

LEWIS B. HAWLEY was born in Virginia, November 21, 1845. In childhood he came to Arkansas, and in early youth served in the Confederate army. He was converted and joined the Church in 1867, and in 1868 was given license to preach. He was a local preacher several years, sometimes serving as a supply. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Wightman at Pine Bluff in 1872, and elder by Bishop Keener at Arkadelphia in 1876. He was received on trial by the Little Rock Annual Conference in 1876 and appointed to Richmond Circuit, and in 1877 to Richmond and Rocky Comfort. In 1878 he was admitted into full connection and appointed to Washington Circuit, and returned in 1879. In 1880-2 to Fulton Station, in 1883-4 to Benton Station, in 1885-7 to Hope Station, in 1888-9 to Arkansas City, in 1890 to Hamburg Station, in 1891-2 to Arkansas City and Dermott, in 1893-5 to South Hot Springs, in 1896-9 to El Dorado, in 1900 to Des Arc and DeVall's Bluff, in 1901-2 to Warren Station, 1903-4 to Stuttgart Station. Here he ended his ministry, ceasing at once to work and live, having nearly completed the twenty-ninth year of his itinerant labors, having always been effective and efficient, full of labors, abundant and fruitful. He died at Stuttgart, November 9, 1905. His remains were taken to El Dorado and laid to rest in the churchyard where he had buried many during his long and fruitful ministry in that church. He was an excellent preacher, a thoughtful student, an active pastor, a faithful husband and father, and a useful citizen, as well as a most valuable member of this Conference, not only as to his ministerial service, but especially by his intelligent and helpful participation in the work of our Conference sessions. He was a member of the Joint Board of Finance for the last thirteen years, and for ten years president of the Board. His collaborators on that Board will bear witness with what zeal, fidelity, patience, and unflagging devotion he looked after all the work of that Board; and how he carried on his heart the widows, orphans, and broken-down preachers for whom the Board cares. He was a man whom it seems we could ill afford to lose. If we are faithful we will meet him again.

ALEXANDER AVERY entered into rest December 19, 1904, after reaching the ripe age of ninety-five years, four months, and eight days. He was a traveling preacher for sixty-nine years. His life and ministry link us to the heroic days of Methodism in Arkansas, and reveal to us the character of the men needed for those days among the hardy pioneers who settled this state. He wore a genial smile,

possessed a sunny nature, warm heart, cordial spirit, and was always entertaining; was a man and minister with true dignity of character without stiffness; did not indulge in lightness and frivolity, but the exuberance of his social nature made him a delightful companion to all classes. There was a flexibility in him that enabled him to adjust himself to whatever class he was thrown among, and at once made him the leading spirit of the occasion. Physically he was rather small of stature, but compactly built and capable of great endurance. His black eyes sparkled with holy enthusiasm as, in after life, he recounted the trials and triumphs of his ministry in the early days of Arkansas. In his palmy days he was a terror to evildoers. His voice was mellow and musical, or like the piercing peals of thunder, as the occasion required. His face became radiant with heavenly light as he portrayed the immortal hopes awakened in us by the gospel of Christ; while his eyes flashed like angry lightning and his features became stern and fearful as he described in awe-inspiring language the doom of the lost. Then with muttering pathos and streaming eyes, with all the tenderness of the Christ spirit, he besought sinners to flee the wrath to come. Whether on a mission to the negroes, among the semi-civilized Choctaw Indians, cooking his own scanty, rough fare, and often sleeping upon the ground, traveling large circuits, often swimming swollen streams and sleeping in the huts of the pioneers of the forest, or traveling large districts on horseback, he was the same genial gentleman. No murmur of complaint ever escaped him. And during all the long, weary years of waiting as a superannuated member of this body, lasting more than thirty years, he took a keen interest in all the affairs of the Church, and especially in his own Conference, and was always a friend and strong supporter of his pastor—even though that pastor was a mere boy. He reared a large family on a poor farm, receiving only a small annuity from the Conference, and yet he set the younger members of this body a splendid example by his liberal and unselfish contributions to the various enterprises of the Church. He was twice married: first, March 8, 1840, to Miss Rosanna Reed. She died in 1845. He married July 26, 1853, Miss Lucy Jane May. There were nine children born to this marriage, five of whom, with his devoted, grief-stricken wife, remain with us to mourn their great loss. He was born in Johnson county, North Carolina, August 11, 1809, and grew to young manhood twenty miles from Raleigh, but removed with his par-

ents to Gibson county, August, 1829, he was converted to the Methodist Church; was baptized in May, 1833, and was a member in August, 1836; was a member of the Tennessee Conference and appointed junior preacher on the Pryor Circuit. He was transferred to the Andrew in 1837 to the conference and appointed preacher. In 1838 he was a member on the Prairie Circuit; in 1839 he was a member on the Choctaw mission to Arkansas and returned to the Choctaw mission Circuit in 1843, Hempstead African Methodist Episcopal Circuit in 1844, Marion in 1848, was a member on the Pine Bluff District in 1849, Washington District in 1850, Princeton Circuit in 1851, and in 1855. He was a member on the Blue Bayou Circuit in 1857-8. He was a member on the Ozark Circuit and traveled Ozark Circuit and was superannuated in 1863, and sustained the Conference of 1867. He was a member on the Choctaw Circuit in 1868-9. At that time he was again superannuated he sustained until when he was transferred to heaven.

Ques. 20. Are all the names in their life and ministry? Their names were written by one, and their characters passed, except that of one who was suspended for six months.

Ques. 21. What is the list of preachers and members on circuits, stations, and missions?

Little Rock

Little Rock: First Church.....
Winfield Memorial.....
Hunter Memorial.....
Asbury.....
Henderson Chapel.....
Lonoke.....
Benton.....
Bryant.....
Oak Hill.....
Maumelle.....
Austin.....
Hickory Plains.....
Carlisle and Prairie Longue.....
De Vall's Bluff and Hazen.....
Des Arc.....
England.....
England Circuit.....
Mabel Vale and Primrose.....
Tomberlin.....

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ents to Gibson county, Tennessee. In August, 1829, he was converted and joined the Methodist Church; was licensed to exhort in May, 1833, and licensed to preach in August, 1836; was admitted on trial in the Tennessee Conference in October, 1836, and appointed junior preacher on the Sandy Circuit. He was transferred by Bishop Andrew in 1837 to the Arkansas Conference and appointed to the Marion Circuit. In 1838 he was appointed to Mound Prairie Circuit; in 1839-41 was sent as a missionary to the Choctaw Indians. He returned to Arkansas and served the Marion Circuit in 1843, Lagrange in 1844, Hempstead African Mission in 1845, Fayetteville Circuit in 1846, Osceola in 1847, Marion in 1848, was presiding elder on Pine Bluff District in 1849-50, and on Washington District in 1851-3. He served Princeton Circuit in 1854; Hampton Circuit in 1855. He was supernumerary on Blue Bayou Circuit in 1856; Center Point Circuit in 1857-8. He was made effective and traveled Ozan Circuit in 1860-2. He was superannuated at the Conference of 1863, and sustained that relation until the Conference of 1867. He traveled the Ozan Circuit in 1868-9. At the close of this year he was again superannuated, which relation he sustained until December 19, 1904, when he was transferred from earth to heaven.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of J. S. Hawkins, who was suspended for six months.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Little Rock District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Little Rock: First Church.....	811	3
Winfield Memorial.....	736	2
Hunter Memorial.....	300	.....
Asbury.....	352	1
Henderson Chapel.....	93	1
Lonoke.....	179	.....
Benton.....	397	1
Bryant.....	529	1
Oak Hill.....	381	3
Maumelle.....	129	.....
Austin.....	538	3
Hickory Plains.....	369	.....
Carlisle and Prairie Longue.....	178	.....
De Vall's Bluff and Hazen.....	202	.....
Des Arc.....	230	.....
England.....	225	1
England Circuit.....
Mabel Vale and Primrose.....	174
Tomberlin.....	140
	5,963	16

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Pine Bluff District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Pine Bluff: First Church.....	450
Lakeside.....	360
Hawley Memorial.....	105	1
Carr Memorial.....	142	1
Alzheimer.....	35	.....
Swan Lake.....	40	.....
Stuttgart.....	137	.....
De Witt.....	158	.....
Rae Circuit.....	204	.....
St. Charles Circuit.....	144	.....
Gillette.....	306	1
Bayou Meto.....	120	.....
Sheridan Circuit.....	362	.....
Kingsland Circuit.....	346	1
Rowell.....	255	.....
Star City.....	132	1
Macon Circuit.....	239	.....
Douglas and Grady.....	74	.....
Sherrill.....	85	.....
Red Field.....	392	.....
Rison.....	323	1
	4,439	6

Camden District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Camden.....	423	1
Camden Circuit.....	348	.....
Atlanta.....	406	.....
Bearden and Thornton.....	456	3
El Dorado.....	272	.....
El Dorado Circuit.....	300	1
Fordyce.....	359	1
Hampton.....	394	.....
Junction City.....	177	1
Lewisville.....	342	.....
Onalaska and Eagle Mills.....	64	.....
Stamps.....	130	.....
Stephens and Waldo.....	473	.....
Smackover.....	150	.....
Strong.....	254	.....
Magnolia.....	366	1
Magnolia Circuit.....	391	3
Buckner.....	73	.....
	5,378	11

Monticello District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Monticello.....	345	.....
Hamburg.....	166	.....
Wilmar.....	452	1
Lacey Circuit.....	217	1
Collins Circuit.....	.....	.....
Dermott and Dumas.....	105	.....
Arkansas City and Watson.....	75	1
Tillar.....	415	2
Warren.....	317	1
New Edinburg.....	329	.....
Palestine.....	306	.....
Jersey.....	120	1
Crossett.....	130	1
Hamburg Circuit.....	214	1
Snyder Circuit.....	355	1
Wilmot and Portland.....	107	.....
Parkdale and Morrell.....	106	.....
Lake Village and Eudora.....	58	1
	3,817	11

Prescott District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Prescott.....	301	.....
Prescott Circuit.....	152	.....
Emmett Circuit.....	250	.....
Hope.....	321	2
Spring Hill Circuit.....	530	.....
Washington Circuit.....	360	2
Mineral Springs.....	315	1
Center Point.....	363	1
Nashville.....	175	2
Nathan.....	235	2
Bingen.....	400	1
De Ann Circuit.....	315	.....
Murfreesboro.....	243	2