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Southwestern Seminary To Celebrate Founder's Day

DRS. P. E. BURROUGHS AND M. E. DODD WILL BE MAIN SPEAKERS

By L. R. Scarborough
March 14th, 10:00 to 12:30 A. M., in the chapel of the Southwestern Seminary, is to be a great seminary occasion. Dr. P. E. Burroughs is to deliver the Founder's Day address. Dr. Dodd of Shreveport is to deliver a great message in the Seminary chapel that morning and another in the Broadway Baptist church that night on his world missionary tour. We are inviting the former students and the friends of the Seminary all over this southwestern section to come and spend that day with us. I wish to remind the brotherhood that a group of your workers have been here a long period of time, doing their best to build for you a great Seminary. We are no going to celebrate the period of our continuance here, but you would like to know that there are twenty people here now connected with the Seminary who have been with the institution more than fifteen years. Dr. Ray heads the list with nearly 28 years of service and I come next with nearly 27 years. Prof. Crowder with 26 years, Dr. Comer 25, Dr. Barnes 22, Profs. Price and Reynolds 20, Mr. C. M. King 22 years, and others a shorter number of years. We are all going on trying to do our best to build the Seminary. We will be happy to have our friends from all over this section come and spend that day with us and hear these two great Southern leaders—Drs. Burroughs and Dodd. Come and see your dear old Seminary again. The services will begin in the chapel at ten o'clock on the morning of the 14th, and then continue at night at Broadway Baptist church. Let's make it a period of renewed fellowship and spiritual power.

ABILENE JUDGE BLAMES FEDERAL GOV'T FOR LAX LAW ENFORCEMENT

In a charge to the grand jury in 42nd District Court Monday morning District Judge M. S. Long declared that the federal government's policy of granting liquor license in dry territory was the biggest handicap of law enforcement in Taylor county. The grand jury was instructed in the special charge to closely investigate a complaint lodged by Esco Walter, county attorney, and C. A. Pratt, constable, against a refreshment resort on Highway 1, three miles east of downtown Abilene, known as the Air Port Klub, against which a temporary order was issued last week in 104th court by Judge W. R. Chapman.

Charge
Said Judge Long: "Gentlemen, you men of the grand jury, I called you back for further deliberation. There is one matter I want to call to your attention. It has come to my knowledge that there is a place near the city of Abilene that is engaged in selling liquor. There has been an injunction granted against them. I have no first-hand information about it, but I am sure the county attorney can give you the information. I understand they have been charged with selling intoxicating liquor to high school boys, and I want you gentlemen to make a thorough investigation of that matter. "Have these people before the grand jury, and if you find evidence, to return indictments against the people if they have been selling this whiskey to the boys, or to anybody else as far as that is concerned. It is an aggravated case where any one sells whiskey or any kind of liquor to boys, and I feel that we ought not to leave anything undone in enforcing the law along that line. "The biggest trouble we are having is the fact that the federal government is issuing permits in dry territory. I understand, when the law was first changed, when the 18th amendment was repealed, that the federal government would not issue permits to people to sell intoxicating liquors, or 3.2 beer, in dry territory; but they haven't lived up to that. However, I think the people living in dry territory

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COLORADO OFFICERS WAGE WARFARE ON GAMBLING MACHINES

Mitchell county enforcement officers are to wage war on gambling machines. The following news item published in a Colorado newspaper tells with what success the war is being waged:

Moving in unison, county enforcement officers today swooped down upon respectable drug stores, cafes, and hotels throughout the county to confiscate more than 40 marbleboards and slot machines in a drive to stamp out public gambling.

Warnings previously had been issued to proprietors having the devices in their establishments, it was said. More marbleboards and slot machines were appearing in places of business. Gambling was on the increase in their use, it was alleged.

These Cooperate
Sheriff Dick Gregory, Deputy H. A. Cook, Constable Jack Delaney, Chief of Police Dick Hickman, assisted by County Attorney Dell Barber composed the enforcement officers cooperating in the raids.

One private home was raided where it was learned a marbleboard was in use. Officers found a case of new liquor. Occupants of the house made a hurried exit, it was learned, and no arrests were made.

Officers stated that they were playing no favorites. Every establishment in which gambling had been reported was carefully checked, it was said.

"If you think that we are playing any favorites, just tell us who we have missed and we'll take care of him," one officer said.

Investigations are to be reported to the grand jury, it was said. No arrests are to be made or charges filed pending action by that body.

ALLRED CONDEMNNS RACE WAGERING IN SPECIAL MESSAGE

In a special message to the Texas legislature and in a special radio broadcast, Governor Allred, this week condemned the Texas law permitting pari-mutuel wagering on horse racing and called on the legislature to repeal the law.

Reiterating that the state democratic convention had recommended repeal of the pari-mutuel wagering law, Governor Allred said he believed if the question were left to the people they would vote overwhelmingly for repeal.

"The very foundation of morality and character of our people is being undermined by legalized, commercialized and advertised gambling," he said. "Within its shadow stalks every kind of racketeering."

He said the consequences had been "uniformly destructive," that public officials had been indicted for embezzlement, trusted employees had checked up short, collections had been made more difficult. He minimized tax benefits, saying taxation of vice was the resort of a weak government.

CROSS PLAINS BIBLE STUDY

Pastor C. A. Voyles had arranged with his good church at Cross Plains to support a Bible Conference and accordingly we gathered there Monday evening, February 4th, and spent a very profitable few days in fellowship, worship and Bible study. It had been arranged for Brother Hal Wingo of Santa Anna to teach the book of Galatians and Brother J. D. Brannon of Abilene, Missionary of Seventh District, to teach the book of Acts.

The church furnished free entertainment for the visitors and it was superbly done. The morning services were spent in the teaching of the Bible and the afternoon was spent in conferences, discussing the problems common to pastors and churches. Then the evening service was devoted to Bible study and mixed with each of these services we had lots of good worshipful songs and prayers.

This conference was exceptionally good because the fellowship was fine, the entertainment as good as anybody could do and the lessons taught us from the Bible by the Brethren was sole feeding and life giving.

JOE R. MAYES.

Satan Planned a Perfect Campaign

When the United States adopted prohibition a campaign was started in every school in this country by the whiskey element to "liberalize" the thinking of boys and girls. The Devil never planned a more perfect campaign. He said: "Tell the boys that it is correct to leave their hats at home, that it is 'the thing' to not wear coats and leave their collar unbuttoned. All very innocent things. Girls were told that they must wear as little clothing as possible if they would be correctly dressed. Little things were suggested. Innocent things urged to get the start toward 'liberal thought.' It worked. Satan won the day. It was not long before many of the boys and girls were smoking, drinking, 'necking on the highways' and many letting the sky be the limit.

A recent letter from a 19-year-old girl to Chaperon who conducts a department in the Denver Post, will be interesting reading. Here it is, read it:

DEAR CHAPERON: I've been reading your page from time to time and the articles written about and from the young people. I want to tell you what has actually happened, Chaperon. I know, because I am a young girl who has traveled extensively and I've lived in large cities and small towns and have made friends with all types of people.

The truth is the past depression has seriously affected the standards and morals of the young people. Some of them don't feel that they can afford to get married so they just go "steady" and often live together as tho they were married. Their parents don't know or have any idea that their children are like that, unless one of them is unfortunate enough to have a baby.

Girls From the Best Families

In smaller towns this condition is worse than the large cities. At least I've found it so.

Please don't say these girls are cheap, lowdown girls because they aren't. They are girls regarded as being refined, respected and prominent in their communities. Daughters of important businessmen and professional as well as the poorer classes. I'm not saying that all girls and boys do this way because I know of some girls and even a few boys, who still have some morals left. My friends in the cities seem to have higher standards than the ones in the smaller towns.

There is nothing the older folk can do about it, because being strict only seems to make them worse when they go out. I feel that the only hope is in the girls themselves. The young girl's point of view is this: "I love him and we can't afford to get married. If I don't go all the way with him he won't go with me any more. He'll go out and find another girl who will. Why shouldn't I let my parents support me and his parents support him and it will be almost as though we were married?"

Wonder Why Girls Stand For This

Too often, though, those two find that it isn't love at all and they go with others with whom they carry on the same way. Of course, later on many of these marry. But did you ever notice how many marriages are a "have-to" marriage?

Why do girls stand for something less than what is rightfully due a woman? They are not only ruining themselves, but almost forcing the boys to lose their respect for women and girls in general. If things go on like this, I hate to think of the kind of a world my children will be reared in. That is, if I have any children.

—A 19-YEAR-OLD GIRL.

DISTRICT MISSIONS

J. D. Brannon, Missionary

BIBLE CONFERENCE AT CROSS PLAINS HAS GOOD MEETING

The Bible Conference at Cross Plains began Monday of last week with an attendance of about 100 counting both visitors and local people. Tuesday there was an increase of pastors from over District 16 and 17.

Rev. Hal C. Wingo brought some great messages on Galatians. J. D. Brannon spoke on Acts. The Pastors Conferences that were held each afternoon attracted excellent interest. The pastor, Rev. C. A. Voyles, lead these.

MISSIONARY PREACHES AT PUTNAM

Last Sunday morning, January 31, I had the privilege of preaching in the Putnam church, and having fellowship in the home of their good pastor, Rev. Hollis.

Since Brother Hollis has been at Putnam, the church has prospered and painted their building and pastor's home. They have reorganized their Sunday School and increased the attendance a large number. The church has ad additions almost every Sunday that he preached.

There was a good attendance Sunday morning, and a fine spirit. There were three additions to the church for Baptism, and a power demonstrated by an old-time shout that made our hearts rejoice.

This good church is taking an offering each quarter for world-wide Missions, and they hope to bring that to a monthly offering by the end of this year.

NOTICE TO S. S. AND B. T. U. ASSOCIATIONAL SUPERINTENDS.

We are constantly having Study Courses both in Sunday School and B. T. U. work and we are very anxious to get a complete report of this work, the Associational superintendents are urged to secure a complete report from each on their Study Course. Please find the course taken, number enrolled, number completing course, and number of A-1 or Standard Schools.

100,000 THOUSAND CLUB

Why should I give to the Hundred Thousand Club? Here are some reasons.

1. Because of the Great Commission of my Lord. We must remember that paying our debts is doing Mission Work, even those already accomplished, as much as sending out new Missionaries to do mission work in the future.

2. Because of Baptist Honor. Baptists have never defaulted and their honor depends upon paying their honest debts, and if you are a Baptist this is your debt.

3. Because of our sacrificing missionaries. Many of our Missionaries are going poorly paid, and their work is suffering because of the debts on our work. These people, trained and surrendered, need to be liberated from their financial strain.

4. Because of the many missionaries who want to go but can't. Baptists have many missionaries who want to go, feel God's call to go, but (Continued on page four)

Temperance Board Discusses Public Opinion On Liquor

WHISKEY TAKES THE STEERING WHEEL, SAYS INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

"The Industrial News Review," in a recent editorial takes a fling at the menace of drunken driving of automobiles. Items such as the following, should they originate from the church press, would at once bring forth a barrage of criticism from liquor sympathizers. However, neither the National Safety Council nor the Industrial News Review belong to the church crowd, and are not subject to the criticism of religious bigotry and intolerance. The Industrial Review article follows:

"In a recent series of graphic bulletins, the National Safety Council points to a tremendous increase in drunken driving during the past year—and to a substantial gain in the number of deaths and injuries due to mixing alcohol and gasoline. The first twelve months of repeal may have been beneficial in some respects—but it left a devastating trail of death behind it. Severe as the drunken driving problem was during prohibition, it has become doubly severe now.

"The best obtainable statistics indicate that five to ten per cent of both drivers and pedestrians involved in traffic accidents are under the influence of liquor. These statistics, however, in the belief of the Council, understate matters, inasmuch as a multitude of accidents occur in which drinking is a factor but is not reported for one reason or another. A short time ago a thorough survey was made of 119 accidents involving 116 injuries and fatalities—and it showed that in 60 per cent of the accidents the alcohol factor was involved. According to the authority making this survey, as little as one ounce of whiskey will cause a measurable loss of driving efficiency in the average person.

"Reports from traffic departments throughout the nation thoroughly back up the fact that drunken driving is showing an astounding gain. (Continued on page four)

ART CONTEST WORK BACK IN ABILENE OPEN FOR DATES

The nine problems including paintings, drawings, and modeling, both in clay and soap, the winners work from five public schools in this area who participated last April in the Art Contest under the rules of the Interscholastic art contest for region 2, held at Hardin-Simmons university, is back in Abilene and any club, Parent-Teacher association, or teacher of art, may have the exhibition by getting in touch with Miss A. M. Carpenter, director of the contest. The exhibit has been in the Abilene High School, Central Ward, Abilene, Clyde, and Hamlin, Texas.

The exhibit is of great value to those who are planning to enter the contest that is to be held again this year about the middle of April, and the Interscholastic League officials are anxious for the exhibit to be displayed in as many schools as possible in this region. The exhibit may be secured for just a day, a week, or ten days, and a lecture will be given in connection with the exhibit if desired. There is no expense to the exhibit other than the transportation charges. It is so packed that it can be carried in a car.

The art exhibit was shown last week at Hamlin and a press report from that city had the following to say about it:

More than a thousand students and adults witnessed the exhibit from the art department of Hardin-Simmons university, Abilene, here Thursday. Miss A. M. Carpenter, head of the department, conducted the showing before the students of the public schools during the day, and gave a lecture on "Better Citizenship Through Art Training" at night.

The auditorium was packed for the lecture, which was given under auspices of the Hamlin P.-T. A. Mrs. B. W. Nobles, president of the P.-T. A., expressed the organization's pleasure at having the exhibit in Hamlin, and recommended it be sent to other towns in the area. Mrs. Tom Teague was chairman of the program committee.

CALLS ATTENTION TO INCREASE IN DRINKING BY WOMEN AND GIRLS

By the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of The M. E. Church.

Basing the opinion upon observation of speakers and on advice from various sections of the country, the following seems to be just about the state of the country's thought on the present liquor situation:

1. Drunkenness is greatly increased, especially in places of public resort.

2. The custom of drinking is increasing very rapidly, although consumption is not as yet anything like as large as it was before prohibition.

3. The use of liquor by women and girls is increasing by leaps and bounds. The cocktail rooms of the hotels are packed in the afternoons and the evenings, and five-sixths of the occupants are women.

4. People are seriously alarmed on account of the increasing number of automobile accidents due to drinking. Almost every community has its tale of horror.

5. There is serious dissatisfaction because of the waste of relief funds in saloons and similar places of liquor sale.

6. Bootlegging may have decreased in a few communities; in the country as a whole it seems to have increased since repeal. Probably the sale of illicit liquor is greater both in cities and rural districts; any improvement seems to be appearing in the small towns. The real feeling of indignation exists because of the character of liquor advertising, particularly of whiskey advertising. Undoubtedly a country-wide movement will soon be underway against radio advertising of beer and whiskey advertising of any nature.

In sum: the general sentiment of the country seems to be that conditions are much worse since repeal, and will inevitably be still worse as months go by. But this sentiment has not yet reached the point of militancy. A great many people who voted for repeal are now prepared to vote for the return of prohibition. Still others who voted for repeal speak vaguely of some system eliminating profits and promotional features. There is a great deal more activity in educational work, both in the churches and in the schools.

Generally speaking, the weaknesses of national prohibition were: first, the prohibitionists established control of the legislative branch of the government but never at any time established a similar control of the executive branch; second, the prohibitionists failed to convince and secure the sympathetic support of typically urban groups, such as the foreign-born and children of foreign-born, the Jews, and the Roman Catholics. While their were many supporters of prohibition from these groups, they represented only a minority. The failure of the appeal to these people was due perhaps to the method of organization. (Continued on page four)

REPORTS FINE REVIVAL WITH RURAL CHURCH NEAR LEVELLAND

I had the blessing and pleasure of preaching through a revival meeting with the Center Baptist Church, a rural church in Brownfield Association. The church and community had been in serious difficulty on the sin problem for a long while and the church had gone pastorless several months. The Holy Spirit was present with unquestionable power from the outset. A large number of reclamation and rededications resulted, with 18 added to the church. One more added than the church had on roll of resident members at the beginning of the meeting. Rev. L. M. Clements, pastor at Sundown, in the Lubbock Association, was called as pastor. Brother Clements led the singing through the meeting and was given the unanimous call at the close. Church and community entered a new day and a bright and promising future beckons pastor and people.—Alfred A. Brian, Levelland.

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WARFARE AGAINST VICE

A considerable amount of space in this issue of the West Texas Baptist is being devoted to the fight against the evils of liquor, gambling, and attendant evils. The editor has no apologies to make for this. If the religious journal is not going to champion the fight against modern evil and indifference, both within the church and without, then pray tell us who is going to fight these things.

There are those whose philosophy is to call attention to the good things of life; to give the encouraging side lest in dwelling on the sordid things, we discourage those who would do right.

That's not the method used by the prophets and writers of old. These faithful watchmen thundered against the evils, both in government and in religious high places. This say-nothing, do-nothing attitude was not the attitude of Jesus when He indignantly drove the money-changers from the temple with a whip cord, and overturned their money tables. Nor did He use passive resistance methods when He pronounced the anathemas of heaven against the hypocritical Scribes and Pharisees of that day.

It seems to this editor that it is about time our people—decent, law-abiding citizens—awake and try to do something about the modern evils that are engulfing our young people today.

In this issue a news-item tells of a district judge's charge to a grand jury in which the statement is made that a road house is operating right at our door here in Abilene, where high school boys and girls are being sold hard liquor and beer in violation of the law. Every well informed person likewise knows that our school boys and in some instances girls are crowding these slot machines which are gambling devices, pure and simple, and are being operated in violation of the laws.

At Austin this week there is before the legislature a bill to repeal the pari-mutuel race gambling law. Governor Allred is calling on the legislature to repeal this law, and he urges every good citizen to get in touch with his state representatives at Austin and urge them to repeal this law.

There is some concern among parents and some of our welfare associations about the conduct of our young people. We are not discussing here the question as to how much cause we have for alarm; but we will declare emphatically that if our young people are being engulfed into the cess-pools of crime and iniquity, no one is to blame particularly but our indifferent parents and good citizens who have gone to sleep on the job and are allowing the criminal, law-violating element of our population to place around these young people an environment that is dragging them down to hell and ruin.

ARE YOU PUSHING THE 100,000 CLUB IN YOUR CHURCH?

The month of February, set aside as a time to place the Hundred Thousand Club movement before the churches, will soon be over. This movement is of such vital concern to our Southwide causes that it will be little short of tragical for our pastors to neglect this important matter. It may not be practical for all of our churches to meet their quotas in this movement by individual pledges of \$1.00 per month, but we believe any church can meet the quota with individual pledges, combined with group pledges. A number of groups in the church, such as W. M. U., B. T. U., and different class organizations should be enlisted to form a unit and pay the \$1.00 per month on the debts.

Brother Pastor, let us not fail our great Southwide causes in this crucial hour. God has smiled upon this great section of the country in the past week by sending bounteous ground-soaking rains. A fine way to thank Him right at this time would be to help make this debt-paying movement a real success.

"THE FORGOTTEN MAN"

Much has been written and said about the "forgotten man." This has been one of the key phrases of the "New Dealers." The reference of course is to the man whose needs financially, principally, have not been taken care of by those in authority.

To make good the pledge to take care of the forgotten man we have the many agencies of relief instituted by our President and his "brain trusters." All the way from direct relief-made-work—pay for the stuff we didn't make, etc.

As a result of the new order of things—the depression and our tendency to centralization of all our efforts—the relying on the higher ups for our relief—we have a class of forgotten men religiously in our midst. Reference is made to the men and women and children in the forks of the creek—who have no church affiliations—no church organization near, and no way, nor inclination, to attend.

The old-time colporter and the associational missionary in their crude way carried the gospel to these people—now they are left to the boot-legger who looks after the physical thirst and to the Russelites who look after their spiritual cravings and they are on the job. Meanwhile what are the Baptists going to do about it. There is no part of the Baptist machinery that is functioning along this line.—M. W. Rogers, M. D., Rule, Texas.

SAYINGS OF DR. A. T. ROBERTSON

"The second coming will be sudden and universally visible."

"The plea of Jesus that children be allowed to come to Him is one that many parents need to heed."

"God can break the grip of gold on a man's life, but even Jesus failed with the young ruler."

"The Lord adds and multiplies: the devil subtracts and divides."

There is no such thing as an unimportant existence.

Bishops Call Methodists To Spiritual Advance

We are publishing the following article which appeared in last week's issue of the Western Recorder, to show the drift of opinion of other denominations in regard to the need of a great spiritual awakening among Christian people. The Bishops' call is timely, in view of world conditions.—Editor.

ONE HUNDRED and fifty years have passed since the Christmas Conference in Lovely Lane Chapel and the organization of American Methodism. They have been eventful decades in the life of the nation and the church. From a few scattered colonies on the Atlantic seaboard, America has become a compact nation stretching from ocean to ocean. From a little band of young men dedicating themselves by a superb act of faith to the spread of scriptural holiness over these lands and the conversion of a continent, the church has grown into a strong position in American Protestantism.

It has been a happy experience for us to recall this significant past. In the common gratitude that stirs our hearts we have been more graciously conscious of our essential unity. The past, made resplendent with glorious and devoted achievements, belongs to every branch of American Methodism.

Recapturing Spiritual Emphasis

THIS historical emphasis, however, has left with us an even more significant deposit. We are recapturing the spiritual emphasis. This secret of original Methodism has been imperiled by the materialistic drift of our age. Naturalism and humanism tend to undermine the primacy of the spiritual. But to-day we are being brought back to our ancient altars that we may once more light our torches from flames that burned in hearts that were afire with a holy enthusiasm for God. In these days we have not been building monuments to the dead past; we have been drinking from the old springs of life-giving waters that shall refresh our souls as we enter new and more difficult battles for God and righteousness.

We enter upon this new day with confidence but also with deep concern. It is an hour of widespread bewilderment. The normal securities of life have been shaken. Everywhere there is a large measure of confusion and uncertainty. Economic prostration has not been accompanied, as is so often lightly believed, by spiritual progress. Our people brought out of the depression largely what they carried into it. What through the years they had sown, that also did they reap. Spiritual preparedness led to personal victories; indifference and selfishness in earlier days only hurried men on to despair and moral bankruptcy.

Never was the church so indispensable to the social order. The failure of trusted institutions and accepted theories of economic and social action has served only to reinforce the claims of the Christian ideal. Our breakdown has had all the marks of moral collapse. Intemperance, lust, pride, economic selfishness, racial antagonisms, and superficial pursuit of pleasure have all sapped the moral resources and contributed to the moral flabbiness of our national character. We need above all else a return to God and to the simple elemental Christian virtues.

Faith in God

AS MEMBERS of the Christian church we rejoice to confess in word and deed our faith in the living God; to reassert our confidence in the transforming power of a living experience with

Christ; and, with the confession of our sins, to declare our unwavering faith in the adequacy of Christ and His way to love to build here upon earth the Kingdom of Heaven.

To bring men into personal fellowship with God in Christ; to guide them, especially through the Scriptures, into ways of personal living which conform to Christ's law of life and love; to help them envision a society in which that law shall be the governing principle and finally to encourage and empower them to work for a more complete realization of such a society on earth—this seems to us to be the task of the church for today.

In the light of our history and the present moral and religious condition of American society the call upon us to-day is for an aggressive and unyielding spiritual advance. No difficulty must be allowed to deter us, no marginal necessities shall divert us. We are called to-day to such a movement of the Spirit in our membership as we have not witnessed in this generation of our church's life. Such an experience must begin with the leadership of the church itself. We must repair our own altars first. If we have unconsciously drifted into the exaltation of minor issues, we must get back to center once more.

Our preaching must be delivered from the tyranny of the trivial, our energies must not be mortgaged by the material interests of a congregation, our personal devotional life must no longer be sacrificed to the exactions of a heedless time schedule which makes no place for quietude and communion.

Revival Need

WILL the revival of which we have spoken and for which we have prayed ever come? As surely as the laws of the spiritual world operate it will follow when the soil is prepared and the seed is planted. Our people must yearn for a revival, must pray unceasingly; must pay a price in spiritual concern before God can open the windows of heaven upon us. We call upon our people everywhere to major upon this one imperative need of our church life to-day.

With the spirit of expectancy and a great faith that will not be refused let every pastor and every church look to this our first and foremost need. A real revival of religion will solve every other important issue before our church to-day.

We do not insist upon the form it shall take in each congregation. There will be diversities of the Spirit but one desired goal. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit may come through an evangelist, through the urgency of the pastor's own message, through the careful planning and execution of a program of personal evangelism, but let us not quench the Spirit by giving no opportunity for His effectual work upon the hearts of our people.

Let our pulpits ring again with the declaration of a salvation from sin in the saving power of Christ; of the witness of the Spirit with our spirits that we are the children of God; of the possibility of a holy life; of the Kingdom of God on earth as the ultimate and attainable goal of our community life.

We must return to God before we can go forward. Methodism is called to action in a day like this with a message of complete personal salvation and social redemption through the transforming power of the grace of Christ freely offered to all men.

It is a great gospel; let us not withhold it lest the very stones cry out.

Evils of Pari-mutuel Gambling

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The governor's ringing message to the legislature on the repeal of the race-track gambling law ought to find a rousing response from all the good people of Texas who love decency, social safety and honest character among our citizens. If any business known to man can be said to smell to heaven, race-track gambling is that business. It was pushed through the former legislature as a rider after having once been defeated. It came from no demand on the part of the great electorate of the state, and its record of achievements must cause even its sponsors to blush with shame. Witness its flock of parasites, its fixers, horse dopsters, sharpers, slick gamblers from all over the world, and its brazen effrontery of pretended honesty.

By what logic it could be called a legitimate business is beyond the power of sane comprehension. That it is an aid to the live-stock business is the flimsiest of shams. Who ever heard of a farmer, drayman, road builder, or freight hauler looking for a race horse to be used in his business? Horse-racing is the only known so-called sport that cannot be financed by honest methods. It would be as logical to place the Pari-mutuels along the college football fields in the interests of higher education, or institute bull-fighting and gambling to promote the cattle industry.

Since the legalizing of the race-track gambling, even in less than two years, such an orgy of gambling of all kinds has swept the state until even children push their school lunch pennies into the slot machines which have descended like a flock of vultures upon every town in Texas. The damage already done will take a generation to repair.

As long as gambling goes on at the race-tracks it is manifestly impossible to curb it elsewhere. The people who have a care for the moral, social, and economic welfare of our great state should line up behind the governor and write every representative in both houses of the legislature that no quarter be shown this octopus of iniquity. Think of the shame and embarrassment of the proud state of Texas in the presence of world visitors come to view the Centennial built in commemoration of the historic past, and finding the descendants of San Houston, Stephens F. Austin, Davy Crockett, and the rest flanked on every side by mammoth racing plants as our latest contribution to the blood bought heritage. Truly the sport of kings that can live only on the earnings of the poor, the ignorant, and the gullible to whom no returns of value are made deserves to go the way of some kings who fiddled while their cities burned, and dissipated in luxury while their oppressed subjects starved—and it will.

"The surrender to Satan in no way relieves Judas of his moral responsibility."—Dr. A. T. Robinson.

Devotional Thoughts

HELPING HANDS

"Let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good." (Eph. 4:28).

The hand is the symbol of service and power. How marvelous its adaptability to all the creative skill of man! How much of good and how much of evil is within its power!

Think of the kindness and the cheer that can be brought through willing hands. In the description of a worthy woman in Prov. 31 it is said that she "worketh willingly with her hands" and "she reacheth forth her hand to the needy." One of the most pathetic sights we can think of is that of a strong healthy man without hands; having strength, but being unable to use it. Not only is he not able to use his strength, but he is in a position where he must be waited upon; he is helpless. It is only as we realize our helplessness without hands that we can begin to appreciate the privilege that is ours in possessing hands and having the ability and power to use them.

Jehovah, in speaking to the people of Sodom and Gomorrah through Isaiah, said: "When ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood." The context shows that while it was within the power of their hands to do well, they had done unjustly and had oppressed the poor and the fatherless and neglected the widow. It is a solemn warning.

For a supreme example of the right use of hands we must turn to our Lord. How wondrously He used His hands! He labored with His hands at the carpenter's bench during His earthly ministry. Then what a beautiful picture we have of Him placing His hands upon the heads of the children and blessing them! We see Him in the temple court making clay and anointing the eyes of the blind man that he might receive his sight. They were ever stretched out to heal the lepers, the maimed, and the halt. It was with those same hands that He took a towel and girded Himself and washed the disciples' feet. When His hour of agony came, His hands were bound. He gave Himself into the power of wicked men, knowing that soon these same hands would be pierced, thus fulfilling the great purpose for which He had come into this world.

We have still another picture of these hands: It was some time after the resurrection. The disciples were gathered in an upper room and Jesus appeared in their midst showing them His pierced hands. We will do well to meditate upon this picture. They are the hands that are beckoning us to come unto Him: they are appealing to us for our fidelity to Him.

—Ernest Nichols in the King's Business.

BAPTIST SANITARIUM NEWS

"HEALING HUMANITY'S HURT" IN WEST TEXAS

Mrs. J. W. Ware, Jr.

Editor's Note: Mrs. J. W. Ware Jr., wife of the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Rule, is at the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium with her small son, Browning, age 5, who underwent a serious operation. The following article was written by Mrs. Ware at about 2:00 a. m. as she anxiously watched by the bedside of her sick child. It is a beautiful tribute to the ministry of our own West Texas Baptist Hospital:

The dim night lights of the hospital fall softly over the face of our six-year old Sonny Boy as he sleeps. His hair is fair. His face is sweet. He is going to get well and strong. Thank God for great Christian doctors and Christian hospitals!

It is like a dream come true that West Texas Baptists have a hospital like this. I fall to wondering at the fact of it, for I can remember days when we had no such ministering presence. It has not been long ago. Yet in reach of every point in this vast western area stands now this agency of Christian love with its modern equipment and its skillful hands. West Texas Baptists everywhere should be proud of such an institution. It is an honor to our name. We should tell others of it, support it with both our money and prayers, and give it to the encouraging strength of our approval and influence.

This curly headed boy is indescribably precious to me, but no more precious than these other mothers' sons are to them. Some of them are boys grown up; some are little boys and girls smaller than our Browning. But all alike, they receive the care of trained, sympathetic hands. All alike, they are led (if it is God's will) back to glowing health and service.

Without doubt, one of the greatest sentences written concerning Jesus was that "He came not to be ministered unto, but to minister." The word "minister" is significant. It was Jesus' preeminent purpose. His work included ministry to tired sick bodies as well as to sin-sick souls.

We know this is true. Still some of us forget it to the point of neglecting our Christian hospitals and failing to support them along with our other great causes.

The wee early morning hours pass slowly on, but ere they are gone I humbly breathe a prayer of gratitude for this institution. God bless its Superintendent, its doctors and nurses, the people that established it, and even those who dreamed the dream of it. Its benefits shall shine down through all the eternal years. And if it pleases God, may it live on till Jesus comes again for its ministry of "healing humanity's hurt" in the West!

News Notes

Vernon Yearby, ministerial student in Hardin-Simmons, has accepted the call of the church at Van Horn. Vernon is a son of Dr. I. L. Yearby, pastor of the First Baptist Church, El Paso.

The Cisco Ministerial association, are negotiating with Billy Sunday, internationally famous evangelist, for the conducting of a county-wide revival in Cisco beginning about September 1. It is understood the noted evangelist has tentatively agreed to conduct a three-weeks revival at Cisco, to begin early in the fall.

The church at Rochester is planning for a Spring revival to begin on the third Sunday in March, and continue for two weeks. Rev. H. R. Whatley of Haskell is to do the preaching. The Rochester church has also planned for a school of missions to be held the first week in March. There will be four classes taught for different groups of ages. Rev. Lowell Ponder is pastor of the church.

Good services were the result of efforts at Roscoe last Sunday. Jimmy Easterwood is pastor here.

Good rains and small Sabbath crowds are reported from all sections of the field. The Lord's people have prayed for rain for two years and now that that prayer has been answered many of them stay away from his services. One answered prayer is no signal to stop.

AMONG THE FISHERMEN AT HARDIN-SIMMONS

By Webb

Vernon Yearby began his pastorate at Van Horn in El Paso Association last Sunday. The Methodist folks turned out their services there in honor of the Baptists. Vernon has fourth-time work further west in the El Paso Association at Penwell.

Frank Burress reports that his services were rained out at Mann in Runnels county last Sunday. There is little illness in this community for the excessive wet weather of late.

Aaron Mann went to Enterprise last Sunday. He reports small crowds and rain. There were less than twenty at the morning services. Enterprise is in Callahan Association.

N. J. Westmoreland reports good services at Hatchel in Runnels county despite rain.

Kelly Barnett was with his good people at Bethel in Jones county last Sunday. Kelly is full-time pastor here and is doing a good work.

Miss Lila Estock, a Simmons girl, is the president of the Y. W. A. just organized at Sunset by Mrs. Buckley of the First Baptist Church, Abilene. Pastor V. E. Boyd tells me that Mrs. Buckley taught the manual at the first meeting last week.

W. P. Kirk brings us another report of small crowds at Post in Haskell association last Sunday. Brother Kirk is one of the new preachers in Hardin-Simmons.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough addressed a call meeting of the Ministerial Council and the Volunteer Band Tuesday afternoon at one-thirty on the subject of going to the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth on finishing college. Practically all the ministerial students were present and many of their wives were there also.

H. N. Baldersee was rained out of the evening services Sunday at Bethel in Mitchell-Scurry association. He reports good services however for Saturday night and Sunday morning.

The rain did not keep the Lord's people at Plasterco from attending the Sunday School meet at McCauley last Sunday. Ray Mathis, the pastor of this good church tells us that he had good services and fair crowds in all services. These people are to hold a Sunday School study course here at Plasterco next week, beginning Monday.

Gilbert Webb was at Union Hill in Stephens county making final arrangements for a study course to be held two weeks from this week.

It seems that the wet weather has not effected the folks at Fairview. R. L. Shannon reports fair services and good crowds in both his morning and afternoon services.

Most of the preacher boys brought back reports of having been rained out Sunday but one varied that rule. Brother Arnett tells us that he was snowed out at his church in Big Spring association.

Give your student preachers your moral support at all times.

T. D. Wiman will supply for T. L. Nipp at Elmdale next Sunday. Brother Nipp is to assist in the ordination of his brother in Runnels county at that time. Elmdale reports good services with seventy-two in Sunday School last Sunday.

Your writer had the privilege of assisting in the organization of young people's work at Union Hill in Stephens county last August. He has been permitted to be with these good people from time to time during the winter. It has been a joyful privilege to watch this group that had never this organization one that any small church would be proud of. The first taken part in such work, make of six months of their work was piloted by Miss Lucile Downey, Rt. 1, Caddo, Texas. With the election of new officers three weeks ago came the first male president. Orvil Coleman, Breckenridge, Texas, is doing a fine work as president now. We are planning to hold a study course the week ending February 24 and we want to organize an adult union if possible.

HARDIN-SIMMONS UNIVERSITY NEWS

(From The Brand)

Kimbrough Named New Football Coach To Succeed Cranfill

Frank Kimbrough, Amarillo Junior college coach and former Cowboy athlete, will succeed Leslie Cranfill as football coach of Hardin-Simmons university next fall.

The junior college mentor has signed a one-year contract with his alma mater, and it is expected he will acquire a leave of absence from Amarillo to take up his duties here early in the spring.

Mr. Kimbrough was graduated from Hardin-Simmons university in 1926. He was a star football, baseball, and basketball player during his career here. He was an all-T. L. A. A. selection on the mythical football eleven two years. He was captain of the Cowboys in his senior year and was elected to the all-time Rancher eleven.

After leaving Hardin-Simmons, Kimbrough coached in the Plainview high school and Wayland Junior college, where he made impressive records. Under his direction, Wayland was able to score the most impressive victory of her history, a 6-0 win over Texas Tech.

He later went to Amarillo Junior college and has led the Badgers to two junior college championships the past two years. His team played a 13-13 tie with Hardin-Simmons the past season.

President Sandefer says: "Frank Kimbrough, graduate of the class of 1926 at Hardin-Simmons university, has been recommended by the athletic board and appointed by me as head coach at the university for 1934-35."

"There are certain reasons why Kimbrough is worthy to be named to this responsible position. In the first place he has made an enviable record as coach the past few years, having two junior college championship teams to his credit.

"In the second place he is a young man of the highest religious integrity and personality. He is a real inspiring leader of ambitious young men. Kimbrough is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons and knows the spirit and ideals for which it stands.

"In the third place he has reached that level in his career where he sees the possibilities of putting out successful clubs that will not only reflect great credit on his alma mater, but on him personally as a young coach with an almost limitless career in front of him.

"In the fourth place he will spurn every semblance of temptation to violate any regulation established by coaches of standard institutions to win, save on a high level of constructive efficiency.

"I am expressing the hope and issue the challenge to every friend of the university to give himself or herself in thought and action to every interest of Hardin-Simmons university at this time when the challenge which we have is commensurate with every legitimate possibility that the university has to give out to the youth of this country."

Coach Kimbrough announced his acceptance of the new position at a banquet given him by the business men of Amarillo.

Dr. Warren Speaks At B. S. U. Meeting

Theme of His Talk Is "What I Would Do If I Were 20 Years Old in 1935"

Dr. T. M. Warren, pastor of the First Christian Church, spoke on "What I Would Do If I Were 20 Years Old in 1935," at the regular meeting of the B. S. U. Thursday night.

Dr. Warren stated that in preparation of an address of this nature he had consulted several great personages of the United States concerning what they would do if they were given the privilege of living their life over. Among those consulted were Dr. Glen Frank, president of University of Wisconsin; Dr. Bassell, president of University of Oklahoma; and the pastor of the First Baptist Church of New York City.

The outstanding things that these men would do if they were 20 years of age, as pointed out by the speaker, were: the choosing of a career, preparing for it, the attaining of financial freedom, and the finding and correction of one's own weaknesses.

NEW COACH



Frank Kimbrough, at present Amarillo junior college coach, will succeed Les Cranfill as head coach at Hardin-Simmons university.

H-SU Cowboy Band To Leave June 16 On Second Europe Trip

West Texas Tourist Party Will Accompany Band On Its Tour

To Visit Five Countries

Party To See France, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, And England

Sponsoring its second annual tour of Europe this summer, the Cowboy band of Hardin-Simmons university, Abilene, will leave June 16 for their second invasion of the continent where it scored such a success four years ago. The Cowboys will again be accompanied by a party of West Texans who will take advantage of the unusually low all-expense rate to visit five foreign countries, England, France, Belgium, Holland, and Switzerland.

The trip will be made by way of St. Louis and Washington where a half-day stop-over will be allowed so that the party may see the various places of interest at the Nation's capital. The West Texans are scheduled to sail from New York on the SS Manhattan, June 19 and return July 21. Secretary of State Cordell Hull has already sent instructions to foreign diplomatic missions requesting that every courtesy be extended the visitors while abroad.

Booklets describing the complete itinerary, places of interest to be visited, expenses, etc., may be secured by writing G. B. Sandefer, manager The Cowboy band, Hardin-Simmons university, Abilene, Texas.

A letter was received this week by the management from Thomas L. Blanton enclosing a letter from Cordell Hull, Secretary of State of the United States, with regard to the second European tour of five countries. The following is the letter received by Blanton from Hull:

"I have been pleased to comply with the request contained in your letter of January 10, 1935, concerning the tour in Europe during the coming summer of the Cowboy Band of Hardin-Simmons University.

"Instructions are being sent to the diplomatic missions at London, Paris, Berlin, Brussels and The Hague, to bring to the attention of the Labor Ministry or other competent authority the fact that the band is a bona fide student organization which would not directly compete with professional musicians and also that a party of tourists will accompany the band.

"Direct application for permission to enter and give performances in the five countries which the band will visit should be made by the band or its representatives in the same manner as on the occasion of the tour in 1930."

Mrs. Pearl Harris, Baird, this week gave fifteen bound volumes to the Hardin-Simmons university library. The books were part of her husband's private library on constructive engineering. Mr. Harris died several years ago.

Harold Bauer, America's greatest pianist, held a student audience spell-bound throughout an entire program of classical selections of piano music by his technique of smoothness and suavity Tuesday night in the Hardin-Simmons university auditorium.

Stephenson Addresses YWCA Tuesday Night

Prof. W. A. Stephenson, head of the government department of Hardin-Simmons, was the chief speaker at a meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association Tuesday evening. The subject of his address was "Parliamentary Rule."

Miss Eloise Norred, Hardin-Simmons student, also appeared on the program during the dinner hour in a piano recital.

Moore Returns Friday From Pastor's Retreat

Dr. N. A. Moore, head of the department of Bible in Hardin-Simmons university, left Monday to attend the annual Pastors' Retreat which continued through Friday. The Retreat was sponsored by J. H. Williams, and was held at Itasca, Texas. It is one of six being held in the state.

Dr. Moore has been speaker at the meetings for the last two years.

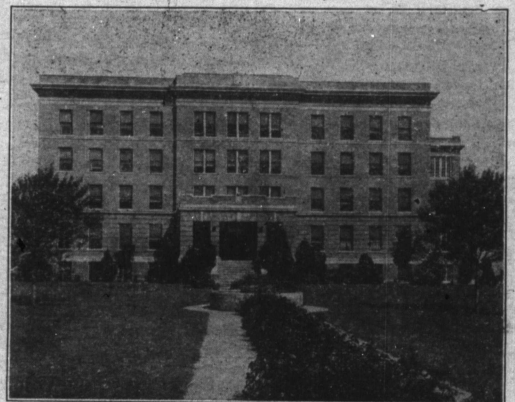
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QUARTERLY MEETING, W. M. U. HASKELL ASSOCIATION

The quarterly W. M. U. meeting of the Haskell Association, was held January 18, at Munday, Texas, was a very profitable all-day meeting.

Mrs. H. R. Whitley, of Haskell, was in charge.

"Fling Out the Banner," was the opening song. Mrs. Marvin Reeves led the devotional using as her theme "Thoughts for the New Year."

Mrs. R. M. White, District President, and Mrs. Burnham of Abilene, were guests for the day.

Mrs. White brought an inspiring message and report of the annual meeting in San Antonio.

Reports from the standing committee chairmen and local presidents were encouraging.

Mrs. Ware, Rule, Young Peoples' Leader, announced a quarterly meeting of auxiliary organizations Sunday afternoon, January 13 at Rochester.

A Mission Institute will be conducted February 14, at Haskell. A class for every organization of the W. M. U. will be taught.

We urge all women in the association to come and let's "Study to Show Ourselves Approved Unto God."

Mrs. Bob Speck, publicity chairman.

MRS. E. B. ATWOOD WILL EDIT W. M. U. PAGE OF WEST TEXAS BAPTIST

It is with great pleasure that the West Texas Baptist announces to our readers that Mrs. E. B. Atwood of Abilene has been selected to edit the W. M. U. department of this paper. Mrs. Atwood, before going to California a few years ago on account of the ill health of Dr. Atwood, was editor of this department. Last fall the good news that Dr. Atwood had regained his health and was returning to his place in the Bible department of Hardin-Simmons, was received with sincere joy by their thousands of friends in West Texas and New Mexico. Mrs. Atwood has consented to take up the work of editing this department, and she, along with others connected with the paper, will contribute her services for the good of the Cause of Christ in this section.

In this connection the management of the paper wishes to express our appreciation to the women of District 17 for their splendid cooperation, and especially to Mrs. E. M. Francis and Mrs. O. H. Cooper and others, who in the past have edited the Woman's Department.

We are asking for Mrs. Atwood the hearty cooperation of the W. M. U. organizations of this section. Mrs. Atwood's post office address is 2110 Grape street, Abilene, Texas. Her phone number is 6013. All reading matter for the Woman's page should be sent to that address, and the material should reach Abilene not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

SAM MALONE, Editor.

A WORD FROM MRS. WHITE

I am very sorry to announce the resignation of our dearly beloved Mrs. O. H. Cooper from our district work. Mrs. Cooper has served faithfully for many years, and I am sure that we have no one in District 17 who is loved more than Mrs. Cooper. We hope that it will only be for a short time before she will be back in the work.

We are happy that Mrs. E. B. Atwood has consented to edit our woman's page. Everyone learned to love Mrs. Atwood when she served as president of our district. I am pleading with you as your president to make our woman's page count in the Lord's work.

MRS. R. M. WHITE,
President, District 17, W. M. U.

Sandefer Returns From Dallas Clinic

According to latest reports, Dr. J. D. Sandefer, president of Hardin-Simmons university, is rapidly recovering from an operation that he recently underwent in Dallas, and is expected to resume his official duties within a week or two.

Dr. Sandefer returned from the Baylor hospital in Dallas Monday, January 28, 20 days after undergoing the operation.

"I'm feeling fine and glad to be home" was the president's answer to the question concerning his health.

Although the regaining of his strength is slow, he will be ready to take over his responsibilities soon.

BOOK REVIEW

Products of Pentecost, by Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president of the Southwestern Baptist Seminary, published by Fleming H. Revell Company, New York. Price \$1.25.

This latest book from the pen of Dr. Scarborough is an able presentation of the fruits of Pentecost. In the introductory chapters the writer discusses the problems faced by the heroic band of Christ's followers as they awaited the endowment from on high, the effectiveness of the ten-day prayer meeting, and the renewed leadership as it faced the big task of evangelizing the world. This interesting soul-inspiring little book of 127 pages will prove a wonderful incentive to call God's people back to a dependence on the dynamic leadership of the Holy Spirit in the gigantic task that lies before us at this time. The book is dedicated to W. F. Scarborough, pioneer cow-man of Midland, Texas, a brother of the author.

HASKELL CITIZENS DISCUSS MORAL CONDITIONS AT MEET

According to an item in the Haskell Free Press conditions, surrounding the beer joints and dance halls of Haskell county will be discussed by the Rev. C. H. Eckles and Rev. W. C. Collins at a mass meeting which will be held on the courthouse lawn Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

In a statement issued to the Free Press yesterday the Rev. Collins said that the time had come, when all good citizens of Haskell county should express themselves on the question of law enforcement and assured the public that the present situation would be thoroughly discussed at the meeting and requested as many as could possibly do so attend Saturday afternoon.

RAY MATHIS ORDAINED

On December 19, 1934, at the First Baptist Church of Abilene, Texas, Brother Ray Mathis, a senior in Hardin-Simmons University, was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry; and Brothers Lacy Beckham, and Ben E. Allen were ordained as deacons.

Brother Ray Mathis is one of our choicest young preachers and is pastor of Plasterco, Fisher County Association, one of our best, half-time churches; some other church would do well to secure his services for half-time.

District Missions

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Baptists cannot send them till their debts are paid. We owe it to these young surrendered lives to send them with the blessed Gospel.

5. Because this is the only way we will ever pay our debts. It takes all our regular income to pay our expenses of the program we now have in operation, and the interest on this indebtedness would make a great forward step.

There is enough loyal Baptists who will do this if it is presented. May we not fail during February to make the call.

SCRANTON PLANS MONTHLY MISSION OFFERING

The missionary, spoke last Sunday morning at Scranton, where Rev. Houston Scott is pastor. There was a good attendance considering the inclement weather. The church decided to take an offering for Missions each month.

"I am the pastor of the progressive element of my church."—Rev. C. A. Vogle.

NEW PASTOR IN CISCO ASSN.

The Rev. C. P. Coward has been called to be pastor of the New Hope church No. 3, in Cisco association.

Rev. M. L. Agnew, has been called to the New Hope church No. 2 in the same association.

CHURCH NEWS

UNIVERSITY CHURCH, ABILENE

Our record for January shows a marked improvement over the previous month. We hope to attain the Standard Sunday School soon.

We wish to announce a change in the time of our meetings. B. T. U. will meet at 6:30 and church will begin at 7:00 p. m. beginning next Sunday.

Brother Powell announces that he will preach a special sermon on "The Trinity" for the college students next Sunday morning. This special sermon has been requested by some of the students. All students and friends are invited to hear this sermon.

FIRST CHURCH, ABILENE

Dr. Jenkins preached two wonderful sermons this Sunday, at the morning service his message was on "The Love of God." At the evening hour his subject was "Eternal Life."

We had over 1000 in attendance and wonderful services both morning and evening.

Q. Fulham is from Crum in Denton county; Silas H. Hough represents Duncan, Arizona. Brother Hough is a state university graduate. He is here to get his Bible instruction. W. P. Kirk is an Abilenian. T. J. Young comes from Tuscola. Rev. E. H. Land, pastor of the Nazarene church in Abilene is a Simonsite, too. E. E. Latta is the only new unmarried preacher. He comes from Paducah, Texas.

The entire ministerial student body represents one of the best spirits of work that could be wished for. Although having no bureau through which contact could be had with the pastorless churches there are only eighteen of this number that have no regular work. Twenty-nine of these preachers serve thirty-eight churches and eleven associations. The largest number of these unemployed preachers are first year men. All of the four-year men have some work.

Among this group of preachers are eighteen wives. Three of them are with us in school.

The losses were very few at the end of the last semester. Only two out of forty-two preachers failed to re-enter. One was due to illness in his family and the other will probably be with us in a few days.

The greatest loss is expected next June through graduation. There will be losses through this source. They are Frank Burress, Foy King, Marvin Leech, N. J. Westmoreland, Vesta Boyd, Ray Mathis, and T. D. Wiman.

ABILENE JUDGE, BLAMES FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR LAX LAW ENFORCEMENT

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tory ought to make a demand that a law be passed prohibiting the sale or the issuance and sale of permits in dry territory.

"What I mean by this is, Taylor county is dry, and yet the federal government will issue a permit to any one who has the money, to sell 3.2 beer in Taylor county. I do not think this should be permitted, because if the people in this county don't want it sold here, that's their prerogative, it's their privilege. Under our law, if they want it in another county, that's another thing, but no government should issue a permit for the sale of any kind of an intoxicant in any community that does not want it, but of course you men have no control over that. I just wanted to mention that to you, but I do want you to make an investigation of this place which will be reported to you by the officers, and to return indictments if you find sufficient evidence."

The writ issued by Judge Chapman against the Air Port Klub was a temporary order forbidding commission of offenses alleged in the Walter Pratt complaint. No hearing was set on the application to close the club for one year.

Baraca Bible School Class Sponsors Banquet Monday

Ministerial Council Elects New Heads

Burress, Hendon, Wiman and Fuquay To Lead Group This Term

In their regular meeting on Friday night, January 18, the Ministerial Council elected officers for the spring semester.

These new officers are Frank B. Burress, president; Orval Hendon, vice-president; Murray Fuquay, secretary; T. D. Wiman, treasurer; Fred James, chorister; Paul Wright, pianist; Gilbert Webb, reporter; Orvil Richardson, B. S. U. representative; and N. J. Westmoreland, parliamentarian. Dr. and Mrs. N. A. Moore are co-sponsors, Mrs. Moore filling the office of speech advisor.

Meetings are held every Friday at 7:00 P. M. in room 303. At present there are forty-seven ministers enrolled in school.

WHISKEY TAKES THE STEERING WHEEL, SAYS INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

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Drunken driving arrests amount to from 20 to 100 per cent more than they did a year ago, and police authorities likewise state that a rising percentage of accidents can be ascribed to the "little black bottle."

Here is a problem that involves the health, life and property of every citizen. It is a problem that must be fought by us all, drys and wets alike. Under the best conditions, highways and streets are potentially dangerous—and they become slaughter houses when whiskey takes the steering wheel.

TEMPERANCE BOARD DISCUSSES LIQUOR

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ganizing the movement for prohibition.

The country was definitely promised that the saloon should not return. The President in his repeal proclamation urged vigilance against it. Nevertheless we now have hundreds of thousands of typical saloons in the country. If anything, they are worse than the old saloons because they are appearing in residence districts, are employing barmaids and serving women.

When the business world realizes that every dollar used in gambling is a direct tax upon industry, commerce and finance, the present riotous activities of the racing poolrooms and numbers operators will be curbed.

STONEWALL ASSOCIATION

The workers' meeting for the Association met with the Peacock Baptist Church February 5. The theme for the program was "The Church."

Rev. Homes, Dennis and Ewton were heard during the morning hour. Mrs. F. T. Whitaker, Mrs. Grover Smith, Rev. Tierce and Littleton completed the program in the afternoon. To many this was the best program in our Association in several years.

We were indeed fortunate in having three visitors of note during the day. Rev. M. F. Ewton of Spur brought the 11 o'clock message. Rev. Henry Littleton of Hamlin closed the session with an inspiring message on "The Growing Church." Rev. L. A. Doyle of Anson was another visitor. We always welcome visitors.

The Association made a forward step by clearing the old Association mission debt.

We welcome three new pastors in the Association recently. Rev. Fred McPherson, Jayton; Rev. Finis Williams, Peacock; and Rev. Bristow, Centerville. Their work is starting off first rate.

February 4th the W. M. S. of the First Church, Aspermont, studied "The Plan of Salvation." Mrs. J. S. Tierce led in the discussion. Fifteen Negro women from the local colored Baptist church also were present for the study.

Mrs. Harvey Dennis, wife of the pastor at Swenson, was carried to the Stamford hospital Wednesday of last week.

The women of the Peacock Baptist Church recently organized a W. M. S. Their work seems to be going well. On a recent date they sent a shower to Wayland College.

The Associational W. M. S. plans for a Mission Study Institute in March. They are also planning to shower the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium in March.

Baraca class of the First Baptist church was host for a guest banquet Monday evening in the basement dining room, where a colorful valentine theme was favored in all arrangements for the dinner table.

Frank Junell was toastmaster, presenting entertainers. Pete Shaw gave a three-number group of vocal selections and in responding to an encore was presented in an original composition. He sang, "Hands Across the Table," "June in January," and "Love in Bloom." Joy Pender was his accompanist.

Dr. E. B. Surface, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, was main program speaker, introducing humor into his talk. The German band from high school played during the dinner hour.

Others at the banquet were Mattie Ruth Riddle, Everett Milam, Bernice Rice, Gaines Gustavus, Laverne Yeargen, Gid Bowers, Ruth Butler, Vernon Yearby, Mildred Richeson, Ivan Flynn, Tommie Boren, Billy Morrow, Martha Ellen Ryan, Tommy Grant, Elizabeth Fry, J. L. Desmond Jr., Rose Ross, Moxley Featherston, Madeline Roddy, Ed Dalton, Polly Atchley, Kenneth Ross, Helen Grace Williams, Mack Eplen, Charlie Guimarin, J. H. Fielder, Aaron Milam, Mildred Burnett, Neal Walton, J. C. Hardin, Elizabeth Junell, Frank Junell, Clara Welch, Alvin McAdoo, Lorraine Cole, Norvan Presley, Lucille Harris, Jo Tyne, Valda Moore, Robert Finney, Beulah Mae Beard, John Ellis, Milton McKenzie.

Trio Sings To Ballinger Chamber of Commerce

Hardin-Simmons trio gave a program at the annual banquet of the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce meeting held Friday, February 1.

The trio, which was selected from the voice students by Mrs. Lola Gibson Deaton, head of the voice department in Hardin-Simmons university, is made up of Edna Ardis, Abilene, Margaret Upshaw, Stamford, and Rose Mary Malone, Abilene.

Rodden Presents Recital Thursday

A piano recital that featured James Rodden, senior pupil of Edwin Young, was held in the Hardin-Simmons chapel last Thursday night. He was assisted by Edna Ardis, soprano, who was accompanied by Ruth Scheibe. Miss Ardis is the pupil of Lola Gibson Deaton. Both programs were well received by a large crowd.

Mr. Rodden showed exceptional talent in his handling of the difficult pieces that he played.

Miss Ardis displayed a well-trained voice that refused to break under the strain of the high notes.

The numbers that James Rodden played were "Prelude in G Minor" by Rachmaninoff, "Waltz in C Sharp Minor" by Chopin, "Fugue E Minor" by Bach, "Rhapsody in G Minor" by Brahms, "Hungarian" by MacDowell, "Sonata Pathetique" by Beethoven, "Allegro Movement" by Beethoven, and "The Garden of Your Heart." This last number was sung by Edna Ardis.

The other songs sung by Edna Ardis were "Sylvia" by Sinding, "Lullabye by Brahms, "La Serenata" by Tosti, "Michael's Flute" by Ralfe, and "Sing On" by Denza.

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Meditations and Comments by the Editor as he Watches the World Go By.

POISON LIQUOR

Last week's issue of the Lynn County News, published by Editor Hill, a good Baptist layman devoted considerable editorial space to the liquor question. Mr. Hill publishes one of the best weekly newspapers in West Texas. He stands for something in his editorial policies, and you can always count on finding some live reading matter in the editorial columns. The two items following are representative of Editor Hill's stand on the liquor question:

Thirty-one persons died last week in two cities in New York from drinking poison liquor. Prior to repeal they told us through every newspaper and magazine and radio station that repeal would stop the use of poison liquor. They wanted GOOD liquor. There is no good liquor. It is all poisonous. In fact the original meaning of the word "intoxicate" is to poison. Whiskey poisons and kills its victims by slow degrees. It has slain its millions. Why sensible people desire to license its sale has long been a puzzle to us. Why sensible people will drink it is also a puzzle. Some day we will become civilized and ban liquor forever.

We are saying a good deal about liquor in our columns this week. May be you are tired of it. But it is high time that somebody in Tahoka, besides the preachers should talk about liquor. It has figured in some disgraceful episodes in our town recently. With a half dozen saloons in town these disgraceful episodes would occur much more frequently. We do not need liquor in Tahoka, whether it be the bootleg or the legalized variety. "Wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging."

HARDIN-SIMMONS HAS LARGE MINISTERIAL GROUP

Hardin-Simmons has one of the largest Ministerial student bodies that it has had in several years.

To the already large body of ministerial students were added seven new preachers. They bring the grand total to forty-seven active and probably two or three more by the end of this week.

The seven new ministerial students represent very widely separated sections of the United States. J. W. Arnett comes from Midland, Texas; G.