

Southern Baptists Make New Records

Great Meeting in Washington Sets High Mark

Southern Baptists topped the four million mark in membership during the Convention year just closed. The messengers who composed the seventy-eighth session of the Convention came from among 4,066,140 members of white Baptist churches of the Southern states, southern Illinois and the District of Columbia. In spite of the depression and other obstacles they came from many churches and in large numbers. South Carolina sent a single party of some 200 members in addition to the private car and train members.

The pre-opening day was characterized by the usual preliminaries, chief of which was hand-shaking of friends and all kinds of committee meetings and caucuses. Secretary E. P. Alldredge of the department of Survey of the Sunday School Board reported larger gains in church membership than for many years, large gains in Sunday schools, and B. Y. P. U.'s. In every way great gains were shown except in financial matters.

The auditorium had only the day before been vacated by the bonus army, had been cleaned and decorated for the new army, and in place of oratory directed toward a harassed government, arose the outbursts of harassed souls seeking direction from God in the solution of distressing problems, financial, as well as moral.

Sickness, Accident and Death

A pang of keen grief struck through the heart of the Convention. It was caused by the death of the venerable A. J. Holt, who was to have reported on Baptist History, the illness of President Fred Brown, the death of Mrs. W. J. McGlothlin and the critical injury to Dr. McGlothlin. Many earnest prayers went up on behalf of the sick and bereaved. O. E. Bryan, retiring secretary of Tennessee, was missed by hundreds who asked this writer of his condition. Mrs. W. J. Cox of Memphis was also unable to attend. President Scarborough moved that the secretary send messages of condolence and sympathy to these and their loved ones.

Following a brief word from President Dodd, I. E. Reynolds of Southwestern Seminary led in singing the Coronation Hymn. H. E. Kirkpatrick of Louisiana led in prayer. Marshall Mott of North Carolina read the Twenty-third Psalm and led in prayer. Further prayers were led by C. E. Maddry and H. C. Vass, confessing our sins and

pleading for unity and harmony. "How Firm a Foundation" was then sung. By this time the main floor was packed and more than half the large balcony was filled.

President's Address

The address of the President was delivered in an effective way. It was timely, clear, and emphatic. It set forth the nature of the messengers to the Convention, and its authority. It called for a clear, frank expression of our historic Baptist faith and polity. It set forth our stressing problems, among them the need for a new organization and a clear declaration concerning whether or not the drift toward presbyterianism shall continue or we shall turn back to our historic democracy. A clear call for a unanimous and hearty unanimity in our attack on our debts. He challenged the need for assuring our people of honest, fair and absolutely open conduct of all our business. He advocated the appeal for aid from the federal government in refinancing debts on our institutions. He urged the putting forth of young men in the effort to revitalize our denominational agencies, these to supplement the older men now growing old in service. It was indeed a strong, earnest message.

W. W. Everett, Moderator of Columbia Association, delivered the welcome address and it was responded to in a splendid way by President Pat M. Neff of Baylor University.

Visitors recognized were: C. Oscar Johnson, President of the Northern Baptist Convention; Morris A. Levv, Corresponding Secretary of the Northern Convention; Mrs. C. O. Johnson; W. B. Liphart, editor of "Missions"; Mrs. M. E. Dodd.

The Executive Committee reported thru Secretary Austin Crouch. The report reveals that \$1,198,679.96 has passed through the office of the Executive Secretary during 1932 which was promptly distributed to the Southwide Agencies. This is a decrease of \$130,899.18 over the receipts for 1931.

Recommendations

"1. That the debt needs of each agency be handled separately; that the Executive Committee collaborate with the agencies in refunding or adjustment of debts; that when desirable and necessary bonds be issued; that said bonds be mortgage agency bonds of ten to twenty year maturities with callable pro-

vision and under the approval of the Southern Baptist Convention or its Executive Committee.

"2. The Southern Baptist Convention recognizes that in the minds and hearts of many of our people there is deep concern regarding their support of the Southern Baptist Convention agencies, due to stressful emergencies in church and state interests; the Convention, therefore, reasserts its right of direct approach to the churches in behalf of its agencies and most fraternally insists upon the right of conference and agreement with state agencies in the collection and distribution of gifts."

Percentages of Distribution

The report further recommends that the agencies of the Convention lay out their 1934 budgets not to exceed the cash receipts of 1933 and that the percentage of distribution of Southwide funds for 1934 shall be:

Foreign Mission Board	50	%
Home Mission Board	23	1-3%
Relief and Annuity Board	7	%
Executive Committee (for liquidation of Education, Board)	3	1-3%
Southern Baptist Hospital	2	1-2%
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	4	3-15%
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary	4	3-15%
Baptist Bible Institute	3	9-10%
American Baptist Theological Seminary	1	%
Woman's Missionary Union Training School	08	15%

J. R. Jester of North Carolina presented the report of the Promotion Committee. It contained the following items of especial interest. It cited the work of Secretary Maddry during his brief service as secretary of the Committee, and the tireless efforts of Fred F. Brown during his period as Dr. Maddry's successor. It reported the raising of \$203,908 during the emergency offering last year, and gave a resume of the publicity work done during the year.

Joseph T. Watts of Maryland presented the report on National Baptist Memorial. It showed a reduction of the debt on the memorial. It reported the plans for a dedicatory program to be held May 23 at 7:30 a. m. Upon motion the report was accepted after remarks by Dr. Watts.

A memorial from Florida called for a new rule barring from membership on more than one board or commission all members of the Convention. It was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

John J. Hurt moved that the president appoint a committee of one member from each state to present the salutation contained in the president's message to the White House, President Dodd to be chairman of the committee.

After singing "Rock of Ages", E. D. Solomon of Florida led in prayer and Geo. W. Truett conducted the noon worship. He based his message upon the words of Christ in the model prayer, "Thy will be done on earth," etc., and closed the morning session with prayer.

Friday Afternoon

After singing a song Pastor Fred Smith of Georgia conducted the devotional service. Secretary Charles E. Maddy of the Foreign Mission Board read his report. A brief digest follows:

In spite of all the untoward conditions around the world, the missionaries of our Foreign Mission Board baptized during the past year 17,284, which is the largest number ever reported in the history of the Convention, and 691 more than were reported last year. Genuine and substantial progress has been made on all the fields in the fourteen countries where our missionaries are working. The total membership is now 185,126. Everywhere there is a rising tide of evangelism.

In accordance with the action of the St. Petersburg Convention, the Board reduced its budget for 1933 twelve per cent below its cash receipts for 1932, which meant a reduction of \$200,404.60, the budget being \$605,575.76. Out of this must come \$65,000 interest on borrowed money. It is utterly impossible to keep the budget balanced when the income is constantly declining—\$37,693 below the receipts in January, 1932. The loss for February was \$17,707, and for March \$12,338.

The total received for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering from the Woman's Missionary Union was \$129,296.97. Out of this amount the sum of \$101,011.26 was set aside for the salaries, travel expenses and children's allowances of the 103 missionaries and the remainder was paid for special items and causes designated by the W. M. U.

After every possible reduction was made in the budget for 1933, the Board found that it was necessary to reduce the appropriations in the further sum of \$50,000. In order to do this thirty missionaries, who were on furlough in this country and ready to return, were detained at home without salary, and thirty-two missionaries on the field, due to come home on furlough, were kept on the foreign fields. Three missionaries have died during the past year and seventeen others have resigned.

The debt of the Board on January 1,

1933, was \$1,115,177.17, which is \$30,479.91 less than a year ago. Since January 1, 1933, \$20,490.90 has been paid on bank notes, making a total of \$50,970.81 paid on the debt during the Convention year.

Secretary J. B. Lawrence presented the report of the Home Mission Board, a digest of which is as follows:

The record of the Board so far is rather remarkable under existing economic conditions. Although its receipts have declined from year to year, the Board has not failed to make reductions in its debt each year. During the past Convention year it has paid \$89,357.61 on the principal of its debt. Since October, 1928, it has paid \$690,378.11, reducing the debt from \$2,364,380.91 as of October 1, 1928, to \$1,674,002.80 as of May 1, 1933.

Missions in the homeland, J. W. Beagle, Field Secretary, report 1,635 baptisms and 1,033 other conversions, making a total of 2,668 won to Christ in the last year.

Another major Home Mission interest is the work in Cuba, M. N. McCall, Superintendent, where we have 44 churches with a membership of 3,338 and 29 ordained workers and 11 unordained. These report 336 baptisms during the past year.

Sunday School Board

Secretary Van Ness presented the report of the Sunday School Board, and we give a brief digest of the same:

In spite of declining receipts to the amount of \$208,873.81 the Board reports itself in better financial condition than a year ago. This has been brought about by the careful planning and co-operation of every department. The receipts for May 1, 1932 to April 30, 1933, from all sources, were \$1,517,613.46.

Contributions from the earnings of the Board for denominational work for the same period were \$395,314.73 as against \$467,715.17 last year. These contributions have been distributed as follows:

Maintenance	\$144,765.38
Co-operative Work with	
State Boards	127,924.68
Direct Contributions to Other Agencies:	
(1) Fixed Convention Expenses	42,053.90
(2) Other Convention Agencies	23,720.62
(3) Donations to State Boards and Churches	47,133.54
(4) Special Denominational Work	9,716.55

Grand Total for Denominational Work \$395,314.73

J. T. McGlothlin of Anniston, Ala., for some years a member of the Board, was elected Business Manager and assumed his duties on August 1, 1932. He has systematized the purchasing of all supplies and the employment of all help and has rendered great serv-

ice in negotiations which resulted in new and favorable printing contract for the future.

During the past year the number of our Sunday schools throughout the South has increased from 21,004 to 21,531, a gain of 527 organizations. The Sunday school enrollment has gone from 2,952,910 in 1931 to 3,051,469 in 1932, a gain of 98,559. In like manner the B. Y. P. U. organizations have increased from 26,975 in 1931 to 29,203 in 1932, a gain of 2,228, while the B. Y. P. U. enrollment has gone from 546,948 in 1931 to 583,842 in 1932, a gain of 36,894. However, the greatest gains have not been in numbers but in more efficient organizations and effective results accomplished, as revealed by the printed report.

Secretary T. J. Watts presented the report of the Relief and Annuity Board. It showed income from invested funds of \$210,980, with a total income of \$353,234. \$70,036 was added to the reserve fund, and present assets are of \$3,921,314. 615 ministers, 571 widows and 150 dependent children were aided during the year. On April 30th there were 1,224 beneficiaries of the Relief Fund, 559 of them ministers.

By special motion of L. R. Scarborough, a telegram of sympathy was ordered sent Mrs. S. W. Botton of Arkansas, who was reported to be quite ill.

S. J. Porter of Washington, D. C. read a report on chaplains and chaplaincies, and Col. Julien E. Yates, Chaplain General of the U. S. Army, spoke to the report. He reported 1370 chaplains, 125 in the regular service, the remaining ones on the reserve list. He called upon Southern Baptists to accept the opportunity to tender services in a co-operative way to the Secretary of War and by rendering direct service to men in the campos. Chaplain W. I. Hall of the Marines of Quantico, Va. gave some interesting facts concerning the duties of chaplains. He asked for sympathetic support and the prayers of Southern Baptists. The report was adopted.

The 250th anniversary of the First Baptist Church of Charleston, S. C., was celebrated. In the absence of Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, W. W. Barnes of Texas, presided in his stead. The church was organized in Maine in 1670-1680. Hounded by persecution the group went to South Carolina and there es-

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established a new colony. 1700 the church secured ground and erected a building, their first, and they still worship on the same plot. 1787 Richard Furman became pastor and for 33 years served it in a noble way. Many more interesting facts about the church and its far-flung influence upon our national life. The report contained a recommendation that the Convention appoint a representative to participate this fall in their anniversary.

President Dodd announced the committee to convey the Convention's greetings to the President. President Sampey of Kentucky introduced a resolution instructing the committee to convey a special word to the President regarding his attitude on prohibition.

V. I. Masters of Kentucky read a resolution calling for the return to Wednesday after the second Sunday in May as the meeting time of the Convention.

H. L. Winburn of Arkansas read a resolution reaffirming the right of the Southern Baptist Convention to go to churches with its program and calling for the combining of the Promotion and Executive Committees, the latter to take over the functions of the former, and that the W. M. U. be invited and expected to co-operate in this work.

F. M. McConnell moved that a committee be appointed, one man from each state, to consider the matter and report as soon as possible. L. L. Gwaltney amended to report at 3 p. m., Saturday. Other resolutions dealing with the simplification of our machinery were referred to the special committee to deal with the merger of the two committees, upon motion of A. J. Barton.

After announcements, Chas. C. Clark of Louisiana led in the closing prayer.

Friday Night

After a very stirring song service, led by I. E. Reynolds, supported by a local chorus choir massed on the rostrum, Eric Wiley of Cincinnati led in prayer and Walter Binns of Virginia conducted the devotional service, using the Great Commission as the basis of his brief but telling message, on the "Audacity of the Disciples".

President Dodd introduced James Lowman Frazier, aged 8, of Ft. Worth, and J. M. Hilliard, High Point, N. C., 87 years of age, the youngest and the oldest messengers to the Convention.

J. T. Henderson presented the report of the Brotherhood. It set forth the various tasks of the Brotherhood, through personal evangelism, mission work, stewardship training, and study classes. The secretary reported 249 addresses, 143 conferences, and a number of banquets, chapels, and conferences. He reported the wonderful record of 30,912 miles traveled at an expense of only \$294.45.

Dr. Henderson spoke briefly and introduced C. C. Warren of Kentucky, who spoke of his work with laymen and the report was adopted.

A report of the favorable condition of Dr.

W. J. McGlothlin was brought and the Convention paused for prayer, led by J. B. Lawrence of Georgia.

After the singing "On Jordan's Stormy Banks", Secretary Maddry introduced the missionaries at home on furlough, reporting that 32 who were entitled to furloughs could not return because of lack of funds. Those present were: D. W. Herring, 41 years in China; Miss Ida Patterson, 6 years in Shanghai; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodard of China; Miss Sarah Funderburg of China; Mrs. W. Eugene Sallee of China; Mrs. Rowe of Japan; Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bratcher of Brazil; A. R. Gallimore and wife of China; Mr. and Mrs. Crabtree of Brazil; Dr. Harvey Clark, 35 years in Japan. (Mrs. Clark died before reaching America.) Dr. Ayers, 25 years in China as medical missionary; J. L. Hart of Chile, 30 years in South America; I. M. Patterson, Nigeria, Africa; and Mrs. Patterson; Dr. John Lake of China; W. D. Sherwood, Brazil.

Three of these spoke briefly. J. L. Hart of South America urged immediate evangelism of South American countries if we would stem the tides of evil already beginning to flow. He told of the hopelessness of the dead Christ of the Catholic crucifix and told how Jesus saves and blesses the Latin American.

I. M. Patterson told of his work in Africa from which country 100,000,000 negroes are estimated to have been taken as slaves during the long past. He told of the horrid death rate due to ignorance and its resultant vices and neglect. The people know nothing of a religion of love. In 1891 there were 4 churches with 111 members. Now more than 200 churches with over 20,000 members, and nearly all these churches are self-supporting. There are 5 men missionaries in Africa and ten lady missionaries. The largest church has more than 1,000 members.

John Lake spoke to the delight of all the throng of messengers and visitors. He began by saying, "I am one who believes that Jesus will conquer China a long time before Japan will". He, in a masterly way, played the spurious Layman's Report on Foreign Missions.

Saturday Morning

John Ramond of Shreveport, La., led the music during the devotional period. W. Henderson Barton of Tennessee led the devotional, reading from I Peter 1. He stressed the need for a new emphasis upon the building of Christian character, and the growth of a deeper love.

Vice President J. E. Dillard presided in the absence of the president, who had gone with the special committee to convey the message of the Convention to President Roosevelt. Secretary Burnett read the journal for Friday's session and it was approved.

The Committee on Committees reported. Tennesseans listed were as follows: Time and Place, W. C. Boone, Jackson; National Baptist Memorial, W. R. Rigell, Johnson

City; Order of Business for 1934, R. G. Lee, Memphis.

Consolidation of Boards

The report of the Committee on the Virginia Memorial was given the committee opposing any mergers at this time, and the report was overwhelmingly carried, thus snowing under the Virginia Memorial. The appropriation for the Education Commission was reduced from \$2,500 per year to not more than \$1,000. Upon the presentation of the recommendation of distribution of funds for next year (given above), President Scarborough moved to refer the matter to the June meeting of the Executive Committee.

Hon. Joshua Levering of Maryland led in prayer and the Promotion Committee reported.

Dr. Truett conducted the noon worship period and the Convention adjourned until two o'clock.

Saturday Afternoon

W. H. Butler of Missouri conducted the devotional service. The committee on basis of representation reported and a substitute was offered. E. C. Routh presented an amendment continuing the present method with the addition of increasing the number of messengers from any church to 10 instead of 3, and it was adopted by a big majority. The committee reported against limiting the tenure of office of the President.

The report of the Executive Committee on percentages and distribution of program funds was presented and this matter was again before the Convention. The recommendation was approved after some discussion.

President John R. Sampey of the Southern Seminary was elected fraternal messenger to the Northern Baptist Convention.

Austin Crouch made a motion to instruct the Executive Committee to seek to discover the exact relation of the charters of our agencies to the constitution and by-laws of the Convention. J. W. Porter of Kentucky moved that the Executive Committee be authorized to cure all defects in our agency charters. The matter was tabled.

The committee on reorganization was presented. A motion to continue the Executive Committee's report failed, and H. L. Winburn of Arkansas read the report on reorganization. The report called for a vigorous promotional policy, asserted the right of appeal to churches and recommended: (1) Promotion work be done by the Executive Committee through the heads of various boards and agencies; (2) Agencies give co-operation to the end that obligations of the Convention be met. The idea of merging the committees brought forth a very lively debate. H. L. Winburn set forth the good parts of the report and its recommendations. L. E. Barton opposed the idea of eliminating the state agencies. John W. Inzer of Alabama spoke for the existing order and moved to table the report but the motion was lost.

L. L. Gwaltney, F. M. McConnell, Byron Smith, S. E. Tull and others discussed the motion. J. B. Rounds of Oklahoma read a substitute recommendation. A. J. Barton moved an amendment. The time having expired, it was moved to extend long enough for a vote. Dr. Barton withdrew his amendments. The Rounds' amendment was defeated. Dr. Barton renewed his amendment and it was adopted. The amended report was adopted.

The special order for the hour was the election of officers to serve during the next Convention. John J. Hurt of Tennessee nominated M. E. Dodd for re-election. J. W. Porter of Kentucky nominated and urged the re-election of Fred F. Brown. Louis Bristow of Louisiana asked if one may be elected president of a body when not a member of the body. A lively discussion arose over the parliamentary question. Wiley Roy Deal of Tennessee reported that Dr. Brown would serve. M. E. Dodd asked unanimous consent for his name to be withdrawn. C. D. Daniel moved that we accept the appeal of Dr. Dodd and allow him to withdraw his name, which was carried. Dr. Hurt renominated Dr. Dodd. L. E. Barton called the previous question which caused a storm of parliamentary questions. A motion to adjourn until 7:30 carried, then was thrust aside under waiver all parliamentary tangles and we proceeded to vote for a president.

Nominations for vice president were in order and George W. Graham of Herrin, Ill., was nominated for first vice president. By common consent the nominee was changed to second vice president in order to allow a motion naming the one receiving second vote in the president's race as first vice president.

J. L. Rosser of Florida was then nominated, first vice president and Brother Wiley of Illinois, who had consented to allow the name of Dr. Graham to be changed to second vice president, demanded that, his nomination stand as for first vice president.

The tellers reported that Dr. Dodd had the majority of the votes cast and was declared president by vice chairman Dillard who was presiding; C. D. Daniel of Virginia, J. E. Dillard of Alabama, L. E. Barton of Alabama, Pat M. Neff of Texas, and F. F. Brown of Tennessee were nominated for vice presidents. The writer after consulting some Tennessee brethren, asked unanimous consent for Dr. Brown's name to be withdrawn and it was done. The ballot was taken under motion that the two having first and second largest votes should be declared elected. Pat M. Neff was elected first and Chas. D. Daniel second vice presidents. Joseph P. Boone of Alabama led in the closing prayer.

Saturday Night

During the half hour song service preceding the opening of the session a male quartet from Moorehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., sang some negro spirituals. W. A. Cullen of Illinois conducted the devotional after prayer by O. L. Hailey of Tennessee.

W. C. Boone reported for the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, as follows: Place, Ft. Worth, Texas; Time, May 10, 1934; Preacher, T. L. Holcomb, Oklahoma; alternate, W. H. Knight, Georgia.

W. R. Rigell of Tennessee read the report on Woman's Work. The gist of that report found elsewhere. Mrs. F. W. Armstrong of Missouri, newly elected president of the Southern Union, spoke briefly.

Secretary J. B. Lawrence introduced the report of the Home Board and presented M. N. McCall of Cuba, who spoke of his work. Dr. Lawrence spoke of the tremendous opportunity presented us by the vast number of foreigners in our land, so many of whom return to their native lands. J. W. Beagle spoke of his work among Indians, negroes, and foreigners. He introduced Brother Michael, missionary to deaf and dumb, and a number of other workers in the home land. A choir from Metropolitan Baptist Church (colored) sang. Ellis A. Fuller, president of the Home Board, and pastor of Secretary Lawrence, spoke delivering a strong appeal for loyal support of our work.

Austin Crouch brought the report of the special committee on debts. He asked J. E. Dillard to report for the special committee. The part affecting the debt-paying campaign was presented along with other recommendations. Frank Tripp of Missouri gave the 100,000 club plan as a part of the report. This plan provides: (1) For the enlistment of as many members as possible who will contribute \$1 per month over and above their regular gifts, the funds to be kept separately and distributed upon the basis of the debt needs of the various agencies. (2) For the necessary machinery and literature in order to put it into operation. J. E. Dillard declared that our need is not a plan but a whole-hearted co-operation in the plan. E. R. Campbell of Georgia spoke, appealing for a real sacrificial spirit by pastors of large churches and employees of our denominational agencies, who should sacrifice all above actual living expenses. A practical demonstration of real enlistment would thus be shown.

J. Dean Crain of South Carolina appealed for support of the Co-operative Program through the development of our people in support of the Program.

John J. Wicker of Virginia opposed Bro. Crain's view on the grounds that the program does not reach all our people. L. L. Gwaltney of Alabama spoke in support of the extra offering on the ground that masses of our people are not enlisted in the Program and will not give without a special appeal. Bro. Smith of Missouri opposed the plan on the ground that it would not appeal to real sacrifices.

S. P. Devault of Tennessee spoke, declaring that when the pastors lead their people aright by example as well as precept then we will have a new day, and pastors will be more willing to do their best when the denominational leaders come to the front and make

known their own sacrifices. L. E. Barton rose to defend the generosity of our pastors. Dr. Sampey came to pour oil on waters that were growing troubled. As a vote the congregation was asked to sign membership cards in the club, and this was done by more than 2,000 people present. The meeting adjourned with prayer by this writer.

Sunday Afternoon

A great crowd packed the auditorium before time for the annual sermon. Prof. Reynolds led in singing several hymns. Lee McBride White, son of the preacher of the annual sermon, led in prayer, as did E. O. Johnson, pastor of the National Memorial Church. E. O. Sellers of Louisiana sang, "Hallelujah for the Cross". R. H. (Bob) Coleman of Dallas, was introduced and led in singing "I am bound for the Promised Land". Russell C. White of Kentucky read the scripture. He is another of the four preacher sons of Dr. J. L. White. J. L. White, Jr., of Virginia, and Chas. M. White of Florida were introduced, it being the first time since the Jones family, father and four sons, all preachers, had been together on the Convention rostrum with the father to preach the annual sermon. A quartet composed of Eugene Olive, North Carolina; E. Powell Lee, Georgia; E. M. Poteat, Jr., North Carolina, and John Hoffman, Atlanta, sang and Dr. White delivered the message reproduced in our columns last week. With steady, strong voice he presented the sermon closing with an earnest appeal that we see Jesus as He is.

Monday Morning

The Convention opened with a very fine attendance for the last day. Thomas Hansen of Florida conducted the devotional exercises. Secretary Burnett read the journal, which was approved.

President Dodd presented Rev. A. F. McGarry of Philadelphia and he spoke a word.

The Education Commission reported through chairman C. D. Johnson of Arkansas. This report presented the following facts, which should be of interest to those concerned about our Christian education program.

The work of the Education Commission is being done each year by a group of eighteen men, one from each of seventeen states and one from the District of Columbia. There is no salaried officer.

While the Theological Seminaries have gained 6% in enrollment during the last year, senior colleges have lost 8%, junior colleges have lost 10% and academies have lost 26%. The survey made by Chairman E. M. Highsmith reveals that we now have in the Southern Baptist Convention five theological schools, 29 senior colleges, 21 junior colleges, 17 academies, with a total enrollment of regular students of 19,491 plus 5,610 summer students. Of this number 1,638 were ministerial students, 568 student volunteers and 300 graduate students. The total number of instructors, 1,455; total

value of school property, \$37,773,244.25; total endowment, \$22,088,898.37; total property and endowment, \$59,862,142.62, which is a loss of \$906,495.51 over the previous year.

The surveys made in a number of states to discover the religious affiliation of students, not only in our own colleges but in tax supported and privately endowed schools, reveal the fact that more Baptist students are in colleges under state control than are in our own Baptist colleges. It is the opinion of the Commission that failure to maintain church colleges of standard grade will turn over to the state and to other non-church agencies the entire system of education. *If this is done the greatest organized power for the development of Christian character aside from the church itself will be given up, the report declares.* J. J. Wicker of Virginia read an amendment to the report setting forth the lack of spiritual development in secular education and calling for a new association of Christian schools and colleges to be based upon all existing secular standards plus such purely spiritual standards as will make our Baptist schools real spiritual assets. The amendment was accepted by unanimous consent, and after a few remarks by Dr. Johnson, the report was adopted.

President Sampey read the report of the Southern Baptist Seminary. He set forth the difficulties which confront the institution, especially those due to the great decline in real estate values. He reported decline in value of endowment funds due to the natural trend of market values of assets, but stated that no interest on such assets had defaulted. He reported the retirement of Treasurer B. Presley Smith, and that 1934 will be the 75th anniversary of the institution.

President Scarborough read the report of the Southwestern Seminary. He introduced Professors Barnes, Reynolds and McNeeley. He reported 457 enrollment during the year just closed, 162 of them ministers, a reduction in expenses of \$20,000; a reduction of the debt by some \$27,460; a present indebtedness of \$500,858; an increase in debt of only \$2,222 in spite of a decline in income of some \$17,000. The report appealed for united, co-operative effort in raising the debt, and that there be no reduction of the amount included in the co-operative program for the Seminary.

The Baptist Bible Institute reported thru President Hamilton. He called attention to the death of former President, Byron H. Dement, "who lived so nobly and wrought so faithfully and taught so successfully". The enrollment was reported as 242, including 45 student families. He also reported the work of the faculty and students in helping train ministers among the 135,000 negroes of New Orleans. The budget has been reduced 12%, thus allowing for a possible reduction in the income for the new year. Salaries have been reduced from \$37,461 in 1932 to \$19,620 for 1933. The report concluded with these words, "The future of the

Baptist Bible Institute is as bright as the path of duty and as promising as the evidence of God's favor in these past fifteen years".

The Convention was shocked anew by the news that Mrs. O. L. Hailey, wife of Secretary Hailey of the Negro Seminary, had just suffered a stroke of paralysis, and he had been called to her bedside in the home of a son in Dallas, Texas. I. J. Van Ness read the report on the Negro Seminary and E. P. Alldredge spoke of the need for generous support of the work it is doing. The report showed satisfactory work but a dire need for additional funds. It also included the item of a gift from Miss Grace M. Eaton of Nashville of a residence valued at approximately \$4,000.

President Geo. W. Taft of the Northern Seminary of Chicago was introduced and brought a word of greeting. Brother J. W. Lee of Mississippi led in a prayer of thanksgiving for our seminaries and their great work.

Superintendent Louis J. Bristow reported for the Southern Baptist Hospital of New Orleans. The report presented some of the work done during the year just closed. 6,472 patients were treated for a total of 36,449 hospital days. There were 632 charity patients who received services valued at \$26,350. All operating expenses were paid and all interest and maturing principal on debts were paid in spite of a reduction of some \$5,000 from the co-operative program. He reported receipt of a gift of \$250 from a Jewish friend, and some \$6,000 paid in on a previous legacy. The report was adopted.

The writer of these lines introduced the following motion which was adopted. "That we instruct the secretaries to send a telegram of sympathy to Dr. O. L. Hailey and Mrs. Hailey, daughter of the noted J. R. Graves, of Tennessee, and one of the few remaining links with the noted past of our denomination." A motion to include the name of O. E. Bryan of Tennessee was ruled out of order because he was not an officer of the Southern Baptist Convention, but words of appreciation for his great work were expressed.

Pastor John Snape of Temple Church, Los Angeles, Cal., former president Mattheson Jones of the Northern Baptist Convention, John T. McNeil of McMaster University, and fraternal messenger from the Convention of Ontario and Quebec, Canada, Curtis Lee Laws, editor of the Watchman-Examiner, Mr. E. H. Rhodes, Jr., fraternal messenger from the Northern Convention were introduced.

The hour for worship having arrived, Dr. Truett brought a splendid message on "Putting Away Fear"—the fear of life, the fear of death, the fear of eternity, all vanish when we have the proper relation with Jesus.

The auditorium was well filled, at least twice the largest audience this writer has ever seen on the last day of the Convention. Dr. Truett closed with prayer.

Monday Afternoon

The afternoon program opened with the report on Baptist History, which was written by A. J. Holt before his death. W. W. Barnes of Texas read the report and moved that the Commission be discharged and the work in the future be done by the Department on Survey of the Sunday School Board. The motion was carried.

F. M. McConnell, editor of the Texas Baptist Standard, read the report on Baptist papers. This report is so vital that we will later give it in full. An amendment was offered by Louis Bristow of Louisiana containing recommendations (1) for a paper campaign during September 15th to November 15th; (2) that the state agencies be urged to support the campaign; (3) that the Executive Committee be instructed to push the campaign in every way possible.

The Committee on Boards reported thru its secretary, Hope Owen, of Oklahoma. We will have to refer our readers to the annual of the S. B. C. for these boards and commissions.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Joseph P. Boone: 1. The resolution from Florida to limit membership on boards to one board for any man was modified to instruct the Committee on Boards to make as wide a distribution of such positions as possible without hurt to the causes. 2. Relative to the time of meeting, the recommendation called for a meeting on Wednesday evening after the second Sunday in May (16th) and the date was so set. 3. As to the use of the radio in work of the Convention, the Executive Committee was instructed to study and recommend to agencies. 4. The Sunday School Board was instructed to consider the need of inaugurating a course in church music. 5. The president was asked to study the best way to promote our work and call a day of fasting and prayer if it be deemed wise. 6. A recommendation to the Federal Radio Commission to continue station KWKH of Shreveport to a new Shreveport corporation rather than to Loyola University, was approved.

J. L. Rosser of Florida read the usual formal expression of appreciation for entertainment and other courtesies of the city.

The Credentials Committee reported an application from Calvary Baptist Church, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, with recommendations that the church be assured of our hearty welcome to messengers from the church if they wish to name such.

A memorial service for deceased officers of the Convention was held. J. T. Henderson of Tennessee spoke of Rev. J. Pike Powers, D. D., LL. D., of Knoxville, Tenn. Misses Fannie and Laura Powers, twin daughters of the noble minister, were presented to the Convention. Mr. Sam Ewing of St. Louis brought a memorial to Dr. John Priest Greene, a former president of William Jewel College, once (1899) elected president of the Southern Baptist Seminary, which honor he declined, and vice president

of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1912-1913.

Brother Hobson of Florida mentioned the death of Dr. A. J. Holt of Florida and asked that since no time has been available for a suitable memorial at this time, the matter be referred to the next Convention, at the next meeting, since he spent so much of his life in Texas, and it was ordered. A memorial prayer was offered by J. T. Henderson.

Under miscellaneous business the president introduced Rev. and Mrs. Warbois of the Baptist Union of Australia. Mr. Jackson of the District of Columbia, who asked for the approval of resolutions calling, "in this crucial hour of world history", for the President of the Convention to appoint a committee of five to see about closer union with Northern Baptists, and the motion was adopted. Joseph Brown of Missouri led in the closing prayer.

Monday Night

An interesting song service was conducted and E. W. Reeder of Illinois led in prayer. Joe Hazen of Orange, N. J. was asked to conduct the devotions.

President Dodd introduced Hervey W. Hines of Illinois, Theophilus J. Moore, Washington, D. C., Dr. Joe Toomic, Philadelphia, and Henry W. Millington of Washington, and some 400 Northern Baptists stood upon invitation.

Dr. W. O. Carver of Kentucky mentioned the death of Byron H. DeMent of New Orleans, founder and president of the Bible Institute, and moved that a page in the Minutes be given as a memorial to him and it was done.

Arthur J. Barton of North Carolina read the report of the Social Service Commission. This report contained several items, chief of which were (1) a reference to the tragic reduction in pastors' salaries and an appeal that they be raised as quickly as possible. (2) An appeal for the destruction of "the whole, brutal, barbaric crime of mob murder". (3) A plain statement regarding divorces, the competition among some states for the divorce business, and the weakening of restrictions about marriage. (4) The frightful average of homicide in the South and an appeal for an attack against this. (5) The dangerous conditions in other nations—was mentioned and the need for international co-operation to the end that war may be outlawed. (6) Facts were set forth concerning prohibition and the way by which the friends of prohibition were defeated by the political campaigns of 1932. (7) Commending President Roosevelt for all his efforts to care for the welfare of our people, but deploring the fact that the President should have allowed the White House "to be made a bill board for advertising beer". (8) A condemnation of the political coup by which one party sought to dominate members of Congress by threats of boycotts. (9) A warning against the dangerous trend away from constitutional democracy. (10) The charge that the liquor traffic is capitalizing

our national distress. (11) A criticism against the "Beer Parade", an act which has made our Constitution a scrap of paper. (12) An expression of condemnation for the hurried methods used in rushing through the repeal amendment.

Walter Binns of Virginia moved to strike out three sections of the recommendations: (a) That dealing with concern over the increasing surrender by Congress of its prerogatives to the executive branch of our government. The motion prevailed and the article was stricken out. (b) The words naming those who have been in favor of beer and wine. On this point a lively debate arose. Dr. Binns defended his motion to strike out. Dr. Barton ably defended his report on the point. The motion to strike out was lost overwhelmingly.

The effort of Dr. Binns to strike out a word about the way President Roosevelt has used his influence to aid the forces of liquor by allowing the picture of beer trucks to be made, at the White House, was overwhelmingly defeated.

An amendment was offered by a Brother Sheldon, respectfully suggesting to the ministers, teachers, fathers and mothers that they consider the ultimate effect of the growing use of tobacco upon young people.

Charles Hanby of Maryland introduced an amendment concerning child welfare and its study and it was carried by a faint vote.

Jackson of Ft. Worth moved to congratulate members of Congress who remained steadfast during the prohibition fight, and it carried.

E. M. Poteat, Jr. of North Carolina moved to amend by providing for a committee to study the whole sphere of social service through the ultimate establishment of a Bureau of Social Research.

John Inzer objected to the resolution which urged churches to increase their support of pastors. Dr. Barton defended the recommendation on the grounds that it referred only to those pastors whose churches are so seriously lax in taking care of them. The motion to strike out was lost.

J. Dean Crain of South Carolina introduced a resolution that the Social Service Commission put a full time worker in the field for the Convention year to aid in the emergency now upon us, expenses to be provided by the Sunday School Board. Quite a discussion was precipitated. The amendment was lost.

J. Hilton Jackson moved to strike out the paragraph calling for a boycott of places selling intoxicants. Dr. Barton declared there were no references to a boycott in the report and asked that it be retained, which was done. W. B. Harvey called for the previous question, it was sustained and a motion prevailed to adopt the report, only a few dissenting.

After a prolonged debate the Convention had no inclination to hear the addresses scheduled for the evening.

The hour was 10:25 p. m., and L. O. Dawson of Alabama led the closing prayer.

Editorial

DEATH TAKES ITS TOLL.

The hearts of all Southern Baptists were saddened just before the Southern Baptist Convention met in Washington by news of the death of the venerable Dr. A. J. Holt, and the tragic death of Mrs. W. J. McGlothlin. The former was not unexpected as Dr. Holt had suffered two attacks of paralysis. Already we have written of his fine works in our midst. He was to have read the report of the Historical Society at the Washington Convention, but that report fell to other hands and he has given his commission as a veteran soldier of the Cross into the hands of his Commander-in-chief. The tragedy which befell Dr. and Mrs. McGlothlin was unexpected. On their way to the Convention, their car skidded, crashed into another car and Mrs. McGlothlin died before reaching a hospital. Dr. McGlothlin suffered fractured ribs and other injuries, while their son and a friend of his were less seriously injured. We grieve over these losses.

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ANOTHER FINE VOLUNTEER.

Turning his eyes from West Point to the Star of Bethlehem, R. H. Huff, son of Pastor and Mrs. A. H. Huff of McMinnville, has surrendered his ambitions of becoming a military genius to present his body a living sacrifice unto the Master. For the past six months he had been in a military school at Marion, Ala., preparing for the entrance examinations to West Point. In March he took the examinations but has not heard whether or not he passed. Now he will turn from that famous institution to one of our seminaries. He has a strong, handsome physique, is a good scholar and a fine worker. He made his public surrender May 7th, and we understand is planning to enter Carson-Newman College this fall. He is a recent graduate of the McMinnville High School. We rejoice with his parents over his surrender and predict for him a useful and rich ministry.

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The utterly silly, inane discussion by some pseudo-scholars regarding the "base nature of some of the Psalms" is enough to make angels weep and demons hysterical. Imagine one claiming that "certain Psalms should not be read in public worship" because they speak of Jehovah as the conquering King, the Lord with vengeance in His hand, etc.!

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It will now be necessary for the cartoonists to picture Uncle Sam not as an eagle but as a boney old cow with a score or more gigantic calves trying to get a chance at one of her four teats. Everybody and everything is seeking to live at the expense of the national treasury.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By O. W. TAYLOR, Halls, Tenn.

JUNE 11, 1933

Jesus on The Cross

Scripture: Mk. 15:22-39. Golden Text: Rom. 5:8.

Readings: Matt. 27:33-54; Lk. 23:33-47; Jno. 19:17-30; Isa. 53; Rom. 5:6-11; 1 Cor. 15:1-3; 1 Pet. 2:24.

Jesus has been betrayed, arrested, tried, sentenced, and led to the place of execution. Here men do their condemning work and God does His redeeming work.

I. Jesus on the Cross Crucified by Men (22-25)

1. *The Place:* Golgotha ("a skull"), Aramaic equivalent of the Latin Calvaria, whence comes "Calvary". This was probably a white limestone hill some 200 yards beyond the Damascus Gate in the northern wall of Jerusalem, which, at a distance resembles a skull and on the summit of which is a pit filled with the bones of men crucified through the centuries.

2. *The Pain:* "Crucified". No other death was so horrible. Naked, save perhaps for a loin cloth, the victim was nailed through each hand to the arms of the cross and through his crossed feet to the beam thereof, and the cross was then rudely dropped into a hole in the ground. With high fever, raging thirst, and convulsive, agonizing body, the victim sometimes lingered for days until death mercifully came. Jesus refused a stupefying drink to suffer the full agony for you and me. Today the Cross must not be weakened by any doctrinal narcotic. After six hours, Jesus voluntarily "dismissed his spirit" (Greek) because His work was done. But during those hours He suffered as only the Infinite One could while He was "spared not" (Rom. 8:32).

3. *The People:* "They". Who killed Jesus? (a) "The kings of the earth and the rulers—both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the children of Israel" (Acts 4:24-28). The brutal soldiers were the instruments of these. (b) On the principle of *particeps criminis*, "all we" are, until grace removes the stain, involved in the guilt thereof because our sins helped to nail Jesus to the Cross (Isa. 53:6). In atonement-purpose God delivered Jesus unto death; in murderous spirit humanity killed Him (Acts 2:23). The Cross shows, not "the greatness of man," but his sinfulness!

II. Jesus on the Cross Revealing Men (24-32)

In addition to their general sinfulness, the reactions of men to Christ crucified show up their individual spirits.

1. *See It in That Day.* As gathered from all the Gospel accounts, Pilate put over the head of Jesus the inscription, "This is Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." This was in plain view of the gathered multitude and of pilgrims on the highway. Pilate used the Cross to stab the Jews, whom he hated. The crucifiers put Jesus between two thieves, as if He were the basest of men. Unbridled and unregenerate human nature (Eph. 2:3) metaphorically puts Him there now, if the full meaning of the Cross be insisted upon. "The people stood beholding" in curiosity or stolid indifference (Lk. 23:35). The brutal mocked or railed (Lk. 23:36). The covetous played their sordid game in the very shadow of the Cross (Mk. 15:24). The religionists, who wanted "religion", but no Christ crucified for their sins, reviled the suffering Lord (Lk. 23:35; Mk. 15:29-32). These spoke a greater truth than they knew. "He saved others" (damaging admission for them!) "Himself He cannot save," in atonement-connection true in the deepest sense. Moreover, the unwitting attitude of self-righteous religionists in all ages is, "Let Christ . . . descend from the Cross." Christ crucified for sin is an offense to self-righteousness (Rom. 9:33; Gal. 5:11). The thieves reviled Jesus for awhile, then one became penitent, and this conscious sinner prayed (Lk. 23:42). And John and Mary, the mother of Jesus, and her sister and Mary Magdalene "stood by the Cross," their hearts in tune with His and in "the fellowship of His suffering" (Jno. 19:25).

2. *In Our Day.* These same attitudes are revealed today amongst various peoples when the Cross is presented. The curious, the indifferent, the resentful using the Cross for resentful ends, the covetous, the brutal, the revilers and mockers, the penitent sinner praying, and loyal ones standing by the Cross, are all revealed in their reactions to Christ crucified. There is a black basaltic rock, which, from the mark left when they are rubbed on it, is used to test the purity or impurity of gold and silver ore and pieces. This rock is called a touchstone. The Cross is the touchstone of the world.

III. Jesus on the Cross Bearing the Sins of Men (33-38)

1. *The Just for the Unjust* (That He Might Bring Us to God) (1 Pet. 3:18). This is why Jesus suffered and died, and Scripture everywhere declares it in explicit and

unmistakable terms (Isa. 53:5-6; Matt. 20:28; Rom. 5:6-11; 1 Cor. 15:1-3; Tit. 2:13-14; 1 Pet. 2:24). The only adequate interpretation of such passages is that, in a substitutionary sense, Jesus, "who knew no sin, was made to be sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Cor. 5:21). Hence, on the Cross Jesus suffered the equivalent penalty of the lost in hell, since the sinner deserved this (Matt. 25:46; Eph. 2:3) and Jesus suffered in his stead. Since the time of the year was such that an eclipse of the sun was impossible, that "darkness over the whole land" from noon to three o'clock was not natural, but supernatural. It was the Satanic "hour and power of darkness" (Lk. 22:53) come to a climax while Satanic forces made their last desperate assault (Col. 2:14-15).

As a human being can suffer more in a minute than an ant in a week or a month, so Jesus, being infinite in capability and "God manifest in the flesh," suffered so on Calvary that it equaled the suffering of the sinner in hell for eternity. It was out of this darkness and agony of hell, come to Him, that Jesus cried, "My God! my God! why hast Thou forsaken Me?" As our Substitute, Jesus was abandoned to this horror that we might never have to endure it. "Matchless, marvelous, infinite grace!"

2. *The Way to Heaven Opened.* "The veil (curtain) of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom." This was the curtain separating between the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place in the temple, where the atoning blood was sprinkled and where the symbol of God's presence dwelt. This curtain was sixty feet long and thirty feet wide and thick as the palm of the hand. At the time of Jesus' death, it was "rent in twain from the top to the bottom," not from the bottom to the top. God did it. The rending of this typical curtain pointed to the rending of the antitypical "veil, that is to say, His flesh", whereby the way from earth to heaven and into the presence of God in the skies was opened to believing men (Study Heb. 9:1-28; 10:19-22). There were no shreds left in the rent of the curtain, as some Romanists have said. It was "rent in twain", into two pieces, "from the top to the bottom." The way clear through from earth to glory in Jesus was opened. And now the penitent, with no priest, preacher, parent, preeminence, or program of merit to supplement his faith, can commit his soul and himself to the Lord "against that day" (2 Tim. 1:12) and travel with everlasting certainty that path which "shineth more and more unto the perfect day" (Prov. 4:16).

IV. Jesus on the Cross Convincing Men (39)

1. *A Silencing Convincement.* The people who merely came to see "that sight" that day, when they saw what was done "smote their breasts and returned" (Lk. 23:48). Today some, in the poignant atmosphere of Calvary, metaphorically smite their breasts and turn away. They are silenced and solemnized, but not spiritually positioned.

2. *A Persuading Convincement.* When a centurion near by "saw that Jesus so cried out" in such a loud voice after His hours on the Cross and so as to touch off an earthquake and the rending of the veil (read the accounts), he said, "Truly this man was the (or a) Son of God!" Convincement and conviction tugged at his heart, but the record does not relate that he yielded. Perhaps he did later. So now the Cross pulls at the heart of some and they utter convinced words, but they do not commit themselves to Christ.

3. *A Trusting Convincement.* This is seen in the penitent thief, who, by grace divine, was enabled to see the Lord of glory in the Victim there, and turned to Him with the plea, "Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom." And Jesus gave him a passport into Paradise, signed with His own blood. Trust this Savior today and begin that certain journey to glory "by a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us through the veil, that is to say, His flesh!"

QUESTIONS

1. Discuss the method and the agony of crucifixion. 2. Who crucified the Lord of glory? 3. How is the Cross the touchstone of the world? 4. Quote Scriptures to show that the death of Jesus was vicarious and substitutionary. 5. Explain the darkness over the land at the Crucifixion. 6. How did the death of Jesus open the way to heaven? 7. What threefold convincement of men was exemplified at Calvary?

"He who is false to present duty breaks a thread in the loom, and will find the flaw when he may have forgotten its cause."—Beecher.

"Death has nothing terrible in it, but what life hath made so."—Author Unknown.

"The ancients dreaded death; the Christian can only fear dying."—Augustus Hare.

"Is death the last sleep? No, it is the last and final awakening."—Sir Walter Scott.

"Frequently it requires more courage simply to do our duty, than to face the fire of an enemy."—French.

BELOVED PROFESSOR GONE

The tragedy which befell Dr. W. J. McGlothlin and family on their way to Washington for the Southern Baptist Convention has brought grim sorrow to many thousands of hearts. To me it brought grief over the loss of a personal friend and one of the greatest professors who ever sought to impart wisdom to my head and heart. Words fail to express the sense of loss, or the hurt over the tragic way in which his death came.

President L. R. Scarborough and Professors I. E. Reynolds and W. W. Barnes of Southwestern Seminary were immediately behind his car and were first on the scene after the tragedy.



DR. W. J. MCGLOTHLIN

Dr. McGlothlin was driving the car when the accident occurred. (Not his son, as the secular press reports.) A front wheel ran off the pavement, and in trying to pull the car back the rear wheel skidded, throwing the party directly in front of the truck which was coming down King's Mountain. Mrs. McGlothlin was killed instantly, Dr. McGlothlin suffered several fractured ribs and was badly injured in his abdomen.

He was a Tennessean, having been born near Gallatin. He was a great teacher, a great preacher, and splendid college executive. Southern Baptists will miss him much from their council chambers and their denominational meetings.—J. D. F.

ELDER CANTREL BETHEL

By J. H. GRIME

It would be difficult to find any one who obeyed Paul's injunction, "Make full proof of thy ministry", more completely than did Cantrel Bethel. He was not only good, but great as well, and not only efficient but proficient as well. I would not use superlatives in regard to his standing and character, but I will be safe when I put him in the front rank.

He was born in the state of Maryland, December 17, 1779. Of his ancestry and his early predilection, I know nothing. On coming to the land of the Crooked River he seems to have been without any family relations. It seems that a lone explorer, Adam Dale, from Maryland, had found his way into the rich valley of Smith's Fork Creek and struck camp at the point where the town of Liberty is now located. He managed some way, I know not how, to get word back to Maryland that he had found a Paradise, the home seekers' Eden, and for his people and friends to arrange and come to him.

A colony was formed, and young Bethel joined it, seemingly leaving his family. They came down the Ohio and up the Cumberland River in some kind of craft. On reaching French Lick (now Nashville) they disembarked and greeted Robertson and his colony. Whether they left their craft there or carried it further up the river, I know not. However, they landed, threaded their way to Adam Dale's rendezvous, and struck camp and named it Liberty, the first town between Nashville and Cumberland Mountains. They built themselves cabins and called it home.

Among the names in this colony were the Brattens, Whaleys, Evans, Dales and Givans. It was not long until they were recruited by the Fites, Turneys, Turners, and Overalls. The date of their arrival seems to have been lost. It evidently occurred in the latter part of the Eighteenth Century. The country was wild and game and fish abounded, and often Bruin would visit the cabin door at night to pick up the scraps.

Young Bethel found a helpmeet in a Miss Bratten, which may account for his leaving his family to join this colony. This union produced the talented Elder L. H. Bethel. Beyond this, little is known of the family.

He was converted about the change of the centuries; seemingly by the hand of divine providence. There was neither church nor minister anywhere in reach, but that same indomitable energy and love for God and His cause that characterized him through life, asserted itself. He threaded his way through unbroken forests, crossing streams, brooking difficulties and dangers. The consensus of evidence goes to show, that he finally found a church home in Old Union Baptist Church in Warren County, Kentucky and was doubtless baptized by either John Hightower or Alexander Devin.

On his return home he began at once to

gather a nucleus for a church organization at Brush Creek, when Elders John Hightower and Alexander Devin were brought from Kentucky to organize them. This nucleus was constituted into a church by these ministers on May 29, 1802, and Cantrel Bethel was ordained as their first pastor. This is the mother church of this section, and from her have come directly, Round Lick, Salem, and Hickman churches. The territory covered by Cantrel Bethel's ministry has not ceased to be dominated by the Baptists from the day of his ordination to the present. The Smith Fork Valley is dotted with Baptist churches from head to mouth, and it would almost stagger imagination to contemplate the number of Baptists that have been made in Smith Fork and its tributaries in the last 130 years.

He was a man of strong physique, a great preacher, combining doctrine, eloquence, pathos, and tenderness. He moved his audiences almost at will, for his heart and soul breathed forth in his words.

The Salem church at Liberty is his monument, where he was pastor as long as he was able to fill the place. He fell asleep October 22, 1848, at the age of 68 years. His dust sleeps hard by the church that he loved so much. The church erected a slab on which was inscribed a tender tribute to his memory. When the church celebrated its one hundredth anniversary, 1909, they replaced the slab with one more durable, retaining the tribute of the former. This unworthy scribe had the honor of unveiling this last monument, and saying some things concerning the life and work of this man of God. I have never stood by his grave that I have not felt something tugging at my heartstrings.

He had many namesakes. Some mothers named their children Cantrel for him, while others preferred the name, Bethel.

I shall soon join him in the Paradise of God. I am glad that I have been permitted to live with him here, on the printed page. The Baptist has lost much, who has never communicated in some way with those heroes of a hundred years ago. "There were giants in the earth in those days." Lebanon, Tenn.

There is no duty we so much underrate as the duty of being happy. By being happy we sow anonymous benefits upon the world, which remain unknown even to ourselves, or when they are disclosed, surprise nobody so much as the benefactor. A happy man or woman is a better thing to find than a five-pound note. He or she is a radiating focus of good will; and their entrance into a room is as though another candle had been lighted.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

"The lower mill-tone grinds as well as the upper."—Proverb.

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THE PIPER OF PODUNK

By Uncle John

CHAPTER I

A FURRINER COMES

"Waal, I swan if thar ain't one of them furriners comin' up the road."

The words were spoken by a mountaineer who sat in a rough chair in front of a log cabin which was tucked away in a little cove far back in the great hills of the Smokies. Down the road could be seen a well-dressed man plodding along toward the cabin.

"Wonder what he's doin' in these parts," the mountaineer's wife replied, stopping for the moment from her work of peeling peaches which she was preparing for the cans. "Nice lookin' feller, ain't 'e?"

"Some slicker from the city out hyar to see what pickin' he kin find," answered her husband. "Waal, he shore ain't goin' to git much from us, that's sartin."

They waited until the man turned from the road toward the gate, and then the mountaineer, whose name was Bailey Barton, rose from his seat and ambled to meet him.

"Howdy, stranger!" he called, when he had gone half way to the gate.

"Good afternoon," replied the visitor. "My name's Judson Smith."

"My name's Barton," said the mountaineer, "but generally called B-B, heah abouts. 'What kin I do for you, Mr. Smith? Kinder out of yore range, ain't ye?"

"Yes, I am in new country. I am out looking around and at the same time getting some rest which the doctors said I must have. I've been sitting inside the school room so long that my body has gone to seed and is about ready to fall down."

"I reckon you've come to the right place to wake it up," replied B-B. "These hyar mountaings will take the cricks out'n yore back and git the cob-webs out'n yore head jest about as quick as anything. An' you air a school man, eh?"

"Yes, I live at Greendale, North Carolina, and am in the business of training boys so that they may be able to do big things for this old country of ours. My specialty is to take boys from the mountains and fit them to become big leaders."

"I've hearn tell about ye. Seems as if you must be the feller that got Sam Jernigen's boy, Pete, an' turned him out a reg'lar dude, an' put him in charge of the railroad what runs yan side these mountaings."

"I am the man who got Pete to go to school, and Pete did the rest. We just furnished him a chance."

"Axe the man in, Pa. He shore looks petered out. Mebbe he would lack a drink of water," called Mrs. Bartin.

B-B asked the stranger to come in, gave him a chair in the shade of the cabin and went to bring him a drink from a spring which flowed ceaselessly from under a great rock cliff some hundred yards to one side of the cabin. When he returned, Mr. Smith drank greedily from the big yellow gourd dipper, smacked his lips and said:

"Man, but that's the kind of water I've been wanting to find. Do you have much of it, Mr. Barton?"

"I'll say we do," replied B-B. "See that thar crick over yander under the bluff? Waal, most of that water in it comes out of our spring. An' so fur as I knows, thar ain't no better water ever spilled from under the rocks.—Now jest look at them fool boys! Hi thar, Jason, Bailey! Come down from thar this minute!"

Mr. Smith glanced up, following the direction of his host's eyes, and saw two big, roughly dressed boys romping on the very edge of the bluff more than one hundred feet above the cabin. His heart skipped a beat and he held his breath, for it seemed that they would topple off any second and be dashed to pieces on the boulders below.

The lads ceased their frolic, stood for a moment gazing down, and seeing the stranger with their parents, suddenly darted into the brush and were lost to sight. A few moments later they came timidly around the corner of the cabin and stopped before the adults, holding their ragged hats in their hands and grinning a friendly though embarrassed greeting to the visitor.

"Boys, this is Mr. Smith, a schooler what has come out in the mountaings to air hisself an' git rested up a spell. These air my boys, Jason an' Bailey or 'Little B-B', as he is comin' to be knowed. Thus introduced, Mr. Smith rose from his chair and shook hands with the timid lads.

"The very fellows I've been looking for," said Mr. Smith. "If they aren't afraid to wrestle on the edge of that bluff, they will not be afraid to guide me through these hills. How about putting me up for a few days, Mr. Barton?"

"We ain't got no room," replied Big B-B. "These ain't all of our brood of younguns. Thar's four more som'ars about. You kin see for yoreself that the house ain't got but

two rooms, an' four beds is all we kin crowd into it by usin' a trundle bed in the lean-to."

"I'm sorry," replied Mr. Smith. "Have you a neighbor who might be able to take care of me?"

"Naybor?" It's two mile to the next house, an' gin you git thar you'd find only one room even if ol' John Brown does have five chilluns besides his wife an' her ma. I guess you'll have to trek about seven mile before you'll find a house big enough to take in a roomer."

Little B-B had stood listening. He didn't know what it meant to have the stranger in their quarters, but he did know what it meant to be a guide for sight-seers, and he didn't want to lose the chance of showing this stranger around and of earning the quarters which he would pay for the services of a guide.

"I'll tell you what we kin do, Pa," he volunteered after a moment of silence. "Jason an' me kin sleep in the barn loft an' let Mr. Smith have our bed. He won't mind sleepin' in the room with Ben an' Sam. An' we won't mind stayin' in the hay loft these fine nights, will we Jake?"

"Naw," replied his brother grinning and rubbing the big rough toes of one foot against the calf of the other leg. "I kinder lack to sleep in the hay anyhow."

"What about it, Ma?" asked Mr. Barton. "Reckon you kin manage to git somethin' good enough to feed a visitor on?"

"Cain't git nothin' ceptin' what we've already got," she replied. "You know well's I do that our livin' is in the smoke house an' the kitchen. If Mr. Smith kin eat what we do, an' the boys will sleep in the barn, I reckon as how we might manage things fur a spell."

"That's fine," answered Mr. Smith. "If you can live an' look so hale on your food, then I am sure it is just exactly what I need. How much are you going to charge me?"

"Charge you for what?" asked B-B in surprise.

"Why, for my board and keep while I am here."

"Stranger, we ain't never yit axed nobody to pay for a place to sleep in our house an' fur what grub he gits off our table. I reckon we ain't in no mind to begin doin' it with you."

"Ma, I reckon you'd better call Marthy an' git some supper started."

Mrs. Barton smoothed down the bowl of sliced peaches, told Jason to take the peelings and seeds down to the pig pen, rose from her seat and went into the house, leaving the men and boys together. When she had gone, Mr. Smith said:

"I am wondering how I can get my baggage out here. I had to leave it at the store back yonder where the roads cross."

"You mean you've walked all the way from that thar store?" asked Mr. Barton. "Why mister, that's nine mile from heah!"

"Yes, I rode that far in the mail hack, coming over on the train. I couldn't find anyone driving this way, so left my luggage with the store keeper and set out to find a place that seemed to fit my needs. When I saw your house nestling back here in this beautiful cove, I just sorter prayed that the Lord would make you open your door and keep me."

"Waal, Little B-B heah and Jason kin hitch up the waggin in the mornin' an' go git yore things unless you kin wait until Sat'dy when a naybor up the road will drive in to take some produce."

"I reckon I can get along un'il Saturday, unless there is someth'g else to take you to the store."

It was decided that he would ramble around the place during the remaining three days until the week end, exploring the immediate sections and hardening himself for the more strenuous hiking that lay before him if he was to follow the big boys. Before they had finished talking about plans, Mrs. Barton called them to supper.

"Want to warsh up a bit?" asked the host, when they heard the ringing call "Supper's Reddy!"

"Yes, I would like to get the dust off my hands and out of my eyes. A little dash of water will help me enjoy my meal."

Around the house they went to where a glistening brass-bound cedar bucket sat on a great rock shelf with a large wooden bowl by its side. Mr. Barton half filled the bowl with water and the visitor bathed his face and hands without having to worry lest he splatter the water on the walls or floor of some room.

While he was bathing his face, he puffed and spluttered in evident enjoyment and Little B-B turned to his brother and said in a whisper, "Gee, Jake, he sounds jest lack a hill billy, don't he?"

(Continued next week.)

Tommy—"That problem you helped me with last night was all wrong, Daddy."

Father—"All wrong, was it? Well, I'm sorry."

"Well, you needn't exactly worry about it, because none of the other daddies got it right, either."—Utica Observer-Dispatch.

"When all sins grow old, covetousness is young."—French.

"A church debt is the devil's salary."—Beecher.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Sunday School
Administration

W. D. HUDGINS, Superintendent
Headquarters, Tullahoma, Tenn.

Laymen's Activities
B. Y. P. U. Work

Field Workers

Jessie Daniel, West Tennessee. Miss Zella Mai Collier, Elementary Worker.
Frank Wood, East Tennessee. Miss Roxie Jacobs, Junior and Intermediate Leader.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES

From the Missionary Baptist Journal: The Cumberland Gap Association Sunday School Convention, Group No. 4, met at Cave Springs April 23. Several Sunday Schools were represented. A large crowd attended and a very interesting program was rendered. Mr. and Mrs. V. D. England were present and represented a Sunday School in Middle Tennessee. Mr. V. D. England made a talk on Sunday School attendance. These group conventions are fine. They are retaining old interest and creating much new interest in Sunday School, and we hope that they will add much strength to our regular annual convention which is to meet at Forge Ridge June 18, 1933.

A Sunday School was organized at Carr's Branch the first Sunday in April, Dexter Walker, superintendent.

Superintendent K. W. Hudgins reports a gain in the school at Wartrace as a result of efforts toward enlargement put forth during last quarter. He says, "We had 95 today and 91 last Sunday. We hope to pull up to the hundred mark next Sunday."

Brother George L. Ridenour reports his D. V. D. S. with 133 diplomas issued and a large attendance. 5,000 lunches were served during this school.

Oneida is putting on a Daily Vacation School and prospects are good for the work there.

Maryville beginning her training school next week, also planning for a Daily Vacation School to begin the week following. Frank Wood, Miss Collier and Mrs. Blanche Hudgins are all to be with them next week and a number of churches are co-operating.

New Sunday School Near Jonesboro

I am having my churches to do some mission Sunday School work this summer in sections where 20 or more people may be gathered together and have Sunday School in the afternoon. Last Sunday afternoon from the Limestone Church at Sulphur Springs, eight went with me to a place and we found there 40 in all of men, women and children eagerly waiting for us. Everyone was very happy in that there were going to be Sunday School, they could at-

tend. We secured a house and arranged for them to begin next Sunday with teachers from the Limestone church in charge. They all think we can have an average of fifty each Sunday. We are planning another school in another section of this community to be taken care of by this church.—G. C. Coldiron.

Erwin School

We want to thank you for sending Brother Haworth to us. He certainly is a wonderful young man. Our people fell in love with him from the start, and all wished that we could have continued for another week. We feel that we have been helped wonderfully.

We had a splendid class, but our attendance was not what it should have been, due to High School commencement here next week and a good many of our workers are connected with the high school. I think about thirty of our workers took the examination on book "Pupil Life".—R. H. Renfro.

Oklahoma Worker With Bellevue

We had a fine and, we believe, a very profitable time at Memphis. A great many people had had the work and, therefore, did not take examination on the course taught. Enclosed, however, is a list of five who did complete the examination. These awards have not been ordered. I am simply sending this report to you so that you may order them in accordance with your regular policy.—Fred McCaulley.

B. Y. P. U. NOTES

We call especial attention this week to the Regional Conventions which meet as follows: Kingsport, June 6th; Dayton, June 8th; Columbia, June 13th; and Union Avenue, Memphis, June 15th. We trust all our young people will take due notice and bring large delegations to these respective meetings.

Changes in the State Constitution

(Special Notice to B.Y.P.U. Workers)

It is required by our Constitution that any changes in the Constitution or By-Laws must be printed in the Baptist and Reflector twice, at least 30 days, before the annual convention in order that same may be passed upon at the regular meeting. On last year a committee was appointed to go

over the constitution and make such changes as might be found necessary. We print only the articles and sections that have been changed by the committee in their recommendations to the coming convention. We call especial attention to certain articles over which the committee members fail to agree. These should be studied and all be ready to pass on same when the time comes.

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of this organization shall be to devise ways and means for promoting the interests of the Baptist Young People's Unions and Baptist Adult Unions of Tennessee; to unify these interests; to stimulate one another in Christian service, and to induce churches to organize B. Y. P. U.'s and B. A. U.'s where there are none; to use the B. Y. P. U. Manual as published by the Sunday School Board as a basis.

ARTICLE V

Duties of the Officers

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Convention and all executive meetings; to call a Vice-President to the chair when compelled, for any reason, to vacate the chair; to enforce due observance of the Constitution and By-Laws; to decide all questions of order; to offer for consideration all motions regularly made; to call all special meetings; to appoint all committees not otherwise provided for and to perform all other duties such as his office may require.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Presidents, if called upon to do so, to preside. It shall be the duty of each Vice-President to make an annual report in writing of the progress of the B. Y. P. U. and B. A. U. work in his respective division—these reports to be read at the annual meeting of the Convention. It shall be the duty of each Vice-President to keep in close communication with all Associational Presidents in his division and give such council, aid, and advice in the general work as he may be called upon to render; to encourage the State Convention and do all other duties as his office may require.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep accurate and complete minutes of the meetings, both of the State Convention and of the Executive Committee, in a book supplied for that purpose; to submit to the Baptist and Reflector a summary of the proceedings of the Convention for publication; to read at the opening business session the essential items of the minutes of the last year's meeting of the Convention; to write the four Vice-Presidents and the Junior and Intermediate Leaders just prior to the meeting of the Con-

vention reminding them of the written reports which are to be ready to be read before the Convention in session.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer shall collect, keep in custody, and make proper accounting to each annual meeting of the State Convention of all funds received by the State Convention. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to pay all accounts of the State Convention when said accounts have been approved and ordered paid by the Convention or the Executive Committee.

SECTION 8. It shall be the duty of the four Junior and Intermediate Leaders to promote the Junior and Intermediate work in their respective sections during the Convention year and to co-operate with the State Leaders at all times, making an annual report in writing to the Convention of the progress of the work in their respective districts.

ARTICLE VI

Election of Officers

SECTION 1. All the elective officers shall be elected not later than the closing business session of the second morning. Their term of office shall begin at the final session of the Convention. Their term of office shall be one year or until their successors, having been duly elected and qualified, shall assume the offices. No officer shall succeed himself.

SECTION 2. The President and Secretary shall be nominated from the floor of the Convention. All other elective officers may be nominated by a Nominating Committee.

ARTICLE VIII

Duties of the Committees

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to consider all matters of business pertaining to the State Convention and the Baptist Young People's and Adult work of Tennessee and for this purpose to hold at least one meeting annually at a centrally located place in the State. The Executive Committee meeting shall be called by the President, who shall give at least ten days' notice to each member of the time and place of the meeting. A majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum to transact the business at a regular or called meeting. A sub-committee of five members may be chosen to first consider any business matter and present same to the Executive Committee.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the Time and Place Committee to arrange a convenient time and a suitable meeting place for the annual meeting of the State Convention.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Resolutions Committee to prepare all suitable resolutions for presentation to the State Convention.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to recommend to the Annual Convention at least one candidate for each of the elective offices, except as provided for in Section 2, Article VI. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to report not later than the closing business session of the second morning.

ARTICLE I Representation

SECTION 1. Each church in the State of Tennessee is entitled to send to the Annual Convention five messengers for the first twenty-five active members of the B. Y. P. U. Department and one additional messenger for each additional ten active members of the B. Y. P. U. Department of that church, and as many others as will come—the same to be known as alternates.

SECTION 2. The local Unions shall select and the church ratify its messengers and alternates. In case any messenger is prevented from attending any session an alternate may be selected to take his place.

SECTION 3. Every person attending the Convention shall upon registering notify the clerk whether he is a messenger, alternate, or visitor, at which time he shall be given a badge designating his status in the Convention thus facilitating the voting.

ARTICLE II Voting

SECTION 1. At all business sessions of the State Convention only messengers and alternates will be entitled to the privilege of the floor.

SECTION 2. At all business sessions of the State Convention only messengers shall be allowed to vote in matters requiring a vote. The only exception shall be in matters of regret and appreciation.

SECTION 3. When there is only one nomination for any office, the Secretary or anyone designated for that purpose, if there be no objection, may be instructed from the chair to cast the ballot for the Convention.

ARTICLE X Suspension

A By-Law shall be suspended in case of an emergency by a vote of two-thirds of the messengers attending the State Convention.

LAYMEN'S NOTES

We are glad to report that Tennessee had about the best report that was made at Washington and we are proud of our men.

The Washington Meeting

We greatly enjoyed the meeting of the Laymen at Washington. Three of the really great addresses of the entire week were made to the men.

One of the greatest that I have heard for many a day was made by President Pat Neff of Texas. Mr. Neff once was governor of Texas and is an old fashioned orator of ability. His speech to the men was one of the outstanding addresses of the entire convention. Others were great but his combined oratory with common sense and practical truth.

Special Attention

We are appealing to our laymen to help us finance the Preacher School which we think is the best thing that we are doing today in our state. We have around 60 already signed up for the two schools but only 20 scholarships. The scholarships are only \$10.00 each and this keeps a preacher there for three weeks. Any one investing in this amount will get dividends untold.

A Word to the Preachers: Listen

Unless you want to sleep on your grip at the Preacher School you had better bring a pillow from home as the colleges do not have pillows. We failed to mention this in the requirements and so we are making this announcement. Pillows, linen for the beds and towels and other articles of private use must be brought from home.

Preacher Schools

The Preacher Schools will be put on again at Carson-Newman College and Union University as before, beginning June 5th and closing June 23rd. We are expecting a much larger attendance this year since so many of our preachers have profited by these studies together. We have a very fine faculty again this year and some courses that should interest all alike. Scholarships will be granted to all preachers from the country and small town churches who draw less than average salary and who have not had the advantages of college and seminary training. No one will be furnished free scholarship who is not a pastor or who works at other lines and draws salaries from other occupations. Any one who might happen to be changing pastorates and is out for the present will be allowed the privilege just the same. No one who lives close enough to drive in will be kept on the free basis. Books will be furnished and anyone who cares to come may come and pay his own expenses.

Following is an outline of the programs:

Carson-Newman School: Dr. A. F. Mahan, Dean. Dr. C. W. Pope will have a full one hour course on Church History. Dr. A. T. Robertson will have one week on John Mark; one week on Paul's joy in Christ and a third week using the topics "Making Good in the Ministry." Dr. J. T. Warren will have a full course in

BRO. CARL THOMAS ORDAINED TO THE BAPTIST MINISTRY By F. F. Brown

The many friends of Brother Carl Thomas among the Baptists of Tennessee and Kentucky, who already know and love him and his good wife for what they are and for what they mean to the Kingdom of Christ, will be happy to learn of his ordination to the work of the Baptist ministry by the First Baptist Church of Knoxville on March 19th. Brethren T. C. Wyatt and J. K. Haynes, visiting pastors, assisted in the ordination.

For several years Brother Thomas has been an effective and much beloved independent evangelist for Southern Methodism, and has held many successful meetings in Tennessee and surrounding states. He recently came into the membership of the First Baptist Church as a matter of deep conviction.

Since his conversion in 1925 Knoxville has been his home, and I have never known a minister, in or out of a pastorate, to make for himself a larger place in the hearts of a people than he has won for himself in our city. Converted in a down town mission through the efforts of the young woman who later became his wife, he lost no time in giving himself to a life of Kingdom usefulness. Later while holding a meeting in Tifton, Georgia, the daily paper paid editorial tribute to his work, and among other things, said: "His messages have been the plain, simple testimony of a man who had sought and found Jesus, who knows

Literature running through the entire three weeks. Dr. E. K. Cox will have two weeks with a double course teaching Stewardship and Bible Characters. C. E. Wauford will give two hours each day for one week studying Bible Books and Dr. Mahan and the writer will have some discussions of practical problems.

At the Union University school we will have Dr. C. B. Williams for a full three weeks course in "Paul's Epistles." This will be separate from the Summer Schools and will be prepared for the preachers especially. Dr. W. T. Conner will spend one week with a double course in Theology and Ethics. Dr. A. U. Boone will give a ten hour course in Sermon Building and Dr. W. W. Hamilton a ten hour course in Evangelism. Rev. N. M. Stigler will have a two weeks' single course in Literature while Dr. Hurt and the writer are to discuss problems. M. M. Summar is to be Dean of this school as he was last year. Let all who expect to attend write for registration.

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Him as his own personal Saviour; has felt the cleansing power of the blood shed upon Calvary for the redemption of sinners, and whose heart is overflowing with love for his fellowman whom he must tell about the Saviour who has done so much for him. The testimony of Thomas carries conviction."

The large place he holds in the life of Knoxville is due not only to his splendid preaching but also to his tireless efforts. When he is not engaged in preaching, he is doing personal work as he seeks to win men to Christ, or to lead some professed Christian to a life of greater Kingdom usefulness. The City Fire Department, composed of a large force of men, in appreciation of what he has meant to them, chose him as their chaplain, and a great group of them attended his ordination in a body.

It is my sincere conviction that he is going to find a great field of usefulness in the field of evangelism or in some pastorate as the Lord may lead.

GOING TO EUROPE?

Dr. Arch C. Cree, of Salisbury, N. C., is planning to lead another select, privately managed party of discriminating friends on a tour of Europe, sailing on the SS BERLIN of the North German Lloyd, on June 22.

Out of his experience of many years in foreign travel, Dr. Cree is not only superbly able to conduct such a tour with pleasure and profit, but being a Scotchman, he is able to do it at a modest cost. If any of our friends, who are interested in such a tour next Summer, will write us, we shall be happy to introduce them to Dr. Cree. Address your letter to Baptist and Reflector, 161 Eighth Ave., N., Nashville, Tennessee.

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THE WONDROUS CHRIST

Message of W. M. U. President
 Prepared for Meeting of S. B. C.
 in Washington.

Mrs. W. J. Cox

The first words of this message must express regret that I cannot with you share the fine spirit and Christian fellowship that always animate our annual meetings. The years teach us, however, that life never runs straight, "its silver circles never fully, wholly round, but change in spiral gropings." It was a treasured hope that the eight years of service could be rounded out, but, instead, the circle changes to spiral gropings.

There is unmeasured joy in my heart for the privilege of being "laborers together with God" and with you. The happy memories of these overflowing years will ever live in my heart, for these memories are pinioned to eternity itself. There are mistakes that mar my service, but they are easier borne since, as Robert Browning says:

"What I aspired to be
 And was not comforts me."

The theme chosen for these sessions of the Woman's Missionary Union—The Wondrous Christ—is the secret of all abundant life, for the Wondrous Christ is the foundation of the past, our future hope. Too long we have taken for granted His words, "I am the way, the truth, the life." Power springs only from the Wondrous Christ. At this time of mission emergency, we do well to turn to Him. Perhaps our crosses and losses have made us humbler and wiser. We have begun to realize that present mission conditions cannot be "eradicating by mental massage," nor will victory come through additional programs, plans, rallies or campaigns. Victory will come only through humble obedience in the enthronement of the Wondrous Christ. If the Woman's Missionary Union does nothing else at this meeting except literally pray our denomination out of this mission crisis, it would be one of the most glorious hours in its rich history. To this possibility, this message is dedicated.

"There are great truths," said Michael Angelo, "that pitch their shining tents outside our walls; and though but dimly seen in the gray dawn, they will be manifest when the light widens into perfect day." Some great truths have pitched their shining tents outside the walls of our denominational conventions. They may be but dimly realized at first,

but they will be more and more manifest as the light widens into day. One of these truths is that Baptists in Washington will make, or fail to make, mission history. Our mission lethargy is a moral poison which runs through the veins of the world. As long as Southern Baptists suffer from this indifference, our missions in Africa, in China, in Japan and in other nations are weakened. If ever Southern Baptists needed to follow the shining truth pitched outside our walls, it is now. This need is so great, that the organizational interests of the W. M. U. take second place in our considerations. The mission zeal which called this organization into being, and which yet actuates and motivates its service, demands that we give precedence to this grave hour in Baptist missionary life. The fact that we are an organization for women and young people and have little voice in major considerations does not release us from responsibility and prayer. Our organizations represent a half million Baptists. It is said by a virile modern writer that it is one of the tokens of the fully developed mind that it does not think especially or separately of sex, that it is fatal for anyone to be either a man or a woman, pure and simple. This is especially true in Kingdom work. As members of Southern Baptist Churches, our Union members are tremendously concerned that this meeting of Southern Baptists shall be the beginning of a new epoch in mission zeal.

We are aware that our churches are suffering from depleted mission treasures. Mission work in many states, in the homeland and in foreign lands is suffering. While recognizing diminished incomes everywhere, we must also acknowledge that these small incomes represent a purchasing power almost double that of the dollar in the inflated times. We must, therefore, admit that it is not wholly the economic situation that accounts for the continued curtailment of mission offerings. The history of Christianity reveals that God's people have risen to their greatest glory in times of poverty, persecution and danger. Therefore, we are face to face with a situation that forces us to acknowledge there is some deeper, more obscure reason out there among the folks which explains the widespread lack of mission fervor, and the withholding of tithes and offerings. There is something that is preventing sacrificial giving. What is it? How can it be remedied? These

are questions that should challenge Baptists in Washington. That strong, silent body that we call the *constituency*, that body which makes or breaks any program, must be reckoned with and listened to. Leaders must know the thoughts and the convictions of the people. Like those Roman orators of old when we speak we must face the open forum, thereby acknowledging the sovereignty of the people, for their power must not be underestimated in any denominational effort. The responsibility for the mission work must be felt by them. This cannot be accomplished as long as the people have no direct contact with our work, our workers, our institutions, and our mission fields. The pastor is the only medium between the world wide work and the people. Thus we must recognize our Southern Baptist pastors as the key-men to the situation. We will not get very far in any denominational endeavor unless the pastors of our churches are able to formulate a program to which they can give their full allegiance in enlisting the multitude of individual members. In their leadership, their advocacy, rests our largest assurance of a successful, common movement for the Wondrous Christ. Often the pastor's initiative in leadership has been unintentionally circumscribed by good organized forces, nevertheless forces over which the pastor has little control, and before which he is often helpless if he is loyal. Surely, it is the hour when the God-called prophets who shepherd the people should lead out toward a promised land.

The Three Fold Cord

The blessings that crown our Union work move us to ask, what shall we render the Lord for all His benefits unto us? Even as we ask, we know the answer is an ever enlarged service, an ever deepening spiritual life. For a number of years the Woman's Missionary Union has known a steadily increasing growth and development. No change in our policy is recommended, only "Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them." Continue to magnify missions through prayer, study, giving, enlistment, and the missionary education of our young people.

"A three-fold cord," says the writer of Ecclesiastes, "is not quickly broken." There is a three-fold cord which can draw the W. M. U. to ever higher attainments. It is composed of prayer, study and the missionary education of our young people. Prayer marshals all our forces; centers our vision upon the Wondrous Christ. Prayer empowers individuals. Prayer communicates life. Prayer is interlocked with the missionary movement. No Christian can be parochially minded if he really prays,

for prayer reveals a kinship for all men and a responsibility for them. This conception of united prayer explains the powerful and far reaching results of the Union's special seasons of prayer for state, home and foreign missions. Thousands of hearts in agreement, touching Kingdom needs have been one of the cords that have held the mission work. The approximately forty five million dollars given by the members of the W. M. U. during its forty five years existence is the result of prayer and study and the missionary education of youth—the three-fold cord not quickly broken.

The Greek word for man means "The being with the upward look." True culture of the mind gives the upward look. It unlocks the treasures of God's wisdom. It leads us to recognize the high natural endowments of men of every race. True learning clothes the learner with humility, makes the life fruitful through daily cross bearing. The 26,329 Mission Study Classes reported prove our desire for knowledge. This is confirmed by the sustained subscriptions to Royal Service, The Window of Y. W. A. and World Comrades. Through knowledge, the giving of tithes and offerings becomes an act of worship. "Man discovers his own wealth when God comes to ask gifts of him."

When Stanley Jones was in our city recently he said the proud Brahmins were asked to sweep the streets in India to show their humility and



Many are the calls for free service in these days of economic stringency. During the month of March we received a total of Three Dollars in gifts with which to help the poor—and Two Dollars of that was in a check drawn against "frozen" deposits, and we have not collected it. But we gave 36 persons 388 days of free service, and paid for it. We also paid all operating expenses.

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LOUIS J. BRISTOW,
 Superintendent.

their Christianity. When asked why he didn't sweep the streets, one Brahmin said, "I'm a Christian, but I'm not a Christian that far yet." How far are you and I Christian? Are we Christian enough to serve in teaching in mission Sunday Schools, in doing interracial work, in Good Will Center work, in our organized efforts in making America Christian?

Perhaps the most important of the three-fold cords that bind us to greater future attainments is the missionary education of our young people. The divine vigor of youth should be enlisted for the Wondrous Christ in missions. An appreciation of the magnitude of missions, combined with an understanding sympathy for young people will link two vital forces. So important is this duty that we can well afford to give it primacy in our organizational planning, precedence in our local emphasis as well as in the personnel for leadership. The 21,090 young people's organizations attest to the interest of young people in missions. Royal Ambassadors work is magnified this year because of their 25th anniversary. Through the W. M. U. Training School and the Margaret Fund the Union projects the consecrated lives of its dedicated young people out for the redemption of the nations.

The Wondrous Christ is a theme that should electrify and weld our hearts. This Wondrous Christ is God's supreme, all-sufficient expression. Dr. Boreham says, when God sought to express His Almightiness to mankind, when He sought to say, "Almighty God," there was pathos in the situation because of the fact that man could not comprehend the Almightiness of God. Man was destitute of any vocabulary into which that sublime thought could be translated. At last, the Unspeakable, the Unutterable, the Undefined Word was made flesh. In Christ God spoke the unspeakable. Dr. Boreham says Turner expressed himself in oils, Michael Angelo in marble, Shakespeare in ink, Christopher Wren in granite, but God selected flesh, flesh eloquent with rising and ebbing color, with tender or flashing eyes, with melting vocal tones, to express the Unspeakable Word. If you and I would make the greatest gift of all life, it can be made by giving ourselves, our flesh, our bodies, our lives in loving, unwearied service for the redemption of the world.

In the immortal words of a pioneer missionary, "I summon you to fresh vision and a mighty advance for world wide missions."

"Wine has drowned more men than the sea."—Ephraem Syrus.

"Ardent spirits are evil spirits."—Proverb.

W.M.U. Convention Meeting in Washington

How happy we all were in St. Petersburg last year when it was voted that the 1933 convention should be held in Washington.

Thanks to the kindness of the railroads, we made the trip with very small cost, as transportation was given us.

We left Nashville on Monday, as our secretaries conference and our board meetings were to be held in Washington on Wednesday. A delightful trip on the Pan-American to Cincinnati and then over the C. & O. to Washington brought us to our Capitol City Tuesday afternoon.

Visiting Congress

Were you ever alone in a big city? Our partner, Mrs. R. L. Harris, did not arrive until next day. We were not at headquarters but near the station in the Continental which advertised in the Baptist and Reflector. It is (we are writing from this hotel) a lovely hotel, well located and most comfortable. How grateful we are to our paper for free entertainment. Alone, but there was so much to see, and the next day meetings would start. Our hotel is near the Capitol, so this secretary decided she would call on Congress. To see this august body in action is a good example of "how not to do it." Did anyone know what was happening? No important issue was at stake, so as Andy would say, "they were unloading." Vice-President Garner, low, with very heavy eyebrows, and twinkling eyes, presided. Many men we have all read above were present, but in the hour I was there the calling of the roll was ordered three times for a quorum seemed doubtful. No wonder strange things are done by this body.

Committee Meetings

From Wednesday morning at nine until late that night we were in committee meetings. Mrs. Harris is a member of the executive committee and the state secretaries are always asked to meet with these officers to plan together the work of the year. It is a privilege to sit with the two representatives of each state and with our Southern Union members. We have many different ideas but we usually talk and pray ourselves together.

The W. M. U. Convention

The forty-fifth annual meeting of the W. M. U. was held in beautiful Constitution Hall on Thursday, May 18. There were 1695 who registered though many more attended.

Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, vice-president, of Missouri, presided because of the absence of our beloved president, Mrs. W. J. Cox, who was kept at home with a sick husband.

The welcome was given by Mrs. Earl Chaffee who reminded us we were in our national home. Mrs. Armstrong responded with a few very well chosen words.

Mrs. W. C. Lowndes, our treasurer for thirty-eight years, reported our gifts for 1932 were \$1,867,168.78. Tennessee stands fifth in the states with a report of \$152,195.15. Ahead of us stands Texas, Virginia, North Carolina and Georgia. The gift to our Christmas offering was \$143,331.24. Tennessee reported \$7,859.08.

You have read Mrs. Cox's message as it appears this week. Mrs. Armstrong read it at this morning's session. Loving greetings were sent Mrs. Cox.

Mrs. G. R. Martin, our Southwide stewardship chairman, recommended reorganization of all churches where every woman was giving to missions. Truly we do hope Tennessee will not be ashamed when this list is read. She suggested definite effort should be made to secure gifts from women in unorganized churches. A motion was made that every woman be asked to give twenty-five cents a week for the Foreign Mission Board debt. Rev. Wade Bryant of Virginia told how this movement was born in his church during a school of missions. His men became so concerned because of the condition of our Foreign Board that they wanted to do something to help. They formed "Calvary Regulars" club who gave over and above their regular gifts the twenty-five cents a week to the debt. Other churches heard of the movement and they too organized. One hundred and twenty missionaries have sent to the Foreign Board \$1200.00 on the debt.

Mrs. Eugene Sallee, a missionary from China, spoke feelingly of the plan and of the debt. She said many should take out several shares of the debt by giving not twenty-five cents only but many times that amount.

The congregation stood as one when approval was asked and all promised to go home and work to that end.

In the resolution adopted it was stated that a conference should be held with the brethren concerning our plan. Some of us stayed in a committee meeting with the men representatives from all states until after one-thirty in the morning talking and talking. Finally it was agreed that we should ask for this offering for all the debts and not just Foreign Missions. The debt on our Home Mission Board is equally as embarrassing and our Southwide institutions are burdened so we agreed to help lift all the debts and not the Foreign debt only.

Mrs. P. B. Lawrence of Chattanooga brought the report on "Personal Service." She stressed interracial work, our duty to the foreigners, the blind and deaf, the daily vacation Bible School. There were 8840 conversions reported as a direct result of personal service. She made us see anew our task of presenting the Savior.

Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, as Southwide Mission Study Chairman, told us we must cash in on our mission study. It is not criticism but testimony that we need.

Miss Kathleen Mallory, our great secretary, brought the report of our year's work. She read the names of those finishing the Advance Mission Study Course. Mrs. Haydn Bell of Chattanooga was the only one from Tennessee for the past year. She reported 64,568 W. M. S. tithers, 25,353 young people who were tithers. Of this number Tennessee had 4,592 women and 2,439 young people. We ranked third in mission study. There were 16,575 classes for women and 9,754 for young people. Tennessee report was 1,431 classes for women and 809 for the young people. We were third in awards. There were 113,040 seals for women and 68,532 for young people. We awarded 10,188 to the women and 8,077 to the young people. Tennessee was second in number of first official seals, and second in honor certificates.

There are now 284,045 women members of our organization and 279,785 young people. We are eighth in number of members—as we report 20,017 W. M. S. members in 663 organizations and 19,714 young people in 445 Sunbeams, 327 Royal Ambassadors, 539 Girls Auxiliaries and 346 Young Woman's Auxiliaries. We are third in number of new organizations, reporting 408 for the year out of the 4,522 for the Union.

At the noon hour there was a period of intercession led by Miss Blanch White of Virginia. The missionaries stated their needs and then led in definite prayer. Miss Leachman spoke of the 40 million who were lost in America and then she prayed as only Miss Leachman can pray.

Mrs. A. R. Crabtree of Rio, Brazil told of the need of joy and assurance of salvation, and Mrs. McCall of Cuba prayed. Mrs. George McDaniel of Virginia, who recently toured Europe, brought this message from our workers. "Tell the women to pray. Be of good cheer. God is still ruler."

Mrs. George Sadler of Africa prayed by name for each African missionary. She lifted us to the throne and made us feel that she had hold of the "horns of the altar."

(Continued on page 16.)

AMONG THE BRETHREN

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR MAY 21, 1933

Memphis, Bellevue	1573
Nashville, First	1111
Memphis, Union Avenue	749
Nashville, Park Avenue	725
Nashville, Belmont Heights	671
West Jackson	582
Chattanooga, Avondale	570
Dyersburg, First	546
Chattanooga, Calvary	539
Etowah, First	514
Clarksville, First	490
Erwin, First	474
Chattanooga, East Lake	452
Nashville, North Edgefield	425
Paris, First	412
Union City, First	408
Humboldt, First	350
Chattanooga, Red Bank	350
Chattanooga, Alton Park	349
Nashville, Lockeland	347
LaFollette, First	332
Ripley	332
Elizabethton, First	316
Nashville, Seventh	287

By FLEETWOOD BALL

Arnold Shultz was lately ordained to the full work of the ministry by West Point Church, Floral, Ky.

—B&R—

J. D. Lundy of Liggett, Ky., has been called as pastor by the church at Elcomb, Ky., and accepts.

—B&R—

Preston Sellers was lately ordained to the full work of the ministry by the church at Wauchula, Fla.

—B&R—

Mississippi College, Clinton, lately conferred the degree of D. D. on J. R. Nutt of Lufkin, Texas.

—B&R—

B. T. Kimbrough has been called to the care of Lee's Lane church near Louisville, Ky., and has accepted.

—B&R—

J. C. Owen becomes pastor of the church at Murfreesboro, N. C., and chaplain of Chowan College.

—B&R—

E. L. Cole leaves the pastorate at Morrilton, Ark., to accept that of the church at Osceola, Ark.

—B&R—

C. E. Welch of Osceola, Ark., has been called to the care of Central Church, Memphis, but has not signified his acceptance.

—B&R—

W. R. Rogers of Hope, Ark., was lately assisted in a revival by B. B. Crimm of Marshall, Texas, resulting in 60 baptisms.

—B&R—

The death of A. J. Holt of Arcadia, Fla., Monday, May 15, brought sorrow to the hearts of hosts of Tennesseans.

Beginning June 25th, C. L. Randall of Little Rock, Ark., will do the preaching in a revival with Central Church, Memphis.

—B&R—

Lyn Claybrook, pastor at Bolivar, prevailed upon his good deacon, R. C. Hinton, to accompany him by auto to the convention in Washington, D. C.

—B&R—

Mrs. Geo. B. Eager recently died in the home of her son at Valdosta, Ga. She was of a distinguished family.

—B&R—

I. T. Jacobs has resigned the First Church, Mt. Airy, N. C., to accept the call of the First Church, Staunton, Va.

—B&R—

Bernard Scates of Huntingdon will be assisted in a revival there at an early date by O. L. Weir of Bruce-ton.

—B&R—

The First Church, Martin, called R. T. Skinner of Birmingham, Ala., and if he accepts, it will be a case of son following father.

—B&R—

Brown B. Smith, the pastor, lately held a meeting in the First Church, Henderson, Ky., resulting in 92 additions. Morris Ford led the music.

—B&R—

Loys Frink of Greensburg, La., has accepted a call to Park View Church, Fort Pierce, Fla., which is in effect, gonig home.

—B&R—

John E. Evans has resigned as pastor of the First Church, Winter Garden, Fla., to engage in newspaper work.

—B&R—

W. L. Cutts, Sr., of Copper Hill, forty-five years a minister, and father of four preachers, died last week in a hospital in Atlanta, Ga. He was 67 years old.

—B&R—

John W. Ham of Atlanta, Ga., flew by airplane May 15 to Washington, D. C., to hold a revival in Maryland Avenue Church. E. L. Wolslagel is conducting the music.

—B&R—

The church at Rogers, Ark., is enjoying a revival in which the pastor, P. W. Murphy, is doing the preaching. B. B. Cox of Stamps, Ark., is leading the singing.

—B&R—

A majority of the trustees of Shorter College, Rome, Ga., have elected C. R. Wilcox, a Presbyterian, as President of that Baptist school.

—B&R—

Eugene R. Black, deacon in the First Church, Atlanta, Ga., has been appointed governor of the entire

Federal Reserve Bank System in the United States.

—B&R—

J. H. Wright of Boulevard Church, Memphis, and wife attended the convention in Washington, D. C., and returning visited his old home at Upper Zion, Va.

—B&R—

The stock of Union University, Jackson, was greatly advanced at the recent convention in Washington, D. C. An alumnus, M. E. Dodd, of Shreveport, La., was President, and another alumnus, Chas. W. Daniel, of Richmond, Va., was chairman of the Committee on Order of Business.

By THE EDITOR

N. M. Stigler of Brownsville begins a revival with the church at McMinnville May 28th, writes Pastor A. H. Huff.

—B&R—

John E. White has resigned his pastorate at Burkeville, Va., in order to become business manager of the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

—B&R—

Mr. Frank H. Leavell had recovered from his recent operation sufficiently to attend a few sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention.

—B&R—

May 21st was a good day for East Lake Church, Chattanooga. Pastor L. B. Compton welcomed 3 for baptism, one by letter and baptized 13.

—B&R—

North End Church, Nashville, L. H. Hatcher, pastor, welcomed 15 additions Sunday, May 21. No special services were held.

—B&R—

On June sixth at eight o'clock p. m. commencement exercises for Tennessee College will be held in the auditorium of First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro.

—B&R—

E. F. Estes of West Broadway Church, Louisville, Ky., recently aided Pastor A. D. Kinnett of Tuscaloosa, Ala., in a revival which resulted in 66 additions, 53 of them by baptism.

—B&R—

Brother S. R. Creasman has resigned the work at Cleveland and assumed his duties at Calhoun to become effective June 1st. The South Cleveland Church has called Brother F. A. Webb to succeed him.

—B&R—

Mrs. W. M. Fore, wife of Pastor W. M. Fore of Pritchard, Ala., has been in Nashville for some days at the bedside of a sister from Tullahoma who recently underwent a serious operation at the Protestant Hospital.

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We appreciate an invitation to attend the wedding of Miss Mary Grayce Mahan, daughter of Brother and Mrs. A. F. Mahan, to Mr. Harry Dickson Stewart which will be solemnized June eighth in the building of Central Church, Fountain City.

—B&R—

Pastor C. M. Pickler is rejoicing over the growing interest at Red Bank, Chattanooga. May 21st their Bible school numbered 350 and he preached the commencement sermon for the local school. Their revival began May 28th with J. B. Tallant of Sweetwater doing the preaching.

—B&R—

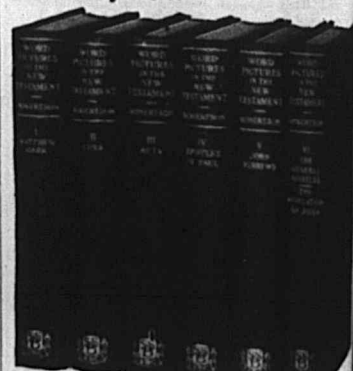
A great meeting has just closed with Richmond Church, Nashville. W. D. Hudgins, Jr., did the preaching which resulted in 63 additions, 32 by baptism. The pastor resigned the first day of the meeting, but remained and aided. May 21st O. E. Bryan, Jr., supplied for the church.

—B&R—

E. Butler Abington has completed his work at the Bible Institute. He

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has resigned his work at Malesus and Nut Bush, Madison County, and accepted the call of Bartlett and Raleigh, Shelby County. We are glad to have him back with us in Tennessee.

President Milton G. Evans of Crozer Seminary was injured in an automobile accident, the last of April and was unable to fill his engagement to preach the anniversary sermon of that institution during their commencement exercises. Librarian Frank G. Lewis took his place on the program.

Charles W. Burts, son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Burts, has been elected Professor of Psychology and Religious Education in Furman University, announces one of our exchanges. Nashville people will remember Dr. Burts on account of his former residence here while connected with the Promotion work of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The American Baptist Seminary, Nashville, held its commencement May 28th at the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church (colored), Nashville. John L. Hill of the Sunday School Board delivered the sermon. Graduating exercises were conducted that evening. Owing to the illness of Mrs. Hailey, Dr. O. L. Hailey could not be present to present the diplomas.

Concord Church, Carroll County, ordained deacons at the services May 21st. Those so honored were Will E. Cox, Mac Featherston, Curtis Martin, and Mac Walker. Pastor V. A. Young was aided in the service by Brethren Raymond Pate and J. H. Oakley, ministers, and J. R. Garrett and Kirby Wiley, deacons.

Pastor Ralph Gwin of First Church, Columbia, writes that the meeting soon to begin in Columbia, in which Roger M. Hickman will have charge of the singing, is a mission meeting to be conducted under the auspices of the brotherhoods of First and Second churches. R. Kelly White of Nashville will be with First Church in a revival next October.

Prof. E. O. Sellers of the Bible Institute has been invited to be one of 25 evangelists to conduct meetings in Chicago during the Century of Progress exposition, July 6 to August 6. This is a movement sponsored by the Century of Progress Evangelical Council. He will be with Tabernacle Church, and is anxious for friends who may be in the city during this period to attend the services.

Pastor E. P. Baker sends word of the recent revival in Labelle Church,

Memphis. Prof. Kyle M. Yates of Louisville did the preaching. "Our church received the greatest spiritual blessing we have known for several years," he says. "People came in the largest numbers we have ever had in a revival. There were 56 additions, 43 of them for baptism."

A revival began in West Jackson Church Sunday with Pastor R. E. Guy doing the preaching and Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Frey of the church in charge of the music. Brother and Mrs. Frey have just returned from Spottsville, Ky., where they led the church in a revival which resulted in 32 additions for baptism and four by letter.

Trenton Street Church Harriman, has begun work under the leadership of their new pastor, D. Chester Sparks, formerly of Mackville, Ky. He will move his family to the field as soon as school is out. Already there have been additions to the church, and the promise of a fine pastorate is bright. We welcome this good pastor to our state.

Brethren, do not become angry if there was an error in the report of contributions published last week. That is exactly why the report was published. We had no other way of knowing if our record was correct or not. Just write us a simple request and the record will be examined for errors.

On the evening of June 1st, Boulevard Church Memphis will celebrate the fourteenth anniversary of the pastorate of J. H. Wright. A special program of music and brief talks of appreciation has been ar-

ranged. Friends are invited to attend. A more worthy or honored pastor can not be found than this beloved servant. The editor regrets that a previous engagement makes it impossible for him to attend.

Pastor Sam P. Martin of Lebanon sends a further word about the meeting which he recently held with Pastor J. H. Wright and Boulevard Church, Memphis. He says, "I found Brother Wright a firm believer in and practitioner of prayer in homes and in the church house. I found him a most active pastor. I was entertained in his home and it was just fine, for the good wife was in charge there. Boulevard Church has a commanding place in the city and there is a great future for it."

Pastor R. T. Skinner of Central Park Church, Birmingham, Ala., reports his work in fine condition and every department of the church growing. During April there were 52 additions to the church, most of them by baptism. During the nearly five years he has served the church there have been 875 additions with only two special revivals. A recent call from First Church, Martin, was declined by Brother Skinner, in spite of his sincere desire to return to his native heath, because he felt the command of the Holy Spirit to remain where he is.

The League of Christian Churches of China has issued a formal protest against the insinuations of the Report of the Laymen's Commission on Foreign Mission Inquiry. They urge all "churches, mission boards and individual members in China and abroad to repudiate the report of this self-appointed Commission which

constitutes one of the most bitter attacks on the evangelical faith made in the last decades."

Volunteer L. S. Underwood of Seventh Church, Nashville, continues his fine work. He now has fifty-one members of his club. Surely it would be a miracle if we had a worker like him in every church. There is one if only the pastor will discover him or her.

The members of Mt. Hermon Church near Clarksville and of Gum Springs Church near Erin, are building their pastor, R. M. Hastings, a six-room, two story house near Erin. He serves also the Cumberland City and Erin churches.

H. J. Huey of Milan is to preach the sermon before the J. R. Graves Society of Religious Inquiry Sunday night, May 28, during the commencement of Union University, Jackson. Others voted for were D. A. Ellis of Memphis and H. W. Ellis of Humboldt.

Carlyle Brooks has just been in a good meeting at La Grange, Ga., with B. B. Baldrige of Lanett, Ala., doing the preaching. Thirty were received by baptism. Pastor C. M. Goforth is doing a good work on the field.

Carter Helm Jones of Murfreesboro says of a recent visit to the First Church, Oklahoma City, Okla., "I was delighted with the splendid work T. L. Holcomb is accomplishing in my old church."

W. Lester Dixon was ordained to the full work of the ministry recently by the church at Patterson, Ga.



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JULY

Date	Association	Church	Location
18.	Big Hatchie	Liberty	Near Covington
20.	Fayette County	Feather's Chapel	Near Somerville
26.	Concord	Republican Grove	Compton, 5 miles from Murfreesboro

AUGUST

8.	Robertson County	Springfield, First	Springfield
9.	Cumberland Gap	Cave Spring	Claiborne County
10.	Union	Shellsford	8 miles from McMinnville
15.	Holston	Fordtown	On C. C. & O. Ry. Sullivan Co.
16.	Nolachucky	Briar Thicket	Cocke County
17.	Jefferson County	Pleasant Grove, 3 miles northwest of New Market	
23.	East Tennessee	Mt. Zion	Grassy Fork
23.	Grainger County	Beech Grove	
23.	Campbell County	Victory	
29.	Bledsoe	Gallatin	Gallatin
29.	Mulberry Gap	Pleasant Hill	Hawkins County
30.	Providence	Cave Creek	
31.	Big Emory	Pleasant Grove	Coalfield
31.	Squatchie Valley	Squatchie	Squatchie
31.	Tennessee Valley	Salem	Dayton, Rt. 1

SEPTEMBER

1.	Hardeman County	New Union	
1.	McNairy County	Center Hill	
1.	Unity	Hopewell	Near Finger
5.	Gibson County	Old Bethlehem	Rutherford
6.	Dyer County	Elon	Near Halls
6.	Crockett County	Johnson Grove	
7.	Madison County	East Laurel	Jackson, Rt. 3
7.	Sevier County	Providence	Sevierville, Rt. 2
9.	Stockton Valley	Seventy-six	6 miles northeast of Albany, Ky.
13.	Salem	Dowelltown	Dekalb County
13.	Midland	Fairview	Knox County
14.	McMinn County	North Athens	Athens
15.	Wm. Carey	Oak Hill	
20.	Wilson County	LaGuardo	Martha
20.	Carroll County	Fairview	
20.	Clinton	East Fork	Edgemoor
21.	Holston Valley	Fairview	6 miles from Persia
21.	Watauga	Midway	Butler
22.	Beech River	Luray	Luray
22.	Hiwassee	Mt. Zion	Grandview, Cumberland Co.
22.	Indian Creek	Cedar Grove	Iron City
22.	Maury County	Friendship	
27.	New Salem	Hogan's Creek	Carthage, Rt. 2
28.	Duck River	Maxwell	
29.	Giles County	Union Hill	
29.	Northern	Mossie Springs	
29.	Riverside	Mayland	Mayland
29.	Stone	Free Union, 4 miles west of Bloomington Springs on Martin's Creek	
30.	Judson	Maple Grove	

OCTOBER

3.	Cumberland	New Providence	
3.	Weakley County	Public Wells	1 1/2 miles south Ralston
4.	Stewart County	Dover	Dover
5.	Beulah	Cypress Creek	
5.	Western District	Ramble Creek	
9.	Ocoee	Cleveland, First	Cleveland
10.	Knox County	Gillespie Avenue	Knoxville
11.	Polk County	Zion	4 miles southeast of Benton
17.	Lawrence County	Blooming Grove	
19.	New River	Fair View	Scott County
12.	Sweetwater	Mt. Zion	Madisonville
19.	Nashville	North End	Nashville
24.	Shelby County	McLean Boulevard	Memphis

We have not received minutes of the following associations: Chilhowee, Enon, Southwestern District, Walnut Grove, and Wiseman.

Please send us the following information:

1. Where is the church located with which the association meets? If it is not shown in this schedule, please let us know.
2. If it is in the country, please write us how to reach it from the main highway or the nearest town.
3. Send two copies of your minutes if we do not already have them.

W. M. U. CONVENTION

MEETING IN WASHINGTON

(Continued from page 13.)

We were told that Japan was searching for God, and Mrs. J. H. Rowe, our missionary, led us in prayer for the Japanese.

Miss Ida Patterson of China prayed for peace for that country. It was a great hour of intercession.

Afternoon Session

Reports were made in the afternoon session of the plans for our seasons of prayers. These will be published in due time.

Mrs. Frank Burney, our Margaret Fund chairman, told us that last year seventy-two sons and daughters of our missionaries were educated through the aid of this fund. There are now ten Margaret Fund former students in China, ten in Brazil and Argentina.

A most effective dialogue was given by Mrs. Carter Wright and Miss Pearl Bourne, presenting the work of the Margaret Fund.

The young people's work was presented by Miss Juliette Mather. She introduced a Kentucky Intermediate R. A., who was the winner in the Stewardship Declamation Contest. He gave his address and it was splendid. He had no previous notice but Miss Mather saw him in the audience and asked if he would give the stewardship message. Miss Douglas Oliver of Virginia spoke of the work of the third vice-president. She gave it as an acrostic on Union. We all believe in and count on the work of the third vice-president, our leader for the young people. Miss Mary Christian of Georgia spoke on our magazines for the young people. Miss Kathleen Hagood of Alabama presented the R. A. plans for this anniversary year.

The South-Western Training School was brought to our attention by Mrs. J. M. Dawson of Texas in her own forcible manner. We are all looking forward to seeing this great institution next year as our convention meets in Ft. Worth.

Dr. W. O. Carver reminded us that our W. M. U. Training School was born in the heart of Dr. E. Z. Simmons, our missionary in China.

Mrs. F. N. Woodward of China told us of the 168 Training School girls in foreign fields. Miss Myrtle Zentunixer, a pastor assistant, witnessed to the blessing of the training in the home land.

(Continued next week.)

AN APPRECIATION OF MRS. WALTER DRAKE

By Mrs. C. D. Creasman.

With the passing of Mrs. Walter Drake on April 2, the Lewisburg Baptist Church lost one of its strongest members and the Woman's Missionary Union of Tennessee one of its most loyal supporters. Mrs. Drake

had been a member of the Lewisburg Church since its organization in 1888. She helped to organize the W. M. S., served first as its vice-president, then secretary, and was for about fifteen years its efficient president. Under her leadership the society has grown from a few members to a strong organization, fostering six young people's organizations. For the last two years her society has achieved the distinction of having a full A-1 W. M. U. family. In the early records of the W. M. S. her name is found in the list of "Tithers". Always she was a faithful steward of her substance, time, talents and of her unusually gifted personality. A great joy of her last days was having her grandson, Joe Haynes, Jr., bring to her bedside the medal which he had won in the Junior R. A. declamation contest in Memphis.

Mrs. Drake always taught in the Sunday School, and those who sat under her teaching year after year thought that she could not be excelled as an expositor of Bible truth. She was a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and an ardent advocate of the cause of temperance. Her last public service was teaching a strong Sunday School lesson on behalf of prohibition.

Remembering her faithful performance of every duty as a citizen, her loyalty to her friends, her devotion to her church and the cause of Christ to the ends of the earth, and her loving ministrations in her home, not only her husband, five children and six grandchildren, but her uncounted friends rise up today and call her blessed. "Her price is far above rubies.—Let her works praise her in the gates."



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