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EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

FIRST DAY.

The seventy-first session of the East Oklahoma Conference was called to order by Bishop E. D. Mouzon in Muskogee at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, November 22.

Hymn No. 1 was sung, after which the Bishop led in prayer. After singing again the Bishop read from 2 Cor. 5: 6:1-13.

The Gospel of the New Testament is pre-eminently the gospel of reconciliation. It will not do at all to tone this down. Whenever any one teaches that the atonement has no bearing upon God, he teaches that God is indifferent Pal to sin. The death of Christ looks Goda true, else there is much in the New Editor). Testament which we can not understand. The cross of Christ finds the present: heart of man as nothing else can do. Ministers of the gospel by their manner of living may bring it about that J. B. Ryburn men may receive the grace of God in vain. Rather than this, it were better for them that a millstone were hanged about their necks and the aselves drowned in the midst of the sea. Remember who you are when in the homes of the people. Let your conversation be about heaven, God and immortality. Let no man have occasion to stumble because of your conministers do not live on the dead level of other men. Whenever men tell you that heroism in the ministry has died out, such reports are badly exaggerated. Let a man clothe himself in righteousness and the arrows of evil harm him not. Let's be willing to be poor, then we shall be rich. There is such a thing as lofty thinking and lowly living. All things belong to such a man. Fight the battles of the Lord and he will run the commissary department. Let's give a great gospel and a great life to the D. A. Dawson world. These were among the thoughts G. E. Ryan

of this fine address. W. L. Broome, Secretary of the last C. W. Miller W. M. Hurt Conference, called the roll and the following were present:

C. W. Miller W. M. Hurt G. W. Gable G. W. Gable W. I. Grant W. I. Grant

SUPERANNUATED MEMBERS. ns, P. C.
tt, C. W.
Scruggs, H. B.
SUPERNUMERARY MEMBERS. tkins, P. C. Iyatt, C. W.

C. W. Eaglebarger, P. Derrick, W. S. G. W. S.

E MEMBERS.

Hill, William
Hill, R. M. C.
Hively, J. M.
Hooks, J. C.
Hunkapillar, A. B. L.
House, W. C.
Johnson, A. P.
Jones, L. R.
Keith, C. M.
Kenney, J. A.
Lambert, James.
Lee, W. S.
Lewis, W. A.
Linebaugh, N. L.
Martin, G. W.
McKinney, M. B.
Moore, T. M.
Morris, H. R.
Naylor, Frank.
Nunley, S. C.
Parks, J. A.
Peterson, J. M.
Pickens, A. C.
Puckett, A. A.
Ready, W. T.
Reynolds, U. G.
Roberts, T. F.
Rogers, James
W.
Rosser, W. R.
Shanks, T. O.
Shanks, F. E.
Shaw, J. J.
Shay, Orlando. EFFECTIVE MEMBERS. Adams, O. I...
Abernathy, J. R.
Abernathy, J. R.
Anderson, Zadoc
Anderson, Zadoc
Anderson, K. K.
Armstrong, W. W.
Babcock, S. H.
Ball, J. H.
Ball, J. H.
Ball, J. M.
Barton, L. S.
Blackburn, R. T.
Blackburn, R. T.
Brewer, T. F.
Brewer, T. F.
Brooks, Chas. L.
Broome, W. L.
Byers, G. M.
Cameron, A. S.
Campbell, E. T.
Cantrell, J. M.
Clark, C. A.
Clarke, H. P.
Cooper, J. C.
Clay, C. W.
Cross, C. B.
Checote, Sam J.
Craig, L. C.
Creasy, E. H.
Crow, G. L.
Cunningham, J. D.
Crowson, J. C.
Curry, J. C.

Williams, A. S. Williams, B. L. Williams, W. W. PREACHERS ON TRIAL.

Class of the Second Year. Morris, H. R. Porter, T. L. Winn, A. T. Wininger, E. H. Bryce, J. Y. Checote, S. J. Chancellor, H. B. Dettmars, H. A. Peak, N. T. Ryan, G. E. ns, J. P. lin, C. B. ner, J. P.

ward as well as manward. This is curate as the editor could give it .- ence.

HUGO DISTRICT.

W. E. Rockett MADILL DISTRICT. MUSKOGEE DISTRICT. Dr. A. E. Bonnell Sid Garrett TULSA DISTRICT.

W. L. Broome was re-elected Secretary. W. W. Armstrong and L. B. Ellis were made Assistant Secretaries. The Statistical Secretary nominated A. A. Puckett and J. C. House.

C. R. Gilmore

The hours of meeting and adjournversation. Let us see to it that we ment were named and the bar of the conference was fixed.

> The presiding elders nominated the following conference committees: BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

W. L. Blackburn	A. P. Johnson
. S. Barton	N. G. Gregory
A. S. Williams	T. J. Gross
A. M. Belcher	J. B. Ryburn
r. A. Harkins	D. H. Linebaugh
6. H. Babcock	Sid Garrett
W. L. Chatman	J. B. Milam
CONFEREN	ICE RELATIONS.
r. F. Brewer	G. W. Griner
D Handin	W W Williams

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS. H. E. Darrow E. H. Wininger L. W. Cobb J. C. Fowler

LAY ACTIVITIES. C. E. Castle W. L. Chatma J. B. Hollen J. R. Knisley COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

C. W. Myatt A. N. Averyt A. S. William C. B. Cross SABBATH OBSERVANCE. M. B. McKinney
L. E. Knapp
R. M. Scott
M. L. Sims
Connushy Lowe J. C. Hooks J. C. Cooper Jas. G. Frazier W. H. King

SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE CHURCH. C. H. Buchanan Geo. M. Byers Griggs Durant M. C. Hays W. E. Garrison L. M. Daly G. W. Martin C. B. Ballard Harrison Berryhill J. R. Haun N. A. Jameson W. N. Keys Thos. Yarber J. F. Strayhorn G. W. Eubanks C. L. Wood J. D. Hitchcock

W. W. Armstrong
O. L. Adams
W. S. Barnes
W. C. House
R. C. Taylor
B. L. Williams
W. S. Brisedne
J. E. Cullom A. T. King Frank Naylor Wm. Hill Jonas Durant J. H. Dobson Dr. E. N. Fair Dr. O. A. Lambert Geo. Washington PUBLIC WORSHIP.

C. L. Brooks Ed. Brook vice D. A. Gregg; Committee of Sec- tions paid.

Extension-L. S. Barton, vice Luther donated to missions by one member, Roberts; Epworth League-Fletcher many debts paid, several new churches Cunningham added; Joint Board of Churches organized, good revivals. resigned.

The following were introduced: W. bership. W. Pinson.

transfer from other conferences?"

Frank Seay, from Texas, and New man at Madill promises \$100 to rural (The roll as here given is as ac- Harris, from Northwest Texas Confer- work, four-fifth of territory in Madill

The following lay delegates were ferred to appropriate committees, men next year in missonary work, The communication concerning the preachers faithful. conference.

appropriate memorial services tomor- miles. row morning.

were most fitting.

Choctaw District: Advance on all vivals, preachers faithful. ized. people loyal, the most religious ferred for the same relation: people in Oklahoma are the Indians I P. C. Atkins, S. F. Chambers, Gibson

last year, much sickness in charges, Sturgeon. nearly 1000 conversions, large number of additions, 4 country churches in their characters passed and they were building, \$15,000 church in building at referred for the same relation: C. W. Idabel, 4000 enrolled in Sunday Clay, P. R. Eaglebarger, W. S. Der-Schools.

J. M. Peterson, presiding elder of A. N. Averyt was referred for the McAlister District: Preachers faith- superannuate relation. Thirty-three ful, increase on all lines, built 2 par- years ago he came to the conference. sonages, finished 1 church, another He said he came to this hour without church in building, number of the home or money, but felt that he poscharges will pay in full on salary, sessed all things. A collection was TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE. about 800 accessions, benevolences be- taken, amounting to \$100.

T. P. Turner, presiding elder Shaw-Churches added Sunday School rooms, the sickness of his wife. The following vacancies were filled: 1000 additions, 95 per cent salaries and University. Admission on Trial-M, B. McKinney, 75 to 80 per cent conference collec. The time for adjournment having

ond Year-A. P. Johnson, vice A. C. J. W. Rogers, presiding elder Vinita made. Paul B. Kern was announced to

Pickens, resigned; Board of Church District: District well organized, \$2000 Hall, vice Paul Perrot, deceased; J. D. in course of construction, 8 new

Finance-Houston Nelson, vice Louis T. F. Roberts, presiding elder Creek McHenry, deceased; Sunday School District: 95 per cent salaries and col-Board-C. B. Cross, vice D. A. Gregg, lections paid, \$8000 to \$10,000 expended in improvements, advance in mem-

D. Bradfield, Frank Seay, Paul Kern, N. L. Linebaugh, presiding elder of C. S. Wright, E. Hightower, H. D. Madill District: Salaries 95 per cent Mouzon, P. C. Archer, J. P. Stewart, L. paid, benevolences 75 per cent paid, Blaylock, W. C. Everett, L. P. Law, W. advance of \$4500 to \$5000 in salaries. 1000 to 1200 additions, new parsonage Question 6, "Who are received by at Kingston, Men's Bible Class at Holdenville paid \$300 to Holdenville D. H. Aston, from North Texas, Circuit, will pay \$420 next year, lay-District missionary territory, 28 places Various communications were re- will be visited by preachers and lay-

Superannuate Endowment Fund was C. L. Brooks, presiding elder Musread to the conference. The commun- kogee District: Built 1 parsonage, 2 ication from the Educational Commis- new Leagues, 480 conversions, 642 adsion (the part referring to Southern ditions, expended for churches and Methodist University) was read to the parsonages \$19,290, 131 conversions at Park Hill, 150 additions at Muskogee, N. L. Linebaugh moved the appoint. new church at Watts, church built at ment of a committee of resolutions Wainright, \$10,000 for churches and on the death of Bishop A. W. Wilson Parsonages raised at Tahlequah, and that the presiding Bishop conduct preached 295 times, traveled 27,000

J. H. Ball, presiding elder Tulsa Mayor J. C. Wyand, of Muskogee, District: Year of progress materially welcomed the conference to his city. and spiritually, all charges, save three, Bishop Mouzon responded in behalf paid salaries in full, one-half of the of the conference. The words of each charges paid collections in full, 400 conversions, 650 additions, net gain 500, Question 22, "Are all the preachers 8 parsonages repaired and enlarged, 2 blameless in their life and official ad- new parsonages, \$10,000 debt paid at Okmulgee, other debts paid at Tulsa The following presiding elders made and elsewhere, \$60,000 raised during their reports and their characters were year, 2 new pastoral charges for next year, several new classes organized. A. C. Pickens, presiding elder of district embraces the oil field, good re-

lines, pastors faithful, salaries nearly Continuing the call of Question 22, full, salaries and collections 95 per the superannuates were called, their cent paid, 8 c'rcuits thoroughly organ- characters passed and they were re-

preach to, 75 to 300 people at Quarter- Grayson, C. W. Myatt, J. D. Rogers, H. B. Scruggs, J. F. Thompson, J. B. R. T. Blackburn, presiding elder of Blackwell, L. W. Cobb, A. K. Miller, Hugo District: Finances better than W. P. Pipkin, J. M. Russell, Miles

The supernumeraries were called, rick.

E. C. Wallace was referred for the nee District: Old church debts paid, 3 supernumerary relation on account of

parsonage built at Wewoka, parsonage H. D. Mouzon was introduced to the built at Seminole, \$30,000 church en- conference and spoke concerning subterprise on foot at Shawnee, 800 to scriptions to the Southern Methodist

arrived, various announcements were

Wright pronounced the benediction.

SECOND DAY.

Bishop Mouzon announced Hymn 208, "I Love Thy Kingdom," promptly at 9 o'clock, Thursday morning, November 23, and after the singing Chas. L. Brooks led in prayer. Hymn 597, "Servant of God, Well Done," was announced and sung. Bishop Mouzoa read 1 Cor. 15:20-58, "Now is Christ risen from the dead," etc. Bishop Mouzon spoke beautifully and tenderly of the life and ministry of Bishop Wilson. By instinct, as well as by training Bishop Wilson was a scholar and a philosopher. Henry Ward Beecher pronounced Bishop Wilson the great-est preacher on the American Continent. Bishop Wilson shaped the ac-tion of our General Conference in 1870 which resulted in the appointment of the Cape May Commission. Bishop Wilson was an imperial preacher because he knew the gospel. It was the habit of Bishop Wilson to read five or six chapters in his Greek New Testament daily. Bishop Wilson thus prepared himself rather than his sermons. Out of the abundance of his heart his mouth spoke. Bishop Wilson awakened a missionary conscience in the Church when Missionary Secretary. He will be remembered long as a Bishop, but most as the great Missionary Secretary of the Church. He was a world-traveler and wherever he visited a mission field he put the hand of a master and statesman upon that field. Bishop Wilson had doubts as a young man, but these doubts he met and mastered. We cry today after his ascended spirit. God buries his workman, but he carries on his work. May God pour upon us the spirit of prophetic vision that we may do in our day what our great leader did in his day!

This is an imperfect outline of Bishop Mouzon's appropriate address. S. H. Babcock read appropriate resolutions to the memory of Bishop Wilson and these were adopted by rising vote.

Be it resolved:

That with profound sorrow we receive the news of the death of Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson, Senior Bishop of Methodist Episcopal Church, South, scholarly statesman, apostle of modern missions and the greatest preacher on the planet.

God for his long, constructive, heroic, godly life and for the impress of his personal greatness upon our Church and the world.

That we devoutly pray that the Holy Spirit who inspired him, may

likewise endow the Church with exceedingly great power.
N. L. LINEBAUGH.

S. H. BABCOCK. J. H. BALL.

W. L. Broome, Secretary, read the minutes of yesterday and they were

Question 6, "Who are received by transfer from other conferences?"

L. P. Law, from Columbia Conference, Dallas A. Williams, an elder from West Texas; L. C. Lilly, an elder from the West Texas Conference.

Dr. John R. Stewart, Secretary of the Superannuate Endowment Fund, was introduced and addressed the conference. His address was a strong plea for the superannuates, as reported in other issues of the Advocate.

was introduced and addressed the conference. Six thousand saloons were voted out in November. Alaska, South Dakota, Montana, Nebraska and Michigan voted dry. We now have twenty-three prohibition States and the whisky forces twenty-five

The Secretary called the roll of absentees from yesterday's session and the following answered present: A. C. Alexander, T. O. Harkins, S. S. Holcomb, J. E. McConnell, J. D. Rogers, P. C. Taylor, E. H. Tompson, E. T. Townsend. Lay delegates: D. H. Linebaugh, J. M. Keys, N. S. Rusendin, Thomas Zabarro.

The following alternates were seated: C. L. Rogers, U. S. Grant, S. S. stood Orwig, W. M. Trent, E. B. Hays. contin Prof. John Wesley Gilbert, of Paine year.

College, was introduced and addressed the conference. His address was entertaining and was in all respects as we have reported in other issues. collection was brought to the table amounting to \$62.25.

J. W. Smith, of the St. Louis Conference, and L. E. Conkin, of the

Dr. T. F. Brewer, at 11 a. m., time?' preached his semi-centennial sermon, a time L. S. Barton conducting the devotional services. A. C. Pickens led in prayer. "The days of our years are three score years and ten," words from the 90th Psalm, were the words chosen by Dr. Brewer for a text. Dr. Brewer was born in 1845 and is himself, therefore, more than three score and ten. He is remarkably well preserved, though he has received fifty appoint ments by the Bishops, thirty-eight of these having been received in the Indian Territory and Oklahoma. Brewer is now at Eufala, in the Mc-Alester District. He was a delegate to the last seven General Conferences and voted for each of our living Bish-ops. Dr. and Mrs. Brewer celebrated the 43rd anniversary of their marriage. His tribute to his ascended wife brought freely flowing tears to many eyes. The sermon was a veritable benediction to the conference. The conference sang at the conclusion of the sermon, "How Firm a Foundation," and many clasped the old hero's

The time for adjournment having arrived, the usual announcements were made. Paul M. Kern was announced to preach at 3 p. m., the Church Extension Board Anniversary at 7 p. m., to be addressed by Frank

The doxology was sung and W. D. Bradfield pronounced the benediction.

THIRD DAY.

Hymn No. 78, 'Holy, Holy, Holy," was anounced by Bishop Mouzon prompftly at 9 o'clock, Friday morning, November 24. After singing Dr. Frank Neff, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, let in prayer. Acts 20:17-38, Paul's farewell address to the cist Episcopal Church, and the Meth-Church at Ephesus, was read by the carst Protestant Church formulated a

Bishop.

The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session and they were approved.

The arrival of several lay delegates was announced, W. L. Chapman and L. M. LeFlore being among the num-

The class of the first year was called under Question 2, 'Who remain on trial?"

The following having stood approved examinations and their char-

acters having passed, were advanced to the clas of the second year: J. P. Atkins, C. B. Hollin, J. P. Palmer, N. T. Peak and G. E. Ryan.

reacher on the planet.

The following, having not been beThat we record our thanksgiving to fore the committee and having passed in character, were continued in the class of the first year: C. P. Broome

and J. P. Butler.
P. M. Lue Rutz, after the passage of his character, was discontinued. The class of the second year was called under Question 10, "What trav-

eling preachers are elected deacons? The following, having stood aa-pproved examinations and having passed in character, were advanced to the class of the third year: J. Y. Bryce, W. L. French, H. R. Morris,

T. L. Porter, J. B. Richie, A. T. Winn, E. H. Wininger and L. T. Law. The following, having not stood ap proved examinations and passing in character, were continued in the class

of the second year: S. J. Checote, H. B. Chancellor, H. A. Dettmars and W. Dunnaway.

The class of the third year was called under Question 9, "Who are the deacons of one year?" The entire class, having stood approved examinations and passing in character, was dea for the superannuates, as reportadvanced to the class of the fourth their hearts may indeed be knit toin other issues of the Advocate.

H. T. Breece, T. J. Gross, J. C. gether in bonds of Christian fraterH. T. Laughbaum, Superintendent of Crowson, M. M. Dupree and T. M. nity and love.

> called under Question 14, "What traveling preachers are elected elders? The following, having stood approved examinations and passing in character, were elected elders: W. E. Garrison, R. M. C. Hill, A. A. Puckett and J. D. Cunningham.

> The following stood approved examinations and passed in character but were already elders: J. A. Grimes and J. E. Tiger.

W. A. Frazier died during the year. A. N. Averyt, Jr., was transferred required examination, his J. M. Stuart was granted location at was passed and he rema his own request. Zadoc Anderson passed in character, but having not stood an approved examination was preachers are elected deacons?"
year.

Stood an approved examination was preachers are elected deacons?"
year.

Question 12, "What local preachers are elected deacons?" John S. Moore from the Madill District.

Question 6, "What are received by tion concerning the fraternal visit of transfer from other conferences?" M. Dr. Frank Neff. Adopted.

Columbus Hamilton, an elder from the Question 5, "Who are readmitted?"

Pacific Conference.
Bishop Mouzon at this juncture de-

preach at 3 p. m. and E. Hightower at North Texas Conference, were introduced to the conference.

7 p. m.

The doxology was sung and C. S.

The doxology was sung and C. S. a time for everything?" These were the searching questions with which he began his subject. He discussed the new conference course of study, also the post-graduate course of study. Many preachers, with note books in hand, followed the names of the ex-cellent books and their authors

Dr. Pierce, local pastor of the Meth-odist Episcopal Church; Rev. Wm. tion. Sherman, of the North Arkansas Conference, and Dr. Frank Neff, of Tulsa, a member of the Joint Commission on Federation, from the Methodist Episcopal Church, were introduced.

ministry, he said, has been spent side by side with the Church, South. He of the old prophet who said, "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth." Bishop Mouzon responded appropriately. He carefully and accurately recited the history of the bisection of American Methodism and pled that the two sections love each other. It may be necessary for the two Churches to work as separate ecclesiastical organizations, but the whole question of unification should be studied under the shadow of a world crushed by sin and stained with blood. We should approach the question of unification in the light of present day problems. in the light of present-day problems. The world needs a united Methodist world-message. We ought to be much in prayer about the whole matter.

L. S. Barton introduced resolutions on unification. Upon motion of J. M. Peterson the resolutions were adopted by rising vote.

Whereas a Joint Commission com-

posed of duly appointed commissioners from our own Church, the Metho-eist Episcopal Church, and the Methtentative plan for the unification of these Churches; and whereas the General Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, bave de-

clared said report to contain the basic punciples of the desired unification though differing in the recommendations for the working out of the plan in some important items; and where as the General Conference of each of these Churches has directed that a Joint Commission of twenty-five from each Church shall elaborate and further perfect the plan of unification for the consideration of the several General Conferences, to the end that,

if possible, a just, equitable and harmonious conclusion may be reached. Resolved, By the East Oklahoma Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

1. That we contemplate with great satisfaction the prospect of the unification of these Churches, and here record our thankfulness to the great field of the Church for his manifest referred to the Committee on Memory. leadership toward that end.

2. That we express our disapproval of any reflection upon the integrity sincerity of motives of individuals

or Churches concerned.
3. That we hereby register the definite conviction that a plan for uni-fying the Churches of American Methodism can be found which, unjust to neither, wil contribute to the fullest development and largest efficiency of Methodism both at home and

abroad.

4. That we hereby call our people to prayer to God on behalf of the Joint Commission, that he may rule in all their work, and on behalf of the Methodist people everywhere, that

31, to join in special services in the at Dallas. interest of unification, that we do recommend that our people in this conference observe such a day, and that a sermon, on the "Spirit of Methodism," be preached in all our pulpits and that watch night serv.ce be held everywhere, which is an ancient Methodist service.

Question 2, "Who remain on trial?" M. M. Dunn, not having passed the was passed and he remains in the class of the first year.

"What traveling S. J. Checote, having stood an approved examination, his character passed, and he was advanced to the

class of the third year.

W. L. Broome introduced a resolu-

J. L. Brown (Muskogee District). men bound together in ties of frater-The time for adjournment having nity in other brotherhoods? These

ed by Dr. W. W. Pinson.

Professor Gilbert H. Smith, of the University of Oklahoma, was intro-duced to the conference and spoke on the religious life of students at the

University.

The doxology was sung and Dr. W. W. Pinson pronounced the benedic-

FOURTH DAY-MORNING SESSION

Bishop Mouzon called the conference to order promptly at 9 o'clock Dr. Neff brought greetings from his Saturday morning, November 25, an-conference in Oklahoma. His entire nouncing Hymn No. 544 "I I are to nouncing Hymn No. 544, "I Love to Tell the Story." G. W. Griner led in paid a high tribute to his Southern prayer. The Bishop read Mark 10: brethren. He said as a commissioner 32-45 as the morning lesson. The on Federation that his attitude is that comments on the lesson were very comments on the lesson were very pungent and searching.

> The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session and they were approved.

> Under Question 22 the names of the following were called one by one and their characters were passed:

L. N. Ischomer, A. S. Williams, Griggs Durant, Jas. G. Frazier, Noah G. Gregory, Wm. Hill, H. E. Darrow, T. J. Gross, W. S. Lee, J. M. Hively, W. W. Armstrong, A. S. Cameron, S. X. Swimme, I. R. Haun, F. E. Shanks, X. Swimme, I. R. Haun, F. E. Shanks, Luther Roberts, B. F. Stegall, L. B. Ellis, E. T. Campbell, Jas. Lambert, W. T. Ready, W. C. House, A. G. White, O. S. Snell, Wiley H. Smith, M. C. Hays, M. B. McKinney, J. C. Fowler, A. M. Belcher, O. C. Fontaine, M. A. Cassidy, Samuel T. Holcomb, G. L. Crow, J. C. Curry, A. P. Johnson, M. L. Sims, J. E. Vick, T. F. Brewer, Orlando Shay, G. W. Martin, Frank Naylor, J. A. Parks, L. C. Craig, H. P. Clarke, J. W. White, R. E. Hickman, T. R. Houghton, W. L. Blackburn, J. C. Cooper, W. A. Lewis, C. B. Cross, J. E. Carpenter, U. G. Reynolds, G. M. Byers, R. C. Alexander, T. O. Shanks, Byers, R. C. Alexander, T. O. Shanks, A. B. L. Hunkapillar, J. C. Jeter, W. V. Teer, W. W. Williams, D. A. Dawson, S. H. Babcock, E. A. Townsend, R. O. Stewart, L. M. Daly, B. L. Williams, J. A. Kenney, C. A. Clark, O. L. Adams, W. L. Broome, J. C. Hooks, E. H. Creasy, J. R. Hardin, C. H. Buch-anan, J. R. Abernathy, J. M. Cantrell, A. M. Dupree, L. S. Barton, J. E. Mc-Connell, E. C. Wallace, J. H. Rogers, Conneil, E. C. Wallace, J. H. Rogers, S. C. Nunley, G. W. Griner, J. T. Turn-er, D. M. Geddie, C. M. Keith, K. K. Anderson, T. A. Harkins, R. C. Taylor, A. N. Goforth, T. J. Minnis, J. D. Ed-

wards, G. E. Holly.

When the name of D. A. Gregg was called his presiding elder announced that he had surrendered his creden-

Bishop Mouzon submitted at this juncture the proposed constitutional amendment concerning ex-officio membership of the Annual Conference Lay Leader and the District Conference Lay Leaders in the Annual Conference. N. L. Linebaugh addressed the conference in opposition to the amendment.

The Secretary called the roll of the conference and the vote stood, For, 19; Against, 92.

The names of Mrs. T. F. Brewer and Mrs. J. Y. Bryce were referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

J. C. Cooper read the report of the Sunday School Board, showing that the Sunday School enrollment in the conference is practically the same as last year and recommending special The class of the fourth year was have called all of Methodism on the March for the endowment of a chair clied under Question 14. "What travelast Sunday in this year, December of pedagogy in the School of Theology

of pedagogy in the School of Theology at Dallas. The report was adopted. Question 52 was called, "Where shall the session of the next confer-ence be held?" L. S. Barton nomi-nated Tulsa. C. L. Brooks seconded Tulsa. A. S. Cameron nominated Ida-bel. V. B. Hayes nominated Durant. R. T. Blackburn and N. L. Linebaugh seconded Durant, Durant, receiving a majority, was unanimously selected. Question 4, "Who are admited into

J. Y. Bryce, W. L. French, T. L. Porter, E. H. Winiger, Lovic P. Law. S. J. Checote, J. S. Johnson, J. B. Richie, A. T. Wynn were called to the chancel.

"A Charge to Keep" was sung by the conference. The Bishop addressed the class. Let me welcome you, said Bishop Mouzon, into the brotherhood of the cross. This is the closest, ten-derest, the most exalted and the holi-est brotherhood in the world. Are

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C. H. Buchanan read the report of being religious. The truth may work the Committee on the Spiritual State moving picture show and solemnly L. B. Ellis read a supplement to the warned against them. After speaking report of the Board of Church Extenthus upon the personal life of the preacher, the Bishop dwelt upon his work as a pastor. The conduct of perance and Social Service. The Antipublic worship was dwelt upon. Read the Scriptures from your pulpit, for ning 300 meetings in Oklahoma next the majority of the people will not year. Speakers of national reputation hear them unless thus read. Study your are to speak at these meetings. The ple, for it is altogether likely that that is the best thing your people will hear that day. Use the Hymn Book. The ceipts for conference claimants \$3653.

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Memorial Session.

The Conference met in Memorial Session Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

J. R. Hardin presiding by appointment of the Bishop.

The devotional services were conducted by W. T. Ready. Hymn 604 was sung and J. R. Hardin led in prayer. Portions of John's Gospel and of the first epistle to the Thessalonians were read.

A. S. Williams read the memoir of E. A. Jacob, J. M. Peterson read the memoir of Mrs. T. F. Brewer, C. L. Brooks read a paper from the alumnae of Spaulding College concerning the establishment of a Mary E. Brewer E. Loan Fund, W. S. Derrick read beautiful lines to the memory of Sister Brewer, W. T. Reedy read the memoirs of Mrs. Mattie Pearl House and of Mrs. Mary Jane Bryce, E. T. Campbell spoke beautiful words to the memory of Jack Pickens, son of Rev. A. C. Pickens.

MINUTES

lowed the ordination of deacons (see Ryan, in class of second year; C. P. Broome, condensed minutes).

B. Hollin, J. P. Famer, year; C. P. Broome, J. P. Butler, M. M. Dunn, in class of first

and what is the report from the Committee on Lay Activities? W. L. Chapman. 52. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? Durant, First Church. 53. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Appointments.

APPOINTMENTS.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT.

A. C. Pickens, Presiding Elder. Interpreters—A. S. Williams and James Nelson.
Anters Circuit—J. B. Tims, supply.
Boktuklo Circuit—T. J. Cephas, supply.
Bruno Circuit—James G. Frazier.
Chickasaw Circuit—A. S. Williams.
Plugo-Bennington Circuit—Thomas Wade.
Idabel Circuit—Zadoc Anderson.
Jessie Circuit—Alexander S. Peter, supply.
Leflore Circuit—C. B. Wade, supply.
McCurtain Circuit—Griggs Durant.
Rufe Circuit—L. N. Ishcomer.

CREEK DISTRICT.

Johnson E. Tiger, Presiding Elder. Johnson E. Tiger, Presiding Elder.
Broken Arrow Circuit—C. B. Haikey, supply.
Euchee Circuit—Sam Cooper, supply.
Honey Creek Circuit—Sam J. Haynes, supply.
Okmulgee Circuit—Sam J. Checotah.
Sapulpa Circuit—Nero Tecumseh, supply.
Seminole Circuit—Connukey Lowe, supply.
Wewoka Circuit—William Hill.

DURANT DISTRICT.

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S. H. Babcock, Presiding Elder.

Ada, First Church—W. M. Crutchfield.
Asbury and Sasakwa—B. F. Stegall.
Colbert and Calera—W. A. Lewis.
Durant, First Church—J. E. McConnell.
Grace and Aylesworth—J. S.
Moore, supply.
Kingston—M. L. Sims.
Konawa—L. M. Daly.
Lebanon Circuit—R. E. Hickman.
Madill—A. P. Johnson; W. S. Derrick and
C. W. Clay. supernumeraries.
Milburn and Mannsville—O. S. Snell.
Pontotoc—Wiley H. Smith.
Ravia Circuit—C. B. Holland.
Roff—T. S. Stratton.
Stonewall and Tupelo—M. B. McKinney.
Tishomingo—W. E. Garrison.
Wapanucka—J. Y. Bryce.
Woodville and Mill Creek—D. M. Geddie.
Vanoss Circuit—J. L. Roberson, supply.
Professor in Southern Methodist University—
Frank Seay.
Conference Evangelist—O. C. Fontaine.
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Conference Evangelist—S. S. Holcomb.

HOLDENVILLE DISTRICT.

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E. T. Campbe.l, Presiding Elder.
Bearden Circuit—C. F. Dowell, supply.
Bethel Circuit—W. L. French.
Holdenville—D. H. Aston.
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McLoud and Earlesboro—W. W. Williams.
Okemah—D. A. Dawson.
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Okemah—Circuit—T. R. McKinney, supply.
Shawnee—Chas. L. Brooks; S. X. Swimme.
supernumerary.
Seminole—B. L. Williams.
Sparks and Paden—M. T. Peak.
Tecumseh—J. C. Crowson.
Union Chapel Circuit—W. A. Lowry, supply.
Wanette and Asher—W. S. Lee.
Weleetka—R. O. Stewart.
Wetumka—E. A. Townsend.
Wewoka—Theo. F. Roberts.
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Wewoka—Circuit—J. E. Bryan, supply.
Conference Evangelist—T. P. Turner. HUGO DISTRICT.

R. T. Blackburn, Presiding Elder.

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Antlers—H. E. Darrow.
Bennington and Bokchito—A. B. L. Hunkapillar.

Boswell and Soper—A. A. Puckett.
Bismark and Valliant—W. M. Grose.
Broken Bow—G. M. Byers.
Cameron Circuit—W. E. Rockett.
Fort Towson—T. J. Gross.
Garvin Circuit—J. M. Hively.
Grant Circuit—M. M. Dunn.
Heavener—W. C. House.
Howe Circuit—I. R. Haun.
Hugo—R. C. Alexander.
Hugo Circuit—J. H. Neighbors.
Idabel—A. S. Cameron.
Ida Mission—E. R. Large, supply.
Poteau—A. N. Goforth.
Talihina—W. R. Rosser.
Tuskahoma Circuit—W. P. Pipkin, supply.
Wister and Red Oak—H. R. Morris.
Conference Evangelist—F. E. Shanks.
Conference Missionary Evangelist—Columbus
M. Hamilton.

McALESTER DISTRICT.

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J. M. Peterson Presiding Elder.

Allen and Atwoood—G. W. Martin.

Ashland Circuit—J. F. Parsons supply.

Atoka—G. W. Griner.

Braden Circuit—I. H. Miller, supply.

Caddo—C. A. Clark.

Calvin and Gertie—M. M. Dupree.

Caney Circuit—H. T. Breece.

Canadian Circuit—J. B. Richie.

Coalgate—L. C. Lilly.

Dustin and Lamar—G. L. Crow.

Eufaula—T. F. Brewer.

Hartshorne—R. M. C. Hill.

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Kiowa Circuit—T. O. Shanks.
Lenna Circuit—T. F. Richardson, supply.

McAlester, Barnett Memorial—Frank Naylor.

Phillips Memorial—J. A. Parks.

Quinton Circuit—J. A. Grimes.

Spiro—L. C. Craig.

Stigler—J. C. Curry.

Stuart and Alderson—E. H. Creasy.

Wilburton—W. T. Ready.

Agent for Superannuate Homes—J. E. Vick.

MUSKOGEE DISTRCT.

R. C. Taylor, Presiding Elder.

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Boynton and Morris—J. D. Cunningham.
Braggs and Gore—C. B. Davis, supply.
Checotah—W. L. Blackburn.
Fort Gibson—J. C. Cooper.
Hanson Circuit—W. H. Trent, supply.
Muldrow—T. M. Moore.
Muskogee Circuit—W. H. Cartwright, supply.
First Church—C. B. Cross.
St. Paul—New Harris.
Park Hill and Hubert—J. P. Palmer; A. W.
Culver, junior preacher, supply.
Porum and Fawn—J. P. Atkins.
Sallisaw—J. A. Kenney
Stilwell Circuit—J. W. White.
Tahlequah—J. W. Rogers,
Tamaha Circuit—E. L. Powell, supply.
Vian—J. L. Brown.
Wainwright and Augusta Avenue—W. A.
Frazier. Warner Webbers Falls—M. W. Dunaway. Westville Circuit—E. H. Wininger. Whitefield Circuit—J. D. Clarkson, supply.

TULSA DISTRICT.

J. H. Ball, Presiding Elder.

Bald Hill—W. H. Aston, supply.

Beggs—O. L. Adams.

Bristow—W. L. Broome.

Broken Arrow and Coweta—A. M. Dupree.

Depew and Shamrock—G. E. Ryan.

Dewar and Kusa—T. J. Harris, supply.

Henryetta—C. H. Buchanan.

Henryetta Circuit—A. G. White.

Haskell and Bixby—D. A. Williams.

Okmulgee—J. R. Abernathy.

Pasco Circuit—T. W. Eastham, supply.

Red Fork and Mounds—W. F. Hodnett, supply. J. H. Ball, Presiding Elder.

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Sapulpa—W. W. Armstrong.
Stroud—J. R. Hardin.
Tulsa, Boston Avenue—L. S. Barton.
Tigert Memorial—H. P. Clarke.
Mission—To be supplied.
General Evangelist—Lovick P. Law.

VINITA DISTRICT.

J. M. Cantrell, Presiding Elder. Adair and Pensacola—T. J. Minnis.
Afton—A. M. Belcher.
Blue Jacket and Big Cabin—J. T. Turner.
Centralia Circuit—T. R. Houghton.
Chapel and Salina—W. M. Leatherwood, sup

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Chelsea—J. H. Rogers.
Cherokee Circuit—A. H. Butler, supply.
Choteau and Locust Grove—James Lambert.
Claremore and Alluwe—S. C. Nunley.
Fairland and Wyandotte—K. K. Anderson.
Fairland Circuit—Harvey Weston, supply.
Grove and Bernice—T. L. Porter.
Grove Circuit—To be supplied.
Inola and Foyil—J. S. Johnson.
Kansas and Jay—J. P. Butler.
Ketchum and Strang—John Hatfield, supply.
Miami—M. C. Hays.
Peggs Circuit—J. W. Rinkle, supply.
Pryor—T. A. Harkins.
Vinita—N. L. Linebaugh.
Wagoner—L. B. Ellis.
Welch—J. C. Fowler.
Welch Circuit—C. M. Keith.
Student at Northwestern University—G. E.
Holley, Vinita Q. C.
Conference Evangelist—J. D. Edwards.
District Missionary—J. P. Butler.

TRANSFERRED—To the North Arkansas

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Rev. A. K. Miller	.\$250.00
Rev. H. B. Scruggs	150.00
Rev. J. M. Russell	200.00
Rev. J. B. Blackwell	200.00
Rev. S. F. Chambers	150.00
Den I P Thomas	150.00
Rev. J. F. Thompson	50.00
Rev. Miles Sturgeon	100.00
Rev. L. W. Cobb	150.00
Rev. W. P. Pipkin	150.00
Rev. P. C. Atkins	175.00
Rev. J. D. Rogers	125.00
Rev. C. W. Myatt	125.00
Rev. Gipson Grason	50.00
Paul and Lois Garris	50.00
Mrs. Mary Divilbiss	160.00
Mes Malvins Austin	
Mrs. Melvina Austin	100.00
Mrs. William Jimboy	100.00
Mrs. Mary Waters	225.00
Mrs. Mary Waters Daughters of Mrs. J. F. Bryce, Sr	50.00
Mrs. Kate A. L. C. Duncan	50.00
Mrs. W. F. Folsom	25.00
Mrs. F. M. Moor	75.00
Mrs. C. S. Jones	75.00
Mrs. Mary McIver	150.00
Mes Elizabeth Calbert	150.00
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EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE NOTES AND PERSONALS.

C. A. Clark, Wewoka Station and Mission: More than one hundred conversions, 133 additions, old church debt of ten years' standing paid, best parsonage in the Conference built nine rooms, two-story, modern, salary paid in full, on Advocate honor roll —all subs paid, charge paid a total of \$5073, being \$31 per capita.

A. C. Pickens, presiding elder, has been one of the field hands in Okla-homa for thirty-three years.

Paul B. Kern, professor in the School of Theology of S. M. U., greatly delighted the Conference with his series of address on "Jesus, the Teacher and the Preacher." These addresses were fresh and strong.

Albert A. Puckett, Boswell and Soper Circuit: Six appointments, good meetings, 68 additions, 370 en-rolled in five Sunday Schools, enter-prised rural central Church for three communities, 21 Advocates, raised

J. R. Abernathy, Okmulgee: Net increase 50, church debt paid, parsonage repaired, \$16,081 raised for all ing love feast, "I am happy on the purposes.

w. L. Broome, Bristow Station: 27
accessions, 4 infants baptized assessments paid in full, \$9000 raised tomy way to heaven. I am gravitating
ward erection of modern church,
plans accepted, begin building soon.

second year, two good years, 144 conversions, 99 accessions, God is blessing.

W. R. Rosser, Garvin Circuit: 200 conversions, inaugurated 3 n e church building enterprises.

W. E. Rockett, Cameron: 44 conversions, 53 additions.

the Muskogee District, C. L. Brooks, a clear, melodious voice she sang, "O tion: Received 50 on profession of presiding elder, surpass any records Come Angel Band." The Conference faith and 60 by certificate and otherwe have ever seen. Pronounced per- took it up and it seemed that the wise, 312 in Sunday School, 87 in two

fect each year during Brother Brooks' rustling of angels' wings could almost encumbency. H. L. Sanders, Webber- be heard.
ville Falls, is the efficient secretary.

tions, salaries in full, benevolences 55 per cent increase but not in full, progress along all lines.

M. A. Cassidy, Conference Evange-list: 13 revivals, preached 563 times, traveled more than 15,000 miles, 2100 conversions and reclamations, 785 of these joined the Methodist Church.

League members 77, salaries and col-lections in full, raised from all sources \$5501, special for missions

Mary Sue and Mildred Winans Evelyn Martina Garrison and Miss Lucile Patton were baptized by Bishop Mouzon Sunday afternoon prior to the Memorial Session of the Conference.

T. R. Houghton, Braggs and Gore: Busy year, several meetings, a year of harmony, financially and spiritually a successful year, raised from all sources \$720.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Pierce and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Isbell entertained Paul M. Kern and the editor of the Advocate. They are charming hosts and hostesses. They are former Texans and still think of home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Spaulding were among the generous hosts of the Con-ference. Bishop Mouzon was enter-tained by them and the editor of the Advocate is indebted to them for gra-cious hospitality at a noon meal.

G. W. Martin, Klowa: Salaries 90 per cent paid, collections 75 per cent paid, 17 accessions, Sunday School and women's work in fine condition.

The following note from Brother W. Graham is refreshig:

At the request of the editor I state the State. Spiritual condition good; that I took the road as a Methodist total raised \$2237; fine Sunday preacher the first day of the week, the first day of the month, the first day of the year 1865, and have been on the road ever since. Have had church dedicated, pastors salary the great honor, this year to save the great theory and the save the save to save the save the save the save to save the save the save the save to save the s the great honor this year to serve the Lebanon Circuit, Madill District, East Oklahoma Conference. Eight adults received and five infants baptized. Also made some \$50 worth of improvement on the parsonage that was absolutely necessary.

The address of President J. H. Reynolds, Hendrix College, at the anniversary of the Board of Education was inspiring. His address took wide range and deeply impressed the Conference. He said Methodism must furnish leadership for an age which is characterized by enormous material development, by social solidarity and bigness of enterprises. He addresed bigness of enterprises. He addresed himself particularly to the educational situation in Oklahoma, declaring that Oklahoma Methodism must found and maintain her own schools, else the State will be dominated by material-ism and Methodism there will not be able to propagate her own spiritual life or maintain her own independ-ence. The Conference listened with great interest to this telling address.

Prof. Frank Seay, of the School of Theology, was transferred to the East Oklahoma Conference. His address on Church Extension was marked by originality and vigor. The brethren showed their appreciation of his transfer by making him Conference Secretary of Education.

W. M. Trent, Hanson: Finished have seen 100 souls born into the cond year, two good years, 144 con. Kingdom of God this year."

Sister G. B. Hester is the oldest living member of the Church in Okla- Frank Naylor, pastor of Barnett homa. Truth to tell, however, she Memorial Church, North McAlester, is does not look it. Her face was raprobably the oldest Methodist in the diant and beautiful Sunday morning as she told of her service in Oklaho-ma, beginning more than fifty years ons, 53 additions.

ago. She and her sainted husband entertained Bishops Wightman, MarThe District Conference records of vin, Kavanaugh and many others. In

U. G. Rynolds, Sallisaw: 39 addi-ons, salaries in full, benevolences 55 ference and he alone remains of er cent increase but not in full, pro-teress along all lines.

J. S. Derrick, supernumerary, was a member of the Indian Mission Con-ference and he alone remains of those who were living when he joined the Conference.

There are many things that I regret, but I don't regret one hour that I have given to Jesus.—A. C. Pickens at the Conference love feast.

Brother J. M. Hamilton, layman, L. B. Ellis, Holdenville Station: 82 said he was a hardened sinner at 44 conversions, 60 accessions, Sunday when he was married, but two years School enrollment 420, Epworth at the family devotions conducted by League members 77, salaries and col- his wife made him a Christian.

> J. Y. Bryce was at the session of the Indian Mission Conference, 1870, Bishop Keener presiding.

> Dr. T. F. Brewer, in his semi-cen-tennial sermon, said he had read 21 books this year.

C. S. Wright, vice-president South-ern Methodist University, made a great speech at the Conference.

W. W. Pinson, of the Mission Board, delivered an inspiring message during the Conference.

Hon, D. H. Linebaugh, Federal Attorney, was a member of the Conference. The Conference, by formal resolution, commended him and other officials for their efficiency in enforcing Federal laws against the whisky traffic. The editor is indebted to Brother Linebaugh for courtesies while in Muskogee.

Bishop E. E. Hoss was in Louisiana holding the session of the Louisiana Conference and therefore the East Oklahoma Conference did not have the privilege of seeing him. Mrs. Hoss is at Battle Creek. Her condition is improved. Blessings upon these dear servants of the Church!

L. C. Craig, Spiro Station, claims to have the pluckiest small town in

church dedicated, pastor's salary overpaid, collections much in advance

I. R. Haun, Howe Circuit: 65 conversions, 49 additions, baptized 10 infants and 26 adults.

J. M. Ball, Stuart Circuit: Built a good parsonage, repaired church, everything paid for, good League and Sunday School, raised \$2200 for all

M. B. McKinney, Stonewall and Tupelo, reported 43 acessions, paid an old church debt at Tupelo.

John Hatfield, Bennington and Ketchum: 67 conversions, 51 additions, financial claims short.

J. B. Ritchie, Canadian Circuit: 14 conversions, 24 additions to member-ship, salaries in full, collections one-third, completed church biulding and painted another.

C. B. Cross, First Church, Musko-gee: All debts paid, grand total for the year \$9529, received on profession of faith 44, by certificate 108, net gain for the year 121, Sunday School has

E. T. Campbell, First Church, Durant, has had 90 accessions, 38 being on profession of faith, salaries and nference collections in full, \$1000 raised to pay out on old debt.

J. A. Grimes, Quinton Circuit, reports 3 Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues, 50 conversions, 33 accessions, painted one church and parson age, built one church, 85 per cent paid on salaries and collections.

C. A. Clark, Wewoka Station and Mission: 115 conversions, 133 additions, old church debt paid in full, best parsonage in the conference built and nearly paid for, salary in full.

Mrs. Eliza Naylor, mother of Rev. State, having been a Methodist for eighty years. She is now ninety-one eighty years. She is now ninety-one year old and a member of Barnett Memorial Church.

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R. M. C. Hill, Hartshorne Station: 46 accessions, 25 net gain, best Sun-day School in the history of the Church, collections better than ever, although not in full.

W. W. Williams, Maud Station: 8
additions, good Sunday School, pastor
paid in full.

W. T. Ready, Kingston: Reports
a new parsonage, good gain in mem-W. W. Williams, Maud Station: 8

H. P. Clarke, Stigler Station: All debts paid, \$4600 paid for all purposes, ine League, Sunday School as large as can be housed at present; great

John Havely, Grant Circuit: 40 conversions, 25 additions to membership, short on salary and collections.

W. A. Lewis, Muldrow: Ministerial support and conference collections 95 R. H. Morriss, Wester and Red Oak: per cent paid; had a good year in this Reports 20 conversions, 20 additions

J. M. Cantrell, Sapulpa Station: Sunday School in excellent condition, Woman's Misionary Society raised \$1066, salaries and conference collections in full, some \$2000 paid on E. H. Creasy, Coweta Station: church debts; the spiritual state ... Good year, all departments in good

W. S. Lee, Bennington and Bokch ito: Part of church debt paid, minis-terial support in full, 120 conversions, 46 additions to the Church.

Oscar S. Adams, Beggs Station: Built \$2000 parsonage, improved the church, bought piano, great revival with 61 additions, finances in full.

J. H. Rogers, Chelsea and Alluwe Net gain in membership 33, total cash raised for all purposes \$4067; best year in history of the charge.

Geo. W. Griner, Claremore: 35 additions to the Church membership, Epworth League and Sunday School on upgrade.

salary and conference collections not pa d in full; total cash raised \$8900, additions 20, removals 59.

T. A. Harkins, Pryor Station: Everything in full, building a new church to cost \$10,000, 27 additions to the Church membership, over 300 in Sunday School, two Leagues with 70 members, \$6000 raised for all pur-

A. N. Goforth, Wagoner Station: Report net increase of 28, fine Sunday School, excellent League, paid church debt, raised for all purposes \$6000.

G. E. Ryan, Defew charge: 100 per cent increase in membership, increas-ed Sunday School attendance, organized a League, parsonage built, church debt paid.

sixteen years I have been an evangelist in our Church, my work taking me to almost every part of the United States. God has given us more than twenty thousand conversions during this time, with almost as many additions to the Church.

I. H. Miller, Braden Circuit: 120 conversions, 79 additions, good attendance upon preaching services.

D. A. Dawson, Okemah Station: 54 preached 183 sermons; fine year. additions, every department in good shape, salary in full.

Sam S. Holcomb, Conference Evan-gelist for East Oklahama Conference: Rendered efficient work in that con- mark. ference as well as other conferences; some 800 conversions and 600 additions, distributed 2500 tracts.

Epworth Leagues, conference collec- Sunday Schools, one Epworth League, money raised \$1750.

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I. D. Rogers, superannuate; Reports having preached twice each Sunday, held one meeting.

O. P. Johnson, Caddo: 98 additions, Missionary Society debts paid; best financial report ever had, expended for all purposes \$270.

bership.

G. L. Craw, Allen Circuit: Reports a pasonage debt paid, 31 additions, a number of conversions.

G. M. Byers: 15 conversions, 28 additions, net gain 15, salaries in full.

J. P. Palmer, Park Hill: 131 con-

versions, 118 additions.

R. H. Morriss, Wester and Red Oak: all from Sunday School, 2 Sunday Schools.

S. X. Swimme, Talihina: Reports 50 conversions, 26 additions.

J. A. Parks, Phillip's Memorial, O. S. Snell, Milburn: Good year, McAlester: 138 additions, \$9986 finances in full, new church building raised for all purposes. under course of construction.

Wiley H. Smith, Pontotoc: Unorganized work. Held old-time revival meetings with great results.

J. C. Cooper, Fort Gibson: Paid church debt and dedicated same, raised \$2190; good year.

A. S. Cameron, Idabell: Good Sunday School, faithful, loyal W. M. Society, 9 net gain, 23 members, raised \$13,500.

L. S. Barton, Boston Avenue: 150 professions, 197 additions, collections in full, with special for missions of \$765; total raised \$18,500.

75 conversions, 25 additions.

H. T. Breece, Muskogee Circuit: iversal message to all ages and gen-rganized one Epworth League, one erations.—Jessie Bowman Young, D.D. R. C. Alexander, Tahlequah Sta. Organized one Epworth League, one tion: Heavy church debt paid, with W. M. Society, received 12 into the salary and conference collections not Church, have \$100 raised for parsonage.

> T. O. Shanks, Vian Station: Sunday School good, enrollment 264, a fine superintendent, S. E. Mayfield, fine League, W. M. Society is doing good work, salary in full.

> Orlando Shay, Keota Circuit: Nine accessions, finances advance of last

J. E. McConnell, Tulsa, Tigert Memorial: 50 conversions, 48 net gain, 20 family altars, baptized 11 children, Church membership 281, enrollment of Sunday School 401, \$74 paid by Sunday School for missions. Salaries and collections in full.

A. N. Averyt, Fort Townson: Re-Lovick Pierce Law, Evangelist: For Sunday School, fine W. M. Society, salaries paid in full, money raised \$1449.

> C. H. Buchanan, Henryetta: 39 conversions, 75 accessions, net gain 71, salaries 50 per cent in advance of last year.

> B. L. Williams, Weleetka: Salaries in full and over, good Sunday School, two good Leagues, built one new stone church, received 31 members,

> The visit of Rev. E. Hightower, Divisional Sunday School Secretary, was greatly enjoyed. His sermon Wednesday evening was at the high water

the report of each member of the Con-

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> It is possible to be a miser with other things than the alms bason. Some Silas Marners hoard their motives. We are all fond, at times, of gloating over our good intentions. Thus, if we are not careful, we may help to pave the way. Motives exist for the same purpose as moments—to be turned into useful work. If you know you have a right motive, forget If you have it, it is there. And if you are conscientious enough to worry over whether it is there, you have the best reason in the world for knowing you have it. Whenever we go back in fearful doubt to see if the house door is locked, we always find it is. If we had left it open, we should never think about it, till we came home and found the neighbor's children bowling our newest china at the cat. The best men are unconscious of having motives—for the simple reason that they have them. "Love God—and do as you please," said the otherwise stern St. Augustine. It does not mean that if we do as we please, we shall necessarily love God. But it places the accent of our life where it should be. And the accent deter-mines the life.—Wallace Herbert

Every one ought to have "good luck." But many people think it is a very uncertain thing—one never can tell when or where it is going to strike. And they look enviously at the folks who seem so much luckier than themselves. There is a lesson to be learned from a proverb that the Sultan of Turkey has been quoted as giving recently to some newspaper correspondents: "We in the Turkish (Editor's note—The Advocate rehave a saying, 'Luck is infatuated grets that it was not able to secure with the efficient.'" Over the door-the report of each member of the Conway of Jefferson Medical College in A. B. L. Hunkapillar, Westville: ference. For the East Oklahoma Con-Philadelphia is a Latin sentence Built one good church, had 2 good reference contains a heroic membership which translated reads, "The gods sell vivals, 20 joined the Church, two good and each is worthy of mention.)

derstand "luck" as meaning good fortune at its best. One is efficient who The appeal which the Bible makes works in the best way, or as God is not limited to any single genera- would nave him work. When men

> city, and seeing no one around but a small boy named Willie, said to him: "If you don't tell me where your fa-

sat in the gutter and blinked.

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"JESUS OR CHRIST?"

The wording of my subject may seem strange to some, for it suggests an alternative or comparison. It has been put in this way because the fact is very manifest. It seems to the writer that the storm center of religious discussion in the days to come will be of the universal Church. The faith of about the person of Christ. Already this is a subject of controversy; already there is a strong tendency in some quarters to make the distinction and draw the comparison.

We have passed through a period of historical criticism of the Old Testament. In this process there have been many victories for the Scriptures, and many illuminating and encouraging facts discovered. In varied ways the Bible has been made to live again Jesus his transcendent place without and throb with vital human interest, reason. They knew him; they had and speak with an authority before lived in most intimate communion unknown. The more searching of the Scriptures there is the better so long as it is honest and reverent and not the mere cutting and carving and dis-secting of unbelief. When a man comes to the Word of God in that critical spirit its spirit always retreats divine being. In the apostolic bene-like the shrinking of the spirit of a diction Paul has joined "the grace of man under the surgeon's knife. The the Lord Jesus Christ with the love of word of God, like the Master himself, has its conditions for all who would make its acquaintance. The Bible is today a more vital, living authoritative Book than it has ever been. It has and source of life for all mankind, passed through the fire and there is He says, "One died for all, therefore no smell of fire in its garments. So all died and he died for all, that they far as the writer knows, not a single essential word of it has even been lost. not a line dimmed, not a truth obscured. Historical criticism has rob- through his death all men live unto bed us of not a single jot or tittle, God. That all who believe are justithat is essential to the power and efficiency of the Scriptures. There is universal Savior but he is the final another fact that is significant and Judge, for "All men are to be made helpful, namely, all departments of manifest before the judgment seat of human knowledge have added their Christ," and that He himself is to sit contribution to the development and as the central figure of the judgment enrichment of life, but outside of throne. Men may tell you this is Christendom there is almost no science merely the Pauline conception of or art in its highest sense. The best Christ, but we must remember Paul of all things are, after all, only the did not write these things before he broken light of divine revelation. How-had conferred with Peter and John ever much we appreciate the scien- and James and had their seal of aptists, and admire the artists, and love proval upon the gospel which he was the poets, we always esperience a shrinking feeling when we hear people ciples that had spent three years in say, "Yes, the Bible is an inspired the school of Christ gave Paul their Book, and so are the writings of Ten-nyson and Browning and Longfellow." All such authors are inspired. Such entrusted with the gospel to the Genremarks indicate a lack of penetrat- tiles, even as Peter was preaching the ing thought or a shallow reasoning same to the Jews. It was the same did the man you got the tree from Father before the get his?" He replies, "He developed it from another stock further back." Then we say, "Where did the first tree He presents himself as the vine which

which shall we worship? This is a pressing question today. Are we to accept Jesus, a human being, who is now dead, or, Christ, a divine being, once dead, but now alive forevermore? One thing is sure, the man who gets far enough along to ask himself the question seriously, Jesus or Christ? has already gotten outside of the faith the Church is that the historic Jesus became the Christ of the Churches profession. That the Jesus of the four gospels is the Christ of the ages. And that Jesus and Christ are one being. It is very certain that those who walked with Jesus on earth and who wrote the gospels never felt the contradiction or the alternative which is affecting some men in this day. It never occurred to them to say, "Jesus or Christ?" The disciples did not give with him for over three years. He had impressed himself upon them, written himself upon them, stamp his personality upon their minds and affections, and the impression he made upon them was that of a gracious and God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit." Paul's idea of Jesus places him at the heart of everything in religion and makes his death the center which live should no longer live unto themselves, but unto Him, who for their sakes died and rose again." That fied by his blood. That he is not only to preach to the Gentiles. The disconfidence and approbation, and gladly assented to the fact that he had been

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sents his true humanity, for he was of the gospels get the portrait that truly human as well as truly divine. they have hung in the picture gallery "He took not on him the form of an- of their writings? We have all of us ight or a shallow reasoning same to the Jews. It was the same gels, but he took on him the seed of seen paintings that were so striking Come with me to visit the with John in Revelation. There John Abraham." He became a real and in conception and execution as to stun great Luther Burbank in his gardens sees the majestic form of Christ as vital part of the race, bone of its bone, in California. Suppose he shows us the King of kings. This picture of and flesh of its flesh. Born of a huan new fruit and we taste it and look Christ is the picture drawn by man mother, growing as other chila new fruit and we taste it and look Christ is the picture drawn by man mother, growing as other chilgospel picture of Jesus Christ would
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the variety of the same fruit and out of What his disciples conceived him to do with Jesus Christ, for he is the pre- deceit, but they perished with the the process of crossing and grafting be, he declared himself to be. Cereminent miracle. To laud Jesus as a triumphant cry of Christ and his resand developing there has come this tainly he ought to be an authority congreat and good man, but deny his urrection on their lips. So mighty new fruit, which as you see is very cerning his own purpose. He tells us divinity is to involve ourselves in log-was the grip of this transcendent fact good indeed." We say, "But where of the glory which he had with the ical contradictions and moral incon- on the heart of the early Church and Father before the world was. He sistencies, which are irreconcilable. If so unspeakable was their joy in it that speaks of an authority which the Fa- he is only a good man, then what su- a new day was established in the ther has given him over all things. preme vanity there was in his claims world based on Christ's victory over He presents himself as the vine which for himself. What deceit in his dec- death, the Christian Sabbath. But supplies spiritual life so that sepa- larations, and what mockery in his interes is yet a higher test of truth, rated from him all people are but vitation to come and follow him and these forevenesses. But its the sepacome from that this developing pro- supplies spiritual life so that sepa- larations, and what mockery in his in- there is yet a higher test of truth cess began with?" He answers, "Out rated from him all people are but vitation to come and follow him and that of experience. Put into the cruci- in the forest, it was first a wild thorn withered and lifeless branches. He enjoy eternal life! How disgustingly ble of Christian experience this gloribush taken from the thicket." Ah, declares himself to be the bread of presumptuons were his mighty claims, ous truth is vindicated. Millions of yes. That is it. At the heart of every heaven, the water of life, which is if the claimant was only a man. Was people have found Christ their answer fruit tree, every berry bush, what- the life of the world. He makes himber the a teacher? Yes, he was, but the to all life's bedarkening problems and ever it may have become now, is God's self the gate to the Kingdom of God. world had seen teachers before; all earth's staggering sorrows. Did wild fruit. The life was there and He claims the power to lay down his teachers with music in their voices, the philosophy of Socrates ever save a the possibility was there, and what we life and to take it again. The dead teachers with sympathy in their hearts man from sin? His teachings have see in the perfected fruit is only the hear his voice in their graves and and logic in their minds. The need given some souls fresh courage and latent qualities of the original root come forth. He offers himself to the of the world in all the ages has not taught them to bear their ills of life guided out into potentiality by a mind worship of the world. He promises to been and is not now a lesson, nor is with resignation. But did you ever which is like God's mind. We do not be with his people to the end of time it merely an example. The need is hear of any one wanting to be bapneed to belittle the great thinkers of and to prepare for them a place in a miracle and that miracle the crown- tized in the name of Socrates or sendneed to belittle the great thinkers of and to prepare for them a place in the ages. Each has done something for the house of God. Others cannot enter the world. Each has expressed that his realm and understand him fully, something to sound man's deepest bed? Buddha touches the heart to part of the divine truth of which God for "No man knoweth the Son but the need and encompass his widest wan-has made him the channel. Each was Father. Neither knoweth any man the derings. Sin is the world's tragedy, provoke and how easily to forgive and a teacher cannot lift us out of sin. But Buddha is the son of India and Not as we call Jesus teacher, but as not the son of mankind. His scheme conception to the bloom and then to authority above the law and the prophthes talk and you will find it hidden ets. "It hath been said of them of the intolerable yoke of sin lifted off, become all. His symbol of religion is these are the great imperatives of and assurance. Jesus Christ did a taking the tree as a figure of life comes its source and its secret. Every fruit Jesus: Repent. Come. Follow. Go, complete work of redemption. The to redeem us for darkness and deadness esthetic nature, is a stalk from the Namely, greater than all the religious the explanation of the empty sepand silence of winter. It is the sun the mind, every flowering plant of our place is one greater than the temple. Ing was his resurrection. That was call flow the explanation of the empty sep- and silence of winter. It is the sun tree of life, that blooms in the garinstitutions of God, ancient and chosen pulcher. Death was nonplussed and that touches the trees with the power people. The Son of Man, "Lord over confounded, for death had never be- that makes the leafless branches put

The name of Jesus repre- never lived where did these writers our comprehension; they seem almost miraculous. To have originated this How disgustingly ble of Christian experience this glori-his mighty claims, ous truth is vindicated. Millions of ing was his resurrection. That was earth from the coldness and deadness tree of life, that blooms in the garden of God.

Historic criticism is about ended, the Sabbath," are the declarations of a and now the battle changes front and the question comes, Jesus or Christ? Which? That is to say, are we hencestor that the same yesterday, today and for the Christian era, taught and wrought and died. Or, of Christ, the revelation of God—the Redeemer of the soul, the author and finisher of our faith? Are author and finisher of our faith? Are denoted the same yesterday and sees under all skies only men, his intellectual confusion. If Jesus Christ is that touches the trees with the power confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leaflest bethat makes the leafless branches put confounded, for death had never bethat makes the leaflest bethat makes the leaflest bethat makes the leaflest bethat makes the

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Christ the divine Messiah and messenger, whose hand has been stretched across the centuries with the touch of knowledge and the cup of life? Who has stood by the martyr in the flames it Jesus or Christ who spoke through the life and lips of Savonarola, John Hess, Martin Luther, John Knox and John Wesley? or through the genius of Michael Angelo or Raphael or Hoffman? Were those monuments of the Christion ages, marvelous in their architecture and beauty of conception all raised as monuments to the memory of a man called Jesus, a Galilean carpenter, or to the Godman Jesus Christ? Whose name is it that is breathed in the matchless melody of Mozart, the sonatas of Beethoven and the ovations of Handel? Is it the name of a Palestinian dreamer—now dead—or, of the victorious Son of cent room at her own expense and God, who could say, "I am he that sent the preacher round there, bid-liveth and was dead, and behold I am ding his return for breakfast. He alive forevermore and have the keys of death and of Hades?" Who is it that has been worshiped in the church through the long centuries gone, and has carried the Church forward through all her mighty labors, her unceasing strife and has solaced her trembling and troubled heart? Was it the being upon whose head are many crowns, or a poor well-meaning but deceived fanatic on whose grave the Syrian stars may look down tonight? Which was it? I care not what others may think or say, I say it is the Christ, the Savior, the Son of God, who was able to lay the heart of humanityall unclean, all unhappy, all distressed and sore, on the great heart of divinity, full of power and health and sympathy. He it is who came, who suffered, who died, who rose again from the dead and who ascended into heaven and reigns as King of kings

and Lord of lords. God help us to come fully into the experience of the great Apostle and have his conviction and hold it without faltering. "The life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." That is a certainty which no science can dissolve, no philosophy disprove, no criticism shake. Jesus Christ is Christianity, not merely the founder of it, but the not merely the founder of it, but the essence of it. The higher meaning of history is Jesus Christ. He is behind the historic processes, as he is behind the tides and the stars. All agitations in the world of labor, all discoveries in the realm of science, all changes in the world of politics, are but Christ turning and overturning, lifting up and casting down, until he can establish a spiritual and eternal kingdom of righteousness and brotherhood on earth. Our life's little candle casts its but a little way, but Christ his. His monuments are the invest-ments of his saving sacrifice, the in-and food supply of any other women stitutions that represent man's real in the community. greatness, and these will stand when

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be crumbled into dust. And we who wife told me that as many as forty obey, who follow, who love and serve him, will come at last, through toil tears, to that full morning whose first beams are already spread upon for Church. They were mostly Sun-the mountains. When we know Him, day School children who had been not mereliy know something about Him, then we come not with force and ents that they had a perfect right It is a wonder that some preachers' grudging admission, like the Apostate to make free with the parsonage and wives get discouraged and seem not Roman saying, "O Galilean, thou hast demand the services of the preach-conquered," but with the grateful joy- er's wife. What frame of mind Is it a marvel if some preachers' ful confession of Thomas, "My Lord would any other woman go to Church children show a degree a resentment and my God"-both on our lips and in if subjected to such unnecessary in our hearts.

question, Jesus or Christ? It must be answered Jesus is Christ. C. P. MOORE.

Los Angeles, Cal.

the power of an endless life." Jesus their children were born in parson-Christ's unique distinction is that he ages. In most pastoral charges the answers the eternally vital question of house that the members have built how a guilty sinner may have forgive-ness and happiness, both here and for-tive of the homes of the membership. he preacher who fares as well as The blood of the martyr has borne the average member of his Church much fruit, but it is from the Cross has just complain on that score of Christ alone that men gather the positive profound assurance of forcertain amount of self-sacrifice on the control of the giveness. It is from and through the the part of some men and women Cross alone that the love of God passes of the Church. For that we preachers should be truly grateful. If the But there is yet another answer to furniture is mismatched and repre-the question, Jesus or Christ? Man sents various stages of wear from It is the answer of history. fresh newness to extreme decrepi Look back over the years and see the tude it is because it had to be bought progress of human history what we piece at a time by the exertions of call civilization. See we have the Women's missionary Society and done for human society and human represents the taste of different and institutions. Was it Jesus the man, or sundry committees or pastors wives, or both. With regard to building and turnishing parsonages our people have done fairly well, and this preach er and his fam ly have never found much ground for complaint. By "the has soothed the unspeakable anguish reference to the house and its fur-of millions and filled their hearts with nishings, much as these sometimes peace? Was it Jesus or Christ? Was might be improved, but to the use it Jesus or Christ who christ? that is made of the house and the treatment accorded the pastor and his fam.ly by people who are mere ly thoughtless. Let us consider the parsonage under the following heads: 1. The parsonage as a public convenience. A preacher had to stop over night in a certan town. He

went straight from the depot to the

parsonage. The pastor was absent. The mistress of the nanse received

the visitor cordially, prepared a warm

meal for him (the mea. hour being long since past) and having no spare bed in the parsonage phoned a near by boarding house and engaged a de ding his return for breakfast. He returned, Luc we afterward heard him say that he was sent to a Loarding house because the city pastor's family did not desire to be bothered with a rustic preacher. A preacher with a small family found himself in a parsonage larger than the comfort of his family and an occasional guest might require. His thrifty wife add-ed to the not over-piethoric family purse by renting a room or two to nice people, meaning of course to leave such rooms in as good repair as the found them. When the next pastor the Women's Missionary So ciety took time by the forelock and by formal vote asked the pastor's wife not rent out the rooms, saying they had furnished them so visiting preachers might have a place to stay. This is not fiction but sober fact. It was assumed that the pastor would and should entertain any transient preacher or any man coming to help in the revival or other special service. on a pallet and send the children out to sleep with neighbors. It might the historic order, and the things not ter stay at home. The public has seen—the immaterial things—the no more right to work the preacher's things of the mind and of the soul are wife to death and eat up the preach-

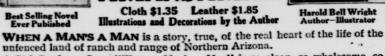
persons would knock on her front door and ask for water Sunday morn ing while she was trying to get ready taught by the example of their parannoyance on Sunday morning. All their father has laid them and their There is but one answer to the this results from pure thoughtlessness. mother? If this scribe had his way A dipper at the hydrant or well, or a he would move all parsonages about

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would remedy the trouble. The preacher who allows his wife to be so treated deserves to live and die an old bachelor. And just after Sunday School I not infrequently see a par-sonage deluged with girls and even older women who run in to see that their hats are on stright and to use the parsonage face powder and other toilet accessories. Would these thoughtless sisters enjoy similar wholesale incursions into their own homes on Sunday morning just as they are trying to start to Church? The parsonage is built and maintained as a home for the preacher's family and its privacy should be respected as much as that of any other home in the community.

3. The parsonage as a Church annex. Recently a Sunday School teacher was asked what she would do if there were not a separate room Ecclesiastical tramps get off the for her class in the church, and with-train and inquire for the par-out hesitation she replied, "I should sonage, and thoughtless saints are ask our pastor for a room in the parglad to direct them there. Not sonage." I cut in a promptly, "If I only preachers, but a few lay-were pastor you would not get it. men, and even whole families turn The parsonage is a home, not a up at the parsonage at all hours of Church annex." Yet there are many parsonages that are being used for the day and night, not knowing parsonages that are being used for whether the preacher's family are Sunday School purposes, and in some sick or well, whether there are other cases those using them have not so guests or not, and the preacher's much as said "by your leave" to the wife gives them the last bed and gets woman who keeps house there and who is criticized if the house is not neatly kept. Where the pastor and worked woman if the General Conference would enact a law requiring a class I have nothing to say, except that whenever a parsonage is built the building committee place over and probably making it had formal and the law required and probably making it had formal and the law required and probably making it had formal and the law required and probably making it had formal and p the building committee place over and probably making it hard for the the front door an inscription that next pastor's wife who cannot conreads, "As Ye Would That Men veniently pursue the same course. Should Do Unto You, Do Ye Even So But the Church has no more right Unto Them." As a rule people who to carry its work into the parsonage cannot afford hotel bills and have no than into the home of the superin shines for eternity. He is regnant in friends with whom to stop, had bet tendent or steward without consult ing the owner. This applies to us ing the parsonage for Church entertainments, Church supper and the like. We know Churches where the membership would gasp in surprise if the pastor's wife should dare intimate that on account of personal indisposition, sickness in the family or other cause it would not be convenient to have some social function of the Church brought to the parsonage. And it is rare that people making such uses of the preacher's home return to remove their own lit

> ter and dirt. Again, the golden rule toward the Church upon whose altar bucket of water at the Church door, four blocks from the Churches, so coupled with a mild suggestion on that the pastor's family would go to the part of pastor of superintendent, Church through the front door like 1804 Jackson Street, Dallas, Texas.

any other members of the Church. He would put the parsonage in such relation to the Church that water and toilet accessories would have to be found elsewhere. Then he would teach the people that the pastor's wife is not a public servant, that the pastor's children are not under a different moral law from the other chil-dren of the Church, and that the parsonage is a private home not a public assembly hall, and that the pastor's fam ly are just members of the Church like all the others, and that nothing more nor less should be expected of the pastor's family in the way of Church work than of other families similarly situated. I would not even make the pastor's wife prepare the elements for the communion, a service which the Discipline says shall be performed by the stewards.

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THREE MONTHS.

MUSKOGEE.

Muskogee, the seat of the seventyfirst session of the East Oklahoma Conference, has a population of some forty thousand. It is indeed an interesting city. It is fifty miles from the largest producing oil field in the world and three miles from the largest producing gas field. The bank deposits of the city are nearly twelve millions of dollars.

It is the division point on four railroads, having five altogether. It has seventy miles of paved streets and is in the center of a rich agricultural district.

Muskogee boasts of the U.S. Indian Headquarters. The Government has erected a Federal building, at a cost of more than half a million dollars, at Muskogee. The Severs Hotel, said to have cost a million, would do credit to St. Louis. The spiritual interests of the city are keeping pace with its material progress. The city has eighteen churches for white people, two High Schools and ten grade schools.

The people of Muskogee are from everywhere, from the North, the South, the East and the West. They are progressive and hospitable. Our Church has two fine congregationsthese Churches has a membership of to that of the Texas Christian Advoterprises of our Church. Beginning to that legislator who denies the peomore than 600. It happens, at this time, that both are being served by Texas men-C. B. Cross at First Church and New Harris at St. Paul's. The Conference was held at First Church, where we have a large and attractive brick building. The auditorium, Sunday School room and gallaries were well filled each evening during the Conference. Perhaps twelve or fifteen hundred people were in attendance upon each of the services of last Sunday.

The entertainment of the Conference was ideal. C. L. Brooks, presiding elder, and C. B. Cross, pastor, were ideal Conference hosts, and if they failed anywhere, we did not discover it. The people of our own and other Churches seemed to vie with each other in doing every possible thing for the comfort and happiness of the Conference. Sunday morning and evening the pulpits of the city and, in doing the things just menwere filled by our preachers.

the city was not quite as considerate conferences may justly point to our of the feelings of the Conference as great Connectional institution in Dalit might have been. Two of the local las as their very own and rightly are Oklahoma should convert and train whisky people well know. Let the in retailing whatever unpleasant thing members of the Conference. We are and heroic the moment we recall the Conferences without their own FIXING THE PASTOR'S SALARY. thanks, showed that it felt that the enterprises. Spaulding College, Ep- pledges its heartiest co-operation. press had not been entirely fair to its worth University and Wesleyan are members.

to say the least, is not in good taste. cy for their State.

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Thursday, November 30, marks the completion of Brother L. Blaylock's fiftieth year with the Advocate, and for this reason the Joint Board has as the Publishers' Jubilee Campaign

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The Annual Conferences, without development of resources, for intelliexception, have responded liberally to gent constituency, no Advocate on the planned for Sunday missionary work the appeal of the Joint Board of Pub continent has a territory comparable in waste places. These laymen plan lication of the Texas Christian Ad to that of the Texas Christian Advo- Sunday itineraries for lay sermons

pleads for a subscription list of 40,- paign, of course, is the pastor. Upon ed with this report, we cannot say, 000 throughout Texas, Oklahoma and him will depend the success or the but to our way of thinking it offers the New Mexico. This means an increase failure of the movement. We have reof some twenty thousand subscribers. peatedly said and say again that the The conferences have set their goals Advocate was never stronger in any day of its history than the devotion country Churches, but the city of our pastors.

each pastor will present its claims at unused talents, in time, must be forthe services of next Sunday and follow the matter up with a personal disuse. first concerted movement in the new is measurably solved. conference year? Total23,750

We ask this because we think the long and faithful service of our Pub- The majority voting on the question lisher deserves it. He is bearing a in the primaries of last July instructremendous strain during these days ted the coming Legislature to submit of increased cost in newspaper work. a constitutional amendment on prodenominated the proposed campaign We ask this because we believe the Advocate is the exponent of the best vote of Texas and declare that the thought in our day and the interpreter prohibitionists lack one vote in the of the great movements of our times. State Senate of having the required practically 400,000 Southern Metho- We ask this because we believe that two-thirds majority for the submission dists. Forty thousand subscribers for the increased circulation of the Adthe Advocate would mean one sub-vocate will deepen the personal de- of government if the whisky forces of Church enjoy a ratio of one to eight. work in the Southwest. We ask this For solidarity of interests, for the week, or even a month, to the Pub-

OUR SCHOOL SITUATION IN OKLAHOMA.

The two conferences in Oklahoma are royally supporting Southern Methodist University. Each has made a special assessment for the School of Theology. By formal resolution both conferences have entered upon a joint campaign to raise \$60,000 for the endowment of a chair in the School of Theology and each has resolved to devote a collection on the second Sunday in March toward the establishment of a chair of religious education in the School of Theology.

Southern Methodist University is the property of the whole Church tioned, the Oklahoma Conferences are We regret that the local press of but taking care of their own. These

er given a voice in its management. all closed. Perhaps two years will

kogee and her people could not have it is serious not only for Oklahoma care of waste places and the solution ago. treated any gathering with more con- herself, but for our Connectional of the rural question. He reported This is due, in part, to the vast insideration than they treated the East school at Dallas as well. There is that one of his strong city stations, in crease in the volume of money. The Oklahoma Conference at its recent not a single feeder in Oklahoma for addition to paying its assessment for bank savings of this country, in the

is not a single college in Oklahoma to which we may look for the supply of our Oklahoma ministry. Oklahoma is the weak point in Southern Methodism in the matter of Christian edu-

The Advocate, as the Official Organ of Oklahoma Methodism, now pleads for Oklahoma schools. It pleads that our brethren there will occupy this year in discharging their Connectional debt to Southern Methodist University. It pleads that all hands shall then turn to Oklahoma. It pleads that Southern give every possible aid to the establishment of local institutions in Okla-

The Advocate (using the thought of President Reynolds) reminds the Oklahoma brethren that their whole fu-The Connectional spirit of the Ok- enjoy the independence to which relentlessly go on! they happened to know of certain lahoma brethren becomes resplendent Methodist conferences are entitled. sure that they did not intend to af- educational situation in their own schools are ecclesiastical dependenfront the Conference, but the action State. Oklahoma Methodism has not cies rather than virile units of a of the Conference, in eliminating all a single school now in operation in great Connectionalism. Oklahoma must

as much as by its public buildings, settled. And for two years our breth- Dr. N. L. Linebaugh, in his report decrease in the purchasing power of and the appearance of spleen against ren will be compelled to wait before as presiding elder of the Madill Dis- the dollar. The dollar no longer pays individuals of a great visiting body, determining upon an educational politrict, at the recent session of the East for twenty pounds of sugar, as in Excepting this single incident, Mus- This is indeed a serious situation. sanest plan we have yet seen for the about half of what it was four years

constributed several hundred dollars to the adjoining circuit. More than this, he reported that a score or more of laymen from the city charge had Churches and rural schoolhouses.

Whether any one else was impresssolution for the problem of evangelizing the missionary territory within the bounds of our conferences.

This plan will save not only the Churches as well. The city Churches May we not ask, therefore, that are a reservoir of unused forces, and

Let our presiding elders, city pascampaign during the week? Shall not tors and country pastors agree upon the Advocate Campaign be made the like campaigns and the rural problem

SUBMISSION IN 1917.

hibition to the voters of Texas in 1917.

The antis are defying the majority

scriber for every ten Southern Metho-votion and the denominational loy- the State should thus defeat the will dists. This is a very modest ratio alty of our people. We ask this be- of the people. Such a defeat would and should be easily attained. Many cause we believe that the Advocate is consign to infamy the representative of the Advocates in the Northern an indispensable bond of union in our or senator who thus surrenders himself to the demands of the whisky Many of these Advocates have more because we believe the Advocate is chance to vote on the liquor business. traffic. Texas asks only one more than 40,000 subscribers. But no one the pastor's best supporter and the The majority of her people have de-First Church and St. Paul's. Each of of them has a territory comparable strongest champion of the varied en-manded such an opportunity and woe November 30, brethren, devote a ple this inalienable right. Will the Legislature obey the people or will it surrender to the whisky traffic?

We call attention to the communication of Hon. Thomas B. Love in the Dallas News of November 28. He suggests that the prohibition majority in the House and Senate should pass a resolution calling for a constitutional convention in the event of their inability to secure the required twothirds vote for the prohibition amendment. The resolution calling for a constitutional convention requires only a majority vote and cannot be vetoed by the Governor.

If Mr. Love is correct in his contentions, then a way is open whereby the people of Texas may vote on the Methodist University officials shall liquor question in 1917. And the people should demand such action of their representatives and senators before the assembling of the Legislature in January next.

Texas is sure to join the other twenty-three prohibition States of the ture as a Church depends upon the Union, upon the first opportunity establishment of their local schools. given her to do so, and this the try, else she can never fight against the abominable traffic

The eight conferences of which the Advocate is the Official Organ have complimentary reference to the local that great State. Financial disaster have her schools and to this end the held their 1916 sessions. The time is press from its usual resolutions of has overtaken each of her educational Official Organ of her conferences at hand, therefore, when the stewards will be called upon to fix the salaries of their preachers.

We desire to call the attention of A city is judged by its press quite elapse before the Epworth suit is SOLVING THE RURAL PROBLEM. these responsible officials to the large Oklahoma Conference, presented the other days. Its purchasing power is

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tion which will confront our stew- tan to crushed and bleeding races. ards this year as they proceed to fix America must send out the light to of Missions. the preachers' salaries. Which shall those who sit in darkness. standard of living?

poration has just declared an increase get that righteousness exalteth a Tyler, Charles Town, W. Va.; C. D. of 10 per cent in the salaries of their nation, while sin is a reproach to any Bulla, Nashville, Tenn. men. This increase will affect the people. income of 200,000 men and their families. It means that this great corporation will share twenty additional millions with their employes. Will B. Elrod, presiding elder, sends news just toward their ministers? -

many of our ministers will remain time of his death was pastor of Hemp- Bishop Alpheus silent when the matter of their sal- hill and Bronson Charge, Texas Con- American, Nov. 24. aries is being passed upon. They are ference. He was laid to rest at Alto not hirelings nor bargainers. Rather on Tuesday last. An appropriate me- THOMAS B. LOVE ON SUBMISSION. than appear as such, they will ponder moir of his faithful and devoted life (From Dallas News, November 28.) how their wives can patch their old will be furnished the Advocate. Meanclothes and how they can further while we mourn with all his loved wide prohibition is submitted to a tion burn up all my spiritual possessions and overrun my soul? Sh economize in order to keep their children in school. Brethren, be just to the men who minister at your altars. Share with them the unstinted bless- dist itinerancy are not passed. If the Texas arise to the opportunities now ings of God upon your enterprises. story of many preachers could be told For what hast thou that thou didst it would stimulate the sympathy and next Legislature, which has a prohinot receive?

THE NATION'S THANKSGIVING.

Recently the press carried a comparative estimate of the losses among the belligerents in the great Euro pean struggle which is now devasting a great continent. The killed and wounded during the past two years of the European war number more than fifteen millions of men. This i: to say that Europe has lest in human lives a number almost equal to the entire number of men and women who

Let the imagination on this day of National Thanksgiving try to compute what it would mean to America if all were suddenly killed or desperately wounded. How many orphans would we have? How many homes in mourn-dist Episcopal Church, South. ing? How much of the Nation's capital destroyed?

On this day of thanksgiving let us rejoice that there is not a single war cause of recent war. Not a home in this country mourns for a son or a ducted the services and made the father. For the peace of this day we first address, said the "last resting the father."

Voted upon by the or, if thought a voted upon at the November, 1918.

The time has or place for the manner of Picker Will.

Billions of capital have been dehas been paralyzed for whole nations. ley.' and students in countless thousands called Mason and Dixon Line." lie in soldiers' graves. For our fore gn trade, for our growing indus- 1:30 o'clock, and services tries, for our full colleges and univerties we are grateful today.

Antagonisms have been born in the European contest which will require a century to eradicate. Plans are maturing today for the perpetuation of commercial estrangements after the cannon shall have ceased to roar. For the escape of the American people from such racial and nat onal estrangements we are grateful today.

For the spirit of unity in the Churches, for the growth of national last sermon a few Sundays ago.

grateful today.

We cannot close this brief meditamaterially changed for our preachers tion without reminding our readers the Church have never worn more as a Nation are the measure of deepclothes than they needed nor never ened responsibilities to God and man. lived more sumptuously than they re- The blessings in this good year of our the American people. These bless-It follows (for the great majority ings are not to center in and termiof our preachers and their families) nate with us. Our election to high ton; S. V. Hildebrandt, Upperville; pimples, blotches and other eruptions

it be-an increased salary or a lower. Above all, America must permeate her politics with the spirit of Christ;

DEATH OF REV. J. B. LUKER.

Just as we go to press Brother L. ones his going away to the better land.

The days of the hero in the Methohe has been appointed to pioneer in the bank for "the rainy day." Yet pledged against submission.

BISHOP WILSON BURIED.

Bishops and ministers of all branchwho voted in the recent campaign es of Methodism joined yesterday in

Ministers and laymen from many parts of this and other States attendby the Bishop, who was its first pas-

son should be in Mt. Olive Cemetery Billions of capital have been de by the side of Bishop Asbury and stroyed in the European war. Trade hundreds of other followers of Wes-Bishop Cranston, of the Metho-Schools, colleges and universities dist Episcopal Church, said he was not of another Church, and "God speed have closed their doors. Professors the day when we will forget the so-

> States Senate. Short eulogies were other resolution should be at once delivered by Bishops Hendrix, Earl passed by majority vote. Cranston, Luther B. Wilson, Rev. B.

Services at the grave were conductism in the Nation, for the decadence ed by Revs, D. H. Kern, D. D., presid- and urged to follow this plan, unless said kind things of the paper.

ing elder of the Methodist Episcopal THE WHOLE BODY Church, South, in Baltimore, and William H. Best, pastor of Trinity Church. The services were attended by the Maryland Lodge of Masons, of which and their families. These servants of that our opportunities and blessings Bishop Wilson was the only surviving charter member. Burial was in Loudon Park Cemetery.

Among those present were:

TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

From Washington-Revs. H. quired. Their standard has always Lord are not to be selfishly used by Canter, presiding elder; D. L. Black-been a modest standard. the American people. These bless more, F. M. Richardson, J. H. Kuhlmann, J. L. Kibler.

Dr. Rawlings, Nashville, Tenn., Board

From Maryland-Revs. F. F. Neal, Laytonsville; J. P. Stump, Easton; O. W. Lusby, Aberdeen; G. H. Fielding, Annapolis; M. H. Keen, Gaithers We call the at ention of our stew- she must saturate her arteries of burg; Charles L. DeLong, Hyatts- ards to the manner in which some of trade with righteousness; she must ville; F. M. Locke, Arlington; G. T. the great corporations are meeting adopt as her code of ethics the Ten D. Collins, Elksville; J. P. Wiley, this situation. The United Steel Cor- Commandments; she must never for- Laurel; J. R. Andrew, Wesley Grove; poration has just declared an increase get that rightcourages, evaluation. Wiley,

From Baltimore—Revs. W. Goucher, Dr. Don S. Colt, Dr. J. F. Heisse, Dr. E. L. Watson, Arthur E. Owens, Dr. C. H. Richardson, Dr. L. A. Ferris, J. Edward Amos, S. Reese Murray, F. G. Porter, E. H. our Methodist men and women be as that Brother Luker passed to his eter- T. Wideman. Hugh Johnston, Dr. John nal reward at 3:15, Monday morning, D. Blake, City Health Commissioner We are constrained to make this November 27. He joined the old East Daniel Baker and Dr. Henry M. Wilplea because of our knowledge that Texas Conference in 1892, and at the and life-long friend and physician of Wilson.-Baltimore

It is in the air that when Statevote it will overwhelmingly carry in Texas. And it will be submitted to a vote next year if the prohibitionists of before them, and I believe they will.

There are two ways in which the interest of wealthy congregations in bition majority in each house, can home missions. There is a preacher give the people of Texas an opportuhome missions. There is a preacher nity to vote State-wide prohibition in the East Oklahoma Conference who into the constitution. One way is by for twelve years has never received a the submission of a constitutional salary of as much as \$400 per annum. amendment, as was done in 1911. This He has a wife and three children to would be in obedience to the mandate of a majority of the Democrats in Texas as expressed at the primaries his income by outside employment, last July. But in order to submit an confining his labors exclusively to the amendment it is required that twowork of the ministry. For ten years thirds of the members-elect of each house should vote for its submission and the anti-prohibitionists are boastfields where no preacher had worked ing that this is impossible, because before. Notwithstanding these facts, they have more than one-third of the he is clear of debt and has a snug sum membership of the Senate safely

voted in the recent Presidential camit is said by some that preachers are cisely the same end can be accomplished—that is, by the calling of a constitutional convention, and for this purpose only a majority vote of each house is required. The Governor has no power to veto a resolution calling a constitutional convention any than he has to veto one submitting a constitutional amendment. tutional convention, if called, could submit a new constitution, which, if deemed advisable, could make changes in any important provision ed the funeral services held in Trinity of the constitution except to provide Church, founded fifty-one years ago for the State-wide prohibition of the for the State-wide prohibition of the liquor traffic, and which could be voted upon by the people during 1917, or, if thought advisable, it could be voted upon at the general election in

> The time has come when this quesplace for the remains of Bishop Wil- tion ought to be settled by the vote of the people, as it is evident the majority of the people desire. As soon as the incoming Legislature, which has a prohibition majority in each house, assembles, both a submission resolution and a resolution providing for the calling of a constitutional convention should be promptly intro-Prayers were read in the home at duced and passed through the House in the of Representatives, which, it is genchurch were conducted by Bishop E. erally understood, has a more than R. Hendrix, of Kansas City, Mo. two-thirds majority for submission, Scripture lessons were read by Rev. and both should be sent to the Sen-Dr. E. V. Regester, of Alexandria, ate; and if it is found impossible to Va., and Dr. F. J. Prettyman, of secure a two-thirds vote in the Sen-Washington, chaplain of the United ate for the submission resolution, the

> By following this W. Bond, a friend of Bishop Alpheus clear that the prohibitionists in the Wilson since 1864, and to whose ef next Legislature can insure a vote on forts is largely due his entrance into State-wide prohibition in Texas at the ministry, and Dr. John O. Will- such time within the next two years con, of Greenwood, S. C., in whose as they may deem most advisable. Church Bishop Wilson preached his The Senators and Representatives should be interviewed by the people prior to their departure for Austin,

NEEDS PURE BLOOD

The bones, the muscles, and all the organs of the body depend for their strength and tone and healthy action on pure blood.

If the blood is very impure, the M. bones become diseased; the muscles lock- become enfeebled, the step loses its elasticity, and there is inability to perform the usual amount of labor. The skin loses its clearness, and appear.

Sarsaparilla makes Hood's blood. It is positively unequaled in the treatment of scrofula and other humors, catarrh, rheumatism, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, that tired feeling. Be sure to get Hood's and get it today. All druggists.

better one for meeting the wishes of the people as expressed in the July primaries can be devised. THOMAS B. LOVE.

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 27.

HEART-KEEPING.

Heart-keeping is very much like house-keeping. There must be a continual sweeping out of dirt and clear-ing out of rubbish, a daily washing of dishes, and a perpetual battle with all sorts of vermin. If heart-cleaning could be done up once for all, then the Christian might discharge all his graces, and have an easy time of it. And just because the assaults of subtle temptations are so constant, and the uprisings of sinful passions are so frequent, and the task of keeping the inward man what it ought to be is so difficult many a one who begins a religious life gets discouraged, and makes a wretched failure. The question with every Christian is; Shall these accursed Amalekites of temptasions, and overrun my soul? Shall outward assaults or inward weakness drive me to discouragement, and disgrace me before my Master and be-fore the world? Or shall they drive me to Jesus Christ, who will give me victory?-Theodore L. Cuyler.

THE ELDER BROTHER.

There was love in the heart of Mary, the mother-a love so pure and intense that it nourished the little heart throbbing close to hers, till its own power of loving reached across all races of men and divers tongues. All other loves of incompleteness lag under distance. They are partial, lacking that large self-sacrifice which can daily die to its own. More than many inventions and tunneled rivers, people crave a comforter. And still the Christ comes. He answers our longing for one to forgive our waywardness, and be kindly to our hurt, as restlessness grows into calm when the shadows of the hills lie broodingly on the path of tired feet. He takes this world of emptiness and gives it back to us full of friendly meanings. Sadness and failure were the familiar companions of his earthly days, so his words are tender and moving. Those who hear them say: "Here is one more who knows."—Arthur H.

HONOR ROLL-EAST OKLAHOMA.

The following brethren in the East Oklahoma Conference reported full payment from every Advocate subscriber including, in every case, a good list of new subscribers added this year:

Rev. C. A. Clarke, Wewoka. Rev. W. L. Blackburn, Checotah.

Rev. J. C. Cooper, Fort Gibson. Rev. A. A. Puckett, Boswell and Soper. Rev. R. M. C. Hill, Hartshorne.

Rev. W. A. Lowry, Okemah.

Rev. E. A. Townsend, Seminole, including ing all his Official Board.

Rev. O. S. Snell, Milburn, had added 24 w subscribers and only lacked one of a ful! report from every subscriber. Rev. H. P. Clarke, of Stig'er, had a good

list and only lacked two of a full report on the Advocate. Rev. W. W. Armstrong, of Hugo, added

me new subscribers and the long list sent last year and had very nearly a full report. Rev. J. R. Abernathy, of Okmulgee, had added 21 new subscribers; Rev. G. L. Crow, of Allen, 13 new subscribers; Rev. T. J. Gross, at Bismark and Valliant, 32 new subscribers; Rev. A. P. Johnson, of Caddo, 24 new subscribers; Rev. M. B. McKinney, of Stonewall, 14 new subscribers; Rev. J. H. Rogers, of Chelsea and Alluwe, 10 new subscribers to the Advocate.

Other brethren had put in good work for their Conference Organ and all of them promise that the circu'ation of the Advocate will be greatly increased this year. They gave the Advocate force a royal welcome and

SEMI-CENTENNIAL SERMON OF DR. T. F. BREWER.

(Preached at the East Oklahoma Conference, Thursday morning, November 23, 1916.)

"The days of our years are three score years and ten." Ps. 90:10.

Introduction

I am not much given to speaking about myself, but on this occasion you will expect me to speak about myself—my ministerial self. This will include the time between two dates: November, 1866 and November, 1916just fifty years.

I will not undertake to tell you all that has transpired between these dates. It would take many books to contain it all. I will only mention a few things that may interest you.

My Birth.

I was born a Methodist. My father and my mother were Methodists. My grandfathers and grandmothers, and as far back as I know, were Metho-

When I was a small boy I thought man had to be a Methodist and a

Whig to get anywhere.
I was born in 1845, just after the great excitement in the Presidential election of 1844. My father was a strong Whig and there were so many little Henry Clays in our county he named me Theodore Frelinghuysen.

From then until now I have had no trouble in defining either my politics or my religion.

Church Creed.

I have never been in doubt about the creed or polity of my Church. I accepted both without qualification.
Our twenty-five articles of faith need
no revision and I have never found
any "iron wheels" in our polity.

Bishops and Presiding Elders.

Some Churches may do without Bishops and presiding elders, but we need both. Some abuses of the office of presiding elder has made it objectionable to some people. But in such cases it is the man and not the office that needs to be changed.

Lifetime Bishops.

The nature of the office of a Bishop makes long service necessary to the greatest efficiency but it is not so with the presiding eldership. The pastor stands nearest to the people and the greatest interests of the Church. Bishops and presiding elders may fail and the Church still goes on but if the pastors fail the work of the Church fails too. Therefore it is necessary for presiding elders to have fragment experience in the pastoral work. It would do no presiding elder harm to have at least one year of experience in a pastoral charge after every four years' work in the presiding eldership.

Ecclesiastical Demagogues.

We have had a few ecclesiastical demagogues in our Church in every generation since the days of O'Kelley, and I see where in either of these offices they can do great harm, but the good Lord has mercifully kept them out of our Episcopacy and we have always had a good way of getting rid

of them in the presiding eldership.
With a wise Bishop in the chair
they don't have much chance to thrive.

Licensed to Preach.

was licensed to preach in Humboldt, Tennessee, Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October, 1866. Rev. W. H. Leigh was the presiding elder and Rev. R. H. Barnes was the preacher in charge. At the same time mission on trial in the Memphis Annual Conference. I never tried to preach until after I was admitted on trial into the conference the follow ing November. The conference met that year in Jackson, Tennessee. Bishop Robert Paine presided.

At this session of the conference I, for the first time in life, led in family prayer and asked the blessing at the

My First Appointment.

My first appointment was junior preacher on the Dyersburg Circuit. Rev. Peter I. Kelsey was the preacher in charge and Rev. Geo. W. D. Harris,

D. D., was the presiding elder.

The circuit had nineteen appointments to be filled once a month by each of the preachers. It was sixtynine miles long and thirty-eight miles wide. Since then I have served circuits, stations, districts, papers and schools.

I have never been a supernumerary be a or a superannuate. I have received God.

fifty appointments at the hands of our Bishops.

Some of them I did not expect to

get and would not have chosen before they were read out to me by the Bishop, but after the Bishop an-nounced them they were my appoint-ments and I would not have consented to a change with any of my breth-

After I had prayed earnestly and faithfully for the Lord to direct the Bishop in making the appointment why should I believe he had not done

Any kind of dissent would have discounted my faith and my prayers. Be-sides this, if the appointment was un-desirable and I failed to go to it my brother would have to go. How much better am I than my brother? No preacher ever heard me complain of my appointment or threaten not to go to it. I have always tried to be will-ing to take "pot luck" with my breth-

In every one of these appointments, before the first year was ended, I be-lieved I could see that the Lord had mething to do with the making of them. Some of my greatest spiritual blessings were received while I was serving some of these less desirable appointments

The Lord is pledged to go with the faithful pastor wherever he goes and, if necessary, "set tables before him in the presence of his enemies."

Content With Appointment.

I have never bothered Bishops nor presiding elders about my appoint-

At our last conference I reported my financial condition to the Bishop, but it had reference to my creditors rather than to myself.

While the appointment I received has paid me the same salary the one I served last year paid, yet I have been able to make satisfactory adjustments of some things that gave me

Eufaula Station is a very desirable appointment, and if it pleases the Bishop and the people I will not object if I am continued in it the balance of this quadrennium.

My appointments have all been edu-We need "lifetime Bishops," but cation to me. I have had valuable ex-we do not need lifetime presiding eld-periences in every one of them. Now, periences in every one of them. Now, then I go to a new appointment, I begin to wonder what new lessons and experiences the Lord has for me, and what he wants me to do.

Personal Purity.

During these fifty years one of my greatest concerns has been to keep his brethren.

myself right with God. I am conscious of the fact I cannot lead my of my young life vanish into dreams people into a higher and better life of an old man.

than I am living. Neither can I teach them that I do not myself know. them that I do not myself know

"Parson."

In England the sign boards give the distance to places. Hands on these boards point the way with the words "Pass On" affixed. In years gone by the fox-hunting ministers of that country were deposited "pass on". country were denominated "pass ons," which later was contracted into "par-

Our Savior told of some who bound heavy burdens on the people and would not touch them with their "little fingers."

I have often wondered how preacher could enjoin on his people family prayers and a proper family

government when things were going loosely in his own home.

Preachers, of all men, are epistles of the Lord. Men who do not read their Bibles or attend Church undertake to read the truth in the lives of God's ministers.

Marching Orders.

(during the forty days after his resurrection) our Lord gave his disciples their marching orders in these words, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." And he expected them to exemplify this gospel in their lives.

Every man called of God to preach ought at all times to be ready to say, "Here am I, send me."

into full connection in the conference, used to be asked the question, "Are you willing to go as a missionary?" If they answered, "Yes," they were enrolled on a special list to go when and where the Church might call them. I wish we might go back to that old

Some Graces Coveted.

During my ministry I have coveted many of the Christian graces. Humility is one of them. I have prayed ing grief of a pastor when his people the good Lord not to let me "think of are worshiping mammon instead of myself more highly than I ought to worshiping God. the good Lord not to let me "think of myself more highly than I ought to think." And it has helped me not to be a place-seeker in the Church of

My brethren have honored me many times beyond that I deserved. I have do it!"

but once received honorable appointment outside of my own conference. That man was wholly ignorant of the feelings of responsibility that fill My brethren have sent me seven a pastor's heart. Only a true pastor times consecutively as their delegate knows what Paul meant when he said, to our General Conferences. I have "For I could wish that myself were voted in the election of every means accurated from Christ for my heart were voted in the election of every mem-ber of our present College of Bishops, except one, Bishop Wilson. I was present, but not a delegate, at the General Conference that met in Nashville, Tennessee, in 1882, when Bishop Wilson was elected.

"Fellowship of the Saints."

Much of the joy that has come to me has been through the fellowship of the saints. The love and confidence of my brethren have been worth more to me than silver and gold. They have cheered and comforted me when the world could not do it. Many of their letters written to me, and especially those received during the present year, have been means of grace to me. They are love letters in the truest sense. I have carefully laid them away to be read by future gen-

I knew that these friends loved and sympathized with me, but it was truly comforting to have them say so. We want our friends when they love us to tell us so.

Once, when Dr. T. O. Summers was passing through a great sorrow he asked Dr. Fitzgerald, "Fitzgerald, do you love me?" To which Dr. Fitz-gerald answered, "Yes, Doctor." "Then," said Dr. Summers, "why don't

you tell me so?" It is not unmanly for a preacher to tell his brother that he loves him.

The new commandment our Lord gave his disciples was, "Love one another." "Love is the fulfilling of the divine law." On the two commandments of love "hang all the law and the prophets." These two laws have been joined together by the God of the universe and "let no man put them as under." You cannot sin against your fellowman without sinning

Love is Godlike. Hate comes from the devil's pit and is as black as the soot of it. The devil hates man be-cause God loves him and has set his heart upon him.

Visions.

When I was a young man I had visions many, and I have them yet, and they have not all vanished into I have translated many of them into realities. A preacher without a vision is an anomaly among

i have experienced some perils along the way, but not as many as beset Paul. I have never been in "perils of false brethren." My breth-ren have sometimes misunderstood me and on that account misjudged me, but I did not hold it against them and tried the harder to love them. And it did not take a great deal of the grace of the Lord Jesus to do it. I love my brethren and have tried to prove it to them. Strange as it may some men are older at forty than are are at sixty years of each. seem some of them require the proof others are at sixty years of age. before they will believe it.

full into my face, I can sing as I never sang before, "All My Life I Give to Jesus; It Belongs to Him."

Abiding Grief. The most abiding grief I have had

was when the banner of my Lord was trailing in the dust. There have been times in my life when I hung my harp upon the willows and said, "How can I sing the Lord's songs."

I can say more sleepless nights darkness that hung over the "Temple Beautiful" than ever came to me because of my own personal misfortunes and griefs.

A man said to me once, "Why both-work; often asking for the heaviest er yourself so much about those silly part of the load.

people? If they want to gamble and Sarah was never truer to the vows

the feelings of responsibility that fill a pastor's heart. Only a true pastor knows what Paul meant when he said, "For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh."

Summing Up.

I do not know how much I have been benefited by my experiences in life, but I do know that my faith is not bounded by physical laws, nor the teaching of scienists. In the beginning of the centuries religion and science went hand in hand, but in these later times the so-called disthese later times the so-called discoveries of scientists have made wide breaches between them. But the glad day is coming when we will know that the God of the Bible is the God of the universe also, and that the teachings of the Bible does not contradict the teaching of science. There is no conflict between them. is no conflict between them.

Today I can "see God" in every-thing as I never saw him before. The radiance of his Spirit was never so beautiful to me. I don't like any expression that seems to limit God in any of his attributes. By faith I like to look up into his divine face and from the bottom of my heart say, "My God can do anything and whatever

he does is right."

Wedding Anniversary. The twenty-sixth day of last March was our forty-third wedding anniversary. While seated at the table with my wife, my children and my grandchildren, one of them asked, "How would you like to turn the dial hack forty-three years and be a bridgegroom again?" I answered, "Forty-three years ago I was as hap-py as any bridegroom could well be, but I am happier today than I was then."

No, I don't want to turn the dial back even for a day. I want to go on as God may direct until the sum-mons "to come up higher" is received. Then let "My body with my charge lay down and cease to work and to live."

I don't want the time of superannuation to ever come to me! But if it does come I believe I will know it first and will not wait for you to tell me. I believe I will be loyal enough to the best interests of the Church to

ask for it.

When pastoral charges cease to ask for me and the Bishop has to move me every year then I ought to super-

In deference to a brother's wishes to remain on the effective list, our Bishops moved him eleven times in as many years, and the conference at last superannuated him against his will. The will of no man should stand in the way of the best interest of the Church. The Church is bigger than any man.

dreary." But every time I have gone down into the waters of affliction I have come back a better man than I was before.

Like the raindrops that sparkle in the rays of the morning sun the light of hope and faith and love have been brighter, stronger and more satisfying.

Now that I have climbes to should be a "sunbeam." And like the waters of the little brook that go leaping over the pebbles and laughling their way down to the sea, he should go smiling his way through life. Religion makes our faces found and not long. Long faces do not belong to the kingdom of heaven.

It is a sad sight to see a younglife and

Now that I have climbed the hill of ing along the way; but it is sadder life and am going down on the other still when an old saint, standing on side with the evening sun shining the margin of the river, with its waters almost touching the soles of his feet, when the dewrops of heaven are sparkling in his hair and the finger prints of the angels are on his brow, sighing, "There is no one to love." O, brother, what have you done in this beautiful world that you are sighing "There is no one to love? "Honor to Whom Honor Is Due."

Now, brethren, in conclusion, "hon-

or to whom honor is due."

In my early ministry an angel of the Church at Corinth laid her tender hand in mine and said. "Whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God shall be my God; only death shall part me and thee."

For forty-three years and a half she walked by my side, fully sharing in all my joys, my sorrows and my work; often asking for the heaviest

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as a new day was about to dawn, sent the fine school property of the Dishis angels for her and in a halo of ciples, now closed on account of the

beautiful gate watching for me.'

JUST RAMBLIN' 'ROUND.

Rev. F. S. Onderdonk.

What a luxury it is to have plenty to do. This scribe has been reappointed Superintendent of the Texas-Mexican Mission with the Italian and Bohemian Mission thrown in for good Del Rio. They told us of a probability measure. With nineteen Mexican pastoral charges and four of the other foreign works, gives twenty-four pastoral charges scattered over a consideral charges scattered over a consideral charges and four of the other pastoral charges are considerable and the other pastoral charges and four of the other pastoral charges are charged as the other pastoral charges and four of the other pastoral charges are charged as the other pastoral charged as the other pastoral charg foreign works, gives twenty-four pas-toral charges scattered over a considerable territory.

The first Quarterly Conference for

the new year was at Eagle Pass. Bro. George Pickens and h.s estimable wife were accepted for mission work this year, and they were sent out there. It was on the last day of Oc-tober that Kitten and I turned the nose of our "Tin Henry west. A late start was probably due to many odds that the male member of the family had to attend to. We left about 10

in the morning.

The roads in the West are a joy when they are good, and we found them fine on this occasion. That late lunch near Sabinal will not soon be forgotten. We killed enough doves forgotten. We killed enough doves along the road for a good meal, passed Uvalde late in the evening and ran on to the Nucces River for a good camp-ing place. The water in this stream is as clear as crystal and fine for drinking and bathing. Since we con-verted the car into a sleeper it is dead easy to let down the back of the tront seat, make down your bed and turn

Next morning, while the Mrs. was washing up the dishes, I got out the fishing rod and line, caught some grasshoppers, went up the river a short distance, and in the old-fashioned way caught us a good mess of fish. The drive from the Nueces by La Pryor to Eagle Pass is over a nne road, which, in places, is as straight as an arrow as far as the eye can reach. There is something about these western hills that captivate me. No day is ever too long when I can ride over them. This was November 1, the opening of the deer season. A short distance out of La Pryor we met some young fellows returning home with a fine buck tied on the runningboard of their car. I got so excited that I came near running into a ditch. I remembered my good old rifle away down in Mexico with the rest of my worldly goods, and the fact that guns have gone so high that the thought of getting another is out of the ques-tion. However, at lunch that day, fried fish and doves went mighty good.

We had never been in Eagle Pass before, except to pass through, but I remembered that my young friend irving Gilleland lived there and soon found him. From him we located our young preacher. Poor Pickens, he had ransacked that town for a house in which to live, but with no avail. Army officers had everything grabbed, and so I found my gritty little preach-er and his noble wife located in a little servant's room in the back yard of a good sister, and for this he was paying the insignificant sum of five dollars per month, with the privilege of storing his goods on the outside. George philosophically reminded me

substantial. In a short while our pas- Vera Cruz and wash its hands of the tor to the Mexicans will have a par- unlawful invasion. sonage. How we are to pay for it is Maximillian was an ambitious sol-another question, but what God wants dier, the tool of Austria and crafty done we ought to do, and we will do it Reman Catholic elements in Mexico, It may be that you will

she made to Abraham than was this at Church every time? That is what

Brother Wheat, pastor of the Ameri-In the great and last day when the can people, and a very prince he is, books are opened many good deeds was just moving in that day. Picken's done down here that you have so house was too small to receive comkindly credited to me will be found pany, so we just drove, with her permission in the last day when the But the Lord needed her, and on slept in the car. Next morning we the eleventh day of last August, just crossed over into Mexico and visited as a new day was about to days over the fine school property of the Disc glory she went with them to her unsettled condition of Mexico. It was home in the skies.

And in my visions I can see her at Rio Grande for two years. How sad "waiting and it looks over there! Say what we may, but that poor country looks ruined.

The people look d scouraged, they ap-"How I long to join her wing
And roam the fields, the fields of thing happens, and that something is uncertain. I went into the market blooming flowers! uncertain. I went into the market
Come, holy watchers, come and bring
A mourner to your blissful bowers!" each in Carranzo money or five cents in our own. One woman, from whom I purchased a little clay olla, appreciated my friendly spirit, and with a groan said: "Sir, things have changed; they are not like they used be." I came back to this side sick at heart over the condition of that country that

It was late before we got away for ing stream. Of course, I fished, but took nothing. Killed some doves. The next morning we rolled on into Del Rio, where we were to spend Sunday and open our new Mexican

church. In the beautiful new parsonage of Del Rio we found, as we always do, unstinted hospitality from Brother and Sister Swanson. Swanson and wife are a funny couple. They are like Brother and Sister Wood at Karnes City—just like to have company.

delight in that service. For such a long time our Mexican people have been trying to do the Lord's work in an old delapidated adobe building in a most undesirable place. This new church, which cost a little over \$2100. is a perfect gem and with it our Mexican work in that important place will go forward. In this way I desire to thank Brother Swanson and his peo-ple as well as other friends for their help, without which we could never have built this church. It means so much to our Mexican work to have pastors and presiding elders who show an interest in it.

It was a big jump from Del Rio to Palacios, where I went to dedicate our new Mexican church. Brother Vargas and the good people had built a charming place of worship and on Sunday night it was dedicated to God with a congregation that overflowed I had the privilege of preaching to the American brethren, whose new pastor, Brother Garrett, was most kind. In the home of Brother and Sister John Traylor I found royal hospitality. The Baptist Encampment grounds were visited and thoroughly studied. They are cramped for room. We will have a much better property

at Port O'Connor. From Palacios I jumped to Alice, where I am in a tent meeting with the Mexicans. It is packed at nights in spite of the cool weather, and we are expecting a great victory for the Lord. Let those who assisted in purchasing this tent know that it has been a mighty blessing to our Mexican work. More anon.

Continent of America.

and while both sections were full of their own affairs-Austria, France and England took unfair advantage of the Monroe Doctrine to invade Mexico and establish Prince Maximillian as Emperor of Mexico. Maximillian was a brother of the late Francis Joseph of the house of Hapsburg, a hous George philosophically reminded me the house of Hapsburg, a house and that it never rained out that way and he considered the stuff safe.

There was nothing else to do but to get busy and build a little parsonage on the same lot with our Mexican part of the expedition had the good church, which is of brick and very page.

and his wife, Empress Carlotta, pos-

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firio Diaz, and other leaders, captured regret that the circumstances of the Maximillian and one or two Mexican time prevented our receiving and Generals, who were his supporters, welcoming a delegate from your great and executed them, ending the Aus-

decline of her husband's rule, had sped to France to arouse assistance from Napoleon and the Pope. The Pope had graphic way of the greatness of your no help for her. Napoleon turned his work. We are all well aware, and not no help for her. Napoleon turned his back upon her as she stood in his presence and passionately plead for help for the sinking fortunes of her husband.

It is said she was a raving maniac from the moment that Napoleon's face was turned from her. In the midst of her bitter and disappointing experiences in Europe her husband was shot by the victorious Mexicans. She returned to Mexico no more. Her people took her to a remote castle in Austria and there she is to this day in an insane condition.

These Mexican tragedies were oc-curring just as our Civil War was closing out. Wm. H. Seward, Amerily told Napoleon the French and Austrian expedition must be withdrawn from Mexico. Mr. Seward explained to Napoleon the demands of the Mon-

roe Doctrine.

This was the first great tragedy following the enforcement of that doctrine, and the house of the late Francis

in South and Central America, and is equal to "an army with banners" in keeping the grasping hand of Europe from touching American territory.

FERENCE.

By E. Hightower.

The following communication, being the answer of the British Conference of 1916 to the address of the General Conference of the Methodist General Conference of the Methodis.

Episcopal Church, South, was received by the Secretary of the College of Bishops, read to that body, and directed to be given to the General Conference. We feel that circumstances must decide when the

"Dear and Honored The yearly Conference assembled in hour strikes. London, under the presidency of Rev. "We again Dr. Tasker and meeting for the first cere and prayerful interest in all your I preached to an interesting little congregation that night. The Mexican children are so attentive that it is a privilege to preach to them. What romance. Various factions of Mexico would our American pastors give to have all their Sunday School scholars sessed vauning ambition and tireless of the first cere and prayerful interest in all your time in our new churchhouse in the affairs, of our gratitude for your symcity of Westminster, received with unfeigned pleasure your address. We guide you continually! "Signed on behalf of and by order you report to us and for the spirit of the Conference." "SIMPSON JOHNSON, Sec."

Conference. It would have been our Meantime, Carlotta, discovering the shown him similar courtesies to those which were showered upon our repjoy to have listened to his voice and resentative, who told us in his own least those of us who have visited America, how difficult it is to realize your conditions. You think in millions and work in cities of magnificent distances which make our islands shrink in proportion. But we remember 'the essential oneness of Metho dism,' to borrow your own words, and

in this we rejoice. "We are not able, judging by fig-ures only, to report the success our hearts long for. There are many ex-planations, into which it is not possible to enter in this communication. Taking a wider survey of our influ-ence, we are thankful to remember that at no former period have we can Secretary of State, was in correspondence with Napoleon at time of Carlotta's return to Europe and plainly told Napoleon the French and Australia (Napoleon the Indiana) (Napoleon the In references you make to our fiery trial of war. A visitor to our country at this moment might easily misunder-stand the strange calm of the people. He would attribute it to indifference born of ignorance. The reasons are much deeper. Never before did we The death of Francis Joseph of Austral authority of Spain on the North American Continent, with usurpers in South and Central American the American Continent of America. sent a son to the field or a daughter to nurse the wounded or to work in the munitions factory. Death that en-MESSAGE OF THE BRITISH CON- next tomorrow. We are like one family whose interests are identical. We are sustained by the grace of God, because our own cause is just. Our Conference responded whole-heartedly to the words of our President in his 'naugural address when he said: 'If we had kept out of this conflict, it

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NOTES FROM THE FIELD

A SUPERANNUATED PREACHER.

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Allow us to say some very good things about our last pastoral charge—the Era and Spring Creek charge, including Bolivar and Melvin. It has as fine people as have ever met anywhere and they were specially mindful of wife and I and not only our folks were kind to us, but other faiths. In many respects our last year in the active ministry was our best. The fellowship with my people was splendid indeed and they made life pleasant in so many ways, for all of which we are profoundly grateful. I have heard of some preachers being pounded, some watched and some canned, but I was suited. Yes, not long before conference our good people absolutely suited us, and surely showered my good wife just as if she was the bride-to-be, for all of these kind remembrances we are thankful indeed and pray good's blessings upon all who helped, such blessings to obtain. Well we are here at Lewisville in the superannuate home, given by that enterprising and consecrated layman, C. M. Jacobson. The people here are just as kind to us as we could ask. I am delighted with these excellent people. Did you ever hear of a retired preacher being pounded? Well, things good for the larder have found the way to this home, and the good women of the Woman's Missionary Society placed some needed things in our home. God bless our good women. With Doctor Harless as our presiding elder, and that kind and brotherly R. N. Stone as our pastor, we expect a good year, Bishop, Have already preached, yea, through the kind and brotherly R. N. Stone as our pastor, we expect a good year, Bishop, Have already preached, yea, through the kind and brotherly R. N. Stone as our presiding elder most important hour during every meeting to present the claims of the Advocate.—R. A. Waitrip, West Texas Conference Evangelist.

We arrived here November 10; found a little town of about four hundred people and some of the best people I think I have ever met. We have a very good parsonage—needs some repair, and they intend to repair it. They are putting some new furniture in the parsonage. We preached Sunday and Sunday night in spite of bad weather. We had a good congregation. Dexter has the finest lot of young people I have ever seen anywhere. They come to church and behave when they get there. On Tuesday night almost the entire community pounded the preacher. There were something like fifty people at the pounding and I think almost every one brought something. Some brought flour, some brought meal and others brought canned goods, etc. In all about \$12.00 worth. We are well pleased with our work and people. We are praying for a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit. I suspect some of you brethren will hear the Macedonian call come over to Dexter and help us this summer, for we have six meetings.—L. M. Manning.

the pounding are still coming in, as we go to "press."—W. W. Gollhingh.

GRAND PRAIRE.

On the first day of last August we came to serve these good people. The conference at Greenville returned us for this conference at growth of the presence which most Churches are not called upon to do. Last evening the parsonage was stormed. Men, women and children marched in and deposited in the ketchen one of the largest and most substantial poundings we have ever experienced. We have been heretofore trying out the "high cess of living." I suppose we shall now try the barrel and oil in the cruse. A Thanksgiving turkey chirps cheerfully in the poultry house. Yes, brethren, flour, sugar, coffee, meats, canned goods, fruit cake and other necessaries too numerous to mention. We have received far more than we merit. We shall do out best for these kind people. Pray for us.—In C. Kiker, Nov. 25.

"FAREWELL TRIBUTE."

A fitting tribute to the love and esteem in which Rev. H. H. McCain and his family are held was given on Monday evening, prior to their departure on Tuesday for their new home at Henderson, Texas, when a large number of his members and friends took them by "storm." Mrs. Buggin, as the clever originator, had invited the party to meet at her home at 8 o'clock and everyone came how "storm." Mrs. Buggin, as the clever originator, had invited the party to meet at her home at 8 o'clock and everyone came how "storm." Mrs. Buggin, as the clever originator, had invited the party to meet at her home at 8 o'clock and everyone came home at 8 o'clock and everyone came how "storm." Mrs. Buggin, as the clever originator, had invited the party to meet at her home Associations, and they departed to storm the parsonage. This attestation of friendship was sircer in its demonstration, and while the refreshments were being served, after a pleasant time the honorees of this lovely affair, Miss Willimae

presented to Brother McCain a lovely gift from the Methodist ladies, a gold knife and chain with the desire that "our friendship, like the go'd, may ever be unalloyed." And to Mrs. McCain she gave a beautiful cut glass vase, with the wish that "our friendship may ever reflect its crystal beauty." Dr. McCain's response was indeed touching and he felt most deeply this demonstration of real appreciation of his stay with us. The best wishes of our entire citizenship go with this estimable family to their new home.—Rosebud News, per Geo. W. Davis, Presiding Elder Marlin District.

BRAZORIA.

Brother Simeon Shaw made a stirring appeal in behalf of Prohibition at the Methodist Church in Brazoria last Sunday. Brother Shaw was with us about two months ago and as the fame of his eloquence had been noised abroad, a well-filled house awaited him. People came from miles around and some who found themselves too late to hear him followed him to Angleton where his next address was to be made.—Mrs. Nettie W. Weems.

REPORT OF GENERAL EVANGELIST D. L. COALE.

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L. M. Manning.

SAN AUGUSTINE.

We have been returned to San Augustine for the third year. This is new experience for this place but not for us. Some of the people are rejoicing over our return and some are not. We have learned "To weep with those who weep and rejoice with those who weep and rejoice with those who do rejoice." We hope to make this the best year of our lives, and do the most for the Church of any one year of our ministry. We have had one of the best "poundings" we have ever had do the most for the Church of any one year of sugar and six gallons if ribbon can be syrup. I have decided if I can't be pretty I will try to be sweet, if the sweetness last long enough. Our motto, to start with, is everything in full this year and the best report that ever came from San Augustine. I wore a new, gray suit to conference, while these suits keep our bodies warm we will carry warm hearts for the ones who made the gist stand we hereby thank everybody for their kindness to us. There has been never the course, and a suit we appreciate these tokens of good will and while these suits keep our bodies warm we will carry warm hearts for the ones who made the gist stand we hereby thank everybody for their kindness to us. There has been not only the many different pool that the process of the following are still coming in, as we go to "press."—W. W. Gollihugh.

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had about thirty young people at Sunday School accept Christ. At night there were twenty grown people who definitely accepted Christ and thirty or forty more came forward for prayer. There were fifteen grown men at the night service among the converts. This has been the best meeting for years, if not in the history of the place. God bless the Advocate family.—Ed G. Phillips, Nov. 26.

NEVADA.

A very fine meeting was held at Lavon the last two weeks. Rev. Ed Philips, of Siloam. Arkansas, held it under unfavorable circumstances. Mud, cold and rain were some of the hindrances. Nowithstanding there were about sixty conversions and reclamations. Twenty-seven have ioined the various Churches. Brother Philips is no stranger to the people of Lavon and Nevada. He was reared in this country and has many friends here. He is known as one of our best evangelistic singers. I was with him in this meeting some and did some of the preaching for him. To his credit, let it be said, it was a splendid meeting and much good accomplished.—W. J. Bludworth.

BODY.

The Paris correspondent of the New York Sun in a recent communi-brings uplift and cleanness of soul cation takes up the value of human and heart. Let us welcome it into our beings computed on a purely physical basis, in the following manner:

How much is the human body worth? The calculation is not difficult, and the answer is about eight dollars. The human body, a French scientist calculates, including skin, bones, tiesh, nerves, blood, fat and

bones, flesh, nerves, blood, fat and cartilages, is reduced by analysis to iron, salt, sugar, lime, phosphorus, magnesia, albumen, fatty substances and residue which can be used. If this body weights 150 pounds, an average weight, there would be enough by-products of the body to make an ordinary iron nail, enough salt to fill a table salt sellar, enough sugar to fill a small sugar bowl, enough lime to whitwash a chicken coop. lime to whitwash a chicken coop, enough phosphorus to make a dozen matches, enough magnesia for one dose. The albuminoids obtained could be used by a tricky baker to re-place the whites of a hundred eggs

NOT FOR SALE.

Some folks think that the only things in the world that have value are the things one can handle and buy and sell. There are things that are not on the market. They are not for sale, and they can not be bought. The Church stands for value. It counts its assets not in the amount of money its members possess, but in the character they possess. Money may pass, and business fall, and houses burn, but character will last through eternity. This is what Jesus was talking about all the time. Salvation throught Christ's blood will be manifested in character. Character can not be bought; it is what a man is. The Church d.als with the timeis. The Church d.als with the time-less and the eternal verities. Repu-tation is what we think a man is, but character is what he is. That is a wide difference. The Church stands THE MATERIAL WORTH OF THE for the noblest, the best. Let us give ourselves to the real meaning of Christ and the Church, and welcome with all our hearts that gospel which hearts, so that we may be, in fact, the children of God. — Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

> The great cure for all the diffi-culties and trouble that lie ahead in this country and all other countries is the improvement mentally, spiritually, and morally of the people of the country. If we are really to prosper in this country with a lasting and progressing prosperity, the foundations of it must be laid in right coursess and poblish; and for it righteousness and nobility and forti-tude of character. Given those essentials, sound laws, liberty, justice, whatever makes for human development will follow.—Harper's Weekly.

> Nearly half a million spindles in the Lancashire, England, cotton spinning country are idle because the worker: have gone into the army.

YOU NEEDN'T.

be used by a tricky baker to replace the whites of a hundred eggs and there would be enough fat to fill a ten-pound pot.

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New York is both the largest Jew-ish and the largest Irish city in the

Cisco District-First Round.

Cisco District—First Round.

Eastland, Dec. 3, 4.
Rising Star, Dec. 10, 11.
May, at B., Dec. 11, 12.
Strawn, Dec. 16, 17.
Gordon, at M. Z., Dec. 17, 18.
Thurber, at M., Dec. 18.
Ranger, at R., Dec. 19.
Gorman, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Desdemona, at D., Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Beschemidge, at B., Jan. 6, 7.
Eolian, at H., Jan. 7, 8.
Scranton, at P., Jan. 13, 14.
Cisco Mission, at D., Jan. 14, 15.
Staff, at K., Jan. 20, 21.
Carbon, at W. C., Jan. 21, 22.
Wayland, at W., Jan. 27, 28.
Cross Cut, at Byrds, Feb. 3, 4.
Sipe Springs, at S. S., Feb. 10, 11.
Rommey, at R., Feb. 11, 12.
Cisco, Feb. 18, 19.
Pastors' Conference and Missionary Institute at Scranton, Jan. 17, 18.
E. P. WILLIAMS, P. E.

Brownwood District-First Round.

Brownwood District—First Round.

Brownwood (preaching), Nov. 26.
Coleman (preaching), Dec. 3.
Zephyr, at Zephyr, Dec. 6.
Bangs, at Bangs, Dec. 9, 10.
Winchell, at Winchell, Dec. 16, 17.
Indian Creek, at Indian Creek, Dec. 19.
Blanket, at Blanket, Dec. 23, 24.
Valera, at Valera, Dec. 30, 31.
Santa Anna, Jan. 6, 7.
Rockwood, at Rockwood, Jan. 9.
Winters, Jan. 13, 14.
Wingate, at Drasco, Jan. 14, 15.
Novice, at Midway, Jan. 17.
Norton, at Norton, Jan. 20, 21.
Talpa, at Talpa, Jan. 27, 28.
Robert Lee, at R. L., Feb. 3, 4.
Bronte, at Bronte, Feb. 4, 5.
Coleman (Quarterly Conference), Feb. 6.
Ballinger, Feb. 10, 11.
Brownwood (Quarterly Conference), Feb. 12.

Dallas District-First Round.

Dallas District—First Round.

Brooklyn Avenue, Dec. 4, 8 p. m.
Cole Avenue, Dec. 5, 8 p. m.
Forest Avenue, Dec. 6, 8 p. m.
Forest Avenue, Dec. 7, 8 p. m.
Highland Park, Dec. 8, 8 p. m.
Oak Cliff, Dec. 12, 8 p. m.
Oak Cliff, Dec. 13, 8 p. m.
Oak Lawn, Dec. 14, 8 p. m.
Oak Lawn, Dec. 14, 8 p. m.
Tyler Street, Dec. 18, 8 p. m.
Grand Prairie, third Sunday December.
Wheatland, first Sunday January.
Cochran, second Sunday January.
Cochran, second Sunday January.
Irving, fourth Sunday January.
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Maple Avenue, fourth Sunday (night)

Altus, Okla.

McAlester District—First Round.

Eufaula, Dec. 3.
Keota, at Keota, Dec. 9, 10.
Hartshorne, 11 a. m., Dec. 17.
Philip's Memorial, 11 a. m., Dec. 24.
Barnette Memorial, 7 p. m., Dec. 24.
Spiro, Dec. 30, 31.
Braden, 7 p. m., Dec. 31.
Stigler, Jam. 6, 7.
Atoka, Jan. 13, 14.
Coalgate, Q. C. and preaching at 4 p. m., Jan. 14.
Dustin and Lamar, at Dustin, Jan. 20, 21.
Allen and Atwood, at Allen, 7 p. m., Jan. 21.
Kiowa Cir., at Kiowa, Jan. 27, 28.
Ashland Cir., at Kiowa, Jan. 27, 28.
Ashland Cir., at Wardville, 4 p. m., Jan. 28.
Stuart and Alderson, at Stuart, 7 p. m., Feb. 4.
Caddo, Feb. 10, 11.
Camedian Cir., at Taska, 7 p. m., Feb. 11.
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Camedian Cir., at Tame, Feb. 20.
District Stewards' meeting in Philip's Memorial, 10 a. m., Dec. 12. We very much desire that every District Steward and preacher be present at this meeting. We want to have a conference and plan for the work of the year. Let the stewards plan their work early and collect a part, a fourth part, of the preacher's sa'ary. Some of them need it badly now.

J. M. PETERSON, P. E.

Let all the brethren who think of using me this year let me hear from you soon so I may a reprove as many of you as I can this winter. May the Lord give us a great year.

NAVASOTA DISTRICT.

The District Stewards, Charge Lay Leaders and preachers of the Navasota District are called to meet at Conroe on December 7, at 1:30 p. m., instead of the 12th, as formerly announced. We are very anxious that each of the above named for meet at Epworth Church, Chickasha, on Tuesday, December 12, at 2:30 p. m. It is earnestly desired that there be a full attendance of the above officials in order that due consideration may be given to important plans for the vork of the year's work.

R. L. OWNBEY, P. E.

Amarillo District-First Round.

It seems to me I'd like to go
Where bells don't ring or whistles
blow,
Nor clocks don't strike, nor gongs
don't sound,
And I'd have stillness all round.
Not real stillness, but just the trees,
Low whispering, or the hum of bees,
Or brooks, faint babbling over stones
In strangely, softly tangled tones;
Or maybe the cricket or katydid,
Or the songs of birds in the hedges
hid,

Amarillo District—First Round.

Texline, Nov. 30.
Stratford, Dec. 1, 2.
Dalhart, Dec. 2, 3.
Channing, Dec. 3, 4.
Dumas, Dec. 9, 10.
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Ochiltree Mission, Dec. 16, 17.
Hansford, Dec. 17, 18.
Hereford, Dec. 30, 31.
Canyon, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Panhandle, Jan. 4.
Glazier, Jan. 5.
Higgins, Jan. 6, 7.
Canadian, Jan. 7, 8.
Vega, Jan. 13, 14.
Amarillo, Polk Street, Jan. 20, 21.
Amarillo, Polk Street, Jan. 21, 22.
Amarillo Mission, Jan. 27, 28.
ERNEST E. ROBINSON, P. E.

Muskogee District-First Round

To fill a tired heart with ease.

If 'twerent's for sight and sound and smell,

I'd like the city pretty well;

But when it comes to getting rest,
I like the country lots the best.

Sometimes it seems to me I must
Just quit the city's din and dust
And get out where the sky is blue—
And say, now, how does that sound to you?

—Eugene Field.

When men cease to ask "What am I to get?" and begin to say, "What can I give?" then we shall see a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness.—John Watson, D. D.

Muskogee District—First Round.

Checotah, Dec. 9, 10.
Fort Gibson, Dec. 13, Muldrow, Dec. 16, 17.
Hanson Cir., at Hanson, Dec. 17, 18.
Salisaw, Dec. 19, 20.
Vian, Dec. 20, 21.
Braggs and Gore, at Braggs, Dec. 23, 24.
Stilwell Cir., at Westville, Jan. 2, 3.
Park Hill and Hulbert, at Park Hill, Jan. 6, 7.
Tahlequah, Dec. 9, 10.
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Tahlequah, Dec. 9, 10.

Wastrill Cir., at Stilwell, Dec. 30, 31.
Westville Cir., at Rocky Ridge, Jan. 16, 17.
Porum and Fawn, at Porum, Jan. 20, 21.
Muskogee, First Church, Jan. 31.
Wainvright Cir., at Harris-Jobe, Jan. 28.
Muskogee, St. Paul, Feb. 3, 4.
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Muskogee, St. Paul, Feb. 7.
Boynton and Morris, at Morris, Feb. 10, 11.
The District Stewards and pastors are here-by called to meet me at First Church, Muskogee, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m. Let all come.
R. C. TAYLOR, P. E.

Weatherford District-First Round.

Weatherford District—First Round.

Aledo, Preaching, Dec. 17, 11 a. m.
Mineral Wells, Preaching, Dec. 24, 11 a. m.
New Castle, Dec. 31, 11 a. m.
Olney Mission, at Ingleside, Dec. 31, 3 p. m.
Olney, Jan. 1, 7 p. m.
Loving, at Red Top, Jan. 2, 11 a. m.
Eliasville, at Eliasville, Jan. 3, 11 a. m.
Graham Mission, at Henry's Chapel, Jan. 6, 7, 11 a. m.
Graham, Jan. 7, 7 p. m.
Pastors' Conference and Missionary Institute
for Young County will be held at Graham,
Jan. 9, 9 a. m. We want Sunday School
Superintendents and teachers, lay leaders
and stewards for a live, red hot one day
session. Come on, Brothers Crawford and
Hightower, and tell us what you want us to
do this year.
Graford, at Graford, Jan. 13, 14, 11 a. m.
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Milsap, at Garner, Jan. 23, 11 a. m.
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Missionary Institute and Pastors' Conference for Palo Pinto and Parker Counties will be held at Couts Memorial February 13.

L. A. WEBB, P. E.

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Please allow me to make a correction through your paper which appeared in the Annual of the West Texas Conference. Sinton Station, in the Beeville District, is reported to have been assessed for presiding elder \$120 and for preacher in charge \$800. It should be presiding elder, \$165 and paid, and \$1100 for preacher in charge and paid. The financia! report of San Benito and Sinton have been exchanged. We feel in justice to our peeple here this statement should be made.

JOHN K. BEERY, Pastor.

In your report of the proceedings of the Texas Conference in the Advocate of 'he 16th inst., under the head of Question 22, you failed to report the passage of character of Brother J. A. Moore and myself. This is a small matter, but some one might raise the question. My name should have been the first to call after the presiding elders and superannuates, it being the first name on the Beaumont District roll and Brother J. A. Moore the text. You began your list with Glenn Flinn. Our names were called and characters passed.

GUS GARRISON.

In obituary of Mr. A. B. Goodner, in issue of Advocate of November 16, 1916, it is said, "The funeral services yere held by Rev. W. U. Witt and Rev. H. A. Stroud in the presence of the pastor," Brother Canter, pastor, was in Guthrie at the time and could not be secured for this service. Should read "in 'absence' of the pastor."

MRS. A. B. GOODNER.

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Maple Avenue, fourth Sunday

uary.
Dates for preaching in the city will be ar
ranged with the pastors.
SAM R. HAY, P. E.

District Stewards of Weatherford District
will meet at First Church, Weatherford December 21, 2 p. m.

L. A. WEBB, P. E.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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All advertisements in this department will be set uniformly. No display or black-faced type will be used.

Copy for advertisements must reach this office by Saturday to insure their insertion. We have not investigated the merits of any proposition offered in these columns, but it is in-tended that nothing of a questionable nature shall appear. You must make your own trades.

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TO THE CLERICAL MEMBERS OF THE NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

I have today, November 25, mailed to Mr. J. E. Hannegan, Joint Agent of the South-western Clergy Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., a certified list of the appointments of our conference as made at the recent sessioa. In making out your applications you may refer him to this list which will thus save you some time and trouble.

ROBERT GIBBS MOOD, Secretary.

TRUSTEES ALEXANDER COLLEGE.

The trustees of Alexander College will meet in Jacksonville, Tuesday, December 5, at 7 p. m., Methodist Church. Every trustee is asked to be present. The trustees must meet te carry into effect the action of the Texas Cenference in regard to bond issue.

I. F. BETTS, Pres. Board.

TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS AND PASTORS OF THE WEST TEXAS CON-FERENCE.

FERENCE.

For a number of years the Board of Missions of the West Texas Conference has been able to carry over a sum sufficient to help meet the first quarter's drafts of the conference missionaries. Last year we could not do this and for the present conference year we start out without a cent in the treasury. If we meet the first quarter's drafts on time, and we must do it, we must have early collections for Home and Conference Missions. If every presiding elder will urge the matter at the first quarterly meetings to be held in the next two months and if every pastor will take a collection we can pay our brethren who are serving mission charges when the first quarter's drafts are due. The Board of Missions serving mission charges when the first quar-ter's drafts are due. The Board of Missions is counting on you and we believe you will meet the situation confronting your Board. F. B. BUCHANAN,

Secretary Board of Missions Missionary Secretary

"SURELY THE RIGHTEOUS SHALL GIVE THANKS UNTO THY NAME."

How many, at this bright and happy Thanksgiving season, are stopping long enough to give thanks unto the Lord for their blessings? How many of those who are thankful have expressed their appreciation in some visible way? It seems that many, in these rushing days, are so busy with worldly affairs that they forget to give the thank offering.

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A WORD PERSONAL.

Many of my brethren know that I was sick two weeks before conference, and found it quite difficult to do my work during the session of conference. I came to Marian on Thursday after conference and am now under the care of my old friend and coflege roommate. Dr. J. W. Torbett, in his sanitarium. I hope to be back at my work by the second Sunday in December.

W. H. MATTHEWS.

MARRIED.

COLWELL-WATSON—Mr. A. B. Colwel, of Orange, Texas, and Miss Mary Watson, of Luling, Texas, at the Methodist parsonage in Luling, Texas, November 20, 1916, Rev. W. F. Weeks officiating.

HILL-MERCER—Mr. L. E. Hill, of Leesville, Texas, and Miss Cora Mercer, of Luling, Texas, at the Methodist parsonage, Luling, Texas, November 22, 1916, Rev. W. F. Weeks, officiating.

Distress after eating, belching, and nauseabetween meals are symptoms of dyspeps which Hood's Sarsaparilla always cures.

POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES.

Rev. H. K. Agee, Belmont, Texas. Rev. J. E. Matlock, 127 C Avenue, Okla homa City, Okla.

Rev. Simeon Shaw, Sr., 32 Vida Ave., Vick's Park, Houston, Texas.

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Funds and edibles would be a generous blessing to the Home, and Thanksgiving the most appropriate time for sending them. We are praying and have faith that you will help. The Lord hears the prayers of his needy ones and "I know that the Lord will maintain the cause of the afflicted, and the right of the poor."

R. A. BURROUGHS.

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WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

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

LAKEVIEW.

We want you to hear from the Lakeview Auxiliary. We have eighteen members and are doing some good work, though hope to emphasize the different departments more next year.

Since many of us are busy farmer's wives we decided to have only two days for the Week of Prayer program. Brother Laney preached for us Sunday morning a fine, spiritual sermon, telling of the first parsonage and of our work as it is today. Sunday evening the ladies had charge of the program

evening the ladies had charge of the program and discussed the different phases of our work to an interested audience.

The following Wednesday we had an all day meeting at the church, using all the subjects on the regular program for Week of Prayer. While it was the worst day of the fall, about twenty ladies brought dinner and we had a good day. The choir gave us special music for all services. The collection Wednesday was about \$7 and we feel we have been helped in many ways. Brother and Sister Laney, our pastor and wife, are always interested and ready to help the Missionary Society, and with their help and that of our carnest President, Mrs. M. L. Smith, we expect to accomplish great things in the Master's name at Lakeview next year.

MRS. SID BAKER, Superintendent of Publicity.

BONHAM DISTRICT.

The last two days of September brought with them the annual meeting of the Bonham District.

Many delegates, visitors—several preachers among them—were greeted at the train by a committee who in their autos took us to the Windom Methodist Church, which had just been newly papered, painted and carpeted and which was decorated with ferns and flowers thus assisting the ladies in a most gracious welcome.

Mrs. B. L. Adams, our District Secretary, had prepared a most exce lent program, which was carried out to the letter. Mrs. L. P. Smith, our President, being absent, sent Mrs. P. O. Archer, who gave us a most inspiring and instructive lecture on "Studying the Bi-

and instructive lecture on "Studying the blob".

Mrs. A. W. Shaw, our Second Vice-President, made a very impressive talk on our children's work. All phases and branches of our missionary work were discussed by different members.

The ladies of Windom served lunch both days in the church, which was enjoyed by all (especially the hungrey Methodist preachers).

We considered this one of the very best and most instructive meetings Bonham District has ever held.

MRS. GUS STEGER, Visitor.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE. Mrs. C. L. Canter, Martha, Supt. Study, Publicity. CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

"EYE HATH NOT SEEN."

Whether God could have made a more beautiful world than this seems an idle question, for he has undoubtedly created a more beautiful world, and that is the realm known as "heavand that is the realm known as "heaven." This world is but the obverse of that most glorious kingdom. "Mother," said a little girl, who one evening was looking toward the starry sky, "what a delightful place heaven must be, when its wrong side is so beautiful!" The wonders of this planetary existence are but the foll to the supernal joys and delights of that realm where God has his immediate dwelling-place—where the right side of all the tapestries of life will be disclosed before the vision of the redeemed, as the supremer revelation of the natural or moral beauty which even here excites our wonder.—Zion's Herald.

OBITUARIES

The space allowed obituaries is twenty to twenty-five lines, or about 170 or 120 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all obituary notices. Parties desiring such notices to appear in full as written should remit money to cover excess of space, to-wit: At the rate of One Cent Per Word. Money should accompany all orders.

Resolutions of respect will not be inserted in the Obituary Department under any circumstances, but, if paid for will be inserted in another column.

Poetry Can in No Case be Inserted.

Extra copies of paper containing obituaries can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent. Price, five cents per copy.

CRUMP—Russell Jones Crump was born in Frankin County, Georgia, March 13, 1845; died at his home in Sentinel, Oklahoma, on November 17, 1916. He was converted and united with the Church in early life and was ever faithful to his Church and his God. During the Civil War he was left with the responsibility of a home upon his shoulders and he proved himself a noble young man by his attentive devotion to the care of those left dependent upon him. He will be missed from our town. He took a foremost stand in all matters of civic righteousness and for the general moral condition of his community. The night was not too dark nor the road too long for him to go to the relief of a distressed brother. His visit in the sick room meant the coming in of sunshine and joy. His friends are numbered by his acquaintances. He leaves a wife, ten children and a bost of friends to mourn his death. The sympathy of the entire community goes to the family who weep because of his death. Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church in the presence of a large congregation. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity, they having suitable services at the grave at Sentinel. We laid him to rest to await the call of the Master in the eternal morning.

ERNEST C. WEBB, P. C.

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Mr. C. Learne, March.

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COOK.—G. B. Cook, Uncle George, as he was familiarly known, was a good man, a faithful Christian, a licensed exhorter in the Methodist Church. Really he was a lay preacher, for when he was in his prime, before his health failed, he was an effective worker for the Lord. And by his ministry many were led to Christ, and Christians were edified, and encouraged by his exhortations. Uncle George had many friends, and very few if any enimies. I had known him intimately, for thirty years, was his pastor six years. His was a rich Christian experience, well versed in the Bible. He had been in poor health for several years. He was born in Alabama in 1847, but mostly raised in Texas and lived near Carlton for more than thirty-five years. Last year he moved to Scurry County, where he died November 18, 1916, and was brought to Carlton for interment. His funeral was held by this writer, assisted by Rev. J. H. Clark and Brother Lane, a Methodist Protestant preacher, and an old friend of his.

HOLLEMAN—I. F. A. Holleman was born in Smith County, Tennessee, October 13, 1831. He died in Stigler, Oklahoma, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. R. Mathis, November 4, 1916. Except at intervals, he had been confined to his room since last January, but up to that time had lived a strong, robust life. In disposition and spirit Mr. Holleman took after his mother, who was known for her strong, devoted, Christian life, throughout her entire community. At the early age of seven he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was a consistent member for seventy-eight years, and being elected a steward at the age of seventeen he held the office for sixty years. If there is a longer record in our Methodism I have not heard of it. Mr. Holleman was a man of large mold. Standing six feet three, he was a prince of his kind. He was a man the passerby would look at the second time. His intellectual and spiritual life was built on the same scale, possessing a keen intel ect, broad and sensitive spirit, big and brotherly heart. He was every inch a gentleman and a Christian. He was a Confederate soldier, brave and true. He did not believe that fighting was the way to settle the issue, nor that war was necessary, but when his State seceded he joined the colors at an early date, throwing his life into the conflict. He belonged to Cheatham's Brigade, Bragg's Army, during the first years of the war. When Forrest turned westward on his notable campaign he asked General Bragg for Captain Holleman. With this division of the army he remained until the close of the war, measuring up in every worthy way to his brave chief. In his early teens his father died leaving the heavy responsibilities of the estate and the taking care of a widowed mother, with several children, to him. But he gained an experience that was of great helpt to him in after life. When he laid down his arms the war was over with him, and he turned his face to the future. He was on the same has an an an an of the proposition of the last few years



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Cenaville, at O., Dec. 2, 3.

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Peoria, at P., Dec. 16 a. m.

Covington and Osceola, at O., Dec. 17.

Itasca, Dec. 17, 7 p. m.

Malone and Bynum, Dec. 19, 11 a. m.

Abbott, at A., Dec. 20, 10 a. m.

Malone and Mertens, at B., Dec. 21, 10 a. m.

Whitney Mis., at Ft. Graham, Jan. 6.

Whitney Sta., Jan. 7.

District Stewards will meet at First Methodist Church in Hillsboro, at 11 a. m., Dec. 5.

Let each Board of Stewards organize and begin collecting at once so as to be able to report the first quarter's salary in full at the Quarterly Conference.

JNO. M. BARCUS, P. E.

Georgetown District—First Round.

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Taylor, Dec. 10, 11.

Midway, at Midway, Dec. 16, 17.

Belton, Dec. 17, 18.

Florence, Dec. 30, 31.

Holland, Jan. 6, 7.

Troy and Pendleton, at Troy, Jan. 13, 14.

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PERSONALS

Rev. Sterling Fisher, presiding elder Aus-n District, is pushing the Advocate cam-sign. "Nothing against him."

Brother Gus Gable, of Dawson, was a pleasant caller this week. He is a good Methodist layman and a reader of the Advocate.

We were delighted to greet Dr. Horace Bishop in our office this week. He is happy after the great Jubilee session of his confer-

Rev. B. W. Dodson, of Hamlin District, called the past week. Hamlin District had a splendid year last year and is expecting a better year this year.

Rev. A. A. Wagnon, agent for the Super-annuate Endowment Fund in the Texas Con-ference, called to see us this week. He is busy with plans for his new work.

Rev. W. E. Kirby, of Brashear, was a pleasant caller at the office the past week. Brother Kirby has been appointed to the Brashear charge and was on his way to his

Rev. S. W. Stokely, of Lyons, writes us that his wife has for several days been at the point of death, but is now much improved. We join her many friends in prayers for her early recovery.

Rev. T. N. Weeks, of Farmersville, writes us that Rev. J. A. Stafford, while on a visit with his daughter in Sherman last week, was bitten by a mad dog and is at present at Austin for treatment.

The editor again asks the indulgence of his correspondents. He has been away from his office practically six weeks at the conferences. He promises as speedy answers to his voluminous mail as practicable.

We appreciate a personal letter from Hon. R. W. Finley, of Austin. Twice we have been his pastor and better friends than he and his sainted brother, Judge N. W. Finley, we have never had in our pastorates.

Rev. Josephus Lee, after a year of efficient service as Commissioner for the Orphanage, returns to the pastorate. He leaves Dallas this week for his new charge, Mansfield, Texas. He is a good pastor as well as good

Rev. R. B. Bonner called at our office this week. We were neighbor pastors in 1892 in Runnels County. Brother Bonner is moving to Dallas. His address is Bonner Loan & Investment Company, Commonwealth Bank Building, Dallas.

Rev. R. P. Shuler, of Paris, in addition to his heavy pastoral work, is publishing "Bob Shuler's Free Lance." We have not seen the first issue, but we risk nothing in saying that it will make interesting reading. Success to this new knight of the quill.

Rev. L. L. Naugle has recently undergone a very serious operation at Greenville and it will be four weeks or more before he is able to be back on his charge at Fairlie. His brethren will be relieved to know that he passed through the operation successfully.

Rev. J. B. Curry was a pleasant visitor last week. Brother Curry has been appointed to the Ballinger charge and is just getting ready to move on his new work. He has been pastor of McKinley Avenue, Fort Worth, but is glad to go back to the great Southwest.

Mrs. Jno. A. Shawver sends to the Advo-cate the splendid program of the Hamlin District Epworth League Conference, to be held in Crowell, Texas, December 8, 9, 10. The "bill of fare" is sumptuous and the peo-ple of Hamlin District will go to Crowell pre-pared for a great treat.

In the report of the Northwest Texas Conference in our issue of November 16 special mention was made of Rev. A. J. Weeks' work at Clarendon. We should have also mentioned the fact that he paid one of the largest Advocate accounts of that conference. We take off our hats to Brother Weeks.

During the last conference year, under the pastorate of E. H. Mowre, the Fitzgerald Memorial M. E. Church, South, of San Francisco, California, had 75 accessions to the Church, 29 adu.ts and 26 infants baptized and 32 weddings. Every claim was paid in full. They have a splendid prospect for a new church building during this conference year.

Rev. Gid J. Bryan, in speaking of the Grand-view charge, said: "The Church has been strengthened during the year. Sunday School interest among adults has greatly increased. All collections are up in full. The Women's Missionary Society finished the Sunday School addition and completly overhauled the church at a cost of several hundred dollars, making it a model of good taste in its furnishings."

Mr. Tittle has a pleasing delivery and is a forceful speaker. His audience was more than pleased with his initial sermon, and the preacher easily showed that he was capable of preaching other good sermons.—Bonham Daily Favorite, Nov. 20.

Rev. Simeon Shaw at the late session of the Northwest Texas Conference was appointed Field Worker for Temperance. Brother Shaw is recovering his health nicely and that he will be able to do a noble work we do not doubt. He will co-operate with the Anti-Saloon League. We bespeak for him the hearty co-operation of our pastors. No greater work lies before the American people just now than the destruction of the whisky traffic root and branch.

Rev. H. C. Tucker, for over thirty years in missionary work in Brazil, states that world conditions would seem to indicate that America is now the one great Christian nation called to meet the ever-increasing demand for the distribution of the Scriptures in foreign lands. Brother Tucker continues, "Will the readers let me remind them that the American Bible Society recommends that the second Sunday in December, the 10th, be observed as 'Universal Bible Sunday.' Annual Conferences and other Church Councils have approved the suggestion and request ail pastors, as may be convenient, to preach a special sermon on that day on World-Wide Bible Distribution. Many may find it a very suitable occasion to take their collections for the Bible cause and to give the people opportunity to make special freewill offerings for this great work."

INGRATITUDE.

Rev. Josephus Lee.

Thou art a demon! It was thy father who was lifted up with pride because of his beauty for which he was not grateful, but rebelled against his Creator and his creatures. From the day of his fall he has been a deceiver and a murderer. From whence comes ingratitude but from him? It cannot come from God, because His servants look upon their Creator as a child looketh upon the face of a parent, and they lift their grateful voices and say: "Our Father who art in heaven," "I love the Lord because He first loved me." They build altars and offer up "sweet savor" unto Jehovah, and say, "Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like thee givens in holiness, fear-"Our Father who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fear-ful in praises, doing wonders," "The Lord shall reign forever and ever." "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul." The Bible is full of expressions of gratitude to Jehovah from the hearts of His people. They love their friends, and pray for their ene-mies. When dividing the land, the children of Israel did not forget Joshua; the spies did not forget Rahab when the walls of Jericho fell. Paul did not forget to give due credit to the barbarous people of Melita, of whom he says, "Who also honored us with many honors; and when we departed, they laded us with such things as were necessary.

Gratitude is heaven-born and heaven-bound; but what more can I say of ingratitude than that it is a child of the devil? It is as old upon earth as the eating of the forbidden fruit, as cruel as Cain, as covetous as Ahab, who destroyed a good friend to become the possessor of a garden he could not buy. "And they will deceive every one his neighbor, and will not speak the truth; they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and weary themselves to commit iniquity." Who would believe that beings created in the image of God, could become so depraved as to be ungrateful to their heavenly Father and their fellowmen, but we have only to look around us to see this monster showing himself in all his filth, as though he had just emerged from the slimepits of Siddim. Like the cockatrice "which will not be charmed," like the dog which can not receive "that which is holy," or the swine which would trample your pearls "under their feet, and turn again and rend you;" so is ingratitude. We can observe it on the wing. Not as the humming bird to be seen in the flower garden, or the sweet voiced warbler heralding the approach of the lovely day, or the dove mourning for her mate. No, this would be gratitude, but ingratitude is as the great eagle which will thrust its talons into the quivering flesh of the helpless lamb and feast upon his flesh even before he expires, or like the vulture which can never see anything

but the putrid carcass. Ingratitude is surrounded with gloom where no light can shine, sorrow where hope cannot come, wounds too deep for the "balm of Gilead," or for the most skilled physician. grave cannot cover up the wound, because it is deeper than than flesh, and the grave can only hide that which is mortal. Ingratitude belongs to no particular age or country, nationality or sex. Wherever man has pitched his tent, ingratitude has been ready Rev. W. L. Tittle, the new pastor of the First Methodist Church, preached to a large congregation yesterday morning at 11 o'clock.

he cried for bread. It laughs at widows' tears, scoffs at the orphan's cry, and mocks at poverty. It refuses a cup of cold water to those who die of thirst. From the helpless child to the aged pilgrim descending the western hill, all have heard of the monster. In many ways it is like its master, appearing in different forms, because it is a deceiver. It may be in the form of a parent, a brother, child, sister or companion; so much more the demon, when "transformed into an angel of light." "For it was not an enemy that reproached me; then I could have borne it; neither was it he that hated me that did magnify himself against me; then I would have hid myself from him; but it was thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance. We took sweet coun-sel together, and walked unto the house of God in company." You can defend yourself against an enemy, but how are you to know that your love and friendship for another is to be rewarded by the withering, blighting, mildewing and soul-crushing ingratitude. King Lear is not the only one who has listened to the words of love from Goneril and Regan, who were to deceive for a part of the kingdom. These love-makers may not be our own children, but we find them everywhere who love us so long as we can serve them, and do not need their service in return. Who does not call to mind your love for some friend for whom you would have done any-thing in reason? When they wept, you wept in sympathy; when they suffered, you would gladly have suffered for them—you rejoiced in assisting to promote them to honor. Alas, they do not know you now. The butterfly lives on a different plane from his former kindred, the caterpillars, and why should he any longer regard them? Many times has Mordecai sat at the gate and asked for bread. The rich and Haman has been exalted.

gate, and asked for bread. The rich and it cursed him to his face and man brought a loaf and, as he cut it, brickbatted his followers. he said, "It is Sunday, and I am go- John Wesley's method of scriptural he said, "It is Sunday, and I am going to Church; won't you join me in repentance did not suit the old decay-prayer?" And he prayed, "Our Faing ecclesiasticism of England. It ther." "Hold," cried the beggar, "Is don't suit them now. Denis Crane God your Father?" Then we are says the method the Church now purbrothers, and remember what our sues is for groups of clergymen to elder brother said: "Inasmuch as ye retire to some shut-in place and have done it unto one of the least meditate—not say to think—for quite you have, won't you cut that slice of large, spreading elm, and while rest- a ing from the heat under its shade, wondered why God made an elm. It is said that a girl of the Caribs saved the life of an Englishman, and folderful results. lowed him until he reached the Bar-John Wesle There he sold her into slavery. Basil has well said, "Ingratitude is a nail which driven into the tree of courtesy causes it to wither; it is a broken channel, by which the foun-dations of the affections are undermined; and a lump of soot, which falling into the dish of friendship, destroys its scent and flavor."

How often are God's children turned aside by ingratitude. No matter. how worthy or how honorable, if they do not belong to our class or clan, the more unworthy is preferred be-fore them. And yet we are made in His image.

With gates of silver and bars of gold Ye have fenced my sheep from their

Father's fold. have heard the dropping of their

years.

Can \$100 years 0 Christm are gon 8 4 a ne 0 Behold Thy images how they stand-

Sovereign and sole through all our land.

"Then Christ sought out an artisan, A low-browed, stunted, haggard man,

And a motherless girl whose fingers thin

Pushed from her faintly want and

These set He in the midst of them, And, as they drew back their gar-ment's hem

for fear of defilement—'Lo here,' said He. 'The images ye have made of Me.' "

VALUE OF SACKCLOTH AND ASHES.

H. G. H.

The people of Ninevah went at their use in the right way and their spiritual effect was wonderful.

Denis Crane says the Church of England is now in sackcloth and ashes. Good, if it is true.

That Church can do more in the line of repentance just now than in any other line of work.

John Wesley cailed that Church to A beggar halted at the rich man's repentance more than a century ago,

of these, my brethren, ye have done a while and see if they can't come to it unto me." In gratitude for what some satisfactory conclusion as to why things are thus and so.

bread a little larger?" So many men John Wesley told the Church the like the two friends, who came to a scriptural truth about the matter over hundred years ago.

Denis Crane seems to think the present method of repentance and mental cogitation may produce won-

John Wesley set the Church the example of going out among the people and doing works "meet for repentance.

The old shell of ecclesiasticism is as hard today as it was two hundred years ago-as full of bigotry, the carnal mind, self-conceit, exclusiveness.

Denis Crane seems to think results vonderful are to come-probably indigestion more than anything else.

Why don't those robed and gowned and hooded clerics get out into the trenches with the boys and die with them?

There is more work right now in England of the John Wesley sort to be done than ever before in the history of that venerable empire, and the Church of England has no grasp of it and no capacity to do it.

have heard the dropping of their tears

In heaven these eighteen hundred going to the devil or save a soldier's widow from the save a soldier's widow from starving or a soldier's orphan children from shivering with "'O Lord and Master, not ours the cold and hunger while the "clergy" guilt, are on their "retreat" from a wor We build but as our fathers built. that might fill an angel's hand.

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