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## A WORTHY EXAMPLE.

By J. W. Gillon, D. D.

At the recent meeting of the Laymen's Convention in Atlanta, one of our splendid Tennessee laymen, Brother J. H. Anderson, of Knoxville, pledged the salary of six foreign missionaries and \$1200.00 of this amount has already been sent to the Foreign Mission Board. The other will be forthcoming in a brief time.

Brother Anderson has, in this act, set a splendid example for other men of large means in our State. The time has certainly come in the work of the kingdom when men to whom God has given success in the business world should contribute to His work in proportion to His blessings upon them in their temporal interests. We have a number of laymen in Tennessee that are able to do as much as Mr. Anderson has done or more. It would be in every way fine if they would come forward with gifts not only for the Foreign Mission work, but for our Home and State Mission work as well.

Just now Dr. Warren, of the Home Mission Board is doing all in his power to bring to a successful issue the campaign for the Million Dollar Home Board Church Building Fund. No place in our denominational life offers a better opportunity for the placing of money to the glory of God.

In our State Mission work our calls are always far beyond our ability to meet. We are continually pressed and embarrassed with the necessity of declining to help where help is much needed. Our rich men could not do better than to make large gifts to this department of our work.

The pressing need just now, however, is for worthy giving to Home and Foreign Missions that we may be able to do our part in the great Southern Baptist program.

Up until this hour, we have only received  
**\$10,910.17 for Foreign Missions**  
**7,145.17 for Home Missions**

We must have in the single month that remains of this Southern Baptist Convention year

**\$22,089.83 for Foreign Missions**  
**17,854.83 for Home Missions**

Will not the pastors everywhere and in every church make appeal for these causes and take offerings and hasten them in to this office? It is an urgent matter.

## EXTRA OFFERINGS.

The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Southern Baptist Convention is sending an appeal to the Baptist laymen of the South that they will join the members of this committee in extra offerings to Home and Foreign Missions during April that the Boards may close the year without debt. This committee was generous in its support of the campaign to provide for the debt of the Foreign Board last summer, the Chairman has recently assumed the support of six foreign missionaries, other members have taken the support of one each, and the committee is now raising an extra sum among the men of Knoxville for the debt of the Home Board. It is suggested that all these offerings be made through the churches and forwarded to Dr. J. W. Gillon, Nashville. Will not Tennessee laymen be so generous that we shall secure our apportionment for both Boards and 20 per cent. extra for Home Missions to apply on the debt?

In these prosperous times we should not be content to report a debt.

J. T. HENDERSON, General Secretary.

The churches of Richmond, Va., in their concerted revival meetings are trying out a Tract Campaign. They have ordered 5,000 sets of the Denominational Tracts of the Sunday School Board. An example worthy to be imitated!

## THE BAPTIST NEWSPAPER PROBLEM

G. S. Dobbins, Th. D.

The death of Dr. E. E. Folk has brought home to many of us, with renewed force, the problem of the Baptist religious journal. It is not a new problem, nor have the aspects of it changed greatly during the past half century.

In 1803 the first American Baptist paper was published. This was "The Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Magazine," of Boston, its avowed purpose being the promotion of the cause of missions. In 1813 Judson and Rice were converted and the Baptist Foreign Missionary enterprise began, and from this time forward an adequate medium of communication among Baptists became an indispensable necessity. How to unite the Baptists of America, scattered and isolated as they were, was the problem that confronted these early advocates of missions.

The denominational journal was one solution to the problem. Luther Rice saw this clearly, and began the publication of "The Latter-Day Luminary," which afterwards became "The Columbian Star." The anti-missionary forces were not slow to realize the value of the printed page, and in the strenuous controversy that ensued many Baptist papers were born. Prior to the Civil War the controversial feature of Baptist journalism was foremost, but it is significant that without exception only those papers which pursued a constructive policy in the support and advocacy of missions long survived the war.

But for the strong, sane statesmanship of the editors who manned the influential Baptist papers during this time of stress and storm it is doubtful if the Southern Baptist Convention could have ever been formed; or if formed, could have been kept from disorganization and disaster. But the days of reconstruction brought tests even harder to meet. Facing desolation and ruin indescribable, with their church buildings in many cases destroyed, with preachers and congregations scattered, these Baptist heroes were cheered on to undertake the seemingly impossible through the stirring editorials of such writers as Jeter, Dickinson, Toon, Shaver, Butler, Tucker, Huffman—names that ought ever to be enshrined in the hearts of Southern Baptists.

Dr. J. R. Graves, of "Tennessee Baptist" fame, resumed his editorial labors February 1, 1867, styling his paper "The Baptist." Gradually it regained some of its old prestige and circulation. In 1886 "The Baptist Gleaner," a small paper published at Fulton, Ky., was consolidated with "The Baptist," and its editor, Dr. J. B. Moody, became Dr. Graves' assistant.

In 1874 Dr. O. C. Pope, of Morristown, Tenn., established "The Baptist Reflector," which he continued to issue for four years, selling it in 1878 to Dr. W. D. Mayfield. The paper was removed to Nashville, and Dr. W. B. Womack became associate editor with Dr. Mayfield. Three years later Rev. J. B. Chevis purchased the paper and became sole editor.

Rev. G. A. Nunnally, who in 1876 had become pastor at Rome, Ga., had undertaken the publication of a small Baptist weekly, "The Baptist Sun." In 1881 Dr. J. M. Robertson bought the paper and moved it to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he published it as "The American Baptist." The following year Dr. Robertson bought "The Baptist Reflector" and consolidated it with his paper, styling the resulting publication "The American Baptist Reflector." The struggle for existence that ensued terminated in 1885, when the paper was turned over to Drs. R. J. Willingham and A. W. McGaha, pastors in Chattanooga.

Neither "The American Baptist Reflector" nor "The Baptist" of Memphis was receiving such support as to insure success. Consequently when Dr. E. E. Folk became editor of the former paper in 1888 he sought and secured a merger of the two publications. Both papers were removed to Nash-

ville and issued as "The Baptist and Reflector." Dr. Folk served as chief editor, and associated with himself Drs. Graves and Moody. Dr. Graves, however, soon turned over his interest to his son-in-law, Dr. O. L. Hailey, who took over the share of Dr. Moody and became joint editor with Dr. Folk. In 1891 Dr. Folk bought out Dr. Hailey, becoming sole editor, in which position he remained to his death.

The facts as above related, which we judge are accurate in the main, having been gleaned from files of the papers enumerated, emphasize at least three phases of the perplexing religious newspaper problem.

First, there is the problem of support. This for one hundred years of denominational journalism, has overshadowed all other questions. Taken as a whole, the history of Baptist journalism has been one of inadequate support and financial failure. Looked upon as a private enterprise, for which private individuals were solely responsible, the religious newspaper has been called upon for denominational service without compensation. A conscience was lacking in the matter during practically all the early years of struggle, and for the most part remains yet to be developed. The unfairness of the demand has not come home with much force to the great majority of Baptist pastors, even, to say nothing of the rank and file of church members. The long term of unselfish, self-sacrificing service of Dr. Folk has served to awaken the sleeping denominational conscience in Tennessee, as his brethren realize the greatness of his contribution to Baptist progress in the State.

The second problem, growing out of the first, is that of control. If the State paper is not a private enterprise in its service and function, how should it be owned and controlled? Experiments with conventional control have not proven very encouraging. Whatever may be the solution, we must face the staggering fact that our present organized and projected would be almost paralyzed if there were no State organ, or if it were in inefficient or unworthy hands.

The third problem is that of circulation. Granted a paper worthy of unqualified support, such as "The Baptist and Reflector" is and has been for years, how to get it circulated and read becomes almost an appalling task. With limited circulation, and cut off from much remunerative advertising by the very nature of its being, such a paper cannot compete with the cheap, trashy, sensational printed matter which the mails are daily pouring upon the people. To great hosts of uninterested, unenlisted, careless Baptists its message makes no appeal whatever, and the worthier it is, and the higher plane upon which it is edited, the less will some care for it. All too often the pastors feel no responsibility for its circulation, and until there is aroused among them a keen sense of conscientious duty it is impossible to expect that the paper will be read very widely in the churches which they serve.

We need a State-wide campaign to acquaint our people with the facts—to show them what a vital asset we have in our denominational organ, to point out the struggle and self-sacrifice which have been necessary on the part of this hero of the cross who has laid down his life in our service, to call to our minds the part that has been played in Baptist history by the press, to place the responsibility for adequate support and proper circulation upon the pastors and churches, to impress the latent possibilities for progress stored up in the denominational paper, and to bring to a realization of what it would mean to every interest of our organized work if we had no such agency.

We will not accomplish this in a day or a year, but surely the time is ripe for a concerted movement in the right direction.



## APRIL A GREAT MONTH IN SOUTHERN BAPTIST LIFE.

J. F. Love, Cor. Sec'y.

More than upon any other month of the twelve our Southern Baptist work depends upon April. Annually our people give more money to missions during this month than any other during the year, and more money to Foreign Missions during this month than during the other eleven months. This may seem a hazardous business since April is a month of weather changes and frequent showers, but such is the fact nevertheless. If Southern Baptists do not during April this year bestir themselves and do heroic things for Foreign Missions, we shall be compelled to report another debt, and I am certain that no serious-minded Baptist in the South wants to see another debt made on this Board this year.

It is thoroughly heartening to see that some of our people are ready to do the heroic thing. We have recently had several personal subscriptions of \$600 each to be paid before the end of April, and one personal subscription of \$3,600, \$1,200 of which has already been paid and the remainder of which will be forthcoming before the end of the month. The brother who makes this gift has found great joy in the decision to do it. There are thousands of our Baptist men and women in the South whom God has in recent years blessed in a peculiar way and made them able to do large things for his needy cause. May they catch the heroic spirit and have part with their brethren and sisters in the joy of doing great things!

One dear friend who gives \$6,200 this year to Foreign Missions, besides his gifts to other causes, writes as follows:

"I consider my investments on the foreign field among the best I have ever made."

Have you, dear reader, been getting any of the precious dividends which this friend is drawing from his gifts to Foreign Missions? You need these dividends. They will do for your life what no interest on bank stock or bonds can do.

If God has put into your heart that you wish to offer to him some token of your love and gratitude for the blessings he has given you, suppose you fill out the following blank, cut it out and mail it to us. If you cannot give the \$600, or can give more, change the figures to suit your ability and the measure of your gratitude and love.

### Promise.

I hereby promise that, unless prevented by some unforeseen providence, I will give the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention \$600 on or before April 25, 1917, it being understood that this amount is to help the Board secure a total of twenty such pledges and a gift of \$6,000 from the Northern Friend.

Name .....

Post Office .....

Please mail above to J. F. Love, Corresponding Secretary, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia.

## A NEW POLICY FOR BAPTIST WORK IN NEW ORLEANS.

By Rev. B. P. Robertson.

The greatest Home Mission problem confronting Southern Baptists is New Orleans. The Baptists have not possessed the city because they have not mustered in enough forces in the attack. We had as well try to catch a whale with a pin hook, as to try to capture New Orleans with a small policy. We must make our policy adequate to the task before us. The basis of such a policy will be the missionary spirit among our people.

### I. The Missionary Spirit.

The people of our churches in the South who are interested in the evangelization of the foreigner in his own country across the sea, but take no interest in the evangelization of the same foreigner here at home have not the real missionary spirit.

The people of our churches in the South who are concerned about the salvation of the foreigner here at home but have no concern about the salvation of the same foreigner in his own country across the sea have not the real missionary spirit. Again the members of our churches who take an active interest in the preaching of the gospel to their own people, but take no active interest in the preaching of the gospel to the foreigner from other lands at their very door have not the spirit of Christian Missions.

Furthermore, the members of our churches who take no interest in the evangelization of no people at all, whether at home or abroad, have not the spirit of Jesus Christ. But the Baptists who are concerned about the salvation of all the people of all the lands have the spirit of Christ.

The question before us is the enlistment of all our people in the full program of Jesus Christ, and the worldwide interest in the peoples of the earth.

### II. The Peoples of New Orleans.

There are 387,000 people in New Orleans. Of these 90,000 are Negroes, and 37,000 are real foreigners. There are 60,000 people who are really foreigners in our midst. The 37,000 foreign born, of foreign-born parentage, are from every nation on the globe. There are 800 Austrians, 600 Canadians, 400 Cubans, 1500 English, 3,000 French, 63,000 Germans, 3,000 Irish, 8,300 Italians, 600 Mexicans, 200 Norwegians, 1400 Prussians, 300 Scotch, 500 Spanish, 300 Swiss, 400 Turks, 400 Chinese, 200 Japanese, and 800 of other nationalities.

The fact that New Orleans is fast becoming the chief immigrant port of the South will make the question of foreigner the great problem of the city. The people from the nations of the world will continue to flow into the Mississippi Valley by way of New Orleans. These foreigners should be met at the station with an open Bible and a warm Christian heart.

Of the 90,000 Negroes only 22,000 are members of any evangelical churches. There are 15,000 of these members of the Baptist churches, but the removal of Leland College from New Orleans, and the opening of the Catholic Southern University, which is making great inroads on the colored Baptists of the city, makes the problem a serious one.

Of the American-born whites of the city 200,000 are native Americans and 60,000 are American born of foreign-born parentage, and there are only about 1400 whites now members of our Baptist churches. There are twice as many Baptists in the city who are not members of our churches. There are only 30,000 of the 297,000 whites and foreigners who are members of any evangelical churches. That leaves 267,000 white people in the city to be reached with the pure gospel of Jesus Christ, and these 1400 Baptist church members have the task of reaching with the pure gospel of Christ the 295,000 people, but we CAN DO this if we go at it in the right way.

### III. The Evangelization of the City.

The only way we will ever be able to make this city a Baptist City in the future is by placing a Bible School in reach of every child in the city. If this had been done twenty-five years ago it would be a Baptist city today in the predominating influence. The only way we will ever be able to evangelize the foreigners in the city of New Orleans and the Coast cities is by having the converted foreigners to become evangelists to their own people. This is the explanation of the success of our work on the foreign field of late years.

But these foreigners need special training for this work among their own people here just the same as the ministers of our own people need special training for their work. We have been trying to do this work with Americans and untrained foreigners. We must change this policy to a more practical and effective one. We must reach the foreigners with the

by using their own native people.

Our forefathers saw the need of special training for our ministers and established the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The good women saw the need of special training for our women missionaries and established the Missionary Training School in Louisville. Our Sunday School leaders saw the need of special training for our Sunday School workers and inaugurated the Teacher Training work of the Sunday School Board.

Now we see the need of special training for our workers among the foreigners in our midst, and we must establish a Missionary Training School in New Orleans. The missionaries among the foreigners will become the teachers of their people for work in the Southland. Then in the same school we will teach and train deacons, teachers, ministers for work in the home field. We will use the students in the school to do mission work in the city. This will be a part of their training. In this way we will be able to prepare deacons and Sunday workers and place a Sunday School in reach of every child and to teach every foreigner about Jesus Christ. Furthermore, we will prepare workers for all the foreigners throughout our Southland. And in this way we will be able to prepare deacons and Sunday School workers for all our churches in the South, besides the many preachers we will be able to train for better service. The key to the solution of the New Orleans problem and the foreign problem of the South is the Training School. The work of establishing it has already begun.

The Baptists of the South could not do a greater thing for the cause in our midst than to support this school. —St. Charles Ave. Baptist church, New Orleans, La.

### THE REFLECTIVE FACULTY.

Henry M. King.

Man is distinguished from the brute creation by his powers of reflection. God has endowed him with the reflective faculty, a faculty that can review, compare, distinguish cause and effect, antecedent and consequent, good and evil, right and wrong; that can approve, condemn, moralize. No other animal than man is capable of making itself, its life, its conduct, its character a matter of reflection, and building upon the experience of the past a higher and nobler experience in the future. No other animal is capable of expanding itself tomorrow beyond the iron limitations of its narrow life today. But man can think, can meditate, can reflect, can recall his past life with its mistakes and sins, and in the light of added wisdom and experience can plan better, can change his course, and live more nobly. In this power of reflection lies the possibility of change, reformation, improvement, growth, progress. It is man's safeguard against the criminal waste of life and its powers and opportunities, against continued disobedience and spiritual death. The unreflecting man is overlooking one of the highest prerogatives of his being, and letting himself down to the low level of the thoughtless animal life which perishes around him. To be men we must think, think earnestly, think soberly, think deeply and honestly.

It should be added that man's highest reflection is upon moral and religious themes. A man may use his reflective powers, and yet confine their use to such low and material objects that if his reflection, his thought, his study, will fail to lift him up into the atmosphere of that spiritual and immortal life which God made him to enjoy. There is thought, and thought enough, the most intense and exhausting thought, such as it is; men sometimes frittering away the precious hours of life reflecting merely upon their pleasures and devising plans to increase and perpetuate them; men consuming the priceless years in meditat-

ing upon worldly gains and schemes for their multiplication; men spending their lifetime in the pursuit of human wisdom, in the study of art and science and useful inventions until the mind reels under the pressure that is laid upon it.

Yet the joys they win are transitory, and unsatisfying, and sometimes as scorching as a burning flame; the riches they accumulate are but the unreal shadow in comparison with the imperishable riches of God; and the knowledge they acquire with all their effort and thought and mental activity is but the fringe, the outskirts of wisdom, while the great central, eternal truths are untouched and unthought of. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." There are higher and more ennobling realms of thought and reflection, to which they do not soar. Let the soul and God, truth and duty, salvation and destiny be the topics of reflection, then this distinguishing faculty of man rises to themes which are peculiarly worthy of it.

"Thy love the power of thought bestowed,

To thee my thoughts would soar."

I thought, said the Psalmist, not on my pleasure, not on my possessions, but on my ways, as related to God's commandments and to my destiny, on the moral character of my life and conduct, on myself as an immortal being and my relation to God whose image I bear, and who will call me to judgment. That was reflection indeed.

Let it be remembered that he who comes to the knowledge of himself is in higher and holier business than he who acquires the knowledge of a new language or science; he who hears God's voice and puts himself in loving and obedient connection with him than he who invents a telephone or a phonograph; he who finds Christ a personal Saviour than he who discovers a planet; he who opens heaven's inexhaustible mine and banks with God than he who amasses a fortune. Oh! to reflect and to reflect rightly, to use this divine faculty worthily and to the noblest purpose, is to look deeper than the external circumstances and the visible objects of life, is to know something besides the analysis of material substances and the facts of human history, is to see something in the heavens besides stars and planets and revolving worlds. It is to recognize the reality of the things of the spirit; it is to feel the power of the world to come; it is to think of the soul and its imperishable needs and the possibility of God.

The traveler may weary himself by simply counting the telegraph poles as the train flies by them, and never once catch a glimpse of the far-off mountains whose summits are radiant with the sunshine of God, or he may see only the hills and valleys through which he is passing, and forget that the blue of God's love and care is bending over all.

It must not be forgotten that all right reflection should result in right action. Reflection that exhausts itself in reflection is a useless and unavailing mental exercise. When reflection convinces a man that he is wrong, it ought not only to enkindle sincere sorrow for the wrong, but to make him deep and thoroughly in earnest to be set right. Penitence that can weep and do nothing more, is not "godly sorrow that needeth not to be repented of." The Psalmist did something more than cast a hasty glance over his previous life and present condition. He did something more than feel a momentary pang of regret at his neglects and errors, his mistakes and sins. He did something more than shed a few penitential tears at the badness of the record



he had made and the crookedness of the path he had come. He changed his course. He "turned his feet unto God's testimonies." His reflection resulted in action. It led him to do something, even by the help of God to rectify the mistakes and overcome the sins of which he had been guilty, to turn about his course of conduct and plant his feet in new and different and holier paths. He first reflected, and then he deflected. He came to a bend in the road. His reflection and his confession were followed by a genuine conversion and an altered life.

He was like the prodigal of the parable, who came to himself, and loathing the swine and the husks and the disobedience which brought him there, did not simply deplore it all, and then continue where he was. Nor did he turn his sad eyes, and look with ineffectual longings towards the joy and plenty and blessing of his father's house; but he said with all the strength of a will that had been aroused from its paralysis, "I will arise and go to my father." And he arose and went. He put his resolution into action. His reflection resulted in something. It turned his face towards home, and set his feet in motion. The way was unobstructed. A new life was already begun.

Every hour of calm reflection upon God and duty and divine things ought to generate moral electricity enough (which is simply will-power) to turn a man towards God and life of Christian obedience. Right action for a man can be nothing less than immediate and full obedience to the commands of God. The Psalmist did not conclude as the result of his reflection that he would conform his life to a standard of his own making, or that he would by a life of partial obedience to God's requirements seek to modify his course and satisfy his conscience. But he turned his feet wholly unto God's testimonies. It was not man's idea of life and right and obedience that he chose, but the divine idea. It was not man's standard, but God's standard, that he adopted. The supreme question for every reflecting man, whether he be Psalmist or Apostle, ancient or modern, is "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"—Zion's Advocate.

#### INFANT BAPTISM.

By J. F. Savell.

(A discussion based upon W. J. McGlothlin's book and read before the Baptist Pastors' Conference of Nashville, and requested for publication.)

In one brief paper we cannot do the subject of infant baptism justice. Nor can we do justice to Dr. McGlothlin's book, though it is not lengthy, even when we attempt only to give an abstract of the book. He has done his work so well and in so few words that we would feel compelled to almost repeat his book in its entirety if we would fully represent him.

It may be well to say further that there will creep into this discussion some things for which Dr. McGlothlin is not responsible; for it is difficult for one who has read other things on the subject to confine himself to the thoughts of any one author. Further, in fairness to the author of the little book on infant baptism, we should say we have not followed the fifteen chapters in their order, but have tried to group his thoughts into five main heads or divisions, as follows:

##### I. The Origin of Infant Baptism.

##### I. The Motives That Prompted Infant Baptism.

##### III. The Errors of Infant Baptism.

##### IV. The Results of Infant Baptism.

##### V. The Present Trend of Infant Baptism.

In the study of a subject one may follow either the inductive or deduct-

ive method. In this case, we prefer the inductive method and will draw our conclusions from the several facts which we may discover. Note,

##### I. The Origin of Infant Baptism.

Infant baptism had its beginning at a time when the "fundamentals of Christianity were being obscured and obliterated by the absorption into the church of pre-Christian Jewish and pagan ideas and practices." (M. 25.)

"Among the universal features of paganism was the belief in the efficiency of external rites." (M. 2.) When we consider the few Christians who were battling against Judaism with its ceremonial rites and symbolic teachings, and heathenism with its symbolic teachings which were supposed to possess magic power, it is not strange that Christians soon began to look upon the symbolism of Christian baptism as possessing magic power such as the heathen believed were contained in their rites.

Christian baptism had first been introduced by John the Baptist and was administered to those who professed to repent of their sins toward God and exercised faith in the coming Messiah. This was a personal faith and a personal salvation wrought through personal surrender to God, and was not wrought through proxies. The Christian religion is a personal experience of the soul, a spiritual experience, and one can not stand for another in spiritual matters. (M. 19.) Religion, being a personal spiritual experience of the soul, should not be reduced to the mere ceremonial. (M. 22.) Baptism is a spiritual service whose real meaning is set forth in the form given by John and the apostles. There are, then, at least five reasons why Baptists reject infant baptism. 1. Because it cannot be personal faith baptism; 2. Because it violates the teachings of Christian baptism; 3. Because it arose in post-apostolic times; 4. Because it is hurtful in its effects upon Christian history; 5. Because it has no warrant in all the teachings of sacred scripture.

As to the origin of infant baptism, the practice of baptizing infants began not earlier than in the latter part of the second century. The earliest writer who gives any clear evidence that infant baptism had an early existence is Tertullian, who lived in Carthage in North Africa. He was born A.D. 160, and flourished as a writer A.D. 190-202. When he came to manhood he found that the doctrine of the efficacy of baptism had already crept into some Christian bodies, and it is to be noted as a sequence of this doctrine that infant immersion followed later on. Up to about the date A.D. 190, history does not give any evidence that infant baptism or sprinkling at all existed. When this innovation of infant immersion did arise, about 200 A.D., Tertullian opposed it strenuously and it had not yet spread beyond North Africa.

The next writer who gives evidence of the early existence of infant baptism is Cyprian. He lived in Carthage about 250 A.D. This writer did not find infant baptism to exist earlier than about 200 A.D., though the doctrine of the efficacy of baptism was found as early as A.D. 100-120. We find this doctrine of the saving power of baptism taught in the epistle of Barnabas, whose writings have come to us along with the mass of other post-apostolic writings. (M. 50.) This epistle gives the wrong view of the teachings of the First Psalm. Barnabas, in his comments, says, "Blessed are they who, placing their trust in the cross, have gone down into the waters." He later explains that this means, "We, indeed, descend into the water full of sin and defilement, but come up bearing fruit in our heart, having fear and trust in Jesus in our spirit." This belief in the saving power of baptism led to the immers-

ing of infants 100 years later.

Hermas, who lived about 160 A.D., wrote a strange book called the "Shepherd." (M. 54.) In this book he makes baptism the foundation of the church, but there is no mention of infant baptism.

Clement, the cultured Christian gentleman, the scholar of the Eastern Mediterranean, was at the head of the catechetical school of Alexandria 193-202. This was the greatest school of the ancient world. Clement wrote extensively for the Christian world, instructing believers in things religious, but he said nothing about infant baptism. Now, an argument based on silence or the failure of a witness to mention a fact is not always conclusive; but in this case, where there is so much said about baptism by numerous writers, and yet infant baptism is never mentioned, we can reasonably conclude that infant baptism was not generally known or practiced at that date. Furthermore, Clement held the view that faith and instruction preceded baptism and that baptism was the final act of purification. (M. 56.) This would have been impossible in the case of infants. Therefore, the practice of infant baptism began not earlier than the date, 190-202.

By A.D. 252 we find infant baptism practiced in North Africa to such an extent that an assembly of bishops was called together to determine the question as to how early an infant should be baptized. (M. 64, 82.) Cyprian laid this question before 60 of his colleagues and these settled the matter for themselves and put on record the first official approval of infant baptism on record, and this was 252 years after Christ and the act then was immersion, not sprinkling or pouring.

Along with infant baptism came the idea of the union of church and State. When this doctrine of the union of church and State had permeated government, then the clergy who controlled governmental affairs hastened the spread of infant baptism by calling to their aid the power of civil government. Those who neglected to have their children baptized were fined. For example, "A large English synod held in 692 A.D. decreed as follows: 'A child must be baptized within thirty days after its birth under penalty of 30 solidi (about \$7.20). Should it die unbaptized it is atoned for with the entire property of its parents.'" (M. 83.) From that date onward infant baptism spread rapidly wherever the Roman Catholic church or her daughters prevailed.

Let us notice our second main division:

##### II. The motives that prompted infant baptism.

1. We have already mentioned the doctrine held by some that even infants were lost if they died unbaptized. Thus, one motive was to save the child.

2. Another view of baptism held by the laity was that the priest possessed mystic power, therefore he could remit or retain the sins of the people at will. As a result of this doctrine many deluded mothers, in their desire to secure the salvation of their infants, brought them to the priest to get them saved. This teaching of the mystic power of the priest came into Roman Catholic Christendom in embryo, from the heathen about 139 A. D. (M. 6.) Many unlearned mothers imbibed this pagan notion in their desire to save their children.

3. We find another motive for infant baptism was to escape the penalty imposed by law upon those who neglected to have their children baptized. If any one openly opposed infant baptism, in some cases this meant death to the opposer, while in other cases it meant only to be de-

prived of State rights which were supposed to be guaranteed to every citizen. (Missions in the South.) Notwithstanding the fact that "the civil arm was called in to enforce the baptism of infants and to burn, drown and destroy," the simple people whose piety could find no place for this practice, and though "not a single pedit Baptist communion of the 16th century is free from the blood of Christian martyrs," there have always been those who have clung to the simple New Testament teaching that a penitent, regenerated believer is the only fit subject for baptism and submission to baptism as an act of loving obedience to God is the only spirit that should prompt one to be baptized. In 1528 Hubmaier suffered the penalty of the law giving his life for these convictions, dying at the hands of Roman Catholics. (M. 187.) Space fails us to tell of many others who suffered likewise.

4. There were others who held the view that children born of Christian parents were born pure and were, therefore, subjects fit for baptism. Presbyterians have generally held this doctrine. (M. 126f.) This teaching is weak and unscriptural and will be noticed later on in this paper.

5. Another motive for infant baptism was a desire of parents to dedicate their children to God. This view was at one time held by Methodists. This was beautifully sentimental, but it has no corresponding practice in all scripture.

6. Then, there were others who were frightened in to having their children baptized to keep them out of limbo. (M. 76.) Though limbo was not the place of the wicked, yet, it was believed to be a place of darkness and separation from God, an intermediate state in a place where the unbaptized infants dying in infancy are permanently kept. The Roman Catholics held this doctrine as early as A.D. 430. (M. 76f, 121.)

7. Again, infant baptizers sought to justify their acts by claiming that all infants were born pure and needed only to be kept so and they would never need regeneration. Some Methodist theologians hold this view; at the present time, and Congregationalists have held these views in other times. (M. 125.) Those who hold this view usually baptize infants and adults for the same reason, for both, according to this view, are children of God. (M. 121-128.)

8. The contention that infant baptism in the Christian economy replaced the circumcision of the Jews was given as a motive for infant baptism. This for a time satisfied some Methodists and Presbyterians have both held this view of infant baptism. We will notice this doctrine as we examine the other expressed teachings when we discuss the third main division of our subject.

##### III. The errors in the argument for infant baptism.

1. Infant baptism could not take the place of circumcision; for circumcision was for the Jewish male child; baptism of the New Testament was for the penitent believing human being of any race, Jew and Gentile alike. (M. 21.) The ceremonial rites of baptism and circumcision had entirely different purposes and meaning; they were not related to each other. The Jews who were circumcised in infancy were baptized when they became Christians. "Circumcision rested upon the rights and duties of Jewish citizenship, a racial basis, and so was administered to every male Jewish child. Baptism rests upon a personal, spiritual basis and so is to be administered to every individual, male or female," who is spiritually prepared. Circumcision was limited to Jewish male children; baptism is limited to believers only.

(Continued next week.)



## APPRECIATED RESPONSES

## WE THANK YOU.

The Baptist and Reflector has safely passed another crisis. A great victory has been won—the \$800 ghost has vanished. It was a hard-fought battle, and it looked at times as if we were doomed to defeat. But the Baptist and Reflector CANNOT fail as long as it has such loyal supporters. You have stood nobly by us and we are deeply grateful to you. No matter how small your contribution, we did not fail to take note of or appreciate it. We thank you one and all, and pledge anew our best efforts to give you the very BEST Baptist and Reflector within our power. We print a few responses.

I send you one dollar to be placed to the credit of the Old Ministers' Fund. Sorry that I am not able to help you more.

MRS. W. H. NOLLY.  
Collierville, Tenn.

I appreciate the situation of our good paper at this time. I think my subscription is due in May. I am enclosing check for four dollars to set me two years in advance.

WILLIAM H. FITZGERALD.  
Knoxville, Tenn.

I enclose check for two new subscribers. I feel a personal loss in the death of Dr. Folk. He was one of my best friends. I shall ever be a friend to the paper he loved so well.

JOHN M. STOUT.  
Doeville, Tenn.

I enclose check for \$4.00 for a two-years' subscription. The most of us just now realize what Dr. Folk was to the Baptist cause. I hope the paper will soon go into every Baptist home in the State.

WILLIAM SWANN.  
Cross Plains, Tenn.

I enclose check to move my subscription forward one year. I certainly feel the loss of Dr. Folk very keenly, both personally and for the denomination. But my prayer is that the Lord will raise up some one to carry on the work as in the case of T. T. Eaton.

J. L. DAMAN.  
Gleason, Tenn.

I enclose check for my subscription to the Baptist and Reflector. I am ashamed to have neglected it so long. I was sorry to hear of the death of Dr. Folk. He always spoke a kind word to everybody he met. Long live the Baptist and Reflector!

H. E. MCKINNEY.  
Cleveland, Tenn.

Enclosed you will find a money order for four dollars for the renewal of my subscription and for one new subscriber. I was much grieved to hear of the death of Dr. Folk. I had the pleasure of hearing him preach twice.

H. H. COPE.  
Sparta, Tenn.

I believe my subscription is paid in advance. I gave Dr. Folk \$2.00 when he was last at my home; however, I enclose you check for another \$2.00. We shall miss Dr. Folk even up here in the extreme upper end of Tennessee. I wish you much success.

W. J. PIERCE.  
Butler, Tenn.

I enclose check for two dollars covering a year's subscription to the Baptist and Reflector. I am glad indeed that it discontinued the patent medicine advertising. I think it better and while worthy of our loyal support under the old way, it is much more so now.

N. S. JACKSON.  
Dickson, Tenn.

Enclosed you will find my check for \$2.00 to pay my subscription. I have been writing these annual letters to Dr. Folk for the last 25 years. I regretted very much to hear of his death. I loved that man, and I feel that the Baptist cause lost a pillar of strength in his death. I hope you will make a success with the paper.

L. S. TILSON, M. D.  
Erwin, Tenn.

I enclose check for the renewal of my subscription. I was shocked to hear of the death of Dr. Folk. It is indeed a great loss to the Baptists of the State. We will miss him in the Tennessee Valley Association. He was a noble Christian and a power for good in this State. His place will be hard to fill.

J. M. BOLEN.  
Dayton, Tenn.

I deeply regret the going of my friend and brother, Dr. Folk. Surely he was one of God's elect, a great and useful man in the kingdom. He will be missed by many Texas Baptists, especially ex-Tennesseans. I pray that those who assume the responsibility of the Baptist and Reflector may be endowed with some of the same zeal and faith that inspired Brother Folk to give his life to it.

A. D. FOREMAN.  
Houston, Texas.

I most gladly send forward my check for \$2.00 for the Baptist and Reflector. I sympathize with the Baptists of Tennessee in the loss of Dr. Folk, who so nobly led in many great things in that State as editor of the Baptist and Reflector. I sympathize with you young ladies who are responsible for the business management of the paper, and I gladly send this forward.

G. H. CRUTCHER, Cor. Sec.  
Executive Board Louisiana Baptist Convention.  
Shreveport, La.

In reply to your letter and appeal to help in the money problem which our good paper is now going through, I am glad to be one who will help by giving my check for \$2.00. My subscription is paid to January, 1918, so you may send the paper to some disabled minister in this section if same is agreeable to you. I want to take this chance to express my sympathy to dear Dr. Folk's family in their great loss.

J. A. THOMPSON.  
Jackson, Tenn.

While my subscription has been paid to January, 1918, I gladly comply with your request and enclose you check which will advance my subscription to January, 1919. Dr. Folk's death was a great shock to the Baptists of Tennessee. He had fought a great fight, and as his life work was given to making the Baptist and Reflector a success, I feel sure that the loyal Baptists of Tennessee will respond promptly to your call for assistance. Hoping that no one will turn a deaf ear to your letters and that you will meet with the proper encouragement.

W. A. OWEN.  
Covington, Tenn.

After having read the Baptist and Reflector for the last ten or eleven years, I felt that I wasn't able to take the paper, and so wrote Dr. Folk to discontinue the paper to me. Alas, that I had ever had it stopped. I have missed it far more than I would have missed the money. Enclosed find check. Please start it coming again. How inexpressibly sad that we shall never again read an editorial from the pen of our beloved editor. Many a Sunday I have sat by our fireside, unable to go to church, and read his good paper with deepest interest. How good, how sympathetic, and how patient he was with us.

MRS. SHERMAN WALLACE.  
Clinton, Tenn.

Please find enclosed check for two dollars to be placed to the credit of the Old Ministers' Fund, as my subscription is paid to August, 1918. There are too many Baptists in the State who love Dr. Folk to allow the paper he loved so much suffer. I loved to read his editorials. May the most abundant success crown your efforts in behalf of the Baptist and Reflector. Sound the warning and rally the great hosts of loyal Baptists to your help and our paper will live to do more to advance the cause of our Blessed Saviour than ever before. Long live the grand old paper.

E. A. HEADDN.  
Hermitage, Tenn.

## OUR BOOK CORNER

## All Books Noticed Will be Sent on Receipt of Price

Theosophy and New Thought.—What do you know about these subjects? Others are studying these cults and some are accepting their teachings with all their erroneous doctrines. The type of Theosophy here referred to is of very recent date, less than fifty years old, but it is spreading.

In some respects, this Theosophy reminds us of Christian Science, so-called. They both have a woman as chief promoter. Madame Blavatsky, the Theosophat, "was a greater conglomeration of good and bad, light and shadow, wisdom and indiscretion, spiritual insight and lack of common sense" than any other one who appears in history during the last century unless Mrs. Eddy of Boston could be compared to her.

"New Thought" is a twin sister to Theosophy or if we might include Christian Science, these are triplets. They all greatly appeal to those who are faddists in mental gymnastics. A simple statement of the teachings of Theosophy and New Thought with their errors briefly discussed will be found in a volume of 185 pages by Henry C. Sheldon, professor in Boston University. Prof. Sheldon is at the fountain head and lives in the atmosphere of these cults and can speak on these vagaries with authority. The book is published by The Abingdon Press, New York and Cincinnati, 1916.—J. F. Savell.

The New Testament.—A new translation, by Prof. James Moffatt, D.D., D. Litt. New edition revised. Geo. H. Doran Co., 1917. Price, \$1.00 net.

Modern study of the Greek koine, or vernacular, through the discovery of the papyri, has shed new light upon the language of the New Testament. Dr. Moffatt is an expert in this field, and brings to his task all that modern scholarship presents. Any translation is necessarily an interpretation. This little book in its former edition has won deservedly high praise. His work is thoroughly independent, other versions not being consciously followed. His translation challenges interest throughout. The careful reader will discover the book almost equal to a series of commentaries. One may sometimes differ from him in some particular rendering, but one can not fail to be benefited by its study. It should be in every studious preacher's hands.

The Divinity of Christ in the Gospel of John.—By A. T. Robertson, M. A., D.D., LL.D. Fleming H. Revell Co., N. Y., 1916. Price \$1.00 net.

Dr. Robertson has placed us under additional debt by this little book. He writes with directness and simplicity. One can not help seeing behind his simple terms the strength of his great scholarship. He does not parade his learning, but the reader is gripped by the conviction that he follows a master mind, conversant with all the results, methods and deceits of modern destructive criticism and yet loyal to the established truths of orthodoxy. Dr. Robertson holds that the fourth gospel was written by John, the favorite disciple of Jesus, son of Zebedee, a Palestinian Jew. He declares that the gospel is a real and true interpretation of the words and deeds of Jesus. There are but six short chapters: Preliminary Points (discussing introductory matters), The Manifestation of the Messiah, The Growing Hatred of Jesus, The Secret of Jesus, The Scorn of Christ's Enemies, The Vindication. Dr. Robertson does not hesitate to declare that John presents Jesus both through deed and word as claiming equality with God as the sufficient and divine Son and Saviour. There is no lowering of idea or claim of Christ's divinity. Step by step with matchless precision this great scholar leads the reader to appreciate John's picture of Jesus. We would rejoice if preacher and Sunday School teacher would get and read this book. We consider this little volume second only to the author's masterpiece, his great "Grammar of the Greek New Testament." Clear-cut sentences, limpid ideas, tu-

multuous emotions, convincing reasoning, apt illustrations, correct interpretation, frequent quotation from the gospel all converge to set forth the likeness of the divine Son of God.

Faithful Stewardship and Other Sermons.—By Father Stanton. N. Y., Geo. H. Doran Co. Second Edition, 1917. Price \$1.35 net.

This is the second volume of sermons of this author published since his death. For many years he was perhaps the most prominent extempore preacher in London. These sermons appear just as they were taken by the stenographer. While in certain places they lack the polish of more deliberate or revised discourses, they are alive with spontaneity and freshness. They come from the heart and strike a response in the average reader. Intensely passionate, deeply evangelical, accurate in character analysis, connected with ordinary men and women, these short sermons throb with the Spirit of Christ and concern for the real Christian experience. Though somewhat High Church in his affiliations, the author declares that ceremonies, unaccompanied by the heart's best impulses, are ineffective as modes of worship. The chief impression left upon the reviewer's mind was the intense earnestness and sweet spirituality of the preacher, pleading for an intimate knowledge of Jesus Christ as Saviour of the soul and the Lord of life.

Religious Experience: Its Evident Value.—By George Preston Mains. The Abingdon Press, New York, 1917. Price, \$1.25 net.

The author declares his preference for "Religious" rather than "Christian Experience." He falls, however, to bring any essential contribution to the study of either. There will be found no new viewpoints in his presentation. This is not to say that his book lacks merit. It is quite readable and has certain passages that are full of grace, power and beauty. While he professes the larger purpose of examination of religion, he in fact gives more emphasis to the Christian side of experience. He tends to over-stress the cosmic work of the Holy Spirit in comparison with the redemptive, though he strongly affirms that God has revealed Himself through Jesus Christ for salvation purposes. His chapter on Conversion might have been his best had he been less anxious to rank heathen experiences of moral reformation and up-reaching for God on a par with the distinctive work of grace through the Cross. One is not quite sure, from the lack of clearness and consistency, that he considers the Cross as absolutely essential to the whole world. The book is thoroughly readable and stimulative. The book divides into Part I: The Sources (1) Source and Scope, (2) The Spiritual Sense, (3) The Holy Spirit, (4) Conversion; Part II: Evidential Values (5) Christian Character, (6) Spiritual Fruits, (7) Christian Service, (8-10). The Pragmatic Test.

"Random Remarks." By J. W. Porter, D.D. Baptist Book Concern, Louisville, Ky. 1917. Price, 25c.

The brilliant editor of the Western Recorder has gathered into this little booklet short paragraphs from editorials. A wide range of themes is covered. The booklet quickens thought.

Count Tolstoy, the son of Leo Tolstoy, who was the most famous Russian novelist and economic writer, is at present lecturing in America. His new volume of short stories, "Visions," has just appeared.

Corra Harris, the Georgia writer who has won the singular ability to have her stories paid for in advance, when not busy with her Circuit Rider stories, spends much time in farming. She has a picturesque and modernized log cabin on her farm in Georgia.

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## PASTORS' CONFERENCE

It is earnestly requested that communications for this page be written as briefly as possible. Take time to write plainly and as nearly as possible conform to our adopted style. These notes come in at the last hour, when every moment counts much in getting the forms made up for press.

### NASHVILLE.

Seventh—C. L. Skinner, pastor. Dr. R. W. Weaver spoke at the morning service on "Christian Education." A league of seven members was organized. The pastor spoke at night on "The Transforming Power of Love." S. S. and B. Y. P. U. as usual.

Calvary—Pastor C. H. Cosby spoke on "The Sunday School, Its Opportunities," and Possibilities.

Park Ave.—Pastor I. N. Strother spoke in the morning. Observed the Lord's Supper. Dr. R. W. Weaver spoke at the evening hour on "Christian Education." 170 in S. S.

Judson Memorial—Pastor C. F. Clark spoke on "A Call to Consecration," and "Not Ashamed of the Gospel." 126 in S. S.

Franklin—Pastor Albert R. Bond spoke on "The World Condition as Affecting Mission Problems," and "Seeing the Unseen." Offering for Home and Foreign Missions. Splendid day.

Edgefield—Pastor Lunsford spoke on "The Will of God," and "An Appeal to Reason." One addition.

Lockeland—Pastor, W. R. Hill. Observance of Lord's Supper at morning hour. No sermon. Small attendance at B. Y. P. U., but interesting program. Pastor spoke at night on "A Wondrous Contrast."

Grace—Pastor, W. Rufus Beckett. Observed Lord's Supper in morning. Pastor spoke at night on "The Resurrection." 234 in S. S.

Grandview—Pastor, J. F. Savell. Regular services during the day. Themes discussed: "The Evangelistic Church," and "God Whispering to a Trembling Soul."

Centennial—Pastor J. Henry DeLaney spoke on "The Scriptures," and "No Room for Jesus." 95 in S. S. Splendid B. Y. P. U.

South Side—Pastor, C. W. Knight. At the morning hour Brother Stewart preached the dedicatory sermon, the church freeing herself of all indebtedness. Pastor preached in the evening. Good day.

North Nashville—Pastor S. B. Ogle spoke on "A New Star on Israel's Horizon," and "A Soul Won." Fine congregation in the morning. Fair at night. Observed the Lord's Supper at morning hour. Good S. S. and B. Y. P. U.

Third—Pastor Creasman spoke on "The Final Judgment," and "God's Watch-care." 168 in S. S. One by letter. Good day.

North Edgefield—Pastor Duncan spoke in the morning on "Some Essentials to a Successful Revival." Brother Cunningham spoke at night on "The Joy of Service." Four baptized. Two by letter. One approved for baptism. 214 in S. S.

Eastland—Dr. G. S. Dobbins spoke on "The Christian's Secret of Joy," and "The Incarnate Word."

First—Pastor Allen Fort spoke on "Gather Up Fragments," and "Felix." 281 in S. S. Seven additions.

Belmont—Pastor preached at both services. Good services in all departments. 110 in S. S.

### KNOXVILLE.

Mountain View—Pastor W. C. McNeely spoke on "Friends of Jesus," and "A Great Desire." 228 in S. S. Three by letter.

Riverview—Rev. C. J. Burnett spoke on "The Life of Faith," and "Excuses." 40 in S. S.

Mt. Olive—Pastor Wm. H. Fitzgerald spoke in the morning on "Making a Highway for the King." 149 in S. S. Five by letter. Good B. Y. P. U.

Lonsdale—Pastor J. C. Shipe spoke on "God and the Mountains," and "Beholding Jesus." 294 in S. S. Fine congregations.

Central of Fountain City—Pastor A. F. Mahan spoke on "The Christian Race," and "God's Quest for a Soul." 152 in S. S. Two by letter. One profession. One for baptism.

First—Pastor Len G. Broughton spoke on "A Greater Church for Greater Knox-

ville," and "The Parable of the Drag Net." Two by letter. Eight for baptism. Pastor's second anniversary. Pastor leaves for Lagrange, Ga., for a meeting.

Marble City—Pastor, J. F. West. S. G. Wells spoke on "The Gospel to All the World," and "The Folks that Stay by the Stuff." 85 in S. S. One by letter. This is a new church, starting with fine prospects.

Deaderick Ave.—Rev. A. T. King spoke on "Using the God-given Talent," and "The White Stone." 608 in S. S.

Euclid Ave.—Pastor W. M. Griffith spoke on "A Man who Seized His Opportunity," and "Qualification for Citizenship in the Kingdom of Heaven." 220 in S. S. Our protracted meeting begins next Sunday week.

Lincoln Park—Pastor T. E. Elgin spoke on "World Conditions Today," and "The Prodigal's Home Reception." 155 in S. S.

Immanuel—Pastor A. R. Pedigo spoke on "Limiting God," and "God On Our Side." 148 in S. S. One restored.

Calvary—Pastor S. C. Grigsby spoke on "Home and Foreign Missions," and "God Calls to the Dead." 114 in S. S. One by letter.

South Knoxville—Pastor M. E. Miller spoke on "Missions," and "Repentance." 337 in S. S.

Lenoir City—Pastor, J. K. Haynes. R. E. Corum spoke at both hours. 264 in S. S. Ten additions. Large crowds. Meeting continues.

Island Home—Pastor J. L. Dance spoke on "A Training of the Mind," and "Fourth Psalm." 425 in S. S. Three baptized. A good mission spirit.

Bearden—R. E. Corum, pastor. Dr. J. Pike Powers spoke in the morning on "The Best Sight." Pastor spoke at night. 134 in S. S. Two baptized. Pastor is in a meeting at Lenoir City.

Bell Ave.—Pastor U. S. Thomas spoke on Luke 19:13, and I. Cor. 10:21. 704 in S. S. One baptized. Three by letter. Pastor's wife has been very ill for five weeks, but is improving.

Broadway—Pastor Lloyd T. Wilson spoke on "The Glory of the Cross," and "The Christianity Needed Today." 518 in S. S. One baptized. Fifteen by letter. Great congregations to meet the new pastor. A good beginning of the new pastorate.

### CHATTANOOGA.

Chickamauga Chapel—Pastor Paul Hodge spoke on "The Ten Virgins," and "Lot and Sodom." Good S. S. and congregations.

Tabernacle—Closed meeting with Evangelist Sid Williams. 86 additions. Church has presented Pastor Phillips with an automobile.

Highland Park—Pastor Keese spoke to good congregations on "The Same Night in Which He Was Betrayed," and "The Man Prosperity Destroyed." One by letter. 265 in S. S.

St. Elmo—Pastor Oscar D. Fleming spoke on "The More Excellent Way," and "Living With Christ."

Chamberlain Ave.—Pastor G. T. King spoke on "Self-Heroism," and "Some Lessons from the Life of Isaac." Revival meeting to begin April 15. Dr. J. B. Phillips will do the preaching. Fine S. S. and B. Y. P. U.

First—Pastor William Francis Powell spoke on "Palms Along Life's Pathway," and "The Grace of Godliness" (the third and last in Sunday evening series on "Three Needed Graces"). One by letter. One baptized.

Central—Pastor E. L. Grace spoke on "Responsibility for Sin," and "God Not Ashamed to be Called Their God." 215 in S. S. Good B. Y. P. U.'s.

East Lake—Pastor W. E. Davis spoke on "Time and Place of Habits," and "What Sin Pays for Service." 147 in S. S. Good Unions. One conversion. Large crowds.

Woodland Park—Pastor McClure spoke on "The Church and Its Prayer Life," and "Neglecting the Great Salvation." Lord's Supper observed at evening hour. Very helpful services.

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Ridgedale—Pastor Jesse Jeter Johnson spoke on "Be Ye Angry and Sin Not," or "A Message for Our Nation in the Present Crisis," and "Spared for Another Season." Splendid day. 162 in S. S.

Rossville—Pastor J. Bernard Tallant spoke on "Following Jesus," and "Hell-bound; Who Cares?" Great crowds. One converted. Fourteen united with church. Revival continues through week. 279 in S. S. Splendid Unions.

East Chattanooga—Pastor J. N. Bull spoke on "Taking and Holding the Territory for God," and "The Judgment." 145 in S. S. Two by letter.

Alton Park—Pastor J. W. Wood spoke on "The Security of the Believer," and "Behold the Lamb of God Which Taketh Away the Sins of the World." Good Unions. 148 in S. S.

North Chattanooga—Pastor D. E. Balllock spoke on "Consecration," and "The Golden Rule." 103 in S. S. One for baptism.

### MEMPHIS.

Temple—Pastor J. Carl McCoy spoke on "The Power that Gives Victory," and "The Unsearchable Riches of Christ." Took a religious census yesterday. 182 in S. S. Excellent B. Y. P. U. Small congregation at night. Two funerals.

New South Memphis—Pastor T. E. Rice spoke at both hours.

LaBelle Place—Pastor D. A. Ellis spoke at both hours. Small congregations on account of storm.

Seventh Street—Laymen's meeting in the morning. Pastor Wilkinson spoke at night. Small congregations on account of rain.

First—Pastor, A. U. Boone. Observed the Lord's Supper. Dr. Simon Lubersacki spoke at night. Pastor spoke at Y. M. C. A. in afternoon. 318 in S. S.

Highland Heights—S. B. Myers spoke in the morning. Small crowd on account of rain. 34 in S. S.

Union Ave.—Pastor W. R. Farrow spoke at both hours. Two joined on profession and were baptized. Rev. S. B. Myers was ordained to the full work of the ministry last Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Bro. Myers is an able minister of the Word. He recently came to us from the Methodist church. He was ordained by the Baptist pastors of the city by the authority of Union Avenue Baptist church, and we heartily recommend him to the Baptist brotherhood of the State. Had two marriages this week.

Erin—Pastor O. C. Peyton spoke on "The Believer's Inheritance," and "The Service of Christ." Lord's Supper observed using for the first time the individual communion set. Impressive. Funeral of Mrs. A. E. Reynolds in afternoon.

B. Y. P. U. met. The young people are taking hold in good spirit and the Union promises to increase in numbers, interest and usefulness. Our offering Missionary Day in S. S. was \$40.

Newport—I began my eighth year of service here today. 266 were in S. S., and we had a good offering for Home and Foreign Missions. The seven years' record is as follows: 725 sermons; 743 addresses; 455 home services; 3,715 visits; 77,536 pages of tracts distributed; 108 funerals; 193 received by letter; 296 by baptism. Total, 489. The church has had absolute harmony the entire time. Every department is working splendidly. We plan extensive improvements to our church-house. Our school, Cosby Academy, had enrolled 175 this year, four teachers. We built this year the second dormitory. The plant is worth about \$11,000, with about \$1,000 indebtedness.—J. W. O'Hara.

Dunlap—Rev. G. A. Chunn spoke on "The Need of a Greater Vision of God's Word," and "The Power and Majesty of the Voice of God." Good S. S. Fine congregations.

Harriman—Pastor M. C. Atchley spoke on "Cross Bearing," and "The Cleansing Blood." Started campaign to raise \$1,000 to improve church building. 285 in S. S. Since last report four additions, two by letter and two approved for baptism.

Jacksboro—Pastor D. A. Webb spoke on "The Ark of Safety," and "The Christianity Jesus Taught." 132 in S. S.

### FIELD NOTES.

Cleveland (Big Springs)—Acting Pastor C. E. Sprague and Paul Hodge and T. O. Dake conducting meeting. The writer attended fine services during the week and led the songs and enjoyed the preaching. Some results during the week.

Cohutta, Ga.—The writer supplied Sunday. 66 in S. S. Church pastorless. Splendid B. Y. P. U. and good services all day.

Jamestown—The writer begins meeting Monday evening to continue indefinitely. Offering at Cohutta good. Some book work and the Baptist and Reflector represented. R. D. CECIL.

Cleveland, Tenn.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. Y. P. U. DEPARTMENT.

W. D. Hudgins, Estill Springs, Tenn.  
Editor.

Please send us what you think might be interesting to others over the State. Tell us what you are doing; this may encourage others who are struggling with the same problems which you have solved.

The writer has been at home sick for two weeks and has not been in such close touch with the field, still everything goes on just the same. The work moves along even when we are laid up for repairs. This is due to the many loyal workers over the State who keep things going all the time.

The school at Gleason was called off on account of our sickness, a thing we much regretted, but we hope to be able to go there at a time when we may be of service which might count for more than at this time.

We are very sorry not to be able to attend the school at Shelbyville which is on this week. Mr. Filson went in our place and reports a good time. This school is the Duck River Association Training School and is under the management of Mr. Walter Smithwick.

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The Cumberland Associational School begins on Thursday of this week and will run over Sunday. We hope to get to this one. Mr. Filson has one in Shelby county at the same time. We hope for great things at both places.

Much Teacher Training is being done through the mails now. Papers are coming in most every mail. Some of our busiest pastors are doing the full course themselves, thus setting a splendid example to their workers. Rev. C. E. Wainford is well on toward the Blue Seal, while Rev. J. W. Storer is sending in a paper every few days.

Don't forget the dates of the Sunday School Convention. West Tennessee Convention meets at Ripley April 16 to 18th; the Middle Tennessee Convention at Springfield April 18 to 20th. If you have not already planned to attend, please do so and enter into the general organized work of the State.

The Encampment Programs are about ready and we are promised a good time this year.

The State B. Y. P. U. Convention meets June 20 and 21st at Nashville, and will be well attended. Don't fail to plan this trip. We are to have the greatest meeting ever had in Tennessee. One of the best programs ever had has been arranged for and a general good time promised all who attend.

Knoxville City Union is doing some splendid work. They have a good report in this paper and everybody seems bent on attending the State Convention at Nashville in June. Knoxville challenges Memphis for debate. What about it, Memphis?

The reports are coming right along from the Sunday Schools not reported in their minutes. On this one mail we received 5 reports and every one of them have a Sunday School with a total enrollment of near 100. All these would have been left out had we not picked them up by the card system. If your school has not been reported, please see to it that we have the report before your convention meets. If your school has been in Winter Quarters now is the time to begin anew.

**Some Suggestions.** If your school has been in Winter Quarters, now is the time to start it up again. April is the beginning of a new quarter and a fine time to begin anew the work of the school. Please report the new organization as soon as it is brought about. If you have no Home Department, now is a fine time to begin one. Get your people to studying the lessons at home and this pretty weather they will come to the meeting house and study with the main school.

Now is the time when the country meetings begin. Let every superintendent and teacher see to it that their pupils are kept at the regular Sunday School services on Sunday. One of the most detrimental things we have at all is the all day Sunday Singings which break up all the Sunday Schools for miles around. Will our officers and teachers see to it that these singings do not break your Sunday Schools up this season?

"Go to Sunday School" is in the air. Let us see to it that our Baptist constituency is held by our own schools and let us help in the onward movement by making an extra effort to get our own in our schools.

Wishing folks in will not bring them. If you haven't as many in your school as you desire go after them and get them.

Worrying over people will not bring them to Sunday School. If you want them, get up on your feet and go get them.

Fussing at people will not win them. If you want them go get them. Many who report that they have no schools complain that the people do not take interest in the Sunday School and this is the reason why they have no school.

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that they cannot see, hear nor perceive? Brother, start the school going and make it interesting and people will become interested.

I hear superintendents complaining that they cannot get the co-operation of their workers. Let me suggest that many times it is because they have nothing to co-operate with. Many of our superintendents never have plans, and when they do they make their own plans and never ask their officers and teachers for suggestions. The other workers never know what is being planned, if anything. How can they co-operate?

This is the time of all times when the Country Sunday School Teacher is tempted to leave his or her class on Sunday and go elsewhere to spend the day or engage in other methods of worship where they have no part. Please do not neglect your Sunday School class at this time. This is the greatest work that you are called upon to do and you cannot afford to neglect it.

Following is a report from the Knoxville City Federation of B. Y. P. U.'s sent by the corresponding secretary:

The regular monthly meeting of the Knox County B. Y. P. U. Federation was held at the First Baptist church. The meeting was opened by the president with song No. 235, "Bringing in the Sheaves;" then led in prayer by Mr. Fred Coulter. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The treasurer reported a balance in the treasury of \$12.25, with an indebtedness of \$5.06. The membership committee reported that one union visited during the preceding month showed marked progress. It was also reported that two other unions were dying, but would be visited in the near future. Mr. Coulter reported that he had written all unions in his group or territory, and would like to organize a union at Vestal. The roll was then called, after which song No. 17 was sung, "Showers of Blessings." At this time a very interesting debate was heard between the Broadway and Bell Avenue unions. Subject: "Resolved, That the Sunday School is more important to the church than the B. Y. P. U." Debating from Broadway on the affirmative were Miss Constance Bonham and Mr. Arthur Gray. From Bell Avenue on the negative were Miss Pearl Davis and Mr. Lloyd Householder. Judges appointed by the president, Misses Miller, of South Knoxville, Shippe, of Lonsdale, and Fred Coulter, of Island Home. The first speaker on the affirmative was Mr. Gray, who brought out many interesting points in favor



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of the Sunday School. Mr. Householder was next heard on the negative, his subject being one of vital importance to every member of the federation, was heard with keenest interest. Miss Bonham was next heard from the affirmative, making a most appealing talk for the Sunday School. The honor of the B. Y. P. U. was again very gallantly upheld by Miss Davis, who was then heard. Five minute replies were then made by Messrs. Householder and Gray on the negative and affirmative respectively.

Judge Brown announced that at the laymen's meeting soon to be held in Atlanta, 100 delegates were wanted from Knoxville, and asked that the young men of the Federation assist in making out this number.

A piano solo was rendered by Miss Tittsworth, after which the choir announced the judges had rendered a decision of two to one in favor of the affirmative.

It was announced that the next meeting would be held at Bell Avenue, also that the chair would entertain a motion to have a social at that meeting. Motion was carried, and Mr. Snipes, president of Broadway Union, was appointed chairman of the social committee for the ensuing year. A motion was then carried to reconsider the motion just passed and have a final debate the next meeting, deferring the social until the May meeting, when the weather would be pleasant, so it was decided to hold the final debate between the two winning teams, Broadway and Deaderick Ave., at the next meeting, the subject to be decided later.

The statistical secretary's report was heard at this time, 12 Sr. and 6 Jr. unions submitting excellent reports. After the reading of the reports the banners were awarded to the following: Slizzerinkum banner to Island Home Jrs. for attendance at the fall training schools at Deaderick Ave.; Slizzerinkum banner to Island Home Sr. for attendance at the spring training school, held at Bell Ave. last year. The Efficiency went to Broadway 94 per cent.; the Attendance banner was awarded Bell Ave. A marked increase in attendance was noted from the Lonsdale Union, Song No. 236.

It was announced that training classes would be conducted at Bell Ave. and Broadway. The president, Mr. Lambden to conduct the one at Broadway. The Young People's Christian Association meeting was announced, and meeting was dismissed in prayer by the president.

C. ELIZABETH WRIGHT,  
Sec'y. B. Y. P. U. Federation.



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WATCHWORD: "Steadfastly in Prayer and Ministry."—Acts 6:4.

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Thirty days to reach our goal. Will not many of our faithful societies forget the word apportionment, and really break the "alabaster box" by bringing an extra love offering to the Master. Many individuals can do this if we have the world-vision like our Lord. We can and I have faith to believe we will.

MARGARET BUCHANAN.

### DIVISIONAL MEETING AT RIPLEY.

Just a word to the W. M. U. of West Tennessee: Let me remind you that the Divisional Convention, auxiliary to West Tennessee Sunday School Convention, will meet at Ripley, April 16 and 17. Can you not send representatives? Each organization should be represented, help the meeting in that way, and gain inspiration therefrom. Let me urge also, that each society will send to her superintendent a brief statement of work done since the Convention of last April, along the following lines—Christian Education, Orphans' Home, Hospital, Training School, Mission Study and Apportionments. There will be a conference of superintendents, and you can greatly help them in making reports of work in their Associations, by attending this at once. We want West Tennessee to measure up to her best; so "continue steadfastly in prayer and ministry," and let us work and pray that God may be glorified and His cause advanced in Tennessee.

MRS. THOS. L. MARTIN,  
Vice-President for West Tennessee.

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT.

As the time draws near for our great annual meeting, the question as to whether or not Tennessee will meet its apportionment, should be food for serious thought for all our societies. The figures show that we are some thousands of dollars behind on Home and Foreign Missions, and more or less behind on all other objects. Last year we didn't give one cent to the Margaret Fund, al-

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though asked for only \$60, and this year only eight dollars has been contributed so far. That we failed on this point alone is something we should all feel heartily ashamed of. Year after year our State has failed to meet its apportionment, and we have perhaps allowed our minds to become dulled to the fact that we CAN meet it if we will. I firmly believe this. If each society keeps its financial aim constantly in mind, Tennessee will meet its apportionment easily. Baptists are often spoken of by sister denominations as great givers, and while I am not openly denying the "soft impeachment"—just between you and me we know that we are not. We are an emotional people, and have good intentions, but it gives most of us real pain to let go the dollars necessary to make us deserve the kind things said of us. Now, friends, let us agree that we are tired of having our State rank as it does in giving (or not giving). And let us further resolve that with God's good help we will meet our apportionment. If we do so once, the joy of it will make us want to do it again, and as a result new life will be infused into each department of our work. Let's try it.

This page has been frequently adorned with advertisements of beautifiers, but the best beautifier comes from the thought of duty done. It gives to the face a light such as never shone on land or sea, and brings to the heart a warm glow, and a "peace that passes all understanding." Shall April be for us a month of glorious giving?

We are hoping to have a full delegation at New Orleans. We are entitled to twenty-five delegates—six from each division, six from the Executive Board, with Madam President thrown in for good measure. Those who want to go as delegates should send in their names to headquarters at once.

We are hoping that many more dollars will roll in for the Training School to swell the fund to its proper proportions. This is the beloved child of our Union, and is just now in need of our tenderest care, and most loving consideration. We want it to be clear of debt from the first, so remember, friends, that Tennessee expects each woman to do her duty, and do it quickly.

So much for our finances! May we not all be in constant prayer that God will show us more of the beauty of whole-hearted service? Such service means power. I knew a consecrated young woman in bygone days who wore a ring with the letters I. A. H. on it. On request she explained that they meant "I Am His." I wish that these words could be written across our lives in letters of living fire.

MRS. AVERY CARTER.

### EXTRACTS FROM "THE KING'S CALL FOR KINGDOM MEN." BY GEO. W. TRUETT.

"The test of life is service."

"A very wealthy woman who had lived a worldly life asked her physician, while the question trembled on her pale lips: 'Doctor, is this the end?' 'This is the end,' he answered. 'Oh, how I dread to meet God,' she said, 'when I have trifled with my money and my life.'"

"We must answer to God for the use we make of every talent committed to us, whether that talent be the gift of song, the making of money, the skill of surgery, the practice of law, or whatever it may be. All life is trusteeship."

"We can never save this world if we go about the small business of saving self. The gospel of Christ costs the heart blood if it is presented as it ought to be. We must pay the price."

### WHERE RESPONSIBILITY LIES.

After all is said and done, after every method and plan has been tried, is it not true that the secret of success or failure, in our efforts to organize and keep alive the junior organizations of our churches, is due more than half to worth-while or to indifferent mothers.

The worth-while mother sees to it that the leader has a chance to teach her child, that the child prepares any special part assigned and has a part in the offerings. She helps by sympathetic counsel and prayer.

The indifferent, careless mother, rarely knows when the band meets, what the study is, whether her child has a part or not. So the visit, the excursion, the auto ride or the picture show often causes the ache in the heart of the faithful leader who faces the empty chair, or what is almost as disappointing, the empty mind of the listless or restless child.

Oh, for mothers ambitious for the highest development of their children, who will stand loyally by the woman, young or old, who seek to lead the children and young women in the best things.

MARGARET BUCHANAN.

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The minimum railroad fare from a station in Tennessee is \$12.25. Thirteen new subscribers would get your ticket at that rate. The maximum is \$23.65. Twenty-four new names would be all that are needed. Most of the stations are between these two amounts.

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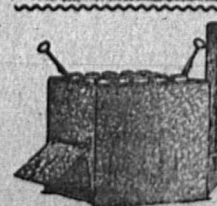
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## Editorial

### Minister and the Public School.

"Education is a debt of the present to future generations." Thus spoke one of the keenest men a generation ago. To pay this debt the public school system has been organized. The State seeks to meet part of its task in providing opportunity for the common schools. The very nature of this government precludes any definite religious instruction in its school course. However, there is still the need and privilege of religious leaders to lend some support and even direction to the ideals that shall obtain in the public school system. It is specially pertinent just now, when the legislature is seeking to readjust its school law, to indicate the part that the minister may have in the school life of his community.

#### Observance of the Law.

Tennessee has a compulsory attendance law for all children of school age. This law is often ineffective through neglect of officials and indifference of parents. The minister by his very position as a recognized leader in all moral and religious affairs of the community may exert a strong influence with the parents to induce them to secure a more regular attendance of the children. Especially in rural sections there is a very low regard for regularity in school attendance. Any special stress of work on the farm or extra occasion in the home will cause a decline in school attendance. There should be few hindrances to the attendance upon school.

#### School Funds.

The minister may quietly but persistently work for the proper distribution of the school funds. He is not to become a politician, but he may help to create a public sentiment that will demand that the appropriations for his county shall be lawfully and equitably expended. Certain communities fail to receive their just proportion of the tax money.

#### Educational Ambitions.

Perhaps the largest and most direct aid the minister may render to the public school is to be found in the creation of educational ambitions. The parent needs to have his vision enlarged. A man will take pride in his registered stock or his fertile fields and yet disregard the culture of his children. He may have made a success in life with but small school advantages and he will often wrongly handicap his children into the same narrow bounds through which he passed, forgetting how much larger might have been his success if he had been granted a good school training. Into the heart of the boy and girl the minister may place a holy stimulus of discontent with any course short of a good common school education.

#### Religious Contact.

While the law prohibits the instruction in the Bible, there will be few places where the minister will not be welcome as a speaker at a chapel service. He may read the Scriptures, make a short address and lead in prayer. He thus can secure a religious contact with the children with propriety. The custom of a regular appointment of this kind prevails in many schools. To neglect this privilege is for the minister to miss a rare chance for abiding good.

### Taking the Devil Seriously.

History shows a growth in the idea of the devil. Men have not always held to the New Testament teaching. Therein he appears as the chief enemy of men. Men may have their own thought about the devil, or Satan, but the one real source of information is the Bible itself. If we fail to take the Bible view we are left each man to his own way of thinking, without any final form by which to judge the truth. In the Middle Ages men held a crude, uncouth and ugly picture of the devil as a being with a horned head, cloven hoofs and a spear in his hand. Such a devil could play the clown or change from ugly to beautiful shape in order that he might lead astray men and women. Dr. W. M. Alexander in his splendid book, "Demoniac Possession," makes a keen observation that "from the tenth century he (the devil) began to be taken seriously" (page 234). But even the great poets have wandered from the New Testament idea. Dante and Goethe presented the devil in the grotesque shape, thus representing the current idea, while Milton makes his Satan a great hero whose very fall from heaven and his reign over hell seem majestic.

#### A REAL PERSON.

The New Testament teaches that the devil is a real

person. He is far more than merely an evil influence that rises from the evil nature of the soul itself. He is capable of great powers in bringing temptation toward evil. He even dared to tempt the Son of God. He is called the "Prince of this World."

Men have laughed at the thought that a personal devil really exists and enters into the making of human character and conduct. But laughter nor denial will do away with the fact of his existence, but will only show further that his work is being done. He does much of his work in leading men to believe a lie. A new emphasis upon the fact of the devil's personality would strengthen present-day preaching. The success in material prosperity tends to dull the sense toward the unseen. To declare that one will not believe in the existence of a personal devil because he can not be seen would be to but place men in the prison-house of the five senses. A like argument would shut God out from His world.

#### AN AGGRESSIVE OPPONENT.

Christians should not undervalue the strength of their great foe. One cannot tell just how far the power of the devil goes. He certainly is not omnipotent, but he is an enemy against whom the Christian in his own might can not wage successful warfare. God must join the battle to win victory. Happy is he who, knowing the strength of his foe, will furnish himself with proper arms.

In the spiritual warfare the Christian faces the evil forces that are commanded by the devil. He can be victorious only by following the advice of the Apostle Paul: "So take God's armour that you may be able to make a stand upon the evil day and hold your ground by overcoming all the foe. Hold your ground, tighten the belt of truth about your loins, wear integrity as your coat of mail and have your feet shod with the stability of the gospel of peace; above all, take faith as your shield to enable you to quench all the fire-tipped darts flung by the evil one, put on salvation as your helmet, and take the Spirit as your sword (that is the Word of God), praying at all times in the Spirit with all manner of prayer and entreaty" (Eph. 6:13-18, Moffatt's Translation). Such a picture of a soldier, clad in such a spiritual military equipment, is a clarion call to take the devil seriously, even in this day of lax convictions.

### Classified by What We See.

Emerson says: "We see what we carry with us." The outside world appeals to a man by those things which he has on the inside. Character shows itself by what one likes to see. One may often judge the occupation of the visitor to a city by the places sought out. The farmer seeks the implement house where farm tools attract his attention, the minister watches for churches either to admire or to take notes for future plans in his own work, the lawyer notes the court-house and the law offices, the woman who is planning her new dress will be interested in the models of the latest styles, he who longs for recreation will visit the places of amusement. Such places make their appeal to those definitely interested. This method of judgment may be applied to the Christian. He whose soul is zealous for the better things, will seek those things that stimulate his longings and satisfy his character. "But," says someone, "ohw can I help but see the things that pass before me?" An apt reply would be: "One can not prevent birds from flying over the head, but one can keep them from building a nest in one's hat." Two men passed through the same flower garden. One had no eyes to see the beauty of nature.

"A yellow primrose by the river's brim

A yellow primrose was to him

And it was nothing more."

The other, a lover of flowers, saw a world in the little flower, a world wherein order and grace, color and form were but tokens of God's presence in nature. The difference lay within each man's character. The failure to see in God's World and Word the revelation of His will and love is not due to a fault in that World or Word, but in the individual's mind and heart. Bible reading will be large or small in one's life just as one loves the message of God.

### Strenuous Giving.

The month of April must see this sort of response to the demands upon us. Nothing short of strenuous giving will relieve the situation of embarrassment. Our mission work has been projected upon the basis of keeping up the established fields and the payment

of the debt upon the Foreign Board. Certain brethren thought it unwise to make the special campaign for the debt, but the Convention ordered it and they have been loyal to this plan. The debt has been paid. But it now becomes a matter of anxiety lest we come to the Convention with a similar, if not larger, debt. This we can not afford to do. And yet, unless the churches resort to strenuous giving in April, another debt will rest upon the Foreign Board. The Home Board has been hampered by its debt for which no special campaign was arranged. Tennessee Baptists must have the honor of meeting their apportionment for both Home and Foreign missions. The Convention gave the two Boards the right to expect great things of the churches this year. Let us not disappoint this confidence in us. Let there be strenuous giving by each individual and church. The glory will be unto the Lord.

### Leanness of Soul.

The experience of the children of Israel in their wilderness wanderings offers a sharp suggestion. They soon forgot God's wonderful delivery and did not wait for His counsel; they tempted God in the desert by lusting after those things that they might not rightly have. The Psalmist uses this incident for a motto text that brings a warning even to us:

"And he gave them their request

But sent leanness into their souls."—Psalms 106:15.

We do not always know for what we should pray. Sometimes our requests are so loud and insistent that we almost demand of God that He give them to us. In His training for us, as in His training for Israel in the wilderness, he may sometimes answer in the affirmative, but at the same time send leanness into our souls. This is not a hard decree on His part, but it is rather the natural result of our own willfulness. If it were possible to secure a spiritual X-ray photograph of the soul like unto that picture of the hidden bones of the body, one would doubtless be greatly surprised at the relative sizes of people. Leanness of soul may be cultivated through disobedience to God's better plan for us. The testimony of the Wise Man is the same as that of the Psalmist: "The soul of the sluggard desireth, but hath nothing; But the soul of the diligent shall be made fat."—Proverbs 13:4.

### Please Notice.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Cola-Cola in this week's issue of the paper. This advertisement will run 10 times, and is in fulfillment of an unexpired contract made by Jacobs & Company with the Coca-Cola Company more than a year ago, and we are under obligation to carry out this contract. We regret that this is true, but hope our readers will appreciate our position and bear with us. In this connection we want to say that we have had notice this week from Jacobs & Company to discontinue a number of objectionable medical advertisements at once. The notice, however, came too late for this week. Be patient with us and we will soon give you a Baptist and Reflector entirely free from objectionable advertisements.

### War Declaration.

Congress met April 2nd at the call of the President for an extra session. The House was organized by the election of Champ Clark as speaker. President Wilson addressed Congress at night on the problem of war with Germany. The President said: "I advise that the Congress declare the recent course of the Imperial German Government to be in fact nothing less than war against the government and people of the United States, that it formally accept the status of belligerent which has thus been thrust upon it, and that it take steps not only to put the country in a more thorough state of defense, but also to exert all its power and employ all its resources to bring the government of the German Empire to terms and end the war." Resolutions to declare a state of war existing were immediately introduced in both houses of Congress and were referred to proper committees. The general conviction of Washington is that Congress will immediately follow the suggestion of the President and make proper preparations for the war. (This is written Tuesday morning).

Whatever one may hold as a private opinion as to the necessity or advisability of the United States entering the war, it is now the duty of all patriotic citi-



zens to stand loyally and enthusiastically behind the President and Congress should the declaration of war really be made. Let us join the many thousands in prayer that the end of the awful carnage shall soon come.

When you see your chance—seize it.

Brave brains accept no impossibilities.

There's a silver lining to every war cloud.

Learn to take in hand what you have in mind.

No one was ever left sad by giving happiness away.

It is hard to have faith in one who has no faith.

Taking a pill doesn't solve the diet question.

"The faults of others are not rungs in the ladder you are trying to climb."

You cannot serve God and mammon, but you can serve God with mammon."

"God will not look you over for medals, degrees and diplomas, but for scars."

"You say you are busy. What are you busy about? the ants are busy."

"Yes, mum, I be the oldest 'un in yon village, but, mind ye, I ain't always been."—London Opinion.

The worst failures are those successes that have come at the cost of the soul.

It's the empty heart that aches—not the empty head.

Citizenship in heaven will not exempt you from either taxes or service here.

I had rather men should ask why my statue is not set up than why it is.

He—I didn't know it was so late. Are you sure that clock is going? Feminine Voice from Above—It's going a whole lot faster than you are, young man.—Penn. State Froth.

There is no class of men in the world who are expected to do so much "brick-making" without straw." The editor may be as poor as a petrified toad from the Mesozoic Age, and sell his paper at 30 per cent below cost, but most of the subscribers think that he is getting deplorably rich and the paper should be published at a lower price. The church thinks it should be twice as big, with no effort on the part of the preachers and members to get subscriptions. What a bed of roses we editors do have.—Methodist Protestant.

"You ought to regard prayer as necessary every morning as washing your face."—Billy Sunday.

"If you have no joy in your religion, there is a leak in your Christianity somewhere."—Billy Sunday.

"Lots of people pray for success and forget to thank God after they become prosperous."—Billy Sunday.

It's the mind that makes the body rich. Study evenings.

—A few years ago, I officiated at a wedding in a little town in Maine. The instruction was that the minister march before the bride and groom into the parlor where the ceremony was to be performed. The sister of the bride played the wedding march, as was usual for such an occasion. Instead of one of the usual classics, as we entered the room, there pealed out from the old-fashioned organ, "The fight is on."—Thos. F. Williams. Which reminds us of the story of the old maid, who when asked to play soon after her marriage, went to the piano and struck up, "This is the Way I Long Have Sought, and Mourned Because I Found It Not."

Rev. H. C. McGill assumes charge of the sales department of the Sunday School Board. We give him a cordial welcome.

Dr. G. S. Dobbins will be supply-pastor for the Eastland Baptist church, this city, until a pastor is called. A rich feast for that congregation!

Rev. A. R. McGehee asks us to change the address of his paper from Martin, Tenn., to McKenzie, Tenn., where he goes as pastor the first of April. We wish for him abundant success in his new field.

Rev. J. H. Oakley, of Whiteville, Tenn., will assist Rev. S. B. Ogle in special meetings this week with the North Nashville Baptist church, this city. May the ingathering and re-awakening of interest be all that may be desired.

The Southside Baptist church, this city, dedicated its building Sunday free of debt. Rev. W. J. Stewart preached the sermon. We congratulate Pastor C. W. Knight and his loyal church.

The Biblical Recorder last week was a "Woman's Missionary Union Special." One can not wonder at the virility and brightness of a paper with such a constituency as this "Special" indicates and represents. Our compliments!

Dr. W. H. Ryals orders his address changed from Paris, Tenn., to Trenton, Ky. He has served long and faithfully at Paris, and the brotherhood in Tennessee will miss his presence and wisdom in their gatherings. Commending him to the brethren across the line, we look forward to his return some day.

We are requested to announce that there are no more \$1.00 rooms to be had at the Grunewald Hotel. New Orleans. This being Convention quarters, all \$1.00 rooms have been engaged early. However, there is ample accommodation at the other hotels. Engage your reservation at once.

Georgia's "bone-dry" prohibition bill, which will bar liquor absolutely from the State except for

medicinal, mechanical and religious purposes under rigid restrictions has been passed by the legislature, which was called especially for that object by Gov. Harris. Manufacture of liquor in that State is made a felony. Thus the "bone-dry" territory widens.

The Clarksdale, Miss., Baptist church, Rev. Martin Ball, pastor, suffered the loss of its building last week by fire with but a small insurance. We extend our sympathy. May they have courage and ability to erect a building that will give them a commanding part in this important Delta city.

Recently Dr. Austin Crouch, pastor of the First Baptist church, Murfreesboro, delivered a masterly address before the Nashville Baptist Ministers' Conference upon the subject, "Difficulties in the way of Christian Union, with reference to denominations other than Baptists." We expect as early as practicable to publish it.

The First Baptist church of Murfreesboro, Tenn., Dr. Austin Crouch, pastor, sets a worthy example in sending in fifty new subscribers to the Baptist and Reflector. The church appropriated the funds from the treasury. Why not get your church to do likewise? Make it twenty-five if fifty is beyond your ability.

Ex-President Wm. H. Taft was the guest of Nashville recently. In his address at the Ryman Auditorium Mr. Taft spoke of America as now really at war. He appealed for citizens of America to lend their support to a system of universal compulsory military training. He upheld the hands of President Wilson in every action in his relations with foreign powers during the present world-war. Finally, he appealed to the people of America to unite in the movement already launched for a league which shall in the future prevent another war of such extended horrors. The masterly address was heard by 5,000 patriotic citizens.

A lady received the following reply from a neighbor in answer to a question as to why she allowed her children and her husband to litter up every room in the house. The sentiment will find lodgment in the heart of every home-loving person in the land:

"The marks of little muddy feet upon the floor can be more easily removed than the stains where the little feet go into the highways of sin. The prints of the little fingers upon the window-panes can not shut out the sunshine half so much as the shadow that darkens the mother's heart over the one who will be but a name in the coming years. And if my John finds home a refuge from care and his greatest happiness within its four walls, he can put his boots in the rocking chair and hang his hat on the floor any day in the week. And if I can stand it and he enjoys it, I can not see that it matters to anybody else."—St. Nicholas.

The following experience might find illustrative confirmation by a study of other prisons. It is the report of the Methodist chaplain of Sing Sing, Auburn, N. Y.: "I have now been chaplain of the State Prison at Auburn for six years. We have eighteen hundred men in that prison. They are as fine and athletic group as you can find. They are a bright bunch; it would be difficult to find eighteen hundred men who would come up to their standard in brain power. They are young men; the largest number of any one age is at the age of twenty-two.

"They are graduates of grammar schools, of high schools, of great universities and professional schools. There are a good many college men among them. I have made a diligent search in the records of those men, and during these six years there has not been among the prisoners a single graduate of any church college."—The Lutheran.

"Recall the Apostle Paul contending with that circumcision heresy which would have strangled the infant church in its cradle; Athanasius confronting that Unitarian conception of Jesus which bleaches Him of His Godhead; Augustine dealing with the spawn of licentious doctrines which attempted to corrupt Christian morality; Luther facing that subtle and deadly wrong of Romanism which forbids men to go right into the presence of God to receive the forgiveness of their sins from Him alone; Knox establishing the religious liberty and social wellbeing of Scotland; Wesley arousing Christian men from their apathy towards heathen; Chalmers quickening the faith of his countrymen that they might cast off the chill and formality of legalism. With what weapon did these servants of Christ redeem their age? With the word of God. By some word which had burned its truth into their own hearts they subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, and redeemed their age."—W. M. Clow.

"William Carey, the converted cobbler, who translated the Bible into languages spoken by three hundred millions of Orientals; David Brainerd, who consecrated his talents to carry civilization and Christianity to the savages of the wilderness; Henry Martyn, the brilliant Cambridge scholar, making by his translations the scriptures, in whole or in part, accessible to one-fourth the inhabitants of the globe; not only this, but literally spending himself in Christian labors among the poor in India, until, exhausted by fatigue and wasted by disease he sank in death at the early age of thirty-two; Robert Morrison in China writing a grammar of the language and translating the Bible into the dialects, waiting undiscouraged seven years before being permitted to rejoice in his first convert; Chalmers in New Guinea; Paton in the South Sea Islands; Livingstone, in Christ-like passion, seeking the salvation of the Africans, forgetting that they were black and remembering only that they were fellow-mortals; and those more recent men, the Butlers, the Parkers, and the Thoburns of India; Griffith John, Timothy Richard, James W. Bashford, and Wilson S. Lewis, of China—these men, inspired by the love and the heroism of the cross, have risen to the highest types of Christian character. They rank among the moral altruists of history, great in faith, great in hope, great in action, because their own souls were filled with Christ's vision of humanity. Their service, can never be fully portrayed."—George Preston Mains.

God measures character by motives. Men judge by success. Whose opinion do you value?

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## The Home Page

A Short Story and Items of Interest in the Home.

### HE NEVER FORGETS.

Mountains and rivers may sing and decay,  
God never forgets.  
Time with his restless wings onward may flee,  
Measuring cycles on cycles to be,  
Till he dips his grey plume in Eternity's sea,  
God never forgets.

Youth, with his buoyant hopes, painting the sky,  
God never forgets.  
May fold his proud pinions, bleeding and torn,  
Crushed to the earth by a cold world's scorn,  
And die like a star at the rising of morn,  
God never forgets.

Old age, with his silver hair reverend with years,  
God never forgets.  
In the cold vale of sorrow may pillow his head,  
And pray for the dying and weep for the dead,  
And drop from life's stage life a star that is shed,  
God never forgets.

Come, then, ye who weep at the close of the day,  
God never forgets.  
Come with your bonds and your cares and your tears,  
Come with your blighted hopes cherished for years,  
Banish forebodings and bury your fears.  
God never forgets.  
—Canadian Baptist.

### THE BOY AND HIS MANNERS.

"Watch that little boy," whispered the school teacher, nudging my elbow.

I turned about just in time to see a miniature man enter the school building and as he passed us he deferentially raised his cap.

"He's the only Chesterfield I have," laughed the teacher. "I'd like to know his mother."

I did know his mother, and when next I had the occasion to talk with her I mentioned the little incident.

"How difficult it must have been," I said, "to teach manners to so young a child—and a boy at that!"

"On the contrary," she hastened to say, "his youthfulness was all to my advantage. One of my pet theories has always been that the sooner you begin to teach a child anything, the easier will be your task—and his. Little minds can grasp weightier affairs than we credit them with. My children have absorbed good manners from babyhood. They know not their absence."

"It is second nature for Max to raise his hat when he meets a lady, for I taught him the habit when I gave him his first little hat. It was not an irksome, unnecessary duty to him then, as it is to so many boys who have to acquire the practice later on, but an act as simple, nec-

essary, and indisputable as hanging his hat on a peg when he comes in from play.

"I always began my teaching with some sort of game. We would play what we called 'lady and gentleman.' Strolling up and down the walk, Max would meet me from the opposite direction, and as he passed me he would tip his hat, smile and say, 'Good morning, Mrs. Brown!' I find I can teach a child anything through the medium of play.

"Another thing I have insisted upon from the beginning is giving up his seat in the street car to ladies, little girls or elderly persons. I have had some difficulty on this score, for there is always somebody who fails to discern the lesson I am trying to teach. But I am persistent.

"In my work about the house I have an opportunity to teach him matters of procedure in going up or down stairs, entering a room, etc. I let him open the door for me to pass through and see that I am seated properly before he seats himself, either in the living room or at the table.

"I believe the hardest rule for children to follow is that one demanding silence when anyone else is speaking. I never realized just what self-control this entailed until Max one day interrupted my conversation with a friend.

"Wait until I have finished speaking, son," I reminded him, "then tell me what you want to say."

"But you never stop!" he exclaimed, "and I forget what I have to say."

"That was an illuminating thought to me. It was the bald truth, for we congenial spirits had ambled on and on in our talk, discourteously inconsiderate of the third person in our presence—even though it was merely a child. Henceforth, I paused now and then to give my small son a chance to speak when I see his eagerness to do so.

"A thing that I have learned in the training of my son is that his response to my suggestions is greater when I treat him as a grown-up. I appeal to his sense of manhood early and it reacts upon him in the form of pride and responsibility. For instance, instead of saying, 'Little boys should never strike girls,' I say, 'Gentlemen should never strike girls.'

"And always I have been watchful of my own manners, even to the 'Thank you,' and 'Pardon me,' and naturally he soon learned my language, too. 'Will you kindly bring me my ball?' Never, 'Don't do that,' but 'Please do not do that,' or, better still, 'I threw the responsibility on his own shoulders by asking, 'Will you be kind enough not to do that?' You've no idea how little children enjoy responsibility!"

"Max lifts his little cap to me when he starts off of a morning, but for all his elegant manners you wouldn't call him 'sissy,' now, would you? He 'licked' a boy yesterday! A 'sissy' is conscious of his manners and tries to be affected, but Max doesn't think anything about it—he just does what habit dictates.

"I can only reiterate what educators of all times have recognized as the fundamental principle in teaching children—'Begin early'—and that means from the cradle."—Mother's Magazine.

## The Weekly Bulletin

Baptist Sunday School Board  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

B. Y. P. U. Manual—Leavell	\$.50
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### A NOTE FROM A RUN-AWAY.

Although not a resident of Tennessee any more, I still feel a very keen interest in all the things that go on in Tennessee. I read the Baptist and Reflector among the first of my papers when it arrives; and, yet, I never take it up without a feeling of sadness, since the home-going of the editor and my personal friend, Dr. Folk. The news of his death was not only a great shock to me but made me feel a distinct personal loss.

I like Texas; it is a big State; filled with big hearted people, who do big things. It is an inspiration to be associated with these great leaders when they have on a great campaign, as the one we have just closed for education, which rounded up about \$270,000 in 60 days. At the same time the campaign was on throughout the State, we launched a similar one here in Marshall for fifty thousand dollars for the College of Mar-

shall, the new Baptist institution that I now have the honor of being president of; and on the sixtieth day we were able to report victory. This will give us a plant valued at more than a quarter million dollars to open with this summer. Very few Baptist colleges in history have had so much property to begin with. There is no college of any kind in all East Texas, nor very near to us in the bordering States of Louisiana and Arkansas. For this reason, the movement for a great Baptist college here has met with wide-spread encouragement. It was a unique experience to have on my soliciting committee 3 Episcopalians, including the rector; 4 Methodists; 1 Jew 1 Christian Scientist; 1 man of no church affiliation; and 3 Baptists; and all these soliciting money for a Baptist college. It was also unique to receive splendid subscriptions and hearty support from everybody including Catholics, even Negroes volunteering substantial subscriptions. In a house to house canvass of a city of sixteen thousand people, we found only three or four knockers.

I was very happy to have with me through a part of the campaign, Professor M. W. Robinson of Martin, Tennessee, who rendered much valuable assistance. People were so pleased with him that he was enthusiastically asked by the Board of Trustees to accept the Vice-Presidency of the college, and he has signified his acceptance. Since we have spent many years together in school work, it will be very pleasing to each of us again to be associated in this work.

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A PSALM OF THE HELPERS.

Henry Van Dyke. 1

He that turneth from the road to rescue another  
Turneth toward his goal;  
He shall arrive in due time by the  
footpath of mercy,  
God will be his guide.

He that taketh up the burden of the fainting,  
Lighteneth his own load;  
The Almighty will put His arms underneath him.  
He shall lean upon the Lord.

He that speaketh comforting words to mourners,  
Healeth his own heart;  
In his time of grief they will return to remembrance,  
God will use them for balm.

He that careth for the sick and wounded,  
Watcheth not alone;  
There are three in the darkness together,  
And the third is the Lord.

-Sel.

SAFETY FIRST.

The wintry wind swept up and down and across Cedarville's snowy streets in fitful, chilling gusts. The storm of the night before had been of such violence that the wind evidently had to calm down by degrees. So it blew the light, fine snow this way and that, lifted up the flaps of men's overcoats, caused people to lose their footing upon the slippery sidewalks, and played all manner of queer pranks.

As Fred Roberts and Karl Benton hurried to school they took scant notice of the damage done by the recent storm. Repeated warnings as to the penalty of tardiness had caused a change in Cedarville's school-going population. Now, when they knew they were in danger of

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Those whose hair is turning gray or becoming faded have a surprise awaiting them, because after one or two applications the gray hair vanishes and your locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful.

This is the age of youth. Gray-haired, unattractive folks aren't wanted around, so get busy with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound to-night and you'll be delighted with your dark, handsome hair and your youthful appearance within a few days.

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being late, they hurried.

"One of us is going to slip if we don't slow up soon," said Karl, panting. "I'd rather be punished for being late than bump my head upon this icy walk, anyway, I think we can make it."

Fred slackened his pace a little.

"I guess we can. We oughtn't to have stopped so long fooling with that new compressed-air engine of yours."

"No; that's right. Look out—step over that wire."

Fred laughed. "I saw the man ahead of me step over it, so I didn't need your warning. It must have been coated with ice too heavily and given away to the strain."

Karl looked serious. "If that is the case, it's a live wire. We ought to notify some one."

"Plenty of people must have seen it already. Let one of them do it."

They were still walking toward the school, turning off Linden Avenue, across one sidewalk of which the wire had fallen, they entered Birch Street, at the lower end of which stood the school. They would just about reach the building on time.

"Fred I'm still worried about that wire. Suppose some one shouldn't notice it, and step on it?"

"What's the difference? You don't know that it's alive. Besides, I saw two or three men step over it. Everyone sees it."

"But every one isn't careful. I don't know what to do."

Karl pictured in his mind some one stepping on the wire and being killed, and he thought of how he would feel afterward. "Better safe than sorry." No longer was he doubtful about what to do.

"I'm going back to the Main Street drug store and call up about that wire. You tell Mr. Hamilton that I'll be late."

Fred, grumbling something about boys being foolish for not looking after themselves first, hurried on, while Karl sped back toward the drug store.

He notified the police department and the public service company, in each case giving the location of the fallen wire. The police captain thanked Karl and promised to send a man to warn pedestrians away from the danger until the electricians could remove it.

As Karl trudged schoolward once more, the streets were deserted as far as his school-mates were concerned. They were all busy studying. But Karl felt that he had done his duty and his heart was light.

When Karl and Fred turned into Linden Avenue, that noon, homeward-bound, they were surprised to see a group of people near where the wire had been. The boys approached rapidly, anxious to see what had drawn the crowd.

The group was collected about a huge policeman, near whom there lay in a crumpled heap a large dog.

"It was a shame to do it," the policeman was saying, "but there was no other way."

"How did it happen?" one man asked.

"Well, I was standing here warning the people to take the other side of the street, and I never noticed the dog slip in behind me. Before I knew it he was on that wire and in such pain that I had to shoot him. To try to pull him off would have been as bad as to touch the wire itself, and I couldn't stand to see him suffer."

Just then the electricians' wagon drew up, and a man with rubber gloves got off and examined the wire. After a brief inspection he climbed back into the wagon for his nippers and some other tools.

"That wire," he announced to the group around him, "is charged with eleven thousand volts. It is almost a miracle that some person didn't meet the dog's fate before the danger was discovered."

Karl and Fred started on homeward. Anyone observing them would have been surprised at their silence—they were evidently thinking hard.

"Karl," said Fred at last, "I'm somewhat wiser than I was this morning. I'm

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awfully glad that you didn't take my advice and disregard the wire."

"So am I," replied Karl with a smile, and the wind sang merrily through the trees as if it heartily approved the words of the two chums.—Raleigh E. Ross, in Sunday School Advocate.

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Louise had made loud and repeated calls for more turkey at the Christmas dinner. After she had disposed of a liberal quantity she was told that too much turkey would make her sick. Looking wistfully at the fowl for a moment she said:

"Well, give me a snuzzer piece an' send for the doctor."



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A New Yorker, who is accustomed each year to pass a few weeks with a farmer in Dutchess county, says that once in notifying the latter of his intention to make the usual visit he wrote as follows:

"There are several little matters that I should like to see changed if my family and I decide to spend our vacation at your house. We don't like the girl Martha. And in the second place, we do not think it is sanitary to have a pigsty so near the house."

In reply the farmer said: "Martha went last week. We ain't had no hogs about the place since you were here last September."



# AMONG THE BRETHREN.

By Fleetwood Ball.

Rev. S. P. Poag of Durant, Miss., writes: "My work as pastor of Eastland church, Nashville, from the beginning had the stamp of God's approval. Many were enlisted and a large number added to the church. No month passed but that we received by letter and baptism from two to four more than there were Sundays in the month."

Evangelist W. M. Anderson of Birmingham, Ala., writes: "I go from Jasper, Ala., to the First church, Mobile, to help Dr. J. W. Phillips. Then to the First church, Albany, Ga. Hope to see you in New Orleans."

Mrs. Martin Ball of Clarksdale, Miss., writes: "Our church was burned, but the parsonage is safe and we are busy getting a place to have service Sunday. Had just eaten dinner and some one ran in to tell us the church was on fire. Everything possible was done to save it and the homes near it, but the church went. We will do all we can to help the people in this hour of trial."

An offer of \$91,400 has been made for the property of the First church, Knoxville, Tenn., on Gay street by two gentlemen who have in mind plans for commercial development of the property. The offer will be considered by the congregation, and, it is said, probably accepted. It is proposed that the church purchase and build a new house upon the ancestral Park family estate. They need more room since Len G. Broughton went there.

The recent revival at the First church, Jackson, Tenn., in which Dr. Luther Little did his own preaching, resulted in 70 additions. Dr. W. B. Riley of Minneapolis, Minn., was present on the last Sunday and preached, lecturing also after the revival. Dr. Little was never more effective in evangelistic work than with his own church.

Up to Sunday, March 25, there had been 57 additions to the Tabernacle church, Chattanooga, Tenn., in the revival in which Evangelist Sid Williams of San Antonio, Texas, is assisting Dr. J. B. Phillips. The meeting was expected to close last Sunday.

Dr. W. F. Powell of the First church, Chattanooga, Tenn., has invited Gov. Thos. C. Rye to be present and address the Sunday school on Sunday, April 8th. Gen. M. N. Whittaker and Hon. W. R. Crabtree seconded the invitation and it was thought Gov. Rye will accept. Assuredly they have invited the King of Kings and with Him and the Governor of Tennessee present the occasion promises to be notable.

The going of Dr. Allen Fort of the First church, Nashville, Tenn., to aid Dr. A. U. Boone of the First church, Memphis, in a revival beginning April 8th, means much for the spiritual upliftment of that church and city. We expect to hear of gracious results.

Last year the gifts of Deacon M. H. Wolfe of the First church, Dallas, Tex., amounted to more than \$20,000 to Baptist enterprises. He has already given \$7,500 this year. Baptists can use a whole pack of that species of Wolfe.

Forty years ago Oct. 1, Rev. D. I. Smith became pastor of the church at Grandview, Tex., and, with the exception of a few years, has held that relation since. Continuously for twenty-four years he has been the pastor. They are by no means tired of him yet.

Rev. W. B. Kendall has just closed a meeting with the First church, Paris, Texas, in which he did his own preaching.

There were 108 additions to the church. A highly educated and exceedingly intelligent Jew was among the converts.

Rev. G. H. Crutcher of Shreveport, La., lately assisted Rev. C. L. Wilson of Mt. Vernon, Texas, in a revival resulting in 19 additions, 17 by baptism. The singing was led by Rev. L. E. Lamb of Fort Worth, Texas.

Evangelist D. P. Montgomery of Blue Mountain, Miss., will move to South Carolina at an early date, having purchased a home in Greenville of that State. We regret to have him that much removed from Tennessee, where he has held such glorious meetings.

The First church, Shelbyville, Tenn., is in the midst of a revival in which the pastor, Rev. Sam P. White, is having for the second time the assistance of Evangelist T. T. Martin of Blue Mountain, Miss. Paul Montgomery and wife, as good as the best, have charge of the music. A gracious ingathering is expected.

Rev. W. M. Gamlin of Buchanan, Tenn., has been called to the care of the church at Big Sandy, Tenn., for half time and accepts. He hopes to inaugurate a revival there the fourth Sunday in August.

Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson of Grace Street church, Richmond, Va., closed his pastorate there Sunday, March 25, and began with Broadway church, Knoxville, Tenn., last Sunday. His last act in the Virginia pastorate was the reception of a large number of members resulting from a meeting he had held. The return of L. T. Wilson to Tennessee means much for the cause of the Master. The Richmond pastors gave him a handsome cane.

Evangelist T. T. Martin of Blue Mountain, Miss., is to assist Rev. J. A. Reiser of Lithonia, Ga., in a meeting beginning April 22. Bro. Martin is popular in Georgia and everywhere else he has labored.

Rev. W. L. Cutts resigns as pastor of the First church, Canton, Ga., in order to accept the presidency of the Mary P. Willingham school at Blue Ridge, Ga., effective May 1. He has done a good work during the nine years he has served the church he is leaving.

The recent revival at Bainbridge, Ga., in which the pastor, Rev. H. H. Shell, was assisted by Evangelist H. R. Holcomb and Singer M. J. Babbitt, there were 105 additions, 86 by baptism. It was possibly the best meeting the church ever had.

On the first Sunday of the great meeting at Dyersburg, Tenn., in which Evangelist John W. Ham of Atlanta, Ga., is doing the preaching, there was a total attendance of 4,000. It is a union meeting, though it is said Ham is a Baptist.

The First church, Lexington, Ky., of which Dr. J. W. Porter is pastor, will install a \$6,000 pipe organ with chimes August 1. But the music of the all-conquering gospel that they hear in that church every Sunday from their silver-tongued pastor beats all the pipe organs in the world.

Rev. H. W. Tiffany of Elkins, W. Va., has been called to the care of Deer Park church, Louisville, Ky., and accepts. They have secured a diamond on the Tiffany order.

Rev. W. M. Wood of First church, Mayfield, Ky., is assisting Rev. R. L. Shirley in a revival at Bardstown, Ky. Rumor has it that a strong, liberal Tennessee church, not a thousand miles from Mayfield, valiantly sought to move Dr. Wood, but unavailingly.

The church at Paragould, Ark., is pastorless, Rev. W. C. Wood having resigned. He has not indicated his plans for the future. He is a strong, capable man.

Again Homer nods! On the front page of the Baptist Flag, the pillar of punctilious orthodoxy, we find the title, "First Christian Church," used to designate what that paper usually calls the Campbellite church. Whither are we drifting? What will B. F. Vance say to that?

Rev. J. T. Early of Little Rock, Ark., formerly a Tennessee pastor, is aiding Rev. E. P. Alldredge in a revival in Immanuel church, Little Rock, Ark., which will close April 8. Bro. Early will then be available for meetings elsewhere.

Dr. Joshua Gravitt of Denver, Col., will assist Rev. R. L. Baker in a revival at the First church, New Orleans, La., beginning next Sunday. M. E. Dodd says of Dr. Gravitt: "He is one of the greatest preachers of grace in the land."

Evangelist P. G. Elsom and singer, John Imrie, who are just concluding meetings in Lander, Wyoming, will assist Dr. B. P. Robertson of Valence Street church, New Orleans, La., in meetings to begin next Sunday. The singer is a native of Scotland and received his education there.

In the recent meeting at Pineville, La., in which Rev. W. A. Jordan of Central church, New Orleans, La., assisted Rev. E. Godbold, there were 39 additions, 25 by baptism. Many of the pupils of Louisiana College were converted.

The farewell service of Dr. W. H. Ryals as pastor of the First church, Paris, Tenn., on Sunday night, March 25, was tender and affecting. All the churches of the town worshipped with the Baptist congregation that night. For 28 years he has been a pastor in Tennessee and for 13 years at Paris. That church has grown in membership during that time from 145 to 365, and in gifts to benevolences from \$450 to \$8,000. It is understood that Dr. Ryals will move to Trenton, Ky., retiring to farm. Tennessee loses a princely, Christian gentleman, and fine preacher.

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Ripley, April 17-19, 1917.

President, E. L. Bass, Memphis; Secretary-Treasurer, Fleetwood Ball, Lexington.

### PROGRAM.

Tuesday Night.

7:30—Devotions, President E. L. Bass, Memphis.

8:00—Convention Sermon, O. W. Taylor, Trenton; alternate, E. F. Adams, Gibson.

Wednesday Morning.

9:00—Devotional Hour, "The Divine Power of Jesus Manifested in Miracles," (at Cana) John 2:1-11, A. W. Hill, Newbern.

9:30—Enrollment of Delegates; Organization; Recognition of Visitors; Address of Welcome, J. W. Storer, Ripley; Response, I. N. Penick, Martin; Reports of Associational Superintendents; Appointment of Committees.

10:30—"Promoting Sunday School Interest in West Tennessee," V. D. Filson, Chattanooga.

11:15—"Great Sunday Schools," L. P. Leavell, Louisville.

12:00—Announcements; Lunch.

Afternoon.

2:00—Devotional Hour, "The Divine Power of Jesus Manifested in Miracles," (The Nobleman's Son) John 4:46-54, H. A. Todd, Union City.

2:30—"The Influence of Music in the Sunday School," D. R. Mitchener, Memphis.

3:00—"A Sunday School Service Demonstrated," W. D. Hudgins, Estill Springs, assisted by W. Dan Majors.

3:30—Conference, "The Intermediate Department," L. P. Leavell, Louisville.

4:15—Adjournment.

Night.

7:30—Devotional Hour, "The Divine Power of Jesus Manifested in Miracles," (The Man at the Pool) John 5:1-15, T. Riley Davis, Covington.

8:00—"The Normal Course of the Sunday School Board," L. P. Leavell, Louisville.

8:30—"Relation of Sunday School to Missions," W. S. Wiley, Muskogee, Okla.

Thursday Morning.

9:00—Devotional Hour, "The Divine Power of Jesus Manifested in Miracles," (Multiplying Food) John 6:1-14, Roswell Davis, Memphis.

9:30—"Rallying and Promoting,"—What They Can Do, W. D. Hudgins, Estill Springs.

10:00—"Primary Equipment and Organization Demonstrated," Miss Katie Klutts and Mrs. J. W. Storer.

10:45—"Juniors, the Age of Great Opportunity," Miss Martha Bourne, Memphis.

11:15—"Our Infallible Guide to Faith and Practice," J. W. Porter, Lexington, Ky.

12:00—Adjournment; Lunch.

Afternoon.

2:00—Devotional Hour, "The Divine Power of Jesus Manifested in Miracles," (The Man Born Blind) John 9:1-25, J. E. Skinner, Jackson.

2:30—"Some Things that Help," W. S. Wiley, Muskogee, Okla.

3:00—Open Conference, "Teacher's Problems," J. T. Harder, Humboldt.

3:30—Reports of Committees; Nominations, Resolutions, Finance.

4:15—Adjournment.

Night.

7:30—Devotional Hour, "The Divine Power of Jesus Manifested in Miracles," (Lazarus Raised), John 11:38-46, R. E. Downing, Halls.

8:00—"The Sunday School as an Evangelistic Field," Luther Little, Jackson.

8:45—Final words and adjournment.

Rev. J. W. Storer, Ripley, Tenn., Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, requests you to send him your name at once that you may be assigned a home.

The Southeastern Passenger Association will give reduced rates on the certificate plan.

Program W. M. U. of West Tennessee April 16-17, 1917.

Mrs. T. L. Martin, President; Mrs. J. T. Harris, Sec.-Treas.

Monday Night.

7:45—Annual Sermon, R. W. Wea-

## The Composition of Coca-Cola and its Relation to Tea

Prompted by the desire that the public shall be thoroughly informed as to the composition and dietetic character of Coca-Cola, the Company has issued a booklet giving a detailed analysis of its recipe which is as follows:

*Water, sterilized by boiling (carbonated); sugar, granulated, first quality; fruit flavoring extracts with caramel; acid flavorings, citric (lemon) and phosphoric; essence of tea—the refreshing principle.*

The following analysis, by the late Dr. John W. Mallet, Fellow of the Royal Society and for nearly forty years Professor of Chemistry in the University of Virginia, shows the comparative stimulating or refreshing strength of tea and Coca-Cola, measured in terms of the refreshing principle:

Black tea—1 cupful	1.54
(hot) (5 fl. oz.)	
Green tea—1 glassful	2.02
(cold) (6 fl. oz. exclusive of ice)	
Coca-Cola—1 drink, 8 fl. oz.	1.21
(fountain) (prepared with 1 fl. oz. Syrup)	
Coca-Cola—1 drink, 8 fl. oz.	1.12
(bottlers) (prepared with 1 fl. oz. Syrup)	

From the above recipe and analysis, which are confirmed by all chemists who have analyzed these beverages, it is apparent that Coca-Cola is a carbonated, fruit-flavored modification of tea of a little more than one-half its stimulating strength.

A copy of the booklet referred to above will be mailed free on request, and The Coca-Cola Company especially invites inquiry from those who are interested in pure food and public health propaganda. Address

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Tuesday Morning.

10:00—Devotional, Mrs. Sue Du-

pree.

10:15—Welcome Address, Mrs. J.

W. Storer.

10:25—Response, Mrs. L. M. Short.

10:35—Reports of Vice President

and Secretary.

10:50—Three Minute Echoes, from

District Superintendents, Mrs. E. M.

Hicks, Mrs. A. Griggs, Mrs. S. E.

Brummel, Mrs. Orah Darnell, Mrs.

Dora M. Hensley, Mrs. Burt Dunbar,

Mrs. Fannie Brown, Mrs. T. L. Mar-

tin; Solo, Miss Sarah Owen.

11:15—"Our Training Schools,"

Mrs. J. B. Gilbert, Miss Mary Cason.

11:35—Reports of Student Volun-

teer Convention, Miss Thelma Ryburn,

Miss Margaret Buchanan.

11:50—"An Ideal Missionary So-

ciety," Mrs. Fannie Flite. Open Dis-

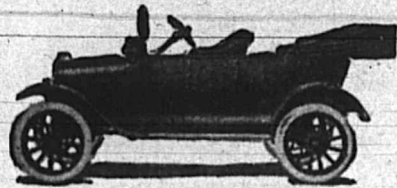
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12:00—Announcement; Lunch.

Afternoon.

2:00—Devotional, Mrs. A. B. Wal-

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## Nuxated Iron Should Be Used in Every Hospital and Prescribed by Every Physician, Says Dr. Howard James.

It quickly enriches the blood, strengthens the nerves and puts most astonishing youthful power and vigor into the veins of both men and women. It often increases the strength and endurance of delicate, nervous, run-down folks 100 per cent. in two weeks time.

Opinions of Dr. Ferdinand King, New York Physician and Medical Author, Dr. T. Alphonsus Wallace and other physicians who have tested Nuxated Iron in their own private practice.

In a very interesting and instructive discourse on the great value of plenty of iron in the blood, Dr. Howard James, said:

"A patient of mine remarked to me (after having been on a six week's course of Nuxated Iron),

"Say, Doctor, that there stuff is like magic."

Previous to using Nuxated Iron, I had been prescribing the various mineral salts of iron for years, only to meet complaints of discolored teeth, disturbed digestion, tied up, hardened secretions, etc., when I came across Nuxated Iron, an elegant, ingenious preparation containing organic iron, which has no destructive action on the teeth—no corrosive effect on the stomach, and which is readily assimilated into the blood and quickly makes its presence felt by increased vigor, snap and staying power.

"Iron is absolutely necessary to enable your blood to change food into living tissue. Without it, no matter how much or what you eat, your food merely passes through you without doing you any good. You don't get the strength out of it, and as a consequence you become weak, pale and sickly looking, just like a plant trying to grow in a soil deficient in iron.

As I have said a hundred times over, organic iron is the greatest of all strength builders. If people would only take Nuxated Iron when they feel weak or run-down. Instead of dosing themselves with habit forming drugs, stimulants and alcoholic beverages I am convinced that in this way they could ward off disease, preventing it becoming organic in thousands of cases and thereby the lives of thousands might be saved who now die every year from pneumonia, grippe, kidney, liver, heart trouble and other dangerous maladies. The real and true cause which started their diseases was nothing more nor less than a weakened condition brought on by lack of iron in the blood.

"Thousands of people suffer from iron deficiency and do not know it.

If you are not strong or well, you owe it to yourself to make the following test: See how long you can work or how far you can walk without becoming tired. Next take two five grain tablets of Nuxated Iron three times per day after meals for two weeks, then test your strength again and see how much you have gained. From my own experience with Nuxated Iron I feel it is such a valuable remedy that it should be kept in every hospital and prescribed by every physician in this country.

Dr. E. Sauer, a Boston Physician, has studied both in this country and great European medical institutions, was asked what he thought of Dr. James' remarks. In reply, he said: "I

fully agree with Dr. James. People need more iron. There can be no strong, vigorous iron men and beautiful, healthy women without iron. Not long ago a man came to me who was nearly half a century old and asked me to prelininary for life insurance. I was astonished with the sure of a boy as full of vig vitality as a in fact a he really was



Dr. Howard James tells physicians he believes that more Nuxated Iron should be prescribed to meet the great problem of iron deficiency, with its attendant symptoms of weakness, nervousness, lack of vitality, paleness, and generally rundown conditions.

WARNS AGAINST USE OF ORDINARY METALLIC IRON so commonly taken by most people.

standing his age. The secret, he said, was taking iron—Nuxated Iron had filled him with renewed life. At 80, he was in bad health; at 46 he was careworn and nearly all in—now at 50, after taking Nuxated Iron, a miracle of vitality and his face beaming with the buoyancy of youth."

Dr. A. J. Newman, formerly House Surgeon Jefferson Park Hospital, Chicago, in connection with the value of Nuxated Iron said: "This remedy has proven through my own test of it to excel any preparation I have ever used for creating red blood, building up the nerves, strengthening the muscles and correcting di-

gestive disorders. The manufacturers are to be congratulated in having given to the public a long felt want, a true tonic supplying iron in an easily digested and assimilated form. A true health builder in every sense of the word."

Dr. T. Alphonsus Wallace, a physician of many years' experience in this country and who has been given many honorary titles in England, was next asked to give an opinion on Nuxated Iron. Dr. Wallace said:

"I do not make a practice of recommending advertised medicinal products, but I have found Nuxated Iron so potent in nervous, run-down conditions, that I believe all should know of it. The men and women of today need more iron in their blood than was the case twenty or thirty years ago. This because of the demineralized diet which now is served daily in thousands of homes and also because of the demand for greater resistance necessary to offset the greater number of health hazards to be met at every turn."

The next to be consulted was Dr. Ferdinand King, a New York physician and medical author, who said:

"I heartily concur in all that Dr. James has said, only in some respects I would go further. Dr. James forgets to mention how foods lose their iron value by improper methods of cookery. In the most common foods of America, the starches, sugars, table syrups, candies, polished rice, white bread, soda crackers, biscuits, macaroni, spaghetti, tapioca, sago, farina, degerminated corn meal, no longer is iron to be found. Refining processes have removed the iron of Mother Earth from these impoverished foods and silly methods of home cookery, by throwing down the waste-pipe the water in which our vegetables are cooked is responsible for another grave iron loss. Therefore, if you wish to preserve your youthful vim and vigor to a ripe age, you must supply the iron deficiency in your food by using some form of organic iron—Nuxated Iron, just as you would use salt when your food has not enough salt."

NOTE—Nuxated Iron, which is prescribed and recommended above by physicians in such a great variety of cases, is not a patent medicine nor secret remedy, but one which is well known to druggists and whose iron constituents are widely prescribed by eminent physicians everywhere. Unlike the older inorganic iron products it is easily assimilated, does not injure the teeth, make them black, nor upset the stomach; on the contrary, it is a most potent remedy in nearly all forms of indigestion as well as for nervous, run down conditions. The manufacturers have such great confidence in nuxated iron, that they offer to forfeit \$100.00 to any charitable institution if they can not take any iron from a woman who lacks iron, and increase their strength 100 per cent. or over in four weeks' time, provided they have no serious organic trouble. They also offer to refund your money if it does not at least double your strength and endurance in ten days time. It is dispensed by all good druggists.

### SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION COMMITTEE,

B. P. ROBERTSON, Gen. Chm'n.

C. A. RAMSEY, Sec.

Dr. Wm. J. Cambron writes:

"Permit me to say through columns of the Baptist and Reflector, to my brethren in Tennessee, that the past fall and winter has been a fruitful season with me in the Lord's work.

In the seven meetings conducted since the opening of the season in November, 1916, more than 525 persons have made a profession of faith in my meetings. I have held three meetings in Pennsylvania and four in West Virginia. In one of these 134 made professions, and there were hundreds of reconsecrations. In another 125 made profession; in another 80, and in none were there less than 40 to make profession. My next engagement is with the First Baptist church of Staunton, Va. About May 15th, I purpose to return to Tennessee, where I may be addressed for the summer at Flintville. If I may be of service to my brethren in special meetings during the summer months, it would afford me real pleasure to render such service. Mail addressed to me at Flintville, Tenn., will receive prompt attention."

Mark Twain once addressed an audience in the interest of his fellow-townsmen, General Joseph Hawley, who was a candidate for re-election to the United

### 10 CENT "CASCARETS" IF BILIOUS OR COSTIVE

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States Senate, and said in the course of a droll address: General Hawley deserves your support, although he has about as much influence in purifying the Senate as a bunch of flowers would have in sweetening a glue factory. But he's all right; he never would turn any poor beggar away from his door empty-handed. He always gives them something—almost without exception a letter of introduction to me, urging me to help them."



# "The Present Educational System In Tennessee Is Top-Heavy"

These are the words of a distinguished member of the Tennessee Senate, a man who has been actively interested for many years in educational matters. Is the statement true? Consider the following facts gathered from the official reports of the State and the nation.

## TENNESSEE LEADS THE SOUTH

1. In the number of her universities and colleges.
2. In the number of college students enrolled; only one other State, Texas, having a larger number.
3. In the number of high school students; being surpassed by only two States, Virginia and Texas.

## The Present Legislation Favors the State Institutions for Higher Education

The University of Tennessee has been given \$1,000,000.00 in bonds. The State appropriation for the annual expenses of the University has been increased three-fold by the imposing of a special levy throughout the State, bringing in for the University an annual income of \$355,000.00. This sum, \$355,000.00, is just one-half of the amount given by the State of Tennessee last year to all the country schools in the State.

The report of the President shows that the University of Tennessee had enrolled last year at Knoxville 734 students. The counties, leaving out the cities, had last year a school population of 606,510.

The normal schools, now five in number, will receive their usual appropriation of about \$145,000.00 annually, but may be given bonds, a bill to this effect is pending, to the amount of \$625,000.00. Including the bond issues, the University of Tennessee and the State Normals, will receive from the State during the next two years nearly twice as much as will be given from the State funds for the support of the rural schools. Leaving out the summer schools, a total enrollment of the University and the Normal Schools was 3,126. The enrollment of the rural or common elementary schools for the same period was 392,956.

## EXCEPTING SOUTH CAROLINA, TENNESSEE LEADS THE NATION IN THE SHORTNESS OF ITS COMMON OR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TERM.

South Carolina is the only State in the Union which has a shorter term. Tennessee ranks sixth among the States of the Union in the number of her colleges and universities; and Tennessee ranks forty-seventh among the States of the Union in providing elementary education for the children below the high school grades.

California, Washington, North Dakota and Nevada, expend five times as much upon each child in the elementary grades as Tennessee is now expending. The amount which this State expended for the education of each child in the rural school was less than one-third of the amount expended in the States of the Union outside of the North.

Last year \$8,600,000.00 was reported as having been expended for public school education in Tennessee. Over one-half of this amount was expended in the counties of Shelby, Davidson, Hamilton, Knox, Maury, Montgomery, Obion and Tipton. These eight counties have over one-half of the wealth of the State. In these counties the school tax levied by the county is low, but the schools have abundance.

Under our present system the institutions which demand a high school preparation, a preparation that the children in the poor counties cannot get, because of the short term of the rural school, are receiving from the State large appropriations.

The fat counties, with hundreds of millions of dollars in taxable property, are able to furnish in buildings, courses of study, length of term, educational opportunities unsurpassed anywhere in this country. The counties that are poor have a high tax levy for their public schools, but the income is inadequate and they are not able to furnish a school term of the length that the State is under moral obligation to give. The 39 Baptist counties of the State, counties in which the Baptists outnumber all others combined, had last year in their rural schools, sessions of only 102 days, and yet these counties were imposing a tax upon themselves more than twice as great as that imposed by Shelby County.

The conclusion of the whole matter is this: The sessions of the elementary schools in Tennessee are not being lengthened. In some sections, through consolidation and supervision improvement is evident. In other sections, according to report filed by the State, no progress is shown.

The friends of the University and of the Normal Schools are always present when the Legislature meets, and the friends of the elementary schools are not heard, because they are not able to attend the sessions of the Legislature.

The rich counties are not bearing their share of the burden of ignorance in the State. They call attention to the fact that they are giving to the cause of education through the 15c levy made by the State, more than they get back, and flatter themselves that they are the benefactors of the State at large. The rich counties must be taught by law what the Apostle Paul taught long ago, that the strong must bear the burdens of the weak.

We are doing too much for the favored few; we are doing too little for the six hundred thousand country boys and girls.

RUFUS W. WEAVER,  
Secretary of Christian Education.