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## JUST THE USUAL SALARY.

Among the items of news that the Watchman-Examiner delights to chronicle are those that state that certain churches have added a substantial amount to the salary of their pastors, and we are glad to note an increasing tendency in this direction, judging from the reports sent us. Such action speaks well for both church and pastor. Let the good work go on!

At the same time, if a word of admonition may be permitted us, we would like to caution the church not to spend over much time in feeling its shoulder-blades for indications of the sprouting of seraphic wings because it is writing the monthly pastoral check in slightly increased figures, and to exhort the pastor to strive against allowing excessive cerebral enlargement because he has a dollar and a quarter to spend now where before he had only a dollar, seeing in that fact a sign of his growing popularity with his people. To be sure, it may be an indication of developing sainthood on the part of the people, or of the increasing usefulness and influence on the part of the minister; perhaps of both. But in all probability in the majority of instances it is simply the result of a slowly awakening sense of justice, and the prompting of a common sense just beginning to get its eyes open to cold and sober facts.

The truth is, the question of pastoral salaries in many cases is a matter of shame to the church and of humiliation to the minister. During the last few years the cost of everything pertaining to living has been advancing by leaps and bounds. Prices that prevailed a decade ago, even two or three years ago, today seems unbelievable. One must pay vastly more now than ever before to the grocer and butcher to keep him properly nourished, to the doctor to make him well when he is sick, and to the undertaker to take care of what remains of him when the doctor is through. To meet these increased demands wages and salaries have gone up in at least a partially corresponding ratio.

No class of labor, from the highest to the lowest, can be procured at anything like the rates that used to be regarded as sufficient. Practically the only exceptions are in the case of school teachers and ministers. They alone are expected to meet the greatly increased cost of living today with the resources determined upon as their proper stipend in the old low-cost-of-living days. Most of our churches are paying no higher salaries than they paid five or ten years ago. The salary question is a settled and an unchangeable proposition with them. When the old minister leaves—perhaps is starved out—and a new one must be called, the finance committee, possibly consisting of the carpenter, who is getting 50 to 100 per cent more for his labor than he was a few years ago; the merchant, whose goods have all been marked up any number of per cents, and the farmer, who would laugh at you if you offered him anything like old-time prices for his produce, canvasses the situation and decides that "the usual salary" shall be paid. The church accepts the recommendation of the committee, calls the candidate at "the usual salary," and perhaps prides itself on the fact that it does not reduce it on account of "hard times."

As a matter of fact, the "usual salary," meaning by that the salary paid a few years ago, is not the usual salary. It may be the usual number of dollars passing from treasurer to minister, but it is not the usual salary. For the dollars do not mean what they formerly did; they do not go so far; they will not buy so much; they are subject to a heavy and an ever-increasing discount. No minister who has been in a church five years without increase of remuneration is receiving as much salary as he did when his pastorate began. The church may not have cut it down, but the conditions of the times have. If he received \$1,000 or \$2,000 then, he is fortunate if he has

## A NEW EARTH.

By JOHN OXENHAM.

*God grant us wisdom in these coming days,  
And eyes unsealed, that we clear visions  
Of that new world that he would have us build,  
To Life's ennoblement and his high ministry.*

*God give us sense—God-sense of Life's new needs,  
And souls aflame with new-born chivalries—  
To cope with those black growths that foul the ways—  
To cleanse our poisoned founts with God-born energies.*

*To pledge our souls to nobler, loftier life,  
To win the world to his fair sanctities,  
To bind the nations in a Pact of Peace,  
And free the Soul of Life for finer loyalties.*

*Not since Christ died upon his lonely cross  
Has Time such prospect held of Life's new birth;  
Not since the world of chaos first was born  
Has man so clearly visaged hope of a new earth.*

*Not of our own might can we hope to rise  
Above the ruts and soilures of the past,  
But, with his help who did the first earth build,  
With hearts courageous we may fairer build this last.*

—FROM "THE VISION SPLENDID."

today the actual equivalent of what \$700 or \$1,500 represented when the bargain was made. It is time that churches woke up to this fact, and to realize that they are demanding of their pastors for the privilege of serving them a sacrifice that few of their members themselves would consent to make.

In these days of multitudinous and multifarious "drives" it is time for the making of another for the "jacking-up" of pastors' salaries—not as an exhibition of churchly generosity, nor even as an evidence of appreciation of the minister, but as a matter of simple justice and honesty. A church owes it to itself to deal justly with the man whom it has chosen to be its leader and shepherd, and it is neither fair nor just to settle down in comfortable complacency to the payment of "the usual salary," and leave him to wear his heart out in coping with unusual conditions. "New occasions teach new duties." The "usual salary" tradition is one that should have been outgrown and discarded years ago. We are glad that some churches are coming to see this and are endeavoring to readjust matters on a more equitable basis. But there is room for more, and we shall be glad to chronicle their falling into line.—Watchman-Examiner.

The Baptists of Nashville held their Thanksgiving service at the Immanuel Baptist Church. Rev. C. F. Clark preached the sermon, which was thoughtful and spiritual. A good offering was taken for the Orphanage.

## THE SACRED CALL TO OUR CHURCHES.

By Wm. Lunsford, Corresponding Secretary Board of Ministerial Relief and Annuities.

Watch the minister. How cheerfully he goes about his work. What a willing, self-giving spirit is he. How readily he faces the issue and accepts the terms of his work. The hope of gain has had nothing to do with his decision. Ministers, as a class, receive very small salaries. It is difficult even for those who receive the largest compensation to save anything from their earnings. Where is there a body of men so purged of worldliness, so free from corruption and impurity?

Because of the nature of the minister's calling, and the character of his labors, he comes in contact more than any other man with suffering and unfortunate humanity.

The more closely he follows in the footsteps of his Master the less likely is he to have anything at the end of the year. He is not allowed to make money outside of his calling. To do that would be to greatly lessen his usefulness. Disaster usually sweeps away the minister of the gospel who seeks personal fortune. For some reason, a pastor is not allowed to make money. Is it not, therefore, incumbent on the churches to provide incomes for their servants who have worn themselves out in the service?

The new Convention Plan provides that Ministerial Relief and Annuities shall become an essential item in the benevolent budget of every live and militant church.

Simple justice to the minister, who has given the best that is in him to the work, and who finds himself in old age without means of support, should make any other course impossible.

We shall not always have him with us. Every day a new earth mound covers the wearied, worn body of an aged Baptist minister. Yesterday you might have helped him; today you cannot. I make no appeal for him; his reward is ample. But I do appeal for his comrade who survives, for the aged companion of his trials and triumphs, and for the orphans—dependent and alone. What will be your answer? The opportunity has come for team work. Our Southern Convention has sounded the note.

Some time ago there appeared in one of our newspapers a remarkable cartoon on the Russian situation. In the first part of the cartoon you saw about thirty great, big, sleek, fat mules, as fine a lot of mules as one ever saw. These thirty mules were standing with their heads together and their heels out. A pack of wolves were trying to attack them, but because the mules kept their heads together and their heels going the wolves were hurled through the air as fast as they came up. In the second part of the cartoon a group of Russian mules was shown. They were equally big and strong, but instead of having their heads together, they had their heels together and were kicking at each other as hard as they could.

Now, we can play the Russian mule in this business of a great undertaking for the relief of our minister and missionaries, and kick the job to pieces and bring it to defeat, or we can play the wise part of the mules of the American plain, and kick every fellow who kicks. We can put it over, if we will; and we will.

Waco, Texas.

President Wilson, in attending the Peace Conference, breaks another precedent. No other President has visited Europe during his term of office. But, we have become accustomed to the fact that our great President is not bound by former customs when something really worth while should be done.

Men rarely reach in effort farther than they see.

### WHY NOT ERECT A NEW CHURCH BUILDING OR REMODEL YOUR PRESENT BUILDING?

Dr. P. E. Burroughs, Educational Secretary.

The war has closed. On the whole it has brought increased riches to our people, especially to our farmers. It has taught us how to give. It has widened our horizon. It has quickened our religious zeal. We will build church houses this year and the next year in numbers and on a scale never before imagined.

The First Church, Knoxville, will lead off with a great building which promises to be the best and most up-to-date church house in Tennessee. Deacon J. H. Anderson and Pastor Len Broughton, along with the splendid membership, are resolved that the new church house shall be equal to the best in all the land.

Pastor C. A. Ladd and his good people of the Cornersville Church have engaged the services of Mr. T. W. Gardner to design a beautiful new building. It is understood that Secretary W. D. Hudgins has approved the plans, and this guarantees that they are modern and right.

Pastor Allen Fort of the First Church, Nashville, announces in the church Bulletin that he will ask his people to remodel and rearrange their building to make it conform to modern Sunday-school ideals. His people are accustomed to follow his leadership, and there can be no doubt that something will be doing at the Old First.

It is an open secret that Pastor Ryland Knight and Superintendent H. C. McGill of the Immanuel Church, Nashville, are harboring hopes that that great church will some of these days erect a Sunday-school building which will set a new pace in that sort of thing.

And that leads us to say what is pretty well known in certain circles, viz, that nearly half of the Nashville Baptist pastors are entertaining quiet, but firm hopes that their churches may either build or remodel at some early date. We are hardly at liberty to mention specific situations, but we have suspicions that besides the brethren named above, Pastors W. R. Hill, W. B. Smith and C. F. Clark, and one or two others, have the building bee in their bonnets.

Pastor A. W. McDaniel, Sevierville, has been making inquiries of the Sunday School Board's Architectural Department which lends color to the rumor that his people may contemplate a worthy modern building.

Secretary W. D. Hudgins in strict confidence showed the writer a letter from Pastor W. E. Waufford, Watertown, saying that his country church, at Shop Spring, has raised a handsome sum and wishes to erect a strictly up-to-date meeting house. The sum already pledged guarantees a good building.

El Bethel Baptist Church recently erected near Shelbyville, Tenn., is the completest country church of which the writer knows. We will at some early date let the readers of The Baptist and Reflector see a picture of this fine structure which offers, besides a large auditorium, fourteen commodious Sunday-school rooms.

Brother J. E. Cook writes that the Cross Plains Baptist Church will remodel their building. The writer has helped to draw the plans for the remodeling. They will add some seven or eight rooms to their present capacity.

These are a few of the plans for aggressive building development in Tennessee of which the writer chances to know. He may tell of others later on. By the way, dear reader, does your church need to build or remodel? If so, the Sunday School Board's Architectural Department is prepared to send literature, blue print plans or counsel concerning architects. Mr. W. D. Hudgins, of Estill Springs, State Sunday School Secretary, is lending intelligent help along these lines. Command either Mr. Hudgins or myself and we will be pleased to serve you.

Baptist Sunday School Board,  
Nashville, Tenn.

### THREE FOLD PROGRAM.

The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement would make an earnest appeal for general co-operation in making its three-fold program effective in all the states of the South.

The first item is the enlargement of the Emergency Band; the goal first set was 10,000 members, which would signify an asset of \$50,000 for Home and Foreign missions, available on call, May 1 of each year. This movement is scarcely well started and yet the first call brought about \$9,000, which was applied to the relief of the Academy in Japan and for the work among the soldiers. This was extra and did not detract from gifts to the regular budget.

With general and hearty co-operation, this band could be enlarged to a membership of 100,000; this would be only one-twelfth of the male membership. This would give Southern Baptists a reserve fund of \$500,000, which would be sufficient to relieve any emergency that could arise. A good start has been made, and while it is in order to present this cause, at any time, the Executive Committee has selected the week beginning on Sunday, March 1, 1919, and closing March 16, as Emergency Week. Churches that have preaching only once a month are urgently requested to call attention to this cause at their March meeting. It is hoped that many churches will take up this matter soon, and that the cause may be kept alive and moving continuously; these responses will only pave the way for large success during Emergency Week.

The second item is a Stewardship campaign in all the churches of the South, with the view of inducing at least one-tenth of the membership to adopt the tenth as the minimum standard of their giving. It is suggested that this campaign in churches that have preaching every Sunday shall begin on the first Sunday in April and run through the second. Let the pastor preach, on Sunday, April 6, on Stewardship, distribute tracts on the same subject at the close, and let arrangements be made for a layman, secretary or visiting minister to speak the next Sunday and give opportunity for volunteers to sign the Stewardship Covenant. In churches that have only one preaching service a month, it is thought wise to recommend that in addition to a sermon by the pastor on that day that one or more visiting brethren shall speak and assist in presenting the Stewardship Covenant. To be sure, the urgency of the Home and Foreign situation should be emphasized in these Stewardship meetings and the churches urged to make the largest possible offering.

The third item of the program is a

Convention of Baptist men to be held some time after the beginning of the new year, as a means of enlisting greater interest in all the work of the Kingdom.

The Executive Committee bespeaks the fullest co-operation with the General Secretary in the promotion of these ends.

L. T. M'SPADDEN, Secretary.  
J. H. ANDERSON, Chairman.

Knoxville, Tenn.

### TO PASTORS.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement is anxious to be of some service in providing better support for the preacher, and has therefore had published in tract form 10,000 copies of the striking editorial which recently appeared in the Literary Digest on "The Laborer Is Worthy of His Hire." I am hereby requesting pastors, especially those in charge of country, small town and suburban churches to send me the name and address of a live layman that may be counted on to distribute this tract wisely among the laymen of his church. Please state also how many copies he may use to advantage.

J. T. HENDERSON, Gen. Sec.  
Box 585, Knoxville, Tenn.

### AN EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

By Rev. Sam P. White.

Since the meeting of the Tennessee Baptist State Convention in Shelbyville we have all had time for reflection upon the momentous questions raised. The Convention will go down in history as one that followed fast upon the signing by Germany of the armistice that was to bring peace to the civilized world. It came at a time when the actions of a great religious body were to take the main highway of progress or to be turned awry on some narrow gauge road which would lose for Baptists the greatest opportunity that has ever come their way. The fact, that some of our ministers had by their position been compelled to take part in the great war work and out of interest been led to and let study the tremendous movements for money and men and manouver, gave them wider vision and a compelling sense of the importance of "taking the tide when it served" in order not to lose our Baptist adventure. Their efforts for the cause of humanity were free from politics yet pulsing with patriotism. No school in which they had previously studied developed vision to such an extent. Some of the many men thus advantaged were present ready to make the drive for a broader basis of operation in the Lord's work in Tennessee.

When the question of "Christian Education" came up no one had any conception of the turn it would take. The men representing "The Four Schools" were not prepared to believe that the hour had struck for the emancipation of their institutions from the Egyptian bondage of debt and their induction into the promised land of endowment. But at times it seemed that such was probably the case. No one of the number who believed that we should make an effort in an unprecedented way to put over a million-dollar drive had a brief on that question. The Baptist and Reflector of November 14th (already on the press) said that "These are the schools for which Tennessee Baptists will contribute \$300,000.00 in Liberty

Bonds in January, 1919." This was the measure taken by the Education Board of Tennessee for the campaign. So when the issue came before the convention for a campaign in the interest of Christian Education it was apparent to some of us that that effort should be one of unusual proportion. This impression has not yet faded from our minds. We all realized that the vote for one million was taken while the fever was high. But this cool morning, while I sit in my study—no convention in session in the adjoining room—reasons come to my mind for an effort for one million in Tennessee for Christian Education. They are based upon the proposition that Christian Education is essential to the denomination as a religious institution; that Christian Education is demanded by the welfare of the state; and that as Christian Education is necessary the institution that fosters and produces it should operate in a high state of efficiency. So upon these propositions I propose to set forth the reasons for believing that a million-dollar campaign is necessary and that its results might confidently be expected to be a glorious victory.

#### 1. There is the Reason of a CRYING Need.

This is the reason that has won every effort for money in the great Liberty Loan work of our country. What an array of things has been set forth that our boys needed in order to self-preservation and war prosecution. To win they had to have them. They got these things because we had the resources. We were patriotic enough to respond to their need. We believed in the cause for which they were fighting. Does that spirit not obtain among Baptists? If not, then we need the campaign for that very spirit's sake itself. Our colleges need what we have as Baptists and they should have what they need because the Baptists need the colleges. It has been hurtful to the denomination, and especially to the denominational schools, to persistently advertise them as inferior because they were poorly equipped and poorly equipped because they were poorly endowed, and poorly endowed because we were poorly interested in them as a great denominational asset. Let us not deny that they are inferior, for if they are not relatively inferior they do not need any campaign at all in their interest. They are inferior to their own ideal. They are inferior to our ideal as a denomination. If not, then they are what they ought to be. As to the size of the sum that they need every sane Baptist knows that paying for a suit of clothes we have already worn out does not suffice for the coming winter's comforts. The three hundred thousand dollars merely meets the debt we owe to money; it does not take into account the obligations we owe to new and enlarged responsibilities. Today our schools must deliver the goods. The times demand it. Parents demand it. And to that end a million is needed or they need nothing.

#### 2. The Next is the Educational Reason.

A tremendous task requires a vigorous educational campaign. By this is meant the education that naturally goes with an endeavor for a MILLION DOLLARS. Tennessee Baptists have never been asked for anything. We have over 210,000 white Baptists in Tennessee, and until we can put it before them till they are as familiar with our schools as our children are with the Western front we have not done our duty and our schools have

not been saved. When we stand up to speak we must have the thrill of a cause that compells attention. I have just said that our 210,000 white Baptists have not been asked for anything as Baptists. But every one of them has been asked to buy Liberty Bonds and Thrift Stamps and to join the Red Cross. Why? Because Uncle Sam knows that an educational campaign for big things brings big results. The government did not ask the Morgans and the Rockefellers alone for money, but he asked Lazarus at the gate to loan the dogs that licked his sores. When we see that an educational campaign for money will stimulate Baptist loyalty and broaden Baptist vision as it has in political matters patriotism, then we will have learned a lesson that will not soon be forgotten. Then missions and other matters of eternal value will leap forward in such measure that all the hosts of Satan will be unable to stop the kingdom forces. Haven't we an educational propaganda? Haven't we produced an educational literature for a campaign? Haven't we men who can do for religious liberty what has been recently done for political freedom? If not, let us learn from the children of this world. That great address of Henry L. Davidson at the beginning of our struggle with Germany ought to teach us a lesson. It is more noted now, for what it did not say than for what it gave utterance to. But the campaigns have gone ahead and today the Red Cross has its issues so clearly defined that the Christmas roll call cannot fail because it has an appeal that compells. We have the men, men who have been the mightiest forces for freedom that history records. These churchmen have been proved. They are believers in the freedom of Christian culture. They are trained in campaigns. LET US USE THEM FOR THE EXIGENCIES OF THE EDUCATIONAL SITUATION IN TENNESSEE DEMAND IT.

**3. The Last is the PSYCHOLOGICAL Reason.**

The thing must be in the air. The atmosphere must be surcharged. Here we find the success of the opportunist. It is in the psychology of the situation. Men are giving. They are going to continue to give. They have it to give. The matter that is presented to them in the strongest colors has always received their gifts, and it is going to continue to be so. Why not emphasize education? Let us look the matter squarely in the face. Our people are ashamed of the fact that a great per cent of our soldiers could not read and write. Public education has failed to reach everybody. The revelation of this very fact has stimulated an interest in matters educational. That much is to our advantage. We must take the tide when it serves if we take it at all. We have learned that pennies do not buy anything. They used to palliate missionary conscience but today a postal card cannot be bought with a bachelor penny; he must be a married injun. Dollars now are given as cheerfully as dimes were before the war. This makes the psychology of the matter easy. Another feature of this psychology lies in organization. Our minds are clearer about organized efficiency. Once it was as hard to organize an association for an intensive educational campaign as it would be now to organize a state. If we have unity of mind, we have given us free a great campaign program and we have a cause that is deserving of the very best of our talent or else it deserves

none of it, we cannot succeed. IT WILL TAKE WORK. It always has. It always will. But our leadership would be a great deal better off used in planning and in waging a campaign for Christian Education through the length and breadth of Tennessee at this time, when the future of our schools depends upon its success and the future leadership of our denomination depends upon it, than in making themselves hoarse yelling a saving gospel at senseless, soulless, empty pews on Sunday nights. Give them something worth while and they will do it; keep them at a measly task, little and unworthy, and they will have no time to covet their mantles.

As one who has given his life to the cause fostered by our Baptist faith, I covet for the men in the ministry in Tennessee the emulation of the spirit of that epitaph found in a British graveyard in France:

"When you go home tell them of us and say,  
For your tomorrow they gave their today."  
Shelbyville, Tenn.

**AN ANSWERED PRAYER.**

W. W. Hamilton, Superintendent of Evangelism.

It was a day of fasting and prayer. In a meeting in one of our city churches the singer, realizing his need of larger educational and better musical training, spent the day waiting before God, and asking that the way might be opened for him to fit himself for larger service.

This desire was not made known to others of the worshipers, but was the great longing of the singer's heart, and was laid before the Lord in faith and in submission. In some way, in God's own way, this earnest Christian believed that the privilege would come, and it did.

The next day, the day following the Sunday which had been given to fasting and prayer, this gospel-singer was walking in a park hard by the church. A stranger, a tourist, met him in the path, and approaching him, said, "What can I do for you? I have been bothered about you since yesterday, and have a persistent impression that there is something I should do for you."

The singer, somewhat surprised, finally told the stranger of his desire and prayer, and said that this was the only thing of which he knew. Before the day closed a check for the full amount needed, signed by the Christian woman, was in his hands, and Southern Baptist Churches and Home Board Evangelism and many saved and consecrated souls will thank God for the singing and preaching and soul-winning of William Daniel Wakefield.

Baptist Home Mission Rooms, Atlanta, Ga.

**"APPOINTED TO GUARD THE PAST."**

Professor Edward B. Pollard.

They are keenly observant words of Maeterlinck when he writes: "At every crossing of the road that leads to the future, each progressive spirit is opposed by a thousand men appointed to guard the past."

"Appointed to guard the past!" How pathetic! If there be anything, anywhere, that needs no protection it

is the past. Well might the daring leader of the Revolution, as he faced the early dawn of a new day for the American colonists declare, "The past at least is secure." Secure means without any care or anxiety; and I fancy that if the past were a person and could speak, it would say to the thousand sentinels stationed at each cross road to progress, "Do not bother about me; let the dead past bury its dead, and turn to the right and travel the hard road of progress." About nine-tenths of all we do are not done because of a good reason, but because of the influence of the ghost of some past reason.

There are at least two explanations why the way to progress is so heavily garrisoned against those who would travel it. One of these doubtless lies in a divine provision, the other in human frailty. It is but fair to recognize that in the world of mind as in that of matter there are checks and balances. Forces act and counteract; physical life puts restraint upon other physical life, through natural antagonisms; and balance is thereby maintained or restored when once destroyed. So, in the divine economy, "the law of balance" applies. Conservatism begets radicalism, and radicalism, conservatism. The conservative type of mind is created and divinely intended no doubt to prevent the radical from rooting up, and destroying what the past has with difficulty won. The real, permanent gains of the past must be conserved and transmitted to the present to the enrichment of the future. But it is to be remembered that good is a flying goal, and the mere "stand-patter" becomes an obstructionist. "Man never is, but always to be blest." The best is yet to be. The true conservation

"Finds progress man's instinctive mark alone,  
Not God's—and not the beasts'; God is, they are,  
Man partly is, and wholly hopes to be."

Then we can also see the second cause for the host of sentinels guarding the crossways of progress. They are not simply those God-appointed ones, who are raised up for the purpose of testing all things and holding fast to that which is good; they are far more numerous than the company of those who would prevent the extreme progressive from running amuck; they vastly outnumber the healthy-minded men and women who recognize continuity as an element of all true progress. In truth, their numbers are largely augmented first by the comfortable folk, who because they are about as happy as they know how to be, are the natural enemies of change; and, second, by those who though not comfortable are fearful. They dread any change, lest the ills they know not of be greater than those they daily suffer.

It is not difficult, then, to see the immorality of those thousands who stand at the cross roads, gunning for "each progressive spirit" who would pass that way. They become enemies of progress, and force those who are bearing the brunt of the world's grand push to pay a price of labor and suffering far greater than they should be called upon to bear. All progress is hard sledding, and mere obstructionists make it doubly difficult. It is a sad fact that many a "good man" has been found fighting against God and, like Paul, in all good conscience.

John Foster, in his famous essay on "The Aversion of Men of Taste to

Evangelical Religion," refers to a type of writers who "seem to take as much care to guard against the inroad of ideas as do the inhabitants of Holland against the irruption of the sea." They form a mental dike against the vast "ocean of truth," as Sir Isaac Newton called it. Even if an idea should break in, at some unguarded spot, it is immediately interned as an alien enemy.

It would appear that representatives of religion are in special danger of becoming ultra-conservative. This is true for several reasons. Religion is one of the most conserving of all forces. Christ called his people "the salt of the earth." Besides, the issues in religion are so momentous that men may well scrutinize carefully all untried proposals. Further than this, religion tends to put those who practice it into the comfortable class. Righteousness tends to prosperity, and prosperity usually leads to conformity to the prevailing religious standards. A large proportion of the comfortable classes are therefore apt to be in the churches.

It is not altogether strange, then, that very many church people can always be counted upon to oppose moral reforms. They are afraid to hear the standing order altered lest they be inconvenienced or put to some sort of disadvantage in personal or business loss.

Some are intellectually indolent. This, too, is immoral, because their refusal to think upon the problems and needs of their age tends to fasten age-long abuses more firmly upon the world, while they sit idly by, like Peter at the fire warming himself, and the good is being crucified.

Take the matter of religious beliefs. Many would fasten a sixteen or seventeenth century formulary upon a church, its ministry and its membership, as the final word in creed-making. They forget that there can be no final statement of religious truth for the very manifest reason that Christian creeds must deal with an infinite God, a living Christ, and a growing humanity. Much remains locked to mankind, because the portals of the future can never be opened by the past's blood-rusted keys.

Many a time the old practice is idolized by those that do not appreciate how hard a fight the fathers had to establish that very practice, when it was new, that it might win its way against what was old and held the ground against it. Take the striking words of Rauschenbusch (in his "Christianity and the Social Crisis," p. 204): "If the saints that lie buried under the stone floor of some ancient European church could rise and listen to a modern sermon they would find their gospel turned upside down. Instead of praise of virginity, they would hear eulogies of family life. Instead of the call to poverty, they would hear the praise of Christianity because it makes men and nations prosperous and wealthy. Instead of exhortations to wear their flesh thin with fasting and vigil, they would be invited to membership in the Y. M. C. A. with gymnasium and bath to keep their flesh in glow of health." And yet the former was the "good old gospel" of the medieval saints, and the latter an innovation. The trouble with much that passes for the old gospel is that it is not old enough to be true, nor new enough to be useful.—Baptist World.

Look at your merces with both eyes; at your trials and troubles with only one.—Theodore Cuyler.

## AN INTERESTING LETTER FROM FRANCE

(From Lieut. Allan E. Van Ness, M. R. C. Base Hospital 89, Mesves, France, written on the day the armistice terms were announced).

"La Guerre est finie." That is the way the French aviator announced the armistice to us at noon today. The first word we had was when two French planes came flying over, diving and looping, then landing in a field beside the hospital.

The first pilot jumped out, waving his arms and calling, "La guerre est finie! La guerre est finie!"

It was a very dramatic and truly French way to bring the news to all those twenty thousand sick and wounded.

Tonight I am happy, though terribly tired, for I still have one hundred and seventy-eight patients, and while there have been some miraculous cures, and all are feeling better, yet many are very sick, and we've just got to get them well enough to come home.

Had a letter from Noble dated October 18, written from an English hospital, saying he was ill with Spanish influenza, but hoped to be well enough to rejoin his tank corps soon. I wish I could go across the channel to see him, but that is hardly possible just now.

Well, I don't suppose it is necessary to wish you a happy Thanksgiving—you'll have one anyway. But I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year. I am hoping to be at home for Mothers' Day in June. My major wants me to go with him to the great hospital in Constantinople, where he promised unusual opportunities, but I think it must be home first."

(Lieut. Van Ness is the son of Dr. and Mrs. I. J. Van Ness. He has done good service in the medical corps.—Editor.)

## A LETTER FROM THE FRONT.

(We take the liberty of publishing a letter from Rev. W. S. Rule, who has been with the boys at the front, to his father, M. R. Rule, Sevierville, Tenn.—Editor).

American Expeditionary Forces,  
France, October, 1918.

Dear Dad:

As I sit down in my tent, all alone except for one comrade way in the upper corner writing, and several sleeping, I wonder how you are and what you are doing? I would like to be with you this afternoon for a while and just sit down and have one of our long confidential talks like we used to.

As I write I can hear the guns, both of the Americans and of the Germans, boom, boom, boom, dealing death and destruction, and every now and then delivering the fatal blow that will cause some mother's son to never return to his native land; and I wonder why all this murder, this pillaging, this terrible destruction. Why is it that Englishman, American, Frenchman, German and Italian are facing death calmly and expectantly? Why try to slay each other?

And then I think of the Scripture: "He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, as a sheep before his shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth."

These boys, some young and tender, some older and hardened, are simply reacting the episode in the life of our Lord when he faced death for the sins of humanity.

Even Christ said, "Father if it be possible, let this cup pass from me," even so our boys face to face with death say, "If it be possible let this cup pass," but then as they go "over the top," you can seem to hear the whisper echoing from the crack of the rifle and the roar of the cannon, "Nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt"; and "greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friend."

The duty of the Christian is to follow as closely as possible in the footsteps of the Master. If it be in going about doing good, in teaching, in preaching, or administering to the sick, good and well. If it be in facing death in any way in which it presents itself, good and well.

The main thing is "follow Jesus."

Today there are two wars on: One between the Allied armies and the German Empire, and the other one between right and wrong, and Jesus is the captain on the side of right, so is Satan the captain on the side of wrong.

Now we believe that our country's cause and the cause of right are the same. Therefore, in serving our country we are serving our Lord. If we are right the Lord is with us, because He is always on the right side of everything. Then let us all ask Him for victory while we all try manfully to do our part to bring it about.

Now, when this war is ended the fight for right is not going to be ended. Right will have won a great victory, but that conquest is not complete until the last enemy is conquered, which is death.

So, whether he is conquered on the battlefield or in the peaceful pursuits of civil life, it is the same.

Now, all of our boys are not going to make the supreme sacrifice on the battlefield. Some, yes. Thank God, most all, are going to return. There are some who will never look again into the face of the Statue of Liberty, but their names will be shrouded with glory and memory lasting and cherished by their comrades and countrymen; and they shall not have died in vain.

Now, what about those who come back? Many and many a boy who came to the army came from a good home, from a circle of good friends and with a clean character, but a large per cent of them are going to be tainted, one way or another, by the effects of army life and its attendant temptation. What will the churches say to them when they come home?

There is one of the greatest questions the Christian church will have to face after the war. Young men who were active in church and social circles will have become indifferent and even hardened, and the change back home to the old life is going to be a test that all will not stand. Then, I say, what will the church say to her returning children? Some of them will feel ill at ease in the places which they used to fill.

Now, I don't mean to say that all the boys will feel that way, but some will and the situation is going to offer to the churches of our country one of her greatest problems.

How shall it be solved?

I should not attempt to say, for fear that I would be wrong, but, as one of the boys, a member of the American expeditionary force, I would say this: Though many of the number will be hardened and roughened, still under the khaki shirt is the same heart that beat on his mother's breast; in that life is the same conscience,



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## THINKING AHEAD



A family which does not care for its own members is not worthy of the family name. The child that would turn its aged parents out into the world, helpless and alone, would be unworthy of the name of the child.

We are equally bound to believe that the aged servants of the church deserve the most loving care which the members of God's family on earth can possibly give. They are the men who have toiled long and faithfully. How could they, on their small salaries, have provided for a period of this disabling infirmities?

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The churches do not want them.

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What is to become of these men in the day of old age and disability?

We could, if we had the space, tell you what becomes of some of them.

### WE HAVE DONE SOME THINGS.

Tell it not in the streets of business and industry, lest the daughters of the world laugh the churches to scorn. Eight dollars per month, ten you say; sometimes twelve. How could they live upon it? They can't. We never imagined they could.

THEN WHAT? What will the final answer of the Baptist churches of the South be if they leave their disabled servants at the mercy of a doled-out pittance, and forget the words of the Master, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

All praise to the men, who in the past have not forgotten the worn-out ministers, and who are responsible for what has been done. They shall receive their reward.

## THE CHURCHES DO CARE

A new social conscience is born into the world. A new day of justice and practical righteousness has dawned. The men who brought it in are at last coming into their own.

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Fourth: They are expected to make the plan go. This cannot be done without the full co-operation of the states. The work cannot fail if co-operation is promptly given. Don't tie their hands at the beginning. Hear their plea to the State Conventions, neither to hinder nor to disappoint them. There can never be any trouble in working out details.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL and B. Y. P. U.

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

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

Don't forget our program for next year in Sunday school work is a convention in every association; a training school in each association; 100 institutes in country churches; twelve normals in twelve of our leading counties; three great state normals, twelve city training schools; a school in every church in the State, twenty-five to be A-1; a training class in every church where there is a pastor on the field; 500 organized classes with 10,000 enrollment all registered with the Board; twenty-five new church buildings; fifty buildings remodeled during the year, adding Sunday school rooms. Will everybody help to make this possible? There is no reason why this cannot be done if we will all put our shoulders to the wheel and pull together.

The war is over now and building material is released from the government works and we can build churches. Let every church get busy now while the getting is good and build a temple for the Lord worthy of his worship and service. There should be 500 country churches remodeled or rebuilt in Tennessee alone this coming year. Talk about taking care of the boys when they come home? Nothing will make this possible like making a place for them in the church life. This cannot be done except we make our buildings suitable for this kind of work.

We are going to make a definite effort to push the Standard this month in order to get as many schools on the A-1 list as possible before the new year begins. If you have not a new wall standard, drop me a note, and I will send you one. You know the new one is just out.

The little school at Edgefield closed Friday night, and we trust that some good was done. Mr. Leavell had the work the last two nights and brought some splendid messages on organization and departmental work. He also spoke on the Organized Class Work and made this so plain and pointed that it surely will bring fruit. Edgefield is planning to be one of the first to be on the A-1 list for 1919.

A fine program has been arranged for Fulton, Ky., December 15 to 20. This is to be a interstate school, as this church and churches are on the line between Tennessee and Kentucky. Mr. Black, of Kentucky, is co-operating with us in this effort. Brother Adams is very enthusiastic over the prospects. Mr. H. L. Strickland will teach the Organized Class Book, Mr. Black will teach Winning to Christ, Mrs. Black will teach Primary Plans and Programs and the writer will attend to the manual. Miss Bose will also have a class in the W. M. U. work or a study course. The churches over the association are invited and we hope to have a great time with the Fulton people.

Mr. Filson has planned a training school with Brother McPhearson at Alexandria for December —. Rev. C. F. Clark, Nashville, will aid Brother Filson in the book work, while Dr. J. W. Gillon, Dr. A. R. Bond and Dr. P. E. Burroughs and others will speak on the program. Rev. W. E. Wauford

and E. A. Cox will also have a part on this program, as well as other pastors of the association. We expect great results from this school. There should come several new church buildings from this effort.

Don't forget to send for the new wall standard of excellence, as the old one is now out of date.

Young Brother W. S. Rule writes from France that he is well and in active service in the front ranks. We remember him very kindly as one of the class at Chilhowie who did such splendid work in the manual. He is always interested in what we are doing in the churches back home.

A letter from Dr. Burroughs insists that we exploit the new standards in all the departments. These standards set forth the work that we are advocating everywhere. If a school will follow the outlined work shown on these various standards, it will soon be doing the best work possible. Let us help Dr. Burroughs and the Sunday School Board in their ef-

fort to help us make our schools what they ought to be.

A letter from Brother W. E. Davis, East Lake, to Mr. Filson.

November 19, 1918.

Mr. V. B. Filson, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Brother: I am sorry that I have been delayed in sending in the grades of those who took the examination, also sorry that no more have taken it, but others say they are going to take it; some have taken a part of it and will finish it in a short time.

I am sending the grades as follows: Mrs. N. E. Ferguson, 85 per cent; Mrs. H. M. Cook, 95 per cent; Miss Foreste Abercrumby, 98 per cent; Miss Lula Baker, 80 per cent; Mr. F. H. Chunn, 86 per cent; Miss Thelma Johnson, 80 per cent.

I am urging others to take it, and I feel sure that others will in the course of a week or so.

Some have paid for their diplomas, but others have not. If you can send me the diplomas, I will do my best to collect for them when they are delivered and mail it all to you at once.

I can see great improvement in many ways since the institute; and if we can have you back next spring, I am sure we can graduate a large

number in the first book. May God bless you with the greatest success in this coming year. I am yours for Christ.

W. E. DAVIS.

The training school is on at Memphis this week, and while we have had only two sessions of this school, The interest is fine and enthusiasm runs high. Mr. Flake is sick and cannot be with us, but Mr. Frank Leavell is here and is going Mr. Flake's work in great fashion. Miss Tiller is at her best and so is Mr. Filson. The work as outlined follows: "The B. Y. P. U. Manual," Mr. Leavell; "The Junior Work," Miss Tiller; "Training in the Baptist Spirit," Mr. Filson; "Baptist Home Missions in the South," by the writer. A demand having been created for it, a class has been organized under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Leavell for junior leaders. The classes are all well attended and enthusiastic in their work. The addresses so far have been high class. The address delivered by Mr. Leavell on "Stewardship" was one of the best our young people ever heard. The devotional services conducted by the young people themselves is about the best thing we have. These Memphis young people are the salt of the earth. One feature of this school which deserves especial mention is the fact that almost every pastor in the city except the ones who are in bed sick are in this school enjoying their young people and taking the courses with them.

A new Union has been organized at Adamsville, and a letter from Miss Hearne gives the report. The letter follows:

Adamsville, Tenn., Nov. 18, 1918.

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

Dear Sir: We have organized a Senior B. Y. P. U. here at Adamsville. Will you please send us a large Standard of Excellence for the wall and any other literature that might be of assistance to us?

Thanking you in advance, I am,  
Yours truly,

GERTRUDE HEARN.

Don't forget that we want a report from every Union in the State right away.

Our aim in the B. Y. P. U. work this year is 500 Unions with an enrollment of 15,000; fifty A-1 Unions; 5,000 doing the daily Bible readers' readings; a number of associational organizations formed; a training school in the five city Unions; a part on the program of every institute and training school held in the State by this department and the greatest State convention that the country has ever seen at Knoxville in June.

### THE "Y" IN FRANCE.

The post exchange operated by the "Y" in France promises to become the largest retail business in the world.

The items on the shipping lists are staggering. For example: Cans of fruit, 30,000,000; chewing gum, 2,040,000 packages; cigarettes, 115,000,000; condensed milk, 446,208 cans. It has been necessary to take over milk chocolate and cracker factories in Switzerland, and still the supply always lags just a little behind.—Red Cross Magazine.

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**A FORWARD LOOK.**

Our woman's issue of November 28 brought to you something of our annual meeting, its reports of past achievements, and suggestions for our work in the new year. With the change of policy of the State Convention comes the necessity for some changes in the plans of our Union. Under the Consolidated Board it may be found best to apportion our organizations for the orphanage work, as we do for other benevolences. Quite a number of our workers have favored this plan in the past. In addition to our regular work for Christian education, we are to undertake one-fourth of the aim of the State in the special campaign for Christian Education in January next. We will need the hearty co-operation and earnest effort of every W. M. U. worker, whether W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., or R. A., and there will be a place for our Sunbeams also in this large undertaking—the raising of \$75,000.00 in Liberty Bonds for this worthy cause. May we not begin now to pray, work, talk and push, so when the time comes we will be ready to GIVE?

**THE VISIT OF MISS DIXON.**

Following our annual meeting Miss Mary F. Dixon gave twelve days to field work in Tennessee. Miss Whipple going with her to Tennessee College and Union University, but was called home because of the serious illness of her sister.

After Miss Dixon's visit to Hall-Moody and the West Tennessee Normals, she spoke to the Y. W. A.'s of Nashville at the Third Church.

On Friday night we left Nashville for Chattanooga, where we were scheduled for a meeting on Saturday afternoon at the First Church. An earnest, interested group heard Miss Dixon's message, and your Secretary was privileged to speak of the plans for the new year. At noon we were the guests of Mrs. Snyder at the Reed House, then for a drive on Missionary Ridge. Miss Dixon had dinner with an old school friend and Mrs. Carter was my hostess for dinner at the Park Hotel. The courtesies of these friends were greatly appreciated by the travelers.

We reached Morristown at 12:45 Saturday night, or rather Sunday morning. Sunday was a high day with the Morristown saints. A great sermon by Dr. E. Y. Mullins, dedicating the house of worship of this progressive church.

The W. M. S. had charge of the afternoon service, when Miss Dixon, representing the General Union; your secretary, the State, and Mrs. J. J. Burnett, the Association, each was heard patiently. The music at this hour, as well as that of the morning, was greatly enjoyed. Here we were guests of Mrs. J. O. Phillips.

Coming to Knoxville by invitation

of Mrs. J. H. Anderson, we heard Dr. Broughton at the evening hour. Monday Mrs. Anderson took us to Chilhowie Institute. The auto trip was a treat and the visit to the school was an unusual pleasure. This is one of our oldest schools in the system of mountain schools. We were given the chapel hour and then had a period with the girls of the two Y. W. A.'s. We shall expect good things of these two groups of young women and girls.

Monday night a mass-meeting of the young women of Knoxville Auxiliaries at the First Church, where Mrs. J. H. Anderson presided. This was a profitable hour, Miss Dixon bringing a choice message. Another night in the hospitable home of Mrs. Anderson and we were off for Carson-Newman College, at Jefferson City, a drive of about thirty miles. Arriving just at the chapel hour, we met the student body, Miss Dixon bringing a forceful message.

After lunch with Mrs. Wingo and the girls in Sarah Swan Home, Brother and Sister Snow joining us, we met the girls of the school and town Y. W. A. and G. A. organizations. Mrs. Clayton, the young people's leader for the Association, directed the meeting. A splendid company of girls are these of Carson-Newman College. It was a joy to see the splendid new administration building now under construction. Carson-Newman has a bright outlook. A visit to the art department was a peep into the past for your secretary, as many years of my life were spent in school studies, but for the larger work now keeping me busy I might have been a wee bit homesick for the pallettes and the brush. For the evening meal we were with Mrs. Hale and the genial president and Mrs. Gentry in the home of Prof. and Mrs. White.

Seven o'clock brought us to the parting of our ways at the station in Morristown, Miss Dixon going via Asheville to spend Thanksgiving with her sister at Spartanburg, S. C., I returning to Nashville and the office. This touch with our schools and young people was enjoyable, and the service rendered by Miss Dixon is greatly appreciated. M. B.

**KNOX COUNTY W. M. U.**

The Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to the Knox County District Association held their quarterly meeting at the Mountain View Baptist Church, Knoxville, November 19, 1918, having an attendance of about two hundred delegates, visitors and pastors.

Miss Laura Powers led the morning devotions, reading the story of Gideon and his three hundred followers, and emphasizing forcefully our individual duty to God.

During the business session our superintendent, Mrs. R. L. Harris, spoke

of the work Rev. J. H. Snow and wife have undertaken for our Association, and expressed the hope that all dead societies, under the able leadership of Mrs. Snow, may be resurrected. Mrs. Snow will direct her attention to work for the women and children.

The annual reports of the societies, as read by our superintendent showed that \$13,292.90 was contributed the past year to missions and benevolence.

Several of our societies were on the honor roll of the State, as reported at State Convention.

This was our first meeting since the Convention and enthusiastic reports were given by Mrs. J. B. Ransdell on the Training School hour; Mrs. J. H. Anderson, the Margaret Fund, and Miss Frances Powers on the men's meeting. Mrs. Ransdell reported that Mrs. J. H. Anderson gave a scholarship to the Training School while at the Convention, and we were asked to pray that God will direct us in choosing the girl that is to use it.

Our program was full of interest from beginning to close. We would not fail to mention the devotional exercises in the afternoon as led by Mrs. W. K. Slater, an excellent paper read by Mrs. J. C. Shipe on the Lottie Moon Memorial, which was requested for publication, and an address by Dr. W. D. Powell, representative of the Foreign Mission Board, who in his inimitable way presented the work of this board and thrilled our hearts with his message. We felt that we were indeed favored to have him with us.

After listening to Mr. and Mrs. Snow, each of whom spoke of their plans for work in our Association, we again felt that we should thank God that He has sent us two such consecrated workers.

We adjourned with prayer, to meet next January at Deaderick Avenue Church.

BERTHA JOHNSON,  
Knoxville, Tenn.

**THE STATE W. M. U. CONVENTION.**

Emerson's law of compensation has had another illustration, it seems, in the recent W. M. U. meeting at Shelbyville. Perhaps it really was somehow as a result of the war or the glorious news of the ending of the war, which gave such inspiration to the entire program.

From beginning to end the meeting was characterized by a spirit of joy, victory and determination, as we heard the fine reports from all over the State for the past year and thought of the work for the future.

Of the three hundred thousand dollars proposed to be raised in a special campaign in January for Christian Education, the women gladly agreed to raise seventy-five thousand of it. This certainly shows their willingness to do all their share in this needy work of freeing the Baptist colleges from the burden of debt.

I enjoyed immensely both days of the meeting. Above all the spirit of God was manifest in the meeting.

MRS. A. F. HAYNES,  
303 Peachtree Street.

**THE HOME-GOING OF MRS. H. S. D. MALLORY.**

The hearts of all W. M. U. workers will be saddened because of the great sorrow that has come to our Corresponding Secretary, Miss Kathleen Mallory in the loss of her mother. Mrs. Mallory has been ill for many months. Miss Mallory says, "Gently and O so

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trustfully dear mother went 'Home.' The Selma Journal has this to say of her: "Her's was a beautiful Christian character, quiet and without ostentation. She will be missed, but her memory will live as a sweet fragrance in the hearts of those who loved her."

We who know and love the daughter could not think of the mother save as a woman of the highest type.

M. B.

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**OUR CHRISTMAS LITERATURE.**

The Christmas offering envelopes will be mailed to presidents of W. M. S. and Y. W. A.'s, and to leaders of the junior organizations by December 1. The literature for the Week of Prayer for World-wide Missions will follow as quickly as we can get it out from the office. We ask a careful reading of the programs and leaflets and a prompt and wise distribution of the envelopes. The little reminders may help us to remember our Christmas gift to our Chinese sisters, as we plan for our gifts to our loved ones of the home circle. M. B.

## EDITORIAL

Share your Christmas joys with another.

Read Miss Straughan's delightful letter on page 10.

To acknowledge a mistake is half-way to rectify it.

The sick room has many pedagogical suggestions.

The noise of cannon will not break the peace of this glorious Christmas.

"Having a good time" is a variable term, dependent largely upon one's character.

Shop early—which partly means that you should mail us your order for books now.

"Peace on earth, good will to men," will have a larger meaning this year than ever.

Emerson quaintly says that only the small man must be consistent with himself. Progress means growth.

As the boys come home, remember in prayerful sympathy the home to which some soldier boy will not return.

Congress will have many perplexing problems during this last session. There should be no obstructive tactics due to strict party policies.

I appreciate the many inquiries of friends while I was laid up with the "flu." I thank you. Your interest helped toward renewal of strength.

Nashville friends were delighted this week with a short visit from Dr. William Lunsford. He reports fine progress in his new work as Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Relief and Annuities.

The Edgefield Baptist Church of this city is rejoicing that Rev. W. M. Wood, of Mayfield, Kentucky, accepts the call recently extended. He will begin his pastorate January 1st. We give him a glad welcome to our city and congratulate both the church and pastor. It gives me special gratification to be associated again with Brother Wood, for I remember quite pleasantly our association as neighboring pastors in Kentucky.

### A WORD CONGRATULATORY.

Two of our exchanges recently brought special honor to themselves because of the feature issues that they published. The Christian Index, of Georgia, had a special Mothers' number, in which many phases of a mother's work were discussed. The Baptist Standard, of Texas, had an issue of extra pages in a pre-convention number. The front page carried an excellent picture of Dr. George W. Truett. We congratulate our two exchanges and wish that they might enlarge their usefulness according to their great merit.

### A LAYMAN WORTH WHILE

Quiet and unassuming, Brother T. H. Farmer, of Martin, is a layman worth while. He stands by his individual church and the great denominational enterprises. At the recent State Convention he pledged \$500 to the Orphans' Home, but our type gave the amount as \$5.00. Those who know Brother Farmer will easily have recognized the mistake. We always want to honor the laymen. Tennessee is fortunate in her select body of laymen who, while they give themselves to large business enterprises, yet find time for the Lord's work.

### A WORD OF SYMPATHY.

Rev. W. H. Joyner has been through trying experiences since he accepted the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church, of this city. He had scarcely gotten located before the epidemic closed the churches for weeks. This brought him into special service in visiting the sick, but it was difficult to

carry on the work of his church. A few days ago he was called upon to pass through the deep waters of sorrow because of the death of his mother. We extend our deep sympathy and assure him of our prayers. May he be comforted with the comfort wherewith he has been able to comfort others.

### THE BEST CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

Send the Baptist and Reflector to your friend for a Christmas present. We should be glad to notify them of your gift. Remember that your present would bring blessings throughout the year. Many gifts have only incidental value, because they are soon displaced by other interests, but the Baptist and Reflector would continue through the year not only to remind your friend of your thoughtfulness, but also to bring a spiritual help.

Good books are always appropriate. We shall be glad to have your order for any book on the market to be sent according to your directions. Shop early. Avoid the rush.

### FOLK MEMORIAL FUND.

We appreciate the following contributions to the Folk Memorial Fund. Through this fund we have been able to send the Baptist and Reflector for a year to many old preachers and pastors who would otherwise fall to get it:

Previously reported .....	\$467.75
Miss Roxie Jacobs .....	2.00
Mrs. J. T. Stafford .....	1.00
O C. Ewing .....	2.00
Mrs. Lucy M. Webster .....	2.00
J. L. Janeway .....	4.00
J. O. Arnold .....	3.00
Total .....	\$481.75

### THROUGH THE EYES OF ANOTHER.

We are sure that our readers especially enjoyed the editorial page of last week. Dr. Hight C. Moore came to the rescue of the editor, who has been suffering from the influenza, and was the editor in charge last week. Dr. Moore is an accomplished writer, and for many years was editor of the Biblical Recorder, of Raleigh, North Carolina. He is now editor of the Sunday School Board's weekly publications. It was a joy to me to look through his eyes upon the editorial material, and to rejoice that the Baptist and Reflector readers might not suffer through the enforced absence of the editor. I imagined myself as looking through Dr. Moore's eyes—those eyes that have such a keen outlook upon spiritual realities.

### NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

The following have recently sent in new subscribers. We return our appreciation:

Mrs. Henry Powell, Brownsville, 1; Miss Sallie Fox, Clarksville, 1; Dr. J. W. O'Hara, Newport, 1; John I. Forrest, Niota, 3; Rev. R. D. Cecil, Cleveland, 3; R. C. Medaris, Clinton, 2; Mrs. Amanda Jenkins, Bells, 1; Rev. W. R. King, Sevierville, 2; Mrs. R. A. Swindell, Camden, 1; Rev. J. W. Storer, Paris, 2; Mrs. Hill, Franklin, 1; T. N. Eblen, Tynor, 1; E. D. High, Memphis, 1; Rev. J. R. Chiles, Rogersville, 7; Rev. S. P. DeVault, Eagleville, 1; Dr. A. R. Bond, Nashville, 3; J. L. Janeway, Sweetwater, 2; Mrs. G. P. Howell, Culleoka, 4.

We would be glad if our friends would imitate the good example thus set.

### GET READY FOR 1919.

You will need proper Sunday school helps. Here are the best:

**Points for Emphasis.** By Hight C. Moore. D. D. Price 30 cents, postpaid. This is the best short commentary on the Sunday school lesson. It is written by our own Dr. Moore, of the Sunday School Board, and is indispensable to the teacher and pupil. Brief, pithy, epigrammatic, sensible—it's just what you want.

**Peloubet's Select Notes** By F. N. Peloubet. Price \$1.35, postpaid. This has long been the standard exposition of the Sunday school lesson. Scholarly, condensed, comprehensive, practical—it has won its way to large favor.

**Tarbell's Teachers' Guide.** By Martha Tarbell, Ph.D. \$1.35, postpaid. Used by all denominations. A great favorite. Send us your orders.

### TWO GREAT GIFTS.

The great campaign for Christian Education has received a great impetus through two noble laymen from East Tennessee. Col. A. R. Swann, of Dandridge, and Mr. J. H. Anderson, of Knoxville, have each pledged \$50,000 toward the \$300,000 campaign fund. These two great gifts should quicken the desire upon the part of many to do their best. It may not be possible for others to give a like amount, but the example of these two brethren should cause each of us to do our part according to our abilities. God has not gifted each man alike, and so does not require the same service from each. But he does demand that each man shall measure his service by his power to serve. We rejoice that these two great gifts may head the list. These two brethren are greatly honored by the denomination. We are proud of them. We rejoice in their liberality and in their support of Christly service.

### A PROPER CHURCH HOUSE.

Every church should have a building adequate to its needs. We call attention to the article by Dr. Burroughs, in which he sets forth the plan of the Sunday School Board to help remodel present buildings and to suggest plans for new ones. According to the estimate of Dr. J. W. Gillon, there are in Tennessee 1,200 churches that need to remodel their present buildings in order to do the best work according to the growing demand for proper equipment in Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. work. There are also 300 church organizations in the state that have no buildings. The new architectural department of the Sunday School Board is seeking to help all the churches to secure adequate plans for new buildings and remodeling. Write to Dr. P. E. Burroughs, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee, for literature upon this subject. He has prepared a number of tracts and leaflets that are suggestive and may be had free for the asking.

### THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

President Wilson has not been the first to dream of a world federation of nations. But because of his peculiar situation as President during the war, it falls to his lot to give tangible outline to this wonderful dream. He goes to the Peace Conference with a definite plan in his own mind by which the nations shall be gathered into one great league that shall in a real way determine the policies of all nations. There are many difficulties attached to the particular working out of this plan, but there should be no insurmountable difficulty to prevent its formation. Civilization should have by now gone so far as to allow a real acknowledgement of the brotherhood of man. There will naturally be certain rivalries among the nations, but there ought never to be such a clash of interests as to lead to another war. We trust that among the other problems to be adjusted at the Peace Conference, the league of nations will have definite and binding recognition.

### WAR TIME PROHIBITION.

Before adjournment Congress passed the war-time prohibition bill and President Wilson signed it. By the terms of this measure the manufacture and sale of all kinds of intoxicating liquors will be prohibited after June 30, 1919. This is understood to be in force until our expeditionary forces are completely demobilized. The government thus gave its endorsement to prohibition which conserves the resources of the country both regarding foodstuffs and man power. It is probable that within the next six months the constitutional prohibition amendment will be ratified by the various state legislatures. This would mean that July 1st, 1919, could be celebrated as a great day of independence, because it would begin the history of a dry nation.

Tennessee needs to put itself on record as in favor of this amendment. Get in touch with your representatives in the state legislature and see to it that they are impressed with your demand that they support the bill and ratify the amendment.

### WIN THE WASTE.

The conservation of resources has been emphasized by the various war measures. We need yet to practice the art of taking care of the waste material. It is probable that America must do a large part toward

feeding Europe. The full productiveness of America has not been shown, notwithstanding the great things that we have done. To take care of the waste material would largely increase our resources. A little incident of personal observation suggests itself. Some years ago I sat on a winter day in the private office of a banker, a member of my church. For many years he had toiled incessantly and had accumulated a fortune. He was a great smoker, always using a pipe. On his office mantel he kept a bundle of paper lighters. I have often seen him use one of these, snuff it out, place it on the mantel for future use. He had one daughter. Her husband was a great spendthrift. The banker toiled and saved the waste; the son-in-law idled his time and spent money. It was the old story of one man saving and another spending.

### INCOME FOR THE PREACHER.

We give special emphasis to the article and advertisement of the Board of Ministerial Relief and Annuity. Dr. Lunsford, the Secretary, presents a strong plea not only for the disabled minister, but also brings a vital matter to the attention of the minister in good health and service. This new board has worked out a plan by which the minister may secure an annuity when he shall have become disabled either through sickness or old age. The plan is similar to that adopted by other denominations, and has the cordial endorsement of those who are thoroughly acquainted with insurance risks. The minister owes it to himself and to his family to provide so far as possible against the uncertainty and infirmities of advancing age. By his very position in the church and social life he is denied the privilege of making money. The denomination has come to realize somewhat its obligations to care for the minister. The Southern Baptist Convention in May established this new board to look after this new feature of the work. Every minister in Tennessee should be a member or participant in this annuity plan. Write to Dr. William Lunsford, 506 Insurance Building, Dallas, Texas, for information about the annuity plan. Do it now.

### A REAL PRAYER WEEK.

According to custom, the week of January 5-11 will be observed as a week of special prayer for Foreign Missions. The demands of the work require that this year we shall make this occasion a real week of prayer. The world conditions are such as to require a more strenuous effort for world evangelization than ever before. The World War has upset the ordinary conditions and have brought opportunities and requirements for missions. The Foreign Mission Board has a program for \$1,500,000.00. This does not go beyond what we should do, but it is far in excess of any previous year. As people who believe in prayer, Southern Baptists are called upon to give themselves now more largely than ever to seek the will of God and to adjust the personal life in harmony with that will. In theory we declare our conviction that prayer is the power behind the efficient life of Christian service. These days of wondrous world upheavals demand that we shall test this conviction. It has been the custom of the women to observe this week as a season of prayer, but the men should not forget that they, too, are vitally concerned with the progress of the kingdom, and therefore, with prayer as a vitalizing force of such progress. Make this week a season of real prayer.

### ORPHANS' HOME MONTH.

The month of December is peculiarly consecrated to the cause of the Orphanage. For many years the State Convention has set apart this month in which the churches should make their contributions to the work of the Home. At the State Convention, Dr. E. C. Dargan gave a splendid tribute to the efficient management and the splendid enterprise of our Orphanage. Having recited the splendid work of other orphanages, he declared that he knew of none that surpassed our Orphanage in its splendid equipment and thoroughly competent management. Great credit attaches to the work of Rev. W. J. Stewart, Superintendent, who for the past seven years has brought the need of the Home to the attention of Tennessee Baptists. The helpless orphans make a strong appeal to our sympathies and for support. More churches give to the Home than to any other cause that we foster. The Home has now special need of an Isolation Hospital. In the recent epidemic there were almost a hundred cases of "flu" at one

### WORDS OF WISDOM.

Selected by R. P. Bond.

Morality is a code of rules proper for the guidance of humanity in its highest conceivable perfection.—Spencer.

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Nothing is done beautifully which is done in rivalry, nor nobly which is done in pride.—Ruskin.

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Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.—Barrie.

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Wealth, employed only or mainly to subserve personal ends, is, in its nature, incompatible with a true life.—Greely.

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To try things oft and never to give over doth wonders.—Bacon.

time in the Home. This strongly accented the need for a suitable building in which the sick might be properly cared for, and through which by isolation the well might be protected from infectious and contagious diseases. Let us give to the current support of the Home and also for the erection of the hospital.

### MADE IN AMERICA.

National pride led Germany to national disgrace. The overreaching ambition of greed and graft fell short of its aim. Unto the ends of the earth prior to the war German products had gone with the significant stamp "Made in Germany." America was as eager as other nations for articles with this guarantee. The time has now come when a new procedure must be had. America is sufficiently able to care for her own interest and enterprises. We have come into a world relationship. We are recognized as having a world mission. "Made in America" should now become the slogan for commercial, educational and religious enterprises. Called to a high and holy endeavor in the relief of the distress of the world, and privileged to become the decisive factor for victory in the World War, America should now turn her efforts to the task of filling the world with the products of her life. This stamp, "Made in America," should be a guarantee everywhere of honesty, integrity and high purpose. In view of our recent glory, our merchants are called upon to live up to the ideal set by our unselfish purpose in the war. Shoddy goods, questionable transactions and grafting schemes should not be allowed to cast a slur upon American life. American merchants and capitalists have a wonderful opportunity not only to secure their own personal success, but also to bring further honor to American energy and honesty. Let the stamp, "Made in America," pass currency in the marts of the world as 100 per cent honesty.

### THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

Official announcement has been made of the personnel of the representatives of the United States at the Peace Conference. There will be President Wilson, Secretary of State Lansing, Henry White, former Ambassador to France and Italy, Col. E. M. House, the personal adviser of the President, and General Tasker H. Bliss, representative of the American army with the Supreme War Council at Versailles. It will be seen that these men are thoroughly competent to look after the great interests of the United States. It is probable that the President himself will not sit as an actual delegate. He goes that he might have preliminary conferences with the premiers of Great Britain, France and Italy in order that the great principles which he himself has outlined may be thoroughly understood and made fundamental at the conference. Secretary Lansing has occupied a peculiarly difficult place since June, 1915, as the successor of W. J. Bryan. Previous to his appointment as secretary, he was counsel of the State Department, to whose problems his great work

as an international lawyer was especially helpful. His name is on some of the most important documents of American life, as he officially signed all the President's war notes. Mr. White, the Republican of the delegation, is a diplomat of many years' experience, having served at a number of the various capitals as a representative of the United States. Col. E. M. House has stood closer to the President during his administration than any other man. In every great national crisis the President especially sought his counsel. He has been in Europe for some time gathering preliminary information which will be of service to the President. General Bliss, who was formerly Chief of Staff of the army, since last December has been with the Inter-allied War Council at Versailles.

There should be no lack of confidence in the ability of this delegation to fitly represent our interests

### A MAN WHO KNEW HOW TO FORGIVE.

Genesis 45:1-15, Dec. 15.

Joseph is one of the most interesting characters in Old Testament History. His life of singular purity and success serves as an example of God's methods of bringing his purposes to pass through varied agencies.

**A Glance Backward.**—It will be recalled that in the previous lesson we saw that Joseph was exalted to Prime Minister of Egypt. It is probable that about nine years have elapsed since his exaltation, during which time seven years of plenty and two of famine have brought the test to both people and ruler. The famine had been so severe in Canaan that Jacob was compelled to send to Egypt for grain. Joseph's brethren come to Egypt and are supplied with grain, but are informed that on their next visit they must bring their youngest brother, Benjamin. Their second visit to Egypt has dramatic interest connected with the drinking cup and Judah's tender and eloquent speech in behalf of his brother. Joseph then reveals himself to his brethren, which is the story of the lesson today.

**The Test of Prosperity.**—Joseph had been called by Jehovah out of prison and disgrace to the high position of Prime Minister. For seven years Joseph was put to the test that comes through prosperity. We do not find that he suffered moral and spiritual laxity that so often accompanies great luxury. Though he had come from the position of a slave to that of ruler, he was not puffed up with pride and conceit. He was able to stand the test of prosperity. Observation frequently shows that men lose their spiritual appreciation as they prosper in material things. It is often harder to be good when things go well than when one is in trouble. Joseph was great both in prosperity and adversity.

**Getting Even.**—Joseph had a fine chance to get even with his brothers. They had played a mean trick on him in selling him into slavery. He had suffered through their cruelty. He was now in a position to pay back in kind for their treatment of him. Many people would take the opportunity to punish those who had mistreated them. But Joseph showed a great spirit in that he was able to rise above the natural spirit of revenge.

**A Great Heart.**—Schooled through a variety of wonderful experiences, naturally endowed with a religious disposition, sensitive to the influence of holy things, Joseph showed that he had a great heart. He was willing to forgive. The lesson of forgiveness is one of the most difficult to practice. To be able to overlook the wrongs against one, and to return good for evil is a great virtue that needs constant cultivation. It takes a great heart to forgive and to forget injuries.

**Providential Care.**—God's providential care of his people is one of the mysteries of life, but also is one of the largest features of biblical history. Joseph recognized that God had brought him to Egypt for the great purpose of rescuing his family from distress and death in order that the promise to Abraham regarding the chosen people might be fulfilled. We find that the brethren of Joseph were following their own initiative and yet through it all the ultimate purpose of God was being wrought out. Human life is filled with this great mystery of God's purpose and man's choice in action.

**The Story of a Son.**—The story of Joseph's life is a splendid exhibit of the nobility of a son's devotion to his father. Though Joseph knew that he had been called by God to a high destiny, and though he had been honored with almost unequalled power, he did not forget his father and his family. He was a good son, a joy to his father.

## WOMAN'S WORLD

### IT CAN BE DONE.

By Priscilla Leonard.

How came the Pyramids to rise?

Some old Egyptian builder's mind,  
Brooding beneath the desert skies,  
Their vast sublimity outlined;  
He knew the cruel toil they meant,  
The shifting sand, the burning sun;  
Yet steadfastly to the work he went  
With one brave will: "It can be done."

How came the Parthenon to stand  
Far-gleaming from its classic height?

The brain of Phidias, and the hand  
Of stanch Ictinus, day and night  
Shaped forth the vision—they alone  
The triumph of its grandeur won,  
For deeper than its corner stone  
Stood their sure thought: "It can be done!"

O talisman of mighty deeds

Fronting all labors unafraid!  
Thy power each young endeavor needs,  
By many an obstacle dismayed;  
New toils arise, new hopes are born,  
New struggles daily are begun—  
But still, above all foes, all scorn,  
Ring the great words: "It can be done!" —Youth's Companion.

Siler City, N. C., November 26, 1918.

My Dear Friends:

Every day since I reached home I have thought of my dear women back in Tennessee and have meant to write you. But that old thief, "Procrastination," alone is responsible for my delay. I was pretty tired when I first came, and I am afraid I have been a little lazy. However, it has been good for me physically, for the scales tell me that I have gained eleven pounds.

It is good to be back home, and I am feeling better than I have felt for several years, but I have missed my work and my friends in Tennessee. The "flu" situation has been quite serious in North Carolina during November, and our churches are still closed. Our State Convention, which was to have met the first week of December, has been postponed. I have been to church only one time in more than two months and I am beginning to feel much like a heathen.

I am overjoyed at the good reports from all our work in Tennessee—State Missions, Orphanage, Christian Education and the Sunday school work. Best of all, I was delighted to hear through a letter from Miss Maggie Buchanan that the women had gone "Over the Top" for State Missions. But that was to be expected.

How we all rejoice at the good news of peace; that after more than four years of strife and bloodshed the

### FOOT TROUBLES.

No Need of Them, Says Brooklyn Man,  
Who Has Evidently Solved a  
Bib Problem.

According to the testimony of hundreds of people living in the southland and elsewhere, E. P. Simon, of 1589 Broadway, Brooklyn, N. Y., has successfully developed a system of shoe building having for its prime object the conquering of foot and shoe troubles. It appears that Mr. Simon's establishment has become national headquarters for people whose feet require his remarkable comfort shoe, known as the EzWear, but obtainable only of the inventor. Mr. Simon's new catalogue shows several hundred shoes that combine comfort with style at amazingly low prices and is now ready for free distribution.

Prince of Peace again reigns supreme. Surely our Father has been good to us during this year, and we should lift up our hearts in thanksgiving for his goodness toward us.

On yesterday I was reminded by my little five-year-old niece that "It is only one month till Christmas." One of the first thoughts that flashed through my mind was: "I wonder what my women are going to do for the Baptist and Reflector this Christmas." There are so many things you can do. I will suggest only a few. New subscribers are always in order, and you could help bless many homes by introducing the Baptist and Reflector. What better Christmas gift could you give than a year's subscription to your paper? A very important way you can help is by bringing back the delinquent subscribers which we were forced to drop the first of November, because of the order of the War Industries Board. Last, but not least, could you not make the Edgar E. Folk Memorial Fund at least \$1,000 by December 25? Of course you can. Let's make many old preachers happy this year by sending them the Baptist and Reflector during 1919. And I promise you will be made happy also, for after all, our greatest happiness comes in helping others.

In closing I want to wish for each of you just the happiest Christmas you ever had.

Lovingly,

MATTIE STRAUGHAN.

### AMERICAN WOMEN IN FRANCE.

In June, 1917, General Petain took ten American women into the devastated territory and established them there for the purpose of improving the moral and physical welfare of the civilian population recently released from German oppression. Those American women wore the French army uniform and came entirely under army control. They lived with the people in the destroyed villages, suffered their privations, and carried on for nine months a work of reconstruction. In those nine months they had enabled more than eight hundred families to become self-supporting, had clothed, fed and taught five hundred children, and supervised the setting out of seven thousand fruit trees and the cultivation of four thousand acres.

And then in March of this year the German offensive seemed to sweep away all the results of their labor. But it did not quite do that. The committee saved their supplies, and, what was more important, they helped to save all the people whom they had been caring for. So long as the German drive continued the American women stayed in the war zone, doing canteen work among the soldiers and relief work among the refugees.

Then, when the great counter-offensive began, and the French and American troops pressed the invaders back, the refugees hastened to return to the recovered land. Many of the abandoned farms had been wholly wrecked; but the committee of American women were able to requisition four large cultivated tracts that were virtually uninjured, and to colonize on them the refugees capable of farming.

As one of the committee has written, the American women are doing their utmost to prevent the devastated land of France from becoming perma-

nently the No Man's Land that the Germans have tried to make it.—Youth's Companion.

### POTATO FLOUR SPONGE CAKE.

1553 total calories.  
139 protein calories.  
4 eggs.  
1 cupful sugar.  
½ cupful potato flour.  
¼ teaspoonful salt.  
¾ teaspoonful baking powder.  
1 teaspoonful vanilla.

Beat the yolks of the eggs till light, add the sugar gradually, and continue the beating until very creamy. Sift together the flour, baking powder and salt, and stir into the first mixture. Fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites and the vanilla. Bake in a sheet pan in a slow oven for about thirty minutes. Use only when sugar has been saved by self-denial.

### GINGERBREAD.

632 protein calories.  
5104 total calories.  
1 cupful molasses.  
1 cupful brown sugar.  
1 cupful peanut butter.  
2 eggs.  
1 cupful sour milk.  
½ teaspoonful salt.  
1 teaspoonful ground nutmeg.  
¼ teaspoonful ground cloves.  
1 tablespoonful ground ginger.  
1 teaspoonful soda.  
1½ Cupfuls barley flour.  
1½ cupfuls white corn flour.  
1 teaspoonful cinnamon.

Mix together the molasses, sugar, peanut butter and spices. Place these ingredients in a bowl and let stand in a warm place till the peanut butter is soft. Then beat the mixture to a cream. Beat the eggs to a light froth and add them to the other ingredients together with the salt. Sift the soda with the flours and beat into the mixture alternately with the sour milk. Whip the batter well, then pour into a good-sized, well-greased tube pan. Bake about forty-five minutes in a moderate oven. Left-over pieces are delicious steamed until fluffy and served with plenty of orange or lemon sauce. Use only when sugar has been saved by self-denial.—Good Housekeeping.

### TESTED RECIPES.

#### To Save Meat, Wheat, Fats and Sugar.

The following tested recipes are republished by special permission from Good Housekeeping. They are taken from the September number:

War Muffins.—1,455 total calories; 168 protein calories. 1 cupful rice flour; ½ cupful barley flour; 1 teaspoonful salt; ¾ teaspoonfuls baking-powder; 4 teaspoonfuls sugar; 1 tablespoonful melted shortening; 1 cupful milk; 1 egg. Mix and sift dry ingredients, then add slowly eggs well beaten, milk, and melted shortening. Bake in quick oven twenty minutes. The recipe makes ten muffins.

Baked Dried Peaches.—1,535 total calories; 85 protein calories. 1 pound dried peaches; ¼ cupful sirup or honey; ¼ teaspoonful cinnamon; 1 tablespoonful margarin; 2 cupfuls cold water. Soak the peaches overnight. Place in a deep dish, sprinkle with the cinnamon, and pour over them the sirup or honey. Cover with the cold water. Bake until nearly tender, add the margarin, and complete the baking.

### WONDERFUL EGG PRODUCER

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## THE GREAT NEED *of* FOREIGN MISSIONS

### Not Money

Our Board has appropriated far above one million dollars for foreign missions. Manifestly the urgency of our money need cannot be over-stated. Unless our people give this year far more than ever they will be put to shame. We call upon them to give according to the new standards set by our times and by the insistence of unprecedented needs. And yet, however great our need of more money may be, this is not our greatest need.

### But Prayer

Prayer is our supreme need. If we pour only our millions of dollars into foreign mission work, we shall hear only the clanking of metal. The object of foreign missions is not to put so much money into the cause, but to project the light and love of our spiritual lives into the darkness and lovelessness of a lost world. Let us, therefore, open fountains of blessing by our prayers. Let us pray down the Spirit of God upon this needy world. Let us pray into the work of our missionaries His Spirit of Power. Let us pray out of ourselves covetousness to such a degree that we cannot hoard our money but will be compelled to give it for the salvation of others.

### Make the Week of Prayer Count

In view of the present situation, our Board most earnestly calls our people to prayer. We suggest that the Week of Prayer, January 5-12, be made a great occasion of prayer for foreign missions. We suggest that pastors preach on Sunday (January 5) at the opening of the Week of Prayer, upon the subject "*The Stewardship of Prayer*," and on Sunday (January 12), at the close of the Week of Prayer, they preach upon the subject "*The Stewardship of Life and Money*." Special literature is being prepared to help the pastors on these two sermons and for general distribution to the congregation. Let us make this Week of Prayer really count. Let the church members of both sexes be called to profound searching of heart and prayer. If there ever was a need for intercessory prayer, that time is at hand.

### Pray Without Ceasing

We urge that not only the Week of Prayer in January be observed, but that our people without ceasing pray for the work. Let them pray for themselves in relation to the work. Let them pray for the spirit to raise this year one million and a half dollars for foreign missions.

## FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

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## PASTORS' CONFERENCE

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

### NASHVILLE.

Judson Memorial—Pastor C. F. Clark spoke on "The Cleansing Blood" and "The Gospel in One Syllable." In Sunday school, 132. Two additions by baptism. Good Junior B. Y. P. U.

Shelby Avenue—C. A. McIlroy, pastor. Preaching at both hours by the pastor. Morning subject, "The Happiness of the Positive Christian Life." Evening subject, "The Responsibility of Choosing." In Sunday school, 47; collection \$2.71; special collection for Sunday school Union, \$6.

Grace—Pastor absent. Supply at 11 a. m., H. C. McGill; at 7:30 p. m., J. K. Haynes. Good Sunday school and B. Y. P. U.

Eastland—Pastor R. E. Corum preached at the morning hour on "Repentance." Evening, "Murder." Received by letter, three.

Immanuel—Preaching at both hours by the pastor, Ryland Knight. Morning subject, "Power Through Prayer." Evening, "The Weighing Process." In Sunday school, 232. Four additions to the church by letter.

Third—Pastor Creasman spoke on "The Way to Life" and "The Way to Destruction." In Sunday school, 218. Two fine audiences. One profession. Four additions.

Forst—Sunday school attendance, 354. Splendid B. Y. P. U. service—a patriotic program. Pastor preached on "The Gospel in Old Virginia" in the morning, and "Escape for Thy Life" at 7:30. The Junior work was revived.—J. A. Carter

Lockeland—W. R. Hill, pastor. In Sunday school, 197. Morning sermon, subject, "Our Dead." Good B. Y. P. U. Night subject, "The Greatest Sin." Fair congregations.

Southside—Preaching at 11 a. m. by Hight C. Moore. Subject, "The Meaning of Discipleship."

Calvary—H. B. Colter, pastor. Morning subject, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" Evening subject, "Look and Live." In Sunday school, 121. Good congregations at all services. Spoke at Sunday School Union at Eastland yesterday afternoon.

Centennial—J. Henry DeLaney, pastor. Morning subject, "What Jesus Means to Me." Evening subject, "Jesus the Friend of Sinners." Sunday school good. Splendid B. Y. P. U.

North Edgefield—Pastor Duncan spoke on "Our Obligation to the Organizations of the Church," and "Bruising the Serpent's Head." In Sunday school, 194.

Grandview—Splendid service morning and night. Interesting Thanks-

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giving services Thursday night. Pastor and wife were surprised by large amount of fine pantry provisions. Had re-election of an entirely new board of active deacons. The work is moving splendidly.

Park Avenue—M. B. Smith, pastor. Morning subject, "The Open Heaven." Evening subject, "Christian Citizenship." In Sunday school, 158. Two additions by letter.

### MEMPHIS.

McLemore Avenue—G. B. Smalley, pastor. Preaching b the pastor morning and evening. Good day; 103 in Sunday school.

Temple—Pastor J. Carl McCoy spoke at both hours on "Terms of Discipleship" and "Is the Old-Time Gospel Out of Date?" In Sunday school, 213.

Baptist Hospital—Pastor M. D. Jeffries attended the Mississippi Baptist State Convention. Preached at Calvary Church on Sunday evening.

La Belle Place—Pastor D. A. Ellis spoke at both hours to good congregations. One received by relation; 206 in Sunday school. Services each evening during week.

First—Pastor Boone preached in the morning. Brother Clarence Leavell spoke at night. Two approved for baptism.

Speedway Terrace—Pastor S. A. Wilkerson spoke at both hours. Splendid interest; 82 in Sunday school.

Bellevue—Pastor R. M. Inlow spoke to fine congregations. One received by letter. Good B. Y. P. U. meetings; 298 in Sunday school.

Prescott Memorial—Pastor preached at both hours to good audiences. Organized B. Y. P. U., Juniors having been organized for some time. Raised a thousand dollars for building fund.

Union Ave.—Pastor Hurt preached at both hours to large congregations.

### KNOXVILLE.

Beaumont—Pastor A. D. Langston preached in the morning on John 20: 21. The pastor spoke in the evening on Psalms 33:12. In Sunday school, 148. Received one by baptism. A U. B. minister left four U. B. churches and was baptized. He is a clean Christian gentleman. Also two by letter. Raised pastor's salary from \$1,000 to \$1,200.

Bell Avenue—Jesse Benton Hyde, pastor. Morning subject, "Fattening the Soul." Evening subject, "A Christless World." In Sunday school, 328. baptized, 2; received by letter, 3. Splendid services and extra good interest.

Broadway—Lloyd T. Wilson, pastor.

Morning subject, "Personality of the Holy Spirit." Evening subject, "Man, His Creation and Mission." In Sunday school, 400.

Deaderick Avenue—H. T. Stevens, pastor. Morning subject, "The Every Member Church." Evening subject, "Jehoram and the Kaiser." In Sunday school, 401. Received by letter, one.

Central—A. F. Mahan, pastor. Morning subject, "Elements of Strength." Evening subject, "Twenty Years a Minister." In Sunday school, 151. Received by letter, 3.

First—Len G. Broughton, pastor. Morning subject, "Praying in the Holy Spirit." Evening subject, "The Church in This New Day." Two received by letter.

Lincoln Park—T. E. Elgin, pastor. Morning subject, "Shedding of Blood for Remission of Sin." Evening subject, "Drifting or Standing Against the Tides of Sin."

Oakwood—S. M. McCarter, pastor. Morning subject, "Ten Cents on the Dollar." Evening subject, "Enlightenment." In Sunday school, 153.

Euclid Avenue—J. W. Wood, pastor. Preaching in the morning by J. T. Sexton. Subject, "Job a Christian Man." Evening subject by J. T. Sexton, "The New Birth." In Sunday school, 196; baptized, 5; received by letter, 3. Revival still going.

Lonsdale—J. C. Shipe, pastor. Morning subject, "Official Responsibility." Evening subject, "Facing the Record." In Sunday school, 175. Good congregations.

Gallaher's View—O. M. Drinnen, pastor. Morning subject, "The Means of a Revival." Evening subject, "Christian Growth." Begin revival next Sunday.

Grove City—D. W. Lindsay, pastor. Morning subject, "Difficulties of Salvation." Morning subject, "A Man Seeking Jesus." A good day.

Immanuel—A. R. Pedigo, pastor. Morning subject, "What Owest Thou?" Evening subject, "The Wages of Sin." In Sunday school, 128.

Smithwood—Chas. P. Jones, pastor. Morning subject, "Things That Make a Church Strong." Evening subject, "A White Stone."

Fountain City—E. A. Cates, pastor. Morning subject, "Be a Good Soldier." Evening subject, "Ho, Every One That Thirsteth." Received by letter, 2.

Mountain View—W. C. Mosely, pastor. Morning subject, "How Far Canst Thou Go." Evening subject, "The Spirit of the Master."

### CHATTANOOGA.

Woodland Park—Pastor McClure spoke on "The Church for the New Age" and "The Bible Hell." Large audiences; 118 in Sunday school.

Highland Park—Pastor Keese spoke at both hours to good congregations. The subjects were "Heartlessness in Christianity" and "The Gospel in a Sentence." Good Sunday school and B. Y. P. U.

Avondale—Morning subject, "Satan Among the Saints." Evening subject,

## A MODERN HYMNAL

There has just come from the press a New Song Book, entitled "The Popular Hymnal," which the compiler says "is different." It is a modern, up-to-date "hymnal" which places the emphasis on the old Standard Church Hymns, producing them in large type with all of the words between the music lines; but it also embraces a large number of popular Gospel Songs. The purpose of the book is to supply the need of churches for an all-purpose book on a more comprehensive scale. The very interesting "Foreword" has been written by Brethren J. B. Gambrell and Geo. W. Truett. The name, "Popular," was purposely used, because of its significance. It is "The People's Book"; popular in size, popular in price, and popular in get-up. The prices are, \$45.00 per 100 for the full cloth board binding, and \$30.00 for the limp cloth; 60 cents and 40 cents per copy postpaid. The book is edited, published and distributed by Robert H. Coleman, of Dallas, Texas, the compiler of the "Evangelists," "Herald" and "Treasury of Song," and Pastor's Assistant to Dr. Geo. W. Truett, who is just now overseas.

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"The World's Reception of Jesus." Three professions of faith and three joined for baptism.—W. R. Hamic.

Ridgedale—Jesse Jeter Johnson, pastor. Good day. Morning subject, "How We May Enlarge Our Place in the Community."

Baptist Tabernacle—J. B. Phillips, pastor. Morning subject, "Choosing a Companion." Evening subject, "The Man Who Started for Tarshish." Four additions.

Silverdale—Pastor, Paul Hodge. Subjects, morning and evening, "The Christian in This World" and "Prayer." The work at Silverdale is prospering, and the pastor believes this to be one among the best all round small one-Sunday-a-month country churches to be found anywhere.

First—"It pays to advertise," for Rev. Harold Major announced Saturday and Sunday through paid advertisements in the papers and by a special sign that his subject for the Sunday night sermon would be "The Soul of the U. S. and the U. S. (unconditional surrender) of the Soul." The result was an increased attendance of fully fifty per cent. Two additions; 379 in Sunday school. Morning services are always well attended.

St. Elmo—O. D. Fleming, pastor. Subjects, "A Day in Prophecy" and "Ebal and Gerizim." In Sunday school, 119. Two by letter.

The Secretary of the Ministers' Conference in session Monday morning, December 2nd, was instructed to write Dr. W. L. Pickard, former president of Mercer University, Macon, Ga., their delight upon his acceptance of the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church. They feel that Dr. Pickard's coming to Chattanooga will mean much to the congregation of the Central Church and add greatly to the Baptist ministry of both the city and Tennessee. All Chattanooga welcomes Dr. Pickard's decision and awaits his arrival with outstretched hands of greeting.—P. L. J.

Kingston—J. H. O. Clevenger, pastor. Preaching morning and evening

## CHRISTMAS FOR THE ORPHANS

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by the pastor. Morning subject, "Six Mornings." Evening, "The Spiritual Growth of Vegetation." In Sunday school, 107. One of the best B. Y. P. U. programs in my three years' in Kingston. Large congregations. The pastor was called for the fourth year to this church without a dissenting vote. Spirituality seems growing in our little town. This pastor has just returned from two weeks' meeting with Indian Ridge Baptist Church in Grainger County, G. H. Hinchey, pastor. Good meeting—18 or 20 conversions and renewals; 14 additions to the church. The church will call a pastor for half time.

Cookeville—Sam Edwards, pastor. Morning subject, "Time to Be in a Hurry," (Gen. 19:15. Evening subject, "A Gracious Invitation," Matt. 11:28. One conversion at morning service and three additions. Two baptized at evening service. Large crowds—house full.

**Among  
the Brethren**

Fleetwood Ball  
Lexington, Tenn.

The church at Gleason, Tenn., lately ordained Rev. R. A. Nants to the full work of the gospel ministry. Dr. I. N. Penick, of Jackson, examined the candidate and preached. Rev. C. H. Felts, offered the ordaining prayer. Brother Nants is a man of splendid ability and has attained eminent ability.

Rev. Jas. W. Oakley, of Lineville, Ala., beloved in Tennessee, lately preached the introductory sermon of the Carey Association at Ashland, Ala., and his sermon was pronounced by the editor of the local paper as one of the best ever heard on a like occasion in the Association.

Rev. W. F. Boren, of Darden, Tenn., has accepted the care of Mt. Ararat and Judson churches, which he will serve in connection with the Perryville and Union churches. He has been pastor of the latter church about fifteen years and grows in the affections of the brotherhood with the passing years.

Standing Rock Church, in Perry County, dedicated a new and commodious house of worship Sunday, Nov. 24. This church was organized Oct. 7th, 1888, and is one of the three Baptist churches in the county. Rev. W. L. King, of Parsons, missionary of Beech River Association, is pastor and has been largely instrumental in the completion of the house. It was the writer's joy to preach the sermon of the occasion.

Dr. E. C. Dargan, editorial secretary

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of the Sunday School Board, is in Texas for a month. He will participate in Training Schools, winding up with the State Convention, where he will deliver several addresses. If he speaks as he did at the Tennessee Convention he will be about the best they have in Texas.

Rev. W. L. King, of Parsons, Tenn., the efficient and consecrated missionary of Beech River Association, has been tendered a similar position with Weakley County Association, but declines, much to the delight of Beech River saints. He has just completed one house of worship and has two others under way.

Rev. F. H. Farrington, of the First Church, Jackson, Tenn., has been able to vigorously resume his pulpit ministrations after a severe attack of the "flu." He had associated with him on Sunday, Nov. 24, Singer David M. Hughes, of Newport, Ky., who may be permanently related to the church as musical director.

Rev. L. T. Carrington, of Darden, Tenn., has resigned the care of Bible Grove Church, near that place, being succeeded in the pastorate by Rev. J. N. Joyner, of Westport, Tenn.

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**A PARABLE.**

An angel passed over the earth one morning and met a little child in a sunny field. "Little one," said he, "do you love the Master?"

The child looked up with bright eyes, and said, "Yes, I am one of His lambs."

"Then," said the angel, "there is work for you to do; go do it."

"Yes, I will do it after awhile," said the child; "it's only morning now; the day will be so long, and I do love to play."

And the child ran away after the butterflies and flowers. The angel on his way, murmured, "The day will end, the night comes, and it will be too late."

In a few years the child had grown into a schoolboy. The angel visited the earth again one morning, and passing near the school, found the boy locked out, too late for school.

"My boy," said he, "the day is passing, the night will come, and your work is not yet begun."

"Oh," laughed the boy, "there is plenty of time; the sun shone so bright I could not stay shut up in a school-room."

In a few more years the angel visited the earth again. He was passing down a hill one evening, when he overtook an old man leaning on his staff. Slowly he plodded down the hill toward an open grave.

"My friend," said the angel, "have you completed the life-work which was yours to do?"

"The night is come," said the old man, "and my work is not yet begun; the day seemed so long, but now it is too late."—Unknown.

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**Young Camouflage Artist.**

Bessie is a bright one. The other day her teacher set her and her schoolmates to drawing, letting them choose their own subjects. After the teacher had examined what the other children had drawn, she took up Bessie's sheet.

"Why, what's this?" she said. "You haven't drawn anything at all, child."

"Please, teacher, yes I have," returned Bessie. "It's a war picture—a long line of ammunition wagons at the front. You can't see 'em, they're camouflaged."—Boston Transcript.

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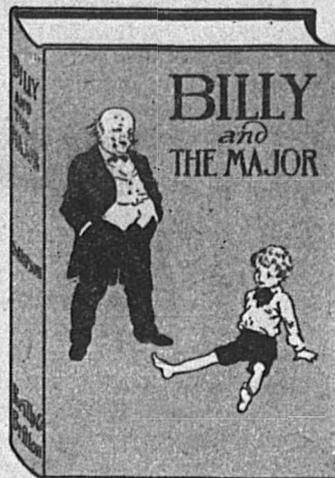
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Those who have read "Miss Minerva" will remember that in the closing chapter Miss Minerva and the Major are mar-

ried, much to the delight of William Green Hill, the little adopted nephew of Miss Minerva. "Billy and the Major" begins just where "Miss Minerva" leaves off. Miss Minerva and the Major spend their honeymoon in Louisville, leaving Billy in the care of Miss Cecelia, his Sunday School teacher, of whom he is quite fond. The reformation which has taken place in Miss Minerva, which has changed her from a prim and exacting old maid to a sweet and lovable bride, is quickly noted by William, and his remarks upon the subject will make you split your sides. Then there are other many interesting experiences, such as the acquisition of his long-desired Billy Goats, the coming of Wilkes Booth Lincoln to make his home near William, and then in the closing chapters—the best thing of all happens. But we will wait and let you read that for yourself.



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**Royal Nickname.**

"Edgar?"  
"Yes, mother."  
"What are you children doing?"  
"Playing royalty. I am a Knight of the Garter and Edwin is Saturday."  
"That is an odd name for royalty."  
"Oh, it is just nickname on account of his title."  
"What is his title?"  
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### CHURCH AND PERSONAL

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In a personal letter from Dr. J. B. Moody he tells of his delightful short stay for recuperation at Dawson Springs, Kentucky. He closes his letter with these words: "I greatly rejoice in Dr. Gillon's aviation shot and in the prosperity of Zion everywhere. Look out for a great revival of morality and propriety. This must

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be offset by the other kind of revivals."

#### THE MOUNDS MEETING.

I spent ten days at Mounds, Illinois, recently and found it one of the most interesting railroad towns I have ever visited. The congregations were quite good and sixteen were received into the church. This church of sixty members—now seventy-five—I think deserves a good deal of credit. Seven of them, two women and five men, have agreed to pay \$100 a year toward the current expense fund, thus putting the church on an every Sunday basis instead of twice a month preaching. The coming of the new members will also greatly increase their strength. Brother Ira Dee Byrd and his consecrated wife are worthy of much credit for the progress made there since they came. I know of no Baptist Church in America of sixty members that has made a better showing than they have.

BEN COX.

Memphis, Tenn.

#### A SUGGESTION.

Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.—Matt. 6:21.

I have been thinking for some time of Union University where I spent five of the happiest years of my life, and the boys whom I associated with, also dear Dr. Savage at whose feet I had the privilege of sitting, listening to his instructions from the word of God. I miss his kind, gentle words.

But that is not what I am thinking of so much as I am the boys that are now trying to get through school, they are struggling and I suppose that some of them are almost ready to fall under the load that they are trying to carry. I have in mind the Ministerial students, both single and married. Brethren they need your prayers, but above all they need a lift from your "pocket book" or from your "smoke house."

Brethren, Thanksgiving Day is at hand and Christmas will be here before many more days, and I am sure that some of the married men will not have a thanksgiving or Christmas dinner.

Brethren won't you see that your church sends at least a dinner to some of the married students, and the ministerial department will need a good old fashioned pounding. You know what I mean by a pounding. There are two ways to give a fellow pounding. One is with a stick; that will hurt him; the other way is to pound him with some food and the things that he needs to help him carry his load; that kind of pounding will make him feel good both on the inside and the outside. Brethren do not depend on some one else to do the job or suppose that some one else will do it; do it yourself and it will be done.

I had charge of the Ministerial department the last year I was in school and I speak from experience, that is the reason I make the appeal to my friends and brethren, especially to the West Tennessee saints.

"Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared." Nehemiah 8:10.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40.

Just write to Dr. Savage at Jackson, and he will send you the names of the married students and their addresses, those that need help the most, and he will take care of anything that you want to send to the Ministerial department.

NELSON CRULL.

Wilmore, Ky.

#### A PROGRESSIVE PARTY FOR THE RED CROSS.

By Claire M. Wallis.

Entertainments of all sorts are being given in our town to raise money for Red Cross work, but I do not think anything has been more successful financially or socially than the progressive novelty party that some of us girls gave in the Red Cross work-rooms.

We arranged this novelty party with ten tables, at each of which a different game or contest was played. The winner of each contest was awarded one point, and at the end of the evening those holding the greatest number of points won the prizes. Ten minutes was allowed for each contest; then a bell was rung and all players at one table proceeded to the next in number. A girl wearing a Red Cross apron and cap was appointed as judge to preside over each table. Little Red Cross stickers were pasted on the tally-cards of the winner; these tallies were of white cardboard cut in the shape of a cross.

The ten contests which we arranged were as follows:

1. A knitting contest. (Point awarded to the one knitting the most rows in ten minutes.)
2. A bandage-rolling bee. (Point to the neatest and swiftest bandage-roller.)
3. Filling a small red pincushion with pins in the outline of a cross. (Point to the one making the neatest cross in the shortest time.)
4. Guessing the flags of the allied nations. (Point to the one with the most complete list. The flags were small silk ones numbered, though pictures would do.)
5. Drawing a caricature of the Kaiser. (Judge decided on the cleverest.)
6. Writing a clever telegram in ten words announcing peace. (Point for cleverest.)
7. Writing a list of guns used in the war. (Point for most accurate.)
8. Putting together jigsaw puzzles of patriotic pictures cut from magazines and pasted on cardboard. (Point to one completing the puzzle first.)
9. Guessing national hymns, played by some one at the piano. (Point to most complete list.)
10. Target practice. Guests made their own darts with a short quill, cork and needle, and shot them into a red, white and blue target. (Point to the swiftest and most accurate.)

We had four at each table, and as many prizes as there were tables, so that one-fourth of the guests received prizes. They were all donated and were most appropriate—knitting-needles, guards, badges, etc., being conspicuous. We charged fifty cents each admission. Refreshments of war cake and mint lemonade were fifteen cents extra.

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**OBITUARIES**

"... For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." (James 4:14.)

**Hughes.**

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to take from our community on October 20th, 1918, a loyal and faithful worker, our beloved friend and co-worker, Miss May Hughes, be it resolved,

First, That we, the Baptist Young People's Union of Calvary Baptist Church, of Memphis, Tenn., express our appreciation of the valuable services Miss Hughes has rendered this Union, feeling that we have been uplifted and greatly benefited by her influence.

Second, That this Union extend to her bereaved loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and our sincere condolence, praying that the Comforter may be with them and sustain them in their deep sorrow.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the bereaved family, a copy each to the Baptist and Reflector and the Commercial Appeal.

Respectfully,

MRS. G. H. BOULWARE.  
F. G. CRAIN,

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**Moore.**

In loving memory of my dear son, B. F. Moore, who entered into rest October 17, 1918, at his home.

Since then—

It seemeth such a little way to me

Across to that strange beyond,  
For it has grown to be

The home of one of whom I am so fond.

And, as to me, there is no sting to death.

It is but crossing, with bated breath,  
A little strip of sea,

To find my loved one waiting on the shore,

More beautiful, more precious  
Than before—for me.

MOTHER.

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Lackard.—Mrs. Lee Lackard was born May 2, 1870, and departed this life July 18, 1918. She was married to M. E. Lackard, January 11, 1888. To this union was born one little girl, who departed this life at five years of age.

Mrs. Lackard professed faith in Christ and joined the Baptist Church at Zion, in Haywood County, Tennessee, where she remained a member until her death. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. M. A. Jordan and Mrs. C. W. Steel, and five brothers, J. J. Stewart of Texas, and D. A. Stewart, L. L. Stewart, L. N. Stewart and F. B. Stewart of Tennessee.

She was loved by those who knew her, and in her going the church and neighborhood has sustained a great loss, but our loss is her eternal gain. She was patient in her suffering. She was devoted to her church. During her illness she said many times, "I wish I could go to church." Yes, the church has lost a devoted member and the pastor an ever-welcome home. Just before death came she said to her husband and Mrs. Julia Stewart and other loved ones, "I am sorry to leave you, but if the Lord calls I am ready to go."

Mrs. Julie Stewart, her brother's wife, was devoted to her through all

of her suffering, and I am sure that, except Brother Lackard, no one feels the loss greater than she.

May the blessings of our Heavenly Father rest upon the bereaved ones. She is not dead, but sleepeth. Weep not as those who have no hope.

J. W. JOYNER AND WIFE.

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**Peck.**

On Friday morning, November 15, 1918, at half-past 8 o'clock, the angel of death visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Peck, near Milan, Tenn., and claimed for its victim their darling boy, Fred, which cast a pall and gloom over his family and the entire community. He was sick only a few days with pneumonia, following a case of influenza. He was about 27 years of age. Fred was great in many ways, always willing and ready to do his part in all things, in the church, in the community in which he lived, and in things that came up for the welfare of his country, he was the same. I knew him and loved him as a brother. He has been Secretary of our Sunday school for twelve years and we never had his equal. Our Sunday school and church have lost one of their best members and our country a valuable citizen. His spirit has gone to the God who gave it. Heaven has gained a bright jewel, while earth has lost one.

"Yet must we part, and, parting, weep,  
What else hath earth for us in store.

These farewell pangs, how sharp and deep,

These farewell words how sad and sore.

Yet we shall meet again in peace  
To sing the song of festal joy;

Where none shall bid our gladness cease,

And none our fellowship destroy.

There, hand in hand, firm linked at last,

Our heart to heart enfolded all,  
Will smile upon the troubled past,

And wonder why we wept at all."

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**Waller.**

William A. Waller was born in Greene County, Tennessee, December 10, 1846; married to Miss Sarah C. Wilcox, August 30, 1870. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having fought with the Union army during the year 1864.

In young manhood he was converted and united with the Baptist Church. He was ordained a deacon, April 24, 1881, which office he filled with honor until his death, which occurred at his home, September 5, 1918.

Concerning his noble Christian character too much cannot be said in his honor. He possessed a pleasing personality—always filled with sunshine and good will to those about him. His home was indeed the preachers' home. No Baptist preacher ever visited his community without enjoying the real hospitality of his home and family. I always found him a true friend at all times, as nearly unwavering in his friendship as anyone whom I have ever known. He was untiring in his efforts to build up his church and community. He was interested in



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Done by order of the church, September 28, 1918.

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