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The Opportunity of the Organized Class

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In these unusual days much emphasis is being placed upon the importance of the individual. Dr. McGlothlin said in an address: "The war is being waged to determine whether an institution or the individual will rule." Another speaker recently said: "Every person is not an individual, it takes more than mere existence to become an individual; there must be some distinguishing characteristic."

Baptist churches are composed of individuals whose distinguishing characteristics are that they have been saved by individual faith in the Lord Jesus and are voluntarily co-operating to win the world back to him.

Organized classes are composed for the most part of individuals. By far the larger part of the membership have as the distinguishing characteristic an honest desire to know more of God's word and to help others to know, to feel, to believe.

The Southern Baptist Convention, through its authorized agency, the Sunday School Board, is appealing to the churches to so organize the Intermediate, Senior and Adult classes that systematic effort will be made to win everyone to the Sunday school, to faith in Christ and to membership in the churches.

The editor of a prominent daily newspaper recently wrote: "Christianity, the bedrock of American civilization, must save the world from destruction." It is apparent to any thinking person that every effort must be made to get Christians to read the Bible more, to read the denominational papers more, and to widen their vision and to more closely relate themselves to the work of the kingdom through their church and denomination.

The special effort of the Organized Class Department of the Sunday School Board has all of these things in view, and to that end has issued a large amount of literature which is being sent to the registered classes and to about fifteen hundred teachers whose names we have recently secured.

There are many reasons why a special effort just at this time is desirable. The first draft for the army took practically all of the young men who have been workers in the churches; this second draft is on now and will in all probability take a large number of the best trained men. The work of the churches MUST be conserved, which means that many men and women who have hitherto been inactive must come to the rescue.



HARRY L. STRICKLAND

We are earnestly asking pastors, superintendents, teachers and members of organized classes to cooperate in this movement.

OUR AIM IN THIS DRIVE

1. An effort to enlist every church member and thousands of others as active members of the Sunday school.
2. The organization of every class above the Junior Department.
3. The registration with the Sunday School Board of every class not now registered.
4. The enlistment of thousands of church members in the classes in larger service in Sunday school, church and denomination.
5. The securing of 5,000 new subscribers to *Home and Foreign Fields*, and 500 new subscribers to the *Baptist and Reflector*.
6. The winning of the unsaved in your school to a personal faith in Jesus Christ, to church membership and to enlistment in active service.
7. The enlistment of every church member in systematic and proportionate giving to missions, to benevolences, and to local church support.
8. The enrolling in the B. Y. P. U. and other church activities of all those not now enrolled.

There are more than a million members of Baptist churches in the South not now in the Sunday school. There are probably two million members of Baptist churches in the South who are having small, if any, part in Kingdom work.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Familiarize yourself with the aims and purposes of this drive.

Give aid whenever and wherever possible.

THERE IS A DECIDED ADVANTAGE

In enrolling your class with the Sunday School Board:

It puts you in touch with a great South-wide movement that is destined to include the great majority of all Baptist Organized Classes.

It entitles you to receive a large amount of free literature that is sent only to registered classes.

It enables you to tell, through the *Organized Class Magazine* and *Supplement*, thousands of other classes when you do a thing worth while.

It gives you through the same mediums the successful operations of other classes.

It costs only twenty-five cents, and there are no further dues or expenses.

You receive a beautifully engraved Certificate of Registration.

October a Month for Friends

We want

500 New Ones

To be Introduced by:

1. Members of Organized Classes.
2. Present Subscribers.
3. New Friends Themselves.

Why become a friend:

1. We need you.
2. You need us.
3. The paper is vital to Baptists.
4. Baptists must be informed.
5. The Baptist program is pushed.
6. Kingdom affairs are advanced.

What it means to us:

The Baptists of Tennessee must cooperate in a larger way in order that they may have a denominational paper. The cost of material has so increased that we can not pay expenses upon our present subscription list.

**Let the subscriptions roll in.
Price \$2.00 a year.**

We will publish the list
of our new friends.

THE BAPTIST and REFLECTOR
Nashville, Tennessee

OFF FOR THE ORIENT.

J. F. Love, Corresponding Secretary.

This farewell note and initial article of a series which we hope to send back to our friends from Japan and China is to be dropped off at Victoria, the last point at which our ship stops on its way out to the Pacific Ocean through Puget Sound, from Seattle, Washington.

Passports have passed inspection, baggage has been examined and we are aboard the Kamo Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line. Mrs. Love is with us by order and generous kindness of dear friends, for which we feel a gratitude we can not express. The work of the years has called for so much of separation that this provision for her to accompany me on this trip to the mission fields is greater kindness than our thoughtful friends can probably realize. Mrs. Love shares with me the intense anxiety that the trip shall be made a blessing to the missionaries and of great and lasting value to the work.

As this first article is to give my readers a sort of running start in following us to the other side of the world and back again, I will include a line or two about the transcontinental trip from Richmond to Seattle.

Leaving Richmond by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad and changing from this line for the "Big Four" at Cincinnati, we reached Chicago a few hours late. We stopped there for the final preparations and arrangements of the trip. The big War Exposition was just starting and we were given a high school girl's "thrill" by being near the postoffice when it was dynamited, leaving the dead and maimed as its memorial.

From Chicago we came straight to Seattle on the famous "Olympian," of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, a distance of 2,200 miles. This great system has a trackage of more than 11,000 miles, and boasts of the longest piece of electrically-operated railway in the world. A young Southerner, Mr. J. G. Bunting, is the comptroller of the road.

Some such trip as this transcontinental one is needed to help the average American realize the bigness and greatness of his country. The train gave us a typically western performance, which some eastern railroads might do well to imitate: it made the 2,200 miles without change of cars and came into Seattle on the minute. Such vast areas of farming, cattle, mining and timber lands as this road crosses! Variety and abundance of crops, the evidence of fabulous wealth, and scenery, alternately the most beautiful and grand, arouse the enthusiasm of the traveler along the whole road. One cannot help reflecting upon the views and utterances of certain United States Senators at the time of the settlement of the dispute over the great Northwest, then called the Oregon Country. Some famous men like Webster, Clay, Benton and Calhoun took part in the discussion, pro and con. One of these wise statesmen said at the time that the whole country was not worth "a pinch of snuff," and another, arguing that the intervening mountains put it out of reach, said that if there were but one sandbank through which a road could be cut for five dollars he would not favor paying the five dollars. God is wiser than men and a divine Providence seems to have given us this great Northwest country. Railroad companies have expended millions in cross-

ing and tunnelling the great mountains and laying tracks. Millions of wealth now flow back east each year to reward American enterprise.

Seattle, on the site of which a dozen pioneers pitched their tents just before the Civil War, is now a city of nearly four hundred thousand population, is growing at a wholesale rate and shows signs of great wealth as well as the usual western push.

Northern Baptists and the Home Mission Society have a mighty task and challenge as well as a thrilling opportunity before them in this marvelous and vigorous Northwest. By making evangelical Christianity and the denomination strong and vital here they can secure by this an impact upon Japan and the Far East and will give certainty to our foreign mission enterprise. A Christian statesmanship which concentrates upon this home mission task and turns Christian resources into it will not fail of its reward nor be ashamed of its achievement.

For sixteen days we shall be out of reach of mailing facilities. We shall next write from Japan.

CHRIST'S INTERVIEWS.

By Charles Melancthon Jones.

The "Interview" plays a large part in our modern life, and is the desire and despair of the man who wishes to be put right with the public. The politician and the preacher are sometimes the disgusted victims of the blunder or the malice of the reporter, but even so the interview is a necessary evil. "In the days of his flesh" our Master suffered from the evil-minded reporter, but the interviewer often came to grief, so that he "dared ask no more questions." On the other hand, with such sympathetic reporters as the writers of the gospel accounts we have every reason to be grateful.

The earliest gospel interview is merely suggested, when two of John's disciples were by him made aware of the surprising commission of the divine cousin. The new Master noticed and welcomed the first approaches of these followers, promptly offered his hospitality, and so opened up that intimate fellowship of which John long after spoke so tenderly and beautifully.

In our Lord's opening ministry there were two interviews which are given somewhat in full, and placed so close together that we cannot help noting the contrasts of personality and purpose. In the one case a "man of the Pharisees" is the conventional interviewer of the "teacher from God"; in the other case this "Teacher" is the unconventional interviewer of a "woman," to the wonder of the disciples. As to social standing the "man" appears in the record as named and rich and reputable; the "woman" as nameless, poor and impure, and at first shameless, for she could jumble sex and sectarianism. Nicodemus was a Pharisee or Puritan at the best; the woman of Sychar was almost a sinner at the worst, for to "consecutive polygamy" she had finally added a frankly illicit companionship. And while under these diverse conditions the one was a Jew and the other a Samaritan, in disdainful feud with each other, our Lord, himself a Jew, passed a passive relation to the "man of the Pharisees" to a very positive interest in the soul of the woman at Jacob's well. And later our Lord balanced the evil reputation against the Samaritan name by making the hero

of an act of the greatest social kindness to be a Samaritan, and giving the credit of unique gratitude to God to another of the same despised class. It is interesting to note how wisely the Good Physician prescribed for the differently affected and afflicted man and woman of these two great chapters of John's gospel. Like Saul the Pharisee, Nicodemus probably had a more sensitive conscience than cordial affection, and to him the remedy was a rebirth into the divinely love-given and world-wide gospel of a faith working by love. But the woman of Sychar, on the other hand, needed "a new conscience for an ancient evil," and more than that, a new zest for "the life indeed," ceasing to be dead while she lived a life of pleasure, her heart no longer a miasmatic swamp but a purely beautiful and refreshing upspringing of an ever-flowing fountain. In a word "the master in Israel" had been, to use a colloquial expression, "long" on conscience, but "short" on love; the woman at Jacob's well had been just the reverse. The former needed a vision of the kind in heart, the latter the vision of the pure in heart; the former the illumination of First Corinthians Thirteen, and the latter that of Romans Six. And so Nicodemus, like the expert seeker for goodly pearls, found the Pearl of great price, while the woman at the well, like the one who stumbled on the hidden treasure, asked in her neighbors to rejoice with her over the recovery of the lost coin of her soul.

Over interesting intervening interviews we must hasten to some remarkable ones at the close. Jesus was on his last journey to Jerusalem, and it was just before he reached Jericho, where a quite contrasted interview was sought, that a rich young ruler intercepted him on the way. In the contrasted interview at Jericho a wealthy chief of the publicans anticipated the Master's approach, and while seeking only a view, secured an interview. As we compare these incidents, it would seem that the rich young ruler was the more in earnest. He "kneeled" while the other "climbed"; the one from conviction, the other from curiosity. The former was seeking knowledge of eternal life, the latter the sight of a distinguished person. And the young ruler must have seemed the more hopeful case on account of his superior principles, not to say reputation. Supposing both to have been Jews, the one must have seemed to be "an Israelite indeed," the other a degenerate son of Jacob. But although the young ruler comes before us the better commended to our favor, we are surprised to notice that our Lord subjected the commendable moralist to an unsparing examination, while he complimented the contemptibly dishonest sight-seer with permission to play the host to him. Indeed, the Master's challenge of the reputable one was so severe that the man who came so earnestly confident went away discontented and disenchanted with the "Good Master"; while Zacchaeus, to whom the Lord would have seemed to have done and said nothing more than express a desire to dine with him, became the subject of a remarkable conversion. In the case of Zacchaeus, however, we must remember that the silence of the record is often eloquent, as of the suggested interview with Peter after the resurrection, over which the veil of a beautiful silence is drawn; what was said in the home of the master publican, or on the way, before the whole-hearted avowal was made, we do not know. Moreover, we remember our

Lord has chosen a publican for an apostle and that Levi had given a farewell dinner to his fellow publicans, which Jesus may have attended and addressed, and that he had been slurred as a friend of publicans. All of which may have awakened in Zacchaeus not only a curious interest, but also much spiritual concern; so that he needed only to meet Jesus in his own home and apart from the crowd and business to lead to the decision long pending in his conscience and heart.

Arrived at Jerusalem, and during the last few weeks of the Lord's earthly life, a significant interview was solicited which inspired in the Master's soul the foreview of the wide-reaching scope of his atonement. There they were, those Greeks, who wished to interview him, representatives of a most interesting people, leading in a little band, as the Hebrews in Palestine, a large life of permanent worth to the world. Unlike those Paul met at Athens, these did not "ignorantly worship" and may even have been among those who met Jesus and joined in that strange triumphal that caused Christ's enemies to mutter the foreboding, "The world has gone after him!" Mistaking the challenge of the royal cortege and pageant, these Greeks may have taken it all literally, and desired to interview the coming conqueror. To the Greeks of the days of Jesus it is probable that Themistocles, hero of Marathon and Salamis, was held in greater regard than the unambitious and self-sacrificing Leonidas of Thermopylae. And they may have heard Christ utter or later heard repeated his words in this connection with this occasion, or martyr and vicarious purpose: "Except a grain of wheat fall into the earth and die, it abideth by itself alone; but if it die, it beareth much fruit." "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself"; a doctrine that an orator equal to the greatest of the Greeks should confidently proclaim from Mars Hill at Athens, and in the Corinthian market places.—Ex.

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WORDS OF WISDOM.

Selected By R. P. Bond.

"Entire surrender to Jesus is the secret of perfect rest."—Meyer.

"When we talk about 'getting on,' we mean getting more money. Christ never 'got on.'"—H. P. Hughes.

"Many people start out a quest for information, not to test, but to prove, their opinions."—T. N. Pye.

"Governments have their origin in the moral identity of men."—Emerson.

"But after all, let this be a fixed point with us, that our own reflections and judgment alone must determine how far we shall receive that of which books and men inform us, and how far they are worthy of our assent and credit."—Isaac Watts.

"Self-trust is the essence of heroism."—Emerson.

"Duty is the sublimest word in our language."—R. E. Lee.

"The relations of the soul to the divine spirit are so pure that it is profane to seek to interpose help."—Emerson.

"This is the sum of all true righteousness: 'Treat others as thou wouldst thyself be treated.'"—Zoroaster.

CHRISTIANITY IN THE MAKING OF
AN ARMY.

J. B. Gambrell, D.D.

I repeat it over and over, few greater things have been said in my day than the following by President Wilson: "Christianity is the most inspiring force in human life." That sentence has in it the explanation of history, from the crucifixion of Jesus down to the present hour. Wherever Christianity has been introduced, men, families, tribes and nations have taken the upward way, and nations have gone up according as Christianity has been pure. The corruptions of Christianity have made for corruptions in society. The inspiring force of Christianity in individual human lives has made the great people who have made the great states.

It was the gradual substitution of a formal and materialistic faith for the living spirit of Christianity that hardened Germany, and prepared Germany for what has been developed in these latter years. If there had been free religion in Germany, if there had been Christian schools, the present war would never have occurred. Because vital Christianity ceased to dominate the life of the German people, they turned all of their scientific knowledge into channels leading to destruction.

It has come to pass that the nations of the earth have been compelled to take up arms to defeat a highly developed, scientific, specialized barbarism. I have not a shadow of doubt as to the rightness of the course pursued by the allied nations. My thinking does not run with that of the pacifist who can look on, hands down, while nations are destroyed and civilization is wrecked. The very existence of government carries with it the doctrine of force. There is just as much reason for the war we are in now as there is for the constabulary of the country to resist outlaws, for Germany is an outlaw-nation, made so by false teaching.

I haven't any doubt either, that it is the duty of America to put into the war whatever is necessary to wreck the German military machine and to make it impossible for the ruthless spirit of kaiserism to project itself into the future. It is a religious duty, or, it may be better to say that it is a patriotic duty, re-enforced by all the sanctions of Christianity. What I have just said implies that every one of us must be in the war, full length and full strength, until the huge task we have in hand is finished and finished right.

There have not been lacking indications that in military circles and even in religious circles an opinion prevails that the highest type of the soldier can be developed out of the spirit of mere revenge. I have seen, with deep regret, in some of the great publications of the country, expressions about exterminating the Germans. I am perfectly aware of the fact that some military men regard Christianity in its highest expression as having a softening effect on the morale of the army.

Christianity, "the most inspiring force in human life," will make the best soldiers. The best soldier is a man with a clear vision, with a firm grip on eternal verities, committed by all of the sanctions of Christianity to the full discharge of his duty. And he is a gentleman, always considerate of the weak and helpless, but terrible in battle.

By the consent of history, General R. E. Lee's army of Northern Virginia

was one of the most efficient armies the world ever saw. General Lee himself was a devout Christian, and, perhaps, since the days of Cromwell's invincible prayers there never was a more religious army. It was religious in the real sense. Christianity was free. Preaching at suitable times and places was as free in the army as out in the country. Great preachers of all denominations came and poured out their souls to men. There were great revivals; hundreds were converted; there was no attempt to restrain the emotions of men; hundreds were baptized, and not a few of them became preachers. Many dissolute, disorderly soldiers were converted under the free preaching of men who poured out their souls to their fellowmen, and these dissolute men became orderly. The morale of the army was helped; the order of the army was helped. There was not a thing that goes to make up a great army that was not helped by these free, spontaneous, religious services. These services had the sanction of the great generals.

I myself was in a prayer meeting with General Stonewall Jackson. It was spontaneous. My division was resting by the side of the road. Some one began to sing; many others joined in; then there were other songs and some soldier was called on to pray. There were more songs and more prayers. General Jackson riding by, took in the situation, rolled off of his horse (he never dismounted, he just rolled off), came and sat down on the ground with the common soldiers and waited with bowed head until the services were concluded. Nobody was hurt; everybody was helped.

The true policy for our army is to open it just as wide as military order and discipline will allow for the greatest preaching that can be done. Leave men free. They will take care of their religious convictions and emotions a great deal better than any set of men out of the camp can do it. Only look after the military order and discipline and then let the religion be free. Religion that is not free is never effective.

I have it from many sources that the light and frivolous entertainments for the soldiers are entirely overdone. The men are in serious business; they are manly; they want to hear the best preaching and they are entitled to hear it, and it is not the government's business that they believe and what they do with the Lord's message when they do hear it. A governmentally managed Christianity will never be powerful. This has been tried in all state churches. The principle is wrong.

That was the strangest reason anybody ever heard given by Secretary Keppel for removing camp pastors. In many cases they are stronger preachers than the chaplains, and when the soldiers hear them they will not hear the chaplains. According to my thinking, the soldiers have a right to hear the best preaching, and it does not belong to the government to regulate it. My belief is that the Christian people of this country ought to express themselves as favoring the freest possible preaching in the camps. I mean preaching limited only by the necessities of military order and discipline. Nothing will do so much to make a great army as to put a sense of God and of righteousness in the souls of men. Napoleon, the world's greatest master of the arts of war, said: "Soldiers march on their stomachs, but they fight with their souls." Nothing

will so strengthen the souls of men as the power of the gospel.

The people who are sending their sons to the army and are doing so much for the war ought to have every chance to re-enforce them. When I say the people, I mean all of the people—Catholics, Lutherans, Methodists, all sorts equally and alike. This is a sound doctrine and it will prove as good in practice as it is sound in principle.

THE BROOK THAT DRIED UP.

By Dr. A. T. Fowler.

"And the word of the Lord came unto him, saying, Hide thyself by the brook Cherith. . . . And it came to pass that after a while the brook dried up. . . . Get thee to Zarephath."

Here is the simple but wonderful story of God's providence—"Hide thee by the brook Cherith . . . after a while the brook dried up . . . get thee to Zarephath." First He permits us to come to the end of our resources before He leads us to richer sustenance. God always acts towards us with an end in view. His purpose is to help us to help ourselves. So sometimes His providence is manifest, and at other times very obscure, but it is always in love. He may not openly designate His guidance or blessing; the mark of its origin, like that on fine china or precious metal, has to be looked for, but it is always there. In the drying up of the brook, Elijah was confronted with a question, which men have been asking ever since—does God care? The failing brook was a part of the program of Divine assistance. To appreciate Zarephath there must be a Cherith for Elijah. Some of our richest experiences and clearest spiritual perceptions have come to us across the barren wastes of life. The arid regions of our experience have their ministries, as well as the green pastures and still waters. The faithful heart thanks God for the desert, as much as for the fertile field filled with golden grain. It is here our faith is often tried and sometimes perplexed. It is easy to believe in a providence which gives, but it is not so easy to recognize a love that takes away. "How providential," we say! When? When the brook is flowing full and free. When the life of a loved one is spared, a request granted, and an undertaking is successfully completed. To some people God's providence is simply getting all they want. Having every wish gratified. But disappointment, pain, sorrow, loss, frustrated plans, what of these? There is a providence of loss and failing things, as there is a providence that gives. Many a hard experience may prove a wonderful blessing. God's providence is not an end in itself, but a means to an end. It is for our discipline and development. For Elijah, Cherith was the resting place, not the destination. Before he could reach Zarephath he had to learn that God's purpose can overcome all circumstances. The ministry of the transient is that we may learn the value of the Eternal. Our failing brooks are our teachers—to have faith in God!—Selected.

HOW A FAMOUS POEM WAS
WRITTEN.

Admirers of Sam Walter Foss's poem, "The House by the Side of the Road," are many. The story of his writing it is known to few. He was an enthusiastic traveler, and on one of his trips through England he came, at

the top of a long hill, to a little unpainted house set almost in the road, so near it was. Near one side was a queerly constructed signpost finger, pointing to a well-worn path and a sign: "Come in and have a cool drink." Following the path, he found in the side of the bank, some distance from the house, a spring of ice-cold water into which a barrel had been sunk and above which hung an old-fashioned goad dipper. And on a bench near by—a wonder—was a basket of fragrant apples, with another sign: "Help yourself."

Scenting a story, he went back to the house, where he found a childless old couple in straitened circumstances, with the rocky farm as their only source of livelihood. But it was rich in the delicious spring water and an abundance of fruit; so the sign was placed guiding to the water, and from the time of the ripening of the first purple plum to the harvesting of the last red apple a basket of whatever fruit might be in season was placed near, that every one passing might rest upon the long hill and fresh himself.

The old gentleman explained that they were too poor to give money, so took this way to add their mite to the world's well-doing.

The beautiful thought and its real helpfulness so impressed Foss that he immortalized with his pen the spirit of the ideal home:

THE HOUSE BY THE SIDE OF THE
ROAD.

By Sam Walter Foss.

There are hermit souls that live withdrawn

In the peace of their self-content;
There are souls, like stars, that dwell apart,

In a fellowless firmament;
There are pioneer souls that blaze their paths

Where the highways never ran;
But let me live by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

Let me live in a house by the side of the road

Where the race of men go by—
The men who are good and the men who are bad,

As good and as bad as I;
I would not sit in the scorner's seat
Nor hurl the cynic's ban;

Let me live in a house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

I see from my house by the side of the road,

By the side of the highway of life,
The men who press with the ardor of hope,

The men who are faint with strife;
And I turn not away from their smiles
or their tears,

Both parts of the Infinite Plan;
Let me live in my house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road

Where the race of men go by;
They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong,

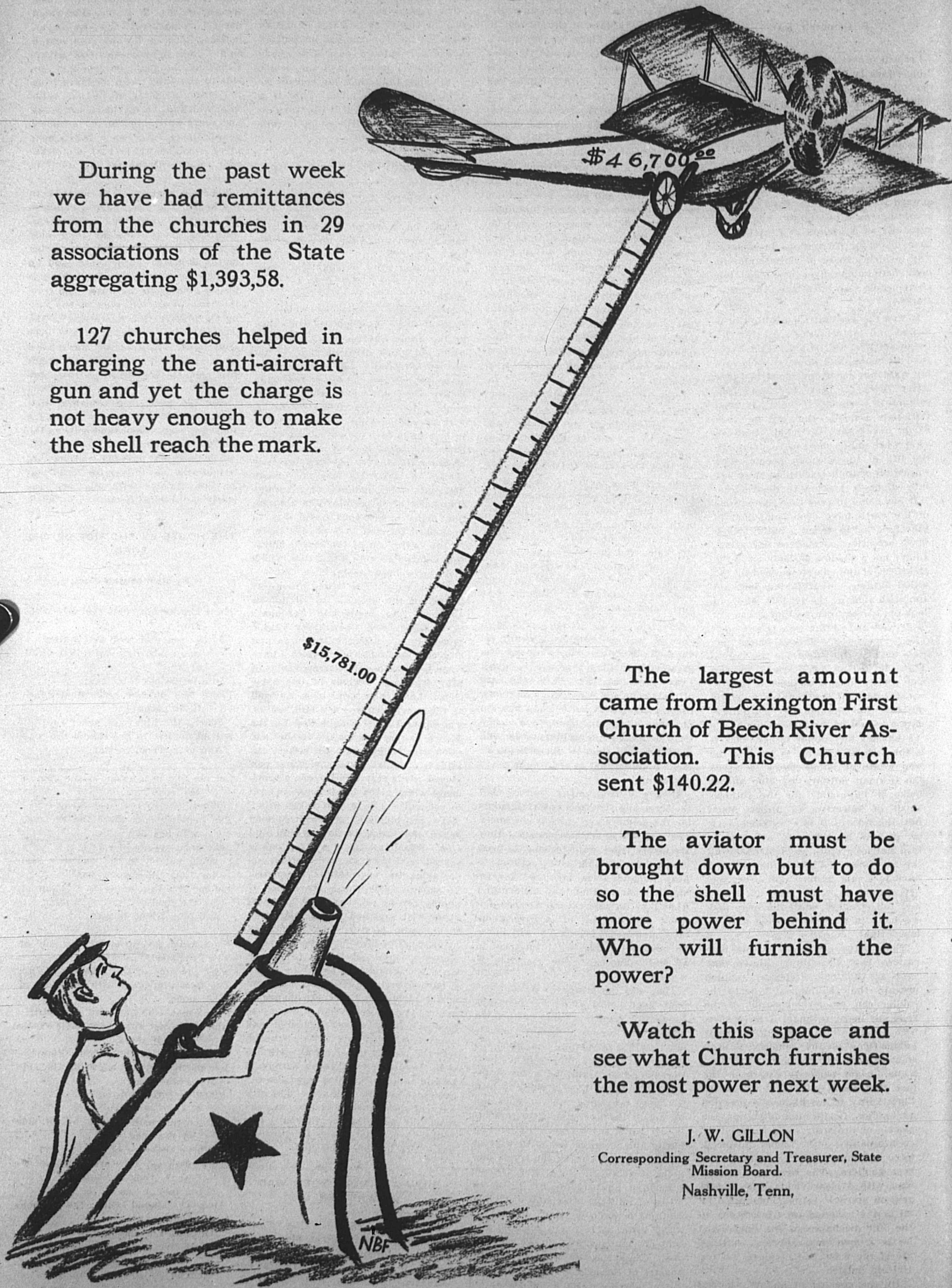
Wise, foolish—so am I;
Then why should I sit in the scorner's seat
Or hurl the cynic's ban?

Let me live in my house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

—Exchange.

During the past week we have had remittances from the churches in 29 associations of the State aggregating \$1,393,58.

127 churches helped in charging the anti-aircraft gun and yet the charge is not heavy enough to make the shell reach the mark.



The largest amount came from Lexington First Church of Beech River Association. This Church sent \$140.22.

The aviator must be brought down but to do so the shell must have more power behind it. Who will furnish the power?

Watch this space and see what Church furnishes the most power next week.

J. W. GILLON

Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, State Mission Board.

Nashville, Tenn.

THE NASHVILLE BAPTIST TRAINING SCHOOL

The fourteenth annual session of the Nashville Training School for Sunday School Workers was the best ever held. The classes met each evening at 5:30; adjourned for supper, reconvened at 7 for 55 minutes, after which two lectures were delivered in the auditorium. All the services were held at the First Baptist Church, except the final graduation exercises, which were held at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Seven-Fold Purpose of the Training School.

- (1) It illustrates and exhibits the spirit of unity which prevails amongst the Baptist churches of the city.
- (2) It expresses and heightens the splendid fellowship which binds us together as fellow-laborers in the work of the Lord.
- (3) It qualifies and capacitates our work for larger and better and more resultful service.
- (4) It discovers and develops new recruits for the teaching and administrative work of our several Sunday schools.
- (5) It gives direction and momentum to the fall campaign for enlarged attendance, better work, and greater results in our schools, individually and collectively.
- (6) It is a fine demonstration of the sphere and service, the place and power of the training school as a distinct agency in the educational work of our denomination.
- (7) It magnifies and utilizes here in its home city the worker-winning and teacher-training phase of the vast and far-reaching work of the Sunday school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Faculty.

Dr. P. E. Burroughs, Dean and teacher of the Post-Graduate Course on the "Present Day Sunday School," using his own text book; Harry L. Strickland, the New Normal Manual; Dr. G. S. Dobbins, "The Seven Laws of Teaching;" Dr. Hight C. Moore, "The Heart of the Old Testament;" Rev. Rufus W. Beckett, president of the Nashville Baptist Sunday School Union.

Lecturers.

Harry L. Strickland lectured each evening on the general theme, "A Worthy Sunday School Program for Nashville Baptists." Dr. W. J. McGlothlin gave a historical survey of the denominations.

What We Are Doing and Not Doing.

These interesting facts were given out by Mr. Strickland on the basis of reports from thirteen Baptist churches in Nashville:

Available church members reported from thirteen churches, 3,330. Minutes of the Association show in the same thirteen churches a total of 4,875 members.

Average attendance, morning services, 60 per cent of total; highest average, 82 per cent; lowest average, 33 per cent.

Average attendance, evening service, 50 per cent; highest average, 75 per cent; lowest average, 10 per cent. These averages include total attendance, church members and non-church members.

Number having part in support of church work, 50 per cent; highest average, 73 per cent; lowest average, 25 per cent.

Ten churches report having taken every-member canvass during the past twelve months. This indicates that

the canvass has not been thorough or that it has not been followed.

Sunday school enrollment in thirteen churches, 2,827; average attendance, 2,216.

Number of teachers, 249; number of officers, 109. One hundred and thirty-four teachers have some form of teacher training award.

Four churches report weekly teachers' meeting; six report monthly workers' meeting.

Highest percentage of church membership in any Sunday school, 65 per cent; lowest, 20 per cent; average, less than 50 per cent.

Ten schools reported as graded; three partially graded. Ten schools reported as departmentized.

Estimated number of Baptists in communities served, not including First and Immanuel, 5,325.

Four churches report a religious census within twelve months. Two report partial census.

Ten report material increase (running from 100 to 1,000) from Powder plant employees; two report some increase.

In answer to question, "Has your church made any definite worthy effort to reach the people in your community?" five answer NO; three report fairly systematic endeavor; others report pastoral visiting.

A Historian Before an Audience.

Tennessee Baptists are especially proud of Dr. W. J. McGlothlin. He was reared in Sumner County and was graduated from Bethel College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is also a Ph.D. graduate of Berlin. He is Professor of History in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville. He is an author whose opinions upon historical subjects are sought, because of their accuracy and force. He has a new book just from the press, entitled "The Course of Christian History." He spoke on Sunday afternoon upon "Primitive Christianity;" Monday upon "The Catholic Church;" Tuesday "The Reformation and the Lutheran Church;" Wednesday, "The Presbyterian Church;" Thursday, "The Episcopal and the Methodist Church;" and Friday night, "The Baptists." The large auditorium was well filled at each lecture. In a clear but forceful style, he presented a historical survey and made his congregation feel that his presentation gave the right perspective on these great religious bodies.

"Over The Top."

Each day during the week "Over the Top," the daily four-page sheet, gave a report of the school. Dr. Hight C. Moore was the general editor, and with him were associated Rev. H. C. McGill, Mrs. N. B. Fetzer, Rev. C. D. Creasman, Richmond Bond and Miss Mabel Browning. We quote from it certain interesting items.

"Some one has said that the Junior boy is 40 per cent fight, 40 per cent fidget, and 20 per cent fun."

Listen to a post-graduate: "To those who are below us we would say: come on up; the atmosphere is rare and exhilarating!"

The post-graduate class is feasting on some of the high things beyond the Blue Seal. This class is sixteen in number—the elite, of course! We don't count them so much as we weigh them.

In his class Dr. Dobbins made an important announcement last evening. Listen: "Ladies! Please come with your hair dressed so you can remove your hats!" This is for the benefit of the class.

It is a source of regret that Mr. W. D. Hudgins, who has been with us in every Training School, could not be with us this year, but on account of the time of our meeting being moved up, he had a conflicting engagement which prevented his attendance this year.

The editor of Kind Words has Dr. McGlothlin's promise to write for this popular young people's paper a history of the great war now going on. It is to be written in from eight to twelve chapters and is to be published some time in 1919.

Not one of our Nashville Baptist churches has failed of representation at roll call a single evening thus far, though in two instances the minimum number reported. Hurrah for Nashville.

We have missed Dr. Van Ness, who always takes a great interest in our school. He returned Thursday from a very important trip East in the interest of denominational affairs.

What does B. R. stand for? Buy and Read, Boost and Renew the Baptist and Reflector.

If the lunch the ladies serve does not fill you up, you had better not let Mr. Hoover get your name and address.

The Park Avenue Sunday school is just now promoting and graduating sixteen intermediate pupils who have faithfully completed the four years' intermediate graded lessons. Fine!

As the lectures proceed, the crowds are holding up remarkably well. This shows both the stick-to-it-iveness of our people and the power of the speakers.

How many present in this school attended the first session thirteen years ago? Here is the interesting list as registered Sunday afternoon: Dr. G. C. Savage, Mrs. N. B. Fetzer, Miss Eleanor Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver J. Towles, Mrs. K. L. Walker, W. J. Ehrhard, Miss Addie G. Pittman, Mrs. J. W. Weaver, E. S. Tucker, Mrs. John Gupton.

More than two hundred enrolled the first day. This is our record-breaker. Capital!

Dr. Burroughs is serving his ninth term as Dean of the Training School. In more ways than one he is a prince among us.

A Program of Progress for Nashville Baptists.

(1) The organization of a Baptist council or the definite committal to one of the existing organizations to the tasks in hand.

(2) The employment of a capable man who understands every phase of organization as Baptists commonly accept and approve. Preacher or layman, provided he has initiative, religion and the ability to do things and get things done.

(3) The taking of a city-wide religious census as early as an organization can be perfected. Every Baptist church to receive the name of every person giving that church as preference, and the name of every person giving Baptist preference or no preference in the territory of that church. Reports to be made at the monthly meeting of the City Sunday School Union as to progress in working the lists.

(4) Simultaneous city-wide campaigns during the next twelve months participated in by all the Baptist churches as follows: An evangelistic campaign; a campaign for teacher-training in which each church will conduct a week's school; a campaign for B. Y. P. U. work with an institute in each church; a campaign in the interest of the woman's work conduct-

ed by the women; a campaign to secure subscriptions to The Baptist and Reflector and Home and Foreign Fields; an every-member canvass for increased gifts to current support and to missions, education and the benevolences, in every church.

(5) The organization of a permanent Training School which shall meet weekly, offering definite courses for officers and teachers.

(6) The continuation of the present annual Training School, both Sunday school and B. Y. P. U.

(7) A consecrated desire, determination and effort to enlist every Baptist church in Nashville and every member in every church in a program which shall put the work of the Sunday schools and B. Y. P. U.'s in the front rank, and which shall come up to the standards suggested by our Sunday School Board and go beyond.

Our Boys in Blue and Khaki.

How many young men from the Baptist churches and Sunday schools of Nashville are in the army and navy? At roll call Friday evening we inquired. And here is the splendid list represented on our Service Flag.

Belmont, 8; Calvary, 9; Centennial, 7; Central, 23; Eastland, 7; Edgefield, 34, with two gold stars; First, 58, with one gold star; Grace, 26; Grandview, 23; Immanuel, 42; Judson Memorial, 8; Lockeland, 15; North Edgefield, 17; Park Avenue, 18; Seventh, 17; Shelby Avenue, 10; Southside, 16; Third, 28. God Bless our men!

Shots That Struck.

The pope himself makes provision for himself in purgatory.—Dr. McGlothlin.

We don't want an evergreen Sunday school, but a perennial one.—Mr. Strickland.

Character is the resultant of every voluntary act from childhood to the grave.—Halleck (as quoted effectively last night).

One often exerts more energy trying to evade a duty than would be required to perform that duty.—Dr. Moore.

Society would disintegrate and man would disappear if it were not for faith in God.—W. J. McGlothlin.

A European battlefield cannot be a substitute for the Cross of Calvary, nor the courage of a brave soul for the humble faith which looks to Jesus alone as the Saviour from sin.—E. C. Dargan.

Many plans have been tried for the building up of Sunday schools, but none has ever proved more effective than that of training and stimulating teachers and officers.—G. S. Dobbins. Knowledge precedes efficiency.—Mr. Strickland.

Adam was a hen-pecked husband.—Dr. Sullivan.

Photograph Gallery.

"Over the Top" carried during the week the following beauties: Dr. G. C. Savage, as he appeared thirteen years ago; Dr. P. E. Burroughs, Mr. H. L. Strickland, Secretary W. D. Hudgins, Prof. L. P. Leavill, Dr. E. C. Dargan, Dr. G. S. Dobbins, Dr. I. J. Van Ness, Mr. M. E. Dunnaway, Dr. A. R. Bond, Dr. Allen Fort and Dr. J. W. Gillen.

Awards, Past and Present.

Winner of First Gold Seal.—Mrs. R. K. Kimmons, who is enrolled in this Training School, was the first in the Southern Baptist Convention to receive the Gold Seal.

Since Last Session.—The following Nashville workers have received the Blue Seal since the last session of the (Continued on page 13.)

SUNDAY SCHOOL and B.Y.P.U.

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

NOTES.

Several new Camp Classes turned in this week. This is a fine time to begin a Camp Class, as it is the beginning of the new quarter. The literature has already been sent to the camp teachers, but will gladly send to any who wish to take up the work. This Camp Class work is doing lots of good. Every mail, almost, brings news from some boy in the camps or in France who has been helped by this home touch through the camp teachers and classes.

Mrs. Ollie Luck, Watertown, reports a conversion from her Camp Class and asks for additional copies of "On the March With the Master" for others who have gone. Following is a clipping from her letter: "Dear Mr. Hudgins: As my Camp Class is growing, I will have to ask you to send me three additional copies of 'On the March With the Master' this time. I am so glad to have these to send to our boys. They all enjoy them so much. One of my Sunday school boys wrote me such a nice letter telling of his conversion, and this made me so happy to hear it. He is somewhere in France now. Hoping to see you at our association, I am yours for the Master, Mrs. Ollie Luck." I hope that every one will rejoice with Mrs. Luck over this conversion of a soldier boy.

A letter from Rev. R. T. Skinner, McMinnville, Tenn.: "Dear Brother Hudgins: Your favor received, and I wish to say that our church and Sunday school are in hearty accord with the movement of the month. We already have a Training Class going in the Convention Normal Manual. We are taking all three divisions with a view to getting the diploma in the hands of as many of our workers as possible. I can already see the result in the Sunday school." This letter is in reply to a letter which has been sent to 500 pastors of the state asking them to co-operate with us in this Teacher Training Drive by starting a class in their home churches. Bro. Skinner did not wait for the drive to begin, but began one in his own church himself. Wish every pastor would do this thing.

Rev. D. L. Sturgis, Winchester, reports a class at both his churches. At Winchester he has 25 taking the "Manual." At Estill Springs he has about the same number taking "Winning to Christ." It was my privilege to teach the class at Estill Springs one night last week, and they are very much interested in the study and are getting ready for a revival by training this band of soul winners.

Mr. Filson reports the following awards from St. Elmo Church, Chattanooga, the same being the class he taught some weeks ago, all having finished "Winning to Christ." Mr. M. A. Clark, Mr. A. N. Johnson, Mrs. A. N. Johnson, Miss Jennie Johnson, Miss Ruth Watson, Miss Amelia Watson, Miss Mabel Short, Mrs. V. B. Tabb, Miss Mary Smith, Mrs. O. D. Fleming, Mr. J. F. Atchley, and Supt. S. W. Rutledge. This is a fine class and shows that they are alive. This is the third class in this church during the present year that has been called to our attention.

Mrs. Lou Griffith, Chattanooga, has just received the diploma.

A fine trip to Stockton's Valley Association last week, where we arranged for a Preacher School and a series of Institutes. This is virgin soil and this interest taken in real educational work means a great deal to that Association. This Association call themselves United Baptists, and do not participate in any of our mission work. They do not even have reports on anything in the way of missions, education, Orphanage, etc. Sunday schools were discussed mainly because we were present and asked the privilege. These people are Baptist and teach real Baptist doctrine, and are hungry for information. It will be a delight to work with them in these Institutes and with the preachers in the preacher schools. Many fine young men who are capable of making splendid preachers if they could be lined up in our denominational schools.

Next Sunday is State-Wide Go-to-Sunday-School Day, and the day on which we are to give to the agency which supports our work. It is to be hoped that our schools and unions on that day will give more than enough to support our department. The Board is spending now on the Sunday schools and B. Y. P. U. of the state more than \$4,500, and we want to make our gifts at least double what they give to us. So let us give \$10,000 next Sunday to the Board as a token of our appreciation of their interest in our department. I shall be disappointed if we do not give this much or more. I am anxious that we look after the Lord's work as well as the other things to which we are forced to give money. We must be loyal to our country, and we will be, for Baptists cannot afford to be anything else, but we also must be loyal to our Lord, for we cannot afford to do anything less when we believe in individual and personal religion.

Be sure to report your school and its gifts to this office on the card sent to you through the mail. We desire to know how much the Sunday schools give on that day.

A fine Camp Class has just been organized in the First Baptist Church, Vicksburg, Miss., with Mrs. Joe Fox as teacher. She has thirty members to start with.

A Camp Class of six has been reported from Jack's Creek Church, with Mr. J. F. Rhodes, teacher. This is where one of the new Sunday schools was organized by Mr. Filson last week. Notice of these two schools will be found in another note of this page.

Mr. Filson and Rev. D. L. Sturgis are at work this week in Salem Association, holding Institutes at Statesville, Woodbury and Providence Churches. These Institutes have been well advertised and will likely be well attended.

Two "three days" Institutes have been planned for New River Association at Huntsville and Oneida. Bro. W. S. Keese will help the writer at these places. We hope to have a good time there.

The Training Schools for the entire season are being rounded out and we hope to fill the winter full of good work in the cities and towns at a time when we can do nothing in the country churches.

Don't neglect your soldier boys. If no one in your church is looking after them, organize a Camp Class and let us furnish you the literature for them. It will cost you nothing. We furnish you everything you need, even the report cards. This will keep them on the hearts of your church and teach them that the local church has interest in them as well as outside organizations.

Letter from Mr. Filson giving a fine report of work in Beech River Association:

Jackson, Tenn., Sept. 13, 1918.

Dear Brother Hudgins:

Just a line in reference to the work in Beech River. My plans were upset a little when I got to Lexington, but soon got everything arranged and went to Union Hill, twelve miles from Lexington. Began work on Sunday afternoon with a good attendance. They had no Sunday school, and when we finished Wednesday evening the folks said they must have a Sunday school, so we organized, with Mr. J. M. Wilkerson as superintendent, R. I. Lexington. Rev. Azbill came out and preached Wednesday evening and at the close there were six conversions. I taught the first and third divisions of the Manual. Went from there to Jack's Creek, and Brother Boren had announced the meeting for Saturday and Sunday, and we soon got our crowd together. Found no Sunday school, and when we closed last night (Friday) I organized another school, with Mr. E. S. Johnson as superintendent, Huron, Tenn. R. F. D. 1. Two good Sunday schools in one week seem pretty good. We will not have a large school at the last place, but at Union should have at least seventy-five.

Please send Mr. J. F. Rhodes about six of the "On the March With the Master." He wants to send them to the boys.

I go from here to Unity Association. Bolivar will be the postoffice. Just received letter from Hammond stating that he cannot be with me on account of meeting. With best wishes,

Yours truly,

V. B. FILSON.

EXAMPLE OF WHAT CAN BE DONE THROUGH A CRADLE ROLL DEPARTMENT.

The superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department made the following report at the regular monthly Workers' Council for the month of September:

On July 21st I was elected Cradle Roll Superintendent, and ordered from the Baptist Sunday School Board Cradle Roll supplies consisting of Cradle Roll Wall Chart, Cradle Roll Certificates for the names of the babies, birthday cards, and superintendent's record book; then secured several visitors to go with me visiting into the homes of our church members, and other homes where babies were.

In our first campaign we have secured the names of seventy-one babies, and they are now on the Cradle Roll Department of our Sunday school. In our visiting we secured the name of both father and mother, whether they were Christian or not, or what church they belonged to, or church preference. We found over twenty homes where neither mother nor father were Christians, and we have turned this information over to our pastor.

Sunday, August 25th, was observed as Cradle Roll Day, and twenty-five babies were present to receive their membership certificates. Our pastor, Brother Hamick, preached a special

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sermon to mothers, and it was a great day. We have just closed a revival in our church, and several of these mothers and fathers have united with the church. We find that the Cradle Roll Department of our Sunday school means much more than we ever anticipated, and if you have not a Cradle Roll Department in your Sunday school, we urge you to organize one at once.

MRS. LOU GRIFFITH, Supt.

MEN AND WOMEN NEEDED FOR RED CROSS WORK.

The American Red Cross has issued a call for 5,000 workers for overseas duty.

Men and women of education, of high personal quality and sound practical equipment are urgently needed in various kinds of service. No one should apply who is not self-reliant, in good health, willing to endure hardships and to obey orders.

Canteen workers and hospital hut workers are wanted. For these a knowledge of French is desirable, but not absolutely necessary. Ages should be from 25 to 35. Full volunteers of suitable quality are heartily welcomed, but, where unable to pay expenses, transportation, uniform and maintenance will be paid for exceptionally qualified candidates in whole or in part, as individual circumstances require.

Social workers are needed for relief among refugees from the invaded districts and for other forms of social and reconstruction work among the French civilians. They should speak French.

Stenographers must be between ages of 25 and 40 and are paid a salary of 600 to 750 francs per month; out of which they are to pay their own expenses. They are also furnished with transportation and uniform. Knowledge of French not necessary.

No woman can be accepted whose husband or son is serving under the colors abroad or in this country.

The American Red Cross will now receive applications from men who are subject to draft between ages of 21 and 31, with the exception of those in Class 1, and from 31 to 41 other than single men.

Applications and inquiries should be addressed to

GEO. E. BENNIE,
Director Bureau of Personnel, American Red Cross, State Capitol, Nashville, Tenn.

"Why is it, Sam, that one never hears of a darky committing suicide?" inquired the Northerner.

"Well, you see, its' disaway, boss; when a white pusson has any trouble he sets down an' gits to studying 'bout it an' a-worryin'. Then firs' thing you know he's done killed hisself. But when a nigger sets down to think 'bout his troubles, why he jes' nacherly goes to sleep!"—Exchange.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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Remember, dear sisters, to elect your representatives to our annual meeting at Shelbyville, Nov. 12, 13, at your October meeting, so the names may be sent the entertainment committee in due time. We want a large number to attend this meeting. Our associational meetings have had such large attendance that we are hopeful of a large convention. We will have Miss Mary Faison Dixon, the young people's secretary of the general union, as our guest of honor. We want a large attendance of our young women and girls. Put this gathering of Tennessee Baptists on your program for November, plan for it, and come help us make this the best meeting in the history of Tennessee W. M. U. Each W. M. S. and Y. W. A. are entitled to one for every ten members or fraction of ten. Each junior organization is entitled to one representative.

FIELD NOTES.

Tuesday afternoon at the call of the president of Park Avenue Society, Nashville, I went with them and presented our W. M. U. work, emphasizing our immediate task of State Missions. Because of sickness and death in some of the homes of the congregation, only a few were present, but these cordially received the message. They had about reached their apportionment through the regular weekly offerings, but a thank offering of \$15 was reported at the close of the meeting when the envelopes were collected. Of course they were happy. The secret was disclosed when the visitor was told that a number of the women were tithers. See! The state mission program will be given later, and perhaps the offering will be even more. We also have an "emergency woman" in this group. Sometimes we think we must have a crowd to have a good meeting, but often the small number has the great power. We had hoped to meet and welcome the new pastor's wife, but she, too, was called away by a death in her family.

September 18, 19 were given to Indian Creek Association meeting at Iron City. This association covers a large area, but poorly developed. Mrs. John Irwin, wife of the association missionary, has been faithful as superintendent of our W. M. U. work and has organized several societies. The attendance was not large. Several churches will doubtless go out of this association into the contemplated Lawrence County Association. This change will, we trust, result in more intensive cultivation of the field in all. The report on woman's work came up just after lunch the second day. Mrs. Springer was chairman, but asked your secretary to read and speak to the report. Earnest attention was given as the work was presented. Literature was distributed, and a promise secured from some of the representatives to

organize societies in their churches. Mrs. Paul Slavy is leader of the Sunbeam Band at Iron City and is doing a good work. Miss ——— is president of the society of the women. I had to hurry away immediately after speaking. While in Iron City I was a guest for the night in the home of Mrs. Olive and had lunch with Mrs. Love. We hope for larger things in our work in this association. Our women only need to know to be interested.—M. B.

Dear Miss Buchanan: I wish you could have been at our annual meeting yesterday. It was more like a convention than an associational meeting. The day school dismissed that we might have the house for our meeting, and by 10 o'clock it was full. It was great to see so much interest manifested by our dear country women. The program was fine, and the annual reports the best ever. The great call from our country women to come and help us inspired us to employ a field worker for her entire time. We selected Miss Mary Smith, and she will go to work at once. The date selected for the institute will suit us perfectly, and we will work to make it a great success. I am at Cohutta, Ga., and will attend the annual W. M. U. meeting of North Georgia Association. I have been asked to speak on my visit to our training school.

MRS. W. F. ROBINSON,
Superintendent of Ocee.

Dear Miss Buchanan: I was very sorry you could not be with us in our annual meeting at Oak Grove. We had the largest attendance we have had since we first organized. The ladies who partook of our association seemed to have caught a vision of missions, and they are wanting to organize a W. M. S. in their churches. We only have six active societies so far, but hope to have one in each church by the time we have another meeting a year hence.

The six societies gave this year over \$300. We are going to attempt greater things another year. Mrs. John Arnett was elected superintendent of this association. Address Church Hill, Tenn., Rural Route. I was elected secretary of this association. Ethel Cox has left us entirely, and we miss her so much. Pray for our W. M. U. that it may not be long until we have a society in every church.

Send our apportionment cards just as early as you can. Also send literature to Mrs. Bailey, president of New Hope W. M. S. Address Baileyton, Tenn., Route No. 5. Also Miss Mary Cook, secretary of New Hope. Address Baileyton, Tenn., Route No. 5.

I am yours in Christian love.

MRS. J. H. SMELTZER.
Surgoinville.

ASSOCIATIONAL CAMPAIGN

The missionary and pastors, together with Miss Agnes Whipple and Miss Lukie Cox, will campaign Unity Association in October on an "over the top" campaign for our Association and the organized work in general. Each church is urged to have a full attendance on the dates set out below, this being set out by the Association at its last meeting. The dates and places follow:

Henderson, Monday night, September 31.

Friendship, Tuesday, October 1.
Unity, Wednesday, October 2.
Huron, October 2, 7:30 p. m.
Pleasant Hill, October 3.
Liberty Grove, October 3, at night.
Pinson, October 4.
Mederine Creek, October 4, at night.
Clover Creek, October 5.
New Union, October 6.
Toone, October 6, at night.
Ebenezer, October 7.
Bolivar, October 7, at night.
Enon, October 8. Pleasant Grove, October 8, at night.
West Memorial, October 9. Rocky Springs, October 9, at night.
New Bethel, October 10. Saulsbury, October 10, at night.
Hebron, October 11. Porter's Creek, October 11, at night.
New Salem, October 12. New Prospect, October 12, at night.
Middleton, October 13. Pocahontas, October 13, at night.
New Hope, October 14. Butler's Chapel, October 14, at night.
Chewalla, October 15.
Mays' Chapel, October 16. Falcon, October 16, at night.
Gravel Hill, October 17. Selmer, October 17, at night.
Mitchell's Chapel, October 18. Mt. Gilead, October 18, at night.
Palestine, October 19.
Walnut Grove, October 20. Crainesville, October 20, at night.
Piney Grove, October 21. Cooper's Chapel, October 21, at night.
Bethel, October 22. Cave Springs, October 22, at night.
Hopewell, October 23. Mt. Zion, October 23, at night.
Pleasant Ridge, October 24.
Adamsville, October 25.
Good Hope, October 26.
Pleasant Site, October 27.
T. R. HAMMONS, Missionary.

A MESSAGE FROM CHINA.

Pochow, Anhwei, China,

Aug. 7, 1918.

My Beloved Brother Editor:

I cannot tell you how we, away off here on the firing line, have rejoiced and thanked God for the reports we have read of the great Convention at Hot Springs, most especially for the things that seem to indicate that our great denomination is about to come into its own in the most important matter of realizing the privilege and obligation of service of Him who is our "all and in all." Certainly our Master has told us as plainly as words can convey it that the first and greatest token of discipleship to him is a self-denying service. Every time I have returned to America during these twenty-nine years I have been sadly impressed with the great growth of selfishness in running after the things that perish and I have remarked frequently from the pulpit over there that I felt that our great country—and do and always have loved her—was drawing dangerously nigh to the rocks on which old Rome went to pieces, and I even now feel that per-

NERVOUS, RUN-DOWN, HAGGARD-LOOKING

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haps our God saw that it required this awful world war to save our so-called great Christian nations from self-destruction. Oh, how I do rejoice that our people are learning the blessedness of sacrificial giving, even if they had to learn it through this war and giving to their country rather than accept and act upon it in simple faith in God's Word! We do rejoice in the enlarged gifts in the year closed to both Home and Foreign Missions, but especially in the faith vision that proposes even much larger things for the year ahead. Can our people give \$2,500,000 to Foreign and Home Missions, the former for the salvation and enlightenment of two-thirds or more of earth's people? Most assuredly we can, and then double that, and be all the richer for it. We are already praying that the great hosts may begin now to give as they have not given before, and to pray as they have never prayed before. If we can get to praying as we ought in an humble, God-honoring way, the paying of the \$2,500,000 will flow like the sap in a healthy tree. God grant that we may. Already my wife and I have decided to at least double our contributions to these two great causes and we may get in a weaving way and treble!

I do hope that none of us will ever suffer ourselves to lapse into the easy-going way into which we had grown before this war in the service of our great Lord and Master. This war, far greater than the European one, will be going on long after that is closed, if our King delays his coming, and it is just as much greater in all things, except the suffering and bloodshed, that it causes, than that in Europe, as heaven and heavenly things are greater than earth and earthly things.

It will soon be fourteen years since we came to live in this great interior city, four Bosticks and two Blalocks. These latter had to leave the next spring on account of Mrs. Blalock's health, and my sister went at the 1911 revolution time, when missionaries were ordered away, to settle at Taian in Shantung. Not a single new worker has been sent here in these fourteen years! We greatly need an evangelistic family, some one for girls' school and a physician. Pray with and for us. Yours in the Lord,

G. P. BOSTICK.

A famous doctor once said: "Encourage your child to be merry and to laugh aloud. A good, hearty laugh expands the chest and makes the blood bound merrily along. Commend me to a good laugh—not to a little, sniggling laugh, but to one that will sound through the house. It will not only do your child good, but it will be a benefit to all who hear and be an important means of driving the blues away from a dwelling. Merriment is catching and spreads in a remarkable manner, few being able to resist the contagion. A hearty laugh is a delightful harmony; indeed, it is the best of all music."—The Continent.

EDITORIAL

, ABRAM THE UNSELFISH

Gen. 13:5-11; 14:14-16. (October 13.)

The hand of Jehovah led Abram from his far away home in the East to the land of Canaan. Here Abram lived for a period and then moved to Egypt, where he became exceedingly wealthy. When compelled to leave Egypt he returned to Canaan, bringing with him a large number of dependents and great herds. His nephew, Lot, was also with him. The incidents in the lesson bear their message to men of today.

Exhibit of Unselfishness.—Abram discovered that there had come friction between his own people and those of Lot. The prosperity of Jehovah had been with Abram and Lot to such fullness that difficulty arose regarding adequate pasturage. Abram shows his great generosity of soul in his offer to Lot. He gave him first an unhindered choice of the land. By right of age and divine promise regarding the property, Abram had first choice, but he was willing to surrender these to his nephew. The great soul is able to deny himself of just rights in order to benefit others. Whatever may have been the weakness of Abram, he had strength of character by which he could forget self and selfish aims for the interests of another. Men do not grow great through selfishness.

Tenting Toward Sodom.—Lot lifted up his eyes and looked upon the beautiful well-watered plains leading toward Sodom and Gomorrah. He forgot his obligations to his uncle, connection with whom had probably brought him his personal wealth. Lot recognizes only his own selfish ambitions, so he chooses all the plain of the Jordan. Lot went east and settled near the wicked city of Sodom. The story of his connection with Sodom is one of the most dramatically sad in the entire New Testament. Because of his selfishness, Lot pitched his tent toward Sodom, and when he finally left the plains of the Jordan he had lost his property, his wife and had fallen into great sin. The soul that knows only its own selfish aim will often pitch its tent toward the city of desire, the city of wickedness, the city of catastrophe.

Heroic Unselfishness.—Lot did not stay in the country. He moved to town. He could not resist the enticement of the city. He moved to Sodom. It was here that Lot was captured when Sodom fell into the hands of the invaders. True to his unselfish character, Abram, upon hearing of the misfortune of Lot, went to the rescue with an armed force. Lot was freed from the hand of the conqueror and Abram showed heroic unselfishness.

Nuggets.

Abram sinned in Egypt and reaped its effect.

Self is often the occasion of misfortune and separation on the part of friends.

Choice of environment depends upon spiritual inclination.

If one could foresee the result of life choices many a course would be altered. A real friend does not pass misunderstandings as a barrier for future service.

EXPERIENCE OR CONSCIENCE?

The time approaches for the combined drive for army work on the part of the Y. M. C. A., K. of C., Jewish Welfare Committee and the Salvation Army. There are three possible attitudes for Baptists to take:

1. Some will consider the matter of no vital importance. It must be faced that there are a number of Baptists who do not regard this matter of the united fund as in any way a restriction upon their convictions. They will give to the Fund without further thought than that the boys in service may have the attention that these organizations are intended to furnish.

2. There are some Baptists who regard this as a violation of the personal conscience in that they are forced to give to organizations that they believe are fundamentally opposed to the central truths of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. They cannot be true to their own convictions and conscience and take part in this drive as it is at present planned.

3. There are Baptists who recognize that they have the right to designate the objects of their funds and who are unwilling to support Jewish and Catholic organizations, but who at the same time recognize that this is the only way that they might support the class of work done by the Y. M. C. A., and, while they protest against the method of raising the Fund, will contribute in order that the necessary work may be done through the Y. M. C. A.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Moderator B. F. Jarrell called to order the 84th session of the Central Association on September 10, with the Medina Church. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. A. L. Bates. The reading of church letters was followed by the election of the following officers: Moderator, B. F. Jarrell; Assistant Moderator, Dr. J. E. Skinner; Clerk, A. N. Burns; Treasurer, W. D. Davis. Dr. J. W. Gillon presented the report on Christian Education; discussion followed by Dr. Gillon, Dr. W. D. Powell, Rev. W. M. Couch and Dr. F. H. Farrington. A delightful dinner was served in the church yard. The afternoon service was opened with devotions by Rev. W. H. Edwards. Reports were offered on State Missions, by Rev. O. F. Huckaba; Home Missions, by Rev. Roger L. Clark; Foreign Missions, by Dr. F. H. Farrington. The reports were discussed by Dr. Gillon and Dr. Powell. The Orphanage report was read by Dr. J. H. Wright and discussed by him, Dr. F. H. Farrington, Dr. J. F. Halley and Dr. W. J. Stewart. A collection for the Isolation Hospital amounted to \$105.66. The introductory sermon was preached at night by Dr. J. H. Wright, on the subject, "Ye Are Bought With a Price." At the same hour the editor preached at the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

Wednesday morning the devotional services were conducted by Rev. Myler Birdsong. The report on Woman's Work was presented by Rev. O. F. Huckaba, and discussed by himself, Dr. J. H. Wright, Dr. J. E. Skinner. The report on Religious Literature was read by the editor and discussed by himself, Rev. W. M. Couch and Rev. W. E. Dear. The report on Ministerial Relief was read by Dr. J. H. Anderson and discussed by himself and the editor. The report on Obituaries was read by Rev. J. W. Joiner. It showed 51 deaths during the year. The report on Temperance was read by L. D. Spight and discussed by himself and Rev. W. M. Couch. In the absence of a report, the Memorial Hospital was discussed by Dr. J. H. Wright and Dr. Roger L. Clark. After a delightful dinner the Sunday school work was discussed by Rev. O. F. Huckaba, J. M. Guy and Dr. W. E. Dean. The editor presented and discussed the report on B. Y. P. U. It was a splendid session of the Association.

NOTES.

On motion of Dr. F. H. Farrington the Association put itself on record as in cordial sympathy with the proposed campaign to secure Liberty Bonds for Christian Education. Plans for this campaign will be announced later, and it is to be hoped that every Association will be thoroughly organized for this object.

Dr. W. D. Powell, representing the Foreign Mission Board, was a welcome and delightful visitor.

It was discovered by actual count that at one session of the Association 138 persons were taking a religious paper.

The following, as part of the report on Home Missions, was adopted by the Association: "We recommend that protest be made to the proper authorities of our government against the order forbidding our camp pastors access to the army, and that we sustain our Home Board in its effort to adjust this matter. We affirm our loyalty to our government and country. We esteem no sacrifice too great to make to assure victory and a righteous peace. But we most respectfully assert the duty of Baptists in gospel liberty, to reach by means consistent with the welfare of the army and sailors with the gospel of our Lord."

Rev. B. B. Butler, office editor of the Baptist Builder, is pastor of the Medina Church. He and the people of the community entertained the large number of delegates in splendid style.

Dr. J. H. Anderson, now professor of Hall-Moody Normal, at one time the efficient secretary of Missions of Tennessee, was present and spoke on Ministerial Relief. His many friends were glad to see him again.

The next Association will be held with the Spring Creek Church, twelve miles from Jackson.

Every church but two was represented.

A CHILD'S BEAUTIFUL FAITH.

By Lois Bond Wadlington.

There is nothing more beautiful than the faith of a child. Many examples of such faith have come under my observation during my twenty-five years of experience as a Sunday school teacher.

I consider the following one of the sweetest:

One Sunday morning some months ago a severe storm swept over our city, causing considerable damage to property. We had just finished our lesson and assembled for the closing exercises when the storm broke with fury. The trees lashed the windows, threatening to break them. The roar of the wind was deafening. The superintendent stood for a moment wondering what to do. I presume, fearing a panic among the children.

At this moment a little girl lifted her hand. The superintendent asked what she wished. She replied, "May we sing, 'God will take care of you?'" In a moment the sweet childish voices rang out above the noise of the storm in the comforting words of the precious hymn:

"Be not dismayed whate'er betide,
God will take care of you.
Beneath His wings of love abide,
God will take care of you.
Through days of toil when heart doth fail,
God will care care of you.
God will take care you through every day
O'er all the way.
He will take care of you,
God will take care of you."

Ere the song was finished the storm had spent its fury. The little girl looked up into my face with her bright eyes sparkling and said, "I knew He would do it."

Memphis, Tenn.

FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION.

We did not reach the Friendship Association until the close of the first day's session. Moderator E. L. Atwood called the Association to order with the Maury City Church on September 18. Officers were elected as follows: Rev. E. L. Atwood, moderator; Rev. R. E. Downing, Clerk; J. C. Doyle, Treasurer. The Association adopted a strong protest against the removal of the Camp Pastors, Drs. J. H. Anderson and I. N. Penick taking part in the discussion. The associational sermon was preached by Rev. R. J. Williams on the subject, "A Good Soldier of Christ." It was a strong plea for loyalty and consecration to the main business of the Christian. The editor presented the report on Christian Education, which Dr. J. H. Anderson discussed. Thursday was very rainy and the attendance was small. The report on Home Missions was read by Rev. S. P. Andrews and discussed by the editor and Dr. J. W. Gillon. In the afternoon Dr. W. J. Stewart presented the work of the Orphanage and received a good collection for the Isolation Hospital. Miss Agnes Whipple discussed the report on Woman's Work. J. C. Doyle made the report on Foreign Missions.

NOTES.

Rain on the second day greatly interfered with the attendance.

A great discussion was had on Associational Missions. It was decided to employ a good, strong man at a salary of \$1,500.

It was my pleasure to be a guest with Brother and Sister Booth at the Booth Hotel.

If you want to feel good, watch your train pull out

and you two hundred yards away, and see the conductor pull the bell rope. My, but it was good. Thank you, Mr. Conductor. Thus we left Maury City Junction.

BEECH RIVER ASSOCIATION.

The Beech River Association was called to order in its 48th session by Moderator Fleetwood Ball when it convened September 20 with the New Fellowship Church near Sardis. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. A. U. Nunnery from Ps. 50:2. Dinner was served in a generous manner, and the reading of the church letters was followed by the election of officers as follows: Moderator, Rev. Fleetwood Ball; Assistant Moderator, Rev. A. U. Nunnery; Clerk, J. E. Deere; Treasurer, W. R. Carrington. After appointment of committees, the session for the day was adjourned. Saturday morning devotional services were conducted by Rev. E. E. McPeake. The protest against removal of Camp Pastors was adopted and discussed by Rev. Fleetwood Ball, Rev. T. M. Newman and the editor. The report on Publications was read by Rev. C. E. Azbill and discussed by the editor. The reports on Missions were read as follows: Foreign, by Rev. A. U. Nunnery; Home, by Rev. W. L. King; State, by Rev. J. W. Camp; the Executive Board, by Rev. F. Ball. Discussion was participated in by Rev. A. U. Nunnery, Rev. F. Ball, Rev. W. L. King, Rev. J. W. Camp and the editor. The report on Christian Education was read by Rev. W. F. Boren and discussed by the editor. The report on Temperance was read and discussed by Rev. T. C. Jowers. Rev. M. C. Carnal presented the report on the Orphanage, and the editor discussed it. An offering of \$12.55 was made for the Isolation Hospital. A. O. Rogers read the report on obituaries. A number of touching tributes were paid to the memory of two ministers who had died during the year—Rev. S. K. Hurst and Dr. J. F. Pipkin. Rev. T. M. Newman presented and discussed the work of Ministerial Relief. Rev. C. H. Gilliam read the report on Woman's Work.

NOTES.

Rev. W. F. Boren, of Darden, was to preach the annual missionary sermon on Sunday.

Mrs. Maxwell, of Darden, was elected superintendent of the Woman's Work. Mrs. A. U. Nunnery presided at the Woman's meeting and the editor spoke.

It was my privilege to be entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Shepherd and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson.

EDITORIAL BREVITIES

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—In order that our fiscal year may close with that of the State Convention, we have changed the date from September 30 to October 31. This gives us one month more this year in which to pay our indebtedness and close our fiscal year with a clean slate. To do this we must raise \$2,740 during October. How important it is that we raise this amount. Won't YOU be one to pay your subscription promptly in order that we may close our year free from debt?

Turn to page 11 and read Dr. Jeffries' article. It will rejoice your heart.

The picture for the striking illustration on page 4 was drawn by Deacon N. B. Fetzner, bookkeeper of the State Board of Missions. Do your part to down the plane.

Nashville Association will meet with the Green Hill Baptist Church, on the Lebanon Pike, about eight miles from Nashville, October 10-11. Dr. E. C. Dargan will preach the annual sermon. It is hoped there will be a large representation from the churches.

We are greatly indebted to Brother J. R. Chiles, of Rogersville, for nineteen new subscribers this week, which he secured at his Association. Read his interesting write-up of the Association on page 5—and incidentally, follow his example. Brother Chiles is doing a magnificent work in the Rogersville Church and the Holston Valley Association.

The Fifth Annual Bible Conference of the Baptist Tabernacle, Chattanooga, will begin October 6 and continue through October 27th. A most attractive program has been prepared, which includes the following prominent speakers: Dr. Leon W. Tucker, New York City; Dr. Len G. Broughton, Knoxville, Tenn.; Dr. P. W. Philpott, Hamilton, Ontario, Can-

ada; Dr. Charles A. Blanchard, Wheaton, Ill.; Dr. S. B. Sutcliffe, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Austin Crouch, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; Dr. H. C. Morrison, Wilmore, Ky.; Dr. John V. Ellison, Mrs. John V. Ellison, Dr. S. H. Heckler, Dr. Wm. M. Sentell. The following musicians will have charge of the music: Rev. and Mrs. Charles Butler, Miss Ruth Miller, Mr. T. B. Roddy, Mr. S. W. Rutledge, Mr. Charlie Holman, Rev. David H. Williamson.

National prohibition, effective next July 1, for the duration of the war, has been approved by the House, the Senate's rider to the emergency agricultural appropriation bill having been passed. The measure will now go to conference.

STATE MISSION RECORD OF ASSOCIATIONS FROM NOV. 1, 1917 TO SEPT. 30, 1918

Association.	Apportionment.	Amount given.	Amount Yet Due
Beech River	506.35	319.65	186.70
Beulah	937.70	254.63	683.07
Big Emory	710.45	244.09	466.36
Big Hatchie	1,834.05	106.65	1,727.40
Bledsoe	431.25	201.42	229.83
Campbell County	350.80	253.69	97.11
Central	2,832.45	1,118.17	1,714.28
Chilhowie	1,470.90	218.23	1,252.67
Clinton	260.10	61.62	198.48
Concorn	1,946.65	207.29	1,739.36
Cumberland	1,115.95	471.66	644.29
Cumberland Gap	268.70	25.11	243.59
Duck River	1,134.80	110.87	1,023.93
Eastanallee	235.20	66.94	168.26
East Tennessee	248.00	52.39	195.61
Ebenezer	906.85	150.10	756.75
Enon	106.25	28.82	77.43
Friendship	784.65	161.18	623.47
Holston	1,681.85	601.29	1,080.56
Holston Valley	387.35	172.60	214.75
Indian Creek	247.90	150.99	96.91
Judson	208.90	28.30	180.60
Knox County	3,754.65	1,307.58	2,447.07
Little Hatchie	510.90	99.83	411.07
Mildand	143.60	62.23	81.37
Mulberry Gap	246.70	39.78	206.92
Nashville	3,424.10	697.63	2,726.47
New Salem	1,112.95	488.76	624.19
Nolachucky	1,249.35	638.45	610.90
Northern	214.50	43.15	171.35
Ocoee	3,625.65	1,350.92	2,274.73
Old Hiwassee	21.25	21.25
Providence	164.30	46.80	117.50
Riverside	192.55	27.50	165.05
Robertson County	1,634.35	454.52	1,179.83
Salem	708.80	266.01	442.79
Sequatchie Valley	138.06	65.69	72.37
Sevier	500.35	115.33	385.02
Shelby County	3,888.30	1,036.03	2,852.27
Southwestern District	263.50	22.50	241.00
Stewart County	101.85	26.62	75.23
Stockton Valley	133.65	3.50	130.15
Sweetwater	980.05	198.07	781.98
Tennessee Valley	143.30	72.90	70.40
Union	139.10	4.09	135.01
Unity	154.15	125.07	729.08
Watauga	531.85	191.86	339.99
Weakley County	260.05	22.48	237.57
Western District	2,182.70	1,093.84	1,088.86
William Carey	360.50	140.52	219.98
Wiseman	87.00	87.00
	\$46,175.16	\$13,648.35	\$32,526.81

While remittances have come from 29 Associations during the past week, the total amount received during the week is only \$1,393.58. The total amount sent in by all the churches since November 1, 1917, is only \$13,648.35. From other sources we have received \$1,732.98, making our total receipts from all sources \$15,481.33. Many of our churches are without pastors and the situation gives occasion for anxiety. We must have \$31,218.67 between now and November 1st or go to the Convention with increased debt. We must receive each day from now to the close of the Convention year more than \$1,000.00. It will take faithful work on the part of pastors and churches to bring us over the top. If any church falls us, we will all fall unless some other church makes up the amount.

Fraternally, J. W. GILLON.

We welcome to our fellowship Rev. J. H. Hubbard, who comes to the pastorate of the Franklin Church. He has wrought well in Missouri for a number of years. He has splendid ability as a pastor-evangelist and we trust that he may be invited to hold several meetings in the course of the year.

The Sunday School Board Building is 100 per cent patriotic. Every man who has a son old enough has given one or more sons into the service. The list includes: Dr. I. J. Van Ness, one son in camp, two sons gone over; Dr. E. C. Dargan, two sons in camp; Dr. Hight C. Moore, one son "over there"; Dr. J. W. Gillan, one son in the Students' Army Training Corps; Dr. Albert R. Bond, one son in the Students' Army Training Corps.

WOMAN'S WORLD

THE CRUCIBLE.

I kissed my boy good-bye today,
(God only gave me one.)
And proudly watched him march away,
My life, my all, my son.
I stilled the throbbing of my heart
And calmed my heaving breast,
With prayer for strength to do my
part—
My country needs my best.

I saw his blue eyes fill with tears,
His lips with anguish white,
As tenderly he soothed my fears,
And held me to him, tight.
I felt the waves of sorrow sweep
Me o'er their foaming crest,
I steeled my heart and ceased to
weep—
My country needs my best.

Thou crowning pride of womanhood,
Of age, my hope and stay,
Treasure of life, most sweet and good,
I've offered thee, today.
Oh, country mine! Land of the Free!
My soul has stood the test;
I've sacrificed my all to thee,
I've given thee my best.
—Susie Fort Clay, in Baptist Stand-
ard.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDGAR E. FOLK MEMORIAL FUND.

Amount previously reported....	\$326.25
Primary class Shop Spring Sun- day school	2.00
Mrs. A. Louise Bartlett	1.00
Mrs. G. W. Warfield	1.00
G. C. Godwin	1.00
Mrs. John C. Clark	1.00
J. T. Matlock	2.00
B. L. Wood	2.00
	\$336.25

Ten dollars this week for the Edgar E. Folk Memorial Fund. Next week we are going to make it one hundred, are we not?

PERSONALS.

I am very much encouraged this week by the many nice letters, and somehow I feel that October is going to make up for that—I hate to say it—bad September.

It is with pleasure that I send you one dollar for the Edgar E. Folk Memorial Fund. I have had it in mind to do so for some time. I am sure that nothing would afford Brother Folk more pleasure could he know such a memorial was being built for him. Give my love to Miss Buchanan and tell her the work of the W. M. U., also church building, is moving along beautifully.

MRS. A. L. BARTLETT,
Cleveland, Tenn.

Thank you, Mrs. Bartlett. I will deliver your message to Miss Buchanan.

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and I am sure she will be glad to have this good news.

So glad to add my little mite in memory of a great and good man, one I admired. MRS. G. W. WARFIELD.

I am only too glad to make a contribution to the Edgar E. Folk Memorial Fund, and wish for you the most abundant success in this undertaking.

MRS. JOHN C. CLARK.
Cedar Hill, Tenn.

Dear Miss Straughan: I am mailing you my renewal, and a new subscriber, Mrs. Henard. She is a member of the East Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. Bro. Dance is her pastor. She is a lovely woman, and takes an interest in her church. I have looked through the paper in a hurry to see if I was entitled to the Foreign Mission Journal with this, but can't find it. I think I saw it some time ago. I don't consider myself an agent, Miss Mattie. I would like to do something to help the paper along if I could. I have my hands so full here with home duties I can hardly get to read the paper. We can all have time to pray, and can choose our time for that. I don't want any Catholic to set the time for me. What about the Angelus?

With kindest love to you and Miss Annie White, I am

Yours sincerely,

M. H. MOSS.

Knoxville, Tenn.

SHE WANTED "TO BE SOMEBODY."

Jennie S., a lame girl, came to Mayesville Industrial Institute a few years ago without shoes and with no clothing save what she had on. Her condition was a pitiable one. She said, after her pastor had told her about Mayesville school, "I jes' want to come so bad, and I jes' prayed to the Lord that you would let me come to your school, so I can git an education."

She was asked if her mother and father were living. "No, ma'am," she said: "I ain't got no mother and no father." "I work in the field," she said, "when it don't rain, so my crutch won't stick in the mud."

"Where did you get the money to pay your way here?" "Oh, my preacher he take a collection in the church for me an' got three dollars, and the nex' day preacher come for me an' we got on the train to come to Mayesville, to your school."

When told that she could not enter school without money to pay her board and buy books, shoes and clothing, she began to cry and begged not to be sent away. So she was taken. Jennie was a smart, bright girl, and, though she cannot walk a step without her crutch, she is willing to do all she can to help herself. She chose dressmaking as her trade, and was soon able to sew well. "Oh," she said, "Miss Wilson, I gwine do all I can to make myself somebody."

Jennie was wonderfully helped during her stay in the Mayesville Institute, and she carried back to her home and people a vision of the beautiful spirit of service.

To make this girl "somebody" had required not only equipment and the teaching services of the Institute, but

also, back of that, the financial support to accomplish that end. Such support was not lacking in Jennie's case. She came to Mayesville a dependent cripple; she left Mayesville a self-supporting woman.—The Christian Herald.

SOME THINGS WOMEN ARE DOING

Private Secretary to Redfield.—Mrs. Agathe Stewart, of Port Richmond, N. Y., has been appointed private secretary to Secretary Redfield, of the commerce department. Mrs. Stewart was formerly Mr. Redfield's confidential clerk. This is the first instance, it is said, in which a woman has been made private secretary to a cabinet member.

Women Strike.—Women street car conductors in London refused to take out their cars a few days ago until they were granted an increase in their pay. Men conductors of the various lines were already receiving increased pay, and they were giving no better service than the women, it was declared. Owing to the tie-up many employes of the munition factories and business men were unable to get to their places of employment.

Policewomen in New York.—Six policewomen were recently outfitted with "billies," revolvers and handcuffs and put on duty in New York City, their specialty being to guard the welfare of the girls. Other women will also be appointed to the police force in the near future, Police Commissioner Enright said.

Drives Water Wagon.—Mrs. B. Erdman, of Paso Robles, Cal., is now driving a water wagon in that city. Mrs. Erdman is fond of outdoor life. She has assisted her husband in moving houses, uprooting tree stumps and other heavy work. The city trustees are pleased with the manner in which she takes care of her present job.—Pathfinder.

Back to Old Times.—The girl with the calico dress is no more a synonym of poverty. Once five cents a yard, now it is twenty-five cents and going higher. Who would believe that the donning of calico would give a woman a touch of chic? But then the war has brought other formerly despised products of nature into highest favor: Corn bread, carrots, chuck steak, soup bones, etc. Verily the prophecy has come true, the last shall be first.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

POTATO AND PEANUT BUTTER HASH.

One-half cupful peanut butter, two cupfuls diced, cooked potatoes; one small onion; 1,420 total calories; 250 protein calories; one and one-half cupfuls water; one-half cupful milk; one teaspoonful salt; one-eighth teaspoonful pepper.

Heat in a pan the peanut butter and water till blended; add the onion chopped fine and cook until tender. Then stir in carefully the potatoes and seasoning and add the milk gradually.—Good Housekeeping.

A QUAIN REPLY.

A dear old Quaker lady, when asked what cosmetic she used to produce such a lovely complexion, replied sweetly: "I use for my lips, truth; for my voice, prayer; for my eyes, pity; for the hands, charity; for the figure, uprightness; for the heart, love." Truth, prayer, pity, charity, uprightness, and love! Could there be a more perfect circle of jewels to adorn womanhood? They are priceless, yet free to all.—Christian Observer.

THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN.

The campaign for the fourth Liberty Loan begins September 28 and closes October 19. While the amount has not yet been announced, it is generally conceded it will be for a larger amount than any of the preceding loans. The American people, therefore, are called upon to raise a larger sum of money in a shorter length of time than ever before. There is need, therefore, for prompt action—prompt and efficient work and prompt and liberal subscriptions.

We have a great inspiration for a great effort. The news from the battle front inspires every American heart, not only with pride and patriotism, but with a great incentive to do his or her part. There is no shirking, no shifting of the individual burden, no selfishness by American soldiers in France; there should be none here. We are both supporting the same country and the same cause—our army in one way, ourselves in another. Theirs is the harder part, but at least we can do our part as promptly and loyally and efficiently as they do theirs.

GOD'S RADIANT TIMEPIECE.

Shining-faced, "radiolite" watches were in existence long before the present generation of discovery. There is a timepiece in God's Word that is radiant. It is the "little Gospel" of John 3:16: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." All God's past which concerns you is there. It is also all the past that is valuable to you—God loved and gave. It matters not what else occurred in the long ago; this is enough. And then for the present there is the great fact, "that whosoever believeth in Him." Believing in Him is all there is of present value. No matter what else we may have thought the present could bring us, it is as nothing beside this greatest possibility. It assures us that we "shall not perish, but have (now) everlasting life." Believing in Jesus is what makes God's present time yours. But then with a bound you have anticipated all of God's future—"everlasting life"—and it also is yours. "Life." What a word is that! God's life, and so of course it is "everlasting." Thus John 3:16 is God's timepiece and your "time of day"—past, present and future. Would you know the time of night? That too, can be seen in the same passage; for he that believeth not that God loved and gave must perish an everlasting death.—Sunday School Times.

WONDERFUL EGG PRODUCER

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THE YOUNG SOUTH

Missionary's address, Mrs. P. P. Medling, Kagoshima, Japan.
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Our Motto: "Nulla Vestigia Retrorsum" (no steps backward).

S'VEEN LITTLE THRIFT STAMPS.

Bought a little thrift stamp,
Pasted on a card;
There goes a quarter,
And quarters come hard.

One little thrift stamp,
Lookin' lonely, blue;
Bought one for company,
And then there were two.

Two little thrift stamps,
Couldn't seem to 'gree;
Got one to watch 'em,
And then there were three.

Three little thrift stamps,
How'd I get more?
Walked 'stead of ridin',
Soon I had four.

Four little thrift stamps,
All in a row;
Set me to thinkin'
How to make 'em grow.

Had my shoes mended
'Stead of buyin' new;
Savings filled the first row,
Started number two.

Last winter's coat
Looks mighty fine,
Cleaned, pressed and mended,
Thrift stamps nine.

Stay at home and knit now,
'Stead of goin' to the show;
There's another quarter,
"Thrifties" sure do grow.

Fifteen cents from—nowhere,
Thrift card now filled;
Bought me a war stamp,
My, how I thrilled!

S'teen little thrift stamps,
Every week or two;
Buy me a liberty bond
'Fore the year's through.
—Pauline J. Schmid, in Easton High School Junto.

MATTERS OF GRATULATION.

Dr. M. D. Jeffries, Pastor.

People must not think that a hospital is a sad and gloomy place. On the other hand there are many occasions for joy and gladness; patients and their loved ones come suffering and anxious and generally go away relieved and joyous, grateful to surgeon, nurses and the house of healing. Then, too, there are no more cheery set of folks in the world than physicians and nurses; that is always healthy for the sick folks.

But we wish to tell of a few matters in which all the friends of the Baptist Memorial Hospital may well rejoice.

We are getting into the new wing of the hospital. There has been much delay on account of the problems of labor and material. A few weeks ago the pupil nurses were moved into second story rooms, which are to be their home until patients crowd them out and until some benevolent heart and liberal hand provides them with a

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Nurses' Home. The rooms occupied are incomplete in some particulars, but are comfortable. The lease on hired quarters expired September 1st and the young ladies were brought into the building. It was a joy, too, to have a few rooms in the new wing occupied by patients. It is a relief to patients begging for room, for physicians, and for the management, which daily turned patients away.

Again it is a matter of joy and gratulation to notice in the Baptist and Reflector the number of associations in all parts of the state that are hearing reports from committees on the Baptist Memorial Hospital. The pastor has taken pleasure in furnishing information on which to base such reports to the considerable number who have asked for it.

It is a great joy to know that the Young South in the Baptist and Reflector is gathering \$100.00 to pay for the furnishing of a room. This is peculiarly happy since in the new wing we are to have the top floor, the eighth, fitted up as the children's floor. This will be the choice floor, with a large solarium occupying the other end of that floor, where the convalescent little folks can go to get the sunshine and grow back to health and strength again.

Mr. Jennings, who has so generously given of thought, effort, and money to the hospital, wants the Baptists of the three states to know that, though delayed by conditions incident to war, it is expected that the building will be complete in sixty days. Fifty thousand dollars has been borrowed on faith of subscriptions made last February. It is important that these subscriptions due be sent in to cover the large cost incident to the finishing of the building.

Memphis, Tenn.

After you've read this note from Dr. Jeffries, don't you just long to do something for that splendid hospital which belongs to the Baptists? I'm so glad he told us about the children's floor, and without consulting you, because I know you will heartily agree, I say we want the Young South room on that floor.

Come, let's help all we can to uphold the faith in which that huge sum was borrowed. We can do it easily if each one of us takes the time to respond, and sends in even a mite. The little bits grow, you know.

Inglewood.

Dear Miss Annie White:

I'm sending some books for the library at the Orphans' Home. Some of them are associated with Christmases of long ago and others represent the expenditure of nickles and dimes that at the time could not be well spared for mere reading matter. Some of them, as you will see, I have hand-bound. Of them I am especially proud. I like to reclaim anything, books, land or anything that seems to have passed its state of usefulness and put it into service again. It makes my thrifty soul purr with satisfaction any time to prevent waste, and while the binding of my books is of course rude and

gives very much evidence of lack of proper implements for the work and fingers unskilled in the past and very tired from other tasks when I did the work, still they are in much better condition for childish handling than they were before I rebound them. In fact I would have sent them unbound. I am sure the children will get enough pleasure and benefit out of them to repay me for the work I put on them. I may get some more from my little nieces and nephews later. I am impressing on them that it is better to give than to receive and waiting for them to digest the idea in regard to their books and their dolls as well. Hoping the library and the work generally will continue to grow.

We are yours truly,

CHESTNUT FARMS.

I can't say how much I appreciated and enjoyed this letter from Chestnut Farms, and all of the Young South readers will feel the same, I'm sure. Of course we all know that we have no better, truer friends anywhere than those at Chestnut Farms. Whenever I have made a call for anything they have responded, and generously. Now come these books for the Laura Dayton Eakin Library. Because of their associations we value them, and I think it was mighty sweet for their owner to have loved her books enough to bind them with her own hands, and then give them to the orphan children to enjoy. She shows an exceedingly thrifty spirit, which coincides with these war times. I can imagine her a busy housewife, canning, preserving, and as she says, making everything count. The books have been received, and just as soon as Mr. Stewart finds time from the associations to take the dolls, the books and me out to the orphanage, I'll write you about it.

Whiteville, Tenn.

Dear Miss Annie White:

Although we have been silent for awhile we have read everything in the paper from the Young South. We always feel uplifted after reading what our sisters and brothers are doing and want to do more ourselves. I don't think you could have asked for help in a better cause than the hospital. We are sending one dollar to help in furnishing a room in the hospital. Our offering is small, but we are only seven strong. Wish we could have made it \$1 each. Lovingly,

HARMONY SUNBEAMS.

The Harmony Sunbeams, I am sure, will be interested in reading Dr. Jeffries' letter, since they so heartily indorse our plan to furnish a room in the hospital. We are mighty glad they came back with this good report, after having been, as they express it, "silent for awhile." Never again though do we intend to forgive them if they neglect us so long. Need I say that we appreciate the dollar on the hospital fund?

Sharp Springs, Tenn.

Dear Miss Annie White:

The Primary Class of Sharp Springs Sunday school is sending \$2 for the Edgar E. Folk Memorial Fund. With love and best wishes.

NETTIE MAE HENDERSON.

I feel that I owe a personal debt of gratitude to this Primary Class for the gift they send in memory of my father. This memorial fund is growing, and each week loving friends add their remembrance. Thank those dear little tots, Miss Nettie Mae. It was mighty sweet of them to send it.



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Lafayette, Tenn.

Dear Miss Annie White:

I send you one dollar from the Willing Worker's Society of the First Baptist church. We would like for you to use it for the Orphan's Home Hospital which is so necessary. We give our money to different objects, but hope to give more to the Orphan's Home soon.

ELIZABETH AGEE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Thank you very much, Miss Agee, for this gift from the Willing Workers, for the hospital at the Orphans' Home. Mr. Stewart says the people are responding very generously to this cause, and soon we'll be building a nice, new hospital for the children.

Remember the hospital at Memphis—remember it when you've got a dime or a quarter that you want to spend for some luxury—and save it for "our" room there. Lovingly,

ANNIE WHITE FOLK.

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.

Third—Pastor Creasman spoke at the morning hour. Subject, "The Efficient Life." Two hundred in Sunday school. Fine offering for missions. Brother Oscar Nolen, of Murfreesboro, spoke at night on "Prayer." Two fine audiences. One baptized.

South Side—Pastor C. W. Knight preached at 11 a.m. from Rom. 8:28. The men had charge of the evening service. The pastor closed his work with the church.

Centennial—Pastor J. Henry DeLaney spoke in the morning on "The Leadership of God," and in the evening on "How We May Know God." Good Sunday school and splendid B. Y. P. U.

Judson Memorial—Pastor C. F. Clark spoke on "The Only Source of Success," and "The Christian Character." One hundred and sixty in Sunday school; \$35 for State Missions. Good for B. Y. P. U.

Park Avenue—M. Bunyan Smith, pastor. Morning service fine. One hundred and eighty-eight in Sunday school. Raised for State Missions \$88.21. Pastor spoke on Sunday school at morning hour. Evening service; subject, "Truth and Freedom."

Grand View—A. F. Haynes, pastor, preached morning and evening. Preparing for a revival to begin the following Sunday. Rally Day observed by program given in Sunday school.

Immanuel—Ryland Knight, pastor. The morning service given over to Sunday School Promotion Day exercises, which were very successful. Two hundred and forty-one in Sunday school. Sunday school collection for State Missions, \$102. The closing exercises of the Sunday School Institute were held in Immanuel Sunday afternoon. Five additions by letter.

First—Preaching by the pastor, Allen Fort. Themes, "Liberty Loans and Religion," and "A Night in Jail." State mission program in Sunday school. Two hundred and eighty-eight in Bible School. Twelve additions.

Lockeland—W. R. Hill, pastor. Preaching in the morning by the pastor; subject, "A Better Day For Our Sunday School." Preaching in the evening by the pastor; subject, "Giving." Number in Sunday school, 179. Sunday school offering for State Missions, \$130.

North Edgefield—A. W. Duncan, pastor. Brother H. L. Strickland was with us at the Sunday school hour and led in grading our Sunday school. This will mean a larger, better and more efficient school. The pastor spoke in the evening on "Christ and the Multitude." One by letter.

Grace—W. Rufus Beckett, pastor. Preaching in the morning by the pastor; subject, "The Sunday School." Preaching in the evening by the pastor; subject, "Security." Number in Sunday school, 249. Sunday school offering to missions, \$59.48.

Calvary—H. B. Colter, pastor. Morning subject, "The Macedonian Cry;" evening, "God Our Refuge." Sunday school, 100. Good services all day. State Mission program carried out in Sunday school. Collection, \$21, making \$85 for State Missions for the year.

Eastland—Morning service, special Promotion Day and State Mission Day in the Sunday school, 207 present, \$109.07 collection. Pastor spoke on State Missions. Night subject, "A Clouded Vision."

Shelby Avenue—C. A. McIlroy, pastor. The pastor preached at both hours. Subject at 11 a.m., "Liberty." Subject at 7:45 p.m., "The Church Praying for Power." Attendance at Sunday school, 33; collection at Sunday school for State Missions, \$1.68; collection from church for State Missions, \$9.70. Total, \$11.38.

MEMPHIS.

Temple—Pastor J. Carl McCoy spoke at both hours on "Temple Builders" and "World-wide Freedom." In

Sunday school, 172. Good B. Y. P. U. Promotion day in Sunday school. One wedding.

Binghamton—Pastor T. R. Stroupe spoke at both hours to good congregations. Nice collection from church for State Missions. In Sunday school, 86. Collection in school for State Missions, \$11.80. Two by letter.

Boulevard—The pastor, Dr. Gilbert Dobbs, preached at both hours. Good crowds. In Sunday school, 116.

Rowan—Pastor J. E. Eoff spoke at both hours. In Sunday school, 105. Good B. Y. P. U. Collection for State Missions of \$10.

Baptist Hospital—Pastor M. D. Jeffries preached for Forest Hill Church. Excellent prayer meetings from week to week.

Prescott Memorial—Pastor E. L. Watson preached at both hours to good audiences. Fine B. Y. P. U. Collection taken for State Missions.

Speedway Terrace—State Mission program carried out at the morning hour. For State Missions, \$38. Pastor S. A. Wilkinson spoke at night. In Sunday school, 85.

Seventh Street—Pastor I. N. Strother preacher morning and evening on "State Missions" and "The Choice of Moses." In Sunday school, 185. Two received by letter.

Highland Heights—E. G. Stout, pastor. Pastor spoke at both hours to good audiences. One profession in the morning. Sunday school good. Good contribution for State Missions, which was the subject in the morning. Reclamation service in the evening, subject, "Is Thy Heart Right With God?"

Calvary—Pastor Norris preached a short sermon at the close of a very interesting Sunday school. "Missionary day for State Missions—\$14 given. In Sunday school, 135. Two baptized. One marriage. Glorious day.

La Belle Place—Sunday school had charge of the morning service, 247 present; \$150 collection for State Missions in Sunday school. Pastor D. A. Ellis spoke at the evening hour to very fine congregation. Two weddings. Church prospering.

First—Pastor, A. U. Boone. Rally Day observed in the morning. Pastor preached in the evening. Two baptisms. In Sunday school, 510. A gracious day.

KNOXVILLE.

Oakwood—S. M. McCarter, pastor. Preaching in the morning by U. S. Thomas; subject, "Arise, Shine." The pastor preached at night on "Laying Up Treasures to the Neglect of Salvation." In Sunday school, 274. Sunday school offering for State Missions, \$57.40. Great meeting in progress.

Beaumont—Pastor, A. D. Langston. Preaching in the morning by the pastor, subject, "On the Forward March." Night subject, "A Great Decision." In Sunday school, 138. Raised \$25 for State Missions. The meeting closed with good interest. Thirteen conversions. More than forty reconsecrated themselves to the Lord.

Lincoln Park—T. E. Elgin, pastor. Sunday School Promotion Day and Missionary program. Evening subject "Parable of the Leaven." In Sunday school, 176. Good offering for State Missions.

Central, of Bearden—Jas. N. Poe, pastor. Morning subject, "God's Judgment of the World." No evening service.

Lonsdale—J. C. Shipe, pastor. "Witnessing for Jesus" was the morning subject. Missionary program in the evening. In Sunday school, 190. A splendid offering for State Missions.

Bell Avenue—J. B. Hyde, pastor. Special observance of the State Mission Sunday in connection with Promotion exercises and an offering for State Missions. Large attendance and a most excellent program. Evening subject, "Going Fishing." In Sunday

school, 396. An exceptionally large congregation at night and a good interest.

Mountain View—W. C. McNeely, pastor. Morning subject, "Serious Times." Evening subject, "God's Care for His Children." In Sunday school, 387. Good day.

First—Len G. Broughton, pastor. Morning subject, "The Message of the Ephesian Church to the Church of Today." Preaching at night by M. D. Upshaw, of Atlanta; subject, "Religion in Business." In Sunday school, 573. Two baptized, two received by letter.

Broadway—Lloyd T. Wilson, pastor. Morning subject, "The Methods of Evangelism." Evening subject, "A True Servant of Christ." In Sunday school, 456. Three received by letter. Sunday school gave \$85 for State Missions. Church will go over its apportionment for State Missions.

Marble City—R. E. George, pastor. Morning, missionary program. Evening subject, "Broader Vision of Missionary Service." In Sunday school, 70. Three baptized. Splendid service and good interest manifested with the church.

Grove City—D. W. Lindsay, pastor. Morning subject, "Meeting With Jesus in the Way." Evening subject, "Gadara Demoniac." In Sunday school, 104. For Missions on hand, \$46.

Deaderick Avenue—H. T. Stevens, pastor. Morning subject, "Loyalty." Evening subject, "A Good Soldier." In Sunday school, 449. Pastor in meeting at Vestal.

South Knoxville—M. S. Miller, pastor. Morning text, 2 Chron. 33. Evening text, Matt. 11:28-29. In Sunday school, 250.

Euclid Avenue—J. W. Wood, pastor. Morning subject, "God's Promise to His Children." Evening subject, "Behold the Lamb of God." In Sunday school, 170. Revival closed; 20 conversions, 10 additions.

Fifth Avenue—J. L. Dance, pastor. Morning, State Mission Day Services. Preaching in the evening by Chas. P. Jones. Subject, "Claims of Jesus." In Sunday school, 335. A blessed day.

Third Creek—Geo. M. Reeves, pastor. Morning subject, "God's Missionary Program." Evening subject, "Our Unfailing Friend." In Sunday school, 130.

Fountain City—E. A. Cates, pastor. Morning subject, "The Promise Is to You." Evening subject, "Secret of Power." In Sunday school, 147. Four received by letter.

Beaver Dam—U. S. Ransom, pastor. Morning subject, "Diffusion." Evening subject, "Glorifying in the Cross."

Immanuel—A. R. Pedigo, pastor. Preaching in the morning by the pastor, on "Loyalty." Preaching in the evening by H. T. Stevens on "Remedies for Sin." In Sunday school, 175. Four approved for baptism. Ten professions. Meeting continues. Raised for State Missions, \$42.25.

Central—A. F. Mahan, pastor. Rev. F. M. Dowell preached in the morning and the pastor in the evening. Pastor's subject, "Millennium." In Sunday school, 178. One baptized. Three received by letter. Four approved for baptism.

Burlington—Rev. Wickham, pastor. Preaching in the morning by W. O. Roten; subject, "Conformity to the World."

Gillespie Avenue—David N. Livingstone, pastor. Preaching in the morning by J. T. Henderson, on "Stewardship." In the evening, echoes from an every-member canvass. In Sunday school, 164. One received by letter. Over the top in State Missions.

Island Home—Promotion Day exercises in the Sunday school. Preaching in the evening by W. O. Roten; subject, "The Loneliness of Sin." In Sunday school, 298.

A most interesting address was delivered by Hon. W. D. Upshaw, of Atlanta. He spoke to a great patriotic meeting on Sunday at Staub Theater. Clear Spring—C. A. Johnson, pastor. Preaching in the morning by S. G. Wells. Subject, "The Folks That Stay by the Stuff."

Black Spring—Preaching in the morning by S. G. Wells; subject, "The Teaching of Jesus."

Mt. Olive—W. H. Fitzgerald, pastor. Rally Day exercises. Preaching in the evening by the pastor. In Sunday school, 206. For State Missions, \$80. Pastor resigns to accept Island Home Church.

CHATTANOOGA.

St. Elmo—Oscar D. Fleming, pastor. Morning subject, "Power to Become." Evening, Rev. J. H. Snow, of Dallas, Texas, preached on "Binding and Loosing." In Sunday school, 156. State Missions, \$57.46.

Chamberlain Avenue—G. T. King, pastor. Morning subject, "State Missions;" evening subject, "Christian Service." Pastor in a meeting at Spring Creek.

Tyner—Pastor, J. Bernard Tallant. Morning subject, "The True God." Resigning the work to take charge of First Baptist Church, Decatur, Ala.

Woodland Park—Pastor McClure spoke on "The Joy of Giving" and "A Young Man Going Away from Jesus." Splendid day. One conversion; two additions. In Sunday school, 128. For State Missions, \$31.

Highland Park—Closed campaign of Rev. J. H. Snow with Decision Day in Sunday school. Nine additions for baptism, one by letter. In Sunday school, 267. State Mission offering, \$46.33. Every-member canvass in afternoon with gratifying result.

Avondale—We are in the midst of a revival meeting. The pastor doing the preaching. The subject for each service has been "Jesus." Thirty-three have united with the church in the one week of the meeting. W. R. Hamic, pastor.

Ridgedale—Jesse Jeter Johnson, pastor. Good day. Bible school, 237, with State Mission offering of \$55.34. Evening service given over to the annual installation of officers and standing committees, who will serve the church for the year, beginning October 1st.

East Lake—W. E. Davis, pastor, preached at both hours. Morning subject, "Our Indebtedness to God." Evening subject, "Thou God Seest Me." Two hundred in Sunday school. A fine day—a very fine day.

Baptist Tabernacle—J. B. Phillips, pastor. Baptized, 1; two for baptism, one by statement. In Sunday school, 273. Morning subject, "God, Capital and Labor." Evening, "Where Are the Dead Among Capital and Labor?" The Fifth Annual Bible Conference convenes next Sunday and runs through the 27th, with some of America's and Canada's greatest teachers, preachers and singers on the program.

First—With the exception of taking a special offering for State Missions, the program sent out by the State Secretary was carried out in every particular Sunday morning when the Sunday school merged with the morning preaching hour and an instructive program was rendered in the main auditorium of the church. All ages and sizes took part on the program, showing how even the little tots can help carry on the missionary plan. Banners and cards with lettering to suit were carried by the twenty-five boys and girls who took part on the program. Dr. Major's sermonette on "Missions" pleased both old and young. He gave an object sermon, using candles of different sizes to illustrate how Christ, as the Light of the World, radiates through the races of men, a large candle being Christ and four small ones represented the four different races of men with four still smaller ones representing the children themselves. Our church will meet its apportionment to State Missions through the regular envelope and budget system. At the close of the service a representative from the Armenian people was presented, and, after he had told of the suffering of his people, \$160. was given through a special collection.

Birchwood, Tenn.—Pastor S. N. Fitzpatrick preached on "The House of the Living God." Two received by letter. Will observe Mission Day next Sunday. Pastor's son, Sergeant S. N. Fitzpatrick, Jr., has arrived in France.

KINGSTON.

Kingston—J. H. O. Clevenger, pastor. Our revival closed with thirty-six conversions and renewals. Most far-reaching meeting in this town for many years. We baptized twelve in Clinch River Sunday before a great throng of people. They were mostly fathers and mothers. More yet to come. The first Sunday will be our Sunday School Rally Day and offering for State Missions. See the effect of our more than one month's cottage prayer meetings.

Among the Brethren

Fleetwood Ball
Lexington, Tenn.

Rev. W. M. Gamlin, of Big Sandy, Tenn., writes: "Had a fine day at Big Sandy yesterday. Baptized four and received four under the watchcare of the church. We have had 20 additions this year. The work is doing fine. Will move from Big Sandy, though the church is protesting against my going."

Rev. H. A. Todd, of Union City, Tenn., writes: "Am holding meetings each evening this week so as to round up various things before the Association, which meets October 1st. We had two additions last night, one by letter, one by experience, and two came forward for prayer. I have a meeting with Brother H. H. Wallace at Sturgis, Ky., following the third Sunday in October. Will begin a meeting here November 3rd."

Mr. J. M. O'Neal, of Charleston, Miss., writes: "Our pastor, Rev. J. R. G. Hewlett, having resigned as pastor here Sept. 1st, we have been without a pastor this month. We are trying to get a man to take his place. We have a growing town of about 3,000 inhabitants, and a better opportunity for a great work is not in the state. We have 265 members, a nice frame church, with 13 Sunday school class rooms, and an enrollment in Sunday school of 213."

Rev. R. A. Cooper, of Amarillo, Texas, has accepted the care of the First Church, Collinsville, Okla., and is on the field. There were seven additions on the first Sunday.

W. T. Ellis, prolific writer for the secular press under the pen-name The Religious Rambler, argues against the extension and continuation of American denominations in foreign fields. He says there ought to be a national church, such as a Chinese Christian church, Persian Christian church, Japanese Christian church, etc. Of course that means an American Christian church ultimately, but, while the air is full of this Christ-dishonoring unionism, watch all true Baptists pursue the even tenor of their way in carrying out Christ's program, "Go teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

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teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." The great commission is a death blow to modern unionism.

R. A. Swindell, of Camden, Tenn., and Miss Cora Holcomb, matron of the Tennessee Baptist Orphans' Home, were happily married recently. She is a native of Paris, Tenn., a most estimable Christian woman, a sister of Rev. Thomas B. Holcomb, of Shawnee, Okla. The groom is a well-to-do, exemplary young farmer. We offer hearty congratulations and best wishes.

Rev. Louis Entzminger, of Fort Worth, Texas, has been called to the care of the First Church, Lakeland, Fla., succeeding Rev. Wallace Wear.

The Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Ky., loses its brilliant young pastor, Dr. Hardy L. Winburn, who has resigned to return to his old field, the First Church, Arkadelphia, Ark. He will also teach in Ouachita College.

That peerless preacher, Dr. S. J. Porter, who has the shepherd heart, has resigned the care of the First Church, San Antonio, Texas, to accept the pastorate of the First Church, Oklahoma City, Okla. In Oklahoma they covet the best gifts.

In a strong article in the current issue of the Baptist Standard, Dr. W. O. Carver, of Louisville, Ky., pertinently says, concerning modern unionism: "Any who are turning aside from the great task of evangelizing the world to push a propaganda for compromise union are fighting the common interests of Christianity; and some who are secretly scheming to bring about an official control of 'churches' are laboring for autocracy and aristocracy and against democratic freedom in the forces of Christ." Amen.

Dr. J. H. Pace, of Dublin, Texas, has been called to the care of the First Church, Galveston, Texas, and it is believed he will accept, which will mean that that church will go forward with a lively Pace.

Dr. R. H. Tandy, until recently president of Bethel College, Russellville, Ky., has accepted the care of Weaver Memorial Church, Louisville, Ky., and is already on the field bringing things to pass.

Rev. E. C. Stevens, of Clifton Street Church, Louisville, Ky., lately assisted Rev. J. H. Burnett in a revival with Middleton Church, near Wanklin, Ky., resulting in 11 conversions and 11 additions.

Rev. J. H. Ponder has resigned the care of Burlington Church, Knoxville, Tenn., that he might accept the care of Highland Park Church, Louisville, Ky. He will enroll as a student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Dr. J. S. Kirtley, a name familiar among hosts of Southern Baptists, is supplying for the First Church, Seattle, Washington, and they are enjoying a feast of good things.

Dr. John Roach Straton, of Calvary Church, New York City, has been engaged to hold a revival meeting in Mercer University, Macon, Ga., during the month of January.

Rev. W. A. Spence, of Metropolis, Ill., formerly pastor there, has been nominated for the State Senate of Illinois in a primary, which action insures his election. For twelve years he has been superintendent of schools in Mas-sac County, Ill.

That was a great revival at Trimble, Tenn., in which Rev. E. L. Watson, of Memphis, Tenn., assisted Rev. W. R. Puckett, resulting in 62 conversions and 32 additions, with more to follow. The meeting lasted over three weeks.

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The First in Tennessee.—Dr. Lansing Burrows, Mrs. J. N. Keelin, Oliver J. Towles, Mrs. Oliver J. Towles and Mrs. J. Wesley Weaver received the Blue Seal, October 27, 1908, being the first in Tennessee to receive this award. Only seven other Blue Seals had been bestowed in the Southern Baptist Convention at that time.

Twenty Post-graduates.—The following workers are completing the post-graduate course offered by Dr. P. E. Burroughs in "The Present-day Sunday School": Mrs. George H. Briggs, Rev. C. F. Clark, E. L. Clemmons, Mrs. C. E. Conibear, Rev. C. D. Creasman, Mrs. H. W. Crook, N. B. Fetzer, Dr. Allen Fort, Mrs. J. M. Gilliam, Rev. W. R. Hill, R. K. Kimmons, Mrs. R. K. Kimmons, Miss Ellen D. Miller, Dr. G. C. Savage, Mrs. G. C. Savage, Miss Lillian Stone, Mrs. Smith Wall, Mrs. Harry G. Walters, Mrs. J. Wesley Weaver, Mrs. Annie Williams.

Nashville Gold-Sealers.—The following Nashville workers hold Gold Seal Post-graduate diplomas, the highest award offered by the Sunday School Board: Rev. W. Rufus Beckett, Mrs. George Henry Briggs, Dr. P. E. Burroughs, W. T. Eastes, Mrs. W. T. Eastes, N. B. Fetzer, Miss Eleanor Gardner, Mrs. John Gupton, Miss Lucile Jackson, R. K. Kimmons, Mrs. R. K. Kimmons, Mrs. W. R. L. McCullough, Mrs. T. J. Osborn, Miss Agnes Whipple. Dr. Allen Fort and Dr. G. C. Savage will receive the Gold Seal.

Twenty Get Seal Seven.—Dr. Moore announces that twenty from his class have successfully passed the examination on "The Heart of the Old Testament" and are entitled to Seal 7: J. A. Carter, Rev. H. B. Coulter, Mrs. H. B. Coulter, Mrs. C. D. Creasman, Mrs. N. B. Fetzer, Mrs. I. N. Green, Miss Maggie Mai Kinsey, James G. Matthews, Mrs. James G. Matthews, Miss Eugenia de Mayer, Hight C. Moore, Mrs. James B. Newman, Miss Lillian M. Phillips, Mrs. J. W. Prichett, Mrs. Sadie Jeffreys Riggsbee, Mrs. J. P. Ruh, Rev. M. Bunyan Smith, Dr. C. C. Sullivan, Mrs. J. E. Winn, Miss Florence Zopfi.

Twenty-five Get Seal Four.—Dr. Dobbins reports that the following have passed examination on "The Seven Laws of Teaching": J. T. Goodwin, Mrs. J. Luther Sherrill, Mrs. G. S. Dobbins, Dr. B. T. Terry, John K. Lancaster, Miss Mabel E. Browning, Miss Bernadine Lancaster, Rev. J. Henry Delaney, Miss Minnie D. McIlroy, J. R. Harris, Ernest W. Stoddard, Miss Mattie Hooberry, Miss Florence Clemons, Mrs. Charles Sullivan, Miss Eula Robinson, Miss Irene Charlton, Miss Nellie Buck, Miss Reble McGrew, Miss Mattie B. Buck, Miss Elizabeth Sloan, Miss Bernice Owen, Mrs. C. L. Farmer, Mrs. John Gupton.

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Our Hostesses.

The entertainment for the Training School was delightful. The ladies of the various churches furnished the lunch suppers each night. They fed us "bountifully and beautifully." Each church had its part, because they were grouped together. Thank you, ladies. One good turn deserves another. We'll visit you again next year.

CHURCH AND PERSONAL

The church here has granted me six months' leave of absence to do work in the army camps with the Y. M. C. A. I go to Blue Ridge, N. C., next Monday, the 23rd, for three weeks' training. After that I do not know where I will be sent. I would like to have the Baptist and Reflector sent me the three weeks I am in Blue Ridge.

We raised \$86 yesterday for State Missions, and that does not include what our Sunday school will do.

WILSON WOODCOCK.

Dickson.

The Second Baptist Church of Lenoir City has had a great revival, conducted by Pastor E. E. Harvey. There were 160 professions and 43 baptized, and 22 received by letter. We wish to say that we have a splendid pastor and he is doing a great work. The church gave him \$135 for his work in the meeting.

J. L. RICHMOND.

Lenoir City, Tenn.

You make a fine paper and are a good editor. Go ahead. I am just out of a fine meeting at Ashland, Miss., county seat of Benton County. Had fine audiences, and 26 were baptized and six others joined in other ways. The church has had no pastor this year, but called Brother H. L. Whitten the last night of the meeting and he accepted. They move on well there now.

R. A. GIMBROUGH.

Blue Mountain, Miss.

ROCKWOOD REVIVAL.

Our revival, which began twelve days ago, closed Thursday night, with seven additions, two by baptism and five by letter, with others to follow. There were a number of conversions and renewals, and our people greatly edified and built up. Rev. S. P. DeVault, of Eagleville, who did all the preaching, measured up to the high endorsement given him by Dr. J. W. Gillon, our State Secretary. Those who have known Rockwood in the past can hardly realize the great change that has been brought about by this meeting through the faithful efforts of Brother DeVault. Our church is now united and aggressive and has a vision of duty and a spirit of work that

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W. N. ROSE, Pastor.

We, the Union Ridge Baptist Church, wish to express publicly our regrets at losing Rev. C. H. Bailey as pastor. He was with us only a few months, but long enough for us to learn to love him and appreciate his ability to lead us into broader fields of usefulness. He gave his hearty co-operation to all the church activities—missions, Sunday school, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. work.

We most earnestly recommend Bro. Bailey to his new field as a true Christian gentleman, and our prayers follow him.

W. F. ELMORE,
MRS. M. E. JARRELL,
MARY ELMORE,
Committee.

THREE GOOD MEETINGS.

I have just closed out meetings with three of my churches. The Lord was gracious in his blessings. There were a number of conversions at each of the churches and the people much revived.

We had Brother J. P. Bilyew with us at Smith's Fork, and fifteen were baptized.

At Ramah Brother J. C. Stewart was with us, and eleven were baptized.

While at Fall Creek Brother E. A. Cox was with us, and eight were baptized. To God be the glory.

J. H. GRIME.

Baptist, and Reflector:

I have just closed a meeting at Rome, Tenn., with fine success. I was assisted by my father, M. B. Ramsey. The meeting terminated in 17 additions to the church. The church was much revived. Had a fine meeting at New Middleton, Tenn. I was assisted there by Dr. R. L. Motley, of Winchester, Ky. This effort terminated in 15 conversions, and 13 additions to the church. The brotherhood of these two churches can't be excelled. I begin my meeting at Plunkett's Creek Sunday, the 22nd. Yours in His name,

C. C. RAMSEY.

Dixon Spring, Tenn.

Have just closed a second meeting with Rev. C. A. Ladd, pastor at Lewisburg, Smyrna and Cornersville. The first meeting was with the Smyrna church, resulting in thirty-two additions, twenty-nine of which came by baptism. The second with the Lewisburg church, resulted in eleven additions, all by baptism. Other visible

results were first an increase in pastor's salary and, secondly, a general toning up of the spiritual life of the churches. Brother Ladd's field is in fine shape and under his faithful and wise leadership there will be a steady increase in the membership of the churches. From my observation, after having spent about twenty days in the Duck River Association, the great need is enlistment work. It is discouraging when we come to think of the number of pastorless fields in many of our associations. While one field may be doing splendidly, another adjoining it will be suffering because of a lack of wise leadership. We ought to do more work in grouping our churches into fields. We will never come to our standard of efficiency until we do this.

Respectfully,

J. K. HAYNES.

RESOLUTIONS ON DR. R. W. WEAVER.

The Nashville Baptist Pastors' Conference is again grieved at the severance by removal of the blessed fellowship in the going to another field of activity of our beloved brother and fellow-laborer, Dr. R. W. Weaver. Separations are always painful and the pain is unusually severe in this instance. His membership in the conference has been one of the longest and he has been one of the most affable brothers who ever held membership with us. His counsel has been helpful, his informing addresses instructive and his amiable presence ever heartening.

For several years Brother Weaver—for we ever thought of him as a brother—was the honored pastor of one of our greatest churches, the Immanuel Church. He led the church in erecting and paying for one of the finest meeting houses in the city. As pastor, Dr. Weaver wielded a large influence in literary circles in the city. His influence was large in social circles and determining in civic movements. He was considered one of the best informed men in the city and his opinions were sought and eagerly heard. Dr. Weaver magnified the ministry in the eyes of the people of this city.

Probably his crowning work among us was as secretary of Christian Education. He was literally drafted for this work by his brethren of the state. He proved an adept at it. The facts his investigative genius brought to light were startling to the entire state. His work in two years as secretary has been monumental, a never-dying labor of love for the neglected boys and girls of the rural districts of fair Tennessee. The state legislature heard him gladly when considering matters of education and he was a powerful factor in moulding legislation in interest of rural education. We shall probably not soon see his like again in this realm.

Dr. Weaver was a natural leader of men—leader in social, civic, literary and church affairs.

We consider him eminently qualified for his new work as president of Mercer University of Georgia. We pledge him our prayers and continued fellowship.

Therefore, be it resolved, that a copy of this be sent Brother Weaver and that copies be sent with request for publication to the Baptist and Reflector and the Christian Index.

W. R. HILL, Chairman,
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OBITUARIES

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Jordan.

Gone from our circle,
A lily, a dove,
Little Christine Jordan,
A girl we all loved.

She left father and mother
And loved ones all,
And answered the summons
Of Jesus' last call.

Her bright, smiling face
And her sweet, charming ways,
Will cling to our memory
Through endless days.

Still we know she is a jewel,
Around the Great Throne,
And she will dwell forever
With Jesus, our own.

Though we know that our loss
Is her infinite gain,
And she dwells there in glory,
Free from sorrow and pain.

To our friends and neighbors
We thank one and all,
And hope that God's blessings
Upon you will fall.

MRS. C. S. D.

Kirkland.

Evangelist J. V. Kirkland was born in Humphreys County, Tennessee, January 9, 1857. He moved with his father's family to western Kentucky in 1874. United with the Harmony Baptist Church in 1877, was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry in 1878. He was married to Miss Minnie Martin in 1888. In his early ministry he was pastor of churches. In addition to his work as pastor he taught in the public schools for several years, in Farmington Institute, Farmington, Ky., for one year, and in Fulton Normal and Business College, Fulton, Ky., for three years. He edited and published the Apostolic Baptist, at Fulton, Ky., for about ten years, beginning in 1896. With his brother, R. Sam Kirkland, he was joint editor of the Apostolic Hymn Book. For about five years he was district evangelist, three years in William Carey Association, with his home at Fayetteville, Tenn., and two with Union Association, with home at Henderson, Tenn. He died April 23, 1918.

His patient, loving, sacrificing toil is too well known to require many words. His pleasant smile, his cheery disposition, his many acts of kindness and his unfailing and unfaltering friendship are more eloquent than anything I could say. I knew him as I knew no other man. He was my brother, three years older than I. In my babyhood, childhood, youth, and early manhood he was my companion and counselor. No task was irksome to me if John was with me. He was the most spiritually minded person I ever knew. To him, even in childhood, the singing, chirping and chattering of birds were sermons, songs of praise and prayer to God. He saw God in everything.

He led his three brothers to Christ, baptized them, solemnized their marriages, and helped to ordain them for the gospel ministry. He baptized his wife and all his children except one that died in infancy.

After lying in state for twenty-four hours in the First Baptist church, visited by practically every person in the city, and a funeral service in which many preachers of that community took part, his body was laid to rest in Mt. Rose cemetery, in Fayetteville, Tenn., April 25, 1918. He leaves a wife, three daughters, one son, one sister, three brothers and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.

By request of family and many friends, readers of this paper, this is sent to the Baptist and Reflector.

A. M. KIRKLAND.

Burk.

Brother J. F. Burk was born an January 28, 1858. He was married to Mary B. Vaughter on October 26, 1882. He departed this life on September 14, 1918, aged sixty years, seven months, and sixteen days. He is survived by his wife and five children, four boys and one girl. He had been a member of the Baptist church at Hurricane about twenty-five years. Burial services were conducted by the writer at the grave in the presence of a large crowd, after which his remains were laid to rest. REV. J. F. SANDERS.

Mt. Juliet, Tenn.

Lanom.

Sister Laura Alice Rose Lanom was born on March 25, 1852. She joined the Baptist church at Fellowship (Concord Association) in 1870, was married to A. R. Lanom on February 1, 1872, and departed this life on August 11, 1918, aged sixty-six years, five months, and sixteen days. Burial services were conducted by the writer in the presence of a large crowd in the church, after which her remains were laid to rest beside her husband to await the final summons.

Rev. J. F. SANDERS.

Mt. Juliet, Tenn.

Manning.

Manning.—On July 14, when the church bells were calling to service the people of our city, God whispered to the spirit of Mrs. Alice Manning to come spend the Sabbath that hath no end, with Christ and the servants gone before. A glorious translation from sickness to perfect health, from service here to reward up there.

We have missed her from her accustomed seat, greeting those around her with a glad welcome and a kindly interest for all.

Her life was quiet but useful; rejoicing with those who rejoiced and weeping with those who had heavy hearts, she went about doing the will of Him whom she loved and faithfully served. There is no death to God's servants—only a rest from labor while their works follow them.

Mrs. Manning was one of our pioneer members who wrought well in building up the church of which we are now so proud. Her sacrifice with that of the faithful few has been rewarded of God. Her last long sickness was a benediction to those about her, never complaining, but cheerful and resigned, she will live on in the memory of those who were with her.

The constant attention of children and grandchildren was always appre-

ciated. We seldom see such as she received from loving hands. They sorrow not, for great is her reward—they will miss her wise counsel, but rejoice that she is at rest.

Therefore be it resolved, That as a Christian, a friend, a helper, we, the W. M. S. of First Baptist Church will miss her, but thank God for her saintly life, that bids us go forward in the service of our God until we, too, shall hear the welcome, "Come ye blessed of my Father, enter into the joys of thy God."

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. GEORGE WARFIELD,
MRS. R. R. ACREE,

Committee.

Clarksville, Tenn.

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11. Southwestern District, Mt. Pisgah Church, three miles east of Wildersville.
11. Western District, Spring Hill Hill Church, five miles south of Paris.
15. Bledsoe, Hopewell Church.
16. Stewart County, Walnut Grove Church.

No minutes have been received from the following associations: Harmony, Hiwassee, Union, Walnut Grove, West Union, Wiseman, New River.

Joking on the Supreme Court bench is something that one doesn't associate with that dignified body. Justice Day, of the Supreme Court, is a little man, but his lawyer son, known to his college intimates as Big Bill Day, compensates in bulk for dad's smallness. Recently the son appeared professionally before the Supreme Court and in the middle of his argument Justice Holmes passed a slip of paper to Justice Day, on which the latter read, "My, but he's block off the old chip, isn't he!"

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