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HE ALONE IS GREAT.

I like the man who faces what he must
With step triumphant and a heart of cheer;
Who fights the daily battle without fear;
Sees his hopes fall, yet keeps unfaltering
trust
That God is God; that somehow, true and
just,
His plans work out for mortals; not a tear
Is shed when fortune, which the world
holds dear,
Falls from his grasp; better, with love, a
crust,
Than living in dishonor; envies not,
Nor loses faith in man; but does his best,
Nor even murmurs at his humble lot,
But with a smile and words of hope gives
zest
To every toiler; he alone is great.
Who by a life heroic conquers fate.

—Sarah K. Bolton.

HANDSHAKING UNDER BAN.

The papers report that some of our eminent scientists assert that handshaking is not sanitary, and that they are advocating the disuse of that ancient and honorable custom! Perhaps they will leave us the salaam, at least! We are "anti-" in several of our notions; but this is a joke!

"OPEN" VERSUS "CLOSED" SHOP.

An "Open Shop" as it is advocated, simply means that men will be hired and paid according to their ability to earn, with no discrimination between the Union and the Non-Union worker. The "Closed Shop" means that only Union workers will be employed, and that they will be paid according to the price set by the Union. We can all subscribe to a statement recently made by no less an authority than Roger Babson, when he suggests the following tenets for all labor organizations.

"Abolition of the closed shop movement on the part of unions.

Encouragement by the unions of increase of individual efficiency instead of putting a premium on sloth and inefficiency.

Promotion by unions of harmony and cooperation between employer and employee instead of the present strife and discord.

The teaching of respect for law and order. Legislation for the whole people instead of for a class.

Securing better conditions for labor by insisting upon full time production.

Teaching trades to the youth instead of limiting apprenticeship.

Keeping contracts. Making trade unions thoroughly American."

ARBUCKLE'S ACQUITTAL.

After two unsuccessful attempts by the State to secure a verdict in the case against "Fatty" Arbuckle, movie comedian of Los Angeles, charged with the murder of Virginia Rappe, the third trial resulted recently in an acquittal. He states that in due time he will return to the moving picture stage. While the courts have pronounced him innocent, it remains to find out what the verdict of public opinion is. It seems a little less than an affront to our sense of decency that one who was guilty of such revelry as that which he himself acknowledges, should offer himself as a model in any capacity until he has given evidence of moral reformation and can produce "fruit meet for repentance."

THE HOSPITAL REPORT.

For the first quarter of this year our Hospital makes a fine showing. The features of its work are worthy of commendation. Tennessee Baptists are greatly indebted to the institution. The patients from this state were equal in number to those from all other states, and 60 per cent of the charity patients were our own citizens. Baptists lead in the number of patients, although the unevangelized were a larger number. The institution is therefore doing a great missionary work, in that it is reaching a greater number of people who are in spiritual need than the number who are of the faith which supports it. It is also worthy of note that pastors and their dependents have received complimentary service. May the borders of its usefulness be enlarged; may its claims grip our hearts with stronger hold; may the blessings of heaven abide on all who minister within its walls.

Y. M. C. A. POOL ROOMS

It is never wise to "fight the devil with fire." When a church or any Christian institution, adopts the same methods to attract people which Satan employs to catch them, the results are apt to be disappointing. In an honest effort to draw young men away from the vicious atmosphere of the common pool rooms, the Y. M. C. A. installed pool rooms of its own. The utmost supervision on the part of "Y" managers will be necessary in order to avoid the very danger which they intended to avert. They should be exceedingly careful for the reason that the "Y" is protected from suspicion of evil influence by the auspices under which it operates and the patronage which it receives. We believe in innocent amusements and recreations for our young men; but we affirm also that the utmost care should be exercised to provide them that only which is good and which will not develop in them a fascination for evil.

SUNRISE.

If I have faltered more or less,
In my great task of happiness;
If I have moved among my race
And shown no glorious morning face;
If beams from happy human eyes
Have moved me not; if morning skies,
Books, and my food, and summer rain,
Knocked on my sullen heart in vain—
Lord, Thy most pointed pleasure take,
And stab my spirit broad awake.

—Stevenson.

SPEAKING TERMS WITH GOD.

Are we on "speaking terms" with God? He has spoken to us in His Word, and still speaks to us by His Spirit; do we answer Him as often as He speaks to us? You should not be so rude as to pass a friend on the street and not return his salutation; then why treat our best Friend less kindly? Have we fallen out with Him so that we refrain from speaking to Him? Prayer is communion with God; it is answering Him when He speaks to us. Since He speaks to us so often and in so many ways, the words of the apostle Paul are important and practical, "Pray without ceasing."

THE COMING CONVENTION.

There are two things especially which should be in our plans for the Convention in Jacksonville, Florida, next month: One is that the attendance should be large and widely representative, and the other is that earnest prayer be made in its behalf. To be expressive of the sentiments and will of the churches, it must be composed of representatives from many of them; to be equal to the great needs of the hour, the delegates must be conscious of the presence and power of God. Let us wait for Him, and let our expectant attitude be that of a deep devotional spirit. The victorious spirit will be impossible except through the exercise of a conquering faith. We shall be humble if we pray much; we can not afford to win a great victory unless we are humble. Southern Baptists face great opportunities; great responsibilities. They are a great people, but they are no greater than the extent of their loyalty to Christ and the power in their hands which comes from Him. Oh, for an outpouring of power, endowment of wisdom, an investment of vision and welding force of a united effort among us to honor our Saviour and Lord! May there be a mighty throng; and may they mightily move forward as the Captain of our salvation leads!

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EDITORIAL**CAMPAIGN GAINS AND LOSSES.**

In many cases churches express a desire to have their pledges to the 75 Million Campaign changed to conform to losses or removals which they sustain from time to time. But there should be changes other than reductions in amounts pledged by churches, namely, increased amounts due to whatever increase has taken place in membership. It is expected that the gifts of new members received will make up the deficits occasioned by deaths or removals of original pledgers. But in any case any church is so unfortunate as not to have such an opportunity, the Conservation Commission has definitely stated that adjustments can be made at the close of the Campaign period. The Lord has wonderfully blessed our churches with additions, and some of us have slept on our job if they have not been definitely lined up with the great movement among us; we have been derelict toward them, and it remains for us to make amends by quickly getting them in line. Before we ask for a reduction in the amount of our pledges to the Campaign, let us see whether we have enlisted the new members we have received. If so, and in case churches have done their best but by reason of unavoidable loss or providential cause, they can not meet the amount of their original pledges, they can say so at the close of the period, and all obligation against them will be wiped out.

PASTORS AND THE CAMPAIGN.

The pastor is the overseer, the seer-over the people. His responsibilities are also those of a shepherd, the guardian of the flock. He will need at times to protect them from appeals which would divert them from regular channels of service. Wisdom must be exercised lest the wolf of unworthy appeal en-

ter and destroy the sheep. There is a difference, however, between what a pastor may think to be best and what may be actually so. His own opinion should have respect to the needs which call for an occasional disregard of favorite plans of his.

Just now there are conditions which are unprecedented and which make it necessary for all of us to depart from much that is customary, and from what, under usual conditions, should be regarded as inviolable. The throes of great movements beget great ideals; great needs give rise to strong convictions; and extraordinary demands make it expedient to depart from ordinary methods. Pastors are urged to make extra efforts to meet our part of Campaign obligations. In no case can they afford to suppress enthusiasm among their men, nor offer any sort of handicap in the rush of liberal tendencies on their part. There is no need to fear disastrous reactions which, of course, will come. But they are not to be dreaded.

One of the most deplorable conditions in which a church can get is that of a monotony, even on a plane more or less worthy. Change itself involves action and reaction, the ebb and flow of energy, forward and halting movements. A dead-level would be disastrous; even though it were a plateau. We must adjust our thinking as to the best methods of doing the Lord's work, and while we proceed with that which is regular, we must not balk at that which is more than regular, which is beyond it, but advance with the onward sweep of the stronger and sterner demands.

CONVENTION MATTERS PENDING.

One can not forecast what will take place in a gathering of Baptists. Even the Committee on order of business, appointed by the Convention to arrange a schedule of exercises in advance of its sessions, offers suggestions which the body frequently changes for reasons which seem to it sufficient. But in the multitude of matters coming up for consideration, there should be as little change as possible in the suggested order of business presented by the Committee, since the co-ordination of interests can not properly be observed by Convention action under a momentary impulse. Only for exceptional reasons should the body allow special privileges to any interest; and in no case is it expedient for an individual member of the body to feature the program with the introduction of extra-convention causes.

The forum of the denominational press should be used freely in a pre-convention discussion of matters pending which are of vital importance. There is little danger that any action will be "railroaded" through the Convention by any advocate. But unless there has been wide-spread discussion beforehand, any new matter would perhaps receive hasty and inadequate consideration; and action on it would likely be unwise. Large bodies move slowly; and the size of the Southern Baptist Convention is determined more by the number of interests than by the number of delegates composing its membership. Hence they must be considered all during the year, and so thoroughly treated that Convention action will do but little more than register the ma-

ture opinion of the people.

Very meager discussion has been made recently regarding the proposed new Theological Seminary. It is apparent, therefore, that it is not the will of a majority of our people to take action in that direction either one way or another just now. This is evidently best.

Of more recent occurrence is the consideration of Home Mission Board policies and plans. Several radical changes have been suggested but the brethren have not thought through to a conclusion, and hence nothing in the way of definite action is anticipated.

The education outlook is perhaps one of the most promising we have. It has been the scene of considerable agitation, most of which was without sufficient cause, but all of which clarified the air and produced a post-storm purity and vigor. Our educational program will no doubt be greatly strengthened and endorsed.

Hospitals and Orphanages are coming into their own among the Baptists of the South. There is only one South-wide Hospital, and that for tubercular patients; although another, general Hospital at New Orleans is assured. We have at last waked to the fact that we have a ministry of healing as well as that of preaching.

Our world-program is foremost in the minds of our people as they gather at Jacksonville. The day of narrow sympathies is gone. We have pitched the battle along new lines, and the vanguard is advancing with an increasing support from the rear. Our Foreign Mission cause was never better planned nor was it ever more deeply imbedded in the affections of Southern Baptists.

We do not anticipate any startling developments at Jacksonville. The Convention can not be swept off its feet by a popular appeal, nor does it yield an inch to a reactionary influence. Surprises there may be, but nothing startling will likely occur. Harmony and the spirit of the Master will no doubt be greatly in evidence. Let prayer be made unceasingly that it may be an occasion of great spiritual power, and that the Lord's people may gather in great numbers around His Cross and renew their experiences in that baptism with which He was baptised.

Mr. Joseph Peterson Moore, only son of Dr. and Mrs. Hight C. Moore, of Nashville, Tenn., was married Monday April 24, to Miss Norma Wynne, of Raleigh, N. C., Dr. Moore performing the ceremony. The groom is with the N. C. & St. L. railway, and the young couple will make their home in Nashville. A host of friends in both state capitals join in best wishes for them.

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Brother J. W. Merritt, secretary, announces the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Field Workers Conference to be held in Jacksonville, Fla., May 15 to 17 at the Seminole Hotel. All persons engaged in general Sunday School or B. Y. P. U. work within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention are invited to be present and are eligible to membership.

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The D. P. & Q. Department is omitted this week, but will appear in next issue, and then regularly.

THE THIRD MILE POST ON THE FIVE YEAR STRETCH.

By B. D. Gray, Corresponding Secretary.

There it is! Just ahead of us! Shall we gain the goal? We can! We must! We will!

I have just spent three weeks of the past four in the field. Our people are hopeful. They will pay their pledges even at the cost of great sacrifice.

Our noble women are throwing themselves into the race with inspiring ardor and self-denial. Many of our men have caught the contagion and are profoundly stirred.

A Call for Reinforcements.

We need them and we have them. There they are:

1—A great company, who for one reason or another, did not enlist at the start.

2—Thousands who are well able to increase their contributions above their original subscriptions.

3—More than one-half million baptized converts since the campaign began.

Let the Regulars and the Reinforcements rally in this great race for victory. And may the Lord of hosts be with us.

THE NEXT CONVENTION.

By President E. Y. Mullins, D.D., LL.D.

I am taking this means of sending out an appeal to pastors and laymen everywhere in the interest of a great meeting in Jacksonville. In some respects the meeting we are to hold in Jacksonville is the most important of the entire five-year Campaign period. There are a number of questions of the most vital interest to be considered by the Convention. It would be exceedingly unfortunate if there should be a serious falling off in attendance.

I have recently made a tour of Louisiana, covering the greater part of that state, speaking in the interest of the 75 Million Campaign. It was most inspiring to note the revival activities of the Baptists in that State. In one church three hundred members had been baptised in the past few weeks, and the pastor said that all of them would be approached with a view to a contribution to the \$75,000,000.00 fund. We ought to have a great meeting in Jacksonville, for the sake of these new members who have been added to our churches during the year and in order that the inspiration of the Campaign may not wane.

There are a number of important questions to be considered in the Convention itself. Is it not, therefore, a good time for every pastor and every layman who can possibly attend to plan to be present; and would it not be the finest preparation for the Convention if all of us should begin now to earnestly pray that the spirit of harmony and enthusiasm shall characterise the meeting? And would it not be the finest mental attitude to adopt if we should all come to the Convention resolved that we would put aside the critical spirit and seek to find the best solution of all our problems, and present to the world the same united front which has characterized us so far during our 75 Million Campaign?

In my opinion, our unity of spirit and pur-

pose is the greatest single asset which we possess today, apart from the presence of our God. Let us conserve this unity and move forward to the great and shining goal, seeking divine guidance all along the way. May God give us a great meeting in Jacksonville, is my prayer.

BAPTISTS AND OTHERS.

By Felix W. Muse.

In his reply to the writer's question in the issue of March 30th, A. Delphos has said that the lack of agreement among preachers and denominations is not only sad, but is horrible. In other words this is his position: "For some of us, the truth does not leave us free to mix up with error." Evidently, many of our Baptist preachers do not take this view of the matter, but seem to feel that the truth leaves them free to take part in co-operation with others and thus "mix up with error." It appears as if these Baptist preachers are saying—There exists among the different preachers and denominations a substantial agreement upon many of the fundamental doctrines of the Bible, and why allow "externals" and "minor differences" disturb us? Is this your position?

Are the differences that distinguish us from other denominations of sufficient importance to seriously concern Baptists? Speak out, brethren! What excuse are we giving for our separate existence as a denomination? Has it not been, and is it not now, our contention for "the faith which was once de- unto the saints?" With Baptists in religious matters, is it not—"Thus saith the Lord?"

Is the Bible supreme in authority? If so, why compromise? Speak out, brethren!

RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS AND NEEDS OF THE JEWS.

By Jacob Gartenhaus, Missionary of Baptist Home Mission Board to the Jews.

In the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention there are about 400,000 Jews. Among them are a few who might be termed orthodox in its correct meaning. The majority, who have become dissatisfied with traditional Judaism with its restrictions, are fast drifting into the ranks of Atheism, Communism, or into various cults, Christian Science, Ethical Culture, etc. In fact they are a moving spirit in the various "isms." The Talmud, which has for centuries been the sole guide of Judaism, is losing its claim. Efforts which Jewish leaders are putting forward to save their people from drifting are failures, because they have nothing to offer them.

Attitude of the Jews Toward the Bible.

Christians often hear the Jew boasting of having given the Bible to the world. The truth is that few possess this precious book and it is most neglected in Jewish homes. The Bible is a sealed book to Israel. Isa. 29: 11-12. Many orthodox Jews who still believe the Bible as the Word of God think it too holy to be handled and read by common people. (Besides, these rabbis warn them over and over again that this book may mis-

lead them, mislead them to believe in Jesus.) Many a Jew who studied it, they argue, has lost his faith.

The unbelieving Jew thinks less of this book than he thinks of a cheap novel, that it is a product of the infancy of mankind, when thoughts were beclouded, when myths were in vogue, but now it is not worth a minute of serious attention. Many educated Jews who read all kinds of books know next to nothing of the New Testament. The little they do know, comes to them by hearsay in a very distorted and blasphemous manner.

Most Jews dread the New Testament as having a mysterious, magical power, which is able to change entirely their habits and conceptions, and this is what it really does.

Most Jews think of Christians as idolatrous, worshipping images of saints and crosses; that in order to become Christians they would have to give up the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and become heathens. Many a Jew who has heard something of the true gospel or of the belief of Christians, has cried out, "O, it's the first time I ever heard that," and their attitude at once has changed.

(Continued Next Week.)

NOT TO BE AT GENOA.

Announcement is made that the United States will not be represented officially at the Genoa conference. The decision is a wise one, and will be supported by American public opinion. The agenda omits the fundamental economic question of reparations and also the Russian economic situation, and therefore the conference becomes largely one on European politics.

"IN THE SWEAT OF THY FACE SHALT THOU EAT BREAD"

Genesis 3:19

Throughout the ages, the wealth of the world has been produced from the earth by the toil of man. Necessity forces us to produce for our needs, but happy the man who saves a portion of his returns that he may enjoy both necessities and luxuries in later life. A Savings Account regularly added to will help you to realize this ambition.

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NEW ORLEANS INVITES 1923 CONVENTION.

By Louis Entzinger.

New Orleans extends a hearty invitation to the Southern Baptist Convention to meet in the Crescent City for their 1923 session.

It is well known that the Hotel facilities are ample for the Convention.

The Gypsy Smith Tabernacle seating nearly 6,000, (to be exact 5,500), located in the down town section of the city easily accessible to hotels, boarding houses, rooming houses and etc., is the best of the Tabernacle buildings I have ever seen for the meeting of a Convention. The acoustics are practically perfect.

All our Baptist churches, our Chamber of Commerce, and the city of New Orleans are exceedingly anxious for the Convention to come here for 1923. So we hope our brethren from all over the Southland will get ready to visit the Crescent City for next year's Convention.

UNION UNIVERSITY BANQUET.

Notice is hereby given to present and former students of Union University that arrangements have been made for a banquet, a real one, during the Southern Baptist Convention at the Seminole Hotel, Friday, May 18th, 6:30 p.m., \$1.50 a plate.

This is exclusive and protected from any kind of intrusion, and we can have as much time as we want.

Write at once reserving plate. Address J. Dean Adcock, Orlando, Florida.

PROMPT ACTION.

J. T. Henderson, Gen. Sec.

If any churches should be so occupied up to May 1st with the "Round Up" in the 75 Million Campaign that they have not had opportunity to secure their quota of tithers, why not make this cause a special order for Sunday, May 7th? Let each associational leader so organize his helpers that this vital matter shall be presented to all churches on that day. Some churches will need no outside help.

The Associational leader can report all the names to the State Headquarters on May 8th and the full number can be wired the General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement in time to be incorporated in the report to the Southern Baptist Convention. The number will be reported by states. "The King's business requireth haste."

THE COMING CONVENTION.

What it Ought to Be.
By L. R. Scarborough.

May 17th Baptists meet in Convention assembly at Jacksonville, Florida, a goodly city of fellowship, fruits and flowers. I am think-

ing much these days about that Convention and have great anxieties about it, and many importuning prayers in its behalf. May I suggest some things that should characterize that Convention?

1. *It ought to be preceded by the collection of at least ten million dollars in cash for the Kingdom enterprises.* A great sacrificial financial victory for Christ will make the Convention largely a spiritual triumph. Christ's cash turned into His treasury now will fill the Convention messengers and visitors with high praise.

2. *The Convention ought to be largely attended.* Jacksonville can take care of many thousands in a great worthy way. Its hotels are sufficient. Its Baptist and general hospitality cannot be over-taxed. It will be great for the churches, good for the Convention, glorious for Christ's cause, for at least 7,500 Baptists to march in triumph to Jacksonville. Let's get our people to go.

3. *It ought to be an optimistic Convention.* There is no room for pessimism in Baptist conquests of the past two and one-half years. There ought not to be any low notes. There is no reason for anybody to be "down-in-the-mouth" or discouraged. Let's go singing the hosannas of a victorious Christ and a conquering Baptist host.

4. *It ought to be an uncritical Convention.* Recently our Baptist atmosphere has been full of criticism of all sorts. Let's do not carry our complaints and criticisms to the Convention. The Convention is set for promoting Christ's big world-will in a co-operant manner. Co-operating Baptists should not bring their small differences to be aired in and to mar Convention harmony. Let's think of our unities, our agreements, and have a great constructive, uncritical Convention. Co-operating Baptists are unified in doctrine, in spirit, in purpose, and in a will to win in Christ's big world-will. Let's go to the Convention that way.

5. *The Convention ought to be constructive.* We will not get there with all the money we need, or all we want; but we can make out on what we get if we are happy. Let's keep our eyes on the big things, the on-going things, the things that make for the building of the Kingdom. Let's do not take counsel of our fears nor yield to the carping criticisms of our foes; but, with an eye singled on Christ, let's meet His commandments in carrying His truth to a lost world.

6. *It ought to be a great spiritual, inspiring Convention.* Every song should be tuned to the deeper vitalities of life and the great eternities of revelation. We should not waste time with little matters of the letter, but keep pace with the great matters of the Spirit. The Convention should be preceded, carried on, and closed up in a spirit of triumphant, conquering prayer, characterized by deathless love-loyalty to Christ.

7. *It should be a Convention of the high tides of evangelism and compassion for a lost world.* Four hundred forty thousand saved men and women, baptized in two years, and the unconscious call of multiplied millions of lost men and women everywhere, should call, challenge, and cause Southern Baptists to combine all their spiritual agencies and powers to the task of soul-winning.

I urge my brothers everywhere, who think of going to the Convention, or who think of remaining at home, to watch the Convention, to pray and trust and do their best in the finest sort of fashion to bring about one of the greatest conventions of constructive, spiritual, evangelistic, forward-looking power that we have ever known. I am for such a convention, full length and full strength. May it be so.

WHY TENNESSEE BAPTISTS SHOULD PAY THEIR PLEDGES BY APRIL 30.

By W. C. Reeves, Clarksville.

1. Because Tennessee Baptists wish to see Texas Baptists, and Georgia Baptists, and New Mexico Baptists and all the other Southern Baptists, do it; and what they wish to see others do they ought to be willing to do their best to do themselves.

2. Because, that unless Tennessee Baptists pay their pledges, by that date, even though all other Southern Baptists redeem their pledges, there will yet be a shortage.

3. Because, if they do not, the causes in which more than thirty millions have already been invested will be permitted to suffer greatly. When a boy on the farm we got in sight of "laying-by" time and extra rain came and we got "in the grass," father urged us to work the harder lest we should lose the work we had already put on the crop.

4. Because our Captain's heart is in it deeply, and he would be made sad to see the work fail to come up. "My Father worketh HITHERTO, and I work," said He. It makes the tears start as I recall how father used to press the work at the seasons to which I referred in the above paragraph, and sometimes plowing in a trot and scarcely stopping at noon to eat, and often so tired at night that he could not sleep; but there were twelve children to feed, clothe and educate, and their necessities urged him on till the crop was made. Twelve children! Twelve! But in this case millions, millions! wait for the bread of life which our labor must provide.

5. For myself, I feel the hand of my former pastor, now my leader in this work, Lee Scarborough, as it was laid on my head in ordination in the great western church; and I know that now as in those days he is praying much that his "boys," and his brethren shall do their best for His great Master and the lost. His general letter on the "Unfinished Task" which I read last week makes me to know that our leader is working with might and main, and it makes me want to see my adopted state gladden his heart with a full quota.

6. Because, with the spirit of our Master's great sacrifice upon us, we CAN. What we can we ought to do.

7. Because we made the pledges, and our honor as well as the glory of Him who bled for us, is at stake.

8. Because an unspeakable joy will be ours if we do it; and a sorrow will fill all our hearts if we do not.

9. Because, when we reach "that better land," we may see the sweet faces of the once lost redeemed and transformed into His likeness, who else would walk the vales of eternal sorrow.

10. Because the Eyes which closed on Calvary are now upon us and will in heaven grow sad once more if we do not our best.

By Ben Cox, Memphis.

As I see it, it is of tremendous importance that Tennessee Baptists bend every energy toward paying in full their 75 Million Campaign pledges by April 30th. Our faithful and indefatigable secretary is worthy of much credit for the splendid showing he has made under circumstances so seemingly disadvantageous. I feel very sure that nothing but prayer, and practical, patient persistent effort on his part could have accomplished this. If Tennessee Baptists hope to succeed, they will do well to follow his course. Our need just now is much praying and praying.

By Wilson Woodcock, Brownsville.

I. Because they have promised to pay. "When thou shalt vow a vow unto the Lord thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the Lord thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee." Deut. 23: 21.

II. Because work has been planned on the basis of our pledges. This work has been planned by our conventions at our suggestion and we are responsible before the world for its success.

III. Because the payment of the pledges will save us from the reproach of men. Baptists have fought for the establishment of New Testament churches and have preached loyalty to the Word of God. If we fail to perform our vows we will find our work harder in every community. For, in addition to the charge of selfishness that is unjustly laid against us, there will be the just charge selfishness because we have thought more of our own comfort than of the progress of the work of the Kingdom of Christ.

IV. Because the payment of our pledges will carry on the work of Christ for which he is holding us responsible. It is through the churches that the world will know of Christ and His atonement. "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God." Eph. 3: 10.

By J. W. Cunningham, Grand Junction.

I. Because we stand for the salvation of the world through the preached gospel.

II. We made our pledges through faith. We should show our faith by our works and honesty.

III. Because God has shown His approval of what we have done, by giving to us the greatest number in additions to our churches the past year.

IV. We should be just as willing to pay God the debt we owe, as to the grocerman the debt we owe him.

V. II Cor. 8: 7-15.

By H. A. Todd, Trenton.

By referring to the different statements in the Good Book in regard to pledges made, they seem to take the form of surety and are binding on those who made them. A pledge may be a word of promise but it is as binding as though an equivalent in value had been

given as security. A word pledge is of no more worth than the honor of the one who made it, but the law of God knows no such thing as dishonor in the man who pledges to God or His work, and makes no allowance for the stress of times or change of fortune that may befall. He holds us to the terms of the pledge and demands its fulfillment. A failure to do so involves upon us, in His wrath and His displeasure will be visited upon us until full toll is taken from us either in person, health, wealth, opportunity or the possibilities to do well in a financial way.

The "earnest of the Spirit" is given as a pledge on the part of God that He will fulfill His word of grace to us in happiness of the saints everlasting rest. He demands no more of His children than He gives and as they have pledged Him not only in money matters, but in a life of devotion and sacred alliance to His cause.

It is not the question, "Why we should pay," but, "Are we willing to pay" what we have pledged His cause and kingdom.

In part the pledge reads, "My love for the causes involved, for Christ and a lost world; and in order to make this Campaign a success, I hereby promise to pay."

In view of this solemn pledge there remains but one thing to do, and that is pay the amount pledged. To fail in this matter will bring a just retribution from Him whose we are and by whom we have all that is worth while. We are slaves of Jesus Christ and as such all we are and all we have are His and why should we desire to keep back that which has been devoted to Him.

We all know that times are hard and the financial conditions of the nation are bad, but this can be no excuse for our failure to pay the just vows already made.

Until Ananias and Sapphira sold their possessions and had accepted the agreement of the brethren to lay it down at the Apostles' feet, their property was theirs, but when they sold all and went before the Apostles they held back a part of the price and so fell under the sore displeasure of God. Peter said, "While it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold was it not in thine power? Thou hast not lied to men, but to God." This statement discovers the nature of the vow and a willful avoidance of meeting the covenant agreements of it and this sin received the death sentence.

They pledged to God and disobeyed their obligation for one reason or another and the Lord was displeased with them and they were made an example for all time to come.

Let none break their pledge to God in this Campaign lest they fall under the condemnation of the Lord of Hosts. Let us not join the "Ananias Club" lest that club smite us and we perish from the way.

By J. B. Alexander, Petersburg.

Because by paying our Campaign pledges, we keep faith with God, with our church, and with our selves. One is likely to get in a bad way, who breaks faith at any one of these points. I have just returned from a four weeks' campaign of all churches in William Carey Association—(They nicknamed this association a few years ago "Bill" Carey, be-

cause it did not act like a descendant of William Carey). But the recent Campaign has beyond a doubt put every church in line, and anxious to do their best. Rev. L. M. Laten deserves great credit for the work of enlistment done in this Association.

All the pastors of the association were enlisted—then the drive for "tithers" and "subscribers" was a great success. It was my pleasure to stay with the campaign throughout, and I never witnessed a more hearty cooperation on the part of the churches. It looks as if all were determined to pay their pledges.

MR. GLADSTONE'S TESTIMONY.

"The older I grow the more confirmed I am in my faith in the Christian religion. Talk about the questions of the day! There is but one question, and that is the gospel. That can and will correct everything. I am glad to say that about all the men at the top in Great Britain are Christians. I have been in public position fifty-eight years, and forty-seven years in the Cabinet of the British Government. During these forty-seven years I have been associated with sixty of the master minds of the century, and all but five of the sixty were Christians."

BAPTIST MONEY IN EASTER HATS WOULD MEET CAMPAIGN NEEDS.

Ever wonder what our Southern Baptist women and girls pay for their pretty Easter hats each year? A New York representative of the millinery trade set himself to the task of finding out America's Easter hat bill and he ascertained that for 1921 it was \$400,000,000.

According to the U. S. Census there are 105,000,000 people in the United States. Southern Baptists, with their 3,000,000 members, represent one-thirty-fifth the total population of the nation. According, the Southern Baptist share of the big bill for fancy Easter headgear was \$14,785,714.

Some money, you say? Yes, and if it had been turned in to the 75 Million Campaign it would meet the present pressing needs of all our general missionary, educational and benevolent work.

But do our men, who are inclined to poke fun at the vanity of the fair sex, fare any better when you analyze their expenditures for things that profit not? Hardly! According to the U. S. Treasury Department, a total of \$2,100,000,000 was expended in this country last year for cigars, cigarettes, snuff and chewing tobacco. The Southern Baptist share of this enormous sum was \$60,285,714 or practically double what all our people have paid in the 75 Million Campaign in two and a half years. If our women cannot afford both, which will they sacrifice, Easter hats or missions?

If our men cannot afford both their tobacco and Christian benevolences, which will they give up?

GOD EXPECTS AN ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION BEFORE MAY 1.

LLOYD T. WILSON.
Corresponding Secretary.

News and Views

Tennessee College Glee Club gave a most enjoyable concert at the First Baptist church of Nashville, Friday evening, April 21. Dr. Harry Clark made an address.

We have received a copy of "The Tennessee-Anne," a creditable publication of Tennessee College, of Murfreesboro, which is to be issued every week by the class in Journalism.

Aletha M. Armstrong writes from New Orleans, "The Solomon-Armstrong party have closed a meeting at Waxahachie, Texas, in which there were one hundred and seven additions. They go next to the First church San Angelo, Texas."

The Cole Lectures before the Vanderbilt University School of Religion were given by Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, professor of Union Theological Seminary and pastor of First Presbyterian church of New York City, April 23 to 27, at University Chapel, College Hall, Nashville.

Brother D. G. McKnight, secretary, writes from Clarksville, April 13: "Easter Sunday marked greatest Sunday school ever seen in the city. We set quota for 700 on that day. Results: 815 attended. 700 enrollment. Every member of church in Sunday school. 825 present."

Carson Newman and Union University debates Friday of last week resulted in victory for Carson Newman at both places—Jackson and Jefferson City. We congratulate both institutions on the benefits to be derived from such forensic contests in which both are bested!

Brother H. B. Colter, former pastor at Central church, Nashville, writes from Jackson, Mo., his new pastorate, and says, "Everything moves along fine in my work here but it will go better when I get the Baptist and Reflector coming this way." It's going his way!

We inadvertently stated that Brother Geo. Burnett, of Murfreesboro, had put on a thorough campaign in the Concord Association for the payment of 75 Million Campaign pledges by the churches, when, in fact, it was a state-wide project which he was instituting at the time we wrote the item. Brother S. P. DeVault of Eagleville and the executive Board of the Concord Association are taking active steps to do the things in that Association directly.

Our office is saddened by the death of Miss Alma Briggs which took place early Sunday morning, April 23, at Polk Street Sanitarium, Nashville. She was a lovable character, faithful, diligent and efficient. She was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Briggs, of Nashville. Her funeral was conducted from her father's residence in East

Nashville, Monday morning April 24 by Dr. O. L. Hailey, pastor Eastland Baptist church, assisted by Elder Hall of the Christian church and the editor of the Baptist and Reflector. To the bereaved hearts we extend personal and tenderest sympathy.

Rev. John T. Oakley, of Hartsville, reports a busy day April 16: "Preached at Lafayette 11 a.m., ran back to Hartsville, thence to Gallatin, and thence to Portland where at 7 p.m. at the Baptist church I performed the ceremony of the marriage of Mr. Polk Moore and my granddaughter, Miss Ruth Williams." Many felicitations to the young couple!

Brother M. P. Hunt announces to the Alumni of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary: "As president of the Alumni Association, I have arranged through Mr. Jerome B. Pound, of Jacksonville, chairman of the committee on Banquets and manager of the Seminole, the headquarters hotel, for our banquet on Friday, May 19, 5:30 to 7:30, at his hotel. He has given us a rate of a dollar a plate. The Alumni are privileged to bring members of their families or friends. This data is furnished that you may reserve this evening for the Alumni get-together. Let us make it a great occasion. Notices as to where the tickets may be had will be posted about the Convention Hall."

From Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Brother S. L. Ginsburg writes April 6:

"I can imagine how busy you all are about closing the books with the greatest amount to the credit of the 75 Million Campaign. How we are all praying for you and asking our good Father in heaven to help you and use you mightily. Wish we could be there and give you a helping hand—but we are trying our utmost to fulfil the Lord's commands and proclaim the good tidings of salvation. Last Sunday I preached three times, celebrated the Lord's Supper twice and baptised six. When I reached home about midnight I was almost exhausted. My physicians and my wife beg me not to do so much—but how to refuse invitations I have not yet learned. God bless you! We are all praying for a great success both there and here."

W. M. U. TRAINING SCHOOL GIRLS NOTICE

By Juliette Mather, Young People's Secy.

Please bring each of you a white dress when you come to Jacksonville for the W. M. U. meeting. We shall wear white as if we were at House Beautiful in our Processional on Young People's Night May 17, 8 p.m. the Armory. Thank you.

Although China has a national university at Peking, it has been necessary to create a second one at Nanking to take care of students who are at a long distance from Peking. Whether in China or America, colleges draw chiefly from their own neighborhood. That shows the opportunity of Union University which is now the only four-year college in West Tennessee. We need to put \$1,000,000 endowment behind it.

YOUR BEST

THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT EVERY TENNESSEE BAPTIST MUST DO IN THE WEEK TO WIN THE VICTORY IN THE THIRD YEAR OF THE BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN.

WHEN?

DO IT NOW. THERE IS NO TIME TO LOSE. IN ONE WEEK THE THIRD YEAR OF THE CAMPAIGN ENDS. PAY THE VERY BEST YOU CAN ON YOUR OWN PLEDGE. THEN CHALLENGE OTHERS TO PAY. TAKE IT UP IN YOUR CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY. DO YOUR BEST.

WHO?

EVERY BAPTIST WITH A CONSCIENCE

WE PROMISED GOD. LET US KEEP OUR PROMISE. DID YOU PRAY, PLEAD AND PLEDGE IN PROJECTING THE CAMPAIGN? THEN PRAY, PAY AND PLEAD NOW. PREACHER, PREACH IT. TEACHER, TEACH IT. LEADER, LEAD IT. WORKER, WORK IT.

EVERY BAPTIST CHURCH LEADER

PASTORS AND CHURCH ORGANIZERS, WE MUST GLEAN. EVERY CHURCH MEMBER MUST BE REACHED. CONFERENCE WITH YOUR TREASURER AND COMMITTEES, CHECK UP ON UNPAID PLEDGES, SOLICIT EVERY ONE WHO IS BEHIND.

EVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION LEADER

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU GET IN TOUCH AT ONCE WITH EVERY CHURCH ORGANIZER IN EVERY CHURCH IN YOUR ASSOCIATION. DO THIS IN PERSON, BY PHONE AND MAIL. BUT DO IT AND DO IT NOW. SEND OUT FOUR-MINUTE SPEAKERS TO EVERY CHURCH HOLDING SERVICE ON SUNDAY.

OUR SLOGAN

"GOD EXPECTS OUR BEST—LARGE OR SMALL—NO MORE, NO LESS—OUR BEST. WE CAN DO THAT."

Tennessee Baptists Pushing Together Will Win the Victory

Once upon a time there was a great boulder standing right in the middle of the main road into a certain town. Everybody who passed said, "This boulder should be rolled out of the way. It is a menace to traffic and an obstacle to progress." However, the boulder stayed there for years and years because, while everybody agreed that it should and could be removed, yet everybody said it separately as individuals.

Finally, a very wise citizen called a mass-meeting of the people of the town and said, "Each of us has made his own protest and howl against this boulder standing in the middle of the road, a hindrance and a menace to all progress. But the boulder is still there. Therefore, let us all go out together and all push together and thus all together we will roll this big boulder out of the highway."

SO THEY WENT OUT TOGETHER AND THEY PUSHED TOGETHER AND TOGETHER THEY ROLLED AWAY THE BIG BOULDER THAT HAD STOOD SO LONG IN THE WAY.

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A Challenge to The Thousands of Tennessee Baptists



ONLY ONE MORE SUNDAY REMAINS IN WHICH WE ARE TO GET IN OUR RECEIPTS FOR THIS SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION YEAR.

IF TENNESSEE BAPTISTS WILL PUSH TOGETHER DURING THIS CLOSING WEEK OF THE THIRD YEAR OF THE 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN THEY WILL WIN THEIR GREATEST VICTORY FOR THE KINGDOM.

Looking to You, Are:

- Heroic self-sacrificing missionaries who have left all to serve in foreign lands.
- Struggling State and Home Missionaries who are building up the waste places in the home land.
- Christian schools and colleges devotedly seeking to teach and train our Baptist boys and girls.
- Old Preachers and their widows in the need and infirmity of old age.
- Poor, sick and suffering humanity knocking at the door of our hospital.
- Hundreds of dear little children without mothers and fathers to care for them, needing help and a home.

DO NOT FAIL THEM.

You Must Help Quick

Take your offering to Church with you next Sunday or send it at once to the treasurer of your church.

Make your final gift not later than Sunday, April 30th.

Church Treasurer, please forward at once all funds now on hand and your final remittance not later than Monday, May the 1st.

**THE BOOKS WILL CLOSE,
WEDNESDAY, MAY THE THIRD.**

Christian Education

Harry Clark, Secretary, Nashville

UNION UNIVERSITY NEWS.

The Cardinal and Cream, published weekly by the Union University students, got out a VICTORY EDITION April 13, because everything they had attempted that week had resulted in victory. They had remarkable success in every student contest against other schools, and the students had marched all over Jackson in a joyous parade Tuesday night of that week. There is a spirit of student loyalty in Union University this year such as has not been seen in many, many years. Dr. Watters, as the president, has brought about a union of the students, faculty, and town, that promises remarkable results for the future. The finest flowering of that spirit was seen in the marvelous revival conducted by Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson, when students did such notable personal work with their fellows.

The joint debate between Hall-Moody Normal girls and the Union University girls was conducted on both sides with credit to the debaters and to the two colleges. The Hall-Moody students sent seventeen of their number to Jackson to support their debaters. Eighty Union University students gave them a hospitable welcome at the train and escorted them to the Dormitory where hot supper was awaiting them. We like this spirit between the two sister institutions.

In that noted book, "Who's Who in America," it has been shown that the chances for one to become famous are as follows: one chance in 150,000 for illiterates, one in 47,250 for elementary school graduates, one in 1,600 for high school graduates, one in 180 for college graduates, and one in three for honor students in college. Union University has a remarkable representation in this book, one out of every fifteen of all those who have been out of college ten years is listed in "Who's Who in America."

We note with pleasure that the Union University summer school of 1921 was rated by the United States government as one of the first group of 100, being 76th in that list, coming above Wyoming, Maryland, Omaha, Georgia "Tech."

ATHLETICS

Whatever may be thought of athletics by some of our brethren, especially as regards the athletics at home in high schools, there is something to be said in their defense at college. Those who are trying for the athletic teams have to adhere to a high moral standard and must rigidly take care of their sleep and their diet. Their influence upon the rest of the students is good. We older folks must remember that young people have natural instincts (for play and for contests) which God has implanted in them. Those who play learn daring and courage. Those who are spectators learn loyalty to their college. One can measure a college's standing in the world of scholarship often by the other colleges that play with them, for colleges that are weak

and inefficient intellectually are not often asked to play with the strong colleges. We note with pride that Union University is to play the University of Wisconsin, and that Carson and Newman is now recognized in athletics by some of the strongest colleges of the South. Say what you will, brethren, boys want to go to colleges where there are athletics. The writer recognizes the frequent evils in athletics, but he sees compensating good. He knows our colleges from the inside, and he is convinced that the faculties are using athletics for good.

ADVANTAGES OF SMALL COLLEGES.

This year Harvard has nearly 700 students in one course and the University of California had last year 1,000 in a single class. The United States Bureau of Education condemns these conditions and says that good teaching can never be done under these conditions, that there cannot be personal contact between pupil and professor. The moral is: "Send your boy to the small denominational college where he comes into close personal touch with teachers of the highest Christian character."

OUR YOUNG CICEROS

Debating and oratorical contests are always prominent in the small denominational colleges, and these features account for the very large proportion of their graduates who make a name for themselves in the world. Union University is preparing for such contests with Ouachita College, Ark., Baylor University, Texas, and Carson and Newman College, Tenn. Of great interest is a contest between Union University and Hall-Moody. Each college is to select a boys' team and a girls' team. The subject for debate is whether the president of the United States should be nominated by a national primary or by the national conventions as at present.

Carson-Newman has been noted several years for her forensic work. In the college office can be seen a silver debater's cup—won by Carson-Newman in a three years' triangular contest between Tusculum, Maryville and Carson-Newman. In 1920 we broke even in debate and won the Tri-State Oratorical contest. In 1921 we won three of the four debates and the State Oratorical contest.

SEMINARY NOTES.

By Sherwood C. Bain.

In order to be truly Baptist, there must be a democratic spirit in the student body of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. This idea is carried out especially with regard to the method by which the men are put in touch with the different opportunities for service among the people round about Louisville.

Each year there is elected a Student Body Council, at the head of which is the President of the Student Organization. The Council is composed of four Field Directors, under whom there are departments with their committees. There are: the Preaching Department, which sees to it that churches wanting preaching may be supplied, and which over-

sees the street preaching; the Educational, which covers S. S. teaching, and S. S. and B. Y. P. U. training courses and classes; the Sociological, under which head falls boys' club work, welfare league, and evangelization in hospitals and rescue missions; and the Missionary Department, covering the Volunteer Band, and missions among the Jews, and foreigners, and negroes.

This system of organization is quite elastic in allowing plenty of room for individual initiative on the part of each student, which is a very essential factor in the training of a minister. Each man can work out his individual problem as he becomes more efficient in the Lord's work. He is thrown out to make a leader if he will, and on the practical side has ample opportunity to do so. This tends toward moulding a resourceful ministry in which each man has learned to rely upon himself and his Lord alone.

For next year, Richard N. Owen, of Covington, Tennessee, has been elected President of the Student Organization. This is an important office, as the President is chairman at the meetings of the students, and works with, and plans with, the various committees among the students. Brother Owen is a son of Judge W. A. Owen, president of the Tennessee State Convention.

Dr. W. H. Davis visited Carson and Newman College the week of April 10. He says he was royally received, and thoroughly enjoyed his trip; and he is enthusiastic over the work of the college. Several C. N. C. men intimated their intentions to come to the Seminary upon the completion of their college work. Next year Bro. Stuart Rule, one of our Sevier County brethren who has a good record in college and on the field, expects to attend the Seminary next year, God willing.

Rev. Piero Chiminelli, a leading young Baptist preacher from Florence, Italy, has been in America two months. He is attending classes in the Seminary, and is studying our American methods. To become proficient in the use of English, he is studying our language more thoroughly in order to present to us more clearly the opportunities and needs in Italy of the Baptist message. At present he is writing a book, "The Call of Italy." He is the author of several notable Protestant books in Italian, which are making a great impression, even upon bishops of the Roman church in Italy. There he is known as The second Savaronarola." Southern Baptists are more and more standing behind our Italian Baptist brethren, who are becoming rapidly stronger, but need our prayer and help. This summer Brother Chiminelli expects to be in Nashville at the Normal School.

THE HALL MOODY EVANGELISTS.

Hall-Moody Normal has arranged for the Boston Brothers as singer and evangelist, and will be glad to correspond with churches that need such services. Having heard Rev. George C. Boston speak and pray, your secretary can testify to his power and spirituality.

SERMON: "A CHURCH WORTH DYING FOR."

By John R. Chiles.

In his letter to the Philipian church Paul said (chapter 2: 17) "Yea and if I am offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy and rejoice with you all." This was his best church, "my joy and my crown." They were so devoted to him and the interests which were dearer to him than life that he would gladly have given himself for them.

Every church that this apostle established, or helped to develop, cost him heavily. At Damascus after his first testimony in a church he must be let down in a basket from the wall and go to the desert and let the tides of prejudice against him ebb out. Three years later the good influences of his settled, cultured, Christ-like life flowed back to bless the whole world. To Antioch, the second center of Christian influence, he gave a whole year to intensive evangelism. At Corinth he worked with his hands to live while he preached to the lost to save them. At Ephesus he was put away by others from a howling mob, but not until he had planted the cross there, at the foot of which the image of Diana lay prostrate. At Rome, though chained and under guard, he put into that center of military, civil and educational life an influence which became mightier than all of these combined. At Lystra, Paul was stoned and dragged out for dead. But there it was later he found Timothy, his best helper. Every oak in the world marks a place where an acorn perished.

In Philippians 2: 12-17 we find details of the church which was worth the giving of life for.

1. It did better when its leader was away than when he was there. "Ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence." Servants are told not to render "eye service." This is especially true of the servants of God. We must not have to be watched. The limit to all worldly pleasures and money making and money saving are the bounds fixed by God Himself. The Christian is one who "in his presence daily lives." The wicked have "no fear of God before their eyes."

Great as Paul's personality was, he did not build churches around himself. He held up Christ as the center to magnetize the members which he drew into the churches. Paul met the women at the prayer meeting by the river side in this city, "The Lord opened the heart" of Lydia there. She was baptized and opened her home for the ministers. Later, when cast into the city prison, "about midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns." God himself came in the tread of an earthquake and the jail doors were opened. The jailor under conviction said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus and thou shalt be saved, thou and thy house." The word of the Lord was preached to him and his family. The stripes of the prisoners were washed by them which indicates true repentance. All were baptized immediately which is the first step in obedience. They set food before the apostles which shows good works and love of the brethren. "Rejoiced greatly," which is to say that the repentant, trusting, obedient Christian

life is full of happiness. "Having believed in God" closes the paragraph, (Acts 16: 19-34). Faith is here the fruit as back there it was the root and between both the stem through which courses the vital sap which gives life to it all. Such work as the above always lasts on after the workman goes on. That is the real test of any ministry anywhere. How he does reflect on himself who must say: "The work is not going so well since I left it."

Parents raise their children under certain restraints. When these same children go out into the world; it must be a great joy to the parents to visit them or even hear from them and find them carrying out the high and holy ideals which they got back at the old home. Such influences will bear transplanting across deserts and rivers and mountains and plains and oceans and climes. They have in them the breath of God. So with the work of the Sunday School teacher and minister.

2. The members of this church worked according to the will of God. "Work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who worketh in you both to will and to work for his good pleasure." Here is the divine ideal in working, giving, and praying. The church that pleases God will always be a joy to the true pastor whether present or absent, even in jail as Paul was.

In the beginning God made every tree and shrub and grass after the pattern of his own divine wisdom. Within each he put the seed after its kind and started them in the age long process of production and reproduction. Such men, as Burbank, have taken the little strawberries from the wild southern slopes and developed them into the large and luscious berries of the gardens. They have worked out the possibilities put there by the divine hand and in the way He has designed. They can do that but nothing more. All origins and potentialities for good, are of God. He wills development and we must carry it out in His way for our good.

A church is a divine institution. Her ordinances and her officers are set there of God. They are not to be changed or rearranged. The mission of the church is plainly set forth in the Bible. The ideals of it give room for the utmost development of the human body, mind and heart, for the highest culture, the sweetest pleasure, the most diligent work, vital organization and careful financiering.

The best regulated home is that in which every member has his proper place in its work, its plans and its attainments. That is where the country home has such a good chance to grow real men and women. Certain it is that God does not have any sons or daughters in his churches for whom he does not have suitable tasks. The smallest child has something to do or else he is too small to join. So with the poorest and most ignorant. "Stir up the gift of God which is in thee."

3. They were in a good humor about their duties. "Do all things without murmurings and questionings. Paul speaks of "the happy God." We ought to be like Him. Carlisle says: "Give me the man that sings at his work." Romans 12: 8. "He that giveth let him do it with liberality; he that showeth mercy with cheerfulness." There is a right way

to do right things. "The gift without the giver is bare." Thank God that you have something to give and give to. There are many who give grudgingly while "the Lord loveth a cheerful giver. A good man said it looked like he was too heavily loaded" in gifts to his church. A sinful neighbor gave nothing. It was not even expected. His good salary went into gambling and drink. His wife was at home crying at nights alone with her helpless little children. The mortgages are growing to almost the value of the home. The other man loves his family, and makes and saves and gives. Both of these men could well join in the words of Jesus: "My yoke is easy and my burden is light."

The minister must make his sacrifices with a glad heart. The churches should lighten his load but if they do not he must not take the living sacrifice from the altar. The talk about young men staying out of the ministry because the compensation is small is foolish, unwise and shows lack of faith. Such ones ought to stay out. Men who can be measured by such standards are too small to go with him who had no place to lay his head. They can in no way be successors of patriarchs, prophets, apostles and pioneers who "suffered the loss of all things that they might win Christ." How glad we ought to be to go to church through the rain and the snow. The inhabitants of the glory world rest not day nor night but do unceasingly the will of God. No wonder Jesus taught us to pray: "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." The call to duty is an honor to man from God.

4. They lived good lives—"blameless and harmless, the children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation." Plenty of evil around them but none in them! The ship can sail on in the water across the deepest and widest oceans, but if the water gets in it, it will go down even while at anchor by the shore. Jesus said in his prayer: "I pray that thou shouldst take them from the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil one."

This church in Phillippi grew up in that corrupt city like the water lily that rises from the mud of a stagnant pond and blooms so beautifully.

5. These were positive men and women. "Among whom ye do shine as lights in the world." Jesus said: "If the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness." The story is told of a man who ran against a lamp post and hurt himself. The darkest place around is where we expect a light. Any church that loses its evangelistic teaching sacrificing or giving witness already dwells in the gathering shadows. What were the dark ages but a world full of dark churches. The earth now has turned to dust in its bosom the bodies of between five and ten million soldiers. These were mostly young men who with others that bore arms were the hope of the world. Their governments put upon them their respective uniforms and said now you are ready to shoot and be shot at. Other millions of innocent ones perished and still more millions of women and children go about weeping and starving in the wreck of things. Not a person in the world but that feels the weight of the financial loss. This must never

be again. It must no longer be preached from Christian pulpits that wars bring on milleniums. Civilized nations ought to have a "Secretary of Peace" instead of a "Secretary of War." The nation is most honored and will stand the longest which has the least military junk and the fewest junkers. No military nation has ever lasted long. The non-military powers have had to destroy the enervated outlaws. Let the churches cry out against the killing of millions like it has against the murder of individuals and quit holding up as heroes the war lords of the past and present. God is waiting on us to bring on the day of promise in Psalm 46. "He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear asunder, he burneth the chariots in the fire." The conscience of the world must be aroused. It must be no longer possible to talk about civilized warfare any more than civilized stealing or lying. Let us let the world hear Jesus: "Then," saith Jesus unto him, "put again thy sword into its place; for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

We know what the lighthouse is to the ships of the storm-tossed seas. So the churches are to let the world know the full truth on all matters in the realms of morals and religion.

6. Evangelists of mercy—"Holding forth the word of life." This must be done in the pulpit, in the Sunday School, at the fireside and in the conversation. "The gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." "The grass withereth and the flower falleth; but the Word of our God abideth forever. Churches might do without even good organizations and cultural influences, but can never do without the Word of God which saves and makes these things possible.

The Woodlawn Baptist Church of Chicago has a Chinese Sunday School which meets weekly from 3 to 6 in the afternoons. During the last four years the Bible has been used as a text book and 28 have been received into the church upon profession of faith. In other years, with equally earnest teachers, none were so received.

In conclusion let it be said that a good church is worth the life of its pastor or any of its members; yea one saved soul faithfully serving God is worth that. See the estimate of the Son of God: "Christ loved the church and gave himself for it." Is your church worth dying for? If all the members were like you would it be worth dying for with joy? Is it worthy of the old pioneer preachers who left their families and rode across the hills to found it? Think, too, of the faithful men, who with their hands labored to erect its meeting house and spent their treasure to maintain it.

Now, a closing meditation. All of us have had parents, teachers, pastors, evangelists, friends who have helped us and are now away from us. The truths in their precept and example are still to be a molding influence in our lives. For all of us somebody has suffered. Do the mails of earth and the messengers of heaven tell them that in their absence we are obeying the truth even more than in their presence? "Greater joy have I none than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth." 3 John 1: 4.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B Y P U

W. D. Hudgins, Superintendent
Tulahoma

W. H. Preston, B. Y. P. U. Secretary
205 Gaswell St., Knoxville

ATTENDANCE, APRIL 23.

Knoxville, Bell Ave.	952
Nashville, First	914
Johnson City, Central	865
Memphis, First	780
Chattanooga, First	760
Etowah, First	733
Knoxville, Fifth Ave.	672
Memphis, Central	605
Maryville	600
Clarksville, First	550
Chattanooga, Tabernacle	516
Chattanooga, St. Elmo	493
Knoxville, Lonsdale	490
Memphis, Temple	489
Nashville, Third	457
Chattanooga, Avondale	430
Jackson, West	420
Cleveland, First	415
Chattanooga, Central	413
Nashville, Eastland	402
Nashville, Edgefield	401
Erwin	385
Morristown, First	380
Chattanooga, East	379
Rossville	362
Nashville, Immanuel	362
Humboldt, First	353
Knoxville, Oakwood	345
Jefferson City, First	330
Nashville, Lockeland	328
Lafollette	325
Chattanooga, Red Bank	316
Memphis, La Belle Place	315
Nashville, Grace	311
Knoxville, Island Home	300

The Middle Tennessee Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention met at Shelbyville April 18-20, with a good representation considering the season of the year and other activities of the present time. The program though somewhat disconcerted by the campaign roundup was by no means a failure—as Baptist have men capable of applying their shoulders to the wheel at the point and moving the old ark along.

President Fort, on Tuesday evening started the fire of enthusiasm which was not lacking during the convention.

The First Church of Shelbyville rendered a beautiful anthem preceding Dr. J. T. Skinner's powerful address on Winning a life to Christ Wednesday morning and afternoon the sectional conferences were held by Mr. W. D. Hudgins, Mr. Preston, Mrs. C. D. Creasman. The prevailing topics were ably discussed. The pastor leading in building a great Sunday School by Dr. J. E. Skinner. Associational Organization by Mr. T. W. Williams; the Sunday School and the Denominational program, R. T. Skinner. The Teacher—his qualifications and preparations, by different members. The Teacher Meeting, H. W. McNeely. Problems of the teacher developed some complicated problems which called forth tact and wisdom.

Dr. Harry Clark captivated the audience on the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. holding each other. The B. Y. P. U. of Murfreesboro gave an excellent demonstration program on missions. Thursday's program was rendered practically as planned. Prof. Bonds, Mr. Hudgins, Dr. Clark, Prof. Burnette, Mr. J. D. Moore, speaking.

The committee on resolutions, Messrs. C. A. Ladd, M. E. Dunaway, L. E. Wommock, C. E. Scott and H. A. Russell submitted the following: The appreciation of the delegates to the church community at large for their generous hospitality, the spirit of the church in making the convention a success, the commendation of the offices and committee on program, and the appreciation of the excellent noon day lunch; also the commercial club for the use of their hall in serving lunch.

The committee on time and place W. D. Hudgins, C. F. Clark, C. D. Creasman, T. W. Williams and C. B. Baker, submits the following which was adopted:

Place, 1923, at Winchester, time to be determined by committee. Annual sermon, Dr. J. E. Hampton, alternate, Rev. A. M. Nicholson. All of the old office men reelected with the exception of a few associational superintendents who were elected by the association

C. B. Baker, secretary and treasurer.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S NOTES

Our State Convention Reporter, Mr. Clifford Davis, of Memphis, writes concerning the Convention June 14-17. "We are working to get up a strong delegation."

Mr. B. Y. P. U. Treasurer—Has everyone of your members made a pledge to the 75 Million Campaign? If not, get them to do so now for the remaining two years. Let's be sure we pay our own pledge and then get others to do the same thing. Remind each member personally of the necessity of paying up on this, the last Sunday of the third year.

Convention Notes From Chattanooga.

"Chattanooga young folks are busy these days, planning for the State B. Y. P. U. Convention. At every B. Y. P. U. meeting there is a booster talk and every member is catching the enthusiasm thus created. We only hope this spirit of enthusiasm is rapidly spreading throughout the state. All our B. Y. P. U.'s are enlarging forces, gaining in spiritual power, widening their scope of usefulness, and the spirit of service is spreading. We believe the reason is largely due to the fact that the young people are beginning to realize that service is one of the greatest factors in the life of the Christian.

We are looking forward to June 14, 15, 16, 17. The fellowship and joy in meeting B. Y. P. U. workers from all over the state makes us feel as if it was to be a homecoming gathering—for the State Convention was born in Chattanooga."

Tulahoma Plans to Attend the Chattanooga Convention.

Douglas Hudgins writes from Tulahoma: "I hope nothing interferes with the plans of the Union here for we are coming strong, and hope to have a big representation at Chattanooga. I know I will be there and you may count on me to do anything I can to make it a success."

The B. Y. P. U. records show 672 awards given out in March. Of this number, 272 were diplomas and 400 seals. Our aim is to double our last year's B. Y. P. U. awards and make it 5,000 for this year.

ATTRACTIVE BOOKLET

The Sunday School Board has prepared an attractive booklet of twelve pages containing information regarding the Vocational School to be held at Nashville this Summer for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. workers. It also contains the pictures of the faculty and pictures of Ward-Belmont School, where the sessions of the School will be held.

By writing to Dr. P. E. Burroughs, Secretary of the School, in care of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., you will be able to secure a copy of this booklet. Write for one today!

"Begin Your Plans Early." Convention Posters

President Sibley Burnett has prepared some Convention posters which will be mailed out this week. If you did not receive one, write to the B. Y. P. U. Department at Tulahoma for one. Other advertising matter will follow.

The friends of Miss Leona Lavendusky, formerly Secretary and Treasurer of the Nashville City Union, will be pleased to learn of her election to the Presidency of the Baptist Student's Union of Baylor College in Texas. Miss Lavendusky is also president of one of the college B. Y. P. U.'s and a member of the Volunteer Band.

Smith Springs B. Y. P. U. Wide Awake

The B. Y. P. U. of Smith Springs was organized just before Christmas by the pastor, Rev. C. B. Baker, with just enough charter members for each to hold an office. They now have at least two thirds of the members of the Church taking an active part in the B. Y. P. U.

Last month the Union organized another Union at Baker's Grove and already this new Union has to divide into two Unions, a Senior and a Junior. The Baker's Grove Church presented a demonstration program on the 4th Sunday in April.

Mr. Frank H. Leavell taught a class in "Training in Church membership" in the First Church of Memphis recently, and has sent the list of names in for awards. We are delighted to have Mr. and Mrs. Leavell with us in Tennessee. Mr. Leavell's address is Mr. F. H. Leavell, 330 Madison Ave., Building, Memphis, Tennessee. Both Mr. and Mrs. Leavell will be on our State Convention program at Chattanooga.

The Nashville young people are deeply grateful for the services of those who were on the faculty in the recent Training School held in the First Baptist Church of that city. Dr. Harry Clark, Dr. T. W. Gayer, Miss Eleanor Gardner, Mr. O. K. Armstrong, Dr. J. D. Moore, Dr. W. F. Powell and W. H. Preston. Miss Virginia Lee was unable to be present all through the Training School. Neither was Mr. Hudgins who had a meeting of the

East Tennessee Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention at Cleveland that week.

Mr. Roy Ownby, Corresponding Secretary of the First Church of Seymour, Tenn., writes: "We are glad to advise you that the Senior B. Y. P. U. of the First Chilhowie Church, Seymour, Tenn, has reached the A-1 Standard for the fourth quarter of 1921 and the first quarter of 1922."

THE MEMPHIS CITY JUNIOR AND INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U. MEETING

On Sunday afternoon, April 9th, the City Juniors and Intermediates met for their monthly meeting. The meeting opened with a song, followed by prayer. After the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, the roll call was taken. This resulted in a victory for the Union Avenue Juniors with 26 present. The total number present was 306, including 46 visitors.

We then had the treasurer's report which was followed by the offering. The special musical number was a song by the Union Avenue Juniors. Then a rare thing happened, for the meeting was turned over to our leader, Mr. Crist, who, in his expressive way gave us the six months' review of the work done by the city Union. He thanked the old officers and then had the new ones come to the front where Rev. W. F. Dorris, of the Calvary Church, informed us of our duties. Each officer was called upon to express his aims and purposes for the coming term. Soon after this the meeting was adjourned with a song and prayer.

Thorburn McGowan,
Corresponding Secretary.

KNOX COUNTY B. Y. P. U.

The Knox County B. Y. P. U. in regular monthly session April 4, 1922, endorsed the following amendment to the by-laws of the constitution of the B. Y. P. U. Convention of the State of Tennessee:

Article 5. (Of the by-laws now pending).

A registration fee of fifty cents (50c) shall be charged all authorized messengers and attending representatives. This fee shall cover the cost of programs, expense of speakers outside the state, and other expenses not included in the local cost of entertainment.

To be changed to read as follows: A registration fee of one dollar (\$1.00) shall be charged all authorized messengers and attending representatives. This fee shall cover the cost of programs, expense of speakers outside the state, and other expenses not included in the local cost of entertainment.

We request that you have this proposed amendment to the constitution "printed in at least two issues of the Baptist and Reflector at least thirty days before the annual convention" as is provided for in Article 9 of the constitution, so that the convention of this year may vote upon the amendment, and if passed it will take effect with registration at the 1923 convention.

(Signed) Willett D. Anderson,
Pres. Knox County B. Y. P. U.
Trula Sullivan,
State Sec'y Knox County B. Y. P. U.

On April 1, 114 Churches Owed \$606,000. Are You One of These?

B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION NOTES

By B. J. Bush

Activities in regard to the state B. Y. P. U. Convention has started in A-1 fashion, as a call meeting of Chattanooga B. Y. P. U.'s was held Monday night to transact business concerning the convention.

The young people of this city are intent upon making this the greatest convention ever carried out in the history of B. Y. P. U., as an organization. Having the first convention organized here, the young people take this for their logical reason of making it the best meeting yet to be had. When the convention returns to the place it started from, the two events will be in contrast to each other—first, a few people, a handful gathered in the Dynamo of Dixie seven years ago, had their convention and disbanded until the next year, when they met again in Knoxville. This year, when convention dates will have arrived, 2,000 young people registered on the convention register book, all representing Baptist young people's organizations from the entire state, will mark the vast strides the organization has made since its birth in Chattanooga.

A committee, composed of live young men and women, will have homes for 2,000 visitors. Mr. Emmett Ralston, Jr., who was active in the Southern Baptist Convention of last May in Chattanooga has volunteered his services for B. Y. P. U. work in getting everybody a comfortable home.

A drive for more workers in the Baptist ranks will be made in this event, in fact this year should yield more young workers than ever before. That will be the principal feature and the outstanding goal to be reached in this annual meeting.

Young people who acquire a vacation each year should keep this event in mind. Chattanooga is a center for sight-seeing. People who would like to see where real history was made should not miss seeing Chickamauga Park, Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge. For scenery, Signal Mountain cannot be surpassed, and with a daddy of the convention and B. Y. P. U. work, Mr. Fred Dearing, Sr., as chairman of the sightseeing committee, young people may rest assured that their trip to Chattanooga will be one of pleasure as well as instruction.

With free homes, reduced railroad fares, plenty of real sightseeing, and last, but not greatest of all, a desire to make this the greatest convention for B. Y. P. U. work ever conducted, the young Baptists of Tennessee should feel well compensated for their efforts to attend. Make these dates and words have a setting in your daily life—Convention, Chattanooga, June 14-15-16.

SUNRISE PRAYER SERVICES

The sunrise prayer services which were held on Cameron Hill and Missionary Ridge, Easter morning was an event that will linger in the hearts of young people of Chattanooga. Each service had a large attendance, and the exercises were deemed as the

greatest and best ever conducted. While these services were conducted under the auspices of City B. Y. P. U., the Christian Endeavor and Epworth League organizations co-operated in making the event a success.

All correspondence relative to state convention should be addressed to J. O. McSpadden, general chairman, 22 West Ninth street, Chattanooga, Tenn.

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE DIXON'S CREEK MATTER

By C. B. Massey.

Elder John T. Oakley, in the April 13, 1922 number of the Baptist and Reflector makes some charges against me and the Dixon Creek Church which are not well founded, in speaking of the people which he is pleased to call loyal brethren. The Honorable W. R. Officer, than whom there never was a nobler judge, said that they were, according to Baptist doctrine and usage, rightly excluded. Brother Oakley says the Flag and I were prime movers in the suit for possession of the property. I can prove that I begged all the time for them to just wait and maybe things would get better without a lawsuit, but the Trustees were the ones that brought the suit. I did not know they were going to do it till it was already filed. I knew it had been talked. I was summoned as a witness and my testimony is in deposition and is available. Brother Oakley failed to get it overthrown. The decision in the court of appeals was handed down by the Honorable Judge Owens, now President of the Tennessee State Convention. Brother Oakley says that the excluded faction was recognized by the association and the other one turned down. Yes, but Brother Oakley was the dominating influence that did it. Mr. Officer, in his opinion in the court, said that that Committee was influenced by partisan spirit.

WHAT SHALL WE DO ABOUT OUR SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION PLEDGE?

By J. P. Gilliam.

"As much as in us is" according as the Lord may have prospered us, we should meet our third annual payment. When we made our pledges, if we did it intelligently and scripturally we each made his pledge in proportion to what we hoped our income would be during the five years. If in one year we find that ten per cent of our income is more than one fifth of our pledge, we should pay into the campaign fund the whole of the one-tenth of the income. If on the other hand there comes a year when one-tenth of the income is smaller than one fifth of the pledge, let us faithfully pay the tenth of the income for that year also. Do this faithfully till all five of the years shall have passed. And I do not believe the cause of our Master will have to suffer, for that is the Lord's plan. Deut. 8: 17, 18. Mal. 3: 10, 11, 12. 1 Cor. 16: 1, 2. By so doing we shall not have wounded the feelings of some of our brethren

by insinuating that they are honor bound to pay one-fifth of the pledge each year regardless of the income, and in the end we will have lost nothing by so doing. And another thing we shall have laid the foundation for a larger and superior campaign to enlist our Baptist army in the future as a band of tithers. "There are some non-givers and kickers and splitters, who with the devil," would be glad to see the Seventy Five Million Campaign fail, but they shall in this be disappointed. The good already accomplished puts the enterprise beyond failure, never before in the history of Southern Baptists were such glorious achievements along the line of Missions at home and abroad, the building up and supporting of our institutions of learning, the better equipment of our Orphans Homes, hospitals for the sick, and the relief of our aged ministers. Let's unitedly push the Campaign until at the end of the five years this plan shall have been a stepping stone to the more glorious plan of enlisting our forces not for five years, but till the Master shall say, "It is enough, come up higher." Then this great tithing band "shall come with rejoicing bringing sheaves."

A WORTHY CASE

By J. F. Hailey.

Please allow me to speak of a young man in Union University. He is night watchman, police, we call him, for he is commissioned by the city. Also he is sexton of one of the churches in town; and still does better work than almost any one else in my department. He is entirely too modest to make himself conspicuous in any way. It was by a mere chance I found out what he is doing and how he needs help. The fund of the Men's Class at the First Church have raised is all out at the present, or I should not ask others to help me. If there is any one who has a little of the Lord's money they want to invest in a first-class young man, here is an opportunity. I'm told his father is unable to assist him.

School is booming. We don't hear of the things that seem to be disturbing other people, except when some fellow born in the objective case begins his grouch.

Jackson, Tenn.

REVIVAL AT GULFPORT, MISS.

By Theo. Whitfield.

We closed a two-week's meeting the past Sunday having had with us Dr. Raleigh Wright and Mr. W. C. Grindle, both of the Home Board. We had 180 additions to the church. You may

know that they did good work for us. This has been counted a hard part of the country, being just out from New Orleans and thickly settled with Catholics, but the Baptists are rising in power. Another good result of the meeting was that the Sunday-school ran up in attendance of 835. My own class of men had an attendance of 234. The ladies hard by, had 193. Many people from all over the country come here for their health, some of them, Tennesseans. The church here faces the Gulf of Mexico, and I can sit on my front porch and cast a stone into the waters. The first thing every morning I go out and take a little boating and bathing and, I tell you, it makes you feel fine. I sleep many a night lulled by the roar of the waves. I sit on my porch and see the ships go by. President Wilson was here two summers ago for an outing. Our own state governor is here at present. So when you are weary and tired in the office, come here for a rest.

MEETINGS AT NORTH EDGEFIELD, NASHVILLE

By A. W. Duncan, pastor.

We have just closed one of the most successful revivals ever held in our church: Rev. James Allen Smith, of the Belle Ave. Baptist Church, of Knoxville, Tenn., did the preaching.

It has never been my privilege to have a more lovable, sane, consecrated man to assist me in a meeting. Brother Smith depends wholly upon the word of God, accompanied by the Holy Spirit, for results. He is a New Testament Baptist. At every service the people were urged to accept Christ, unite with the church and follow Christ in baptism. Christ was magnified as the sinner's only hope; and to be loyal to Him means loyalty for everything for which He stands. Thirty-four united with the church. Our church was much strengthened for her further work of preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. A pastor's heart is made to rejoice, if when the evangelist is gone, his people are united, strengthened, and encouraged for the greater task of a greater harvest; this is just what James Allen Smith did for the North Edgefield Church. We are happy in the work with this great church; more than 550 additions since coming to this field.

The revival at Covington, Tenn., in which Rev. Edward Stubblefield, the pastor, is doing the preaching, continues with increasing interest. Singer C. M. Cambron, of Nashville, is giving splendid satisfaction as leader of song. The church is cooperating loyally with Brother Stubblefield and far-reaching good is being done.



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West Divisional Convention.

Monday night the Executive Board of the West Tennessee W. M. U. met in Trenton with a good attendance and profitable business session. Six Asso. Supts. present with Vice President and Sec-Treas. and two other members.

Tuesday morning at 10 Mrs. W. G. Bailey called the convention to order. Mrs. W. B. Crenshaw led the morning devotional hour in a most helpful way. Her theme taken from the story of Jonah was "The Second Call." Mrs. C. T. Tybass of Trenton made us welcome in a charming address, and Mrs. Roscoe Meadows responded in an equally pleasing way.

The Superintendents hour was interesting to all those who do the hard work on their fields and are ever heard with interest.

In the business session a resolution was presented by the Executive Board, recommending the employment of a Field Worker for full time at a salary of \$100.00, including expenses. This salary to be paid by the societies of the division.

A committee was appointed to confer with a committee from the Sunday School Convention regarding the centralizing of the divisional meetings.

The address of the Vice President was in her usual enthusiastic vein. Her subject, "The Bridge of Sight over the River of Hope."

A quarett by Trenton ladies was a pleasing feature of the morning session. Adjourned to show our appreciation of the abundant delicious lunch served us in the basement of the church.

The afternoon session was opened by a demonstration of Sunbeam work. "The Sunbeam's Dream" was beautifully presented, Mrs. Hassell directing.

Mrs. T. L. Martin in the devotional hour brought a helpful message. A call to rest, the invitation to come, the command of the Master to Go.

Mrs. Katherine Bass Cole gave a most interesting review of the Conference at the Bible Institute, New Orleans, where she spent six weeks.

The Campaign interests were presented by your Secretary at the request of the program committee. These last two numbers were brought over from the morning session.

Mrs. Cole singing our Campaign song, "You."

Two splendid addresses were the heart of the afternoon program. "A Clarion Call to Our Young People," by Mrs. W. J. Cox of Memphis was a gem. This was so timely, forceful and beautiful, your editor has the promise of the paper for publication later.

The closing address, "Why Tithe?" by Mrs. A. S. White of Memphis, was convincing and impressive. She

showed us what God's word teaches on this important subject.

Earnest prayers were interspersed throughout the program. A telegram sent to the Mission Rally in Memphis where Dr. Scarborough was speaking, the message, "We are praying for you."

The usual committee reports, that of the nominating committee naming M. G. Bailey as the nominee for Vice President, Mrs. L. M. Short, Secretary-Treasurer.

This was a good day attendance, good though some associations were not represented. Every Superintendent but two sent reports, some not able to be present.

Regretting my inability to remain for the Sunday School Convention that was largely attended and enthusiastic in spirit, I reached Nashville in time for a part of the Rally program for middle Tennessee at First church, hearing two burning messages and the Conference of Pastors and Leaders. A movement was projected to reach the key churches of the state in a final effort to round up our mission offerings.

Dear sisters, I am adding my plea in a letter sent out this week. We must not fall short of our very best.

M. B.

WHITE CROSS

One other correction. Fellowship Church Hiawasse Association should have had credit for \$1.00 cash, and Calvary, Nashville, \$4.00 cash. Still more money needed for freight charges.

M. B.

CHARTS FOR EXHIBIT

Those who have good charts please send one or two to State headquarters so we may have our space filled in exhibit room at Jacksonville. College girls Y. W. A. please take note—and act promptly.

M. B.

BACK IN THE SOUTH

By Geo. S. Price.

I am getting back among the people with whom I have labored all of my life—the Southern Baptists—I left them two years ago in April, and have since been among the Northern Baptists, but their views and mine are so different that I can not work with them, and it is not my policy to stay numbered with a people unless I agree with them and can work with them, especially if there is another people with whom I agree and with whom I can work as I know that I can work with the Southern Baptists. These people up here are too much of the "union" order, and think that one church is just as much a New Testament Church as another church is. The person who belongs to what is known as a Baptist church up here can, without a change of views, join any other denomination and be just as much at home among them as if he should remain identified with the

Baptists. That kind of business, I can not help from thinking, is dishonoring to Jesus; is more than I am going to endure, and so I am bidding them a right hearty farewell. I closed my work at Tecumseh, Neb., with the services Sunday March 26th and go to Chula, Missouri.

SHEFOO

By T. B. Ray.

We landed in Chefoo on a very bleak morning in early December, after spending an uncomfortable night tossing upon the rolling sea between Dalny and Chefoo. We were given such a hearty welcome by the Stephens, Moores, Mrs. Daniel, and other friends that we soon forgot the discomforts of the trying voyage.

Chefoo is the first station opened by our Foreign Mission Board in North China. This station was opened in 1860 by J. L. Holmes, who prior to that time engaged in missionary service in Shanghai.

On account of the opposition to foreigners, he found it impossible at first to secure a place on land for occupancy as a residence, and had for some time to sleep in a sail-boat in the harbor.

After he had been in Chefoo several months, he in company with Mr. W. H. Parker, an Episcopal missionary, rode out into the country about twenty miles to confer with some robbers he thought were soldiers belonging to the Taiping rebels. Mr. Holmes had communicated with the Taiping rebels while he was working in Shanghai, and hoped now to influence these supposed allies of the Taiping rebels to be considerate of the city of Chefoo. The robbers murdered him and his companion. He was afterwards brought into Chefoo for burial, but the place for which he had gone to intercede refused him a resting place, and he was buried finally on an isolated island in the harbor where his dust still rests in a lonely grave, the exact location of which is a bit uncertain.

The Chefoo station was closed after this sad calamity. Mrs. Holmes moved to Tengchow, where she labored along with the Hartwell family for several years. After a lapse of forty-five years, the Chefoo station was opened the second time by Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Stephens in 1906.

The work in this station has prospered. There is a church of 300 members in the city, and there are five outstations in the country. The church in the city owns a splendid church building situated on a very prominent corner. The building is made of brown stone. The Board contributed \$1,500 toward the erection of this plant, and the remainder of the money was raised in the community. The church is fittingly called the Holmes Memorial.

In the rear of the church on a good-sized lot, and housed in one-story buildings, is conducted a very successful boys' school of primary grade, which now has an enrollment of one hundred boys.

In another section of the city, a girls' school is being conducted. It has at this time about thirty students, but on account of the removal of those who had it in charge, it has not been possible to press the work of this school very vigorously. Mrs. Stephens

has found the time to hold the school together in a very creditable way, but it is necessary to have someone to devote her whole time to this girls' school which has through the years flourished in a most gratifying way. The station is very much delighted over the prospect of the coming of Miss Pearl Todd for this work. The school is conducted in a brick building owned by the Board.

We met a number of Chinese brethren in Chefoo who impressed us most favorably. I would like to mention one of the deacons of the Church. He is a very generous supporter of the cause. His vigor of character will be attested by the following incident:

After conversion in Chefoo, he went back to his home village in order to encourage his friends who had become Christians in that town, and to aid in a movement to rid the village of its idols and to turn the temple into a school building. It appears that every village owns its heathen temple in such a way that if the majority of the citizens decide to use the building for another purpose the majority can have its will. Here and there are found villages in China in which Christianity has spread so extensively that the village temple has been turned over either to the church or converted into a school building. When the deacon above named reached his homeplace, he found it in great excitement. Soon a meeting was called. The heathen priest opposed the movement to give the temple over for school purposes. He was so violent in his opposition that he drew a pistol for the purpose of shooting the deacon. The athletic deacon seized one of the light benches in the building and struck the priest down and pounded him into submission. The change in the use of the building was soon afterwards effected.

A sequel to the story of Mr. Holmes will be of interest. After Mrs. Holmes had gone to Tengchow, she picked up two beggar boys in that city. Although poor, they belonged to good families. Both of the boys were named Wang. They lived in her home. She taught them along with her son, Landrum, and gave them a good Chinese as well as an English education. Their English enabled them to get on well in business, and both grew rich.

One of these men went to America, and called himself the first apostle of Buddha to America. He was brilliant, but was not sympathetic with Christianity.

The other became a Christian, and united himself with the Tengchow Church. After Mrs. Holmes had returned to America, this Christian man inquired about her, and for a number of years sent \$400 annually for her support. He kept up this support until he died. Shortly before his death, he instructed his wife to continue the support of Mrs. Holmes. This she did, and on her death bed enjoined her son to provide the allowance for Mrs. Holmes. This son was faithful to his trust, and continued the support of Mrs. Holmes until she died at the age of eighty years.

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Obituaries

Rown—On the night of January 10, 1922, the Lord called from earth to heaven our dear mother and friend, Mrs. Minnie Rown. To know her was to love her. She had been a Christian since early childhood; was a member of East Lake Baptist Church at her death. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Charles Hendrix, and one son, Russel Rown, and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Thou art gone our precious mother, Never more canst thou return,

Thou shalt sleep a peaceful slumber Till the resurrection morn.

Mrs. G. W. Norris.

Repass—B. Elmore Repass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Elmore, was born July 8, 1892. She was married Oct. 1910, to James Repass. To this union were given five children.

The writer remembers with pleasure when Neva gave her young heart to Jesus. For the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church her ardent prayers ascended and her tears did fall during her devoted life of service. Her husband said: "Neva was a kind, loving mother, a good, sweet wife and a true Christian, not only at church and in company, but at home every day.

The change came March 27, 1922. Amid many beautiful tributes of respect, and many aching hearts of sorrowing friends, her pastor, Rev. E. M. Lewis and Rev. Geo. H. Hinchey, laid to rest the remains to wait the trumpet sound. The grief stricken husband, little children and hosts of relatives and friends have our deepest sympathy.—J. A. Lockhart.

DEATH OF DR. D. B. RAY

By W. W. Chancellor

Dr. D. B. Ray was born March 30, 1830, in the log cabin of the Kentucky home of his parents, Dennis and Nancy Ray.

In his boyhood he had little opportunity for education, he and his brothers helping their father on their large plantation. However, at the age of twenty his father allowed him to go to work for himself that he might earn money with which to educate himself. Constant work and study so undermined his health that he had to give up study and he then taught school for awhile during which time he married Maron F. James to whom were born ten children, eight of whom are still living. After a time in the Seminary at Clinton, Ky., he became

principal of the High School at Milburn, Ky., from which position he resigned to give his entire time to the ministry in 1856.

For the next three years he combined Associational Mission work with Colporteur work and was pastor of several small churches. Just before the Civil war he removed to Lexington, Tenn., and notwithstanding the excitement from that section of the state which was being alternately occupied by the opposing armies and overrun by the guerillas and bushwhackers, he gave his whole time to the ministry and held meetings with such perilous surroundings that no other preacher would attempt it. Some of the greatest revival meetings of his successful ministry were held during these exciting times. Thousands were brought to Christ under his ministry, among whom were W. C. Grace, A. J. Fawcett and G. S. Williams, all of whom later became prominent Baptist ministers.

Following the war he was engaged in pastoral work in West Tennessee, and was financial agent of the West Tennessee Baptist Convention and Moderator of the Central Association.

In 1867 he published the first edition of his "Text Book on Campbellism," and in 1869 he published the "Baptist Succession," a book which has reached a circulation of more than forty thousand.

In 1873 he removed to La Grange, Missouri, to become pastor of the Baptist Church at that point. His ministry in Northeast Missouri was blessed with the conversion of hundreds of souls who were brought into Baptist Churches. He established the "Baptist Battle Flag" while living in LaGrange, which later became the "American Baptist Flag" of St. Louis. During his residence in St. Louis the paper reached the circulation of thirty thousand weekly. In addition to this he established the "National Baptist Publishing Co.," which published over a hundred books.

In 1891 occurred his famous discussion with representatives of the Catholic Church, which was published in both his paper and the Catholic Church Progress, and later in book form known as the "Papal Controversy." There are not less than sixteen other books from his pen, now in circulation. While engaged in this arduous work he gave generously of his time to evangelistic and ministerial work.

In 1891 he was married to Elva C. Stockbridge, to whom were born five children, four of whom are still living and reside in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Ray is also living and resides at 1310 W. 22nd St., Oklahoma City.

In 1897 he removed to Springfield, Mo., and established "The Baptist Flag" which was published in Springfield, later in Bolivia, Mo., and in 1901 was removed to Oklahoma City where it was published until 1908, at which time he retired from active work.

During the last nine years he has been confined as an invalid. In the maturity of his age and Christian experience he passed away at 4:30 A. M. April 2, 1922. The funeral services were conducted in Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, where the family hold church membership. The service was most impressive. The following who had known and loved him for many years, had part in the

services: Dr. S. J. Porter, Pastor First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City; Dr. F. M. McConnell, Corresponding Secretary of the Oklahoma Baptist Convention; Dr. C. H. Carleton, Pastor Kelham Ave. Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Dr. Harvey Beauchamp, Dalas, Texas; Brother R. C. Mills, Oklahoma City; Rev. A. B. Roberts, Oklahoma City, and the writer, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church. The pastors of the city were pallbearers. There were many expressions of affectionate regard for Dr. Ray. A great and good man had gone. He was laid to rest in beautiful Rose Hill Cemetery.

TELEGRAM.

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THE WEATHER

By Arnette Wynne

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PASTORS' CONFERENCES

NASHVILLE

Una: F. P. Dodson, pastor. Hour given to program by children, "God's Flower Garden;" evening, service. In SS, 75; in BYPU, 30.

Grace: T. C. Singleton, pastor. "All Things Working Together for Good," and "Jesus and Our Task." received by letter, 2; in SS, 311; in BYPU, 23; in Jr. BYPU No. 1, 38; in Jr. BYPU No. 2, 8.

Centennial: L. P. Royer, pastor. "Faith Rewarded" and "Free Access to God's Grace;" baptized, 2; in SS, 136; in BYPU, 17; in Jr. BYPU, 26.

Central: H. F. Burns. "Ye Must be Born Again" and "He is Our Propitiation;" in SS, 141.

Parke Avenue: A. M. Nicholson, pastor. "Why Join a Church" and "The Unjust Proverb;" received for baptism, 11; baptized, 9; by letter, 2; in SS, 275; in BYPU No. 1, 23; in BYPU No. 2, 19; in Jr. BYPU Intermediate, 25; Junior, 50.

Grandview: Don Q. Smith, pastor. "Pure Religion" and "They Shall Never Perish;" in SS, 278, had 60 in the two BYPU's.

Seventh: Edgar W. Barnett, pastor. "The King's Question" and "The Praying Sinner;" received for baptism, 6; by letter, 2; professions, 6; in SS, 242; in BYPU 20; Bro. W. C. McPherson preached at both hours.

Calvary: W. H. Vaughan, pastor. "Hold Fast the Faith" and "This is David's Spoil;" in SS, 155; in BYPU, 30.

Judson Memorial: Clarence F. Clark, pastor. "I Am Ready" and "The Groups Round the Cross;" baptized, 2; in SS, 275; in BYPU, 38; in Jr. BYPU, 16; in Intermediate BYPU, 18.

North Edgefield: A. W. Duncan, pastor. "Standing by the Cross" and "God's Final Message to the Lost;" in SS, 288; in BYPU, 71.

Edgefield: W. M. Wood, pastor. "The Need of the Hour" and "The Great Physician;" in SS, 401; in BYPU, 45; in Jr. BYPU, 20; in Intermediate BYPU, 30.

Immanuel: Ryland Knight, pastor. "As One That Serveth," evening, W. B. Pettus, of Peking, filled pulpit. In SS, 362.

Third: C. D. Creasman, pastor. "Three Crosses" and "The Opportunity of Youth;" received for Baptism, 1; in SS, 457; in BYPU, 35; in Jr. BYPU, 45.

Belmont Heights: Geo. L. Hale, pastor. "Effective Evangelism" and "Faith With a Policy;" in SS, 267; in BYPU, 47.

Lockeland: J. C. Miles, pastor. "Isolation or Insulation" and "The Place of the Holy Spirit in a Revival;" in SS, 402; in BYPU, 25; in Jr. BYPU, 24; Intermediate, 18. Began revival Sunday with the pastor doing the preaching. The outlook is good.

Eastland: O. L. Halley, pastor. "Loving God and Serving Men" and "Good Samaritan and a Lawyer;" in SS, 328; in BYPU, 80.

CLARKSVILLE

Clarksville First: Sunday began second week of revival. Much inter-

est is being shown, church is being revived and some conversions have resulted. Singer, Harry D. Clarke, of Moody Institute, assisting pastor, W. C. Reeves. Baraca class had old time revival with many conversions. In SS, 550; in Baraca Class, 150. Sunday School Institute week of May 1.

Little West Fork: G. G. Graber, pastor. "Thy Sins Are Forgiven Thee" and "Faith and Fear." Good SS and BYPU.

New Providence: A. L. Bates, pastor. "Scripture Proof of Salvation" and "Perseverance of the Saints." Good SS and BYPU.

Kenwood: A. L. Bates, pastor. Afternoon subject, "Come and See." Good SS and BYPU. Meeting starts Sunday evening, G. G. Graber preaching.

Pleasant View: G. G. Graber, pastor, preached afternoon.

Blooming Grove: R. B. White filled pulpit morning and evening.

Erin: B. McNott, pastor, preached morning and evening, going to Tennessee Ridge in afternoon.

Harmony: C. R. Widick, pastor, preached morning and evening.

CHATTANOOGA

Red Bank: J. A. Maples, pastor. "We Would See Jesus" and "The Divinity of Jesus." In SS, 316; baptized, 3.

Rossville: J. Bernard Tallant, pastor. "Supplying the Lord's Needs" and "Walking with God." In SS, 362.

East Chattanooga: J. N. Bull, pastor. "A Promise for Every Day" and "God Laughing at His Enemies." In SS, 379; baptized, 13; by letter, 1; restoration, 1. 6 professions at both services, 17 professions since last report. Dr. Inzer preached at night last week.

Central: W. L. Pickard, pastor. Preaching in morning by L. W. Munnhall, "The Book of Books." at night by pastor, "Yoking Up with Christ." In SS, 413; in BYPU, 38. Pastor preached Commencement sermon at Dayton, Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Avondale: W. R. Hamic, pastor. "A Voice Crying" and "Trembling Devils." In SS, 430.

St. Elmo: U. S. Thomas, pastor. Acts 12: 10 and "Warning by the Enemy: Five." In SS, 493; baptized, 34; by letter, 4. Preaching in evening by J. C. Carter.

Tabernacle: T. W. Calloway, pastor. "What is a Christian" and "75 Million Campaign." In SS, 516; baptized, 3; by letter, 4. Preaching in evening by Dr. Lloyd T. Wilson.

Eastdale: Pettis, pastor. "Faithfulness in Service" and "The Church Waver." In SS, 115.

Chamberlain Avenue: G. T. King, pastor. "The Church" and "75 Million Campaign." In SS, 156.

Ooltewah: L. H. Saylor, pastor. Preaching at both hours by pastor. In SS, 114. Good BYPU.

Ridgedale: W. E. Davis, pastor. Dr. Burnette preached at morning hour, "Stewardship." In evening by pastor, "Steps to a Terrible Downfall." In SS, 181; by letter, 2.

East Lake: W. A. Moffitt, pastor, W. C. Tallant preached at both hours. "God's Call to His Church" and

"Elijah's God." In SS, 200. Three good BYPU's.

Highland Park: J. B. Phillips, pastor. "Why Have a Bible Conference?" No service at night. In SS, 281; by letter, 7. 2 for baptism since last report.

North Chattanooga: W. S. Keese, pastor, "Irrevocable Vows" and "Baptists and the Bible." In SS, 190; baptized, 1; by letter, 1.

First: Jno. W. Inzer, pastor. Preaching at morning hour by Dr. L. T. Wilson "The Call to Southern Baptists." In evening by pastor "Help Thou Mine Unbelief." In SS, 760; baptized, 6; by letter, 3. Church making great efforts to pay up 75 Million pledges.

Woodland Park: James N. Poe, pastor. "The Old Fashion Home" and "The Closed Door." In SS, 140; by letter, 1.

Tyner: J. N. Monroe, pastor. "Running the Christian Race" and "God's Measure and Reward of Life." In SS, 139; BYPU good; Prayer meeting good.

KNOXVILLE

Central of Fountain City: J. C. Shipe, pastor. "Isiah's Vision" and "How All Are Kept." In SS, 267; in BYPU, 80.

Central of Bearden: Robert Humphreys, pastor. Dr. J. L. Campbell spoke at the morning hour; preaching at evening by pastor. "The Keys to the Kingdom—and Who Holds Them." In SS, 144.

Grove City: D. W. Lindsay, pastor. "The Present Not the Christian's Rest" and "A Noble Purpose the Root of True Renown;" in SS, 175; baptized, 2; all three BYPU's well attended.

Washington Pike: J. A. Lockhart, pastor. "Presumption in Modern Worship" and "How a Man's Conduct Comes Home to Him;" in SS, 119; in BYPU, 40.

Fountain City: Neill Acuff, pastor. "Faithless and Perverse" and evening special song program rendered; in SS, 167.

Immanuel: A. R. Pedigo, pastor. "Obedience" and "Opening the Storehouse;" in SS, 205.

Fifth Avenue; morning by J. L. Dance, pastor; night by W. D. Hudgins; in SS, 672; additions, 1.

Oakwood: R. C. Grimsley, pastor. "The Choice of Moses" and "Two Hearts;" in SS, 345; in BYPU, 105; 147 Bibles in SS; one for baptism.

Dameron Avenue: C. J. Burnett, pastor. "Prov. 16: 18" and "Luke 12:15;" in SS, 46.

Inskip: W. M. Thomas, pastor. "As, and So" and "Acts, 21: 13;" in SS, 112; in BYPU, 35; one profession.

Lonsdale Church. Preaching at 10:45, 3 and 7:30 p. m. In SS, 490; in BYPU, 169; professions, 52; 50 approved for baptism. The meetings continue, 12 by letter. The whole community is stirred by Rev. Claud E. Sprague's great preaching as never before.

Thirdcreek: W. E. Conner, pastor. "Broader Vision of God." In SS, 116.

New Hopewell: R. E. Rule, pastor. "Andrew the Finder" and "God's Care;" in SS, 100; in BYPU, 46.

Gillespie Avenue: J. K. Smith, pastor. "The Aaronic Priest-hood" and "Hardening the Heart Against God's Reproofs;" in SS, 259; in BYPU, 85; 1 for baptism and 1 by statement.

Mascot: S. G. Wells, pastor. "Res-

urrection" and "God's Kingdom;" by letter, 3.

Lincoln Park: L. W. Clark, pastor. "Whole-hearted Consecration" and "Bringing Up the Ark," by Rev. Steward Rule; in SS, 253; by letter, 3; in BYPU, 67; splendid day.

MEMPHIS

Rowan Memorial: A. H. Smith, pastor. 225 in SS. Bro. Frazier preached both hours to fine congregations.

Bartlett: O. A. Uttey, pastor "How Can We Escape If," and "Let Not Your Hearts Be Troubled."

Baptist Hospital: Pastor Jeffries spoke at Colleville on the 75 Million.

Prescott Memorial: Pastor Jas. H. Oakley spoke at both hours to large congregations. 214 in SS. Three additions by letter. Rev. J. T. Oakley will assist in revival which begins today. Good unions.

Highland Heights: Splendid day. Dr. J. I. Oxford who is helping the pastor in revival doing the preaching. 200 in SS.

Central: Pastor Cox preached; 6 for baptism. 4 by letter, 5 baptized; 600 in SS.

First: Pastor Boone preached. Brother J. W. Jeeks conducted the meeting at night. Meeting begun, Dr. Owen of Macon coming Tuesday. One baptized. 780 in SS.

Central Avenue: W. L. Smith, pastor. Preached both hours to large congregations. Began a two weeks meeting with pastor doing the preaching. 123 in SS.

Boulevard Church: Pastor J. H. Wright preached at the morning service. Bro. E. H. Marriner preached at night. House crowded both hours. 281 in SS. We are expecting a great time in the next two weeks. 3 fine BYPU's.

Speedway Terrace: J. O. Hill, pastor "Saving Man to His Best," and "Saving Man at His Worst." 125 in SS. Rev. Wayne Alliston will arrive today and preach through revival now in progress.

La Belle: Bro. O. E. Bryan spoke at both hours to great congregations. Seven received for baptism, three by letter. Meeting continues. 315 in SS. Three fine BYPU's. Great interest.

Hollywood: J. C. Neel, pastor, Rev. J. A. Mapler preached morning and evening to large crowds. 7 additions, 2 for baptism, 5 by letter. 144 in SS.

Bellevue: W. M. Bostick, pastor, preached at both hours. 565 in SS. 1 by letter. 1 baptized.

Temple: Pastor J. Carl McCoy. Meeting on with Evangelist J. A. Scott and C. C. Elsey in charge. Bro. Scott spoke at both hours. 489 in SS. 5 for baptism, 3e by letter, 3 baptized. 31 professions at Sunday school hour. 4 good BYPU's.

Neshoba: J. W. Joyner, pastor, preached morning and night, large congregation. SS growing.

Binghamton: Carl M. O'Neal, pastor, Revival began yesterday. Three additions: Two by letter, one for baptism. 196 in SS. Three good BYPU's. Both hours were given to Seventy-five Million Campaign. Mr. McGowan a layman, was given both hours to present this Great Cause for our Master. The pastor spoke at 3 o'clock to City-wide Sunday School Union upon theme of Baptist Unity and Fellowship.

MISCELLANEOUS

Cleveland, First. 415 in SS;

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preaching morning and evening by Paul Hodge of South Pittsburg.

Wartrace: G. A. Ogle, pastor. A full house. Three splendid addresses, two by Dr. Harry Clark and one by W. D. Hudgins. Four additions to the church, two by letter and two by baptism. A good move in payments of pledges to 75 Million Campaign. At Republican Grove Sunday, two good services with small attendance, but a strong effort to come up with their pledges, not much behind. The church will be canvassed this week for the balance due. There seems to be in all this section a re-action toward the payment of pledges.

Crossville: W. C. Creasman, pastor. "The Great Commission and the 75 Million Campaign." No evening service on account of revival at court house. In SS, 110; in BYPU, 32.

Hickman: C. C. Ramsey, pastor. "Peter's Blunder" and "Christian Fellowship;" good day.

Orlinda: T. W. Gayer, pastor. "Assurance" and "Caring for Souls;" in SS, 214; in BYPU, 28; in Jr. BYPU, 32; W. H. House preached at night.

Maryville, First: J. R. Johnson, pastor; preached at both services; 600 in SS.

Lenor City, Tabernacle: A. B. Johnson, pastor. "Yours is Kingdom" and "The Acts of Penitent;" in SS, 102; in Jr. BYPU, 21, in BYPU, 17; splendid interest; 54 in prayer-meeting.

Etowah, First: A. F. Mahan, pastor. A meeting closed Wednesday evening, the 19th, with 24 additions to the church; had 16 more additions today; 11 baptized at the river in the afternoon and 27 at the close of the evening service, making a total of 191 additions, 140 by baptism. Pastor preached two great sermons today, house filled to its capacity at both services. Had eight young men and ladies dedicate their lives to the service, one of them the pastor's daughter. We are proud of these young folks ready for service. Largest Sunday school we have ever had, 733 present. We are planning to build more Sunday school rooms. Brother Mahan has been with us nearly six months. He said he wanted 100 additions the first year, but we have already enrolled 324. Our aim is 800 in Sunday school. We are going to have more room or a new preacher so we decided to make more room.

Brownsville: Wilson Woodcock, pastor. Subjects, "Go Forward" and "Grow in Grace." The morning hour was a rally for the campaign. Over \$3,000 is in sight and three teams are canvassing the membership to bring our payments up to date. One team is seeking new subscriptions. One conversion, one for baptism. 186 in SS. Prof. J. T. Reynolds, principal of Haywood County High School, assisted the pastor in presenting the campaign at the morning hour and at Harmony in the afternoon. At Harmony the deacons, some laymen and some of the ladies will canvass the membership this week. Zion church, J. W. Joyner, pastor, will have one of the fifth Sunday meetings of the Big Hatchie Association next Sunday.

"Worship without work is worthless."

AMONG THE BRETHREN

Fleetwood Hall, Lexington

Mr. V. B. Filson, formerly associated in the Sunday School Department of the Executive Board of Tennessee, has resigned his position as church secretary of the First Church, Ownesboro, Ky., Rev. W. C. Boone, pastor, to accept a similar position with the First Church, Muskogee, Okla., Rev. A. N. Hall pastor, effective at once. His Tennessee friends observe his movements with great interest.

Rev. C. H. Parish, of Jackson, Tenn., has resigned the care of the Ward's Grove Church near that city, to which he has been preaching once a month.

Rev. Chas. E. Wauford of the First Church, Cleyburn, Texas, has just closed a meeting with his own church, doing the preaching. E. John Myers and wife led the music. It is said to have been the best meeting the church has had in years. There were 49 additions with others to join. The congregation raised \$2,400 in cash to lift off an old debt which had been on the church for some years. There is a fine spirit of unity and great crowds attended the services.

The church at Humboldt, Tenn., on April 15 observed the second anniversary of their pastor, Rev. E. H. Marriner. During the two years there were 232 additions to the church, making the present membership 582. Their offerings totaled \$11,886.34 for current expenses and \$15,796.79 for the 75 Million Campaign. As one item of an aggressive program for the next year, they are planning the erection of a three story Sunday School building. Brother Marriner is now assisting Rev. J. H. Wright in a revival at Boulevard Church, Memphis.

Dr. J. W. Storer of the First Church, Greenwood, Miss., was gratified with an attendance of 807 in Sunday School on April 16 and such large congregations that people were turned away at both services. Dr. Storer is to assist Dr. W. F. Yarborough in a revival with the First Church, Hattiesburg, Miss., beginning next Sunday. Prof. E. O. Sellers of New Orleans leads the music.

Crowded houses are said to be greeting Dr. W. F. Powell of the First Church, Nashville, Tenn., who is preaching in a revival with Rev. L. S. Ewton and the church at Springfield, Tenn. The people are responding to his appeals in gratifying fashion.

Capacity audiences are being drawn to the tent meeting in Florence, Ala., being conducted by Evangelist M. F. Ham of Anchorage, Ky., and Singer W. J. Ramsey. Every available space is taken at almost every service in a tent seating 4,000 people. The entire city is stirred.

Being unsuccessful in an attempt to buy a \$3,000 residence as a pastor's home, the members of the church at Huntingdon, Tenn., have bought one of the best lots in the town and will at once erect a parsonage for their beloved pastor, Rev. O. F. Huckaba and family. It is hoped to complete the building in thirty days.

Rev. John T. Oakley, of Hartsville, Tenn., is assisting his son, Rev. J. H. Oakley of Prescott Memorial Church, Memphis, Tenn., in a revival which began Sunday. They are doubtless happy in the fellowship of father and son. The meeting has been uniquely advertised.

In the city Training School of Oklahoma City, Okla., last week there was a registration of 809. The First Church now takes up the work under direction of P. L. Johnson, Secretary of the Training Department.

Rev. R. T. Mansfield, after a term of several years as pastor of Immanuel Church, Oklahoma City, Okla., has resigned to accept a call to the First Church, Claremore, Okla., effective May 1.

For the second consecutive year Dr. J. W. Gillon, of Mayfield, Ky., is associated with Dr. D. I. Purser in a revival with Immanuel Church, Alexandria, La.

Rev. Louis Entzminger of the First Church, New Orleans, La., is with Rev. Frank Tripp and the First Church, Monroe, La., in a Sunday School and evangelistic campaign which began last Sunday.

Dr. Geo. W. Truett of the First Church, Dallas, Texas, recently preached a few days in a revival in his own church and there were about 160 additions.

Before the Civil War, Dr. D. B. Ray, who lately died in Norman, Okla., lived in Lexington, Tenn., and was pastor of the church there and held great revivals in that section. Drs. W. C. Grace, A. J. Fawcett and Granville S. Williams were brought to Christ under his ministry. They all became prominent ministers of the Gospel.

The West Kentucky Baptist Assembly is to be held at Russellville, Ky., June 4-11. Rev. W. C. Reeves of Clarksville, Tenn., will conduct the Twilight Hour and Rev. R. E. Downing of Morganfield, Ky., will teach "Training in Stewardship." Dr. E. P. Aldredge of Nashville, is to deliver talks to men. A host of other good speakers and teachers are to have places on the program, including Dr. A. T. Robertson of the Seminary at Louisville.

Rev. Alonzo Nunnery of Chickasha, Okla., editor of the Baptist Worker,

and around whom a new Baptist Convention of Oklahoma was organized, has become superintendent of the Orphan's Home of that Convention, drawing a salary. His son, L. B. Nunnery, is Secretary-Treasurer of the new Convention at a given salary. The folks are already charging the Nunnerys with drawing salaries too large, misappropriation of funds, etc. They are feeding them out of the same spoon with which the Nunnerys fed the old Convention leaders. Verily, you reap what you sow.

Rev. E. G. Diamond of the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., has been called to the care of the church at Shubuta, Miss., and has accepted.

The graduates and old students of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., will have a banquet at the Seminole Hotel in Jacksonville, Fla., May 18. It is hoped to make it a great occasion.

Rev. Bryan Simmons has accepted the care of West Laurel Church, Laurel, Miss., effective May 15.

MEETING AT JONESBORO, ALA.

By Evangelist R. D. Cecil

Pastor L. A. Hurst was assisted in a 11 days meeting by pastor, T. F. Hendon, Dola, Ala., resulting in 13 additions and the church strengthened. The writer assisted Pastor Hurst in a meeting with this church about a year and a half ago, and attended a number of services in this meeting. Pastor Hurst and Hendon are effective workers. Pastor Hurst has been with Jonesboro church more than three years and has done a splendid work.

Both Pastors Hurst and Hendon are well known in Tennessee and Many Tennesseans will be glad to know of their continued success in their work.

Notia: J. H. O. Clevenger, pastor. "Which? Self or Christ First?" and "Saved by the Three Hundred Men that Lapped;" 2 by letter, in SS, 171; a great day; we are going "over the top" in the 75 Million Campaign, and be one of the 115 churches.

Dyersburg: F. J. Harrell, pastor. "And Every Hoof Shall Go" and "Christ the End of the Law;" for baptism, 2; by letter, 1; Hell, 67; Men's Class, 74; BYPU, 42; Junior, 54; meeting starts with good interest.

Humboldt, First: E. H. Marriner, pastor. "At Kadesh-Barnea" and preaching by Dr. H. E. Watters, of University, subject, "Acceptable Service for Jesus." In SS, 353; in BYPU, 90; in prayer-meeting, 170.

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Reflect on These Facts:

- FACT 1.** The Foreign Mission Board was instructed by the Southern Baptist Convention greatly to enlarge its work. It has acted on this instruction, and not without it.
- FACT 2.** The larger program is a glorious success.
- FACT 3.** Notwithstanding the larger program and the extraordinary world conditions, the Foreign Mission Board has kept out of debt.
- FACT 4.** In order to keep out of debt, it has been necessary for the Board to conduct this great enterprise with an exceptionally small office force, practice the severest administrative economy, cut the estimates of the missionaries in amounts which total this year \$1,205,394.00, and leave many of the missionaries discouraged and dissatisfied because the Board did not give what they needed and what they expected.
- FACT 5.** God has given us for the fields a young army of consecrated men and women who cannot do their work without houses to live in and equipment for service. There are fifty more who want to go to the fields, but the Board cannot afford to send them with its present receipts, and they cannot afford to go unless the Board can supply them with homes and implements of service.
- FACT 6.** The 75 Million Campaign was expected to yield 4 Million Dollars a year to Foreign Missions.
- FACT 7.** Last year this Board received \$2,399,392.43, which was \$1,600,607.57 short of the 4 Millions.
- FACT 8.** To date the Board has received 68 8-10% of the amount received for the same period last year.
- FACT 9.** This creates a crisis. Unless Campaign pledges are paid and the Foreign Mission Board receives its share of them, it will, in spite of all economies and cutting of estimates from the fields, be forced into a great debt and great disaster for the work, and this just at the time when God is giving Southern Baptists their greatest opportunity, when their work is most prosperous, and when the things for which they stand and the work which they love will suffer most if their Foreign Mission program is allowed to fail.

Think on These Things

**Pray for the heroic courage to do
your duty at whatever sacrifice**