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## Central Texas Conference

The Central Texas Conference is still the largest Conference in Texas in its membership, though it was divided, as the old Northwest Texas Conference three years ago. It has a clerical and a lay membership of 300. Among them are some of the strongest men in Texas Methodism. In fact, its leaders would stand out conspicuously in any Conference in the Connection. Some of them are men like Dr. John A. Rice, Dr. F. P. Culver, Dr. H. A. Boaz, Dr. John R. Nelson, Dr. W. E. Boggs, Dr. John M. Barcus, Rev. C. R. Wright, Rev. W. B. Andrews, the Knickerbockers, Dr. Horace Bishop and a host of others. They are men of scholarship, of pulpit gifts and of executive ability. They really give cast and character to the entire body. It has a splendid set of young men of great promise and they are already filling some of the prominent appointments. They are the products of our colleges and universities. It is only a question of a few years when they will be bearing the brunt of responsibility in the Conference. It has among its membership a number of aged veterans of the most exalted type. And no Conference can boast of a finer class of laymen, and they take quite an active part in the work of the Church.

The Conference territory is extensive and varied, embracing twelve large districts. These districts extend from Georgetown on the South to Fort Worth on the North, and nearly to San Angelo on the West. There is a variety of soil, climate and products. It has the black waxy prairie and the sandy plains, and these possess their own advantages. The climate is variable and the altitude is gradual from the lowest to the highest point. The whole of the territory is well populated with a hardy and intelligent people. They are growing in wealth and education. They have a number of good-sized cities and towns, like Fort Worth, Waco, Temple, Corsicana, Waxahachie, Brownwood and other places worthy of mention. Throughout the entire territory good Church organizations abound with flourishing congregations. Southwestern University, Meridian College and Polytechnic College are located within the bounds of this Conference.

The fourth Annual Session of the Central Texas Conference met this year in the town of Temple. This is the third time it has met in this city within the knowledge of this writer. Nineteen years ago it met here when Temple was a straggling town of a few hundred people. It had no paved streets and no sidewalks. And it met in the midst of a downpour of rain. Such mud one rarely ever sees. Bishop Duncan presided and he was suffering from hay fever and he was very irritable and waspish. It was during this Conference that some brother had occasion to refer to a grass widow, and the Bishop wanted to know what he meant by a "grass widow." He replied, "I do not know, Bishop, unless it is a woman whose husband died of hay fever." That reply squelched the good Bishop for once

in his life. The next time it met in Temple was eleven years ago. The town had grown a good deal and there were sidewalks and a good church. But it met again under a downpour of rain and the black waxy mud was in all its glory. Bishop Hendrix presided. This time we hoped for a dry spell, but, true to its reputation, all Tuesday afternoon and night before the Conference opened the rain came down in torrents. The mud put on its blackest hue and stickiest texture and welcomed us with its usual pliability. But the town has grown and has a population of more than 15,000. It has some paved streets and paved sidewalks. It has an electric street car system, sewerage, and all modern improvements. It looks like a real little city. By Wednesday morning the rain ceased and the indications pointed to settled weather.

Our people have replaced the old burned church building with one of the most elegant and modern structures in the State. It has cost them nearly \$100,000 and it is one of the most complete and convenient church buildings we have yet seen. Its Sunday School arrangements are well nigh perfect. The auditorium is a complete semi-circle with hanging galleries and well seat, we presume, 1200 people. The architecture is original and unique. We have never seen anything just like it; but it is well proportioned and symmetrical. It is a thing of beauty and grace. It was designed and erected under the pastorate of Rev. R. P. Shuler, but was given its finishing touches under the pastorate of Rev. E. A. Smith. This session of the Conference was held in this splendid building, with Bishop Atkins presiding. The people of Temple vied with each other in extending to one and all a most cordial welcome and the needs of all were amply met by accommodating committees.

Conference met at nine o'clock, the preachers singing "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," and the singing was just like the Central Conference. They are noted for their power in song. Bishop Atkins took the chair and announced hymn No. 14. This was sung with spirit and understanding, and the Bishop led in a fervent prayer. For a Scripture reading he used the fifth chapter of Matthew. Then followed the hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," and without further remark or preliminary, the business of the Conference proceeded. Rev. John R. Morris, the former secretary, came forward and called the roll. There was a large representation present and the bulk of the membership answered to their names. John R. Morris was unanimously re-elected secretary. He was given a good set of assistants. Rev. J. M. Barcus and Rev. M. L. Hotchkiss were requested to take charge of a prayer and praise service each morning at 8:30, and to continue one half hour. Connectional reports were received and referred. It was made the order of the day Friday at 10 o'clock for the reception of applicants

into full connection, to be followed by the election of delegates to the General Conference. A paper indorsing the action of the Bishops and a minority of the Trustees against the Vanderbilt University matter was adopted by a rising vote and it was unanimous. The presiding elders reported standing committees through Rev. J. A. Whitehurst, Rev. J. A. Whitehurst was elected to take the place of the late Rev. Jerome Duncan on the Joint Board of Publication for the Texas Christian Advocate. Brother Duncan died during the year. Dr. Grandbury, Rev. T. S. Barcus and Rev. J. W. S. Shuler were announced as transfers from other Conferences.

The names of the presiding elders were called and they all responded and submitted their reports. There are twelve presiding elders and they cover a wide scope of territory. These reports showed very great care and an accurate knowledge of the affairs of each district. The following is a condensed statement of the reports as made:

Rev. H. W. Knickerbocker, P. E., Fort Worth District: We have had 1650 additions to the Church and over one thousand conversions. On account of a general cleaning of the rolls we report a net gain of only 150 members. A larger number of the charges have paid in full than in three years and the district has paid more to the benevolences than ever in its history. We have built two new churches and purchased one. The Sunday School enrollment shows a large increase.

Rev. John R. Nelson, P. E., Corsicana District: Conversions, 994; additions, 1036; net gain, 172; total members, 5811. Epworth Leagues, 10; members, 497. Sunday Schools, 55; enrollment, 5378; increase, 1657; Sunday Schools raised for Missions, \$989. The preachers in charge were assessed \$18,536, and have been paid \$17,399. The conference assessments were \$7897, and there has been paid \$7170. The district has raised for all purposes \$65,936. The subscription for Southern Methodist University was \$51,000.

Rev. C. E. Lindsey, P. E., Cisco District: We have had good revivals in most of the charges of the district. There have been seven hundred conversions and five hundred and eighty-four additions to the Church. A substantial net gain in membership has been made. We have built three churches and two parsonages this year. The preachers have worked very faithfully, as their reports will show. The people in that country where we have had five years of drouth, have stood nobly by the Church, with their moral and financial support. While the finances are not full, we feel that the people have done well.

Rev. S. J. Vaughan, P. E., Gatesville District: There has been a splendid advance in every department of Church work. The whole district has been revolutionized. There have been about 1000 conversions and 800 additions to the Church. The Sunday School work has made most encouraging progress both in enrollment and efficiency. Not less encouraging has been the financial progress of the district. The assessment for the benevolent claims has been increased about one hundred per cent, and the deficit for this year will be exceedingly small. Salaries have also been greatly increased. The district is paying about \$6000 more than four years ago. There has also been marked increase in the value of our church

property. Seven churches have been repaired. One of these just finished is at Killeen. It is a thing of beauty and cost, including furnishing, about \$20,000. Also there is a splendid church under construction at Gatesville that will cost about \$25,000. An elegant church has been built at Oglesby. This was dedicated by Bishop Atkins last May. In addition to this, four new parsonages have been either built or bought, \$1000 have been spent on district parsonage; \$14,900 have been raised for Meridian College, and all its debts have been provided for. The district has not only been able to save its own school, but has raised about \$4000 for Southern Methodist University.

Rev. J. H. Stewart, P. E., Brownwood District: We have had about 600 conversions and about the same number of accessions. About \$18,000 was assessed for the support of the ministry. Of this amount about \$17,000 will be paid. The conference collections did not come up quite so well but are ahead of last year. Three new churches have been built and two more are being projected. One new parsonage has been built. The district parsonage has been rebuilt at a cost of \$2400 and is now splendid in every way. Good offerings were made both for the S. M. U. and Polytechnic College. The district is hopeful in every way.

Rev. W. W. Moss, P. E., Cleburne District: We have had 1100 conversions and 1200 accessions; built three new churches, enlarged and remodeled another and repaired four others. Provided two new parsonages, representing an expenditure of over \$18,000. The district has secured about \$20,000 for the S. M. U. and the Woman's College together. The preachers have worked heroically and will make creditable reports on the finances.

Rev. T. S. Armstrong, P. E., Georgetown District: This has been a year of labor and prosperity, and with all a very pleasant year. One splendid new parsonage has been erected and more or less improvements have been made on almost all the parsonages in the district. Two splendid churches have been in course of construction during the year, one at Bartlett which is now nearing completion. This is a splendid brick structure and would grace a city many times larger than the town in which it stands. The future generations that shall worship at its altars will bless the hands and hearts that have consecrated their means and wrought this mighty work. The other is the magnificent structure in which we are holding this conference. I refrain from comment. It speaks for itself. Two new charges have been developed during the year. We have had good revivals during the year and salaries have advanced in many of the charges. Our Southwestern University at Georgetown has more students and is doing greater work than ever in its history.

Rev. Horace Bishop, P. E., Hillsboro District: Have had 800 conversions and about 500 additions. Built three new churches valued at \$80,000; paid on church debts \$16,000; one new parsonage, value \$1500; paid on district parsonage debt \$700. The collections for the benevolent enterprises have been much hindered by the excessive rains in the black land belt. The roads were impassable in many places for three weeks during September and October. The preachers have been devoted to their work, giving it their time, toil and prayers without stint. Given to S. M. U. \$22,000; first payment being rapidly made.

Rev. W. B. Andrews, P. E., Waco District: This has been the best of the three years served on the district.

Five new churches have been erected and dedicated. Built one new parsonage. In the city of Waco three of the stronger Churches joined in a great collection to pay the debts of the other three. Eight thousand dollars was raised and the debts paid. The pastors have been faithful and efficient. About 1100 have been received into the Church, making a net gain of something like 500. Salaries and conference collections paid in full, probably a small deficit at two points. It is thought there will be excesses at other places sufficient to cover these shortages in the district.

Rev. Jas. Campbell, P. E., Weatherford District: Comprises about three counties—Parker, Young and all of Palo Pinto, except three charges. It dips also into Tarrant. There are seventeen charges. For the last five years it has felt the severe sting of drouth, yet the Churches have been true and faithful and have done what they could. The preachers have been loyal and aggressive and faithfully suffering with the people. We have made much progress, notwithstanding the many hindrances.

Rev. M. K. Little, P. E., Dublin District: We have had a year of great activity on all lines of Church work. The revivals have been very fine, far surpassing any previous year. The Sunday School interest has reached a high tide, that portend great things for future generations. In many Churches the enrollment has far exceeded that of the membership of the Church. The finances are far ahead of last year, notwithstanding the most severe drouth of the five. We have built two fine parsonages and remodeled others. The pastors are a noble set of men, and deserve all the credit for the results of the year's work.

The call of the preachers was made and a number of them reported. The work throughout the Brownwood District made progress. Crop conditions were only fair, but collections were good. Many conversions reported, and a good deal of church improvements made. Rev. J. L. Speer of Winters built two churches and paid for them and everything out in full. The preachers of the Cisco District showed steady work under difficulty. J. D. Ramsey had fifty conversions at Caddo. W. T. Slingley built one church, had nearly 100 conversions and a large list of Advocate subscriptions. J. F. Tyson reported 130 conversions and accessions, and finances in full, and the Advocate in high favor among his people. The reports from the Cleburne District showed progress along nearly every line and a spirit of encouragement pervaded the work generally.

The Corsicana District reports were uniformly good and optimistic. For all purposes First Church paid \$50,000. The Second Church, that city, had the best report in its history.

The reports for the Dublin District evinced progress and showed that section of the Conference in good condition.

In the afternoon, Rev. Clovis Chapell preached an interesting sermon to a good congregation. Committees met and prepared their work for the Conference. At night the Sunday School Board held its anniversary. Rev. E. Hightower and Bishop Atkins made strong addresses and Frank Reedy spoke of the work for endowing a Sunday School Chair in Southern

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FIRST M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH CAMPBELL, TEXAS. REV. C. B. GOLSON, PASTOR. The above is our new church, built in 1911, and dedicated by Dr. G. C. Rankin June 15, 1913. The building cost \$3200.

service began. Many stood up and doubtless a number were turned away. An audience like that at a regular Sunday night service to hear their own pastor is a sight not often seen in Texas. There were 115 in the choir by actual count. The ladies were dressed in white, while the men all had on regulation dark suits. There was a choir leader who had the choir in perfect training as was indicated by every movement. A quartette of a very superior quality rendered some fine selections in addition to the chorus singing. They have a great organ and the organist made good use of it. Altogether the music is a feature that attracts and adds much to the interest.

Dr. J. W. Brouger, the Pastor

is a slender, nervous man, a little above medium height, bushy hair, parted in the middle and a high-pitched voice of good carrying quality. He injected considerable humor into his sermon, but always clinched every story with a good point and one could easily see that the whole discourse had been carefully thought out in advance. He preached on "Halloween," or "Masqueraders," which in plain English means pretending to be what one is not. At the conclusion of the service he cleared away four rows of seats in front and called penitents in the good, old-fashioned way and they came in scores. He is a master of manipulation and an expert in conducting an after service. Next Sunday he is announced to preach on "How to be Happy Though Hungry." I am sorry I cannot hear it as I need some new philosophy to help me over hard places like this once in a while. The annual budget to cover all expenses is, I understand, \$38,000 a year, of which \$12,000 is spent for advertising. Such is the Temple Baptist Church of Los Angeles, one of the great institutions of the city.

Los Angeles is a church-going city and all the churches seem to be well attended and prosperous. In fact, it is a most interesting city in many ways, but space and time forbid my saying more about it now. R. C. Mitchell, formerly of Italy, Texas, is chairman of the Board of Stewards of Trinity Church and I am under obligations to him for taking me over the city in his splendid auto. He has developed into a full-fledged Los Angeles booster.

Are We Needed in the Far West?

Yes, dear reader, yes. To be sure the work has its discouraging features, but the field anywhere, everywhere is hard. The people are there, a seething, surging mass of intelligent, open-minded people from everywhere and the gospel finds about as ready hearing and prompt response there as anywhere else. True, they require high-class preaching and we have not provided that every time. Maybe that is the cause of some of our profitless efforts. My candid opinion is that the greatest need of the work there though is more sympathy in the home land of our Church. The knockers ought to be given something else to do and all questions they raise about our lack of a mission there should be answered once and for all in the affirmative. When our members go out there they should be told to hunt up our Church and join it, and a letter should be sent to the pastor so he can get busy. Our failure to do this is costing us thousands of members every year. It is not unusual to give them Church certificates, mark them off our books, advise them to stay away from our Church when they get out there, and dismiss them from our minds. One case in point: A man and his wife, both prominent in their home town in Texas and moving in the highest social circles, went out

there a year or so ago. Our pastor found them and invited them to join his Church, but the lady said, "her cousin, a presiding elder in Texas, told her our work out there did not amount to anything and not to allow herself to be beguiled into joining one of our Churches out there." They are still out of the Church, rapidly being forgotten in Texas and may never get back into the Church again. I know the parties and inquired about them, and this story is the result. The pastor did not know the name of the presiding elder and could not give it to me. If I had it I would write him a letter and after giving him my love would endeavor to show him the error of his way. Our work out there is alright, but it needs kind words and not kicks.

Bishop R. G. Waterhouse

presided at both the Pacific and Los Angeles Conferences. He is another product of the Holston country and came up through a mission, circuit, stations of all grades, presiding eldership and the presidency of Emory and Henry College, his alma mater. He remained in the latter position sixteen years, and probably any day in all those years he could have stepped into a more lucrative and prominent position, but he always said no, until the Episcopacy prized him out. After Dr. Rankin's pastorate in Church Street, Knoxville, I had a year or two intermission, and then started on a four years' term under Brother Waterhouse. When he came to us he was young, tall, black hair and moustache, a little stout, but altogether a handsome man. His pastorate was characterized by hard work and careful attention to all the details of his job. His sermons, even in those days, were carefully studied, well thought out, perfectly built and clothed in the very choicest English, for which he has always been noted. As one of his stewards for those four years I formed an attachment for him that has grown stronger with the years. As a Bishop he is very thorough, painstaking and considerate and continues the habit of hard work acquired in his young days. He tries to give every preacher the best appointment and every appointment the best preacher with about the average success. I predict for him a useful career in his office, and feel that he will ultimately stand in the front row along with the greatest and best in the Episcopal College. In presiding he injects sufficient humor into the proceedings to keep things interesting and lively. His favorite cabinet story runs about as follows: A fine, sweet spirited old preacher in one of the old conferences in his first cabinet meeting said he would "sit right over here in this corner and pray God's blessing on the appointments while the older presiding elders make them." He assumed a pious attitude, covered his face with hands and remained in an unworldly frame of mind while his colleagues made the appointments. His district fared about as one familiar with the average cabinet would expect. Next year when the cabinet assembled some one asked him to take his place in the corner as he did last year, so they could go to work. With some spirit he replied, "No, my brother, no, I am going to take a hand in making the appointments this time. While I have as much faith in God as I had last year, I have a sight less in the presiding elders."

Bishop Waterhouse and I came from Los Angeles to El Paso together, but separated then, he going to St. Louis to attend the Bishop's meeting, while I came straight to Dallas to mix and mingle with luminaries of a lesser magnitude.

The Case of Baron Yun

Rev. J. L. Gerdine.

The decision of the Supreme Court in Korea affirming the sentence passed by the Appeal Court upon Baron T. H. Yun, and five others, closes the court record of this remarkable case. While the original records of the case are in Japanese, we are fortunate in having the proceedings published in two English volumes comprising 377 pages of newspaper type. This report was made by English speaking Japanese who attended the trial as correspondents for the Japan Chronicle, a daily newspaper owned and edited by Britishers. Other independent reports were made by three experienced missionaries from Japan who were in personal attendance upon the trial. Furthermore, missionaries in Korea have been in constant attendance upon all the public hearings. We have, therefore, a complete record and one whose reliability cannot be successfully assailed. The writer was in attendance upon all the proceedings until his departure from Korea on May 29, 1913, and has received and read the reports of the hearing subsequent to that date. A review of the entire case could not be made within the space available for a newspaper article, but in view of the fact that a distinguished and trusted member of our Church stands convicted of plotting and instigating murder, our people will wish to know specifically what is the alleged basis for the judgment. Such a statement will be of greater interest since the court has acquitted 116 of those who were originally put on trial. Most of these men had, under torture administered by the police examiners made confessions of guilt, but these confessions were repudiated in open court and the court held them to be an insufficient basis for conviction. We shall see whether or not there is any substantial basis for a different judgment in the case of Brother Yun and his five associates.

There were three hearings of the case in courts which had power to call and examine witnesses. No witness testified on any of these trials to any word or act casting even a suspicion upon Brother Yun. No writing or other document was introduced to connect him with any crime. It must be borne in mind that, under Japanese procedure, prior to any public trial and before any prisoner can be represented by counsel he is subject to secret examination by the police and what purports to be a record of this procedure is produced in court as evidence. Not only is the prisoner thus examined, but witnesses may be called and examined by the police and the record of such examination is reduced to writing and presented as evidence against the accused. The Judge presiding at the public hearing is required to examine the prisoner in open court, but he may accept the police record of the testimony of witnesses examined by them without calling them into court if he sees fit.

The evidence on which Baron Yun has been convicted is:

- (1) Record of secret examination of defendant Yun Chi He.
(2) Record of secret examination of witness Kang Moon Su.
(3) Record of secret examination of witness Yi Chi Keun.
The record of the secret examination of Brother Yun is inconsistent in itself. In the main, it consists of a denial of any knowledge of the alleged plot, but towards the end of the record there appears a full admission of participation in three certain meetings when such a plot was discussed and agreed upon. On the public trials he denied the truth of the alleged admission and explained why he agreed to make the admission in the first instance. This explanation included several reasons, any one of which would

in law be sufficient to invalidate the confession. I will only quote from the report of the Japan Chronicle, which in addition to satisfying the legal question of annulling the confession also satisfies the ethical question that may be raised by some:

"I was strictly examined for about twenty days, with the result that I became almost beside myself. At the end of that time they tied cords around my arms and began to torture me. Mr. Watanabe, the interpreter, advised me to confess to the crime lest I should be tortured, a fear that became acute when I saw and heard that others were so treated. Fearing that if I were tortured I might say things at random, dragging many other innocent people into trouble, I thought it best to accede to whatever they urged upon me, and confessed accordingly."

It is difficult to conceive how it can be contended that anything remains in Yun's examination on which to base a judgment of guilt.

Kang Moon Su was a steward in the employ of Brother Yun. He was arrested, examined by the police, exiled to the island of Juelpoort and the record of his examination submitted as evidence in court. According to this record, he was present and participated in the formulation of the plot. No reason is suggested as to why he was not indicted and prosecuted with the others. It is rumored and generally believed that he was so crippled as a result of the torture administered to force his confession that he could not be produced in court and the police had to resort to the expedient of sending him into exile. As it is, the police record concludes with this suggestive statement: "At this point the defendant began to pound the table, stamp the floor, climb to the platform, and cried out, Kill me, punish me any way you like. He caused such a disturbance that he could not be examined." In spite of the suspicion that would naturally attach to such a record, made doubly so by the rejection of over 100 confessions that had been obtained by torture, the court has refused the repeated request of Yun's counsel to have Kang brought into court for re-examination, and makes this record a basis for conviction.

The other witness, Yi Chi Keun, according to the police record, testified that Yun with the other five met at his master's house on three certain dates which he named. He remembered the dates because the first was his son's birthday, the second his own birthday, and on the third date he was sick and stayed at home all day. On the hearing in the Appeal Court the Judge agreed to have this man subpoenaed as a witness. Before the summons could be served the entire family disappeared, and while the only reasonable theory is that he was spirited away by the police, they reported that he could not be found. It was proved by the census record that neither his own nor his son's birthday came on the dates that he had specified. It was also shown by incontrovertible documentary evidence that Mr. Yun was in Sondo on each of the three dates that this witness is recorded as having testified that he attended the meetings in Seoul. Although his testimony was thus discredited in essential points and indeed disproved as far as the nature of the case would admit, the Judge accepted it as a basis for conviction.

As the above is all the testimony on which a conviction is based, we may say in a word that the judgment is founded not upon the testimony of witnesses produced in court, but upon discredited and untested records of secret examination held by the police and reported by them to the court. On a par with this is the further fact that the indictment charged Yun with unlawfully plotting on three certain named dates. The only evidence on this point adhered to these dates. Proof was then submitted showing that it was a physical impossibility for Yun to have been present at meetings on the dates named. The court recognized that this contention of the defense was sustained, but instead of finding that Yun was not guilty as charged, found him guilty of plotting on "three certain dates unknown." Such a finding practically made defense impossible and is a shameful injustice to any defendant.

A judgment of guilty in a case so clear and simple as this one makes it impossible to give the court credit for honesty of purpose. A more exact statement may be that the court was not left free in its decision. It is manifest that there was a purpose to convict without regard to the truth of the case. Such a conviction does not carry with it the slightest presumption of guilt. We not only assert the innocence of our Brother Yun, but can specify the grounds for such assertion to the satisfaction of anyone who will give the matter the slightest consideration.

Chinese Christianity has a roll-call of 40,000 martyrs including many missionaries. The stories of their fidelity is most inspiring reading.

HOSTS OF FRIENDS—AND THE WORLD IS GROWING BETTER.

By Rev. J. E. Vinson.

As I have been so long out of touch with my Texas brethren, and especially those of my own loved North Texas Conference, I seek communication with them through the ever-open door of our much loved organ, The Texas Christian Advocate.

Allow me here to say, I was so glad you were re-elected to the editorial chair of the Advocate, but that was to be fully expected. Like the history of Moses, God sends men to lead his people out of the bondage of the wicked.

On the 19th of last February, I took my faithful wife out of the hospital in San Antonio, sorely emaciated after confinement of pneumonia to her bed just twelve weeks to a day, in addition to her nervous breakdown. We went back to Hillsboro and Itasca, where we spent a few weeks, and thence to Pottsboro, where we stopped with my wife's brother, J. C. Leatherwood and family a few days, thence to Howe, where we spent two weeks in the home of Dr. Sadler and wife, my baby sister, and daughters. Here, after years of separation, we were brought into sweet fellowship again with that princely brother and his noble wife, Rev. D. F. Fuller, where I found them in high favor with their good people.

We next touched down at Queen City in East Texas, where we spent ten days in the rented home of my brother, T. B. Vinson and wife, of the Texas Conference. We found them, like a fruitful tree, bending under a fruitful life of many years of faithful service in their conference; but they were both cheerful and flushed with the light of a golden evening sun. It is always a blessing to be with them. It is the best fruit that gives out their sweetest fragrance under the autumnal sun. It inspires a greater determination to reach these heavenly attainments.

On the evening of May 1, we left Texarkana for Memphis, Tennessee. Shall I say a sense of loneliness stole over us as we turned our faces away from our much loved Texas field, as the evening sun sent back its lances of gold, a pledge of returning day? But we must be brave. The next morning when daylight broke on us we found that we were in the midst of the great flood of waters. Growing restless of confinement to its channel, the great Mississippi River had leaped its boundaries and sent out its muddy waters forty miles across the bottoms to the foot of Crowley's Ridge, to where the voice said, "Thus far and no further shalt thou go." Oh, the voice of Hiu who is sovereign of all worlds! May we all have ears to hear.

We came on to Corinth, where we found my wife's baby sister and husband awaiting with loving hearts to receive us.

We have traveled thousands of miles in trying to regain her lost health; watering places, cities, towns and the sceneries and balmy air of the wild woods have all lent us places of their most favorable resort. In the places where we have lingered, we have found hosts of friends. Don't tell us the world is growing worse; and our preachers all along the way have thrown wide their arms, their hearts and their pulpits to us, and have cheered our hearts until we have learned a new beauty in Solomon's expression, "Words fitly spoken are like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Some of these preachers are old friends of other days, others are new, but all alike are my warm brethren. I have preached often, attended two protracted meetings, where I could not be away from my suffering wife but a short while and have witnessed a number of conversions. Time and space would fail me to speak of Miss Kilpatrick of broad renown for her noted Sunday School work. It is a source of joy to meet with her and her large roomful of men of mature years in her Wesley Class. She is a great woman—great in resources, great in information, great in versatility and great in her consecration.

My wife is gradually improving, but she has had to contest for every inch of the ground. And yet her condition is far from being safe. We may spend the winter here. I would be so glad if we could attend our Annual Conference and catch afresh the inspiration of the warm hand grasp of our brethren, but we must forego that pleasure. Some of the faithful old guard have gone on and answered to roll call up yonder. In the opening roll call at Clarksville, Brother Mood will speak their names softly.

The Texas Advocate will smile on us with the full details of the Conference. Great is The Texas Christian Advocate. It meets with words of commendation by all. It is truly a terror to evil doers. We hail with pleasure the weekly coming.

Corinth, Miss., Nov. 3, 1913

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Methodist University. It was a great meeting.

Thursday morning had a forbidding look. Clouds were lowering and indicative of more dampness. The brethren gathered early and filled the auditorium. Rev. Dr. Bergen, of San Antonio, led the opening services. Rev. W. M. Shelton, formerly a member of this Conference, now living within the bounds of the Sherman District, North Texas Conference, applied for the restoration of his credentials. Rev. R. G. Mood, presiding elder of the Sherman District, spoke in favor of the application, and his credentials were restored. This leaves him a local elder in the Church. The report favoring the appointment of a Social Commission was adopted. Rev. J. D. Scott, of the San Antonio Rescue Home, was introduced and spoke in the interest of that institution. Bishop Atkins followed with some pointed remarks. Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker also spoke favorably concerning the matter.

The call of the preachers was resumed. Rev. E. L. Lloyd, of Stephenville, reported 699 in his Sunday School.

Rev. D. L. Collie reported 125 conversions. Dr. Rice reported good organization, 146 conversions and 1299 in Sunday School. Dr. Culver reported more than 1000 in Sunday School. Rev. Samuel Rucker reported a fine financial state at Mulkey Memorial. The preachers of Fort Worth District, generally, made fine reports. Drs. Boaz and Rice spoke in the interest of Polytechnic College. The Bishop spoke strongly of the work of our Educational Commission.

Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker, of Central Church, reported 961 members, 1098 in Sunday School and 185 accession during the year. During the quadrennium he received upwards of 800 members. He also filled out the unexpired term of the late Rev. Jerome Duncan, as presiding elder of the district.

Dr. C. M. Bishop, of the Southwestern University, was introduced and spoke at length on the work of that great school. He also showed the relation of the work of Church Education to that of the State, and demonstrated the proposition that the Church alone is qualified to teach religion to the rising generation.

The brethren of the Gatesville District presented the Rev. S. J. Vaughan, the retiring presiding elder, with a handsome typewriter and to his good wife a beautiful gold watch and chain. The Bishop made the presentation, and Brother Vaughan responded tenderly. Rev. R. A. Burroughs, of the Orphan's Home, spoke for that worthy institution. In the afternoon, Rev. K. P. Barton preached a strong and helpful sermon to a large and appreciative congregation. At night, the educational anniversary was observed. The house was packed with full congregation. Dr. Boggs presided. Dr. John A. Rice delivered an impressive address and it met many demonstrations of applause. Bishop Atkins followed with a statement and took a subscription for the cause.

Friday morning came out of a bright, clear night, and the sunshine was refreshing. Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss conducted the opening exercises. Georgetown District preachers were called. They gave good account of their work and their collections were for the most part in full. They also had had good meetings and accessions. Many of them had made church improvements. The Gatesville reports came up well. Finances were very favorably stated and there had been many conversions and accessions. The Sunday School work is well to the front. Our educational interests were well looked after. Rev. C. C. Hightower, of Killeen, reported a new church. Rev. W. B. Wilson raised

\$25,000 in Meridian for the college there; raised \$45,000 all told. Rev. G. F. Winfield, of Meridian College, reported the conversion of nearly all the pupils of the school, and property valued at \$85,000. J. B. Berry reported a good revival at Bartlett and is building a new church. J. C. Mimms had a year of prosperity at Belton and flourishing prayer meeting. Corn Hill, under Early Cook, has gone forward along all lines. W. J. Morphis, of Mt. Horeb, reported the special work of his charge good. Rev. W. L. Nelms reported Georgetown. He reported fifty-eight increase and raised, for all purposes, \$10,000. Franklin Moore, at Granger, reported 193 conversions and finances in full. Rev. J. W. Holt reported 115 conversions at Holland. Rogers reported a splendid new parsonage. C. G. Shutt, of Thrall, reported 115 conversions and a good Advocate report. A. E. Carraway, of Taylor, did a fine year's work and finances in full. E. A. Smith, of Temple, gave a flourishing report in all departments of work and a brand new church, costing \$75,000. Also Rev. E. V. Cox, at Seventh Street, did well. Rev. C. G. Shutt asked for a superannuate relation and Rev. W. D. Vaughan asked for a supernumerary relation. Rev. W. N. Curry showed a year of good work at Abbott. J. E. McAfee reported \$5000 raised at Brandon. C. W. Macune baptized several adults and a number of infants. Finances in full. He served Cooleedge. J. W. Head held two revivals resulting in sixty-eight accessions at Covington. All official members take the Advocate. John R. Morris, at Hillsboro, reported eighteen profession, a new church and \$41,000 all told. C. W. Daniel, at Line Street, reported a number of conversions. Rev. L. A. Webb, of Hubbard City, reported fifty-two conversions and collections all full. J. M. Wynne, Itasca, a good year and made progress. The other preachers in the Hillsboro District did well. At Penelope, under Rev. J. N. Kidwell, had a net gain of seventy. Rev. J. H. Braswell, of Whitney, had everything full and running over. The Waco District had good reports. Bruceville, under S. W. Knowles, built two churches at a cost of \$15,000 and had accessions. Rev. M. A. Turner, at Hewitt, had everything in full. Lorena, under C. W. Irvin, made a fine Advocate report. J. W. Fort, at Mart, reported advance along all lines, and a fine subscription for Southern Methodist University and Polytechnic College. H. D. Knickerbocker reported Austin Street with 225 accessions and helped the other Churches, and raised \$19,000 for all purposes. At Elm Street, J. J. Creed reported fifty accessions and church improved. Finances in full. Fifth Street, under Ashley Chappell reported 231 accessions, old debts paid and the Church in good condition. Morrow Street did well under J. D. Porter and everything was in full.

Waxahachie District showed up well. The preachers all did well. Eight young men were applicants for admission into full connection of the ministry and they appeared at the bar of the Conference. The Bishop addressed them. The address was pungent and pointed. It went to the heart of the preacher's duty and left a deep impression. The class answered all the questions satisfactorily and they were unanimously received into the Conference. Rev. I. Z. T. Morris, after years of active service, asked for a superannuate relation. The order of the day arrived and the election of delegates to the General Conference was proceeded with, and it was announced that the Conference was entitled to six clerical and six lay delegates. The ballot was taken and the tellers retired to count the votes; and the routine business of the session proceeded.

Rev. R. P. Dunn, Maypearl, reported

his collections all in full and his people are supporting a missionary in the foreign field. Rev. S. A. Ashburn, Mansfield, reported more than \$1000 for church and parsonage improvements. M. M. Morphis, Milford, reported 125 accessions. Isaac Hightower, Ovilla, reported 295 accessions, baptized twenty-eight babies, and scattered the Advocate all over his work. John M. Barcus reported sixty-odd accessions and a large membership. The preachers of the Weatherford District made a good showing. W. D. Gaskins, of Aledo, gave evidence of good and faithful work. B. S. Crow, Graford, reported 225 conversions and reclamations, sold 500 books and turned in \$68 for the Advocate. M. S. Hotchkiss, Mineral Wells, reported good revivals, 100 conversions and finances in full. Sterling Richardson, Olney, reported good revival, good accessions and finances in full. C. E. Statham Whitt, 150 conversions and a net increase of fifty-two. Emmett Hightower, Weatherford, paid all assessments and all church property out of debt. Weatherford College has been saved to the Church and will continue as a Church school. J. W. Patison, Coutts Memorial, reported good organization, graded Sunday School, fifty-five additions, 144 dismissals.

The names of the old guard were called and several of them were present and spoke a few tender words to the brethren; but many of them were not able to be at Conference. The first ballot of the laymen was reported and the following were elected on this ballot: J. H. Garner, W. D. Williams and F. F. Downs. When Rev. W. F. Lloyd was called, it was stated that his health was very poor and that he was gradually dying of pellagra. A hush fell over the Conference when this announcement was made. Dr. Lloyd has been one of the foremost ministers of the Church. The second ballot for lay delegates was reported and there was no election. Another ballot was ordered. Conference adjourned to 3:30 p. m.

During the intermission, there was much anxiety about the result of the pending ballot for clerical delegates to the General Conference. The tellers bound themselves to secrecy and no one could find out anything. The whole Conference was kept in suspense till the afternoon session got down to business. Dr. McMurry arrived and was welcomed by the brethren. Rev. W. D. Bradfield dropped over from Austin and mingled with old friends. Rev. J. H. Grosseclose came over from Beeville and took in a day of the Conference. He has already issued the printed minutes of the West Texas Conference and presented this editor with a copy. It is a neat job and a credit to the Conference, and it shows enterprise and dispatch. Dr. E. B. Chappell spent two or three days at the Conference.

Dr. John Granbery, son of Bishop Granbery, and now a professor of Southwestern, is making himself a useful member of the body.

B. H. Woods, the faithful and efficient Treasurer of the Conference, was on hand and did his work in first class shape. He took in and distributed \$61,003.55 of the funds of the Conference, and he does this from year to year, for the love he has for his Church.

Rev. Thomas Barcus conducted the half hour devotional service just before the opening of the afternoon session.

Rev. J. D. Young's transfer was announced from the Northwest Texas Conference. Rev. Horace Bishop took the chair in the absence of the Bishop and opened the proceedings of the afternoon session. Bishop Atkins arrived and took the chair. The result of the clerical ballot was announced. 109 votes were necessary to a choice, and Rev. F. P. Culver and Rev. W. B. Andrews were elected. Dr. Culver

received 190 of the 217 votes cast. The third ballot for lay delegates resulted in the election of Judge Ocie Speer.

Rev. R. P. Shuler and his good wife, former pastor of the Temple Church, came forward at this time and presented their baby for baptism. The Bishop, by the use of our beautiful ritual, dedicated the child to Christ in baptism. The beautiful little girl, Dorothy by name, starts out in the race of life in the right way. Brother and Sister Shuler are held in high esteem in Temple. It was meet, therefore, that their babe should have this service performed in the church he served so well.

The fourth ballot for lay delegates resulted in the election of J. D. Barcus.

The Conference paid for Bishop's fund \$2588, Conference claimants \$11,600, Foreign Missions \$9626, for Domestic Missions \$1,112, Church Extension \$7383, for Education \$13,686, for Educational Extension \$126, Bible course \$851, for delegates' expenses \$766, for Endowment \$183, for Orphanage \$1,879.40, Children's Day \$298.40, Washington Church \$881. These items were taken from the report of B. H. Woods, the Treasurer.

The class for admission on trial was called and there were twenty-six of them. This is a large number, but they came with high recommendation.

J. M. Robertson was elected lay delegate to the General Conference. This completed the lay delegation. The second ballot for clerical delegates was announced, resulting in the election of Rev. J. A. Whitehurst, W. C. Streety, and C. V. Bailey were elected lay alternate delegates.

The committee on Conference relations reported a large number for supernumerary and superannuate relation. W. Erskin Williams was elected Conference lay leader. The third ballot for clerical delegates was announced, showing the election of Rev. J. A. Rice. A second ballot was taken and the Conference adjourned.

At night the Church Extension Board held its anniversary. A large crowd assembled and Rev. J. J. Creed presided. Rev. C. R. Wright made a statement as to the work of the board, and then Dr. W. T. McMurry was introduced and made a very striking address. He imparted, in a quiet sort of way with much humor, a vast deal of information about this department of our work.

Saturday morning came in crisp and bright, and the air was invigorating. Rev. W. D. Bradfield conducted the religious exercises. The fourth ballot for clerical delegates was announced and there was no election. Another ballot was taken and the conference proceeded with its minute business. The reports on the Sabbath were read, and Dr. R. S. Armstrong and Bishop Atkins made interesting addresses. Dr. Boaz spoke of the illness of Rev. R. B. McSwain and asked the brethren to remember him in a substantial way and an offering was made for his benefit. The brethren responded generously. The fifth ballot for clerical delegates, and H. D. Knickerbocker and T. S. Armstrong were elected. This completed the clerical delegates. Dr. W. T. Ellis, of Philadelphia, a great missionary worker, was introduced and greatly entertained the conference. The Committee on Books and Periodicals reported and the editor spoke to the paper. The Advocate has the right-of-way in the Central Conference. The Committee on Adjustments and the Sunday School Board submitted reports. Rev. E. Hightower spoke pointedly to the report. Rev. A. E. Turney was granted a location at

his own request. The University Club, at Austin, and its effort to pay off its debt, were presented by a special committee. All Texas Methodism is interested in this Club. Rev. R. P. Shuler, pastor of the Church, spoke of this Club and what it is doing for the boys and girls of the Church who go to the University. We now have several hundred of them in Austin from all over the State and the bulk of them are attending University Church. Bishop Atkins made some pertinent remarks touching this matter. A paper giving Brother Shuler the right-of-way to the charges of the conference, was adopted. A vote for clerical alternates was taken and Rev. John R. Nelson was elected an alternate delegate. Rev. Atticus Webb read the report on temperance and the paper covered this field from all standpoints. Brother Webb spoke strongly of the work of Prohibition and he was cheered to the echo.

Bishop Atkins aroused great enthusiasm in some earnest remarks on the subject. Rev. H. W. Knickerbocker was called to the altar and through the Bishop was presented with a handsome traveling grip, coming from the preachers of the Fort Worth District. Brother Knickerbocker responded touchingly and humorously and his remarks were greatly enjoyed.

A paper expressing hearty appreciation of the presidency of Bishop Atkins for four successive sessions of the conference, was unanimously adopted. The second ballot for an alternate delegate and Rev. H. A. Boaz was elected. Dr. J. D. Hammond was presented to the conference and spoke in the interest of education among the colored people of the South. As one of our leading ministers, he is devoting his life to this work and is president of our negro school at Augusta, Ga. At the afternoon session, the reports of committees continued to be heard. They came thick and fast. The vote on the change of the name of the Church to the Methodist Episcopal Church in America was largely defeated, but the General Conference was memorialized to change it to "The Episcopal Methodist Church." At night, Dr. Ellis, of Philadelphia, made a great address on the missionary movement and the relation of the laymen's work to it. It was listened to by a great throng and made a profound impression.

Sunday was Methodist day in Temple. All the Protestant pulpits were occupied by members of the conference. The Central Church was the point of interest, however. The love feast was a great one, led by Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss. At eleven, Bishop Atkins preached an instructive sermon and ordained deacons. In the afternoon was the memorial service and it was solemn and impressive. Rev. Jerome Duncan and Rev. C. E. Brown had died. Suitable tributes were paid to their memories.

After the night session the elders were ordained. Monday the business of the conference was finished, the appointments read, and the session adjourned.

**SNAP SHOTS.**

J. G. White, Glenwood Church, Fort Worth—31 conversions, 100 additions to Church; finances in excellent condition. W. S. P. McCullough, Hemphill Heights and Highland Park Church, Fort Worth—All financial obligations paid in full; membership more than doubled since last conference; net gain 101;

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183 Church members; 309 Sunday School scholars; mission Sunday School with 60 members. Sam G. Thompson, Missouri Avenue Church, Fort Worth—75 conversions; 87 additions to the Church. J. E. Crawford, McKinley Avenue Church, Fort Worth—Net gain of 11; salaries in full; no indebtedness; conference collections larger than last year. S. J. Rucker, Mulkey Memorial Church, Fort Worth—Advance in all points, especially in finances and membership; best financial report ever submitted; one of the most loyal people ever found. F. P. Culver, Polytechnic Church, Fort Worth—Have received 205 members into Church; collections \$10,776; 105 members male Wesley Bible class; 88 members female Wesley Bible class. J. F. Isbell, Riverside Church, Fort Worth—More than 100 conversions; 100 accessions to Church; net gain of 75; collections paid in full; raised \$2106. C. A. Bickley, Weatherford Street Church, Fort Worth—75 conversions; 90 accessions to Church; Sunday School enrollment over 100 more than Church. Brooklyn Heights Church, Fort Worth—Excellent work. J. A. Ruffner, Grapevine—120 conversions; 160 additions to Church. C. A. Evans, Handley and Harwells—35 accessions to Church; increase of about 15. B. F. Alsop, Kennedale—Collections full; \$2000 in all. W. G. Bailey, Smithfield—Doing good work; built church; organized Sunday School.

J. R. B. Hall and T. W. Ellis, supernumeraries of Polytechnic Church, Fort Worth, were referred to the committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation. J. F. Isbell, of Riverside Church, Fort Worth, in the class of the third year, having passed his committee, was promoted to the class of the fourth year.

W. G. Bailey, of Smithfield, in the class of the first year, was advanced to the class of the second year, having passed his committee. W. E. Vaughn, of the class of the third year, and student in Polytechnic College, his character having been passed by his committee, was continued in his class.

R. C. Armstrong, agent of the Sunday League of America, reported a very active and successful year's work. Conference reports were received as follows: W. J. Mayhew, Clifton: Good year's work. J. D. Hendrickson, Crawford: Admitted 54 into the Church; extensive material improvements. J. F. Adams, Copperas Cove: 80 conversions; 75 accessions to Church; Sunday School enrollment 75 per cent of Church enrollment; assessment and salary in full. Dr. Adams, being in the class of the fourth year, was passed and advanced to deacon's orders. J. W. Bowden, Evans: 40 conversions; 45 accessions to Church; salary and conference collections in full. Charles H. Little, Fairy and Lanham: Very good work; character having been passed, was continued in class of the fourth year. C. G. Chappell, Gatesville: 175 conversions; 96 admissions; Church salary and conference collections in full; new parsonage built; about \$25,000 raised for all purposes. L. B. Sawyers, Gatesville Circuit: 17 conversions; 25 new subscribers to Texas Christian Advocate; collections in excess of last year.

Alonzo Monk, Jr., Hamilton: Good work; conference collections in full; excellent Sunday School. H. D. Huddleston, Hamilton Circuit: New church building at cost of \$1000; 90 conversions. W. J. Whitley, Jonesboro: Good year's work. Rev. Whitley, his character having been passed, was continued in the class of first year. C. C. Hightower, Killeen: 20 conversions; raised \$16,000; collections for conference, and pastor's salary in full. C. B. Diltz, Killeen Circuit: 186 conversions; net gain in membership 25; two new Sunday Schools; one new country church paid for and dedicated; raised \$2360. Rev. Diltz, being in the class of the second year, and having passed his committee, was advanced to the class of the third year, with deacon's orders. Geo. F. Campbell, McGregor: Fine year's work; collections in full. W. B. Wilson, Meridian: Raised in Meridian \$26,000; outside \$7000, to keep Meridian College from being sold for debt; raised \$10,000 for Polytechnic College; raised altogether about \$45,000; excellent year's work.

N. J. Peoples, Meridian Circuit: Sunday School membership exceeding that of the Church; 97½ per cent of conference collections; 75 per cent of minister's salary; fairly good year's work. R. A. Walker, Moody: Excellent year's work; about 35 additions to the Church. Lloyd E. Hill, Nolanville: 32 additions to the Church; two Sunday Schools which more than doubled membership during year. Rev. Hill, his character having been passed, was continued in the class of the second year. A. C. Lackey, Oglesby: Salary and conference collections in full. Rev. Lackey, having passed the committee of the class of the second year, was advanced to the class of the third year, with the orders of deacon. F. O. Waddill, Turnersville: 13 conversions; net gain of 14; church entirely free of debt, having paid last installment of indebtedness. Rev. Waddill, having passed the committee of the class of the second year, was advanced to the class of the third year, with deacon's orders. R. H. Heizer, Valley Mills: 40 conversions; 24 additions to Church; raised \$2960.

J. B. Berry, Bartlett: Splendid revival; increase of 70 in membership; salary in full; building new church, which, when completed, will cost \$25,000; raised for all purposes \$12,929. J. C. Mimms, Belton: Advance-

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ment in all respects, increase in membership of about 30. Early S. Cook, Corn Hill and Wier-net: Decrease of 75 in membership; 15 additions to Church; four revivals and 50 conversions. Rev. Cook, his character having been passed, was continued in class of the second year. W. J. Morphis, Florence and Mt. Horeb: Doing good work. W. L. Nelms, Georgetown: 290 admissions to Church; net gain of membership 51; raised nearly \$10,000. J. F. Neal, supernumerary, Georgetown, was referred to the committee on conference relations for the relation of supernumerary. Franklin Moore, Granger and Jonah: 103 accessions to the Church; collections in full. J. W. Holt, Holland: 115 conversions; 71 accessions to the Church; net increase of 34 members; Sunday School more than doubled in last year; constructed one church and repainted another.

J. E. Matlock, Hutto: Fine revival; 97 additions to the Church; 78 net gain; conference collections in full and running over. Rev. Matlock, having passed the committee of the class of the second year, was advanced to the class of the third year, with the orders of deacon. M. W. Rogers, Rogers: Excellent work. J. M. Armstrong, Salado: Good work. C. G. Shutt, Thrall Mission: Good revival; 50 conversions; net gain of 34 in membership; organized Epworth League; two churches finished and new church being constructed. A. E. Carraway, Taylor: Very fine work; collections in full. E. A. Smith, Temple: All assessments paid; raised \$21,837; 170 additions to Church; magnificent First Church finished at cost of \$70,000; \$5000 to Southern Methodist University. E. V. Cox, Seventh Street Church, Temple: Church well organized; doing excellent work; pastor's salary raised \$200. N. E. Gardner, Troy: 12 conversions; 70 accessions to the Church; a net gain of 60 in membership; more than \$3500 raised.

W. N. Curry, Abbott: Splendid re-additions to church; conference collections in full. J. U. McAfee, Brandon: 15 conversions; 35 additions to Church; net decrease of 5; built two new churches, one at Brandon, one at Vining; \$5284 collections. C. W. Macune, Coolee: 25 conversions; 30 additions to the Church; dropped 51 from roll. J. W. Head, Covington and Osceola: 20 revivals; about 60 conversions; 67 additions to Church. C. T. Brockett, Delia: 50 conversions; net gain of 60 to Church membership.

John R. Morris, First Church, Hillsboro: 81 additions to roll; magnificent new church; raised \$44,000; advance along all lines. Hillsboro, Line Street Church: Remarkable progress in every direction. L. A. Webb, Hubbard: 52 additions to Church; new church dedicated free from debt; raised altogether \$20,000. H. W. Isbell, Huron: 55 conversions; net gain of 41 in Church membership. J. B. Dodson, Irene: Finances in advance of last year; great improvement on all lines. J. M. Wynne, Itasca: Net decrease in membership of 61. O. B. Turner, Kirk: 46 admissions to Church; 75 per cent conference collections; raised \$1736. Rev. Turner, having passed the committee of the class of the fourth year, was advanced and elected to the orders of elder. F. L. McGehee, Lovelace: Four splendid meetings; great progress. B. E. Kimbrow, Malone: 78 conversions; 75 additions; collections full. J. J. Callaway, Manger: Several good revivals; excellent advancement in all kinds of Church work. J. R. Kidwell, Penelope: One fine revival; 70 conversions; one church built at cost of \$60,000; 132 increase in membership. Rev. Kidwell, his character having been passed, was continued in the class of the third year. R. T. Capps, Peoria: Good work. Rev. Capps, his character having been passed, was continued in the class of the second year. J. H. Braswell, Whitney: Splendid year's work; 40 conversions; collections in full and a good surplus.

J. S. Huckabee, Conference Evangelist, reported that he had conducted 17 meetings; had made 720 conversions, 500 of whom united with the Methodist Church. Collections were in full.

W. H. Keener, Aquilla: 70 conversions; net gain of 14 in Church membership; raised \$3490. O. C. Swinney, Bosqueville: 45 conversions; collections and salary in full. S. B. Knowles, Bruceville and Eddy: 45 conversions; two Churches built at a cost of \$15,000 and dedicated. M. L. Latham, China Springs: Two revivals; 25 additions to Church; net decrease 26. M. A. Turner, Hewitt and Spring Valley: Collections and salary in full. C. W. Irvin, Lorena: New parsonage; conference collections in full; little surplus; slight loss of membership. B. A. Evans, Mt. Calm: Net decrease in membership of 161; Sunday School membership fifty per cent of Church enrollment. Frank Huguen, Riesel and Astell: 31 additions to Church; net gain of 55; collections nearly \$3000. H. D. Knickerbocker, Austin Avenue Church, Waco: 225 accessions to membership; raised pastor's salary in full, \$1000; so great a surplus of collections as to enable Church to assist other Churches and institutions in the city to the amount of over \$4000.

W. M. Bowden, Waco, Clay Street Church: Two revivals; 170 accessions to Church; collections in full. J. J. Creed, Elm Street Church, Waco: Good revival; 40 conversions; 60 accessions to Church; bought new church site for \$4600; have \$15,000 of resources that may be used for any purpose. Ashley C. Chappell, Fifth Street Church, Waco: 231 conversions; salaries all paid. W. T. Gray, Herring Avenue Church, Waco: 100 additions to Church; collections in full. A. D. Porter, Morrow Street Church, Waco: Assessments and salaries in full; substantial progress. W. T. Kinslow, West: 30 additions to Church; net gain of 20; conference collections in full. Mr. W. M. Bowden, Clay Street Church, Waco, and Rev. W. T. Kinslow, of West, having passed the committee of the

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class of the fourth year, were advanced and elected to the orders of elders.

Rev. J. N. McCain, Assistant Manager of the Orphanage at Waco, reported that 48 conversions had been made at chapel services during the past year, and that three girls were preparing for foreign missionary work.

Hardwell, K. S. VanZandt: 50 conversions; 60 additions to Church; raised \$2670. Joseph Lee, Red Oak: 100 conversions; net gain of membership 40; raised for all purposes \$4580. Rev. Lee, having passed the class of the fourth year, was advanced and elected to the order of elders. S. B. Sawyers, Bethel: Excellent work. Geo. F. Kornegay, Britton: Fine year's work. Rev. Kornegay, having passed the committee of the class of the fourth year, was advanced and elected to the orders of elders. J. W. Downs, Ennis: Total collections \$6000. C. V. Oswalt, Ferris—47 conversions; 63 additions to Church. C. L. Culwell, Forreston: Very fine year's work. H. L. Munger, Italy: 80 conversions; 65 accessions to Church. R. F. Dunn, Maypearl: Supporting one lady missionary in China; doing good work. S. A. Ashburn, Mansfield: 75 additions; good year's work. R. F. Brown, Midlothian: Very good year's work. M. M. Morphis, Millard: 123 additions; 99 net gain in membership. I. E. Hightower, Ovilla: 205 conversions; built new church. W. H. Crawford, Palmer: Fairly good year's work. John Barcus, Wasabachie: 67 additions to membership; fine year's work; progress on all lines.

W. D. Gaskins, Aledo: 57 accessions to Church. Marcus M. Chunn, Eliasville: Fine Sunday School; very good year. B. S. Crow, Grafrod: Great revival; 250 conversions, 150 of whom joined the Methodist Church; are building one church and have another out of debt. J. Hall Bowman, Graham: Fine Sunday School; improvement on most lines of work. A. P. Lipscomb, supernumerary, Graham, was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation. S. D. Cook, Graham Mission: Finances a little behind. W. W. Noble, Loving Mission: 26 additions to Church; 23 net increase in membership. C. F. Bell, Millsap: 135 conversions; 70 additions to the Church. Rev. F. O. Waddill, C. V. Williams.

Who are admitted? None.

Who are received by transfer from other Conference? John C. Granbery, Western, Virginia Conference; T. S. Barcus, Northwest Texas Conference; J. W. W. Shuler, Holston Conference; R. J. Reese, Florida Conference; Sela Kirkpatrick, New Mexico Conference; J. A. Dozier, East Oklahoma Conference; J. D. Young, Northwest Texas Conference; A. C. Smith, Northwest Texas Conference; R. B. McSwain, West Texas Conference; J. V. Blair, East Oklahoma Conference.

Who are received from other Churches as local preachers? I. E. C. Presbyterian, James D. Kussell.

Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? None.

Who are deacons of one year? Hugh E. Landrum, Ruby Oaks, Sory; Remaining in class of third year. H. W. Gillette, Willie C. House; Roy A. Langston, John D. Smoot, Preston H. Broxton, J. F. Isbell, J. A. Siceloff, James R. Kidwell, Walter P. Vaughn, Henry C. Bowman, Henry Francis, Chas. H. Little, Frank A. Ray.

What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. Marvin Bond, Chas. Beni, Diltz, Frederick O'Neil, Waddill, Joseph E. Matlock, Chas. V. Williams, Brinkley H. Oxford.

What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. Marvin Bond, Chas. Beni, Diltz, Frederick O'Neil, Waddill, Chas. V. Williams, Brinkley H. Oxford.

What local preachers are elected deacons? Murand Council, Jno. G. Thomas, Zebedee Fallin, Jno. B. Isbell, Walter W. Ward, Claud S. Satterfield, Olin W. Nail, Geo. E. Ryan, Christopher C. McBrayer, Wm. R. Witherspoon, Franklin Pierce Hunsucker.

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What traveling preachers are elected elders? Tolbert Marion Dalton, Eugene Blake Hawk, John Wesley Hawkins, Wm. Arlie Neill, Wm. Thomas Singley, Jno. F. Adams, W. M. Bowden, W. T. Kinslow, Geo. I. Kornegay, J. O. Leath, O. B. Turner.

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What local preachers are elected elders? None.

What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Who are located this year? A. E. Toney.

Who are supernumerary? A. D. Livingston, Geo. W. Owens, J. R. B. Hall, G. W. Ellis, Jno. F. Neal, W. H. Vaughan, A. P. (Continued on Page 12.)







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**OUR CONFERENCES**

**BISHOP ATKINS, Presiding.**  
Northwest Texas, Vernon . . . . . Nov. 12  
**BISHOP MOUZON, Presiding.**  
Texas, Nacogdoches . . . . . Nov. 26  
North Texas, Clarksville . . . . . Dec. 3

**A SUNDAY IN TERRELL.**

I came up from the Central Texas Conference Saturday night and ran over to Terrell to spend Sunday with Rev. C. Pugsley and his people. I am sorry to state that Brother Pugsley has been transferred by Bishop Mouzon to the East Oklahoma Conference. He is closing out his second year at Terrell, and he has done a magnificent work. His congregation has increased, his Sunday School has grown, he has spent \$700 in renovating the parsonage and putting it in fine condition, and he will turn the charge over to his successor in fine condition. His people regret very much to give him up for he and his wife are very popular with those people. Terrell is one of our best towns and it has one of the best populations in the State. They are noted for their moral sentiment and Church-going habits. Our Church is strong and flourishing. We have some of the best people in the world in its membership. Senator Warren is the teacher of a large Bible class and a wonderfully resourceful one at that. Brother Holmes is a fine superintendent and he has school in splendid condition. Harry Ables is one of their most devoted workers and scores of others we might mention if we had the time and space. We have 89 copies of the Advocate that go to that office and fifty of them go to the membership of that Church. I had the good presence of Brother Sherwood and Brother O. P. Thomas in the congregation to say amen for me. What a blessing these godly men are to any community. We had a fine service and what a hand-shaking time I had with them at the close of the hour of worship. It was good to grasp the hand of Dr. Sid Bass again. He is one of the standbys of Terrell. I did not meet Dr. Andrews, the elder. He was out in his field helping round out things for conference. He is a popular elder in that section. He actually goes out at spare time and holds revivals with his preachers and has conversions. His district pounded him the other night and literally flooded the district parsonage with a little of everything and left a smile on the inmates that refuses to come off. Yes, and by the way, sometime ago the town of Terrell pounded the superannuate home occupied by Brother Bud Sherwood and left these two good people happy. G. C. R.

The great man is he who does not lose his child's heart.—Mencius.

**Central Texas Conference Notes**

The Conference at Temple began in bad weather, but in a day or so the clouds disappeared, the sun came out and the season was a most delightful one. And Temple did her loveliest in entertaining the body. Rev. E. A. Smith, aided by some of his laymen, left nothing undone to make it one of the best entertained sessions in the history of that body. That hospitality was of the old-time type and splendid. Temple can boast of some of the finest people in the State.

Rev. J. W. Fort, Judge Erskin Williams, Professor C. C. Cody, Major Lesesne, Walter Crow and this editor were delightfully entertained in the good home of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Downs. No guests ever had a better home and a more elegant entertainment. It was homelike, social, uplifting. Brother Downs is one of the leading laymen in Temple, a member of the Mission Board of the Conference, and one of the best workers in the Church. Mrs. Downs takes a great deal of interest in Church work also.

The delegation to the General Conference is largely a new one. Not an old delegate among the clerical members has ever been in a General Conference before and only two of the lay delegates. There was a good deal of activity among certain classes in the Conference prior to the election and the members, very generally, seemed to have their minds made up as to what they would do, and the first ballot disclosed that purpose. After that it took a number of ballots to decide among several popular men.

Rev. J. D. Young, who has always heretofore reported the proceedings of the Conference for the Fort Worth Record, did not perform that work this time. The paper sent a special correspondent to Temple for that purpose. His reports, for the most part, were full and racy, but once in a while he was sensational and spectacular. His surmises were not always correct, neither were they always creditable to the Conference. Occasionally he put the Conference before his readers as a set of pot-house politicians, striving as partisans to accomplish certain ends. If he intended it for humor, it was too serious a matter to be put in the category of jokes; but if he was serious, he did a number of the members of that body a conspicuous injustice.

Dr. Frank P. Culver received 191 of the 216 votes, on the first ballot. This emphasized his personal popularity as a member of the Conference. He has only been in the Conference three years, having come to it from Alabama three years ago. But he is a brotherly man, an eloquent preacher and a striking personality. He knows how to make himself agreeable to his brethren without being officious. Hence, they love him and believe in him.

Rev. W. B. Andrews was the second man on the list and the only other one elected on the first ballot. He is one of the younger men in the Conference and serving his fourth year now in the presiding eldership. He is a man of good equipment, a pleasing personality and a hard worker. He won his place on the merit of his persistent devotion to his post of duty. He is the son of a Methodist preacher and has things in common with preachers.

Rev. J. A. Whitehurst was the next one to forge to the front on the second ballot. He is one of the strong and robust members of the Conference, full of energy, evangelic in his style of ministry, and possessed of a delightful social nature. He has seen hard service, met all responsibilities,

and is now in his second year in the second term of his service as a presiding elder. He has always made good.

Dr. John A. Rice was next on the second ballot. Like Dr. Culver, he, too, is a new member of the Conference, having filled for three years the pastorate of First Church, Fort Worth. He is a scholarly man, a preacher of rare attainments, and a prominent figure in Southern Methodism. He is in demand at the popular gatherings where striking men are sought for to entertain and instruct on the platform. He will be a leading member of the General Conference.

The third ballot there was no election, but on the fourth Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker led and forged beyond the majority line. He has long been a popular pastor in Texas Methodism and he never fails to bring forth results. It was under him that Trinity Church, Dallas, was built; also he did the principle work in the erection of First Church, Fort Worth, and left that splendid property free of debt. At Waco he has done things in connection with Austin Avenue Church. He is a resourceful man, bright from every angle, popular with boys of the Conference, full of a royal good nature and a unique preacher. He stands out as one to himself, but he knows how to touch men and put them to work.

Second on the fourth ballot was Rev. T. S. Armstrong. He has practically spent his life in that Conference. He is a man of robust physique, well developed brain, practical in his judgement and popular in his disposition. He preaches well, makes a good impression in any circle and he is a man of strong character. It took him sometime to come to the front in the Conference, but he has made the landing and is now one of its popular members. His brethren love him and his election is a testimony to his work and ability.

The lay delegates are all strong and true men. Erskin Williams is a lawyer, F. F. Downs is a successful banker, J. M. Robertson is a popular lawyer, Judge Garner is at the front in Cisco circles, Judge Ocie Speer is a member of the Appellant Court at Fort Worth and W. J. Barcus is an educational man. These laymen are all a credit to the Church and will render it valuable service in the high position to which they have been chosen.

Rev. H. W. Knickerbocker has just closed a successful quadrennium at Central Church, having succeeded in finishing the splendid building and leaving to his successor a well organized congregation. In addition to this he filled out the unexpired term of the lamented Jerome Duncan on the Fort Worth District without compensation. The salary continued to go to Jerome Duncan's widow and children. Brother Knickerbocker is a popular member of that body.

Last week we stated that Central Church was unorganized and without organization when Rev. H. W. Knickerbocker went to it four years ago. This was an error. Rev. Lucia Webb served that congregation well, had a lot purchased, the foundation put in and a tabernacle erected for temporary services, a good Sunday School, and the beginning of a good Church membership. He has done a good term of service at Hubbard City.

Rev. Jno. R. Nelson had one of the best reports from his district in the Conference. He had every detail in hand and his preachers were largely up in their work. For Southern Methodist University his district carried off the blue ribbon. He has a faculty for organization and his

persistence knows no bounds. He sticks at his job day and night, and keeps his eye and his hand on the field.

Rev. J. S. Vaughan finished a quadrennium on the Gatesville District and had the facts and the figures to show what he did during those four years. His brethren thought so much of him that they gave him a typewriter, and his wife a gold watch and chain. He is a painstaking preacher and executive, and he has a capacity for hard work. He met all the responsibilities of his office and retires with the good wishes of all.

There are scores of other brethren we would love to mention in these notes, but we have but one day to send the Advocate to the press and the Northwest Texas Conference is calling for us. So we can only say that nearly all of them did fine service, had splendid reports and manifested an optimistic spirit. They are far above the average as a Conference and rank well with the leading conferences in the Church.

Rev. J. M. McCarter served for many years in the old East Texas Conference and was transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference (now Central), and has served faithfully and efficiently many charges. There comes a time in the history of all itinerant preachers when they must lay their armor down. At the late session of the Central Texas Conference, Brother McCarter was placed on the honor roll. The Advocate force and all his brethren esteem him highly, and trust that in the remainder of his days the lines may fall to him in pleasant places. We hope his brethren will keep him busy preaching and gathering in the sheaves for the Master.

The election of delegates to the General Conference resulted as follows:

Clerical.—Dr. Frank P. Culver, Fort Worth; Rev. W. B. Andrews, Waco; Rev. J. A. Whitehurst, Waxahachie; Dr. John A. Rice, Fort Worth; Rev. T. S. Armstrong, Georgetown, Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker, Waco, Alternates.—Dr. John R. Nelson, Corsicana; Dr. H. A. Boaz, Fort Worth.

Lay — W. Erskin Williams, Fort Worth; J. H. Garner, Cisco; F. F. Downs, Temple; Ocie Speer, Fort Worth; W. J. Barcus, Waco; J. M. Robertson, Meridian. Alternates.—W. L. Streety, DeLeon; C. V. Bailey, Waco.

A glance at the appointments will disclose a good many changes in the preachers. This is particularly true of several of the stations. It was thought that not many moves would be made, but evidently the Bishop and his Cabinet found it necessary to make a number of changes.

**BISHOP MOUZON COMING TO DALLAS.**

We notice in Sunday's issue of the Dallas News that Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon, is going to move from San Antonio and make his home in Dallas. This will be received with pleasure by the Methodists of all this section. Dallas is the headquarters of Texas Methodism and it is meet and proper to have a resident Bishop in our midst. Bishop Mouzon will be accorded a cordial welcome when he carries his purpose into effect. He is a man of wide influence and his presence will contribute to the success of our work in this territory.

We regret to announce the transfer of Rev. J. A. Old from the North Texas Conference to the Western Oklahoma Conference. He was one of our most popular and efficient pastors among the younger men and he was held in great esteem at Oak Lawn, this city. The Oklahoma brethren will

find him a genuine accession to their working and preaching force. He goes to the Lawton District, as presiding elder.

Rev. J. M. Peterson, formerly of the North Texas Conference, but more recently on the Oklahoma District, West Oklahoma Conference, goes to the East Oklahoma Conference after one year on the Oklahoma District. His stay in that Conference was of short duration, but evidently there was need for him of a pressing nature in the other wing of that State, and he goes there this time.

We note in the daily press that Bishop Mouzon transferred Rev. J. A. Old to West Oklahoma Conference and placed him on Lawton District. Brother Old is a strong gospel preacher and will find favor, without doubt, in this new field of labor. He served Oak Lawn Station, Dallas, the past year. His labors there were appreciated as evidenced by the telegram given below:

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 9, 1913.

Bishop E. D. Mouzon, Norman, Okla.

We respectfully request and urge that Brother Old be sent back to us next year. All things considered we feel this charge very important at this time and should not be disturbed.

Brother Old is in high esteem and beloved by this people and can accomplish results where others would fail.

E. M. BURGHER,  
E. G. KNIGHT,  
J. D. CULLUM.

Committee.

By unanimous vote of Stewards present, Oak Lawn Methodist Church.

**CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE PERSONALS.**

Rev. W. H. Howard had a fine time out west and he put in good work for the Advocate. Notwithstanding the drouth, he had a splendid report in all departments.

Rev. J. M. Armstrong had a delightful country charge last year at Salado and the Advocate fared well under his administration.

Rev. S. C. Baird is one of the old reliables of the conference and when he makes his report we know that the Advocate will stand out conspicuously.

Rev. John M. Barcus did a splendid year's work at Waxahachie and when he approached the Advocate table he had results to show.

Rev. H. C. Bowman is one of the hard workers of the conference and he is making good all along the line. His Advocate account showed one of the reasons why he succeeded.

Rev. H. B. Clark is a good one. When he gets through with a year's work he leaves the Advocate in his trail.

Texas Methodism has but one Rev. Ben Crow and he is a good one. All preachers love him and he puts in good work on his charge. The Advocate regards him as one of its very best friends.

Rev. J. W. Hawkins knows where his best help comes from and he scatters the Advocate all over his charge. He does things, of course.

Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss is one of the most lovable men in the conference; and this is true because he has merit. The Advocate ranks him high among its friends.

Rev. H. D. Huddleston never makes much noise, but he has things to show for his investment of service. The Advocate always depends upon him and is never disappointed.

Rev. A. C. Lackey made the Advocate people glad when he sat down



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at our table. He had something of interest to us.

Rev. W. H. Matthews, always does good work and he has time to look after the Advocate. His people read the paper.

Rev. E. A. Smith is one of the Advocate's best friends and he proves his friendship by his work.

Rev. J. D. Smoot is never too busy to see to it that the Advocate goes into the homes of his people.

Rev. M. A. Turner, is not only a witty and humorous writer, but he is a devoted friend of the Advocate. He is a success in all departments.

Rev. R. A. Walker saw to it that his people had the Advocate in their homes. No one is surprised that his reports showed up well.

Rev. L. A. Webb, the tall man of the conference, proved his friendship for the Advocate by placing it in the homes of his members. He is an ardent worker.

Rev. C. E. Wilkins understands the art of success. So he gives his people the best conference organ to read in Southern Methodism, and things naturally come to pass.

Rev. N. J. Peeples looked as carefully after the Advocate as he did his conference collections, because he considers the Advocate his assistant pastor, and deserves its pay. We appreciate his fine report.

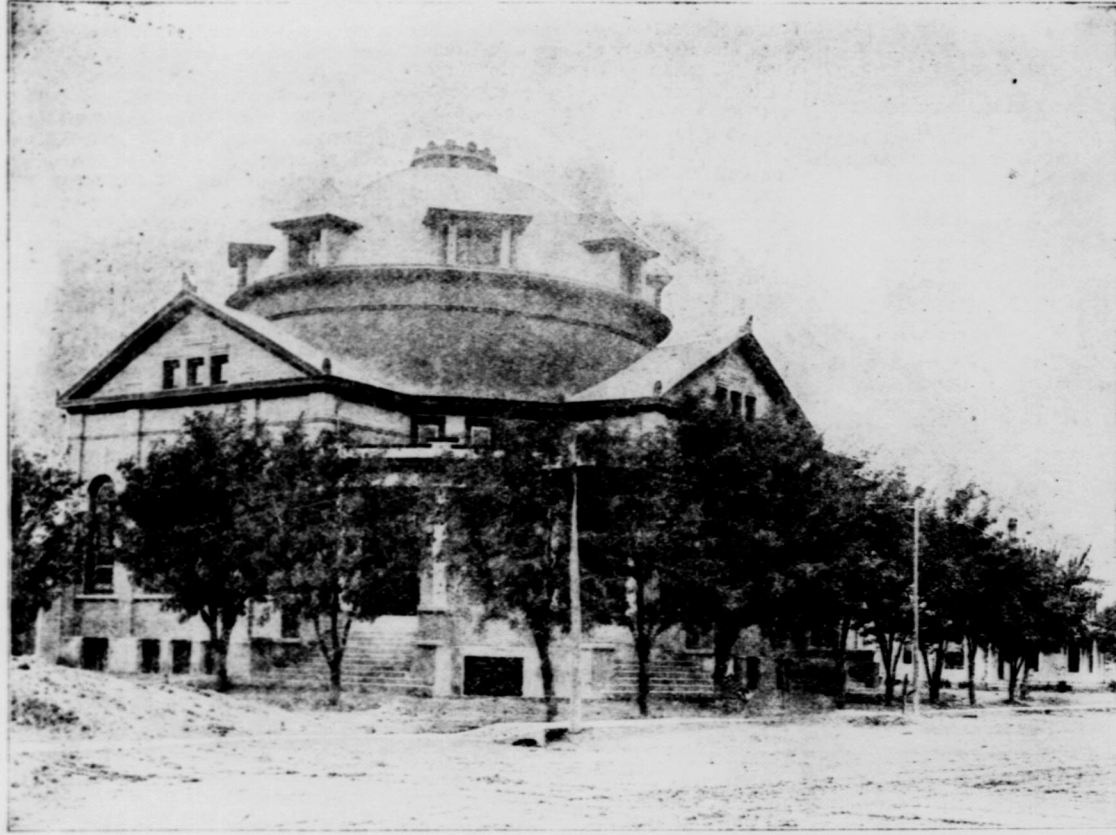
Rev. H. B. Henry is one of the best Advocate collectors in the conference. He takes a pride in bringing up the delinquents and his work is very helpful to the paper.

Rev. W. T. Singley lacks only twelve of having the Advocate in every family in his charge. He thinks they will be added soon.

Rev. J. E. Crawford and Rev. W. M. Bowden proved that new subscribers could be secured in their charges. Both of these brethren increased their lists considerably.

Rev. R. F. Dunn in several years' pastorate has never failed to bring up a good report for the Advocate, as well as other Church interests.

The best Advocate reports of the conference were those brought in by



METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, VERNON, TEXAS.

The above is a picture of our imposing church edifice in Vernon, Texas, where Bishop Atkins opened the fourth annual session of the Northwest Texas Conference on yesterday. This beautiful structure was opened for religious worship by Bishop Atkins September 25, 1910, at 11 a. m. It is one of the most complete structures in Texas Methodism, and was dedicated during the pastorate of Rev. A. L. Moore. Its basement provides for heat, kitchen apparatus, large banquet hall for social affairs, a gymnasium and shower baths. The second floor is the church auditorium, and when Sunday School room is opened, accommodates 1200. Besides the splendid furnishings, it was built at a cost of \$30,000.

REV. A. W. HALL, Pastor.

Rev. E. V. Cox, Rev. G. W. Kincheloe and Rev. H. F. Brooks. The first two challenged the pastors of the State to send fifty new subscribers, as they themselves did. Brother Brooks was not far behind.

Rev. J. N. Vincent is one of the most conscientious workers of the conference. Every detail has careful attention and his Advocate report is always a good one.

Rev. A. E. Carraway added over twenty new subscribers to the Advocate at Taylor the past year, and he had a good list before. He is a success.

Rev. T. Bennett, though in the drouth section, brought up a good report on all lines and did not let the Advocate suffer either. He has a plucky people and they appreciate their pastor.

Rev. J. E. Morton is the father, brother and uncle of Methodist preachers and is a good one himself. He always gives a good account of his charge.

Rev. S. P. Nevill is a conscientious worker. We always know that the Advocate interests have as careful attention as if it were his personal affair. And he brings up good reports.

Rev. J. M. Bond, Jr., was one of the Advocate honor roll, both as to stewards and long list of new subscribers sent.

The Advocate office appreciates the good work of Revs. C. F. Bell, J. B. Berry, C. A. Bickley, J. H. Bowman, R. F. Brown, G. J. Bryan, W. H. Crawford, T. M. Dalton, J. B. Dodson, W. H. Harris, E. F. Hudgens, C. W. Irvin, H. B. Landrum, E. L. Lloyd, R. W. Nation, E. R. Patterson, J. A. Ruffner, L. B. Sawyers, F. E. Singleton, C. G. Shutt, J. F. Tyson, B. R. Wagner, C. R. Wright, and in fact, all the conference. Many whose reports were not as good did good work under severe conditions. The Central Texas Conference knows the value of the Advocate to the Church and considers the circulation of the paper an important feature of their work.

Rev. John R. Nelson goes from the Corsicana District to the Fort Worth District. He is one of the clearest-headed presiding elders in the State.



REV. A. W. HALL, Host of Conference.

Rev. E. A. Smith goes from First Church, Temple, to the Corsicana District. He is no novice in district work, and he makes it a success.

Rev. Henry Brooks goes from Anglin Street, Cleburne, to Mulkey Memorial, Fort Worth. He is one of the coming younger men of that Conference. He brings things to pass.

Rev. M. K. Little of the Dublin District and Rev. S. J. Vaughan of the Gatesville District swapped appointments; that is, the Bishop did the swapping for them.

Rev. J. W. Fort goes to First Church, Corsicana, after a term of splendid service at Mart; and Rev. C. R. Wright goes from First Church, Corsicana, to Central Church, Fort Worth. He is one of the most popular pastors in the Conference.

Rev. Samuel Rucker, after a term of good service at Mulkey Memorial, goes to Coleman for the present year. He is a very solid preacher and a man who knows how to labor.

Rev. H. W. Knickerbocker goes from Central Church, Fort Worth, to First Church, Temple. We predict for him a successful term of service at that important charge.

Rev. K. P. Barton goes from Cisco to Brownwood. He is another one of

the coming younger men of the Conference. He knows how to succeed in the pulpit and the pastorate.

Rev. W. B. Andrews holds nearly all his men on the Waco District. There were but few changes in it.

Rev. W. E. Boggs goes from Brownwood to Arlington. The Arlington people will find him an instructive preacher and a kind-hearted pastor.

## PERSONALS

Rev. J. Sam Barcus, of Kavanaugh, Greenville, was a pleasant visitor to this office this week. He is closing out a successful year and is about ready for conference.

Rev. D. G. Stokey, a useful local preacher in Grace Church, this city, was recently stricken with paralysis and is seriously ill at his home in this city. He is one of our truest and best men.

Rev. J. L. Williams, of Wharton, has made good in that charge. He is winding up his year with the debt of \$7000 provided for and his collections in good shape. He has worked manfully and he has the result to show for it. At conference he will make the best showing in the history of that charge.

Brother C. R. Shappard, of Austin, writes us that he has been a reader of the Advocate over forty years and that he regards the recent issues of the paper as the best in its history. He still loves the Advocate and he writes newsy letters for it once in awhile.

We notice from a local exchange that Rev. Gus Barnes and his people at Plainview have closed out one of the greatest years in the progress of Methodism in that western town. They gave for all purposes \$86,939. This included their work for Seth Ward College. The Sunday School shows an enrollment of 1056, and, of course, all the people want Barnes back next year.

Bro. W. J. Standlee, of Rogers, Texas, was a pleasant caller at the Advocate desk at Temple. He has been a continuous subscriber to the Advocate for 34 years and was anxious to meet the publishing department and

we were delighted to meet him, personally. We trust that he will remain many years yet to bless Methodism with his good work in his section.

Rev. L. A. Hanson, Business Manager for North Texas College, spent Sunday in this city and preached at Oak Lawn at night. He also took in the Central Texas Conference, but did not have an opportunity to speak even a word to that body concerning his work. But the College is a North Texas Conference institution and will be heard from at Clarksville.

### THE 100% ROLL OF NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

- Abilene District:
  - Caps—Rev. R. F. L. Stutts.
  - Trent—Rev. C. W. Young.
  - View—Rev. T. H. Davis.
- Amarillo District:
  - Amarillo, Polk St.—Rev. E. E. Robinson.
  - Amarillo, Buchanan and Houston Streets—Rev. W. T. Caughran.
  - Dumas—Rev. B. J. Osborn.
  - Hansford—Rev. C. R. Thomas.
  - Higgins—Rev. Z. B. Pirrie.
- Big Spring District:
  - Andrews—Rev. S. H. Young.
  - Lamesa—Rev. S. H. Adams.
  - Plains—Rev. S. B. Cox.
  - Post City—Rev. J. T. Howell.
  - Stanton—Rev. W. C. Hinds.
- Clarendon District:
  - Clarendon—Rev. H. M. Long.
  - Newlin—Rev. A. V. Hendrix.
  - Shamrock—Rev. W. M. Pope.
  - Washburn—Rev. A. H. Hussey.
  - Wellington—Rev. A. L. Bowman.
  - Wellington Circuit—Rev. J. E. Eldridge.
  - Wheeler—Rev. G. T. Palmer.
- Hamlin District:
  - Aspermont—Rev. M. M. Beavers.
  - Royston—Rev. L. N. Myers.
  - Tuxedo—Rev. V. H. Trammell.
- Plainview District:
  - Crosbyton—Rev. C. B. Pipkin.
  - Hale Center—Rev. J. A. Sweeney.
  - Lubbock Mission—Rev. G. B. Overton.
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**Lampasas District—First Round.**

Bufram, at Bufram, Nov. 12, at 2 p. m.  
Burnet, at Burnet, Nov. 13, at 2 p. m.  
Kempner, at Clayton, Nov. 15, 16.  
Lometa, at Lometa, Nov. 16, 17.  
Lampasas, Nov. 18.  
Goldthwaite, Nov. 19.  
Star, at Pleasant Grove, Nov. 20.  
Center City, at South Bennett, Nov. 21.  
Mullen, at Mullen, Nov. 22, 23.  
Richland Springs, at R. S., Nov. 25, at 3 p. m.  
San Saba Sta., Nov. 26, at 7:30 p. m.  
San Saba Cir., at Colony, Nov. 27.  
Cherokee, at Cherokee, Nov. 29, 30.  
Llano Cir., at Mays Chapel, Nov. 30, Dec. 1.  
Llano Sta., Dec. 3.  
Frederica, at Frederica, Dec. 6, 7.  
Mason, at Mason, Dec. 7, 8.  
Johnson City, at Johnson City, Dec. 13, 14.  
Marble Falls, Dec. 17.  
Willow City, at Chick, Dec. 20, 21.  
District Stewards' meeting at Lampasas, Nov. 14, at 7:30 p. m.  
J. W. COWAN, P. E.

**San Angelo District—First Round.**

Junction, Nov. 15, 16.  
Brady, Nov. 18.  
Rochele, at Rochele, Nov. 19.  
Lohn, at Lohn, Nov. 20.  
Eden and Menard, at Eden, Nov. 22, 23, a. m.  
Paint Rock, at Paint Rock, Nov. 23, 24.  
Edith, at Edith, Nov. 29, 30.  
Ozona, Dec. 6, 7, a. m.  
Sherwood, at Sherwood, Dec. 7, 8.  
Garden City, at Garden City, Dec. 13, 14, a. m.  
Midland, Dec. 14, 15.  
Miles, Dec. 20, 21, a. m.  
San Angelo, Chadbourne St., Dec. 21, p. m.  
San Angelo, First Church, Dec. 28.  
Somora, Jan. 3, 4, a. m.  
Eldorado, at Eldorado, Jan. 4, 5.  
Sterling City, at S. C., Jan. 10, 11, a. m.  
Water Valley, at W. V., Jan. 11, p. m.  
F. B. BUCHANAN, P. E.

**San Marcos District—First Round.**

Harwood, at Harwood, Nov. 15, 16.  
Dripping Springs, at D. S., Nov. 19.  
Kyle and Busla, at Busla, Nov. 22, 23.  
Blanco, at Blanco, Nov. 29, 30.  
Lockhart, Dec. 4.  
Lytton Springs, at Lockhart, Dec. 4, 3 p. m.  
Gonzales, December 5.  
Luling, at Luling, Dec. 6, 7.  
Waelier, at Waelier, Dec. 8.  
Seguin, Dec. 9.  
Martindale, Dec. 13, 14.  
San Marcos, Dec. 16.  
Manchaca, at Pleasant Hill, Dec. 17.  
Belmont, at Nixon, Dec. 20, 21.  
Leesville, at Bebe, Dec. 23.  
Staples, at Staples, Dec. 27, 28.  
District Stewards' meeting at Lockhart, November 10, at 7:30 p. m.  
THOMAS GREGORY, P. E.

**Uvalde District—First Round.**

Tehuacana-F. T., Nov. 15, 16.  
Moore, at B. H., Nov. 22, 23.  
Pearsall, Nov. 24.  
Batesville-La P., at B., Nov. 29, 30.  
Hondo Sta., Dec. 6, 7.  
Laredo Sta., Dec. 13, 14.  
Catulla Sta., Dec. 13, 14.  
Del Rio Sta., Dec. 20, 21.  
Eagle Pass-Spotford, Dec. 21, at night.  
Uvalde Sta., Dec. 27, 28.  
Sabinal Sta., Dec. 28, 29.  
Devine-Lytle, at Lytle, Jan. 3, 4.  
Crystal City, Jan. 10, 11.  
Carrizo-Big Wells, at C., Jan. 11, 12.  
Utopia-Leakey, at U., Jan. 17, 18.  
Rock Springs, at R. S., Jan. 24, 25.  
S. B. BEALL, P. E.

**TEXAS**

**Brenham District—Fourth Round.**

Rosenberg, Nov. 15, 16.  
Richmond, Nov. 16, 17.  
Brenham, Nov. 23, at 11 a. m.  
S. W. THOMAS, P. E.

**Beaumont District—Fourth Round.**

Sour Lake and China, Nov. 15, 16.  
Silasbee, Nov. 16, 17.  
Nederland, Nov. 22, 23.  
E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

**Houston District—Fourth Round.**

St. Paul's, Nov. 16.  
Humble, Nov. 16.  
Angleton, Nov. 23.  
Columbia, Nov. 23.  
J. KILGORE, P. E.

**Jacksonville District—Fourth Round.**

Brushy, at Mt. Vernon, Nov. 14.  
Frankston, at Frankston, Nov. 15, 16.  
Jacksonville, Nov. 17.  
Rusk, Nov. 19.  
Huntington, at Huntington, Nov. 22, 23.  
J. T. SMITH, P. E.

**Marlin District—Fourth Round.**

Fairfield and Dew, at Fairfield, Nov. 11, a. m.  
Teague, Nov. 11, p. m.  
Bremont, at Pottsboro, Nov. 15-16.  
Kossy, Nov. 16-17.  
Whelock, at Hickory Grove, Nov. 18.  
Milana, at Gauss, Nov. 22, 23.  
I. F. BETTS, P. E.

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Marshall District—Fourth Round.  
Bottle, at Glenwood, Nov. 15, 16.  
Marshall Summit St., Nov. 19.  
Marshall, First Church, Nov. 23, 24.  
P. M. HOWLES, P. E.

Navasota District—Fourth Round.  
Cold Springs Mission, at Old Waverly, Nov. 15, 16.  
Oakhurst, at Dodge, Nov. 16.  
Montgomery Mission, at Montgomery, Nov. 22.  
Cleveland and Sheehy, at Fortaria, Nov. 23.  
E. L. SHELTON, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Fourth Round.  
Naples and Omaha, a Naples, Conf. 10 a. m., Nov. 14.  
Douglasville, at Union Chap., Nov. 15, 16.  
Linden, at Linden, Nov. 16, 17.  
Texarkana, Central, Nov. 18, night.  
Mt. Pleasant, Conference, Nov. 19, night.  
Pittsburg Cir., at Reeves Chap., Nov. 22, 23.  
Pittsburg Sta., Nov. 21-23.  
G. T. HOITCHISS, P. E.

San Augustine District—Fourth Round.  
Hemphill and R. (Hemphill), Nov. 15.  
Garrison Sta., Nov. 19.  
Nacogdoches Sta., Nov. 21.  
Naplevy Cir., Nov. 23.  
Timpson Sta., Nov. 24.  
I. W. MILLER, P. E.

Tyler District—Fourth Round.  
Alba Cir., Nov. 15, 16.  
Tyler Cir., at Liberty Hill, Nov. 22.  
Tyler, Cedar Street, Nov. 23.  
Tyler, Marine Church, Nov. 24.  
J. S. TURBETTINE, P. E.

**NORTH TEXAS**

Bonham District—Fourth Round.  
Petty and Whiteock, at F., Thursday, Nov. 13.  
Telephone Mission, Nov. 15, 16.  
Brookston, at B., Wednesday, Nov. 19.  
Leonard Sta., Nov. 23, 24.  
Bonham Sta., Nov. 25.  
Widonia, Thursday, Nov. 27.  
Lafosia Sta., Nov. 30, 31.  
O. E. THOMAS, P. E.

Bowie District—Fourth Round.  
Dunder, at Dundee, Nov. 15, 16.  
Wichita Falls, Nov. 16, 17.  
Nocona, at Nocona, Nov. 22, 23.  
Henrietta Sta., Nov. 23, 24.  
Bowie Sta., Nov. 29, 30.  
T. H. MORRIS, P. E.

Dallas District—Fourth Round.  
Wheatland & De Soto, Nov. 15, 16.  
Cedar Hill & Duncanville, Nov. 16, 17.  
Cole Ave., Nov. 19.  
First Church, Nov. 20.  
Trinity, Nov. 23, 24.  
Grace, Nov. 23-25.  
Forest Ave., Nov. 26.  
Oak Cliff, Nov. 28.  
O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

Decatur District—Fourth Round.  
Mexican Ma. Preaching Nov. 13, night.  
Oak Dale, at Barton's Chapel, Nov. 15-16.  
Jacksboro Sta., Nov. 16-17.  
Bridgeport Mis., at Pleasant Valley, Nov. 22, 23.  
Willow Pt. Ct., at Booneville, Nov. 23, 24.  
Mexican Mis., Nov. 24.  
Decatur Ct., at Sweetwater, Nov. 29-30.  
Decatur Sta., Nov. 25 and 30, at night.  
S. C. RIDDLE, P. E.

Gainesville District—Fourth Round.  
Montague and Dye Mound, at M., Nov. 15-16.  
Valley View Sta., Nov. 22-23.  
Sanger Sta., Nov. 24.  
Era and Spring Creek, at Era, Nov. 25.  
Denton St. Sta., Nov. 29-30.  
J. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Greenville District—Fourth Round.  
Kinston Mission—Quarterly conference at Whiteock, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 15.  
Preaching at Whiteock, 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday; Ballard Grove, Saturday night; Kizer, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 16.  
Wolfe City Station—Quarterly conference 10 a. m., Monday, Nov. 17. Preaching Sunday night, Nov. 16.  
Merit Circuit—Quarterly conference at Merit, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 22. Preaching at Merit, 11 a. m., Saturday and Sunday; Antioch, Saturday night, Nov. 22; Alliance, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 23; Bethel Grove, Sunday night, Nov. 23.  
Floyd Mission—Quarterly conference at Floyd, 10 a. m., Wednesday, Nov. 26. Preaching at Clinton, Tuesday night, Nov. 25; Floyd, Wednesday night, Nov. 26.  
Caddo Mills Mission—Quarterly conference at Caddo Mills, 2:30 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 29. Preaching at Caddo Mills, Saturday and Sunday at 11 a. m.; Union Hill, Saturday night; Westrix, 3 p. m., Sunday, Nov. 30.  
C. W. WATKINS, P. E.

McKinney District—Fourth Round.  
Josephine, at J., Nov. 15, 16.  
Nevada, Nov. 16, 17.  
Anna, Nov. 16, (Preaching).  
Blue Ridge, at H. C., Nov. 22, 23.  
Farmersville, Nov. 23, 24.  
Anna, at A., Nov. 25, 3 p. m. (Q. C.)  
Piano, Nov. 26, 8 p. m. (Q. C.)  
McKinney, Nov. 27, 8 p. m. (Q. C.)  
McKinney Cir., at W. G., Nov. 28, 11 a. m. (Q. C.)  
Renner, at Renner, Nov. 29, 30.  
CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E.

Paris District—Fourth Round.  
Avery, at Lydia, Nov. 15, 16.  
Bagwell, at Bagwell, Nov. 16, 17.  
Paris Ct., at Palestine, Nov. 22, 23.  
Deport Cir., at Lone Oak, Nov. 23, 24.  
W. F. BRYAN, P. E.

Sherman District—Fourth Round.  
Preaching Dates.  
Pottsboro & Preston, at Pottsboro, Nov. 15-16.  
Key Memorial, Nov. 23.  
Dates for Quarterly Conferences.  
Pottsboro and Preston, at Pottsboro, Nov. 15, 3 p. m.  
Key Memorial, Nov. 19, 8 p. m.  
Whitesboro Sta., Nov. 20, 8 p. m.  
Van Alstyne Station, Nov. 21, 8 p. m.  
Whitewright Station, Nov. 24, 8 p. m.  
Travis Street Sta., Nov. 25, 8 p. m.  
Waples Memorial, Nov. 26, 8 p. m.  
Trinity, Nov. 27, 8 p. m.  
Harless Chapel, Nov. 12, 8 p. m.  
R. G. MURD, P. E.

Sulphur Springs District—Fourth Round.  
Yowell Cir., at Yowell, Nov. 8, 9.  
Winnabro Sta., Nov. 15, 16.  
Purley Cir., at Pine Forest, Nov. 22, 23.  
Brashear Cir., at Brashear, Nov. 23, 24.  
Birthright and Tira, at Tira, Nov. 26.  
Sulphur Bluff Cir., at S. B., Nov. 29, 30.  
R. C. HICKS, P. E.

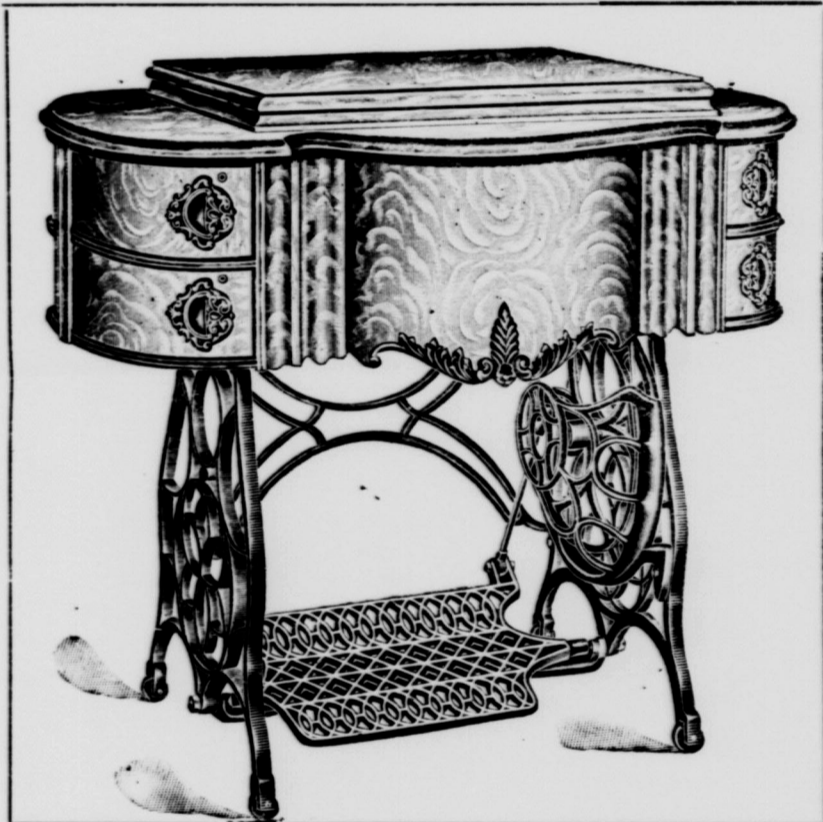
Terrell District—Fourth Round.  
Hutchins and Wilmer, at H., Nov. 8, 9.  
Pleasant Md. Cir., at P. M., Nov. 9, 10.  
Scurry Mis., at Bethel, Nov. 15, 16.  
Crandall Cir., at C., Nov. 16, 17.  
Lancaster, Nov. 22, 23.  
Quinlan Cir., at Williams Ch., Nov. 23, 24.  
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### Campbell.

Our Fourth Quarterly Conference is past. Dr. C. M. Haules, our efficient and painstaking presiding elder, was with us and gave us some fine preaching. He is in high favor with our people. He is not on the jockey list this fall. The reports at the Conference were gratifying; finances not out yet but will be, we think. Since our last write-up one of our finest young men, Brother Chas. Sanders, has volunteered for missionary work. He will likely be a medical missionary. He is a good case. See a picture of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Campbell, Texas, in this issue of the Advocate.—C. B. Golson, P. C.

### Brashear.

As a local preacher, this summer I preached eighty-nine times and had fifty-seven professions. Some of my work was in hard fields, one place was where I was told I could not have any meeting because of disturbances, but I went on anyway, and the meet-up the work. It looked like a task to me, two members and God's cause built up. On September 26, I came to Brashear to take charge of this work, the pastor, on account of the sickness of his son, having to give up the work. It looked like a hard to me, with perhaps so short a time to stay. I have only filled four out of the six appointments, but I am delighted with the work so far. There are as fine young people on this work as I ever saw. The young people, as well as old, lead in Church work. I see a good many Advocates among these people. I have visited about sixty homes since I have been here and I intend to do my very best for God and the people.—J. S. Hugh, P. C.

### First Methodist Church, Hugo, Oklahoma.

I was sent to Hugo, September 1, 1912, to fill out the year and returned here at our last Annual Conference. During that time I have added between a hundred and fifty and two hundred to the membership, a net gain of more than a hundred. Provided for all the old debts that hampered the Church for the last five or six years, and will leave a united membership of nearly four hundred; a people the peer of any in the State, able to build a new church or do anything else they want to do. Of course all claims will be met in full. This will be a nice \$1500 station for some good man, as the writer is compelled to ask for a change as the result of the serious and continued illness of his wife. This will give Hugo a new pastor and a new presiding elder, as Rev. T. P. Turner, the presiding elder, has just finished a full term of four years, during which the district has advanced from a \$1300 to a \$3000 appointment. By the way, do you know you are giving us the best paper in the Connection? You are and have been for years.—A. C. Pickens.

### Arkadelphia, Ark.

We closed our meeting at Prescott, Ark., the 12th of October and came here, well cared for in the palatial home of Cousin Ben Key. On last eve he and his wife and daughter carried me in an auto to what used to be old Pisgah Church. It is the last resting place of my dear father, who died here in 1863 as pastor of this church, Clark Circuit, Little Rock Conference. Old Sister Arnold was the only person I could find that could locate his grave. She was then a young married woman and her husband, the doctor who waited on father. To me it was a sad yet pleasant visit. I knelt with the little group and tried to consecrate my poor life anew to the Master's service. Yes, I was the youngest son and "Pax" mantle fell on me. I'm trying to keep it clean. Sleep on sweetly, dear father, till He bids us rise. Thank God, I hope to meet you and precious mother and children and servants over there in the beautiful city. I rest here till 19th, when D. V., I begin another meeting at Womble, Ark. I've been in meetings in Arkansas and Texas since June 29. Have seen many who claimed "to start for a better life." I hope to be at roll call in Temple, Texas.—Finch M. Winburne.

### Geneva Circuit.

The fourth Quarterly Conference for this circuit is a part of its history, being held at Milan, October 18. Brother Mills, our presiding elder, who is the best one in the Texas Conference, was on hand and preached at 11 o'clock as only few men can. After service, dinner was spread as all who know Milan and her people, especially the good women, know what it means to have dinner there, being plenty and to spare for all who would come. At 2 p. m., Bro. H. B. Smith, of San Augustine, preached another very fine sermon, which was enjoyed by all. Bro. P. S. Wilson, of Hemp-hill, being present, there was no lack of preachers, and, of course, the dinner must have been in abundance to have been any left, as any one can testify who knows the above-named gentleman, including this scribe. Immediately after preaching by Brother Smith, Brother Mills took up the work of the conference. The entire year's work being somewhat reviewed, there being eleven Churches on the work, each having their stewards on hand to bring their report, every dollar of the salary was paid or provided for, and in all Brother Mills and the older officials say it was the best Quarterly Conference and the best reports ever known in the history of the cir-

cuit, of which I, for one, was made to rejoice. The year has been a very strenuous one in some respects, on account of its immense territory, but on the other hand it has been a happy one. I have been made to rejoice on account of God's wonderful blessings and revelations to us. I expect to come to Nacogdoches with everything in full. We have added to the Church 59 members; did a good deal of other work which was badly needed. In all we have had a good year. Though we have made many mistakes, they were of the head and not of the heart. This being my first year in the ministry I trust my mistakes have done no serious harm. When we came on the work we found one Sunday School. We now have nine, some of them doing splendid work and I believe we have moved up along that line. The man who serves Geneva next year will find some as loyal people, both to Church and preacher as was ever found anywhere. We have found many true friends and am almost sorry the year is so near a close. The country has suffered from the extreme wet weather, but never faltered in their duty to Church or preacher, for which I am truly thankful and content to praise God for his goodness to his people.—W. W. Thomas, P. C.

### Crosbyton.

I am pursuing the Advocate claims. I hope to round out in full. I am closing out my quadrennium. I am leaving a good place for some one. We had with us last night Rev. J. C. Hines of the Presbyterian Church. His lecture to men and boys is simply grand. I had a splendid crowd and his lecture was listened to with much interest and many held up their hands for prayer and as a token of resolution for a better life. May I say, Brother Pastor, if he comes your way don't fail to hear him, for he gives many timely warnings to all. May God bless the Advocate.—C. D. Pipkin, Pastor.

### weetwater.

We will close up our second year's work tomorrow, at this place. We have had two years of hard work, but God has wonderfully blessed the labor of our hands. We have had 251 accessions to the Church, in the face of severe drouths that have driven people away from us. We have had a very large increase in Sunday School attendance. Have taken sixteen new subscribers to Advocate. Have raised almost \$25,000 for all purposes, exclusive of \$2800 for educational work. We have had, possibly, 150 conversions under our ministry this year. We have enjoyed the year, we praise God, take courage and press forward. Our Church here will ask the next Annual Conference to meet with them.—A. M. Martin.

### Millican.

Our fourth Quarterly Conference on the Bryan charge met last Saturday at Millican and I am glad to say everything was reported in full. So I am now ready for conference, and to say, "A good year, Bishop." Brother Shettles, our presiding elder, was all smiles and my, how he can preach. I want to thank all of our people for their faithfulness this year and pray the blessings of God upon them. I hope to get all that is due the Advocate on my charge.—J. W. Cummings, P. C.

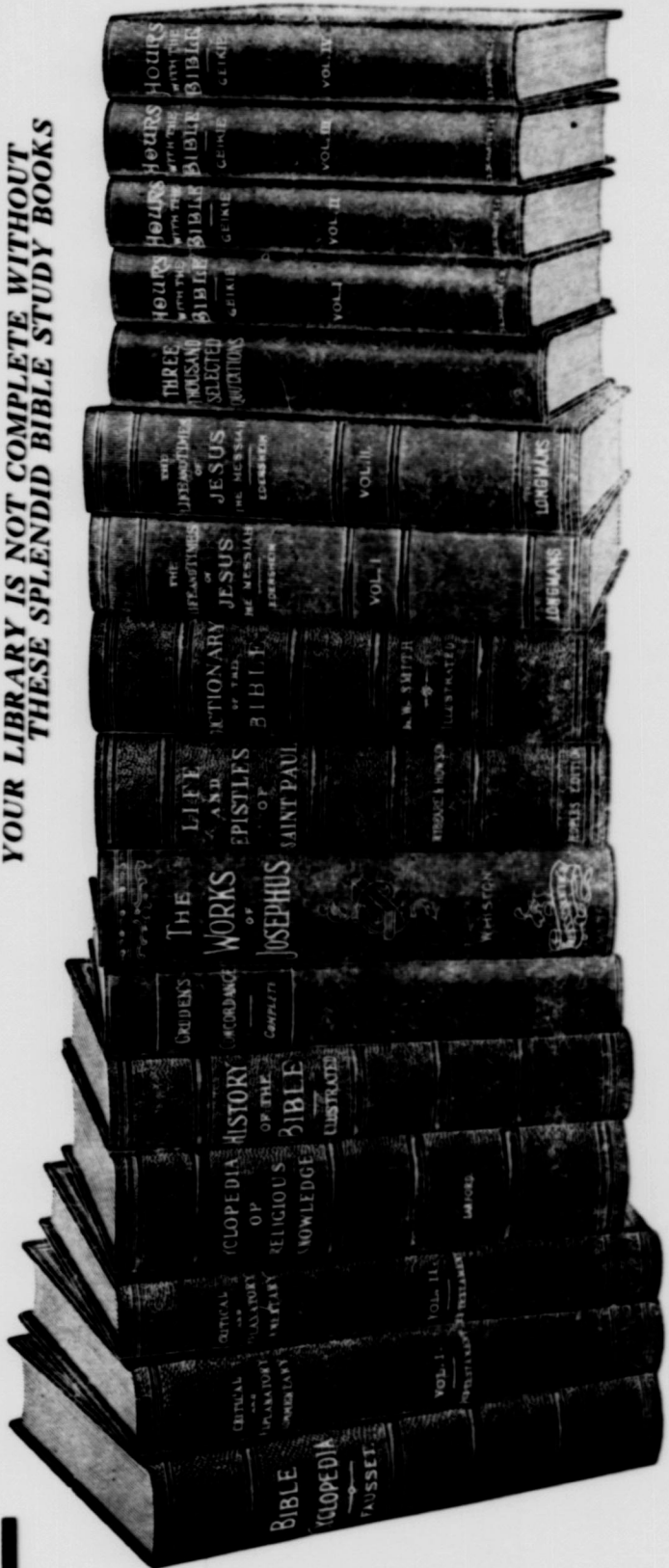
### Pilot Point Circuit.

We held our fourth Quarterly Conference on October 1. Presiding elder, Rev. J. F. Pierce, of this district, was with us and presided over the conference. He preached two fine sermons, one Saturday and the other Sunday morning. The Church was dedicated October 2, as the Bevers Memorial Methodist Church, in memory of Brother S. D. Bevers, who with Brother Tinsler, of Aubrey, Texas, founded it in 1908. Brother Tinsler delivered a very interesting sermon Sunday night, to an appreciative audience. Pilot Point Circuit was well represented. Everything has been paid in full.—Miss Joe Roach.

### Corpus Christi (Mexican).

We have been stationed in Corpus now a little more than a year as pastor of the Mexican Church. Have not written to the Advocate for we haven't had anything to write. This is one of the finest fields a man could ask for, thousands of Mexicans who know nothing about God nor religion. The work is very slow and often it looks as tho there was no advance whatever. But we are doing our best to let both the devil and the Catholic Church know that we are not asleep. Last spring thru the kindness of the Ladies' Missionary Society of Thornton and another donation by Brother Lee Wallace, of Cooleidge, I purchased a folding organ. That made street meetings possible. Not much results but a good place to dig. We are now busy with a night school for young Mexican men. There are something more than twenty enrolled and with the interest shown we have a fine chance to do some telling work for the cause. The teaching in the school is done by volunteers from the American Church. And thus we are carrying out the policy suggested by Dr. John I. Moore in his recent article in The Advocate of tying up the American and Mexican people to get results. Well, this is a word at this time, when the American brethren are busy with their conferences and the old notes are not so full. I forgot to say that Brother Sessions and wife have been very great help to us in our work here and have helped in many ways and not simply with their sympathy.—D. Macune.

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The first meeting of the San Antonio Methodist Preachers Conference for the year 1913-1914 was held in Travis Park Church, Monday morning, November 10. Dr. J. E. Harrison was unanimously re-elected president; Nat B. Read was elected vice-president, and Gaston Hartfield secretary. All the preachers in the city were present, besides a number of visitors. Among the visitors was Dr. W. W. Pinson, General Missionary Secretary of our Church. Dr. Pinson addressed the meeting. His talk was greatly enjoyed by all present. At the Annual Conference at Laurel Heights in October there was only one change made in San Antonio. The pastors for the year 1913-1914 are as follows: Travis Park, D. E. Hawk;

Laurel Heights, C. H. Booth; Prospect Hill, Nat B. Read; McKinney Ave, S. B. Johnston; West End, L. E. Booth; Englewood, S. L. Batchelor; South Heights, F. M. Jackson; Government Hill, T. N. Barton; Alamo, A. James; Alamo Heights, Gaston Hartfield; San Antonio Mission, J. W. Shoemaker. Dr. S. H. C. Burgin enters upon his fourth year as presiding elder of this district. The new year begins auspiciously. GASTON HARTSFIELD. DURANGO DISTRICT DENVER CONFERENCE—ENCOURAG. ING WORDS. The year starts off well in the Durango District. All preachers "at their post," and hopeful for a good year. We are suffering some here from "financial depression," but I think I have never known a people with the

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