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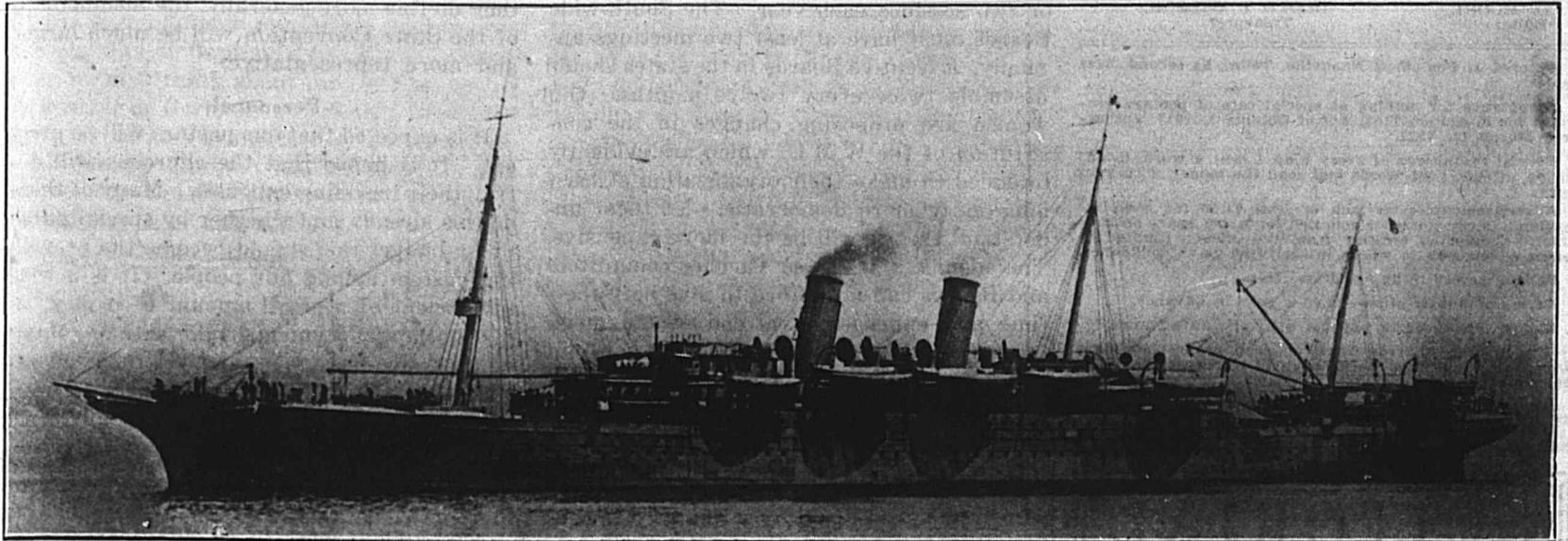
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THE MAMMOTH OCEAN LINER, GUIDED INTO PORT BY A STEERSMAN FROM THE SHORE.

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"For tho' from out our bourne of Time and Place, the flood may bear me far,  
I hope to meet my Pilot face to face when I have crost the bar."

## COOLIDGE JOINS A CHURCH.

It was reported from Washington, October 19 that President Coolidge had "accepted a bid to unite with" the First Congregational church of that city, and that he had been received as a member "without formalities." This action seems to have been prompted by the action of the National Council of Congregational churches which met at Springfield, Mass., electing Mr. Coolidge "Honorary Moderator." In order to qualify for the position to which the council elected him, he forthwith sent in his card to the First Congregational church of Washington and was duly enrolled "without formalities!" That may be a good way to get into a Congregational church, but in entering the kingdom of heaven, a president has to go like a pauper.

## MISSIONARY BY-PRODUCTS.

Preaching the Gospel is the greater part of missionary effort, but it is not the only one: that is to say, the proclamation of the good news is not the only method of delivering it although its place is primary and indispensable. Preaching should be supplemented by auxiliary efforts. Already we have established hospitals in mission fields as a means of bringing people under the power of the Gospel. And we have not done the tenth of what is needful in this respect alone. But in addition thereto, our missionary purpose must find expression in definite plans for the social and economic betterment of the heathen peoples as well as in specific evangelistic and educational activities. Dr. Salle is rendering the cause of Christ a distinct service as he tries to introduce better

cattle in China, and thus secure such an adequate milk supply for the country as will greatly reduce mortality among children. A very little has been done by our agencies on foreign fields to improve agricultural or textile conditions, because they have been restricted in their work to the more direct presentation of the Gospel. Both in our own land and in other countries, the organized forces of Baptists need to relate their work to the conditions under which people labor for their daily bread and under which they live every day. The making of a living may be common-place business, but it is exceedingly important, and it is vital with the great mass of mankind. To reach them effectively, we should administer the Gospel of Jesus through the avenue of their immediate interests or most imperative needs.

## THE "Y" RETAINS THE "C."

In the National Y. M. C. A., there have been strong tendencies to liberalize the admission rules so as to broaden the field of its activities, especially in non-evangelical countries. At a Constitutional Convention of the Y. M. C. A. at Cleveland, Ohio, recently, the fight was made against liberalizing the terms of membership, and the organization retains its "Christian" name. It would be a serious misfortune if it should lose it. Furthermore, it would be hardly less so if it does not live up to it. There is a great opportunity for it to serve the cause of Christ by making itself auxiliary to the churches and by holding strictly to the faith and fields of the churches.

## GOVERNORS AID PROHIBITION.

At West Baden on October 19 the governors of the various States voted unanimously to re-enforce the Federal authorities in the enforcement of the National Prohibition statute. This perhaps is the most important step which has been taken to make the Nation dry since the amendment to the Constitution was made. It means the States will very generally co-operate with the National Enforcement officers in apprehending boot-leggers and in bringing them to justice. Many lawbreakers can "get by" when either the State or the National officers singly are concerned in their arrest, but there are few who can stand up against both combined. Now let the governors of the States urge upon all law enforcement officials under them to do their full duty. Let the judges give the violators the full penalty of the law. Then we will reduce the whiskey evil to the irreducible minimum.

## HOPE.

By A. L. Crawley.

The storms may beat  
About my feet  
And hail around me pour,  
But I will know  
As on I go  
'Tis brighter on before.

The sun may shine  
With rays benign  
Upon the path I tread,  
But I will say  
Along the way,  
'Tis better still ahead.'

For life is love  
In Heaven above  
And love is life for me;  
So storm or shine  
The hope is mine,  
The best is yet to be.

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## EDITORIAL

### THE COST OF OUR DEMOCRACY.

A centralized government is the most mobile and economical. Its aristocracy is tremendously costly, and yet it entails less expense on the whole than what is required to maintain a democracy at the highest possible degree of efficiency, in which more or less waste is necessarily involved in bringing its parts and agencies into thorough and constant co-operation. The purer the democracy, the greater the ratio of its cost. This is a principle to which we should become reconciled, and to which we ought quickly to adjust our thinking in regard to all our Baptist activities.

"Gospel Mission" Baptists, who may be regarded as exponents of the strictest form of *theoretical* democracy among us,—in their recognition of the churches separately as integers in missionary operations—maintain after all the most expensive sort of administration. Brother T. L. Blalock, their chief representative on the foreign field, is compelled periodically to undergo the expense of returning to this country and of visiting the widely scattered churches of the independent alignment, in order to maintain the *status quo* of his exchequer. Thus the total necessary expense of collecting and disbursing the small amounts forthcoming from such churches is far greater than the ratio of 4 or 5 cents on the dollar which is the cost of administration under our Foreign Mission Board. It is simply and merely the inevitable price of a pure democracy as applied to a body or an aggregation of separate and independent units working, or rather not working, without definite lines of co-operation. A policy of *absolute* independence is a *literal* interpretation of liberty and may be as despotic as a centralized organization would be. It does not follow that extraordinary expense argues the purer democracy,

for it may be due to a slavish literal application of it. The *letter* of freedom killeth but the spirit of it giveth life.

Furthermore: In our regularly organized Baptist work, as our agencies become more democratic the cost of maintaining them will increase correspondingly. The number of important Southern Baptist Convention Committees is growing, each of which, in order to function properly, should have one or two sessions each year. The South-wide Boards must have at least two meetings annually. Executive Boards in the states should assemble twice every twelve months. Our women are proposing changes in the constitution of the W.M.U. which are evidently intended to make their organization at least apparently more democratic,—let them understand that it will be the more expensive. The members of these various committees and Boards can not afford to give both their time and expenses in attending the meetings: then their expenses must be paid out of the funds given to the causes in the interests of which they meet. There would be no virtue in denying or in trying to conceal the fact that the total annual amount of such expenditures for both South-wide and state meetings is a considerable sum. But it is the price of our democracy. To reduce the expense, more power would have to be placed in the hands of a few people,—which would endanger at least the looks of our democracy; or else sacrifice the causes themselves by denying them adequate attention. Which is preferable?

"Overhead Expense" is a relative figure, be it large or small. We should be more concerned about the worth-whileness of such a cost than the amount of it. Does it pay? To spend a little, when it is not enough, is a waste: whereas to spend more, which is sufficient, is a saving. Southern Baptists in their annual Convention can not take the time to go into the details of all their varied, many-sided interests; much work must be done by authorized agencies between sessions of the Convention; and they can not do the Lord's work in denominations of millions of dollars without a great expense account, which however is a small percent of the total value of the business. In this connection it would be well for us to bear in mind two very important facts: (1) we should not be afraid of any necessary expense incurred in order to conserve the cherished principles of our democracy and to carry forward our enlarging program in a worthy way, and (2) we should so time and locate the various meetings during the year as to keep their cost as low as possible consistent with efficient administration.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND THE CONVENTION?

The Tennessee Baptist Convention is to hold its annual session at Martin, October 14 to 16. It is earnestly urged that there shall be a full and representative attendance. It takes folks to make a meeting, and enough of the right sort to make a good meeting.

### Representation.

Some of the Associations appoint delegates to the State Convention, while others do not

have that habit. Wherever it is done the elected messengers should make special effort to discharge the duty laid upon them by their Associations. But even better than Associational representation, in our opinion, is that of the churches directly. Just as the churches elect several messengers to the annual Association, let them choose one or more of their number to represent them in the State Convention of Baptists. When they do this more generally, the membership of the State Convention will be much larger and more representative.

### Personnel.

It is expected that our pastors will be present. It is hoped that the churches will defray their traveling expenses. Many of them do this already and whether by special purse or by budget this should become the prevailing custom among our people. It is a wise investment of a small amount of money.

Our Baptist laymen should be there. Many of them are busy men, and yet they can afford to take time off for their private business or for recreation. They simply need to form the habit of placing the Convention on their calendar for each year. To attend it would then be a matter of routine.

The women meet in an auxiliary session just before the general Convention, and no doubt a goodly number of them will attend both meetings. There is great need that they shall be present and bring their labors into constant organic co-operation with the general body.

Our Baptist young people should begin now to attend the State Convention in increasing numbers. They have their own Young People's Convention, but they need to become acquainted with the larger denominational technique which can be had only in the annual general State Convention.

### THE SITUATION IN GERMANY.

Germany evidently presents an instance of a financially defunct nation with an average prosperous citizenship. With the exception of certain classes of wage-earners, we understand, the German people are well off. The Stinnes Industrial interests are rated among the wealthiest on earth. Yet the German nation as such is unable to pay her war-indemnity, even according to so eminent an authority as the former Premier of Great Britain, David Lloyd George, who is now touring this country.

It seems that all of the wealth of Germany has gone into the hands of her people and private interests. Her own currency has gone down to the vanishing point and her credit has disappeared entirely. It is doubtless a shrewd trick of the German citizens to thwart the demands made upon them by the Allies for the reparation of war damages. Yet the occupation of the Rhur region by France can not possibly provoke Germany to pay the stipulated indemnity since it throttles the chief sources of her national incomes.

Insurrection is reported at Hamburg and elsewhere, with the Belgians helping the secessionists. What was once the proud German empire is likely to split up into three separate and independent states. The people apparently prefer to see the "Vaterland"

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dismembered and thus escape their war-time obligations, than to go down into their pockets to pay her just and honest debts.

Our Baptist brethren there have borne great distress and deserve our sympathy. Had Germany been more considerate of her Baptist constituents, she would have been less disposed to throw the world into war. Some of the most loyal Baptists on earth are in Germany. They have stood for our faith in the face of fierce opposition and deserve the plaudits of Baptists everywhere. Whatever we may think about the German people as a whole or Germany as a nation, we should have the utmost sympathy and tenderest regard for our German Baptist brethren and sisters who are distinct from the prevailing national type of character.

## News and Views

Brother Will Shamblin writes from Calhoun, Tenn.: "I have just closed a revival at the River Side Baptist Church, North Chattanooga. The church was spiritually revived; a number of souls were saved and forty additions to the church. The writer was assisted by S. R. Creasman of Etowah, who did some fine preaching, and was loved by all who met him."

Brother E. L. Clemmons writes from Brooklyn, New York, October 24, that the Calvary Baptist Church, of which Dr. John Roach Straton is pastor, has the largest Sunday night crowds in the city, there being a capacity house of 2,000 regularly. This church recently suspended twenty-nine members, several of whom were deacons, for failing to give the church and the pastor proper support.

L. O. Vermillion writes from Luray, Va., October 19: "Home Board Evangelist and Singer P. S. Rowland of Macon, Ga., are in a great meeting at Luray, Va., with Pastor C. A. Hall and Main Street Baptist Church. Twenty-seven professions and twenty-four additions to date. Meeting closes Sunday night. This Home Board Team goes from Luray to Immanuel Church in Richmond. Geo. Tyler Terrell, pastor."

"Points for Emphasis" for 1924, is on our desk. Dr. Hight C. Moore, author, and the Baptist Sunday School Board, publishers, are to be congratulated upon the high standard of vest pocket edition of the International Sunday School Lessons maintained by this publication. Many Sunday school workers will want to make a Christmas gift of this little book to friends, and Sunday school officers should include it in their order for the first quarter's supplies next year. Price forty cents, post paid.

Dr. J. F. Love says there are two ways in which the Foreign Mission Board can help our German brethren, concerning whom Dr. Rushbrooke has given us news in this issue, and suggests: "First, out of a greatly increased foreign mission receipts; Second, in Southern Baptist churches, societies and in-

dividuals complying with the request of the Southern Baptist Convention and sending all their relief contributions to this Board designated simply 'For Relief,' and not for any particular sort of relief, leaving the Board free to use it where the necessity is greatest. My heart is greatly burdened for our German brethren."

Delegates to the State Convention at Martin are urged to send their names at once to Mr. W. C. Warmath, Martin, Tenn., if they want to be entertained, provided they have not done so already. They are most importunately entreated not to put this matter off and go to the Convention without having sent in their names beforehand: unless they plan to entertain themselves at Hotels, and such accommodations, we understand, are not unlimited. So let us be considerate of the Committee on Entertainment.

### COMMITTEE ON FUTURE PROGRAM MAKES PRELIMINARY REPORT.

The committee of four from each state and twelve from the South at large, appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention at Kansas City to consider principles, methods and organization for the program to follow the completion of the 75 Million Campaign, held its second meeting in the Sunday School Board rooms at Nashville, Wednesday, October 24.

The Convention action which established this committee contained the following expression: "That the committee shall carry back their plans, principles, outlines of method and organization to all our people for their suggestion, approval and co-operation."

Carrying out this instruction we present herewith such matters as were brought to the attention of the committee and passed upon. We call hereby also suggestions, recommendations and counsel from the brotherhood at large, whether as individuals, in state convention assembled, or any other groups.

The brotherhood will understand, however, as clearly as we do, the great Baptist principle of autonomy of each Baptist body and that whatever is herewith presented to their bodies, or whatever shall be returned from them is nothing more than suggestions.

Let it be known, also, that this committee does not look upon the suggestions herewith presented as conclusive and final. The committee will have another meeting in the early spring for the purpose of considering all new suggestions of invaluating again these present findings and of shaping up a final report to the Southern Baptist Convention.

These decisions were arrived at by a sub-committee of nine which had widely sought suggestions from the brotherhood and which gave the entire day of October 23 to their consideration, bringing such items as seemed wise to the general committee, which also gave a full day to consideration of them. The decisions arrived at were as follows:

1. That a simultaneous every-member canvass of the Baptist churches of the South be conducted during the week of November 30-December 7, 1924, for subscriptions to

cover the denominational needs for the calendar year of 1925, ever keeping before our people the ideal of an annual increase over each previous year's gifts.

2. We request or suggest to the various state bodies in contemplating the new program, that as far as practicable they do not fall below the figures of the original 75 Million Campaign's proposed quotas for Southwide objects.

3. We recommend that the states be asked to advise this committee what percentage of their total contributions they will give to Southwide objects for 1925.

4. That all Southwide participating bodies be requested to present to this committee a statement of their minimum needs for the calendar year 1925, under two heads: (1) For operating expenses on the present work; and (2) For needed advance in new work, enlargement, endowment, etc.

5. That monthly remittances shall be insisted upon from all sources of all funds secured for Southwide objects on such percentage basis as is agreed upon at the outset of the Campaign.

6. While the right of individuals and churches to designate gifts is recognized, it is earnestly hoped that contributions will be made to the whole program. Any solicitation of designated gifts during this every-member canvass will be regarded as a breach of comity and opposed to the spirit of the Campaign.

7. All designated gifts of individuals and churches made subsequent to and above the Campaign pledge shall go to the causes for which they are designated without being charged against the percentage which those causes are due to receive from the general fund.

8. Participating Southwide bodies shall, under approval of the executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, have the right of approach to individuals in soliciting funds provided the canvassing be approved by the state organizations of the states in which the canvass is to be made.

9. That constant emphasis shall be placed upon the need for permanency in our financial plans through tithing and stewardship.

10. We recommend that there be a central commission for the promotion of this program.

11. We recommend that this commission have a general director who shall give all his time to the direction of this program.

The committee was constantly reminded of the imperativeness of our present task to finish in the noblest possible way the 75 Million Campaign. The committee feels that the proportions the future program assumes will depend upon the measure of success which we attain during the last year of the present Campaign. We, therefore, pledge ourselves and call upon all the brotherhood to join us in the most persistent and devoted effort to bring the 75 Million Campaign to a glorious consummation.

We also express the hope that all discussion of the subject of the future program shall be made to contribute to the securing of the largest success of the present Campaign.

M. E. DODD, Chairman.

J. T. WATTS, Secretary.

# Contributions

## BLESSINGS FROM THE CAMPAIGN.

By Jno. D. Freeman.

### VI. Great Gains Made During Four Years.

One of the interesting developments in Baptist life during the four years of the 75 Million Campaign has been the increased activity of the young men and women, the boys and girls of the B. Y. P. U.'s. Nearly nine thousand unions have been organized during the period and nearly 250,000 of the young members of Baptist churches in the South have united with the unions for the purpose of learning how to do church work. The benefits to be derived from this growth in young people's work can hardly be estimated.

There is the value that comes from the young person's consciousness of relation to the church. Tens of thousands of the young members of the churches once felt that they were mere figureheads and that there was nothing for them to do save to bide their time until they were old enough to wear beards or long, black dresses before they could do anything except listen to the sermons. But the new day has changed things for them. They are recognized as positive members of the churches and their rights are conceded save in a few places. They are given positions of honor and trust. Choirs are often composed exclusively of the young people. Young men are found filling church offices. Sunday schools, B. Y. P. U.'s, and even churches have been organized by bands of consecrated young folk.

This work could never have been done by them had it not been for the training they get in their societies. Not long since, the writer was talking with a successful young attorney who bore testimony to the fact that his ability to speak before a jury was largely the result of the training he had had in a B. Y. P. U. Others have spoken in the same way. Every pastor knows of the value that accrues to the church from the training which young people get in their church societies.

All denominations have learned during the past few years that growth and development depends upon the training of the young members of the churches. The 75 Million campaign was put over in many places solely because the young members of the churches were enlisted. One church in a certain state raised its quota from among the members of the B. Y. P. U. when the older members refused to enter into the movement. They see further ahead than older men and women because they live in the future and, consequently, when they are given an opportunity to serve, they do it with an eye upon the results as they will affect the future life of the community.

There are now in the state of Tennessee 625 unions with an enrollment of more than 21,000 members. 5,000 of these young people read the Bible every day while other

thousands read it less regularly. During last year, 6725 of these young people were enrolled in classes in which they were taught methods of church efficiency and of soul winning. More than 5,000 of them received certificates or diplomas showing that they had successfully passed examinations in the books studied.

The purpose of the B. Y. P. U. is strictly that of training. It seeks to enlist all young Christians in its work in order that they may be fitted to fill any positions in the larger spheres of activity within the church and in bringing this about, the 75 Million Campaign has been a blessing to Baptist work.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO NAME A FOREIGN MISSION BUDGET FOR 1924.

Your Committee has given earnest consideration to the matter of estimates on the fields and a reasonable budget for the year 1924 which were referred to us.

We find that the Board owes the banks \$1,344,905.25. To this must be added the amount necessary to carry the work from now to May, 1924, if we would determine what our probable liabilities will be before the present Convention year closes. Basing our calculation on the amount which we expended last year for the same period, we find that we must add \$927,913.00 to the above making a total of \$2,272,818.25 as the probable liabilities of the Board before the next Convention meets.

The total receipts last year were \$1,747,000. Deducting this amount from the above probable total expenditure leaves a possible indebtedness May 1, 1924, of \$525,818.25 instead of \$1,344,905.25 which now burdens the Board and retards and imperils the work.

Therefore, your Committee does not feel that it can safely recommend anything whatever for equipment on the fields, such as missionary residences, church buildings, or other material necessities, but confines its recommendation for the year beginning January 1, 1924, to \$2,044,501.42, which, according to our calculation, covers the bare living necessities of the missionaries and native workers and enables the Board to keep these on the fields and in the work.

So distressing is the Board's financial condition, we recommend that the administration request the missionaries to reduce even this latter amount wherever it is found possible to do so by the saving of any items which are not absolutely necessary to the present maintenance of the work.

The Committee further recommends that the denomination be informed that the receipts of the Board have so seriously declined as to make this action necessary, and that we have in this recommendation cut out of the estimates of the missionaries \$1,600,589.43; and that the Secretaries be instructed to give to the denomination some of the individual items which have thus been cut out of the estimates to show the brotherhood how seriously and disastrously the decline in the receipts of this Board are hurting their great Foreign Mission enterprise and defeating many workers on many fields.

Resolved again, that the denomination and the missionaries on the fields be informed that as soon as the denomination furnished the necessary money, this will be used to take up the most urgent of these needs which, much to our sorrow, we are now compelled to deny the faithful workers who have so earnestly asked for things which the Board cannot now give.

J. M. Shelburne,  
J. L. White,  
Joshua Levering,  
Alta Foster,  
L. Howard Jenkins,  
W. Harrison Williams,  
Committee.

### ANNOTATIONS ON THE ABOVE.

By the Corresponding Secretary.

The above action by the Committee was unanimously approved by the Foreign Mission Board in its Annual Meeting. This action tells the saddest tale that was ever sent out from the Foreign Mission Board rooms to Southern Baptists. Let the men and women, the rich and the poor, the boys and the girls of our churches read and ponder it.

This was the meeting when the Board receives from its missionaries the estimates of those things which they and the native workers most need for the care of the work and to make useful the lives which they have given to foreign mission service. The total of the estimates of needs on the foreign fields which were before the Board amounted to \$3,103,887.85, from which was deducted a probable saving in exchange which at this time is in many countries in our favor. Face to face with these needs of the missionaries and with the Board's declining receipts, there was no other course for the Committee and the Board to pursue than ruthlessly to cut these estimates, and, if possible, reduce the alarming debt of the Board. What this means to the work and the workers few Southern Baptists will ever know, and the missionaries will never know how this action has cut into the hearts of those who took it.

The Committee and the Board calculated that it would require more money to bring the missionaries home than to keep them on the field. Therefore, as a necessary course, only items for maintenance were approved, and every item for equipment was denied! This unfortunate single cut of \$1,600,589.43 follows be it remembered, a cut of \$725,629.00 last year and of \$1,205,391.00 the year before. By long waiting and annually deferred hopes the hearts of many missionaries and struggling native Christians are made faint.

But what could the Board do? It was promised four-million dollars a year out of the 75 Million Campaign, not including its part in the amount pledged above 75 million. We have received an average of about one-half that amount and recently the receipts of the Board have steadily declined month by month. The Board has already been compelled to borrow \$1,344,905.25 to keep the work going, and is now determined to stop this accumulation of debt, if possible; but at this meeting it was thought best to main-

tain for the present the missionaries on the field, even though some of them must mark time for want of equipment, and give the denomination another chance to come to the rescue of its workers and its foreign mission work.

The cut which the Board was compelled to make will, we hope, reduce the present debt to \$525,818.00 by the first of May, if the receipts for Foreign Missions from now until May are not wholly disappointing. No calculation on this matter could, of course, be more than approximate.

Let us tell the simple truth, but tell it in love and, if possible, without offense. That simple truth is this: The Foreign Mission Board is brought to its present straits, its work is thus imperiled, because the 75 Million Campaign pledges have not been paid. The Foreign Mission Board has simply failed to get enough money to carry on its work. Anyone who will do a little figuring will see that the Foreign Mission Board has been so extremely conservative in its appropriations and so persistent in denying the missionaries many things which they need, and for which they have pled, that if the Board had received its quota of 75 Million Dollars, it would instead of a debt now have the handsomest balance on its books that any mission board in the world ever reported; that is to say, it would have that balance if it had pursued the course which it has pursued in declining to make the appropriations. On the other hand, it could, by making appropriations, have saved millions of dollars in such ways as buying land in certain countries when the money of those countries is extremely low and land extremely cheap and already rising in values and in interest accounts, etc. It could, moreover, have made marvelous advance in its work through open doors of opportunity and marvelous fields of missionary endeavor. But, alas! Whatever responsibility subscribers to the 75 Million Campaign may feel for this state of affairs, the Foreign Mission Board feels that it can, in the fear of God and under the searching investigation of the Baptist brotherhood of the South, render satisfactory account of its economical stewardship.

But we are told to give the denomination some of the items which have been cut out of the estimates in order to illustrate the disaster of these cuts to the Board. Let us preface this list with the solemn injunction that the best way to take care of any one of these illustrative items is not for someone to make a contribution to one of them which appeals to him unless such a gift is to be over and above his Campaign pledge. *These examples are but illustrations of needs on all the fields and the best way to take care of any one of them is to take care of the Foreign Mission Board in this desperate hour.*

#### Illustration One.

The Baptist Church at Reggio Calabria, Italy, the Rhodium of Act. 28: 13. The Board has begun a building at this place which it cannot finish. The pastor of that church, one of the most spiritual men we have in Italy, writes under September 20—

"We assure you, that our building should be complete, I say must be complete, otherwise we are obliged this winter to suspend

our worship, because the building has not even the windows and the rain penetrate easily. All our brethren and sisters we beg you strongly to encourage appropriations to complete the building as soon as you can safely do so. We know, dear Brother Love, that your financial condition at present is very embarrassing, but we know also that there is among many of your people a great spirit of sacrifice, and we rejoice therefore that they will furnish the money for our church before the coming winter."

Can the reader imagine what it means to be compelled to tell this dear man that his request cannot be granted until next May, if then?

#### Illustration Two.

The completion of church building at Mendoza, Argentina. The writer, more than a year ago, tried to preach in this building which was without floor or windows, in a terrific sand and rainstorm, which later turned into a snow storm. Even under such conditions God gave us one soul for Christ, and that night in another place in this city gave us twelve. Until now we have not been able to complete this building. The effect on the missionary and on the church and on the work the reader may try to imagine.

#### Illustration Three.

A residence for a missionary who has been under appointment for twenty-two years. This missionary is at this hour doing perhaps the best work in all his long service and his field is gloriously promising, but we are compelled to say to him, "We cannot give you a house to live in," and this illustration is one of several score of such needs which we could enumerate if space allowed.

#### Illustration Four.

The completion of the girls' school at Sao Paulo. Those who are directly connected with the school implore us to complete this building. Dr. W. B. Bagby, the veteran of our Brazilian missionaries, who lives in Sao Paulo, says:

"We must have *every cent of the \$8,000.00, or we cannot finish the building* so as to make it available for use! As it is, we must leave out all laboratory, library, etc., etc., equipment. The \$8,000.00 is *absolutely needed to put the building in condition to use it.* If we do not get it, the institution will be seriously handicapped and injured. Please beg the Board to grant us this sorely needed sum at once."

What an opportunity we are losing here, and this, too, is one of several such. For instance, Miss Kathleen Mallory cables us from Japan supplementing the imploring of missionaries there with these words:

"Please grant Kokura Girls' school building."

We have, too, numerous boys' schools for which importunate appeals are made.

#### Illustration Five.

Take again our theological seminary at Bucarest, Roumania. The Board has bought a lot and has started on the back of it a small unit of the building for our seminary with the purpose of using this, until we can do better, as a place of worship for seminary classes, dining room, sleeping quarters for students and professors, etc. Brother Ador-

ian, President of the Seminary and of our Roumanian Baptist Union, urges this appropriation.

Dr. W. O. Carver, who has seen the situation at Bucarest and heard the appeal, says of Adorian: "His tired face, with dark-ringed eyes, the pathos of a sort of wail in the tone of his voice as he asked, after two days of conference, 'What am I to do?' will haunt me for years."

But this Bucarest seminary is but one of five such needs at the present moment, and other men like Brother Adorian are being implored by promising young men to give them a chance to prepare themselves for the ministry. But how helpless these workers are! \$10,000 in one of these situations would go further now under all the conditions of exchange and depreciated values and ripe opportunity than \$100,000 has often gone in similar enterprises, and \$100,000 in the hands of the Board for work like this now would be equal to a million in some distant day when perhaps the denomination will have a mind to supply it.

#### Illustration Six.

Kweilin hospital. The Board has invested \$40,000 in this property and two capable doctors are investing their lives here, but the \$40,000 is wasted unless we can put in the necessary equipment so that the building can be used. Patients of this hospital are two weeks distance from another.

But we must stop with these enumerations if we expect the editors to publish this statement which the Foreign Mission Board wishes to be put into the hands of every Baptist in the South. We could go on naming other classes of equipment which are denied, such as our Rio Publishing House from which Christian literature should be sent forth as leaves of healing to the souls of millions and as light to the path of those who in great numbers are groping for that light; and we could name hospitals, Sunday school necessities and needs for lands. But we leave the case with Southern Baptists with the prayer that these illustrations may stir the hearts of all classes of our people, and especially the hearts of some whom God has blessed not only with residence in a gospel land, but with much of this world's goods besides, and that these may make it possible for the Board before long to restore some of these eliminated items of necessity to its budget and send glad news to the workers who await the responses of their brethren and sisters in America to their needs and distress.

### FOREIGN MISSION WORK IS CRIPPLED FOR FUTURE BY SLACK IN GIFTS FROM CHURCHES.

By Frank E. Burkhalter.

So sharp has been the decline in the receipts of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for the last two years that at the annual meeting for the purpose of making appropriations, which has just adjourned, the board was compelled to deny its faithful workers on the fields more than \$1,600,000 in needed equipment, and provide a budget for 1924 that is sufficient only to meet the barest operating ex-

penses and take care of a considerable portion of the big debt that has been accumulated at the banks.

To afford Southern Baptists a faint idea of what this stringent situation involves, it was pointed out at the meeting that at Kwei Lin, China, for instance, where a new hospital building valued at \$40,000 was recently completed, and where two competent American physicians and two Chinese doctors are stationed, there is no money with which to provide beds or even operating tables. In the meantime, these competent workers who answered God's call with their lives haven't the equipment to make their lives effective, the building must stand idle for the time being, and the workers feel that their sacrifice has been for naught.

Hundreds of the most needy situations on all the seventeen fields occupied by Southern Baptists must be turned down for the present, at least, because Southern Baptists have not provided more liberally for sending the gospel to the hundreds of thousands of persons who are hungry for it.

"This drastic reduction in our program, which makes it necessary that we not put a single dollar next year into church buildings, mission residences, hospitals, school buildings, orphanages, publishing plants or any other material equipment, is going to mean that the hearts of some of our most faithful workers will be actually broken and that we will have to bury some of them as a consequence of this blow," one of the secretaries of the board told the members.

"If the Foreign Mission Board at this time had \$100,000 it could put into setting up a theological seminary at Budapest, Hungary, and another at Bucharest, Roumania, Novisad or some other central point in Jugoslavia, and Barcelona in Spain, it would mean more in advancing the Kingdom of God in the world than any other million dollars Baptists have ever put in any form of Christian education," Secretary J. F. Love assured the board. "We are losing millions in property, to say nothing of loss of opportunity and loss in human souls in not going forward in a worthy way in Europe, just now. Indeed, so urgent are the needs there and so small is our response that there is great danger that our efforts will become a farce in the eyes of those who we started out to help. Be it remembered that the aid in Europe is only temporary. A little aid given now to the Baptists of those struggling countries where we are operating will mean a vast return on their part to the things we are seeking to do to extend the Kingdom of God in the future, and it's a tragedy that because our people have not paid their Campaign pledges more promptly and generously we are not able to do the things we ought to do to help these Baptists of Southern Europe train their native workers. We do not need to send American missionaries to these European countries, but we ought to provide the seminaries whereby their own native evangelists could be trained for the largest efficiency. If we will help now train these native workers they will make their lives count for the kingdom in the near future in a way that few peoples of the world have done."

The budget for 1924 was fixed by the board at \$2,046,501.42, which is barely enough to meet operating expenses on the fields for the year and take care of some of the obligations which the board has at the banks. The amount of borrowed money at the time of the meeting of the board was given at \$1,344,905.25. It is estimated that the board will have to pay out \$90,000 in interest alone this year.

The board felt the budget fixed was the minimum figure, for it does not feel that Southern Baptists want any of their missionaries called home. Indeed, it is cheaper to keep the missionaries on the field than it would be to bring them home, for in addition to traveling expenses home there would be the obligation of taking care of them for a period of time until they could get readjusted and fine new work, after their separation from the home land.

It is the opinion of members of the board that the great masses of Southern Baptists are still interested in foreign missions, as they are in other phases of organized work embraced in the Campaign. They feel that the reason the response has been no larger is that the members of the churches have not realized the need and extent of the foreign mission work and that once they know the situation they will do their best to relieve it. The board wishes to call upon Southern Baptists to come before God in prayer over the matter of their duty in carrying the gospel to a lost world in a day when the doors of opportunity are standing wider open than ever before. And it is recognized, of course, that when the Baptists of the South redeem their obligations to the 75 Million Campaign they will not only help the cause of foreign missions, but home and state missions, Christian education, hospitals, orphanages and ministerial relief as well.

Members of the Foreign Mission Board are hoping that Southern Baptists, now that times are more prosperous, will make a response that will enable the board not only to take care of all its operating expenses but to provide for many of the more pressing emergency needs in the way of equipment as well. But the improvements can not be made until the operating expenses have first been provided, and taking care of the operating expenses and the debts at the banks will require at least \$2,000,000.

In their failure to provide more liberally for their foreign mission work Southern Baptists are breaking the hearts of their secretaries, of many of their workers on the foreign fields, and are denying to hundreds of thousands of human souls the world around the opportunity to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ. The new workers in Jerusalem have found an admirable site for the projection of a worthy work in that ancient city over which Jesus wept, but the board can not buy any property there now and this project, along with all other improvements must wait until such time as Southern Baptists provide the board with more ample funds.

The Foreign Mission Board is thoroughly loyal to the 75 Million Campaign and does not ask any designated gifts to foreign missions. It pleads with all the earnestness it

can, however, that all Southern Baptists pay their Campaign pledges in their entirety so that foreign missions and every other object embraced in that movement can be adequately taken care of.

Richmond, Va.

#### CO-ORDINATING AND UNIFYING CONVENTION INTERESTS.

By President E. Y. Mullins, D.D.,  
Louisville, Ky.

In this article I desire to call attention to a section of the report of the Executive Committee of the Convention at Kansas City. This part of the report was referred to certain committees which are to report later. One is especially charged with the task indicated in the heading of this article. One of the needs of the Convention is clearer definition of the work of its various agencies. And there is also need of a better understanding as to the relation of certain departments of the work to other departments. I feel sure that the committee appointed at Kansas City will contribute very largely to the solution of these problems. It would not be proper for me to suggest to the committee what its duties are, under the action of the Convention. I have only the desire in this article to explain a little more fully what the Executive Committee desired to impress upon the Convention in this part of the report.

Some of the agencies of the Convention pursue lines of activity which are fully understood. These activities are approved by the Convention. The appeal made by these agencies is clear cut and definite. For example, the work of the Foreign Mission Board is clearly understood, as is the work of the Sunday School Board and the Ministerial Relief Board. All these are quite generally understood. There may be, from time to time, additions to the present lines of activity carried on by these agencies, but usually there is little difficulty in relating the additions to the work already being done. The work of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is also clearly understood. The need for ministerial education is recognized, and no doubt the work of the other South-wide schools, when they are related properly to the Convention activities, will be thoroughly understood.

In addition to the above, however, there are certain departments of our work which seemed to the Executive Committee to call for some special attention at the present time. One example is the work of the Home Mission Board. Originally there was little difficulty in finding and defining the work of the Home Mission Board, but in the course of the years a great many matters have been introduced into the Convention and referred to existing agencies. Many of these new matters have been referred to the Home Mission Board. The Board, as the obedient servant of the Convention, of course, has accepted such responsibilities as have been put upon it. There has been in the minds of many, however, for a considerable period, a question as to whether we were not overloading the Home Mission Board and gradually changing its functions and duties, so that its original purposes have, in large

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measure, gone into the background. It is no easy matter to solve so complicated and difficult a problem. The denomination particularly needs the assistance of the Home Board itself in defining its work. The Board, seeing its problems from within, can judge of the merits of various proposals. It seems to me, better than any one else, the Home Board could suggest to the denomination what is and what is not appropriate in its work. But it will be well if the denomination generally should be giving its thought to the problem, so that with the fullest and freest co-operation with the Board its problems may be solved.

As an example of the point under consideration, the question of hospitals has been before the denomination for two or three years, and, as is well known, there is division of opinion as to the extent to which the Home Board should deal with the hospital question. And it is a serious question in the minds of some whether the Convention should take over hospital activities as a part of its work. Many think that this should be left to the states. Of course, I am not suggesting any evasion of responsibilities already assumed, and certainly I am not advocating anything to embarrass or hinder the work of the Home Board. All that I am saying is with a view to clearness and helpfulness, and I am calling attention to the matter, not to offer a definite solution, but to ask the denomination to help in thinking the problem through.

Another agency of the Convention which needs a similar service is the Education Board. This Board has done a splendid work, but it has not as yet found a sphere clearly defined which enables it to appeal to the denominational conscience in the most effective way. Surely, there must be some large phase of our educational activities which this Board may well promote. Our system of state schools makes the problem of the Education Board peculiarly difficult. Here again the thought of the Board itself, as well as that of the denomination, is called for in the solution of the problem. It would be far better if the Boards, whose work is not sufficiently defined and co-ordinated could be assisted to a more satisfactory relation to our organized work generally. I fear that the Boards have been waiting for the Convention and that the Convention has been waiting for the Boards to suggest the remedies. With a committee at work on the subject, it seems to me we are in a fair way to arrive at some sort of definite understanding.

Another question which ought to have careful consideration is that relating to the number of interests fostered by the Convention itself. I have not counted over the list, but they are very much more numerous now than they were in former years. All the leaders in our great movements naturally think of the Convention as the best means for reinforcing their work, but there is undoubtedly a limit to what the Convention can do efficiently in this matter. We can easily have so many interests that we will give no adequate attention to any. If somehow or other we could get our people to spend ten days at the Convention meetings or even a

full week, for the consideration of our various matters, we might accomplish more. The Methodists and Presbyterians hold much longer general meetings than the Baptists. It is absolutely necessary that time be given if adequate consideration is to be had for a multitude of interests. What I am saying is in no sense to disparage any of the interests.

For example, we have been giving some time to the laymen at each annual meeting of the Convention, and I regard this as one of the most vital and far-reaching of all the movements which we now foster; and certainly it is vitally important that we encourage our denominational papers. These are fundamentally important. They usually require no formal action of the Convention, and on this account can be incorporated in our proceedings without serious loss to other things, simply by giving them a good hearing. But the committee on co-ordinating the work of the Convention will give very careful consideration to the question of the proper interests for the Convention to consider.

There is another matter of extreme importance which ought to be worked out before our next campaign begins, and that is how the funds which properly belong to the interests of the Convention itself shall be handled by the agencies in the various states. As I regard the matter, this is one of the most vital and fundamental of all the needs now facing us. The question was not taken up and thoroughly worked out prior to our present campaign. The result has been more or less confusion and loss of morals. I believe the committee on the next campaign has this matter in charge and I have no doubt they will work it out satisfactorily. But it is a matter, if left in indefinite form, might easily demoralize the entire work of the Convention. Certainly all funds contributed to Southwide objects should be remitted promptly to the treasurers of these various organizations. Otherwise, the work of the Convention will suffer terrible losses and contributors will be discouraged. The reaction will be unfavorable to all the work, local as well as general. Here again we have been the victims of haste and the bigness of our enterprise. This has been among the problems which we did not take time to solve in advance. We have learned much by experience and our experience will teach us how to do things better next time.

In concluding this article, I may sum up the chief points by saying that the unity and enthusiasm of our people in all our money raising and denominational advance depend upon our ability to secure the hearty support of our people for all our enterprises. Every agency ought to be able to make a powerful appeal—an appeal justified in the thought and the conscience of every Baptist. Whenever any of our Boards or educational institutions makes its plea, there ought to be a hearty amen in the response of the hearer. There should be no interrogation points, either in the way as to which funds shall be handled or in relation to the objects themselves. Those objects should commend themselves by their work, and every giver should be assured in advance that his gift

will go directly toward the purpose for which it is intended. Thus by mutual confidence in all departments of our work we shall achieve a unity beyond anything we have hitherto known.

In fact, it is a supreme test of religious democracy through which Baptists are passing. A religious democracy like ours is compelled to think out its problems for itself. No one can offer ready-made solutions. Differences of opinion at the beginning will usually disappear after free and frank discussion. We have no way of arriving at unity except by letting in the light.

#### WHAT GIRL WANTS THIS CHANCE?

By Harry Clark, Ed. Secy.

One of our ministerial students at Hall Moody Normal School offers to take into his home as a member of the family some young woman who is a volunteer for missionary work and who wishes to get her education. Of course she would be expected to do her share of the household duties just as she would in her own home. The ministerial student will give her room and board, and one of his churches at which he preaches will pay her tuition. Since he must be away from the school every week end, he wishes a young woman as a companion for his wife and child. If you are interested, please write immediately to President J. T. Warren at Hall Moody Normal School, Martin, Tenn.

Secretary E. O. Watson desires to state: "Despite continued effort there are some sixty of the more than two thousand Chaplains who served in the World War who were entitled to receive the Chaplain's medal to whom it has not yet been formally presented on account of inability to secure address. Any Chaplain of the Protestant Churches who served under commission during the World War and who has not received the Chaplain's medal should apply to Rev. E. O. Watson, Secretary, General Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains, 937 Woodward Building, Washington, D. C."

According to a statement by Brother Chas. F. Leek, Wake Forest College of North Carolina leads all the colleges of the South in having student representatives in the Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., there being 34. Carson and Newman has 10.

#### POPULARITY OF PUGILISM.

It is to be regretted that pugilistic bouts take place in this country without any serious effort to prevent them either by the makers or the officers of the law. In some places such exhibitions are solicited in order to bring money into their midst. But they exhaust the finances of a place, and gorge the pocket-books of the book-makers and the pugilists. They feed the cannibalistic nature in man. Pugilism is not sport. Its popularity is based on the same disposition in human nature which supported the gladiatorial combats in ancient Rome, and which now make possible bull-fights in Spain. It has no rightful place in American life and should be outlawed by Federal statute.—*Editorial.*

## Christian Education

Harry Clark, Secretary, Nashville

### \$25,000 FOR CARSON-NEWMAN.

Our readers will remember that Mr. Alex Chavis, an alumnus of Carson and Newman, gave up an excellent position for the love of his alma mater and went out to solicit life insurance policies for the college. He has now secured \$25,000 in the very short time he has been in the field. Many would like to give a college \$1,000 for a memorial to bear their names, but cannot well spare the money from their business. This provides a way at a small annual cost.

### OUR PRESIDENTS COME FROM COLLEGES.

There used to be a day when men ran for office and pleaded for votes on the ground that they were ignorant, that they had never had any education, that the world had never given them a chance. Nowadays, the man who makes that plea is inviting defeat, for citizens want educated men in office. Our new president, Calvin Coolidge, is a college graduate, the twentieth college graduate to be president. We have had only nine presidents who were not college graduates, but since reconstruction days there have been only two presidents who were not college graduates—Cleveland and McKinley. The other seven presidents who had not had college training were mostly back in the pioneer days.

Nowadays one finds in Congress and in our diplomatic corps many men who have not only graduated from college but have gone on further and have taken M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. If you wish to rise in the world, young readers, "empty your purse into your head."

### OUR CHATTANOOGA BROTHERS PRESS THE GRANDVIEW MATTER.

Shall Baptists take over the wonderful school property at Grandview near Dayton and Rockwood, which is offered to the denomination on terms that are almost a gift? All the Congregationalist Board asks is that we maintain a strong school there. If we ever sell the property, then we are to pay them \$10,000 out of the proceeds. If we continue the school, it is ours. If we wish to buy the school, we may do so for \$10,000 and hold it in fee simple. There are 75 acres and nine large buildings there, a plant worthy of a college. Your secretary has visited the property several times, has appeared before the citizens of Dayton to discuss it with them, has presented the matter before the District Association in whose territory the school lies, and has spoken before the Baptist Pastors' Conference at Chattanooga. Pastors W. S. Keese and T. W. Calloway of Chattanooga went to the meeting of the County Court at Dayton on the First Monday in October at the request of a number of the Baptist laymen to present the issue of a good road from the valley to the school. Your secretary cannot recommend any expendi-

ture of money there unless the county will give us a better road. The Court appointed a committee to cooperate with the Baptists in getting the property and passed unanimously this resolution: "The Court is friendly and will use its best efforts in building this road." The new county judge who will take office on January 1 assured Brothers Keese and Calloway that he would do his best to help us get a good road. It would take us about \$3,000 a year to maintain the school, and we need to spend \$15,000 to \$25,000 to equip it throughly. We could operate some sort of a school without any original investment, but it would be much wiser to equip the dormitories and be able to board 200 students there. There is no doubt that we could start with 100 the first day, and could speedily build up the attendance to 200.

### DO YOU FAVOR ATHLETICS?

Do you believe in athletics in college? Well, you would if you could see the influence it is having at Carson and Newman in inspiring high ideals, clean living, and religion among the athletes. A man is not allowed to play unless he leads a clean life. The young preachers have taken such an active part that the teams have been nicknamed by the newspapers "The Fighting Parsons." We noticed a new note in the newspaper account of the remarkable game in which Carson and Newman tied Sewanee to the amazement of all Southern athletic circles. The newspapers called our boys "The Baptists" and expressed admiration for their clean sportsmanship. The boys pray together before they go into any game, and then they fight like giants. Over in the other end of the state, Union University athletes have in the same way made such a good name, that when a hotel man was about to refuse to allow the team to stay at his hotel when they first came in the office, he changed his mind when he learned that these boys were from Union. Boys who came to Union to play games have been won to Christ by their fellow athletes who were not only Christians but preachers. Up at Hall-Moody, a new spirit has come into the school since athletics began to be permitted. We are determined that in our colleges, athletics shall be used and not abused, and that we shall make our students better spiritually as well as physically through their games.

### WHAT ABOUT YOUR PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENTS?

You are puzzled as to what features to have on a public entertainment. Did it ever occur to you that our colleges could help you greatly if you would call on them for speakers, quartettes, choruses, or entertainers? Last year a quartette from Union University was in great demand all over West Tennessee. Another group of young men from Carson and Newman gave entertainments in East Tennessee. The young women's chorus from Tennessee College was in great demand in Middle Tennessee. Each one of our institutions has splendid preachers in the faculty who would be available for Sunday ser-

VICES. We would especially like to see Middle Tennessee call more on the faculty of Tennessee College for Sundays when the regular pastor may be absent. Next spring your high school will be seeking a commencement speaker from one of our colleges?

### WHAT THE \$75,000,000.00 CAMPAIGN MEANT TO UNION UNIVERSITY.

First, we bought about forty lots to enlarge the campus. These included two residences, the total valuation being nearly \$30,000.

We paid for the rebuilding of Adams hall after the fire about \$30,000.

We have spent about \$8,000 for the heating plant, the new lighting plant and general campus improvements.

We have spent \$3,000 for improvements on the main building.

\$5,000 for library and scientific equipment.

\$2,000 for improvements on Lovelace hall.

\$4,000 on the new dining hall.

\$30,000 for the new dormitory.

\$10,000 for the gymnasium.

We have paid about \$20,000 on old indebtedness. Much has been spent on general repairs. About \$50,000 has been consumed for current expenses. Union has received only \$151,000 from the campaign. About \$20,000 has been contributed by local citizens for improvements.

### BRUTALITY COMES HIGH.

Nearly a hundred thousand people paid nearly a million dollars to see a South American brute knock out a North American brute in a prize fight.

The bruisers received about \$40,000 for each minute of actual fighting.

And in the meantime thousands of men and women whose strength is in their spirit, are working day and night to evolve a peace plan which will earn the award of \$100,000 offered by Edward W. Bok.

Rome did not fall until there came too wide a divergence between her high purpose and her low pleasure.—*Exchange.*

### TENNESSEE CENTRAL IMPROVEMENTS.

The Tennessee Central Railway is to be felicitated upon the project to improve their passenger service at the Nashville station by the erection of a large commodious building to cost \$150,000.00. This road has made marked advance of late, and the central section of the State which it serves will find in its prosperity the larger developments of its own commercial interests.—*Editorial.*

### THOMAS W. WRENNE AND COMPANY

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**PENNY WISE AND POUND FOOLISH**

By B. C. Henning, Atlanta, Ga.

One of the great and growing needs of our Home Mission Work is that of chapels in which our missionaries, particularly among foreigners, can hold religious services. We do not need or desire pretentious structures costing thousands of dollars, but modest buildings which can be erected for three, or at most, ten thousand dollars. In many cases, a few hundred dollars will provide all we need for many years. The handicap of nowhere to worship is so serious that I am almost persuaded that we should stop engaging missionaries until we are willing to provide them with facilities for work. A modest yet comfortable chapel will multiply the usefulness of a worker from two to three-fold without requiring an addition of one cent to his salary, or any other helper. A case in point is that at Laredo, Texas, where there are 24,000 Mexicans. Rev. Joel E. Garcia is missionary to these people. We have carried on work there for some time with nowhere to hold services save in a little room made of boards. Not long ago we secured a little help from Mexicans and Americans at Laredo and added to it just one thousand dollars. With this we erected a red brick chapel of ample size for the purpose at hand, and in one month the attendance upon the Sunday school was trebled. Why engage workers and provide them with no facilities for work? Such folly is paralleled when one should buy a three thousand dollar tractor and then be too economical or otherwise to purchase gas with which to use it!

I know of at least a dozen places where a few thousand dollars for a place, with a little local help which could be thus secured, would enable us to erect chapels for as many missionaries; and this small financial outlay would be almost equivalent to doubling our workers.

**NEGRO SEMINARY TO BE BUILT**

By Frank E. Burkhalter.

Actual work upon the construction of the first unit of the proposed Negro Baptist theological seminary that is being projected at Nashville will probably begin not later than January first, in the opinion of Dr. O. L. Halley, secretary of the joint commission representing the Southern Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention, the later organization representing the majority of the Negro Baptist preachers not only of the South but of America.

The first unit will not cost more than \$50,000, in the opinion of Dr. Halley, and this amount has been provided. The Chamber of Commerce of Nashville has provided an adequate site adjoining Roger Williams University, a Baptist institution for Negroes, and the two institutions will co-operate wherever possible. This will make it possible for ministers who want to do theological work and to complete their scholastic work to take courses in both institutions at the same time. It is the hope of Dr. Halley that the

first unit will be completed in time for his commission to report the completion to the Southern Baptist Convention at Atlanta next May. It is assured that the building will be ready for the opening of the first term of the seminary next Fall. Inasmuch as the National Baptist Convention holds its session in Nashville, late next September, it is probable that the Convention will arrange for the dedication of the seminary at that time.

Other buildings will be provided for the seminary as the institution grows

and resources become available for this purpose. It was originally contemplated that this project should receive \$250,000 from the 75 Million Campaign. The contributions of Southern Baptists will be reinforced by those of the National Baptist Convention, which is taking a great interest in this project for the better equipment of Negro Baptist preachers. It is said that this will be the first exclusively theological seminary for Negroes in America, theological training elsewhere being given in connection with regular colleges.

denomination in any land, is now in many towns unable to maintain itself. The foreign mission committee found itself on the first day of this month confronted with a deficit of five thousand million marks. The German Baptist Union was not able to pay its colporteurs their salaries due at the beginning of September; it has just now succeeded in doing so through the splendid response which the impoverished churches made to an urgent appeal. Arrangements are being made to set up food kitchens in connection with a large number of congregations, to keep the members alive through the winter; but the outlook even for this is blank. Though money were available, food could in many districts not be obtained. How grave is the financial pressure, is illustrated by the arrangements connected with a recent emergency gathering of the Executive Committee of the Union to consider the crisis. The Committee is not large; yet in order to economize traveling expenses, it was resolved that only one-half the members should attend; since these were unable to pay for food and lodging as in happier times, the mission house at Neurppin was used for their accommodation. In spite of all these measures, and notwithstanding that several members traveled fourth class, the strain was severe.

What of pastors and other church workers? From official figures published by the State it appears that the amount needed as a bare minimum for existence has during the past three months averaged 400 million marks per month; over eighty per cent of the pastors and other workers have received stipends below this minimum—in most cases, far below. Mr. Simoleit showed me figures demonstrating that he needs one hundred and twenty thousand million marks per month to augment the salaries to 350 millions (i. e., 50 millions below the minimum). The State's contribution for an unemployed family with 2 or 3 children is 216 millions per week! (See note at end.)

All I offer in these brief notes is a "snapshot." This is the position of the Baptists as it appears at the moment. But it is not stationary; it is rapidly worsening. And what I write of Baptists is true, mutatis mutandis, of other groups of religious workers in Germany.

Berlin,

October 3, 1923.

Note: Dr. Gill got 440 million marks for one dollar the day the above was written. This gives some idea of modesty of Brother Simoleit's figures.

**A MEETING OF GREAT IMPORTANCE**



DR. F. F. BROWN, Knoxville, Tenn. MR. HOMER J. COUNCILOR, Washington, D. C. DR. R. J. BATEMAN, Asheville, N. C. DR. WILLIAM RUSSELL OWEN, Macon, Ga.

**A Few of the Headliners.**

All of the speakers are headliners. Some of them are: Dr. Jno. E. White, Anderson, S. C.; Dr. I. J. Van Ness, Mr. Arthur Flake, Mrs. J. M. Dawson, Rev. I. E. Lee, Dr. G. S. Dobbins, Prof. Rolvix Harlan, Dr. Geo. Hyman, and many others who come with messages of enthusiasm.

"To win the lost to Christ, To develop active church members," is the slogan of the Young People's and Adult Sunday school classes in Southern Baptist churches for the year 1924.

This is indeed a worthy slogan and it will be the center of the great program prepared for the Southwide Organized Class Conference to be held in Atlanta, Ga., January 15-17, 1924.

The aim of this great annual gathering is solely information, inspiration and instruction. There are no reports, no officers elected, no committees, but one continuous mountain peak of spiritual dynamics designed to send the representatives back to become more active and useful church members.

The results of the two previous meetings have justified the continuation of the conferences and it is confidently expected that the Atlanta meeting will eclipse either of the preceding meetings.

Reduced railroad rates have been secured and a superb program has been arranged. Your Sunday school secretary, or the Organized Department of the Sunday School Board will gladly supply all needed information.



**DESPERATE POSITION OF THE GERMAN BAPTISTS**

By Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, Baptist Commissioner for Europe

As I write, there lies before me on the table a German note, whose pre-war value was two hundred and fifty pounds. At the rate of exchange when I entered Germany yesterday, nine hundred and sixteen of such notes would have been equal to one penny; at the rate of exchange this afternoon in Berlin one thousand six hundred and sixty-six of them are the equivalent of one penny! Such facts are but a symbol of the confusion now prevailing. The cabinet crisis may or may not issue in a temporary accommodation; it is certainly symptomatic of a situation more desperate than Germany has ever yet faced. She is confronted by economic, social, political and national issues of the very gravest nature; revolution, disruption, anarchy are among the possibilities

of the next few days and weeks. Vigilant reactionaries are eagerly watching the opportunities and every group that hopes to snatch some advantage from social overturn is gathering its forces for a bitter struggle.

To write at length on the political situation as reflected in newspapers of all shades of opinion is tempting; but I have only a few hours here in the course of a journey to Russia, and have taken up my pen for another purpose. This morning I conferred with a leading German Baptist who not only gave me a general view of the condition of the denomination, but produced detailed and specific evidence for all his statements. To one who knows the fine organization of the Baptists in this country, its years of efficient working, and the remarkable self-denial with which the church members have always supported it, today's facts are heart-breaking. The deaconess enterprise, one of the most characteristic and beneficent ever undertaken by any

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- Enter a State Campaign too late?

**INTERMEDIATE B.Y.P.U. TRAINING SCHOOL HELD AT SECOND CHURCH, JACKSON**

An Intermediate B.Y.P.U. training school was held at the Second Church, Jackson, last month. Miss Lucy Stark of Union University taught the B.Y.P.U. Manual, with ten taking the examination. Miss Stark reports a very fine class, and a happy week for the Intermediates of Second church.

**REV. WILSON WOODCOCK WRITES FROM BROWNSVILLE**

"Allens had a gain of 84 per cent in membership in a meeting in September in which H. L. Carter, student volunteer from Union University did the preaching. They will do better than they have ever done for the 75 Million Campaign. At Harmony we have had nearly 30 take the examination on the B.Y.P.U. Manual. Harmony is making a supreme effort to bring up her payments to the Campaign."

**THE FUNNY SPANIARDS**

By John D. Freeman.

The Spaniards have a proverb which says, "Let that which is lost be for God." It arose in connection with the making of wills. A clause was added to the will to cover anything that might be lost at the time the will was made. It declared, "If the lost is found it goes to so and so but if it is not found, let it be for God."

There are many church members who try to live according to the proverb. "Let those who are lost be for God," they seem to say. "I have been found and so there is no need for me to worry about church work. I will go my way and leave the lost for God."

Is it right for us to do that way? A little boy was standing at his

mother's knee just after his father had been buried. The widowed mother was sobbing in her grief and the child was trying to comfort her. "Mother," he asked, "hasn't daddy gone to be with God?"

"Yes, son. God has called him away from us."

"Well, mother, I wouldn't cry so. Don't you reckon that God is glad to have a big fine man like our daddy?"

That is the thing, O children of God. Not what is lost belongs to God but we who are found, and He needs us. How glorious it is when a strong man presents himself to God for service saying, "Here Father, I am yours. Use me." And how beautiful it is when a lovely young woman lays her life on the altar saying, "Father, you have found me, I am yours."

**DUCK RIVER ASSOCIATIONAL B.Y.P.U.**

The Associational B.Y.P.U. of Duck River Association held their first meeting at Lewisburg, Tenn., Sunday, September 30th. The following program was rendered:

Devotional—Rev. L. S. Sedberry, Lewisburg.

Word of Welcome—Everett Redd, Lewisburg.

Response—Mr. Sheeley, Tullahoma.

President's Address—Rev. L. S. Sedberry, Lewisburg.

Due:—Misses Riddle, Shelbyville.

Address—"The Product of the B.Y.P.U."—Dr. T. W. Gayer.

Prayer.

Lunch.

Devotional—Goff McMahon, Lewisburg.

Reports of Committees.

Violin Solo—Miss Llewelyn Ewing, Lewisburg.

Address—Dr. T. W. Gayer.

Demonstration: "The Weekly Meeting as it Should NOT Be"—Hannah's Gap Union.

Solo—Mr. Bernard Sanders Shelbyville.

Demonstration: "The Weekly Meeting as it Should Be"—Shelbyville Union.

Song.

Prayer.

Intermission.

Devotional.

Talk—Mr. J. E. Williams Shelbyville.

Due.—Mr. Hawkins and Mrs. J. E. Williams, Shelbyville.

Talk—Mr. Hawkins, Shelbyville.

Quartette—Misses Riddle, Mr. Hawkin, and Mr. Sanders, Shelbyville.

Reports from Presidents.

Open Discussion.

Address—Dr. S. P. White, Shelbyville.

Song.

Dismissal.

The churches represented were Tullahoma, Shelbyville, Smyrna, Hannah's Gap, Pleasant Hill, Cornersville, and Lewisburg.

The next meeting will be held at Shelbyville, Tennessee, December 30, 1923.

**A VISIT TO THE ORPHAN'S HOME**

By Ruth Prince, Former Pupil

I wonder how many of you after growing up and leaving home to make your way in the world, have had the happy experience after a few years of visiting your old home again? If you have, you can imagine something of the joy I experienced this summer when I visited the Tennessee Baptist Orphanage, where I spent twelve years of my life.

Of course, I found many changes in the place, but the "homelike atmosphere" (for which our orphanage is noted) is still there. I found a change in the amount of land. When we moved out, there were only 137 acres, and I remember how happy each child was to get on the farm. We had been

penned up so closely in West Nashville that being on the farm made us feel like birds out of a cage. We moved out on Saturday and the minute the car stopped we scattered and were not seen any more till dark. And on the following day when the time came for the dedication service, not an orphan could be seen. They were all over the hills and into all the neighbors orchards. So the farm bell had to be rung to call them in. But now these lands and orchards belong to the orphanage and instead of 137 acres there is three times that. So there is plenty of territory for the boys to cultivate and room for the children to grow, as that seems to be a habit out there. I was surprised to find that I knew only a few of the smaller ones, ones who used to be counted as small, are grown young ladies and grown young men.

I was glad to find that three more new buildings had been built. The Baby Building, Dr. Stewart's home and the Administration building which we looked forward to for so long, in which there will be a much needed kitchen and dining room, lovely school rooms, and auditorium, office and suite of rooms.

I was also glad to see the lovely new shade trees on the place. This will add much pleasure to the play hours. We older ones used to do most of our playing in the grave yard (back of the building) not for lack of respect for our deceased fellow-beings, who have been there for 400 years, but for the fact that the tomb stone of I. Q. Quakes makes the best place to play jacks in the world.

The children have always been taught domestic duties such as cooking, cleaning and sewing. I had very vivid memories when I looked into the old sewing room where I learned to do fancy work and where a certain matron (whom we all love very much) sat by my warm side while I put the collar and cuffs on and off a boys waist, till I wore them out. The girls not only learn domestic duties now, but they are taught music, too, and I was surprised to find how well some of them could play the piano.

All of these things have a great part in the preparation for life, but if I were to mention the one thing that has helped me and that I value most, I would say the spiritual training. We were made to memorize the Bible. I can remember when 125 of us could repeat in unison, Psalms 23, 24, 27, 37, 96, 100 and 103, Cor. 13, John 14, Matt. 5, Hebrews 11 and Romans 12. Think what this would mean to a person when he gets old and can't see to read the Bible.

I am proud of the Home, and the fortunes and misfortunes of it effect me just as the ones of your home effect you, and when I walk through the place and see Brother Stewart's smiling face, I feel like saying, "Let me be an orphan again." I think the Baptists of Tennessee should be proud of Our Home.

**FLORIDA FLASHES**

By A. J. Holt

My heart sank to read a notice in the "Reflector" that Gill Savage had departed this life June 22. I thought it strange that the passing of such a great and good man should have had such a delay, and so short announcement. However, my fears were allayed on reading a notice in this same issue from Dr. Savage himself.

While we all sympathize with the family on the death of the other G. M. Savage, yet the death of our great Dr. Savage would be a calamity to the whole South.

Peace River Association, Florida has just closed her 48th annual session. This was named for the river that runs through the territory of the body and that river was so named because on its banks was made the treaty between the Seminole Indians and the U. S. Government.

The officers of this association are: A. J. Holt, moderator; H. G. Murphy, clerk; J. L. Livingston, treasurer. It is the largest association in territory,

in the state, as it is 90 miles in length and 60 miles in breadth.

Steps were taken to organize a South Florida B.Y.P.U. assembly within its bounds.

Dr. Len G. Broughton becomes the pastor of the First Baptist church of Jacksonville, Fla., and he will begin by inaugurating the beginning of the building of a great new Baptist Temple.

Last month the First Baptist church of Arcadia set apart to the full work of the gospel ministry, Rev. R. A. Moore, who is now at the Louisville Seminary.

Next Wednesday night this same church will ordain Rev. Edgar Albritton to the work of the ministry. In addition we are sustaining two other young preachers in theological seminaries.

Dr. Rogers, our great State Board Secretary, who attended Peace River Association, assured us that Florida Baptists would certainly pay in full their pledge to the 75 Million Campaign.

Dr. J. A. Sulton resigned at Kissimmee to become pastor at the Central church of Orlando, and Rev. W. N. Sevier resigns at Punta Gorda to accept the Buffalo Ave. church, Tampa, Fla.

The Florida Baptist State Board has purchased a very desirable site in Jacksonville, Fla., and will begin at once the erection of a State Board Building that will be the home of the Florida Baptist Witness and the Florida Baptist State Board, with its auxiliary offices.

The First church, Tampa, Dr. C. W. Duke, pastor, is engaged in the erection of a magnificent modern temple of worship.

The First church, Winter Garden, is completing a splendid plant. The First church, Arcadia is to erect a modern Sunday school building, to cost into the tens of thousands of dollars.

Riverside, Staunton Memorial and Central all of Miami, are engaged in building.

The First Baptist church of Sevierville, having sold their old building, are now projecting one of the largest church buildings in the state.

**"SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION A SELF-GOVERNING BODY."**

By J. T. Brownlow.

Under the above subject, Dr. E. Y. Mullins in a recent article writing of the workings of the body voices a timely warning that the Convention should not be run by any particular set of men, and especially warning against self-conceit and following with a confession wonderfully well served to the wisdom possessed—self-assumed—of the Convention, who Shakespeare to Creelike, in the Stockholm Convention, think it effrontery to offer from the floor a resolution without first submitting it to the powers that be.

Dr. Mullins says—"I am perfectly clear in my grasp of principles and doctrines but in complicated practical matters, it takes a very superior form of wisdom to reach wise conclusions."

It takes a vast amount of experience and a world of activity and a wonderfully wise man to reach such conclusion.

I have been a close observer of the work of the Convention and have noted and can almost call by name the men who seem to think themselves the constituted wisdom of that body.

If some generous brother were to offer the Southern Baptist Convention a Million Dollars with some trifle of entailment, I dare say, it would not be accepted without the crossfire of debate and referring it to some Committee for analysis and report.

I have thought that I had a grip on finance and banking and yet in a

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single transaction just a few days ago, an old farmer whose knowledge of the use of capital letters is incomplete, showed me a way I had not thought of how to collect a doubtful loan of one thousand dollars.

Let it be known to the men of the Southern Baptist Convention that God has not conferred on any man or set of men all wisdom. Hear every man, any man and weigh well any suggestion, every suggestion, for in the multitude of counselors—there is safety.

**GREAT MEETING AT JUNCTION CITY.**

By O. F. Huckaba, Pastor

The First Baptist Church at Junction City has just had a most glorious meeting, resulting in about forty professions of faith and 54 additions to the church, 28 by experience and baptism.

Evangelist Sam L. Robarn of Waco, Texas, did the preaching and Sam R. Robarn, his son, led the song services. Brother Robarn is a great preacher of the old time gospel and a great soul-winner. He was a great blessing to the church, town and pastor. He always draws pastor and church closer together. Any church in Tennessee will make no mistake by inviting Sam L. Robarn to hold a meeting. He is a sane, sound evangelist.

Just a word about Sam R., the son. He is a great leader of songs and did a very fine work in the meeting. He has returned to West Virginia, his home, where he will give all of his time to evangelistic singing. His Postoffice address is Manning, West Virginia.

We praise God for the great victory.

Brother Sam L. Robarn will be with us in an evangelistic campaign in Huntingdon, beginning the second week in November. Brethren, pray for us that God may give us a great meeting here.

**McMINN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEET**

The Executive Committee of the McMinn County Baptist Association met at the First Baptist church in Athens, October 16, 1923, and proceeded to organize. The following officers were elected: Rev. A. F. Mahan, chairman; and R. F. Boyd, clerk.

The clerk was instructed to solicit the various churches in the county, not identified with the McMinn County Association, to identify themselves with the Association at once. The clerk was also instructed to notify the secretary of the State Board of the organization of this new Association.

The following brethren, J. T. Spradling, T. M. Frye, and T. J. Isbell, were appointed as a committee to prepare a program and select a place for the next Fifth Sunday meeting.

Brother J. B. Elliot was elected statistician of the Executive Committee.

Motion carried to meet November 5, 1923, and invite a layman from each church, and all Baptist ministers in McMinn County to meet with the Executive Committee at its next meeting.

The question of rendering assistance to the weaker churches of the county was discussed, but no definite plans were made, and the matter was carried over until the next meeting.

The committee adjourned to meet again November 5, 1923, at the First Baptist church, Athens, Tennessee.—A. F. Mahan, Chm., R. F. Boyd, Clk

**IS THIS FAIR?**

By Ben Cox

I read a letter yesterday from an evangelist friend saying: "I have had three meetings in succession of long standing engagements cancelled on me on account of the pastors resigning. And I am right where I have got to keep going. If you have some pastor friends to whom you could recommend

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By J. M. Dawson.

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The author is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas. This book is a selection of his sermons which were preached to the students of Baylor College. Through the persuasive influence of his friends he was led to publish some of the sermons in book form. Dr. Brooks, president of Baylor College, says: "I hope every college student in all the land will own and read this book of sermons."

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me for meetings between now and Christmas, I would greatly appreciate it."

If the engagement is cancelled, the letter of cancellation should be accompanied by a check. In many cases, the man engaged has declined several other invitations in order to accept this one.

In the business world this rule would be followed, and I feel that as churches we should maintain fully as high a system of ethics as is maintained in business life.

If the church engaged the man, the church should be responsible. If the pastor made the engagement, he should be responsible.

**FROM IMMANUEL CHURCH, KNOXVILLE**

By A. R. Pedigo, Pator.

Brother J. M. Anderson, of Morristown, came to our church for a meeting on the 8 of this month and stayed until Friday the 19th. Our church was greatly revived and feasted bountifully on the gospel. Brother Anderson is a great lover of the Lord and by his earnestness and devotion to Jesus Christ leads you to love him more. Our church will go many days in the strength of the meeting. We had as many additions as we had conversions. There were seventy-five conversions and seventy-five additions. We have baptized fifty-one leaving six approved and eighteen by letter. The meeting is going to help us to do other things now that would have taken some time to get done. We are thanking God for Brother Anderson and his work among us.

Another thing that we are rejoicing over is that in the last campaign conducted by the young people of our church for the Baptist and Reflector, more than fifty subscriptions were se-

cured for the paper. I am sure that we shall be permitted to see the results of this work by our young people, not only in the increased interest on the part of the church but also see the young people continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of God. Our young people are growing in every way and the time will soon come when they will be strong and efficient members of the church. The blessing of the Lord upon them.

Just another word. I have been with this church eight years on October 28th. I am proud of the church and her growth, not so much from what I have done but that they were wanting to grow and show forth the praise of the Lord and to honor His name. I have seen 390 members come into the church since I came. There is a brighter outlook before the church now than when I first came. My heart and life is wrapped up in this people and church and my prayer to God is that they may continue to grow until every sinner is converted and the kingdom of God come in this place. I want to see every family taking the State paper and every member giving to missions.

May the blessings of the Lord be upon you and your work and that you through the paper will be able to do a greater work than ever before.

**REVIVAL AT DOYLE**

By W. G. Keyt

On September 30th we began a tent meeting at Doyle for the benefit of Doyle and surrounding country. The tent was placed on the campus of the school. Rev. Claude E. Sprague, evangelist, of Chattanooga, did the preaching, and did it in a great way. He is an able speaker and a consecrated man of God, having resigned the pas-

torate of the First Baptist Church at Cleveland, Tenn., to go into the evangelistic field. With him came singer S. W. Rutledge, also of Chattanooga.

With these consecrated men as leaders and our people co-operating, and all looking to God, who, gave us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ, we had a successful meeting. Brother Rutledge, although suffering from a severe cold did great work. His singing inspired the people and all feel a great spiritual uplift.

As a result of the meeting there were 28 conversions and 21 additions to the church, 17 by baptism with more to follow. The teachers in Doyle school helped greatly.

The business men closed their places of business for the day services and practically all denominations co-operated in the meeting. We wish to express our thanks to all who helped in any way. Above all we thank our Father in Heaven for an outpouring of such great blessings.

To Him be all the Glory.

**REVIVAL AT NEW HOME**

By W. A. Brown, Clerk.

New Home Missionary Baptist Church at Boma, Tenn., New Salem Macedonia, has had a glorious revival which began on the first Sunday of September, 1923, and continued for nine days and nights. J. R. Davis, of Union Association and the present pastor of the New Home Church, began the preaching on Sunday and did it in power and with good effect until Tuesday night, at which time brother Clouse, of Stone Association, came to help do the preaching and assist in other service. And I, not knowing his initials, will call him the "devil-skin-ner," because he is called by that name in his Association; and he is an expert in the work, and takes off the pelt clean and whole in the light of the Gospel! These two brother preachers worked together faithfully by taking turn about preaching and in altar work until the close of the services. The good Presbyterians and Methodists, of Baxter, Tenn., and other places, with some of the Christian orders, came and helped in singing, and praying and personal work. The result was 34 confessions of faith in Christ and 28 additions to the new home church by baptism and others are expected shortly.

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#### OUR STATE CONVENTION PROGRAM

At Martin, on November 13-14, the Tennessee W.M.U. will hold its annual convention. The program will appear in next week's paper, but we want to call your attention now to some of our speakers.

Dr. Jacob Gartenhaus, our missionary to the Jews will speak on the first morning. He is doing a great work under our Home Mission Board for these neglected people and he knows how to tell about it in a most attractive way. Be on time Tuesday morning.

#### In the Afternoon

Miss Emma Leachman, who for many years was connected with our Training School in Louisville, and now is field worker for the Home Mission Board, will address us on our personal service work. All Tennessee Baptist women know Miss Leachman and are happy to welcome her again to our convention.

#### Miss Blanche White

From our W.M.U. office at Birmingham, will bring us a stirring message as a representative from our Southern Union. Miss White is no stranger among us and we know a treat is in store for us.

Are you interested in Foreign Missions? Miss Hazel Andrews of China, will bring us a message on Wednesday that will make you more interested than ever before. Miss Andrews has many curios that will be especially interesting to young people.

Who said our W.M.U. did not love the men? On our Wednesday program we have two loyal brethren who will bring messages to us. Dr. J. T. Henderson from Knoxville, an authority on Stewardship will speak in the afternoon, and we will also hear from our very own Dr. Wilson.

Can you afford to miss such a program?

#### ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

Your secretary is so happy to be back home that she is spending her time running to associational meetings, seeing old friends. Bledsoe Association held its W.M.U. annual meeting at Hartsville. The superintendent, Miss Myra Dulin, planned a delightful program with Stewardship as the theme. Excellent talks were made and many pledged to become tithers.

The next day, October 17th, we were in the Knox County Association at their annual meeting. A good time was given to the W.M.U. and Mrs. R. L. Harris gave a most excellent report of the great work done by the Union.

October 18th found us in New River Association. We were told that no W.M.U. representative had ever visited them and we were given a very warm welcome. We now have only two societies, but we believe others will organize.

On the 19th we were at Carson-Newman College. How fine it was to see that splendid body of young people. We were happy to find the Y.W.A. doing progressive work under the leadership of Miss Cornelia Rollow. There are forty volunteers for foreign service in this school. We have four of our Margaret Fund stu-

dents there, three of the Jackson children of Brazil and Ruth Tipton of China.

We were glad to have a few words at Chapel, to speak to the Bible Class and meet with the Y.W.A.

Nolachucky Association W.M.U. quarterly meeting was our next stop. Mrs. J. B. Carter of Morristown, is our efficient superintendent. A helpful program emphasizing the Standard of Excellence, was given. That association is striving to be A-1 and we believe will succeed.

Everywhere we were welcomed by old friends and were also happy to meet the new workers. (If you are not ten years old you are new to this secretary.) As rapidly as possible we are anxious to meet the women all over the state.



Dr. Jacob Gartenhaus, missionary to the Jews, will address the W.M.U. Convention, Martin, November 13th.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE TO WEALEY COUNTY W.M.U. AT OCTOBER QUARTERLY MEETING AND REQUESTED FOR PUBLICATION

Matt. 6: 9-13. Thy Kingdom Come and Thy Will Be Done.

When we pray this prayer do we understand that we are asking great things of God. Do we belittle the prayer by what we really do? Suppose that God needed your life to help bring in that Kingdom, have you so responded that God's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven? In heaven every one is obedient to the will of the Father. Have we so laid ourselves on the altar that we can conscientiously pray the model prayer? It is said that there are one billion, five hundred million people on the earth. Big numbers that we cannot grasp, but when we find that only one-third are classified as Christians we can begin to understand the stupendous task for us. Out of the number of classified Christians (Baptists do not count them all as such) there is not an average of one-fifth who attend church and Sunday school. Of those who do attend, how many do you suppose have really studied the Bible and prayed during the week? Could we say that one out of four had really studied God's Word and prayed sincerely for His Kingdom's coming? If we could really count one out of four of nominal churchgoers that would only make about twenty-five million, or one out of every sixty professed followers of Christ who were really trying to bring the Kingdom of God in. It still seems that the task of evangelism is colossal. After two thousand years we are still pioneering. The fields are still white

unto harvest. What we need and must have is consistent Christian workers, really working that the Kingdom of God may come. The student volunteer slogan of "the World for Christ in This Generation" is well worth our study. At first it sounds amazing that people would utter such message and then really try to live up to it. But if this generation does not reach the present generation, who will? A Chinese convert asked the missionary, "How long have you known this story?" He, shamefacedly had to reply for two thousand years the followers of Christ have known. What will the future generation say of us? Will they rejoice in the great onward strides that have come to pass during our stay upon the earth? Today we are making history in Kingdom work. How great the privilege to be able to work in the vineyard now. Call to the Kingdom for such a time as this! What glorious thought that God could see down through the ages, that we would meet the challenge of the world today and has given us this trust! Earnestly pray that God's will be done and then dedicate yourself to the task. Do you realize that just so much as you live for Christ and dedicate yourself to his kingdom, that just that much you further the progress of the Kingdom? Spurgeon says "when this great fight is over he who is most scarred will be most honored." May our lives measure up to our possibilities. Are we to be counted faithful to the task of bringing in the Kingdom? Francis Havergal well expresses our heart's desire in her well known hymn:

"Take my life and let it be, consecrated Lord to Thee,  
Take my hands and let them move,  
At the impulse of Thy Word.

Take my feet and let them be, Swift and beautiful for Thee,  
Take my voice and let me sing, Always, only for my King.

Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold,  
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in endless praise.

Take my will and make it thine, It shall be no longer mine,  
Take my heart it is thine own, It shall be thy royal throne,"  
Mrs. T. N. Hale, Supt.

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CHATTANOOGA, PLANS TO HAVE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS, HOPING TO GO OVER TOP IN "THE PAY-UP CAMPAIGN" OCTOBER 28

By Myrtle Alexander

The First Baptist church, Chattanooga, is planning to start an intensive campaign with an every member canvass, when every man, woman and child of the church will be visited and asked to pay the amount due on their pledges to date for the three causes fostered by the church, namely: Current Expense, 75 Million, and Church Building Fund. Also those who have not made pledges heretofore will be asked to pledge to all of these causes in the hope that every member shall have a part in the finances of the church, hoping to go over the top in a noble way by November 4 when the campaign closes.

Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service nine new deacons were ordained, increasing the number from twenty-one to thirty. This was deemed advisable on account of the increase in church membership, thus making it necessary to have a larger working force to carry on the great work outlined for the ensuing year. Among the newly appointed deacons we have Mr. Geo. J. Burnett, formerly president of the Tennessee College, Murfreesboro, who has taken up the work in a noble fashion since coming into our midst, and has added much to our church by his enthusiasm. Christian patriotism, and his untiring zeal for the Kingdom work.

New officers for the ensuing year have been elected and are organizing their forces for the greatest year's work in the history of our church.

#### STATE MISSIONS IN PRACTICE.

By Fleetwood Ball

The State Executive Board has come to the aid of the local forces in Beech River Association for several years in supporting the work of establishing, maintaining and strengthening Baptist churches in that territory, composed of three entire counties and parts of two others.

Through this co-operation relationship, a record was made for ten consecutive years of the construction of

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one new house of worship each year, until the stringent times, coming on the heels of the World War, when this construction had to halt temporarily. Meanwhile, the annual contributions leaped from \$323.23 to missions in 1910 to \$2,219.77 to the same cause in 1922. There was an increase in the contributions for all purposes in the same period from \$2,450 to \$16,140.02. The number of Sunday schools increased from 13 to 28. A total of 15 new houses have been constructed since 1910.

A part of the time, only one missionary was supported on the field. For the past few years two missionary pastors have labored in the destitution found within the borders of the association. The need is little short of appalling. One county, Perry, has only three Baptist churches and one of those, Friendship, is practically extinct because of removals by the members from the territory. The county seat town, Linden, has no Baptist church. In Decatur County, along the Tennessee River, there is wide-spread destitution.

One missionary pastor has labored in this section and has been effective in building a new house at Town's Creek, finishing a new house at Standing Rock and in otherwise promoting

the cause in manifold ways. But the need is yet immeasurably great. During the past year the missionary pastor laboring in this section has done a fine work.

In the Western division of the association's territory another missionary pastor has labored in destitute sections of Henderson and Chester Counties. This pastor has built three new houses of worship and repaired a fourth during the past year. The house at Luray has been erected and dedicated at a cost of \$1,500; the houses at Central Grove and Enville, built at the cost respectively of \$1,200 and \$1,250. The second church, Lexington, has been dedicated after being repaired from devastation by a storm at a cost of \$388.97. In addition, this missionary pastor has witnessed on his field this year 120 conversions and received a total of 80 members, 60 by baptism and 20 by letter.

The churches of Beech River Association are deeply appreciative of the help received through co-operation with the State Executive Board. Without it, the work could never have been done. Neither can the destitution be properly supplied with strong heralds of the gospel without further co-operation. From the standpoint of the association, it looks like State Mission funds could not be more wisely invested than in proclaiming the gospel to the thousands in Perry, Decatur and Henderson Counties, including parts of Harding and Chester Counties, who otherwise will not hear it.

Hushed is her voice of prayer,  
Gone is her face of welcome;  
That wore such love and cheer.  
The Bible that she studied;  
The pencil that she used  
Lie there to show her family  
God's message perused.  
Now in our dreams we miss her;  
Beckoning us to come  
To holy new Jerusalem;  
Her own eternal home.

Resolved; That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the church, a copy be sent the family, a copy to the "Baptist and Reflector" for publication.

Mr. Bruce Stalings,  
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### OBITUARIES

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**Wagster:** Lonnie Wagster was born August 5, 1903, died August 14, 1923. Aged 20 year and 14 days. The home going of this dear boy brought sorrow to many hearts. Being left a motherless babe he found his way into these mother hearts of ours. Seven years of this noble young life was spent in the service of his Lord. He was active in church work. Always willing to do his part. How we miss him. But our loss is his gain. May God's richest blessings rest upon his father and sister whose hearts are sad because of his home going.

May we all bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.—A Friend.

**Tarver:** America Elizabeth Dyer Tarver, born November 16, 1841, died June 26, 1923, age 81 years, 7 months and 10 days. She professed faith in Christ at the age of 14 years. Joined the Baptist church at Cedar Ford. She moved her membership in 1883 to Little Flatcreek church. In the year 1899 she moved her membership to Union Baptist Church of which she lived a consecrated Christian life until death. She was married to R. R. Tarver, September 1, 1859. To this union was born 12 children, 4 sons and 8 daughters, 3 died in infancy, 2 sons and 1 daughter, 9 children survive her, 2 sons and 7 daughters, all of whom live in Knoxville and Knox County, Tennessee. She was the last to pass away of her mother's children, of which there was 12. She was loved by all who knew her. That in her death the community and church has lost a most lovable friend and useful member which, we feel deeply the loss. We bow in submission to the will of him who doeth all things well, knowing that our loss is but her eternal gain. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the bereaved children, and we pray that our heavenly father will comfort them in their great sorrow.

A precious one from us has gone;  
A voice we loved, is stilled,  
A place is vacant in our home;  
Which never can be filled.  
God in His wisdom has recalled  
The one his love had given,  
And though the body slumbers here,  
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# PASTORS' CONFERENCES

## REPORTED ATTENDANCE, OCT. 28.

Nashville, First	1,239
(Main School)	501
(Allen Fort Bible Class)	637
(17th Ave. Mission)	101
Memphis, First	1,007
Knoxville, Bell Ave.	902
Memphis, Temple	902
Chattanooga, First	892
Memphis, Central	834
Memphis, Bellevue	710
Maryville, First	548
Chattanooga, Avondale	415
Nashville, Immanuel	403
Nashville, Edgefield	400
Etowah	391
Knoxville, Lonsdale	389
Chattanooga, Central	387
Cleveland, First	375
Nashville, Eastland	370
Rockwood	362
Memphis, La Belle Place	351
Nashville, Lockland	343
Nashville, Judson Memorial	332
Fountain City, Central	327
Knoxville, Enclid Ave.	321
Nashville, Belmont Heights	321
Chattanooga, East	316
Knoxville, Immanuel	311
Elizabethton	309

### NASHVILLE

Belmont Heights: John D. Freeman, pastor; "Our Wondrous Salvation" and "How Are We Saved?"; received for baptism 3; baptized 5; by letter 7; in SS 321; in B.Y.P.U. 22; in Int. B.Y.P.U. in Jr. B.Y.P.U. 31; professions, 4. Meeting closed with two great congregations and splendid services.

North Edgefield—A. W. Duncan, pastor; "The Joy of the Christian's Power"; "Lifted out of the Horrible Pit"; in SS 288; in B.Y.P.U. 94; Our church will furnish an apartment at the Baptist Orphanage.

First Baptist Church—W. F. Powell, pastor; "Heavenly Recognition" and "When Chickens Come Home to Roost"; received for baptism 4; baptized 1; by letter 8; 12 additions Sunday.

Grace—J. A. Carmack, pastor; "Keeping Covenant With God and His People" and "The Mystery of Godliness"; in SS 259; in B.Y.P.U. 20; in Int. B.Y.P.U. 23; a very happy day.

Calvary—W. H. Vaughn, pastor; "In Touch With Christ" and "Pray and Fall Not"; in SS 125; in B.Y.P.U. 16; in Int. B.Y.P.U. 18.

Seventh—Edgar W. Barnett, pastor; "The World's Supreme Need" and Brother L. P. Royer preached at night; received for baptism 2; professions 2; in SS 227; in B.Y.P.U. 23; in Jr. B.Y.P.U. 36; The pastor preached at night for Brother Royer. Meeting started off fine.

Edgefield—W. M. Wood, pastor; "Jonah's Sin" and "The Lord's Prayer"; in SS 400; in B.Y.P.U. 40; in Int. B.Y.P.U. 12; in Jr. B.Y.P.U. 22; new building dedicated; \$2,500 raised on the field for furnishing the new building.

17th Ave. Mission—S. E. Loxley, pastor; "Joy" and "Question Human Destiny"; received for baptism 9; by letter 2; professions 1; in SS 103; in B.Y.P.U. 41; our revival meeting in progress. Brother Delaney is being used greatly by the Lord, expecting many more before meeting closes.

Union Hill—H. F. Burns, pastor; "Let Us Go Up and Possess It" and "The Consciousness After Death."

Judson Memorial—C. F. Clark, pastor; "The Fellowship of Loyalty" and "Our Sin Bearer"; received for baptism 2; baptized 2; by letter 5; in SS 332; in B.Y.P.U. 36; in Int. B.Y.P.U. 22; in Jr. B.Y.P.U. 22.

Immanuel Baptist—Dr. Ryland Knight, pastor; "Homely Virtues"—Genesis 28: 12 and "Strength in Weakness"—2 Corinthians 12: 7-9; in SS 403; in B.Y.P.U. Senior I, 13; Senior II, 25; in Intermediate B.Y.P.U. 18; in Jr. B.Y.P.U. 18; Total 74.

Park Avenue—A. M. Nicholson, pastor; "Unexpected Blessings" and "The

Unrest of Diety"; in SS 282; in B.Y.P.U. Senior No. I, 23; No. II, 23; in Int. B.Y.P.U. 16; in Jr. B.Y.P.U. 25; Sunbeam Band 11.

Eastland—Dr. O. L. Haley, pastor; Dr. Loyd T. Wilson on "Baptist Opportunities and Responsibilities." and Brother E. O. Bryant on "Crown Jesus Lord and King"; in SS 370; good attendance at all four B.Y.P.U.'s.

Lockland Baptist—J. C. Miles, pastor; "Man's Place in God's Plan" and "Meditation"; received for baptism 1; baptized 1; by letter 1; profession 1; in SS 343; in B.Y.P.U.'s good. Had 134 men in the Business Men's Bible Class. The foundation is completed for our new building and the work is being rapidly pushed to completion.

### MEMPHIS

Temple: J. Carl McCoy, pastor; spoke at both hours. SS 902; by letter 2.

First: Brother Arthur Flake spoke in the morning, Pastor Boone preached at night. By letter 1; SS occupied new building 1007 strong.

Germantown: J. W. Joyner, pastor; preached morning and evening. Good congregations; good SS good BYPU. Prescott Memorial: Jas. H. Oakley, pastor; "Faith" and "The New Man." SS 286; good unions.

Joseph Papia, Italian Missionary: Times preached 2; Present in SS 28; Families prayed with 9; tracts distributed 31; visits made 40.

Greenland Heights: Chas. Lovejoy, pastor; spoke at both hours, good congregations SS 45; BYPU 34, good.

Seventh Street: Dr. R. W. Hooker preached at the morning hour; and Brother C. F. Crist spoke on the young people's work at night. SS 216; 3 unions.

N. Evergreen: 34 present; \$305.19 offering.

McLemore Ave.: Pastor Furr preached at both hours. SS 212; good unions.

Charleston: O. A. Utley, pastor; "The Origin of the Devil" and "Second Coming of Christ." SS 110; BYPU 25. House Crowded full.

Boulevard: J. H. Wright, pastor; preached at both hours. By letter 2; SS 186; 2 good BYPU's.

Highland Heights: great day; Pastor E. F. Curle preached at both hours to fine congregations. SS 227 in SS; 125 in three BYPU's; 2 additions.

Speedway Terrace: J. O. Hill, pastor; preached both hours. Good attendance. SS 136; interesting BYPU's.

La Belle Place: D. A. Ellis, pastor; "Friends of Jesus." SS 351; by letter 1.

Merton Ave.: E. J. Hill, pastor; "The Christian Race" and "Our Great Inheritance." SS 170; interesting BYPU's.

Central: Pastor Cox preached both hours. rec'd for baptism 17; by letter 6; SS 834.

New South Memphis: Pastor Norris preached both hours. Especially large crowd of men at night. Three good BYPU's; SS 100. Basement building progressing.

Bellevue: W. M. Bostick, pastor; preached both hours. In SS 710; by letter.

### KNOXVILLE

Inskip—W. D. Hutton, pastor; Dan. 6: 10 and Matt. 26: 36; in SS 132; preached Junior order sermon at Heiskell in afternoon.

Mt. View—J. B. Dykes, pastor; revival. How Brought About? and How to Win Souls; in SS 200; B.Y.P.U. 60.

Riverdale—Arlie E. Cate, pastor; "Baptism" and "A Glorious Church"; by baptism 36; organized the church last Monday night, October 22 with 11 charter members.

Lonsdale—W. A. Atchley, pastor; L. T. May on "The Redemption of Our Bodies"; Evangelist Johnson at night;

In SS 389; B.Y.P.U. 155; special meetings begun at the night service.

Immanuel—A. R. Pedigo, pastor; "The Handclasp of Fellowship" and "The Supreme Need of the Church"; in SS 311; have been with the church eight years starting ninth year.

Central of Fountain City—J. C. Shipe, pastor; "The Blood Bought Throng" and "Gourd Vine Christians"; in SS 327; B.Y.P.U. 155; received by letter 1; splendid congregations.

Gillespie Ave.—J. K. Smith, pastor; "The Doctrine of Salvation and Rewards" and "God Caring for His Sheep"; in SS 211.

Beaumont—D. A. Webb, pastor; Isa. 9: 6; and Col. 1: 17, 18; in SS 162.

Fountain City—Neill Acuff, pastor; "A Heart Service" and "A Servant That Serves"; in SS 160.

Washington Pike—J. A. Lockhart, Pastor; "Work Out Your Own Salvation"; and "The Great Shepherd"; 100 in SS; received by letter 1; by baptism 1.

Euclid Ave.—J. W. Wood, pastor; "Preparation" and W. E. Conner, on "A Good Fight"; in SS 321; B.Y.P.U. 80; received by letter 1; by baptism 1; pastor in revival with Third Creek Church; good interest; great day.

Oakwood—R. E. Grimsly, pastor; "Some Questions About Prayer," and "Why We Suffer"; in SS 233.

Bell Ave.—Jas. Allen Smith, pastor; "He Went a Little Farther" and "Keeping the Sabbath"; in SS 908; by letter 1; by baptism 1.

Central of Bearden—Robt. Humphrey, pastor; "Loving one Another" no services evening; in SS 116.

Grove City—D. W. Lindsay, pastor; "The Great Shepherd" and "The Sealing of the 144,000"; in SS 150; by letter 1; B.Y.P.U. 10; by baptism 2; Two conversions; three approved for baptism.

Smithwood—Chas. P. Jones, pastor; Dr. J. M. Anderson on "Why Join the Church?" and "Choosing A Master"; in SS 201; conversions 20; waiting letters, 5; for baptism 14; Dr. Anderson is a great preacher. Mr. Jud Cline is leading the music.

Mt. Olive—Stephen C. Grigsby, pastor; "Peace Religion" and "The Whole Armour"; in SS 179. Our revival begins Sunday, Nov. 4. The church will build an annex to the present building at a cost of \$10,000 to begin at once.

### CHATTANOOGA

First: John W. Inzer, pastor; "Does God Really Care?" and "Where Are the Nine?" Rec'd by letter 2; for baptism, 1; SS 892.

Central: W. L. Pickard, pastor; "\$75,000,000" and "A Great Home Coming." Rec'd by letter 2; SS 387; over 100 in three BYPU's. Begin special meeting Wednesday night assisted by Judge Gentry, S. C.

Oltawah: L. H. Syler, pastor; "The Golden Age" and "Following Christ." Rec'd by letter 1; for baptism 1; BYPU 38.

Alton Park: T. J. Smith, pastor; "The Joy Set Before Him" and "What Think Ye of Christ?" SS 173; BYPU good. Good services both morning and evening.

Chamberlin Ave.: G. T. King, pastor; "Paying Our Pledges" and "The Power of the Gospel." SS 143.

U. S. Army Chapel: Chap. H. N. Blanchard, chaplain; "Religion in the Army." SS 64.

Tyner: J. N. Monroe, pastor; "What Stewardship Is" Luke 9: 13 and program by W.M.S. on "Missions." SS 114; BYPU 40.

Dayton: W. A. Moffitt, pastor; "Not by Might nor by Power" and "Fishers of Men." SS 107.

N. Chatta.: Wm. S. Keese, pastor; "The Call to Southern Baptists" and "Some Benefits from the Fall." SS 205; BYPU 89.

Oak Grove Tab.: W. C. Tallant, pastor; "If Our Hearts Condemn Us" and "Ye Are Fallen from Grace." SS 102; BYPU 30. Splendid evening congregation.

Chickamauga, Ga.: Geo. W. McClure, pastor; "Ready to Pay" and "The Choice of Moses." SS 153; BYPU 70.

Red Banks: J. A. Maples, pastor;

"How to Get Acquainted with Christ" and "Seven Great Promises." SS 186; One Baptized; performed marriage ceremony.

Avondale: T. G. Davis, pastor; A. F. Mahan on "Jesus the Light of the World" and "The Second Coming of Christ." For baptism 1; SS 415; BYPU good. Meetings Continue this week with Brother Mahan doing the preaching.

E. Chatta.: J. N. Bull, pastor; "Light in Darkness" and "Naaman." SS 316.

Etowah: A. F. Mahan, pastor; T. G. Davis on "Wholly Given to God" and "Christ for the World and for Me." SS 391; BYPU good. Pastor in meeting at Avondale church in Chattanooga.

### CLARKSVILLE

First—W. C. Reeves, pastor; "Winning to Christ" and "The Ugly Sign Across the Front"; by baptism 1; by letter 2; rain; SS low attendance; fine B.Y.P.U.; preparatory to revival; Inzer and Scholfield in revival next week.

Fairview—T. H. Roark supply; closed good revival; 9 by baptism.

Spring Creek—T. H. Roark, pastor; good services, rain.

Guthrie—C. G. Graber, pastor; "Ye Are the Salt of the Earth" and "Christ Crucified"; first day with church. Excellent services, auspicious beginning; A-1 B.Y.P.U.

Kirkland—D. P. DeHart, pastor; closed revival, Graber preaching; 12 baptisms, church gloriously revived.

New Providence—A. L. Bates, pastor; J. J. Thomas supplied; excellent services.

Blooming Grove—M. I. Crocker, pastor; "Letting our Lights Shine," and "The Good Shepherd"; good meetings; Emmanuel—M. I. Crocker, pastor; Good Sunday school; beginning a class in Stewardship.

Little Hope—C. R. Widick, pastor; good services.

Harmony—C. R. Widick, pastor; good services.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Lenior City First: E. G. Johnston, pastor; sermon to children and Rev. F. J. Hoge on "Watching." SS 267. Pastor Johnston is at Lonsdale for two weeks conducting a revival.

Athens First: J. Herschel Ponder, pastor; "Baptist Loyalty" and "Well Favored Children." SS 220. Loyalty Legion going good.

Kingston: W. C. Creasman, pastor; "The Awakening of Zion" and "The Man Who Wore His Old Clothes." Good congregations and good interest.

Elizabethton: J. K. Haynes, pastor; SS 309; BYPU 105. Our work is going on splendidly with fine crowds at every service. I have just closed a great meeting in Honaker, Va.

Maryville First: J. R. Johnson, pastor; preached at both services. Cottage prayer meetings are to be held this week at many places in preparation for the revival which is to begin next Sunday.

Ball Camp: A. B. Johnson, pastor; "Thine Eyes Shall See the King in His Beauty" and "He Was Great Man But He Was a Leper." SS 83; BYPU 43. Our revival begins Nov. 11, pray for us.

Bethel, Ala.: Evangelist R. D. Cecil supplied for Pastor Dr. O. P. Bentley. Good SS and BYPU and a good day.

Rockwood, First: L. W. Clark, pastor; "Christ Our Advocate." SS 362; 10 100% classes; BYPU's 138; by baptism 27; by letter 14. Ten days' revival closed Thursday evening. Rev. J. N. Bull assisted the pastor. One of the best meetings in the history of the church.

Big Spring (Cleveland): A. T. Hayes, pastor; Sat. night "The Hope of the Calling." "Jesus, Send Fire on the Earth" and "The One Thing Needful." SS fine; baptized 2; rec'd by letter 1; great day in all departments. W.M.S. doing a fine work. God bless our women.

Gordonsville: M. R. Cooper, pastor; "Stewardship" 1 Pet. 4: 10, and "Self-denial" Luke 9: 23. Good congregations.

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# AMONG THE BRETHREN

Fleetwood Hall, Lexington

Rev. Jno. T. Oakley and wife, of Hartsville, Tenn., will have been married 50 years on November 23. Their hosts of friends are planning to suitably celebrate their Golden Wedding at the Hartsville Baptist church on that day. Brother Oakley is in the 53rd year of his ministerial labors. Prof. John W. Williams, of Portland, Tenn., is chairman of the arrangement committee.

In his new field at Canyon, Texas, Rev. Lynn Claybrook has unlimited opportunity. Canyon is the location of the West Texas State Normal College with an enrollment last year of 2,516. There are over 200 Baptist students in the school this term and nearly 600 Baptist teachers were in the summer school last summer. He has had more than 50 additions during the month he has been pastor.

Rev. J. E. McPeake has resigned his pastorate at Roff, Okla., to accept a call to the care of the church at Parum, Okla. His new field offers him great opportunity.

Rev. W. H. Bringle has resigned as pastor of the First Church, Trenton, Mo., to accept a call to the First Church, Chillicothe, Mo. He has served the church at Trenton seven years.

That was a great victory in the revival in the First church, Monroe, La., the pastor, Rev. Frank Tripp, doing the preaching and James W. Jelks leading the singing. There were 119 additions, 60 for baptism, 52 by letter and 7 by restoration.

Dr. A. J. Barton, of Alexandria, La., lately assisted Rev. H. M. Bennett in a revival at Vivian, La., resulting in 21 additions. Robt. W. Halley had charge of the music. The second day Dr. Barton was stricken with dengue fever and later Brother Bennett was attacked with vetigo, but the work went on gloriously.

A gracious revival has just closed at Istrouma church, Baton Rouge, La., resulting in 76 accessions to the church. Rev. C. P. Roney did the preaching, assisting Rev. H. J. McCool, the pastor. A. F. Boyd led the singing.

After serving eight eventful years as pastor of the Second Church, Atlanta, Ga., Dr. Henry Alford Porter resigns to accept a call to the Third church, St. Louis, Mo. It is gratifying to know that the change will not take him out of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Rev. W. L. Hambrick has resigned as pastor of Tabernacle church, Carrollton, Ga., to accept a call to Central Church, Atlanta, Ga., effective next Sunday. He succeeds in the Atlanta pastorate Rev. C. A. Ridley.

Dr. M. E. Dodd, of the First Church, Shreveport, La., and his gifted wife have been on a visit to her parents, Dr. G. M. Savage and wife, in Jackson, Tenn., and his parents near Trenton, Tenn.

Rev. F. O. Lamoreux has resigned at Ridgeway, S. C., to accept a call to the care of the First church, Abbeville, S. C., effective November 1.

Rev. N. A. Edmonds lately resigned at Kilmichael, Miss., and is succeeded in that pastorate by Rev. J. E. Eldson, who moved from Bellefontaine, Miss. There are some unusual names in this news item.

During the two years and five months Rev. M. C. Vick has been pastor of the First Church, Clarksdale, Miss., the membership has grown from 197 to over 400 and has paid out over \$25,000, most of which has been paid

on a debt of \$40,000 on a handsome new house.

Rev. H. H. Wallace, a native of Kentucky and a former pastor in Illinois, has accepted the care of the North Tyler Church, Tyler, Texas.

T. J. McGinty, of Muskogee, Okla., has resigned as Superintendent of the Oklahoma Baptist Hospital to accept a similar position with the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, of Louisville, Ky. The change is effective Nov. 1.

Dr. A. S. Pettie, of Fulton, Ky., has been called as pastor of the church at Burgin, Ky., and, we are reliably informed, has accepted. He is no petty preacher.

Rev. Nathan Keller has accepted the care of the church at Mansfield, Ark., and comes back to the State where he formerly labored effectively.

Rev. Arthur Fox, of Mayfield, Ky., lately assisted Rev. J. M. Dameron in a revival with the First church, Johnson City, Ill., resulting in 52 additions, 42 by baptism. James A. Brown of Dallas, Texas, led the music.

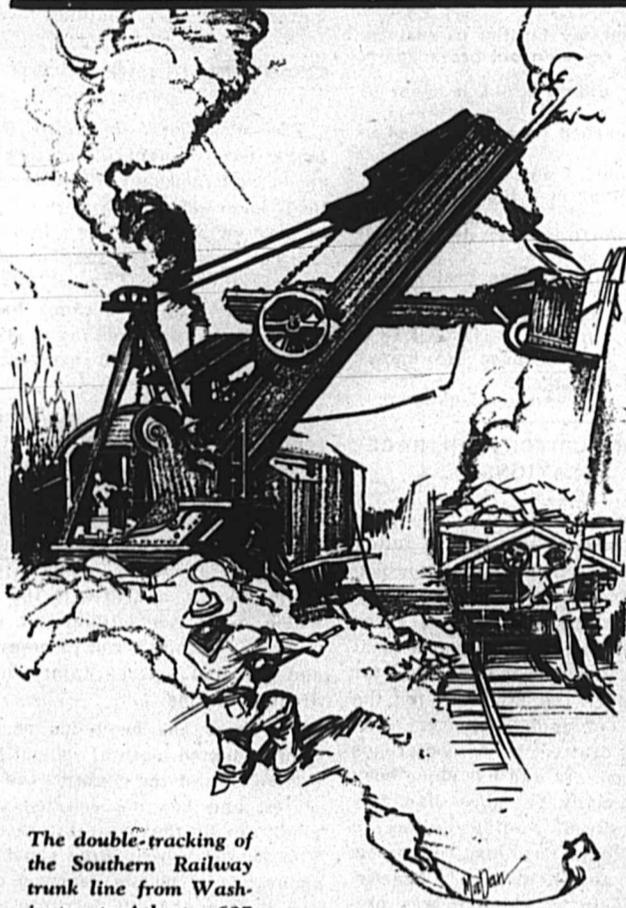
Rev. B. F. Davidson resigns as B.Y.P.U. Secretary, of Oklahoma, to accept the care of the church at Forest City, Ark. Every God-called preacher ought to be in the pastorate

or evangelistic work. There are enough capable laymen to fill the secretarial jobs.

The revival at Obion, Tenn., in which Rev. W. M. Bostick, of Memphis, Tenn., assisted the pastor, Rev. G. T. Mayo, of Dresden, Tenn., resulted in 7 additions. The church decided to build a new house of worship to cost about \$25,000. Finance and Building Committees were appointed.

The First Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., has done the gracious thing in appreciation of their capable pastor, Dr. J. W. Inzer. A recommendation by the Board of Deacons that his salary be increased from \$5,000 to \$6,000 was concurred in. He is also given the use of a home on Oak Street and a summer residence on Lookout Mountain.

## SOUTHERN RAILWAY SYSTEM



The double-tracking of the Southern Railway trunk line from Washington to Atlanta, 637 miles, cost \$52,000,000.

### Plowing back the earnings

In the ten years ending 1920 freight traffic on the Southern Railway System more than doubled. This was a very much larger gain than was shown by the railroads of the country as a whole. The South was growing faster than the rest of the country.

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## THE CHANGED CROSS

It was a time of sadness and my heart,  
Although it knew and felt the better part;  
Felt wearied with the conflict and the strife,  
And all the needful discipline of life.

And while I thought on these as given to me,  
My trial tests of faith and love to be,  
It seemed as if I never could be sure  
That faithful to the end, I should endure.

And thus no longer trusting to His might,  
Who says "we walk by faith and not by sight,"  
Doubting and almost yielding, to despair,  
The thoughts arose, my cross I cannot bear.

Far heavier its weight must surely be,  
Than those of others which I daily see;  
Oh, if I might another burden choose,  
Methinks I should not fear my crown to lose.

A solemn silence reigned on all around,  
E'en Nature's voices uttered not a sound;  
The evening shadows seemed of peace to tell,  
And sleep upon my weary spirit fell.

A moment's pause, and then a heavenly light,  
Beamed full upon my wondering raptured sight,  
Angels, on silvery wings, seemed everywhere,  
And angel's music thrilled the balmy air.

Then, one more fair than all the rest to see,

One to whom all others bowed the knee;  
Came gently to me, as I trusting lay,  
And "follow me," He said, "I am the way."

Then speaking thus, He led me far above,  
And there beneath a canopy of love,  
Crosses of divers shape and size were seen  
Larger and smaller than my own had been.

And one that was most beautiful to behold,  
A little one with jewels set in gold;  
Oh, this, me thought, I can with comfort wear  
For it will be an easy one to bear.

And so the little cross I quickly took,  
But all at once my frame beneath it shook,  
The sparkling jewels, fair they were to see,  
But far too heavy was their weight for me.

This may not be, I cried, and looked again,  
To see if any here could ease my pain;  
But one by one, I passed them slowly by,  
Till on a lovely one I cast my eye.

Fair flowers around its sculptured form entwined,  
And grace and beauty seemed in it combined;  
Wondering, I gazed, and still I wondered more  
To think so many should have passed it o'er.

But oh! that form so beautiful to see,  
Soon made its hidden sorrows known to me;  
Thorns lay beneath those flowers and colors fair,  
Sorrowing, I said "This cross I cannot bear."

And so it was with each and all around,  
Not one to suit my need could there be found,  
Weeping, I laid each heavy burden down,  
As my guide gently said, "No cross, no crown."

And then, with lightened eyes and burning feet,  
Again I turned my earthly cross to meet,  
With forward footsteps, and turning not aside  
For fear some hidden evil might betide.

And there in the prepared appointed way,  
List'ning to hear and ready to obey,  
A cross I quickly found of plainest form,  
With only words of love inscribed thereon.

With thankfulness, I raised it from the rest,  
And joyfully acknowledged it the best;  
The only one of all the many there;  
That I could feel was good for me to bear.

And while I thus my chosen one confessed,  
I saw a heavenly brightness on it rest,  
And as I bent my burden to sustain,  
I recognized my own old cross again.

But oh, how different did it seem to be,  
Now I had learned its preciousness to see,  
No longer could I unbelieving say,  
Perhaps another is a better way.

Oh, no henceforth my own desire shall be  
That He who knows me best should choose for me,  
And so what e'er His love sees good to send  
I trust it's best because He knows the end.

—Author Unknown.

## SOUTHERN EDITORS ON RACE RELATIONS

Editors of leading daily papers in six of the Southern states have united in a signed statement asking for mutual helpfulness and co-operation between the white and colored races in the South, for adequate educational advantages for colored people, for equality before the law, and for the abatement of mob violence. The paper was drafted in a conference of Virginia editors and has since been signed personally by more than fifty other editors of leading dailies in North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. Practically every man to whom it was presented readily attached his name. It is believed therefore that with few exceptions it fairly represents the attitude of the Southern press as a whole. The statement follows:

"In the attainment and maintenance of improved interracial relations in our Southern states we believe that a policy of co-operation between the more thoughtful of both races is fundamental, this being the antithesis of antagonism and polemic discussion.

"Mutual helpfulness between whites and blacks should be encouraged; the better element of both races striving by precept and example to impress the interdependence of peoples living side by side, yet apart.

"The negroes of the South are largely dependent upon the white press for current news of the day. It would be well if even greater effort was made to publish news of a character which is creditable to the negro, showing his development as a people along desirable lines. This

would stimulate him to try to attain to a higher standard of living.

"We do not believe that education suited to the needs of the individual of any race is harmed. It is a generally accepted fact that in both races, if the entire mass were educated, industrial problems would adjust themselves automatically and the less fit of either race would find the work and place for which he was best equipped. It has been authoritatively stated that the negro demand would absorb all teachers, preachers, physicians and lawyers the schools may turn out.

"The influence of the thoughtful men of both races should be invoked in the effort to establish and assure equality before the law for negro defendants in all criminal trials.

"Abatement of mob rule and its crimes is an aim to which all good citizens should pledge their support.

"In the harmonious co-operation of the thoughtful and exemplary men and women of both races lies the prospect of larger understanding and better interracial relations."

## DISASTERS IN THE SOUTH THIS YEAR

The West and Southwest can no longer boast a monopoly on tornadoes, floods, and the many other little practical jokes Mother Nature is prone to play on poor mortals. In spite of the boll weevil, shortage of rain in some sections and too much in others, the year's crop of serious disasters in the South compares favorably with those of the most devastated areas of the country.

Figures gleaned from the annual report of disaster work of the Red Cross received today, which covers activities from June, 1922, to June, 1923, show that in the twelve month's period there have been fifteen serious disasters resulting from terrific storms, floods, and fires in the South, which destroyed millions of dollars in property, took a toll of many lives, and inflicted serious injury to hundreds of people.

The year has been one of almost unprecedented natural calamities for this section of the country, the report states, and has necessitated the expenditure by the organization of over \$163,500,000 in extending relief to the thousands of people deprived of food and shelter, and left destitute without warning by a freak trick of nature. Relief given, it is stated, was administered in accordance with the policy of the American Red Cross, and was in every instance based on the actual needs of the individual.

Mentioned among the more severe disasters in which the Red Cross has extended relief in the last year are the destructive fire at Newbern, N. C., December 1, which destroyed over \$2,500,000.00 worth of property and left 3,500 people homeless; the hail storm of August 3, 1922, which left 173 families of Anderson, S. C., in need of immediate relief; the More Haven, La., flood which inundated over 150 homes; the little town of Hamlet, Miss., which was visited by two terrific cyclones in as many months, wiping out practically the whole town; and the tornado which swept through Pinson, Tenn., devastating a large section of the city, killing twenty people and, injuring 100 others.



A small negro boy went to a physician to be treated for a painful sensation in one of his ears. Upon examination, the ear was found to be full of water.

"How did it happen?" he was asked, after his ear had been drained. "Been going in swimming?"

"Now, suh," said the little fellow, "been eatin' watermelon!"

Joe Hass tells about a tin roof of a Kansas store that was torn off and rolled into a compact bundle by a cyclone. Having a sense of humor, the owner wrapped a few strands of bailing wire around the ruin and shipped it to Henry Ford. In due time came a communication saying: "It will cost you \$48.50 to have your car repaired. For heaven's sake, tell us what hit you!"

The new doorkeeper at the local museum had evidently learned the rules by heart before taking over the job. "Here, sir; you must leave your umbrella at the door," he said to a visitor who was going straight through the turnstile. "But I haven't any umbrella." "Then you must go back and get one," was the stern reply. "No one is allowed to pass in here unless he leaves his umbrella at the door!"

"Carry yer bag, sir?" said an eagerurchin to a man on Forty-Second Street, hurrying toward the Grand Central Station. "No, thanks!" replied the man shortly. "I'll carry it all the way for a dime," persisted the lad. "I tell you I don't want it carried!" retorted the man. "Don't yer?" "No, I don't!" The lad broke into a quick trot to keep up with his victim's hasty strides as he asked, in innocent curiosity: "Then what are you carrying it for?"

The patient in the private ward of a hospital was a testy old millionaire, whose case at first gave the physician considerable difficulty. "Well," said the cranky one after he had been there several weeks, "how do you find me this morning?" "You're getting on well," replied the physician, rubbing his hands in satisfaction. "Your legs are still swollen, but that doesn't bother me." "Of course it doesn't," snarled the old man. "Your legs could swell until they blew up, and it wouldn't bother me."

A doctor, an architect, and a Bolshevik were discussing the priority of their occupations.

The doctor said: "When Adam's side was opened and a rib removed to make woman, there was a surgical operation—medicine was the oldest trade."

The architect: "Yes, but when the earth was made out of a chaos there was the building process, the use of materials according to a plan. The architect's is still older."

The Bolshevik smiled and said: "But who supplied the chaos?"