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This is a picture of a group of ministers who attended the Missouri State Association. We were fortunate in getting them still long enough to get this picture—they are all alive!

Reading from left to right, those in the very front are T. H. Willey, H. M. McAdams, and John B. Rollins.

Those kneeling are Kenneth Turner, Sam Marcum, F. C. Zinn with his eyes shaded, J. R. Davidson kneeling behind Winford Davis, Melvin Bingham's new hat, O. T. Allred, Frank Linton behind W. K. Weston, and Henry Long.

Next row: John Swaffar (side view), behind him is John Mckown. Row of lady ministers: Myrtle Black, Mary

Welbaum, Roena Thomas, Melba White, Lizzie McAdams, and Effie Matthews.

Bringing up the rear: S. A. Hand behind Jim Miller, C. M. Dauber behind Vernie Wellbaum, Archie Cooper, Bill Reeves behind C. B. Dees. Last, but not least, Bro. Stinnett from Oklahoma.

We had a hard time getting this for Bro. Willey's camera with a \$100.00 lens just wouldn't take—so we had to seek other means—the rest of that story is a secret.

There were other ministers at the Association but failed to get in the picture, among whom are Selph Jones and John H. Wolfe, and others.

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This is a list of the names of those
who are working in the interest of
"putting the Gem over" in a big
way. They are working without sal-
ary or personal compensation from
the editor, for the advancement of
our church is valuable to each of us.
We are listing those who send at
least three subscriptions.

Bro. Willey	27
W. L. Truett	21
Mary Wellbaum	10
Jack Bean	4
M. F. Whitman	4
Curtis Wilson	3
C. C. Bebout	3
O. T. Allred	3

Let's go over the top with the Gem.

1300 copies of this issue were
printed. We have been print-
ing 1300 each month for the
past few months. We would
love to build the list up to 2000
this winter and next spring.

We have been growing stead-
ily, but the Gem Office Staff
earnestly solicits your support
and co-operation in spreading
these glad missels of Love and
spiritual comfort in a definite
and substantial way.

The Gem Office Staff

By the Editor

During our recent State Association, many nice things were said about our *Gem* and its good work, its appearance, its contents, its management, etc. Very many expressions were made in appreciation of the editor, "Brother Rollins," and invariably they would speak in a very praise-worthy manner of "Doris," his good wife. We assure the people of Missouri, and our good people everywhere, that we certainly do appreciate these kind words, and are highly thankful for the interest shown in the heart-felt relationship which exists between all of us as friends, as brethren, and as co-workers in One Cause.

Our experiences at the State Meeting were very satisfying, and we are so happy to know that our people do appreciate the work we are striving to do. I believe the words of our people, but they went beyond words and put "action" with their words and proved to us that they meant everything they said by piling up 100 subscriptions in addition to Rev. Selph Jones' life-time subscription. That is not mentioning those who received the inspiration and are NOW securing subscriptions. May our cause prosper under the blessings of God!

While we were enjoying this (Doris and I) we somehow had a guilty feeling we could not explain.

If *The Free Will Baptist Gem* is deserving of any notice, any credit at all, it certainly does not belong exclusively to "John and Doris."



Your Editor



Herbert Henderson

We have on our editorial staff a very trust-worthy, talented, efficient young man whom we love. He has won his way into our hearts until he is as one of us—as a member of our family. It affords me transports of joy to present to our *Gem* readers, the silent man behind the scenes of action, Mr. Herbert Henderson.

In our minds, Herbert is worthy of all the nice things our vocabularies will permit us to speak. The thought of flattery is far from me, for what I am speaking is Truth and it is so easy and natural for me to speak.

First of all, Herbert is a Christian gentleman, well known in this city and surrounding communities for his honesty and reliability. He is a member of the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church, near Purdy, Missouri. He is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Henderson of that community. Herbert has a quiet, sincere manner which is not to be despised, and which is valuable to him as a linotype operator.

Herbert graduated from high school at Purdy a few years after the editor graduated from the same school. He majored in business courses and has had college work in business.

When we first moved to Monett, Herbert came to us. Really, he joined himself to our chariot, and as a personal friend, helped us move. The real truth of the matter is, I had chosen him in my mind, and had

spoken to him some few months before our moving to Monett.

From the day of our moving, he has been on duty: always on hand, never shirks, never halts, nor balks—he certainly is not lazy. He worked without pay for two or three weeks—studying and learning to be worth something to our institution. Then I put him on limited pay for awhile. Later we reached a financial agreement satisfactory to each of us.

I never saw a young man learn so fast and so thoroughly in my life. Within four months, he has developed into an accurate, dependable linotype operator. He also does all of our job press work in which he has become skillful with inks and in the art of handling paper.

Besides all these things, Herbert has a capacity for business and an eye for printing. While your editor and wife were drinking in the joys and spiritual blessings of the State Association, he stayed, kept the home fire burning and business going. He did a real week's business which is complimentary to our office. He is interested, has the thing at heart, and his life dedicated to its cause.

The Free Will Baptist denomination has some of the Cream of earth among the young people of our church. We have hundreds of such young men and women who are Big Souls in the service of Christ. May we ever keep them consecrated and dedicated to Christian usefulness.



Mrs. Doris Rollins

A Report of the Recent Session of The Missouri State Association

By Winford Davis, Monett, Missouri

The 26th Annual Session of the Missouri State Association, with its victories and mountain-top experiences, is now a matter of history. But, we feel, the things set in motion, and the impressions made will go on and on. Truly it was good to be there. I wish I could tell you, but I can't. All I can do is to try. This session was certainly nothing short of any past session. We repeat what we are about to say year after year, till I wonder sometimes if folks think we are exaggerating, but really I must say it again, that is, the State Association gets just a little better each year; and in my opinion, considering it from every angle, the same can still be said of the past sessions.

We met this year with the Union Third Fork church, east of St. Joseph, Mo., within the bounds of our Northwest Missouri Association. And while I am on this point, let me say a good word for those dear people up there. Truly, we were never entertained better. Everything was lovely in the way of entertainment. My, how they did feed. L. M. Davis was again the head cook, and he certainly did not lack for something to cook. They killed three 600 pound beefs to my knowledge, and the other figures on entertainment I do not have, and I am sorry too, for I would like very much to give them to you.

Some features in our attendants this year were our dear Brother Willey, missionary from Panama, Rev. J. R. Davidson of Bryan, Texas, chairman of the National Board of Education, and Rev. Melvin Bingham, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, also a member of the National Board of Education, Rev. and Mrs. John H. Wolfe, of Pawnee City, Nebraska, (I had longed to meet Bro. and Sister Wolfe for a number of years), Rev. W. D. Stinnett, of Talala, Okla., and others I am sure I cannot think of at this time. These were truly a blessing and an inspiration to us all, during their stay with us; more than tongue can think of telling. Yes, and there were Bro. and Sister McAdams, whom we consider came back home for a visit. Sister McAdams is representing the National Women's work. We were indeed glad to have

them as we always are glad to have them come back this way. They seem almost like a father and mother to the writer. They are going strong, as usual.

We will name those filling the stand in order. Monday evening, Rev. T. H. Willey, with a stirring message on missions; Tuesday at eleven o'clock Rev. O. T. Allred, with an impressive message to the Free Will Baptist Leaguers; Tuesday evening, Rev. John B. Rollins, with an interesting historical message; Wednesday at eleven o'clock, Sister Lizzie McAdams, with a powerful message on the power of the Holy Ghost; Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Melvin Bingham, with a very stirring message in keeping with the educational program; Wednesday Evening, Rev. J. R. Davidson, with a very pointed and Scriptural message, also in keeping with our denominational enterprises; Thursday at 9:00 a. m. devotional by Dr. John H. Wolfe, a very brilliant message in the form of teaching; Thursday at 11:00 a. m., Rev. James F. Miller, with a very instructive message as to pastoral care and church polity (Bro. Miller spoke through Rev. Sam H. Marcum's loud speaker system); Thursday evening, Rev. T. H. Willey, with a rousing and heart searching message in keeping with the missionary program; Friday at 11:00 a. m., Rev. D. Selph Jones, with a very logical and heart blessing message that acquainted us more fully with the sympathetic Saviour; and Friday evening, Rev. Sam H. Marcum, with a message that searched hearts and was very fitting for the closing discourse, as Bro. Marcum is accustomed to bringing.

We might name some interesting and blessed features in connection with these services. The evening Bro. Willey preached to us, he also showed his motion pictures of the jungle Indians, of Panama, which were very much enjoyed, and there was also one conversion and five others came forward for consecration. About \$60.00 was taken up for foreign missions, also the Moderator, Rev. James F. Miller, presented Bro. Willey with a new suit of clothes which had been purchased with money made up on



the ground, all kept a secret from him. There was also about \$12.00 left to send to Sister Willey as a love-offering. This was most all made up by Sisters Esther Peterson and Esther Apple who were appointed by the Moderator to take up the money.

After Bro. Bingham's message on Wednesday afternoon, the educational program was presented by Rev. J. R. Davidson in a very earnest and impressive way, and a little over \$130.00 was taken up for our proposed denominational school, besides a considerable amount in pledges. Our people are showing a very keen and gratifying interest in our school program.

The officers elected for the ensuing year was largely the same staff as before, with some few changes. Rev. James F. Miller, of Fiat River, was elected moderator. Rev. O. T. Allred, assistant; the writer, clerk-treasurer, with John B. Rollins, assistant. Member Executive Board for a term of five years, Rev. Henry P. Long, of Phillipsburg, Mo. State Evangelist, Rev. Sam H. Marcum, of Cameron, Mo. State Supervisor of Sunday school work, Rev. William Reeves, of Fredericktown. State statistician, Rev. William Reeves.

In referring again to the educational program, I am glad to say there were some state solicitors appointed as follows:

For Laclede County, Niangua, Liberty, and Cave Spring Associations, Rev. Henry P. Long, Phillipsburg, Mo.

For Northwest Missouri and Northeast Missouri Associations, Rev. C. M. Dauber, Novinger, Mo.

For Indian Creek and Central Western Missouri Associations, Rev. John B. Rollins, Monett, Mo.

The Board of Education of the Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting which consists of Rev. C. B. Dees, Rev. Albert Halbrook, and Leroy Miller was approved and appointed to work in Southeast Missouri.

The Home Mission workers had some very interesting sessions on Monday night and Tuesday morning, and the Leaguers had some splendid meet-

ings Tuesday at 11:00 a. m. and in the afternoon. They elected their various officers and workers whom I will not take space to mention in detail.

Another progressive move was a plan to place a salaried man on the field in this state to work as a Home Missionary; striving to organize Free Will Baptist churches in the cities, towns, and communities where we have no work. Pledges were taken on the proposition and several promised to work for more pledges over their respective fields upon their return home. The move looks very prospective, and we all know it is badly needed.

The financial report this year was

very encouraging. The total receipts for the past year was \$2,042.94. Putting this amount with the \$1,888.87 brought forward from last year, makes a grand total of \$3,684.56. This is not so much as it could be; but truly it is encouraging. Our people are learning the joy of giving. They are giving more for foreign missions in Missouri every month.

I would not want to close this report without mentioning two other features of the entire session which was a great blessing to all, I am sure, that is, the much good special singing rendered by different ones, and some one of the different ministers who led the devotions for each service. I

am sure all felt the Committee on Divine Service, upon whom rested much responsibility, made their appointments very wisely.

All in all, it was a great week. Many more things could be said; but space forbids me just here. I fear I have written too much already. You may read the details, of course, in the state minutes which will be out soon.

The Association adjourned to meet next year with the church at Niangua, Mo. Several churches wanted it, but Niangua received the majority votes, and all seemed to be very well satisfied with the location.

— Winford Davis, Secretary



Delegates Attending The Missouri State Association

The Feeding of the 5,000 Took More Than 5 Loaves and 2 Fishes This Time, at the Missouri State Association

An itemized account of expenses used in entertaining the Missouri State Association, at the Union Third Fork Church, Sept. 25 to 29, 1939.

3 beeves, weighing 600 pounds each
2½ hogs, weighing 200 pounds each
125 chickens 30 dozen eggs
50 pounds lard 40 pounds weenies
15 lbs. lunch ham 20 pounds cheese
6 bars chili 20 pounds butter
4 cases con. milk 40 pounds macaroni
3½ cases corn 2 cases pork & beans
200 lbs. cabbage 4 bu. fresh tomatoes

20 qts. tomatoes 10 gal. green beans
40 qts. peas 5 gal. onions
60 qts. fruit butter 6 gal. pickles
40 qts. kraut 2 qts. vinegar
12 qts. dressing 800 lbs potatoes
150 lbs. s. potatoes 100 lbs sugar
400 loaves bread 50 lbs. crackers
100 lbs cookies 25 pounds oats
50 lbs. honey 5 cart's corn flakes
10 lbs. ice tea 75 pounds coffee
50 lbs. flour 2 pounds pepper
30 pounds salt 70 gal. canned fruit
300 pies 100 cakes
30 gal. whole milk 2½ stalks bananas

400 lbs. ice 3 boxes Calif. grapes
15 lbs. Oxydol 6 bars laundry soap
1 box matches 6 bars toilet soap
5 boxes tooth picks

The use of a 32 volt light plant
The use of 2 oil burner refrigerators
Rent on tents and chairs \$50.00
Cooks hire 21.00
Truck hire 10.00
Lumber 5.00
Expense for miscellaneous articles 15.00
Grand Total cost \$700.00

A HISTORY OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Chapter 2. "The Fall"

Compiled by John B. Rollins

The preceding chapter brought us to the year 1888, at which time denominational enterprises were being supported in a marvelous way to the extent of thousands—yea, millions—of dollars plus the entire usefulness of thousands of consecrated lives in bringing honor to Christ.

The period of time which spanned the years from 1888 to 1910 was the real climax of our usefulness as a denomination. During this period, scores of foreign missionaries were on the field of the world sowing Gospel Seed. By this time (1910), a great number of missionaries had labored for 20, 30, and 35 years each. The home work was flourishing and was fairly taking the eastern half of the United States. Our schools were recognized, and our ministers were in demand. Our church was a "feeder" church as our ministers were true ministers of a spiritual religion which they possessed in their souls and which gave purpose and power to their education.

With some degree of pride, we discuss these matters, but now we come to that part we do not like to think on—as expressed in the title of this chapter.

Just prior to the year of 1910, there began to be discussed the possibilities of a union between two denominations. It became to be advocated in a mild way at first. When it began to be advocated in earnestness, the common stock of our people arose up against it. Several times the measure was voted down when it came up on the floor of the General Conference. The General Conference was the National body of Free Will Baptists.

The supporters of the "Union" were very patient as well as cunning. The denomination with whom we were to unite repeatedly sent representative men to the General Conference. It was the rule of procedure that one of the representative men and one of our men would conduct an informal "Question Box" publicly, on the Conference floor, relative to points of advantage in doctrine and government. One of our western, red-blooded, out-

spoken, true-blue, dyed-in-the-wool Free Will Baptist was permitted to ask two questions:

"If I came into your church, could I preach open communion?"

The answer was smooth and cunning, but it was "No."

"Could I come into your churches and preach the possibility of apostasy?"

Again the answer was negative!

From that hour, the western people, including Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas bitterly fought the "Union."

Shrewd plans and great promises were made by the supporters of the "Union." The denomination with whom we were to unite promised unlimited support to our missionary work in India. They promised greater things in regard to our colleges and the home-land work in general because of their added strength—including higher salaries for our ministers.

A. W. Anthony, an executive in the Free Will Baptist denomination pressed his argument on the basis of "Co-operative union, and not Organic union." Anthony made trips to Nebraska, Oklahoma, and probably Texas, advocating "Co-operative union." Dr. Tracy of Maine, who was the leader of the opposition was innocently beguiled with this argument, because Free Will Baptists have always preached and practiced co-operation with any and all evangelical denominations.

When the final vote was taken in the General Conference in 1910, a bit of strategy was used to gain a point. The sections of the country who had not represented regularly in the General Conference were denied a vote. This permitted the motion to carry, so we found ourselves united with the Northern Baptist or the Northern Convention of the Missionary Baptist Church.

Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas who had not represented regularly and were denied a vote in the General Conference in 1910 have congratulated themselves a thousand times since because of that stratagem,

for afterwards, the "Union" could not lay claim to their property.

Brother S. L. Morris of Texas, a publisher of a Free Will Baptist paper which was the fore-runner and founder of *The Free Will Baptist Gem*, was happy to declare Texas independent of the "Union."

Things were quite different with the Nebraska Yearly Meeting. Shortly after the Union was accomplished, Anthony wrote insulting letters demanding the secretary of the Executive Board to give over the deeds to all Free Will Baptist property into the hands of the Union. Nebraska refused to comply. The Union, attacked Nebraska through court trials. There were three major court battles fought in an effort to save Free Will Baptist property: One at Kenesaw, which was taken to the Supreme Court, one at Smithville and one at Adams. Marcus L. Morse of Kenesaw, Nebr., and the young Dr. John H. Wolfe now of Pawnee City, Nebr., and perhaps others became the Free Will Baptist goat—that is, they took the blunt. They went through thick and thin in trying to defend our cause in these court battles.

There was a clause in the Constitution of the Nebraska Yearly Meeting which gave the Executive Board of that meeting power to hold the deeds to all property, and further provided that no property could be sold or transferred by the Executive Board until the working element of that property was disbanded and had absolutely ceased to function. Nebraska work had not ceased to function, but smart, crooked lawyers, with court-room strategy, caused that to be without meaning as far as the court was concerned. Our cause lost! When appeal was made to higher courts, the decision of the lower courts were sanctioned.

We fell! And great was our fall! A 100% loss in Nebraska! Anthony negotiated the sale of a \$25,000.00 church building in Lincoln amidst the broken-hearted cries, heart-rending petitions, and earnest soul-felt entreaties to spare. But no, the property must be salvaged, and the Free Will

Baptist people in Nebraska who built the properties found themselves with no place to worship—and they have never had since!

What happened to our mission field in India? Yes, what happened to our great and useful *Morning Star* in Boston which operated on a capital of \$75,000.00 and had been the agent of communication that resulted in the building of our denomination? Where are our Colleges?—

When the Union was accomplished, the General Conference began voting our institutions under the control of the Union. Yes, we received help in our missionary field—a 100% "Help." The *Morning Star* went under! Our colleges went under!

It was at the General Conference convened at Ocean Park, Maine that the *Morning Star* was voted into the hands of the Union. Rev. T. C. Ferguson, now of Weatherby, Mo., stood as one lone man in opposition to that vote. They wanted a unanimous vote in favor, but Ferguson prevented for he stood as he and his people desired—in opposition. Rev. John H. Wolfe was present also and was as much opposed as Bro. Ferguson, but he reasoned thus: "I see that we are sentenced to hang, so it doesn't matter to me what kind of rope they use to do it with."

The Board of the General Conference of Free Will Baptist was the real cause of our downfall. They played into the hands, so to speak, of our sister

denomination. The real victor of the Nebraska trials was the General Conference Board of Free Will Baptist who put their might and power in the support of the Union. This Board gave the other denomination the advantage over us in every negotiation. It has been whispered, and that out loud, that this Board was "bought." There is no definite authority to this effect, but to look at every transaction only reminds us that we have been robbed, for no one denomination could swallow up another against its will without there having been some great sacrifice made on the altars of Personal and Selfish Gains.

Our *Morning Star* in Boston was junked! Our colleges were taken from us! Our mission fields were given into other hands! Well, what has happened, has happened, so we learn.

The populace of Free Will Baptist people were true-blue, red-blooded, Christian men. They stood for the things that were right and honorable. They, and we, claimed no ecclesiastical supremacy. They remained true through the crash. They climbed out of the wreck and are still true, Christian people. We claim to be only a part of the great family of God, but we certainly claim our part, and all we need is a chance to advance the Cause of Christ in a fallen and ruined race. The Truth was never defeated! Therefore, this history has another chapter. Please be patient and be watching the *Gem*.

truthfully say that it was an inspiration to me to fellowship therein. Thanks to the Moderator, his group of co-officers, and the body at large for your wonderful Christian Spirit manifested toward us while there, for your liberal offerings and for your words of encouragement.

The following financial report can be made as a result of our trip:

Turned over by Rev. Winford Davis, Treasurer	\$121.00
Turned over by Rev. John B. Rollins for <i>The Gem</i>	5.00
Turned over by Mrs. Mary (A. P.) House	5.00
Turned over by Rev. John H. Wolfe, Pawnee City, Nebr., and filed in my record as credit to Nebraska State	6.00
Sent in by Mrs. Wm. Newcomer on pledge made at State Ass'n.	5.00
Sent in by Melba White for L.A.S. of Mt. Zion church,	5.00
Sent in by Rev. Winford Davis for Rev. F. C. Zinn	3.00
Total cash for Missouri State ..	\$150.00

Previously reported to Missouri's credit, which should have been credited to the Western General Association

Pledges given:

Rev. Winford Davis, time of payment not specified	\$10.00
Alta L. Powell, Monett, \$5.00 per month for 12 months	60.00
Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Gulliams, Plattsburg, to be paid in 60 days ..	10.00
Merls Chapel Missionary Society, Mrs. Myrtle Black, President, \$1.00 per month for 12 months	12.00
George La Shum, Monett \$5.00 per month for 12 months	60.00

(This pledge was made at the National Association).

Mrs. Rev. Mary Wellbaum, 658 Shawnee, Kansas City, Kansas, \$1.00 monthly for 12 months	12.00
(pledge made at National Ass'n.)	

Total amt. pledged for Mo. .. \$164.00

So we see that when these pledges come in, and I do not doubt a single one of them, that will put Missouri well above \$300.00, besides what they had in the Western General Association and the rest will be raised week after week.

We challenge others to follow Missouri's examples.

Good Educational Sentiment Found in Missouri

By Rev. J. R. Davidson, 808 W. 27th Street, Bryan, Texas

My visit to the Missouri State Association in the interest of our National Educational Program was the most gratifying of any trip I have made for this purpose so far. In fact, during the portion of the session, it was my privilege to fellowship in the spiritual tide which was too high to allow any dissensions. Brother Bingham and I were received in a gracious way as members of the Board. The ministry was of one mind in its sentiment toward building a centralized institution in which to train our talent, hence the laity was ready to respond. For the most part, our people will do something for any cause which the ministry wisely advocates. All praise

to the Missouri State Association for its far vision and spirit of co-operation. I feel sure that our cause at large shall advance as a result of the Missouri State Meeting in 1939. I can



Tennessee F. W. B. Orphanage Report

I. L. Stanley, Superintendent

Editor:

Please publish the following report of the Tennessee Free Will Baptist Orphanage. In view of the fact that so many of the Tennessee people take the *Gem*, and the western people are so much interested in our orphanage program, we would appreciate it very much if you will give us the space for this report.

We enjoy reading the *Gem* here at the Orphanage, very much. The children asked me to express their many thanks to you for the complimentary subscription. Very nice and thoughtful of you.

Any time we can be of any assistance to you in the *Gem* publication, just feel free to call on us.

Yours for Christ,

— I. L. Stanley.

Financial Report

Please do not expect a report each month. However, we do expect to give a financial report each quarter. We merely give this monthly report for September in order that we might get an even start on a new quarter.

Total amount paid out \$226.57
Total amount received \$201.75
Deficit for September \$ 24.82

ITEMIZED EXPENSE for Sept.

Groceries \$29.62
School books & school supplies 19.78
Gasoline (only) for car expense 11.67
Electric bill for August 5.88
Hardware (including 100 ft. garden hose) 8.10
Help for house work (washing & laundry) 1.70
Office supplies and postage 1.52
Coal for laundry heater85
Medicines for children 1.13
Barber bill h. c.25
Garden seed for fall garden52
Syrup & cream pitchers55
Total \$81.57

Paid on accounts from August and previous months since April 70.00
Salaries for Supt. & Matron .. 75.90

Grand total, Paid out \$226.57

RECEIPTS:

Profits from entertainment of State Association \$30.58

Midway church offering at the Home Coming 24.14
Kings Church (Eastern Star) .. 3.00
Former Treas. (H. D. Bailey) .. 3.00
Bethany Church (Union) 3.60
Virginia State Association (by Mr. E. J. Kilgore) 9.02
Rockhick Church (Lee Co. Va.) 2.00
Hoover Chapel (Lee Co. Va.) .. 2.00
Forrest Grove Church (Union) 2.00
Cumberland Association Ladies' Aid Con. (by Mrs. Polston) .. 55.00
Visitors to Orphanage (J. H. & J. D. Stanley—father & brother 6.20
Christian Bend Baptist (Union) 3.00
Mrs. Glennie Rouse (N. C.) 1.00
Grey Stone Church (Union) .. 10.05
Liberty Church (Union) 6.00
New Liberty (Union) 6.00
New Liberty (Union) 6.22
Ashland City Ch. (Cumberland) 2.60
Elizabethton Church (Union) .. 8.50

Watauga Valley Church (Union) 6.22
Holly Springs Church (Union) 12.22

Total receipts \$201.75
Unpaid balance, Oct. 1, 1939 .. \$24.82

Please notice that the unpaid balance from September is only a third of what the unpaid balance from August was. If we can only work a little harder and get a few more churches to send in offerings, we can easily stay on a cash basis which will save us lots of cash discounts.

In addition to the CASH received, we have also received in the form of commodities:

Canned goods & socks for children (Elizabethton League) .. \$7.00
Canned goods & flour & potatoes (Eastern Star Church) 2.50
Clothing for children (by Mrs. Carl Shackelford) 1.25
Clothing for Trula (by Miss Marry Patton) 4.00
Total \$14.75

Yours for a greater Orphanage,
— I. L. Stanley, Supt.

A Message to Women's Auxiliaries

Mrs. J. E. Frazier, 1st. Vice President of the National Women's Auxiliary
1624 E. Cahal Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Enlistment is one of the most important and necessary aims of the National Women's Auxiliary. It is necessary to enlist the women before the other objectives of the Auxiliary can be successfully carried out. It takes women to make a Women's Missionary society or a Ladies' Aid, and it takes women who are really interested to make a live, worthwhile organization, carrying forward the Lord's work. The more women enlisted, the more prayers are ascending to God, the more women receiving information and inspiration from study of missions, the more active in personal service, the more tithes paid and offerings given, and the greater interest in the missionary education of all our people, especially our young people.

The enlistment chairman, the first vice president, must be wide awake and willing to work if new members are to be enlisted. Make a list of all the women on the church roll and give their names to an enlistment committee of which the first vice president is chairman. Before the day of

meeting, the committee having previously divided the names equally among themselves, should visit each one whose name she has drawn and invite them to be present at the next meeting, telling them, if necessary, you will make arrangements to send and bring them to the society. This will mean much toward enlisting the unenlisted.

Divide your Society into groups named for our missionaries. Study the lives and work of these missionaries, having each group write, monthly, to her missionary, and once a year send a "love box" to the chosen missionary.

After each one is enlisted as a member, she must be engaged in the activities of the society if she is to be kept enlisted. So give every woman something to do, and put it into her heart not to be satisfied until she has done her best for her Lord and Master.

Have well planned programs, each month, using as many women as possible from the group having charge of the program. Spend much time, thought and prayer in planning pro-

grams, and rehearse the program several times before presenting it. Don't just read what is in the Year Book of Programs. They are just the devotional part of your program. Add other topics about the subject of the month, and have a real live program on the monthly topic, as found in our Year Book of Programs. An interesting, well planned program will aid much in enlisting and keeping enlisted all the women in the church.

Where women are busy in the work of the Women's Auxiliary and putting their whole heart and soul into the work, you will find an active Women's Auxiliary, one that is really accomplishing something, one in which it is not hard to enlist women and to keep them enlisted, one whose members are happy and finding joy in serving their Master through the Women's Auxiliary.

88% of the members in the Free

Will Baptist churches are said to be unenlisted. Is that the percentage in your church?

May the Lord bless our efforts as we try to lower this percentage by enlisting every woman member in our churches in our Woman's Auxiliary for 1939-1940.

I would like for the first vice-president of every state auxiliary convention or if no state organization every district first vice-president, or if no district organization every local first vice-president throughout our convention to send me your name, address, church, and what organization you are serving. That is whether the organization is state, district, or local. As your national, first vice-president this year, I am anxious that all first vice-presidents contact me and through me all the others throughout our national convention. We want, I am sure, our department to come to the convention

at Paintsville next July, with records of a year well-spent in Kingdom service. We must co-operate to do this. So please send me the above information and I shall endeavor to help you make your work a success in your state, district, or local work. Remember now I want to serve you but how can I serve those whom I do not know?

"We must *perspire* ourselves if we would *inspire* others."

I wish it were possible that we could all get together and discuss personally our plans and problems but distance, finances, and positions maybe prevent our doing this so may we do the next best thing—use the mails. We have a plan. So may I have your name that we can work (*perspire*) together to inspire others to help us make our plan produce more and lasting results.

Yours for greater Kingdom Service,

The Plan Worked

Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Chairman, 1310 Fatherland St. Nashville, Tenn.

THE National Superannuation Board appealed to our young people to sponsor, through the Free Will Baptist Leagues, a national superannuation birthday celebration during the last associational year. Today, I wish to speak the sentiment of the board in terms of appreciation for the response.

Over looking all failures and acts of indifference, on the part of those who did not co-operate last year and considering what lies ahead, the board comes with another appeal. With all the earnestness of our soul we are urging the plan be worked this year on December 3, 1939. We hope that all who celebrated before will join us again and that all those who did not celebrate before will resolve to this time.

Won't it be exciting for every Free Will Baptist League to celebrate on the same day and then watch the church papers for the results? Well, what do you say? Let's begin to make plans for the observance of the occasion at once. You may hold the celebration at your regular league service since special programs have been arranged on national superannuation in your league quarterlies for December 3.

Don't forget that each attendant is to bring a penny for each year old

they are. The proceeds will go to the National Superannuation Fund to brighten the lives and lift the load of some overburdened aged minister.

Say Leaguers, your failure to co-operate in this worthy cause will spell brave disaster to the plan. Don't confine your invitations to leaguers only. Invite every member of your church and friends too. When we attempt things for God let's do them in a big way. Enter the labor of opportunity to serve your fellow man. You can and you will, I know, help us to

sound the note of victory on Dec. 3, 1939

Wake up! pep up! and join up! with us. Become a link in the great chain of nation celebrations.

Just Send a penny postal card and say: I want to become a link in the chain and your link will number corresponding with the number of requests received at the time of its arrival.

Don't be that missing link. If you have not received a superannuation poster to place in your church, just say so on your card and I shall see that you have one immediately. They are free for the asking.

Remember! I am counting on you. Are you counting on linking up with us?

Missouri Treasury --- 1938-1939

FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Brought forward \$62.54
Amt. received 655.88
Amt. paid out 557.10
Bal. in Treasury \$161.32

PUBLISHING HOUSE FUND

Brought forward \$1,787.49
Amt. received 915.20

Total \$2,702.69
Paid out \$2,702.69

BUDGET FUND

Brought forward \$25.02
Amt. received 118.86

Total \$143.88
Paid out as follows:
for postage \$5.86
for State Minutes 34.00

for National Minutes 16.75
Pub. house equipment .. 12.16
for Clerk hire 5.00

Total \$73.77
Bal. in treasury \$70.11

MISSIONARY TOOLS FUND

Brought forward \$13.82
Amt. received 2.00
Bal. in Treasury \$15.82

ENTERTAINMENT FUND

Amt. received \$351.00
Paid out 351.00

Total bro't forward .. \$1,888.87
Total amt. received .. 2,042.94
Total paid out 3,684.56
Total bal. in treasury \$247.25
Winford Davis, Missouri State Treas.

The Woman Who Did Her Best

An Address to F. W. B. Women

By Mrs. Clarence Bowen, National Auxiliary President
2513 Club Boulevard, Durham, N. C.

Text: "She hath done what she could." Mark 14:8.

ALTHOUGH She was misunderstood and painfully criticized by her fellow Christians and kinfolks, Mary went on doing her best. To be critical of those who are doing something is about the easiest thing one can do, but it is about the meanest and most un-christlike thing one can do, unless the criticism be in the spirit of love and constructive in aim. The criticism of Mary by "some that had indignation within themselves" was unjust and not in the spirit of Christian love, but grew out of a selfish heart and a narrow mind. Jesus, who knew her heart and the motive that actuated her deed, spoke up in her defense and made it clear that she had done what she could and what she had done was right and at the right time. It seems to me that Jesus meant to say, "She has done her best." What a fine compliment this, to be given to Mary! Surely, it would have been a wonderful epithet to place on her tombstone. There are few folk that have lived in the days of the Christian religion who have merited such an epithet. Lots of us would like to know that such a one would be placed on our tombstones. But it would not fit on the tombstone of every church member. It has to be merited to be appropriate. It is not the kind that the board of deacons can draft up and have the church meeting pass favorably on it and make it fit. She did her best under the circumstances, with what she had to do with, and that is what made it so much appreciated by Jesus. In doing one's best there are several things that come to mind suggested by the incident recorded in this story.

In the first place, *she wanted to do something*. The woman who does nothing in this world of opportunity for suffering humanity and lost souls, will have reason to shudder when she stands before Jesus in the last day. Mary had a consecrated and surrendered will. Consecrated, in that she was willing to serve the Lord whole-heartedly; surrendered, in that

she was willing to sacrifice for her Master. She could have sold the alabaster box of ointment and gained much money but she preferred doing something for Christ. The pouring of the ointment on Jesus' feet gave Mary a blessing that money could not buy.

I wonder if we, as Free Will Baptist women, are willing to consecrate and sacrifice ourselves wholly to the service of the Master. Do we want to do something to build our denomination to a higher level? There are avenues of service open to us on every hand. Have we been down education lane, superannuation road, foreign and home mission boulevard or any other great road that leads to a well-rounded and useful life? Do we live in the house by the side of the road and befriend those who pass every day. Are we willing to do something?

Then too, *Mary was willing to do the thing she could do*. She was not trying to do what she was not qualified to do by nature or grace. Perhaps she couldn't sing a solo, preside over a large delegation, or make an oration, but she could anoint the feet of Jesus for burial. This was an humble task but she could show her Christian love for Jesus by this contribution of material wealth. She didn't ask any credit or reward, but Jesus saw it that she received both. Yes, she did the thing she was able to do.

Mary was like so many of us. We are not able to do the larger things of service, yet we can fill our places. God gives each one of us a place and no matter how small it may be unless we fill it, there will be some Kingdom work left undone. Surely, we can't all preach, sing, make eloquent speeches, or do just as everyone else, but we can do what we are capable of doing and in the sight of God we have done our best.

Are we using the talent God has given us to promote his work? We are not working for worldly praise or glory but that Christ might be glorified through us. If we use our talent and glorify God as best we know how we will hear him say,

"Thou hast been faithful over a few things Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

In closing, let me remind you that *she did what she could at the opportune time*. She did not wait until Christ was dead before she gave her best to him. He was soon to be taken away and she would not have been able to render the service she did. Are we waiting to do service for the Master and the Free Will Baptist church until it will be said, "too late"?

Now is the time to serve God. Let us go back to Bethel and strive to lift the Christ higher than ever before. Let us stop dreaming and let our dreams materialize into a beautiful Free Will Baptist school, hundreds of foreign and home missionaries, thousands of dollars in treasury for the benefit of our beloved ministers who are rapidly aging and who are bent and grey from years of service in the Master's vineyard. Let us be found watching and doing the things of God when he comes to receive his own. Let it be said of our dear women, "They have done what they could."

"Good women are God's sentinels in the darkest of earthly night,
They hold, with stout hearts, silently,
life's outpost toward the light;
And at God Almighty's roll-call, 'mong
the hosts that answer 'Here'!
The voices of the good women will
sound strong, sweet and clear.

"Good women are brave soldiers; in the thickest of the fight.
They stand, with stout hearts, patiently, embattled for the right;
And, though no blare of trumpet or roll of drum is heard,
Good women, the world over, are the army of the Lord.

"Good women save the nation, though they bear not sword nor gun;
Their panoply is righteousness; their will with God is one;
Each in her single person revealing God on earth,
Knowing that so, and only so, is any life of worth.

"Don't talk of women's weakness! I tell you that this hour
The weight of this world's future depends upon their power;
And down the track of ages, as Times flood tides are told,
The level of their height is marked by the places that women hold."

Missouri Sunday School Program

William Reeves, Supervisor, 510 Allen St., Fredericktown, Missouri

To my beloved Brethern:

With a thankful heart to God do I at this time write to you, first thanking my Lord for the wonderful year that has just closed. To me it has been unspeakable and full of glory. Words fail to express my gratitude only to say in Him is all that is worth while.

Second, to thank God for a people that have a vision and that I can be a part of them.

What a wonderful vision was manifest at our state meeting last month among our people in the program for the coming year. We would like to write something on each program but we don't want to take up too much space.

We want to get started on our Sunday school program just as early as possible.

We would like to get our field workers appointed in each association. We have received a number of recom-

mendations and appointments from a number of associations and as soon as we can contact them we will be ready to outline our plans for the year.

I am hoping we will be able to contact every Sunday school in each association this year.

I ask the continued co-operation of one and all throughout the coming year.



I wish to make my report of our Sunday school program of the past year.

I am proud to say that every association reported; ranging from one report to fifteen. We have two associations making 100% reports. They are S. E. Missouri and N. W. Missouri; as you will notice on our statistical report.

We are proud of every report and appreciate them.

Financial Report

Disbursements:

Record books	\$1.25
Writing supplies60
Postage for mailing receipt book to field workers30
Stamps for 107 letters	3.21
Total	\$5.36

Received	\$12.03
Disbursements	5.36

Total in treasury \$6.67

I thank everyone for their co-operation in helping me to make this report, and may God bless the work is my prayer.

Your Servant in Christ,

Missouri State Sunday School Statistical Table

Associations	N. E. Mo.	C.W.Mo. S.E. Ks.	S. E. Mo.	N. W. Mo.	Indian Creek	Lib- erty	Cave Spr'g	Nian- gua	Lac- lede	Missouri State
No. of Sunday Schools	9	7	15	5	12	7	11	2	1	72
No. of Officers	57	32	66	18	46	25	26	7	8	285
No. of Teachers	35	29	78	19	53	27	42	8	4	295
Enrollment	426	396	1545	204	302	595	619	90	46	4,109
Attendance	8,025	6,422	19,448	4,020	14,066	7,926	11,112	1,456	780	72,485
Offerings	\$267.38	\$139.55	\$387.91	\$141.61	\$443.18	\$137.13	\$128.02	\$44.16	\$12.00	\$1,701.94
Expenditures	\$210.03	\$113.50	\$310.00	\$105.47	\$354.69	\$102.84	\$106.87	\$40.38	\$10.00	\$1,335.78
Balance on Hand	\$89.25	\$34.44	\$95.94	\$36.15	\$124.21	\$34.29	\$26.08	\$3.78	\$2.00	\$446.14
For State work			\$9.21	\$2.17			\$0.65			\$12.03
Paid for Foreign Missions	\$4.22	\$9.34	\$67.77	\$27.75	\$59.27	\$27.27				\$195.62

Attention!!

By James F. Miller, Flat River, Mo.

WHILE Attending the State Association at Union Third Fork Church, the Editor of our paper (*The Gem*) spoke to me about some needed improvements at the *Gem* Office. This we had hoped to mention in the State Meeting, but you who were there will remember the rain and the mud, that had so much to do with the last day of the Association. So this was not mentioned at all in the meeting.

Now, here is the whole thing in a



few words: The sidewalk in front of the new *Gem* Office Building needs fixing with a new one. Also a curb and is badly needed to keep the street water from running down against the building. A coal house is needed also. An estimated cost of all this is \$75.00.

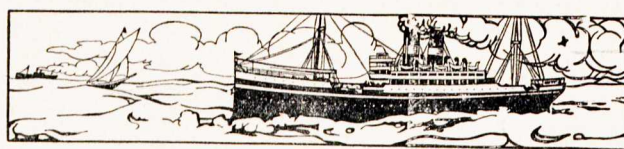
I am enclosing \$1.00 of the \$75.00 and I am asking 74 more readers of the *Gem* to send \$1.00 to Brother John B. Rollins or to Brother Winford Davis for this much needed work.

Send your dollar at an early date, so the work can be done. The Editor will be glad to put your name in the paper when he gets your dollar.

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT



Rev. T. H. Willey,
Foreign Missionary,
Returned from Panama.



The Regions Beyond



Mrs. T. H. Willey,
Companion Missionary
Returned from Panama.

Bro. Willey in the North

Dear Gem Family: Greetings,

At the present time, I am in the state of Michigan among our big family of Free Will Baptist people. I needed no second invitation when Brother Winford Davis said, "Come, go with me up into that great Northern State." I met Bro. Win (he is that to me), at Springfield, Mo. and we were on our way to Chicago, Illinois. We first visited and gave our missionary program in the churches of our brethren, the General Baptists, in Flint, Mich. Our hearts were warmed as we were received by them as though we were one of them, in fact, we are doctrinally and in fellowship, I can see no difference. I would like to see the day when we are one as a people.

I found great numbers of them subscribers to our *Free Will Baptist Gem*, and well informed about our missionary work, and are following it closely. They have a warm-hearted and enthusiastic group in the city of Flint. We were entertained in the home of one of our boys from down Missouri way, Bro. Fred Smith. He and his wife were raised on the same rocky ridge as Bro. Winford Davis. Sister Smith can sure make a piano feel like dancing for joy when she plays it.

Bro. Bob Davis, who is as long as Bro. Winford Davis is short, kindly brought me over to Hazel Park like a streak of light, and we met the pastors of our Free Will Baptist churches. We found them thoroughly acquainted with our program, and members of the "Gem Family." We were encouraged by a fine response to our missionary program. Brother Gates has a large tabernacle in Hazel Park, and conducts a radio program each Sunday morning over WEXL in Royal Oak, Mich. Bro. Raymond Riggs, Bro. Gates' son-in-law, is pastor

of the Highland Park Free Will Baptist church. I must give a brief description of these two pastors and their churches.

They are both from Arkansas, they were laymen working in this great city when God laid His hand upon them for the ministry of the Gospel to our people up here, people from Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee and points South of God. Some of our ministerial brethren from Arkansas came up and ordained them, and they went to preaching in earnestness, with the result of our having two churches in these great growing cities.

These brethren continue to work with their hands, and pastor the growing churches. Here is a sample of St. Paul's methods. We find him working at his trade as a tent maker, Acts 18:3. Paul came to Corinth and found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately came from Italy with his wife Priscilla, and because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought, for by their occupation they were tent makers.

Bro. Riggs is just a young boy preacher with a good back-ground, his father is a Free Will Baptist preacher down in Arkansas. He taught school for some time, and he has a great amount of polish which would set him off in any big city church. He has not only polish, but a deep spirituality. There is a stamp of genuine, experimental salvation upon the work that is less than one and one-half years old. Within the year, there has been over forty conversions. John Wesley said, "Give me one hundred consecrated men who fear nothing but God, and hate sin, and I will shake the gates of hell and see the kingdom of God brought to the hearts of men."

I want to pay tribute to men who

will go into a city like these, and hew and carve out a new work, stand by till the baby can walk, then go into new localities and dig in again. These pastors are truly doing a sacrificial work. Home and foreign missions stand and fall together. Every new church we get interested in the program of our church in every branch of its activities offers that much more strength. Here is a church that is just a babe in Christ, and has already outstripped many others hoary with age. Each of these new churches gave to the missionary program for the one night \$16.00 and over 20 subscriptions to the *Free Will Baptist Gem*. This boy who has only been preaching a year and a half is a delight as we observe him plead with the unsaved. Around these fine pastors are a group of new converts, many saved from lives deep in sin. They need a tabernacle, we believe they are going to get one and release their fine young pastor to full time service.

I talked with the pastor of a large, down town church, the Missionary Alliance. Mrs. Willey and I had known him for some years. While visiting with him, I gave him a brief history of our denomination, and what we believed in as a denomination, then when I was through, he said that his father was a Free Will Baptist up in Massachusetts, and advocated free communion and freedom of the will. I believe there are hundreds of them left all over the country.

I am leaving here Monday evening, October 23, headed for Oklahoma, then returning back East. My dear friends in Michigan, please remember that you all have a warm place in the heart of your missionary. Please pray for your missionary family that funds shall come in sufficiently to make it possible for us to return to the fields that are white unto the harvest, by January, 1940.

The Old Hen and Her Four Calls

By T. H. Willey, The Missionary

This may seem a very homely title for the subject so profound as the Second Coming of the Lord, yet it was by these homely figures of speech that Jesus often revealed, or made clear, His most profound teaching.

The occasion that called forth the words of our text, found in Matthew 23:37-39, can only be understood by referring back to the 22nd chapter of Matthew. Here Jesus puts to silence the disputing Scribes, Sadducees and Pharisees so completely that no man was able to answer Him a word. Then He launched into a scorching denunciation of hypocrisy, as evidenced in the ranks of these contenders then out of the broken and weeping heart of the Son of God, "How oft would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not."

The true touch of the Master Teacher was to take of the most simple things of nature and illustrate the laws of the spiritual kingdom. He takes a mustard seed to set forth the small beginning of His kingdom. The fertility or sterility of the human heart is made clear by the parable of the sower who went forth to sow; a sheep out in the mountains and desert lost, to depict the divine solicitude of the Divine Shepherd seeking the one missing while the ninety and nine safely lay. New revelations of the heart of God hitherto undiscovered or revealed to either Jew or Gentile was simply set forth in the story of the Prodigal Son, so here we have just an old hen used to illustrate the protection of the infinite God.

No creature offers a greater sample of solicitude for its young than an old faithful setting hen; no mother guards her young more jealously, fights more fiercely or searches more diligently to provide for her brood.

There are a number of very evidenced calls in the language of the old hen which are typical of the calls God sounds forth to those who are members of the household of God.

1. The Call of Contentment.

Go back with me to the barnyard on a sunny day and lean upon the old barnyard fence, and amid the

peaceful lowing of cattle and the bleat of sheep and lambs, we will single out the old hen and her brood of fluffy chicks. All is at peace, how restful it is. The mechanical world, the world of rush and hurry and unrest and worry is far away as the old hen clucks and sings her song to her young.

So it is with the Child of God. There comes the call to steal away to Jesus, away from the cares and trouble of this world, and bids us to cast all our cares upon Him for He careth for us. Happy are we when we have learned to just listen to the low, sweet call of the Holy Spirit. In the true believer, there is that which bespeaks of restfulness in the midst of restlessness.

2. The Feeding Call

Just as it is absolutely needful for healthy human beings to have an appetite for food, equally important it is, in the spiritual realm, to have a good spiritual appetite for the things of God. Notice the old hen, how she is busy scratching, she finds a morsel of food, she gives forth an earnest series of clucks in rapid succession, and the chicks comes running. There is the call of the Spirit to revelations of some gracious truth that will bless and strengthen you. The Holy Spirit is the author of the sacred Word, and when we come to know Him, He interprets the Book to us so that it becomes living. We just don't read it to say we have read so many chapters this week, but we eat the Word and it becomes living bread to the hungry soul. My friend, are you sensitive to the feeding call?

3. The Call of Danger

Yonder in the sky is a speck. Suddenly, the old hen strikes an attitude, she spreads her wings and gives a sharp warning sound! The chicks come running. A hawk is coming to steal and kill and rob. There is an arch hawk, the devil. Jesus warns us against him, saying, "Fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." Matt. 10:28. Again Jesus said, "We are not ignorant of his devices" 2 Cor. 2:11. The Holy Spirit places upon us a check and a

divine restraint so that we are under His protection from the Evil One.

4. The Call of the Night

This is the last call, the final call. The shades of evening are falling, the old hen gives a quiet, soft call that we must listen attentively to detect, but the chicks know it. The day is done. We notice this call is distinct from the other three. We are in the Saturday evening of Time! Soon the Great Sabbath of the Lord will come! The call of the night rings clearly upon the evening stillness, soon the deepness of the night will be upon us and the shades of the night will be drawn down. Again the Holy Spirit will show you some of the signs of the times, He will not tell you the exact hour, but He will say, "See, the summer is nigh and the fig tree is blooming." Child of God, let the Spirit open your eyes and ears to hear what He saith unto the churches in this late hour.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Brown	
Furdy, Missouri	\$2.00
Mt. Olive (or Neola) church,	
Col. at Bro. Willey's service ..	12.87
Hannan church, collection at	
Bro. Willey's service	9.58
Granby church, collection at	
Bro. Willey's service	4.00
First General Baptist church,	
Flint, Michigan, collection at	
Bro. Willey's service	17.69
Highland Park Free Will Baptist	
church, Highland Park (Det-	
roit) Mich., col. at Bro. Wil-	
ley's service	16.18
Hazel Park F. W. B. church,	
Hazel Park (Detroit), Mich.,	
col. at Bro. Willey's service,	16.00
Mine La Motte Sunday School ..	1.76
Mt. Olive (or Neola) Mission	1.00
True Blue Class Mt. Olive (or	
Neola) Sunday school	1.00
Union Third Fork church	2.85
Amity church, Niangua, Mo. ...	3.00
Oak Grove church, Stella, Mo. .	.41
— Winford Davis, Sec.	

A saint will so give from the tithe as to leave room for real sacrificial giving at home.

Whatever other fund suffers re-treachment first, it should not be the missionary fund.

Dedication of Aurora Church

By John B. Rollins

The Free Will Baptist church in Aurora, Missouri, held a dedication service all day Sunday, October 22, 1939. It was the pastor's regular preaching day, and there was a large attendance.

The church in Aurora is located on Rinker Avenue and St. Louis Street, and it was organized in 1933 during a revival meeting held by Rev. Noel Turner and Rev. Winford Davis. The organization was accomplished in a Union building, and the church bought the building, tore it down and built a new frame church in its stead.

Rev. Noel Turner was the first pastor, serving full time for one year. Rev. Winford Davis was the second pastor, serving half time for three years. Rev. Virgil Greenway served as its third pastor for one year, full time, and one half year at half time. John B. Rollins, the "persecutor" of the present has tormented the people for one half year.

On this red-letter day, the pastor preached at 11:00 a.m. on the subject, "The Perfect Law of Liberty." James 1:25.

A basket dinner was served on the church lawn, and of course everyone enjoyed the hour.

At 1:30 p.m. the house was filled

and ready for the dedication service. One hour was spent in a program of special singing rendered by various groups and individuals. One well-known and well-beloved quartet furnished most of the singing.

The churches of Monett, Macedonia, and Meri's Chapel were well represented and rendered the program. Those taking part were:

Rev. O. T. Allred, Dr. Poole, Misses June and Dorothy Bush, Noel Greenway, Ralph Davis, Mrs. Hazel Pennel, Clint Blithe and Miss Mary Briggs, with Misses Evelyn Jefferson and Roberta Wilks serving as pianists.

Rev. Winford Davis preached the dedication sermon at 2:30, taking Salomon's dedication prayer in 2 Chronicles for a scriptural setting. Bro. Davis' sermon was a "masterpiece." Our "Boys" can actually preach!

After the dedication prayer, the Executive Board, composed of Brothers Winford Davis, W. K. Weston and Rollins ordained S. O. Peake as deacon with Rev. Virgil Greenway offering the ordination prayer.

This day's worship was full and highly enjoyable. It will be remembered because God was there in spiritual power.



MARRIED

Miss Hildred Apple, Aurora, Mo., was united in marriage to Mr. Samuel O. Peake, also of Aurora, on October 7, 1939.

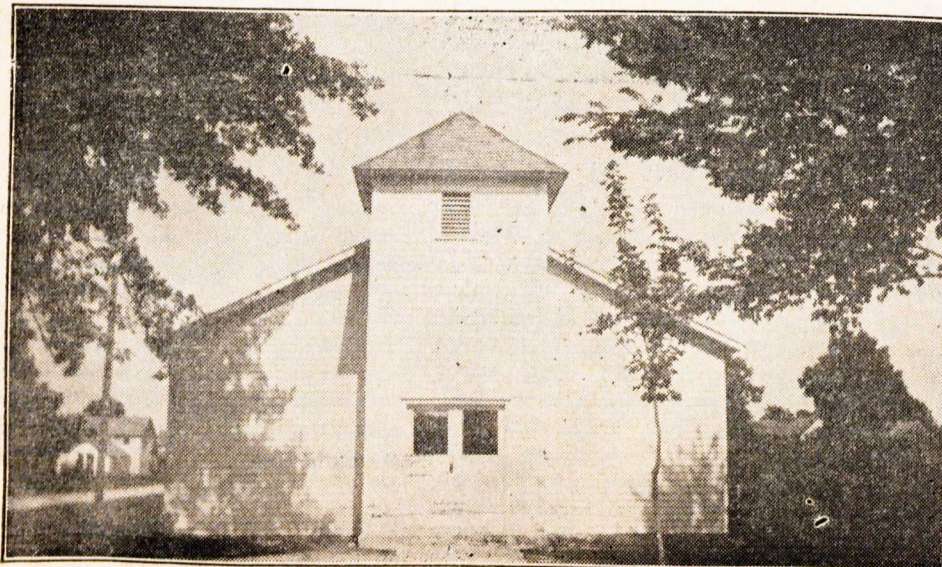
The wedding took place in the Free Will Baptist Gem Building in Monett, Missouri, with John B. Rollins officiating.

The couple was accompanied by Miss Ruby Peake, Miss Nola Apple, and Miss Margaret Apple also of Aurora. A ring ceremony was used.

Mrs. Rollins had heard of their coming and had the room decorated with potted plants.

Brother Peake is now ordained as a deacon for the Aurora Free Will Baptist Church, where the editor is pastor.

The Gem Office Staff wishes them much happiness.



The Aurora Free Will Baptist Church

Missouri State Home Mission Work

By the Editor

At the recent State Association, a plan was inaugurated to do some Home Mission work in the capacity of church extension. It was planned to place a wide-awake, active evangelist, who can present the Gospel and the cause of the Church wisely and ardently, out into cities, towns, and communities where there is absolutely no religious program being carried on, and let our minister try to build a work.

It will take grit, grim and grace on the part of such a minister, whom we have not chosen as yet, but we are praying for God to set his hand upon such a man and call him into this much needed service.

It might be necessary for this minister to go through "tuff" work. He may have to rent a building, pay for his own fuel and lights in order to get to preach in a benighted com-

munity. In addition, he may have to pay his own hotel bill in order to stay there and preach. If anyone is looking for a "soft" job, don't come near this one. We are not supposed to have a path of roses, but are commanded to go out into the highways and hedges and lanes of the cities and *compel* them to come in. Christ wants us to "endure hardness as a good soldier."

No one can go in this capacity without support from the church who sends him. To care for that need, sixteen (16) persons pledged themselves to pay \$1.00 per month during the following year. We want more to come to the rescue and help. God will move someone when He sees we are willing and obedient.

Here is the line-up for October:

State Home Mission	\$15.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Thomas	1.00

Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Rollins	1.00
Margaret Turner	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Willey ..	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Hand	1.00
Lindell Pruett	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Dauber ..	1.00
Esther Apple	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. O. T. Allred ..	1.00
Total	\$24.00

Others who have pledged \$1.00 per month are:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bush, Mrs. Alta Powell, Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Zinn, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Miller, Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Reeves, Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Dees, and Rev. and Mrs. S. H. Marcum.

This plan is on the same order as the National Home Mission work.

Please, send your money to the secretary of Home Mission, who is Miss Esther Apple, Aurora, Missouri, and you will receive a receipt promptly.

We feel God is going to give us supporters, and a man to go, and victory in the going—and we can all have a part in it, so let's pray and give.

"I Never Took Him to Sunday School" A Mother's Confession

By A. S. London

Contributed by Mrs. Zula Lewis

A thirty-seven year old mother placed an ad in the paper, a few days ago, offering her body for medical experiments, "or anything authorized by law," to raise money for attorney fees to save her son from the penitentiary.

The mother says—"I mean it. I failed him, as a mother, and I'm afraid I can't help him now." Between sobs this mother told a story that placed the blame on herself for the condition of her son. At one time she was a barber, and has worked since she separated from her husband several years ago.

Another broken home. What a story it tells. About eighty per cent of the criminals of this country are from broken families.

The mother says, "I was always crazy about my boy. I never made him mind. I never had him in a Sunday school class in my life." What a confession!

"I know now that I have ruined his life," says this mother. The son

is now facing a penitentiary sentence. He has a five months old baby in his home. The young father is charged with robbery and assault with intent to kill, growing out of a hold-up.

The mother says her daughter is in Paris with a stage show. I wonder if this mother has ever thought, "As is mother, so is the daughter." Poor mother; poor boy! Never in a Sunday school class in his life. Church bells rang but not for him. Choirs sang but he never heard them. Teachers taught their classes but he was not included. The preacher preached but this boy was not there to hear his messages.

He is now soon to take his place among a million others incarcerated within prison walls. Is he fully to blame for his crime? Is the mother, as she says, to be blamed for this crime?

Thank God for a Christian mother who started me to Sunday school when I was three weeks old. I too might

be facing a penitentiary sentence had I not been kept in Sunday school every Sunday in the formative years of my life.

Judge Fawcett of Brooklyn, New York, sentenced 4,000 boys and girls to state institutions. Out of this group only three were regular Sunday school pupils.

Cigarette smoking, card playing and dancing mothers are the curse of the rising generation. A non-church-going mother is paving the way for a sad ride to the penitentiary for the children entrusted in her care.

What a responsibility to be a parent.

"I never had him in Sunday school in my life." Will your children be in your Sunday school Sunday? I hope so.

Free Will Baptist Program

Tune in on Radio Station KOME, Tulsa (1310 kilocycles), on each Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 2:45 and hear Rev. Melvin Bingham and his church in a religious program.

Resembling the Kingdom of God

By Frank Linton, Branch, Missouri

"Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? And where unto shall I resemble it?" St. Luke 13:18.

We would like to speak a few words from this text of scripture concerning, "How shall I resemble the kingdom of God." I think God expects every Christian to resemble the spiritual kingdom. Everyone that professes to be a Christian are saying by their lives this is what the kingdom of God is like. Christ spoke the parable of the mustard seed in the next verse, and said the kingdom of God is like that. Something that grows and reaches out and becomes a blessing to some one else, the fowls of the air lodge in the branches of it. Christian influence extending far and wide until every body knows about it. God expects us to live until our lives will shelter, protect and help others that are tired and weary along the way.

I am glad for people I can think of, just now, whose lives do resemble

the kingdom of God, sweet, gentle, clean and pure. They are a help to me and I know they are to others. But there are others, on the contrary, whose lives are filled with hatred, filth and unclean things. Their lives fail to help the weary Christian along the way or the unsaved to be saved. Their lives are not sheltering.

I am thinking just now of some "shut-ins" that can't be out in activity. One is Sister Frazier at Mt. Vernon, Missouri, but your kind poems and letters reach out and help to shelter the weary along the way.

Let's everyone ask ourselves this question; "Does my life resemble the kingdom of God?" It should if we are a Christian. The kingdom of God has no unclean thing in it. Let's clean up for God so we will look and act like the kingdom of God.

We hope this will help you to live a little closer to the Lord. Shun the very appearance of evil.

by the grace of God, and they refuse to make that start they become a sinner. All sinners are serving the devil and they become polluted with things of the world, and he will lead them into an eternal torment if they continue with him. But they can escape the pollution of the world through Christ if they will turn from their sinful life and be saved. If one is saved, then becomes entangled with the world again, they are worse than they were before they were saved. The eternal doom would be just as bad, (in fact, if any difference, it would be worse than the first according to 2 Peter 2:24-22.

If a brother sins the sin unto death, there is no need to pray for his forgiveness. There are sins that a Christian might do and then get forgiveness for, according to 1 John 5:16. But it also seems from this scripture, that it could be possible for them to sin a sin that would doom their soul.

The scripture of James 5:19-20 will give us light on the subject. People must be in Christ before they can be called brethren in the truth. According to this scripture, it is possible to err from the truth. It is needful for that person to be converted that their sins might be hid and their soul saved from death; that is the second death which is the lake of fire spoken of in Rev. 20.

Can One Fall From Grace and be Lost?

By Kenneth Turner, Granby, Missouri

To this question some answer 'yes' others 'no.' Our ideas and desires about the subject does not mean one thing unless it corresponds with the teaching of the scripture. There is a lot to consider when we undertake to answer this question; and I want you to help answer it by reading the scriptures that we refer to. We must know what it means to be in the grace of God. I am sure that we are all agreed that to be in grace means we must be a saved character, regenerated by the saving grace through Christ our Savior. There is a number of titles and expressions used in the Bible when referring to a Christian in the Grace of God.

To be in Grace is to:

Be once enlightened. (Heb. 6:4)

Escape the pollution of the world. (2 Peter 2:20)

Be a brother (1 John 5:16).

Be in the truth (James 5:19).

Here are four scriptures we want to use, while there are many others in the Bible that we won't have time and space for.

One must have had an experience with the Holy Ghost (be saved) before they can blaspheme against it. In Matthew 12:31-32, Christ is plain about it. He teaches that a person can not be forgiven if they are guilty of this sin. And what about that person according to the writing in Heb. 6:4-6? It is impossible to renew unto repentance, one who has been once enlightened and made partakers of the Holy Ghost, when they have fallen away by blasphemy. We just leave it for you to answer.

When one reaches the place in life that they know they should be saved



Annual Report

Missouri State Evangelist
REV. SAM H. MARCUM

To the Missouri State Association, which convenes with the Union Third Fork church near St. Joseph, Missouri.

Greetings in Jesus name! The following is a report of our years work:

Revivals conducted	10
Sermons preached	324
Professions witnessed	75
Number Baptized	14
Funerals conducted	3
Marriages performed	1
Miles traveled	8,200
Money received	\$475.79

May God bless our work and people everywhere. Pray for us.

—Sam H. Marcum, Evangelist
Cameron, Missouri

Sin, Repentance, and Faith

By Rev. F. C. Zinn, 1121 State Street, Springfield, Missouri

Text: 1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Scripture Lesson: Luke 15:11-24

The Rejection of the Father

The request of the son was prompted by the desire for independence. His speech was a manifestation of self-will which wishes to be without restraint. This desire for uncontrolled liberty, which is found in every human heart, springs from the original sin of Adam. It was revealed at the tower of Babel, and at the Cross of Calvary and, in the final analysis, it is the source of all evil in the world.

But there is no such thing as independence. We are ruled either by the Lord or by Satan. Our desire for so-called freedom must be controlled by God, through a hearty surrender of the individual to the Lord, or else that longing will lead to wickedness inspired by Satan.

The departure of the son from the father's house (v13) followed shortly after the inheritance was divided. The youth was eager to be free from the restraint imposed upon him under his father's roof. In our meditation upon this scripture, we are reminded of that sorrow which came to the father's heart as he saw his boy depart when he knew, no doubt, the vicious path that lay ahead. But of the parents' grief, the boy did not think: to him, the fulfillment of his selfish desires was his chief concern. Let the incident recall to our minds the depth of God's sorrow over the sinner and his rebellious ways. Thinking only of pursuing pleasure, the son "wasted his substance with riotous living." Ignoring all the lessons taught in his home, he plunged into the sinful life of the far country: as long as his money lasted he had many friends. Doubtless, he thought these companions would be his friends also when his money was gone. He had not learned that both the pleasures of the world and the friends in the world continue only for a season. When they are gone, bitter remorse follows. It is difficult for any one to learn this lesson except in the hard school of experience.

The Return to the Father

There was a recognition of his state (verses 14, 17). The son "began to be in want"! *Want* is the common characteristic of the world; even the world at its best. History and experience, as well as Scripture, declare that "under the sun all is vanity." (Ecclesiastes 1:14; 2:11, 17).

And that *Want* leads to slavery. No one can live in sin without being ensnared. No one is obliged to be a slave to sin if he will accept the means of liberation. Each person must choose whether he will be the servant of God, or of Satan. Satan brings his victims to want, distress, and despair; the Lord gives to His followers the supply for every need, joy of living, and the experience of contentment and peace. (John 8:34-36).

There are some individuals who say that God is unjust in allowing any one to come to the sad state which this boy found himself in. But these complainants forget, or else they do not know, that in the case of the son there is an illustration of truth that "the goodness of God leadeth to repentance." (Rom. 2:24).

The Resolution in His Mind

When at last the son looked facts in the face, he recognized that the distress of his condition was the result of his own doings. He felt that he was not worthy to be called his father's son, although what he felt did not, in the slightest degree, change the relationship between himself and his father. He realized that he had sinned against his earthly father and against heaven. He resolved to return to his father, and to make confession of his wrong doings, and be content to be counted merely as one of his father's hired servants.

The Action of His Will

All sorrow for sin, no matter how deep, can't take the place of action. This penitent boy "arose and came to his father." Satan would have us believe that thinking of our evil ways and sorrowing over them is sufficient for their cleansing. But the desired restoration to fellowship with the Father is never realized until the thoughts of the mind are translated

into action. True repentance is revealed in a positive forsaking of the world, and a quick return to the Father, with confession welling up from the heart and overflowing from the lips.

The Reception of the Father

The father's welcome of his returning son shows the tenderness of the father's heart of love. "His father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him." There was no pain, aloofness, no word of rebuke in reception of the son, grace is shown in the father's dealings (verses 21-23). There was no obligation resting upon the father to do anything for this boy, but there was love in the father's heart which must be satisfied and out of that love came the gracious dealing.

The reception was full and complete (verse 24). The father explained the cause of his thanksgiving. "This my son was dead and is alive again: he was lost and is found." This was all that mattered! Neighbors and friends were invited to join in the happy reunion, "and they began to be merry."

Brotherhood Quarterly Meeting West Virginia

The Brotherhood Quarterly Meeting convened with the Kelly's Creek Free Will Baptist church, Charleston, West Virginia, September 29, 1939.

Eld. John M. Henson was elected moderator.

The old time gospel was preached in a manner that would be uplifting to any Christian.

The next session is to be held with the Susanah Free Will Baptist church, at Culloden, West Virginia.

During the session we had an ordination service in which two deacons were ordained.

Sunday was Kelley's Creek regular home coming day and in spite of the rain the entire day was enjoyed by those present.

—Mrs. John M. Henson, Reporter
Hurricane, W. Va.

To love as Christ loves is to let our love be a practical and not a sentimental thing

—Stanford.

A SPIRITUAL REVIVAL Columbus, Mississippi

The Rev. Linton C. Johnson, evangelist of Alam, Georgia, conducted a revival meeting at our church in Columbus, Mississippi, beginning on Tuesday night, October 3rd, and continuing through Wednesday night, October 11th. Rev. Johnson brought some very forceful messages each service. Many of our members were revived and rededicated their hearts and lives to the Lord and His service.

On Monday night of the meeting, it seemed that Heaven's doors were opened and there was poured out a special blessing on our service. Seventeen (17) found their way to the altar and prayed through. Indeed this was a wonderful service.

Our pastor, Rev. M. L. Hollis, was not able to be with us in all of our revival meeting, as he was in a meeting near us, doing real good work there. However, he was with us on the last night of our meeting to conduct the baptismal service. Six (6) fine young ladies and three (3) young men were baptized, two coming by letter from other churches.

The entire membership of our church was drawn closer to the Lord by having Rev. Johnson with us. The meeting was a wonderful success.

At the close of the baptismal service, Brother Hollis asked that the members of the church stay for a brief business meeting, which all did. The purpose of the meeting was to raise one bank note of \$25.00 on the church debt. Brother Hollis started the offering off with \$5.00 and over \$100.00 was raised in about five minutes. Of course, this was a happy time for Brother Hollis and Brother Johnson, as well as all the members. We all left the church with a new zeal to go out and do a greater work for the Lord and his service.

—E. K. Brown,

First Free Will Baptist Church
Columbus, Mississippi

ANOTHER GREAT REVIVAL Lake City, South Carolina

Dear Editor:

We wish to report a success here at our New Prospect Free Will Baptist Church. We engaged Evangelist, W. L. Truett, who did the preaching throughout the meeting. His messages were stirring. From the beginning, his messages were such as "The Mark of the Beast." I would have been glad

if all of our people could have heard it. It was educational, spiritual, and food to our souls. He followed it with a sermon, "The Fall of Babylon."

We had the best meeting we've had here in twenty years. Not only the best in the church, but the best that has been held in this section. There were 18 baptized in our church, several were saved who were already members.

We thank God that He sent Brother Truett our way. Bro. Truett brought his helper, Bro. Gilbert, of Florida, who took charge of all the singing, and we thank God for him. They are gone, but they leave behind a number of friends who love them and who will be praying for their success.

Any church or community who wants an old time revival with an evangelist who is filled with the old time power would not make a mistake in getting Bro. Truett for a meeting. We recommend him to any church. May God bless him. We ask all who read this to remember us in your prayers, and pray for our church.

We began a prayer meeting for our young people, that the church might feed the lambs.

May God bless the Gem Family and its fine editor.

—Eld. R. S. Gaskins.

BRISTOW CHURCH NEWS

Bristow, Oklahoma

Rev. J. H. West, Pastor
Zula Lewis, Reporter

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him." Heb. 2:3.

This scripture strikes me very forcibly that we need to be about our Master's business and not leave a thing undone. How shall we escape, if we neglect to live this salvation, and if we neglect to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, and if we fail to warn lost souls the danger of living in sin.

I am indeed made happy to send in this report of our new church in Bristow, Oklahoma on August 15, 1939. The Free Will Baptist organized a church here with fourteen members. Since then twenty-five have been added to the church making a total of thirty-nine members.

We have a nice church building to worship in. It is built of stone and is painted beautifully on the inside. It is located at 123 East Third Avenue.

There seems to be a wonderful opportunity here for us to expand the work of God. I know the Lord will bless our efforts if we stay in the center of His will.

1 Cor. 15: 58, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

The following members have recently been elected to church offices:

Sunday School Supt. Bro. Earl Snyder
Ass't. Superintendent, Bro. Carl Hill
Secretary Sister Dovie Hutson
Bible Class Teacher Sister John Young Peoples Class, Rev. J. H. West
Intermediate Class. Sister Carl Hill
Junior Class Sister Zula Lewis
Primary Class, Sister W. M. Hutson
Pianist Sister Ollie Downey
Choir Director Bro. Floyd Hutson
Church Reporter .. Sister Zula Lewis

We have a fine Sunday school. There were eighty-six present last Sunday.

Bro. Harry Staires, pastor at Drumright, Okla., and Bro. W. H. Carter, Bristow, Okla., closed a two weeks revival last Friday night. The Lord was with us in a wonderful way. There were heart touching messages delivered. Eight precious souls found their way to the Lord. Last Sunday afternoon a crowd gathered at the water's edge where two were baptized by Bro. Carter.

We are expecting great things to take place in our churches as we continue to labor and push the work of God. We want our church to be the most outstanding church here, and we can make it so if we all get under the burden and help carry the load. We are not striving to please ourselves or man, but we are trying to please God who sent his Son into this world to redeem us from sin. We are indebted to Jesus Christ—we owe him our time and talent.

Our good pastor really has his heart in the work of God, and is always busy in some way to advance the work. He preaches old time salvation, just what the world needs today.

We have a fine group of young people. They have organized their League, and have their service on Sunday evening at seven o'clock.

We solicit the prayers of all you readers who know the worth of prayer, that we may grow and prosper for Christ's sake.

We welcome visitors to all our church services.

SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

Dear Gem Readers:

We were at Fredericktown the last time we reported to the *Gem*. We went from there to a Methodist church east of Bonne Terre, Missouri. We had a good revival. We closed the meeting there on Sunday night before the state meeting, and of course we attended the State meeting where we had a wonderful time in the Lord. While there we met Bro. Melvin Bingham, the pastor of the First Free Will Baptist church in Tulsa, Okla. We were asked to come to Tulsa and hold a revival. We made our way back to Flat River Saturday; then came to Tulsa Sunday. On our way down here we stopped over at Carterville, Mo., and attended the services at the Free Will Baptist church there. Rev John Swaffar was the speaker of the hour, and did we enjoy hearing John preach. Although we had gotten up at 3:30 a. m. and had driven from Flat River and were tired, we surely enjoyed the message.

We were invited home with our dear Bro. Medley and enjoyed a real feast at the table, and you know how I enjoyed that.

We made it to Tulsa for the night service. We found a hearty welcome at the parsonage, by Bro. Bingham and family. After a short rest we went to the service to find a house packed with people to hear the Gospel. We find the church here very consecrated and ready for service. I never did work with a man of God that I enjoyed being with as I have Bro. Bingham what short time I have been here.

We ask your prayers that God will give us a real revival here.

—Rev. F. C. Zinn & Wife

Lake City, South Carolina

Dear Editor and Gem Family:

Inclosed you will find \$8.00 for subscriptions taken for the *Gem* at the close of our wonderful meeting at Black River, Free Will Baptist church, 6 miles west of Andrews, S. C.

I wish to report victory for our Lord. Satan was on the job and gave us a fight but with the prayers of God's people, God gave us the victory.

Bro. Roy Gilbert of Marianna, Fla.,

my helper, had charge of the singing and we wish to say that he did a wonderful job. Bro. J. L. Smith, pastor of this church, co-operated with us in a great way and is one of the finest men I have ever had the pleasure of working with.

There were 16 baptized, 24 saved or renewed, and 16 added to the church.

We thank the good people of that community for their kindness and consideration during the meeting and we pray God's blessings upon them and their homes.

I will begin another meeting 60 miles from here next week, and I ask our *Gem* readers to pray for us.

These good people here had never heard of our *Gem* paper. The editor sent me a roll of samples and the results were 16 subscriptions, and I pray he will send me more for my next meeting.

I heard from my friend, Bro. Bias, of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. May God bless him and I will be in Ft. Smith just as soon as God wills.

I will close asking my brothers and sisters to pray for us. May God bless the *Gem* family, the *Gem* and its editor.

Yours in Him,

—Evangelist, W. L. Truett

Clear Springs, Missouri

Dear Gem Readers:

This is our first time to write a line to the *Gem*. We are strangers to the most of you, but not to the Lord. We met the Free Will Baptist denomination a little over three years ago at Hannon, Mo., where our membership still remains.

We held a few meetings in Missouri and then went to Illinois where we lived for a year. Then coming back to this part of Missouri, we received a call for a meeting back in the hills where there were no highways. It looked impossible for us to get there, but we felt that God had called and knew that He would prepare the way. So we started to make the trip and got about half way and our car broke down. There we were out in the middle of the timber, the car broke, and no money. All we had left was faith in God. So we were pulled on in with a team and started the meeting.

There hadn't been a meeting in this place for five years. For the first week or so things looked dark, but we continued to hold on to God knowing He had sent us. And then, praise His name, the spirit began to fall. Souls were being saved almost every night. Men, Women, boys and girls, old and young, were weeping their way to Christ.

Since that time we have held meetings all over this part of the country and have seen scores of souls come to God. We have been preaching the Gospel for a good many years and one thing we know that the message of Christ and the Cross, backed up with the Holy Spirit and preached in love will bring results anywhere there are lost souls.

Pray for us that we may continue to do His will. Anyone desiring our service, please write us.

—Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Ford

AMITY CHURCH Niangua, Missouri

Dear Gem Readers:

I am sending in a report of Amity church. Bro. Swaffar has been with us two appointments since my last report. He delivered very inspiring messages which were enjoyed by all present. Bro. Swaffar was accompanied by his family and a mixed quartette and other singers from Barry County his last appointment.

There was an all day service on Sunday with a bountiful dinner at the noon hour for all.

Bro. Swaffar delivered a good message before noon and the afternoon was spent in singing, which was greatly appreciated by a large congregation. We extend a hearty welcome to the quartette and others present and anyone else who wishes to come to our place of worship.

Bro. Selph Jones was present afternoon and helped with the singing.

Our Sunday school takes a special collection on the second Sunday for foreign missions.

May God bless the faithful few that keep the Sunday school and prayer meeting going, and we hope more people will get interested and help out.

—Mrs. Harley Chandler, Reporter

PAWNEE CITY, NEBRASKA

Dear Gem Readers:

It was the privilege for a few of us from Nebraska and Kansas to attend the Missouri State Association meeting, at the Union Third Fork church. To say that we highly enjoyed ourselves would express it only lightly. It was the joy of our hearts to meet so many old friends and so large a number of new ones. The first impression was the beauty of the view as it first came to us; the church sitting as a light on the hill, surrounded with those magnificent trees. The great number of autos, making one think he was coming to a state fair, then the large double tent filled with eager worshippers, the glad handshake given to us visitors—all impressed us with the "open-heartedness" of Missouri. The question ever present to us was, how can they take care, feed and house so many? How I could wish you might have been there for a great lesson on taking care and *feeding a multitude!* Everything was "clock-work" seasoned with willingness and love.

But the tent-work under the genial leadership of Bro. J. F. Miller, as Moderator, with the 100 per cent assistance of Bro. Allred, impressed us as we sat and drank in the real spirit of a state association—*One great object to honor the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ.* Never for a moment did we forget that souls were there and at home needing salvation. We were there for but ONE THING—preparation to better fit ourselves to carry on the work of the Kingdom as instructed to us Free Will Baptists. God did and will honor that great motive that will govern our people for the future.

God bless our brethren and use each one for His Glory.

—John H. Wolfe

FREDERICKTOWN, MO.

"Experience"

If I can be given space I would love to tell (you that were not there) of our experience at the state meeting, near St. Joseph, Missouri.

You have heard the joking invitation that we will treat you so many ways you can't help but like some of them. Well, Bro. Kenneth Turner, the pastor that entertained us, said that to me

some time ago while visiting with me and they did the job.

We landed there Monday afternoon with a cold reception of a winter squall. After 24 hours of this, summer was enjoyed for a space, then the strong wind of the desert, then at last the rain and mud that we of the southern parts of the state had wondered so much about. We of the south are used to the rocks and ditches, but my that mud! Some were so scared that their passengers had to wade the mud of unbroken roads for a mile to get to the hard road where the gasoline wagon was waiting. I felt so sorry for them. Now I didn't call any names, did I? One thing that I like about it is the fact that I have been there.

Now this was just on my system and I had to dispose of it.

Now to lay joking aside, you that were not there missed one of the best and sweetest meetings I have ever attended. They seem to get better each year and I do believe that God's Spirit was manifested in every program, and one accord seem to prevail and that is what makes it so sweet.

I'm really glad that I am a Free Will Baptist.

Your Brother in Christ,

—Rev. William Reeves

HENDERSON, TEXAS

Dear Friends and Readers of the Gem:

For lack of time to write our many friends in Missouri and elsewhere, we send this short letter to the Gem so in this way you may know something about our new field of labor in the vineyard of our Master in East Texas.

After nine years of service with the Desloge church in Southeast Missouri. It was revealed to us that the Fellowship Free Will Baptist church at Henderson, Texas was to be our place to work the coming year. We left Desloge church with the revival spirit on, one conversion which meant much to the church and community the last service, August 27. Three candidates were buried with their Lord and Master in baptism Monday evening August 28, by the retiring pastor, Miss Tommie Franklin. God was with us in great power at the water's edge.

Miss Franklin preached her first sermon the first Sunday in September. found a new church building with an indebtedness of \$200.00 which we feel

sure the two mission circles of the church, with the help of others, will soon clear away. The old church building was converted into a temporary parsonage and will be used for Sunday school rooms later. So we are comfortably situated and happy to find a home among a God-fearing people where there are those who are kind, thoughtful of us and attentive to the Lord's work.

Things look encouraging and we desire to do our best. We are praying earnestly that the church may go forward and gain a greater knowledge of the word; then be obedient to its commands.

Pray for us and may the dear Father bless all who read this.

—Eld. Miss Tommie Franklin

—Miss Anna Reed

CHRIST OUR LORD

By Mrs. Elmer Turner, Branch, Ark.

We read of a wonderful Jesus,
Who lives in the mansions above,
How He came to this world to redeem us,
He did it through Grace and Love.

How wonderful Jesus must be,
Who suffered on dark Calvary,
'Twas the gift of God's love from above
To pardon and sanctify me.

The prophets told of His coming,
Just how He would come, and go,
And He would show the pathway to Glory,
Where we'll meet on that bright shore.

A BEAUTIFUL CITY

By Mrs. Elmer Turner, Branch, Ark.

They say there is a beautiful city,
Far above the blue sky,
Where the angels are always singing,
There the soul will never die.

Let's go to that beautiful city,
The Lord has prepared for His own,
To live there forever with Jesus,
Around His sanctified throne.

The flowers will always be blooming,
In the pastures of velvet so green,
And we will walk beside our Saviour,
There by that beautiful stream.

The Tree of Life will be blooming,
Twelve manners of fruit will you see,
The leaves are for healing of the nations,
And the healing, my brother, is free.

Obituaries

ROCKROCK — Armilda Jane Rotrock, age 66 years, 2 months and 24 days, was born July 12, 1873 in Polk county, Missouri where she resided the greater part of her life.

She was married to Bud Lewis, who now mourns his loss, for truly she was a wonderful companion, mother, neighbor and friend. She also leaves to mourn her loss; one daughter Julia Kifer and husband; her grandchildren Oma Kifer and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey, Ruby and Orville Dee Kifer; four sisters; two brothers, and a host of relatives. Along the way she smoothed the path of two homeless boys, Claude Pirtle and Bill McCarter by being a mother to them.

She was converted at an early age in life and united with the missionary Baptist church in Cedar county. Owing to the fact that she moved away from the Liberty church and wanted a home church, she united with the Free Will Baptist church at Mt. Olive some two years ago. There she was indeed an inspiration to those with whom she came in contact. When she came to services it was not unusual for her to get so happy in the Lord that she would shout God's praises.

During her illness she had the work of her Heavenly Father on her heart, and she worked for Him until the last breath was gone. When those came to minister to her needs, who knew not the Lord as their savior, she never missed an opportunity to warn them of their dangerous condition. Then those who knew the God whom she served, were encouraged and built up spiritually. Ministers of the gospel who visited her were inspired by her life.

To sad hearts, there are those comforting words she so often quoted found in Hebrew 13:5, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

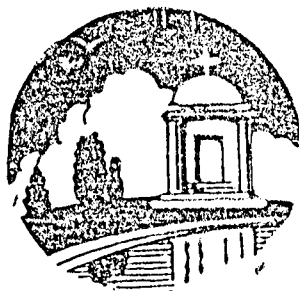
MORRIS — Wilphord R. Morris was born January 15, 1892 and departed this life August 1, 1939, at the age of 47 years, 6 months and 15 days.

He was married to Miss Rhuea Baker and to this union four sons and one daughter were born. They are Eugene, Emmons, Chester, and Donnie Morris and Mrs. Bonnie Wilcox

all of whom were at his bedside at the time of his death. Besides his immediate family he leaves an aged mother, Mrs. America Coble; two brothers S. E. and Pleas Coble of Alton, Missouri; and one sister, Mrs. Lutie Reed of Elk, Washington, to mourn his death.

He was converted at an early age and lived a faithful Christian life, until God called him home. He was a member of the Royal Oak Free Will Baptist church.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. H. H. Beatty, and he was laid to rest in the Huddleston



cemetery in the presence of a large congregation of friends and relatives. He will be sadly missed by his family, church and community. He was a liberal giver to church purposes and to help the poor.

His principal conversation while at his daily task was about "His Master's Business." We feel our loss is Heaven's gain. We must be willing to say "Thy will be done."

"Our Savior called
He knows what is best;
He has taken our brothers
Home to rest.

He has gone to that home to stay,
Thank God we'll meet him
Face to face some day.
Where we shall part no more
On Heaven's beautiful shore."

Done by order of the Royal Oak Free Will Baptist church.

JENKINS — John Fraley Jenkins was born in Oregon county, Missouri, July 27, 1905, and departed this life October 5, 1939, age 34 years, 2 months and 13 days.

He was converted in the year of 1930, and joined the Free Will Bap-

tist church at Cotton Creek. He was later ordained as deacon in that church and remained faithful to his duties until God called him home.

He was married to Irene Bryan in 1927 and to them were born three children, Dow, Della Francis, and Elmer Lee. Elmer Lee died in infancy.

He leaves to mourn his absence besides his wife and immediate family, two aunts, Mrs. Lucy Conner and Mrs. Bessie Childers; three uncles, Bud, Andy and Willis Fraley; three half-sisters, Mrs. Attie Lance, Mrs. Ruby Marlette and Mrs. Lydia Bell; one half brother, Homer Jenkins; three brothers, Hugh, Adrian and Wilburn Jenkins. Also many other relatives and friends.

Fraley was a devoted husband, a kind and loving father and brother, and a good neighbor.

Funeral Services were conducted October 10, 1939, at 2:30 p.m. by Elders Clarence Dodson and T. J. Dunkin. The body was laid to rest in the Cotton Creek cemetery.

Saved Through A Street Meeting

From: *Christ's Ambassadors Herald*

Contributed by Mrs. Opal Frazier

Mt. Vernon, Missouri

A boy was born in Iowa, on Nov. 19, 1862, named William Ashley Sunday. He grew up with a love for sports, and before he was twenty-one years of age had become a professional baseball player, of great distinction. One Sunday afternoon in the fall of 1887, he and five other ball players were sitting on the curbstone of Van Buren Street in Chicago. They had been "tanked-up" in a drinking saloon.

But a street meeting was in progress nearby. A group from the Pacific Garden Rescue Mission were singing, playing and testifying, and as the meeting progressed young Sunday was touched. Depths of sentiment, inherited from a Christian home, were stirred in his breast and he accepted the invitation of a worker to visit the mission. Moved by the vital testimonies which he heard, he went again and again, and at length he made the great decision of life. He accepted Christ, later becoming a preacher of international influence. He is familiarly known as Billy Sunday, the man who won thousands of souls for Christ.

WEWOKA CHURCH Wewoka, Oklahoma

Dear Gem Readers:

I have been very busy in the good revival conducted by Bro. and Sister McAdams, also in getting ready to entertain the State Association which convened with our church here in Wewoka. We had a wonderful revival, 24 souls were saved and 4 additions to the church.

The association was one of the best we have ever had. There were wonderful messages heard throughout the entire association. The introductory message was delivered by Rev. I. W. Yandell, Tuesday night, October 17. On Wednesday the eleven o'clock message was delivered by Rev. E. E. Morris; Wednesday night, Rev. J. R. Davidson of Bryan, Texas; Thursday at eleven o'clock, Rev. B. C. Munkins delivered the memorial message; Thursday night, Rev. F. A. McCage; Friday at eleven o'clock, Rev. Austin Deaton; Friday night the closing message was delivered by Rev. Guinn of Boonville, Arkansas, followed by Rev. Will Hearron also of Arkansas. It was a pleasure to us to entertain the association in our new church building. We had accommodation for 92 at the table in the basement and sleeping quarters for 26 men also in the basement of our new church. We are so thankful to God for our new church.

There were two precious souls saved and three additions to our church, Sunday night following the association.

We were so thankful to have the visiting brothers and sisters from other states with us. Four states were represented; California, Texas, Missouri and Arkansas. Those from Texas were Rev. J. R. Davidson and wife, Rev. R. C. Wiggs and wife, Rev. Paul Purcell and wife, and Rev. McPhail. Those from Missouri were Rev. F. C. Zinn and wife. Those from Arkansas were Rev. Guinn and three daughters, and Rev. Will Hearron, wife and children. I failed to get the name of the one from California. Well you old Kentucky soldiers of the Cross, we can't hardly wait until we can be with you again in Paintsville at the National Conference.

We, the Wewoka church request the prayers of all God's praying people.

— Bert F. Rogers, Pastor
401 Patton Avenue

Foreign Mission Fund for Okla.

Tulsa church, month of August, \$2.50
Mission Circle No. 1, mo. of Aug., 3.58
Wewoka church, month of Aug., 1.31
Jennings church, month of Sept., 1.20
Tulsa church, month of Sept., 2.59
Taskegee church, month of Sept., 2.00
Wewoka church, mo. of Sept., 10.50

I have been so busy I didn't have time to send in the reports but that brings them up to the month of October. Please send your money in. Oklahoma is going to raise \$250.00 by the next National Conference.

TULSA, OKLAHOMA First Free Will Baptist Church

Rev. Melvin Bingham, Pastor

Mrs. Harbin P. Dalton, Reporter

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" 2 Chronicles 7:14.

The Tulsa Church is in the midst of a wonderful revival meeting at this time. Truly, God answered prayers in our behalf when He sent Rev. F. C. Zinn and his good wife, of Springfield, Missouri, to us for this meeting. Rev. Zinn and Sister Zinn are both talented singers, and have brought wonderful messages in song nearly every night. Bro. Zinn has brought us some heart searching and soul stirring messages in the past three week's services. These messages, accompanied by the convicting power of the Holy Spirit and the fervent, earnest prayers of God's people, have caused many souls to fall on the altar and pray through to victory. As the meeting shall continue, we are praying that many more souls will make peace with God.

Sunday, October 1st, our pastor and a group of singers from the Tulsa Church, together with the church orchestra, began a 'fifteen minutes' Radio Program on Station KOME (1310 Kilo.). Bro. Bingham and his Gospel Singers will be heard each Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 2:45. We invite you to tune in and listen. If you like their program, drop a card to Rev. Melvin Bingham, Station KOME, Tulsa, Okla. We are earnestly praying that God will make it possible for Bro. Bingham to have thirty minutes on the air in the near future.

The Thursday Mission Worker's Club is really growing. There is something for everyone to do. Those who like to quilt make many, many quilches during the afternoon. others embroidery pillow slips, tea towels and other items, some cut out quilt blocks and still others sew these pieces together. We invite one and all to bring your thimble and join us on Thursday afternoon. Between meeting days, our mission workers visit the sick, encourage the discouraged, help the needy and endeavor to speak a word of warning to the unsaved. There is so much to be done in the mission field and we desire an interest in your prayers.

We would not forget the good young peoples League Rally that met with us on the first Sunday. Rev. Harry Staires, of Drumright, Okla., brought a wonderful message at the eleven o'clock hour. Young people from the various churches presented short programs during the afternoon. These were enjoyed by the large audience present.

The quarterly meeting of the First Mission Association will meet with the Tulsa church in November. We are looking forward to a wonderful service at that time.

Let us again remind each of you to tune in each Sunday afternoon at 2:30 and hear Rev. Melvin Bingham and his gospel singers on Station KOME (1310 kil.) Tulsa, Oklahoma. Your cards and letters will be greatly appreciated.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; and the knowledge of the holy is understanding." Proverbs 9:10.

FLAT RIVER, MISSOURI October 21, 1939

Dear Co-workers:

Here another month has almost passed, and we are still so busy we can hardly take time to write. We were in Texas the last time we reported.

After leaving our people, near Henderson, we spent four weeks with Bro. Rogers and his church. The weather was very hot at that time, but the good pastor and his wife did not fail to go out into the highways and hedges to search for the sheep. We did personal work through the day and preached at night. We found some splendid Christian workers in the Wewoka church. If you could

see their splendid new brick building, that it was our privilege to conduct the revival in, you would say Bro. Rogers have some real team workers.

We had twenty-four reclaimed and conversions, and several united with the church. We had two baptizings; one at sunrise, which was beautiful. The power of God was felt in a wonderful way. We will never forget these fine people.

We made our home with Bro. and Sister Rogers and we had some wonderful times in the Lord. We would say any people would be very fortunate to have such people as these two to work with. God bless them!

We left Wewoka Monday morning before the Missouri State Association convened, and as we were coming to Flat River next for a revival, we just went on to the Association, near St. Joseph, Missouri, and we enjoyed one of the best meetings we have been in for a long time.

It was a great blessing to have Bro. Davidson, of Bryan, Texas; Bro. Bingham, of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Bro. Willey, our missionary. All of these proved a great blessing. We also met old friends from Nebraska; Bro. and Sister Wolfe and Bro. and Sister Bonesteel. It would take too much time and space to tell all, but in a few words the association was a grand success from start to finish.

We then came on to Flat River for another battle against Satan and his wicked works.

We have had 18 conversions and renewals and 7 for consecration. Large crowds attend each night. Pray for us to have a great victory here.

Since we last wrote, we have sent in \$17.00 to Bro. Tyson at one time and \$5.00 at another for national work; all coming from East Texas Association. It makes our hearts rejoice to see so many names from North Zulch, Texas that had sent in their chicken money. It made us feel that our work through the cold winter months was not a failure. So if others have chicken money, send it to Bro. M. E. Tyson, Middlesex, North Carolina. We want to say to our women, "Let's pray for a great year."

Yours for Jesus,

—H. M. and Lizzie McAdams

MT. VERNON, MISSOURI State Sanatorium

Dear Gem Family:

Just a few lines to let you know my little daughter and I are still feeling fine and improving.

I have been enjoying the contents of my new *Gem*. I find so many interesting articles and good letters from the different brothers and sisters. It is indeed a pleasure to one who has to be a "shut-in", to read and learn what is going on among the denomination.

We were indeed surprised on Oct. 4 when our good missionary, Rev. T. H. Willey, accompanied by three young ladies from Aurora came to visit us. We certainly did enjoy their visit and Bro. Willey's prayer, and would have been so glad if they could have stayed with us longer. I certainly do enjoy Bro. and Sister Willeys' reports in the *Gem* and always look forward to them.

We received a very nice letter from a sister, Josephine Duncan, of Anderson, Missouri recently which was highly appreciated. She was converted in a meeting which was held by Rev. Ben Henderson and my brother, Rev. Winford Davis.

We will close and give room for others. I just ask each and every one of you to continue to pray for our healing. We know that it says in God's word "Ask and thou shalt receive." So we know if we ask in the right way that he will heal us.

May God bless and keep each and everyone of the *Gem* readers.

A Sister in His Name,

—Mrs. Opal Frazier

NIANGUA, MISSOURI

Dear Bro. and Sister Rollins:

As this is a very dark and dreary evening and I can't think of anything better to do, I'll write an article for the *Gem*. If it isn't worth printing; put it in the waste paper basket.

As I have studied my Bible, this is a part of what I have found it to contain.

The mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners and the happiness of believers.

Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable.

Read it to be wise; believe it to

be safe, and practice it to be Holy.

It contains light to direct you; food to support you, and comfort to cheer you.

It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's charter.

Here the door to Heaven is opened and the gates of Hell are disclosed!

Christ is the grand subject; our good it's design, and the glory of God its end.

It should fill the memory; rule the heart, and guide the feet.

Read it slowly, frequently and prayerfully.

It is a mine of wealth; a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure.

It is given you in life; will be opened at the judgement, and be remembered forever.

It involves the highest responsibility; will reward the greatest labor, and condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.

To own it is riches; to study is wisdom; to trust is salvation; to love is character;; and to obey is power.

—Mrs. Ora George

The Free Will Baptist League of Highland Park, Michigan

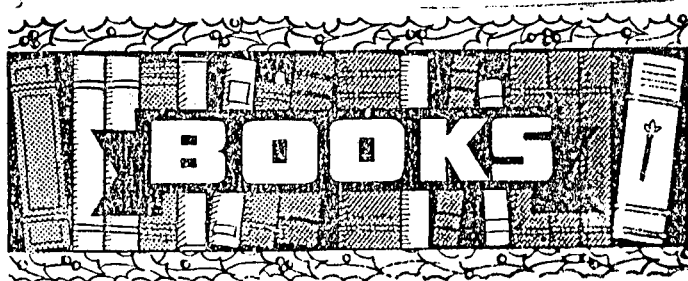
The Free Will Baptist Young People's League of 13939 Bursh, Highland Park, Michigan, has had its election of officers for the coming year. They have been in office two months, and are doing splendid work. Everybody is praying and working for the League to grow.

On October 17, 1939, the League had a picnic at Lola Valley. There were twenty-four people present. They had a big fire and roasted weenies and marshmallows. After everybody had eaten all they wanted they sang songs until they were so tired they wanted to go home. So the picnic was over and everybody went home full and happy.

This was the first picnic the League has had this season. We hope and pray that the Young People's League will grow and we will grow and we will have many more such joyous times.

Sincerely yours,

—Thelma Newsom — Reporter



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Please send your order to Rev. John H. Wolfe, Pawnee City, Nebr. In so doing, you will buy a great book of which you will be proud and also you will contribute to the national School Fund.

Please say for the Board of Education.

THANKSGIVING!

This is a sign that we are extremely thankful for all the good articles, reports, letters, and items of interest that make up this issue of the *Gem*

This has been the most interesting issue we have printed—they just get better and better all the time!

We really had more manuscript than we could crowd into this issue, so if any of you do not see your writings, please do not "give up the ghost," for we have some of the nicest articles which will give us an early start with the next issue. And remember, it is to be a Christmas issue, and if the rest of you folks want in on it, you had better get in early!

We want to thank our many good writers for their contributions. In the language of one of our faithful deacons, "We are giving God the praise, and giving you folks the thanks."

May God prosper His Cause, and fulfill His purpose in us. — Editor.



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