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## Baptists Meet In Convention At Knoxville; Sessions of High Spiritual Power

With President J. H. Sharp in the chair and with a splendid and eager audience on hand, the sixty-third annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention opened in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Knoxville, F. F. Brown, pastor, on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 9, at 1:30. With Jack Pickle, choir director in the First Baptist Church, and convention song leader, directing and with Mrs. Walter Epps of the local church at the organ, the congregation heartily sang several gospel hymns, as "Blessed Assurance," "The Lily of the Valley" and "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," and W. A. Atchley, Tazewell, led in fervent prayer.

In the vibrant spiritual atmosphere so manifestly in evidence, V. E. Boston, Memphis, brought the opening address of the Convention on "Christ . . . loved the church and gave Himself for it" (Eph. 5:25). Great grace was upon him and he measured up to the occasion in an earnest and excellent way as he emphasized the fact that "Baptists need to positionize themselves anew as to the church" and then emphasized the New Testament meaning of the church and the love that Christ has manifested for it and the obligations He has put upon it. The congregation sang "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less."

The time for the election of officers having come, J. H. Sharp, Murfreesboro, was reelected President, J. G. Hughes, Kingsport, and R. E. Guy, Jackson, were elected Vice-Presidents, Fleetwood Ball, Lexington, as Recording Secretary, Noah B. Fetzer, Nashville, Statistical Secretary, and John D. Freeman, Nashville, Executive Secretary. The President called upon O. D. Fleming, Morristown, and E. L. Atwood, Murfreesboro, to conduct the newly elected Vice-Presidents to the rostrum. Following this the Tennessee College Girls' Quartette beautifully sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms."

R. Kelly White, Nashville, chairman, then presented the report of the Program Committee, which was adopted. The other members of the committee were: W. R. Rigell, Johnson City, N. M. Stigler, Martin, B. Frank Collins, Chattanooga, R. R. Denny, Chattanooga, J. Carl McCoy, Memphis, and Frank W. Wood, Knoxville. A fine piece of work was done by this committee in preparing and arranging the program.

A. U. Boone, Baptist Memorial Hospital pastor, Memphis, conveyed to the Convention a greeting from the veteran J. H. Wright, pastor Boulevard Baptist Church, Memphis, a patient in the hospital, and the Recording Secretary was instructed to send a suitable reply.

W. C. Boone, Jackson, presented one of the most excellent reports on Christian Education heard in many a day, following which Harry Clark, Superintendent of Schools, Knoxville, delivered a mighty and moving message on "The Place of Baptist Schools in Tennessee." "Denominational schools are needed to keep the state schools true." "Denominational schools are a great State Mission force." Following this address H. E. Dana, of the faculty of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, spoke on "The Place of the Seminaries in Our Denominational Life." It was a thought provoking address packed full of common sense and gripped the audience in a great way. Theological education is "not a kind of ministerial luxury" but is at the center of a sane and vigorous denominational life by training redeemed character and by fortifying against the temptation to build haystacks on the foundation of Christ instead of polishing and using diamonds.

The Tennessee College Girls' Quartette again sang in splendid harmony "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling."

The President announced the following Committees:

**Committee on Communications:** Ralph Gwin, Columbia, to work with the Recording Secretary.

**Committee on Enrollment:** Truett Cox, Bluff City; L. G. Frey, Jackson; H. W. Crook, Nashville.

**Committee on Nominations:** O. L. Rives, Tullahoma; Roy Anderson, Seymour; G. G. Graber, Watertown; H. J. Huey, Milan; H. L. Smith, Clinton.

**Committee on Committees:** W. C. Creasman, Nashville; R. E. Guy, Jackson; O. D. Fleming, Watertown; David Livingston, Chattanooga.

Thus ended the high afternoon session of the Convention. Dismissed with prayer by E. L. Atwood, Murfreesboro.

### Tuesday—Evening Session

The Convention re-assembled at 7:30 and sang "The Way of the Cross" and Roscoe Smith, Knoxville, led in fervent prayer. The a Capella Choir of Carson-Newman College, under the direction of J. Luther Carter, sang in excellent harmony "Lo, How the Rose is Blooming."

President Sharp called upon Executive Secretary John D. Freeman to introduce the new pastors to the body. E. F. Adams, McKenzie; Charlie Dunn, Chattanooga; and A. T. Hicks, Whiteville, were presented. The a Capella Choir of Carson-Newman College then rendered another effective number, "Abide With Me."

The report on Denominational Literature was read by O. W. Taylor, Nashville. John R. Chiles, Rogersville, discussed the report in a speech replete with common sense, wit and earnestness. "We have our literature because we have the Bible." As to the pastor's being the "key man," "The trouble with the key is that sometimes the lock is rusty." "Every revival meeting ought to end in the creek." The speaker finely emphasized the Baptist and Reflector and other religious literature. The report was adopted.

After the Convention had sung "How Firm a Foundation" and Ralph Gwin, Columbia, had led in earnest prayer, the appointee, P. L. Ramsey, Fayetteville, preached the annual sermon on "Despite ye the church of God?" 1 Cor. 11:22. The speaker was in excellent form and in the earnestness and conviction of his soul emphasized the idea of the local church, setting forth the New Testament teaching on the matter, and then proceeded to show how the church is despised (looked down on) by many. "Any date this side of Christ is too late for the organization of the church." "When one joins the church he joins the greatest institution in the world." "The church must be kept a pure democracy." "The mission of the church is carrying out the Commission." The thoughtful, sound and appropriate message was responsively received by the large audience.

Adjourned with prayer by Ralph Gwin, Columbia.

### Wednesday—Morning Session

With Vice-President R. E. Guy in the chair, the Wednesday morning session of the Convention opened at 9:30. With Mr. Pickle leading, the congregation sang "I Need Thee Every Hour." L. S. Ewton, Nashville, led the body in prayer and remembered in a special way the beloved pastor of the hostess church, whose recent operation prevented his being present. A telegram from C. D. Tabor, Brotherton, a faithful State Mission pastor, was read. Bro. Tabor had recently undergone an operation in a Cookeville hospital.

After the reading of the Journal and miscellaneous business, Miss Mary Northington, Corresponding Secretary of the Tennessee

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W. M. U., taking the place of Mrs. William McMurry, Nashville, who could not be present, read the fine report of the W. M. U. Total gifts of the Union during the year through the various organizations were \$161,877.14. There were 10,202 tithers enlisted and 13,173 young people received missionary training. The various goals set for this year, the Golden Jubilee of the Union, were pointed out. Miss Northington presented Mrs. C. D. Creasman, Golden Jubilee Chairman, who in a witty, earnest and informing address emphasized the Golden Jubilee idea and the fundamental nature of the work of Woman's Mission Union. Following her, Miss Margaret Bruce, State Young People's Leader, spoke a heartfelt message along the line of her work. "Our young people need to become world Christians." Following Miss Bruce, Mrs. R. L. Harris, Knoxville, State W. M. U. President, spoke, referring in an informing way to certain incidents of her recent tour abroad and to their bearing upon the missionary idea. The report and the addresses mightily emphasized the closing statement in the report: "Every vexing problem challenges Christian women to their ministry to weary, suffering, soul-sick humanity." And the statement of Mrs. Harris: "The only thing that will bring peace in the world is the love of Christ in the heart." The Tennessee College Girls' Quartette then beautifully sang a special number.

J. C. Miles, Nashville, of the faculty of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, read a well-prepared and thoughtful report on Missions, which emphasized the thought that the Gospel is working and that "It has never before been quite so worthwhile to live and labor."

B. M. Callaway, Atlanta, of the office force of the Home Mission Board, spoke to the report, giving a quick resume of the work of the Board for ninety-two years and for the past year in which 320 Home Board missionaries carried on for Christ. Mr. Callaway also pictured the actual workings of the Home Board in its several capacities, which proved to be a unique and very interesting presentation, enabling many to see the work in a new light.

The Foreign Mission Board was represented by Executive Secretary Charles E. Maddry, Richmond, Va., who pointed out that the Board is putting debts behind it and proposes to stay out of debt and then launched into a gripping description of the missionary situation in war-torn China in which 150 strong men have elected to stay at their posts of duty despite the ever-present danger to them. One fact among many which he passed on and which may well be passed on to Tennessee Baptists is that every heathen who comes up to worship his idol gods brings an offering with him. Secretary Maddry's address mightily moved the large congregation.

The closing address of the morning was delivered by C. S. Henderson, pastor Immanuel Baptist Church, Nashville, on "I Will Build My Church" (Matt. 16:8). "The church is not my church nor even our church, but the church of the living God." Dr. Henderson's well-prepared and thoughtful address was a fitting close to the high morning session of the Convention. Adjourned with prayer by the speaker.

**Wednesday—Afternoon Session**

At 1:30 the Convention re-assembled and sang "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" and O. E. Bryan, Jr., Knoxville, led in prayer. Sang "More Love to Thee." Deep was the spirit of the gathering. J. G. Hughes, Kingsport, one of the Convention Vice-Presidents, was in the chair.

The Convention adopted a resolution presented by Richard N. Owen, Paris, expressing the appreciation of the body for Dr. Fred

F. Brown, pastor of the hostess church, and its regret that he could not be present.

L. S. Ewton, Nashville, chairman of the Executive Board, read the report of the Board. The statistical exhibit of missionary labors under the Board for the year is as follows:

	Regular	Special
Missionary pastors employed	76	
Number churches served	103	
Special workers*	18	
Days labored	14,508	
Sermons preached	5,944	994
Addresses delivered	1,933	776
Classes taught	1,646	885
Prayer meetings conducted or attended	2,090	320
ADDITIONS		
By baptism	1,140	301
By letter	624	203
By restoration and statement	81	
Total professions of faith	1,325	315
Tracts distributed	38,111	26,559
New churches organized	42	
Sunday schools organized	62	
Sunday school classes organized	304	
Training Unions organized	247	
B. Y. P. U.'s and B. A. U.'s organized	124	
W. M. U. organizations	52	
Other organizations	29	
CHURCH BUILDINGS		
Erected	41	
Repaired	111	
Visits to homes of people	35,406	3,507
Families prayed with	11,069	803
Talks with lost about being saved	12,098	1,564
Subscriptions to Baptist and Reflector	292	219
MONEY		
For self-support and expense	\$24,925.27	
For Co-operative Program	3,022.41	\$ 508.32
For local expenses	15,545.81	3,673.75
For special objects	2,608.06	466.63
Miles traveled in service	365,061	121,438

\*The Special Workers included Secretary Freeman, Editor Taylor, Miss Frances Ewton, Mr. N. B. Fetzer, Lawrence Trivette, A. M. Nicholson, Mrs. George Ridenour, Miss Ada Williams, Mrs. Louisa Carroll, Mrs. A. B. Clark, G. C. Morris, R. A. Johns, G. L. Trent, J. H. Sharp, Evie Tucker, Roy J. Hardesty, Mrs. Lula Roth, Mrs. Anna R. Haynes.

Among many other things the report graciously commended the year's work of the Sunday School, Baptist Training Union and W. M. U. Departments under the leadership of Mr. Andrew Allen, Mr. Henry C. Rogers and Miss Mary Northington respectively and the work of the Baptist and Reflector. So also the appreciation of the Board for the service of the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville and of the missionary pastors and various other workers in the state was expressed. Some interesting figures on the receipts of the Board for the year are as follows:

Total receipts for year through the Co-operative Program	\$220,683.04		
Total receipts for all designated objects	112,620.02		
Designated receipts sent direct and reported to the office	16,557.40		
Balance on hand November 1, 1936	12,941.42		
Grand Total of Receipts	\$361,901.88		
A comparison of receipts for the past three years is interesting:			
	1935	1936	1937
Co-operative Program	\$212,750.88	\$221,814.99	\$220,683.04
Designations	117,247.28	106,099.40	129,177.42
Receipts Reported		8,161.75	16,557.40
Totals	\$329,998.16	\$336,076.14	\$366,417.86

The receipts through the program this year were slightly less than for 1936, but this was due to decrease of about \$8,000.00 from one church and to the fact that the year closed on Sunday hence mail for one and one-half days could not be counted.

Important resolutions presented by the Board and adopted by the Convention in adopting the report will be published in a later issue of the Baptist and Reflector. One of the resolutions was the very fitting one which highly commended the faithful service of the Executive Secretary, Dr. John D. Freeman.

Mr. Andrew Allen, State Sunday School Superintendent, presented and briefly and forcefully commented on the report on the Sunday School and Brotherhood Department. "There has been a decided increase in the number of training schools held this year." "Four hundred and twenty-eight schools (Vacation Bible Schools) have been held . . . which is 165 more than reported by any other state in the Southern Baptist Convention." Some of the statistics covering the work of the Department for the year are as follows:

	Regular	Special
Full time workers: Field, 3; Office, 1	4	
Weeks on field—special paid workers	189	76
Weeks of service by volunteer workers	439	217
Training Schools conducted by workers	217	101
Enrolled in these training classes	9,005	1,274
New Sunday School classes organized by workers	124	*46
New Teachers and officers enlisted	167	*96
Addresses made, including teaching periods	3,920	1,532
Individual Conferences on Sunday School Work	1,383	893
Group Sunday School Conferences (635) Attendance	4,441	*1,189
Churches visited by workers	1,237	218
Conversions	263	236
Additions to churches: by baptism 89, by letter 5	94	1
Tracts distributed	84,166	*26,532
Letters and cards sent from office	25,486	1,968
Miles traveled	94,898	3,623
Associational meetings attended	97	27
Associations organized	53	1
New Sunday Schools organized in state	95	46
Sunday Schools in the state	1,973	175
Churches without Sunday Schools	138	*76
Standard Sunday Schools	24	3
Sunday Schools having training schools	332	109
Sunday schools not having training schools	1,641	82
Teacher training awards granted	6,858	997

Individual Conferences on Vacation Bible School.....	1,178	*185
Group (705) V. B. S. Conference Attendance.....	7,985	*1,406
V. B. S. worked in by workers.....	312	122
V. B. S. held (87, 1935; 271, 1936) this year.....	428	157
Number associations where V. B. S. were held.....	54	9
Enrollment in Vacation Bible Schools.....	34,085	8,413
Average attendance in Vacation Bible Schools.....	25,718	6,854
Conversions in Vacation Bible Schools.....	830	251
Vacation Bible Schools giving to missions (311).....	\$896.60	\$345.62
Total hours Bible study in V. B. S. this year.....	565,796	188,516

L. Hill, Nashville, delivered one of the mightiest and most moving addresses heard in many a day on Tennessee's Hour of Need. "We cannot stem the tide, but must direct it." "There is a challenge to wake up in time." The body voted to ask the Sunday School Board to publish the address in tract form.

This brief sketch can only suggest the high order and spirit and unusual effectiveness of the presentation of State Missions under Dr. Freeman's direction. Dismissed with prayer by E. W. Barnett, Nashville.

**Thursday—Morning Session**

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock and sang "Savior, More Than Life to Me" and "Close to Thee." Judge Robert Allen, Elizabethton, led the body in fervent prayer. Sang "O Happy Day."

J. R. Kyzar, Nashville, chairman, presented the report of the Encampment Committee with special reference to a proposition which had been made to the Executive Board by the Baptist Church and certain citizens at Monterey to establish an Encampment there. The report expressed appreciation for the generous offer of the Monterey Church but recommended that under the existing circumstances the offer be declined. The report was adopted.

President Sharp announced a number of committees, the list of which will be printed in the Baptist and Reflector later. He announced that 1,200 had been enrolled in the Convention.

Guard Green, Donelson, read the report on the Relief and Annuity Board, indicating three lines of work as follows:

1. Relief, a total of \$84,942.16 being paid out last year in this service, \$5,882.69 of this being in Tennessee.
2. Annuity, preparation in the years of activity for the years of idleness.
3. Group Retirement Plan for employees of Boards, etc.

B. Frank Hasty, of the Relief and Annuity Board, was introduced by Bro. Green, who spoke forcefully to the report after saying that the report was the best he had ever heard.

After an initial amending motion by Roscoe Smith, Knoxville, and after discussion by him, Guard Green, John D. Freeman, H. L. Carter and B. Frank Hasty, and after another amending motion by John R. Chiles, Rogersville, the suggestion in the report that once a year at the Lord's Supper a special offering for the work of the Board be taken was stricken out. The report was adopted.

E. P. Baker, Memphis, read an excellent report on the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis. This is the largest Baptist Hospital in the world and one of the best in the South. In twenty-five years it has treated 247,500 patients, 15,000 of these being last year and also had last year 9,000 operative cases. The institution does an immense amount of charity work and is now building a \$500,000 addition. Dr. A. U. Boone, Hospital Pastor, spoke instructively and feelingly along the line of his work. What he says always reaches the heart of Tennessee Baptists.

H. L. Carter, Ridgely, called attention to the fact of its being Armistice Day and the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice and moved that the body stand and be led in prayer. The motion was carried, and Dr. J. J. Hurt, Jackson, President of Union University, led in fervent prayer for peace in the earth.

H. B. Cross, Nashville, pastor Judson Memorial Church and also of the Tennessee Baptist Orphans' Home Church, presented a fine report on the Orphanage. Receipts during the year were \$43,726.65 with other receipts totaling \$11,252.50, as food, feed, clothes, etc., and with disbursements of \$43,205.12. In a recent revival there were forty additions to the Orphanage Church. After some instructive remarks concerning the institution, Dr. Cross spoke gracious words concerning Dr. W. J. Stewart, who has been Superintendent of the Orphanage for twenty-five years and connected with the work for thirty years. Superintendent Stewart had been called to the platform. At Bro. Cross' suggestion the Convention arose in honor of Dr. Stewart and his great work, and then C. F. Clark, Chattanooga, led in fervent, feeling prayer for him and the institution. One feels that in heaven's roll of Tennessee Baptist heroes is made up, Dr. W. J. Stewart will occupy a high place.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by O. L. Rives, Tullahoma, which will be printed later in the Baptist and Reflector. Memphis is to be the next meeting place, C. W. Pope, Jefferson City, the preacher, and P. B. Baldrige, alternate.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by G. G. Graber, Watertown, and adopted as follows:

The report on the work of the Baptist Training Union Department for the year was presented by Mr. Henry C. Rogers, State Baptist Training Union Director and commented briefly and forcefully thereon. "We are glad to be your servants, the servants of the Baptist State Convention, and the missionaries of a great cause." Statistics covering the year's work are as follows:

1. Number full time field workers.....	2
2. Number full time office workers.....	1
3. Number miles traveled by field workers.....	20,244
4. Number Study Courses taught by field workers.....	67
5. Number churches reached by field workers.....	674
6. Number awards issued by field workers.....	1,591
7. Number new Unions organized by field workers.....	24
8. Number new Training Unions organized by field workers.....	3
9. Number addresses made by field workers.....	213
10. Number conferences conducted by field workers.....	850
11. Number conversions had by field workers.....	40
12. Number additions to church by field workers.....	23
13. Number associations organized by field workers.....	6
14. Number churches in Tennessee.....	2,038
15. Number churches reporting at least one union.....	756

Following these fine reports, Dr. John L. Hill, Book Editor of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, delivered a truly excellent address in which he pointed out certain fundamental principles of the Board and connected them with our State Baptist program: 1. Loyalty to God's Word. 2. Evangelism Primary. 3. Information and Training Extended to All the Saved. 4. Enlistment Everywhere is the Constant Call. The address was soul-stirring.

In the absence of Hon. Andrew Tanner, Nashville, who could not be present, Prof. Roy Anderson, Seymour, read the report on Social Service, which was a thoughtful and well-prepared one and which after amendments by W. Henderson Barton and others to include references to certain temperance organizations and workers not mentioned in the report, was adopted. "The only hope for us in Tennessee is for the people in our churches to keep informed on moral issues and to qualify to vote and to vote for men of unquestioned character."

At this juncture, I. V. Neprash, Executive Secretary of the Russian Relief and Missionary Service, Philadelphia, Pa., was given ten minutes to speak, which he employed in speaking from the heart to the hearts of the people on the unhappy plight of God's people in Russia, and yet God's cause is going on.

Adjourned with fervent prayer.

**Wednesday—Evening Session**

With Mrs. Epps impressively playing "Largo" on the organ and with Mr. Pickle directing the singing, the Convention assembled at 7:30 with President Sharp in the chair. A large congregation gathered. Sang "Nearer My God to Thee," "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" and "Beulah Land" and the veteran R. C. Medaris, Memphis, asked God to help him pray and then lifted the audience up, up, up to the throne of grace. How great was the grace upon him! Sang "Have Thine Own Way, Lord."

Wednesday evening was the State Mission Hour under the direction of Secretary Freeman. At the afternoon session he had already introduced to the body Noah B. Fetzer, Statistical Secretary of the Convention and Bookkeeper of the Executive Board, and Miss Beatrice Moore, Office Secretary of the Board. At this juncture these, together with the various departmental heads, office secretaries, field workers and missionary pastors who were present, were called to the front and presented to the Convention.

After this brief addresses were delivered as follows:

- Volunteers for Christ—L. L. Hurley, Birchwood.
  - Training That Trains—Frank Grubb, Baptist Student Union Secretary, Tennessee State University, Knoxville.
  - The Call for Evangelists—K. C. Baker, Englewood.
  - The Associational Challenge—J. T. Barbee, Dickson.
  - Answering Macedonia's Cry—Martha Sherwood, Erwin.
- Each of these spoke effectively indeed.

Secretary Freeman then spoke some forceful words of appeal regarding State Missions, and then there took place a moving incident. He called Miss Marie Spears to the front, recently converted at Celina, a church aided by the Executive Board, and now a member of the little struggling church, and presented her as a living trophy of State Missions. Following this, Dr. John

## REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, our sixty-third session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention has met in the great city of Knoxville, and has enjoyed its gracious hospitality; and whereas we feel grateful to God for his blessings and the leadership of the Holy Spirit,

BE IT RESOLVED, that

1. We thank the members of this great church for their generous hospitality and the many kindnesses they have extended us.
2. That we express our sympathy with them in the illness of their beloved pastor and pray God's blessing upon him and his loved ones during this hour of adversity.
3. That we also extend our thanks to the other churches of Knox County Association, and their pastors, for their many courtesies extended us as they have joined with the First Church, to contribute to our comfort and enjoyment of this visit in their midst.
4. We thank the officers and committees of the Convention for their faithful services.
5. That we again thank our Recording Secretary, Dr. Fleetwood Ball, and that he be allowed the usual fee of one hundred and fifty dollars for his services, and that the usual number of copies of the minutes be printed.
6. That we reiterate our stand for Prohibition, law enforcement and the retention of all our laws for the preservation of Sunday as a day of rest from our labors.
7. Inasmuch as we have covenanted to abstain from the use, manufacture or sale of intoxicating beverages, that no person be permitted to serve on any board or agency of this Convention, who so engages, and that any member of any board or agency who does so engage be instructed to either discontinue the practice or resign, and that in the future the use, manufacture or sale of intoxicating beverage shall disqualify any person from membership on any board of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

G. G. GRABER,

F. A. WEBB.

P. B. Baldrige, Maryville, presented a splendid report on the Co-operative Program, pointing out that there are seven objects in the Program, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Hospitals, Orphanages and Relief and Annuity Work, and that last year Tennessee Baptists gave through the Program \$220,683.04 and \$21,919.01 through the Hundred Thousand Club. "There should be some preaching on the Program but more preaching on the objects in the Program."

And then there followed another of the mighty and moving addresses of the Convention, delivered by Secretary Freeman, as he emphasized that the Co-operative Program is Scriptural, Economical and Efficient. "Co-operation is essential to all right relationships among God's people." L. S. Ewton, Nashville, chairman of the Executive Board, moved that Secretary Freeman be asked to put the address in tract form, which was unanimously adopted. One will probably never hear a better presentation of the Co-operative Program.

It was generally felt and expressed that of all the annual Memorial Services in honor of our departed fellow-Baptists, there has certainly never been one more impressive than that at Knoxville under the direction of the committee, J. R. Black, chairman, Jackson, Joe Strother, Alexandria, and R. R. Denny, Chattanooga. With the organist, Mrs. Epps, playing softly and Mr. Jack Pickle singing appropriately, and with young ladies in white bringing in each a white flower and placing it in a beautiful vase as the names of the dead were called out, an impression was made that can never be forgotten.

In this atmosphere Dr. John A. Huff, Chattanooga, delivered the closing address of the Convention on the theme of The Church Triumphant (Eph. 5:27). It would be difficult to describe this magnificent, climactic address. We have asked for the manuscript to pass it on to our readers, as also other manuscripts of Convention sermons or addresses. How God did lift the people through this address! And then in subdued, deep prayer, the Convention was adjourned with prayer by the speaker and passed into history.

We would mention here the particularly fine service of Mrs. Epps at the organ and of Mr. Pickle in leading the singing during the Convention and of President Sharp in presiding, together with his Vice-Presidents already named. The sentiment of the messengers and visitors toward the great First Church and her be-

loved pastor and the other churches in Knox County Association has already been expressed in the resolutions adopted by the body.

Probably some items have been omitted which should have been mentioned. It is hard to prevent this. If so, kindly call the attention of your paper to it. An account of the very fine Pastors' Conference preceding the Convention must be reserved for a later issue.

Many have said that this was the best meeting of the Tennessee Baptist Convention ever attended. Surely God was in this place! Frequently the atmosphere was like that of a revival. Blessed was the fellowship that prevailed. "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY,  
NASHVILLE ASSOCIATION

Beginning April 1st, of this year, 1937, I came to your Association to serve you as Associational Missionary. The following will give you an idea of some of the duties, and work accomplished in return for your money contributed for Associational Missions:

Sermons preached in various places	180
Addresses in various places	41
Classes taught	26
Prayer meetings conducted	40
Visits made	561
Conferences, committee, group and personal, connected with the work	130
Families prayed with	197
Private talks with lost people	627
Professions of faith	198
Church additions: By baptism 92, by letter 61. Total	153
Gospel tracts distributed	4,178
Gospels given	175
New Testaments given	50
Bibles given (Bibles given to needy homes)	6
Miles traveled in mission work, not including private driving	5,677
Money received on Mission field and given to Treasurer Sweeney	\$240.72
Mission stations established, and now in operation	3
(West Nashville, California Ave. and Centennial Blvd., Elm Street and Gallatin Street, Madison, First Street North at White's Creek Road.)	
Time spent in revival meetings (twelve weeks in tent) weeks in all	18

Religious census taken in Madison, West Nashville, and Calvary field. On these three fields alone, we found more than twelve hundred lost people. Paul tells us in Romans 10:13-15, "Who-soever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?" Many other fields are open, and are calling. My only word is that of our Lord Jesus as recorded in John 4:35; "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white unto harvest."

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. MORRIS, Associational Missionary.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Because not all of the subscriptions secured in the Baptist Training Union Campaign for the Baptist and Reflector had been received at the time of going to press (Tuesday noon), it is not possible to announce the winners in this issue. However, postals will be sent through the mails to all the associational leaders announcing the winners and these can then pass the word on to all interested parties. Later the Baptist and Reflector will publish the total results of the campaign and the names of the winners.

**BOOK REVIEWS**

**John D. Rockefeller** by B. F. Winkleman. The John C. Winston Company, Philadelphia. \$1.50.

The subject of this biography is the well known "richest man in the world" in his day and as a matter of fact in all days. He began in very ordinary circumstances and made his own way. He had only a high school education, then a few months at business school, walked the streets of Cleveland for weeks hunting for work. He got a job on September 26, 1855, at 12:15 p. m., and went immediately to work without any fixed remuneration. They gave him \$300 for the first year and the next year raised it to \$400.

He had a happy boyhood under a good mother who loved her Bible, her church and her children. When he found employment he was found to be dependable, industrious and saw to it that he earned more than he was paid for doing. "The first year out of his \$25 per month, he boarded himself, gave to his church, saved a bit, and bought some clothes." There was an epitome of his whole life.

Before he was 18 years of age he was a trustee of the Erie Street Baptist Church. The pastor announced one Sunday that the property was to be sold by foreclosure. Young Rockefeller, then a poor boy, went to the door and solicited every one as they went out: "I pleaded and urged and almost threatened. . . The plan absorbed him. He contributed what he could and his first ambition to earn more money was aroused by this." He raised the amount in full and the house was dedicated instead of sold.

When he turned to oil and went into the oil fields of Pennsylvania in 1860, and on: "On his frequent visits to the new frontier, John took with him his worn Bible and his calculating calm. With the ease most men gravitated toward the nearest tavern, he found a church in which to worship."

He was fast becoming rich. People would stare at him as he walked the street. Young men sought his favor; older men wondered at his business sagacity. "Every Sunday he went to church. He continued his mission as superintendent of the Sunday school, and delivered weekly instruction to his classes."

The point of criticism about him was the crowding out of smaller rivals in the oil fields both in production and selling. But he claimed that he always paid in full, was willing to buy with stock in his concern, and that it was all for the ultimate good of consumers of the product throughout the whole world.

He had inward peace, never worried, never answered back when criticised, and gave away more money than any man who ever lived.—J. R. C.

**Fourth Lutheran Hour** by Walter A. Maier. Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Mo. 357 pages. \$1.50.

Twenty-nine powerful messages delivered by Dr. Walter A. Maier and broadcast over a nation-wide network of thirty-one radio stations from October 4, 1936 to April 4, 1937. The fourth Lutheran Hour was sponsored by the Lutheran Laymen's League.

Some of the titles of these messages are as follows: Rest for a Restless Age; What Profit Christian Faith?; The Heart of the Christian Faith; Grace Without a Question Mark; The Abiding Christ in your Home; God Prevails; The Changeless Christ for a Changing World; Clear Cut Convictions; Power Through Prayer; The True Challenge of the Cross; Resurrection Reality; Abide With Me.

These messages are a challenge and a warning to the conscience of the American people. Interspersed throughout the book are the most arresting utterances. Those who have heard Dr. Maier over the radio will be glad to read these messages in printed form, and those who did not have that privilege can now read and ponder them at their leisure.—H. L.

# Climbing The Ladder

## Round by Round I Climb

6,000 NEW AND RENEWAL SUBSCRIPTIONS IN THE BAPTIST TRAINING UNION CAMPAIGN, AUG. 15-NOV. 15

The Reflector Boy says:

Well, friends, as previously announced that it would, the Baptist Training Union Campaign for the Baptist and Reflector officially closed Nov. 15. **Only those subscriptions received in letters postmarked not later than this date can count toward the awards.**

The total number of subscriptions received in the campaign to date is indicated on the ladder, to which are to be added more subscriptions not there indicated, since I can climb by hundreds only. The final total will be given later. Announcement as to the awards will be made when the results are all tabulated. Since the last count the following have sent in subscriptions, to whom grateful acknowledgments are given:

- Eula Hammer, Rutledge,
- O. C. Ewing, Ten Mile,
- Lawrence Trivett, Johnson City,
- Mrs. O. C. Ewing, Ten Mile,
- B. A. Taylor, LaFollette,
- Pastor O. D. Fleming, Morristown,
- Ici Ingle, Selmer,
- Mrs. J. C. Hodges, Sevierville,
- Miss Margaret Bruce, Nashville,
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- John D. Freeman, Nashville,
- Pastor Rufus Beckett, Nashville,
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- Culmer H. Barnett, Ardmore,
- Pastor C. H. Robinson, Goodlettsville,
- Miss Beatrice Adams, Sale Creek,
- Charles J. Holt, Newport,
- Miss Mattie Lou Wright, Gallatin,
- J. P. Lindfay, Newport,

AND SO, UP I GO FOUR ROUNDS TOWARD THE TOP.

Tennessee Baptists will ever thank Mr. Rogers and his associates, with those pastors and all others in the state who served, for putting on the campaign and rallying so nobly to the paper. Baptist and Reflector says, "Thank you, friends, and God bless you."

Although the campaign has officially ended, Mr. Rogers and the editor are asking and urging the loyal workers in the state to continue taking subscriptions to the end of the year as a service to our people in the name of Christ. And the editor says that, since clubs of not less than ten in the associations are already formed, then to the end of the year all others in the associations, in any number, who wish to subscribe for their paper can be classed with these clubs and secure the club rate of \$1.50.

THEREFORE, SEND IN AS MANY SUBSCRIPTIONS AS POSSIBLE, SEND IN ONE IF MORE CANNOT BE SECURED, SEND THE PAPER AS A CHRISTMAS GIFT TO SOMEBODY—SEND IN SUBSCRIPTIONS AND SEND ME TO THE TOP!

HELP ME CLIMB FROM TIME TO TIME

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# NEWS AND TRUTHS ABOUT OUR HOME MISSION WORK

J. B. LAWRENCE, Executive Secretary-Treasurer

JOE BURTON, Publicity Secretary

## FOUR MISSIONARIES APPOINTED AT MONTHLY MEETING OF HOME MISSION BOARD

Four missionaries were appointed and plans announced for the opening of a new mission school in the monthly meeting November 4 of the Home Mission Board.

Rev. Elias Atencio and wife were named to the Board's Spanish field in Albuquerque, New Mexico; Miss Agnes Miller was appointed as a French worker in Basile, La.; and Miss Amelia Diaz was added to work among the Mexicans in San Antonio, Texas.

A kindergarten is being opened at Pharr, Texas, this being the third school for Mexicans operated by the agency. Mexican Baptist Institute, for training ministers and missionary workers, is at Bastrop, and Anglo-Mexican Institute, an elementary school, is at El Paso.

The financial report of Dr. J. B. Lawrence showed that receipts for October totaled \$28,152, an increase of \$5,384 over the same month last year. Offerings for ten months this year have amounted to \$379,020, an increase of \$49,068.

Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, of Kansas City, the Board's mission study editor, made a report of her work at the conclusion of the meeting.

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## ACADIA STUDENTS ORGANIZE FOR MISSION WORK IN LOUISIANA

The missionary work of Acadia Academy is beginning to take a definite shape for the new school year. There is renewed interest shown in the Volunteer Band meetings. A new plan has been inaugurated which promises to make our band meetings very interesting as well as helpful. The new year's work began in October with several mission points filled by preachers and missionaries.

The following work was reported by our students during the summer months:

Individuals dealt with	851
Professions of faith	116
Baptisms	127
Additions by letter	70
Sermons preached	367
S. S. lessons taught	82
Tithers secured	42

In addition to our Mission Band the Ministerial Association is a very wide-awake organization, composed of all the ministerial students. This group is studying "Baptist Doctrines," led by Professor Casselmann.

This plan of studying the doctrines gives these beginners in the great work of preaching a foundation on which to build their life's work.

In every way Acadia Academy is really making itself felt for the cause of our Lord.—Eddie Savoie, Bible teacher and director of missionary activities.

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## SHAU YAN LEE VISITS BIBLE INSTITUTE ON MISSIONARY DAY

During the past month, it was my very happy privilege to visit the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans on their first Missionary Day for this session. This was a great heart filling experience. Every person's spiritual experience was deepened by the exercise of that day.

While in New Orleans, Dr. J. T. Williams and I visited along with the two ladies from Canton, now students in the Institute, all of the Chinese living in New Orleans. We distributed Christian tracts and invited them to the service being conducted in all of our churches in the city. We enrolled thirty-two pupils in a school to be taught by the young ladies. Chinese are allowed to attend the public schools of New Orleans, so this school will teach only Chinese. We feel that this will offer contacts by which Jesus Christ may be presented to the pupils as a personal Savior and also the invitation to attend Sunday services be made often.

Consul Lee of New Orleans is heartily in favor of the work which we are doing and is very desirous of helping in every way. While in the Consulate, we had a short prayer service. Consul Lee said that this was the first time anything of the kind had ever been had there.—Shau Yan Lee, Chinese missionary.

## PIMAS CELEBRATE FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

In October we had an all day meeting in observance of the fifteenth anniversary of the Pima Indian Church. It was organized in September, 1922. We had a great day and our Sunday school attendance is more this month than it has ever been. We have started another Sunday school class (young married people) with an enrollment of seven with prospects of fifteen. We hope to reach the others very soon.

The W. M. S. is making quilts, clothes and toys to be given to the needy at Christmas time. We are having an unusual interest shown in this work this year.—M. E. Heard, missionary to Pimas in Arizona.

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## MARRIAGE IN MISSION ATTRACTS YOUNG PEOPLE IN EAST ST. LOUIS

By Mrs. M. B. Stein,

Missionary to Foreigners, East St. Louis.

One of the exciting things that has happened at the mission this month was a wedding! The second ever held in our mission, so quite an event, I assure you.

Mr. Stein and I were married here, and our reason was that we might lead our young folks to feel that the church has just as definite place in one's marriage as in one's funeral. So when one of our Spanish girls was to be married, the Sunday school offered to furnish the flowers for the church if she would be married in the mission.

Mary is working in a laundry and John does not have a very good position, so she said she could not afford a church wedding. We told her that there would be no more expense than the other way, as far as she was concerned, that since she had worked in our Sunday school for six years, is a member of our church, leader of our Sunbeam band and for a long while president of the Y. W. A., we wanted to do this for a wedding present. She was delighted with it.

At the same time for the simple ceremony the little mission was crowded with friends, many of whom were Catholic who came to see how Baptists got married. I am sure it has been a good example for our people.

And John, who did not attend Sunday school before, but did come to our prayer services occasionally, enrolled in Sunday school yesterday. Please pray with us for him and his little wife that all their married life they will be examples and leaders in Christian activity.

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## COMMUNITY SINGING AIDS MISSION WORK

Our community singing on Monday night is bringing many young people to Good Will Center. Last night one fine young man (a Catholic) was asked to explain the plan of salvation or how to be saved. Of course, he was not able to do it. Every night we have Bible reading and prayer besides the singing. Each one is given an opportunity to ask questions, and we do feel we get close to them in this way.

The past four weeks I have given space for a kindergarten to meet. It is sponsored by the Park and Recreation Board. They will go to their community House just as soon as it is completed. I reserved twenty minutes of the time each day for a Bible story and song period before letting them come. The first morning only four out of the eleven knew what a Bible was. These four had been coming to the story hour in Good Will Center on Saturday morning.

After they had been coming a week one of the mothers asked if I taught in our Sunday school on Sunday and did I teach the little ones. She said she had never seen anyone learn as much as her child had in those twenty minutes each day.

The leader, who is very co-operative, has asked if I could come every day and teach them after they move into their building, for she does not want them to lose what I have taught them.—Bertha Wallis, Birmingham.

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A German family moved in our territory and they said they had not been in church for sixteen years. Now they are attending our Mission regularly three times each week.—Pascal Arpaio, Italian missionary.

# Sunday School Lesson

By the Editor

November 28, 1937

## Christian Fruitfulness

**Lesson Text:** John 15:1-16.

**Golden Text:** John 15:8.

**Readings:** Luke 8:9-15; Matt. 7:15-33; James 3:13-18; Isa. 5:1-7; John 12:20-26.

Christian fruitfulness means Christian character and Christian service with its results. In the deepest sense, "The fruit of a Christian is another Christian."

### I. Cultivation For Fruitfulness (vss. 1, 2).

Being the supreme spiritual vine with the branches (believers) in whom the symbolism of all the Old Testament righteous vine-figures is fulfilled, Christ is "the true (or real) vine." God, the Husbandman of the spiritual vineyard where Christ and the branches dwell, cultivate the branches for fruit.

1. **Adjust the Branches:** The fruitless branch He "taketh away." This contemplates and relates to a Christian in need of adjustment in order to bear fruit. "Taketh away" is from *airo*, which may have the meaning, "taketh away," or the meaning, "lift up" or "raise up," which is so found in various passages. The writer adopts the latter meaning here. The genuine believer is "in" Christ in vital, redemptive union. But for a time in his life he may be down so close to the earth or on the earth (be so out of spiritual adjustment) that he is fruitless. In such a case, God by Bible teaching applied and by providences "raises up" the believer to a position and condition in which he may bear fruit. Probably most, if not all, of us have experienced this.

2. **Prunes the Branches:** "Purges (prunes) it." One who bears fruit is pruned in order to "bear more fruit." All believers are pruned from time to time to remove useless and hindering things from them. As in the preceding case, Bible teaching and providences are the knives. The two cases are closely related, but are not the same. In the first the believer is adjusted in order to bear fruit; in the second he is disciplined to "bear more fruit." "Fruit" and "more fruit" is what God expects.

### II. Consecration to Fruitfulness (vss. 3-6).

This means our response to God's cultivation. Two things therein are here set forth.

1. **God's Cleansing:** "Clean through the word, etc." The truths, promises and warnings of the Word, responded to, lead believers to the fountain where they are cleansed from moral and spiritual uncleanness which has attached itself to them. This is "the washing of water by the word" in Eph. 5:26—the cleansing "through the word" in our lesson. This is necessary to fruitfulness. "Be ye clean that bear the vessels of the Lord."

2. **The Believer's Yieldedness:** "Abide in me." "Remain or dwell in me." This is not a statement of redemptive position; it does not mean "Stay in me in the sense of keeping saved." The explicit teaching of the Word is that the genuine believer, once he trusts Christ, is kept saved by the power of God forever (John 5:24; Rom. 8:

35-39; Phil. 1:6; 1 Pet. 1:5). "Abide in me," therefore, cannot mean "Stay saved." A key to the interpretation is found in verse 9, "continue (*meno*—abide) ye in my love." Redemptively, the believer is gripped by "an everlasting love" (Jer. 31:3; Rom. 8:39) and never wants to and never can get on the outside of it. Redemptively and positionally, the believer forever abides in the love of God or Christ. But the believer is experientially to abide in this love by sensing it and being swayed by it. It is realizing in consciousness this love and living accordingly. Likewise, the believer is to sense that he is "in" Christ redemptively and live it out in life, realize the relationship and act accordingly. In other words, this is but another way of stating Rom. 8:13: . . . "yield yourselves unto God as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God." "Abide in me" is this yieldedness. And the result is "much fruit," which is not exhibited all at once but step by step. But if a professed believer does not in some true measure, step by step, yield himself to God and, step by step, bear fruit, it shows that he is a professed believer only. Neither redemptively nor experientially does he abide in Christ, and his ultimate doom is to be "burned."

### III. Supplication in Connection With Fruitfulness (vss. 7, 8).

The man who really prays will observe the preceding instructions and will be found progressively bearing fruit.

1. **Pray for Enabling Grace:** "Ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." This, of course, means acceptable praying for warranted things. The condition of such prayer "Abide in me, and my words abide in you." It is Scriptural praying, which will often pour itself out in the very words of Scripture. One old saint was in the habit of putting his finger on a Bible promise and saying, "Here is thine own word, Lord." Real prayer appropriates and releases the power of God for Kingdom tasks; and "without me ye can do nothing" with spiritual quality in it, although it may have the form thereof.

2. **Pray for Demonstrating Fruit:** "Bear much fruit." This is the outcome of the preceding. Pray not only for grace to bear fruit but pray for the ability to use this grace to the end of demonstrating that we are real followers of the Lord Jesus. It is in "much fruit" that God is supremely glorified. We must never be satisfied with present attainments.

### IV. Motivation in Fruitfulness (vss. 9-13).

1. **Constrained by the Love of Christ:** "Continue ye in my love." "The love of Christ constraineth me" (2 Cor. 5:14). The thing that is to move Christians to bear fruit is not earthly praise or rewards, but the love of Christ as displayed on the atoning cross and as lodged in the heart by the Spirit. Without this our deeds, however imposing, are spiritually "nothing" (1 Cor. 13:1-3).

2. **Gripped by the Joy of Christ:** "My joy . . . in you . . . your joy . . . full." One constrained by the love of Christ enters into

the joy of Christ in the results of service here and hereafter.

"When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,  
What a glory He sheds on our way!"

### V. Ordination Unto Fruitfulness (vss. 14-16).

1. **"Ye are my friends."** Positionally and redemptively, all believers are the friends of Christ (Rom. 5:10). They are to live out this fact; "ye are (demonstrate that ye are) my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." He who observes the things already brought out in our lesson progressively does this. Believers are "servants," but not simply that nor that at all in the earthly sense of the term. They are "friends" in blessed union and closeness with Christ. Jesus reveals His truth and His will to these. Adjusted believers are both positionally and experientially the friends of Christ. These know blessed things concerning Him of which others never dream. In experience are redemptive friends or are you also His demonstrated friend?

2. **"Chosen you and ordained you."** The Christian life and fruitfulness are the outworking of what God works within (Phil. 2:12). Before we do any service for God He has done something for us and in us. The Christian works we do are "before ordained that we should walk in them" (Eph. 2:10). Christian life and service and loyalty are a matter of expressing among men the ordination and the inworking of the Lord. They are what God wills for us and what He expresses through us as we are yielded to Him. Since we are chosen to bear fruit, let us, by God's enabling grace, choose to fulfill it.

### QUESTIONS

1. What is Christian fruit? 2. How does God adjust Christians that need it so they can bear fruit? 3. What does God do when He prunes the Christian and why? 4. In what sense is the Word a cleansing agent? 5. What is consecration to fruitfulness? 6. What is the meaning of "abide in me" and what is the result of it? 7. If one is "cast forth as a branch" and is "burned," what does it signify? 8. What connection between prayer and fruitfulness is set forth in our lesson? 9. Who is the friend of Christ? 10. What is the significance of "chosen" and "ordained" unto fruitfulness and what should be our response to it?

Lesson for Dec. 5: CHRISTIAN REST, Matt. 11:28-30; Heb. 4:1-11.

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### GREATER MISSION PROGRAM IN NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, La.—The students of Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, through the work of the Practical Activities department of the school, are launching an effort to buy a new bus to help meet the great need for street preaching and personal witnessing.

Because of an increased enrollment in the school and a much greater mission program in New Orleans the two busses now being used are not adequate to care for the needs of the students. In an effort to care for this need the students have undertaken to buy this third bus through personal donations of the students and free-will contributions of missionary minded Baptists throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. Any donation, small or large, would be greatly appreciated by the student-body and may be sent to Rev. Carl Conrad, 1220 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

At the present time 158 students go out to twenty-four different places over the city four days a week. Systematic work is carried on in hospitals, jails, homes for the incurable, homes for the aged, chapels, rescue missions, private homes, street corners, parks, and ships. This work contacts French, Italian, Spanish, Negroes, Jews, Philipinos, and Chinese through the medium of literature and personal work. The first month of the present school year the students reported 889 assignments met, 2,151 personal contacts, 3,441 Gospels and tracts given out in eight languages, and 316 professing faith.

This work is a regular part of the Baptist Bible Institute curriculum and is proving to be a great missionary asset to the city of New Orleans. It will be greatly improved in efficiency and extent if this needed means of transportation is furnished in the near future.

Dennis M. Renick.

### LIBRARY OF BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE

The Library of the Baptist Bible Institute has received from Mrs. Anna W. Gwatkin, of Mt. Vernon, New York, a very valuable collection of books, consisting of about 500 volumes; being a part of the library of her husband, Rev. W. E. Gwatkin, who died last May at Belton, Missouri. His library contained many choice volumes of the more recent books by noted authors, in addition to the very best standard works of reference, commentaries, etc. Such gifts to the library are most thankfully received by the Institute and contribute very materially to its ability to serve the increasing number of students. The Librarian will be glad to hear from those who may have books they are willing to donate. This is an opportunity to render a much needed help to deserving young men and women who are training for service.

Books placed on our shelves will serve students for many years to come. We know of no more appropriate thing to do than to give good books in memory of loved ones, thus projecting their influence on into the future.

Let any who have books they are willing to donate, whether few or many, write to President W. W. Hamilton, or Dr. J. E. Gwatkin, Librarian, 1220 Washington Ave., New Orleans, Louisiana.

### NEW HOPE CHURCH ORGANIZES NEW CHURCH

We, the New Hope Church in Clinton Association, wish to announce that the New Hope Church has extended an arm to what is known as Park City Community in Roan County about ten miles from New Hope in a newly settled farming section. People from the Norris Dam area and the Smoky Mountain section have joined hands in the Lord and they are building a new Baptist Church. The New Hope Church went to their aid and organized a Baptist Church, using the New Testament church for an example. They now have fifty members and a great field in which to work. New Hope has lengthened its cords and strengthened its stakes and without any assistance from any other source has gone forward in a great way to carry the Gospel to those in need. Pray for us that we may carry on in the Master's name. One hundred per cent of our Sunday School stay for the preaching service.

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So help me, Lord, to do my best.

—Harriet Prescott Spofford.

### FELLOWSHIP OFFERINGS AT LORD'S SUPPER

THE RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION would be grateful to the churches if they would take a "FELLOWSHIP OFFERING" on the First Sunday in November, or on some other date more suitable to them, for the purpose of supplementing the meager checks which the Board is able to send out to its one thousand two hundred relief beneficiaries consisting of aged ministers and widows. Will not the pastors and deacons of our churches in your State give special heed to this request and send in through your State Secretary-Treasurer the amount that you realize from this offering marked, "For Ministerial Relief Special."

Many churches in the several states have taken these "Fellowship Offerings" at the Lord's Supper during the past year, but the many amount to only a scattering few when we think of the whole number of churches in our Southern Baptist Convention.

How reasonable a request this seems to be and how pleased our churches should be to respond to it. Surely there will be interest manifested by thousands of our

churches and church members in providing something extra for the winter months to be sent to our needy veterans and to the widows of deceased veterans. A simple statement by the pastor one week in advance of taking the offering would insure worthy gifts. Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary, Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas.

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By Emma Florence Bush

Grandfather had invited his two young grandsons, Tom Dew and Bob Greene, to spend two whole weeks on the farm.

The cousins had a great deal of fun, for there were plenty of things to see and do. There was the big meadow, the apple and peach orchards, the cornfield with its stalks, and a little brook that ran across the meadow just beyond the orchard where they could sail boats and wade to their hearts' content, or chase the tiny minnows that swam here and there, and build dams and bridges, only to tear them down and build them up again.

Aunt Alice lived at grandfather's with three-year-old Dorothy, but the little girl played happily by herself and the boys were not bothered by her company.

When they first came, grandfather said, "You can have a good time and do anything you wish, as long as you do not get into mischief. All I ask in return is that you be willing to do errands, help me feed the hens, and once in a while drive the cows to the barn."

The boys agreed happily, for all that sounded like fun to them, and soon there was not a nook or corner of the farm they had not visited, or an animal on the place with which they had not become acquainted.

One afternoon the boys were starting to walk to the village to see a ball game, when grandmother stopped them.

"I shall have to ask one of you to stay at home," she said. "Aunt Alice had a bad headache and will have to lie down. Grandfather and I have to go away on an errand that cannot be put off, and there is no one to look after Dorothy. She will not need much care. Just see when she wakes up from her nap that she is settled happily with her tops on the piazza, and that the gate is locked so she cannot get out. She will play there for hours, and whoever stays can sit on the piazza and read."

The boys looked at each other. It was getting near the end of the two weeks, and neither of them wanted to lose one of the minutes left. Then Tom reached out and picked up two tiny twigs. "Let's draw for it," he said. He arranged them carefully to draw. Shortest one stays," he said as Bob shut his eyes and quickly drew one and held it out. Tom took it and compared it with the other. "You are to go," he said. "O dear! to have to spend the afternoon all alone with that baby. Just my luck!" and he turned away.

Bob went on to the village, but it was lonesome without Tom and he almost wished he had stayed at home, too. He could not seem to get much interest in the ball game.

All at once he looked up and saw Tom standing near him. "Why, Tom," he said, "did grandmother and grandfather come home, or is Aunt Alice's head better?"

"Neither," said Tom, looking a little ashamed. "Dorothy woke up from her nap, and I put her on the piazza with all her playthings and left her. Grandmother says

she plays for hours there. Nothing can hurt her, and Mr. Shute is working in the barn, and Aunt Alice is upstairs. She is safe enough."

"But Aunt Alice thinks you are with her," said Bob, "and Mr. Shute often leaves the barn and goes to work in the garden without coming to the house."

"Well, go home yourself, then," said Tom crossly. "When we came grandfather said we were to do a few errands he didn't say anything about minding a baby."

"I am going," said Bob firmly. "Grandmother and grandfather trust us, and Baby Dorothy must not be left alone. You know sometimes you are careless, Tom, and perhaps you didn't hook the piazza gate and she might get out and run away."

Bob hurried home as fast as he could, for somehow he felt anxious about Dorothy. Reaching the house, he ran up the piazza steps. There was the open gate and no Dorothy. Just as he had thought, Tom had forgotten to hook the gate, and the little girl had pushed it open and gone—where? Bob hurried through the house and around the grounds, calling her name softly, so as not to alarm Aunt Alice; but no Dorothy answered his call.

He searched the barn. There was no sign of Mr. Shute, nor could Bob find Dorothy. He was now thoroughly frightened. How long had she been gone? It must have been some time, for her to have got so far away.

Suddenly he had a thought. He hurried to the pasture by the house-yard, where Beauty, the patient old farm horse, was grazing. Hurriedly he put on her halter, sprang on her back, and started down the road. If Dorothy had opened the gate just after Tom left, she had probably followed down the road after him. He would try that, then the meadow and the brook, but wherever he hunted he could go quicker on Beauty.

Down the road clattered Beauty's hoofs, Bob watching both sides of the road eagerly. All at once he pulled Beauty up and gave a gasp. Beside the road, a little way in from the road itself, was an old cottage. No one had lived in it for years, and it had fallen into sagging lines and crumbling roof. Behind it was the old barn, and—Bob gave a gasp—the old well whose cover was rotting away—and right in the middle of the open space by the barn, trudging along with a basket of toys, straight toward the old well, was Dorothy.

Quickly Bob pulled the halter and guided Beauty in by the house, then between Dorothy and the well. The little girl looked up at him, laughing, and as he looked down at her, Bob's heart gave a song of thanksgiving that he had left the game and come back at the call of duty.

He lifted Dorothy on to Beauty's back in front of him and they cantered home just as an anxious grandfather and grandmother were starting out to look for them.

That night at the table grandfather said, "Bob is my trusty boy. I think I can use such a faithful helper on my farm all summer. As for Tom, I think he has

learned a lesson this afternoon, but he must go home at the end of the two weeks. Boys who cannot be trusted have no place on a farm."

Tom hung his head for a moment, then he raised it and looked straight into grandfather's face.

"I am going to try all winter long," he said, "and learn to be trustworthy too. Then perhaps, grandfather, you will need two trusty boys on the farm next summer, and I shall be one of them."

Grandfather's eyes twinkled. "I am sure I shall," he said. "And perhaps the last two weeks of vacation, if I should hear from a boy's mother that he had become absolutely trustworthy, I might need him that two weeks this year."

"You will, grandfather," said Tom soberly, "for I am sure I learned my lesson this afternoon when I found I had left the piazza gate unlocked and Dorothy was gone."—Zion's Herald.

## ITEM FOR YOUR BUDGET

Budget committees in the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention have a responsible task, but one of their greatest responsibilities is the proper provision for the support of their pastors. This support should include not only his food, raiment and shelter together with books and periodicals — it should also include a reasonable provision for disability and old age. This provision for disability and old age should not be considered as a gratuity and different from his regular support, but rather as a part of that support. A church that furnishes a parsonage is not giving the pastor a home as a gratuity, but as a part of his compensation; so, likewise should the churches regard old age security for their pastors, and the provision that they make in their budgets as a part of their compensation.

Remember the pastors must match the payments of their churches by an equal amount, which means that he pays from one hundred to five hundred times as much, or more, than any individual member does for his old age security.

Much interest is being manifested at this time throughout the bounds of the Convention in the Age Security Plan of The Relief and Annuity Board. Pastors are hesitant about presenting this matter to their budget committees. Let the laymen take the initiative. For further information address; Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary, Relief and Annuity Board, 2002 Tower Petroleum Building, Dallas, Texas.

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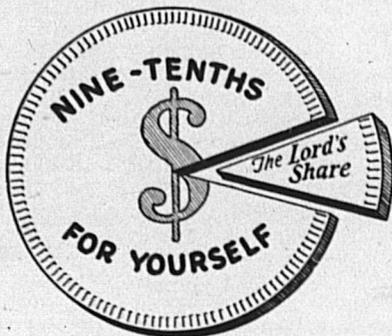
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### BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD OF THE SOUTH LAUNCHES TITHING CAMPAIGN

At the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans the men asked for the privilege of launching this tithing campaign as one of their major projects for the year. Some of the states started their campaigns the latter part of October while others, including Tennessee, felt it wise to combine the campaign with the every-member canvass during the months of November and December.

#### Goal in Tennessee

We have adopted a goal that we feel is not too high and yet is large enough to challenge our men. The Brotherhoods of the state are seeking 5,000 new tithers during the next sixty days. Think what it would mean to the cause of Christ if we could enlist this number! An increase of \$20.00 per man in his gifts from this group alone would mean an increase of one million dollars in ten years, to say nothing of the development in Christian character.

#### Giving Is a Part of One's Character Development

Who has not seen the child who received only and who was not taught to give. He grew up to be selfish and self-centered. He did not know that joy of living nor the joy of service. There are some Christians who have been on the receiving end and who have never shared in the privilege of giving. Giving is as vital to the development of one's Christian character as prayer and Bible study.

#### Literature Being Mailed

To several hundred pastors and to the Brotherhood organizations in Tennessee the state office has sent literature dealing with the tithing campaign. Reproduced on this page is the tither's covenant. These cards may be secured free by writing to the State Superintendent, 149 Sixth Avenue, North, Nashville. There are a number of good tracts on tithing which may be had for the asking also. Some of those which can be secured from the state office are as follows:

Putting Our Possessions to Work for God—By John Jeter Hurt.

The Farmer and the Tenth Part—By John D. Freeman.

My Creed as a Tither—By Ellis A. Fuller.  
 I am Resolved—By Louie D. Newton.

### TITHER'S COVENANT

Having first given myself unto the Lord, I hereby promise, as an acknowledgment of my stewardship and an expression of my love to God, to appropriate at least one-tenth of my income to the support of His cause. "Of all that Thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto Thee." Gen. 28:22.

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Signed by \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Messages on Tithing—Compiled by the Baptist Sunday School Board.

God's Message on Stewardship—Promotion Committee, S. B. C.

Living Our Lives for God—W. F. Powell.

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God's Message to Me on Stewardship—

Frank E. Burkhalter.

Scriptural Giving—J. Clyde Turner.

Seven Marks of a Good Steward—Walter M. Gilmore.

### Pastors Asked to Report January 1

The pastor of the church or the president of the Brotherhood is earnestly requested to report near the first of January the number of new tithers secured. When the Southern Baptist Convention meets in Richmond surely Tennessee will be able to respond to the roll call with the answer, "Goal reached."

### LITERATURE CONFERENCE

First Baptist Church, Nashville  
 November 22-23

Dr. Clifton J. Allen, Associate Editorial Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, and Managing Editor, Mr. Noble Van Ness, have planned two very interesting conferences on the uniform and graded literature for November 22 and 23. The Junior workers will meet on the 22nd and the Intermediate on the 23rd.

Doctor Allen will have those using the graded literature and Mr. Van Ness those using the uniform literature. The purpose of these conferences is to study our literature with the view to continual improvement.

This is the first of a series of conferences planned throughout the South. We hope to have similar meetings for all departments in Memphis and Chattanooga some time in the near future.

A letter from Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, expressed his desire in this direction by saying "We are all determined to do our best to give Southern Baptists

literature that is sound in doctrine, educational in method, evangelistic and missionary in spirit, Christ centered in material, and kingdom building in purpose."  
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### CHURCHES PLANNING TRAINING SCHOOLS

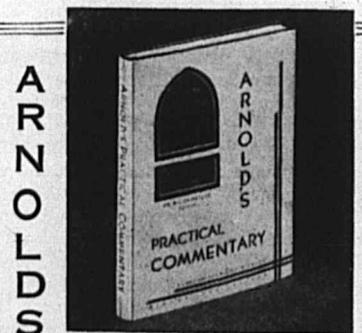
We present another group of churches which have indicated to us their plan to have a Sunday school training school either the latter part of October or in November.

- Zion Hill, Polk Co. Association
- Forest Hill, Shelby Co. Association
- Morristown, First Church
- Eastland, Nashville
- Edgefield, Nashville
- Grace, Nashville
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### SYMPATHY

We express our deepest sympathy to Miss Kathleen Mallory, our Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the S. B. C., over the loss by death of her oldest brother, and to Miss Juliett Mather, our Young People's Leader, whose father died this past week. May God comfort these sorrowing friends.

### CAKES FOR THE TRAINING SCHOOL

Tennessee is expected to furnish the fruit cakes for the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville for Thanksgiving. This has been the privilege and responsibility of our Union for years. We have never failed them. We send enough to last from Thanksgiving through Christmas.

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### DR. AND MRS. G. W. BOULDIN SAILING FOR JAPAN

Tennessee friends of Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Bouldin are greatly interested to know that they are sailing December 9th for their much loved work in Japan. We regret that they will no longer be in our midst, but we are happy that they are returning to their chosen field of service. Both Dr. and Mrs. Bouldin have rendered a very fine service in Grundy County during these recent months. Remember boat sails December 9th.

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### WESTERN DISTRICT MEETING

The Golden Jubilee Gathering that was scheduled to meet in First Baptist Church of Paris on November 23 has been postponed until January. The date of the meeting will be published later.

### MIDDLE TENNESSEE DIVISIONAL MEETING

The Middle Tennessee Woman's Missionary Union held its annual meeting at Carthage, Oct. 20 and 21. A most unique banquet, featuring the Cordell Hull Bridge, was given for the young people on the evening of the twentieth, with more than two hundred attending. Building Bridges For The Future, was the theme of the evening session, which was presided over by Miss Kellie Hix, Middle Tennessee Young People's leader.

Thursday, Oct. 21, Mrs. W. F. Powell, Vice-President, presided. With such a royal welcome from the Carthage people and the splendid program, we felt surely it was a real convention instead of a Divisional meeting. The theme of the program was, "Going Forward." Miss

Margaret Bruce and Mrs. E. L. Atwood conducted the devotionals on "Going Forward Under His Guidance" and "Going Forward Through Prayer." After listening to these two, we wondered how any person could leave the meeting uninspired and without feeling drawn just a little closer to the Lord.

Other speakers on the program were, Miss Mary Northington, who spoke on "Going Forward To Success"; Mrs. C. D. Creasman, using for her message, "Going Forward With The Golden Jubilee." Mrs. Creasman urged her listeners to review, rejoice, regret, resolve and return.

Mrs. Wm. McMurry, state Mission Study Chairman, opened our eyes to the real value of mission study, with her message on "What Mission Study Can Do For You."

The outstanding address of the day was brought by Mrs. R. L. Harris, our State President, on "Going Forward To The Uttermost Parts." Mrs. Harris having recently returned from war-torn China and Japan, stirred our hearts and brought us to the realization of the urgent need of our help in sending the Gospel to the heathen and the serious call to praying, consecrated Christian workers everywhere.

The special music was by Mrs. Wayne Barker of Nashville and the Tennessee College Quartette of Murfreesboro.

There were two hundred fifty registered delegates in attendance.

Mrs. Joseph R. Kyzar, Sec.-Treas.

### TRAVEL LETTER

Suez next stop! We are now in the Red Sea. We were agreeably surprised passing through the Red Sea. We did not melt as we had expected to do! Two days and nights! The high barren mountains on the Peninsular of Sinai side, the Arabian side less high, made our hours on deck quite fascinating.

We reached Suez about eleven at night. Beautiful, the moon was as bright as day. About twenty from the boat left by cars for Cairo and the Pyramids. A grand night to drive. The rest of us went through the canal, they joined us at Port Said, the next afternoon. A canal from the Red Sea to the Nile Delta was constructed in the time of the Pharaohs, traces of it remained. When the Persians ruled Egypt 400 years before the Christian Era they cleared the sand and reopened the canal, but by the time the modern canal was built no trace of former canal was found.

About the middle of the 19th century Ferdinand de Lesseps enthusiastically advocated a canal. France and Egypt built it at a cost of £55,000,000. It was opened in 1869. In 1895 England bought Egypt out. In 1888 the canal was declared exempt from blockade. Warships and merchant vessels of all nations were allowed to pass through both in times of war and in time of peace. Suez Canal is a hundred miles long. Vessels can only travel six miles an hour so as to keep the banks from being injured by the waves. So we crept through and arrived at Port Said about noon. Two large vessels cannot pass so we passed an Italian warship heavily armed, tied up

while we passed. It cost our ship £3,000 or \$15,000 to go through. They average seventeen ships a day. 55% of these vessels fly the British flag. Our Panama Canal is much prettier, Suez has no locks.

From ancient times a city has stood on the site of Suez. 1492 Overland Mail Route for India was opened. The P & O Boat Company, on which we are traveling, owned 3,000 camels. At Port Said, North end of canal, is a handsome bronze statue of Ferdinand de Lesseps. The population of over 100,000 are Italians, Greeks, French, English and Egyptians. We were here three hours. I went to the train with nine of our party who were going to the Holy Land. When I returned I was almost overwhelmed, being besieged by so many "sellers of wares," everything from a baby chicken to a camels hair rug!

Again we are off with many English Army men and their wives, stationed in Egypt, aboard. We passed through the Straits of Messina about midnight. I looked out my porthole and it was a lovely sight, with the thousands of electric lights. About five that morning was passed "Stromboli," that ever active volcano called "the lighthouse of the Mediterranean." The young folks made a night of it on deck. We then passed between Corsica and Sardinia, out of our regular course owing to Spanish war. We arrive at Marseilles one day late. Going through customs, assembling about seventy-one bags, was indeed tedious, but the hotel man brought a stack of mail. Each one had from one-half to a dozen letters, so down on the bags we sat and not a complaint was made over the hour and a half wait! Was I happy to get six?

Marseilles is the second largest city in France, 800,000, and a world port. On a very high hill stands the sailor's church with a gold virgin twenty-nine feet high. It is the sailor's guide, last thing he sees going out, first coming in.

We are off to Paris at midnight, arriving at noon tomorrow. Now I will give you the highlights of Paris, London and Edinburgh in my final letter.

Sept. 16th

Nearing Quebec.

Now we are nearing Quebec and our "World Tour" is at an end. My last letter carried us through Marseilles. An all night and half day, through the countryside of France brought us to Paris. This was a great year for them owing to the Exposition. Paris! how the very name fascinates! We were at the Grand Hotel, on the sidewalk is the much talked of and more written about Cafe de la Pax, where it is said if you sit and sip your coffee or drink, you are sure to see some one from home. Just across the Avenue de la Opera is the Grand Opera House, one of the most most beautiful in the world.

We did the usual sightseeing to the Arch of Triumph, unknown soldier's grave, Napoleon's Tomb, Churches, etc. Then to Maluesaison, Trannons, Versailles. I went to Fontainebleau since I had never taken that trip. We had about "shopped out" by now, so very little time was given to that. We were to have an Extension to England and Scotland, so the day the other party sailed we crossed the channel, landed at Dover, with her lovely white cliffs and were soon on our way to London through, the lovely countryside of England.

All love,

Emma Byrn Harris.

**RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MR. D. W. LUCKEY, DEACON**

First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee.

We, the undersigned committee appointed by the church to draft suitable expressions of the church relative to the passing of Brother D. W. Luckey, beg leave to submit the following:

In the untimely passing of Brother D. W. Luckey the community has lost a choice citizen; this church has lost a model member.

The one example for any Christian is his Saviour. However, it has been indeed refreshing, helpful and inspiring to have fellowship with one who walked so closely in the footsteps of Him who knew no sin.

Brother Luckey lived. He lived the fuller life, the abundant life. A life not expressed in words, but a constant expression of true, noble character in living, loving noble deeds.

Kindly recall the life of our departed Brother, as you knew him, in the light of these familiar passages from the Book which he loved:

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold." Prov. 22:1. "Magnify the law and make it honorable." Isaiah 42:21. "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good." Luke 6:45. "The fear of Jehovah is the instruction of wisdom; and before honor goeth humility." Prov. 15:33. "A friend loveth at all times." Prov. 17:17. "As for me and my house, we will serve Jehovah." Joshua 24:15. "And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." Luke 6:31. "I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith." II Tim. 4:7.

"Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?" II Sam. 3:38.

As a deacon, a leader, or an humble private in his church, Brother Luckey was a power for good and an inspiration to those about him. He was scrupulously honest; considerate, but firm in his decisions and uncompromising in his fidelity to right and justice. He abhorred egotism and vain pride, and ever displayed the beautiful virtue of becoming humility. He truly loved and unselfishly served his fellow man; he was ever loyal to his church; he followed faithfully his Lord.

Inasmuch as we have profited greatly by his life, and now suffer immeasurably by his loss; may we pray heaven's kindest benedictions upon his fine family; and may the faith of each member of this church be increased, and the strength and courage of each be redoubled in order that the work of this church, which Brother Luckey so dearly loved, may not falter by reason of his going to accept his reward and to be with his Saviour.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
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**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LONGVIEW, TEXAS**

Record crowds attended the services of the First Baptist Church, Longview, Texas, when it celebrated Anniversary Day on November 7. The Sunday school exceeded its goal of 1,200, with a total of 1,335 present, and the Training Union went above its goal with 409 present. At the morning worship hour, the crowd overran the auditorium of the church, and chairs had to be placed in the aisles and in the vestibules. During the day, 12 additions were made to the church.

As a special feature of the day, the Moore-Neal Advertising Company of Longview, the partners of which are both active young Baptist laymen, members of the Longview church, presented to the church a beautiful Neon sign. This gift is one of the many gifts that has been presented to the church by its members since Dr. Whorton's return in 1932.

November 7 was observed as Anniversary Day in the church since it was the nearest Sunday to November 11, the day on which Dr. John L. Whorton first came to the pastorate of the church in Longview in 1925, and the day on which the cornerstones of the two educational buildings were laid, one in 1929, and the other in 1933.

A period of 21 months intervened from 1925 to the present day in which Dr. Whorton was pastor in Bryan, Texas. He returned to Longview on September 15, 1932. Since that time, there have been 2,770 additions made to the church, with 1,005 of that number coming upon profession of faith and baptism. The present church membership is 3,103. The people of the church have given a total of a little more than \$204,000.00 during the five years. Of this amount, \$57,000.00 was given to denominational causes. During the five year period, not only has the second educational building been erected, but the auditorium of the church has been completely remodeled, a new organ console installed, and two mission stations added, which gives the church three active mission stations at this time.

Due to the outstanding work in which the pastor has led the church, he has had many honors bestowed upon him in recent years. In 1935, Baylor University conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. During 1936-37, he was vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and has served on many boards and committees of both the State and Southern Baptist Conventions. In 1935-36, he was recognized in Who's Who in the Clergy. In 1936-37, he was recognized in Who's Who in America, and in the current year, he has been recognized in the International Who's Who of the World. He is now serving as trustee of the College of Marshall, Marshall, and Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton.

Dr. John L. Whorton is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Longview. H. P. Black is educational director, Miss Bernice Northcutt, financial director, Miss Dorothy Fowler, secretary, and Rev. J. T. Bridges, superintendent of missions.

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Elizabethton, First	520
Memphis, Speedway Terrace	520
Chattanooga, Northside	517
Chattanooga, East Lake	512
Fountain City, Central	477
Old Hickory, First	468
Memphis, Seventh Street	463
South Knoxville	450
Nashville, Edgefield	428
Chattanooga, Avondale	414
East Chattanooga	403
Union City, First	400
Dyersburg, First	390
Red Bank	389
Murfreesboro, First	389
Chattanooga, Central	358
Paris, First	326
Cookeville, First	321
Chattanooga, Oak Grove	318
Chattanooga, Chamberlain Ave.	313
Erwin, Calvary	297
Martin, First	295
Chattanooga, Alton Park	264
Cleveland, Big Springs	254
Chattanooga, Brainerd	247
Chattanooga, Chickamauga	217
Milan, First	216
Rossville, Ga., Tabernacle	215
Chattanooga, Eastdale	183
Chattanooga, Summerfield	175
Rockwood, First	172
Chattanooga, Concord	157
Apison	120
Chattanooga, Mission Ridge	97
South Cleveland	94
Jasper, First	85
South Rossville, Ga.	80

#### By FLEETWOOD BALL

The church at Gatliff, Ky., G. S. Gibson, pastor, lately closed a revival in which J. R. Hazelwood did the preaching. There were 82 additions, 43 by baptism.

Hoyt Ayers, of Birmingham, Ala., has been called as pastor by the church at Corydon, Ky., and has accepted. He succeeds J. W. Pearce.

J. G. Dickson and the church at Eminence, Ky., are happy over the meeting resulting in 20 additions. J. G. Cothron, of Princeton, Ky., did the preaching.

E. N. Calhoun has resigned at Pawnee, Okla., in order to accept a call to the church at Mannville, Okla. He was formerly the pastor in Jonesboro, Ark.

R. A. Swindell, of Camden, has been elected chairman of the executive board of the Carroll County Association, succeeding E. K. Wiley, who has moved to Nashville.

The First Church, Greer, S. C., J. L. Lane, pastor, rejoices over a revival resulting in 46 additions. J. R. Jester, of Greenville, S. C., did the preaching.

W. F. Borum of the First Church, Midland, Texas, is happy over a revival resulting in 53 additions, 40 by baptism. L. R. Scarborough of the Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, did the preaching.

J. S. Compere of the church at Corning, Ark., lately held a revival in his church. He preached and Ira Patishall of Lewisville, Ark., led the singing. There were 11 additions, 7 by baptism.

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#### By THE EDITOR

Leaving two Sundays open for work, J. H. Thomas, Halls, has accepted the half-time pastorate of Coldwater and Coley's Chapel Baptist Churches near Collierville. He has been in evangelistic work.

M. E. Miller, once a pastor in Knoxville, has resigned the pastorate of the church at Stamping Ground, Ky., to become pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Henderson, Ky., where he had been pastor before.

The editor, together with others of the State force who were recipients of their courtesy, wishes to thank Moderator T. C. Wyatt and Clerk H. L. Thorton of Knox County Association, and through them the Association, for its meeting his hotel expense at the State Convention. Thank you, friends, one and all.

Pastor James Leroy Steele has been doing his own preaching in a revival in the Oakwood Baptist Church, Knoxville, but the results have not been indicated to us. Pastor Steele is the author of a poem, a parody suggested by some modern methods of church support, which we hope to publish in the future.

Recent out of town visitors to the office were: Prof. W. S. Woodward, Newport, doing some special study in Peabody College; President John Jeter Hurt of Union University, Jackson; and the following brethren on the way back home from the State Convention: Layman J. H. Bibb, Nankipoo; Pastor A. M. Vollmer, Dyersburg; and Pastor Guy Turner, Halls. Come again, brethren.

The sympathy of Tennessee Baptists goes out to Miss Kathleen Mallory, Birmingham, Ala., Corresponding Secretary of the W. M. U. of the Southern Baptist Convention, and to Miss Juliette Mather, Birmingham, Young People's Leader of the Convention, both of whom are passing through the waters of sorrow. The brother of Miss Mallory and the father of Miss Mather were recently called by death. The Lord's

grace be upon them and upon all the sorrowing.

The Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago, has called as President Charles W. Koller, pastor Clinton Hill Baptist Church, Newark, N. J. Dr. Koller is a product of the Southwest, having secured his Master of Theology and Doctor of Theology degrees from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, and his undergraduate training at Baylor University, Waco.

In a recent issue of the Baptist and Reflector it was stated that J. Norris Palmer, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Baton Rouge, had accepted a call to become pastor of the Longview Heights Baptist Church of Memphis, Tenn. The name should have been Robert Palmer, his younger brother. It is regretted that the error was made.

The past year gifts in the amount of \$13.65 designated to the Baptist Old Ministers and Orphans Home at Camden, Tenn., J. Robert Paschal, Superintendent, were sent to the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention at Nashville, John D. Freeman, Executive Secretary, which in turn passed the funds on in full to their designated object. It gladly performed this service for the brethren without a cent of expense to the Home.

Mrs. Emma McDowell, 1367 Agnes St., Memphis, is 92 years old and has been reading the Baptist and Reflector (called in other years "The Baptist" or "The Tennessee Baptist") since before the Civil War. Greetings in the name of the Lord to this faithful soul. We wonder if she is not the oldest subscriber in the state. At the State Convention Miss Vinnie R. Bishop, 612 Walnut St., Knoxville, renewing her subscription, said that the fourth generation in that family is now reading the paper. Thank the Lord for these and other loyal friends!

Stanley M. Armstrong, gospel singer, Memphis, has recently concluded two successful meetings in South Carolina. The first at the First Church, Greer, Lester Lane, pastor, resulted in 46 additions and the second at the First Church, Florence, Walter Alexander, pastor, resulted in 71 additions. Following these he went to be in meetings at Durant, Miss., Dauphin Way Church, Mobile, Ala., and Worcester, Mass.

In the six years that Ray Dean has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Old Hickory, there have been 345 baptisms and 326 additions by letter, a total of 701, the church has given to all causes \$41,874.75 and constructed a new building at a cost of \$23,024.82, which was dedicated free of debt on Sunday, Nov. 7. A revival has been in progress in the church, with the preaching being done by L. S. Sedberry, pastor First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, and the singing led by Gospel Singer H. E. Barnette, Nashville. We have not heard what the results are. Baptist and Reflector sends hearty congratulations to both pastor and people.

Pastor Paul A. Wieland and the First Baptist Church of Bolivar has recently been assisted in a revival by Pastor R. E. Guy of the West Jackson Baptist Church,

Jackson, in which there were 14 additions to the church. It is reported that great preaching was done, as those who know Pastor Guy expected. Following an associational W. M. U. meeting in Hardeman County, Miss Mary Northington, Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer of the Tennessee W. M. U., and Miss Margaret Bruce, State Young People's Leader, were with Pastor Wieland and the First Church on the night of Nov. 14.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Because not all of the subscriptions secured in the Baptist Training Union Campaign for the Baptist and Reflector had been received at the time of going to press (Tuesday noon), it is not possible to announce the winners in this issue. However, postals will be sent through the mails to all the associational leaders announcing the winners and these can then pass the word on to all interested parties. Later the Baptist and Reflector will publish the total results of the campaign and the names of the winners.

Blue Mountain, Miss., Nov. 8.—Mrs. Wilford C. Tyler, wife of Dr. Tyler, head of the Bible department of Blue Mountain College, is visiting colleges in Georgia this week under the auspices of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of the South, at the request of Miss Juliette Mather, Birmingham, Ala., Southwide Young People's Secretary, in behalf of the Young People's Auxiliaries of the colleges. The institutions Mrs. Tyler is visiting are Agnes Scott, Bessie Tift, Mercer, Norman Junior College, and Georgie Baptist Hospital. Because of the death of her father Miss Mather was unable to visit the colleges herself.—Miss Tom Womack, Secretary.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CARTHAGE**

Last Sunday, Nov. 7, marked the beginning of the seventh year for Bro. Stark as Pastor of the Carthage Baptist Church, since then the church has gone forward in a great way. Paid all debts, went from half to full time preaching, received by baptism 98, by letter 61, and the church has been built up in every way.

W. H. Mathews.

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With the Churches: Chattanooga—First received 1 by letter and 1 for baptism; Alton Park received 1 by letter; Tyner received 2 by letter; Northside, Pastor Selman received 2 by letter and 1 for baptism; Oak Grove, Pastor Donahoo welcomed 3 by letter, 3 for baptism and baptized 3; Eastdale received 2 for baptism; Red Bank welcomed 4 by letter and 2 for baptism; Concord, Pastor Burk baptized 1; Ridge-dale welcomed 2 by letter and 1 for baptism; Brainerd received 2 by letter. Cleveland—South Cleveland, Pastor Webb welcomed 1 by letter, 1 for baptism and baptized 1. Nashville—Grace, Pastor Ewton welcomed 4 by letter, 1 for baptism; Edgefield, Pastor Barton welcomed 1 by letter and baptized 3. Fountain City—Pastor Mahan welcomed 2 by letter, 2 for baptism and baptized 8. Knoxville—Fifth Avenue

Let all our pastors and churches and Sunday Schools not forget the special Christmas offering for the Tennessee Baptist Orphans' Home in December. This is an offering approved by the State Convention and the Executive Board and is a part of the Co-operative Program. Sunday, Dec. 19, is the day set for the offering, but if any church cannot take its offering on that day let it be taken on some other day in December. Later the Baptist and Reflector will carry further references to the Orphanage and to the special offering from the Superintendent of the Home, Dr. W. J. Stewart. Under him through these many years the institution has done a wonderful work for fatherless and motherless children and as it now comes to appeal to the hearts of our people in this special and needed offering, may the response of our people be both general and generous.

welcomed 3 by letter and 2 for baptism; Broadway welcomed 2 by letter and 2 for baptism. Murfreesboro—First welcomed 1 for baptism; South Knoxville, Pastor Haynes welcomed 6 by letter and baptized 9. Memphis—LaBelle received 2 for baptism; Speedway Terrace welcomed 3 by letter and 1 for baptism; Bellevue, Pastor Lee welcomed 12 by letter, 2 for baptism and baptized 2; Seventh Street welcomed 5 by letter and 6 for baptism.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WEST HELENA, ARK.**

Dear Bro. Taylor:

Just a word about the value of a visitation program for a church and Sunday school.

On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 24, about forty of our people met at the church for the purpose of going out to take a religious census of West Helena. These people came back with their cards, and the following week we spent in tabulating the results. We found 1,644 prospects for our church and Sunday school. When this became known we resolved to do something about it, and last week 1,600 visits were made and reported with cards signed to show that they actually made the visit. We met each night at the church for reports and to plan the work for the next day. This was a glorious experience for all of us. We had an average of forty workers each night. This is not all the story. The Sunday we took the census we had 247 in Sunday school. The following Sunday 301, and last Sunday after the 1,600 visits, we had 417 in Sunday school. This is not all the story. The Sunday after the census we had three professions and four additions and last Sunday we had four more additions to the church. The census and visits not only brought a fine increase in the attendance of the Sunday school but resulted in eight additions to the church.

We have organized for a visitation program each week. The classes in the Adult and Young People's departments have been organized with enough group captains to visit their absentees and prospects each

week. We plan to check on these at Teachers' meeting to see that they do their work.

Hoping that this may serve to inspire some other church and Sunday School to greater activity.

Sincerely,  
Cecil H. Franks, Pastor.

**REVIVAL AT SEVENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, MEMPHIS**

I have just recently conducted a revival meeting with Pastor L. B. Cobb of the Seventh Street Baptist Church, Memphis. We were greatly blessed during this series of meetings with good attendance and some twenty-two additions to the church.

I was especially impressed with the excellent work that this pastor has done with the Seventh Street Church over a period of four years and five months. There have been 264 received by baptism, and 371 by letter. They have built a new story on the annex, remodeled the entire church, and especially the auditorium. Fifteen per cent of their gross income goes to the Co-operative Program. They are reaching out from the church and have established a mission in a section of Memphis, and in every way are going forward in the Kingdom work. The Sunday school attendance runs between four and five hundred.

Pastor Cobb is a wide awake and live pastor, and a hard worker on the field, to which all the above bears witness. I enjoyed my stay with this good church and pastor in Memphis. His wife, Mrs. Cobb, is a most excellent helper with a fine spirit and good personality. She is by his side in the work and is loved and appreciated by the people.

William McMurry.

**BRIEFS CONCERNING THE BRETHREN**

**Called**

- James Howe, Knott County Church, Ky.
- Noble Y. Beall, Calvary Church, Birmingham, Ala.
- H. D. Palmer, Barboursville, West, Va.
- R. Alton Reed, Lamar Avenue Church, Wichita Falls, Texas.
- C. A. Alexander, Eighth Ave. Church, Meridian, Miss.
- Glen E. Wiley, First Church, Grenada, Miss.
- W. E. Hardy, Scooba Church, Scooba, Miss.
- Carey E. Cox, First Church, Lawrenceburg, Ky.
- Merrill D. Moore, First Church, Clarksville, Tenn.

**Resigned**

- M. E. Miller, Stamping Ground, Ky.
- W. E. Hunter, Berea, Ky.
- Noble Y. Beall, Field Worker, Home Mission Board.
- H. D. Palmer, Braman, Okla.
- A. Alton Reed, Carlisle Church, Henderson, Ky.
- C. A. Alexander, Canal Blvd., New Orleans, La.

**Ordained**

- James Howe by First Church, Russellville, Ky.
- James Hardin by Ingram Church, Texas.

**Died**

- Mrs. J. B. Cranfill, Dallas, Texas (Nov. 1).
- Dr. Dunbar Rowland, Mississippi.
- Rev. Charles W. Gordon, Winnipeg, Canada.

**SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOSPITAL**  
New Orleans, La.

## Healing Humanity's Hurt

By **LEWIS J. BRISTOW**,  
Superintendent

From the beginning of their history, hospitals and religion have been intertwined. The first hospitals of which we can find a record were connected with the temples of the gods of Egypt. And in classic Greek lands hospitals were a part of the temples. The great Buddhist king Asoka established hospitals along with his missionary conquests in India. While there is no distinct record of hospitals as such in ancient Judaistic lore, the Old Testament Mosaic laws give detailed instructions relative to isolation and treatment of contagious and infectious diseases; for surgery, sanitation and hygiene: all in connection with Jewish religious rites.

The attitude of Christ is clear. His command to "heal the sick" and His example, followed so earnestly by the early disciples, has been the inspiration of His followers through the centuries. The famous Christian matron Fabiola is to this day the ideal held before young women nurses. Christianity teaches that man is a child of God, a being unique and priceless. And that is the personality ideal inherent in the hospital. Every human being counts; and mercy to the humble as well as to the proud, to the weak as well as to the strong, is the eternal preachment of religion and is the highest practice of the hospital.

### Character and Service

How fully and how well a hospital serves its patients depends upon its view of man. The inward spiritual grace of a hospital, its essential character, is clear from the traditional influences which brought it into being. Because of its Christian influence it should be the abode of unfailing mercy. From its scientific influence it should be a creative force of constant discovery; and from its psychic influence it should be a citadel of confidence, a fortress of courage in the modern world.

The hospital must be efficient but never impersonal. It must heal, but never humiliate any human being. It may make money from expensive rooms, but its soul is saved by its free service. The badge of charity should never be pinned upon a human breast. It has always been the policy and practice of the Southern Baptist Hospital to care for its free patients right alongside those who pay, giving the same type and degree of service, and never labelling one "pay" and the other "free." To be merciful to every human being is the mandate which its Christian origin puts upon this hospital.

Confidence in the hospital, established with the people of its community, is one of the greatest assets the institution can possess. And, like all valuable things, it costs something to secure that confidence, whether the costs be measured in terms of money or effort put forth on part of the management and the personnel. For the people to feel that the hospital may be relied upon to meet every reasonable demand made upon it is an asset of inestimable value. There are many things which are not shown on a hospital bill, and they cannot be. Skill, experience, devotion, reputation, and a long list of other intangibles which make up hospital care and treatment, are the essence of the service by which a hospital is judged.

### Expansion

Now, such an institution as I have outlined should not become static, but should be constantly progressive. Obligation to itself and to its denomination and to its constituency requires that it meet promptly, wisely, and well the demands made upon it and its ever enlarging opportunities for service. Hence it should be alert to expand its usefulness. Such expansion of its facilities is now a pressing question with us. We sorely need larger quarters for our Pathological and Radiological Departments. In 1926 the number of X-ray examinations was 6,743; in 1936 the number was 52,410; and in 1937 we have reached the limit of our ability to do the work which comes. In 1926 the number of pathological examinations was 7,854, and in 1936 the number was 67,987; and in 1937 we are unable to care for the volume of work heaped upon us. We need more wards for patients whose income is in the lower brackets.

But we cannot go into debt to build. We need contributions from those who have a spirit of Christian philanthropy. Who will respond to this call?

### Courtesy To Ministers

It is the custom of the Southern Baptist Hospital to give a fifty per cent discount from regular rates for hospital service to a minister or any dependent member of his family. If at the end of the year we find we are able to do so, we remit the indebtedness of such preachers as seem to find it difficult to pay their bills. Cheerfully would we give free service to all preachers and their dependents but we are not always in position to do so; hence the policy we have adopted. We have never closed a year with a deficit, and every year we have remitted the indebtedness of many persons, trying to distribute our gifts wisely. We have never practiced doing a larger volume of free work than our means would allow. We believe we have no moral right to go into debt doing free work, and then ask the denomination to pay for it. We will use whatever is given us for the purpose, and whatever we earn from pay patients, to help the poor, whether ministers or others.

### A Serious Problem

A woman walked into my office and handed me a letter which read: "Miss M— H— has been sick for some time and is gradually growing worse. She is unable to work and is without funds. Her father is 82 years old and is unable to help her. She is from a good family and we hope you can take her in. She is unable to earn her living as she is and has no one to support her."

She had come several hundred miles, friends having paid her railroad fare. She was sick, very sick; and of course she was admitted. The case cost us \$148.90. The woman got well and returned to her home. In response to our inquiry as to whether her church would help with the cost, her pastor wrote, "I know something of your problems in caring for free patients. Yet because our church is caring for its part of the Kingdom enterprises . . . I feel that it would injure our budget for me to seek to raise money for this purpose, even in the face of the fact that it is a worthy case."

That pastor is one of the best of our younger men, and I can understand his embarrassment in the circumstances. He is but a representative of a large number who feel just as he does. Yet if the churches do not furnish the money to pay the cost of caring for their sick poor, where is it to come from? We are forced to adopt a policy of earning a small profit from those who are able to pay and to use this profit to care for the poor. However, the calls for free work greatly exceed our present ability to give it. The free work can be only a small portion of the total: for it is neither wise nor Christian to commercialize the sickness of the well-to-do for the benefit of the poor. We are operating to our full capacity. We need an addition to our building. I am wondering whether someone will give us such an addition? Or should we build it on credit? We will appreciate advice from the brotherhood.