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The wide awake progressive business man who keeps up a constant advertising campaign for the promotion and expansion of his business, is the man who is entitled to the credit for whatever reputation his town attains as a progressive business center. It is the individual efforts of the business man in pushing his own private business that creates a reputation for the town in which he is located. If the advertising of two or three live business concerns in a town creates and maintains some reputation for the town, it is self evident that a universal effort on the part of all the business concerns of the place will accomplish much more along the same line. Progressive and persistent advertising is the key stone to commercial success, and a fact that cannot be successfully refuted, and carries with it its own reward.—Lexington Advertiser.

## SHANNON LETTER.

Percy Foster spent Sunday in Tupelo.

Miss Sarah Riley went to Tupelo Saturday.

Mr. Wash Redus is on the sick list this week.

Robert Stanford spent Sunday here with homefolks.

Mrs. E. H. Wygul is visiting her son, J. P. Wygul.

Miss Mary Dale Stewart went to Coleville Sunday.

Mrs. Mat Williams left yesterday for Pine Bluff, Ark.

Mesdames Cowden and Clark went to Tupelo yesterday.

Mrs. H. Murphy is the guest of Mrs. Connell this week.

Mr. George Long, of Tupelo, was in town today on business.

Robert Berry Shannon went to Okolona this week on business.

Robert Redus and Joe Clark spent Thanksgiving with homefolks.

Mr. L. R. Higgs will have one of his new buildings completed in a few days.

Talwell Higgs, of Blue Mountain College, spent Thanksgiving with homefolks.

Miss Bessie Allen, of Tupelo, visited her aunt, Mrs. T. C. Lauderdale, Thursday.

Claude Huffman, who has been here some time with his art gallery, is going to leave soon.

Mr. J. E. Bright entertained with a Thanksgiving supper Thursday evening about 20 guests.

Miss Euphie Stanford, who has been furnishing music for the Electric Theatre at Tupelo, is at home this week. BAB.

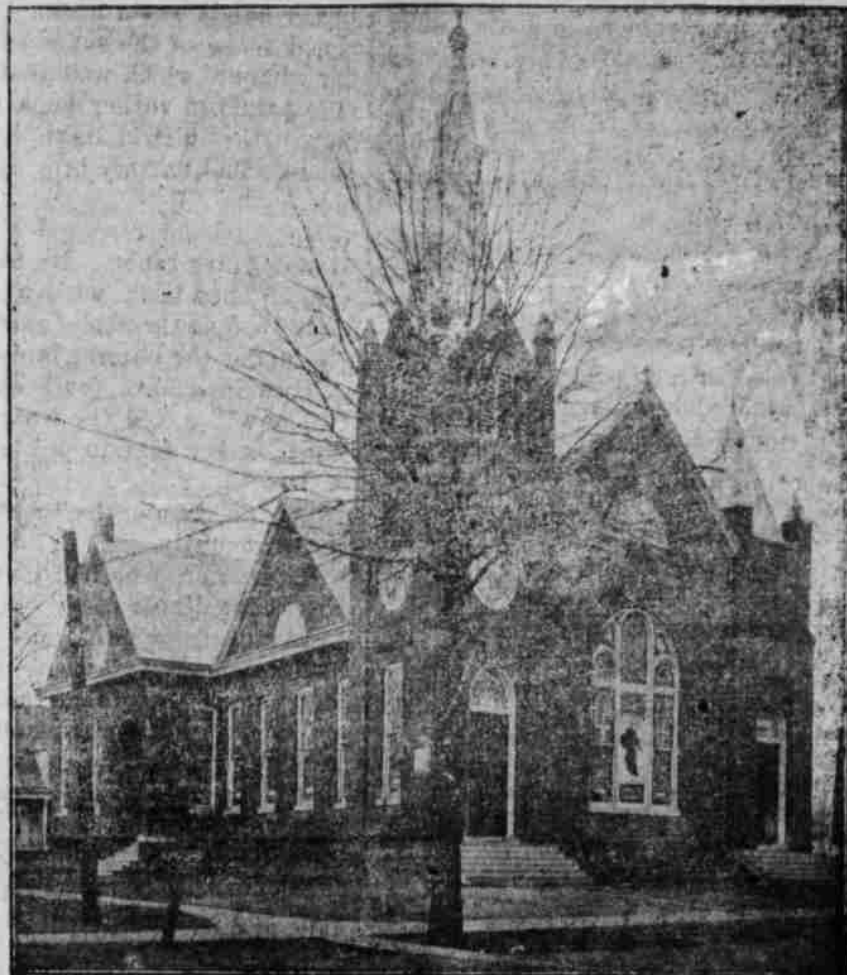
## THE EDITOR CAN IMAGINE

I had rather be a country editor and chase around for news, before a millionaire with wealth I could not use. I'd rather be a printer with patches on my pants, than be a master of finance, with all my thoughts on riches. I had rather eat my modest meal, digest the same with ease, than sit down to a royal feast with stomach-ache like John D's. To love and have it returned by a true, pure woman whose eyes and hair spurn a crow's wing and borrow their intense blackness from an Arabian midnight, to love this woman whose form is like unto the Milo Venus, whose one word of comfort and cheer is priceless, to love this girl who is one of that honest and true mass, the common people, is better than to move about in high social circles of millionaire aristocracy, where dress and jewels make life a mockery. 'Tis true a printer's coin runs short and duns in hurry, but the happy fellow does not fret—he lets the dunner worry. He always has a conscience clear, a disposition sunny; he knows that life has always joy be sides chasing for money. For the molder of opinion is happier man by far; than the man who owns a palace, a yacht and a private car. And when he goes to his reward he knows that all is well, while the man who makes his wealth his god may some day wake in hell.

## SOLOMON ADMONITION TO FARMERS

Solomon declares that the man who regardeth the clouds shall not sow. While it is not started under what circumstances the wise man uttered this great truth, it may be readily inferred that he was addressing a Farmers' Institute. At any rates, the statement is applicable to farmers, and it is just as applicable to the agricultural class of to day as it was to the Hebrew farmers of Solomon's time.

If our Southern farmers will depend less on the rain fall in mid-summer, and rely more on thorough breaking, sub-soiling and fertilizing in the late fall and early winter, thereby storing away in the soil the winter rains to sustain the crops in the dry months of summer when nature matures and ripens the harvests, they will then be co-operating with Nature in her wise economy, they will not need to regard the clouds, in seed time and harvest and will sow and reap in harmony with the Divine plan. Then they will have to tear down their barns and granaries and build larger ones to contain the abounding yield.—Cotton News.



M. E. Church South, where the North Mississippi Conference is in session.

Robert A. Clark, Pastor.

## North Mississippi Conference TUESDAY

For the first time in her history Okolona entertained the North Mississippi Conference this year. Never before has she felt herself large enough to undertake the task of providing homes for some 275 ministers and lay delegates, but with the decided growth in population in recent years, and with the completion of her new \$19,000 Methodist Church, she now awaits expectantly and cheerfully the incoming of the Conference.

Right nobly has she risen to the demand of the occasion, under the very efficient leadership of her beloved pastor, Rev. Robert A. Clark, assisted by committees of laymen, and indeed by the whole community, irrespective of creed or denominational affiliation. The committee on entertainment, consisting of T. J. Campbell, F. J. McDonnell, Jr., and L. A. French, has provided homes for all, and the reception committee, consisting of the following gentlemen, F. J. McDonnell, D. H. Shell, Walter Smith, M. R.

Waller, Dr. D. F. Morgan, T. A. Trice, Dr. T. J. Campbell, L. A. French, W. A. Taylor, F. J. McDonnell, Jr., R. L. Fitzgerald, B. K. Foster, W. S. Brazil, J. J. Huggins, J. M. Haley, and L. P. Haley, most of them officially connected with the church, have been meeting all trains with carriages generously loaned by the entire town, and sending the delegates promptly to their respective homes without inconvenience and without friction.

A postoffice has been established in the conference room, with Miss Harris as postmistress. A corps of little pages has been provided—George Cavin, Charlie Woodfin, Lyle Murphree, J. S. McDonnell, and Arthur Taylor—to wait on the Conference during its sessions. In short, everything has been done by Okolona that a town could do on such an occasion, and she deserved and is receiving the appreciation and thanks which are due.

With nothing short of delight the Conference welcomes again as its presiding officer Bishop E. E. Hoss, who four years ago presided over the same body at Grenada, and in the complete restoration of whose health the whole church rejoices with thanksgiving. He arrived Tuesday evening, and was en-

tertained in the home of M. R. Waller. Seventeen applications presented themselves Tuesday before the commission on admission. This is one of the largest classes, possibly the largest ever applying for admission in the history of the Conference, and their presence indicates that the much talked of dearth of candidates for the ministry does not pertain at least to North Mississippi.

These are E. H. Cunningham, from the postoffice force of Memphis; E. Nash Broyles of Columbus, a graduate of the Mississippi A. and M. College; R. I. Collins of Merigould; T. E. Gregory of Tom Nolen; T. J. Halfacre of Sweetman; J. S. Duke, of Iverness; C. T. Barton of Starkville and J. S. Jennings of Columbus, both of whom come from the ministry of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church; H. L. Phillips of Golden; C. Waller of Booneville; J. N. Jones of Booneville, A. M. Bennett of Belden; C. A. Northington of Dennis; Thos. Mills of Smithville; Olon Ray of Sidon; A. F. Moore of Coldwater; and J. E. Stephens of Jonesboro.

These have all spent the day in standing written examinations on the ordinary branches of an English education on the Bible in reference to doctrines generally on Wesley's sermons, on justification by faith and the witness of the spirit and the book of discipline, as the law of the church demands. The committee conducting this examination consists of E. S. Lewis presiding elder of the Winona district; W. E. M. Brogan of Aberdeen station and J. A. Hall of Winona station.

Other classes have appeared today in similar manner before other committees of the first, second, third and fourth years for examinations in the respective courses prescribed for under-graduates at each of these stages in their progress toward ordination at the end of their course as elders in the church of God, and reports from these committees indicate that the work has progressed nicely, few having failed to appear and few having been disqualified. The acceptance by the Conference of certificates from the Vanderbilt correspondence school for under-graduate preachers has greatly lightened the burdens of the examining committee and increased the thoroughness of work done by the young preachers.

The annual meeting of the North Mississippi division of the Mississippi Methodist Historical Society was held in the auditorium of the church tonight. Rev. W. W. Wollard, vice-president of the conference, in the chair, and Revs. W. T. J. Sullivan, D. W. Babb, J. W. Boswell and T. C. Wier, of our more aged brethren, on the platform. It was announced by the chairman that three members the conference had completed with this year fifty years in the ministry. Revs. J. W. Boswell, W. T. J. Sullivan and S. M. Tames, the last named being unavoidably absent. Never before has so large a number completed a semi-centennial address, largely autobiographical in

character interspersed with bursts of humor and pleasant reminiscences of itinerant life. Dr. W. T. J. Sullivan was then introduced as the second and last speaker, who also spoke interestingly of his impressions of Methodism during a ministry of fifty years.

In next week's issue of the MESSENGER will appear all the proceedings of the Conference.

## CONFERENCE NOTES.

Bishop Hoss is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Waller this week.

Next week we will publish in full the proceedings of the Conference, including the list of appointments.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith will entertain Bishop Hoss and his Cabinet and Rev. Robert A. Clark, host, Friday, at a 6 o'clock dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Waller will entertain Bishop Hoss and his Cabinet and Rev. Robt. A. Clark, host, at dinner Sunday at 1 o'clock.

Rev. Robert A. Clark, host of the Methodist Conference, will entertain Bishop Hoss and Dr. Murrah, President of Millsap's College Thursday.

Bishop Hoss and Dr. Murrah delivered magnificent memorial addresses on the character and services of the late Bishop Charles B. Galloway before a large audience Wednesday night. We will publish a synopsis of each next week.

Too much praise cannot be given Rev. Robert A. Clark and the official members of the Methodist Church of this city, for the great success of the Conference which convened here this (Wednesday) morning. Bro. Clark is an earnest and eloquent minister, much beloved by his own congregation and the members of all other denominations, and we trust that the Conference will retain him in this city, where he has accomplished so much good in the cause of his Master.

## MRS. NORTUP, QUINCY, ILL.

Mothers should be grateful to know of a remedy for their own stomach, bowel and liver trouble as well as for those of their children. Mrs. Alice Nortup of Quincy, Ill., after trying many methods is free to admit that the best one is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which she uses herself and gives to her family. She believes no household should be without it. This grand laxative and tonic is absolutely guaranteed to do what is claimed, and if you try it before buying, send your address for a free sample bottle to Pepsin Syrup Co., 119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill. It is sold by all druggists at 50c and \$1 a bottle.

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