. Richardson and Miss Gertrude Freisier, Rev. I. B. Manly officiating.

Richardson-Daugherty—At Evadale, Texas, Sunday, August 17, 1913, Mr. Abe Richardson and Miss Goldie Daugherty, Rev. I. B. Manly officiating.

Carroll-Jolly—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Gail, Texas, September 16, 1913, Mr. J. L. Carroll, from near Greenville, Texas, and Miss Myrtle Jolly. The bride for some years has been organist of the Methodist Church and the groom is a graduate from the law department of the State University. The pastor being detained by sickness, the father of the bride, Rev. H. C. Jolly, officiating.

Grimes-Lanham—At the home of Mrs. Ellen Lanham, Williamson County, Texas, August 31, 1913, Mr. Edwin M. Grimes, Jr., of Harrison County, Texas, and Miss Effie Lanham, of Williamson County, Texas, Rev. Amphia West officiating.

Ferrell-Rounsaville—On September 17, 1913, Whitney, Texas, Mr. M. D. Ferrell and Miss Abbe Rounsaville, Rev. J. H. Braswell officiating.

Hickman-Whitten—At the residence of the bride's father, Rev. T. G. Whitten, 400 West Twelfth Street, Oak Cliff, Dallas, Texas, on September 11, 1912, Mr. L. D. Hickman, of Port Arthur, Texas, and Miss Norma Whitten, the father of the bride officiating.

McDonald-Bates—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Charles Bates, in Goree, Texas, September 7, 1913, Mr. W. M. McDonald and Miss Minnie Bates, Rev. J. H. Chambliss officiating.

DENVER CONFERENCE.
Denver District—First Round.
La Veta, Oct. 1, Nov. 16.
Trinidad, Oct. 3-5.
Hoehue, Oct. 5, 6.
Colorado Springs, Oct. 10-12.
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St. Paul's, Oct. 27, Nov. 23.
Rye, Oct. 24-26.
Gardner, Oct. 31-Nov. 2.
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ROBERT E. DICKENSON, P. E.
Denver, Colo.

NEW MEXICO
Albuquerque District—Fourth Round.
San Jon, Oct. 1, 2.
McAllister, Oct. 4, 5.
Clayton, Oct. 11, 12.
H. MESSER, P. E.
Pecos Valley District—Fourth Round.
Roswell, Oct. 5-6.
Dexter, Oct. 5-6.
Tulosa, Oct. 11-12.
Clovis, Oct. 12-13.
J. B. COCHRAN, P. E.

WEST TEXAS
Austin District—Fourth Round.
Webbville, Oct. 4-5, 11 a. m.
Manor, Oct. 5, 8 p. m.
St. Luke's, Oct. 8.
Smithville, Oct. 11-12.
West Point Circuit at Muldoon, Oct. 13.
Bastrop, Oct. 15, 8 p. m.
University Church, Oct. 16, 8 p. m.
First Church, Oct. 19, 11 a. m.
Ward Memorial, Oct. 19, 8 p. m.
V. A. GODBEY, P. E.
Beeville District—Fourth Round.
Oct. 4, 5, Skidmore, at Woodboro.
Oct. 5, 6, Sinton, at Sinton.
Oct. 9, Falfurrias, 8 p. m.
Oct. 10, 10 a. m., Alice.
Oct. 10, 8 p. m., Bishop.
Oct. 11, 12, Calallen, at Calallen.
Oct. 12, 13, Kingsville.
J. H. GROSECLOSS, P. E.

Cuero District—Fourth Round.
Pandora, at Dewville, Oct. 4, 5.
Stockdale, 2 p. m., Monday, Oct. 6.
Lavernia, at Paris, Oct. 11, 12.
Cuero, Oct. 18, 19.
Runge, Oct. 19, 20.
JOHN M. ALEXANDER, P. E.
Llano District—Fourth Round.
Llano Cir., at Moore's Chapel, Oct. 4, 5.
Llano Sta., Oct. 5, 6.
Star Cir., at Star, Oct. 11, 12.
Center City Cir., at Center City, Oct. 12, 13.
I. W. COWAN, P. E.
San Angelo District—Fourth Round.
Paint Rock, Oct. 4, 5.
Sterling City, Oct. 11.
Water Valley, Oct. 12.
F. B. BUCHANAN, P. E.

San Marcos District—Fourth Round.
Staples, at Staples, Oct. 4, 5.
Martindale, at Martindale, Oct. 6.
Lockhart, at Lockhart, Oct. 10.
Leesville, at Wrightsboro, Oct. 11, 12.
Belmont, at Belmont, Oct. 15.
THOMAS GREGORY, P. E.
Uvalde District—Fourth Round.
Laredo Sta., Oct. 11.
Del Rio, Oct. 5.
Eagle Pass, Oct. 8.
Asherton, 11 a. m., Oct. 12.
Carrizo Springs, 8 p. m., Oct. 12.
Crystal City, Oct. 13.
Rock Springs, Oct. 15.
Uvalde, 11 a. m., Oct. 19.
Utopia, 8 p. m., Oct. 19.
S. B. BEALL, P. E.

CENTRAL TEXAS
Brownwood District—Fourth Round.
Glencove at Novice, Oct. 4, 5.
Ballinger Sta., Oct. 11, 12.
Talpa at Talpa, Oct. 12, 13.
Indian Creek at Indian Creek, Oct. 19, 20.
Brownwood Mission at Turkey Peak, Oct. 20.
Santa Anna Sta., Oct. 24, 26.
Gouldsburg at Hardin, Oct. 25, 26.
Blanket, Oct. 29.
Coleman Sta., Nov. 1, 2.
Brownwood Sta., Nov. 9, 10.
J. H. STEWART, P. E.
Cisco District—Fourth Round.
Eastland, Oct. 4, 5.
Wayland, at Bullock, Oct. 6, 7.
Ranger, at R., 10 a. m., Oct. 8.
Sipe Springs, at S., Oct. 11, 12.
Caddo, at Cedar Springs, Oct. 19.
Eolan, at Eureka, 11 a. m., Oct. 22.
Deadmans, at D., Oct. 25, 26.
Staff, at Flatwood, Oct. 26, 27.
Cisco Mis., 11 a. m., Oct. 30.
Carbon, at C., Nov. 1, 2.
Cisco, 7:30 p. m., Nov. 5, 9.
Scranton, at Pisgah, Nov. 8, 9.
C. E. LINDSEY, P. E.
Cleburne District—Fourth Round.
Joshua, at J., Oct. 4, 5.
Venus, Oct. 8, 1:30 p. m.
Alvarado, Oct. 8, 7:30 p. m.
Grandview Sta., Oct. 9.

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ORPHANAGE CLOTHES LINE OR TWO.

The good Methodists of Texas have made it possible this year for the children at their Orphan Home to be clothed like other boys and girls.

See, for two reasons, we wish to publish the list before, first for gratitude, and next in order to correct any error we may have made in the list of the multiplicity of names we are trying to do at the Orphanage.

The fall has well set in and, if any of you have been negligent of your charge at the Orphanage, repent, kind friend, and write us and tell us your troubles. It may be that some other else can take your child until free from other obligations you could reassess this one.

At this writing every child in the Institution has been assigned to some one, only seven have received nothing. We want tell you this time. A good record! Accept thanks, Chester Aaron, W. M. S., Hillsboro; Ivan Acuff, W. M. S., Claude; Fred Aaron, Rev. and Mrs. Hauck, Calvert; Jack Aaron, W. M. S., Garden City; Ethel Blake (adopted, substitute) W. M. S., Lindale.

Virginia Burke, S. S. Class, Estelline; Paul Bowers, S. School Class, Midlothian; Vesta Blount, W. M. S., Rising Star; Elmer Blount, S. School Class Cedar Bayou; Ed. Bowers, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Ward, Rosebud; J. B. Burke, W. M. S., Mrs. J. J. Garrett; Bertha Chapman, W. M. S., Trinity; Ruth Carter, W. M. S., Bullard; Iona Chapman, W. M. S., Thorndale; Gibson Collins, Mrs. J. R. Adams, Tyler; Ida Carney, W. M. S., China; Hazel Carr, W. M. S., Brady; Earnest Carney, W. M. S., Fairfield; John Carter, Rev. J. H. Averitt, Cochran and Maple, Dallas; Grace Carter, Rev. J. H. Averitt, Cochran and Maple, Dallas; Raymond Charaday, W. M. S., Palestine; Henrietta Carr, W. M. S., Dealeyville; Jack Collins, W. M. S., Graford; Tommie Cagle, Rev. B. C. Kimbrow, Malone; Ray Charaday, W. M. S., Mount Calm; Helen Cantrell, Mrs. H. W. Potter, Beaumont; Willie Cantrell, S. School Class, Tyler; Faye Collins, Miss Minnie Evans, Calvert; Ed. Crawford, W. M. S., Jacksboro; Joel Crawford, W. M. S., Rusk; Hubert Collins, S. School Class, Calvert; Jewel Cagle, Rev. C. M. Myers, Lexington; Calvin Chapman, Mrs. Joe H. Smith, Floydada; Ethel Christopherson, W. M. S., Madisonville; Katie Mae Davis, W. M. S., Odell; Marie Davis, Rev. Clyde B. Garrett, Center; Frank Dickey, Rev. W. M. S., Odell; Alice Davis, W. M. S., Pittsburg; Doy Emery, W. M. S., Nacogdoches; Bobbie Evans, W. M. S., San Marcos; Hattie Field, Junior Philatheas, Amarillo; Katherine Freeman, S. Class, Stamford; Annis Field, W. M. S., Overton; Lela Gentry, Mrs. F. Simpson, Columbus; Don Gordon, S. S. Class, Corsicana; Hattie Gordon, W. M. S., Rosebud; Lena Gentry, W. M. S., Winfield; Claude Hamrick, W. M. S., Canadian; Austin Horn, Mrs. L. S. Houg, San Antonio; Hattie E. Herman, W. M. S., Terrell; Marie Herman, W. M. S., Bryan; Edith Hansen, W. M. S., Wills Point; Frank Howell, S. S. Class, Weatherford; J. W. Harding, W. M. S., Henderson;

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S. S. Class, Corsicana; Y. W. M. S., San Marcos.

Mention will be made later of the good folks who have sent splendid boxes of linen, good things to eat, etc. All Texas is interested in us and are showing it daily. Our appreciation is sincere, and to Him who supplies our every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus we give all the praise.
R. A. BURROUGHS, Manager.

JUST TWO THINGS BEFORE TWO OTHER THINGS.

By Rev. J. Sam Barcus.

One of the most important events of the current month was the opening of Wesley College. This institution is just opening its second session in Greenville and yet it has one of the largest boarding patronages of any of our Texas Junior Colleges. This unusual record is due to two facts; the location of the school and the capacity and willingness of the president for head work. The main building of this school has not yet been built and rooms on the first floors of the dormitories are being used for recitation purposes. Rev. C. L. Bounds, who made a reputation as district commissioner for the S. M. U., has been appointed to the task of raising \$100,000 for building and equipping the main building and for beginning an endowment fund. He has already begun the campaign and proposes to push it to a successful completion. He will have a fuller report of his plans and work a little later on.

Another great event in Greenville Methodism was the Kavanaugh revival. The meeting encountered many difficulties, but was a great success. Rev. W. M. McIntosh, who assisted in the meeting, was a week late in arriving. He had to be out a few days in the midst of the meeting and following his return we had a week's rain. Notwithstanding these difficulties, the meeting grew in interest, until the last service. About one hundred conversions were reported. The meeting was in a tent, and nearly all the Churches of the city were beneficiaries of the meeting. Forty-seven have been received into the Kavanaugh Church. The students of Wesley College were greatly blessed in the meeting. If you ask what is the matter with Brother McIntosh as a revivalist, I will answer, "He's all right!" Kavanaugh Church is in fine

shape generally. Our missionary money, both domestic and foreign, has been in the hands of the treasurer since the first of May. A new lot, seventy feet wide and the same depth as our present lot and adjoining it on the north, has been contracted for, which gives us a lot of sufficient dimensions to build a magnificent church. Our report at the annual conference will be "in full."

The other Churches of Greenville are flourishing. Old Wesley Church in trying to keep up with Kavanaugh is beating all past records. They have liquidated some accumulated debts, improved and remodeled the parsonage and are now projecting a ten thousand dollar addition to their church. Their pastor, Dr. Alderson is in line favor with his members and in good report of all brethren. He will hold his revival in October. Lee Street Church gave her pastor to Wesley College in June and it required two men to fill the place. Brother Ed. Spurlock and Harrison Baker are joint pastors. They report that the Church is flourishing and expect to hold a revival between now and conference. Greenville is keeping up her record of being the liveliest, most moral town of her size in the State. New houses, new stores, new colleges, new interurbans, new churches are the order of the day. A petition is being circulated calling for a vote on the pool rooms and no doubt they will go the way of the saloons. The Advocate list of subscribers is large and growing and its influence is felt.
Greenville, Texas.

IMPORTANT NOTICE! ORPHANAGE!

The Board of Managers is called to meet at the Home in Waco on the ninth day of October at nine o'clock a. m. Every member of the Board is urged to be present. Important matters are to be looked into.

R. A. BURROUGHS, Manager.

HOME COMING.

There will be a home coming of the Church at Pleasant Mound the second Sunday of October. There will be dinner on the ground. A program will be rendered and the roll call in the forenoon. Many of the membership live in the city and seldom get to attend Church at home. We trust that all of the membership shall be present, if possible, and that we may have a great service.

A. CHALMERS STERLING, P. C.

After the grip, pneumonia or typhoid fever, take Hood's Sarsaparilla—it restores health and strength.—Adv.

Mercy is the treasure, but justice is the treasury of the soul. The latter is the casket, but the former is the jewel in the casket.

BECKHAM-YOUNG DEBATE.

I must write a word concerning the debate between Rev. T. J. Beckham and Elder Young of the Campbellite Church, which occurred at Valley Springs, August 29-26. The questions for debate were: "Water Salvation," "Justification by Faith Only," "The Establishment of the Church at the First Pentecost After the Resurrection," and "The Work of the Holy Spirit in Conviction and Conversion." Beckham did a good job. The Methodists are well pleased. Everything went smoothly and nothing but good Methodism will come. I do not believe in debates as a general proposition, but this one did good.
CHAS. DOAK, P. C.
Sept. 16, 1913.

