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Camp Is Prepared For Westex Assembly Next Week

INCREASED INTEREST IS SHOWN IN LAMESA ASSN.

By J. J. Gentry

After so much rain and some short sand storms, the work in the Lamesa Association is taking on new life. An increase of interest is visible on every hand. The Workers' Conference met June 11 with the Florey Church, one of the least churches in the association. In spite of the fact that the church is located in the southwest part of the association, there was a large crowd for the entire day. All of our pastors were present but three. The program was built around evangelism and every address and sermon was of a high order.

Since the last news notes from this association, Brother Hux has been called and accepted the churches at Munger and Pride, each for one-fourth time. Every one is of the opinion that he is a good addition to the association.

Brother John Thomas of Lamesa has accepted the church at Woody for one-half time. This church is located eight miles north of Lamesa, and has been without a pastor for several months.

The church at Midway, of which W. C. Wright is pastor, has gone to full time. This makes three country churches in this association with preaching every Sunday. The fact is that our country churches are making more progress than some may think, and the thing they need is, not sympathy, but encouragement, and less talk about their failures.

Brother A. A. Watson of Sparenburg is the new pastor at Grandview for one-half time. This is another one of our smaller churches that is doing things. Brother Watson was called to O. K. last week on account of the death of his father, who was a veteran Baptist preacher. He has the sympathy of the entire association in this time of sorrow.

All the pastors of the association but two attended the Evangelistic Conference at Fort Worth, and every one came away determined to do more this year than ever, also with a greater appreciation for our new secretary, Dr. W. W. Melton.

ATTENDANCE REPORTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 15

Churches with an enrollment of less than 900 are invited to send their reports to the West Texas Baptist, Box 1560, Abilene. They should reach this office by Tuesday morning.

Church	Enr.	Att.
Levelland (rain)	812	356
Littlefield	512	275
Tye	80	49
Training Union		
Levelland (rain)	291	121

EVENTS TO COME

- June 23-29—All Church, all family, encampment, Camp Lueders.
- July 1-11—Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios.
- July 7-9—G. A., Y. W. A. camp, Lueders.
- July 7-13—Menard Encampment, Menard.
- July 9-11—R. A. Camp, Lueders.
- July 12-18—Sunday School Week, Ridgecrest.
- July 14-20—Lampasas Encampment, Lampasas.
- July 15-23—Central Texas Encampment, Latham Springs, near Hillsboro.
- July 19-25—Training Union Assembly, Ridgecrest.
- July 21-29—Alto Frio Encampment, Frio Canyon, near Leakey.
- July 29-August 7—Paisano Encampment, Paisano Pass, between Alpine and Marfa.
- August 18-24—District 10 Encampment, Frio Canyon, near Leakey.
- August 23-31—Preachers School, Ridgecrest.
- August 25-26—Southwestern Religious Education Association, Seminary Hill.

GIVING CONTINUES FOR HOSPITAL CHARITY FUND

Gifts for the charity fund of Hendrick Memorial Hospital, begun on Mother's Day, May 11, are continuing to come from all over West Texas, reports Superintendent E. M. Collier. In addition to reports of offerings previously made, over \$200 in cash and merchandise from 42 churches and church organizations have been received.

Mr. Guy McCarty, \$5.00; Noodle Baptist Church, 6.50; Big Spring (Ruth class), 3.20; Goldsmith, 3.00; First Church, Amarillo, 25.00; Avondale, 1.75; Necessity, 4.50; Coleman W. M. U., First Church, 7.50; Sunset, Abilene, 6.20; Graham, First Baptist, 12.55; Ranger W. M. U., First Church, 5.00; Quanah, 3.00; Munday W. M. S., 3.00; Borger First Church W. M. U., 10.00; Pansy W. M. U., McAdoo, 3.00; First Church, Breckenridge W. M. U., 43.18; Clyde, 10.00; Anson, 17.52; Oak Street W. M. U., Graham, 5.00; Calvary, Abilene, 3.25; Silverton, 8.87; University, Abilene, 5.60; Immanuel Church, El Paso, 15.00; Pettit, 3.22; First Church, Henrietta, 3.38; Peacock, 3.00; Hodges, Lubbock Assn., 1.02.

Foods and Linens

Aspermont W. M. U., 18 pillow cases; Lohn W. M. U., 12 bath towels; Rotan W. M. U., magazines; Snyder, First Church W. M. S., 20 pillow cases; W. M. U., Calvary, Abilene, 20 bath towels, 6 wash cloths; Pecos, First Church W. M. S., 1 face towel, 54 napkins, 19 pillow cases, 14 wash cloths; Silverton, First Church W. M. U., 10 wash cloths, 7 bath towels, 4 pillow cases, 2 bed pan covers, 3 sheets; Olney, First Church W. M. U., 28 jars jelly, 1 pair pillow cases, 1 towel; Olden W. M. U., 39 jars canned foods; Hereford First Church, 9 towels, 1 wash cloth, 2 napkins, 4 pairs pillow cases, 5 jars jelly; Oplin W. M. U., 4 wash cloths, 4 jars jelly, 38 napkins, 16 dresser scarfs, 7 towels; Noodle Baptist Church, 16 jars food, 1 dozen eggs; Lamesa First Church, 5 bed side table covers, 3 sheets, 2 wash cloths, 18 jars food, 20 towels, 8 pairs pillow cases; Rule, 16 towels, 4 wash cloths, 1 sheet, 1 pair pillow cases, 11 jars food, 6 bars soap; Indian Creek W. M. U., 12 pairs pillow cases, 4 towels; Levelland First Church, 10 napkins, 6 towels, 15 wash cloths, 6 sheets, 5 pairs pillow cases; San Antonio, Prospect Hill, 46 towels, 10 pairs pillow cases; Rotan W. M. U., 16 jars jelly;

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FISHER COUNTY NOTES

By Joe R. Mayes

Thursday night we had a splendid meeting of the county wide Brotherhood at Silvester. Brethren Trott, Young and Hendley were just back from the Evangelistic Conference and gave us a good report from there, and Dr. Arrant of Hardin-Simmons, the new District President of the District Brotherhood, was with us, and made a fine, sensible talk. Say, we like that fellow. He is going to take this district somewhere in its Brotherhood work, is my guess. We will not have another meeting of our Associational Brotherhood until the meeting of the Association the last part of the summer.

Bro. R. E. Jones, Pastor at Clairemont, supplied for the North Roby church last Sunday. Maybe they will like him enough to call him and we can still have him working in our association. I am to hold a meeting with this church beginning Friday night before the third Sunday in July, and we expect to spend one busy week there. One thing we shall do for certain, we shall exalt Christ, who said, "And if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men unto me." I know he was talking about his death on the Cross, the Holy Spirit told us so right there, but it is just as true as it can be. If we exalt him in our lives, our testimony, and especially in our preaching, the world will be attracted to him, so we shall lift him up, lift him high above the glamour of the world so the poor lost sinners can see him above their bright lights, and we will lift him so high that they can hear his call for them to come to him for life and salvation. Yes our purpose is to exalt our Master.

Will Speak at Lueders



REV. J. W. (BILL) MARSHALL
State B. S. U. Secretary
Youth Conference



LAWSON H. COOKE
Secretary, Baptist Brotherhood
of the South
Laymen's Speaker

THE TRAINING UNION AT LUEDERS ENCAMPMENT

By Lawrence Trott

We have worked hard to prepare a program for our encampment that would really be a help to the Training Unions of District 17. Conference leaders have been hard to find but we believe we have secured some of the best to be found anywhere. Our churches should see that some are there to represent each department of our Training Union. We have a leader for each department from the nursery on up. The following are the leaders for each department conference:

General officers, Mr. Leo Waite, Lubbock; Adults, Rev. J. T. DeLoach, Iola; Young People, Rev. Homer Reynolds, Wichita Falls; Intermediates, Miss Marie Saddler, State approved worker; Juniors, Miss Nellie Mae McLeroy, Tahoka; Beginners and Primaries, Miss Mattie Boyet, Seminary Hill; Poster Exhibit, Rev. Finis Williams, Moran.

The program has been planned along practical lines. You can make it even more practical by taking a part in the conferences each day. We have always emphasized bringing our problems but this year we want your solutions too. Perhaps you have solved some of our problems. Come and tell us how you did it.

There will be no conferences on Monday, but beginning Tuesday we will have a 45 minute conference each morning through Saturday. The subjects for each morning are:

Tuesday, The Officers and Committees of the Training Union at Work. This we hope to be a demonstration. Wednesday, The "What, Why and How" of the Monthly Business and Program Planning Meeting. Demonstrations.

Thursday, Reaching and Maintaining the Standard of Excellence. Friday, Publicity, and How to Enlist the Entire Family in the Training Union.

Saturday, Demonstrations of Departmental and Individual Union Programs.

Sunday evening, A Functioning Training Union. A program will be given in each department on Sunday evening.

JUNE 24 IS DATE OF PAISANO GIRLS CAMP

The camp for girls at Paisano will open Tuesday evening, June 24, instead of Monday as previously announced. The length of the encampment will be the same as planned, continuing till Friday noon instead of Thursday. The boys camp will be from Monday, June 30, through Thursday noon, as stated on the programs.

The cost of these camps will be \$3.00, or \$2.75 if the camper brings his own cot. Visitors will pay the same fee as boys or girls. Sponsors in charge of as many as six young people will be guests of the camp, states Rev. H. O. Malone, Marfa, camp president. Those bringing less than six will have expenses prorated.

Scholarships are being encouraged to provide attendance for boys and girls of District 7 who are otherwise unable to attend.

'MCGAHEY DAY' REVEALS BRECKENRIDGE GROWTH

Of the capacity attendance at First Church, Breckenridge, June 8, honoring the fifth anniversary of the coming of Pastor and Mrs. Philip C. McGahey, 80 per cent were members who had joined in the four years. There were eight additions during the day.

Members took charge of the services in the morning in a "McGahey Day" program. Items taken from the church records were read revealing that the four years had resulted in 356 additions by baptism and 387 by letter. Revivals led by the pastor at other churches during this time resulted in 461 baptisms and 387 added by letter.

The average attendance of the Sunday School has increased from 419 to 609, the Training Union from 81 to 148. Budget gifts have increased 40 per cent and gifts to missions from \$750 to \$2,185. During this time at least \$20,000 in new equipment has been added to the church property, including an education building, the Roughneck Bible class building, a new Hammond organ, remodeling the pastor's home, and erection of a mission building.

A full-time education and music director, Ewell O. Bone, has been employed, a step which has proved a distinct financial asset, as well as improving the efficiency of the church. A great spirit of cooperation, fellowship and friendliness has been built in the church family.

Sunday School Superintendent and Mrs. Raymond Waller shared in the recognition of the day and were jointly honored with the pastor's family in a church social Wednesday. After serving as superintendent for 12 years, he is leaving for Mineral Wells.

'INVINCIBLE TWENTY-TWO' REPORT GLORIOUS WEEK

By W. J. Lites

The twenty-two special Sunday School workers sent out from the S. S. Department by Dr. Hopkins have completed the first week of the campaign. A large crowd gathered at Nixon Sunday for the commencement program. Glowing reports were given by the workers after which Missionary Ray spoke. Some forty conversions were reported. Many new classes were formed, officers and teachers enlisted, and a program of visitation instituted.

The 12 library books were awarded to the Sutherland Springs Church where Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Black led the work. Rev. A. M. Wester is pastor. Sample was second, where Miss Opal Webb and Frances Norwood led. Choates came third, with the largest school with 103 enrolled. Mozelle Smith, Joyce Garrison and Lawson Pritchett assisted Pastor Pepper and Supt. Morgan. Eight Vacation Bible Schools were carried on with around 400 enrolled. Frances Osborne and Imogene Wilhelm are leading in the V. B. S. for the Mexican Church at Kennedy. Brother Pearson is the pastor.

We are now in Gonzales Association with a fine campaign under way.

All Departments to Share In Program at Lueders

CAMP GROUNDS TIP-TOP, SAYS MANAGER LITTLETON

Several men are at work on the grounds of the Lueders Encampment this week and by the opening of the assembly on Monday afternoon, June 23, everything will be in first class shape, reports Camp Manager J. Henry Littleton.

Some additional room for sleeping has been built and Rev. Littleton states that he believes there will be room for everybody who wants a place to stay. Among the new private cottages is one erected by Missionary and Mrs. James Alexander of Abilene.

"With the best program we have ever offered," states Manager Littleton, "it seems that everyone would want to come. Pastors, won't you make an urgent appeal Sunday morning from the pulpit that our people may come? The camp will be a blessing to them and to their churches."

"Remember Friday is Brotherhood Day. Breckenridge plans to bring 200 men. The Brotherhood at First Church, Abilene, are coming, as are the men of Nolan Church. I hope that many churches will plan to do this." The Texas Baptist Book Store has purchased the building formerly used as an emergency hospital and will have a choice selection of books and other literature during the encampment.

Hendrick Memorial Hospital has built an emergency building in a quiet location and will have an experienced nurse on duty during the assembly.

DISTRICT 8 CHURCHES IMPROVING PROPERTY

Church building and remodeling is an important industry among the Baptist churches of District 8, reports Missionary W. C. Harrison. Some churches are erecting new buildings, some are constructing additions and others are redecorating the old structures.

Prominent is the new church home at First Church, Lamesa, where Rev. E. F. Cole is pastor. West Side, Big Spring, recently completed a new building sufficiently for it to be used, following a revival with Evangelist A. T. Willis, assisting Pastor E. E. Mason. Lenora Church, where Rev. J. O. Hux is pastor, has a handsome new building to take care of a growing church.

East Fourth Church, Big Spring, is adding more room for the growing attendance under the leadership of Pastor R. Elmer Dunham. To improve unanimous in Big Spring, First Church, Dr. C. E. Lancaster, pastor, is redecorating that commodious plant.

HOME COMING RESULTS IN HAPPY CONVERSION

The conversion of a visiting member of one of the pioneer families of the community climaxed the homecoming at Shiloh, one of the oldest churches in Jones Association. Mrs. James Grayson was the only charter member of the church present. Speakers of the day were R. E. Dudley in the morning, and former pastors, Houston Scott and W. L. Daniel in the afternoon.

The history of the church relates that the first conference voted to make a quarterly offering to missions and it has since continued as a missionary church. The Trent church started as a mission of Shiloh. Miss Blanche Rose Walker was a member when she went to China as a missionary. The church has ordained two ministers and licensed a number of others.

TWENTY PROFESSIONS AT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Aspermont reports 20 professions of faith during a two weeks Vacation Bible School, in which 110 were enrolled with an average attendance of 77. Pastor Byron Bryant served as principal and enthusiastic volunteer workers carried on the work.

ENLARGED RECREATION ARRANGED FOR YOUTH

Enlarged facilities for wholesome recreation, including supervised play, added games and talented youth leaders will vie as attractions with trained leadership in all phases of church life and deeply spiritual messages by outstanding speakers at the annual Lueders Encampment meeting June 23 to 29.

Rev. Bill Marshall, state B. S. U. secretary and one of the most popular figures among young people in the South, will be assisted by young people's leaders from churches in Abilene, Sweetwater, Breckenridge, and Wichita Falls, in addition to a number of pastors who are favorites of the young people.

The musical program, including classes in various phases of church music and special features by an unusually large number of talented groups, will be one of the most interesting and helpful attractions of the week.

Brotherhood Night

One of the largest crowds of the encampment is expected to attend the Brotherhood rally on Friday evening, at which time Lawson H. Cooke, secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, will speak to the men. The speaking will be preceded by a fellowship hour and a river bank feast especially for the men. The Brotherhood of First Church, Abilene, plans to attend in a body and plans are being made to have representation from every church in the area. Mr. Cooke will hold a morning conference for men each day and will speak three other evenings. Dr. Hiram R. Arrant, Brotherhood vice-president of the camp, is to preside at the Friday evening rally.

A series of W. M. U. study course books just off the press will be used in the W. M. U., states Mrs. J. B. Buckley, vice-president for the women. Mrs. W. C. Henderson of Phoenix, Arizona, will represent the South-wide work, speaking two evenings to the general assembly. An able staff will conduct other classes in missions.

A conference on Extension work will be an added feature in the Sunday School division, directed by Woodrow Harris of Sweetwater. Paul Counts, education director of South Side Church, Abilene, will conduct this conference. Dr. and Mrs. G. S. Hopkins of Dallas will be among the other conference leaders.

A poster exhibit, directed by Rev. Finis Williams of Rotan, will be of new interest in the Training Union department. Rev. Lawrence L. Trott of Rotan, vice-president for the Training Union.

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TRAINING UNION MEMBERS WORK TO REACH GOALS

The 17 districts in Texas are organized to promote Training Union work. At the beginning of the year each district set high study course goals. We are giving below the goal of the district in the first column and the awards earned by each district in the second column:

District	Goal	Awards Earned
1	4,900	3,020
2	5,625	2,902
3	5,050	2,266
4	11,242	6,673
5	4,600	2,005
6	7,014	2,699
7	2,500	1,130
8	3,000	1,345
9	4,900	1,646
10	3,650	1,249
11	4,430	2,009
12	10,700	5,891
13	12,450	5,457
14	6,350	2,978
15	7,841	4,056
16	5,200	2,055
17	4,975	2,580
Totals	106,427	49,941

It will be observed that in the first seven months of this convention year Texas Baptists have earned 49,941 Training Union diplomas and seals.

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ENCAMPMENT TIME

Mid-June sees encampments getting under way in the South. These will be continuing here and yonder until, in Texas at least, every section will have its encampment, with several of more than regional interest. Contrary to the expectations of some who had thought the encampment idea was a passing fad, they are growing in number and in influence. They will probably continue as long as human beings like to get close to nature, and as long as the secrets of nature draw the attention of men to the Creator.

One of the three great occasions in the religious life of national Israel was the Feast of the Tabernacles, when the people under the direction of the Mosaic law, built shelters of tree branches and dwelt in them for eight days, combining outdoor recreation with worship. Later, the study of the Scriptures seems to have had major emphasis.

Then camp meetings in the early days of our country were an American manifestation of the same urge. They probably began as a combination of the outdoor preaching of the Wesleys and their successors and the necessity of people in a sparsely settled country to come and camp to attend the services.

The modern encampment, combining the study of the Bible and allied literature, the fellowship of religiously-minded people, and wholesome outdoor recreation, developed with the rise of organized work among the young people in the churches. So far as is known, the first such assembly was conducted for several years around the end of the century within a short distance of the present location of the Lueders encampment.

The idea spread and developed until all the church and all the family have been included. Still the whole idea is youth-centered, because it is a renewal of youth to get one's feet on the earth, and because Christianity is a religion of eternal youth.

Wherever you are in the Southwest, there is at least one encampment near you. Programs are varied, as is the scenery which varies from lofty mountains to the seashore. Plan an encampment in your vacation this summer.

A BROTHERHOOD SECRETARY

There are now nine states which have employed full-time secretaries for the Baptist Brotherhood. These states are not named. Oklahoma, however, is one and Texas, which seems to have a larger number than any other state of the 4,000 Brotherhood organizations in the South—Texas is not one of the nine.

Our state is blessed in having one of the most energetic and capable leaders of laymen in the person of Secretary R. A. Springer, but he is most seriously hampered in his efforts in this service by being also charged with the important and exacting duties of treasurer of our general convention. This work requires the greater portion of his time and much of his energy.

Fortunately, the recently organized Brotherhood Convention of Texas has the advantage of having a state president who freely gives much of his time in the sort of promotional work which our secretary would do if he could give his full time to the Brotherhood. Judge Cummings is doing this work as a labor of love, without compensation and at great personal expense, both in the cost of his travels and in absence from his professional duties. Manifestly, he cannot continue at his present pace indefinitely.

Texas Baptist men need a full-time worker to furnish leadership and stimulus to the man-power of the more than three-thousand churches in the state. Even then he would need ten years to get around to all the churches. He would have to visit more than two associations each week to have personal touch with all those organizations in a year.

Texas Baptist men like their leader. He has grown greatly in the three years in this position. But the Texas Brotherhood needs the undivided attention of their secretary, quite as truly as the Sunday School, the Training Union, the Woman's Missionary Union, and the Baptist Student Union. We will be thinking of that between now and the convention time in November.

APATHETIC INDIFFERENCE

There appears to be alarming apathy regarding the status of the recently enacted law to curb the sale of drug-store whiskey in legally dry counties of Texas. The law was enacted through the efforts of dry members of the legislature, supported by the mass demonstration of youth in Austin last winter, plus the continued support of a few dry leaders in the state.

The injustice of a loophole in the laws which permitted what amounts to practically unlimited sale of whiskey in areas which have voted overwhelmingly against such sales has resulted in the passage of the Blankenship bill by one of the most top-heavy majorities ever given a controversial issue.

Now that the constitutionality of the law is challenged and the action of it suspended, there seems to be very little interest in any sense to fight the case in the courts to an early conclusion. Meanwhile the drug stores and their accessory doctors are cashing in on the delay, with reported increasing profits and a growing cost of blood and tears.

It is possible that the case will be settled satisfactorily this week. If it is not, lovers of decency and sobriety should rise and show their mettle.

NEWS NOTES

Rev. Houston Scott has accepted the call of Buffalo Gap Church.

Rev. John Thomas of Lamesa has been called to the O. K. and Woody churches in Lamesa Association.

Northern Baptists and the Disciples of Christ will issue a joint hymnal this fall, reports the Baptist Messenger.

Rev. John P. Hardesty supplied June 8 at O'Donnell, Rev. E. C. McDonald of Brady has accepted this week.

Littlefield Church, Frank Lehman, superintendent, is engaged in a Vacation Bible School which will continue till June 27.

J. M. Cook of Abilene was guest speaker on June 16 for the Brotherhood of First Church, Odessa, where Rev. John T. Kee is pastor.

Rev. Vernon Shaw of Floydada has accepted the call of First Church, Snyder, and began work there June 15.

Rev. J. H. Burns, pastor at Fairview Church, Gaines County, has resigned to accept the call of Berry Flat.

Dr. Marshall Craig of Gaston Avenue Church, Dallas, will be the principal speaker at the Kentucky assembly at Clear Creek this summer.

Dr. McKinley Norman, assisted by his son, Wayman, is leading in a revival with Pastor Jack Manning and the Burk Burnett Church.

Dr. Geo. W. McCall is preaching and Roy Camp leading the singing in a revival at Dumas, where Dr. J. P. McBeth is pastor.

J. L. Harden has been made superintendent of the Canyon Sunday School. He succeeds Olie T. Brown, who is entering the ministry.

Dr. Finley F. Gibson, long the pastor of Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Kentucky, has resigned on account of failing health.

Secretary R. W. Lackey of the Southern Baptist Convention of California has been with Pastor Roy O. Young in a meeting at Santa Ana.

Dr. E. Ben Oliver, missionary to Brazil, supplied at Sweetwater June 15 in the absence of Pastor J. M. Sibley, who was in a revival at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Rev. J. O. Hux of Lamesa has been called to serve as pastor at Pride Church, preaching half-time. They opened their new church building with 87 present and four additions.

The Mexican Baptist Convention of Texas will be held in Houston, June 20 to 27. Among the Americans on the program will be Mrs. E. F. Lyon, Dallas.

Rev. E. E. Burks, Pearsall pastor, was accidentally killed June 14, according to reports reaching Throckmorton, where he had been the beloved pastor before going to South Texas.

George Reynolds, evangelistic singer of Childress, and Dr. E. D. Head of Houston, have been in a meeting with Pastor Hal C. Wingo and the Gonzales Church.

Dr. Edward B. Jenkins of Abilene conducted mission services June 15 at Admiral, where Rev. Bill Bell is pastor. Pictures of mission work were shown in the evening to a large and appreciative audience.

There were 25 additions, 14 for baptism in the recent revival at Temple Church, Abilene, with Rev. Finis A. Williams assisting Pastor Clyde Jackson. There were several other conversions and a number of rededications.

Dr. T. C. Gardner has announced that a number of the larger churches in the state have set a goal of 1,000 enrolled in the Training Union by the Fort Worth convention at Thanksgiving.

Dr. E. Kearnie Keegan, pastor at Immanuel Church, Alexandria, has been called to the pastorate of First Church, Longview, Texas. This pulpit was recently vacated by the sudden death of Dr. John L. Wharton.

Pastor J. Frank Nix of Abernathy is in a revival at Floyd, N. M. He supplied at First Church, Lubbock, June 15. The Abernathy Church has organized a down-town Bible class with the pastor teaching. Over 100

Robert S. Denny, for two years Baptist student secretary at Louisiana State University, has been selected to direct religious activities on the Baylor University campus, announces President Pat Neff.

Lamar Avenue Church, Wichita Falls, had 288 enrolled in their Vacation Bible School with an average attendance of 209. This was followed with a good Training Union clinic which closed June 13. Rev. Homer B. Reynolds is pastor and Dexter Riddle is education director.

Rev. Loyal E. Brown, who has been engaged in evangelistic work in Kansas City, has been called as interim pastor of Garfield Avenue Church in that city. He will serve while Pastor Marvin Pitney is on duty as a chaplain in the army. Rev. Brown was pastor of that church nine years ago.

Burkburnett enrolled 200 in their Vacation Bible School, which was profitable for the children and as a teacher training agency, many new workers being enlisted. The Sunday School enrollment has reached 719 compared with 529 only 14 months ago.

Rev. A. A. Watson of Sparenburg assisted Pastor W. C. Wright in a training school at Midway Church, Lamesa Association. The school developed into a revival, at the close of which the church called Rev. Wright for full time. He was also pastor at Fairview Church, Dawson County.

First Church, Sweetwater, enrolled 212 in their Vacation Bible School and 146 in attendance. Schools were conducted at the same time at the West-side and Mexican missions. West-side had 59 enrolled and averaged 38 in attendance. The Mexicans reported 33 and 27 respectively.

Rev. Dean Elkins of Nolan has a commodious gospel tent. Because most of the revivals which he has scheduled this summer will be in buildings, he is offering to rent the tent for the low figure of \$25 for a two weeks meeting.

Sunday School Lesson

June 1, 1941

By HIGHT C MOORE

June 22, 1941

FIRST JERUSALEM CONFERENCE ON WORLD MISSIONS

Read Acts 15:1-35; Galatians 2 Study Acts 15:6-21

After Paul's first missionary journey a great mission problem came up for discussion. Raised by the work of the Judaizing teachers at Antioch in Syria, it was referred to the Council at Jerusalem which rendered a decision memorable in the annals of Christianity. The report of it brought back by messengers and letter to Antioch emphasized and inaugurated a new era in missionary history.

1. The Question Before the Conference (Read Acts 15:1-5)

THE CONTENTION OF THE JUDAIZERS: No Christianity without ceremonialism. This doctrine originated in Judea and concerned vitally the entire work lately projected among the non-Jewish nations. Rather in the form of an ultimatum was it delivered to the disciples at Antioch by the first Judaizing teachers emanating from Jerusalem. This is what they taught: "Except ye be circumcised after the custom of Moses, ye cannot be saved!" Against such doctrine which would drag the whole of Hebrew ceremonialism in upon the Christian system, Paul and Barnabas took their stand. Probably at their suggestion, they with other brethren were sent to Jerusalem to confer with the apostles and elders there about this question. On their way to that city they passed through Phoenicia and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles to the great joy of the brethren in those countries.

2. The Discussion in the Conference

THE ESSENCE OF JUDAISM: Salvation by Works. Reaching Jerusalem and being cordially received by the church, Paul and Barnabas again declared all things that God had done with them. When, however, some believers who had been Pharisees in fact and were pharisaic in faith, declared that the ceremonial law must be kept by every disciple, a council composed of the apostles and elders assembled to consider the matter. Apparently the presiding officer was James, the brother of the Lord. After there had been much discussion, Peter made a speech in which he argued that those to whom God had given the Holy Spirit, whether Jew or Gentile, ought not to be put under the bondage of the ceremonial law. After he had spoken there was tense silence on the part of the multitude anxious to hear while Barnabas and Paul told "what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them." No doubt the story they gave of their experiences in Cyprus and Asia Minor thrilled the throng and prepared the way for the conclusions of the council.

3. The Decision of the Conference

THE HEART OF CHRISTIANITY: Salvation by Grace. The decision was delivered by James who approved the opinion expressed by Peter, quoted Scriptures in support of the view, and declared in effect that Gentiles are not required to become Jews before

they can become Christians. It was, however, urged in his deliverance that Gentile Christians should in the interest of purity abstain from idolatrous associations and unchastity, both of which were common Gentile sins, and that in the interest of peace they should abstain from eating strangled animals and blood, both of which were abhorrent to the Jewish mind. The decision settled a vexing question to the satisfaction of everybody at the time, and in its wider aspects was one of the most far-reaching deliverances in the history of Christianity.

4. The Decree from the Conference (Read Acts 15:22-35)

THE CHRISTIAN MESSAGE IN WORLD MISSIONS: Salvation for Everybody by Grace Through Faith. It was really a charter of Christian freedom that was granted under divine impulse by the council at Jerusalem. The decrees of the council were embodied in a letter, probably from the pen of James, and sent by two leading men as messengers—Judas (surnamed Barsabas) and Silas—who accompanied Paul and Barnabas on the return trip to Antioch. When the company reached that city and called the church together, the epistle was delivered by Judas and Silas who confirmed its contents by elaborating upon it and exhorting the brethren. Naturally there was great rejoicing in a church that had now a mixed membership of Jews and Gentiles and had been led by Paul and Barnabas into the liberties of the gospel.

After a time, the messengers "were dismissed in peace from the brethren unto those that had sent them forth" (ASV). Judas, therefore, returned to Jerusalem, but Silas decided to continue at Antioch. Many others also joined Paul and Barnabas in their work of "teaching and preaching the word of the Lord" in the Syrian capital. Again this missionary church was preparing itself through Bible study, evangelism, indoctrination, organization, and training to make an declared in effect that Gentiles are other impact upon the Gentile world in the second of Paul's missionary journeys.

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But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.—Acts 15:11.

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Daily Bible Readings

June 23—The Gospel of Glory. 1 Cor. 3:1-11.

June 24—The Gospel of Liberty. 1 Cor. 3:12-18.

June 25—The Gospel for the Gentiles. Acts 10:34-43.

June 26—Christianity's Message. Acts 13:22-39.

June 27—The Growth of the Kingdom. Matt. 13:31-35.

June 28—The Council of the Church. Acts 15:1-6.

June 29—Increasing Joy. Isaiah 9:1-7.

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THE PARABLES OF OUR LORD

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THE PARABLE OF THE PHYSICIAN Luke 4:16-24

The location of the scene of the parable of the physician was Nazareth where Jesus had been brought up. He could not do much good in that country for the reason that He gave in the form of a parable. He likened himself to a physician and said, "You will surely say unto me this parable, 'Physician heal thyself.'" In their estimation, for He was only a carpenter's son to them, Jesus was like a sick doctor prescribing for a patient with the same malady when he was unable to cure himself. The question therefore arises as to why he did not heal himself. This question has a twofold answer.

1. Because He was not sick. In Luke 5:31-32 Jesus states that He is a physician of the soul primarily and not of the body. He only healed bodies in order to make opportunities to heal souls, Jesus might have seemed sick in soul to the Nazarenes but they were not qualified judges because of their own spiritual blindness. They couldn't distinguish Him amidst his humble boyhood environment as being divine and now they

wouldn't give him a chance to prove it. What they were saying was: "Saviour, save yourself." They were not aware that He was never lost. He was just as much the Only Begotten Son of God at the carpenter's bench as He was when He ascended from Mt. Olivet. He could not have himself because He was not lost.

2. Because He was not seeking his own glory but rather the glory of the Father. Jesus was not seeking His own glory and did not put on any supernatural halo lest He detract from the glory of his Father. In His marvelous prayer recorded in Jno. 17, He began with the words, "Father . . . glorify thy Son that thy Son might glorify Thee." Such sayings as the one He gave when His mother sought Him sorrowing after He had been lost three days characterize the ministry and mission of Christ. He said to her, "I must be about my Father's business." At another time He made the statement that "I must work the works of him that sent me." Many other evidences of the mission and ministry of Jesus are sprinkled throughout the New Testament. Truly, His chief glory was in glorifying the Father.

GIVING CONTINUES FOR HOSPITAL CHARITY FUND

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Smith Chapel, Odessa, 1 sheet, 4 bottle covers, 5 towels, 5 pairs pillow cases; Paducah, First Baptist, 11 jars food; Rotan, First Church, 4 face towels, 4 sheets, 4 pillow cases, 19 bath towels, 1 wash cloth;

Potosi W. M. U., 2 pillow cases, 2 scarfs, 2 tea towels; Cross Plains W. M. U., 41 napkins; Levelland, 16 tea towels; Friona, 11 wash cloths, 7 pairs pillow cases, 1 scarf, 16 towels, 1 sheet; Fabens, First Church, 7 bath towels, 1 wash cloth, 1 sheet, 1 pillow case, 3 towels; Amarillo, San Jacinto, 27 bath towels, 1 pair pillow cases, 1 sheet, 18 hand towels, 14 wash cloths; San Angelo, Immanuel, 4 bath towels; McCamey, 3 pairs pillow cases, 13 towels; Carbon W. M. U., 4 sheets, 3 pairs pillow cases; Big Spring, 10 pairs pillow cases, 5 jars fruit; Burk Burnett, 3 pairs pillow cases, 6 scarfs; San Angelo First Church, 204 napkins; Jayton W. M. S., 7 towels, 4 pairs pillow cases; Rising Star W. M. U., 15 tea towels; Primary No. 2, First Church, Abilene, 32 wash cloths, 58 cakes soap; Electra W. M. S., 6 sheets, 6 pairs pillow cases, 1 dozen wash cloths, 1 dozen bath towels, 8 face towels, 10 jars jelly;

Spur, First Church W. M. S., 4 pillow cases, 8 sheets, 6 scarfs, 9 towels, 5 pillow cases; Matador W. M. S., First Church, 4 sheets, 2 towels, 2 pairs pillow cases; Plainview, First Church, 19 jars jelly; Holliday, 4 bath towels, 2 face towels; May W. M. S., 4 face towels, 2 pillow cases; Brownfield, 24 wash cloths, 2 pillow cases, 29 tea towels, 21 napkins.

PROGRAM

Runnels Association Training Union Clinic

Ballinger, Saturday, June 21, 1941

10:00 A. M.—Song Service, Directed by Mr. Moody, Ballinger.

10:05 A. M.—Devotional, Rev. C. A. Morton, Ballinger.

10:15 A. M.—Purpose of Clinic, Miss Marie Saddler, San Angelo.

10:30 A. M.—Departmental Conferences.

1. Adult, Dr. T. C. Gardner, Dallas.

2. Young People, Miss Marie Saddler, San Angelo.

3. Intermediate, Mrs. J. E. Eldridge, Bronte.

4. Junior, Rev. Taylor, Henley, Rowena.

5. Elementary, Mrs. J. R. Woodfin, Pumphrey.

11:15 A. M.—General Assembly.

11:20 A. M.—General Conference, Miss Marie Saddler.

11:50 A. M.—Address, "What It Takes to Grow a Great Training Union," Dr. T. C. Gardner.

12:10 P. M.—Picnic Lunch to be furnished by all the churches of the Association.

1:30 P. M.—Song and Praise Service, Mr. Moody.

1:45 P. M.—General Conferences, Mr. T. C. Gardner.

2:45 P. M.—Address, "Our Associational Program," Miss Zora Mitchell.

3:05 P. M.—Address, "Reaching Our Goals," Miss Marie Saddler.

3:30 P. M.—Adjourn.

THE BLESSINGS OF TEMPERANCE

By Edward B. Jenkins

Dr. Kellogg, a noted surgeon, states that statistics show that men who are teetotalers at 30 years of age live 36 years and six months; and that drinkers only live 14 years—the difference between the average drinker and the teetotaler of 22 years.

"Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babblings? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?"

"They that tarry long at wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.

"At last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."—(Proverbs 23:29-32).

Many people have an idea of God as a sort of League of Nations—one who would help if He could, but who is powerless to do anything.—Edmund C. Yates.

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ENLARGED RECREATION

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ing Union, announces a faculty of recognized leaders to conduct these conferences, headed by Leo E. Waite of Lubbock, administration leader.

Sunday Program

Sunday, June 29, will have a special program, which will include an afternoon program by groups from Hardin-Simmons, in addition to Sunday School, Training Union, and preaching services both morning and evening by President W. R. White.

A number of denominational leaders who, because of conflicting engagements will be unable to be at the encampment for the week, will attend for a day or two, these include Dr. T. C. Gardner, Training Union director for the state; and Mrs. E. F. Lyon, state W. M. U. secretary.

CROSS ROADS AND PLEASANT VALLEY

Sunday was Father's Day at Cross Roads, a very nice program was given by the Sunday School, after the Sunday School hour, and then the pastor brought a message to the fathers. The rain came and took all of the evening service. I think about half of the services have been rained out for the last three months, and it surely disturbs, but the people are still going on at both churches, trying to keep the good work up to par. It's a joy to work with people like the Cross Roads and Pleasant Valley people, thank God for every one of them.

Next Sunday will be Pleasant Valley day and I believe we are going to have a good day. Some how I feel that we will have nice dry weather and that means a good time for us. I already have the urge to preach that helps to get up a sermon and I will be ready with a good one, I trust, both for Sunday morning and night, and I am looking for a good crowd to be there to hear it, or thme. So let every one be on hand and see if I can come up to my brag.

JOE R. MAYES, Pastor.

Will our children, too, wander off, goose-stepping after strange gods?—President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

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DAILY PROGRAM OF LUEDERS BAPTIST ENCAMPMENT

June 23-29, 1941

6:00 A. M.—Rising Bell.
 6:15- 6:45 A. M.—Morning Swim.
 6:30- 7:30 A. M.—Breakfast.
 7:30- 8:15 A. M.—General Chorus Practice, Prof. I. E. Reynolds, Director.
 8:15- 9:00 A. M.—Bible Lecture, Dr. John W. Cobb, Wayland College, Speaker.
 9:00- 9:45 A. M.—Training Union Conferences.
 9:45-10:00 A. M.—Recess.
 10:00-10:45 A. M.—Sunday School Conferences.
 10:00-10:45 A. M.—Supervised Play for all Intermediates, Juniors and Primaries.
 10:45-11:30 A. M.—Brotherhood Conference, Dr. Lawson H. Cooke, Teacher-Speaker.
 10:45-11:30 A. M.—W. M. U. Conferences, Mrs. J. B. Buckley, in charge.
 11:30-11:45 A. M.—Song Service and Special Music.
 11:45-12:15 P. M.—Sermon, Dr. W. R. White, President, Hardin-Simmons University.
 12:15- 1:00 P. M.—Time to EAT.
 1:00- 2:30 P. M.—REST.
 2:30- 4:00 P. M.—Recreation.
 4:00- 5:20 P. M.—Swimming.
 5:30- 6:15 P. M.—B. S. U. Conference, Rev. J. W. (Bill) Marshall and Miss Jaxie Short.
 6:15- 7:00 P. M.—TIME TO EAT.
 7:00- 7:30 P. M.—Recreation.
 7:30- 8:00 P. M.—Vesper Service. Rev. Bill Marshall and Rev. E. Douglas Carver.
 8:10- 8:30 P. M.—Song Service, Tabernacle. Mr. I. E. Reynolds, Directing.
 8:30- 9:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Lawson H. Cooke, Memphis, Tenn., Southwide Brotherhood Secretary.
 Two evenings at this hour addresses will be given by Southwide W. M. U. Representatives.
 9:00- 9:15 P. M.—Song Service and Special. Mr. I. E. Reynolds, Directing.
 9:15- 9:45 P. M.—Sermon, Dr. W. R. White.
 9:45-10:45 P. M.—Fellowship and Fdn Hour, Directed by Rev. Bill Marshall and Miss Jaxie Short.
 11:00 P. M.—LIGHTS OUT AND EVERYONE QUIET.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAM—JUNE 29, 1941
No. VII

9:45 A. M.—Sunday School, by Departments, Mr. Woodrow Harris, Supt., Directing.
 11:00 A. M.—Song Service, Prof. Reynolds, Directing.
 2:30- 4:00 P. M.—Hardin-Simmons University, Rendering Special Religious Program.
 7:00 P. M.—Training Union, Rev. Lawrence Trott, Directing.
 8:00 P. M.—Musical Program, Directed by Prof. Reynolds.
 8:30 P. M.—Closing Sermon, Dr. W. R. White.

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WHAT CAMP LUEDERS HAS MEANT TO ME

By Bobbie Copeland

There has been a sweet memory in my mind ever since I made my first trip to Lueders some five or six years ago, and it has been my privilege to attend the camp for five years in succession. Each year it seemed that I would enjoy camp more than ever before, and it was at the Girls' Camp under the capable leadership of our District Missionary, Bro. B. N. Shepherd that I realized the Master had placed his hand of guidance upon my life to go out in service for Him. Those camp grounds have a sacred memory with me for the guidance of many young people not only into service, but we have seen scores accept Christ as their Savior.

I shall never forget the first prayer mate I ever had for I met her at the Girls' Camp. She has been one of my very best friends, and we found that through a chain of prayer we could have a part in winning the lost on the grounds. So many times young people think they have nothing to do in the summer time, but I find that is the busiest time of the year for me, and the happiest for it is then that I do my best to spend my summer in the work of the Master. I have been to other Encampments, but no matter how large or great they might be, none of them can ever take the place of Lueders. If more of our young people would realize the opportunity they have today that our Mothers and Fathers did not have, they would be willing to take advantage of these good, clean times offered us through the social life of our churches.

A Christian should be the happiest person on earth. If you want to see some one prove that just come and take a look in at Lueders, and see if you do not want to stay and take part in swimming, games, hiking, singing, study, worship, and fellowship hour. We even go serenading at night, so bring along your instruments and voices. Put Lueders in your program this summer, and see if you are not a better Christian for having come.

SENTENCE SERMONS

By O. D. Henley
 The devil's orchard contains nothing but forbidden fruit.
 God hides Himself to see if we will miss Him enough to seek Him.
 He deserves no friends who desires none.
 Love is life's loveliest bouquet. Some marry off, others often. Many use the Lord's day to do the devil's deeds.
 The broken-hearted broke Jesus' heart.
 The Lord's people too often promote the Devil's propositions. Saints are not always saintly. Do not record life's discord.

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