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By John D. Freeman, Executive Secretary Tenn. Baptist Convention

A GREAT MANY MAGAZINES have come into existence during recent months for the purpose of giving to their readers pictorial reports of world events. The sudden popularity of periodicals that specialize in picture representations of the news is one of the phenomena of the marvelous age in which we are living. It is an inevitable result of the movie era, and of the rush with which life sweeps the masses along.

There is, however, no appreciable let-up in the interest of the people in the news that comes from the daily press. The masses still take a daily newspaper and glance at its columns. Great numbers of serious minds take time to read the editorials and the special columns. Propagandists of every breed do not overlook the tremendous value of the secular press when they seek to put over some new idea. It is still true that the "pen is mightier than the sword" and today, while the war lords are wielding the sword, the pens of men are shaping the thought of the world, and the ideas thus being generated will some day bring about the overthrow of them who rise to power by the sword.

The mighty influence of the printed page is known by leaders of all groups. Baptists know it, and put forth especial efforts to increase the circulation of their periodicals. Great quantities of free tracts, bulletins and such are distributed by various denominational agencies and by personal workers. Departmental literature of every kind flows ceaselessly through the presses and mimeograph machines. More and more the picture method of presenting news and truths is being adopted by those who publish our literature.

I

THERE IS, HOWEVER, A PLACE for the denominational newspaper which can never be taken by any other medium of information. With Southern Baptists it is the state paper which furnishes the one regular medium through which to give information to our people, to press home continuously the need for doctrinal study, and to set before all groups the various programs of activity upon which we must depend for our unity and efficiency in doing the Lord's work. To give up these papers would be to destroy the surest source of unity, harmony and solidarity that our Baptist people have, aside from the Word of God.

There is a growing danger of disintegration among us, due to the increasing emphasis upon departmental work and meetings. In some states, departmental leaders plan for and push their group meetings, often in competition with the annual sessions of the associations. By the very nature of the case the workers in any department must give special emphasis to their programs, and hence they come more and more to be departmentized in their thinking. It is impossible for a good missionary to keep from feeling that his work is the most important thing in the denominational scheme, and consequently his whole ministry is turned to the promotion of that work.

The State Mission Secretary must view the field of denominational activities as a whole. By virtue of his task, he is so situated that he can and does remain an unbiased umpire among the various agencies, institutions and departments through which Baptists seek to express their concern for a needy world and to obey the commands of their Lord. It is natural for Southern Baptist workers to

seek to enlarge the support given their causes. It is human for each state agency and institution to do likewise. It would be strange if the heads of the various departments of our organization did not feel impelled to concentrate upon them and their interests. But the State Secretary is in a position where he can and does labor unfettered either by a state or a Southwide bias, unhampered by a prejudice for or against any institution or agency, and free from any notion that the success of our work is dependent upon any department more than another. He sees the entire field of activity, is as much a Southern as a State Baptist, and as much a member of one department as of another; hence he is peculiar in Baptist ranks.

The Editor of the state paper occupies a position similar to that of the State Secretary. He realizes the importance and place of each department of work. He does not overlook the fact that, while we labor together as Southern Baptists, we are at the same time state Baptists. He keeps constantly before his readers the entire schedule of activities, giving each special recognition in its turn, but always reminding our people they are church members first, last, and always, hence must never allow their interest in any particular phase of the church work to make them lopsided in their attitudes. While his paper carries news and propaganda for each department, agency, and institution, it also stresses the need of keeping these as a media through which the work of the church can be done, never as institutions in themselves which should be allowed to interfere with any member's loyalty to and support of the church and its entire program. The paper is a medium for all, hence is the indispensable ally of the State leader.

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AS LONG AS SOUTHERN BAPTISTS maintain their state papers under the greatest freedom possible with proper supervision of the editorial policies, they will have one agency upon which they can depend for a continuous unitive effort and message. Furthermore, while we have these weekly visitors to the homes of our people, even though the circulation may never reach the maximum number of homes represented in the churches, we can be sure that the leaders among us are being kept close together by one medium of information, by dependable editorial messages and by a common bond which, while carrying information about each department and its work, always does it in such a way as to make it known that the special work is only one part of a great whole, and will continue to be done as long as it is linked with a unified, well integrated plan, whether that be a Church, the State or the Southern Zion.

Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the appeal for a larger circulation of our own paper, BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. The seriousness of the effort being put forth under the direction of the Southern Baptist Convention to help enlarge this circulation should command the immediate attention of every pastor and other church leader. Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta, Georgia, former editor of the *Georgia Christian Index*, is leading the southwide committee, and they have joined the state forces, in an earnest effort to increase the usefulness of the state papers by getting them into many more Baptist homes than they have heretofore reached.

Editor O. W. Taylor and his staff deserve the finest support from

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EDITORIAL

The Star-Gazers Do Not Star Very Well

A DISPATCH from Hollywood, Cal., dated July 13, to *The Nashville Banner*, reports the West Coast U. S. Association of Astrologers as saying: "Hitler has only six days of his 'time table of conquest' left. Next Friday the tide will begin to turn against him, leading him eventually to a violent death through intrigue, probably at the hands of a woman."

Recently an astrologer in another city predicted that between January and April, 1941, Germany would be defeated at the hands of England, with other nations associated with her, including the United States indirectly.

We would have been pleased for the defeat mentioned in the first prediction to have been fulfilled, but manifestly it was not. We would not express a hope for even Hitler's violent death, but we do wish for his decisive defeat. One wishes that the thing predicted in the second shall come to past quicker than the time specified. But no human being, as this is written, knows whether it will or not.

The star-gazers do not star very well. Credence in them is misplaced. While astrologers and other "fortune tellers" may sometimes chance to make a true prediction, they are fundamentally humbugs. The Word of God describes them as the agents of darkness and warns people to avoid them.

Totalitarianism in Tennessee

WEDNESDAY, September 11, a Knoxville paper carried the account of the arrest and jailing of a man for circulating a parody on one of Kipling's poems in which he reflected strongly on the President of the United States.

Personally, we feel that the parody used some language which was not proper. The Bible says, "Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler of thy people," which seems to have reference to insulting language. However, the man who circulated the parody was probably acting in his individual capacity only and proceeding more in fun than otherwise. We do not know. But even if he deserved to be censured for doing what he did, it hardly seems to call for imprisonment in jail, at least for the first offence.

The man was arrested and put in jail because he parodied the President. This is exactly the procedure in totalitarian countries. Criticise or make sport of the ruler and be arrested and put in prison or sent to a concentration camp. Granting that the man deserved censure, his particular offence seems hardly to call for the treatment he received. The next thing we know the cartoonists who caricature those in authority will be put in jail!

We read the parody. We do not think the man ought to have circulated it, especially with some of the terms it used. But on the

other hand, we don't like to see the totalitarian spirit prevail in our state either—or elsewhere in the country. And this incident is but one of many instances of an all too marked drift toward totalitarianism in the country in recent years.

The Old, Old Story

GOD HAS His gospel. Satan has "another gospel: which is not another," (Gal. 1:6,7) but which is a substitute for the other. Probably there have never been as many of these substitutes clamoring for the attention of men as there are today. People need to be able to distinguish between the true and the false. "Try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world" (I John 4:1).

People who are already grounded in gospel truth do not need discussions along this line. Those not thus grounded do need them. It may be also that some lost soul may chance to read and be helped toward Christ. Moreover, a repeated emphasis on the gospel needs to be placed for the benefit of certain new readers who come on the scene from time to time.

All the Bible is true. But not all the Bible is the *gospel*. Compared with the whole range of divine revelation, the gospel is a limited body of truth. It is composed exclusively of saving truth. It is "the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation" (Eph. 1:13).

In I Cor. 15:1-3, Paul defines the gospel as meaning "that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." It is made up of revealed truths with a revealed meaning. It is not a set of statements and interpretations and conclusions arrived at by human reasoning on earthly premises. This process can result in only "another gospel: which is not another," a Satanic substitute for the truth. The gospel is "according to the scriptures" in statement, meaning, interpretation and presentation.

The gospel is not made up of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ simply as historical occurrences. It is made up of these facts according to the Scriptures, and the Scriptures give these facts a *redemptive meaning*.

In the Bible the death of Christ is unquestionably presented as having been "for our sins" in a substitutionary, atonement transaction. He "bore our sins in his own body" and "suffered, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God." So also the Bible presents the resurrection of Christ as having been literal and bodily and as having been "for our justification" to the intent that by the imputed righteousness of the Savior "we might be made the righteousness of God in him." Prideful man may deny this teaching and think to explain it away, but beyond all peradventure this is the gospel "according to the scriptures," and nothing else is.

These redemptive truths imply and require as associated doctrines the doctrines which show how the work of Christ is appropriated. Scripture presents these as being repentance and faith without any plusses of character or works on the sinner's part as further conditions of salvation (Acts 20:21; Eph. 2:8,9). Likewise, the results of this appropriation are implied and required corollaries. The gospel means "good news," as the word itself indicates. It is the good news of eternal salvation through Christ "by grace . . . through faith . . . not of yourselves . . . not of works." Anything less than this and anything more than this is "another gospel: which is not another."

Satanic Opposition to the Gospel

SATAN HAS his baser characteristics. But he is also a *religionist*. As such, he is "the god of this world" (II Cor. 4:4) and has "his ministers" (II Cor. 11:13,14) and has his churches, "the synagogues of Satan" (Rev. 3:9) and has his gospel, "another gospel: which is not another" (Gal. 1:6,7). Thus he poses as "an angel of light" (II Cor. 11:14).

But the religion of Satan is a counterfeit, which he seeks to substitute for the true religion. For instance, II Cor. 11:13,14 shows that he advocates "righteousness." But when the matter is examined

in the light of God's Word and its statements and propositions are tested, it is seen that the righteousness which he proposes is self-righteousness, which is on the non-atonement, non-grace basis and is offered as a substitute for the imputed righteousness of Christ bestowed in response to faith "without works." The principle here applies all along the line of the Satanic religion.

A counterfeit has and must have some elements of genuineness in it else it would have no deceptive effect at all. Consequently, Satan's system of religion frequently exhibits a considerable array of truths and other things that are good in themselves. But these are employed only as credentials whereby Satan seeks to get men to accept his counterfeit instead of the truth of God. He puts these things on such a basis and so combines them with error that the result is a subtle counterfeit religion.

The pet hatred of the devil is the gospel of grace (II Cor. 4:3,4). He cares not (in fact, he favors it) how many truths a man may proclaim and how many "good" things may be done just so the truth of the atoning cross and of salvation by grace is left out or perverted. He is relentlessly averse to "the offence of the cross," and he works this for all that it is worth among men. His purpose in all this is to keep sinners blinded to "the redemption which is in Christ Jesus."

Satan employs a variety of means to accomplish this end, if possible. He deceives sinners into thinking that they are "good." He endeavors to get them to think that they can be saved in whole or in part by works instead of entirely by grace. So far as the cross being an atonement transaction meeting in our stead the demerit of our utterly hellish sins and sinfulness, oh, no, not at all! The devil will have none of that. Satan wants sinners to endeavor to go to heaven on the basis of their character and works instead of by way of the cross in the spirit of the penitent publican, "God be merciful to me a sinner."

Thus through "his ministers," his "synagogues" and his "gospel," Satan endeavors to put over a substitute for the truth and the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Hence, just because a teaching or a movement claims to be of God and appears beautiful and proclaims certain truths and does certain good deeds is no necessary proof that it is of God. It may be only a Satanic counterfeit dressed up to make it look like the real thing. The supreme test of a man or a movement claiming to be religious is *what is the gospel that is proclaimed thereby?*

If one preaches salvation on the basis of the atoning cross and by grace through faith without additional conditions, well and good. If not, then whatever may be his culture and persuasiveness and sincerity, he is one of the deceived ministers of Satan, and his message instead of saving the souls of men will damn them, if they continue to depend upon it. The greatest of all dangers is a religious danger—deception by Satan's counterfeit offered in opposition to the gospel of grace.

"Speak They of the World"

OF CERTAIN RELIGIONISTS of his day whose system of teaching was not in accord with revealed truth, John said that "They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them" (I John 4:5). The statement applied particularly to those who taught wrong views of the person and work of our Lord and thus proclaimed a false gospel.

"The world" here means the world order or system. This order has, of course, its baser side. But it also has its approved "religion" in many forms under the direction of Satan, "the god of this world." This religion is in opposition to the gospel of the atoning cross and salvation by grace.

The teachers of false religion "are of the world." They are of the world in nature, viewpoint, doctrine and destiny. Posing as "the ministers of righteousness," they set forth a religion on the non-atonement basis and as a substitute for the grace-religion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

These people "speak of the world." Their themes and reasoning and speech are approved by the world system and by worldly people. When they deal with religious matters, they so present and

interpret these things as to be in harmony with the viewpoint and interpretation of the world order. "Therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them." They are very popular with those whose beliefs are determined by human reasoning and sentiment instead of by the Word of God.

But the apostle says of those who stand for the old revealed faith that "We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that knoweth not God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth and the spirit of error."

The disciple of the world's religion may accord the preacher of the gospel of grace the personal courtesy of listening to him. But from a doctrinal viewpoint he does not hear him appreciatively or in a receiving frame of mind. He inwardly scorns the truth and he may show it outwardly. On the other hand, those not blinded by Satan are responsive to the message. But to those who are keyed to the Satanic "religion" the old revealed faith is "naive" or "outmoded" or "intellectually repugnant" or "rationally absurd."

One who sets forth God's truth may have a large and appreciative hearing among those with the love of the truth in their hearts and those with minds favorably disposed toward the truth. But where the world order holds its normal sway, if one proclaims what is called the gospel and still remains widely popular with all classes of sinners and religionists in general, the clear indication is that he does not set forth the truth as God has revealed it. Now one may be personally popular with some people and doctrinally unpopular with them. But if one is constantly and widely popular with both grace and anti-grace religionists, then he does not proclaim a pure gospel.

No man should be personally offensive. But there is nothing Satan hates like he does the gospel of grace. Those keyed to his religion partake of his hatred. If, therefore, one is conspicuous for his popularity from the viewpoint of *his gospel*, he may well search his heart to see if he is not imbued with "the spirit of error" instead of "the spirit of truth."

The Associations

THE WEEK of September 3 witnessed several associations.

Dyer County met with Parrish Chapel Church, near Dyersburg, J. G. Cooper, pastor. W. W. Webb as moderator and Mrs. Carrie Belle Wilson as clerk-treasurer were the officers chosen. Geo. R. Ferguson, pastor of the First Church, Covington, Ky., assisting Pastor Vollmer and the First Church, Dyersburg, in a meeting, preached the annual sermon, an earnest, instructive message on "The Church of minimums," John 16:24.

Gibson County met with Oak Grove Church, near Trenton. The name of the pastor is not at hand. H. J. Huey was the moderator, N. D. Guy clerk, and I. H. Perry, treasurer. We did not get to hear the sermon. There was the largest attendance we have seen at the second day's session of an association in many years.

Crockett County met with Cairo Church, near Alamo. W. E. Moore, pastor. C. L. Brown, moderator, R. J. Williams, assistant moderator, and J. W. Cunningham, clerk-treasurer, were the officers chosen. R. J. Williams preached the sermon on Ecc. 3:14, a really good sermon.

Madison County met with Pleasant Plains Church, near Jackson, W. E. Perry, pastor. Moderator R. E. Guy and Clerk L. G. Frey were in their places. For the sermon Ralph Kerley poured out his soul in an earnest and moving message on "More Than Conquerors," Rom. 8:37.

McNairy County met with Good Hope Church, near Savannah, H. P. Littlefield, pastor. Moderator T. E. Murdaugh and Clerk Walter Warmath were in their places. We did not get to hear the sermon.

Lawrence County met with Liberty Grove Church, near Loretto, T. J. Moulton, pastor, and elected C. W. Vaughn moderator, S. H. Lewis assistant moderator, and E. S. Roberts clerk. For the annual sermon W. W. Stockman preached an earnest message on "The Seven Golden Candlesticks" in Rev. 1.

At each place the attendance and spirit were fine and the hospitality abundant. The kingdom of the Lord is moving on.

Cornerstone Laid for Sunday School Board's New Building

By DON NORMAN, Nashville, Tenn.

NINTH AVENUE, NORTH, took on new life around four o'clock Monday afternoon, September 9.

A steady stream of Sunday School Board employees was filing onto the street in front of the new administration building which they hope to see completed by the middle of December or early January. Friends from town were gathering, too, as an indication of their interest in this definite stage of progress on the building. On instructions from Mayor Cummings, the police had cut off traffic on Ninth for the duration of the exercises.

At this hour, the focus of attention was not upon the building—which provided a perfect back-drop for the scene shortly to be enacted on its lower floor—but on the folk assembled there. All local members of the Sunday School Board, department heads of the Board's staff, Dr. Austin Crouch and Dr. Walter M. Gilmore of the Convention's Executive Committee, and others were standing in a sort of semi-circle on the platform.

The services were called to order by Judge J. B. Newman, chairman of the Cornerstone Laying Committee, who introduced Dr. W. F. Powell, president of the Sunday School Board for the past nineteen years, who presided over the rest of the program.

After the congregation had sung "How Firm a Foundation" under the direction of Mr. B. B. McKinney, Dr. Hight C. Moore, head of the Editorial Division, read appropriate verses of Scripture from Nehemiah, 2:18; the Psalm, 127:1, 7:24-25; Ephesians 2:19-22, and I Peter 2:6-7. Dr. Prince E. Burroughs, head of the Division of Education and Promotion, led the prayer.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, spoke of "the joy we all have in coming to this occasion." He mentioned particularly the work of Mr. M. E. Dunaway, oldest employee of the Board in point of service (49 years); Dr. I. J. Van Ness' many years of devoted service as editorial secretary and then as executive secretary until his retirement; and A. B. Smith's record as a member of the Board for 46 years.

AS DR. HOLCOMB READ the list, Dr. J. O. Williams, business manager, placed the following articles in the steel box, to be sealed in the center of the cornerstone:

A copy of each periodical, current issue, in the Sunday School Uniform Lesson series, the Baptist Training Union series, and the Story Paper series; a Bible published by the Board; the first History of the Board, by Dr. J. M. Frost, first executive secretary; the new History of the Board, "Fifty Fruitful Years," by Dr. P. E. Burroughs (in outline); first book published by the Board, "Life of Matthew T. Yates," by Dr. Charles E. Taylor; last book published by the Board, "Youth's Talents for Christ," by R. L. Middleton, secretary, accounting department; Southern Baptist Convention Annual, 1940; Handbook, 1940; Broadman Hymnal, 1940; copies of the first Convention Normal Study Course book and the last book published in present Teacher Training series, with list of all books in the new series; current book catalog; list of all employees of the Board; clipping from Sunday (Sept. 8, 1940) Nashville Tennessean, announcing cornerstone laying exercises; pictures of the first and last presidents of the Sunday School Board, Dr. W. R. L. Smith and Dr. W. F. Powell; pictures of the Board's four executive secretaries, Dr. J. M. Frost, Dr. T. P. Bell, Dr. I. J. Van Ness, and Dr. T. L. Holcomb; a silver coin, dated 1940; copy of program of laying of cornerstone; a picture of the new building; and names of the Building Committee: William Gupton, chairman; Dr. Doak S. Campbell, Dr. R. Kelly White, Howard E. Frost, W. Maxey Jarman, Dr. T. L. Holcomb, and Dr. J. O. Williams, secretary.

The cornerstone was laid by Judge Newman, Mr. Gupton, and Dr. L. S. Ewton, committee; Mr. Howard E. Frost, son of the Board's first executive secretary; and Mr. Dunaway.

The benediction was pronounced by Dr. I. J. Van Ness.

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everyone of us. BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR is a real denominational asset. From every quarter of the state come words of appreciation for the splendid improvements that have been made in the paper during recent months. Departmental leaders, pastors, and deacons know the value of the paper. We cannot afford to remain content with seeing its influence limited to a few thousand homes. It should reach at least six times as many, and a concerted, enthusiastic campaign to that end should put it in them.

I sincerely trust that the tremendous importance of the paper to our people may receive renewed emphasis from every pulpit in the state and from every departmental leader in our churches. Information is needed by all our people. Without it there will be no general and permanent enlistment in the program which we seek to carry on. Our people need to be taught the doctrines. However well the pastor may present a great doctrinal message, it needs to be fortified by the denominational paper. With the average person, to hear a thing stirs interest but does not implant lasting impressions. To hear a doctrinal message and then to follow it up with a strong editorial or contributed article on that subject makes possible the fixing of the teaching in the mind of the church member. Baptists need their paper as an ally of the pastor and teacher in the important matter of giving doctrinal stability to our people.

There needs to be developed among our church members a sense of need for information about kingdom affairs. The weakening spirit of loyalty to everything once held holy among Christians—marriage, home, childhood, virtue, chastity, law and order, country and flag— sorely needs bolstering today. The trend toward totalitarianism is striking hard at these last citadels of freedom and democracy. The religious journal must be depended upon to make a last stand on their behalf. But, unless it is going into the homes of its constituency, its voice will ring in vain. *The imperative need of every Baptist state paper, therefore, is for a chance to take its important, indispensable message to Baptist homes.*

III

THE PRESENT CAMPAIGN FOR INCREASED CIRCULATION of our state papers is a wise one. It should succeed. It must have the support of every church leader from the pastor down. When we are squandering our funds on every conceivable device which a commercialized age can invent to lure our money away from us, how can we keep from blushing when we complain at the pittance charged each week for the paper? And knowing the inevitable, inescapable relation between shallow living and thinking and the destructive climax which it always brings, how can we claim to have any degree of divine wisdom when we ignore this one medium of regular information about Satan, his allies and their destructive program, and about God's people and their glorious work—this one dependable ally of all who appeal to the world for holy living?

Let pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, Training Union and Missionary Union workers, and all deacons set to work immediately to lead our Baptist homes to have as one never-failing weekly visitor, the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. And do not forget that, if only these workers took the paper, its circulation would be four times larger than it now is!

OUR BAPTIST PAPERS serve every cause dear to the hearts of our people. Wisdom has fled from us if we do not support our editors and our papers. I take every one of them and read them every week. Let every pastor commit himself immediately to the task of putting his state paper in every home in his church. It will set every cause forward. I rejoice in the prospect of 500,000 circulation for our 18 state Baptist papers. We can do it. I pledge my very best effort.

—GEORGE W. TRUETT.

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Why Wait?

By LOUIE D. NEWTON, *Chairman*

Southern Baptist Convention Committee on Increased Circulation of State Baptist Papers.

HEARTENING LETTERS are coming in from the Editors and State Secretaries and from the State Committees in our united effort to increase the circulation of the 18 Southern Baptist State Papers to 500,000 by the Centennial of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1945.

Here, for example, is a letter from Editor F. M. McConnell of *The Baptist Standard*, enclosing proof copy of his leading editorial of August 29, in which he says to Texas Baptists:

"Why wait? *The Baptist Standard* office has already rolled out the harvesting machine and is ready to go after the 27,108 subscriptions the committee asks for Texas in five years. We want to get them in one year. Why wait?" Editor McConnell has already sent a schedule to each Association in Texas, showing number of subscriptions needed in that Association to reach the goal.

Brother R. F. Terrell, Circulation Manager of *The Baptist Courier*, writes a fine letter, stating that he is already in touch with every Association and church in South Carolina with their plan to raise their quota in that State. He enclosed a copy of their South Carolina appeal, which is very fine.

Editor E. C. Routh of *The Baptist Message* and State Secretary Andrew Potter have gone to work in dead earnest to raise Oklahoma quota. Letters from these brethren are most encouraging.

Space does not permit mention of the progress of the campaign in all of the states. I hope from time to time to make report of outstanding progress which will hearten the effort in all the states.

Why wait? Why not follow the example of Editor McConnell and Mrs. Seawell in Texas, and go after the respective state quotas this year? Here is a goal worthy of the very best effort of every pastor in the Southern Baptist Convention.

I make a prediction at the outset of this five-year effort: The church that doesn't co-operate will be the church that isn't asked—that isn't asked by the pastor. I believe we can have our Baptist papers in 500,000 homes before 1945 if the pastors will really take the lead. And where is the pastor who doesn't recognize the value of this effort?

Thank you, and may the blessings of our Father attend our every effort as we join hands and hearts in this blessed task for the furtherance of His Kingdom.

Westvue Church Dedicated

WITH ALL-DAY services and dinner on the ground and with a large crowd present, Westvue Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Rev. O. L. Nolen, pastor, was dedicated Sunday, September 8.

The exercises began at 10 a.m. with Dr. John D. Freeman, Executive Secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, delivering the dedication sermon. Pastor Nolen presided.



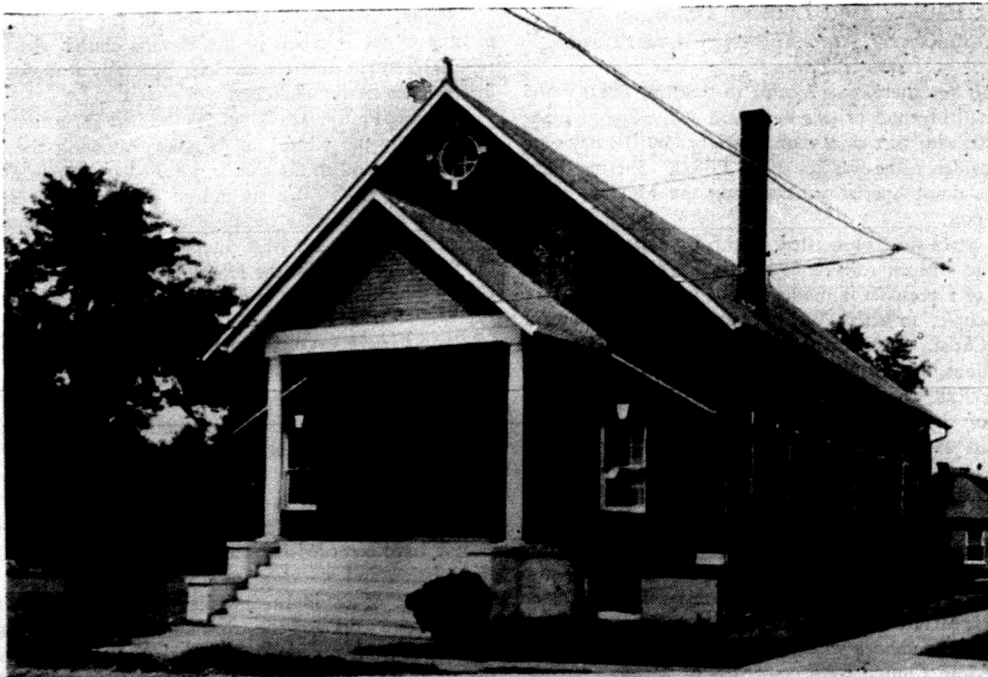
REV. O. L. NOLAN, Pastor
Westvue Baptist Church.

The Editor of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR spoke during the afternoon session. Other brief talks were by ministers and laymen of the Concord Baptist Association. It was not possible to get the names of all of these to give recognition to them.

In addition to his ministerial work, Rev. Nolen has held other positions of honor. He served his state as chaplain of the 65th General Assembly, was for many years chairman of the board of directors of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Tennessee, was moderator of the Concord Baptist Association and has been active in Masonic, Knight Templar and Eastern Star activities.

Prof. A. J. Brandon, Murfreesboro, closed the afternoon's services by calling for a song and handshake with Pastor and Mrs. Nolen at the front and pronouncing the benediction. It was good to be there.

Brother Nolen is founder and first pastor of the church. In addition to his ministerial work, he has served as chaplain of the General Assembly, chairman of the board of directors of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Tennessee and moderator of the Concord Baptist Association. He is also active in Masonic, Knight Templar and Eastern Star circles. Due to ill health, he gave up the pastorate of the church for a short time and moved to Fort Pierce, Fla. He returned last November.



WESTVUE BAPTIST CHURCH, 1940

News and Truths About Our Home Mission Work

August Receipts—Home Mission Board Southern Baptist Convention

Cooperative Program	\$17,895.83
Hundred Thousand Club	3,807.81
Annie Armstrong Offering	1,402.40
Designations	1,920.73
Total	\$25,026.77

New Missionaries Appointed

Four new missionaries, three for work among the Mexicans in Texas and one to the New Orleans field, were appointed by the Home Mission Board September 5.

Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Corder, who have had three years' experience in work among Mexicans, were named to fill a vacancy which has existed for a number of months in the Uvalde, Texas, Mexican field. Brother Corder, a college graduate who speaks Spanish fluently, and his wife will have at Uvalde a faithful nucleus who have maintained the work in the absence of a resident missionary.

The third worker named to the Mexican field is Rev. Roy Monzingo, who was designated to serve at Bonaldo, Texas.

Mrs. L. O. Cotey, after serving acceptably for a number of months as matron of the Women's Emergency Home in New Orleans, was appointed by the Board to continue in this position.

Closing Date Approaches on Poster Contest

Final date on the Y.W.A. poster contest sponsored by the Home Mission Board as announced in the early summer is October 1, 1940.

The contest, open to all Y.W.A. members, offers an award of \$15 for the winning poster design and \$10 for the second best. Posters are to illustrate the theme of the 1941 March Week of Prayer for Home Missions: "I am debtor . . . Am I ready?" (Rom. 1:14-15) or the theme of the week of prayer preparatory book, *The Trail of Seed*.

Posters to be considered must be definitely in line with the rules of the contest. These rules, and any further information desired, may be found in the June issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions* or in the June issue of the *Window of Y. W. A.*, or by writing to the Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Paul C. Bell Dies in Texas

By WALTER H. MCKENZIE, Pastor University Baptist Church, Austin, Texas.

Twenty-six years ago there came a bride to Bastrop, Texas. She had been reared in Bridgeport of this state, and at the age of nineteen had linked life with that of a young preacher by the name of Paul Bell. Her maiden name was Ida Perle Elliott. She met Paul Bell while he was doing special work among the Mexican mine workers in Bridgeport.

For twenty-six years this consecrated, faithful woman gave herself unstintedly, and without reserve, to the tasks which fell to her hands as the wife of a preacher, a mother in the home, a missionary to the Mexican people, an active W.M.U. worker, and a faithful servant of Jesus Christ. She organized one of the first Mexican W.M.U. organizations, and taught the first missionary study course ever taught to Mexican women. She was active in bringing about the organization of the Mexican W.M.U. in the state of Texas. On Sunday, August 25, the spirit of Mrs. Bell left her tired and afflicted body and went home to the Father's house. Mrs. Bell died in an Austin hospital following an operation, and complications therefrom.

The funeral for Mrs. Bell was held in the Mexican Baptist Church at Bastrop with Rev. Bonnie Grimes of the First Baptist Church there in charge, and with Rev. I. E. Gonzales, Rev. Buldain, and Rev. Walter H. McKenzie of Austin assisting.

Nearly half of the audience which filled the rather large auditorium of the Mexican Church were composed of Mexican people

who knew and loved Mrs. Bell with an unusual devotion because of her faithful ministry to them. Several beautiful songs were sung in the Spanish language.

Telegrams of sympathy were read from Dr. J. B. Lawrence of the Home Mission Board; Dr. R. C. Campbell, Executive Secretary of Texas Baptists; Mrs. E. F. Lyon, and others. Mrs. Bell is survived by her noble husband, seven children, step-mother, three sisters, and two brothers, and just as many friends as knew her. I feel that the sympathy and prayers of our Baptist hosts throughout the South will be given to Brother Bell and his fine children.

Navajos Hear Christian Funeral

A Navajo Indian on the field served by Rev. R. A. Pryor was given a Christian burial recently by his relatives and the Baptist missionary, hardly one year after he had been won to Christ. Before his death he expressed a willingness to die and enter that "Beautiful Home."

Navajos other than the man's family stood off at a distance while the funeral was being conducted, but they heard every word that the missionary said and every song that was sung.

"The seed is being sown," writes Brother Pryor, "and in due time outward progress will be seen."

Institute Brings Inspiration to Cuban Pastors

By HERBERT CAUDILL, Missionary in Cuba.

One of the most consecrated Cuban pastors said of the Pastor's Institute: "We come from our fields discouraged and disheartened. We spend a week together with brethren who have had the same experiences during the year that we have. We hear messages such as those brought by Dr. J. W. Beagle, and we rededicate our lives to Christ. We return to our homes with a new spirit to continue our labors in Christ's name."

I believe that this expression represents the feeling of all the ministers who attended the Institute in Havana the week of July 5-11. This was one of the most successful institutes we have ever held. Only four of our pastors were absent, two of them being in the United States, one of them is ill, and the other rarely leaves his home.

Splendid interest was shown in the classes. Perhaps it was well that the afternoons were left free, so that mornings and nights could be dedicated wholly to the work of the week.

Besides the pastors and a few of the pastors' wives, quite a number of the members of the Havana church attended the classes regularly, and at different services, especially at night, members came in from the nearby churches.

Possibly Philippians 4:19 was the text for a number of sermons preached by the pastors on Sunday following the Institute. Dr. Beagle came and in his own way called us to rely implicitly on the promises of God. We are indeed glad that Dr. Beagle came our way, for he brought a blessing with him. We were inspired and encouraged to put our trust completely in the Lord.

We want to thank the Home Mission Board for making it possible for us to have our preacher's institute.

Finds Great Possibilities in New Field

Possibilities for the Chinese work in El Paso are very great, writes Miss Viola Campbell in one of her first statements to the Board since she has begun her work on the field there. She rejoices that her first weeks have been filled with new and enriching experiences which have made her feel more confidently than ever that the Lord led her to that definite work.

The new worker is grateful for the cordial reception which the people have accorded her and says that she is very happy living in the mission and working for her Lord.

"Those of us in the mission meet every morning at 8:30 to pray for our work and the work all over our Southland," she writes. "We need your prayers too, for wisdom and guidance to carry on the work here."

To Publish Partial Reports of Southern Baptists

The Bureau of the Census has given me official notice that they will publish the partial reports from Southern Baptist churches, received in the 1936 Census of Religious Bodies. In order that the brotherhood and the public may understand this matter fully, I am publishing herewith the final letters from our office and that of the Bureau of the Census:

May 6, 1940.

Dr. T. F. Murphy
Records of Religious Statistics
Bureau of the Census
Washington, D. C.
Dear Doctor Murphy:

Please pardon my delay in answering yours of April 20th, with enclosure. It came at precisely that time of the year when I must, each year, recheck the statistics of the 25,000 Baptist churches now reporting through my office. Also, I have delayed answering in the hope of conferring with Southern Baptist leaders touching this matter, which all of us regard as most serious.

Suffice it to say, there are three compelling reasons why I can not approve the statistical report of the Southern Baptist Convention which you present to me in first proof sheets covering the findings of 1936 Census of Religious Bodies:

1. You are very well aware of the fact that this statistical report of the Southern Baptist Convention is at best only a partial report of the religious forces affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention in 1936—that many (fully one-third) of the churches affiliated with our Convention refused outright to report their statistics to your office. Surely you do not mean to present this report, without footnote or explanation of any kind, as if it contained the statistics of all the churches affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention!

2. But what is even more serious, against my specific and urgent request of you personally, you had printed, along with the schedules, the threat of punishment (which the law provides) against any of the churches which might refuse to report their statistics to your Department. I know that you will recall that at our meeting of the church statisticians at Washington, D. C., I warned you that if this were done our Southern Baptist churches would not only rebel and refuse co-operation with your office, but that they would "throw me out" for asking them to co-operate with your office. So, your office must bear the blame of deliberately arousing and challenging the rights of the churches, and securing antagonism instead of co-operation.

3. And you must allow me to remind you that, beginning on June 7, 1936, I once and again wrote you and tendered to you or any representative you might send to Nashville, all the printed records in my office, as statistician of Southern Baptists, in order to complete your reports of the Southern Baptist Convention—printed minutes of all the district associations and state conventions affiliated with this Convention, which we gather here in our office from year to year.

In fact, the files of my correspondence with you covering this matter, show that when the funds of your office were exhausted, I went further and offered you the privilege of coming to Nashville and selecting any three or four employees in my office you might choose, and allowing you to place them under oath as your own working force and to permit you to use them as long as you needed them in order to complete the returns from Southern Baptist churches—without any charge against the Government whatever.

I also called your attention to the fact that the Act of Congress authorizing this survey calls for a *Survey of Religious Bodies* and does not make it mandatory on your office to go to every local congregation; and I specially and repeatedly offered you every document and every facility in my office to complete your records. Did you ever come to Nashville or send any representative from your office to Nashville to go over these printed documents? No, you never came for this purpose, nor did you ever send anyone.

Surely you do not now propose to go ahead and publish this partial

report under review, and make no explanation whatever, leaving the public to presume that you are presenting full and trustworthy report of the statistics of the whole Southern Baptist Convention? Please advise me on this point.

Cordially yours,

E. P. ALLDREDGE,

Secretary Survey, Statistics and Information.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

Washington, June 4, 1940

E. P. ALLDREDGE, M.A., D.D.,
Secretary, Department Survey,
Statistics and Information,

Southern Baptist Convention,
161 Eighth Avenue, North,
Nashville, Tennessee.

DEAR DR. ALLDREDGE:

Your letter of May 6 to Dr. Murphy of this Bureau, relative to the publication of the material which we have secured for the Southern Baptist Convention, has been called to my attention.

I have carefully considered the situation as it relates to the Southern Baptist Convention, and have decided to publish the material collected at the Census of Religious Bodies for 1936. A statement will be included to the effect that we realize these data are incomplete, but the statistics represent all we have been able to procure from the pastors or clerks of the churches in this denomination.

The Southern Baptist Convention* was the only organization which took a denominational stand against the 1936 Census of Religious Bodies, and their failure to furnish us with reports after repeated requests makes the data of little comparative value.

I sincerely regret the incompleteness of these returns, especially as the report for the Southern Baptist Convention for 1926 was, in our opinion, a most excellent one.

Very truly yours,

W. L. AUSTIN,
Director.

*Of course the Convention took no such action as this; but only some of the churches stood on their rights and refused to release the schedules. E. P. Alldredge.

Schedule of Associational Meetings for 1940

SEPTEMBER

Date—Association	Church	Location
19. Watauga	Roan Mountain	Roan Mountain
19. Holston Valley	Hickory Grove	5 miles from Rogersville
20. Beech River	Hepzibah	6 miles west of Lexington
20. Maury County	Allensville	
21. Maury County	Cross Bridges	
20. Indian Creek	Sharon	Near Savannah
24. Campbell County	Glade Springs	LaFollette
25. Stewart County	Dover	Dover
26. Clinton	Clinton, 1st	Clinton
26. Duck River	Rutledge Falls	
27. Giles County	New Zion	

OCTOBER

2. New Salem	Silver Point	Rt. 2, Putnam County
3. Stone	Monterey	Monterey
4. Riverside	Creston	Creston
5. Judson	Maple Grove	
6. Weakley County	Central, Martin	Martin
8. Northern	Warwick Chapel	
8. Cumberland	Clarksburg, 1st	Clarksburg
10. Beulah	Macedonia	2 1/2 miles east of Kenton
10. Western District	Oak Hill	4 miles northwest of Paris
11. West Union	Pine Grove	Rt. 1, Winfield
11. Southwestern Dis.	Caledonia	Como Road, McKenzie
15. Shelby County	McLean Boulevard	Memphis
15. Knox County	Fifth Avenue	Knoxville
15. Ocoee	Big Spring	Cleveland
16. Polk County	Old Ocoee	Benton
17. Sweetwater	Vonore	Vonore
17. New River	Lone Mountain	Robbins
23. Wiseman	Red Hill	4 miles northeast of Haystack and 12 miles north of LaFayette
24. Nashville	Franklin	Franklin

NOTE: We do not have copies of the following minutes: Enon, Hiwassee. Please send two copies to Executive Board, Tennessee Baptist Convention, 149 Sixth Avenue, North, Nashville, at once. If there is any error in the above list, please send correction.

The Sunday School Lesson

By MERRILL D. MOORE, President, Tennessee College, MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE

LESSON FOR SEPTEMBER 29, 1940

THE CHRISTIAN AND HIS MONEY

THE LESSON: Proverbs 11 and Luke 16:1-13. The Printed Text: Proverbs 11:24-31 and Luke 16:11-13.

THE GOLDEN TEXT: "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven" Matt. 6:20.

"Don't Part With Your Money!" is the injunction of an article appearing in the *Watchman Examiner* sometime ago by F. W. Starling. He said "a fool and his money are soon parted! Don't be one. Your money was not readily acquired. It should not be carelessly handled or recklessly dissipated in exchange for trifling values. . . . You are parted from your money when you throw it to the gambler or to the vender of the unnecessary accessories of a shallow existence. . . . Be courageously firm and withstand all the teasing tricks of this money-grabbing generation. 'There are no pockets in a shroud,' but there is a way by which you may have such a tenacious hold on your money that the mighty hand that strips the millionaire shall have no power to part you. The only way in which this is possible is by investing your money in a career that will never cease to do business and will never recess from paying dividends. The secret resides also in the fact that you and your money are invested together. The investment can never fail, and you can never fail so long as Jesus Christ, who is your security, lives. Keep your money by investing it in the cause of Christ."

The Bible is so clear in its teachings about the Christian and his money, but so many of us who are Christians have not been faithful to Christ in this important sphere. There is a Christian doctrine of stewardship, just as there is a Christian doctrine of regeneration, sanctification, baptism, the Lord's Supper, or the second coming. This doctrine holds and teaches that:

I. ALL THAT WE ARE AND HAVE BELONG TO GOD.

We are told that "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" (Gen. 1:1); "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof, the world, and they that dwell therein" (Psalm 24:1); "The silver is mine and the gold is mine" (Hag. 2:8); "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and cometh down from the Father" (James 1:17).

There is nothing we have, use or are which is not from above, coming down from the Father. The athlete's physique is from above; the scholar's mentality is from above; beauty of form and attractiveness of personality are from above; wealth and power to get wealth are from above. We are therefore to glorify God with all these, which are His.

II. WE ARE HIS STEWARDS AND MUST RENDER AN ACCOUNTING TO HIM FOR THE USE OF IT ALL.

In Matthew 25:14-30 we learn that as the three servants were compelled to render an accounting of their use of the talents intrusted to them, so every one of us must give an account of ourselves unto God. What has the athlete done with his body? He must give an account unto God. What has the scholar done with his intellect? He must give an account unto God. What has the attractive person done with her or his attractions? They must give an account unto God. What has one done with his wealth, great or small? He must give an account unto God.

III. A STATED PORTION IS TO BE RETURNED TO THE LORD.

This is to be done as a recognition of His ownership and our stewardship, and is to be used for the purposes of His Kingdom.

We find in Genesis 14:20 that tithing was practiced before the

Mosaic law was given. It was before the Law, and is in effect yet, after the Law "was made of none effect." As has been frequently pointed out, the Law commanded the tithe, and Jesus commanded it by commending it (Matt. 23:23).

No true Christian will seek to give God less than a tithe. One who does is like the star boarder who married the lady who kept the boarding house, and then said, "My darling, I will board for nothing from now on. I won't have to pay you the ten dollars a week, neither shall I pay the grocery bill, but to show my appreciation I will give you a crisp dollar bill every Saturday night anyhow!"

IV. ALL THE REMAINDER OF ONE'S RESOURCES ARE TO BE USED IN CHRISTIAN WAYS.

All one's skill, all one's abilities, all one's capital is to be used in ways that are in keeping with His will and will be to His glory. The nine-tenths is just as important as the one-tenth.

The tithe is consecrated unto the Lord, but the total is sacred unto Him as well.

What has a man profited if he does give his tithe on Sunday, but uses the nine-tenths in ways that hinder righteousness and promote evil on the other days?

The Christian gives full proof of his profession when he recognizes God's ownership, admits his own stewardship responsibility, gives the tithe unto the Lord for His work, and lives a life and utilizes his full powers in ways which promote righteousness and build the Kingdom of God.

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Dear Boys and Girls:

"He shall drink of the brook in the way; therefore shall he lift up the head." So the Psalmist writes of the Messiah. A man, soldier or traveler, tired, exhausted, comes upon a brook in the way, stops, drinks, rests a while, is refreshed, revived, lifts up his head with restored strength and energy. How true that was of Jesus, but he explained: "My meat is to do the will of him who sent me." He had found a "brook in the way."

Isn't that something of a common human experience? Both the weariness and the refreshment? Certainly the weariness is. Mind and spirit dry, exhausted—no interest, no zest, no enthusiasm. Isn't it one of the meanings of religion that in times like that it should be found a "brook in the way," refreshing, reviving, restoring energy and zest and enthusiasm? That is what the writer of the 23rd Psalm experienced. "He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul."

Many a sentence in the Bible ought to be just such a "brook in the way." Jesus often found in prayer that reviving of spirit that he needed. Ought not every service of worship at church be just such a "brook in the way" to tired and weary worn men and women?

These words are from an editorial by Dr. J. M. Burnett, editor of the *Baptist Courier*, another state paper. I wanted to give them to you because on our page this week you will see and learn of a YOUNG SOUTH "brook in the way." If you will read the article under the picture "Long Time Ago" by Miss Mary Northington you will find out about this "brook in the way" and below her article you will see the first letter received from Mrs. Maynard from Japan, and which was printed on the YOUNG SOUTH page of our January 10, 1895 issue. We do not have the space to print all of her letter this week so it will be continued next week.

Miss Lucie Johnson, a BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR subscriber, writes, "I have been reading the Baptist paper since childhood. I was a member of the YOUNG SOUTH for many years and cherish the memory of Mrs. Laura Dayton Eakin, the editor of that page at that time. The members of the YOUNG SOUTH supported Mrs. Bessie Maynard, missionary to Japan. I sometimes wear my YOUNG SOUTH pin, the official badge with the monogram 'Y. S.' on it."

I am sure that you, as well as I, will be interested in knowing about what our YOUNG SOUTH has done in the past. Be sure to make a section in your scrapbook for this.

Keep on writing. I shall print your letters as fast as I can.

Your friend,

Aunt Polly

Madisonville, Tenn.

Dear Aunt Polly:

I am a boy 17 years old. I am going to school at Bethlehem School. I am in the seventh grade. I like to go to school. I like to study Spelling, Reading and English. There are two boys in our class and two girls. We play ball at school. We have been beaten two times this year and won one game. I like to play ball.

Yours truly,

LEE HICKS.

I am glad that you like to go to school, Lee. Do you think your school will win the next ball game?



DEAR MRS. MAYNARD'S HOUSE

LONG TIME AGO

Once upon a time, a long time ago, the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR had an editor of the YOUNG SOUTH page whose name was "Aunt Nora." She decided that the best way to get the children interested in missions was to adopt a missionary and pay her salary which was \$50.00 a month. Mrs. Nathan Maynard, of Japan, was the missionary selected. She was born in Tennessee and was living among people who had never heard of Jesus. Mrs. Maynard frequently wrote letters to Aunt Nora and these were published so we could all know about the work of our missionary. The Sunbeam bands were especially interested and sent gifts monthly for dear Mrs. Maynard.

I was treasurer of the Sunbeam band in my church and well do I remember watching for the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR so I could see my letter in the paper telling of the Clarksville Sunbeam Band. Mrs. Maynard was a most important person to us.

There is a book now "Mrs. Maynard's House" written by one who sent money to the YOUNG SOUTH when she was a little girl. Her father was editor of the North Carolina paper and as he received all the other Baptist papers she and her sisters would read in the Tennessee paper the YOUNG SOUTH page. She helped Tennessee children build a house for Mrs. Maynard in Japan and when she grew to be a woman she married Rev. Calder Willingham and went to Japan as a missionary and lived in that very house.

The Intermediates will enjoy reading "Mrs. Maynard's House." You can get it from the Baptist Book Store, 161-8th Avenue, North, Nashville, for fifty cents.

Some day when you get older you will be glad to remember that you brought your tithes and offerings to missions even when you were very young. It is a joy to be a partner of the missionaries.

MARY NORTHINGTON.

LETTER FROM MRS. MAYNARD, JAPAN

January 10, 1895 issue BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR.

My Dear Little Friends of the Young South:—Ere this time we have become acquainted through my letter written to you from Tacoma. What a long, long time it has been since, and through how many varied scenes have I passed! I wish I had time and Bro. Folk had room in his paper for me to tell you all about them, but we young people must not weary the older ones with our trash. While it is a new experience to us, to many of them it is not.

Soon after closing my letter to you we embarked on the steamer "Tacoma." While passing out of Puget Sound we had a quiet sea, and I could enjoy fully the beauty of its peaceful waters. But the second day found us out upon the Pacific, with dark clouds above us, angry billows around us, and not even a dim outline of our loved America. There was a troubled feeling within us, too, children. Do you wonder that our hearts ached? But they did not; they were all right, strong and hopeful, resting upon the precious promise, "Lo, I am with you." No, the trouble was below the region of the heart; there is a dainty little French name for it, *Mal de Mer*, but we homely folks call it "sea sickness." Ask some one who has had it to tell you of it; no one could who has not. I came so near escaping entirely that I fear I cannot do it justice. I sympathized with the rest of our party one-half of one day, and then concluded that I had enough of it. If I could only persuade Mr. Maynard to tell you his experience, how highly entertained you little folks would be! But isn't it funny he does not like to talk about it?

[To be continued next week.]

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To Head Baptist Brotherhood

ABOVE WE PRESENT MR. E. K. WILEY, who has been chosen by the Administrative Committee of the Executive Board to head the Baptist Brotherhood of Tennessee.

Mr. Wiley is a native of Henry County, having been born near Paris. He received his high school certificate from the school at Manleyville and, upon moving to McKenzie, had two years in Bethel College at that place. Lack of funds forced him to give up study, and he entered a grocery store in McKenzie, where he was "graduated" into retail business and from there into the wholesale grocery business, serving for several years as manager of the Lovelace-Farmer Wholesale Grocery Company of McKenzie.

Mr. Wiley receives the highest praise from his church in McKenzie which he has served faithfully as deacon, chairman of the deacons, and teacher of a men's Bible class. He has been chairman of the Carroll County Red Cross, and for the past four years has served as moderator of Carroll County Association.

In accepting the work he says, "I had rather have the position of Brotherhood Secretary than any other position that could come to me. I realize, of course, that it is a big job for me. However, if the Lord is in it, and I believe He is, I know that we will be able to accomplish great things for our churches and the denomination. Our pastors must take the lead, but the great army of laymen must follow."

BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR welcomes him to the fellowship of our state workers and Mr. Jesse Daniel, who has been acting as Brotherhood Secretary, gladly releases the work and responsibility to his strong shoulders.

Sunday School Department Welcomes Mr. W. K. Wiley

WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE Mr. W. K. Wiley of McKenzie as the brotherhood leader of our state. Mr. Wiley has had experience in this phase of our Baptist work and is giving his full time to it. He is ready to help you in promoting laymen's work in your church.

For many years this work has been under the Sunday School Department, but now the new Department has been formed, and Mr. Wiley will have full charge of it. I congratulate Tennessee upon having him as their leader.

JESSE DANIEL.

Consolation Corner

By J. LUTHER McALEILEY

The 23rd Psalm, doubtless, is carried in the memories of more men, women and children than any other full chapter in the Bible; yet how few have meditated deeply upon the refreshing and assuring parts of that gem of sacred literature!

In the King James Version there are 6 verses; 118 words; 92 are words of one syllable, 21 are words of two syllables and 5 of three syllables. Think of that and ponder the simplicity of it.

The personal meaning of this remarkable poem is shown by 28 pronouns; 17 of the first person, referring to the reader; 5 of the second person and 6 of the third, referring to God.

Only two persons are mentioned, the reader and God.

Do you want a thrill to sweep your heart? Read this psalm aloud, calling your own name wherever a first-personal pronoun appears.

This Psalm is a complete sermon: Verse 1 is the text; all the rest the sermon. WHY shall I not want? Because the Lord is my shepherd. WHAT shall I not want? Comfort of body, verse 2; Comfort of spirit and guidance of actions, verse 3; Comfort in sorrow and bereavement, verse 4; Calmness and plenty in the presence of those who would injure me, verse 5. WHEN shall I not want? All the days of my life on earth and all through eternity, verse 6; my Shepherd's two great watch-dogs, *Goodness and Mercy*, follow me through life and after I leave this life, I shall live forever in the very presence of my Shepherd. Amen.

Book Reviews

Life's Best. Sermons by Louisiana Baptist Ministers. Western Baptist Publishing Co. Price \$1.00.

Dr. A. E. Prince of Louisiana compiled fifteen sermons by Baptist ministers of Louisiana. The first one, *Life's Best*, by Dr. Herndon, gives the name to the book. The sermons are largely evangelistic. They are sound doctrinally and contain many helpful illustrations.

While all the sermons are by Louisiana pastors, not one of the men was born in Louisiana. Dr. Dodd and Rev. Luther Hastings are Tennesseans and others have held Tennessee pastorates and are graduates of Union University.

Some of the subjects used are "The Waste of Sin," "What Shall I Do With Jesus?", "Back to Bethel," "The Measure of True Greatness," "In His Blessed Keeping." The reading of these sermons stimulates the desire in any real Christian to become a more earnest soulwinner. Though each sermon is by a different minister, the theme in all is the lost condition of the sinner and the way to eternal life.

From *LIFE'S BEST*, the first sermon, to "The Journey's End," the last message, we see anew "that our universal human experience is

transformed and glorified by the blessed light of the gospel of Christ."

—MARY NORTINGTON.

The Science of Religion by Charles L. Cart. Published by The Christopher Publishing Co., Boston, 1940. 157 pp. Price \$1.75.

We judge from this book that the author is one whom people in trouble consult. There is a questionnaire in the end of the book which those desiring his help may fill out and mail to him with \$2.00. It is rather poor science and poorer religion. It is another of the thousands of efforts which have been made in recent years to curry favor with both religion and science—carrying water on both shoulders—whatever that may mean, and is accompanied by the same disaster. "I would thou wert cold or hot." Such treatment may give temporary relief, just as an opiate, but opiates do not cure. "Ye must be born again," and "except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God," and, apart from citizenship in the kingdom there is no peace. One will never find the kingdom following the teachings of this book.

—J. C. MILES.

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Convention President

Silver Anniversary to be Observed in Tennessee

ON NOVEMBER 27-28-29 in the city of Chattanooga the 25th Training Union Convention for Tennessee will be held. At this time all former state presidents and state secretaries will be honor guests. Invitations have been extended to the following individuals who served on the first convention program to be our guests of honor on Wednesday night:

Miss Anne Cooper
Mrs. H. D. Bedon (Miss Eleanor Gardner)
Mr. Earl Robinson
Miss Louise Russell
Mr. Ernest Holt
Mr. V. B. Filson
Mr. Walter Craighead
Mr. George Mitchell
Mrs. Sadie Tiller Crawley
Mr. M. E. Ward
Dr. R. M. Enloe
Mr. Randall Stewart
J. E. Skinner
Dr. I. J. Van Ness
C. H. Cosby
Wesley Dodson
J. E. Lambdin
Mrs. Frank H. Leavell (Miss Martha Boone)
Dr. Frank H. Leavell
Dr. Austin Crouch

This year the main features of the program will be inspirational addresses by Mr. Arthur Flake, Dr. Frank H. Leavell, Dr. Austin Crouch, Dr. R. Kelly White, Dr. John H. Buchanan, Dr. John D. Freeman, Mr. E. E. Lee, Dr. R. G. Lee, Mr. J. L. Kraft, Mr. J. E. Lambdin, Dr. T. W. Ayers, and Dr. C. Roy Angell.

The devotionals will be a highlight of the convention. They will be in charge of Mr. W. D. Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harwood, and Miss Julia Harwood. This feature will be the spraying of a picture while music is being furnished on the xylophone and with a vocal solo.

Wednesday night special recognition will be given those who appeared on the program during these twenty-five years. If information is known about individuals who have appeared on these programs in the early part of the organization, notify State Training Union Headquarters immediately. Any pictures or souvenir programs from conventions during these twenty-five years should be forwarded to Training Union Headquarters immediately.

Music will be featured in a very outstanding manner. Mr. Sterling Price of Carson-Newman and Miss Evelyn Marney will have charge of the entire congregational singing. Many features of special numbers will be given, among which will be the A Cappella Choir of Carson-Newman College; a special trio is being engaged to sing during the meditation at the close of each service.

Conference leaders will play a very important part on these programs. Among the conference leaders will be Dr. W. A. Keel, Dr. W. R. Rigell, Mrs. Frank H. Leavell, Mrs. Sadie Tiller Crawley, Mrs. J. E. Lambdin, Mr. Henry C. Rogers, Miss Roxie Jacobs, Mr. Jake Edmunds, Mr. William Hall Preston, Mr. Lawrence Trivette, and others.

Special messages will be given to us by Mrs. Louisa Carroll and Mr. Harold Gregory.

Further announcements will be made from time to time on this page about the meeting. Plan now to attend. The entertainment is on the pay plan. Write direct to hotels in Chattanooga for reservation. Registration fee is fifty cents. An attendance of 4,000 is expected.

Study Course Awards for August, 1940

DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST the following study course awards were issued to the following churches:

BEULAH ASSOCIATION	
Mt. Olive	19
Tiptonville	86
BIG EMORY ASSOCIATION	
Cumberland Homesteads	14
Jones' Memorial	1
Rockwood	21
Trenton Street	1
Clax Gap	32
CAMPBELL COUNTY ASSOCIATION	
Caryville	1
Westbourne	24
CARROLL ASSOCIATION	
Huntingdon	21
Trace Creek	6
Union Academy	22
CHILHOWEE ASSOCIATION	
New Hopewell	55
Stock Creek	7
CLINTON ASSOCIATION	
Lake City	7
CONCORD ASSOCIATION	
Bradley's Creek	18
Eagleville	11
CUMBERLAND GAP ASSOCIATION	
Alanthus Hill	7
Greer's Chapel	4
Shawnee	10
Tazewell	13
DUCK RIVER ASSOCIATION	
Cornersville	17
FAYETTE ASSOCIATION	
Somerville	10
HARDEMAN ASSOCIATION	
Rocky Springs	1
HIWASSEE ASSOCIATION	
Paint Rock	1
HOLSTON ASSOCIATION	
Asbury	26
Cherokee	1
Clear Branch	10
Kingsport, First	1
Union, Johnson City	1
JEFFERSON ASSOCIATION	
White Pine	5
KNOX COUNTY ASSOCIATION	
Broadway	1
Clear Springs	7
Euclid	1
Grace	18
Inskip	14
Mascot	12
Roseberry	5
South Knoxville	4
Straw Plains	15
West View	19
MADISON ASSOCIATION	
Madison	2
McMINN ASSOCIATION	
Athens, First	19
Calvary-McMinn	6
Clear Springs	1
Clearwater	8
Eastanallee	11
East Athens	20
Englewood	102
Etawah	28
Harmony, No. 2	42
New Friendship	11
Niota	23
North Athens	6
Riceville	32

Rogers Creek	9
Short Creek	1
Union Grove	18
South Liberty	1
Calvary-Etawah	26
Sanford	1
Cog Hill	24
Calhoun	23
Meadow Fork	9
Lamontville	1

McNairy Association	
Gravel Hill	32
Selmer	32

NASHVILLE ASSOCIATION	
Belmont Heights	15
Edgefield	1
First	13
Inglewood	1
Lockeland	1
New Hope	7
North Edgefield	12
Third	1

NOLACHUCKY ASSOCIATION	
Alpha	17
Morristown	3
Russellville	1
Witts	2

OCOE ASSOCIATION	
Big Springs	3
Birchwood	37
Chamberlain	51
Chattanooga, First	6
Concord	3
Eastdale	27
East Lake	1
Highland Park	2
Northside	8
Oakwood	24
Ridgedale	3
Shepherd	14
St. Elmo	35
White Oak	1
East Ridge	9
Goodwill	36

SALEM ASSOCIATION	
Auburn	17
Providence	28

SEQUATCHIE VALLEY	
Jasper	36
Richard City	11

SEVIER ASSOCIATION	
Alder Branch	71
Pigeon Forge	48
Sevierville	41
Zion Hill	8
Knob Creek	11

SHELBY COUNTY ASSOCIATION	
Fisherville	7
Longview Heights	1
Mallory Heights	1

STEWART ASSOCIATION	
Dover	17

STONE ASSOCIATION	
Cookeville	27

SWEETWATER ASSOCIATION	
Philadelphia	29

TENNESSEE VALLEY ASSOCIATION	
Dayton	9

UNION ASSOCIATION	
Doyle	18

Greenwood	2
Liberty	1

Sparta	34
Spencer	9

Boiling Springs	1
WATAUGA ASSOCIATION	

Butler	9
Elizabethton	3

Siam Valley	23
Immanuel	18

WESTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION	
Jones Chapel	1

WILLIAM CAREY ASSOCIATION	
Fayetteville	4



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Certificate Course and Enlistment Week

October 6-12

THREE REASONS WHY

By MRS. WILLIAM McMURRY

OCTOBER 6-12 has been designated in the calendar of W.M.U. activities for Tennessee as "Certificate Course and Enlistment Week." There are three reasons why the members of the Union should observe the recommended week.

1. The organized life of our churches is centered in the Sunday School, the Training Union and the Woman's Missionary Union. For years our people have been accustomed to a week of study promoted annually by both the Sunday school and the Training Union. A like period of study for Woman's Missionary Union will make uniform the training program of our church organizations.

2. The majority of the classes held by the missionary societies of our state use as texts home and foreign books. The books on prayer, stewardship, soul-winning, the Bible, W.M.U. Methods and history are generally neglected by our constituency.

The members who have finished courses I and II feel little or no urge to pursue further a study of the great subjects of prayer, soul-winning and stewardship. The books that guide us in discovering and interpreting the missionary message of the Bible are frankly labeled "uninteresting" or "too hard" before an honest study has been made. This designated week can be used for the study of the less familiar fundamental books of our W.M.U. courses. Many women who lack a required book will find this an excellent time to finish one of the certificate courses.

3. Mission Study has been the means of enlisting women in the work of Woman's Missionary Union. A challenging book in the hands of a stimulating teacher can give not only a new view to a familiar subject but a new view to life itself. Let this week of study serve as an enlistment agency for your society.

Some Suggestions for the Mission Study Chairman

By MRS. WILLIAM McMURRY

ADVISE "Certificate Course and Enlistment Week." Gather together as many of these mission study books as you can find: This World's Goods, Prayer (Hallesby), Missionary Lessons from the Bible, Helping Others to Become Christians, Following in His Train, The Personal Service Guide, The Way of Missionary Education, The New Why and How of the W.M.U., Fannie E. S. Heck, The Stranger Within Our Gates, A Golden Milestone in Japan.

On a table placed in the vestibule of your church arrange these books in the following way. Tie together with a strip of white cloth the Personal Service Guide, The Way of Missionary Education and the Why and How. Place a picture of a hand with the index finger pointing or sketch one on a small card board. Print "STOP! Take Us." Attach this placard to the strip of cloth. Bind together another set: the books on stewardship, prayer, soul-winning and the Bible. The placard for this group represents a voice calling (lips cut out and pasted or drawn on card board). "Listen, we're calling." Tie together the remaining books. Find a picture of a person running. Paste on card board and print "Wait, we've got news."

Ask the women to write down the names of three books, one for each group, which they want to study. Drop these slips into a "false" book. Use an empty stationery box designed in the shape of a book or make one out of cardboard.

Arrange for three classes where there is sufficient demand; otherwise, select the books desired by the majority of the members. Do not feel discouraged if the classes are small. It is better to have two classes with ten women each than a single class of twenty-five or thirty.

There is always the question of teachers. Through the circles teachers have been discovered and developed. Use the ablest of these

during this week.

A definite plan, hard work and earnest prayer will lead to the successful promotion of "Certificate Course and Enlistment Week."

Shelby County R.A. and G.A. Mission Study School

ON AUGUST 21 at Union Avenue Church the Junior and Intermediate R.A. and G.A.'s met in their seventh annual Mission Study School. The registration revealed that 283 registered for the three day school with an average of 275. The books studied were Strong Hearts of Japan and Mrs. Maynard's House. The faculty of the school included Mrs. F. P. Allen and Miss Dixie McElravy teaching the Junior G.A.'s; Miss Ernestine Gullege and Mrs. George Pryor the Intermediate G.A. The Junior R.A.'s were taught by Mrs. P. A. Carlson and Miss Elizabeth Collins and Robert Sutherland taught a class of 50 Intermediate R.A.'s.

The program was opened by Dr. H. P. Hurt giving us a most gracious welcome and encouragement for our work. Mr. Rush McDonald led the music and added much to the entire program.

The closing session was devoted to a recognition service for the R.A. boys directed by Mr. Sutherland. This was indeed a most impressive ceremony. The group recognized consisted of 30 boys who had not been recognized before. All ranks were represented by one or more boys, Laurie Greene of Bellevue being the only Ambassador-Plenipotentiary.

The school was planned by the group counselors of the association and directed by the young people's leader.

—MRS. OTTO WOHLRATH.

Home Mission Poster

FINAL DATE FOR ENTRY in the Home Mission Board poster contest open to all Y.W.A. members is October 1, according to Joe W. Burton, publicity secretary.

Rules of the contest as formulated by Miss Juliette Mather, Southwide W.M.U. Young People's Leader, and the Board's publicity secretary, are as follows:

1. The poster shall illustrate the theme of the 1941 March Week of Prayer for Home Missions: "I am debtor . . . Am I ready?" (Rom. 1:14-15) or the theme of the week of prayer preparatory book, *The Trail of Seed*.

It is to be noted that the theme is to be applied to Home Missions, the verses from Romans suggesting the Christian's responsibility to the groups on Home Mission fields and questioning his readiness to meet this obligation. The poster should illustrate our obligations to Home Mission needs and our readiness to meet them.

The preparatory study *The Trail of Seeds* to be written by Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, will cover particularly the work which has been done in the past decade with special emphasis on the present program among hungry and forgotten peoples in the homeland, and the unfinished task of Home Missions.

In illustrating this theme the words, "The Trail of Seeds by Una Roberts Lawrence," and no others, should appear on the poster, since the winning design may be used as a cover for the book.

Contestants may select either one of these two themes.

2. Posters will be judged on a basis of:
(a) Home Mission message 75%
(b) Attractiveness 15%
(c) Technique 10%

3. Posters may be made in any three colors, the background being considered one color. Whatever colors are used, a black and white drawing of the same size as the poster must also be submitted.

W.M.U. Certificate Courses

COURSE I

1. One Book on Missionary Bible Study:
All the World in All the Word (Carver) 25
Missions in the Bible (J. B. Lawrence) 25
Missionary Lessons from the Bible (Aulick) 35
2. Following in His Train (Cox) 60
3. One Book on Stewardship:
Stewardship in the Life of Women (Wallace) 50
Stewardship and Missions (Cook) 35
The Larger Stewardship (Cook) 35
Stewardship Parables of Jesus (Long) 50
"He That Giveth" (Simpson) 60
This World's Goods (Simpson) 60
Stewardship Applied to Missions (Lawrence) 35
4. The New Why and How of W.M.U. (Bucy) 35
5. and 6. Two Books on Foreign Missions
7. and 8. Two Books on Home Missions

COURSE II

1. One Book on Soul Winning:
Talks on Soul Winning (Mullins) 25
Helping Others to Become Christians (Leavell) 35
2. The Way of Missionary Education (Mather) 50
3. Personal Service Guide (Lawrence) 25
4. One Book on Prayer:
How to Pray (Torrey) 20
Intercessory Prayer (McLure) 20
Prayer (Hallesby) 50
5. and 6. Two books on foreign missions or one book on foreign missions and one on methods.
7. and 8. Two books on home missions or one book on home missions and one on methods.

Order all books from Baptist Book Store, 161-8th Avenue, North, Nashville.

4. The drawing shall be on the regular poster-size cardboard, 22 by 28 inches.

5. Each poster submitted shall become the property of the Home Mission Board, to be used in any way, according to the discretion of the Board.

6. Posters must reach the office of the Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta, Georgia, by October 1, 1940.

7. Two awards will be given by the Home Mission Board: \$15 for the winning design; and \$10 for the second best.

The decision of the judges will be final.

Missionary Rallies

WE HAVE BEEN greatly pleased with the fall rallies. During the past week we have visited eight associations. Sixty churches have been represented in the meetings not counting those churches with messengers at the Madison County General Associational Meeting, and 1,500 people have been contacted.

Miss Ruth Ford of Kweilin, China has been our missionary speaker and she has thrilled our people as she has told them of the miraculous experiences she and our other missionaries have had during the war. Miss Annie Rogers of Paris has helped Miss Northington and me with the conferences and we are grateful for these helpers and all the splendid co-operation of the associational officers in carrying out the plans for these rallies.

We continue to urge the people to attend the meeting in their association. Conferences are being held for all W.M.U. members, giving the new plans for 1941. It is extremely important that all W.M.U. members, third vice-presidents, young people and their counselors attend these conferences for they will take the place of the annual institutes.

—MARGARET BRUCE.

Mrs. W. E. Craighead, Bessarabia

WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE that Mrs. W. E. Craighead, our missionary from Bessarabia, Europe is to be the main speaker at the following missionary rallies:

Lawrence County at Loretta
Giles County, Pulaski
William Carey, Fayetteville.
Maury County, Columbia, Second
Indian Creek, Savannah

Mrs. Craighead will speak each evening immediately after supper. The program will open at each place at 4:00 o'clock and will close by 8:30.

Christianity and Current World Problems

By C. E. BRYANT, JR.

THE CALL upon Christianity in this time of world crisis was sounded definitely and strongly in many of the various addresses during commencement activities at Baylor University at Waco, Texas, recently.

Ray L. Dudley, Houston publisher, took cognizance of threats to America offered by spread of totalitarianism in Europe and dedicated the University's new Student Union Building to the ideal of militant Christianity.

"At this moment," he said, "less far distant by time than was a hundred miles a century ago, the ideals which inspire our action of today are being attacked with a ruthlessness, a ferocity, which has had no parallel in the history of modern man.

"The world now has greater need for the principles of Christianity. Christian education has a greater place today than ever before in the shaping of the world. Its test, and that of Christianity itself, is near, if not actually at hand.

"The Fifth Column is not composed of those who believe in the teachings of Christ. Its members are natural enemies of all that He taught.

"So today, amid such a turmoil, it is wise that we dedicate this building to a spirit of militant Christianity—to ideals worth fighting to preserve."

Hubert M. Harrison, general manager of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce, encouraged Christian thinking by warning that "men and nations are governed by what they believe in. As a man thinketh, so is he.

"We have lately learned that ideas are more powerful than bullets," he continued. "We have seen wrong ideas of poison propaganda winged from Hell strike at all those principles we have held dear and for which men and women have died.

"But we know that no wrong ideas, no foreign isms brewed in caldrons of hate and cruelty can prevail over truth and righteousness and democracy. No power on earth can conquer us except our own false thoughts."

At the baccalaureate service, Dr. Perry F. Webb, pastor of the First Baptist Church of San Antonio, held that the individual must remain an individual and not be considered as an inconsequential part of humanity if Christian idealism and democracy are to survive. Salvation of individuals within the masses is the only way in which social problems can be solved, he said.

"Christ had a great social vision, in that He worked for a kingdom of light and love and holiness to stretch from pole to pole. He wanted redeemed bodies, redeemed souls and redeemed minds in a redeemed community, and sought to bring about such social conditions by working with individuals.

"Utopian conditions are impossible without Utopian men. Only good men make a good world."

—Baylor University News Service.

IN MEMORIAM

The first 100 words printed free. All other words 1 cent each. Obituary resolutions same as obituaries. Other resolutions 1 cent each for all words. Please send money with each.

C. W. BAIRD

Whereas, Bro. Baird will be greatly missed in our Association, his Christian influence and loving kindness will live with us, even though he has left us for the better life that await the true and faithful.

Therefore, be it resolved, That the Concord Association, remembering his long and useful life among us as moderator, clerk and treasurer of our Association would recommend that this resolution be printed in the minutes of our Association, and copy be sent to the family and one to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR.

J. D. ROBERTS, Chairman,
HY JOHNS,
A. J. BRANDON.

SIMMONS

On July 27, 1940 the New Friendship Baptist Church and the community of Chatata Valley lost one of its most faithful members, Miss Sallie Simmons.

"Aunt Sallie," as she was known, lived for the entire 60 years of her life in sight of the church that she loved so much. She was the daughter of the late Dr. Isham and Ann Simmons, whose home was always known as "the preacher's home."

Her active work in the Missionary Society will be missed and it is our desire that a copy of this be placed in the minutes of our Society and in the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR.

MRS. THOMAS HAUN,
MRS. TOM HILL.

OCTOBER IS TRAINING MONTH!

Plan now for all present and prospective officers and teachers in your Sunday school to have an opportunity to study a good book during October. It is the beginning of the Sunday school year and during the month special attention will be given to the study of the general Administration and Department Books of the Training Course for Sunday School Workers.

Teach these books: Two Department books are required for the complete or Gold Seal Diploma. All books 60 cents in durable cloth binding, 40 cents in paper binding at your Baptist Book Store.

Administration

Building a Standard Sunday School, by Arthur Flake
Sunday School Officers and Their Work, by Arthur Flake
The True Functions of the Sunday School, by Arthur Flake
A Church Using Its Sunday School, by J. N. Barnett

Department Books

FOR ADULT WORKERS

Administration
The Adult Department of the Sunday School, by William P. Phillips
Teaching
Teaching Adults in the Sunday School, by Gideon S. Dobbins

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WORKERS

Administration
The Young People's Department of the Sunday School, by William P. Phillips

Teaching
Teaching Young People in the Sunday School, by W. L. Howse

FOR EXTENSION WORKERS

Administration
The Extension Department of the Sunday School, by Joseph T. Watts

FOR INTERMEDIATE WORKERS

Administration
Intermediate Sunday School Work, by Mary Virginia Lee

Teaching
The Art of Teaching Intermediates, by Ina S. Lambdin

FOR JUNIOR WORKERS

Teaching
Guiding Junior Boys and Girls in the Sunday School, by Myrtle Owens Looney

FOR PRIMARY WORKERS

Teaching
Guiding the Primary Child in the Sunday School, by Emma Pet-
tey

FOR CRADLE ROLL-BEGINNER WORKERS

Teaching
Guiding the Little Child in the Sunday School, by Elizabeth McEwen Shields

AMONG THE BRETHREN

By FLEETWOOD BALL and THE EDITOR

By FLEETWOOD BALL

L. H. Brown, of Bemis, held a successful revival with the Pleasant Grove Church near Lexington. Immense crowds attended the services both night and day.

The Baptists of Louisville, Ky., are pleased with the motion picture production portraying the life of the Apostle Paul. This film portrays the life of Paul from the stoning of Stephen to the end.

The First Church, Deridder, La., J. T. Robinson, pastor, recently closed a great revival in which Porter M. Bailes of the First Church, Tyler, Texas, did the preaching. There were 47 additions, 25 by baptism. Ira C. Proctor of Oklahoma City, Okla., led the singing.

The Cedars, at Hendersonville, N. C., is now the address of J. Henry Burnett, Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, instead of Ridgecrest, N. C.

Jesse G. Knight of Chipland, Fla., has accepted a call as pastor of the Raiford Church, Raiford, Fla. He resigned as pastor of the Hardeetown and Gulihannock Churches.

Immanuel Church, Panama City, Fla., recently concluded a gracious revival resulting in 38 additions, 30 by baptism. A. C. Abney of Pensacola, Fla., did the preaching, and Carlyne Brooks of Atlanta, Ga., led the music.

Miss Elsie J. Ragdale has been elected Dean of Women at Lander College, Greenwood, S. C., which is a college for women only. It has a faculty of nearly 40 and a student body of between 400 and 500 students.

R. L. Rogers of Lexington has accepted a call to Judson Church at Middlesburg. It is the church of his boyhood, and it is the third time he has been pastor.

J. Floyd Rogers, the aggressive pastor at Madisonville, Texas, spent the month of August on vacation among his host of friends and relatives near Lexington.

E. C. Masden, pastor at White Pine and Dandridge, this state, spent his vacation in

Louisville, Ky. He was pastor at Belmont, Ky., for 5 years.

A Homecoming at Crestwood Church, Louisville, Ky., on Sunday, September 29, was announced recently by W. A. Brooks. J. M. Walker, of Aberdeen, Miss., will be the principal speaker.

Max Stanfield of Haileville, Okla., has accepted a call to the First Church, Marietta, Okla., and is on the field.

W. Howard Moore accepted a call to the church at New Falls, Okla. He has resigned at St. Louis, Okla., after four and a half years of service.

J. W. McKinney has resigned as pastor of the New Testament Church, Oklahoma City, Okla., effective October 1.

Orbie Clem entered the Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kans. He resigned the care of Capitol Church, Oklahoma City, Okla., in order to make the change.

The First Church, San Sables, Texas, loses by resignation its pastor, Sam D. Taylor, after serving ten years there.

On Sunday, September 8, there were 39 additions to the church at Clinton, Miss., making 128 in the past two Sundays. The students at Mississippi College are responsible for the increase.

A. H. Clark, who went West 15 years ago on account of ill health recently resigned at Kingsville, Texas.

William L. Ball, who lately resigned as Baptist Student Secretary of the University of Alabama, is now Student Secretary at Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.

Charles W. Barnes, a graduate of the University of Alabama and Howard College, is now Student Secretary at the University of Alabama.

M. E. Dodd of Shreveport, La., is to be one

of the speakers on October 5th Baptist Day at the Temple of Religion at the World's Fair, New York.

In a revival at Glenfield, Miss., near New Albany, in which Percy Ray of Atlanta, Ga., did the preaching, there were 60 additions. O. C. Rainwater, the pastor, led the singing.

An election is coming on and Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's Ambassador to the Pope, has returned to America on account of ill health. May the Lord grant him better health.

J. G. Lott of Memphis did the preaching recently in a gracious revival at Yellow Leaf, Miss., S. H. Shepherd, pastor. There were 17 additions.

By THE EDITOR

Pastor Grover Arnold of Hogue's Chapel Church (recently admitted into Dyer Association) was assisted in revival services by Jackson Foster, Newbern. There were 16 additions by baptism and 1 by letter.

Pastor L. H. Hatcher, North End Church, Nashville, entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, this week. With his family he has moved to Louisville, but will come back to his church here every week-end to preach and do pastoral work.

We are in receipt of some excellent resolutions from the Oak Street Church, Soddy, commending the work of Pastor R. L. Franklin, who has resigned to do temporary missionary work at Wilder. The resolutions also speak highly of Mrs. Franklin as his faithful, efficient helpmeet.

Pastor J. G. Hughes, First Church, Kingsport, is assisting Pastor C. H. Warren and the First Church, Lebanon, in a series of revival services. Dr. Hughes is a former pastor of the church. Services began September 15.

Jimmie T. Williams, Jackson, has been the song leader in four revivals since August 1, in which there was a total of 41 professions of faith. The meetings were as follows: Clear Creek, Gibson County, with Brother Garfield

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE, SEPT. 8, 1940

	Sunday School	Training Union							
Alcoa, First	284	154	Daisy	144	45	Pleasant Hill	196		42
Antioch	128	57	Dyersburg, First	465	129	Liberty, Salem			73
Apison	138	57	Elizabethton, First	500	191	Madisonville	214		72
Bolivar	104	104	Immanuel	103	39	Maryville, Cedar Grove	131		
Butler	200	154	Little Mountain	98		First	495		
Chapel Hill, Smyrna	77	68	Slam	224	157	Prospect	102		64
Chattanooga, Alton Park	228	118	Southside	98		McMinnville, Magness Memorial	210		54
Avondale	551	145	Watauga	245	123	Memphis, Bellevue	2068		668
Brainerd	243	116	Erwin, First	337		Prescott Memorial	427		162
Calvary	381	53	Rossville, Ga., South	152		Speedway Terrace	562		
Central	357	100	Tabernacle	245	60	Temple	1267		265
Chamberlain Avenue	332	107	Gladeville	117	62	Union Avenue	1056		276
Eastdale	201	140	Guys, Gravel Hill	115	63	Morristown, Bethel	78		47
East Lake	400	145	Hampton	98	62	Murfreesboro, First	383		80
First	883	145	Harriman, South	221	57	Mount Juliet	171		62
Highland Park	675	85	Trenton Street	405	87	Nashville, Centennial	55		
Northside	502	70	Hixson, First	146	143	Inglewood	331		114
Oak Grove	216	128	Hermitage, New Hope		62	Grace			151
Pine Grove	85	61	Jackson, Ararat	714	189	North End	239		136
Red Bank	445	54	First	631	116	Radnor	208		56
South St. Elmo	124	75	West Jackson	78	75	Seventh Avenue	181		54
Spring Creek	109	179	Jefferson City, Buffalo City	902	30	Woodbine	205		92
Tabernacle	344	79	Johnson City, Unaka Avenue	94	94	New Tazewell	114		89
White Oak	277	61	Kenton		94	Paris, First	350		51
Woodland Park	886	57	Kingsport, First	1036	268	Raleigh			
Cleveland, Big Springs	364	172	Knoxville, Broadway	909	169	Riceville	170		113
Clarksville, First	391	61	Fifth Avenue	255	75	Rockwood, First	297		
Church Hill, Oak Grove		57	Euclid Avenue	302	68	Shelbyville, First	160		
Columbia, Second	134	93	First	172	114	Trenton, First	346		39
Concord	195	69	Gayland Heights	342	89	Tyner	78		217
Corryton, Fairview	173		Immanuel	238	86	Union City, First	611		
			Sevier Heights	224	80	Walter Hill, Powells Chapel	130		
			Lebanon	332		Watertown, First	197		
			Lenoir City, First			Westbourne	168		46

Smothers preaching; Burnsville, Miss., with Pastor T. R. Hammons preaching; Zion, near Brownsville, with Cleo H. Parrish, Canton, Texas, preaching; Vale, with Pastor G. G. Joyner preaching.

—BAR—

Carlyle Brooks, Atlanta Baptist singer, just closed a revival with Dr. A. C. Abney, Pensacola, Fla., ex-Tennessean, which resulted in 38 additions, 30 young people being in the number that accepted Christ. Brother Brooks can be reached at General Delivery, Atlanta, Ga.

—BAR—

Pastor C. E. Clark, Park Avenue Church, Nashville, did the preaching recently in a revival at Harpeth Heights Church, Nashville. Pastor R. E. Lee baptized 27 and welcomed 5 by letter. The membership of the church has more than doubled since the pastor was called January 1, 1940.

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Bellevue Church, Memphis, R. G. Lee, pastor, reports in its church bulletin 32 new members in August. These came during regular services of the church. Average attendance in Training Union for August was 600.

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Dr. B. D. Gray, secretary emeritus of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, now well along in his eighties, brought the morning sermon at Druid Hills Church, Atlanta, recently. Pastor Louie D. Newton preached at the evening service.

—BAR—

Dr. Frank H. Leavell, secretary of Southern Baptist Student work, began a meeting September 29 with the First Church, Waco, Texas. One of the few such engagements Dr. Leavell fills, it will afford him opportunity not only to speak to Baylor University in the church services but also for valuable contacts on the campus.

—BAR—

William Fallis, Roanoke, Va., on September 15 assumed his duties as State Baptist Student Union Secretary of Virginia, with office at the State Board headquarters in Richmond. He is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Richmond, and holds the Th.M. degree from the Southern Seminary, Louisville. He has done work toward his doctorate in that institution.

—BAR—

J. W. "Bill" Marshall, State Baptist Student Union Secretary of Texas, will return September 21 from a five months' visit to China, in which he was doing work among college students and young people in the interest of the All China Revival, promoted by the Baptists of China.

—BAR—

Highland Park Church, Chattanooga, Carl A. DeVane, pastor, is making plans for a great Golden Anniversary Celebration, October 20-27, 1940. The eight day celebration calls for five services each Sunday and two services each day Monday through Friday. Saturday morning's early Sunrise Service will be the only item on that day's program. Thirty-two people outside the church membership will come from eight states to participate in the celebration. We will carry more about the program later.

—BAR—

Jones Chapel Church, Robert L. Newman, Jr., pastor, has recently closed a good revival in which Cal Guy did the preaching and the pastor led the singing. There were 14 additions, 9 of which were for baptism. Pastor Newman says the church generally was revived and speaks of Cal as "a chip off the old Guy block." Son of Dr. R. E. Guy, Jackson, he enters the Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, this year for further preparation.

—BAR—

Samuel L. Stine, Carthage, Mo., who has had several years' experience as an evangelistic singer and for seven years now has been super-

visor of music in the public schools of Carthage, would like to get back into religious work as educational director or choir director. Mr. Stine led the singing once in a church where the editor was pastor and did excellent work. Correspondents may address him at Carthage, Mo.

—BAR—

Pastor R. E. Guy, Jackson, assisted First Church, Cookeville, and Pastor J. Harold Stephens recently in a revival which resulted in 48 professions of faith, 14 by letter and 1 by statement. There were several reconsecrations, and some who confessed Christ have not yet united with the church. Luther Carter, Nashville, inspired the people with his good Gospel singing. Ten of the revival messages were broadcast over radio station WHUB, "Hub of the Upper Cumberland," Cookeville.

—BAR—

Pastor A. C. Johnson and the church at Locke recently closed a good revival, with Associational Missionary Carl McCoy doing the preaching. There were 15 additions. This church has a Training Union with 29 members, a W.M.U. with 16 members. The church has voted to build a Sunday school annex to its present building.

—BAR—

Pastor Warren H. Clapp and the New Middleton Church were recently assisted in a revival by Pastor Howard C. Bennett, Carthage, who brought the Gospel message daily and by W. L. Turner, of New Middleton Church, who led the singing. There were six professions and six additions by baptism.

—BAR—

Associational Missionary J. C. Owen (Watauga Association) assisted Pastor Raymon Coppenger and the Butler Church in a revival recently, in which there were 45 professions of faith. The church bulletin says of Dr. and Mrs. Owen: "China is stronger today because they lived and taught there. Those who accepted Christ during these days will never forget Dr. and Mrs. Owen, and our whole church has been helped by them."

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The BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR inadvertently stated last week that Lawrence Trivette has been called as the Associational Field Director for Holston Association. He is resigning this post to become Educational Director of First Church, Kingsport. He has been doing outstanding work in Holston Association and will take up this work with the church as soon as he can properly finish his work with the Association. He succeeds Carlyle Marney who has resigned in order to enter the Southern Seminary, Louisville. Pastor J. G. Hughes speaks in high terms of Mr. Marney's work and says, in the church bulletin, "there seems to be unanimous agreement that the church has made a wise choice in Lawrence" as his successor.

—BAR—

Dr. W. D. Nowlin, formerly editor of the Florida Baptist Witness and for the past twelve years pastor near Plant City, Fla., has retired at the age of 76 to his home at Arcadia, Fla. Dr. Nowlin speaks an appreciated word about the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR and indicates that he may, shortly, write some for the Baptist State Papers. We rejoice in the strength God has given this Good Soldier to labor so long in the active pastorate and in denominational work. May he find increasing joys now in these days of his retirement.

—BAR—

When Don Norman was at Tennessee Valley Association, Brother E. B. Arnold, Dayton, spoke with him about the possibility of Dayton's Baptist Training Union, of which he is a director, sponsoring the sending of the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR to every home in the church. The list came in the other day—69.

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In a letter to the editor, Brother Arnold, who served as moderator of his association for two

years, writes: "I was out at Oak Hill Church on Sunday night, September 1, supplying for the pastor, and on coming back to our church was happy to find that our church had licensed me to preach. I want your prayers. This Saturday night I am to preach at Clear Creek, and Sunday morning and evening at Oak Hill." May the Lord bless Brother Arnold as this new field of services opens before him.

—BAR—

Sunday afternoon, September 8, the Fifth Avenue Church, Knoxville, Frank W. Wood, pastor, ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry Roland Brewer, a young man who has grown up in the church. Pastor J. K. Haynes, South Knoxville Church, led the examination of the candidate and presented the Bible. Dean A. E. Cate, Carson-Newman, delivered the charge; Pastor Wood preached the sermon, and Moderator T. C. Wyatt, Knox County Association, offered the ordination prayer. Mr. Brewer, a graduate of Carson-Newman, has completed two years in the Southern Seminary, Louisville, where he will continue his work this year and serve as pastor of the Covington Church, La Grange, Ky.

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WITH THE CHURCHES: *Alcoa*—First, Pastor Angel baptized 4. *Apison*—Pastor Petty received by restoration 1. *Chattanooga*—Avondale, Pastor Lindsay welcomed by letter 6, for baptism 30, baptized 21. *Brainerd*, Pastor Collins received by letter 1; Calvary, Pastor McMahon welcomed by letter 1, for baptism 4, baptized 4; Central, Pastor Moore received by letter 2; Chamberlain Avenue, Pastor McClanahan received by letter 2; East Chattanooga, Pastor Bull received for baptism 14, baptized 11; Eastdale, Pastor Tallant received by letter 3; East Lake, Pastor Crantford received by letter 2; First, Pastor Huff received by letter 3; Northside, Pastor Selman welcomed by letter 7, for baptism 7, baptized 8; Red Bank, Pastor Pickler received by letter 2; Woodland Park, Pastor Williams welcomed by letter 6, for baptism 4, baptized 13. *Cleveland*—Big Spring, Pastor Melton received for baptism 1, baptized 8. *Concord*—Pastor Frazier received by letter 2. *Daisy*—Pastor Black received for baptism 1. *Rossville, Ga.*—South, Pastor Windsor received by letter 2; Tabernacle, Pastor Maples received by letter 2, for baptism 1. *Elizabethton*—First, Pastor Starke received by letter 2, for baptism 3. *Jackson*—First, Pastor Boone received by letter 7. *Knoxville*—Broadway, Pastor Pollard received 10 additions to

the church; Fifth Avenue, Pastor Wood received for baptism 1, baptized 1; Fort Sanders, Pastor Carroll received by letter 1, baptized 5. *Memphis*—Bellevue, Pastor Lee welcomed 11 by letter, 1 for baptism, baptized 3; Speedway Terrace, Pastor Harris baptized 3; Temple, Pastor Boston received 4 by letter; Union Avenue, Pastor Hurt received 6 additions to the church. *Murfreesboro*—First, Pastor Sedberry baptized 4. *Nashville*—Inglewood, Pastor Beckett received by letter 2; North End, Pastor Hatcher received for baptism 1, baptized 1; Radnor, Pastor Mosley received by letter 2, baptized 2; Seventh, Pastor Barnett baptized 1. *Paris*—First, received by letter 4. *Tyner*—Pastor Bishop received by letter 2.

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