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RAMBLING E M A R K S



By DICK O'BRIEN

Well, this has been one of those days when our program has kept us going in circles. There has been a lot of movement but we fear there has been little progress. We were asked to give an address to the local Rotary Club at noon, speak at Knox City to the high school assembly 40 miles away at 2:30, and to the church at Knox City at 7:30. Having never learned how or when to say no, we have tried frantically to make all connections. We spoke to the Rotary Club on time, made it to the high school on time to the minute, and now have 22 minutes to get the remarks in the mail and another two hours to prepare for tonight's address. . . . Going in circles reminds me of a bit of philosophy I read a day or two ago illustrating the vicious circle, whatever that is. It went like this: Rags make paper, paper is used in making money, money makes banks, banks make loans, loans make poverty and poverty makes rags, so we are back where we started. . . . Like the fellow who said when asked why he planted corn that he did it to feed old Beck, so that she would be strong to pull the plow so he could plant more corn to feed old Beck. So it goes. . . . Last week we suggested that some time we might insert one of the experiences our dad had during the uncivil war between the states. As we suggested before he was in Joe Wheeler's cavalry. One winter he had only a lazy mule to ride. At this particular time he was assigned to stand guard around the camp from 4 a.m. until daylight. One morning when his watch period was over he lay down to catch another wink of sleep. He was rudely awakened by the shouting of men and the beating of horse's feet, when he raised up and rubbed his sleepy eyes he realized that the camp was being attacked by the Yankees. He leaped to his feet and mounted the bare back of his lazy mule and by every means known to man for getting a mule to hurry he urged the donkey on. But true to his nature, the mule refused to become excited and only switched his tail or flopped his ears a little in response to the berating commands, and the vigorous beating with heels and rope. Soon dad's company was almost out of sight and the Yankees were nearer

EVENTS TO COME

February 5-6—District 16 Pastors' Retreat, First Church, Coleman.
February 5-7—Panhandle Pastors and Laymen's Conference, Wayland College, Plainview.
February 12-15—West Texas Bible Conference, Hardin-Simmons U.
February 20-21—District 8 pastor's retreat, Snyder.
February 27-28—District 16 Convention, Park Heights Church, San Angelo.
February 29-March 1—District 7 Convention, Alpine.
March 5-7, annual state Sunday School Convention, Harlingen.
March 11-12—District 9 convention, Tahoka.
March 11-17—Religious Emphasis Week, H-SU.
March 14-15—District 10 Convention, Borger.
March 15—District 11 Convention, Olney.
March 26-27—District Eight convention, Midland.
March 28-29—District 17 convention, Breckenridge.
May 2-3—Meeting for associational officers in Training Union, Waco.
May 13-16—Evangelistic Conferences, Seminary Hill.
June 12-16—Southern Baptist Convention, Baltimore.
June 24-30—West Texas Assembly, Camp Lueders.
July 2-12—Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios.
July 8-10—Girls Camp, Lueders.
July 9-17—Menard Baptist Encampment, Menard.
July 10-12—Boys Camp, Lueders.

TRAINING UNION LEADERS TO MEET AT WACO IN MAY

The Baptist Training Union leaders of Texas will meet at the First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, May 2 and 3. This will be the last meeting of its type sponsored jointly by the Baptist Sunday School Board and the Training Union Department of Texas. It will be recalled that these meetings have been held annually for the last five years. The idea has been to inspire groups in each association to set up and maintain associational Training Union organizations during this period of time. The Training Union work in Texas has made marvelous advancement, and it is hoped that the meeting in Waco, may, indeed, be the climax to all of these meetings.

The Baptist Sunday School Board is paying the expenses to the meeting by taking care of the automobile expenses for 3 cars from each association in the state. The Sunday School Board will pay 2 cents a mile for the round trip.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Dr. J. L. Hill, Dr. P. E. Burroughs and Mr. J. E. Lambdin of the Baptist Sunday School Board will appear on the program in Waco.

From Texas, Dr. R. C. Campbell, T. C. Gardner, J. Earl Mead, W. L. Howse, J. D. Riddle, Mrs. A. Adamcik, Miss Nella Casement, and many others will appear on the program.

All phases of the Training Union work will be emphasized at the meeting in Waco. All associational officers are expected to attend.

TWO BIBLE RETREATS SCHEDULED NEXT WEEK

Drawing the interest of denominational workers to West Texas next week will be the Panhandle Pastors' and Laymen's conference meeting at Wayland College, Plainview, Monday morning through Wednesday afternoon, February 5 to 7; and the District 16 retreat at First Church, Coleman, Monday morning to Tuesday noon.

Drs. L. R. Scarborough, W. T. Conner, E. D. Head, and C. A. Powell, will be out of district speakers at Coleman.

Featured speakers at Plainview will be Drs. B. A. Copass, J. Howard Williams, John W. Cobb, C. E. Hereford, and prominent pastors of the Panhandle-Plains area will also appear.

Emphasis will be given to the work of the Laymen at the Plainview meeting, with Dr. F. B. Malone, district 9 Brotherhood president, heading a group of lay speakers. A. C. Thompson, layman of Hereford, is president of the conference.

SWEETWATER ASSOCIATION PLANS TRAINING REVIVAL

Four association-wide rallies are planned in connection with the Sweetwater Association Training Union revival scheduled for February 25 to March 3, announces Director Charles N. Gilbert. Among the visiting workers will be Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Gardner and Miss Nella Casement.

The rallies will be Sunday afternoon, February 25, at First Church, Sweetwater, in connection with the West Zone meeting; Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at Merkel and Sunday, March 3, in connection with the East Zone federation at South Side, Abilene.

Ten churches have already signified their intention to join in the revival.

ANSON TO HAVE DISTRICT EVANGELISTIC RALLY

Dr. W. W. Chancellor, Mineral Wells, state evangelistic leader is expected to give the principal address at the District 17 evangelistic rally which will be held at Anson on February 7.

The district vice-presidents, J. M. Cook, Broughton Harden, Mrs. J. B. Buckley and E. S. Cummings will speak on the use of Sunday School, Training Union, W. M. U. and Brotherhood as evangelistic agencies.

Other speakers scheduled include Rev. Jones Weathers, Eastland; Rev. Phil McGahey, Breckenridge; and Dr. M. A. Jenkins, Abilene.

Music will be led by J. D. Riddle and Rev. H. D. Blair. Special music will be brought by a Hardin-Simmons group. Rev. Phillip C. McGahey, Breckenridge pastor, is district organizer for evangelistic activities.

VALLEY PREPARING FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING

REV. E. DOUGLAS CARVER,
HARLINGEN

Five simultaneous programs in as many cities will feature the evening sessions of the 1940 Texas Baptist Sunday School convention which will be held in the "magic Rio Grande Valley," centering at Harlingen.

Other cities sharing the program include McAllen, Weslaco, Edinburg, and Brownsville, but all the Valley expects to join in entertaining the thousands who will take this occasion to make the "orange blossom pilgrimage" March 5 to 7.

Convention headquarters, where registration and home assignments will be cared for will be at First Church, Harlingen, whose pastor, Dr. Douglas Carver, is chairman of general arrangements.

Among the inspirational speakers listed are Drs. T. L. Holcomb, secretary of the Southwestern Sunday School Board, Nashville; C. E. Maddry, of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; E. P. Alldredge, Nashville, leading religious statistician; R. C. Campbell, Dallas, state mission secretary; Pastor Perry E. Webb of First Church, San Antonio; and President L. R. Scarborough of the Southern Baptist Convention.

This is the first time the Sunday School convention has met south of San Antonio and the date has been changed from the usual time in April to the first week in March to allow visitors to see the Valley at the height of the orange blossom season. Wildflowers which will be in bloom throughout southern Texas at that time will be an added attraction to many who have never visited that section of the state in the springtime.

SNYDER TO BE HOST TO DISTRICT EIGHT PASTORS

Dr. A. C. Gettys of the Bible department of Mary Hardin-Baylor College, will give the Bible lectures at the Pastor's Retreat for District 8, which will meet with Snyder Church, Rev. Ira Harrison, pastor, on February 20 and 21.

Among other speakers will be Dr. Millard A. Jenkins of First Church, Abilene. A complete program will probably be announced next week.

TAYLOR FEDERATION TO MEET AT UNIVERSITY CHURCH

The Taylor County Training Union Federation will meet at 3 Sunday afternoon, February 4, at University Church, Abilene, announces Rev. C. N. Gilbert, associational director. Rev. C. D. Owen will be the principal speaker and plans will be discussed for the association-wide Training Union revival which is planned for February 25 to March 3.

MEXICAN ASSOCIATION TO MEET NEXT AT SWEETWATER

Sweetwater will be host to the West Texas Mexican Association in the next quarterly meeting which will be on the Mexican national holidays, May 3, 4 and 5, it was decided at the January meeting at Big Spring last weekend.

Dr. J. L. Moye, Home Board representative, was the leading speaker of the Big Spring meeting. Rev. Donato Ruiz of San Angelo was another honored visitor. There were three conversions during the meetings.

Young people of the association were invited to give a program at East Fourth Street Church and Frank Arroyo, Manuel Ballejo, Hiram Duffer, and Pedro Hernandez, students doing Mexican mission work, responded.

MUSIC ARRANGED FOR H-SU BIBLE CONFERENCE

MISSIONARY A. C. HUFF,
Plainview

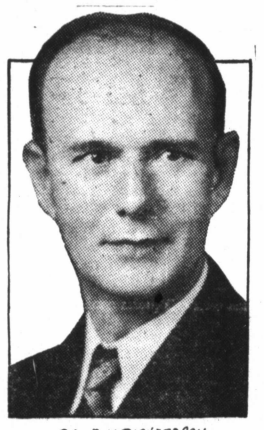
Congregational singing, special sacred music and fellowship periods will vary a program of Bible lectures and inspirational addresses at the Hardin-Simmons Bible conference which will meet in the university chapel from Monday evening, February 12 to Wednesday noon.

One of the features of the conference will be the use of the new organ at H-SU, with Dean Edwin Young as organist, assisted by Jack Dean. J. D. Riddle, educational director of the First Baptist Church, in Abilene, will lead singing for the conference. Special music will be given by various campus organizations.

Dr. John W. Raley, president of the Oklahoma Baptist University, and Dr. J. B. Tidwell, head of the Bible department at Baylor University, will be the principal speakers.

Attendance is to be from all of West Texas. Both laymen and ministers. (Continued on Page 4)

DR. RICHARDSON INVITES BAPTISTS TO ATTEND H-SU BIBLE CONFERENCE



DR. R. N. RICHARDSON

To Pastors and All Other Church Workers of West Texas:

Please accept this message, as a personal invitation to you to attend the Hardin-Simmons University Bible Conference, to be held Monday night through Wednesday noon, February 12 to 14.

For a number of years there has been held annually at Simmons College a week's Bible School. All old-timers of this section will recall that it was a source of great inspiration to pastors and laymen who attended. The Administration and Bible staff of Hardin-Simmons hope that this Bible Conference will constitute a revival of the old Bible School.

The program printed elsewhere in this paper calls for no comment. You will observe that visiting speakers are widely known because of their scholarship, broad experience, and prominence in denominational affairs. Preachers and church leaders of our section have agreed to participate also, and we have the promise of a delightful and helpful conference.

Although the program will be of special interest to preachers, it is expected that there will be a representative group of laymen and laywomen. The university is happy to extend to the Conference every facility. Again we invite you to be with us on this occasion.

Cordially yours,
RUPERT N. RICHARDSON,
Executive Vice-President.

WINTER NURSING CLASS TO BEGIN FEBRUARY 15

Only eight openings remained Tuesday in the first class of nursing to be inaugurated in mid-winter at Hendrick Memorial Hospital, stated Superintendent of Nursing Stella McCullough. The class, which will be limited to 30, begins training February 15.

Applicants are required to be high school graduates at least 18 years of age and with unquestioned moral recommendations. A physical examination is required.

Students receive board, laundry and ordinary medical care, but are required to furnish their own clothing, including uniforms. A tuition fee of \$80 is charged.

Application must be made to the Director of Nurses by a personal interview.

Applicant must fill out the necessary application blanks in detail.

General Requirements

Your physical examination will be given by a physician of the health committee of the School of Nursing. You will be notified of the date that you are to have your physical examination. The regular fee for physical examinations will be charged. Any applicant found to be suffering from chronic infections, such as tonsillitis, etc., will be required to have such conditions corrected before entering the school. A local dentist will inspect your teeth at the time of your physical examination.

The applicant should be between 18 and 30 years of age.

A member in good standing of a Protestant church. A letter of recommendation from the pastor of your church as to your moral character.

Send in the name and addresses of two persons (not relatives) preferably a high school teacher and another responsible citizen who would be willing to recommend you.

The applicant must be a graduate of an accredited high school with at least two credits in science, preferably chemistry and biology, and two (Continued on page 4)

WHY BAPTISTS OBJECT TO VATICAN REPRESENTATION

By N. A. Moore,
Hardin-Simmons University

Our Catholic brethren who are disturbed to the apparent intolerance of the so-called Protestants of the U. S. A. in objecting to the President's peace representative to the Vatican would have a more understandable insight to that state of mind if they made a slight review of history. What are some of the facts underlying the objections and contributing to them? Here are a few samples:

Boniface VIII, 1320, issued a bull pronouncing damnation on all those who denied the use of the double sword by the pope. Paul II excommunicated Henry VIII of England; likewise Paul V did Queen Elizabeth. Henry IV of Germany stood three days bare-footed in the snow before the palace of Pope Gregory VII to obtain forgiveness. Clement XI, 1713, condemned the right of people to read the Bible for themselves.

The Vatican Council, 1870, declared the infallibility of the pope and this to be retroactive to all preceding popes.

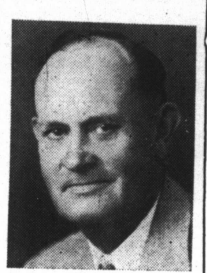
Previously, however, Gregory XVI, 1831, issued an encyclical condemning (a) liberty of conscience, (b) freedom of worship (c) freedom of speech (d) free schools under state control, (e) valid marriage by any but that performed by a Catholic priest.

In this pronouncement he declared for union of church and state with the Catholic religion as the state religion; claimed the right of the church to exercise force; and condemned all and sundry that claimed that the popes had EVER (capitals mine) exceeded their lawful powers.

Furthermore, this cursory review of the undeniable facts of history fails to reveal that any subsequent pope, council, priest, or potentate has denied, or modified the binding import of the above facts.

The precious liberties of religious freedom, democracy, free speech, free education, free press—all purchased at the price of blood—we aim to keep both for ourselves, our posterity; and likewise for our Catholic brethren who now enjoy them with us. Hence no representative to the pope.

MISSIONARY E S S A G E S

By J. Henry Littleton,
1274 N. Second, Abilene

The past Sunday we taught the "Grace of Giving" at the Johnson Chapel Church at Stonewall Association. This is one of the smaller churches but they are large in doing things. They give to the Cooperative Program every month. Brother Cecil McBeth is the pastor and he and Mrs. McBeth are leading in a great way.

Brother Ed Hahn of Swenson is associational Sunday School superintendent of Stonewall Association and he is really working at the job.

There will be a conference for the workers of Stonewall Association at the Peacock Church this coming Tuesday evening, February 7. We hope to meet a good crowd from over the association. We will discuss our problems and work out plans for the future.

Haskell Goals

The Missionary met with the workers of Haskell Association this past Tuesday night. A good representative group was present.

The following goals were adopted and we pledged ourselves to give our best to reaching them during the year:

1. Seven Standard Sunday Schools in the Association. 2. Ten W. M. U.s in the Association. 3. A revival in every community where we can get together enough people to hold a service. 4. A Stewardship Training course in every church. 5. An all-church School of Missions in every church. 6. Every church giving each month to the Cooperative Program. 7. Every church giving each month to District Missions. 8. A Baptist Training Union in 15 of the churches. 9. A minimum of ten West Texas Baptists going into each church.

Some goal, but watch them reach it. Brother W. R. Terry of Rule is the Associational Sunday School Superintendent, and Brother J. W. Partin, pastor at Rule, is moderator. These two make a good team.

Remember the District Evangelistic Conference to meet with the Anson Church this coming Wednesday. It will be a good program. Bring a large group from your church.

Rev. G. W. Parks of Roscoe supplied the pulpit at Blackwell last Sunday. This good church will call a pastor in the very near future.

Rev. Fred East of Knox City supplied at Hamlin last Sunday. The people say many good things about him.

Fisher County workers conference meets with the church at Roby Monday.

The Missionary will be with Pastor Sheppard and the church at Longworth Sunday morning.

DR. CONNER LECTURES TO HOUSTON PASTORS

Dr. W. T. Conner, professor of Theology in the Southwestern Seminary, has begun a series of lectures on the New Testament to the pastors of Houston and vicinity. This school, which meets once a week, will continue through the month of May. It is being sponsored by the Baptist pastors and Rev. J. D. Brannon, district missionary. Dr. E. D. Head, pastor of the First Baptist Church, is teaching from the Old Testament. Dr. Conner has recently closed a similar Bible conference of one week with the Knoxville Association of Knoxville, Tenn., in collaboration with Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon of the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky.

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PREFERRED DATE

The date of the Lueders Assembly for 1940 having been changed to make it convenient for those who wish to attend both the encampment and the Southern Baptist Convention, it is to be hoped that all pastors in the area will refrain from having conflicting engagements either in their own churches or in others to which they may be invited.

In recent years there have been more conversions at Lueders each summer than during the whole year in any one church in this section. Such a medium of evangelism, of consecration and inspiration should be given full right-of-way in all churches which are, or should be tributary to the camp.

The same is true in regard to all similar encampments and the churches which are in their territory. The very least which can be expected is the negative cooperation of refraining from conflicting appointments. The truly cooperative will want to do and will do much more.

They will not only plan vacations, revivals and vacation Bible schools with the encampments in view, but they will actively encourage attendance at both the camps for boys and girls and for the general assembly.

Camp Lueders, with enlarged and improved grounds, and with a most attractive program in preparation should draw the largest attendance in many years.

UTILIZING THE MEN

In the tribute, appearing in another column, which Dr. Scarborough pays to the laymen of the churches, he suggests that pastors utilize their men more in the church work.

The pastor, or shepherd, of a church is the executive of that body. He should never forget that the best executive is he who can find suitable employment for and give efficient direction to the greatest number. The man who can put ten hitherto idle men to doing a needed job is a far more valuable executive than he who can do the work of ten.

Our churches are dwarfed for the lack of the services of men to whom no one ever thought of giving some useful task. It is well enough to say that a Christian should find his own place of service. As a matter of fact it is as preposterous to expect an infant to secure a job by himself as to leave a babe in Christ to take up Christian activities without encouragement and direction.

We are learning much about employment, or rather unemployment in these years. The successful college no longer expects its alumni to find work without aid, the government has a vast organization for uniting the worker and the job. And most churches need some sort of employment bureau.

It was a deacon, who, when requested to do an exacting chore for his church, replied, "It has been so long since anyone has asked me to do anything for this church that I will gladly do it."

We overload the willing to the point of exhaustion, while in nearly every congregation there are many who suffer from an undefined hunger to do an indefinite something. They are an inarticulate cry for a leader with insight and tact to draw them prayerfully out into the harvest fields of the kingdom of God.

THE BAPTIST PAPER

In connection with the centennial of First Church, Galveston, there is an interesting light on the importance of denominational papers.

Shortly after the establishment of the Republic of Texas, Elder Z. N. Morrell wrote an open letter to the Foreign and to the Home Mission boards of the Triennial convention of Baptists of the United States, pleading the need of missionaries in Texas. To assure the wide distribution of his appeal, he sent copies to the then existing Baptist papers.

Jesse Mercer read the letter which was sent to the Christian Index, Macon, Georgia. So moved was he by the appeal that he personally gave the first \$2,500 toward mission work in Texas and assisted in launching a campaign to add to the fund. Supported in this way, the cultured and dynamic James Huckins and William Tyrone came to Texas.

The one established a church at Galveston and the other at Houston. A few years later they were instrumental in the founding of Baylor University and so launching Christian education in the struggling Republic.

Thus in widening circles and deepening waves, there goes through all time the mighty influence of an earnest letter published in a Baptist paper.

February is Southern Baptist month for stressing the importance of their papers. Dr. McConnell, editor of The Standard never said a truer thing than when he asserted, "If it is right for one to take the Standard, it is right for all to take it."

There was a day when the denominational paper was expected to be read by the preachers and a few devout deacons. From that day we have come to a time when every home should be well supplied with religious magazines and papers. And the rates are so low that for the price of one of the prominent national magazines one may have all the Southwide Baptist journals, his state and regional papers, bringing high ideals to the fireside instead of risqué stories and advertisements of liquors and cigarettes. "If it is right for one, it is right for all."

News Notes

First Church, Galveston, is celebrating its Centennial this week. Dr. L. R. Scarborough preached for Pastor Harold L. Fickett Sunday morning and various other occasions will be observed during the week.

Dr. John L. Hill, book editor of the Sunday School Board, will deliver four addresses during the District 10 convention at Borger March 14 and 15.

Miss Zemina Hare, who has been recuperating from an operation at Orange, Texas, is expected to sail from Los Angeles on February 19, returning to her mission work in China.

Mrs. R. L. Mathis, state young people's leader of the W. M. U., was guest speaker for the Runnels Association women, meeting at Paint Rock January 23.

First Church, Vernon, will ordain six new deacons at a special service on February 1.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Dean write from Stratford that they find a splendid spirit in the services at their new home.

Missionary J. C. McKenzie of District 10 writes that 85 per cent of the churches in the district have already contributed to the Cooperative Program during the new convention year. Canadian Association was 100 per cent during December.

Miss Oneta Cates, supervisor in Hendrick Memorial Hospital, is leaving for post graduate study in Women's Hospital, Detroit. Upon her return she will be supervisor of nursing in the obstetric department.

Rev. Lawrence Fitzgerald of Mexico, Missouri, was H-SU chapel speaker Tuesday morning at the opening of the new semester.

Dr. E. B. Atwood was guest preacher at First Church, Abilene, January 28.

Rev. Joe E. Mays of Abilene, pastor in Fisher Association, hopes to spend much time in evangelistic work, either singing or preaching, during the coming months.

Mrs. E. L. Redden, wife of the Cottonwood pastor who has been seriously ill in Hendrick Hospital, was reported Wednesday to be making marked improvement.

Missionary H. D. Blair was guest preacher at Scranton on January 28, at which time the church called Rev. L. A. Thompson of Ranger as pastor.

The Lamesa Association Brotherhood will meet with First Church, Lamesa, on Tuesday, February 13.

M. C. Bruce was the principal speaker at the Lamesa Association Training Union meeting on January 28. Workers in that association have arranged to have Training Union and Sunday School meetings on alternate Fourth Sundays.

Rev. Bill Marshall, B. S. U. secretary for Texas, conducted a youth revival with First Church, Oklahoma City, in January. He is to lead in the annual university revival at Hardin-Simmons, March 11 to 16.

Women of Texas are furnishing the money for a home for the Donath family in a new mission station at Igede, Nigeria.

District 10 has set January 6 to 10, 1941, for their annual Bible Conference.

THE BIBLE CONTINUES TO CIRCULATE

By William H. Joyner
Elsa Maxwell, the well known writer, was returning from Europe recently when she met a woman who declared that she spent her evenings "keeping abreast of modern literature." That was admirable. The woman proceeded to tell Miss Maxwell about the newest books.

"Have you read Dale Carnegie's book on 'How to Make Friends and Influence People'?" she asked. Miss Maxwell confessed that she had not. "You must," said the woman, who had widely traveled. "It's sold over a million copies. I have a copy in my cabin. I'll send it to you right away." "No thanks," said Miss Maxwell. "I planned on reading the Bible this afternoon." "You must be joking," said the woman. "Not at all," Miss Maxwell replied. "It's sold over ten million copies in the last two years."

BAPTIST MEN, THEIR VALUE AND OPPORTUNITY

By L. R. Scarborough

In thinking many times of the constructive forces among Southern Baptists for the achievement of God's will in building our churches, to the end that evangelism and missions and all the constructive work of the Kingdom should have their proper emphasis and promotion, I think quickly and long and in terms of high value and appreciation of the Baptist men of our churches. I judge there are nearly a million of them, or more. They are all naturally members of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood, the great laymen's movement, which is seeking, under the efficient leadership of Secretary Lawson H. Cooke, of Memphis, Tennessee, to mobilize these million men to do the will of Christ.

All thoughtful and spiritually-minded men among us, in classifying the valuable assets of Baptists would at once put the Baptist men in the list right at the top of these assets. Finally they are the substantial, basic element of power in thinking, planning, praying, giving and sacrificing in the Kingdom of God. While there are other factors in our churches of tremendous value we must have our men and have them committed to the causes of Christ, evangelistic, missionary, constructive and generous. They hold the purse strings largely, and if their heart strings are rightly attuned to the will and work of Christ nothing can keep our Christ and His causes from going forward in our churches.

This is somewhat of the value of these virile, Kingdom-building men. Their opportunities are immeasurable to help in the plans of every church, in every prayer meeting, in every conference, in every program for the Kingdom of God, in every support of the pastor, in all the aggressive, forward-looking plans for bringing Christ's world-engirdling Kingdom.

The more they love Christ and His causes, the more they are trained in the finest of fine arts—soul winning—and in the greatest achievement of Christ's Kingdom, missions—the more they will be worth to pastors and to churches and to Christ's causes. I believe that the pastors and other leaders ought to put more responsibility on the men, value them more highly, assign tasks to them of all sorts, and let them feel the deep, soul sense of their responsibility in the Kingdom of God. The more this is done the better it will be for the men and for all of us.

I would urge the pastors of our churches and the other forces, in every possible way that is right before God and man, to utilize, mobilize, spiritualize and evangelize the masculine strength of our churches, and then organize this strength to concentrate on the big task of bringing Christ to the world and the world to Christ.

PROGRAM

Workers Conference, Callahan Baptist Association, Cross Plains, 10 A. M., February 6

Theme: "Debt Paying."
10:00 Devotional, Song and Praise Service, R. P. Adams, Clyde.

10:15 "The Paying of Our Financial Obligation: Personal, Church, and Denominational; including the work of the 100,000 Club, Rev. F. A. Hollis, Putnam.

10:45 "The Paying of Our Christian Obligation to God, Christ, the Church, and the World." Paul said, "I am debtor," by Rev. J. O. Folkes, H. P. C., Brownwood, pastor at Atwell.

11:15 Announcements, recognition of visitors, and music (special).
11:30 Sermon by Rev. James M. Bradford, pastor Coggin Avenue Baptist Church, Brownwood.

1:30 Board meeting; including reports and plans of each department of the Associational work. (Separate meeting for the ladies if desired).

3:00 Inspirational address, Rev. C. N. Jones, H-SU, Abilene, pastor, Admiral.

3:30 Benediction.
Cross Plains is expecting a good representation from each church. Please announce this meeting.

DR. NORMAN MOVES TO WACO

Dr. McKinley Norman, who recently resigned a successful pastorate at Roswell, New Mexico, to become a state evangelist for Texas, is now located at 1823 South Seventh, Waco.

During the 17 months of his pastorate at Roswell, the church received 368 new members, 167 coming for baptism. The church contributed during this time a total of \$25,205.46 to all causes; \$5,103.59 of which was for missions and benevolences, and \$5,501 for debt reduction. Over \$1,500 was also spent improving the parsonage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

February 4, 1940

By Hight C. Moore

HOLDING LIFE SACRED

(A Principle of Temperate Living)

Genesis 1:27-31; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 2 Corinthians 6:16 to 7:1

The Mosaic account of creation reveals the origin of man, the foundation of the family, the means for the support of life, the duty of honest toil with unceasing development of the world, and the interlinked privilege and duty of rest and worship one day in seven.

Since there must be a physical basis for spiritual work, the care of the body is a religious duty. Paul therefore urges the control and consecration of the body in view of its service here and its survival hereafter. In other words, to live a sacred life we must hold life sacred.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. The Creation of the Body, involving life from God, brings the opportunity to hold life sacred. The morning of the sixth creative day dawned bright and clear upon the world. Vegetation mantled the earth, fowl mounted the sky, and the waters teemed with fish. Now the creative Hand produced the land animals flocking hill and plain throughout the globe. But the world was still incomplete. Its Master was yet to appear. Note:

(1) The Maker of Man. In the foreground here as in the beginning, God appears. In the plural of majesty and of trinity, Jehovah said: "Let us make man." And man was to be made in moral and spiritual likeness to the Creator, and he was to be set in the midst of the world as ruler over the fowl of the air, the beasts of the field, and the fish of the seas.

(2) The Making of Man. Three times the word "created" is used—that imperial word which means to make without the use of pre-existing material. Man was, therefore, a new creation requiring a special creative act of God. He was made in the divine image as God had proposed. And man was created male and female for the founding of the race.

(3) The Mission of Man. The divine blessing rested upon the crowning act of the Almighty. And a part of the blessing was that of work, for three great duties were laid upon man. He must multiply and thus fulfill a duty to the race. He must replenish and subdue the earth and thus fulfill his duty to creation. He must have dominion over other animals and thus fulfill his duty to lower orders of being.

(4) The Maintenance of Man. Herbs and fruit trees were indicated as food for man's physical support, and beasts were also to subsist on vegetation. Original man was apparently a vegetarian.

(5) The Majesty of Man. Looking over all his handiwork the Creator pronounced it "very good." At the apex of creation stood man pure and innocent in the eyes of his Maker. And now though the creative hand was not weary but as an example for man, God rested on the sabbath day, blessing and sanctifying it to the highest uses of the human race.

2. The Consecration of the Body, involving life for God, emphasizes the Christian obligation to hold life sacred. (1) Think of the body and the Father. He created it. He formed and fashioned it. We are his offspring. In him we live. (2) Think of the body and the Holy Spirit. He animates it. He dwells in it. He sanctifies it. (3) Think of the body and the Redeemer. No one owns his own body. It belongs to Christ. He will save both body and the soul. In resurrection he will complete the redemption of the body. (4) Think of the body and the believer. He knows what his body is for. He surrenders it for the sanctuary of the Holy Spirit. He realizes that his entire personality, body and soul, has been bought with a price. He glorifies God therefore in his body.

3. The Cleansing of the Body, involving life like God, sets forth the outcome of holding life sacred. The consecration of Christians requires their cleansing and leads to their completeness. So God does for them ten things: (1) God isolates them. Between God's temple and idols there can be no compact. The two are opposites and can never come to agreement. The good must be separate. (2) God indwells them. They are, both individually and collectively, a temple of the living God. (3) God incarnates them. He walks in them. He moves among them. He outworks through them. (4) God identifies them. He is and will be their God. They shall be his people. Can there be higher identification of man? (5) God attracts them. His person

magnetizes them. His commands arouse and inspire them. His call from the deep and dark to heights of love and life is heard: "Come ye out from among them!" (6) God accepts them. When they come out and are separate and out of touch with the unclean, then he says, "I will receive you." (7) God acknowledges them. The fatherhood of God is here confessed and continued. And if he is their Father, they are owned as his sons and daughters. (8) God energizes them. Having and holding his promises they can with his hold cleanse themselves from day to day. (9) God ennobles them. He enables them to get rid of everything that contaminates and corrupts them, either flesh or spirit. (10) God perfects them. In his fear they attain to holiness. In reverence they carry on their "consecration to completeness."

"Glorify God in Your Body"

1. Life for the Body. "Let us make man in our image" (v. 26). Here was the masterpiece of creative skill. The Triune God took counsel before this last and highest creative act. More divine thought and wisdom were required to make man than to make all the rest of the universe.

2. Dominion in the Body. "Let them have dominion" (v. 26). Man was put in charge of the earth. All lower animals were put under his dominion. And he is to control them even more for their good than for his own.

3. Service Through the Body. "Blessed them—said unto them." The earth's wilds must be subdued, its forces harnessed, its resources increased, its abundance utilized and consecrated. The perpetuation of an honorable and worthy race is the primal duty to God, for he contemplated it, commanded it, commends it, crowns it with his favor.

4. Maintenance of the Body. "I have given you every herb." Eden was more than beautiful. It was life-supporting. God had planted it. Its trees were fruitful and its vegetation was luxuriant. Let man pluck and eat and live as the kept and dressed garden.

5. Capacity of the Body. "Every thing that he had made—it was very good." God pronounced very good the perfect creation that lay before him. But he blessed the pure and innocent humanity that stood before him. God had made man in his own moral and spiritual likeness and for his own glory.

6. Spirituality in the Body. "The temple of the Holy Ghost." The body is a sanctuary or a slum. It is the habitation of the Holy Spirit or of evil spirits. How is it with your body? You are to say!

7. Purchase of the Body. "Bought with a price." Christ died for us, the whole of us, body and soul. Satan's claim on the body is false. It belongs to God. The saved soul is housed in the saved body.

8. Consecration of the Body. "Glorify God in your body." Consecrate to him your physical powers. Make them the agents of his will. Place every strand of your strength in his hands for any use he desires.

9. Discipline of the Body. "Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit." When bodily appetites run wild, the body weakens, the mind suffers, the soul starves. Master the body. Master it in everything. Master it continually.

10. Accountability for the Body. "I will receive you—perfecting holiness in the fear of God." Does God observe our physical development or dissipation? Most certainly. He has severe legislation on the subject now in force. And we must give future account for the deeds done in the body.

GOLD IN THE GOLDEN TEXT
Ye were bought with a price: glorify God therefore in your body. 1 Corinthians 6:20.

The consecration of the body is de- (Continued on page 4)

PROGRAM

Workers Conference, Sweetwater Association, First Church, Abilene, February 8, 1940

10:00 Song Service and Devotional, South Side Church.

10:20 "Our Teaching Task," Rev. J. M. Sibley.

10:50 "Our District Work," Rev. J. H. Littleton.

11:20 Sermon, Rev. D. G. Reid.

1:15 Board Meetings, Associational

1:45 Devotional, Rev. Eugene Hall.

2:05 Our February Bible Conference, Dr. N. A. Moore.

2:35 Sermon, Rev. Thomas J. Young.

DOCTRINAL

DOES BORN OF WATER
MEAN WATER BAPTISM?

By R. D. Deweese, Anson

Reference: John 3:1-6.

Early in the public ministry of Jesus he attended a feast of the passover at Jerusalem, cleansed the temple and led many to believe that he was a great teacher from God by the miracles he performed. Among these was Nicodemus, a member of the highest court of the Jews, a Pharisee who believed in angels, spirits, the resurrection of the dead and a life beyond, but his religion was a theory of salvation by works. In our narrative we find him and Jesus after nightfall in a quiet place for a talk on religion.

Nicodemus' confession, "We know that thou art a teacher come from God," made a fine opening for Jesus to begin leading this man into the knowledge of salvation. This he did by saying, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see (understand) the kingdom of God," verse 3.

Nicodemus shows both his astonishment and his failure to comprehend the meaning of Jesus by asking, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?" The reader will please note that Nicodemus understood that Jesus spoke of a second natural birth. Jesus, as a wise teacher, must answer Nicodemus' question about the second birth. This he does in verses 5 and 6, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."

Now the reader has the facts of the dialog between Jesus and Nicodemus. Let us investigate these facts.

If Jesus meant baptism in his expression "born of water," he reversed the order of faith and baptism which John the Baptist practiced. He required repentance and faith, "saying unto the people that they should believe on him which should come" (Acts 19:4). Jesus made and baptized disciples. Jesus commanded that believers should be baptized and the apostles baptized believers and it is stated over and over that believers have eternal life (John 3:15-16; 5:24; 6:40-47).

Baptizo is the Greek verb for baptize and it is not used in this conversation, nor in Jesus' talk with the woman of Samaria.

If Jesus referred to baptism in the expression "born of water," he ignored the question of Nicodemus when he asked, "How can a man be born when he is old?"

In Jesus' reply he set forth two births, born of water and the Spirit. If "born of water" means natural birth, Jesus answers the question of Nicodemus about a second natural birth and reveals to him that the birth he is speaking of is a spiritual change wrought by the Spirit of God. Is that what Jesus meant? Note the second part of the explanation, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."

If "born of water" means a natural birth, Jesus answers the question of his inquirer and retains the thought of being born again. And "born of water" fits with "born of the flesh" in the second part of Jesus' explanation.

tion, each of the couplets being completed with "born of the Spirit."

This interpretation retains unity of thought through the dialog. It fits with the apostolic doctrine of baptism for believers, and relieves the necessity of far-fetched explanations which fail to meet the requirement of the context.

Students Administer
To Abilene Jail
Inmates Weekly

By W. C. Gallemore

Most of the ministerial students of Hardin-Simmons have a regular church whose congregation varies little from Sunday to Sunday.

There are some, however, who every Sunday hold services in which the congregation is never the same, although those services are in the same building. As few as possible attend the services, but, once there, they are unable to leave.

Are you curious? About two years ago the University Baptist Church began a series of services at the Abilene city jail with a view toward helping and converting those who were interned. T. J. Dubose initiated the series, and since that time the work has continued with different students assisting.

The jail service is held each Sunday from 1:30 to 2:00. The group is admitted by the jail-keeper who locks the door behind them. Within the jail the group splits into three sections, one going to the Mexican and Negro division, one to those under felony charges, and the third to the misdemeanor cases.

The workers proceed with the services as best they can. They have no music, but they sing hymns, with the inmates joining in if they like. After prayer, some student makes a short talk after which the invitation to accept salvation is given.

So far as is known there have been no actual conversions, but there is evidence of an impression of the talks upon those interned. They give very good attention and are very appreciative of the efforts of the workers.

Usually there is a different group of inmates present each Sunday, but occasionally there is a faithful brother who has committed a serious crime. The younger set, the misdemeanor cases, are very seldom the same. There are no crying babies and no parade of women's hats.

Hardin-Simmons students helping in the work are Winifred Harper, Fred Molkenthin, Harvey Albright, Mr. and Mrs. Strauss Atkinson, Don Armstrong, J. T. Florrow, Juanita Taylor, and Lois Harmonson.

"We enjoy the work," Harper stated. "We are glad to help those that can be helped. Although there are some of the fellows who resent our coming, still we start them to thinking. On the whole, they give very good behavior and seem to appreciate what we are trying to do."

FISHER ASSOCIATION-SUNDAY
SCHOOL MEETS AT ROBY
FEBRUARY 4, 2:45 P. M.

1. Devotional, North Roby.
2. Departmental meetings.
3. Business.
4. Special music, Sylvester.
5. Message, the Sunday School as an Agency in the Kingdom of God, by Rev. J. H. Littleton.

MISSION POSTER CONTEST WINNER PRESENTED



First place in the Home Mission Board's Y. W. A. picture poster contest has been won by the design shown above submitted by Miss Novie Maie Moffat, Nashville, Tenn., according to the announcement of the judges.

Working on the theme of the Home Mission Week of Prayer, "Christ's Compassion—Our Concern," Miss Moffat's winning poster was selected from designs submitted by Y. W. A.'s throughout the South.

The first place winner, who is a member of the Kathleen Manley Y.

W. A. of Grace Baptist Church, Nashville, earned a prize of \$10, was won by Miss Marjorie Toole, Jacksonville, Fla.

The winning poster has been carried on the cover of the February issue of Southern Baptist Home Missions and is being used to advertise the preparatory study book for the Week of Prayer, "Give Ye Them to Eat," by Mrs. B. A. Copass (on sale at Baptist book stores, 25c).

"UNDER HIS WINGS" AS
BOMBS SHOWER AROUND

We were just settling down to real living and work again—all moved and unpacked, when our peace was somewhat shattered day-before yesterday, September 22nd. We were having prayer with the servants when someone heard an airplane. The second boy stepping outside, reported that it had gone on over—or rather they, for there were two of them. We continued our reading and suddenly they were right over our house; a whistling scream, a terrific crash and glass and a window frame flew across the room, followed by earth and black smoke.

Carol screamed and Deaver grabbed her up and we rushed down to our tiny cellar just in time for the plane's second round with two more explosions nearby. A number of neighbors rushed in, several covered with mud from top to toe, and sobbing. We all knelt in prayer and prayed aloud and sang and the sobbing grew less, as our hearts were filled with His peace.

Several explosions in the city, then the planes were over us and another crash just beyond us (later those watching from the school said the bombs were dropped slightly behind our house and flew over us. Four landed from about 100 to 250 feet from our front gate. They seemed to be aimed at the corner of the wall, but fell in the cleared space between us and the wall. One fell in the moat and thus our muddy neighbors).

When we came out of the cellar we found lots of shrapnel in the yard, one piece about 10 by 4 inches, about five feet from the cellar window. But, oh the mess in the house! Eighty panes of glass smashed, some frames broken in, screens hanging, floors covered with lime, earth, and glass. Before starting to clean up though, we checked up on all our friends and property.

The Chinese houses across the street were in the worst shape, doors blown off or broken through, holes in the roofs, etc. But praise the Lord! not a soul hurt in the least—though considerably shaken up. The bombs fell on equal distance from us and those houses, but we got practically all the shrapnel. Dr. Deall had eight panes broken and Miss Huey two. Their buildings are farther away. The eight bombs in the city injured four and one man died from fright just outside of the hospital gate. Then "chien" of buildings were completely demolished. "Our" four bombs fell close, but in waste places. "It shall not come nigh thee."

Were we frightened? We certainly were! It was too sudden and too close for us to gain composure immediately, though we couldn't "let on" how scared we were! We most certainly hadn't expected our windows to burst in on us within about two minutes of the planes' arrival. And it looked all too much as if they were aiming at our buildings and just missing them, since there is nothing else between us and the wall. But we can truthfully say that before the bombing was over, we were at peace in our

hearts, knowing that we were "under His wings" and in the shelter of the Rock.

Yesterday the planes returned but passed us by and we could hear them "at work" in the country. This time there was hardly standing room in our tiny cellar (about 10 by 7 feet); They came about 8:30 a.m. as they had the day before, so at that time this morning we had our ears well "cocked"! The neighbors came in, we feel, less to seek our protection than that of our Lord! They go in to the homes of our Chinese Christians in much the same way. When we came upstairs right after the bombing, there was an old, blind beggar woman sitting in our wreck of a living room, alone in the corner!

No airplanes this morning, we are thankful to say. We hope they are through with us for awhile. We've patted paper over our windows for the present. They broke even when open.

MRS. DEEVER W. LAWTON,
Laichow, Shantung.

CATHOLIC FINDS HELP
IN ARIZONA MISSION

Great rejoicing followed the conversion of a 45-year-old Catholic man recently on the field served by the Home Board's new missionary, Rev. C. F. Frazier, to the Pima Indians at Sacaton, Ariz.

Before his conversion, the new convert stated that he had not been in a Catholic church in many years, since he had come to the conclusion that he could find no help there and had decided to depend upon God alone. He found, however, that he was so weak he could not resist temptation.

"Immediately I preached on 'Christ, who would not suffer him to be tempted above that which he could bear,'" writes Brother Frazier. "He was convinced that he needed Christ to save his soul and help him overcome temptations. We went to God in prayer for him and when the prayer closed he was in tears. While we urged him to surrender he sat with bowed head.

"Finally he jumped to his feet, gripped my hand, and said, 'I'll do it.'"

The missionary states that the new convert is very happy and is now reading tracts and the Bible to learn about church membership.

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DISTRICT 17 TRAINING UNION GOALS FOR 1940

President—Mr. L. B. Hardin, Stamford

The table below gives the Association, Director, Con. Attendance Goals, No. Unions for 1939, New Unions in 1940, Standard Union Goals in 1940, Awards Received in 1939, and 1940 Study Course Award Goals, in the order named:

Callahan—Miss Mildred Yeager, Putnam									
Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Putnam	30	40	15	5	124	200			
Cisco—Rev. Judson Prince, Cisco	100	102	15	15	1040	1250			
Fisher—Edwin Johnson, McCauley	30	50	15	10	317	400			
Haskell—Rev. H. E. East, Knox City	30	40	10	10	40	100			
Jones Co.—Rev. J. B. Bradford, Abilene	30	65	12	10	154	200			
Stonewall—Mrs. F. T. Whitaker, Jayton	30	40	10	5	95	150			
Sweetwater—C. N. Gilbert, Abilene	250	168	20	20	676	1500			
Total or District Goals	500	513	97	75	3025	3800			

DR. SCARBOROUGH IN
ARIZONA REVIVAL

Dr. Scarborough conducted a revival meeting during January in the First Baptist Church of Phoenix, Arizona, Rev. C. V. Rock, pastor. There were 40 additions to the church and several volunteers for life service. The meeting received fine cooperation from all the Southern Baptist churches in and around Phoenix, and from the State Mission office, Rev. H. A. Zimmerman, state secretary. An interesting sidelight of the meeting was the presence and help of Rev. Will A. James, the evangelist who was conducting the revival meeting at Merkel, Texas, in 1887, when Dr. Scarborough was converted. Brother James, who is now 84 years of age, resides in Phoenix.

H-SU DEAN OF MUSIC
RECOGNIZED AS COMPOSER

Recognition to Dean E. Edwin Young and his Symphony in D Major came to the head of the H-SU school of music, with the inclusion of the symphony in a symposium of American composers' works. The opus was included in the symposium on invitation from Dr. Howard Hansen, director of the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester. Dr. Hansen is president of the National Association, of which Hardin-Simmons is an institutional member, and it was while Dean Young was attending the association's national convention that his symphony was given the unusual national recognition.

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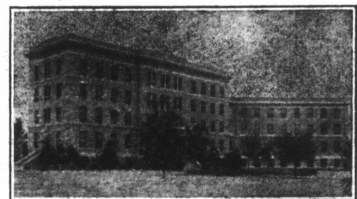
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Active members reported,	162.	
New	Total	
Baptist Standard	68	556
Royal Service	9	66
Windows of Y. W. A.	2	11
World Comrades	4	22
S. B. Home Missions	24	43
Commission	24	44
West Texas Baptist	—	1203

BENEVOLENCE
Mrs. S. J. T. Williams
 Number of talks made, 15; number of offerings, 2; amount \$34.82.
 Buckner Orphans Home: offerings 7; amount \$163.78. Number of societies sending clothing 14. Other boxes: linens 2; toys and books 2; much used clothing; 20 pounds of cookies.
 Old Ministers Relief: Beneficiary adopted by auxiliary, Brother Bush. Number of offerings 4, amount \$39.50.

MISSIONS
Mrs. J. W. Dean
 Number of members of committees on Missions, 25; representatives on circle plan, 4; Young People's mission chairmen, 12.
 Missionaries home on furlough, 1. Mrs. Lockett; letters to missionaries from women, 16; letters to missionaries from young people, 3; number of boxes sent, 5.
 Volunteers for foreign service, 1. Bobby Joe Cox, Tuscola. Number of women going to circle, 43; number of young people, 27. Special programs, 1. Social season of prayer observed with 192 women and 20 young people attending.

STEWARDSHIP
Mrs. J. A. Brister
 Organization: Number of women in churches, 1,410; active in W. M. S., 511; Stewardship chairmen in W. M. S., 27; W. M. U. organizations for young people, 32; members in young people's organizations, 898; stewardship chairmen in young people's organizations, 14.
 Study: Number of young people's organizations using plan, 2. Number of members working on stewardship assignments in auxiliaries, 6. Number of talks on stewardship, 16. Number of leaflets on stewardship and Cooperative program distributed, 72.
 Finance: Number of tithe added this quarter, women, 14. Total number of tithe, women, 256; young people, 35. Number giving to missions, women, 458; young people, 50.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEADER
Mrs. Paul Atchinson
 New young people's organizations this quarter, 4; total 32; number of members 476. Number attaining A-1 standard, 3. Number observing week of prayer, 28. Total number of tithe, 55. Number of counselors holding certificates, 5. Young people enrolled, 476.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Mrs. H. E. Gay
 Five societies reported—First, University and North Park, Abilene; Nolan and Tuscola. Four students were assisted to remain in college or high school. Six have put literature in junior college or high school libraries. Six parties or banquets were held for students. Two boxes were sent to students. One program rendered on Christian education.
 We have made a special offering to Hardin-Simmons and have met apportionments for Mary-Hardin-Baylor College and for Southwestern Training school scholarships and for scholarships and loan funds in Southwestern Training School, Hardin-Simmons University, and Mary Hardin-Baylor.

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Sunday School Lesson

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 manded for its welfare. To keep the body at its best we must keep it at God's disposal. It is a temple of truth and beauty, not a hovel of sin and shame. It is the sanctuary of the Holy Spirit which builds up, and not of Mammon and Lust which tear down. It does not belong to us to do with it as we will. It has been bought by atoning blood, for our bodies as well as our souls are redeemed by Christ. And it can be so used for the glory of God that its usefulness will insure its fitness and upkeep.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS
 Jan. 29—The Goodness of Creation. Gen. 1:27-31.
 Jan. 30—The Corruption of Man-kind. Gen. 6:9-20.
 Jan. 31—Daniel's Principle Tested. Dan. 1:8-16.
 Feb. 1—Daniel's Principle Succeeds. Dan. 1:17-21.
 Feb. 2—Alcohol the Defiler. Prov. 23:29-35.
 Feb. 3—Alcohol the Destroyer. Isa. 28:1-8.
 Feb. 4—The Sanctuary of God. 2 Cor. 6:16 to 7:1.

Rambling Remarks

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 and nearer each moment. A Yankee captain on a very fine horse was leading the attack. He soon overtook dad, struck at him with his saber and ordered him to surrender. To this dad agreed and was ordered to return to the rear. He glanced back and saw that the other Yankees were still several yards behind so he decided to stay free as long as possible. In a moment he rounded a curve in the road and found that his company had come upon a narrow bridge and had to make a stand to hold back the attacking party so as to get safely over. The before-mentioned Yankee captain had run squarely into these Johnny Rebs and they had dragged him from his horse and were having a terrible struggle with him. The spirited horse with bridle reins dangling, and empty saddle stirrups klinking was prancing nearby. Dad saw his opportunity, he leaped from the back of the lazy mule and into the saddle of the Yankee captain's horse and the first opening he got he dashed across the bridge, and from there on he lead the retreat.

Music Arranged-

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 ters have been invited to participate in the three-day meeting.
 Dr. N. A. Moore of the H-SU Bible department will preside at all sessions of the conference. Address of welcome will be by Dr. Ruert N. Richardson, executive vice-president, the response by Rev. A. C. Huff, district missionary of Plainview.
 Other speakers for the conference include: Rev. John M. Riddell, district missionary of Wichita Falls; Rev. Floyd Chaffin, Coleman; Dr. H. D. Bruce, Midland; Dr. Fred Eastham, Wichita Falls.
 Visitors will be given bed and breakfast in Baptist homes in Abilene. Abilenians who can entertain one or more of the out-of-town guests are requested to notify their pastor or to phone the office of either University or First Church.
 People seldom improve when they have no model but themselves to copy from.—Goldsmith.

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Winter Nursing--

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Address all correspondence to: Stella McCullough, R. N., Superintendent of Nurses, Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene, Texas.

SENTENCE SERMONS

By O. D. Henley
 The wisdom of the ages does not always rest with the sages.
 We make records, God keeps them. We must go on if we would live on. If we will let the Great Commission carry us out, we will carry it out.
 He who doesn't trust the Lord will not obey him.
 There is never any reason for excuses.
 Honesty is always better than policy.
 Solicited affection is not effective. Love leaves nothing to be desired. We often embarrass God.
 Love needs no urging.
 Be sure your exposition isn't an imposition.
 Faith furnishes fervor for the present and hope for the future.
 The human mind doesn't always mind.
 What we don't have makes us unhappier than what we do have.
 Free advice may prove a costly device.
 The devil's design is never divine. He who solves his own problems helps others solve theirs.
 Many Christians prefer an undertaker to an undershepherd.
 Some spend their days in a daze.
 There are more murderers than martyrs.

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By Wm. S. Dixon

He was the Ford agent, and highly respected in the community. His thirteen year old son was under deep conviction, and in tears, in the Sunday morning church service, and feared what his Lutheran mother might do, if he came to Christ in a Baptist church, where he attended Sunday School.

But his faithful Sunday School teacher secured her permission, and the boy came forward to confess Christ in the Sunday afternoon service. I saw the father, a big fellow look at his own son standing up front. The father looked on the floor under deep conviction, threw his song book on the seat, and came down the aisle, stood at the side of his son before the audience, and the whole crowd was in tears at the beautiful sight of son and father coming to Christ in the same service.

The big fellow asked the evangelist for a private interview, at which time he told the evangelist that his secret drinking was going to be difficult to overcome. After giving some well-chosen Bible verses on salvation, victory, and the New Testament Church, the man left the room rejoicing.

Two days later, he and the evangelist met on the street, and he delightfully told of victory over his besetting sin, and after two days more, told of resisting severe temptation.

Two weeks later, he wrote me from the State Ford Dealers convention, a letter, bubbling over with joy in his newly-found Savior, and how he was witnessing for Christ at the convention.

CHURCH BULLETIN SECTION

FAIRVIEW

Conference, Saturday morning, 10:30.
 Service, Saturday night, 7:00.
 Sunday School, 10 A. M., Oscar Jenkins, Superintendent.
 Training Union, 6:30 P. M., Alvis Bond, assistant director.
 Many of our people have been sick. We trust they are better now. We are praying for good services this week-end. Hope to see each of you at the Lord's house as we meet to worship.
 Charles Tarrance, Pastor.

DRASCO

Regular conference this Saturday night, 7:00.
 Sunday School at 10:00, song service and preaching, 11:00.
 Training Union at 6:45, song service and preaching, 7:45.
 Do we have good reason for not attending these services? How often do we pray about attending the services? Come thou with us and we will do thee good, Num. 10:29.
 Harold Russ, Pastor.

HATCHEL

There will be a song and prayer service at the church Saturday night at 7. We are expecting a good number present.

The services of the past week were very encouraging. May we insist upon our friends attending every service.

We will have an all-day study course on February 16. There will be a large number to take the course.
 Harold Russ, Pastor.

COLORADO SECOND BAPTIST

"Handfuls of Honey," will be the subject of the morning sermon, February 4, and at night the pastor will preach on "The Lamb of Revelation 14."

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., Training Union at 6:30 p.m. Study course, Monday, 7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, 7:30. Brotherhood, Thursday evening. Chorus rehearsal, Friday evening.

The church is five months old, has more than 100 members and the Sunday School is standard for 1939 and 1940.

Scott W. Hickey, Pastor.

SUNSET

Sunday School, 9:45, W. Baker, Superintendent.
 Preaching 11:00.
 Training Union, 6:30, Lenora Hitt, director.

Let me take this opportunity to urge all of our people to attend the Federation meeting Sunday afternoon at 3 with the University Church.
 C. N. Gilbert, Pastor.

Borrow trouble for yourself, if that's your nature, but don't lend it to your neighbors.—Kipling.

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HARDIN-SIMMONS WELCOMES BIBLE CONFERENCE VISITORS

February 12, 13 and 14, 1940

Meetings will be held in Hardin-Simmons chapel;
 Dr. N. A. Moore, Hardin-Simmons Bible Dept., presiding;
 J. D. Riddle, First Church, Abilene, directing the music;
 Dean E. Edwin Young at the organ, assisted by Thurman Morrison and Jack Dean.

MONDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 12, 1940

7:00 Song service and prayer.
 7:10 Organ Solo: Prof. E. Edwin Young, H-SU Dean of Fine Arts.
 7:20 Welcome Address, Dr. R. N. Richardson, Executive Vice-President, H-SU.
 7:30 Response, Rev. A. C. Huff, Missionary, District 9.
 7:40 Music, H-SU A Cappella Choir, Mrs. Lola G. Deaton, Director.
 7:50 Bible Lecture, "Introduction to I Timothy," Dr. J. B. Tidwell, Baylor U.
 8:20 Stand and sing.
 8:25 Inspirational Address, Dr. John W. Raley, President of Oklahoma Baptist University.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13

9:00 Song and Praise Service.
 9:15 Address, Dr. John W. Raley.
 10:00 University Chapel Service, Dr. J. B. Tidwell, Speaker.
 10:30 Fellowship.
 10:35 Song Service.
 10:45 Devotional, Rev. John M. Riddell, District 11 Missionary.
 11:05 Special Music, Hardin-Simmons Voice Department.
 11:15 Bible Lecture, Dr. J. B. Tidwell.
 12:00 Lunch and Fellowship period.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 13

1:30 Cowgirl Band Concert, Herbert M. Preston, Director.
 1:50 Devotional, Dr. Fred Eastham, Wichita Falls.
 2:10 Bible Lecture, Dr. J. B. Tidwell.
 2:55 Fellowship.
 3:00 H-SU Male Quartet.
 3:15 Address, Dr. John W. Raley.
 4:00 Recess till evening.

TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 13

7:00 Song Service and Prayer.
 7:05 H-SU Symphony Orchestra, Herbert M. Preston, Director.
 7:30 Devotional, Dr. H. D. Bruce, First Baptist Church, Midland.
 7:50 Bible Lecture, Dr. J. B. Tidwell.
 8:30 Special Music (to be arranged).
 8:35 Address, Dr. John W. Raley.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 14

9:00 Song and Praise Service.
 9:15 Bible Lecture, Dr. J. B. Tidwell.
 10:00 University Chapel Services, Dr. John W. Raley, speaker.
 10:30 Fellowship.
 10:35 Song Service.
 10:45 Devotional, Rev. Floyd Chaffin, First Baptist Church, Coleman.
 11:05 Special Music (to be arranged).
 11:15 Closing Address, Dr. John W. Raley.
 12:00 Adjourn until 1941.



Dr. J. B. Tidwell

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