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## THE RIGHT SPIRIT.

By Geo. W. McDaniel.

The president will not deliver an opening address at the Southern Baptist Convention this year. He will thus, for several reasons, break a precedent which has happily obtained for a number of years.

If it be required that the president shall make an address, then no man can discharge the duties of president except one who has the gift of speaking to an audience of thousands. One eminently qualified in other more important respects would thereby be disqualified for the presidency.

Requiring an address of the president is too formal for Baptists. One cannot speak to edification who speaks merely because it is required. If the president feels impelled to speak let him do so, but not because he is compelled by precedent.

Such a custom might easily be abused. Conceivably, there might be a president, who thought that he was to make a deliverance for the Convention upon matters which should be left to the Convention to decide, uninfluenced by the president. All future presidents could not be so happy in their addresses as was President Mullins at Kansas City when a paragraph from his opening address was adopted as the sentiment of the Convention upon a controverted question. With the situation in the Convention as it will be at Memphis, no president could discuss that question so as to receive unanimous approval. I have convictions and am ready to express them as an individual, but I am unwilling, save under some imperious necessity of conscience, to express them officially when they might divide the constituency whose representative I am.

The most important matters to come before the Convention at Memphis are in the hands of Committees and will be brought to the Convention in their reports. If I spoke what is in my mind and heart I should deal with some of these matters and would there-

by forestall the work of regularly appointed committees.

Having given my reason for not delivering an opening address, I shall ask the brethren to consider with me a few things preparatory to the Convention. It is safe to assume that brethren, many of whom come great distances at considerable expense and inconvenience to attend the sessions of our great Convention, are profoundly interested in the business which the Convention has in hand. It is also safe to assume that in all ordinary conditions they will be thoroughly considerate of one another, thoroughly respectful, and as occasion arises even worshipful in the sessions of the body. I am assured of this and what I have got to say in the way of a particular counsel grows largely out of the physical conditions in which the Convention must almost of necessity meet year by year. With our crowded halls, with our throngs in attendance, with the long sessions, with the various situations that arise among our delegates and which seems to make necessary the coming and going of groups of them from time to time during the sessions of the body, we sometimes have temporary disturbances of the peace and

**"Crack Shots from Uncle Gideon's Rifle."**

**God can strike straight licks  
with crooked sticks.**

—J. B. Gambrell.  
From O. E. Bryan's Note Book.

order which ought to prevail. For these reasons:

Consider that we be brethren. Brethren love each other. Christian brethren mean to give no offense and should not take offense. No matter how perplexing the question, or how sharp the differences of opinion, which may arise, still *we be brethren*.

Consider that we be Baptist brethren. This means that each one has his rights and that the rights of all are equal. It means that we are so to deport ourselves as to add to the luster of the Baptist name, the strength of our common work and the glory of our Master.

Consider that no one should get unduly excited at Memphis. Baptists have a right to disagree without getting mad. "Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad." Though the Latin proverb of which this is a free translation uses a word which means "make insane," yet the quotation may be apposite, for when we get angry we are very likely also to be "mad." I serve notice now, that if I am in the chair, parliamentary procedure will be impartially and strictly enforced and should members get excited or angry that will not affect matters except in

their own bosoms. Every messenger at Memphis should go there with the resolve to "keep his head," to speak no hasty or inconsiderate word, and to abide by, and support the action of the majority.

Consider that the Convention is a religious gathering. We do not read newspapers, or carry on conversations, or move around in the churches during religious services. Neither should we in the Convention. If one must read the daily paper, let him read it before he goes into the Convention. If one must talk, let him go outside and remain there until his conversation is over. If one must leave the body while it is in session, let him withdraw noiselessly. When a motion to adjourn has been voted let all brethren remain quietly for the announcements and benediction. There should be no bustle and stir to get out of the hall immediately after the motion to adjourn is passed. This is a form of disorder unbecoming in a religious meeting. Only a few minutes of time is involved and every interested messenger has the right to hear the announcements and without disturbance. How can members hear, in the midst of a hubbub, the calls of committees, which perhaps they should attend? Speaking and hearing in the large convention hall are difficult at best. Brethren are expected to observe all the proprieties of a religious meeting. Did you ever think how impious it would be for a congregation to begin to disperse during the singing of the last hymn Sunday morning and before the benediction was pronounced?

Consider that we shall be at Memphis upon the Lord's business. There is no other justification for the Convention. It is a large body of co-operative Baptists voluntarily associated to attend to the business of the Kingdom. Everything that would interfere with the Lord's business should be put aside. Sufficient time and sustained thought should be given by every messenger. If he is sent by his church he is under double obligation to give himself to the sessions of the Convention.

Consider that the existing situation demands the very best of Baptists at Memphis. The needs are more clamant than ever, the obligations are more pressing, the opportunities are more inviting. The very seriousness of the situation is in itself a challenge. Southern Baptists can supply the needs, discharge the obligations, utilize the opportunities and meet the challenge by a serious, united, sustained and sacrificial effort. May that be our spirit at Memphis. May every one who goes have his soul steeped on prayer and all who remain at home be in continuous prayer that the Lord may guide Southern Baptists to do His will.

"We are not here to dream, to drift;  
We have hard work to do and loads to lift;  
Shun not the struggle; face it;

'Tis God's will."



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## EDITORIAL

### DIVINE AUTHORITY OF THE CHURCHES.

Baptists are generally agreed that each church, organized after the New Testament type, is free and independent. Such churches are the only institutions in this world with divine authority. The local churches are, therefore, the courts of highest appeal in Baptist denominational affairs. These churches, as such, cannot delegate any of their divine authority. They cannot merge themselves into general bodies. Messengers to general bodies do not take with them any church authority. They meet in these conventions simply as individuals, supposedly representing the sentiment of the churches sending them. All Baptist bodies apart from the churches are purely advisory. They have no authority to make laws for the churches and no power to enforce such laws if they were made.

### FIXED PRINCIPLES BUT FLEXIBLE METHODS.

Baptists, as a rule, stand for fixed principles and doctrines, but flexible methods. The Master in giving the great commission left individuals and churches free to apply fact, business methods and common sense and to follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit. The gospel is suited to every age, race and condition of mankind. No general convention can evolve methods suitable to all of the churches, associations and state conventions all of the time. Geographical, economic, social and spiritual conditions have much to do in shaping denominational methods in a community. We must work with brethren as they are and not as they should be. We believe that the Southern Baptist Convention would do well to recognize this fact and not give so much effort to defining ideal methods to be applied in fields that are anything but ideal. Let us emphasize more and more the doctrines and

principles for which Baptists have died through all the years. Then let us give the other fellow a chance in the unified program to use his common sense and follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit in applying the commission of the Master.

### CHRIST AND BAPTISM.

Jesus walked more than 60 miles to be baptized by John the Baptist. The first public utterances of Jesus were in regard to baptism as he launched his public ministry on the banks of the Jordan. God revealed himself in his three-fold character for the first time on the occasion of the baptism of Jesus Christ. Every one whom Jesus commanded to repent he commanded to be baptized. He said, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you." There is but one duty that we are commanded to observe in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost and that is baptism. Jesus finished his earthly ministry as he launched it, by a reference to baptism in the great commission. After giving this command he took his departure. We understand that baptism is not essential to salvation, but wonder sometimes, if we do not allow this fact to influence us in not giving due emphasis to this ordinance. There seems to be a disposition in this generation, on the part of some Baptists, to apologize before they mention baptism. If other denominations had the Scriptures in their favor on this subject as they are in our favor we would never hear the last of baptism. Baptists have the Scriptures for every step that they take in the ordinance of baptism. "And they went down both into the water, both Philip and the Eunuch." Again as to ceremony, "Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." "Buried with Him by baptism into death." "Jesus when he was baptized came up straitway out of the water." The doctrine of baptism is so plain in the Scriptures that we do not understand why all saved people are not willing to follow the footsteps of Jesus in the ordinance of baptism.

### EVANGELISM.

"A revival from heaven is the most irresistible force among the sons of men. Every evil passion is shamed and conquered by it. Every good thing is drawn to it, and is helped by it. Suspicion, evil-surmising, malice, strife, covetousness, back-biting, all things bad give way before it. The world campaign for spiritual conquest, after the ascension of Jesus, began at Pentecost, in an all-conquering revival, which swept difficulties out of the way, while it swept thousands into the kingdom. It was never intended that the kingdom should grow in a cold atmosphere. The revival spirit will insure progress, and without it decay, disintegration and ruin will overtake any church or working body."—DR. J. B. GAMBRELL.

Tennessee gave \$76,338 to budget and \$4,292 designated. South gave \$1,169,446 to budget and \$287,926 designated. Debt \$1,250,792.

J. F. Love.

Total receipts from states \$661,943.16.  
Debt \$1,062,022.36.

B. D. Gray.

### APRIL RECEIPTS.

#### Southwide Objects.

Foreign Missions	23%	10,233.98	
Home Missions	10	4,354.89	
Christian Education	10	4,354.89	
Ministerial Relief	05	2,177.44	
New Orleans Hospital	01 1/2	653.23	21,774.43

#### Statewide Objects.

State Missions	18%	7,838.81	
Christian Education	19	8,274.28	
Orphanage	08	3,483.91	
Hospital	05	2,177.44	21,774.44

Total ..... \$43,548.87

The 19% to Christian Education in the State is divided as follows:

Union University	05%	\$2,177.44	
Carson-Newman	05	2,177.44	
Tenn. College	05	2,177.44	
Hall-Moody	03	1,306.47	
Ministerial Education	01	435.49	\$8,274.28

The above is a statement of the receipts for April by the Executive Board subject to division according to the instructions of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and the Executive Board.

Total receipts from May 1, 1924 to May 1, 1925 to the Unified Program \$310,164.43, designated \$43,501.07, total \$353,665.50.

Total receipts from May 1, 1923 to May 1, 1924 were \$461,707.46.

O. E. BRYAN, Treasurer.

### NORTH EDGEFIELD.

Sunday night, May 3, North Edgefield Church closed one among the most far-reaching revivals held in our church for some time.

The preaching was done by Rev. D. A. Ellis, pastor of the LaBelle Place Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.; and to say that our people enjoyed a great treat is but stating it mildly.

I want to mention three great outstanding features in the preaching of Dr. Ellis.

First, he believes, and preaches, the blessed Book; without any sort of apology.

Second, he believes, and preaches, that sinners are lost, and that the only way of escape is by the New Birth, the Atonement of Jesus Christ.

Third, he believes, and preaches, that all saved people should unite with THE church; at no time did he say that people who were saved should join the church of THEIR choice; Brethren, this is the only sort of preaching that I, or my people care to hear.

The time for the popular preacher, who is willing to sacrifice the truth in order to play to the gallery, is passing.

Brother James B. Cambron, of Nashville, led the singing, and it was well done; Brother Cambron is a great choir leader.

The visible results of the meeting were 48



professions and 48 approved for baptism; five by letter, making 53 additions.

A. W. Duncan, pastor.

### UNCLE EBEN, THE BAPTIST.

When de Methodis' pahsun preach a sermont on Fallin' frum Grace, he sho do stretch hisself fur to git 'lusterations, but he ain't never yet tried to 'lusterrate how kin a sperit fall.

Dar's a pow'ful lot o' diffunce twixt de ouside of a tree an' de inside, elset how cum dat a cedar is worth so much more'n a pine? En likewise, dar's a pow'ful lot o' diffunce twixt de ouside of a man an' de inside, elset how cum dat a fine looker is sometimes sich a big devil whilset a pore looker am so good?

Angerliner Johnsun low dat de nex time we calls a pasture, we orter git a good-look-in' man as will grace de pulpit. But mah ole 'oman low dat Sis Johnsun am thinkin' more erbout her eye dan she am de pulpit.

De pahsun los' he han'chief las' Sunday, in de recesses of his Princet Alber an' befo' he could find it, he done pass de place in de sermont whar he war suppose to cry.

Endurin' de collexun las' Sunday, folks wuz sorter slow erbout 'proachin' de alter ontill de pahsun low as how he didn't want none of de folks as made dey money dishonesterly, fur to give it to de church an' den de isles wuz filled.

Sam Jenkins lowed dat de Bible warn't true in one place an' I axed him, How cum it warn't true? He say kaze it say dat de gates of hell cain't 'vail again' de church and if'n dat am so, how cum dar air so many hypocrets in de church? "Dat's easy" I say, "de Lawd let one hypocret in de church fur to keep out a dozen others lack you."

De onlies' reason some folks goes to church it to fine out who is dar dat don't live right, so as to go away an' talk erbout de hypocrets as am disgracin' de church. De kine of folks as do dat ain't never looked in de mirrer.

If'n ye take a paper flower an' pore some color on it and pe'fume it' dat don' make no sho nuff flower out'n it. Looks lack ter me dat de wimmen folks would larn dat paint an' pe'fume ain't never gwine make ladies out'n 'em.

## News and Views

Alumni banquet Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Claridge Hotel, Memphis, Thursday evening, May 14, six o'clock. Building Campaign marks this gathering as epoch making in seminary's history. Must purchase tickets early at Seminary booth, as space is limited to 500.

R. J. Pirkey, President Alumni Assn.

The meeting conducted by Dr. C. B. Waller in the LaBelle Church of Memphis resulted in 91 additions to the church. These with a number received just prior to the meeting make more than a hundred additions in the last few weeks. Dr. D. A. Ellis, their faithful pastor, has been the leading factor in much of the missionary development in Memphis.



DR. B. A. BOWERS

### BROADWAY BAPTIST CHURCH, KNOXVILLE.

Under the leadership of Dr. B. A. Bowers, the Broadway Baptist Church of Knoxville is growing in a great way. On Easter Sunday the members of that good church presented to their pastor a beautiful silver loving cup as a token of their appreciation of his faithful services and splendid leadership. Broadway is among the leading churches that co-operate with the general program of the denomination. We rejoice to see this beautiful development.

### FROM JACKSON, TENNESSEE, TO CANTON, CHINA



Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Carter, who sailed for Canton, China. Mr. Carter is with the China Baptist Publication Society of the Southern Baptist Convention. He is an A.B., 1924, from Union University.

During Dr. M. E. Dodd's pastorate of 13 years, the First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., has welcomed 4,306 new members and dismissed 1,460. Enrollment then was 582, now it is 3,428.

In the 13 years, \$1,260,748.82 have passed through the church treasury. Sunday school then 200; now 3,000. One BYPU then; now ten. One women's organization then; now five. No men's organization then; now two.

Brother Joe M. Cambron feels that the Lord is calling him into the field of evangelistic singing and is surrendering his life to that work. He is a member of the Lockeland Baptist Church, is a good singer and director. He is a brother of the singers, Carl M. Cambron and James Cambron. He will be available for engagements June 15th. He can be reached by addressing him, 1505 Woodland Street, Nashville. I most heartily commend him to the brotherhood.—J. C. Miles.

The Paul Montgomery Evangelistic Party,

headquarters 614 South Fifth Street, Louisville, Ky., on April 16, concluded its sixth meeting since Christmas with an average of 117 additions to each church.

The summer campaigns are to be held under a tent that will seat 1,200 people.—C. E. Burnell, Director of Music.

Gospel Singer Wm. S. Dixon, Wheaton, Illinois, is to begin meetings May 18th with Rev. A. H. Cullen, Winnsboro, La., which will extend for two weeks. Any other pastors in that section who desires to use Mr. Dixon while he is in the state may communicate directly with Dr. Cullen at Winnsboro, La. Dr. Cullen has known Mr. Dixon for twelve consecutive years and he would be glad to assist any other pastors in dating Mr. Dixon.

Mr. John Imrie, well known Scotch evangelistic singer, writes that he is assisting in a meeting with the church at Herculaneum, Mo. The evangelist for this meeting is Rev. L. F. Maynard, pastor at Cedar Grove, La., and to say that he is a strong preacher is putting it very mildly. Rev. Maynard should be used by the churches in this state and neighboring states as an evangelist. He has a grip on the people in a wonderful way. The meeting here is going well with several conversions. Mr. Imrie is booking engagements to assist pastors and his permanent address is Springfield, Missouri.

From March 29th through April 12th Dr. John D. Freeman of Nashville did the preaching in a meeting with the Orlinda Baptist Church. Dr. Freeman did some of the best preaching ever heard in Orlinda and God honored the faithful preaching by greatly blessing the church and community in the meeting. There were twenty-one additions to the church, nine of them by baptism. Many of the young people were reclaimed and the whole church was left in a fine spirit, united and in shape to do better work than ever before.

ROSCOE MEADOWS.

R. C. (Dick) Huston and party were with us for three weeks. Huston is a wonderful preacher of the Word. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Roddy were in charge of the music and rendered fine service. Baptist churches desiring a fearless, sane and uncommercialized evangelist will do well to secure Huston. The Lord has dealt wonderfully with him and is now using him to His glory. Our church has been greatly benefitted. Visible results are, 65 professions and 33 additions, but more will unite with the church.

J. H. PONDER, Pastor of Elizabeth First.

Rev. Wm. S. Dixon, the Baptist Singing Evangelist, preacher and singer, is now booking engagements for the spring and summer months to assist pastors, either leading the music for a pastor desiring to do his own preaching, or is experienced in both preaching and singing throughout the campaign. He is endorsed by leading Baptist pastors, and is thoroughly experienced, having spent over eleven years in this work. He has an open date April 26 to May 10, and a few other later dates.



# Contributions

## WHAT OUGHT THE MEMPHIS CONVENTION DO WITH THE ARTICLES OF FAITH?

By L. R. Scarborough.

The Convention's Committee will have ready a revised and enlarged statement of the New Hampshire Articles of Faith. The New Hampshire Articles of Faith is a great document. It has been the standard expression of the belief of Baptists, at least in the South, for nearly a century. It is probably the clearest and most explicit expression of Bible doctrine ever printed. It needs revision and enlargement. There are some fundamentals of our faith now recognized by our people which are not emphasized in these articles, for instance, missions, stewardship, co-operation, and such like. There is every evidence that the committee will report unanimously a great improvement and the needful enlargement of such articles. They will be a clear, plain, explicit expression of what Baptists believe. There will be no evasions, no hedging, no dodging, but a clarified, courageous statement of the fundamentals of our conception of New Testament doctrine. I give herein my opinion of what I think the Convention ought to do with these articles of faith.

I think the Convention ought to hear the committee's report, carefully consider it, and recommend the articles of faith to the churches for their adoption, if they desire to do so. I do not believe that the Convention has any right to require any other convention, any church or any group of individuals to adopt these articles of faith. The Convention probably has the right to require the professors of the three Southwide seminaries, the only schools the Convention owns, and probably all of its boards and secretaries to adopt these articles of faith. I do not believe that such ought to be done. All three of the Southwide seminaries have during all their existence had articles of faith for their teachers to sign and the boards of trustees have required such teachers to sign these articles of faith. I shall recommend to the Board of Trustees of the Southwestern Seminary that they adopt the articles of faith recommended by the Convention and require, as formerly, each teacher in the Seminary to sign these articles of faith. There will be nothing new in this procedure with any of our three Southwide seminaries.

I think the only thing the Convention ought to do is to do what the Convention has done a number of times before, and to do what the World Alliance did at Stockholm, receive the report of its committee and recommend the articles it brings to our Baptist people everywhere. The churches will adopt these articles of faith if they please. The boards of trustees of the schools owned by the states will, if they desire, adopt these articles of faith for their teachers. If they do not so desire, they do not have to do it.

In facing this question we must remember the rights and the limitations of the rights of conventions. These articles of faith are not a creed. Such articles of faith have never been regarded by Baptists as a dogmatic creed which one group of individuals can bind upon the consciences of other individuals. It is simply a statement of what we believe, a witness, a testimony of our conception of the heart of revealed truth as set out in the Bible. It is a standard of doctrine approximating the truth as revealed in the Bible.

### Why Recommend It?

I believe the Convention should recommend these articles of faith for the following reasons:

1. Because such action will be in accord with Baptist history. Our people in England, in America, and in other lands have for centuries sought to put in brief and explicit language a statement of their faith. The fact is the New Testament is an enlarged expression of the articles of faith. The action of the church at Jerusalem was in the nature of articles of faith, on certain vital matters. The record of this is in Acts 15. The Philadelphia and New Hampshire articles of faith are but the summaries and heart of other articles of faith coming to us from our English Baptists. The New Hampshire articles of faith were the report of a committee appointed by the Convention and their report was adopted by the Convention, according to Dr. Lemon, of Massachusetts, who has made extensive investigation of this matter. The New Hampshire articles of faith have been the standard of Baptist churches in the South for seventy-five years. Practically every church in the South has adopted them. Every newly organized church coming into an association in the South is required of the association to state whether or not it has adopted articles of faith. Every individual coming into a church on experience of grace is asked certain questions by the pastor as to his faith, whether or not he has accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Saviour, believes in him, accepts him as Lord and Master and is willing to follow him in baptism and in all the duties required by him, whether or not he will be loyal to and support the church of which he becomes a member. All this is in the nature of a standard of faith and I think is in accordance with New Testament truth and practice.

In recent years many of the state conventions have adopted statements of fundamental truth on different subjects, setting out the belief of the people in certain doctrinal lines. The Southern Baptist Convention years ago appointed a committee to issue a statement of the belief of Southern Baptists. Drs. Gambrell, Mullins and others were on the committee. The Convention received the report and recommended it to Baptists everywhere. It was published in nearly every language on earth. At the Kansas City Convention the president, Dr. Mullins, delivered a great statement on science and religion, embodying fundamental doctrines. The Convention unanimously approved it as its expression of Baptist belief. The Baptist World Alliance Executive Com-

mittee appointed a special committee of which Dr. Mullins was chairman. Dr. Truett and others were members of the committee. The purpose of the committee was to present to the Alliance a statement of the fundamentals of Baptist belief. The committee made a great report and the Baptist World Alliance almost unanimously recommended it to our people. It did not adopt it as its articles of faith. It approved it as the approximate statement of Baptist belief on certain fundamentals.

The Southern Convention will be keeping up Baptist history and being true to the records of the past if it will receive the report of its committee and recommend the articles of faith to our people and churches everywhere.

2. I think the Convention should do this because of the necessity of revising and enlarging the articles of faith formerly adopted by the New Hampshire Convention and endorsed and adopted by practically all of our Southern churches. It says nothing about missions, evangelisms, stewardship, the great doctrine of co-operation between individuals in the churches and between the churches of like faith, and other such articles. Some great group of our people ought to revise and enlarge these articles of faith. No one church could do it. No one state convention could do it and give prestige to it. What other body than our great general body, the Southern Baptist Convention, could better prepare and recommend such articles of faith? Some are afraid of a creed and fear that if the Convention adopts it, it will be a creedal statement and will make the impression that the Convention is trying to exercise ecclesiastical authority and bind a creed upon the consciences of our people. I entertain no such fear. The doctrine of individualism and personal and church independence is so well developed among our people and our caution against ecclesiasticism is so strong that there is but very little danger that tendencies in this direction will gain prestige and power among Baptists. I have more fear that modernism and its kindred and poisonous heresies will creep by their subtle and invading power into the hearts of our people, far more than I fear that ecclesiasticism will destroy our independence and mar our spiritual democracy.

3. I think the Convention should recommend these articles of faith for another reason, and that is that it will set up a standard and protective wall and hedge against the invasion of heresies, such as rationalism, modernism and other destructive doctrines. It will not only be protective, but it will be instructive and preservative. It will help to preserve the faith of our fathers and aid in the proclamation of the truth around the world. There is positive danger that modernism is seeking to undermine the faith of our people and we must lift up standards against it. Baptists have a conscience on the mode of baptism and would not receive into the fellowship of their churches or their conventions those who practice infant baptism or sprinkling or pouring as a mode of baptism. I think we need to have a conscience as deep against



the heresies of modernism which deny the fundamental kernels of our faith, the inspiration of the Bible, the deity of Jesus Christ, and so on. I think the revised and enlarged New Hampshire articles of faith recommended by the Southern Baptist Convention and adopted by our churches will greatly help to stop and beat back the tides of modernism seeking to insinuate themselves into the heart of our youth and the programs of our people. I think these articles of faith should not be in the interest of any party or partisanship; but they should be as clear as sunlight, without any camouflage, without any dodging, without any compromising; and we should let our people know exactly where we stand on these great fundamentals. These articles of faith should have no radical statement in them, but should be conservative and loyal and true to the truth.

I do not believe that we ought to take up all the time of the Convention in discussing minor matters; but in a great constructive way we ought to face this issue and put ourselves on record and go on to enlist our people, inform our people, evangelize the world and promote the kingdom of God. We must not stop the great machinery of the kingdom of God by cavilling over little matters and sidetracking the engines of the truth, as Dr. Gambrell used to say, "to chase lizards"; but we should, with a deep conviction and a firm tread, say what we believe and proclaim it to the world.

This is what I think the Memphis Convention ought to do. It will take sense and religion to do it right. We ought to do it in a prayerful, spiritual, evangelistic, great constructive spirit. No true Baptist ought to be afraid to say in black and white what he believes. Paul signed the eighth chapter of Romans and many other doctrinal statements. Jesus said what he believed, so did John the Baptist. Peter preached it right out. I am willing to go with these four immortal Baptists right straight down the doctrinal path to glory.

#### THE SUREST SOURCE FOR MORE BAPTIST MONEY.

By Frank E. Burkhalter.

With the dire need of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards and other South-wide boards and agencies, along with the various state mission boards and institutions, for more funds with which to meet their present pressing obligations and carry forward their work in the Kingdom in an adequate fashion, every well-informed Baptist is more or less familiar.

Denominational servants, charged with the responsibility of directing these agencies—some of whom are almost crushed under the burdens they are bearing—are giving earnest, prayerful consideration to how they can find additional resources for the relief and furtherance of their work.

Naturally, the two sources to which the majority of them look first are a larger percentage in the apportionment of the proceeds from the South-wide Co-Operative Program for 1925 and the privilege of going afield for special designated gifts.

Careful study, however, will reveal the fact, we believe, that neither of these courses offers the prospect for either the largest cash returns or the easiest method of raising the needed money. Every interest embraced in the Co-Operative Program, state and South-wide, is sorely in need of every dollar it can get, and a re-arrangement of the percentage of the various objects would do serious injury to the objects that were reduced and further cripple the whole Program, while the conduct this year of one or more special campaigns in a vast majority of the states of the Convention demonstrates very clearly the hurtful effects of such special efforts upon the general Co-Operative Program.

With many other persons who have studied the situation, the writer has come to believe the surest way of providing the additional funds which all of our general enterprises need lies in putting new strength into the Co-Operative Program by every interest and institution, state as well as South-wide, getting behind that Program with all possible vigor and co-operation, and a serious, concerted diligent and persistent effort on the part of all our forces everywhere to more fully enlist all our churches in the support of the whole Program. The co-operation of the churches would involve the adoption of a budget for the Program as well as local expenses, said budget to embody the bringing in of contributions at every regular service on the part of all the members as nearly as possible. These contributions should, of course, represent not less than a tenth of the income of the members.

Many of the institutions and causes feel that they cannot wait for the realization of such an ideal. Of course, the ideal in its entirety may never be realized, but if all our forces would once be enlisted in an effort toward its attainment it would not be more than a few years before the regular contributions of our churches to denominational enterprises would be quadrupled. An attainment of this kind, based upon a wider dissemination of information upon the character and needs of all phases of our work, and the careful enlistment and development of our people in the grace of stewardship, would prove a permanent one that would go on bearing fruit throughout all the years ahead.

Southern Baptists are a numerous people, there being more than 3,750,000 of them today. They have the means with which to adequately support all their work without sacrifice. The writer believes they will support all their work in a worthy manner when they are once adequately informed as to the work and led to see their duty in regard to providing for it. We have an intelligent leadership among our pastors, laymen, women and young people capable of putting over any program that needs to be put over.

Such a program as is proposed here, we believe, would prove the salvation not only of all our missionary, educational and benevolent work, but of the churches and the individual members as well, insofar as their denominational life is concerned, taking it for granted, of course, that the program is put on in the power and direction of the Holy Spirit. Our people owe a duty to all our co-operative work to support it, but be-

fore that can be expected of them we owe them a duty to fully inform and enlist them. When this is done, we are persuaded, the needed response in cash will be forthcoming.

#### TAYLOR STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, EAST CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

By Mrs. F. W. Long.

We have just recently closed a wonderful revival with the pastor, Dr. J. N. Bull, doing the preaching. We had about seventy-five conversions and fifty-one additions, which brings out membership up to between five and six hundred.

Brother Bull preached the gospel with much power and in simple terms, but emphasized the fact that "ye must be born again." He made it so plain that the normal child could understand it.

The music for this meeting was furnished by the "Service Class" of the church, the leader being teacher of this class, Mr. Geo. H. Grice. Mr. Grice sang songs with spiritual power.

He took his choir in a Sunday school room each evening before services for a short prayer service, which meant much to the success of the meeting. Brother Bull and Brother Grice had wonderful co-operation from the church. Brother Bull has had charge of the church for over ten years and this is the greatest meeting ever held there. He is a man of God and is doing a great work in and around East Chattanooga.

Our church work is moving along nicely. We have from 450 to 550 in Sunday school every Sunday. We are working now on our plans for a new building which we expect to start at once.

Brethren, we earnestly covet the prayers of all the Southland that our work here may go forward—and that sometime it will stand out as a monument for Jesus Christ in the orthodox faith as taught in the New Testament.

May God's richest blessings be upon the Baptist and Reflector as it preaches the gospel to so many homes.

#### MEMPHIS MEETING, SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The indications are that the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention, which is to be held in Memphis, May 13-17, will be one of the largest in point of attendance in all the history of the convention.

The general committee at Memphis is exerting every effort to provide pleasant and comfortable entertainment for all delegates and visitors. With the Peabody Hotel (which we thought last year would be finished by this time) not yet completed, the hotels are going to be crowded to overflowing. However, the best homes in Memphis will be open for entertainment of delegates and a rate of \$1.50 per person for lodging and breakfast will prevail.

The physical accommodations for the meetings of the convention will be the best ever provided. The magnificent new auditorium seating almost 15,000 people with adequate committee rooms and lobby space will be ideal.

All delegates are urged to send their ap-



plications for assignment at once to Mr. J. E. Dilworth, 493 South Main St., Chairman of the Committee of Assignment.

Delegates and visitors who expect to be entertained in homes should notify their host or hostess the exact hour of their arrival in Memphis. Delegates are requested to arrange their schedule so that they will arrive in Memphis during the day if possible. All who desire hotel reservation should write the *Hotel Management direct*.

Cordially yours,

E. E. GEORGE,

Chairman Publicity Committee.

Paraphrase of Joaquin Miller's "Columbus" prepared by the pastor, John D. Freeman, and delivered at the Anniversary service of Belmont Heights Baptist Church, May 3, 1925. On that day, the note representing the last of the indebtedness against the church was burned and the first unit of the \$150,000 building was consecrated to the ministry of the Lord Jesus. The church was organized the first Sunday in May, 1920, through the consolidation of Belmont Church and South Side Church.

Behind them lay the old Belmont,  
Behind, the struggling South Side spot;  
Before them not the ghost of site,  
Before them only unbought lot.

The good men said, "Now we must pray,  
For both our temples now are gone.

Dear Master, speak, what shall we say?"  
"Why say, Build on! Build on and on!"

"Our folk grow nervous, each and all;  
Our folk grow fearful, tired and worn."  
The stout hearts thought of ease. A pall  
Of dark gloom came, depressing and forlorn.

"What shall we say, Dear Master, say,  
If we have naught but struggle at the dawn?"

"Why you shall say at dawn each day,  
Build on! Build on! Build on and on!"

They worked and worked as days might go,  
Until at last the doubters sneered,

"Why now, not even God doth show  
How this, your temple may be reared."

Their only hope had passed away,  
And faith from every heart seemed gone.

"Now speak, Dear Master, speak and say:"  
He said, "Build on! Build on and on!"

They built and built. Then rose the cry,

"This band of people tires of fight,  
Some now complain, while others lie,  
With ready feet as if for flight.

Dear Master, speak in mercy's name!

What shall we do when hope is gone?"

The words came back aglow, aflame!

"Build on! Build on! Build on and on!"

Then tired and worn, they pressed their way  
And wrought through hardships, sore and  
hard,

Through times all dark. Then came a day  
When rose a joyous shout. A Start!

It grew! The temple slowly rose!

They built the church! Each soul now knows  
God's glorious lesson. On! Build on and on.

#### REVIVAL MEETING AT OAKWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH.

On April 12th, we began our meeting, with

good interest from the very beginning. We had the help of Dr. R. L. Motley, of Florence, Ala., to do the preaching, and it goes without saying, that it was well done. You can depend on Dr. Motley for good work. His work while here was very satisfactory, and we see fruit already from his labors.

Bro. Carl M. Cambron, conducted the singing for us, to the delight of all the folks. His work was of the highest type, and in his solo work, I must say it was very effective. The people thoroughly enjoyed his work. When you are looking for a good team, call on Motley and Cambron, they work together fine, and will leave you something after they are gone. They both believe in staying by the Bible. That means much in this age of infidelity and skepticism.

There were thirty conversions, twenty-two for baptism, six by letter, and one by statement. There will be more to join the church next Sunday.

W. G. MAHAFFEY, Pastor.

Knoxville, Tenn.

#### ANSWERED PRAYER.

By Willis C. Furr.

Rev. Ben Cox, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., was sick for seven weeks with influenza, and was getting worse all the time. He went to Hot Springs for three weeks, but this only afforded temporary relief. Following complications he was struck early one Sunday morning, with pneumonia in right side. He was taken to the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, where the best medical aid was available, but his case was very serious.

It occurred to his friends that the best thing to do would be to send out a S. O. S. call for united prayer. So his friends were notified by newspaper and otherwise, that a call meeting would be held April 7th from 12:30 to 1:00 to pray for Dr. Cox's recovery. All who could not attend the meeting were requested to be in prayer at that time wherever they happened to be.

Long before the hour of prayer, the people began to gather. From all walks of life, from the busy railroad ticket office to the woman who scrubs for a living, and the rich and poor alike—they came with earnest faces, and sad hearts because of the illness of the one who was their friend. There is no way of estimating how many of the 6,000 prayer league members united their prayers in his behalf that day, but it is a well-known fact that Dr. Cox began to improve that very afternoon, and is now well on the road to recovery.

#### SHE REMEMBERED THE LORD.

Many interesting things come to light as the days pass. Among these, nothing is more touching or more inspiring than the little incidents that portray the love that some Christians have for their Lord. On March 15th, there passed to her reward, during her 90th year, a true handmaiden of the King, Mrs. Lucinda J. Sperry of Mt. Juliet, Tenn., a reader of the Tennessee Baptist paper for sixty years. After she had been placed in her earthly tomb, her daughter, Mrs. Drucilla S. Ellis in looking through her "treas-

ures" found a roll marked "The Lord's Money" and upon opening it, found sixty dollars which the laborer had laid aside out of her prosperity for the benefit of her Master. The money was wrapped in a receipt dated April 27, 1899.

The husband of the faithful servant was a minister of the Lord Jesus and so the daughter felt that the Lord's money could not be put to a better use than to give it to the fund for ministerial relief and so it is that the offering is to be used for that purpose. Surely, in the hour when the Lord rewards his own, she will hear him say, "Thou hast been faithful in a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

Another striking illustration of fidelity to the Lord in the use of his money was seen in Belmont Heights church last Sunday when the treasury of Miss Nannie Forest, who passed to her reward last fall, was sent to the church. In it was found her weekly offerings which had been carefully prepared each Sunday and laid aside according to the commands of the Book. God called her to her reward before she was able to bring the offerings but her friends found the envelopes among her possessions and sent them in. When all the Christians do as these noble women have done, there will no longer be need for so many appeals for financial aid for our denominational work.

Chaplain Frank M. Wells, of Spanish-American War service, is to be with Pastor M. E. Powley in a meeting at Carl Junction, Mo., from May 3rd to 21st. The chaplain's friends and comrades of Tennessee will be glad to know that he has recovered from his serious illness of two years ago, and is doing evangelistic work again. His address is National Military Home, Leavenworth, Kansas.

#### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE.

Commencement exercises of the seventh session of the Baptist Bible Institute will be held Thursday and Friday, May 7th and 8th. Thursday morning the Alumni Address will be delivered by Rev. E. M. Daffin, pastor of Baptist Church, Bunkie, La. Thursday afternoon the graduating class will have its exercises. Thursday evening the Alumni Banquet will be given. Friday morning the Baccalaureate Sermon will be preached by Dr. M. E. Dodd, pastor of First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La. Friday evening the Baccalaureate Address will be delivered by Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, president of Mercer University, Macon, Ga. At this service the certificates and diplomas will be awarded and degrees conferred. Thus will come to a close our most prosperous session.—B. H. DeMent.

#### DR. MULLINS RETURNS TO HIS DESK.

By Chas. F. Leek, Publicity Secretary,  
Southern Baptist Theological  
Seminary.

Dr. Edgar Y. Mullins, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the Baptist World Alliance, returned to his



desk in Morton Hall Monday, April 20, just three weeks and three days after undergoing a major operation at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital. While the operation was of a very serious nature, physicians were able to predict a speedy recovery from the very outset.

While cautious in his activities relative to his general seminary interests and the present seminary building campaign, Dr. Mullins was in buoyant spirits. When speaking of the avalanche of letters and other remembrances from friends everywhere his emotions were stirred and he expressed himself as deeply appreciative of these and also the bulletins that appeared from time to time in the various papers.

Dr. Mullins did not find an overwhelming bulk of executive matters awaiting him when he returned. Drs. Sampey, Robertson and Carver dispatched the work of the president's desk, while Mr. C. S. Gilbert, for twenty-five years the president's secretary, handled many matters with skill born of a quarter of a century of intimate contact with presidential affairs. Dr. Mullins, however, from time to time was in touch with his office.

He anticipates gaining his strength so as to enter fully into the effort for new buildings, and plans to attend the Southern Baptist Convention in Memphis.

Easter Sunday brought fine audiences at Hartsville and the baptism of a most excellent sister and church worker from the Methodists. Tuesday, my wife and I motored to Westmoreland, Sumner County, and met with the quarterly meeting of the W.M.U. of Bledsoe Association. Thursday we motored to Grant, Smith County, and conducted the funeral of Henry R. McClanahan. Saturday, we motored back to Portland, in Sumner County, and there performed the marriage ceremony of Mr. Waterman B. Williams and Miss Mable Walden at 8. p.m. Sunday we motored back via Hartsville and on to New Middleton, Smith County, and spoke to a fine audience at 11 a.m., and returning to Hartsville in Trousdale County. I spoke on God's Will at 7:30 p.m. Just the week previous I passed my 74th milestone. Thank God I am well, busy and happy.—*John T. Oakley.*

Mrs. McKinley and I just closed Sunday night, 19th, our second revival with the "Greater Atlanta Revival," having sung with Gordon Street Baptist Church. Dr. W. H. Faust, pastor, having 101 additions and Moreland Avenue Baptist Church, W. H. Barret, pastor, with 53 additions. There have been almost 6,000 additions to the Atlanta churches as result of this great simultaneous campaign.

We begin April 26th, with First Baptist Church, Waycross, Ga., Dr. W. H. Rich, pastor, and Dr. Luke Rader of Central Baptist Church, Atlanta, doing the preaching.—*H. Evan McKinley, Evangelistic Musician.*

Dr. Raleigh Wright and Charles O. Miller just closed a very fine meeting with Pastor E. M. Altman Bine Memorial Baptist Church, Albany, Ga., which resulted in ninety additions and a general revival in the church.

Mississippi college men from all over the South, while attending the Southern Bap-

tist Convention in Memphis next week, will meet in the Hotel Gayoso on Friday, May 15th, for a banquet. The meeting will begin promptly at 12:30 and close at 2:30.

A splendid eight-day revival meeting was held from Easter Sunday, April 12th to Sunday, April 19th, at the First Baptist Church, Clinton, Ill., with forty-one additions, thirty-five for baptism. The pastor, Forrest L. Ferkins, a Tennessean, did the preaching with local talent leading the singing. The church has been wonderfully built up and blessed of God, since the coming of our pastor, who was called last September, from the Temple Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo. Clinton is a beautiful little city of 10,000 souls, has only one Baptist church, but a splendid building and parsonage. The church has been wonderfully revived, spiritually, from the results of this short remarkable meeting.

Our pastor is a Southern man and will be sent as a delegate this May to the Southern Baptist Convention, Memphis.

A DEACON.

First Baptist Church, Clinton, Ill.

#### FROM TAMPA, FLORIDA.

We have just closed the annual protracted meeting with our Cuban church in Tampa, Florida, with happy results. Missionary J. L. Hart did the preaching. He spoke at 11:00 A.M. each day before our school of nearly one hundred students and at night to the regular congregation of the church. Brother Hart has been a missionary in South America for twenty-two years and is now at home for a little vacation, but is not getting much rest. He greatly delighted our people with his good Spanish and most excellent sermons. He and his good wife will return to their work in Chile next October. We shall follow them with our love and prayers.

By our house-to-house visiting and the distribution of literature many new people were brought into the congregation, several were baptized and the church has received

an uplift as a result of the meetings. Our work is prosperous and we are happy in it. We go forward to greater conquests.

J. G. CHASTAIN.

#### DEADERICK AVE. BAPTIST CHURCH.

Our work is moving along in a good way. April wound up eight months for me as pastor of this splendid church. There is a healthy growth along all lines. The first Sunday on the field we had 313 in Sunday school. Yesterday we had five hundred and ninety-six. There have been 140 additions to the church, and with two tent meetings planned for the summer we expect to get our three hundred for this year, which is our goal. Our baptistry is kept in constant use every Sunday night with few exceptions. We, at least, have it filled with the hope that some may be ready. Our treasurer sends in our check each month for the 1925 Program. There are hundreds of unsaved people on this field, and we covet the prayers of the brotherhood that we shall, as a church, do what the Lord requires of us.

CLAUDE E. SPRAGUE, Pastor.

#### COMMENCEMENT NEWS.

Dr. J. L. Dance, of Knoxville, will preach the commencement sermon at Union University on May 24 and Dr. Ryland Knight, of Nashville, will deliver the commencement address on Wednesday, May 27. The senior class this year numbers about 65, about half of whom will not get their diplomas until the end of the summer school in August. There will be a large number of others receiving special certificates in the Fine Arts and Home Economics Departments.

About 50 of the Union University graduates of this year's senior class will teach next year.

The First Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., Dr. M. E. Dood, pastor, reports 179 additions in their recent revival meeting, in which Dr. Robt. G. Lee, of New Orleans First Church did the preaching.



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### OUR MISSION SCHOOLS.

Since our missionary societies are always eager to learn about our mountain schools and since it is hard to secure this information, I have collected the following data which will interest our readers. If our churches could only know the sacrificing spirit of the consecrated teachers in these schools, every one of whom is teaching for less than the public schools would be glad to pay, and if the Baptists of Tennessee knew the wonderful spirit of the students in these schools, they would rain down gifts on these institutions. We are grateful to Bro. W. D. Hudgins for the way he has so earnestly solicited gifts for equipment, and we thank appreciatively the noble Sunday school classes that have taken upon themselves to provide certain features in the improvement of these schools. Why not invite one of the principals to come to your church and tell about his or her school? Now since these teachers are working for mere pittance, you will, of course, pay their expenses when they come.

**COSBY ACADEMY**, 10 miles south of Newport, on a splendid pike. This academy has a swimming hole, running water from a mountain spring (brought through pipes a mile), drinking fountains, electric lights, laboratory, library of 1,000 books, campus ten acres. Debating clubs, athletics encouraged. Three medals offered annually. Covers grades 5, 6, 7, 8 and high school. Tuition \$1.75 to \$3.00 a month. Music lessons \$3.00 a month. Board, room rent, electric lights, water, fuel, \$12.44 a month. For further information write Principal R. L. Marshall, Cosby, Tennessee. Fall term begins August 18. Spring term opens January.

**SMOKY MOUNTAIN ACADEMY**, Sevierville, R. F. D. 9. About 14 miles from

the railroad at Sevierville, Miss Mayme Grimes, Principal. High school course planned to meet Carson and Newman entrance requirements. Board \$10 a month. Tuition free in the graded public school for the first five months. High school tuition ranges from \$2.25 a month to \$3.00 a month. Fall term opens August 10, and runs for 18 weeks. Spring term opens in January and runs 14 weeks.

**STOCTON VALLEY ACADEMY**, Helena, Tennessee. About 15 miles from the nearest railroad. Miss Osie Allison, principal. School begins August 4. Spring term begins January 3. Length of term 9 months. Expenses \$12 to \$15 a month. To reach the school, take the O. & W. R. R. to Stocton, nearest railroad point; or go to Crossville and thence by private conveyance to Jamestown or Davidson, which is 18 miles from Helena. Send all packages by parcel post because freight costs too much to haul from the depot.

**HARRISON CHILHOWEE INSTITUTE**, Seymour, Tennessee. About a mile from the railroad. J. E. Barton, principal. Cost of board, tuition, incidentals, per term of 18 weeks, \$17.00. Fall term begins August 17. Spring term, January 4. This school has sent out many noted men. The famous physician who conquered trench fever in this last war, Dr. Bull; the well-known capitalist and mayor of Knoxville, Ben A. Morton; our beloved J. H. Sharp, of Harriman, and John B. Cox, of New York, internationally known as an electrician, are among her products. A \$4,500 farm has just been added to the school by friends. Work-scholarships are available by worthy boys and girls of limited means.

**DOYLE INSTITUTE**, Doyle, Tennessee, on the N. C. and St. L. Ry., and on the Bristol-Memphis Highway, beautiful Caney Fork River near by, plenty of fine well water, large brick administration building, spacious classrooms and auditorium, 24-hour electric current, large, well-chosen library, three-story brick home for girls, two-story building for boys, good athletic field, six-acre campus, two debating societies, grammar grades, high school and some college work offered, new printing press and equipment; tuition in grammar grades from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per month; high school \$3.00 to \$4.00 per month, fine board \$15.00; room rent \$1.50 per month. Opening date 1925-26 August 24. Spring semester opens January 4. For catalog write J. L. McAliley, President.

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A SNOW SCENE AT TENNESSEE COLLEGE, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

### HUGE COLLEGE ENROLMENTS.

The total number of college students this year is 618,555, and the number per each 10,000 of our population is 56.62. In other words only one-half of one per cent of our population are in college but from that half per cent come the leaders of our country. Utah ranks first having 129.34 students per 10,000 population while Nevada ranks last with 9.43. South Carolina is thirtieth with 39.22. Texas, Virginia and Georgia have a slightly higher rank than South Carolina. Tennessee is the lowest in the whole Southland. For that reason there is to be an ever brighter future for our denominational colleges when larger numbers turn toward college. Among the colleges which have over 2,000 students this year are Boston University with 4,929, Brown University with 2,013, Carnegie Tech with 2,155, Columbia with 9,111, Cornell with 5,232, Dartmouth with 2,138, Harvard with 7,068, Massachusetts Institute of Technology with 2,938, New York University with 14,496, New York City College with 2,981, Ohio State University with 8,951, Pennsylvania State University with 3,549, Princeton with 2,197, Purdue with 3,065, Stanford with 2,957, Syracuse with 7,554, Tufts with 2,012, University of California with 15,337, University of Chicago with 4,989, University of Cincinnati with 5,249, University of Illinois with 10,089, University of Iowa with 5,341, University of Kansas with 3,893, University of Kentucky with 2,038, University of Michigan with 8,970, University of Minnesota with 9,452, University of Missouri with 3,718, University of Nebraska with 5,981, University of North Carolina with 2,262, University of Pennsylvania with 9,728, University of Pittsburgh with 5,989, University of Texas with 4,789, University of Washington with 5,450, University of Wisconsin with 7,643, Washington University with 3,333, Western Reserve with 2,721, and Yale with 4,443.



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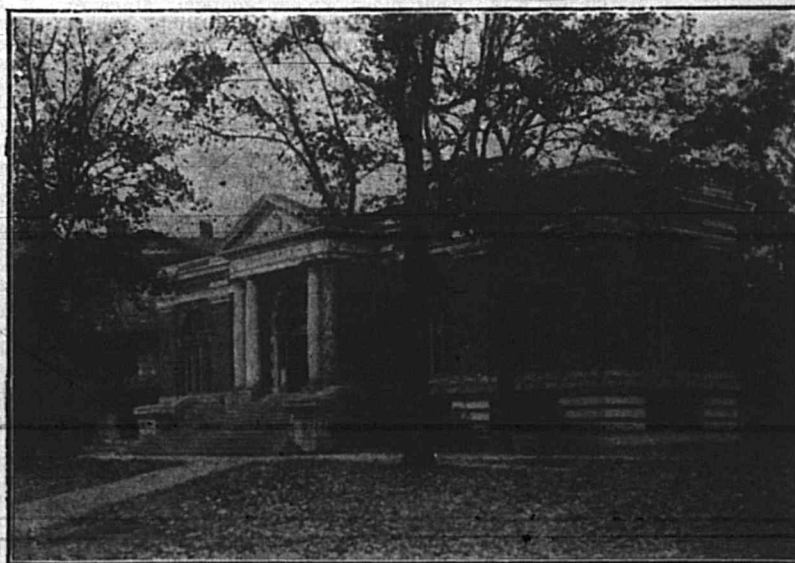
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We call especial attention to the announcement of Judge Cliff Davis concerning the B.Y.P.U. banquet at Memphis during the Southern Baptist Convention. Article follows:

"The Tennessee B.Y.P.U. Convention is planning a banquet for the Southern Baptist Convention on Friday, May 15, at 6 p.m. This banquet is expected to be one of the brightest spots of the entire convention, and will be one of the most interesting activities in which the young people will engage. This will be as representative as the convention itself, and will be addressed by an outstanding speaker. It will have all the thrills and pep of a real get-together dinner of young people. The banquet tickets will be \$1.50.

"Will you kindly communicate this announcement to your State paper, asking that it be given prominence to acquaint the young people with its importance.

"Only active B.Y.P.U. members will be expected to make reservation, because, despite large banquet hall quarters, attendance will be limited and prized. In order not to be disappointed, reservation should be made at once, accompanied by a money order. If bank check is sent, ten cents exchange must be added. Address Miss Janey Bilderback, 103 N. 2nd St., Memphis, Tenn.

"Anticipating seeing you at the convention, I am yours for service, Cliff Davis."

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DAY IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS, JUNE 28, 1925

We have said over and over again in these notes that we were not willing to foster any special days except those outlined by our Denominational Program. This we are trying our best to adhere to. Home and Foreign Missions in March was a decided success. Many schools observed it and gave largely to Home and Foreign Missions. State Missions came in September and Benevolences in December. June 28 is a regular denominational day and we are asking that our schools make this a really great day. This is the only day set apart for Christian Education and we are not asking that you observe any other. The gifts from this program will go to all the interests in the unified program pertaining to our schools. Of course churches have the privilege to designate their funds to any school they please for we never assume to dictate where the money shall go, but all undesignated funds will be allocated among them all according to the unified program.

We feel that the Sunday schools are being imposed upon by special calls and special interests. Therefore, we wish to be clear in our announcement concerning this special day. Local interests have asked for special days and we would have no end to calls if the Sunday schools were opened to them all. We have no way to prevent local interests making requests, for that is not our business to control, but we represent the State Board and will not foster any special program before our churches except those approved by this Board. Please let us make this a great day and give to the support of our schools which are in dire need at this time. Further announcements will be made concerning this special day later on.

### SOME DANGEROUS TENDENCIES

1. To Specialization—We are dangerously near the time when we are overworking the idea of specializing in our work. It has gotten to the point where some of our people want to do just one thing and nothing else. We have also come to a time where we are inclined to even single out separate great doctrines and truths

and set a whole organized machine to work pressing that one doctrine. Why should we have a whole piece of separate machinery to do one thing alone. Why should we separate one doctrine from all others and teach and stress it by a separate organization? Why should we not teach the whole Bible in every church and by every available piece of machinery in all our churches. We need to get a vision of God's church with a complete program and realize that each of us is expected to help carry out this entire program.

2. Toward Local and Independent Programs—A class, a department, a school or a church often forgets the general program of the church. The department or class should take into account the program of the whole school and church and make their local programs conform to this church program. This is narrowed down sometimes to individuals. An individual gets an idea this his plans are better than all others and in order to magnify them he is willing to cross lines with the plans of the whole church and denomination. Sometimes we sacrifice the general interests of the denomination fighting for our personal opinions and to get a personal following. Let's take a larger view and hook ourselves up with the team and pull the whole load as Jesus gave it to us when he was in the world.

3. Toward Activity Rather than Service—Many think just because they are always busy doing something that they are really serving the Lord. This may and may not be true. Sometimes those who are busiest are far away from real service of the Christ. The thing we all need to do is to develop ourselves by taking food for our own souls.

4. Toward Surface Work—God deliver us from such a thing. We are not plowing deep enough. Much of our Bible study and Bible knowledge is based on Memory work rather than upon real thought. It takes study to learn how to think. Talking is not teaching every time nor is orating, speaking necessarily. The man who can cause us to think is the teacher or speaker who does good. The one who learns to master his or her own mental powers will learn the Bible or any thing else that they set their hearts on and hands to do.

5. To Depend upon the Sunday School for the whole Task. No person can accomplish his or her whole duty in the Sunday school alone. It is just as much our business to attend and help in other services and in other lines as to attend the Sunday school. When we have done the duties assigned us in our class we feel that we have done our part. Not so. It is just as much the duty of a man who went after a lost soul from the class to bring one to the preaching service and help to win him there as it was to go from the class. Many times we feel when we have urged people to accept Christ in the session of the school we have done our part in evangelization, but not so. This should be the beginning of our evangelistic efforts and they should not cease until we have worked in every available organization and used every personal appeal. We must learn to serve in the entire program of our church.

### THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND THE BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR

The Baptist and Reflector is now being edited by Dr. O. E. Bryan, because of the failure to elect an editor. Dr. Bryan is overworked without this cumbersome task. It has occurred to me that we should help him, at least with the business side of the paper. No organ of our convention is more important in an edu-

cational way than the paper. We are the school of the churches and should teach everything that a member should know. This being a specific agency of education it behooves us to see that the paper is in every Baptist home in the state. Many of us were not in favor of the convention taking over the paper, but cooperation does not mean doing what others do provided they agree with us, but doing what all others do when the majority is against us. Now it is our duty to make this paper go since it belongs to our convention, and every subscription that we secure not only lessens the deficit on the Board but carries all kinds of educational matter to the people who should know about our work. No one can take his or her place in any kind of a cooperative effort unless they know all about the plan and program in question, so they may know where to stand when duty calls. Now a suggestion: Let every school elect an officer whose specific duties shall be to promote the state Baptist paper and other items of reading matter. We have an abundance that is worth while and will substitute for a lot of trashy stuff that our young people as well as older ones are reading. This will help to make better Christians just as other lines of study. Let it be the duty of this officer, first, to see that every member knows about the paper and other reading matter. Talk about it before the school and distribute literature and sample reading matter to those who are not using it. Keep posters where all can see calling attention to the paper and the interesting things coming through its columns.

Second, publicly recognize those who read it each week before the church and school and have every now and then as part of the general program some one to tell about the most interesting things in last week's issue.

Third, have the school publicity director to write articles concerning special things done in your church and school and send them in to the notes.

Fourth, Go before the organized classes and tell them about the paper and urge them to take it. Keep a full and complete list of all who take it and also those who do not and every now and then get with the third vice-presidents of the various classes and ask them to help you place it in the homes of every member of their classes.

Fifth, take subscriptions and send them in to Dr. Bryan and thus save him the trouble and expense of sending statements and asking for subscriptions. Write him a word every now and then telling how you are getting along and how much your people prize the paper.

Sixth, Wherever possible be at conventions and other meetings and be sure to see to it that some one represents the paper.

Rates have been announced by the Southeastern Passenger Association of one and one-half fare for round trip to Knoxville, June 20-26, good until July 3. Write this office for certificate of identification.

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Don't forget the general meetings in the state B.Y.P.U. Convention, Knoxville, June 24-27.

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## B. Y. P. U. TRAINING — OBEYING — SERVING KEYNOTE — "HIS WILL — MINE".

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at Tullahoma.

The Robertson County Association-  
al B.Y.P.U. Convention will meet  
soon.

Knoxville, June 24-27, 1925.

The Friendship Associational  
B.Y.P.U. is planning a young people's  
rally May 30-31 in connection with  
the 5th Sunday meeting at Old Salem  
church.

The Cumberland Association hopes  
to have a B.Y.P.U. rally, May 31.

The Concord Associational meeting  
will be held either May 24 or June  
7. Definite announcement will be  
made next week.

Giles County, Bledsoe and other  
Associations are asking for conven-  
tions. Bledsoe probably June 7.

The Nashville Association will  
meet May 30, 31. City B.Y.P.U.  
president, Alvin L. Fehrman will pre-  
side.

The Duck River Associational  
B.Y.P.U. meets at Winchester, May  
30, 31. Rev. Clyde Widick is the  
president.

Miss Mae Ross, 426 Lamont street,  
Johnson City, is the recently elected  
Intermediate leader of their newest  
union at Central Church.

The Gibson County Meeting of  
young people will be presided over  
by Mr. Cecil Howse of Humboldt,  
their president. Rev. Chesley Bow-  
den, Secretary W. C. Milton, and your  
state secretary are among the speak-  
ers. Rev. Preston Ramsey, of the  
Eldad church is pastor-host.

The Shelby County Associational  
Convention meets at Bartlett, Sun-  
day, May 31. Dr. C. E. Burts, gen-  
eral director for the New Program,  
Judge Clifford Davis and your state  
secretary are among the speakers.

The Sharon Baptist Church is host  
to a district B.Y.P.U. meeting in the  
Beulah Association, May 30, 31.

The Wilson County meeting, to be  
held at Mt. Juliet church, May 30, 31,  
will be spoken to by Dr. W. F.  
Powell at the 11:00 hour Saturday,  
Prof. Josh Lee, Saturday night, state  
vice-president R. E. Miles and others.

The River Side Associational  
Young People's meeting will be held  
at Livingston, May 30, 31. Miss Zella  
Mai Collie and Rev. P. B. Baldrige  
will be among the speakers.

The New Salem Associational  
Rally will meet May 30, 31. Rev.  
Geo. L. Ridenour and Mr. C. C. Davis  
of Carthage are among those who are  
planning the program.

The Big Emory Baptist Young Peo-  
ple's Federation will meet at an early  
date. Mr. Ora Scarborough is presi-  
dent.

The Holston and Watauga Asso-  
ciational B.Y.P.U.'s plan a combined  
training school and encampment at  
Butler this summer.

The Nolachucky Associational  
B.Y.P.U. Convention meets in the  
First Baptist church of Morristown,  
Sunday, June 14. This will be a  
great booster meeting for the Knox-  
ville convention, June 24-27. Miss  
Ona Mullins is chairman of the pro-  
gram committee.

The Holston Valley B.Y.P.U. Rally  
will convene at Rogersville, May 30,  
31. Mr. Frank Farris is president.  
Rev. J. R. Chiles, pastor-host. Rev.  
David N. Livingstone will be one of  
the principal speakers.

The Jefferson County B.Y.P.U.  
Convention will be entertained at the  
Dandridge Baptist church, May 24.  
Miss Robbye Ballard, Sibley Burnett  
and others will be on the program.

The Chilhowee Convention is being  
planned by Miss Mildred Hicks, Bro.  
J. R. Johnson and others. The con-  
vention will doubtless meet on May  
30, 31.

The Chattanooga City B.Y.P.U. has  
for its president, Mr. Ben F. Hood,  
1808 Newton St. Dr. T. W. Calla-  
way is pastor-director.

The Sweetwater Association will  
meet at the Christianburg church,  
May 30, 31.

The McMinn County Associational  
B.Y.P.U. will be held at the Etowah  
church, May 31. Rev. A. F. Mahan  
will be pastor-host. On Saturday  
night, May 30, each district plans to  
hold a meeting. Speakers from  
Knoxville and nearby churches will  
take part on the program.

Ovoca—A Magic Word! Ask some-  
one who's been there!

AN ATTRACTIVE SETTING FOR  
AN ATTRACTIVE CONVEN-  
TION PROGRAM KNOX-  
VILLE—JUNE 24-27, 1925

When 1,500 young people gather  
at Knoxville, June 24-27, they will  
meet in the beautiful First Baptist  
church of that city. This church is  
perhaps the most complete of any in  
the Southland. The auditorium is  
simple in design and exquisite in  
taste. The possibility is that the pro-  
grams will be broadcasted from this  
auditorium. One of the finest pipe  
organs will be heard and will lend to  
the beauty of the musical program.

The program will start Wednesday  
night, June 24, at 7:00 o'clock. Dr.  
John L. Hill of Nashville, will be one  
of the principal speakers of the even-  
ing. Following this, the evening ser-  
vice, there will be held a social re-  
union of the Tennessee Baptist young  
people. This will be under the super-  
vision of the Knoxville young people  
and will be featured by stunts put  
on by various unions. The Thursday  
morning program will begin at 9:00,  
going throughout the day with a short  
afternoon session and with two ad-  
dresses at night. Judge Clifford  
Davis, Dr. John L. Hill, Secretary J.  
E. Lambdin of Alabama, Dr. O. E.  
Bryan, Dr. William Russell Owen of  
Macon, Ga., W. D. Hudgins and oth-  
ers will take part on the program  
that day. One of the outstanding  
features of the day's session will be  
the simultaneous conferences held in  
the morning. The conferences this  
year will be especially attractive be-  
cause each one will be conducted dif-  
ferently, with demonstrations, de-  
bates, and other methods of presen-  
tation. The Friday morning pro-  
gram begins with a sunrise prayer  
service. Dr. F. F. Brown of Knox-  
ville, speaks on "The Challenging  
Christ." A splendid morning pro-  
gram has been arranged. The after-  
noon will be given over to recreation  
as guests of the Knox County young  
people. The convention program  
closes out Friday with a play pre-  
sented by the Memphis young people  
entitled "Others," followed by a clos-  
ing address by Dr. J. W. Inzer on the  
"Challenging World." Entertainment  
is on the Harvard plan, i. e., lodging  
and breakfast free. A registration  
fee of \$1.00 will be expected from all  
those who will attend the sessions of  
the convention. Knoxville is plan-  
ning on 1,500 visitors.

Two B.Y.P.U.'s Have Been Organ-  
ized, one at Medina, with Leroy  
Cooper as president, the other at  
Doyle, with Lloyd Fletcher as presi-  
dent. Miss Collie assisted in both  
of these organizations.

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BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD  
NASHVILLE, TENN.

At the Southern Baptist Conven-  
tion the young people will have spe-  
cial interest in the following meet-  
ings: Field workers' meeting, Mon-  
day evening May 11, from 7:30-9:00  
with Dr. Dargan bringing the closing  
address. On Tuesday, from 9:00 in  
the morning till 9:00 at night there  
will be Sunday school-B.Y.P.U. ses-  
sions. All of the B.Y.P.U. secretaries  
of the South will be present to take  
up various vital themes. Dr. Clark  
will speak on Tuesday morning, and  
Dr. H. L. Grice and Dr. R. G. Lee  
will speak on Tuesday night.

The B.Y.P.U. banquet for the  
South will be held on Friday night,  
May 15. The reservations should be  
requested from Miss Janey Bilder-  
back, 103 N. 2nd St., Memphis,  
Tenn. The price will be \$1.50 a  
plate and it will be held in the Hotel  
Gayosa.

Columbia, Tennessee, plans to send  
a large delegation over to Ovoca in  
July. The date is from 22-31. Clarks-  
ville plans to be well represented.  
Mrs. Kate M. Porter plans to chap-  
erone a group of young people from  
Newbern, Tenn., to the Ovoca meet-  
ing. Quite a number of Memphis  
young people plan to renew friend-  
ships of last year and try to dupli-  
cate the enjoyable ten days spent  
there.

### STATE B.Y.P.U. SECRETARIES WRITING TRACTS

At the field workers' meeting the  
first of January, it was decided that  
each B.Y.P.U. secretary should write  
a tract dealing with some phase of  
the B.Y.P.U. work. Some of these are  
all ready for distribution. They will  
be sent free upon request to the  
B.Y.P.U. department at Tullahoma.  
Write for one for each of your of-  
ficers. A partial list of those avail-

able, follows: "The B.Y.P.U. Di-  
rector," by Gardner; "The B.Y.P.U.  
Department of the Church," by  
Lambdin; "Bible Readings," by  
Wright; "How the Instruction Com-  
mittee Worked at 'Possum Bend  
Church," by William; "Bible Instru-  
ction Committee," by William, also;  
"The Heroine of Ava," a play by  
Whittenmeyer; "Farmer Brown's  
Conversion," by Grimsley, "Senior,  
Junior and Intermediate Methods,"  
by Leavell. Other tracts will appear  
shortly after the Southern Baptist  
Convention.

An Attractive Announcement  
comes from Alabama of the 32nd an-  
nual convention which meets at Men-  
tone, July 7-13. Your state secretary  
plans to be with them at that time.  
The Arkansas assembly will meet this  
year at Siloam Springs, July 7-16.

Send all requests for reservations  
for home entertainment at the Knox-  
ville convention to Mr. Willett D.  
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Knoxville.

"Why do you look so sorrowful,  
Murphy?" asked Pat.

"I just heard a man call another  
man a liar?" replied Murphy, "and  
the man that was called a liar said  
the other man would have to apolo-  
gize or there would be a fight."

"And why should that make you  
so sad?"

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### ROYAL AMBASSADOR BANQUETS GREAT SUCCESS.

The banquets held for the boys at the divisional meetings were a success. Over a hundred boys and counsellors at Jackson, fifty at Lebanon, and fifty at Knoxville. The programs were full of life and enthusiasm. The speeches were interesting to boys, and the part taken by the boys was praise worthy. Several chapters were represented at each place. Those who attended are very proud of their organization, and our only regret is that every Ambassador in the state could not be present.—L. S. Sedberry, State R. A. Leader.

### W. M. U.

#### THE DIVISIONAL MEETINGS.

The secretaries will report the three divisional meetings, but we must say a few things.

There were forty-three associations represented at these meetings. There were nearly one thousand young people who attended the R.A., G.A., and Y.W.A. banquets.

The programs were excellent. Many said they had heard no better addresses at the state convention. A pastor said he never heard better at the S.B.C. Mrs. James, Miss Ray, and Dr. Bryan were our "shining lights."

God gave us the sunshine so the crowds came at all three places. The hospitality was abundant.

Because of the conferences and banquets we believe our young people's work will be especially helped. Mr. Sedberry and Miss Rollow were most cordially received and were an inspiration to the leaders as well as to the boys and girls.

Next year Middle Tennessee will meet in Nashville and East Tennessee in Chattanooga. We believe that our divisional conventions will grow in power and will become mighty factors in our state development.

#### MIDDLE TENNESSEE DIVISIONAL MEETING OF THE W.M.U.

Before the formal opening of the Middle Tennessee Divisional Convention in Lebanon, April 22, two banquets, planned and beautifully carried out by the Lebanon W.M.S. were given to the young people of Middle Tennessee. The Y.W.A. and G.A. banquet, presided over by Miss Cornelia Rollow, Young People's Leader of Middle Tennessee, was enjoyed by more than 150 young women and girls. Beautiful indeed were the decorations and a delicious menu was served. Miss Rollow planned a very unique "spring" program for the banquet, using the words Study, Prayer, Reports, Inasmuch, 'Nlistment and Giving.

The Royal Ambassadors banquet was equally as successful. This was presided over by Rev. L. S. Sedberry, of Lewisburg, State Leader of Royal Ambassadors. Several splendid addresses were heard, and stunts, yells and music by the boys were special features. About 50 fine young boys were present and they pronounced it the finest banquet ever!

The program for young people's evening was presided over by Miss Cornelia Rollow, Young People's Leader for Middle Tennessee. Devotionals were led by Rev. L. S. Sedberry. Miss Ida Williams, of Lebanon, welcomed the convention in a most cordial manner. Response to this greeting was given by Mrs. Eustace Williams, of Shelbyville.

The address of the evening, to which the young people had eagerly looked forward, was made by Miss Ray, of Pingtu, China. Miss Ray was dressed in Chinese costume and

held the audience spellbound with the story of her work.

#### Thursday, April 23.

The morning and afternoon devotionals were led by Rev. L. S. Sedberry and Mrs. Eustace Williams, each bringing helpful messages. The consecration service, led by Mrs. W. F. Powell, was most impressive.

A helpful conference on the Standard of Excellence was conducted by Miss Northington, solving many problems that had been troubling the workers.

All parents and workers with boys were stirred by the splendid address of Rev. L. S. Sedberry, State Leader of the Royal Ambassadors. Mr. Sedberry is giving serious thought to the work with the boys and we are expecting great results from his leadership.

Mission Study, with many helpful suggestions on the different methods of conducting classes, were given by Mrs. Austin Crouch, of Murfreesboro. Mrs. R. K. Kimmons further emphasized the importance of mission study in a most practical, informal round table discussion.

Mrs. W. C. James, president of the W.M.U. of the S.B.C. gave an inspiring address on "A Vision and A Task." Miss Bonnie Ray, of Pingtu, China, thrilled all hearts with her message.

Miss Eva McCullough, director of the Woody Barton Good Will Center in Nashville, made a very practical talk on Personal Service. The audience was charmed by the singing of the children from the Good Will Center.

A roll call of associations showed twelve associations represented and ten superintendents present.

An enthusiastic announcement of the summer assemblies was made by Miss Cornelia Rollow.

Report of the nominating committee was as follows: Vice-President, Mrs. C. E. Burts, Nashville; Young Peoples Leader of Middle Tennessee, Mrs. George Ridenour, Carthage; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. M. M. Ginn, Nashville.

The following delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention were named:

Mrs. R. R. Acree, Clarksville; Mrs. Roscoe Meadows, Orlinda; Mrs. W. S. Browning, Gallatin; Miss Rachel Van Cleve, Murfreesboro; Mrs. Ed Hill, Nashville; Mrs. J. L. McAliley, Doyle; Mrs. John D. Freeman, Nashville; Mrs. A. L. Todd, Murfreesboro; Mrs. F. M. Dowell, McMinnville; Miss Ida Williams, Lebanon.

Alternates—Mrs. F. M. Smith, Clarksville; Mrs. I. J. Van Ness, Nashville; Miss Eva McCullough, Nashville; Mrs. Ferd Carter, Nashville; Mrs. Austin Crouch, Murfreesboro; and Mrs. J. G. Hughes, Lebanon.

We do want to express our deep appreciation to the women of Lebanon for their charming hospitality. The arrangements for the meeting were perfect and we never have felt more cordially received.

Nashville asked the privilege of entertaining the convention next year and the invitation was accepted.

Mrs. M. M. Ginn,  
Secretary.

#### CORRECTIONS IN WHITE CROSS REPORT.

We are sorry the following gifts to White Cross were omitted in making a former report:

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#### EAST TENNESSEE DELEGATES TO W. M. U. OF THE S. B. C. ELECTED AT DIVISIONAL CONVENTION.

Mrs. R. L. Harris, Knoxville; Mrs. J. R. Johnson, Maryville; Mrs. H. W. McClarey, Benton; Mrs. W. B. Quillen, Bulls Gap; Mrs. Lee Shanan, Chattanooga; Mrs. W. A. Moffitt, Dayton; Mrs. F. M. McNeese, Johnson City; Mrs. Frank Seiler, Elizabethton; Mrs. C. D. Creaman, Knoxville; Mrs. T. E. Moody, Athens.

#### Alternates.

Mrs. A. G. Neas, Newport; Mrs. H. T. Mitchell, Harriman; Mrs. Horner; Mrs. J. H. Light, Chattanooga; Mrs. B. A. Bowers, Knoxville; Miss Helen Chase, Johnson City; Mrs. J. I. Huggins, Dandridge; Mrs. L. O. Phillips, Morristown; Mrs. W. G. Mahaffey, Knoxville.

#### MIDDLE TENNESSEE ASSOCIATIONS.

Bledsoe association met at Westmoreland for its April quarterly meeting. We have a church of about twenty members with no house of worship.

They meet in a lodge room and have a good Sunday school and W.M.S. A large crowd came to the meeting and were beautifully entertained by these women.

Pastors Oakley and ..... were present and added much to the program. Every society reported a mission study class. This is largely due to the efficient mission study leader, Mrs. W. S. Browning, of Gallatin.

Miss Myra Dulin is planning "to lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes" during the summer.

New Salem met at Gordonsville, another one of our homeless churches. How we do need to increase our church building and loan fund! Here we met in the Presbyterian Church made most attractive, decorated in W.M.U. colors.

Pastors Ridenour and Carney brought inspirational message. Mrs. Ridenour was Miss Agnes Whipple, our former young people's leader. We welcome her and her husband back to Tennessee. Mr. Ridenour is pastor at Carthage.

New societies are constantly being organized in New Salem by the superintendent. Mrs. Ridenour was elected young people's leader.

Watch New Salem grow. You certainly would not have believed they were only fifteen members of the Gordonsville church if you had seen that dinner served out under trees, and a perfect day made it indeed enjoyable.

Giles County W.M.U. has been organized. We are so happy over the organization at Pulaski. Only three churches were represented but we had a fine meeting. Officers were elected and field work planned by the summer. Minor Hill has a strong new society and eight women have already purchased W.M.U. pins.

Pulaski is without a pastor but they entertained us beautifully. Bro. Layton was a great help.

Every association in West Tennessee holds quarterly meetings. We are gaining ground in Middle Tennessee. Watch the associational organizations grow.

#### DATA CONCERNING W.M.U. REGISTRATION AT MEMPHIS, TENN., MAY 12-14.

Registration at Memphis, Tenn., for delegates and visitors to the W.M.U. Annual Meeting will open at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, May 12, on the mezzanine floor of the Chisca Hotel on Main Street and Linden Avenue. It will continue at this hotel until 6:30 that Tuesday evening. Registration will be resumed at 8 a.m. on Wednesday.

nesday, but from then on it will be at the First Baptist Church on Linden Avenue and Lauderdale Street. The registration place at this church is on the first floor of the Sunday School Annex, the entrance to which is on Linden Avenue. There will be no registration at the Chisca Hotel after 6:30 on Tuesday evening.

When the annual meeting opens in the First Baptist Church at 9:30 on Wednesday morning, registration will be suspended until the close of that session, to be resumed at the noon hour. As each delegate registers she is given her badge and program. It is earnestly hoped that every W.M.U. delegate and visitor will register as soon as possible after arrival in Memphis. Any unregistered delegates who reach the First Baptist Church during one of the sessions will be seated in the special section reserved for unregistered delegates. Upon adjournment of that session they will be expected to register, as no delegates or visitors will be registered during any of the sessions.

Each state is entitled to only thirty-nine delegates not including the state W.M.U. vice-president. The thirty-nine cards for each state are sent to the state W.M.U. vice-president who distributes them according to the policy of the given state. The vice-presidents or their accredited substitutes will be at the registration tables in Memphis so that any delegate who has not received her card may be properly identified.

The number of visitors is limited only by the large auditorium of the church, where all the W.M.U. sessions will be held except on Tuesday night, when the session in the interest of the W.M.U. young people's program will be rendered at the Municipal Auditorium. No cards are sent to the states for the visitors, such cards being secured at the registration tables in Memphis. Visitors arriving after a session has opened will be seated by the ushers in the regular visitors' section. Upon adjournment they will be expected to register, at which time they will receive their badge and program. Every delegate and visitor is urged to take time to write very legibly her full name and address.

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Kathleen Mallory,  
W.M.U. Corresponding Sec.

#### STEWARDSHIP.

Mrs. John Jeter Hurt—Jackson.

In discussing stewardship and its relation to the Kingdom of God we must first recognize the fact that we belong to God—and that also means our time, talents and influence as well as our worldly goods. The term steward is a technical one—so first let's see what it means. The Standard Dictionary defines a steward as:

First.—"A person entrusted with the management of estates or affairs not his own; one who manages or disburses for another."

Second.—"An agent appointed by the Lord of the manor to lease lands, collect rents, etc."

So we see that we are stewards of all things that God has put in possession. God is the owner of life and everything that pertains to life. Let us see what the Bible has to say about God's ownership:

We are told, "All things are mine." "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein."

"The silver is mine and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of Hosts."

"The land shall not be sold in perpetuity; for the land is mine."

"Ye are not your own, ye are bought with a price."

We cannot fail to notice that these Scriptures are so worded that for all time they will remain in the present tense. In Genesis 17-8 we find that God did not transfer ownership of land to Abraham, but made Abraham and his seed stewards, for the record says:

"And I will give unto thee and thy seed after thee the land for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God."

Then again in Exodus 6:8 we find this important statement:

"I will give it to you for a heritage. I am Jehovah."

We must bear in mind that the last clause of each of these statements is a governing principle that binds all that has been stated. In each case the whole transaction is bound up with the recognition of Jehovah as the Master and Owner. And let us remember that when the seed of Abraham proved themselves unjust stewards and unworthy possessors God took the land of promise from them.

In the new era which was ushered in by the coming of Christ we find that he taught his disciples to pray: "Give us this day our daily bread." And Jesus also directed them to give thanks to God for temporal mercies and supplies of food.

Further proof of God's ownership is found in the fact that we recognize Jesus Christ his son as our Lord and Master. Christ bought us and paid the price of his life that we might be redeemed: "Ye are not your own, ye are bought with a price." Since we belong to God we must recognize that he has rights to that which he owns; and Jesus said: "When I come again I will require mine own with interest."

A possessor is one who possesses or enjoys the use of anything, as for instance land, money or talents. Possession, according to the dictionary, is defined as the act or state of possessing; the having, holding or using of property in one's power or command. In our relations with God and in all spiritual associations, the possessor is one who holds in trust anything of value which he may use for the purposes of the owner. The distinction between ownership and possession will at once be seen when it is realized that possession is no sign of ownership, despite the old adage that, "possession is nine points of the law." A burglar has robbed a jewelry store of several watches during the night. The next morning a detective with a list of the numbers of the stolen watches goes out in search of the robber. He meets a suspicious

character carrying a suitcase and when he looks inside he finds the watches stamped with the same numbers as those on the list handed him by the jeweler. The robber is in possession of the watches, but he is not the owner. Possession does not constitute ownership. There is a wonderful revelation of the Christ spirit in relation to possession found in Luke 12: 13-21.

Let us bear in mind the fact that the possessor and his possessions are one in the sight of God. We are stewards of our time, and it is not enough to give a few hours one or two days during the week and a few more hours on Sunday morning to the worship of God and the doing of his work. Time is allotted to man by the Creator. Jesus said: "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work." A sense of the stewardship of our time will supply our churches with willing workers for every department of church work.

Our talents as well as our other possessions are entrusted to us by our Heavenly Father under conditions and for ends of his choosing. He will make each like a stewardship, and a steward is not supposed to go his own way or do his own will—but his way and will must be the way and will of the Heavenly Father. He wants the first fruits of all our increase—the best of our talents, and a faithful steward will give a definite proportion of his time and talents to his Father's work just as he gives a definite proportion of his goods.

May we all say from our hearts:

"Take my life, and let it be consecrated Lord, to Thee;  
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.  
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 ceaseless 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.  
Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure-store;  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee."

#### JOHNSON CITY NOTES

I. G. Murray

I. G. Murray and not "I. G. Murray" wrote the article on "Good Neighbors" in last issue.

Our hearts were made sad at the drowning of Rev. Jesse Farris and son recently in Kentucky. Bro. Ball well says as to the wife and children left behind, "God be gracious to them." Let us add to this prayer, "The brotherhood be gracious to them." The Lord wants to be gracious to the widow and orphan through his people. Those who should lend a helping hand unto the afflicted how anxious they are for them to learn that "all things work together for good." Pious cant and good wishes alone do not pay bills. Let the Baptist denomination see that Mrs. Farris and children have their wants met. It is useless to pray for our old worn out preachers and their families and not help them. Help them and your prayers may not be necessary.

The Central Baptist Church has just moved into its new Sunday school rooms and feels quite up-to-date, having one of the best plants in the state. Dr. Roper, our pastor, has planned most wisely, and the brethren have backed him up and done the thing.

Never was there a time when Southern Baptists should be more in prayer. Their greatest achievements are just ahead, if they will only be faithful. The devil is wise enough to see this and is trying himself. In pastoral work I always found it so. In the church's greatest needs Satan was always the most active; especially if something worthwhile was about to be done. Let our pastors and churches be much in prayer; and then let those who go to Memphis to our great Convention go with praying hearts. Then let those who are at

home pray while the others have grace. But above all may our people rally to the support of our leaders with all the money necessary.

#### UNION UNIVERSITY PASTORS HAVE GOOD SUNDAY.

H. E. Watters delivered the commencement address before the high school at McLemoresville yesterday morning, preached at Humboldt last night and lectured in the city high school this morning.

W. L. Howse preached at Woodland Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Church pledged eight acres of cotton and collected two hundred dollars on church debt.

I. C. Cole reports two good services at White Haven yesterday.

R. L. Ramsey supplied at Medon yesterday with two splendid services.

E. B. Abington preached at Oakland and held services at near by mission.

A. H. Hooker supplied at Spring Creek at the morning hour.

Grant S. Huey held two services with his Spring Hill people and ordained two deacons.

C. H. Franks reports a good time at Providence, preaching Saturday and Sunday. Brighton church has extended a call to Mr. Franks and he is considering it. This is full time pastorate and offers a fine field for good services.

Morris J. Rachel supplied at Poplar Springs, preaching one sermon.

M. B. Howard reports a good time supplying at Clear Creek yesterday morning.

C. H. Robinson preached at Court Square Saturday morning.

J. B. Caldwell preached at the jail Sunday morning.

F. A. Weeks conducted services on the streets Saturday and Sunday.

C. L. Knight preached Saturday morning and two surrendered.

Thos. Siler supplied for Lacey Keel at Raleigh both morning and evening.—W. L. Howse, Secretary Religious Council.

#### JUNIORS-INTERMEDIATE NOTES

From the N. C. Recorder

#### PRAYER DECORUM

Always leaders seek to give their members ideas on what is and what is not the proper thing to do on various occasions. Here's one! Do your members know that when one stands to pray his hands should be folded either behind or in front of his body? Reverence can be obtained through many simple little suggestions, this being one that works well. Try it.

#### BRO. GEO. L. RIDENOUR WRITES FROM CARTHAGE

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We organized a Senior union at South Carthage last Sunday night. We selected the group captains from some fine young folks. W. N. Garrett is the president. He will make the union a success.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR MAY 3

Memphis, Central	1,754
Knoxville, First	1,127
Chattanooga, First	1,011
Knoxville, Fifth Ave.	950
Memphis, First	908
Memphis, Temple	895
Memphis, Bellevue	875
Knoxville, Broadway	689
Nashville, Grace	600
Knoxville, Deaderick Ave.	596
Memphis, Union Ave.	585
Maryville, First	580
Chattanooga, Highland Park	575
Chattanooga, Tabernacle	540
Nashville, Edgefield	478
Nashville, Immanuel	471
Jackson, West	453
Clarksville	451
Chattanooga, East Chat.	443
Jackson, First	441
Memphis, Prescott Memorial	421
Central of Fountain City	411
Chattanooga, Clifton Hill	410
Knoxville, Euclid Ave.	409
Rockwood, First	403
Nashville, Judson Memorial	393
Chattanooga, Avondale	389
Newport, First	387
Alcoa, Calvary	382
Paris, First	372
Knoxville, South	371
Chattanooga, St. Elmo	368
Knoxville, Immanuel	360
Knoxville, Island Home	340
Nashville, North Edgefield	338
LaFollette, First	330
Sweetwater, First	323
Nashville, Park Ave.	319
Chattanooga, Central	316
Lenoir City, First	308
Nashville, Lockeland	306
Nashville, Third	303

## CHATTANOOGA

Highland Park: J. B. Phillips, pastor; W. Leon Tucker on "Bible Conference Message" and J. L. Campbell on "Missionary Journey to Mission Fields." SS 575; 1 addition.

Daisy: J. A. Maples, pastor; "God Leading the Way" and "God Trying to Save the World." SS 119; BYPU 28. Observed Lord's Supper.

Tabernacle: T. W. Callaway, pastor; "What Is That in Thy Hand?" Dr. Harris Gregg of Bible Conference on "Christ of the Bible." SS 540.

Ridgedale: W. E. Davis, pastor "Our Boys" and "The Smitten Rock." By letter 35; for baptism 49; baptized 37; SS 296; BYPU good. A packed house at night.

Central: W. L. Pickard, pastor; J. L. Campbell, Carson-Newman College on "The Vision of Isaiah" powerful sermon and pastor on "What God Thinks of Men." SS 316; BYPU well attended. Missionary spirit good.

Chamberlain Ave.: G. T. King, pastor; "Foundations" and "Selling Out to Satan." Baptized 2; SS 192; BYPU good. Closed the ninth year as pastor. One conversion.

Avondale: T. G. Davis, pastor; "After the Revival, then What?" and "Does It Pay to Be a Christian?" By letter 4; for baptism 27; baptized 20; SS 389; BYPU's good. Organized 3 bands for personal work for souls. Meeting closed Friday night. Bro. Leamon did fine work.

First: Jno. W. Inzer, pastor; Dr. Harris Gregg on "The Model Church" and Dr. W. Leon Tucker on "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse." SS 1,011.

St. Elmo: Mel G. Leaman, pastor; "The Changeless Christ" and "Two Churches and Two Ways to Build Them." By letter 5; for baptism 2; SS 368; BYPU good. Work starting off well.

E. Chatt.: J. N. Bull, pastor; "The Virgin Birth of Jesus" and "How We Get Faith" (Rom. 10: 17). SS 443.

Lupton City: W. T. McMahan, pastor; "One Out of Ten" and Dr. Winchester on "Eternity." SS 97. 2 conversions.

Shoal Creek: A. G. Frost, pastor; "The Devil of Jealousy." SS 21.

Oak Grove: J. N. Monroe, pastor; "Demas, the Renegade" 2 Tim. 4: 10 and G. W. Phillips on "The Separated Life" Matt. 25. SS 177; BYPU's well attended.

N. Chatta.: Wm. S. Keese, pastor; "Lord's Supper—a Sacrament or a Memorial" and "Baptism." By letter 1; baptized 2.

Alton Park: T. J. Smith, pastor; "There in the Rightness of God Manifested" and "The Same Text." By letter 1; for baptism 1; SS 241; BYPU good. Good services both hours.

Clifton Hill Tab.: W. R. Hamic, pastor; "Weeping" and "The Blood Washed Throng." By letter 3; for baptism 3; baptized 2; SS 410.

Union Fork: A. Robertson, pastor; "Great Possessions" and "The Voices of the Birds." SS 32.

East Lake: W. C. Tallant, pastor; "Whosoever Will" and "Waiting on the Lord." By letter 1; for baptism 10; baptized 7; SS 259; BYPU 75. Revival closed. Total results to date 21 confessions, 24 for baptism; 4 by letter.

Woodland Park: E. G. Epperson, "The Master Calls You" and "The Touch of the Master Makes You Right." SS 152; BYPU good. 3 saved, a number reclaimed.

## NASHVILLE

Grace: Tom L. Roberts, pastor; "Christianity and the Twentieth Century" and "The Incarnated Word." In SS, 600; in BYPU, 25; in Int. BYPU, 36; in Jr. BYPU, 28; by letter, 2.

North Edgefield: A. W. Duncan, pastor; Preaching both morning and evening by Dr. D. A. Ellis of Memphis. Our special meetings closed, with 53 additions to the church. In SS, 338; in BYPU's, 106.

Immanuel: Ryland Knight, pastor; "Pebbles and Acorns" and "The Story of Elisha." In SS, 471; for baptism, 2; baptized, 3.

Edgefield: W. M. Wood, pastor; "Striving for the Straight Gate" and "Lesson from the Life of Timothy." In SS, 478; in BYPU, 30; in Int. BYPU, 25; in Jr. BYPU, 10; baptized, 2.

Grandview Heights: S. W. Kendrick, pastor; "Our Girls" and "Weighed and Found Wanting." In SS, 234; in BYPU, 20; in Int. BYPU, 25; in Jr. BYPU, 22; for baptism, 1; by profession, 1.

Park Avenue: A. M. Nicholin, pastor; "Saving the Lost" and "The Christian and His Lord." In SS, 319; in BYPU No. 1, 16; in No. 2, 19; in Int. BYPU, 21; in Jr. BYPU, 22.

Judson Memorial: R. E. Grimsley, pastor; "Soul Winning" and "Punishment." In SS, 393.

Seventh: Edgar W. Barnett, pastor; "Christ Our All" and "How to Keep from Sinning." In SS, 216; in BYPU, 33; in Int. BYPU, 17 in Jr. BYPU, 20; by letter, 2.

Radnor: W. C. McPherson, supply; "A Conquering Church" and "Your Pedigree." In SS, 128; in BYPU's, 40; for baptism, 1; by profession, 1. The church invited Evangelist McPherson to conduct a revival meeting in June.

Third: W. Rufus Beckett, pastor; "The Church on the Rock" and "The Heavenly Ladder." In SS, 303; in BYPU, 29; by letter, 5. Good crowds on opening day of pastorate.

Lockeland: J. C. Miles, pastor; "The Beginning of Gospel of Christ" and "A Day in the Life of Jesus." In SS, 306; in BYPU, 40; Int. and Jr. BYPU's good. Our revival continues this week, the pastor doing the preaching and Joe M. Cambron leading the singing.

## MEMPHIS

Forest Hill: W. L. Smith, pastor. Pastor spoke both hours. 87 in SS.

Central: Dr. Cox sick. Rev. J. Frank Norris preached in morning, no evening service. 1,754 in SS.

Speedway Terrace: Pastor preached both hours. 201 in SS, 1 for baptism, 1 by letter.

Bellevue: W. M. Bostick, pastor. Revival services led by Taylor party continues this week. 104 received to date, great revival spirit. 875 in SS. Good unions.

Temple: Pastor J. Carl McCoy spoke at both hours. 895 in SS, 195 in BYPU's, 4 by letter, 1 for baptism, 2 baptized, 2 surrendered for definite religious service.

Highland Heights: Pastor E. F. Curle preached at both hours to fine congregations, 2 additions. 275 in SS, 4 good unions.

Central Ave.: Pastor J. P. Horton preached both hours. Good congregations. 103 in SS, 59 in BYPU.

Yale: Pastor L. E. Brown spoke at both hours to splendid congregations. 124 in SS, 2 fine BYPU's, 1 baptized.

Prescott Memorial: Jas. H. Oakley, pastor. Church observed pastor's anniversary at the morning hour as he enters his sixth year. Pastor preached at night to a large congregation. 421 in SS, good unions.

Joseph Pappia, Italian Missionary: Times preached, 2; present in SS, 30; families prayed with, 10; tracts distributed, 20; visits made, 49.

Egypt: C. S. Koonce, pastor. Pastor preached both hours. 25 in SS.

Seventh Street: H. W. Stigler preached through the week. 251 in SS, 20 in BYPU, 17 for baptism, 1 by letter, 21 by statement, 8 for baptism.

Union Ave: Pastor Hurt spoke at both hours. 585 in SS, 6 by letter.

Greenland Heights: Pastor Chas. Lovejoy spoke at morning hour, no services at night, fair SS.

Boulevard: Pastor preached in the morning had a short service at night. 224 in SS. Raised over \$2,000 on building fund.

Ebenezer: Pastor J. W. Joyner spoke to a very large congregation. Good SS.

First: Pastor Bone preached, 3 baptized, 1 approved for baptism. 908 in SS.

Eudora: Pastor Whaley spoke on "Christian Motives," and "Sowing and Reaping." 54 in SS.

## KNOXVILLE

Broadway: B. A. Bowers, pastor. "Man at His Best," and "The Wedding Present." 688 in SS, 76 in Sr., 25 in Int., 37 in Jr. and 25 in Adult BYPU. 1 baptized, 1 by letter.

Inskip: D. W. Hutton, pastor. "The Mercy of God," and "The Sure Foundation." 120 in SS, 55 in BYPU. Two splendid crowds, two years in present pastorate. SS collection \$50.26. Happy with this church.

Smithwood: Chas. P. Jones, pastor. "Trying the Spirits," and Special recognition service for Church Training school. More than 100 diplomas and awards presented. 224 in SS, 86 in BYPU, 8 by letter, 7 for baptism.

Third Creek: W. E. Conner, pastor. "Christian Character," and "Signs of the Second Coming." 108 in SS.

Beaumont Ave.: D. A. Webb, pastor. "The Millennium," and "The Lost Judgment." 208 in SS, 1 for baptism.

Layston: J. F. Walfenbarg, pastor. "The Whole Armor," and "God's Great Love to All." 4 for baptism, 4 baptized, 1 by letter. Good day.

Mt. View: John O. Hood, pastor. Mark 2: 1-12, "Men Working With Christ," and Luke 15: "The Lost Son." 222 in SS, 27 in Sr. and 20 in Jr. BYPU.

Deaderick Ave.: Claude E. Sprague, pastor. "Faith," and "The Rich Fool." 596 in SS, 52 in Sr., 32 in Int. and 56 in Jr. BYPU, 20 for baptism, 16 baptized, 12 by letter.

Gillespie Ave.: J. K. Smith, pastor. "The Warning of Watchmen," and "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" 273 in SS, 35 in Sr. and 40 in Jr. BYPU.

Euclid Ave.: J. W. Wood, pastor. Observed Lord's Supper, and "The Second Commandment." 409 in SS, 1 baptized. Great day, good interest.

Central of Fountain City: J. C. Shipe, pastor. "The Cities of Refuge" and "The Stripling of Bethlehem." 411 in SS, 51 in Sr., 33 in Int. and 26 in Jr. BYPU.

Calvary: N. F. Jones, pastor. 178 in SS, 22 in Sr., 18 in Int. and 23 in Jr. BYPU, 1 by statement.

Philadelphia: A. B. Johns, pastor. "Home," and "Christian Temper." 102

in SS, 38 in Sr. and 16 in Jr. BYPU, 1 by letter. Large crowds.

Oakwood: W. G. Mahaffey, pastor. "Paul's Divine Call," and "The Importance of a Clean Heart." 281 in SS, 19 in Jr. BYPU.

First: F. F. Brown, pastor. "Stewardship," and "This Do Ye in Remembrance of Me." 1,127 in SS, 190 in BYPU, 8 baptized, 6 by letter.

Island Home: C. D. Creasman, pastor. "Three Voices," and Miss Eliza French spoke on China. 340 in SS.

Lincoln Park: H. F. Templeton, pastor. "The Religion of Conviction," and "The Account With God." 280 in SS, 27 in Sr. and 35 in Jr. BYPU.

We have jut on the six pont in the Sunday school. Our work is increasing.

South Knoxville: J. K. Haynes, pastor. "Power of Music," and "A Genuine Conversion." 371 in SS, 53 in Sr., 26 in Int. and 20 in Jr. BYPU. Good day.

Fifth Ave.: J. L. Dance, pastor. "Christianity of a Christian Worker," no preaching, Moody meetings. 950 in SS, 2 for baptism, 3 baptized, 5 by profession. I preach ordination sermon of Douglass Hudgins tonight.

Immanuel: A. R. Pedigo, pastor. Bro. Humphreys on John 3: 16 and "Excuses." 360 in SS, 9 for baptism, 3 by letter. Meeting continues with great interest.

Central of Bearden: Robt. Humphreys, pastor. A. R. Pedigo on "The Church," and R. C. Hurton on "Jesus Christ." 201 in SS.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Dechard, First: A. L. Bates, pastor; No service in morning. Evening text, "The Lifting Christ." Good SS, and two good BYPU's; baptized 4 since last report. Pastor preached at Estel Spring in afternoon on "How They Did It." Pastor goes to the convention at the expense of the church.

Maryville, First: Pastor J. R. Johnson preached at both services. In SS, 580; several were received by letter. Monterey: W. M. Griffith, pastor; "The Day in Which Jehovah Shall Call His Own" and "A Convenient Season That Never Came." In SS, 262; in BYPU, 20; baptized, 2. Church sends pastor to convention.

Rockwood, First: L. W. Clark, pastor; "Partnership with God" and "What is Your Life?" In SS, 403; in BYPU's, 126; Jr. BYPU has attained the A-1 Standard.

South Summerville: Evangelist R. D. Cecil preached 8 days with 11 professions and 1 addition. Lord's Supper observed; 2 deacons elected; evangelist receives \$18.21; 51 in SS. Evangelist R. D. Cecil asked to supply first and third Sundays in each month indefinitely.

Paris, First: John H. Buchanan, pastor; "A Burning Bush Every Day" and "Repentance." In SS, 372; in prayer meeting, 85; in 3 BYPU's, 90; baptisms, 1.

West Jackson: R. E. Guy, pastor; "Getting the Best Out of Life" and "The Cost of Neglected Salvation." In SS, 453; in BYPU, 181; 3 by baptism; prayer meeting good.

Kingston: D. W. Lindsay, pastor; "The Unjust Steward" and "The Ark, a Type of Christ." In SS, 208; in Sr. BYPU, 40; in Jr. BYPU, 30.

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McMinnville: F. M. Dowell, pastor; Morning hour was given to the celebration of the pastor's first anniversary. Several of our laymen made addresses as follows: M. T. Bass, C. J. Bryan, J. Floyd Johnson, and L. R. Turner. We have had a great year together; 116 additions have been added to the church and the church has advanced along every line with every financial obligation met and a balance in the bank. Pastor preached at night on "The Two Ways." Great day and much interest. In SS, 209; in BYPU's, 75.

Lenoir City, First: W. C. Creasman, pastor; "God's Family" and "A Soul for Sale." In SS, 308; in BYPU's, 85; baptized, 5; by letter, 2; good day. Oakdale: L. A. Hurst, pastor; "Spiritual Drouth" and "Refusing Christ." In SS, 191; baptized, 1. Mother's Day will be observed next Sunday.

Alcoa, Calvary: J. H. O. Clevenger, pastor; "Alcoa's Strongest Support"

and "Is Heaven for a Man Like Me?" In SS, 382; baptized, 1; by profession, 1.

LaFollette, First: Pastor in morning on "Draw Nigh Unto God" and at night by Rev. D. N. Livingstone. In SS, 330; in BYPU's, 167; for baptism, 1. SS and BYPU Institute this week.

Oneida, First: Jno. T. Jenkins, pastor. No morning service on account of Baccalaureate sermon of the Oneida High School. Evening theme: "Evidences of Salvation." In SS, 217; good unions; fine revival spirit.

Rossville, First: J. E. O'Quinn, pastor; "Trusting All the Way" and "Thirsting for God." Good day.

We hope that many of our workers will avail themselves of the opportunity to attend the Southern Baptist Convention next week. Nothing will give you a vision of our whole task like hearing those fresh from the fields tell about it.

The Fifth Sunday meeting of Beech River Association will be held with Mt. Ararat church, five miles north of Darden, Tenn., beginning Friday night, May 29. Rev. R. L. Rogers of Huron, Tenn., will preach the introductory sermon and Rev. C. A. Morrison of Lexington, Tenn., the missionary sermon. Rev. W. L. King of Parsons, Tenn., is the pastor.

The church at Clarksdale, Miss., of which Rev. M. C. Vick is pastor, is rejoicing over the good effect of a recent revival in which Dr. L. R. Christie of the First church, Meridian, Miss., did the preaching. There were 14 additions, 12 by baptism and 2 by letter.

Those Memphis Baptists want to be a blessing as well as receive a blessing from the Southern Baptist Convention sessions in their city. A mass-meeting of the Baptists of the city was held Monday night, May 4, at Bellevue church and the entire night spent in prayer for God's blessings on the Convention.

It is announced that 95 per cent of the pupils of Central Avenue church, Memphis, Tenn., of which Rev. J. P. Horton is pastor, remain for the preaching service. The reason as given is that the pastor keeps his hold on the young people.

"A Bishop Demoted" is the comment of Rev. H. Boyce Taylor of Murray, Ky., on the resignation of Rev. J. H. Sharp as pastor at Harri-man, Tenn., to become field secretary of Carson and Newman College. It does look like some good layman could have been found for the job.

Rev. J. H. Oakley of Prescott Memorial church, Memphis, Tenn., was greatly honored by his church last Sunday in recognition of his six years' term of service as pastor. The membership has grown from a handful to 500 under his leadership.

Dr. V. I. Masters of the Western Recorder predicts: "Within three years' time Tennessee Baptists will be loving O. E. Bryan, all the way from the Great Smokies beyond Bristol to Memphis." Beloved, you are just three years too late in your prophesy! They already love him!

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Rev. Clay I. Hudson of Pritchard Memorial church, Charlotte, N. C., is happy in the construction of a new and beautiful house of worship to cost approximately \$80,000. The cornerstone laying occurred Sunday afternoon, May 3.

Rev. H. Boyce Taylor of Murray, Ky. (Baptist), and C. R. Nichol (Campbellite), are debating this week at Monticello, Ky., the difference between spiritual religion as represented by Bro. Taylor and the other sort.

Rev. Martin Ball and wife of Paris, Tenn., celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage, Sunday, May 3, in the home of their daughter Mrs. Robt. L. Howard. They were the recipients of hosts of congratulations and good wishes.

The commencement sermon of the Mercer High School at Mercer, Tenn., of which Prof. Carey J. Huckaba is principal, was preached last Sunday by Dr. J. R. Mantey of Union University, Jackson, Tenn. He is reported to have done the job admirably.

On Sunday, April 26, under the strong appeal of the pastor, Dr. J. J. Hurt, a special offering of \$5,000 was made by the First church, Jackson, Tenn., for the unified program of Southern Baptists.

Dr. Otto Whittington has just held a meeting in Immanuel church, Little Rock, Ark., of which he is pastor, doing the preaching. There were 144 conversions and 180 additions, 105 by baptism and 75 by letter. The Sunday school numbers 1,090. The church has put on new life.

In a recent revival at Helena, Ark., in which Dr. T. D. Brown of El Dorado, Ark., assisted the pastor, Rev. T. H. Jordan, there were 34 additions. They think Dr. Brown is truly one of the great preachers of the denomination.

Victor Howell, after serving three years, has resigned as Education Director of the First church, Pine Bluff, Ark. Dr. S. E. Tull, pastor, and Prof. William J. Work of New York has been called as his successor. Prof. Work was for some years with the Home Mission Board as a singing evangelist.

Dr. Geo. W. McDaniel of Richmond, Va., says: "The name 'Baptist' was first given in ridicule, by the pedit-Baptist opponents of the people who rejected the baptism of babies." H. Boyce Taylor of Murray, Ky., says: "The name 'Baptist' was first given by God Himself to the man He sent to prepare the material out of which the Lord Jesus organized the first Baptist church." Unhesitatingly we find ourselves agreeing with Bro. Taylor.

The Baptist church at Canton, Miss., recently received into its fellowship a Methodist preacher, Rev. H. A. Seymour. He was baptized in the afternoon and licensed to preach that night.

Rev. A. F. Crittendon of Festus, Mo., has just closed a revival in which he was assisted by Rev. V. E. Boston of Winona, Miss., resulting in 54 additions, 39 by baptism. Four came from the Catholics, four from the Lutherans and four from the Mormons. Two other Catholics were converted who have not yet united with the church. The contract is to be let at once for the completion of the church building, which will cost \$70,000 and have 39 Sunday school rooms.

The churches at West Point and Picayune, Miss., have called as pastor, Rev. Roland Q. Leavell of Lawrenceburg, Ky. The Mississippians feel like he belongs to them. His decision has not been announced.

Evangelist G. M. Workman of Camden, Ark., lately held a meeting with Rev. L. M. Keeling of Stamps, Ark., resulting in 51 additions, most of them by baptism. The church gave him a salary increase of \$300. Bro. Workman is now with Rev. S. C. Swinney at Hampton, Ark., and there have already been 23 additions.

Evangelist L. O. Vermillion of Jackson, Tenn., has allied himself with the Reese Evangelistic Staff of Marbury, Ala. He has the following itinerary of meetings: Pleasant Hill with Dr. L. R. Hogan, July 26; Woodland with Rev. W. L. Howes, Aug. 2; Rock Hill, Aug. 9; Cordova, with Rev. W. L. Howse, Aug. 16; Chapel Hill, Aug. 23; Piney Creek, Aug. 30. He is at present in a meeting at Dublin, Ga., which had resulted in 30 additions at last report.

The current issue of the Baptist Messenger of Oklahoma City, Okla., carries the title "Convention Number," but it could more properly be designated "Doctrinal Statement Number," for almost the entire contents have to do with the convention in Memphis making a doctrinal deliverance. It seems that President Calvin Coolidge is not the only hobby-horse rider. He has the company of Editor C. P. Stealey. We are for the doctrinal statement.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins of Louisville, Ky., after three weeks and three days in the hospital, is able to return to his duties as president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and will attend the Convention in Memphis.

Rev. H. G. West of Sherman, Miss., has been called as pastor of the church at Ackerman, Miss., and has accepted and is now on the field.

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## HOW PRAYER BROUGHT ABOUT VICTORY

General Chang Gives Some Inside History of China's Recent War. A Call to Intercession

By George T. B. Davis

The events of the past few months in connection with the recent war in the land of Sinim have been a Chinese puzzle in real life. Even in this country the majority of the people are still mystified by the sudden succession of events that overthrew the civil and military rulers of one regime, and installed others in their places; while for those in other lands the puzzle is still more difficult of solution.

It is not surprising that friends in other lands have written pleading for a connected account of what has actually occurred. Especially are Christian people all over the world concerned to secure a true story of the part played by the Christian Army in the conflict.

Let me state first of all that the army of Marshal Feng has not been broken up or disintegrated. It has more than doubled in strength, now numbering 60,000 or more men. Its units are located in various places, but it is still under the direct control of Marshal Feng, for the Provincial President of China refuses to accept his repeated resignations. He feels that Marshal Feng must remain in China and at the head of the army in order to meet any sudden emergencies that may arise.

The five generals that served under Feng have all been promoted. They are now in command of divisions instead of brigades. General Chang Chih-Chong and General Li Ming Chung have been made Tsuchuns or rulers of large territories on the borders of Mongolia. General Lu Chung-liu is Military Governor of Peking; while Generals Liu and Sung control the remainder of the troops of the Army in and around Peking.

I was eager to secure the story of the doing of the Christian Army in the war from General Chang Chih-Chang, the flaming evangelist of the Army. He is now Tsuchun of Charhar with his capital at Kalgan, about 200 miles north of Peking. Marshal Feng was also staying in Kalgan for a time, so there was a double incentive to visit this city.

After seven hours' railway journey from Peking over the only line in the country built entirely by the Chinese, Kalgan was reached. It has a frontier flavor like a city on the Western plains of the United States or Canada. Marshal Feng kindly received my missionary host, Rev. Carl Soderbom and myself; and following the interview invited us to take breakfast with himself and a number of his generals. During the meal I asked Marshal Feng if the report was true that he had eight suits of clothes made for travel abroad. "No," said he, "that is a mistake. It is nine."

General Chang Chih-chang readily granted my request for a connected account of the Army from the beginning to the end of the conflict. Indeed he exceeded my request. He and his wife invited the missionaries of Kalgan to be their guests at tiffin at the Tsuchun's Yamen. After the luncheon he took the company into his office. After offering a fervent prayer, General Chang began the story of the deed that changed the history of China.

Speaking in his usual rapid, impassioned manner, and illustrating the events described with waving arms, General Chang said:

"From the beginning of its career the Christian Army had not dared to take a step without asking Divine sanction. Conditions in China made the entry of the Army into the recent war a difficult problem.

"The President of the Republic, Tsau Kun, was covetous of money; and Wu Pei Fu of power. The president was seeking to get more and more money instead of to save China. If anyone wished to have an interview with Tsau Kun he had to pay to secure it, showing his love of

money rather than of his country. Wu Pei Fu did not have that fault, but he wanted to be 'the big man' of China. He was determined to rule the country by force of arms, no matter how much loss of life and suffering was entailed.

Marshal Feng was promised guns and equipment before he left Peking. He only received a portion of the arms and ammunition. The remainder was only supplied after Marshal Feng had personally paid more than \$100,000 to Tsau Kun.

"At length the Army began its march northward. As they journeyed the leaders were praying earnestly that the Lord would show them clearly what they ought to do.

"On October 19, Marshal Feng called a meeting of the Brigadier-Generals and made a long address to them. He felt very sorrowful. He wept over the sad plight into which the country had come through the impotence and corruption of its rulers. Each of those present made long prayers asking God to show them His will in the matter. At the close of the meeting all, with one accord felt that they should return to Peking."

At this point other matters claimed the General's attention, and the missionaries departed. A couple of days later General Chang continued the narrative, saying:

"It was an eight days' march to the capital. They decided, however, that the journey must be made in four days. For this reason Marshal Feng asked God to grant them two things: first, physical strength for the troops; and second, that there should be no rain during those days.

"Both petitions were granted. Before they started there was a heavy rainfall; but no rain en route. The men were able to endure the strain without any mishaps. They marched all night and part of each day. They only slept three or four hours in the twenty-four, and reaching Peking in four days as planned. Tsau Kun and Wu Pei Fu could not understand how they had come back so quickly.

"At six o'clock in the morning, on the 23rd day of October, they quietly entered Peking. The city was taken without a shot being fired. Later in the day other soldiers of the army entered the city singing hymns.

"At Peiyuan, a few miles north of Peking, Marshal Feng held a meeting with his officers, and with General Sun Yueh, and General Hu Sheng-yi. They sent out a telegram to the whole of China saying they had determined to stop the war and uphold peace.

"This telegram was received by Wu Pei Fu. He did not believe it was true. He thought Feng and Hu were still at the front. How then could they send out such a telegram from Peking? Marshal Wu also sent out a telegram to the whole of China saying the wire signed by Marshal Feng and the others was false. He also sent a wire to Marshal Feng at Jehol asking if the telegram was true, and saying 'I hear that you and General Hu are at Peking. But how can you get there so soon?'

"Marshal Feng replied saying: 'Yes, it is true. We are all here at Peking. We are organizing the National Army.' When Wu Pei Fu received this message he was very angry. He was then in the front line of battle near Shanhaikwan. He left there at once, giving the command of his men to his officers, and came back to Tientsin. He sent telegrams to the provinces he controlled asking them to send troops to Tientsin to fight Marshal Feng.

"Both sides then prepared for battle. Wu sent troop toward Peking to dig trenches. Marshal Feng sent men to meet his opponent. I led the first 16,000 men. The opposing forces met and began to fight. There were about 30,000 men on each side.

"Our aim was to uphold peace. We did not wish to fight and only did so to bring peace more quickly. Day and night, both as individuals and in groups, both at the front and in the rear, we were praying and asking for God's plan to be revealed.

"There were four days of severe fighting. On the last day of the four, on Sunday, November 2, we held divine service as usual at 8 o'clock in

the morning. At this time the fighting was severe only a mile away. The roar of the big guns shook the earth and the fences. Only parts of the address could be heard. Several officers made earnest prayers that the fighting might quickly end.

"The position of our troops was very poor. The ground was level. The men had not natural shelter. The foe had a river bank and a village to protect them. A shallow river ran between the two forces. The only way to get to the enemy's side of the river was by a railway bridge.

"At ten o'clock that morning all the officers and men of Marshal Wu surrendered! They put down their arms on the river bank and said they would fight no more. This sudden surrender of the enemy, when they had such a good position, was such a clear answer to prayer, that it seemed to indicate that we were in the line of God's will in seeking to bring about peace.

"The first line of the enemy extended along the river, while other lines of their troops extended back to Tientsin. It was miraculous that when the first line of Marshal Wu's men laid down their arms, all the other lines right back to Tientsin also surrendered to General Li and General Sun. The following day we entered Tientsin. As we approached, Wu Pei Fu fled."

After the conclusion of the war General Chang wished to resign from the army to go throughout China preaching Christ. His plan was to attend a theological seminary for a time, and then go out as an evangelist. He went to Marshal Feng to present his resignation, but his chief succeeded in persuading him not to leave the army, saying that although commanding troops he could still preach Christ.

Later General Chang was promoted to the rank of a full General and was made Tsuchun of Charhar. But notwithstanding his civil and military duties, General Chang is hoping to carry out an extensive evangelistic program. He wants to send out evangelistic bands composed of military officers to various provinces of China to win the soldiers to Christ. He said:

"I have drawn out a plan for forming Evangelistic Bands, composed of some of my officers and myself, to go out to evangelize the Chinese troops in various provinces. It is now in the hands of Marshal Feng."

But General Chang's concern for the salvation of souls is not confined to his public preaching. The story is told that one of his first questions to one of the foreign Consuls in Kalgan was whether he was a Christian. When the reply was a bit dubious, he asked whether he had ever examined the doctrine.

As General Chang does not speak English the interview was interpreted by Rev. H. S. Chang, the Chaplain of the troops under the command of the Tsuchun. Chaplain Chang also interpreted for me as I spoke to nearly one hundred officers. Most of them had received Pocket Testaments nine or ten months previous. When I asked how many of them had read the Testament every day since, about 90 per cent raised their hands; when in reply to the second query as to how many had carried the little Books each day since, it seemed as if 100 per cent of their hands were up-raised.

The war in China and the ensuing events have not lessened, but greatly increased the opportunity and obligation of prayer for Marshal Feng and his officers and men; and for those now associated with him. Not only has Marshal Feng's own army doubled in numbers, but the armies of Generals Sun and Hu—each numbering tens of thousands of men—are working in co-operation with him.

This presents a unique and urgent appeal for intercession on the part of Christian people in all lands. Will you not link your prayers with those of multitudes of others in praying daily and earnestly for a gracious outpouring of God's Spirit up on Marshal Feng and his officers and men; and for his associates and their troops; and for the spread of the

Word of God; and for a great spiritual awakening throughout China

## Book Reviews

**The Garden by the River**, by Thomas Tiplady.

This beautifully bound book-let of sixty-five pages published by Fleming H. Revell Company is just the book to read on Sunday afternoon, or by the fireside with wife and children. The four chapters are as follows: The Music of Running Water; Old Familiar Faces; Children of the Meadows; and Crossing the River. This will make a beautiful gift book.

The quarterly meeting of the Tennessee Valley W.M.U. convened with the Spring City Baptist church, April 8. Mrs. W. A. Moffitt, president, presided. Mrs. Bolen of Dayton, led the devotionals. A very interesting and stirring address was given by Mrs. R. L. Harris, East Tennessee vice-president.

In the afternoon Mrs. Lee Shahan of Chattanooga gave a very appealing address on Stewardship.



An elderly man of ultra-convivial habits, but withal learned and bookish, was hailed before the bar of justice in a country town.

"Ye're charged with bein' drunk and disorderly," snapped the magistrate. "Have ye anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced?"

"Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn," began the prisoner in a flight of oratory, "I am not so debased as Poe, so profligate as Byron, so ungrateful as Keats, so intemperate as Burns, so timid as Tennyson, so vulgar as Shakespeare, so—"

"That'll do, that'll do," interrupted the magistrate. "Ninety days. And officer, take down that list of names he mentioned and round 'em up. I think they're as bad as he is."—American Legion Weekly.

"I think that children are not as observing as they should be," said the inspector to the teacher.

"I hadn't noticed it," replied the teacher.

"Well I'll prove it to you," and turning to the class the inspector said:

"Someone give me a number."

"Thirty-seven," said a little boy eagerly.

The inspector wrote 73 on the board and nothing was said.

"Will someone else give me a number?"

"Fifty-two," said another lad.

The inspector wrote down 25 on the board and smiled at the teacher. He called for another number and young Jack called out:

"Seventy-seven; now see if you can change that."—Exchange.

Small Boy (to stranger who has rescued him)—Thank you, mister. I'm glad you pulled me out. I wouldda got into an awful row at home if I'd been drowned.—Ex.

"I told the old lady what was what last night."

"And how did you come out?"

"On a stretcher."

Tourist (taking a deep breath on the observation car platform): "Isn't this air exhilarating?"

Porter: "No sah, this air Jacksonville."

"Pop," inquired little Clarence Lilywhite, "what am a millennium?" "Sho," said the parent. "Doan' you know what a millennium am, chile? It's jes about de same as a centennial, on'y it's got mo' legs."