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SIXTH MEETING, BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

**Baptist World Hosts Converging
on Atlanta, July 22-28**

Baptists from around the world in numbers predicted at forty-five to sixty thousand will gather Saturday in Atlanta, Georgia for the sixth session of the Baptist World Alliance. Evening sessions will be held in the spacious football stadium of Georgia Tech. Day sessions will meet in the municipal auditorium.

The roll call of the nations with "All Hail the Power to Jesus' Name" sung in various languages is expected to be the most dramatic session of the Congress. This will take place at the opening hours of Saturday afternoon and evening.

The roll call will be preceded by a procession beginning at noon. The procession will march through downtown Atlanta from the state capital to the stadium, singing hymns and national anthems, and will arrive at the stadium for the roll call at 2.

Eastern Standard Time

The Atlanta meetings will be conducted by central daylight saving time, which is the same as eastern standard time and is one hour ahead of central standard time which is used in Texas. In other words, for Texans at home to hear the broadcast of the procession they should tune in at eleven a. m. The roll call begins at one, our time.

Atlanta stations will broadcast most of the sessions of the Congress and national networks will carry some of the special programs.

The President's address by Dr. Truett will be at the stadium at 2:30 p. m. Sunday. At 7:30 Sunday evening there will be an evangelistic program at which Dr. L. R. Scarborough will speak.

It is expected that the 1944 meeting will go to Budapest, Hungary.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT WORLD ALLIANCE

By Miss Eva R. Inlow,

In the Baptist New Mexican exactly what is the status of the Baptist denomination in Germany? Are any of our preachers in concentration camps? If so, why? Are our churches there growing, or are they being stamped out?

Do Baptists really have freedom of worship now in Rumania? What are the results of the recent persecutions?

What is the attitude of the Franco government toward religious freedom in Spain? What is the present condition of our Baptist work there?

What is the result on our Baptist work of the governmental regulations in Italy with regard to employment? Does the fact that Italy is the seat of Roman Catholicism make any difference in our work there?

Are the uncertain political conditions in Hungary and Yugo-Slavia affecting Baptist work? How many Baptists do we have in these two countries, anyway?

Is Christianity losing or gaining in Russia? Is the government more lenient or more severe than it was five years ago, with regard to worship? Do we, today, have any Baptist churches in Russia?

Are the Baptists increasing or decreasing in England? Who are the

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MEXICAN ASSOCIATION TO MEET AT SNYDER, JULY 28

The West Texas Association of Mexican Baptists will meet Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 28 to 30 at Snyder. Messengers are expected from the area between Brownwood and El Paso and between San Angelo and El Paso. The last quarterly meeting of this missionary body was at Pecos.

CALLAHAN LAYMEN MEET AT SCRANTON JULY 21

The laymen of Callahan association will meet in a country-wide Brotherhood meeting at Scranton at 8:15 p. m. Friday, July 21. The Callahan men have one of the most active associational brotherhood organizations in Central West Texas.

BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

President: Rev. George W. Truett, D. D., LL. D., Dallas, Texas.

Vice-Presidents: Rev. A. W. Beaver, D. D., LL. D., U. S. A.; Rev. N. J. Nordstrom, D. D., Sweden; Mr. J. A. Packer, Australia; Rev. F. W. Simoleit, D. D., Germany; Rev. Manoel Avelino de Souza, Brazil; Rev. Lackey Kirk Williams, D. D., U. S. A.

Honorary Associate Secretary: Rev. Clifton D. Gray, LL. D., Lewiston, Maine.

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China—None.

Hungary—Rev. M. Baranyay.

Italy—Prof. L. Paschetto.

Japan—Rev. Yugo Chiba, LL. D.

Latvia—Prof. J. Riess.

Norway—Prof. A. T. Ohn, M. A., B. D.

Poland—Rev. L. Miksa.

Rumania—Dr. G. H. Simanca.

South Africa—Rev. J. E. Ennals, B. A., D. D.

United States—Rev. W. S. Abernathy, D. D.; Rev. W. H. Bowler, D. D.; Rev. M. E. Dodd, D. D., LL. D.; Rev. T. O. Fuller, D. D.; Rev. H. C. Gleiss, D. D.; Rev. J. M. Nabrit, D. D.; Rev. G. L. Prince, D. D.; Rev. J. R. Sampey, D. D.; Rev. L. R. Scarborough, D. D.

At Large—Rev. Theodore F. Adams, D. D.; Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, Frau Ruth Barsel-Kobner, Mrs. Ernest Brown, Rev. T. G. Dunning, M. A., Ph. D.; Mrs. S. W. Layton, Dr. Frank H. Leavell, Mrs. John Nuveen.

PREACHERS IN DEMAND TO SUPPLY JULY 23

Due to the fact that thousands of pastors, including the greater portion of those in Central West Texas, are flocking to Atlanta for the first session in the South of the Baptist World Alliance, much difficulty has been encountered by pulpits and committees and pastors in finding preachers to occupy pulpits on Sunday, July 23.

Many pastors attending the Congress have been torn for a week with three worries. The first is how to make the trip; the second, where to stay in Atlanta; and third, where to find a preacher to supply the pulpit.

A number of West Texas pastors, including Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, Rev. C. A. Powell and Rev. Phil McGahey are planning to include their trip in their summer vacation and will not return for some weeks. They have less difficulty in finding some one to preach in the latter part of their absence.

BAPTIST WORLD CONGRESS BROADCAST BY N. B. C.

The Baptist World Congress, to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, July 22 to 28, will be covered for NBC listeners by Dr. Walter Van Kirk, religious news commentator, who will report the highlight activities of the assembly in two special broadcasts.

Dr. Van Kirk, reporting the outstanding events and discussing their religious significance, will be heard on Tuesday, July 25, and Thursday, July 27, from 6:00 to 6:15 p. m., EDT, over the NBC-Red Network.

The largest world meeting of Baptists ever held, the Congress will be represented by delegates from seventy nations.

Daily Program

"Other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."—I Cor. 3:11.

Saturday, July 22

2:00 p. m. First Session: Welcome and roll call (Stadium).

Addresses of Welcome: (1) Dr. L. R. Scarborough, President, Southern Baptist Convention. (2) Dr. L. K. Williams, President, National Baptist Convention. (3) Dr. G. L. Prince, President, National Baptist Convention of America. (4) Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, representing Baptists of Atlanta. (5) Dr. C. D. Hubert, representing Baptists of Georgia.

Response by Principal N. J. Nordstrom, Stockholm, Sweden, vice-president, B. W. A.

2:45 p. m. Roll Call and brief responses. "Spirituals" by combined Negro choirs of Atlanta.

7:30 p. m. Second Session: Welcome and Roll Call (continued) (stadium). Prayer: Dr. E. R. Carter, Atlanta, Georgia.

Addresses of Welcome: (1) Mayor William B. Hartsfield, representing the city of Atlanta. (2) Governor E. D. Rivers, representing the Commonwealth of Georgia. (3) S. U. Senator Walter F. George, representing the Nation. (4) Dr. C. R. Stauffer, President of the Atlanta Christian Council. (5) Rabbi Marx, of Atlanta.

Response by the Hon. Albert Matthews, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Treasurer, B. W. A.

8:10 p. m. Roll Call (continued) and brief responses. Announcements and Nomination of Committees. Closing Devotional Address (10 minutes).

Sunday, July 23

"Congress Sunday"

2:30 p. m. Third Session: President's Address (Stadium).

Devotional Introduction: Rev. W. Taylor Bowie, London, England.

Presidential Address: Dr. George W. Truett.

7:30 p. m. Fourth Session: Inspirational and Evangelistic Meeting (Stadium).

Prayer: Rev. Danila Pascu, Rumania.

Addresses by: Dr. Robert E. Speer; Mrs. W. J. Cox, Memphis, Tenn.; Rev. J. B. Middlebrook, Huddersfield, England; Dr. Gordon Palmer, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. L. R. Scarborough, Seminary Hill, Texas.

Monday, July 24

9:30 a. m. Fifth Session: (Auditorium). Worship conducted by Dr. B. Udvarnoki, Budapest, Hungary.

10:00 a. m. (1) General Secretary's Report, Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke. Discussion opened by Dr. Charles E. Maddry, Richmond, Va.

(2) Evangelism. Address: "Evangelism as the Primary Task of the Church," Rev. Charles W. Koller, Chicago, Ill.

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Brief Addresses: (a) "Methods Adopted to Present-Day Conditions," Rev. W. C. Smalley, Secretary, Baptist Union of Western Canada. (b)

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SOUTHERN B. T. U. LEADERS COMING TO ABILENE AUGUST 24-25



LEO E. WAITE
Educational Director
First Church, Lubbock



VOLUS NORSWORTHY
Educational Director
First Church, Vernon

TRUETT AND WEBB SPEAK A PAISANO ENCAMPMENT

Dr. George W. Truett who has preached in the Davis Mountains nearly every summer for a generation, will be the evening speaker again in the 1939 assembly which meets July 31 to August 8.

Dr. Perry F. Webb, pastor of the First Baptist Church, San Antonio, will be the morning speaker. Robert Jolly, superintendent of Memorial Hospital, Houston, will be encampment song leader, with Mrs. Sam Means, El Paso, at the piano.

Dr. J. B. Tidwell, head of the Bible department of Baylor University, will teach classes in Bible daily. Training Union courses will be directed by Dr. T. C. Gardner, Dallas. Sunday School courses will be under the direction of Secretary G. S. Hopkins. Mrs. W. C. Carson of Sierra Blanca, district W. M. U. president, will be in charge of the Missionary Union hour. Mrs. George Waring of San Antonio will direct the activities of small children each morning.

There are no cottages for rent, camp officials announce, but there are a thousand acres of beautiful camp sites. Tents may be rented for \$5.00 for the encampment, cots for seventy-five cents. Secretary Jesse Blackwell of Marfa has charge of camp equipment.

Meals will be again served cafeteria style with no charge but everyone is expected to share in the freewill offering. Those who prefer to do their own cooking may buy milk, bread, ice and other supplies on the ground. H. L. Kokernot Jr. of Alpine will be superintendent of cooking and Sam Means of El Paso, assistant.

Camp officers are C. T. Mitchell, Marfa, president and superintendent of grounds; M. M. Fulmer, Alpine, vice-president and presiding officer; Buren Sparks, Burnett and L. L. Yearby, El Paso, vice-presidents; Jesse Blackwell, Marfa, secretary; H. L. Kokernot, San Antonio, treasurer.

NEW MEXICO DRY LEADERS MAP VICEROUS CAMPAIGN

In a statewide meeting at the First Baptist Church, Albuquerque, on July 4, the Anti-Liquor League of New Mexico was organized with Rev. Bernard Guy, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Clovis, as president and Dr. Thomas W. Brabham, former president of McMurry College and now pastor of the First Methodist Church, Roswell as first vice-president and Rev. E. A. Manness as secretary.

The body declared first, in favor of complete prohibition of the liquor traffic; second, favoring laws providing more strict regulation; third, pledging support of present liquor laws.

The regulatory laws proposed include a clear local option law, Sunday closing, prohibiting employment of women or girls, and the sale of liquor where food or soft drinks are sold or served, removing liquor sales from places of amusement, prohibiting liquor advertising, and an adequate primary law.

New Mexico churches will be asked July 30 to take an offering to raise funds to be used in the dry campaign.

ENCAMPMENT FOR MEN DISCUSSED AT LUEDERS

An encampment for Baptist men was an idea suggested during the boys' camp at Lueders last week. Rev. J. B. Rowan of Aspermont is credited with originating the idea which was the subject of discussion of a gathering of leaders at the camp.

"I am enthusiastically for it," declared Judge E. S. Cummings, Brotherhood leader of District Seventeen, when told of the conference last week. This, say those who have discussed the matter, is typical of the response received.

Encampment President Dick O'Brien is considering calling a planning meeting at an early date to consider taking definite action.

The most costly program for a church is a cheap program.—Bailes.

MISSIONARY ESSAYS



By B. N. Shepherd
Missionary, District 17

Missionary messages are enriched by the presence of the missionaries from Africa, Bro. and Mrs. A. C. Donath and their three fine children. This is the second time they have been in our District for a series of engagements since their return to the States last November. We are really happy to have them. They have proved a distinct blessing where they have gone. They will never know the blessings they brought to the Girl's and Boy's Camps, at Camp Lueders. Such missionary stories we have never heard, and just from the African fields. They are to be with us again beginning August 13, for a few days.

Did you ever have such a good time at camps as we did at the Young People's Camps? I have been in nine young people's camps, as pastor, in the last four years. All of them have been fine, but none like these. In four days we had the happy privilege of seeing 65 girls and boys saved in the four days. No greater blessing could come unless more could have been saved. There were between 130 and 150 surrenders for special service, rededications and conversions during the four days camps. Our own hearts were deeply reconsecrated. No one could be with a group like that and not be a better Christian. Already our leaders, Mrs. O'Brien heading the list, are making plans to try to make the camps better next year. How we thank the Lord for her and all others who helped to make the camp so effective.

Your unworthy missionary appreciates, more than he can express, the thoughtfulness and kindness of the district board and churches for making it possible, financially, for him to

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EVENTS TO COME

July 22-28—Baptist World Alliance, Atlanta, Georgia.
July 30-August 4—Milam County Encampment, Cameron.
July 30-August 4—Foreign Mission Week at Ridgecrest.
July 30-August 4—Foreign Mission Board Conference, Ridgecrest.
July 31-August 7—Paisano Encampment, Paisano Pass.
July 31-August 8—Paisano Assembly, Paisano Pass.
August 6-11—Home Mission Board Conference, Ridgecrest.
August 7-13—District 10 Encampment, Canadian.
August 7-17—Falls Creek Assembly, Arbuckle Mountains, Oklahoma.
August 13-18—Baptist Brotherhood Conference, Ridgecrest.
August 15-16—Pecos Valley Assn. (N. M.), Artesia.
August 20-27—Preaching Week—Dr. George W. Truett—Ridgecrest.
August 24-25—Association Training Union Officers' conference for Districts 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, and 17, at Abilene.
August 30-31—Fisher Assn., Pleasant Valley.
September 5-6—Callahan Assn., Denton Valley.
September 7-8—Jones Assn., Lueders.
September 8-9—Sweetwater Assn., University Church.
September 13, Forty-Eighth Annual Session Begins, Hardin-Simmons University.
October 3-4—Concho Valley Assn., Sterling City.
October 5-6—Haskell Assn., Munday.
October 5-6—Cisco Assn., Gorman.
November 3-5—State B. S. U. Convention, Hardin-Simmons U.

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MEN'S ENCAMPMENT

There is a lively discussion of the possibilities of having an encampment especially for Baptist men at Lueders some time during the summer season. Well, why not?

Men go long distances to gatherings of Shriners, Rotarians, Young Democrats, Chambers of Commerce, salesmen, farmers and so on.

Why should not friends of neighboring communities come together for recreation, fellowship, and discussion of the most important things in the world?

Because it is not being done is no sign that it is not available. Texas, and especially West Texas, has originated many helpful movements in the work of the Kingdom.

ON CODES

Substitution of the "Darwinian Code" for Christian rules of life was suggested recently by a zoologist speaking before a convention of scientists in California.

"This code," the papers quote his statement, "accepts cruelty, lust, deceit, cowardice and selfishness as intrinsic virtues."

When such jungle philosophy is seriously proclaimed by a scientist and educator, one is troubled for the future of the race.

Much has been said and written in the last twenty-five years regarding the danger to civilization of another great war. Well, if the Darwinian code is widely promulgated, the time will not be far distant when there will not be enough civilization left to conduct a major war.

After all, there is nothing new about such a code except the name. Nineteen centuries ago a wiry, long-headed Jew, whose spiritual vision far outreached the ailing eyes of his flesh, phrased this "Darwinian code" much more effectively in a letter to the churches in the Roman province of Galatia.

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revealings and such like; of which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

What a striking contrast against this dark picture are the "Christian rules of life" at which the pseudo-scientist sneered. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance; against such there is no law."

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

In missions as in everything else, opportunities present themselves, but unless seized promptly they vanish forever. Then added to the tragedy of the lost souls of the dying generation is the greater tragedy of a nation lost to Christ and Christian influence.

There is no more striking illustration of such wasted opportunity than what happened in Japan. There was half a century, while Japan was absorbing Western ideas in sponge-like fashion, that Christianity, more especially the gospel message from American lips, was heartily welcomed even in some official circles.

During those days the Christians of America were so absorbed in trying to kill each other off and in the political and economic aftermath of that calamity that our efforts to evangelize Japan could not, by any stretch of imagination be called even half-hearted.

Now that door is closed as effectively as the so-called open door of trade in China. A neo-paganism has gripped the land of the Rising Sun. The old paganism is having a revival in which the worship of nature and traditional gods gives place to worship of the state with the Emperor as the living symbol and the head of the state.

So do the results of our sins spread in a widening circle. Upon the hot heads of both North and South who precipitated the American Civil War is the added course of a godless and brutalized Japan running bersek in the Far East.

Before we condemn those unfortunates too freely and lay too heavy responsibilities at the non-missionary doors of our fathers, let's see if we are any better.

There are lands today where the mission opportunities are as great as they ever were in Japan. Missionary A. C. Donath has been thrilling Texas audiences with the story of a heathen king in Upper Nigeria who is pleading for a church and an evangelist in every town and village in his wide kingdom. This attitude is typical of the teeming black millions of the West Coast. Unless we are ready to march to conquest the Devil has someone who will.

Do not think these ignorant, poverty-stricken blacks are of no account. A century ago the Japanese had no more influence in world affairs than do the subjects of this nameless king. Yet within the span of living men they have risen to a world power which insults the British Empire with impunity.

The door is also open in Brazil. Every letter from the missionaries in the great Southern Republic glows with optimism. Here is a land larger than ours, abounding in fertility and vast natural resources. A few decades may see it one of the world powers and upon our souls will rest the praise or the blame as its world influence tomorrow is Godly or godless.

Open hearts in China beyond the missionary's fondest dreams are the evangelist's reward in that torn, tortured land. If we accept that welcome we may live to see eastern Asia a vast commonwealth where the spirit of Christ prevails. If we fail, it will be the greatest failure since that chosen band deserted their Lord in Gethsemane.

News Notes

Rev. A. C. Huff, missionary in District Nine preached both hours Sunday at First Church, Lubbock.

There have been 191 additions to First Church, Sweetwater since December 1. Fifty-five of these have come for baptism.

Rev. J. W. Marshall, state B. S. U. secretary, has been in a youth revival at First Church, Galveston, where Dr. H. L. Fickett is pastor.

The daughter of Pastor J. M. Sibbey of Sweetwater is recovering from a major operation.

Quitaque Church began a rural religious census Sunday afternoon. Pastor J. Lowell Ponder had all details worked out, including a map of the trade territory showing roads and farmhouses.

Dr. J. L. Moye, evangelist to Spanish speaking people in the Southwest spoke Sunday at First Church, San Antonio.

Rev. Judson Prince of Cisco is assisting Dr. E. E. Dawson and the Goldwaite Church in a meeting with many additions.

Because of the change in date of the Southern Baptist Convention for 1940, the Preachers' Evangelistic conference of Texas will meet at the Seminary, the week of May 13.

Evangelist W. Y. Pond is engaged in a meeting with Pastor E. C. McDonald and the Brady Church.

A revival meeting will begin at Scranton July 23 with Pastor W. C. Taggart doing the preaching and Charles McLaughlin leading the song services.

Highland Home Church had two successful and constructive services last Sunday with Pastor W. C. Taggart preaching. There was one conversion and some real conviction.

Dr. N. A. Moore has returned from the Ruidoso Encampment where he and President John W. Raley were the out of state speakers. He reports plans for an enlarged encampment next year.

Rev. William H. Joyner, state evangelist, began a revival with the First Church, San Saba, July 2. Forty people had joined the church the first ten days of the meeting. Others are expected to join before the revival closes. This is Evangelist Joyner's second revival here. Dr. Sam Taylor is pastor.

Rev. Carroll Holtzclaw has just closed a good revival meeting with Pastor R. E. Perkins and the church at Lewisville, Texas. Rev. Holtzclaw supplied Sunday for Pastor L. A. Doyle who was in the revival at Potosi.

The quarterly meeting of Floyd association laymen met Monday at Floydada with Lockney laymen in charge. A. E. Boyd of Plainview was the principal speaker.

Crosbyton Church entertained the Floyd association workers on July 11. They will not have a meeting in August.

DO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE?

Liquor forces its way into our homes through alluring pictures and outrageous statements in magazines and newspapers. Brilliantly colored lights advertise liquor on our streets. Tempting window displays greet our children, and blatant beer radio programs invade your family circle.

Would you want an agent of a distillery or brewery to come into your home, and with attractive pictures and winning manners persuade your children to drink? Well, it's being effectively done.

Write your U. S. Senators and congressman requesting their most earnest support of the bill to stop radio beer and liquor advertising. This accomplished, the next move should be to get it out of the mails.

What about the newspapers coming into your homes with liquor advertisements? Why not write the Star-Telegram and the Dallas News to discontinue their visits until they part company with liquor business? Stand by the Abilene Reporter-News that refuses to carry their ads.

—First Baptist Advance.

Less than one-fourth of the voters, or 24.8 per cent, approved the repeal of prohibition. The other 75.2 per cent are beginning to wake up.

THE ECONOMIC WASTE OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC

By J. M. Dawson

Delivered at the convention United Drys, Abilene, June 30.

When I tell you that the liquor bill now amounts to four and a half billion dollars annually in the United States, I am stating less than the full truth. When I say that there are two girls serving liquor to every girl in college, I am speaking moderately, for there are more nearly three. When I report that the amount spent for liquor equals the amount spent for both bread and clothing, I am below the level of facts. Let us face some of these facts.

The first of these is the enormous economic loss in men who are themselves the victims of liquor. If a single individual may be valued at an industrial asset at \$5,000, then how much are we to assess for the thirty-odd thousand who are killed annually in automobile accidents, for which liquor is chiefly responsible? But that is a small item compared with the more than a million personal injury accidents in the country, which counting loss of wages, medical treatment, insurance and property damage, is reckoned by experts as being not a cent less than one billion dollars. Even that addition is very small as compared with the total number of deaths or disablement through disease attributable to the use of liquor, which according to the American Medical association, is beyond the power of the average person to realize. Yet a loss far larger still is the lowered efficiency which all drinkers suffer, entailing an economic loss, we will say, of at least 10 per cent, figuring into billions total.

Second Major Loss

The second major loss that I shall charge is that to legitimate business. The liquor trade is quick to assert that business is aided. It is pointed out by the liquor trade that multiplied millions are invested, such millions spent for grain, for labor, and in other ways to the advantage of general business. As a matter of fact less than 3 per cent is used for the purchase of grains. It can be proved that fewer than one-eighth the number of laborers are employed to produce the liquor that equals the total of bread and clothing sold in our country. The brewers told us it was their ambition to put a beer bottle in every bread basket. Noble ambition to make every bread winner a beer-guzzler, also his wife and children! Recently the beer trade has withdrawn its claims that there is food value in beer, under threats of the government, and the National Broadcasting company has refused liquor advertising. The next step is to forbid all liquor advertising. Educational forces must make up the loss in advertising to the newspapers.

The last economic loss I mention is that to the government. We were told by the liquor advocates that revenues derived from the trade would lower taxes, balance the national budget and pay us out of debt. Instead of the billions prophesied, the total is annually only about five hundred millions.

Taxes have not been lowered, our national debt is rapidly nearing the constitutional limit, and unemployment continues. According to J. Edgar Hoover, the national crime bill has now mounted to 15 billions annually, with the last three years the worst in our history. Bootlegging has increased to 50 million gallons a year. Roger Babson, a recent convert to prohibition, charges that two billions of relief money has gone for the purchase of liquor by those on relief and that unless the liquor lobby and propagandists are restrained the government itself must perish.

We spent 400 millions to dig the Panama canal, but we got something for it. We are spending four and a half billion dollars a year to dig the liquor ditch, and we get poverty, crime, insanity, unemployment and destruction of our most precious forces for it.

APPRECIATION FROM DR. PORTER M. BAILES

My Dear Bro. Dudley:

I want to thank you for the West Texas Baptist of June 29 and say that I appreciated greatly the fellowship I had with you during the encampment and your warm spirit of cooperation. I shall carry many happy memories of my week at Lueders and assure you that I believe in you, your splendid, gifted and consecrated leaders—Brethren O'Brien, Littleton, Shepherd and all the others.

Heaven's richest blessings upon you and your every effort in building a great encampment.

Yours,

PORTER M. BAILES.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

July 23, 1939

By Hight C. Moore

ASA: A LIFE OF TRUST

Read 2 Chronicles 14 and 16
Study 2 Chronicles 14:2-12

The grandson of Rehoboam and the son of Abijah, two bad kings who allowed the country to decline morally and politically, Asa reigned at Jerusalem forty-one years, 913 to 872 B. C. In general his rule was righteous, being marked by religious reformation, national upbuilding, and international eminence.

1. Reformation in Religion

INDIVIDUAL PIETY was the heart of Asa's reformation. At an early age he succeeded his father, Abijah, whose reign was featured principally by a decisive victory over the armies of the northern kingdom and by a league with Syria. The first decade of his reign was therefore one of national quiet. The young king, had before him the highest religious ideals, despite his corrupting heritage in court and country. He determined personally to do the good and straight thing in the eyes and in the fear of Jehovah. Nor did he stop with personal piety. He did two things that promoted the general revival of religion that followed his accession. First, he destroyed idolatry, taking away the altars to foreign deities, reviving the consecrated but desecrated hills, breaking down the idolatrous obelisks, and hewing down the sacred posts of ancient tottemism. Then he commanded his subjects to seek Jehovah, making their individual peace with God and to conform to the laws and ordinances of Jehovah. Thus the work of reform proceeded while the land was in repose until the false images and false sanctuaries were discredited and discontinued throughout all the cities of Judah.

2. Upbuilding of the Kingdom

INTERNAL PROGRESS went hand in hand with religious revival. Realization that Jehovah had given him peace in leading his people in the path of piety, Asa saw his country happy and prosperous. But in order to maintain the nation at its best, he saw the necessity of preparedness against rivals and foes. Civil advance was marked by two outstanding features: (1) Asa built a number of fortified cities, inclosing them with thick walls, lofty towers, strong gates, and impregnable citadels; (2) he collected and trained an army of 580,000 valorous men—300,000 men of Judah equipped with small shields and spears, the principal thrusting weapon of the ancients, and 280,000 men of Benjamin that bare large shields and were archers, the arrow being the most popular projectile in ancient warfare. Thus the country was prosperous and by its fortifications and army was ready for national defense.

3. Victory Over Ethiopia

INTERNATIONAL POWER was manifest in the victory over Ethiopia. General Zerah with a force of a million, including 300 chariots—the largest army mentioned in the Scriptures—made up of mercenaries gathered from far up the Nile Valley invaded Southern Judah, hurling its defiance at Mareshah between Hebron and Ashdod. This vast army, as was usual at the time, subsisted on the country through which they passed. They were bent on utterly sacking the land of Judah. But Asa met the enemy on the border. The battle was pitched in a valley abounding in water. But just before the clash Asa offered his historic prayer, recognizing in Jehovah not only his God, but the only God who can help; realizing that God's help is equally efficacious with the mighty and the weak; calling upon God for help in conflict; professing absolute reliance on God against the foe; identifying God with the people who were battling in his name; and beseeching Jehovah to assert his might against the mighty foe. Of course, Asa and his men fought with skill and fury, but it was Jehovah who smote the foe and it was before Jehovah that the Ethiopians fell. Asa led his force in hot pursuit for twenty miles or more, routing the foe completely, taking much booty, and returning in triumph to Jerusalem.

Rely On God

(1) Rely on God in Responsibility. "Reigned" (verse 1). Asa was young. His crown was heavy. His task was arduous. Could he wisely rule? Could he make his country and world better? Certainly; by reliance on God.

(2) Rely On God in Opportunity. "Land was quiet" (verse 1). Repose

was favorable to reconstruction. Peace has its progressive program. But God must be in the center of all advancing life. There can be no upward progress without him.

(3) Rely on God in Ideals. "Good and right." To do good we must be right. If we are right we will do good. But we can be and do neither without God. He sets our faces skyward. His Spirit animates us upward.

(4) Rely on God in Reform. "Took away—broke down." The stronghold of evil must be removed. The sanctuaries of wrong must be swept away. Not by might nor by power can the work be done. If wrong is destroyed, the hand of God must be invoked against it.

(5) Rely on God in Revival. "Seek the Lord—do the law." Seek the Lord with the whole heart. Obey his commandments faithfully. Feel the thrill of joy in spiritual fidelity. God must be at the heart of every revival.

(6) Rely on God in Preparedness. "Fenced cities—mighty men of valor." There is fighting to be done. Satan and his forces are numerous and powerful. We must get ready to meet them. God tells us that we must put on the armor and war a good warfare.

(7) Rely on God in Danger. "Came out against them." A million invaders, bent on plundering: How could Asa face them? But the greater the danger, the greater the dependence.

(8) Rely on God in Prayer. "Asa cried unto the Lord." Asa had done his best to fortify his country and to train and equip its defenders. But he relied not so much upon his fortified cities and his mighty men of valor as upon God. Repeat his prayer in the hour of danger.

(9) Rely on God in Conflict. "The Lord smote." The spearmen of Judah and the archers of Benjamin and the generalship of Asa were never so vigorous and forceful as on that day of days. Yet they recognized and the historian records the glorious fact that the spear and the arrow of the Lord fell upon the foe.

(10) Rely on God in Victory. "The Ethiopians fled." We must not lose faith when the enemy flees. We ought to be truer to God than ever. We need him as much in the hour of triumph as in the hour of defeat. Vain is that victory which forgets God.

Gold in the Golden Text

Help us, O Lord our God; for we rest on thee. 2 Chronicles 14:11.

Help from God is the only help that helps. It helps in the time of trial. It helps in the time of trouble. It helps in the time of triumph. There is no other help for the whole man for time and eternity.

Reliance on God is the way to secure the help from God. We must depend on him as the child depends on its parents. We must cling to him as the trolley lays hold on the wire to receive power from the central dynamo. We must be united to him as the branch is united to the vine before it can bear fruit.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

July 22—Trusting Christ for Victory. 1 John 5:1-5.

July 23—God Our Refuge. Psalm 62:5-8.

July 24—Seeking God's Ways. 2 Chronicles 17:1-6.

July 25—Magnifying God's Word. 2 Chronicles 17:9-12.

July 26—The Wisdom of Obedience. Deuteronomy 4:1-6.

July 27—Failure Through Disobedience. 1 Samuel 15:22-26.

The summer revival at Gillespie begins July 26. Rev. J. G. Dandignac will preach until Sunday when Missionary B. N. Shepherd will come for a week. Rev. Dandignac will continue in charge of the song service.

Rev. Dick O'Brien is assisting Pastor W. H. Albertson in a meeting at Munday, where great interest is manifested. Avery Lee is conducting the song services.

Pastor Fred Moreland and the Lueders Church are enjoying the fellowship and preaching of Rev. H. R. Whatley of Haskell in a meeting which will continue through next week.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION LEADS CAMPUS WORSHIP

The B. S. U. Executive Council.—The B. S. U. Executive Council is composed of the officers of the B. S. U. (President, First, Second, and Third Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, Reporter, Treasurer, Chorister, and Pianist) and one member representing each Baptist unit organization on the campus and in the churches. This council meets regularly twice each month and on special occasions by a call meeting to plan special work and programs in connection with the state and southwide program. It keeps in close contact with the state and southwide headquarters and promotes the work begun there. This council sponsors the Daily Prayer Meetings, Master's Ministry, All-University Religious Hour with meetings every Thursday evening, and Special Religious Programs of various kinds. Five committees work in connection with the Council.

Report of the Unit Organizations

Sunday School—Eighty-two per cent of the Baptist students enrolled in Hardin-Simmons are enlisted in Sunday School in nine Baptist churches in Abilene. Fifty-one per cent of the total Baptist enrollment contribute regularly to the financial support of the local churches.

Baptist Training Union.—A good per cent of the total Baptist enrollment are enlisted in about fifteen B. Y. P. U.'s in the local churches.

Y. W. A.—All of the boarding women students are enlisted in the Y. W. A. An average attendance of eighty-seven per cent of these women was sustained for the meetings throughout the year. Regular meetings are held twice each month. Study courses, mission study, interesting speakers, etc., are sponsored by this organization. Miss Ona Faye Tittle of Brownfield is president.

Mission Workers.—The Mission Workers is a band of students who are especially interested in doing missionary work both at home and in foreign fields. To have membership in this body it is not necessary that you be preparing specifically for mission work. The aim is to become better acquainted with our mission fields and our missionaries, and to assist churches in this territory in study courses. Many interesting speakers have been brought to our campus this year by this organization. Arvil Richardson was President for the fall semester and Doris Wayne O'Brien for Spring Semester.

Ministerial Council.—There has been a total of fifty-seven Baptist ministers enrolled in Hardin-Simmons in the fall and spring semesters with one Presbyterian, one Methodist, and one Church of Christ minister. In the last year these ministers have pastored fifty-six Baptist churches, with a total membership of six thousand, preached three thousand seven hundred and fifty sermons, to 48,500 people, worked in ninety-eight revival meetings, won eleven hundred and thirty-four souls to Christ. More than one hundred revival meetings are already planned for the coming summer.

The Baptist Student Union is the voluntary religious activities of the Baptist students within the schools and colleges of the Southland as provided for and promoted by Southern Baptists. Included in this program are all students of Baptist preference who are away from home at school. The B. S. U. is organized on all campuses within the territory of the Southern Baptists whether the school be state, private, or denominationally supported.

The Baptist Student Union is a connecting link between the college and the local church. It magnifies and popularizes the local church with all of its unit organizations and keeps all of the church's programs before the students. It insists that the church is Christ's means of winning a lost world and training for service in His kingdom.

The Baptist Student Union is a factor for emphasizing the program of the great Baptist demonstration of which students are a part. It informs them, and enlists them, in the various activities of their denomination as it seeks to exalt Christ and extend His kingdom.

The Baptist Student Union is a recruiting agency and training activity for the local churches, for the statewide work, for the southwide boards and agencies of Southern Baptists, and for the Baptist denomination and the Christian world at large.

The Baptist Student Union has three distinct units of activity. First, it is the unified program of all voluntary Baptist religious activity of students of a local campus or college center—the Local Baptist Student Union.

Second, it is the unified program of all voluntary religious activity of Baptist students within a single state

BROTHER HAL WRITES A NOBLE DEACON

Mr. R. W. Smith,
Odessa, Texas,
Dear Brother Smith:

I have received from Brother Perry Evans a letter written by your good wife, telling about your long sickness since the latter part of December, about your being in the hospital at Abilene, and about the after effects of bronchitis and pneumonia.

How sorry I am that you have had thus to suffer, particularly since it seems that you contracted the original cold in connection with the gathering of the carload of calves for the benefit of Buckner Orphans Home.

Your zeal on behalf of the children here has been a matter that has brought out our deepest appreciation. Yet, you can perhaps realize that we are greatly concerned since you have suffered in connection with it. Of course I would be willing to do anything I could do to help you bear your suffering and to restore you to perfect health.

This one thing I can do: remind you of our love, be a little bit more faithful in the discharge of my duties and the carrying on of the work here in order that we may be worthy of such a friendship as yours.

Whether or not you remain in the West, or seek a change of climate on the coast or elsewhere, I want you to know, and I want Mrs. Smith to know, that we will follow you with our prayers, and be constantly inspired by your unselfish devotion to the cause of Christ, and His little ones.

Sincerely,

HAL F. BUCKNER,
General Manager.

SENTENCE SERMONS

By O. D. Henley

Life's worthwhile victories are achieved by faith and fight.

Often impulsiveness leads to repulsiveness.

The devil knows he's wrong.

High ideals are not the natural product of low people.

Life is a mixture of drama and dreams.

Opportunities are not negotiable. Stubbornness is not stability.

A loveless life is a listless life.

—the State Baptist Student Union.

Third, it is the unified program of all voluntary religious activity of the Baptist students throughout the Southland, or throughout the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention.

How the Local B. S. U. Operates on the Hardin-Simmons University Campus

a. Membership of the Local B. S. U.—The membership includes all Baptist students who are members of a unit organization of the church (Sunday School or Baptist Training Union) or a unit organization on the campus (Y. W. A., Mission Workers, or Ministerial Council). Students of other denominations are honorary members provided they are members of the unit organizations of the church or on the campus.

b. Purpose of the Local B. S. U.—To guarantee an attractive, inclusive program of organized Baptist religious work on the Hardin-Simmons campus; to include all Baptist students, and all religious organizations of the campus, in one co-ordinated program; to feature all of the work of all boards and agencies of the denomination as it should be featured with students; to promote religious growth and spiritual development of students through sustained Bible study, prayer, mission study and activity, meditation, and church life in promoting kingdom work.

c. What the Local B. S. U. does—It represents, includes, and unifies all of the religious activities on the Hardin-Simmons campus and in the local churches. It concentrates the full force and spiritual force. It is the "clearing house" of all student religious activities.

Incoming officers of the B. S. U. for the year 1939-1940.

President—Lem Paul Henslee.

First Vice-President—Claire Nell Miller.

Second Vice-President—Doris Wayne O'Brien.

Third Vice-President—Finis Williams.

Co-Third Vice-President—Jewette Patton.

Recording Secretary—Edith Lewis.

Reporter—Jack Gardner, Dallas.

External Relations—S. E. Smith.

Faculty Sponsor—Miss A. M. Carpenter.

Student Assistant—Leonard Lawson, Tucson, Arizona.

Campus Pastor—Dr. E. B. Atwood.

Treasurer—Fernetta Foley, Wichita Falls.

Pianist—Jane Meskimen.

Chorister—Jack Dean, El Paso.

A DARING JUMP TO BEAT THE GLARING SLUMP

By Volus Norsworthy

Well, folks, it's here! Vacation-time, Summer-time, take-it-easy-time, too-hot-times, visiting-kins - folks - time, slump-time! A glaring slump in the Training Union has already hit us! Our attendance has fallen entirely too low! Something must be done about it! Therefore the directors have gotten together in a huddle and have dared the Training Union to "JUMP AHEAD OF THE SLUMP." Next Tuesday night the members of the Training Union will meet at seven o'clock for the beginning of the "JUMP." Each member is requested to bring a picnic lunch and it will all be spread on the church lawn, and we will enjoy it all together. After the picnic supper and a good time, the Unions will assemble to make plans. The Unions will dare to do the hard thing considering the season — they will dare to make challenging attendance goals for the summer; they will dare to have the best programs; they will dare to do more for Christ. TEN LIVE PROSPECTS WILL BE GIVEN EACH UNION, and the Union dared to reach those prospects first. Don't you be absent next Tuesday night. Bring your picnic supper. Plan to have a good time. Determine to do more for the Lord. All together, let us make "A DARING JUMP TO BEAT THE GLARING SLUMP."—The Visitor, Vernon.

B. T. U. JUMPS THE SLUMP

Twenty new members were reported at the Training Union last Sunday evening. The G. & G. Senior Union reported five, the Pace-Makers four, and some of the other unions in other departments reported one and two new members. Congratulations on this fine work. When we make up our minds to do a thing, we can do it!—In one week we secured more new members than we did all last month, or the month before, or the month before that, or even the month before that. Not since January has our monthly report of the Training Union shown more than twenty new members.

Good programs?—Why, some of the leaders and sponsors were at the church at five o'clock getting ready for their programs. And it was hot at that time of day, too! Caution: Don't slide back—we must keep jumping! "A DARING JUMP TO BEAT THE GLARING SLUMP."—195 last Sunday—WHERE IS THE SLUMP?—Volus Norsworthy in the Visitor, Vernon.

WEST TEXAS ENJOYING SERVICE IN LOUISVILLE

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Ware, well-known among Baptists in West Texas, are enjoying some unusual experiences in their work in the Southern Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

Bro. Ware is teaching English to Rev. Djalma Cunha, brilliant native Brazilian who is doing two years study in the states. Bro. Cunha is president of our Baptist Seminary at Rio. Bro. Ware is pastor of the church at Ewing, Ky., and continuing his own studies in Latin and French which are requisite to his graduate course in New Testament. He is at present in a meeting near Louisville, where he reports several conversions to date. Great outpouring of the Holy Spirit Sunday night when eight came accepting Christ and joining the church.

Mrs. Ware, formerly Myrtle O. Barber of Hardin-Simmons and of West Texas, has gained wide recognition among the women of Louisville this past year for her versatility in speaking and writing. She has appeared before more than ten city churches since March, speaking on the Southwest and on Youth in Missions, and has been acclaimed as outstanding. She is writing for the Southwide Mission magazines, also, the past few months. Those interested will note the Y. W. A. Programs in the WINDOW in the September issue, and other features appearing later. The Wares have three lovely boys: Browning, age 10; Weston, age 6; and the two-year-old curly-head, young John Broadman.

Bro. and Mrs. Ware are planning to attend the Baptist World Alliance this month. Browning will go with them. Mrs. Bertha Barber, Mrs. Ware's mother, of Abilene, who will be in Louisville on a visit at that time will care for the two younger sons. The Wares will be in party with Rev. and Mrs. Djalma Cunha.

The greatest privilege that God ever gave man is prayer.—Bailes.

Silence the rum radio. The child at the dial means no beer in advertising.

EVIDENCE OF A REVIVAL

Real revivals are rare. There are many series of meetings but revivals are few.

The signs of a revival are: First, excluded members are restored to fellowship. If you turn a hog out of a pen, it will root it down. But a sheep turned out of the fold will come back to the gate for admittance. Another evidence is the warning of the hearts of the church membership. Bickering, dickering and unreasonable criticism give way to cooperation, consecration and dedication. Another evidence is the joining of unaffiliated Baptists. Build a fire and cold people will gather around it and help you keep it glowing. Another evidence is sinners are saved. It is easy to find God in a warm spiritual atmosphere. If you would hear the cry of new born babes and see your spiritual family enlarged by triplets, quadruplets and quintuplets, let the Holy Spirit create the warm atmosphere and your heart will rejoice as heaven does over sinners turning to God.

Revivals are not worked up but prayed down. They are not man made but heaven sent. They are not of human origin but divinely inspired. Real revivals are like fire—they catch up from heart to heart, family to family and from church to church.—Porter M. Bailes, pastor First Baptist Church, Tyler, Texas.

DIPLOMAS AND SEALS FOR TRAINING UNION MEMBERS

The report of the education activities of the Baptist Training Union of Texas is very encouraging. It will be noted from the report given below that many more people are studying Training Union books this year than last.

Awards issued in June, 1939 — 4,357

Awards issued in June, 1938 — 2,491

Gain — 1,866

Awards issued first eight months, 1939 — 51,939

Awards issued first eight months, 1938 — 40,988

Gain — 10,951

Awards issued first eight months, 1939 — 51,539

Awards issued whole year of 1938 — 50,123

Gain — 1,416

Mrs. Gaynor Maddox, writing in the Hamilton (Ontario) Spectator, says: "Afternoon tea has come back at many of the smartest afternoon social gatherings now. Neither cocktails nor highballs make their appearance."

A friendly glass may cause an unfriendly crash.

Paris has opened its first milk bar. Oo la la!

What is the good of a new hat, if under the hat are no new thoughts?—Bailes.

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SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS GREAT REVIVAL AT CAPS

By Mrs. W. F. Joiner

Caps Baptist Church closed a ten days' revival meeting Sunday night, July 16. Rev. Dean Elkins of Nolan did the preaching and Brother Burl King led the singing. With these two men and our pastor, Rev. Clyde Jackson, we had a very spiritual group to lead in our meeting. I thank the Lord for each of them. Bro. Elkins came to us almost a stranger, but we soon learned to know and love him as he so tenderly lifted up Christ in every message and so fearlessly denounced sin.

There were twelve professions of faith, eleven additions to the church, ten for baptism. Many rededicated their lives to the Lord, others came seeking to know just what the Lord wanted them to do in service. I feel like these good messages given all through the meeting will yet bear much fruit for the Lord in the lives of the people of our church and community. We are grateful that Bro. Elkins came our way.

Our daily vacation Bible school was conducted this year for the second time in our church at Caps. Our enrollment was 60, average attendance 48, least attendance 35, perfect attendance 30. We had three departments.

Out of this one week school of three hours a day we can see many results that encourage our hearts. Some have been enlisted in Sunday School because they came to the Vacation Bible School.

BOUQUETS AND MESSAGES FROM NEW MEXICO

This letter should have been written sooner but a busy pastorate has kept me so busy that I have hardly had time to keep the New Mexico sand out of my eyes. Our work at Lovington moves forward in a fashion that causes our heart to continually rejoice. Strange to say, the West Texas Baptist has had a part in that blessing. So has Dr. Jenkins. I humbly beg pardon for my neglect in assigning credit where it is due. For, you see, I preached the sermon that Dr. Jenkins had in the West Texas Baptist some time back. I did not plagiarize but told my congregation as to the source of that sermon. At the close of the service seven persons made decisions for Christ, five by profession of faith. Give us some more sermons, Dr. Jenkins that one was too good not to be circulated!

Just finished a good meeting here at Lovington and am now in a meeting at Eunice, New Mexico with Pastor Gordon Stirling. We are having a glorious time together in this work. The church has had a glorious revival and ten professions of faith have been received to date. Others are deeply interested. Pray for us.

LOYAL E. BROWN,

Pastor First Baptist Church, Lovington.

Medical scientists are now beginning to say that sub-intoxication is a far greater social menace than drunkenness. It leads to chronic alcoholism, accidents and crime.



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UNION BAPTIST SEMINARY FOR DEEP SOUTH NEGROES

By J. W. Shepard

The name given this recently founded Baptist Seminary for the education of the Negro ministry in New Orleans and surrounding regions expresses a hope already partially realized in this city, the seat of the institution. That hope is that all the Associations of New Orleans and the vicinity should unite in backing financially and morally this young institution which is rapidly becoming the most important factor in the resolution of the greatest problem of Kingdom work among the colored population of this vast metropolis, that is that of the education of the ministry.

This Seminary was founded two years ago and has carried on successfully for these two years, matriculating almost a hundred students this year in its various departments of instruction. The faculty has preserved in its self-sacrificing endeavor during this second year hoping that some financial help might come to supplement the small incomes most of the teachers receive from other kinds or phases of Kingdom work.

The city of New Orleans has 159,000 colored people and the state of Louisiana more than 800,000. In New Orleans there are many small Baptist congregations, more than a hundred, many of which could not properly be called churches. The ministry has but few out of more than two hundred ordained men who have even a high school training. Less than a dozen of these men altogether have had college and seminary training.

The consequences of this situation in the ministry is that their congregations or traditional Baptists are being swept away by the Catholic priests who are backed up by schools both parochial and of superior grade heading up in Xavier College. What can a minority without training do to withstand such inroads, much less to go forward with a constructive program in Kingdom work?

Recognizing the dire need of training for their ministry a good number of the ministers of the widely scattered and representative colored Baptist churches in New Orleans came together in cooperation with representatives of the Baptist Bible Institute in October 1937 and organized the Union Baptist Seminary. Having finished now two years of successful work, with the result that a fine class completes the Pastor's course this session, and full proof having been given of the self-sacrificing character of the voluntary effort of Trustees and Faculty both colored and white. We feel justified fully in presenting to the brotherhood of Baptists white and colored both North and South the claims of this institution to live and go forward with increasing support financially and morally from all sides. The local churches and associations have contributed increasingly but are not strong enough financially to satisfy the most meager needs of the school. The faculty members (colored) have not received as much as \$50 each for the year's work just finished. The very reasonable budget of \$25, each per month was adopted by the Trustees last fall and these (eight) teachers who have lived in the hope of receiving this much-needed minimum amount have been disappointed thus far and yet not complaining have gone on to the end of the school year.

In the heart of the south is New Orleans, in the best place for the investment of money to vitally help the Kingdom work among a vast population of Negroes. The Practical Activities Department of the Baptist Bible Institute is carrying forward a splendid program in the French fields of this region. New churches are springing up in towns and country places in the parishes around New Orleans. The new seminary for the colored ministry is being aided by professors and graduate students of the Baptist Bible Institute who serve on its faculty along with the colored teachers. The finest fellowship is growing up thus between white and colored teachers working shoulder to shoulder in this great cause.

A Woman's Training Department headed by one of the young women graduates of the Baptist Bible Institute, aided by a young graduate of Dillard University has been organized this year and is doing splendid work in the better training of the women in the colored churches. We plead for financial help to the amount of \$1632 to cover the deficit in the budget of the school year just closed.

We call upon the friends of the needy and strategic cause of ministerial education for the Negro ministry in a broad section and among vast population running into several

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Church: Dr. John R. Sampey, President Baptist Seminary.

Brief Speeches: (a) "The Church as a Field," Dr. D. J. Evans, Rochester, N. Y. (b) "The Church as a Force," Mr. H. L. Taylor, past-president, Baptist Union Great Britain and Ireland. (c) "The Church as a Fellowship," Rev. F. Rocksches, Berlin, Germany.

Discussion opened by the Rev. Benj. Pradhan, Cuttack, India.

2:30 p. m. Language-Group Meetings. (a) English-speaking (Auditorium). (b) German-speaking (First Baptist Church). (c) Latin-speaking (Druid Hills Baptist Church). (d) Scandinavian (Central Presbyterian Church). (e) Slav-speaking (Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church).

7:30 p. m. Tenth Session: Missionary Demonstration, with Cinema Illustrations (Stadium).

Prayer: Rev. A. Mauricio, Portugal.

Address: "Look on the Fields," Dr. Earle V. Pierce, past-President Northern Baptist Convention.

India: Cinema Pictures provided by A. B. F. M. S.

Address: Dr. J. B. McLaurin, Canada, India. "The Church in India Today."

Address: Dr. J. W. Decker, New York, N. Y. "Today's Christian Opportunity in China and Japan."

Africa: Cinema Pictures provided by British B. M. S.

Address: "Negroes in the Work of Foreign Missions," Dr. J. H. Jackson, Philadelphia, Pa.

Cinema pictures with address by Dr. W. C. Taylor: "The Work of Southern Baptists in South America."

Thursday, July 27

9:30 a. m. Eleventh Session: (Auditorium).

Worship led by Rev. J. W. Weenink, Holland.

(1) Report of Commission No. 3 ("Findings of the Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences"). Professor W. O. Carver, of the Southern Baptist Seminary, U. S. A.

Discussion opened by Professor E. E. Aubrey, Chicago, Ill.

(2) The Ordinances:

Address: "The Ordinances of the Gospel," President F. W. Patterson, of Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S.

Brief Addresses: (a) "Believers' Baptism as a Personal Experience," Dr. J. A. Bacoats, Baker, La. (b)

"The Lord's Supper as a Personal Experience," Principal Oswald Tark,

of Tallinn, Estonia. (c) "Christ Sent Me Not to Baptize but to Preach the Gospel," Dr. Wallace Bassett,

Dallas, Texas.

Discussion, opened by Rev. R. L. Child, Bristol, England.

2:30 p. m. Twelfth Session: Business Meeting (Auditorium).

Worship led by the Rev. E. F. Sutton, England.

Reports of Committees.

Resolutions.

Election of Officers.

Votes of Thanks, etc.

7:30 p. m. Thirteenth Session:

Young People's Demonstration (Stadium).

Prayer: Mr. Douglas Gow, Canada.

Speakers: Rev. J. Cocutz, Rumania:

"The Best for Christ." Dr. C. L. Sea-

sholes: "Young Baptists and Their Freedom." Rev. Elbert Paul of Van-

cover, B. C. "Youth and Church Loyalty." Dr. Theodore F. Adams, Rich-

mond, Va.: "Unfinished Business."

"Spirituals" by combined choirs of Negro churches.

Friday, July 28

9:30 a. m. Fourteenth Session (Au-

ditorium).

Prayer: Mr. Douglas Gow, Canada.

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MISSIONARY MESSAGES

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attend the Baptist World Congress. Thanks a thousand times for this blessing. I will try to bring back all I can to the district for the progress of His cause.

Mr. Editor, we miss the West Texas Baptist when you take a week's vacation. We want you to rest, sometimes, but we sure regret to miss the rich news you give us. We thank you for your consecrated Christian life, your efficient writing and news gathering, and your spirit of cooperation. May your usefulness continue and grow more effective in His cause!

The revivals are in full swing and the reports are gratifying, such as 108 additions, First Church, Sweetwater. We are looking forward to this fall when we hope to have a school of Stewardship in every church in the district. Not only should we win people to the Lord, but we are to train them for Him.

I feel that we are to come to the State General Convention this fall with the greatest victory we have ever had, not just with the \$1,000,000 for missions, but because we, His people, have gotten a new vision of life through the definite plans and sacrifices by giving the extra day's wages and the extra Sunday's offering. When we do the big thing for the Lord we grow in grace. Let us join in prayer that there shall not be a Baptist in District 17, nor a church which does not do what should be done. Prayer changes things.

It rejoices our hearts when other Districts come over and help us. We had some groups from District Nine away out near Lubbock along with others in the young people's camps. They helped a lot. Thanks, Plainsmen.

Bro. Dandignac is getting started well as the new pastor at Gillespie, Haskell Co. We will miss Bro. Freeland, who went to a splendid pastorate in Denver. But the Lord knows how to carry on with his men to fill the places left vacant by transferring some to other fields.

Brother Sanders and his good church at Gorman are overjoyed about their new church building. Well, they did not wreck the old building, but put native rock on it, making it one of the prettiest things I have ever seen. It was a joy to confer with them on rearranging the auditorium. It was rearranged for the educational work. They paid as they went. You will soon see a picture of it in the West Texas Baptist.

Dr. Jno. W. Railey is to be a speaker in our Pastors' and Laymen's Bible School, in February. Dr. Railey and Dr. Tidwell will bring us a series of messages unsurpassed. Make your plans to attend all the way through.

WILL MEET YOU IN ATLANTA NEXT SATURDAY.

ditorium).

Worship led by Rev. C. J. Tinsley

Australia.

Church and Community.

Some Special Questions.

(1) "The Crown Rights of the Redeemer," Rev. Lucas Sezonov, Bucharest, Rumania.

(2) "What Have We to Say to the Communist?" Dr. L. L. Gwaltney, Birmingham, Ala.

(3) "The Totalitarian State and the Christian Faith," Rev. M. E. Aubrey, London, England.

(4) "Liberalism, Collectivism, and the Baptists," Rev. Paul Schmidt, Berlin, Germany.

2:30 p. m. Local Excursions.

7:30 p. m. Fifteenth Session: Closing Session (Stadium).

Prayer:

"What this Congress Has Accomplished," Dr. Clifton D. Gray, Hon. Assoc. Secretary.

"World Peace."

Speaker: Dr. S. W. Hughes of London, England.

Closing Devotions: The President,

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Topics For Discussion
At World Alliance

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Baptist leaders in England today?

Exactly how much Southern Baptist property has been destroyed in China? Can any good possibly come out of the undeclared war being waged between China and Japan? Where are our Christian educational centers in China now? If Japan succeeds in her present attempt to blockade, will it effect Baptist interests in China?

Exactly what is Japan's attitude toward Christianity and missionaries in China?

Can one hospital in Nigeria meet the needs? How extensive is our work among the lepers in Africa? Where do we get financial help for this work? What is the greatest need there, and what are Southern Baptists doing to meet this need?

What effect does the British attitude regarding the Jews and Arabs in Palestine have on our Baptist work? By the way, just exactly what is the British attitude? Are the Jews satisfied? Are the Arabs satisfied? What might be the results of this attitude if the long-dreaded war breaks out in Europe?

What effects do the dictatorships of South America have on our work? Is the work growing? Have we enough missionaries and schools there to meet the needs? What are Southern Baptists going to do to meet the challenge of the great life of Brother Nelson in the Amazon valley?

"We condemn the present governmental policy of permitting the promotion of the sale and consumption of liquor by advertising of all kinds, and urge adequate state laws and Federal laws to prevent the advertising of liquor."—150th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

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CHURCH BULLETIN SECTION

BUFORD, MITCHELL COUNTY

Sunday School 10 a. m.
B. T. U. 8 p. m.

We were happy to see so many in Sunday School last Sunday and to have such good attendance for the preaching service. God's house should be full every Sunday, as there is no time for vacations in the Lord's business. There is always work to be done; for the harvest is always ready and laborers are needed.

I want to be a worker for my Lord. Don't you?

Alvin Swearingen, Pastor.

COLONY HILL

Our revival meeting began Sunday. God is blessing us with good attendance and interest. There is much to be accomplished if we Christian people give ourselves wholly to God for use as he sees best in these two weeks of services. Bro. Clyde Jackson is doing the preaching.

Morning services at 10:30. Prayer meeting at 8:10 p. m. Evening preaching at 8:40.

Everyone come and bring some one with you. Let us remember that if we don't cooperate with God we are cooperating with the Devil.

HOWARD MARTIN, Pastor.

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If we have these foods contributed we can take the cash which otherwise would go to purchasing those things, and add it to our charity fund. This will enable us to take care of more of the needy sick. It will help the charity fund much more than if the fruits and vegetables were sold on a glutted market and the cash given us.

Cans will be furnished by the Hospital to those who will return them to us filled with berries, fruits, black-eyed peas and other foods that we can use. Join your neighbors in a Hospital canning bee.

E. M. Collier, Superintendent