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## WORRY VS. WORK

It is the WORRY, not the work,
That makes a man grow old;
Not duties done, but those we shirk,
That makes the life so cold.
Dread WORRY weakens faith in heaven,
Defeating God's great plan.
'Tis fearful WORRY-cursed leaven-
That sours the heart of man.
Blessed the faith that makes one sing,
As to his task he goes,
Extracting honey, dares the sting,
In spite of thorns- the rose.
-A. D. Porter.

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3. The Presiding Elders are required by Conference resolutions to send to the Secretary of the Conference, immediately after the meeting of their respective boards of District Stewards, a copy of the assessments made on each charge, and these assessments are to be recorded by the Secretary as the official assessment against the several charges of the Conference.
4. The Presiding Elder of each district shall appoint an editor of the statistical reports of his district, whose duty it shall be to collect all the statistical reports from the preachers in charge within the district and see that they are correctly made out. And when the District Editors shall have collected and edited these reports, they shall turn them over to the Statistical Secretary of the Conference, during the first day of the Conference session.
5. The Chairman of Committee on Admissions shall make written report to be filed with the Secretary of the Conference, concerning each one admitted into the Conference. This report shall embrace: Full name; name of parents; date and place of birth, conversion and license to preach; date of marriage; name of wife, and such other facts of his life as may be deemed important.
6. The appointment of any member of the Conference to the presiding eldership shall automatically vacate his membership on any of the quadrennial Boards or Examining Committees to take effect at the opening of the ensuing session.
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## Conference Journal

The Central Texas Annuel Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in its fifty-third session (being the ninth session since the division in 1910) convened in the First Methodist Church, Mineral Wells, Texas, at 9:00 o'clock, on the morning of the 20th day of November, 1918, with Bishop W. N . Ainsworth in the chair.

The Bishop announced the Conference hymn No. 560, "And Are We Yet Alive to See Each Other's Face?" The Conference sang every verse, led by Jno. M. Barcus. The Bishop led the Conference in prayer; he then read part of the second chapter of Ephesians and commented on the expression, "Created in Christ Jesus for good works."

The Secretary of the previous session called the roll of the Conference, to which 197 clerical and 16 lay members responded. (See roll.)
A. D. Porter was elected Secretary and on his nomination G. F. Winfield, R. W. Nation and R. A. Crosby were elected assistants.
W. J. Mayhew was nominated by A. D. Porter as Statistical Secretary with privilege of naming his own assistants, who were H. B. Landrum, F. O. Waddell and W. T. Jones.

The following alternates were seated: Waco district, Rev. C. V. Bailey, in place of G. W. Barcus, and B. B. Byus in place of A. J. Kincannon; Weatherford district, A. D. Keaton, in place of W. R. Witherspoon.

The Bishop made a statement concerning shortening of the session of the Conference on account of conditions produced by the influenza epidemic, whereupon W. B. Andrews moved that the Conference give its attention with dispatch to the business of the Conference and adjourn as soon as possible. H. F. Brooks stated that the people of Mineral Wells pressed their invitation for the Conference to hold over Sunday. After some discussion the Andrews motion was adopted.

The main auditorium of the church was fixed as the bar of the Conference. On motion of J. D. Young, the hours of meeting and adjournment were set for the morning session 8:30 to $12: 00 \mathrm{~m}$.; afternoon session, $2: 30$, and adjourn at will after the first day.

A leave of absence was granted to J. M. Neal, C. W. Irvin and R. J. Tooley on account of the funeral of Bro. Neal's mother.
S. J. Rucker read the report of the Presiding Elders nominating the quadrennial boards and standing committees, and the report was adopted. (See report.)
H. Bishop offered a resolution providing for a committee to perfect a plan of auditing, which was adopted. (See resolutions.)
W. B. Andrews read a resolution which was adopted rescinding standing rule No. 7. (See resolution.)
G. F. Winfield moved that the Secretary of the Conference, the Statistical Secretary and the Editor of the Journal compose the Board of Publication. The motion was adopted.
G. F. Winfield offered an amendment to the standing rules concerning typewritten copies of reports, which was adopted. (See standing rule No. 8.)

A number of communications were properly reported to the boards and committees without reading.

The Bishop called question 22: "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" Under this question the Presiding Elders' names were called-they made reports of their respective districts and their characters passed-Sam G. Thompson, S. J. Vaughan, W. L. Nelms, A. D. Porter, E. P. Williams, W. H. Matthews, S. J. Rucker, W. B. Andrews, John M. Barcus, J. A. Whitehurst, H. Bishop and L. A. Webb.

Continuing this call the names of the following were called, their characters passed and they were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation: W. W. Noble, J. J. Rape, C. Rowland, H. P. Shrader, E. M. Sweet, J. E. Walker, F. M. Winburn, W. K. Simpson, B. A. Snoddy, D. C. Stark, C. E. Statham, J. C. Mayhew, G. W. Harris, E. F. Boone, James Campbell, J. J. Canafax, J. C. Carter, B. A. Evans, J. G. Pollard, E. B. Chenoweth, W. H. Crawford, D. C. Ellis, C. E. Gallagher, W. A. Gilliland, Jerome Haralson, H. B. Henry, W. D. Jones, W. J. Lemmons, Abe Long, J. M. McCarter, F. L. McGehee, E. J. Maxwell, V. J. Millis, J. P. Mussett, Franklin Moore, C. V. Oswalt and J. R. B. Hall.

The following were called, their names were referred to the Committee on Memoirs, they having died during the year: $H$. M. Glass, R. B. McSwain, M. H. Major, O. B. Turner, W. H. Howard, Henry Stanford, G. W. Owens and A. L. Andrews.

The names of the following were called, their characters passed, and they were referred to the Committee for Supernumerary Relation: J. D. Smoot, T. W. Ellis, J. W. Dickinson, E. F. Hudgens and J. O. Gore.

When the name of R. O. Bailey was called, his Presiding Elder, S. J. Vaughan, stated that at the last session of the Conference complaints of a financial nature were made against him, but that later the one making the accusations withdrew them, so that there is nothing against him. His character passed, his name was referred to the Committee for the Supernumerary
relation. When
When the name of A. D. Cosgrove was called his Presiding Elder, S. J. Rucker, stated that a little more than a year ago a trial committee found him guilty of immorality and suspended him from the ministry for one year and that the time of the sentence had expired. His character was passed.

When the name of R. A. Walker was called, his Presiding Elder, W. B. Andrews, stated that there had been some rumors against him, but that a committee of investigation found no trial necessary-there being no trith in the rumors. His character was passed.

The Bishop continued the call of question 22 until the names of the preachers were called one by one and their characters passed. (See roll.)
J. E. Crawford offered a resolution bearing on inter-session and the centenary which was adopted. (See resolution.)

Question 12 was called-"What local preachers are elected deacons?" Thomas Lonzo Stinson, Elisha Lee Evans and Elisha Wesley Hancock from the Cisco District; Jno. Fleming Owens of the Cleburne District, Chas. Henry Puckett, Fort Worth District; Edward Leslie Robinson from the Waco District, and T. Bennett of the Weatherford District.

Question 16-"What local preachers are elected elders?" Cisco District, William Oliver Basham; Dublin District, George Smith; Waxahachie District, Walter William Ward; Weatherford District, W. R. Witherspoon, all being properly recommended from their respective districts.
H. A. Boaz moved that the consideration of the constitutional questions be made the order of the day immediately following the opening of the next morning session. The motion was lost.

The Bishop presented the following questions, which were handed down from the General Conference for action by the Annual Conferences:

The question will the Annual Conference approve the change of Article 23 of the Articles of Religion proposed by the General Conference of 1914 and 1918, which change is as follows: Strike out the article as it appears in the discipline of 1914 and in previous disciplines, and in lieu thereof, insert the following: "XXIII. Of the duty of Christians to Civil Authority it is the duty of all Christians, and especially of all Christian ministers, to observe and obey the laws governing or supreme authority of the country of which they are citizens or subjects or in which they reside, and to use all laudable means to encourage and enjoin obedience to the powers that be."

The above question was submitted to the Central Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, - at its session held at Mineral Wells, State of Texas, November 20th, 1918, and resulted as follows: Total number of votes cast 167, of which 167 voted yes and none voted no.

The General Conference of 1918, by the requisite disciplinary ${ }^{-}$ vote, has submitted to the several Annual Conferences the following questions: "Shall the Apostles' Creed as it occurs in the Discipline, chapter XXIII, Section IV, paragraph 756, and elsewhere, be so amended as to substitute for the words "Holy Catholic Church" the-words "Christ's Holy Church?"

At the fifty-third session of the Central Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session in the city of Mineral Wells, State of Texas, on the 20th day of November, 1918, the question whether the Apostles' Creed shall be so amended as to substitute for the words "Holy Catholic Church," "Christ's Holy Church" was submitted to the Annual Conference by the President thereof. One hundred and ninetyfive members of the Conference were present and voted, 161 members voted in favor of this change and 34 members voted in opposition thereto.

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vote has submitted to the several Annual Conferences the following question: "Shall lay members be eligible to all Conference boards and lay offices of the church, without regard to sex?" At the fifty-third session of the Central Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session in the city of Mineral Wells, State of Texas, on November 20th, 1918, the question whether lay members shall be eligible to all conferences, boards and lay offices of the church without regard to sex was submitted to the said Central Texas Annual Conference by the President thereof. One hundred and ninety-two members of the Conference were present and voted, 192 mem zers voted in favor of this change and none voted in opposition.

Dr. J. L. Cuninggim of the correspondence school of Southern Methodist University was introduced and addressed the Conference. The following were introduced to the Conference: Dr. J. H. McLain of the North Texas Conference, Dr. A. J. Weeks, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, and Dr. O. E. Goddard, Secretary of the Home Mission Board; Rev. T. S. Sessions of the West Texas Conference, Dr. S. A. Neblitt of the Cuban Mission and representative of the centenary movement; Dr. C. S. Wright of the West Texas Conference, Rev. J. G. Miller of the Northwest Texas Conference, Dr. C. T. Alexander, pastor of First Baptist Church, Mineral Wells; Dr. Potter of the First Presbyterian Church, Mineral Wells; Dr. Parker of the China Mission Conference and Rev. Claude F. Ledger a transfer from the Northwest Texas Conference, Dr. O. F. Sensabaugh, a transfer from the Northwest Texas Conference; Dr. C. C. Selecman of the War Work Commission, and Mrs. M. L. Hargrove of the Woman's Missionary Council.

After sundry announcements, the Conference adjourned with the benediction by H. Bishop.

## SECOND DAY-THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 8:30 o'clock with Bishop Ainsworth in the chair. Hymn No. 334, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," was sung and M. K. Little led in prayer. Mrs. M. L. Hargrove led the devotional service, reading Luke XIV, 25-23, and spoke concerning the heroic in the centenary. The minutes of the previous session were read, corrected and approved. Further calling of the roll was discontinued on motion of Jno. M. Barcus.

The following lay delegates were seated: M. K. Graham of the Weatherford district, G. W. Barcus, Waco district.

The following alternates were seated: J. M. Clower, in place of W. R. Walker, Cleburne district; Rev. J. W. Bowden, in place of H. P. Clark, Gatesville district, and J. S. Fox, in place of M. C. Cooke, Georgetown, Texas.

Question 1 was called-"Who are admitted on trial?" and was answered as follows: Properly recommended from the Cisco district, Elisha Wesley Hancock and Raymond Van Zandt; Cleburne district, Joseph M. Marshall; Corsicana district, Marvin Bell; Fort Worth district, L. Bowman Craven; Gatesville district, D. E. Lancaster and Jos. W. Shepherd; Hillsboro district, March Boiles (by the necessary two-thirds' vote); Waco district, Bunard Benjamin Byus (by two-thirds' vote) and Wil-
liam Tell Veatch; Waxahachie district, Walter William Ward; Weatherford district, Arthur Wyatt Franklin.

Question 10-"What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" was called and answered as follows: Edgar Alfred Reed, Edgar Newton Scarlett, William Edward Anderson, Albert Richard Lundy, they having passed the examination, their character passed and they were advanced to the class of the third year.

The names of the following were called, and they having passed the examination, were advanced to the class of the third year, already being deacons: C. Q. Smith, H. A. Nichols, Victor D. Dow, D. A. Chisholm and Wm. Hugh Cole, both a deacon and an elder. The names of W. J. Whitley and Joe L. Chunn were called, their characters passed and they were continued in the class of the second year, not having been before the committee.

Question 2 was called-"Who remain on trial?" Robert L. Butler, Wm. Bascom Morton, Aubrey C. Haynes, Otis Olin Odom, Harry Burton Thompson, Jno. Tucker Ferguson, Jno. A. Walkup, Umphrey Lee, Walter Everett Harrell, Paul Ferrel Brumbeloe, Price Edward Cantrell, E. Cloe Lambert, Earl F. Hewitt, Geo. E. Alstadt, an elder; having passed the examination, their characters passed and they were advanced to the class of the second year.

The names of the following were called, their characters passed, and they continue in the class of the first year, not having been before the committee: Ernest Ragsdale Brown, Ira T. Huckabee and Ralph Eugene Nollner.

Question 6 was called-"Who are received as transfers from other Conferences?" The Bishop in answer read the transfer of Henry Ibser from the Texas Conference and he was advanced to the class of the second year and his character passed, being an elder.

Question 5-"Who are re-admitted ?" None.
C. W. McCune, C. A. Evans and N. E. Gardner were referred to the Committee for the Superannuate Relation.

Question 14 , was called-"What traveling preachers are elected elders?" Philip Henry Gates, Pascal W. Layne, Jos. Neland Hester, Robert Bruce Hooper, Jonathan Montrose Hays and J. Fred Patterson having passed the committee, their characters passed and they were elected elders.

The Bishop re-opened question 16-_"What local preachers are elected elders?" and Jos. T. McKeiown, properly recommended by the Corsicana district, was elected an elder.

Question 18-"Who are located this year?" The Presiding Elder of the Gatesville District, S. J. Rucker, presented a letter from A. D. Cosgrove requesting a location, which was granted.

The order of the day having arrived, the Bishop introduced the Centenary Campaign program and presented the following speakers: Dr. O. E. Goddard, Home Mission Secretary, who addressed the Conference on "What Is the Centenary?" Dr. Parker, who represented the foreign fields, especially China and

Korea, and Dr. S. A. Neblett, who spoke concerning Latin America. O. E. Goddard again spoke on the enlarged view of the Home Mission Problem. He stated that the Central Texas Conference has more home mission specials than any other three Annual Conferences in the connection.

Dr. H. A. Boaz addressed the Conference on the relation of the Church Extension to the Centenary.

Mrs. M. L. Hargrove presented the woman's part in the Centenary. Dr. Neblett discussed our spiritual resources and intercession.

Bishop Ainsworth spoke on intercession.
Dr. O. E: Goddard discussed the stewardship of money with special reference to the tithe. The Bishop added a forceful exhortation.

Report No. 1 of the Board of Missions pledging the Central Texas Conference to $\$ 1,350,000$ as its part in the Centenary was read by M. S. Hotchkiss and was adopted by a rising vote. (See report.)

After announcements, Conference adjourned with the benediction by C. M. Bishop.

## SECOND DAY-THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 2:30 o'clock. Dr. Hoyt M. Dobbs in the chair by appointment of the Bishop.

Opening Song, "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," was sung and the Conference was led in prayer by Dr. A. J. Weeks.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following visitors were introduced to the Conference: Dr. S. H. C. Burgin and wife, Rev. E. H. Cox, sergeant of marines; Rev. R. E. L. Stutts, Northwest Texas Conference, and Rev. J. T. Smith of the Texas Conference.
G. W. Barcus moved that the Conference enter into the selection of the place for the next meeting of the Conference. .The motion carried.

Austin Avenue, Waco, was placed in nomination by G. W. Barcus and on motion of W. Erskine Williams, Austin Avenue was unanimously elected.

Report of the Committee on District Conference Records was read by Seba Kirkpatrick which was adopted. (See report.)

The report of Committee on the State of the Church was read by W. E. Hawkins, Jr., which was adopted. (See report.)

The report of the Board of Trustees for the Superannuate Homes were read by D. L. Collie, discussed by him and adopted. (See report.)
W. B. Wilson read the report of the Epworth League Board. Rev. Ralph E. Nollner, Associate Secretary of the Epworth League Board, was introduced and spoke to the report.

Roy E. Feemster, President of the Central Texas Confer-
ence Epworth League, was introduced and addressed the Conference. The report was adopted. (See report.)

On the nomination of John H. Garner, Judge W. Erskine Williams was elected Conference Lay Leader.
W. A. Crow read the report of the Board of Lay Activities and it was adopted. (See report.)
M. A. Turner read the report of the American Bible Society Board and it was adopted. (See report.)

The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by C. L. Browning.

Dr. A. J. Weeks, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, addressed the Conference in the interest of that publication. After which the report was adopted. (See report.)

Dr. S. A. Neblett addressed the Conference on the subject, "Organization for the Centenary."

The report of the Board of Education was read by E. L. Lloyd. Action on which was suspended until the report should be before the Board of Finance.
E. W. Bridges read the report of Sabbath Observance. It was adopted. (See report.)

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations was read by T. H. Burton. The report was adopted, answering question 19, "Who are supernumerary?" And also question 20, "Who are superannuated?" (See condensed minutes.)
E. F. Boone moved that the Conference adjourn to meet at 7:15 p. m. The motion carried.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. P. Mussett.

## SECOND DAY-THURSDAY EVENING SESSION.

The Conference convened pursuant to adjournment at 7:15 p. m., Bishop W. N. Ainsworth presiding.
"Stand Up, Stand Up, for Jesus," wâs sung.
The Bishop then proceeded to the ordination of deacons and elders. After the ordination ceremonies Bishop Ainsworth delivered an address on the Methodist Centenary.

The Bishop stated that by common consent the Conference would convene at $8: 45 \mathrm{a}$. m. instead of $8: 30$ in the morning. There being no objection, it was so announced..

Bishop Ainsworth announced the members of the General Committee for the Fourteenth Episcopal District for this Conference, Rev. H. Bishop, D. D., Hon. J. L. Halbert, Corsicana; J. R. Milam, Waco.

He also announced the members of the Conference Committee on Centenary as follows: W. Erskine Williams, Fort Worth; John H. Garner, Cisco; Hon. J. E. Hickman, Dublin; F. F. Downs, Temple; J. Lee Penn, Waxahachie; Rev. W. H. Matthews, Dr. John M. Barcus, Dr. F. P. Culver, Rev. J. W. Bergin, Mrs. J. H. Stewart and Mrs. E. P. Williams.

Dr. S. A Neblett delivered a very interesting address, assisted by stereopticon views

At the close of the address, Rev. M. K. Little announced the hymn, "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory of the Coming of the Lord," and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. T. Bloodworth.

## THIRD DAY-FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 8:45 o'clock, Bishop Ainsworth in the chair. The Conference sang hymn No. 19, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." R. C. Armstrong led in prayer.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous afternoon and evening sessions and without correction they were approved.
S. J. Rucker read certain corrections in announcing the boards. (See standing boards.)

Questions 11, 13, 15 and 17 were answered by the following certificates:

I, William N. Ainsworth, one of the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, hereby certify to the Secretary of the Central Texas Conference, in session at Mineral Wells, Texas, on the 22nd day of November, 1918, that on yesterday evening at 7:15 o'clock in the Methodist Church I ordained as deacons the following persons: Edgar Newton Scarlett, William E. Anderson, Albert Richard Lundy, Thomas Lonzo Stinson, Elisha Lee Evans, Elisha Wesley Hancock, John Fleming Owens, Charles Henry Puckett and Tyre Bennett.

At the same time and place I ordained with the assistance of the elders present the following persons as elders: Philip Harvey Gates, Jonathan Montrose Hays, Robert Bruce Hooper, Joseph Neland Hester, J. Fred Patterson, William Oliver Basham, George Smith and Walter William Ward.

## WILLIAM N. AINSWORTH.

Mineral Wells, Texas, Nov. 22, 1918.
San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 12, 1918.
Rev. A. D. Forter, Corsicana, Texas, Secretary Central Texas Conference:
On Sunday morning, November 10th, at my home in San Antonio, Texas, with the assistance of the elders present, I ordained as an elder Albert C. Fisher, a local deacon; said ordination being authorized by the committee of our church for the election of chaplains of the United States Army and Navy. Yours sincerely,

JAMES CANNON, JR.
I, Edwin D. Mouzon, one of the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, do hereby certify that in the city of Dallas on the evening of August 21st, in the year of our Lord 1918, following the sermon preached by Rev. H. M. Dobbs, D. D., at the First Methodist Church, being assisted by elders present, I ordained the following elders: William Hugh Cole and Umphrey Lee.

August 22, 1918.

Question 4-"Who are admitted into full connection?" The names of the following were called: H. A. Nichols, C. Q. Smith, Victor D. Dowe, A. R. Lundy, W. E. Anderson, W. H. Cole, Edgar N. Scarlett and Donald A. Chisholm, their characters passed and the Bishop called them to the chancel and addressed them. They having passed the committee and giving satisfactory answers to the disciplinary questions, they were admitted into full connection by unanimous vote of the Conference.

On motion of John M. Barcus, the Conference ordered that the Missionary Centenary allotment be apportioned to the several Presiding Elders' Districts on the same basis as the other Conference assessments.

Question 3-Who are discontinued? No one.
Question 7-Who are received from other chunhes as local preachers? None.

Question 8-Who are received from other churches as traveling preachers? David Irvin, an ordained preacher in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, was received by unanimous vote as an elder contingent on his subscribing to the doctrine and discipline of the M. E. Church, South. The Bishop called him to the chancel and he declared himself in harmony with the above. He was received as an elder without the reimposition of hands.

Question 9-Who are deacons of one year? M. L. Boone, J. L. Oliver, L. Pat Leach, having passed the examination, their character passed and they were advanced to the class of the fourth year. The names of S. P. Gilmore, W. L. Connell, G. G. Mitchell and J. C. Mayhew were called, their character passed and they remained in the class of the third year, not having passed the committee.

Question 18-Who are located this year? A. D. Cosgrove, at his own request in writing; H. L. Vincent, at his own request; M. L. Latham, at his own request, and T. W. Sharp, in his absence and without his written request.
J. H. Stewart read the report of the Committee on Memoirs, answering question 21, "What preachers have died during the year?" H. M. Glass, G. W. Owens, A. L. Andrews, M. H. Major, R. B. McSwain, W. H. Howard, O. B. Turner and Henry Stanford. The report was amended by a request to the Texas Advocate to publish the memoirs. The report amended was adopted. (See report.)

The report of the Commission on Finance was read by Robert E. Goodrich and was adopted. (See report.)

The Bishop called a meeting of the Presiding Elders and appointed F. P. Culver to preside in his absence. Dr. Culver took the chair.

The report of the Sunday School Board was read by T. E. Bowman and was adopted. (See report.)

An amendment to the report of the Board of Education was read by E. L. Lloyd amending the report so as to conform to the requirements of the Commission on Finance. The report as amended was adopted. (See report.)

The report of the Committee on Orphanage was read by $\mathbf{H}$. Y. Price. A statement was made by E. Hightower concerning the management of the Home. E. B. Hawk read a communication from Mrs. I. Z. T. Morris, manager of the Children's Home Society. The report was then adopted. (See report.)
H. A. Boaz made a statement concerning the Washington City representative church and also of the work of the Board of Church Extension.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read by J. B. Berry. It was adopted. (See report.)
E. Hightower reported the work of the General Sunday School Board. At this juncture the Conference was declared at ease to allow the Conference Brotherhood to hold a short but necessary meeting. After which the work of the Conference was resumed.

A collection was taken for B. S. Crow, the Conference postmaster, amounting to $\$ 34.70$, for which he gave receipt.
M. A. Turner made a statement concerning the work of the American Bible Society.

The report of the Conference Treasurer was read. (See report.)

The report of the Conference Board of Finance was read by J. M. Robertson. After some discussion it was adopted. (See report.)

A resolution was offered by H. A. Boaz concerning a semicentennial sermon to be preached by Dr. Horace Bishop at the next year's session of the Conference. (See resolution.)

Dr. C. C. Selecman announced that he had just received a telegram from the war department stating that no more army chaplains would be appointed.

The report of the Committee on Temperance and Social Service was read by John R. Nelson and was adopted. (See report.)

The report of the Commission on War Work was read by H. A. Boaz and was adopted. (See report.)

The Bishop resumed the chair and report No. 2 of the Commission on Finance was read by R. E. Goodrich and adopted. (See reporti.)

Report No. 2 of the Board of Missions was read by M. S. Hotchkiss and was received. (See report.)

On motion of H. Bishop, Conference adjourned to meet at 1:45 p. m.

The benediction was pronounced by H. A. Boaz.
THIRD DAY-FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.
The Conference convened pursuant to adjournment, with Bishop Ainsworth in the chair. "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" was sung and prayer was offered by J. W. Fort.

The statistical questions were called by the Bishop and answered by the Statistical Secretary. (See condensed minutes.)
W. L. Nelms stated that there would be an incidental expense of some one hundred and twenty-five ( $\$ 125.00$ ) dollars entailed in sending out certain Episcopal communications throughout the Conference by Bishop Ainsworth. The amount was readily assumed by the Presiding Elders for their several districts, amounting to $\$ 10.50$ per district.

Geo. E. Jester was elected Conference Treasurer for the quadrennium on nomination of H . Bishop.
H. Bishop and J. H. Grosclose were elected to places on the Board of Education to fill vacancies created by members of the board being appointed Presiding Elders.

Question 6-Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? was answered by the Bishop. (See condensed minutes.)

Jno M. Barcus moved that the Secretary apportion the centenary pledge of $\$ 1,350,000$ to the several Presiding Elders' districts on the same percentage as the Conference collections and to notify the several Presiding Elders. The motion was adopted.

Resolution of thanks was offered by T. S. Barcus, H. A. Boaz and J. Hall Bowman. Adopted by rising vote. (See resolutions.)

Sam G. Thompson moved that the Secretary be requested to figure out for distribution the Conference assessments on a basis of this year's reports. The motion carried.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.
The names of the men assigned to special war work were called and the Conference made request of the Bishop for their several appointments. (See the appointments by districts.)

The minutes were read and approved.
After a short address by Bishop Ainsworth, the Conference voted to adjourn sine die after the reading of the appointments. Question 53 was called, "Where are the preachers stationed this year?" and was answered by the Bishop. (See appointments.)

## Appointments

## BROWNWOOD DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder-Sam G. Thompson. ..... (4)
Ballinger, J. B. Curry. ..... (3)
Blanket, L. L. Felder ..... (4)
Bangs, Warner Moore ..... (4)
Bronte and Robert Lee, P. H. Gates. ..... (4)
Brownwood, L. A. Webb ..... (1)
Coleman, H. L. Munger
Coleman, H. L. Munger
(1)
(1)
Indian Creek and Zephyr, J. N. Hester. ..... (1)
Norton and Wingate, Henry Francis ..... (2)
Novice, to be supplied
Novice, to be supplied
( )
( )
Santa Anna, J. S. Bowles ..... (2)
Talpa, T. L. Sorrells ..... (2)
Valera, to be supplied.
Valera, to be supplied. ..... ( ) ......
Winchell, J. D. Ramsey. ..... (1) ..... (1)

Winters, J. H. Baldridge

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Rockwood, to be supplied
Rockwood, to be supplied
CISCO DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder-S. J. Vaughan ..... (2)
Breckenridge, Seba Kirkpatrick
(1)
(1)
Caddo Mission, E. W. Hancock, I
(1)
(1)
Carbon, M. L. Boone, IV
Carbon, M. L. Boone, IV ..... (1)
Cisco Station, Umphrey Lee, II. ..... (1).
R. O. Bailey, Supernumerary. ..... (1)
Cisco Mission,--Supplied by H. E. Carter
(1)
(1)
Desdemonia, C. H. Ledger. ..... (1)
Eastland, Z. R. Fee ..... (2)
Eolian, P. W. Layne ..... (4)
Gordon, S. P. Gilmore, III ..... (2)
Gorman, R. B. Hooper ..... (1)
May, K. S. Vanzandt.
(2)
(2)
Pioneer, R. Vanzandt, I ..... (1)
Ranger, E. M. Wisdom
Ranger, E. M. Wisdom ..... (2)
J. O. Gore, Supernumerary.
Ranger Mission, to be supplied ..... (1)
J. D. Smoot, Supernumerary. ..... (1)Scranton, W. B. Morton, II
(2)
Sipe Springs, R. T. Capps. ..... (3)
Staff, Earnest Brown, I ..... (1)
Strawn, W. J. Morphis ..... (2)
Thurber, J. B. Dodson ..... (4)
Wayland-Supplied by Archie Carraway ..... ()
Student in S. M. U., R. L. Butler, II.
CLEBURNE DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder-W. L. Nelms ..... (3)
Alvarado, S. A. Ashburn.
(2)
(2)
Barnesville, L. B. Sawyers .....
(2) .....
(2) ..... (1)
Blum and Rio Vista, R. H. Heizer.
Blum and Rio Vista, R. H. Heizer.
Burleson and Aviation Camp No. 2, W. A. Clarke ..... (1)
Cleburne, Anglin Street, J. M. Neal. ..... (1)
Brazos Avenue, M. W. Clark(1)
Main Street, W. B. Andrews. ..... (1)
Cahill, W. G. Gwaltney ..... (2)
Grandview Station, W. C. Hilburn ..... (2)
Grandview Circuit, Victor D. Dowe, III ..... (1)
Granbury Station, W. N. Curry ..... (2) ..... (2)
Granbury Circuit, Joe M. Marshall, I ..... (1)
Glen Rose Station, P. M. Riley ..... (2)
Glen Rose Mission, supplied by Van P: Morrison. ..... (1) ..... (1)
Godley and Cresson, O. C. Swinney
Godley and Cresson, O. C. Swinney
Joshua and Egan, Ben Crow. ..... (1)
Morgan and Walnut, H. B. Clark ..... (2)
Venus, Guy H. Wilson ..... (2)
Chaplain U. S. Army, Gid J. Bryan ..... (1)
Superintendent Orphans' Home Society, J. D. Odom.
Assistant Manager Texas Orphanage, E. A. Read, III.... (1) ..... (1)
Anti-Saloon League, W. B. Wilson ..... (1)
DUBLIN DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder-E. P. Williams ..... (2)
Bluffdale, Paul F. Brumbeloe, II ..... (1)
Bunyan, W. A. Neill ..... (4)
Carlton, M. J. Vaughan. ..... (1)
Comanche, Josephus Lee ................. II ..... (2)
DeLeon, W. B. Vaughn ..... (1)
DeLeon Circuit, C. V. Williams. ..... (2)
Dublin, Roy A. Langston. ..... (2)
Duffau, E. C. Lambert, II ..... (1).....
Gustine, D. A. Chisholm, III ..... (1)
Hico, J. H. Braswell... ..... (1)
Iredell, H. A. Nichols, III ..... (3)
Proctor, R. L. Reese ..... (1)
Stephenville, J. J. Creed ..... (2) $\ldots \ldots$.
Stephenville Mission, supplied by J. J. Freeman ..... (1)
Tolar, M. M. Chunn Y. M. C. A., J. W. Kawkins.
CORSICANA DISTRICT
Presiding Elder-A. D. Porter ..... (2)
Barry; supplied by I. R. Dorwood. ..... (1) ..... (3) $-\cdots$
Blooming Grove, C. N. Morton ..... (1)....
Chatfield, Marvin Bell, I ..... (2)
Eleventh Avenue, R. A. Crosby ..... (1)
Corsicana Circuit, N. J. Peeples ..... (1)
Emhouse, H. B. Landrum ..... (1)
Emmet, W. T. Boulware ..... (1) $\ldots \ldots$.
Groesbeck, E. A. Smith ..... (3)
Harmony, E. F. Hewitt, II. ..... (2)
Kerens Station, L. Pat Leach, IV ..... (1)
Kerens Mission, supplied by Wm. J. Claud ..... (1)
Kirvin, J. M. Hays. ..... (2)
Mexia Station, W. W. Moss ..... (2)
Mexia Mission, A. R. Lundy, III ..... (3)
Purdon, Aubrey C. Haynes, II. ..... (1)
Rice, R. A. Walker ..... (1)
Thornton, B. F. Alsup. ..... (1).
Wortham and Richland, Elmer Crabtree ..... (1)
Chaplain U. S. Army, J. F. Isbell.Army Y. M. C. A., C. E. Wilkins.
FORT WORTH DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder-W. H. Matthews. ..... (2)
Arlington, Alonzo Monk, Jr ..... (1)
Boulevard, C. L. Browning. ..... (2)
Brooklyn Heights and Soldier Pastor, W. E. Hawkins, Jr. (1)Central, J. M. Barcus.
(1)
Diamond Hill, David Irvin, I ..... (1)
First Church, F. P. Culver ..... (2)
B. B. Byus, I, Junior Preacher. ..... (1)
Glenwood, J. W. Patison ..... (4)
Hemphill Heights, T. Edgar Neal, II(2)........Highland Park, A. C. Smith
Missouri Avenue, W. J. Hearon.(1).........
Mulkey Memorial, C. E. Lindsey. ..... (2)
Polytechnic, E. B. Hawk ..... (3)
T. W. Ellis and J.
(1)
Riverside, H. C. Bowman
Stanford Memorial, W. M. Bowden
Stanford Memorial, W. M. Bowden ..... (1)
Sagamore and Sycamore, E. E. White. ..... (1)
Weatherford Street, A. C. Bell.
(1)
Euless and Minters, C. W. Daniel(2) $\ldots \ldots$
Grapevine, C. Q. Smith, III
Handley, W. Taylor Jones ..... (3)
Haslett, O. O. Odom, II(2)........
Kennedale, R. S. Watkins(1)...... .

- Bohemian Mission, Henry Ibser, II ..... (1)
U. S. Army Service, L. G. White.
Chaplain U. S. Army, C. C. Hightower.
Chaplain U. S. Army, E. R. Stanford.
Chaplain U. S. Army, George Smallwood
Army Y. M. C. A., F. L. Meadow.
President T. W. C., J. D. Young.
Commissioner T. W. C., E. V. Cox
Field Secretary Sunday School Association, C. S. Field.
Dean of School of Theology, S. M. U., Hoyt M. Dobbs.
Conference Evangelist, J. T. Bloodworth.
State Superintendent Methodist Orphanage, W. T. Gray.
Agent Superannuate Homes, D. L. Collie.
State Secretary Sunday League of America, R. C. Armstrong
State Superintendent Anti-Saloon League, Atticus Webb.
Epworth League Board, Ralph E. Nollner, I.
Secretary Church Extension Board, H. A. Boaz.
Student S. M. U., L. B. Craven, I.


## GATESVILLE DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder-J. B. Berry ..... (1) ..... (2)Clifton, Geo. F. Kornegay......
Copperas Cove, to be su
Coryell, C. T. Brockette
Crawford, E. W. Bridges( )(2)(2) $\ldots \ldots \ldots$
Evant, Horace Poteet.(3) $\ldots \ldots$.
Fairy, W. L. Connell, III ..... (1)
Gatesville Station, J. W. W. Shuler ..... (1)
Gatesville Circuit, J. A. Walkup, II ..... (2)
Hamilton Station, W. S. P. McCollough. ..... (1)
Hamilton Circuit, W. H. Keener ..... (2)
Jonesboro, P. E. Lancaster, I. ..... (2)
Killeen, J. F. Luker(1)...
McGregor, J. M. Wynne ..... (1) ..... (1)
Meridian Station, J. Hall Bowman ..... (1)
Meridian Mission, supplied by John T. Sanders. ..... (1)
Moody, E. L. Lloyd ..... (1)
Nolanville, J. W. Shepherd, I
Oglesby, F. O. Waddill ..... (3)(1) .......
Turnersville, W. J. Whitley, II ..... (1)

Valley Mills, W. H. Doss.

Valley Mills, W. H. Doss. .....  ..... (1) .....  ..... (1)
President Meridian College, G. F. Winfield ..... (8) ..... (8)
GEORGETOWN DISTRICT. ..... (1)........
Presiding Elder-C. R. Wright
Presiding Elder-C. R. Wright Presiding Elder-C.
Bartlett, C . W. Irvin. ..... (3)
Belton, P. E. Riley ..... (1)
Florence, G. R. Wright ..... (2)
Georgetown, K. P. Barton ..... (2)
Granger, W. J. Mayhew. ..... (2)
Holland and Belle Plains, Geo. W. Kincheloe
(1)
(1)
Hutto and Jonah, C. B. Diltz
Hutto and Jonah, C. B. Diltz
(1)
(1)
Midway, supplied by O. O. Moore
Midway, supplied by O. O. Moore ..... (1)
Oenaville, M. E. Ha ..... (1)
Salado and Jarrell, Walter Griffith. ..... (1) ..... (1)
Taylor, J. W. Mayne
Taylor, J. W. Mayne Temple, First Church, J. H. Groseclose Temple, First Church, J. H. Groseclose ..... (1) ..... (1)
Seventh Street, R. W. Nation ..... (1)
Thrall and Lawrence Chapel, to be supplied ..... (2)
Troy and Pendleton, W. T. Kinslo ..... (2) ..... (2)
President S. U., C. M. Bishop ..... (8)
Assistant Sunday School Editor, Emmett Hightower. ..... (1).......
Army Y. M. C. A., A. E. Turney.
Army Y. M. C. A., G. G. Mitchell, III.
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder-J. W. Fort ..... (1)
Abbott, M. L. Story ..... (3)......
Brandon and Mertens, T. S. Ogle ..... (1)
Bynum, T. .H. Burton ..... (2)
Cooledge, J. U. McAfee. ..... (2)
Covington and Osceola, J. N. Vincent ..... (1)Hillsboro, First Church, S. J. Rucker.(1)
(1)Line Street, T. G. Story.
Hubbard, Horace Bishop ..... (1)
Irene, C. O. Hightower. .....  1
Itasca Station, John R. Morris ..... (1)(1) $\ldots \ldots \ldots$
Itasca Circuit, J. F. Clark ..... (1)Kirk and Prairie Hill, J. W. Holt
(2)
(2)
Malone, J. M. Bond. ..... (3)
Munger, R. T. Wallace, I ..... (1) ........
Penelope, F. A. Ray ..... (1)
Peoria, Preston Broxton ..... (1)
Whitney, H. B. Thompson, II ..... (1)
Chaplain U. S. Army, M. D. Council.
WACO DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder--J. W. Bergin ..... (1)
Aquilla, Marsh Boiles, I ..... (1)
Bosqueville, M. M. Smith
(1)
(1)
Bruceville and Riesel, W. D. Gaskins ..... (2)
China Springs, W. T. Veatch, I ..... (1)
Eddy, J. M. Armstrong
(1)
(1)
Hewett and Spring Valley, W. Vinsant. ..... (2)
Lorena, R. B. Young ..... (2) ........
Mount Calm, S. P. Nevill ..... (2) ........
Mart, M. S. Hotchkiss
Mart, M. S. Hotchkiss(2) $\ldots . .$.
West and Elm Mott, W. H. Cole, III ..... (1) ........
Waco-Austin Avenue, Robert E. Goodrich ..... (2)
Clay Street, M. A. Turner ..... (2) .........
Elm Street, M. M. Morphis ..... (2) ........
Fifth Street, O. F. Sensabaugh ..... (1) ........
Herring Avenue, J: H. Walker ..... (1)
Morrow Street, M. K. Little
Soldier Pastor, D. A. McGuire.
Chaplain U. S. Army, S. B. Knowles.Conference Missionary, J. E. Crawford.
Sunday School Field Agent, R. F. Brown
Y. M. C. A. Secretary, J. V. Baird.
WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder-J. H. Stewart ..... (1)
Bardwell, S. B. Sawyers ..... (1)
Bethel, S. C. Baird ..... (1)
Bristol, C. G. Shutt ..... (1)
Britton, supplied by J. B.Wiltshire ..... (1)
Ennis, T. S. Armstrong ..... (3) ..... (2) .........
Ferris, B. R. Wagner
Ferris, B. R. Wagner
Forreston and Nash, C. F. Bell ..... (1)
Italy, I. E. Hightower ..... (2) ........
Mansfield, J. D. Hendrickson. ..... (2)
Maypearl, W. H. Harris.(1) ........
Midlothian and War Work Commissioner, John R. Nel-
son ..... (1)
Milford, W. W. Ward, ..... (1) $\ldots \ldots$
Palmer, E. R. Patterson ..... (3) $\ldots \ldots$
Red Oak, Z. L. Howell. ..... (1) ........
Waxahachie Station, C. L. Cartwright ..... (3)Waxahachie Circuit, B. E. Kimbrow.Webb Station, supplied by J.' C. Mann

aughan.
Conference Secretary Church Extension Board, W. H. Vaughan.
WEATHERFORD DISTRICT.
Presiding Elder-C. A. Bickley. ..... (1)
Aledo, George E. Alstadt ..... (2)
Azle, Z. L. Oliver, IV ..... (2)
Eliasville, P. E. Cantrell, II ..... (1)
Graford, O. A. Morton ..... (4)
Graham, T. E. Bowman. ..... (1)
A. P. Lipscomb, Supernumerary.
Graham Mission, A. W. Franklin, I ..... (2) ..... (2)
Loving, supplied by C. E. Statham ..... (1)
Millsap, supplied by A. B. Crow. ..... (1) ..... (1)
Mineral Wells, J. A. Whitehurst. ..... (1)
New Castle, W. G. Bailey ..... (2)
Olney, J. W. Head ..... (2)
Olney Mission, Edgar N. Scarlett, III ..... (4)
Palo Pinto, Joe L. Chunn, II ..... (1)
Springtown, J. Fred Patterson ..... (2)
Weatherford-First Church, T. S. Barcus ..... (2)R. J. Tooley, Supernumerary.
Couts' Memorial, C. E. Simpson. ..... (1)
Weatherford Circuit, T. D. Ellis ..... (2)
Whitt, supplied by T. Bennett. ..... (1)
Conference Evangelist, J. A. Dozier ..... (2)
Army Y. M. C. A., I. T. Huckabee, I.

TRANSFERRED.
Frank Hughen, to North Texas Conference.
George B. Jackson, to North Texas Conference.
H. W. Knickerbocker, to Texas Conference.

John F. Neal, to Northwest Texas Conference.
H. F. Brooks, to Northwest Texas Conference.
A. E. Watford, to West Oklahoma Conference.
L. L. Evans, to East Oklahoma Conference.

## LIST OF CHANGES IN THE PLANS OF CIRCUITS IN THE SEVERAL PRESIDING ELDERS' DISTRICTS.

Brownwood District: Robert Lee placed with Bronte, Zephyr with Indian Creek, Wingate with Norton.

Cisco District: Mingus is changed to Pioneer Circuit, Caddo Mission created, and Ranger Mission was formed.

Cleburne District: Walnut Springs is put on with Morgan, Kopperl put on with Blum and Rio Vista.

Corsicana District: Powell put on the Kerens Circuit, Grape Creek on the Corsicana Circuit; Emhouse becomes a station, Drane put on the Barry Circuit, Mount Zion on the Purdon Circuit, Datura on the Harmony Circuit, Kirvin becomes a half station, Personville on the Mexia Circuit, Alma received from
the Waxahachie District and made an afternoon appointment on the Rice station.

Gatesville District: Killeen Mission is absorbed into the Nolanville charge, Sugarloaf and Brookhaven appointments put on with Killeen station.

Waco District: Elm Mott taken from Aquilla and put on with West, Sego and Blevins from Texas Conference placed with Eddy.

Waxahachie District: Alma placed with Rice in the Corsicana District.

## Condensed Minutes

OF THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CENTRAL TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, HELD AT MINERAL WELLS, TEXAS, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 20, 1918, ENDING NOVEMBER 22, 1918. BISHOP W. N. AINS. WORTH, PRESIDENT. A. D. PORTER, SECRETARY.
Postoffice of Secretary, Corsicana, Texas.

1. Who are admitted on trial? Raymond Vanzandt, Joseph M. Marshall, Marvin Bell, L. Bowman Craven, R. E. Lancaster, Joseph W. Shephard, Robert Tyler Wallace, Marsh Boiles, Burnard Benjamin Byus, Wm. Tell Veatch, Walter Wm. Ward, Arthur W. Franklin, Elisha W.. Hancock.
2. Who remain on trial? Robt, Lee Butler, Ernest R. Brown, Wm. Bascomb Morton, Aubrey C. Haynes, Otis Olin Odom, Ralph Eugene Nollner, Harry Burton Thompson, Jno. Tucker Ferguson, Jno. A. Walkup, Umphrey Lee, Ira T. Huckabee, Walter Everett Harrell, Paul Ferrell Brumbeloe, Price Edward Cantrell, E. Chloe Lambert, Earle F. Hewitt, G. E. Allstade, Henry Ibser.
(3.) Who are discontinued? No one.
3. Who are admitted into full connection? A. R. Lunday, H. A. Nichols, C. Q. Smith, Victor D. Dowe, W. N. Anderson, W. H. Cole, Edgar N. Scarlett, D. A. Chisholm.
(5.) Who are readmitted? No one.
4. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? G. R. Wright, O. F. Sensabaugh, Henry Ibser, J. H. Grosclose, E. E. White, J. D. Ramsey, A. C. Bell, T. S. Ogle, Z. R. Fee, C. H. Ledget, R. S. Watkins, R. E. Goodrich.
5. Who are received from other Churches as local preachers? No one.
6. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? David Irvin.
7. Who are the deacons of one year? M. L. Boone, J. L. Oliver, L. Pat Leach.

10 What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Edward Alfred Reed, Edgar N. Scarlett, Wm. Edward Anderson, Albert Richard Lunday, Donald ${ }^{\wedge}$ A. Chisholm.
11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Edgar Newton Scarlett, William Edward Anderson, Albert Richard Lunday.
12. What local preachers are elected deacons? Thomas Lonzo Stinson, Elisha Lee Evans, Elisha Wesley Hancock, John Fleming Owens, Charles Henry Puckett, Edward Leslie Robinson, T. Bennett.
13. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Thos. Lonzo Stinson, Elisha Lee Evans, Elisha Wesley Hancock, Jno. Fleming Owens, Chas. Henry Puckett, Tyre Bennett.
14. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Phillip Henry Gates, Jonathan Montrose Hays, Paschal W. Layne, Robt. Bruce Hooper, J. Fred Patterson, Joseph Leland Hester.
15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Phillip Henry Gates, Jonathan M. Hays, Robt. Bruce Hooper, J. Fred Pattersen.
16. What local preachers are elected elders? Joseph T. McKeown, William Oliver Basham, George Smith, Walter William Ward, W. R. Witherspoon.
17. What local preachers are ordained elders? William Oliver Basham, George Smith, Walter William Ward, Umphrey Lee, William Hugh Cole, Albert C. Fisher.
(18.) Who are located this year? A. D. Cosgrove, at his own request: H. L. Vincent, at his own request; M. L. Latham, at his own request; T. W. Sharp, at his own request.
19. Who are supernumerary ? J. W. Dickinson, T. W. Ellis, A. P. Lipscomb, R. J. Tooley, E. F. Hudgens, J. O. Gore, R. 0 . Bailey, J. D. Smoot.
20. Who are superannuated? W. W. Noble, H. P. Shrader, F. M. Winburne, D. C. Stark, G. W. Harris, J. J. Canafax, J. G. Pollard, D. C. Ellis, Jerome Haralson, W. D. Jnoes, J. M. McCarter, V. J. Millis, C. V. Oswalt, C. A. Evans, J. J. Rape, E. M. Sweet, W. K. Simpson, C. E. Statham, E. F. Boone, J. C. Carter, E. B. Chenoweth, C. E. Gallagher, J. F. Harris, W. J. Lemons, F. L. McGehee, J. P. Mussett, A. C. Lackey, N. E. Gardner, C. Rowland, J. E. Walker, B. A. Snoddy, J. C. Mayhew, James Campbell, B. A. Evans, W. H. Crawford, W. A. Gilliland, H. B. Henry, Abe Long, E. J. Maxwell, Franklin Moore, C. A. Evans, C. W' McCune, J. R. B. Hall.
21. What preachers have died during the past year? A. L. Andrews, W. H. Howard, Henry Stanford, O. B. Turner, M. H. Major, R. B. McSwain, G. W. Owens, H. M. Glass.
22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? They are.
23. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? 232. Members, 80,775.
24. How many have been licensed to preach during the year, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the De-partment of Ministerial Supply and Training? Six.
25. How many candidates for the ministry are there, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training? None.
26. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 739.
27. How many adults have been batptized during the year? 2422.
28. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 93.
29. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,175.
30. What is the number of Sunday schools? 480.
31. What is the number of Sunday school officers and teachers? 5,065.
32. What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the Conference year? 59,338 .
33. What amount was assessed by the last Conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? $\$ 16,003$.
34. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? $\$ 13,406$. See report.
35. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign, $\$ 20$,747. Home and Conference, $\$ 23,259$.
36. What has been contributed for Church Extension? $\$ 10,132$.
37. What has been contributed for Education? \$20,950.
38. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? $\$ 1,014$.
39. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding Elders, \$37,837. Preachers in Charge, $\$ 231,243$.
40. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? $\$ 3,095$.
41. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of Societies, 562. Number of Houses of Worship, 504.
42. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, $\$ 1,971,970$. Indebtedness, \$125,196.
43. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral Charges, 229. Number of Parsonages, 220 .
44. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, $\$ 509,380$. Indebtedness, $\$ 16,569$.
45. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of Districts, 12. Number of District Parsonages, 12 .
46. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, $\$ 55,500$. Indebtedness, $\$ 4,035$.

47 . What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 6. Amount of damage, $\$ 28,651$.
48. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, $\$ 1,288,200$. Losses sustained, $\$ 28,651$. Premiums paid, $\$ 9,833$. Collections on losses, $\$ 17,576$.
49. What are the educational statistics? Value of property, - $\$ 3,495,000$. Endowment, $\$ 450,000$. Professors, 123. Pupils, 2,295 , including S. M. U.
50. How many copies of the General organ and of the Conference organ are taken? General organ, 276. Conference organ, 2,934 .
51. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader, and what is the report from the Committee on Lay Activities? W. Erskine Williams. (See Report.)
52. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Austin Avenue, Waco, Texas.
53. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Appointments.

## Memoirs.


#### Abstract

We, the Committee on Memoirs, beg to submit the following report:

We deeply regret to report that death has invaded our ranks in a most unusual way. Eight of our members have died during the year, viz: H. M. Gloss, G. W. Owens, A. L. Andrews, M. H. Major, R. B. McSwain, W. H. Howard, O. B. Turner and Henry Stanford. We submit you herewith the memoirs of these brethren and recommend that they be published in our Journal for the consideration of the Conference.

We are called upon also to report the death of three preachers' wives this year as follows: Mrs. C. G. Shutt, Mrs. W. W. Noble and Mrs. A. L. Andrews. We submit herewith a brief account of the life of each of these good women for your earnest consideration. We regret that the shortness of the time at the disposal of the Conference seems to indicate that we will not be able to have a memorial session and thus give to each of these the full consideration justly due them.

We wish to extend to the loved ones of each of these departed friends our sincerest sympathies and offer for their comfort our warmest prayers.

These brethren and sisters have wrought well and have come to the end unafraid and in great peace.

Respectfully submitted, J. M. BARCUS, E. F. BOONE, J. H. STEWART.


The obituary of Brother 0. B. Turner will be furnished and printed in the Journal next year.-Committee.

The obituary of Mrs. Andrews was not furnished.-Ed.

## REV. HIRAM M. GLASS.

When Rev. Hiram M. Glass died in the Old Confederate Home in Austin one of the oldest Methodist preachers and one of the most heroic spirits in Texas passed away. He was born near Huntsville, Ala., June 11, 1828. He was received into the Methodist Church, on probation, in 1841, and maintained an. unbroken connection for seventy-seven years. When he was twenty years old he was licensed to preach at Pickenville, Ala. The father of Bishop Murrah was his Presiding Elder.

In 1849 he came to Texas and attended school at Chappell Hill for two years. The next three years he taught school in that vicinity and in 1855 was elected president of the Chappell Hill College. In the same year, in December, he was admitted on trial into the Texas Conference. In the fall of 1856 he was appointed to Centerville and while there was the pastor of Bishop Seth Ward's father. In 1858-59 he was stationed at Anderson; in 1860 at Waverly and Cold Springs. In 1861 he served the Fairfield charge until the fourth Quarterly Conference without receiving a dollar as salary. He was then released from his charge and joined the Confederate Army. In
the winter of 1862 he was summoned to go to Huntsville and buy supplies and clothing for the Confederate Army. Considering the conditions in Texas at that time and the lack of facilities for travel, this was a very responsible and even perilous mission. In the performance of it he finally went as far as San Antonio and within ten weeks reported back to headquarters at Little Rock with the goods and also numerous bundles of clothing, etc., sent by the wives and daughters of the soldiers. After performing this distinguished and valuable service he was granted a furlough and returned to Huntsville, Texas, but in a short time he was sent by Colonel Spring, who was then at Huntsville, to Matamoras, Mex., with cotton to sell and also to buy supplies. When he returned from this trip he was appointed chaplain of Colonel H. M. Elmore's regiment, which was then at Galveston. He served in this capacity until the close of the war. In 1864 there was a terrible scourge of yellow fever in Galveston and he did heroic and unselfish service in nursing the sick, burying the dead and in loving ministrations to the bereaved. On one day he buried 22 victims of the scourge and the next day was himself smitten. His life was despaired of and he was even reported as having died.

The records to which I have had access are so meager that no accurate statement of the charges he served can be given. He gave, first and last, a good many years to teaching in Methodist schools. In 1869 he joined the (old) Northwest Texas Conference. He was granted the superannuate relation in 1892. When the Conference was divided he became a member of the Central Texas Conference and was in that relation at the time of his death.

Brother Glass belonged to that noble band of pioneers who counted not their lives dear unto themselves, but who, with unflinching courage, endured hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ that they might lay the foundation deep and strong for the future Church and Christian civilization in the Lone Star State. Unlike most of his co-laborers, he lived to see with his own eyes some of the glorious fruitage of the faithful sowing of those heroic days. He threaded forests and prairies without roads, crossed streams without bridges, slept many a night with his saddle blanket for a bed, his saddle bags for a pillow and God's stars for a covering. He traveled circuits when to the equipment of a preacher was to be added a pistol or a trusted rifle. He preached to congregations who stacked their arms in the corner of the log meeting house and who kept one eye on the preacher and the other on the lookout for the stealthy Indian. The value of the services of such men cannot be measured by statistics. The full fruitage of their ministry will not be known until the books are opened on the last day. Brother Glass had a beautiful Christian experience. He had his share of earthly sorrows, but he never grew sour or complaining. He could say with Paul, Though the outward man perishes the inward man is renewed, day by day.

On his eighty-second birthday he wrote: "How gracious and loving has been God's protection over me, through these years of strenuous service and travel and danger and hardships! My spiritual sky is clear. My love for the church and the welfare of my brethren and the salvation of sinners are immortal and exhaustless. I am ready to stack my weapons of warfare at the gate of eternal life, or take them again,
should the fortunes of my Redeemer demand them and me again. 'Bless the Lord, O my soul.'

This is the concluding paragraph of a communication he wrote to the Texas Advocate on his eighty-second birthday. Commenting on this communication, the editor of the Advocate said: "The record he gave of himself and his life work is remarkable. Few men in Texas can show such a history. Think of a man, more than eighty years old, still in good health and happy in the service of the Master, having passed through the stirring scenes he depicts, and still willing to serve another lifetime in the vineyard were he able to retrace his steps. Yet he is as modest as a woman, as consistent as a saint, as heroic as a martyr and as devoted as Paul."

After his superannuation Brother Glass continued to have an intense passion for souls and in the city of San Antonio, for many years he went about among the poor and outcast, ministering to the sick, praying for the wayward in every way within his power, seeking to save the lost.

And even after he was admitted as an inmate of the Old Soldiers' Home in Austin he continued as long as his strength would allow to give spiritual help to all whom he could reach. He believed that as long as God left him here he had some work to do, and he sought for it and found it. He never laid down his armor until the crown was in sight.

For seventy-seven years he was a Methodist and for more than seventy years a Methodist preacher. He ceased at once to work and live.

Servant of God, well done.

## JNO. M. BARCUS.

## REV. GEORGE W. OWENS.

Rev. George W. Owens was born in Monroe County, Ala., March 25, 1852. He came to Texas with his mother, six brothers and two sisters in 1868, settling near Calvert.

He was converted at Horn Hill under the ministry of Rev. William Graves, October, 1870, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in the following December. He was licensed to preach by Rev. Thomas Stanford in November, 1871 . He was ordained deacon by Bishop Doggett in 1876 at Calvert, Texas, and an elder by Bishop Parker at Cleburne, Texas, at our Conference in November; 1882 . He was admitted on trial into the old Northwest Texas Conference in October, 1878; at Belton, Texas.

In the fall of 1878 he was married to Miss Allie Epperson, daughter of the late Petty Epperson, one of our great laymen.

He served the following pastoral charges: Reagor Circuit 1879-80, Ferris Circuit 1881, Wesley and Rush 1882, Wesley Circuit 1883, Lancaster Station 1884, Bruceville 1885-86 and a second pastorate at Lancaster 1887-88.

He was for fifteen years Financial Agent of the Texas Christian Advocate, and for the past twelve years he has held a supernumerary relation in the Central Texas Conference.

Brother Owens was a successful pastor, having had 150 conversions in his first charge; 160 in his second, 82 in his third, 45 in the fourth, 40 in the fifth, 65 in his sixth and in like manner to the close of his active ministry. In each of these charges hẹ built a new church or parsonage, or both.

After his health failed and he became active in business he was devoted to his church. The present Tyler Street Church, Oak Cliff, was erected by him at a cost of $\$ 5,000$. At his death twenty-two young men at Southern Methodist University were indebted to him for an opportunity of obtaining an education. Hundreds of dollars and numerous kindnesses went from his generous hand to bless the needy, of which the world knewr nothing.

The position of Brother Owens on all moral questions was clearly known. When the John L. Sullivan fight was staged for Dallas, Texas, his managers applied to him for more than one million feet of lumber for the great amphitheater, he scornfully refused to allow one dollar's worth of his property to be used.

His fine physique, his genial greeting, his happy spirit, and his open face made him attractive in any company of men. To know him was to love him.

To him and his noble wife who survives him was born six children, three sons and three daughters. They were a happy family. A great mother is left to bless and guide his children. We commend her and the children to the Great Father who was his solace in the long years of his sickness.

To his sorrowing mother, three brothers, and Miss Margaret. -whom we have known and loved for forty years-we extend our deepest sympathy.

We will miss him at the annual roll call, but he has anṣwered to the call from above.
"Servant of God well done,
Thy glorious warfare is past,
The battle's fought, the race is run,
And thou art crowned at last."
H. BISHOP.

REV. A. L. ANDREWS, A. M., D. D.
The world's great wealth lies not in its mountains, fields or forests, but in its manhood and womanhood. Its greatest assets are not stupendous industrial corporations, but good men and women. The going of one is a greater loss to the forward movement of society than the crash of any commercial institution. It is men, not wealth, that give luster and immortality to a people. The true history of a country is its biography of her great men of action; for in the circle of a human life move all the forces that enter into the building of a great nation. So the going of our great and good men is a distinct loss, a matter of profound and widespread sorrow. This was true in the sudden and tragic death of Rev. Allen Lewellyn Andrews, A. M. D. D.

Dr. Andrews was the son of Rev. Allen S. Andrews, A. M., D. D., LL. D., and Mrs. Virginia Hudson Andrews, and was born in Columbus, Miss., January 22, 1868. His father was one of the leading men of Methodism of his day; a preacher and educator of national reputation. His mother was by nature a gentle woman, by education cultured and by grace a handmaiden of the Lord. She still lingers in the richness and mellowness of age, ready to join that glorified host with whom her loved ones dwell.

On November 4, 1890, Dr. Andrews married Miss Hassie Martin in Madison, Ala. This union was crowned with eight children: Mrs. Virginia Hudson Manly, William B., Allen S., Mrs. Lila Elizabeth Hill, Ruth De Jarnette, Allen Lewellyn Jr., Julian Lee and John Holt. All these survive him except William B., who met his death at the same time as his father and mother, and was a corporal in the 131st Field Artillery, and Allen S., who died in infancy. This marriage was one of love. Heart answered heart with the responsiveness of string to bow. They were the complement of each other. Their assets were capitalized in one life. "The twain became one flesh." They gave all each to the other. They held back nothing.

Dr. Andrews entered the Southern University, of which his honored father was president, before he was sixteen years old, and graduated in four years with the master's degree. He was a bright student and his college career was a brilliant one. There was hardly an honor offered in the institution that he did not win. He was popular with his fellow-students and a trusted leader among them.

He joined the North Alabama Conference in 1887, and for two years was stationed at Madison, Ala. In November, 1889, he transferred to the Alabama Conference and served the following charges: Huntsboro and Seale, Clayton, Midway, Wetumpka, Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, and Church Street, Selma. He transferred to the North Texas Conference in 1906, where he served the following charges: Grace, Dallas; Sherman District, Terrell District and Wichita Falls. In the fall of 1916 he was transferred to the Central Texas Conference and was stationed at the First Church, Fort Worth, where after finishing his first year with great popularity and success, and soon after entering upon his second year, he met his tragic and lamentable death on December 28th, 1917 .

He was twice a member of the General Conference, elected once by the Alabama Conference and once by the North Texas Confernce. He was chosen first alternate delegate by the Central Texas Conference to the last General Conference. When only thirty-seven years of age, in recognition of his proven ability and leadership, the honorary degree of $D$. D. was conferred upon him by his Alma Mater.

Dr. Andrews, judged by every standard, was not an ordinary man. He was not cast in conventional moulds.. His life moved in wide-sweeping circles. He had the advantage of a noble and distinguished ancestry, and the environment of a home permeated with the spirit of love and culture. Under these influences his life took root in the finer things and grew up into beauty and strength. The impress of his early training was never effaced and the thrill of parental touch lingered till the end. His was a big heart and golden too. He loved to love and loved to be loved. Many felt the great passion of his heart and rejoiced. Many have felt the touch of his inexhaustible sympathy and been strengthened. Many have seen his unstinted generosity and been shamed. None appealed to him in vain. He was a covert to tired and tempted souls. Men of all shades of belief and all kinds of trouble flocked to him and in him found inspiration and strength. He gripped men and women not by gracefulness and winsomeness of speech, but by the deeper and more elemental faculties of the soul, generosity, sympathy and love. In him these noble graces came to such
perfect flowering as to saturate his life with their heavenly perfume. His life was one of service. Being what he was he could not withhold his feet or hands or tongue or heart. They were all consecrated to service. His greatness was not the glitter of earthly power and place, but the greatness of spending himself. His whole life was fused into the overmastering passion of ministering. Full of the tender graces of life yet he was manly. He had those firmer qualities which made him strong and heroic. He never cowered in the face of duty or evaded an unpleasant task to win popularity. His emphatic protest was entered against all forms of evil and injustice. He always spoke and acted in the open, there was never about him the unsanctified atmosphere of an ecclesiastical diplomat. He was quick to resent an injury, but just as quick to forgive. He did not and could not bear malice, for the fires of his great soul consumed it. To his friends he was loyal and to his enemies forgiving. No one ever had a better friend or truer. Loyalty to his friends was a passion. The greater their need the closer he clung. He laid himself out for them. There was nothing he had that was not theirs also. Naturally, he was a radiant spirit. His joy was contagious. He radiated happiness. He was a tonic for the blues. Good cheer rang in his voice. Laughter lay upon his lips. All were glad when he came and upon his departure pressed him to come again.

It was as a preacher and a pastor that his great soul shone out with all the splendor of a sublime consecration and won for him a conspicuous place among his brethren. He loved to preach. It was to him a great privilege and a sacred task. It was all-absorbing. He gave himself to it with all the ardor of youth, which grew into a passion in his maturer years. Through all his preaching ran the evangelistic note. He spoke not in the hesitating terms of human philosophy, but in the authoritative terms of divine assurance. He was an ambassador of God, his credentials bore the authentication of heaven. He spoke not simply to the head, but also addressed himself to the heart. He knew its language and could stir and thrill it. He was a master of persuasive speech. He not only mastered the chords of the human heart, but could also arouse and incite the will. Judged by effectiveness, he was a great preacher. He edified the saints and flashed the light of a new hope into the hearts of sinners. In every pastorate he added many to the church. In Wichita Falls he enrolled more than five hundred converts in one year. He was a great pastor. He knew the art of shepherding. His flock believed in him. They looked upon him as a friend. They carried to him their troubles and sought his advice. He responded to their needs. He loved them and they loved him. He gave himself to them and they responded with a like gift. He capitalized their love in a great leadership. It was beautiful as well as touching to see him moving among his people with all the winsomeness of fatherly affection, and note their loyal and appreciative response. In all his pastorates he left a deep impress upon the hearts of the people. His work in the First Church of Fort Worth will long abide as that of a master workman. His labor among the soldiers at Camp Bowie will ever reflect honor upon him as a patriot and lover of men.

In his home he was a prince. He dispensed a royal hospitality. All found an abundant welcome. He had nothing for
himself. He was an unselfish soul. His family trusted in him. He was their ideal man. It was his delight to serve them. And they in return gave him the unstinted loyalty and love of their hearts. It was a home beautified and sanctified by the atmosphere of self-sacrificing love.

It scemed that he died too soon, but he lived long enough to achieve a work that is monumental and a character that shall blue
F. P. CULVER.

## REV. M.' H. MAJOR.

Rev. Mathias Holland Major, son of John Wesley Major and Sarah Holland Major, was born in Anderson County, South Carolina, January 5, 1860. He was one of a family of fourteen children, seven girls and seven boys. Under the training of his Christian father and mother he was converted when eight years of age and joined the M. E. Church, South. In 1887, when in the M. E. Church, South.

Not feeling himsouth.
struggle at once for an education to preach, he commenced a applied himself to this education. For eight long years he alternately. He was a student in Woing to school and teaching lina. During this time he lost his Wofford College, South Carogin, but this did not dampen his purpose or arrest his a cotton

In 1885 he joined the South Carolina Conference progress. ordained by Bishop Keener. In 1890 he transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference. When the Conference was divided he retained his membership in the Central Texas Conference. He served the following charges: Kerens, Blooming Grove, Itasca, Groesbeck, Joshua, Peach Street (Fort Worth), Rio Vista. He took a superannuated relationedale, Blum and

He was married to Miss Anuated relation in 1913
Carolina, September 15, 1886 . Of this union Anderson, South seven children-W. H. Major Rev this union there were born tonio; Rev. Mrs. P. E. Lancaster, Mev. Mrs. H. M. Ratliff, San Anlas; Morton Major, Fort Worth, Jonesboro; Towns Major, DalMajor, Fort Worth. He was very rances S. Major and D. M. daughters, and notwithstanding the fact that his his sons and always small, he, with the co-operation of his his salary was economy and painstaking care, gave his children gal wife, by tional advantages.

His death was a surprise and shock to his many friends. He had been sick but a few days and his illness was known to but
few persons.

While his wife was sitting by his bed on June 25, 1918, he suddenly passed away. Brother Major was a man of strong conviction. He was sure of his conversion and his call to the minHe knew, loved and defended the Methe inspired word of God. line. He was devoted to his the Methodist doctrine and Disciphusband and father. A good man has gone from He was a good comfort the widow and children has gone from us. May God he is.
W. H. MATHEWS.

## ROBERT BROWN McSWAIN; Ph. D.

In the opinion of all who knew him, Professor McSwain was a very remarkable man. He was a scholar of recognized ability while he was yet a young man. Disease seized upon him early, and after some years of suffering he died at the portals of middle life.

Robert Brown MeSwain was born at Falcon, Ark., July 20, 1875. Born of godly parents, he was baptized in infancy by Rev. F. M. Winburne. When he was four years old his parents moved to Emmet, Ark., where he lost his father in 1883 . He enjoyed the inestimable blessing of having the careful training of a mother of culture and deep piety, and he joined the church at an early age. He soon after felt the call to the ministry and was licensed to preach when he was seventeen years old.

He attended the public schools of his native State until he was fifteen years old, and afterwards entered Henderson-Brown College at Arkadelphia, Ark. He completed the courses required and graduated from this college in two years.

From this college he went to Vanderbilt for his university work, and in two years' time he received both the M. A. and the B. D. degrees. He is remembered by his teachers and fellowstudents as a man of great capacity for work and remarkable brilliancy.

It was at Vanderbilt University that he imbibed the missionary spirit and became an active worker in the Missionary Volunteer movement. He took great interest in all missionary. movements as long as he lived.

In 1897, soon after he was 22 years old, he was elected to a professorship at Polytechnic College. "He gave eminent satisfaction in his work in this institution which he served for three years. He was made President of Polytechnic College in 1899 and acted in this capacity for one year.

In the summer of 1900 , or soon after he was 25 years old, he was elected Professor of Biblical Literature at Southwestern University. He was peculiarly fitted for this field of endeavor and entered upon this work with an enthusiasm that meant great success. He is remembered by the faculty of Southwestern University as a man of marvelous equipment in the languages and in those questions that touched his department, and the students under him looked upon him as an inexhaustible source of ready and accurate information upon any question that might come up for their consideration. He was connected with Southwestern University when the Summer School of Theology was inaugurated and he was secretary of this school as long as he remained in Southwestern University. Some decided improvements were made in the courses of required study, in revising and re-arrangment of the catalogue, as well as in entrance conditions while he was connected with Southwestern University and Professor McSwain had much to do with the inspiration of this advance movement as well as with carrying it through.

In the fall of 1904 he was offered the joint-Presidency of Epworth University in Oklahoma. He severed his relation with Southwestern to accept this position. He found this work delicate and onerous and his health, never robust, failed under the strain. After one year he found it necessary to resign, and
he took nominal work in the Arkansas Conference for two years. His health improved very much under this change of employment.

Having been given a Fellowship in Languages at the University of Chicago he spent the year 1906 in study at this institution. He was already familiar with many of the modern languages and his work at this institution was directed to Hebrew, Syriac and Sanscrit. Some of his work was under Dr. W. R Harper, who recognized Professor McSwain's eminent genius and recommended him for special research work. One of his classmates there said that he made such progress in his studies that it was thought by the class that he must be doing review work, for while the rest of the class were struggling over the elements and fundamentals McSwain had already mastered all this and was going into the comparative philology of these languages. Subsequently, after two summer courses, he was given the Ph. D. degree by the University of Chicago.

He served three diferent charges in the Central and West Texas Conferences. He was appointed to the Burnet charge in 1909, but in the spring of 1910 the white plague fastened its fangs so deeply in him that he was compelled to give up all active work.

In 1911 he retired to San Angelo hoping to regain health in its favorable climate. Here his life has been a struggle with this fell disease. He passed away, somewhat unexpectedly, Octaber 8, 1918.

Professor McSwain was married to his boyhood sweetheart, with whom he attended college at Arkadelphia, Miss Mary McKinnon, the daughter of an honored Methodist preacher, just before he entered upon his duties at Southwestern University, August 29, 1900. Mrs. McSwain was a choice spirit and a woman of unusual culture and intelligence. She died at San Angelo several months ago. They left three children, doubly orphaned, who are living with relatives in San Marcos, Texas.

Professor McSwain was a reader of great books, a close student, a clear thinker, a strong speaker, a good preacher, a warm-hearted friend. Had he been allowed to live in health, the ordinary span of life, he would have occupied an eminent place in the intellectual world.

## REVEREND W. H. HOWARD.

While it is a sad duty, I feel it is an honor to have the privilege of presenting to this Conference the Memoir of Rev. W. H. Howard

He was born near Louisville, Kentucky. His father came from north Ireland. His mother was a native of Kentucky. He was a third child, two sisters older and three brothers younger. He was reared on a farm and attended the country schools and high school at the town of Jefferson. He did much of his academic work in Forest Academy, Anchorage, Kentucky In early manhood he was converted and joined the church, to which he gave his life of sacrifice and labor.

He was licensed to preach in the year 1879 or 80, by Quarterly Conference Middletown Circuit, David Morton, Presiding Elder, and Gross Alexander, Pastor. Brother Howard entered Vanderbilt University in the autumn of 1880, and was graduated
from the Biblical Department in 1882. That fall he returned for a post-graduate course.

September, 1883, he was admitted on trial into the Louisville Conference. Rev. George Needham, who had transferred from the Louisville Conference to the Denver Conference, was at the session of that Conference, looking for preachers to go west. The need of men for the mission work of the Denver Conference appealed to Brother Howard, and he transferred to that Conference. He remained there eighteen years, which was longer than any other man ever stayed. Bishop McTyerie, who held the Louisville Conference, protested against young Howard's going to the Denver Conference, and said he was a young man too promising to be sent out to be killed.

The year 1883-4 he was pastor at Farmington, N. M., where he built the first Methodist Church, in San Juan County, N. M. In 1884-5 was placed on Mancos Circuit, which embraced Mancos, Ft. Lewis, an army post, and Rico, a mining camp. He was ordained deacon at Trinidad, Colorado, July 18, 1885, by Bishop Hargrove. He was ordained elder at Las Vegas, July 30, 1887, by Bishop Hendrix.

January, 1885, Brother Howard was stationed at Rico, and remained until Conference and the two following years. At Durango, Colorado, he was married to Miss Lizzie Wigglesworth, July 7, 1886. He was stationed as follows in the Denver Conference:


In 1901 he was returned for the third year, but was transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference. He was sent as a delegate from the Denver Conference to the historic Missionary Conference held at New Orleans, 1901. He was a delegate from the Denver Conference to the General Conference, which convened at Dallas, Texas, in 1902.

He served the following charges in the Northwest and Central Texas Conferences:

| Midlothian St | 1901-02 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Missouri Aven | 1902-05 |
| Vernon Distri | 1905-08 |
| Ennis Station | 1908-10 |
| Coleman Station | -13 |
| Mart Station | 14 |
| Morrow Street, Waco. | .1914-15 |
|  | 8 |

from which charge, on September 22, at 5:30 on Sunday morning he went home to heaven.

As a friend, he could not be surpassed. When he knew an individual was his friend, every ounce of his warm, Irish blood would surge through his big heart, thrilling his whole being with delight. If you did not know him intimately, you would
not think that he hungered, even craved, for the friendship and love of his brethren. With this burning desire, he never imposed himself on others, or expressed his love and sympathy for them as he really felt, lest they might question his sincerity. For this reason, he failed to be known so well and appreciated as was due him. He did not have even enough policy to make him the popular man that he so richly deserved to be.

His home life was beautiful, and his relation as husband and father was patterned after the divine ordering. He was solicitous for his wife's comfort and happiness; and much of his deepest anxiety was occasioned because of her having so many
hours of work to aid him in caring for the hours of work to aid him in caring for the welfare of the home and the church. His love for his four excellent daughters, and his ambition for their education and his deep desire for their devotion to God, and the making of beautiful characters, was measured by his sacrifices for their highest and purest at-
tainments.

If he ever seemed severe in dealing with his church, it was because of his intense anxiety for her consistency and usefulness. He was always ready, day.and night, to serve his people, and his constancy as pastor knew no limits. His great heart of natural sympathy and tenderness, gave him unusual access to the homes of the bereaved.
Brother Howard was after the fathers in his conviction of right and wrong, knowing no compromise with conviction of worldliness. The poetic, the beautiful, the sublime and sacred things swept over his soul with the harmony of an Aeolian
harp.

The trials incident to the life of a father and minister lay heavily upon him, and sometimes almost crushed his soul. But the great promises of God gave him comfort, in the darkest hours, and he thus anchored his soul in the haven of rest, riding safely the billows, trusting the promise of Phil. $4: 19$, "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by

I have never heard anyone say that his sermons were too long. His mind was naturally quick and strong, and actively trained to think in sermonic order. He never wrote a sermon, except those required by his Conference, and rarely if ever made notes or headings for his sermons on paper. But the best homiletic arrangements of his messages flowed through his mind like a river in its accustomed channel.

On Sunday before he went away, he told his congregation that the gospel he preached to them had saved and kept him, and it would do the same for them, if they would obey. His companion for thirty-two years says, two things he never doubted: his conversion and call to preach. His last sermon was on the Reality of the Spiritual. In that discourse he said that the spiritual was as real to him as this natural world. One of his hymns of meditation that he would often repeat was an index to his heart's desire:
"O for a faith that will not shrink, Tho pressed by every foe;
That will not tremble on the brink Of any earthly woe!
"That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chastening rod,
But, in the hour of grief or pain, Will lean upon its God.
"A faith that shines more bright and clear. When tempests rage without;
That when in danger knows no fear, In darkness feels no doubt.
"That bears, unmoved, the world's dread frown, Nor heeds its scornful smile;
That seas of trouble cannot drown, Now Satan's arts beguile.
"A faith that keeps the narrow way Till life's last hour is fled,
And with a pure and heavenly ray Lights up a dying bed.
"Lord, give me such a faith as this, And then, whate'er may come,
I'll taste, e'en now, the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home."
At the last, he felt resigned to the fates of life as they have come, and to the sure mercies of God for His eternal home.
J. A. WHITEHURST.

## REV. HENRY STANFORD.

Saturday morning, October 19, 1918, Rev. Henry Stanford breathed his last, the victim of Spanish influenza, war's twin evil. He fell at his post, pastor of the Methodist Church at Taylor. His was the glorious end of the soldier in action"Ceased at once to work and live."

Henry Stanford was the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Stanford and grandson of Rev. Thomas Stanford, a charter member of old Northwest Texas Conference. He was born in McLennan County, Texas, February 6, 1881, and reared on the farm amid the happy, inspiring scenes of rural life. His parents gave him a college education. These country Methodists of the true Wesleyan type believed in Christian education, and in educating their children in church schools. With them a call to preach meant a call to prepare their son for the ministry. Henry, the same as the other children, was sent to Southwestern University, where, after four years of hard study, he took his A. B. degree in 1905. The next year he entered Vanderbilt University, where he took his B. D. degree in 1909. Few preachers of the Southern Methodist Church have been better equipped to preach the Gospel, or more efficient in the work of the church than Henry Stanford. He was a close student to the day of his death, reading the best books and current literature, and doing his own thinking as only the trained student can do. His sermons, well prepared, were thoughtful, instructive and at times, sublimely inspiring.

This preacher, like Gipsy Smith and Bishop Marvin, Paul and Silas, had the rare gift to sing the Gospel into men's hearts
as well as preach it to their intellects. As a sweet singer in Israel he ministered to his own congregations, led the singing for brother pastors and evangelists, and for some time was a member of the famous Vanderbilt Quartet, which was in demand for great occasions and sang to the delight of thousands. The Churches that had this man for their pastor, with his accomplished wife, and her wonderful voice, were thrice blessed.

Brother Henry Stanford, as a member of the Central Texas Conference, was recognized as a coming man, capable of the best of any kind of service. For the past four years he had been an efficient Assistant Secretary of the Conference. He is brethren and a large circle of friends. Staff, indeed by all of the
trien and a large circle of friends.
Brother Stanford's career as a Christian and Christian minister began with his conversion and uniting with the Methodist Church at Spring Valley, when only eight years of age, and his license to preach at Moody in 1901. He joined the Northwest Church, Hillsboro. Next year his was assigned to Line Street ley, and later Monterey, Mexico. While missionary first, HandBrother Stanford served in the double capacity of pastor of the Methodist congregation and President of Laurens Institute. Owing to disturbed conditions in the Republic in 1912, he transferred back to the Central Texas Conference, and at its session were as follows: Frost, two years. After this, his appointments lor, one year and eleven months.

Why one so capable anths.
days of reconstruction and development much in these stirring days of reconstruction and development, should be called to his He does is for the best.

In 1913-14, during his pastorate at Frost, Rev. Henry Stanford was happily married to Miss Fay Fleming, of Mount Vernon. This union resulted in two children; the baby girl preceded the father to the palace not made with hands, and Henry
Jr., the boy, remains as the comfort and joy of the grief-stricken mother.

The writer knew our deceased brother intimately, and greatly appreciated his many manly virtues and his lofty Christian character. He was gentle and refined as a woman, chivalrous and courageous as a knight, and loyal to the church and his Lord as martyr or apostle. It was the easy, natural thing for him to be a Christian from his youth up, and to become a traveling Methodist preacher. His unfeigned Methodist faith dwelt alike atmosphere of the Christian atmosphere of the Christian home, associated with religious people, and knew nothing else than to attend Sunday School, and the purposes of life were born in his The visions, the hopes and ministry of Methodist pre born in his heart under the evangelical ministry of Methodist preachers and in evangelistic services of. people called Methodists, he kept the the doctrine held by the and, we believe, now wears thept the faith, finished the course, and, we believe, now wears the Crown of Everlasting Life.

JOHN R. NELSON.

MEMOIR OF MRS. C. G. SHUTT.

Mrs. Mollie Shutt, the daughter of Sam and Margaret Gray, was born near Mit. Pleasant, Tennessee, June 14, 1861. She professed religion and joined the Methodist Church in childhood. She remained in Tennessee until she married Rev. C. G. Shutt, who was a member of the Northwest Texas Conference prior to its division. The marriage occurred on the 15th day of September, 1881. This union resulted in the birth of three children, towit: Sam Horace, Claude Armstrong and Bennie Lee, all of whom, with her husband, are left to mourn their loss. Sister Shutt was well equipped for the duties of an itinerant's wife. She possessed a well-developed physique so that she was strong, active and healthy, and able to act her part in life's drama. She made the parsonage attractive to her own family, the visiting preacher and other visiting friends. The writer can testify from personal experience that it was a great pleasure to share the abounding hospitality of that Christian home. Her mind was well poised and she improved the opportunities of developing it so that she possessed an accumulation of practical knowledge which rendered her efficient in all the relations of life. Her disposition was the embodiment of amiableness. Around her clustered the family group for inspiration for the work of life. The effect of her optimistic and cheerful spirit was not confined to her own family, but was appreciated by all with whom she came in contact. Her devotion to her husband and children was marked by her Christian deportment in meeting the varied details of life. Her friendship was strong and abiding. In early childhood she began her Christian career and during life held tenaciously to the truths of our holy religion. So that as time passed she developed those enobling Christian virtues which constitute a strong and well-rounded character which commanded the respect and love of those who knew her. She loved the Church and was devoted to its interest. As life advanced and the responsibilities of home lessened as the children had grown to maturity, she became a very active worker among the young people. She drew them to her, and through her to the Savior. She shared with her husband all the hardships and privations of an itinerant life in sweet resignation; uncomplainingly pressing forward along all lines of duty. She bore her last illness with that Christian fortitude that characterized her past life.

On the 22nd of November, 1917, in the city of Waco, Texas, her weary body went to sleep, while her immortal spirit joined the happy throng on the blissful shores of a glorious immortality. Her bereft husband and children know where to find her, and are following in her wake in anticipation of a glorious reunion "over there." We, her friends, join them in saying, peace be to her dust until the resurrection morn when we shall greet and gratulate each other in our Father's House not made with hands.
R. C. ARMSTRONG.

## MRS. MARY ELLEN NOBLE.

Sister Mary Ellen Noble (nee Briggs) was born in Lead Hill, Arkansas, March 23, 1872. Being born in a Christian home, it was but natural that she should give her heart to God in early life. So at thirteen years of age she was happily converted under the ministry of Rev. S. F. Dykes.

August 1, 1898, she was married to Rev. W. W. Noble, then a member of the Arkansas Conference. To this union was born three children-Ruth, Agnes and Paul Noble-who, with the companion. feel the loss of a kind and affectionate mother and companion. Sister Noble spent eighteen years of her married Arkansas Conference. Ten years of this was spent in the Texas, where for eight In 1908 she came with her husband to band in the active work. In 1915 , Brother Nobled with her husgiven away, it became necessary for him Noble's health having nuate relation. About a year later they came to Oran, Texas, to make their home in the little superannuate home given Texas, furnished by the people of Graford charge. And here, about a year later, the spirit was released from the tired body and Sister No God
mister Noble was never strong physically. Her life, as the charges where the support was often very work as a home-maker was was often very meagre, and her ditions. But like the real often under the most difficult conbravely its conflicts.

After Brother Noble's superannuation, the first year of Which was spent under very trying circumstances, her faith in God did not waver. She was very grateful to God and the Church the last years of provided for her family, in which she spent the last years of her life. During her last illness it was a blesssigned to the will of God. Weary her. She was perfectly rein faith. She patiently waited for the tired in body, but strong With the closing of the day, December 12, 1918, her home. spirit winged its way to God. The following day we laid her body to rest in the Otan cemetery to await the resurrection of the
just.

Her pastor,
O. A. MORTON.

## Reports of Boards

BOARD OF MISSIONS REPORT NO. 1.
To the Bishop and Members of the Central Texas Conference: Dear Brethren:

Your Board would submit this, its report:
We rejoice that our church approaches the Centenary in such a crisis in the world's history as this. To meet the demands of the hour, she purposes a Centenary offering of $\$ 35$,000,000 .

At the supreme hour at Chateau Thierry, when the noble brave sons of Uncle Sam went "over the top," the pendulum of the world swung toward the right, the tide of battle turned, the dastardly Hun turned pale, sickened and is dying. Autocracy is being laid in the grave to sleep forever. The shrill cry of the American Eagle, over its grave, bids the world be free; Old Glory waves in supreme victory, while hard by, the Union Jack and the purple, white and red, and flags of all allies, wave in breezes of freedom.

The price has been great, our boys with missing limbs and impaired bodies will come back. In many a home of layman and preacher a chair will remain vacant through the coming years. Our sons sleep the sleep that only the angels can wake them from. But they died for the greatest cause ever to make the world free.

To your closets and to your knees, o Host of the living God! Linger then with a clear vision of world needs until your heart is aflame with the task of making the world holy, as millions have died to make it free. If a million fervent intercessors wait before God, we shall also have everything else we desire. Then shall we also have an host who recognize their relation to God of Stewards. Our Heavenly Father shall be a real partner in their life plan of time, money and talents. Then, and not until then, shall we bring the tithes into His storehouse; therefore, your Board offers for your adoption as follows:

Be it resolved by the Central Texas Conference, That we heartily adopt the plan of the Centenary Commission and cheerfully accept our allotment of $\$ 1,345,431.40$ to be raised in five years.

Resolved further, That we increase our allotment $\$ 4,568.60$ and set ourselves to the task of raising $\$ 1,350,000$.
. REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS NO. 2.
To the Bishop and Members of the Central Texas Conference:
Your Board is pleased to report that, notwithstanding the hindrances from drouth, war work and epidemic, still good success has attended the work in the Conference.

Excellent results are noted in all departments, but especially is this true of Specials. In 1915 we raised $\$ 2,288$ for Foreign Specials, the next year $\$ 5,736$, and in $1917 \$ 9,910$. And this year Specials have been assigned for more than $\$ 15,000$. Our Home Secretary, Dr. O. E. Goddard, is authority for the statement that the Central Conference leads the church in Homie Specials.

The statistics furnished by the Woman's Mission Society
indicates that on two hundred adult societies with a membership of 4,223 . Young people societies, 34 ; against 46 last year. (Membership 800 ). And by children societies against 141 last year. (Membership 2,790). Total funds raised this year \$23,102.72. Last year, $\$ 20,400$.

Since the Conference has already adopted hearty endorsement of the Centenary plan and pledged to raise more money than our allotment. Let us also fix as our goal 10,000 tithers in our Conference in 1919 and all our people in the Fellowship of Intercession.

On the assessment for Foreign Missions, $\$ 20,850$, there has been paid $\$ 16,876.99$. And on the assessment of $\$ 6,672$ for Home Missions there has been paid $\$ 5,506$. On the assessment of $\$ 20,000$ for Conference Missions there has been paid $\$ 16,509$. The mount assessed for Conference Missions for 1919 is $\$ 24,000$. Paid: Foreign Missions Special, $\$ 10,183.95$; Home Missions Special, $\$ 4,468.17$; Conference Missions, $\$ 548.59$.

We would recommend the following as Conference Evangelists and request their appointment: J. T. Bloodworth, J. A. Dozier.

We recommend the following local preacher evangelists: J. W. Bowden, A. P. Lowery, T. N. Lowery, A. C. Fisher. For Y. M. C. A. work: J. V. Baird. J. E. Crawford was elected Missionary evangelist for the Centenary and his appointment to the work requested. Apportionment for 1919: Foreign Missions
. $\$ 24,321.05$
Home Missions
Conference Missions ...................................................................... 24,000.00

Following appropriations have been made:

Brownwood District.

| Bangs .............................- \$ | \$ 300 | Brazos, Ave. .................\$ | 150 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bronte ................................... | 400 | Blum and Rio Vista........ | 100 |
| Indian Creek ................. | 300 | Glen Rose ................... | 100 |
| Norton | 300 |  |  |
| Rockwood | 300 | \$ | 350 |
| Winchell . | 250 | Corsicana District. |  |
| Zephyr .................. | 200 | Barry ......................... \$ | 200 |
|  | \$2,050 | Kerens | 200 |
|  |  | Mexia | 200 |
|  |  | \$ | 800 |
| Caddo ............................. $\$$ | \$ 200 |  | 800 |
| Crisco ........................... | 250 | Dublin District. |  |
| Cross Cut ....................... | 200 | Bluffdale ......................... $\$$ | 250 |
| Desdemona | 200 | Carlton ............................... | 100 |
| Eolian | 250 | Comanche | 200 |
| Gordon | 100 | Duffau .-. | 150 |
| May .... | 100 | Gustine | 200 |
| P'ioneer | 200 | Huckabay | 200 |
| Scranton.- | 100 | Iredell .- | 300 |
| Staff Springs | 200 | Proctor | 200 |
| Staff -... | 150 | Stephenville | 100 |
| Wayland | 250 | Tolar .-........ | 300 |
|  | 2,200 |  | ,000 |



## REPORT OF MISSIONARY SECRETARY. , <br> Statistics.

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { District Missionary Institutes attended.................................................. } & 10 \\ 9\end{array}$
District Conferences visited................................................ $\quad 59$
Pastoral charges reached for one or more services.............. $\quad 164$
Pastoral charges adresses delivered
Sermons and addresses delivered............................. $\quad 30$
Conferences of church workers and members held.........
4,000


Leaflets and tracts distributed
Increase on Assessments.
In 1915 our Conference paid $\$ 14,668$ for Foreign Missions on an assessment of $\$ 20,824$, or 69 per cent, and $\$ 19,361$ for Home and Conference Missions on an assessment of $\$ 26,541$, or 72 per cent. In 1916, the first year of our educational policy, we paid $\$ 17,011$ for Foreign Missions on an assessment of $\$ 20,842$, or 81 per cent--an increase of $\$ 2,543$; and $\$ 22,064$ for Home and Conference Missions on an assessment of $\$ 26,675$, or 82 per cent we increase of $\$ 2,703$. In 1917, the second year of our policy, we paid $\$ 17,405$ for Foreign Missions on an assessment of $\$ 20$,850, or 82 per cent-an increase of $\$ 2,937$ over 1915; and for Home and Conference Missions, $\$ 22,605$ on an assessment of

$\$ 20,850$, or 80 per cent-an increase of $\$ 2,209$ over 1915; and for Home and Conference Missions, $\$ 22,015$ on an assessment of $\$ 26,672$, or 82 per cent-an increase of $\$ 2,654$ over 1915 .

## No Drafts for Interest.

Last Conference year was the first in many years through which our Conference Board has passed without having to borrow money. Again this year the Board has met every obligation promptly without paying a cent of interest, despite the dis-
tressing. drouth.

Growth in Specials.
The Specials reported from all sources, except Woman's Work, in 1915 amount to $\$ 2,288$. The Specials from the same sources in 1916 totaled $\$ 5,736$, an increase of $\$ 3,448$. In 1917 the Specials grew to $\$ 9,910$, an increase of $\$ 7,622$ over 1915 The year 1918 has been one not only of continued seed-sowing, but of larger fruit-gathering. The Specials for this year exceed the total for both 1916 and 1917 . As a consequence of our program of definite missionary education there has been a remarkfour charges, not counting Woman's Wpecials. In 1916 only Specials, and in 1917 only six charges, while this year foursevenths of the charges of the Conference are entitled to a place on the Missionary Honor Roll because of special assignments. More than $\$ 15,000$ have been assigned to Districts, Churches, Sundey Schools, classes and individuals. Aside from Woman's ference three years one living link being carried by our Confrom $\$ 100$ to $\$ 1,200$. Central Texas Ce 37 living links, ranging in Home Mission Specials and in Conference leads the church Regular Specials definitely assigned number and amount of ${ }^{\text {Regular }}$ Specials definitely assigned.

The Centenary.
It seems fortunate for us as we stand on the eve of the great Centenary celebration that for the past three years we have been engaged in a campaign of special missionary cultivation in the bounds of our Conference. The methods of intercession and education on stewardship outlined as fundamental to the success of the Centenary Movement have been the lines of approach pursued by your Secretary in prosecuting the duties of the of fice to which he has been appointed. The tide of interest in missionary intercession has been gradually rising. From a few has prown praying souls at the start the number of intercessors has grown into the hundreds. Many pastors have already preached on Prayer and Missions and enrolled many of their note the new and larger and Intercession. It is gratifying to note the new and larger and expanding interest in stewardship. frequent, and the duty of tithing is being brought much more consciences of our people. Tithing rolls and clubs are springing up here and there over the Conference. One district, the Cisco, has already launched the movement for tithing-stewards, and proposes to secure its full quota of the million called for by the Joint Centenary Commission. To date 200 have been se60, and the Jonesboro Circuit has entithers, Mart 37, Hillsboro 60 , and the Jonesboro Circuit has enrolled 90. A woman on this
circuit, who paid $\$ 2.50$ on the benevolences last year, pledged to tithe and paid $\$ 50$ this year. A school teacher by tithing raised her contribution from $\$ 7$ to $\$ 48$. Bro. Courts Cleveland, of Acton, was prospered in a business transaction and decided to invest his tithe in the support of a missionary. He was assigned Rev. A. L. Dyer, of Japan, whose salary is $\$ 1,150$. It is encouraging to observe that two of our pastoral charges-Granbury Circuit and Ranger-reached the Centenarys standard this year in the amount of their contributions to Missions. Requests for Specials for next year to count on our Centenary allotment have already begun to come in. Auburn and Maypearl Sunday Schools on the Maypearl Circuit have each asked for a native worker. Breckenridge has asked for a Chinese circuit at $\$ 500$. Bro. Elisha Roper of Pleasant Grove, on the Staff charge, has pledged $\$ 2,500$ for the first year of the Centenary period and has asked for a Special in every fieid of our church. One thourand dollars of this amount has been paid. It is his purpose, if he lives and continues to prosper, to keep all these Specials goong through the five years, which will be \$12,500 , and add to them if possible. Brother and Sister R. M. Davenport of Ranger have requested a similar list of Specials at $\$ 2,500$ which they plan to carry through the Centenary period and indefinitely if their income permits.
$\therefore$ These are prophecies of the coming of a fuller and brighter day for Missirns in Central Texas. To the end that the sun of this day mav burect in glory upon us on the occasion of the hundredth annivrrcary of the birth of American Methodist Missions. may we call the entire membership of our Conference to their knees; may we faithfully proclaim the principles pertaining to the proper use of property, setting as our goal not less than $10,-$ 000 tithing-stewards in the ensuing year; and may we carefully instruct our people on the conditions and needs of the world at home and abroad? For building upon the foundation of intercession, Christian stewardship, and missionary intelligence we can surely erect a magnificent Centenary structure. To this worthy task let us all dedicate our lives.
J. E. CRAWFORD.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

To the President and Members of the Central Texas Conference, M. E. C. S., 1918:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:
We, your Board of Education, respectfully submit the following report:

We have had before us communications from the Corresponding Secretary of the General Conference Board of Education and from the Secretary of the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training, and of Religious Education. These communications call the attention of the Conference to the general progress of our educational work and to the legislation concerning our educational interests enacted by the recent General Conference. We rejoice to note that during the past quadrennium about $\$ 8,000,000$ was added to the assets of the educational institutions of our Church.

The General Conference created a department of Religious Education, and the duties of the Secretary of this department
were given to the Secretary of Ministerial Supply and Training One of the functions of the Department of Religious Education is to care for the religious interests of Methodist students in State institutions of learning. The General Conference made provision also for a Commission on Religious Education for each State, "composed of two or three members nominated by the Board of Education of each of the Annual Conferences, in the State, and eleated by the Annual Conferences, to serve at least four years," "for the purpose of providing for the religious education of Methodist students in schools maintained by the
State."

The General Conference ordered two campaigns in the interest of our educational institutions to be conducted during the present quadrennium. The first is a campaign to raise $\$ 10$, 000,000 for our two universities, to be inaugurated during the first year of the quadrennium. The second is a campaign to raise $\$ 13,000,000$ for the other educational institutions of our church, this campaign to be conducted during the last two years of the quadrennium. Your Board recommends that as a Conference we give hearty co-operation to both of these campaigns.

The General Conference authorized the organization of a Methodist Educational Association. This association was organized at Lake Junaluska in July, 1918. The constitution provides that the Conference Boards of Education, as well as institutions of learning of the church, shall hold membership in the Association. Your Board has elected J. W. Bergin and Judge T. L. McCullough as its representatives to attend the out of the funds of the Board. ut of the funds of the Board.

Your Board has before it reports from the trustees of the following institutions: Southern Methodist University, Southwestern University, Texas Woman's College, Meridian College
and Weatherford College.

Southern Methodist University.
The total enrollment of students in this institution for the year 1917-18 was 1,012, not counting duplicates. At the present time about 300 of its young men are members of the Student Army Training Corps. In the student body of last year there were 98 young men preparing for the ministry. The General Conference has established at Southern Methodist University a correspondence school for the purpose of giving instruction in the Conference course of study to the preachers in the western section of our church. Prof. J. L. Cunninggim has been placed in charge of this important department of the University. A special announcement from Southern Methodist University calls attention to certain courses of instruction to be given each year during the first ten days of the summer term of the School of Theology. Lectures will be offered on the Conference course of study for undergraduates and for those seeking admission into the Annual Conference. The conferences of Texas and Oklahoma are invited to co-operate in this work by encouraging their young preachers to attend and by arranging to send a number of their best trained men to deliver lectures on the course of study. The University suggests that each Annual Conference provide for the payment of the expenses of a limited number of lecturers. The University announces that a suffi-
ciently large sum of money has been set aside from the income of the School of Theology to provide for the bringing to the University each year of a number of representative men from other states and institutions who will present to all our preachers a discussion of such subjects as are of vital interest to the church of today.

## Southwestern University.

During the year 1917-18 this institution enrolled 577 students, of whom 302 were students in the college during the regular session and 178 were enrolled in the Summer School of Theology. While this shows a considerable falling off in patronage, it is attributable largely to the distressing drought and to the war. Military training has now been installed through the agency of the Student Army Training. Corps, and the outlook for an average number of students for the ensuing year is exceedingly bright.

## Texas Woman's College.

This institution is the only class A Methodist Woman's College west of the Mississippi River. During the session 1917-18 there were 441 students in attendance on Texas Woman's College, and the indications are that the attendance for the present y $\in$ ar will reach approximately 500 . The plant is valued at $\$ 400,000$. For the past four years the income of the college has been equal to its expenses. We are glad to report that the institution is now owned by the five Texas Conferences, each having accepted joint ownership of the property and appointed trustees to the number of 25 .

## Meridian College.

This institution now reports an enrollment of 273 students, this being the largest enrollment that it has ever had at this time of year. Of these, 233 are literary students, 141 being of college grade, and approximately 100 members of the Student Army Training Corps. During the past year a new brick dormitory has been. erected at a cost of $\$ 20,000$, and one of the old dormitories considerably enlarged and remodeled. Other material improvements have been made. The college now has accommodations for 200 boarding students. The plant is worth $\$ 120,000$, and insurance to the amount of $\$ 80,000$ is carried. The present indications are that the institution will make its running expenses this year; but there is a deficit from former years that must be met.

## Weatherford College.

In spite of adverse conditions, the enrollment in this institution for the present year is slightly greater than it was at the same time last year. In addition to the usual literary subjects, the institution now offers a commercial course and a course in military training. The finances of the institution seem to be carefully managed.

We nominate for your election the following:
Trustees of Southwestern University: E. Hightower, J. R. Morris.

Trustees of Texas Woman's College: Ocie Speer, W. F. White, P. G. Dedman, I. H. Burney, Ben J. Tiller, C. H. Harris, W. H. Matthews, H. A. Boaz, Frank D. Boyd.

Trustees of Weatherford College: E. Hightower, J. N. McCain, W. W. Moss, L. A. Webb, I. W. Stephens, G. A. Holland, T. F. Temple, H. F. Leach, W. W. McCrary, Geo. C. Poston, Phil Simmons, E. A. Camp, and A. D. Porter.

Conference Secretary of Education: J. W. Bergin.
Religious Education Commission: C. M. Bishop and W. S. Rowland.

We request our presiding Bishop to make the following appointments:

Southern Methodist University: H. M. Dobbs, Dean of the Theological Department.

Southwestern University: C. M. Bishop, President.
Meridian College: G. F. Winfield, President.
Texas Woman's College: J. D. Young, President; E. V. Cox, Commissioner.
'Student in Southern Methodist University: R. L. Butler.
We believe that the Church of Jesus Christ, and especially that branch of the church called Methodism, now faces an era of unprecedented opportunity. We believe that a more adequate equipment and maintenance of our educational institutions is absolutely necessary if the church is to prove equal to its opportunity. But in view of the present high prices, our institutions can not be maintained even up to past standards without a considerable increase in their incomes. Therefore your Board recommends the following assessments for the cause of education:
Southern Methodist University.............................................. $88,750.00$



Weatherford College ................................................................... $1,000.00$
Bible Chair, University of Texas........................................................ $1,00.00$
Summer School of Theology, Southwestern University $\quad 250.00$
Summer School of Theology, Southern Methodist Uni-
versity
150.00

Total
$\$ 30,000.00$
The General Conference Board of Education sends the following assessment:

Negro Education ................................................................... 2,28.2. 2,26.00
Total ............................................................................... 9 9,077.00
Respectfully submitted,
H. A. BOAZ, President.

ERNEST L. LLOYD, Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

## Dear Brethren :

Your Board met and organized as follows:
E. Hightower, President; W. S. Roland, Vice-President; T. E. Bowman, Secretary; W. A. Crow, Treasurer.

We heartily and sincerely appreciate the interest this Conference has taken in the Sunday School work in the past. Beginning with a new quadrennium we plead for increased interest in every department of this important field of service.

The Sunday Schools with all the other interests of the church have suffered because of the great war. There will necessarily be a lot of construction work to be done. Let's plan it all on broader lines and with larger hopes.

We gladly accept the legislation given us by the General Conference, and because of it we feel that we can better meet the present and pressing demands for modern Sunday School work.

We commend our Sunday School editor and his corps of assistants on the character of the literature they are giving us, and for their efforts to make ours the best literature to be found anywhere. Your board is very much gratified that one of the members of this Conference, Rev. E. Hightower, is one of the commanding figures of the General Sunday School Board.

Feeling the need for aggressive work, and knowing the importance of having someone whose business it is to push the work, the board unanimously elected Rev. R. F. Brown to the position of Conference Field Secretary, and we request the Bishop to appoint him to said position. Because of her fitness for the work, the board unanimously elected his wife, Mrs. R. F. Brown, without salary, to the position of Superintendent of the Elementary Division. With this team in the field we see no reason our Conference should not do big things this year through the Sunday School. In behalf of these faithful workers we suggest that the Presiding Elders with Bro. Brown plan the Sunday School work in their districts and invite them into their fields, thus giving them and their work prestige and influence.-

We merely call attention of the pastors to the requirements of the Discipline touching "Sunday School Day," "Missions in the Sunday School," etc., and we urge that all these policies be carried out as far as possible.

Your board stands ready at all times to render every assistance possible for the Sunday School work throughout our Conference this year.

Respectfully submitted,
E. HIGHTOWER,
T. E. BOWMAN.

REPORT OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.
Your Epworth League Board has had before it the President of the Central Texas Conference League, Mr. Roy T. Feemster, who gives us a splendid report of the work under his leadership. Several districts show an increase in number of chapters,
although many of our young men have been called away to serve in the army and navy.

The Assistant Secretary of the General Epworth League Board brings us an encouraging report of the work being done by the Leaguers over the entire church.

During the past quadrennium the Leaguers raised for missions and other objects the sum of $\$ 438,000$.

A program of war work was undertaken by the League when our country entered the war. Each Y. M. C. A. building in America receives two copies of the Epworth Era each month and 100 copies are sent each month to France.

We would call attention to the following items which are of interest to this Conference:

1. The recent General Conference increased both the importance and duties of the Conference League Board, charging them with overseeing the Conference League work, emphasizing Anniversary Day and the forwarding of League work in the district, city and local organizations.
2. The General Conference fixed the second Sunday in May as Anniversary Day. This is to be observed by Leagues and by churches where there are no Leagues.
3. The centenary goal for the League is $\$ 380,000, \$ 200,000$ for the advance program in Africa, $\$ 100,000$ for the building program for Paine College, and $\$ 80,00$ for the regular budget.

In addition to this the League proposes to furnish 200 of the 500 volunteers.
4. We recommend that time be given the representatives of the League Board in each District Conference.
5. General Conference has placed the Epworth League on the same basis as other interests, the central office to receive $11 / 4 \%$ of all moneys received on the general assessment.
6. We urge the co-operation of the pastors in State League work and the encampment at Port O'Connor.
7. We recommend that Rev. Ralph E. Nollner be appointed by the Bishop presiding over this Conference as Assistant Secretary of the General Epworth League Board.

> THOS. BARRCUS, President,
> H. L. MUNGER, Secretary.

## REPORT OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF FINANCE.

To the President and Members of the Central Texas Annual Conference, 1918.
Dear Fathers and Brethren:

1. We received for Bishops' fund, $\$ 3,135.05$.
2. We received for Superannuate Endowment $\$ 2,109.06$.
3. We received for expense Committee on Unification $\$ 556.30$.
4. We assess for Conference Claimants the coming year $\$ 17,000.00$.
5. We received and disbursed to our claimants, after prayerful consideration, the following amounts:

Receipts.

Texas Christian Advocate, by L. Blaylosk ..... 91.55
Publishing' House, Nashville ..... 640.00
Calvin fund ..... 14.00
Marquis fund ..... 178.67
Trapp fund ..... 139.05
Total. ..... 15,040.08
Bennett, Mrs. N. B ..... \$ 200.25
Bond, Mrs. J. M ..... 275.50
Bailey, Mrs. E. A ..... 85.25
Boone, Rev. E. F ..... 250.00
Canafax, Rev. J. J ..... 500.00
Carter, Rev. J. C. ..... 50.00
Chenoweth, Rev. E. B ..... 100.00
Crawford, Rev. W. H ..... 275.00
Callaway, Mrs. J. J. ..... 100.25
Campbell, Rev. James ..... 250.00
Campbell, Mrs. Geo. F. ..... 150.50
Davis, Mrs. J. J. ..... 85.25
Davis, Mrs. Charles ..... 100.25
Duncan, Mrs. Jerome ..... 150.50
Ellis, Rev. D. C. ..... 350.00
Evans, Rev. B. A ..... 300.00
Gaskill, Miss Mittie ..... 100.25
Grant, Mrs. James.
100.25
100.25
Galloway, Mrs. R. V
Galloway, Mrs. R. V .....
150.00 .....
150.00
Gilleland, Rev. W. A ..... 200.00
Harris, Rev. G. W. ..... 350.00
Haralson, Rev. Jerome ..... 300.00
Harris, Rev. I. F ..... 325.00
Harrison, Mrs. E. T ..... 50.50
Henry, Rev. H. B ..... 250.00
Jones, Rev. W. V. ..... 350.00
Jordan, Mrs. C. D ..... 200.25
Kennedy, Mrs. B. H. ..... 100.00
Long, Rev. A ..... 175.00
Lemons, Rev. W. J ..... 250.00
Lloyd, Mrs. W. F ..... 150.00
Lackey, Rev. A. ..... 350.00
Moore, Rev. Franklin ..... 250.00
McLaughlin, Mrs. N.' Mi ..... 75.00
Mackey, Mrs. James ..... 75.00
350.00
Morgan, Mrs. Danie
350.00
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Mills, Mrs. M
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, ..... 250.00 ..... 250.00
Mussett, Rev. J. ..... 275.00
Major, Mrs. M. H
Millis, Rev. V. J. ..... 200.00
McCarter, Rev. J. M ..... 225.00
McGehee, Rev. F. ..... 20.0
Maxwell, Rev. E. J ..... 200.00
Mayhew, Rev. J. C ..... 250.00
Noble, Rev. W. W ..... 100.00
Price, Mrs. William ..... 350.00
Rascoe, Mrs. J. T ..... 100.00
Rogers, Mrs. T. W ..... 250.00
Rowland, Rev. C ..... 100.00
Rogers, Mrs. L. G ..... 100.00
Reese, Rev. R. L ..... 150.00
Rape, Rev. J. J. ..... 150.00
Oswalt, Rev. C. V ..... 300.00
Sweet, Rev. E. M ..... 225.00
Snoddy, Rev. B: A ..... 325.00
Smith, Mrs. A. P. ..... 100.00
Shrader, Rev. H. P ..... 275.00
Stark, Rev. D. C ..... 250.00
Shutt, Rev. C. G ..... 150.00
Statham, Rev. C. E ..... 275.00
Trimble, Mrs. J. H ..... 175.00
Tunnell, Mrs. J. S ..... 200.00
Turner, Mrs. Neal W ..... 100.00
Wilson, Mrs. G. D ..... 100.00
Walker, Rev. J. E ..... 200.00
Winburn, Rev. F. M. ..... 200.00
Conference Treasurer ..... 15.00
Reserve fund ..... 791.08
Total. ..... $\$ 15,040.08$

The expense of the Conference Treasurer during the year amounts to $\$ 64.00$ and this amount we have apportioned to the different boards as follows:
Joint Board$\$ 15.00$
Board of Education ..... 15.00
Board of Missions ..... 18.00
Board of Church Extension ..... 10.00
Sunday School Boards ..... 6.00
We recommend that the Board of Missions be assessed
$\$ 159.00$, Board of Education $\$ 159.00$, Board of Church Exten-sion $\$ 120.00$, Sunday School Board $\$ 75.00$ and Board AmericanBible Society $\$ 37.00$ for printing the Conference Journal.
Respectfully submitted,
J. B. CHERRY, Chairman,
JAMES M. ROBERTSON, Secretary-Treasurer.
REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your board has considered eleven applications for loans and donations, four for churches and seven for parsonages. The board has at its disposal funds as follows:
Balance from last year. ..... \$ $\quad 119.60$
Credit with General Board. ..... 3,409.00
From Conference Treasurer ..... 10,275.40
Total.
Total. ..... $\$ 13,804.00$
Appropriated to General Board ..... 5,137.70
Donations to Churches-
Duffau ..... $\$ 200.00$
Valley Mills ..... 750.00

## Loans to Churches-

250.00
Ireland ..... 2,000.00
Donations to Parsonages-
Handley ..... 50.00 ..... 50.00
Sagamore ..... 200.00
Pioneer ..... 200.00
Loans to Parsonages-
Wortham
Wortham ..... 400.00 ..... 400.00
Highland Park ..... 675.00 ..... 675.00
Cross Cut ..... 100.00
Haslet ..... 300.00
Sagamore
Sagamore
500.00
500.00
Reserve fund ..... of Con-
The following were elected to attend the meeting of Con-
C. L.Cartwright and J. C. Smith; alternates, K. P. Barton and W. T.Jackson.

The board urges the Conference to push collections for Washington City Representative Church that necessary funds may be in hand February 1st to meet indebtedness of that great church.
J. J. CREED, President,
K. P. BARTON; Secretary.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Christian Literature beg leave to submit the following report:

We believe that the religious press, more than ever before, is highly essential to the spirit of unity both in our faith and practice as a church and one of the most powerful agencies for the dissemination of knowledge and social understanding. We cannot insist too strongly, therefore; upon its better equipment and larger use.

The Christian Advocate, our general organ, maintains a high position among church periodicals and is worthy of a much larger circulation among our people. The Methodist Review ranks favorable with the best magazines of the type and should be in many more homes of our preachers and many more of our leading laymen. The Epworth Era is attractive in form, is well edited and indispensable to the highest development of our Leagues. Our Sunday School literature has no superior in its class and is much better for our Sunday Schools than any other denominational, private or interdenominational literature in the world.

Under the editorship of Dr. A. J. Weeks, we are confident that our own Texas Christian Advocate will not fall below its former high quality. We commend our new editor to the church and urge all our pastors to put the Advocate into all our Methodist homes as a religious and denominational inspiration to our people.
Respectfully submitted,

- H. C. BOWMAN, Chairman.
C. L. BROWNING, Secretary.


## REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

To the Bishop and Members of the Central Texas Annual Conference M. E. Church, South, Mineral Wells, Texas. Dear Brethren:

Whether it be in peace or war, the Bible is the most sought after book in the world. In the war just closed more than three million army Scriptures were issued and more than a million khaki bound Testatements were donated outright by the American Bible Society to the soldiers through the army chaplains, camp pastors and Y. M. C. A. secretaries. And now comes the request by the army " $Y$ " for a second million. The two million boys "over there" have had the misfortune to lose their Testaments, or rather to have them destroyed in battle. It is well known that with the best care the life of a Testament in the trenches is very short.

And now as the world faces the problem of reconstruction, the demand comes for Bibles. The book must go into the foundation of the new world if it is to be fashioned aright, and it should be our great joy to supply this book to the many new republics which are being patterned after our own. Already our presses are busy in preparation for these great events.

You will be pleased to know that again the Southwestern agency leads the other home agencies in the matter of Bible distribution, being the only one to make a gain last year. The total distribution reached more than 221,000 volumes of Scripture in thirty languages.

The last General Conference fixed the American Bible Society's pro rata of the general budget of finances for the whole church at 3 per cent and the matter of assessment will be announced by your Committee of Finance later. However, we recommend that special voluntary offerings be taken whenever practicable in every one of our congregations to help cover the cost of the second million khaki Testatements now being manufactured for the boys in France. They will need the book more than ever now, since the temptation to moral relaxation is the more subtle and severe.
M. A. TURNER

JNO. M. NEAL, Secretary.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:
Your Committee on Temperance and Social Service met November 21 st and organized by electing John R. Nelson chairman and J. W. Head secretary and begs leave to submit the following report:

The Central Texas Conference, together with other Texas Annual Conferences, supports the Rescue Home located at San Antonio. Last year 102 girls and women passed through this Home and there were placed by means of this Christian agency 19 babies in good private homes. Property has been improved during the year to the amount of $\$ 2,146.35$, all of which has been paid. The current expenses were $\$ 4,004.93$, which have been met in full. On the assessment of $\$ 1,500$ on this Conference in 1917 there was realized $\$ 1,103$. Your committee recommends the same assessment of $\$ 1,500$ for the ensuing Conference year.

Your committee notes with pleasure the social service of the war work agencies, both among the soldiers and their families. The Methodist Church, South, has met her responsibilities and has entered the open door by doing her part in ministering to human needs in the days of want and destitution. As a Conference, we have special pride in the work done in our Methodist tabernacles and local churches and in the Good Cheer Cottage operated by Methodist women.

Following the war, the days of reconstruction will present many and grave social problems. The leadership and activities of our church, with the other agencies for good, will be taxed to the utmost. It is a time for serious thought, broad vision and renewed consecration in order to conserve the best of the past and enter upon the new era of the world's civilization.

Your committee feels constrained to call attention to the inadequate support of traveling Methodist preachers. The salaries of the large majority of these men of God have never been in proportion to the service rendered, nor sufficient for the proper maintenance of their families. In recent years the price of living has advanced 100 per cent, while the salaries of preachers have been advanced not more than 10 per cent. At the present time the wages of day laborers are larger than the remuneration paid by most of our charges. A number of the brethren are making a brave fight to do the work of the church on the meager support afforded. In the past some having become financially involved, have located in order to meet their just obligations; others today are oppressed and worried by the constant struggle to do the work of the ministry and at the same time support a dependent family. The situation is serious and is affecting the spiritual life of the church. No less an authority than the Apostle Paul taught the doctrine of the reciprocity of things spiritual and temporal. In the economy of the Methodist Church the support of traveling preachers is entirely in the hands of the stewards of the charges they serve. These laymen of the church have both the making and the raising of salaries of pastors and presiding elders. Therefore, we appeal to the stewards of the various pastoral charges and districts of the Central Texas Conference to provide for a more liberal support for the men of God who minister unto them in spiritual things. Your committee respectfully suggests that in making the assessment for the support of the pastors following this Conference, the stewards take into account the increased cost of living and the advanced wages and salaries of other classes of men.

The Central Texas Conference has been honored by the election of one of its members, the Rev. Atticus Webb, as State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Texas. We pledge Brother Webb and his administration our hearty co-operation in this continuous endeavor to have our prohibition laws enforced and to rid the State of the last remains of the liquor traffic. The Anti-SaIoon League, supported by Protestant churches, has The Anti-Saloing factor in bringing about State and Nation-wide prohibition.

It has been a matter of deep regret that the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas has held that statutory prohibition is unconstitutional. The question of the constitutionality of this State statute will also be passed upon by the Supreme Court
of Texas. In the meantime, Attorney General Looney, with characteristic ability, zeal and effectiveness, by injunction and court proceedings, has succeeded in preventing saloons from opening and plying their nefarious business. With the constitutionality of statutory prohibition called in question, it is most important that a constitutional prohibition amendment be written into the law of the State of Texas.

Therefore, as a Conference, and as citizens of this State, we respectfully request and urge the ensuing legislature, early in its session to submit to the voters of this State a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Governor W. P. Hobby and the last legislature are to be commended, and this body expresses its appreciation of their action in passing the dry zone law affecting territory and surrounding the army camps, and statutory prohibition. This constructive legislation, in giving the people of this State what they desired, has had a far-reaching effect in bettering social, economic and moral conditions. A dry State and the prompt ratification by the legislature of national prohibition has given standing and prestige to Texas throughout the Union.

Your committee is gratified to note that from present indications national prohibition seems assured. Already fourteen States have ratified the constitutional amendment, five of these being wet States. The last national election so increased the number of dry States and elected prohibition legislatures, that it now seems certain that thirty-seven States (or one more than the required three-fourths) will ratify the national prohibition amendment. It is only a question of a short time until this great nation will be greater because of nation-wide prohibition first as a war measure and then by constitutional amendment.
The national government is worthy of all commendation and it has set an example for all the nations of earth in its firm stand to protéct our soldiers from vice and intoxicating liquors. Because of this unyielding policy the American army is composed of the cleanest soldiers in the world.

A few weeks since the retiring president of the Federal Council of the Free Churches of England said: "We are not happy over our drink bill,, especially since the entry of the United States into the war."

According to the report of the proceedings of this meeting, the drink bill of England last year amounted to $270,000,000$ pounds, $100,000,000$ more than the year previous. From reliable reports, the brewers and distillers have continued all through this war to manufacture from foodstuffs beer and liquor. This, notwithstanding the fact that the cry of the allies has been for bread and that America has been denying herself the necessities of life in order to ship to them wheat and other foodstuffs. Now that the allies and the United States have won the war and again there is peace on earth, it is earnestly hoped that England and France will be freed from the rule and ruin of the infamous liquor business, especially since our own soldiers, our clean American young men, are now in these countries.

May we devoutly hope and pray that when the United States of America adopts nation-wide prohibition the example and infuence will be such that the great nations that have been asrociated with her in this war will also become bone-dry.

We, your committee, respectfully recommend the appointment of Atticus Webb as State Superintendent of the AntiSaloon League of Texas, and W. B. Wilson, temperance worker associated with the Anti-Saloon League.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN R. NELSON, Chairman,
J. W. HEAD, Secretary.

## REPORT OF BOARD ON LAY ACTIVITIES.

To the Central Texas Conference in Session at Mineral Wells, Texas, November 19, 1918.
In response to question 51, paragraph 52, of the Discipline, your Board on Activities of Laymen report as follows:

The reports from the district leaders show that in the majority of our churches all of the committees have been elected and that in many churches they have been actively at work and have been of service to the church. We believe that more men are vitally interested in the work of the church than at any time in its history.

We again ask our preachers to use the committees provided for by the Discipline, and believe that if they will put the responsibility upon the committees, that they will do the work intrusted to them.

As to the Missionary Committee, we again urge that the church lay leader, in co-operation with the preacher, put on the every-member canvass very early in the new conference year. The tvery-member canvass very adequately prepared and efficiently carried out in the church is the solution and only solution of our financial problems as to our benevolences.

The Evangelistic Committee can be of great service if a proper leader can be secured. In our great revival campaigns the chairman of the Evangelistic Committee should be very active, but we realize that the most effective evangelism must be carried on every day of the conference year by the individual membership of the church and a properly chosen committee will be of great service.

In the new conditions that have come upon us, we believe that the Social Service Committee, if properly directed, can render great service. In all of the great problems that shall come to us a Social Service Committee in each church should be very effective.

We, as laymen, rejoice most profoundly that the church has before it for the next five years a worthy problem. We most heartily and enthusiastically endorse the centenary movement. It has come, not only at the end of the century of American Methodism, but the time is more opportune because the centenary begins its drive in the first days of our wonderful world peace. If there were no other reasons why the centenary should be a success, and if no other reason why the whole $\$ 35,000,000.00$ should be paid, it should be paid as a thank offering to our God for delivering us and bringing this wonderful peace to the children of men.

We are glad to know that the Laymen's Missionary Movement has had some part in the beginning of this centenary work. We loaned the secretary of the Laymen's Missionary

Movement, Dr. W. B. Beauchamp, to the centenary movement, and the Centenary Commission has elected him its General Secretary, and we are glad to know that he is leading in this magnificent.work in a manner satisfactory to the whole church.

We are glad to have the information from our Conference Missionary Secretary, Rev. J. E. Crawford, that a very large number of our Sunday Schools and many of our laymen individually have assumed specials and already some laymen, in advance of the time fcr the pledge, have declared that they, will give liberally to the centenary movement during the five years.

We most earnestly request our preachers to join with the centemery movement in seeking a positive agreement upon the part of the membership of the church to sign the tithe card. Every Methodist should give to the cause of righteousness onetenth of his income, and we suggest that in most instances it can be done best through the channels of the church.

All of these problems will demand more at our hands than we can accomplish without a large measure of spiritual sacrifice and intercessory prayer, and we also ask our preachers to give the membership an opportunity to sign the intercessory prayer
card.

We thank the secretaries of the last Annual Conference for denominating this as a Conference Board as provided by the Discipline, and request the publication of this report along with the reports of the other boards of this Conference in the Con-
ference Journal.
Your Board on Lay Activities, with their post office address,
is given as follows:
Brownwood District-Judge W. H. Garrett, Santa Anna, Texas.

Cisco District-M. H. Smith, Ranger, Texas.
Cleburne District-Judge E. A. Rice, Cleburne, Texas.
Corsicana District-Prof. J. E. Blair, Corsicana, Texas.
Dublin District-L. C. Sellers, Stephenville, Texas.
Texas. Worth District-Judge D. M. Alexander, Fort Worth,
Gatesville District-Wade Nesbit, Valley Mills, Texas.
Georgetown District-J. S. Fox, Granger, Texas.
Hillsboro District-W. J. Morris, Itasca, Texas.
Waxahachie District-Coke Odum, Grandview, Texas.
Weatherford District-A. L. Howard, Mineral Wells, Texas.
Waco District-Judge Geo. W. Barcus, Waco, Texas.
W. E. WILLIAMS,
W. A. CROW.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR SUPERANNUATE HOMES.

Your board is greatly pleased with the report of the Conference Agent for the past year. It reveals the fact that notwithstanding the adverse conditions that have prevailed throughout a large part of the Conference on account of an unprecedented drouth, success has crowned his efforts. Two good Homes, worth at a very conservative estimate, five thousand ( $\$ 5,000.00$ ) dollars, have been secured to the board by will
during the year.

These Homes are located at Morgan, Texas. They were bequeathed by Judge M. B. Winston and wife in memory of an only son, Barry Winston, who was killed in an automobile accident. They are to be known as the Barry Winston Memorial Homes.

In this connection we wish to urge our pastors to call the attention of their people, who have money or property to leave to some good cause, to the superannuate home work. This is an age of mighty world movements both in church and state. The greatest economic movement of this century is the movement for a better provision for the aged and dependent. . There are now about one hundred and fifty railroad companies and other corporations that have arranged to pension their employes upon their retirement from active service.

The church must not let the business world surpass her in efforts to care for those who have worn themselves out in her service and who have come to the end of their effective ministry without a home.

At this session of the Conference one of our truest and best men who has spent between thirty and forty years in the itinerant ministry, and who has never received a large salary, will retire. We are glad that we have a comfortable home ready for him to move into at once.

We earnestly request the hearty co-operation of the pastors and presiding elders with our Conference Agent in his efforts to secure homes for our retired veterans.

We request Bishop Ainsworth to appoint D. L. Collie agent for Superannuate Homes for the ensuing conference year.
J. A. WHITEHURST, President,
W. B. ANDREWS, Secretary.

## REPORT NO. 1-COMMISSION ON FINANCE.

Dear Bishop and Brethren:
Your Commission on Finance met and organized by electing: J. W. Fort chairman, O. F. Sensabaugh vice chairman and Robert E. Goodrich secretary.

Having given due consideration to the various financial claims presented, we beg to submit the following recommended assessment:

|  | \$30,000.00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Board of Education | $24,000.00$ |
| Sunday School Board | 1,000.00- |
| Epworth League Board. | 17,000.00 |
| Joint Board of Finance | 17,000000 |
| San Antonio Rescue Home. |  |
| Total | \$73,500.00 |

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. FORT, Chairman.
R. E. GOODRICH, Secretary.

Mineral Wells, Texas, Nov. 22, 1918.

REPORT NO. 2-COMMISSION ON FINANCE.
Dear Bishop and Brethren:
The Secretary of your Commission on Finance is instructed to submit the following per centum scale for the various claims constituting the conference budget:
Board of Education................................................................ . 4082
Board of Missions
Sunday School Board............................................................................................................................ 1365
Joint Board of Finance.................................................................. . 0136
Epworth League Board................................................................................................ 2313
Rescue Home
Rescue Home ................................................................................................... . 0136
Respectfully submitted,
1.0000 J. W. FORT, Chairman ROBERT E. GOODRICH, Secretary.
Mineral Wells, Texas, Nov. 22, 1918.

## REPORT OF TREASURER.

| Bishop fund |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Conference Claimants | 13,135.05 |
| Foreign Missions ....... | $13,295.81$ $16,876.99$ |
| Foreign Missions Special | 16,178.85 |
| Home and Conference Missions |  |
| Conference Missions Special | $22,015.85$ 3746.37 |
| Church Extensions ...... | 10,275.40 |
| Education | 20,708.90 |
| Bible Cause |  |
| Delegates' expense | 1,105.44 |
| Superannuate endowment | 2,109.06 |
| Rescue Home ............ |  |
| Children's Day | 1,205.27 |
| War Work | 17,242.52 |
| Total. |  |

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TREASURER.
1918-Balance from last year............
Received during the year
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Total receipts.................................................. $\overline{\$ 1,279.74}$ 1,135.08

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3- 1-No. 32-To R. W. Nations, Corsicana district......... $\quad 7.00$
3- 6-No. 33-To T. E. Bowman, cards.
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11-22-No. 35-To Smith \& Lamar............................................. 209.32
CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE JOURNAL ..... 79
11-22-No. 36-To Mrs. Rea, Fort Worth ..... 27.25
11-22-No. 37-To Treasurer's expenses ...................... ..... 567.54 11-22-No. 39-To printing Minutes ..... 75.00
Total ..... $\$ 934.50$
345.24
Balance on hand. R. F. BROWN, Treasurer

To the President and Members of the Central Texas Conference in Mineral Wells, Texas.
Dear Brethren:
We have checked up the books of Board Treasurers and Conference Tellers and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. BERRY

ED ANDERSON.

## Standing and Special Committees

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE CHURCH:

The present urgent need of our church is a revival given of God by the Holy Spirit for the saving of the lost through Jesus, the only way, and the building up of His children in His life and work. The committee feels that such pressing questions as the non-attendance of the Sunday School members upon church services, the decadence of family worship, the neglect of individual Bible study and secret prayer, the hurtful work of the modern dance and all other pressing evils will be corrected by a widespread Holy Ghost revival. We need a revival that lasts all the year in every charge.

Rev. W. A. Sunday and his party are to begin a series of services in Fort Worth next Sunday, November 2t4h. We fervently pray and expect that during this eight weeks' campaign the entire State of Texas will receive a baptism of purifying fire from the Holy Spirit. But brethren, the task before us is to see that our preaching' results in the saving of the lost from sin week by week. The crying need today is for a sweeping revival of Bible repentance for and from sin, of free salvation through Jesus' atoning death on the cross and of holy living before the world.

During these days of our centenary campaign the church that heeds the call of Secretary S. A. Neblett for intercession before the Throne of Grace will not only do its part in bringing up the millions for missions, but will also reach the muititude for Christ in the new birth of many souls.

During this reconstruction period and in spite of war prices, we recommend the launching of campaigns led by evangelists or evangelistic pastors in every district of the Conference. We urge the use of tents in the city and brush arbors in the country during the summer months. Let every preacher's tongue become a flame of fire in every nook and corner of our country from the largest city church to the smallest wayside house of worship. God grant that our only theme may be John $3: 16$ : "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever , believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

We desire to give thanks to God for the large number of conversions and reclamations with which He has blessed the work of our church this year among our soldiers.

Respectfully,
G. R. WRIGHT, President,
W. E. HA WKINS, Jr., Secretary.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Central Texas Conference:
We had before us a communication from the Texas Lord's Day Alliance, auxiliary to the United States Alliance. We rejoice to know that we have in this State such an organization, for its aim and purpose is the creation of Sabbath sentiment
and the protection of the Lord's Day against any adverse legislation. There is an absolute necessity for this organization, inasmuch as the picture show people and the vendors of automobile appurtenances are persistent in seeking legislation that will legalize their trade.

At this time of political disturbance and upheaval and the many inroads made upon the sanctity of our Lord's Day during the war, accentuates the importance of continual vigilance on the part of ministers and laymen that the sanctity of this day may be preserved intact. Unless the ministers become more aggressive in pressing the claims of this day upon the church and the world we are likely to find ourselves after our great jubilation over the achievement of woman's rights, prohibition and our great war victory with our Lord's Day so impaired that it will bring to us no little embarrassment and with the very foundation of our civil and religious liberty shaken. We will not specify in this report the many ways in which this day is being desecrated, but we respectfully request our ministers to preach at least one sermon during the conference year on this question and to urge upon our people the great importance of keeping the day holy.

We commend the work being done by Rev. R. C. Armstrong and recommend that he be re-appointed as State Secretary of the Sunday League of America.

> Respectfully submitted,
> J. H. STEWART, Chairman,
> E. WRIDGES, Secretary.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Mineral Wells, Texas, November 21, 1918.
To the Bishop and Members of the Central Texas Conference: Dear Brethren-We, your Committee on District Conference Records, respectfully submit the following:

We have examined the following records and find them to be accurate, neat and in every sense well kept: Brownwood, Cisco, Corsicana, Dublin, Gatesville, Hillsboro, Fort Worth, Waxahachie, Georgetown and Waco. The Cisco record is an ideal of accuracy, form and penmanship.

The Weatherford record was not before us for consideration. We note from the Journal that Weatherford submitted no record last year.
W. J. HEARON, Chairman,
M. L. LATHAN, Secretary.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANAGE.

Your Committee on Orphans' Home beg to submit the following report:

We have at Waco a campus of thirty-seven acres with buildings thereon approximating in value $\$ 250,000$. The new hospital has just been built at an expense of $\$ 20,000$ through the efforts of that lifelong friend of the home, Rev. Abe Mulkey. The sanitary conditions of the grounds and buildings is worthy of commendation.

During the recent epidemic there have been about seventyfive cases of influenza which resulted in one death. Otherwise the health of the children has been good.

There are now about 215 children in the Home and more than 100 at the door knocking for admittance who can not be received for lack of necessary provisions. We urge liberal contribution by the church for the liquidation of some indelstedness and for further enlargment and maintenance and would ask that the non-assessment plan be continued and that every pastoral charge send a liberal Christmas offering.

The managers of the institution now require all persons handling its funds to make bond and that the books be audited quarterly, which has our unqualified indorsement.

We very heartily commend the work of Rev. W. T. Gray as State Superintendent and recommend his reappointment, and respectfully ask that Rev. J. N. McCain be appointed Manager and Rev. E. A. Reed Assistant Manager. We recommend further that Rev. J. D. Odom be appointed Superintendent of the Orphans' Home Society of Texas.

> Respectfully,
> H. Y. PRICE, Chairman,
W. H. KEENER, Secretary.

## - REPORT OF THE WAR WORK COMMISSION.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:
We, your Committee on War Work, as provided for by the General Conference, beg leave to submit the following report:

To your committee was referred a communication and certain other papers from the War Work Commission of the church. From this communication we learn that Bishop W. R. Lambuth the chairman of the War Work Commission, is in France rendering service in behalf of negro troops and contributing to the spiritual life of chaplains and other religious workers among soldiers. The following are extracts from his last letter:
"The more I look back upon the work of camp pastor and its opportunities, the more I am convinced that it is an opportunity for great service. I am anxious that the relation and all it involves should be clearly understood and carefully defined. It must be handled with great care.
"The chaplains are widely scattered and encounter the difficulties of having to minister to thousands instead of hundreds. They are good men and true. I am not speaking simply of our men, but of the body as a whole. There are a few who let down and fail to measure up to the expectations and demands, but the-proportion is not greater than in the pastorate at home.
"The attitude of our "boys is one full of encouragement. They appreciate a strong, clear statement of gospel trath. They love their country and cleave to its ideals. While some, perhaps many, may yield to the fierce temptations to which army life in a foreion land exposes them, I believe that a large majority will return with a deepened sense of thankfulness for our institutions, our churches and our homes. It is immensely important, however, that we who are here should bring every eff ort for strengthening the convictions of these splendid men and steer them safely back to their own shores and to the home
neighborhood where the bonds of friendship and love can be renewed."

Thus far the War Work Commission has acted on 181 applications for chaplains. Ninety-two of these have been commissioned by the government, thirty are in attendance at the training school and forty-one had been approved for 'the November school. There are also on file forty-six more applications.

In addition to the work done by soldier pastors, the policy of the War Work Commission henceforth is to establish in every city adjacent to large camps, church headquarters where soldier pastors and matrons may minister to soldiers on leave. There is no work more imperative than caring for our boys when their work is done and they are on leave in the cities. It is then that they are exposed to the temptations and need to be strengthened and guarded to overcome evil with good.

A great field of war work has developed at government munition and ship-building plants. Around these plants, as if by magic, towns have developed of from five to ten thousand inhabitants, where there is neither church nor preacher to minister to the spiritual need of the people. For such places it is the policy to build a real community church working plant and put outstanding men in charge.

Under the new order of the war department, churches may continue to work at army camps under the direction and control of the chaplains. The soldier pastors approved by the war department must be invited by the chaplains and are regarded as their guests while in the camp. It is thought that the work of the church with this new arrangement will have a recognition and indorsement by the government that will make it more effective.

The General Conference instructed that each Annual Conference create a War Work Commission, the executive committee of which will have charge of war activities of the Conference and will work in co-operation with the General War Work Commission. The War Work Commission of the Central Texas Conference has organized with John R. Nelson as chairman and E. D. Jennings as secretary. The executive committee consists of the chairman and secretary and..

To your committee was also referred the annual report of John R. Nelson, State Superintendent of Army Work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Texas. From this report we learn that during the year as many as fifteen camp pastors were at work within the State at different army camps and for their use nine tabernacles and soldier churches were built at a cost of $\$ 25,000$.

Voluntary contributions, State and local, amounted to $\$ 56$,053 , of which the Central Texas Conference contributed $\$ 16,042$ The total expense of this work under the State Superintendent is $\$ 42,119.25$. All of which has been met except $\$ 3,011.25$. The expense of the work within the bounds of the Central Texas Conference amount to $\$ 21,419.21$, which has been paid with the exception of $\$ 944.75$.

The work in tabernacles and soldier churches has been social, recreational and religious. Great emphasis has been placed upon evangelism. These camps have been white fields for soul-saving. Camp pastors report under their ministry dur-
ing the year for the State 5,339 conversions and reclamations. Of these 3,488 were converted and reclaimed within the bounds of the Central Texas Conference.

We are pleased to have had a visit from Dr. C. C. Selecman, Field Secretary of the War Commission of the Church, who has recently obeen overseas and who brings a stirring message concerning our American soldiers.

According to the instructions of the General Conference, the War Work Commission will have charge of all the war work activities of the church. By agreement the work. of the Texas Commission will be turned over to the commission with this round of Annual Conferences. We recommend the appointment of John R. Nelson, Commissioner of War Work; W. E. Hawkins, Jr., soldier pastor, Brooklyn Heights Church, Camp Bowie; D. A. McGuire, soldier pastor, Camp MacArthur, to be appointed as assistant pastor of Herring Avenue Church.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. BOAZ.

## Resolutions

Resolved: That a committee consisting of W. B. Andrews, J. B. Berry, F. F. Downs, John H. Garner and W. A. Crow are hereby appointed to study our methods of reporting our statistics and recommend to the next session of the Conference a system of auditing whereby we can secure accuracy and clearness in the statistical and financial reports in our Conference Journal.

## HORACE BISHOP, W. H. MATTHEWS.

Resolved: That standing rule No. 7 of this Conference be rescinded, it being now covered by paragraphs 446-7 of the Discipline; and that standing rule No. 8 be changed in the first line to read: "The Conference Commission on Finance shall not be authorized," etc., thus conforming it to paragraphs 446-7 of the Discipline.

Whereas, This is the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. Horace Bishop in the itinerant ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the State of Texas; and,

Whereas, His life, character and work as a man, a citizen and a preacher of the Gospel have been potent factors in the development of both church and State in the great Southwest. Therefore, be it

Resolved: That the Central Texas Conference invite Dr. Bishop to preach his semi-centennial sermon at the next session of the Conference, to be held in Waco, Texas, in 1919, and that he be requested to furnish the Secretary of the Conference with a copy of his manuscript for publication.
H. A. BOAZ,

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F. P. CULVER,
E. B. HAWK,
W. H. MATTHEWS,
R. C. ARMSTRONG.

## RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved: That the Central Texas Annual Conference in session at Mineral Wells, Texas, do hereby express heartiest thanks to the people of Mineral. Wells, the pastor and members of the local Methodist Church and of other churches co-operating for their splendid hospitality and cordial welcome which has been extended in the true Christian spirit. We deeply regret that we could not stay longer to enjoy their most generous gret that we could int spite of unfavorable health conditions due to the prevalence of influenza in the town.

Resolved: That thanks be extended to the daily press for the reports made of the proceedings of the Conference.

Resolved: That we especially express our thanks to the local pastor, Rev. H. F. Brooks, for his untiring efforts in making our stay as pleasant and profitable as possible and that we remember him and his noble people in our prayers.
H. A. BOAZ
H. M. DOBBS,
J. W. FORT,

THOS. S. BARCUS,
C. M. BISHOP,
E. D. JENNINGS,
C. R. WRIGHT.
STATISTICAL TABLE No. 1-Membership, Baptisms, Church Property and Women's Work.

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STATISTICAL TABLE No. 3-FINANCIAL-Continued.


STATISTICAL TABLE No. 3-FINANCIAL_Continued. GATESVILLE DISTRICT.


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| Eliasville | 99 | 99 | 550 | 550 | 9 | 9 | 40 | 38 | 53 | 53 | 10 | 93 | 93 |
| Graford | 189 | 171 | 1050 | 950 | 15 | 15 | 62 | 68 | 81 | 81 |  | 67 104 | 67 |
| Graham | 288 | 288 | 1600 | 1600 | 23 | 45 | 97 | 184 | 126 | 126 |  | 159 | 159 |
| Graham Mission | 80 | 87 | 447 | 484 | 9 | 9 | 37 | 37 | 49 | 49 |  | +63 | 63 |
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| Mineral Wells | 450 | 450 | 2500 | 2500 | 45 | 45 | 192 | 192 | 251 | 376 |  | 320 | 425 |
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| Olney Mission | 84 | 89 | 466 | 491 | 7 | 5 | 31 | 28 | 41 | 29 |  | 52 | 46 |
| Palo Pinto | 105 | 89 | 584 | 494 | 9 | 9 | 40 | 40 | 35 | 53 |  | 67 | 67 |
| Springtown | 163 | 161 | 907 | 890 | 15 | 15 | 65 | 55 | 86 | 86 |  | 108 | 107 |
| Weatherford, First ................. | 360 | 360 | 2000 | 2000 | 38 | 38 | 162 | 162 | 212 | 212 |  | 269 | 269 |
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| Weatherford Circuit ................ | 133 | 119 | 737 | 662 | 13 | 13 | 56 | 56 | 73 | 73 |  | 93 | 93 |
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| Total last year............... | 3224 | 3165 | 17908 | 17671 | 291 | 291 | 1242. | 1235 | 1627 | 1621 | 10 | 2067 | 2066 |
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| 36 | 1019 |  |  | 2485 | 1997 | 115 | 93 | 60 | 56 | 238 | 197 | 144 | 120 |  | 3207 | 768 | 13571 |  |
|  | 1186 | 841 |  | 1964 | 1737 | 90 | 81 | 47 | 39 | 187 | 169 | 112 | 100 | ${ }_{841} 128$ | 4162 | 6860 | 10850 | 145249 |
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