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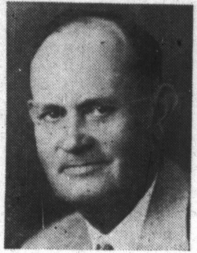
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MISSIONARY

ESSAYS



By J. HENRY LITTLETON
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We had a splendid Workers Conference in Callahan Association last week. We met with the Putnam Church, Brother Baldere, pastor. I missed the Fisher County and Cisco Association Workers Conferences, on account of a meeting in Dallas. Dr. Melton asked the district missionaries to meet him Monday night, March 2. Every district man was there. Dr. Watts of the Relief and Annuity Board met with us. I think every person came away from that meeting recognizing as never before, the importance of every church and pastor cooperating with this plan. Surely there is not a church in the 17th District but what has enough interest in the ministry to recognize the fact that they should be cared for when they have grown old and the churches no longer want their services.

The cost is so very little—3 per cent of the salary of the pastor. In other words, many of our fourth-time churches do not pay more than \$10 per month. That would mean that the church would pay 30 cents to the annuity fund. In the days ahead I am going to give a good deal of time to this work. If I can assist either the church or pastor in thinking through this program you will only have to command me. Most of our full-time churches have already entered this plan.

If the plan is to succeed as it ought, it means that our small churches must have a part in it. The young pastor who fails to come into this program now, will be made to realize in after years just what he missed. Baptists have neglected the men who have spent their lives in the ministry. Through this plan, with a little cost to any church, it will make possible that when men become 65 years of age, they can retire on a living annuity. Do not fail to see that your church does this thing. Our Training Union and Sunday School Convention which met in Rotan on Monday, March 5th, was a success in every way. I feel like it was one of the best district meetings I have ever attended.

This week we are on a cross-district tour for our Brotherhood meetings. The first meeting was held in Cisco, Sunday afternoon. We had 19 churches represented with an attendance of 151. Each speaker brought a good message, and everyone showed much interest. We are looking for—
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EVENTS TO COME

- March 17-18—District 16 Convention, Coleman.
- March 20-21—B. S. U. Retreat, Canyon.
- March 27-28—Y. W. A. House Party, Hardin-Simmons University.
- March 31-Apr. 1—District 9 Convention, Coleman.
- April 2-3—District 10 Convention, Amarillo.
- April 3—District 11 Convention, Vernon.
- April 7-9—State Sunday School Convention, Houston.
- April 14-15—District 17 W. M. U. Convention, Stamford.
- May 16-20—Southern Baptist Convention, San Antonio.
- June 10-18—B. S. U. week, Ridgecrest.
- June 22-28—General Encampment, Lueders.
- July 1-10—Texas Baptist Encampment, Palacios.
- July 13-21—Alto Frio Encampment, near Leakey.
- July 14-22—Central Texas Encampment, Latham Springs.
- July 13-19—Lampasas Encampment.
- July 27-August 2—Paisano Encampment, between Alpine and Marfa.
- August 3-9—Ceta Glenn Encampment, near Happy.

HOME MISSION OFFERINGS INCREASE IN FEBRUARY

Continuing the upward swing in effect for many months, offerings to Home Missions in February were up 24 per cent, the treasurer's report made to the executive committee on March 5 showed.

The total received last month, Dr. J. B. Lawrence stated, was \$29,466.35, an increase of \$5,737.47 over the total for February in 1941.

Significant increases were recorded from the Co-operative Program and the Hundred Thousand Club, Dr. Lawrence stated, the first accounting for \$2,668.96 and the debt paying fund for \$2,635.60 of the increase.

The Board has on hand funds to retire \$55,000 of the principal of its indebtedness ahead of schedule, Dr. Lawrence reported. This payment, he said, would not interfere with the regular \$55,000 payment on the maturity date, so that the two payments, one ahead of schedule and one on schedule, plus \$55,000 paid on February 1 would make a total of \$165,000 already applied or soon to be applied on debts this year.

Total indebtedness of the Board now stands at \$495,000, Dr. Lawrence said.

Calling attention to the fact that the executive committee was meeting during the week of prayer for Home Missions, the Board's executive secretary said that last year's Annie Armstrong offering for Home Missions had reached a total of \$193,298.35.

Soon to be included in the Board's new program of city missions are Washington and Birmingham, according to Dr. Dich H. Hall, Jr., chairman of the city missions committee. A plan of co-operation has been agreed upon between the Home Mission Board and Baptist organizations in each city, inauguration of the work in each case awaiting the selection of a city mission superintendent.

Resignation of Dr. Roland Q. Leavell as superintendent of evangelism, received at the February meeting, Dr. Leavell asked to become effective April 1, at which time he will assume the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida.

BIBLE CHAIRS APPROVED FOR STATE COLLEGES

At the meeting of the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas last week, approval was given to the report of the committee headed by Dr. Joseph P. Boone of Waxahachie which favored the continuation of Baptist Bible chairs adjacent to the state schools, "wherever such a set-up is deemed essential and can be properly maintained."

The plan includes instructors of Bible chairs and Baptist Student workers supported in part or in full through cooperative funds appropriated by the State Board under regulations set out.

The investigation showed that 430 students enrolled in classes taught during the last scholastic year by Dr. W. T. Rouse at Denton, and 397 in the classes taught by Dr. W. C. Raines at the University of Texas. The cooperating colleges grant the students credits toward degrees on these courses in the Bible, which is taught on Baptist property adjacent to the campuses.

Another matter of wide interest will be the acceptance of the resignation of State Evangelist Hyman Appelmann, who will continue as an independent Baptist evangelist, giving much of his time to meetings beyond Texas.

HASKELL WORKERS HAVING JOINT STUDY COURSE

At 2:00 P. M., March 17, the Sunday School officers and teachers and other interested workers of the Haskell Association, will assemble at the First Church, Haskell, for the purpose of completing a study course book in Sunday School work. Departmental books are being offered. Workers from every church are expected.

Rev. C. A. Powell, Rule, will teach the adult workers. Rev. A. Short, Rochester, will teach the young people's workers. Mrs. Bob Speck, Rochester, will teach the intermediate workers. Mrs. Edd Fouts, Haskell, will teach the junior workers, Mrs. Creta Brooks, Haskell, will teach the primary workers. Mrs. Claude Reed, O'Brien, will teach the beginners and cradle roll workers.

VICTORY THROUGH CHRIST S.S. CONVENTION THEME



DR. T. L. HOLCOMB,
Sunday School Board Secretary



R. H. COLEMAN, Dallas
Convention Song Leader

Representative of the United States Treasury Department and the Office of Civilian Defense will have places on the program of the Texas Baptist Sunday School Convention, to be held in Houston April 7-9, it has been announced by Dr. G. S. Hopkins, Dallas, State Secretary.

Mr. Milton T. Gregory, assistant regional director Eighth Regional Office of Civilian Defense, will present the case for civilian defense activities. A personal representative of Secretary Henry Morgenthau will represent the Treasury Department.

The above arrangement is in keeping with the theme of the convention, "Victory Through Jesus Christ." Attendance is expected to reach 10,000.

Special trains will be operated from Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, Beaumont, and Port Arthur.

Approximately 200 Texas Baptist Sunday School workers will appear on the three day program as inspirational speakers, conference leaders, etc. Out of the state speakers will be Dr. Charles E. Maddry, executive secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, Baptist Sunday School Board Nashville; Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, pastor, Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo. Speakers who will also serve as conference leaders are: William P. Phillips, J. N. Barnett, Miss Marie Estes, Miss Mary Virginia Lee, Miss Blanche Linticum, Rev. Sibley C. Burnette, and Mr. B. B. McKinney of Nashville.

A special feature of the program will be a "Sunday School Training Banquet," limited to 600 people who have completed at least 12 Sunday School study course books.

Music for the entire convention will be in charge of Mr. Robert H. Coleman, Dallas, a former president of the convention and assistant to Dr. Geo. W. Truett, First Baptist Church, Dallas.

Officers of the convention are: Troy Campbell, San Antonio, president; Dr. G. S. Hopkins, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Julia Mae Slaughter, Dallas, and Mrs. Manon Seawell, Fort Worth, recording secretaries.

Chinese laborers in England have received food clothing and Bibles from the Chinese mission church in Norfolk Virginia according to Rev. Shau Yan Lee Home Board missionary. These workers 108 in number docked at Norfolk recently on their way to England at which time the Christian Chinese of the city ministered to them.

Brother Lee states that he has received a letter from them in which they "thanked God and our church."

DISTRICT 17 CONVENTION HAS GRATIFYING CROWD

The annual Sunday School and Training Union convention of District 17 filled the handsome new church at Rotan, almost to capacity in a one-day meeting, March 5. Representative attendance was present from all seven associations of the district. A day of ideal weather helped bring out the visitors.

A committee on the time and place of the next convention was elected, Rev. H. E. East, Hamlin pastor and district convention president, being chairman. Other members are the four presidents of the auxiliary organizations and Rev. J. Henry Littleton, district missionary. Rev. L. L. Trotter, district Training Union director, and Ewell O. Bone, district Sunday School superintendent, were elected at a general district convention which was held in Abilene last fall and will continue in office until the next meeting of that body.

Dr. W. R. White was central speaker of the day and the convention voted that his address be published. Others whose addresses thrilled the large audience were Dr. T. C. Gardner and Dr. G. S. Hopkins of Dallas, Pastor Roger D. Hebard of Breckenridge and Pastor Levi W. Price of Gorman. General conferences for the Sunday School and Training Union were conducted by the state secretaries.

Expressing gratification at the attendance, Secretaries Hopkins and Gardner estimated the number present as the largest of the several conventions already held over the state, with the possible exception of the meeting for District 5 at Alice.

A conference luncheon was served for the Training Union directors of the associations and other guests at the high school with the home economics class preparing and serving the meal.

After the meeting adjourned many visitors remained to be shown over the building by Pastor Trotter and members of the host church.

BROTHERHOOD RALLIES AROUSE MUCH INTEREST

Secretary Lawson H. Cooke of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South is touring District 17 this week accompanied by Judge E. S. Cummings, state president, Prof. Hiram R. Arant, district president, and Rev. J. Henry Littleton. Speaking on these programs is Dr. W. R. White, whose address, "Sleeping Through a High Destiny," has created much interest. President White is accompanied by a quartet from H-SU.

The meetings began Sunday afternoon at Cisco, continued Monday evening at Baird and Tuesday evening at Abilene. They were to appear at Roby on Wednesday, Haskell Thursday, and close at Hamlin Friday evening. All the meetings were for one association except that at Hamlin, which is to be for both Stonewall and Jones Associations. The evening meetings began at 7:30.

MRS. LYON SPEAKS AT ROBY TUES., MARCH 17

Mrs. E. F. Lyon, executive secretary of the W. M. U. of Texas will be in Fisher Association, speaking at Roby Tuesday, March 17, the program beginning at 10:30. She will speak both morning and afternoon and everyone interested in W. M. U. work is invited to attend.

Mrs. Perry King of Roby will bring the morning devotional and Mrs. S. R. Brumfield that of the afternoon. A quartet of Roby girls will sing. Visitors will bring a covered dish for luncheon, announces Mrs. L. L. Trotter, associational president.

RADIO BRINGS GOOD NEWS FROM SHANTUNG MISSION

Mrs. C. L. Culpepper has passed on a message sent through Kweilin on February 21, covering missionaries in Hwanghsien, Shantung, China:

"Please pass on the good news that Charlie (Culpepper) and all in the station are well. They were greatly blessed during meeting—nearly 600 titheers now. They seem to think way to England at which time the Christian Chinese of the city ministered to them. Brother Lee states that he has received a letter from them in which they 'thanked God and our church.'"

DISTRICT 16 CONVENTION IS AT COLEMAN MARCH 17



DR. W. L. HOWSE, Fort Worth



RAY ROZELLE, San Angelo

The annual Sunday School and Training Union Convention of District 16 will be held at First Church, Coleman, Tuesday, March 16. Rev. Floyd Chafin is the host pastor. The theme of the meeting is, "Teach the Word and Train for Service." The slogan is, "Reaching, Teaching and Training All."

The convention will be for one day with sessions beginning at ten in the morning and concluding at 9:20 in the evening. Training Union conferences will be at the morning session, Sunday School conferences in the afternoon, with a special program in the evening.

Dr. W. R. White is to speak at the close of the morning session, which will be opened with an address on Sunday School work by Dr. W. L. Howse of Fort Worth. Rev. J. P. King of Barksdale, who has served as district missionary for several years, will discuss district mission work.

Dr. T. C. Gardner will bring a Training Union message in the afternoon and Ray Rozell of San Angelo will deliver another in the evening. Dr. G. S. Hopkins will speak in the afternoon on Sunday School work, giving emphasis to Vacation Bible schools.

In the evening, Dr. Hal F. Buckner is to bring an address on Buckner Orphans Home and the convention will close with an inspirational address by Dr. Tom Taylor, president of Howard Payne College. Special music during the day will be given by groups from Howard Payne.

Training Union conferences will be conducted by Mrs. John Hall, Richardson Springs; Mrs. Exton Talley, San Angelo; Mrs. W. C. Reeder, Brownwood; Miss Mary D. Taylor, Winters; Ray Rozell, Dr. Gardner and Rev. Gerald Riddell. Miss Zora Mitchell, Winters, is Training Union director for the district.

Conducting Sunday School conferences will be Mrs. E. J. Ball, Brownwood; Mrs. E. E. Bradford, San Angelo; Miss Flora Lee Daugherty, Coleman; Mrs. Joe Trussell, Brownwood; Mrs. J. H. McClain, Brownwood; and Rev. D. A. Bryant, Richardson Springs.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BANQUET

A real Irishman, Rev. Melville Chatfield, was the speaker for the annual young people's banquet at First Church, Abilene, last week, in which the Irish theme predominated. Music during the banquet was rendered by Gloria Reed, harpist, Leta Rue Riddle and A. L. Cole, vocal duet, D. L. McCallister, vocal solo, the H-SU boys quartet, and a H-SU flute trio.

This Changing World

"... that those things which cannot be shaken may remain."—Heb. 12:27.

By LOUIE D. NEWTON
I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands — one nation, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

British Baptists begin the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Baptist Missionary Society in April, the celebration to continue through October of this year. It was October 2, 1792, that the Society was founded in response to the famous sermon by William Carey, delivered May 31, 1792. The Society was organized at Kettering, and one of the features of the celebration will be the meetings at Kettering. As a part of the observance of this historic event in Baptist missionary life, British Baptists are launching a movement to raise this year the sum of \$750,000 for foreign mission work.

The Pacific coast of Mexico is very much in the spotlight since the outbreak of war between Japan and the United States. This area is regarded by military strategists as one of the vital points of defense. General Carlenas, former president of the Republic of Mexico, has been appointed commander-in-chief of coastal defense. Working in close cooperation with the government, the Baptist National Convention of Mexico is waging an impressive campaign against disease and sin in this area. Tapachula in the state of Chiapas is the center of this effort.

The Indiana state pastors' conference held its 11th annual session in the First Baptist Church, Indianapolis, a fortnight ago. Among the resolutions passed by the conference was one calling for rigid enforcement of anti-gambling laws, for a Christian attitude on all phases of race relations, and a protest against the sale of intoxicants in communities adjacent to training camps. The conference also asked that liquor manufacturers be not granted priorities for sugar and other ingredients of liquor.

The Chicago Tribune has recently conducted a study of the enrollment of colleges in the Middle West. Twenty-four representative institutions were included in the survey. The result of the study of enrollment in these institutions revealed a substantial percentage of decrease, specially in the institutions for men. It is significant that the Catholic institutions showed a slight percentage of increase, with the single exception of DePaul University.

"There is a tendency for a group of intellectuals—persons who have been educated beyond their intelligence—to underrate the value of religion as the universal comforter; but to the mass of people, religion has the same potency it has had for two thousand years," said Dr. Will Mayo, of Rochester, when he was recently interviewed by Adolph C. Reglo for a story which appeared in The Christian Advocate, Chicago.

"Union with Britain" is the practical meaning of the new Anglo-American pact, announced a few days ago. This pooling of U. S. and British power, military, naval and air, is intended not only to win the war, but to preserve world peace afterward. Secretary Hull is said to have achieved his plan of lower tariffs and non-discrimination in international commercial relations, which should form the basis for a post-war economic system. Very good. Anything sounds good now that offers any way out of the setbacks of the past ten weeks.

The army looks with favor upon the new Grumman Skyrocket, a speedy twin-motored fighting plane with tricycle landing gear and twin 1-200 horse power Wright air-cooled motors. If accepted, the ship will give the army two twin-motored (Continued on page 3)

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THE DISTRICT MISSIONARY

The district conventions now being held over the state bring sharply into focus the work of the district missionary. The district plan has not been in operation for very many years and it was launched amid many serious misgivings on the part of numerous thoughtful people. There were some who looked upon it as a movement toward the breaking up of the traditional plan of Baptist associations. Others thought they saw in it a step toward episcopal oversight of the churches and called the district missionary a Baptist presiding elder.

During the years which have elapsed since the plan was inaugurated, we have come slowly to an appreciation of the district men and of the importance of their work. Some of this understanding has been due to the correction of those misapprehensions under which the work started. The very name was one of the causes of misunderstanding. Had we called them associates to our state executive secretary, the nature of the work would have been better understood.

As a matter of fact, the men who are called district missionaries are the denominational pack horses. They are not bishops to find pastors for pastorless churches, nor to find churches for unemployed preachers, but there are occasions when their wise counsel may be of help in such circumstances. They are not itinerant evangelists, though every preacher should conduct a series of evangelistic services from time to time. They are not to pastor the weak churches, though one of their best services is to help such churches to find themselves. They are not travelling teachers of study courses, though no agency has done more to promote study. And we might go on indefinitely.

The district missionary is the contact man between the churches, especially through their associations, and the organized, cooperative work of the entire denomination. Instead of becoming bishops, they are a powerful influence for democracy in the denomination, because they come in touch with large churches and small ones, with all the pastors and most of the church leadership. They know what the people are thinking and how they are likely to react toward any movement. Our denominational leaders are coming to depend heavily upon their aid.

THERE OUGHT TO BE A LAW

A cruel and unusual atrocity which is occasionally perpetrated upon the unsuspecting church goer is to take one of the great, old, familiar hymns which has inspired and strengthened the saints of several generations and hitch it up to a modernized version of rhythm which is about as spiritual as—well, maybe it had best not be said in print.

The purpose of a song service preceding the preaching is conceded to be the cultivation of a spiritual atmosphere which will prepare the audience to receive the message of the sermon. The butchering of a beloved hymn with modernized music is anything but conducive to a spiritual atmosphere. It is too much like parading grandmother as a bathing beauty.

This is not an outbreak of old-fogyism. There are modern religious songs, hymns and anthems which are beautiful. They consist of original poems fitly set to appropriate music. The words and the music belong together and, in time, the best will become a part of the great treasury of sacred song. But the lazy or untalented juggler of notes who lays unhallowed hands upon the poems of other years, whose musical meaning has become interwoven with the most sacred sentiments and emotions, and hurls them at the congregation in an unseemly, unharmonious attire, his impositions, not compositions, deserve only the repose of the waste basket.

May we continue to have new songs. The talent of David's calling is not dead. But let us have no more new tunes, for old hymns, nor parodies of popular songs for religious services. And when we can no longer produce new, we can still use the old, as they were written. They were made to wear.

REPLACEMENTS

The heavy drain of youth for national service has created a serious problem for most churches. Not only are they becoming depleted of young men, but in smaller places, away from defense projects, they are losing great numbers of the young women. It is easy for such a situation to become depressing and to be hurtful to the morale of the churches.

To Dr. T. C. Gardner goes credit for promoting a helpful remedy for this situation. These young people cannot be replaced. Even after the present emergency the greater portion of them will locate elsewhere instead of returning to the old community. There are very few unenlisted young people left to take their places. But there are plenty of unenlisted older people, and it is to these, in the main, that Dr. Gardner directs his appeal.

Many of these probably were once interested in church life, but now have dropped out. The suggestion is made that we appeal to them to attend the services of the church in the place of some particular individual who can no longer be present because he is in the service of our country. His going has left a vacant seat at the church and is causing a hardship to the church he loved. The older person, for various reasons, will not be able to take that important post in national defense which is held by the youth, but he can take his place in the church. He can give himself to the service of the country through serving in the church, for the soldier's sake, and for Christ's.

This suggestion has in it the seed of a real revival in our country. Do you know someone who does not now attend church regularly but who might be interested in coming to represent and to pray for that heroic youth for whom he has the greatest admiration and affection? It is a great honor to be able to represent a man in uniform in the services of the church where he used to attend.

NEWS NOTES

Dr. S. G. Posey of First Church, Austin, and B. B. McKinney of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, are to assist Pastor E. D. Head in a revival at First Church, Houston, beginning next week.

Arizona Baptists organized two new associations last week. The Central Association was organized at Phoenix and the Gila Valley at Tucson.

First Church, Mineral Wells, where Rev. W. M. Turner is now pastor, has a bus for bringing Camp Wotersmen to services at the Church.

For seven consecutive Sundays one or more new members have come into the fellowship of First Church, Bangs. There have been 21 additions since the first of the year, Pastor R. Neal Greer baptizing six of them.

J. B. Norman of First Church, Abilene, surrendered for the Gospel ministry at the morning service, March 8. Captain W. E. King preached for Pastor M. A. Jenkins, who is recovering from flu. Chaplain A. L. Hinson supplied at the evening service.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Harrison, educational workers of First Church, Stamford, are leading in a Training Union course in University Church, Abilene, this week.

The magazine, Southern Baptist Home Missions, had a net increase of 2,883 subscriptions during February, the March circulation being 64,696. The subscription rate is 25 cents per year or 20 cents where it is sent to every family in the church, paid in advance.

West Plains Association is having a simultaneous study course this week under the leadership of Missionary J. Lowell Ponder. Rev. Aubrey McAuley is Sunday School superintendent for the association.

Rev. W. P. Brian of H-SU is conducting a revival at Drasco Church this week.

Ballinger Church, Rev. Clarence A. Morton, pastor, had 139 enrolled in a Training Union course recently.

Mrs. Rosalee Jones Weathers, wife of Rev. E. S. Weathers, Plainview, died in December. She was the daughter of a preacher, Rev. Fount Jones, who was the son of a preacher. Her two sons, Jones W. of Houston, and E. Merle of Panhandle, are successful preachers.

There were 64 professions of faith and 109 rededications in a recent revival at San Marcos Academy with Evangelist Jesse Yelvington doing the preaching. Four boys surrendered for the ministry and four girls for missionary work.

All the women of Jones County are invited to attend the Methods and Missions Institute which will be conducted by Mrs. E. F. Lyon, state executive secretary, on Wednesday, March 18, at First Church, Stamford.

The Brotherhood of First Church, Ballinger, is aiding their church in ministering to the men at Bruce Field, air training center. They recently had a banquet with 156 men feasting on venison killed by the pastor. Dr. Hiram R. Arrant of H-SU was guest speaker.

Dr. John W. Cobb of Wayland College is leading Crosbyton Church in a revival.

A group of five H-SU students, together with Rev. Clyde Campbell of Calvary Church, Abilene, and Rev. J. P. McBeth of Anson, assisted Pastor I. J. Lloyd in a study course at Hanna Sunday. Awards were earned by 35.

Dr. Edward B. Jenkins addressed the H-SU Ministerial Council March 6. Missionary J. Henry Littleton spoke briefly on the Retirement Plan.

Groups of the Christian Service Band of H-SU brought programs with emphasis on home missions to the churches at Harmony and Parks in Cisco Association, March 8. Much interest was manifested in spite of bad weather and local illness.

Pastor S. E. Brian of Wilmeth and Pumphrey has declined the call for full-time work at Elbert and will remain with his progressive rural churches.

Rev. W. P. Brian has been called as pastor at Drasco. It is understood that he will resign at Bradshaw to accept this work.

Rev. Ed Hawthorne, pastor at Ryland, supplied at First Church, Vernon, March 8, Dr. E. S. James being in a meeting in Oklahoma.

Thursday evening, February 26, the officers and teachers of Crosbyton Church entertained the officers and teachers of Balls in a joint meeting, attended by over 60.

Pastor Clarence A. Morton, Ballinger, would like to locate the book, "So: The Gospel is a Monosyllable," by Lofton.

Rev. Avery Rogers of Brownfield is assisting Pastor Clint Malone and the South Plains Church in a revival.

The Dickens Church is in a revival with Rev. W. F. Pool assisting Pastor H. L. Burnham.

Hylton Church is reporting good attendance at all services. A class of 17 young married people was recently organized. There were two additions the first Sunday. Pastor O. A. Hendon has the second and fourth Sundays open.

Judge E. S. Cummings is speaking March 12 for the Austin Brotherhood, where Hon. Lon W. Smith is president.

Dr. W. R. White spoke at Trent Church, March 8. He was accompanied by a quartet from the university.

Oklahoma Baptists are having their Training Union convention at Oklahoma City, March 12 and 13.

W. H. Fuqua, Amarillo business man and Baptist leader, is grieved with the recent home going of his wife.

Rev. H. E. Perkins has accepted the call of the Hico Church, which has been without a pastor since Rev. Alvin Swindell went to Rock Springs some months ago.

Memphis, Tennessee, will invite the Southern Baptist Convention to meet there in 1943.

Dr. James W. Kramer, evangelist, of Denver, Colorado, will begin a two weeks revival at First Church, Lubbock, Sunday, March 15.

Rev. Ira Harrison of Abilene supplied March 8 for Pastor Aubrey Short of Rochester.

Dr. Edward B. Jenkins preached at Caddo, March 8.

Missionary J. Lowell Ponder of District 9 taught The True Functions of the Sunday School to a class in First Church, Littlefield, February 23 to 27.

Students at Hardin-Simmons have started a fellowship and prayer service at 9:00 each Wednesday evening which is having a gratifying response, 100 being present last week.

Dr. H. E. Dana, president of Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri, conducted a Bible school with Pastor J. M. Sibley and First Church, Sweetwater, last week.

First Church, Knox City, recently voted an increase of 25 per cent in the salary of Pastor J. S. Tierce, making it retroactive to January 1.

Pastor E. E. Mason and the West Side Church, Big Spring, will have Rev. Sam E. Brian conduct their spring revival. It will be his second meeting in that mission center.

Dr. W. R. White was guest speaker at the monthly Training Union meeting for Runnels Association which was held at Drasco last week.

Immanuel Church, Abilene, enjoyed a sermon Sunday morning by Chaplain L. W. Raley, who preached upon invitation of Pastor D. G. Reid.

Cisco Church organized a Brotherhood February 27, following an address by Judge E. S. Cummings. Pastor Judson Prince states that the men were enthusiastic over the prospect. E. L. Jackson was elected president.

Rev. J. P. McBeth of Anson was guest speaker for the Brotherhood of Polytechnic Church, Fort Worth, Tuesday, March 10. Rev. E. D. Dunlap is Polytechnic pastor.

The Christian Service Band of Hardin-Simmons will be at the Wilmeth Church March 15.

Chaplain A. L. Hinson was Brotherhood speaker for Immanuel Church Monday evening, March 9.

Sunday School Lesson

March 15, 1942

THE MIGHTY WORKS OF JESUS

Read Matthew 8:23-34; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-56. Study Matthew 8:23-34.

In the late afternoon of that great day of teaching with its sermon in parables Jesus and the disciples crossed the sea, encountering the storm that was stilled. That night or the next day the Gadarene demoniac was healed, the ejected demons driving the swine heading into the sea. At the request of the Gadarenes Jesus returned at once to Capernaum where he resumed his labors, performing before sunset a number of his greatest miracles.

The calming of the troubled sea shows Jesus as Master of natural forces untamed and untamable by man. The cure of the troubled soul reveals Jesus as monarch in the realm of spirits which dare not disobey his Word or defy his power.

1. Stilling the Tempest

JESUS STILLED A STORMY SEA. The sun had just gone down on one of the busiest days in the life of Jesus. Worn to the point of complete physical exhaustion, Jesus led his disciples down to the beach at Capernaum and suggested that they cross over unto the other side of the sea. The multitude was therefore sent away and without delay for any preparation for the journey, the disciples took Jesus with them in the boat, other boats also pushing offshore at least part of the way with them.

As they proceeded a sudden storm arose, fell in great fury upon the little sea, tossed the foaming waves into the boat, and threatened the speedy wreck of the vessel. It was one of those wild tempests which sometimes swoop down upon the Galilean Lake.

To the wearied Jesus who had fallen asleep on a cushion in the hinder part of the ship, the disciples cry out in tense eagerness, "Save, Lord; we perish." To whom else could they go in their terror? And had they ever appealed to him in vain? Aroused from sleep he rose and cast a rebuke into the teeth of the gale which immediately ceased. And to the furious waves, he said, "Be still"; and they crouched back to their level. The wind ceased, "and there was a great calm." The tempest outside the boat had been stilled; now it must be stilled within the boat.

"Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?" said Jesus to the disciples. Safe they were and safe they felt with Jesus aboard; but in the presence of the Power which could cope with the wild elements of nature, "the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!"

2. Saving the Demoniacs

JESUS SAVED A DEMONIZED MAN. Unhindered now by wind or wave the boat proceeded to the farther side of the sea. On landing they found themselves in the country of the Gadarenes. It may have been the next morning when they came ashore. At any rate, they had just landed when they were met by two demoniacs, one of them overshadowing the other and most pitiable. The poor victim dwelt in the graveyards. He picked apart the chains which were bound about his wrists and ankles. Somehow the binding fetters he

managed to break in pieces. No man by kindness or coercion could tame him. Ever by night and by day, in the tombs and in the mountains, he rent the air with his startling and piteous and hideous cries. He gashed himself with and among the rocks. A weird and wild figure was that which stood before Jesus and his followers. Strange to say, the demoniac when he saw Jesus from afar ran toward him, fell down before him, recognized him as Jesus, the Son of the Most High God, and adjured him that he would not torment the indwelling demons.

For Jesus, as soon as he had seen the need, prescribed the remedy and bade the unclean spirit to come forth out of the man. To the inquiry, "What is thy name?" the answer came: "My name is Legion; for we are many." And the plea was added that Jesus would not send them away into the abyss but into the great herd of swine feeding at the moment upon the mountainside. Placing a higher estimate upon a man than a hog, Jesus gave them leave. At once they left the man and entered the swine which thereupon to the number of 2,000 rushed down the steep and were drowned in the sea.

The swineherds were astounded. They fled the scene, spreading the news in the city and country, so that the people of the district flocked together. Seeing Jesus who had driven forth the demons and seeing the cured demoniac now clothed and in his right mind, they were afraid. But instead of rejoicing over the cure of their countryman and over the presence of such a Person among them, they began to beseech him to depart from their border. Sad, indeed, that men should prefer their swine to their Savior!

Jesus departs. Before he leaves, however, the healed demoniac desires that he may accompany his benefactor henceforth. But Jesus had other work for him to do: "Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee." This he did throughout the ten cited district east of the Sea of Galilee. Everybody marveled at his cure and his calling.

Gold in the Golden Text

What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him! —Matthew 8:27.

The wind obeyed Christ and fell back at his word. The sea obeyed Christ and crouched at his feet. (All the forces of nature obey Christ and are harnessed to his purpose. Who is he? He is Maker as well as Master of earth, sea, and sky, our Savior and our Lord. Fear him. Trust him. Follow him through storm and calm into the haven of eternal peace.)

Daily Bible Readings

- March 16—Jesus Anticipates Calvary. Mark 8:27-33.
- March 17—A Paradox of Self-Sacrifice. Mark 8:34-38.
- March 18—Christ's Death in Prophecy. Acts 3:12-21.
- March 19—"The Scriptures Concerning Himself." Luke 24:25-32.
- March 20—The Only Savior. Isaiah 43:10-15.
- March 21—A Perfect Savior. Hebrews 5:5-10.
- March 22—Jesus, the Master of Death. John 2:18-25.

PARABLES OF THE LORD

Discussed By COOPER WATERS

TWO PARABLES ON PRAYER

Luke 18:1-14

In rapid succession Jesus gave the parable of the Importunate Widow and the parable of the Pharisee and the Publican. These two parables illustrate a point each about prayer. In the first one, the point is that we must persevere in our praying and "faint not." In the second one the lesson is pointed that man must meet God's conditions in his praying if he expects God to answer the prayer.

The widow who sought justice from the judge got it not because the judge cared to mete out justice but because she persisted in her efforts. God, who is anxious to give us what is right for us to have, will speedily hear us, but we must have the persevering spirit. It would not be best for us always if God gave us what we asked for the first time we asked for it. We are first to be sure that it is God's will for us to have what we are about to ask for. When we are sure it is God's will then we should not cease to pray for it till it is granted. If an unjust judge would grant a request simply because of the importunate asking of a woman, then

we know that God who is more than just will hear his children when they become importunately earnest.

The parable of the Pharisee and the Publican sets out some simple conditions of prayer. Let us consider some of them in order. 1. Prayer must be directed to God and not to or with self. The Pharisee seemed to leave God out. He merely recounted for his own benefit his merits and patted himself on the back.

2. Prayer must show utter dependence upon God and upon self-righteousness. The Pharisee was undoubtedly a good man but we are blessed according to God's mercy and not according to what we deserve.

3. Prayer must involve confession of sin. The Pharisee would not admit any sin but the publican confessed his sin. The latter was justified and the former was not justified.

Pastor Finis A. Williams will preach for a revival at Park Heights, San Angelo, beginning March 29 and closing on the anniversary of the church, April 5. In the service March 8 there were four additions and 12 definite rededications.

Freshman For Summer To Be En

Leading appeal courses in summer will lie in the field and science. These for both six weeks specially beneficial for men who plan to of service.

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PROGRA

Workers Conference, ciation, at Pleasant Tues., March

(Pleasant Valley is 35 east of Southland and south).

Theme: Lessons fro Practical Christianity.

Rev. Cone J. Merritt, ing.

10:15—Song Service Mr. L. E. Waite, Lubbo

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10:55—Obedience (Jan Rev. Lee Vaughn, Lubbo

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Freshman Courses For Summer School To Be Emphasized

Leading appeal for freshman courses in summer school this year will lie in the fields of mathematics and science. These courses, scheduled for both six weeks terms, will be especially beneficial as basic subjects for men who plan to enter some branch of service.

Freshman Courses
Nearly all freshman courses will be offered, giving the student a chance to get a full semester credit in basic subjects which will be needed in either a B. A. or B. S. degree. Professor Burnham will conduct Civil Pilot Training classes again, both in elementary and advance work.

Freshman classes in both chemistry and physics will be conducted by Dr. Watts. There has been an unusual demand for these courses. Work in pre-med, pre-law, and pre-engineering will be offered, meeting all requirements.

Music Department
Mr. Preston will conduct classes in violin and Mr. Young will teach piano if there is a sufficient demand. A class in government required for a teacher's certificate will be taught by Professor Stephenson, and a class in the teaching of elementary school Spanish will be offered under the direction of Miss Atherton.

Dr. Ford will conduct courses in the teaching of arithmetic, history of Texas education, mental hygiene, and tests and measurements. Dr. Collins will teach classes in school survey, visual education, and probably an administrative course in education. Dr. Richardson will also conduct a class in freshman history.

Miss Carpenter will offer several different courses in art. There will be classes of public school art, arts and crafts, interior decoration, and costume and house design which are prerequisites for Home Economics students.

An overclassman will be permitted to take as many as eighteen semester hours if he has a grade average of B.

PROGRAM

Workers Conference, Lubbock Association, at Pleasant Valley, Tues., March 17

(Pleasant Valley is 3 1/2 miles southeast of Southland and 1 1/2 miles south).

Theme: Lessons from James on Practical Christianity.

Rev. Cone J. Merritt, Post, presiding.

10:15—Song Service and Prayer, Mr. L. E. Waite, Lubbock.

10:30—Temptation (James 1:1-17), Rev. C. R. Mathis, Lubbock.

10:55—Obedience (James 1:18-27), Rev. Lee Vaughn, Lubbock.

11:20—Special music, Mr. L. E. Waite.

11:25—Sermon, Rev. W. F. Ferguson, Slaton.

12:00—Lunch.

1:15—Executive Board and W. M. U. Sessions.

2:00—Singing, Mr. Waite.

2:10—Respect of Persons (James 2:1-13), Rev. A. E. White, Lubbock.

2:35—Business.

2:40—Good Works (James 2:14-26), Rev. J. H. Johns, Slaton.

TRIBUTE TO C. R. JOYNER PAID BY FELLOW PASTOR

By W. R. DERR, President, Executive Board of District 9

On February 9, Texas Baptists sustained another great loss in the death of Rev. C. R. Joyner, for the past five and a half years pastor of the First Church of Spur. His death resulted from complications setting in after an operation. Brother Joyner was a faithful preacher of the Gospel; one of our most beloved pastors; and was one of God's noblest men.

It had been our happy privilege to be associated with Brother Joyner for the past 11 years. We first met him when he became pastor at Merkel, at which time we were pastor of Immanuel Church in Abilene. For five years we worked together in the Sweetwater Association. Shortly after we came to Ralls a little more than six years ago, Brother Joyner assumed the duties as pastor of the Spur Church. Since that time we have been associated together in the work of District 9, serving on the district board together during these years. Brother Joyner was located in the extreme southeast part of our district; had to go as far or farther than any other board member, but he was one of our most faithful in attendance at the meetings of the board.

Not only did we find Brother Joyner to be faithful to the work of his denomination in the general work, but he was a faithful and untiring pastor, a preacher of the Gospel, and a contender for the faith. It seemed that his every thought was, "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel."

It was the great joy of our church to have him do the preaching in our revival meeting last summer. His messages were plain, practical and pungent and he greatly endeared himself in the hearts of our church and the entire community.

Again we say that Texas Baptists and especially the Baptists of District 9, have sustained a great loss in the homegoing of this great and noble preacher of the Gospel. And in behalf of his many friends and especially in behalf of the members of the executive board of District 9, we express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Joyner and the children and pledge to them our daily prayers that the great God of all grace shall sustain and comfort them in these their hours of sorrow.

Dr. White Lectures To H-SU Ministers

Dr. W. R. White concluded a week's series of lectures Friday to the Ministerial Council, and visiting preachers of this area, discussing Preparation Processes, Pulpit Presentation, Pastoral Prerogatives, Public Relations and Visitation.

These lectures were based upon Dr. White's 25 years experience in the ministry. He has served churches with memberships varying from 60 members to those with 6,000 members.

One of the secrets of Dr. White's success is the fact that he has been a student all these years. He has a large library of 3,000 volumes. He confessed that at one time he was an easy "prey" for the book agents, and at that time had 24 different papers and magazines coming to his study. He has cut that down to 16 now.

The lectures were well attended by the Ministerial Council. Many preachers in the city, and several from outside the city, were present.

TRAINING UNION MINDED TEXANS

By T. C. Gardner

Texas Baptists have earned five hundred more Training Union diplomas and seals the first four months of this convention year than they earned the same months last year. The total number of awards earned by Texas Baptists these four months is 15,214, whereas, the total number earned the same four months last year was 14,689.

It is interesting to observe that during the month of February the Baptist Sunday School Board issued to the Baptists of the South 12,617 diplomas and seals. Of that number, 3,856 were earned by Texas Baptists.

In March, 1940, Texas Baptists earned 13,224 awards. We do not know how many Texas Baptists will earn this month, but we wish it could be at least 15,000.

Have you planned your training school? If not, won't you do so right away? If you would like to have one of the state approved Training Union workers to assist you, write T. C. Gardner, Baptist building, Dallas. A number of these workers have open dates in May and June.

"THEY HELPED EVERYONE HIS NEIGHBOR"

By Joshua Grijalva

(Note: Brother Grijalva is a student missionary in the Home Mission Board's educational program for volunteers for Mexican Mission work. While a student in Howard Payne College he is serving the mission church in the Zarzamorra section of San Antonio).

Several new young people have been attending our church. Of course they seem to bring life and youth itself into the church. In other places places young people take the lead. Not so in our church! Our old women are carrying a great part of the spiritual load.

We have been called "the widows' church" because the congregation has been made up largely of older women, several younger women and a few children. Thank God for these saintly women.

I am thinking particularly of four of these members. What a joy it is to see them sit on the same bench Sunday morning. One is blind, another has rheumatism so badly that she cannot stand up and is hardly able to walk, another is nearly deaf, and the fourth cannot read or write.

What wonderful meetings we have, for we know that we are worshipping in spirit and in truth. The one who cannot see will tell the member who cannot hear the number of the hymn that is to be sung or the text for the sermon. The deaf woman will sing distinctly enough that the blind one can join in.

The able-bodied member who can neither read nor write will help the invalid one around while she reads the Scripture or the words of a hymn.

And so they help one another. The blind helps the deaf, the deaf reads for the women, the lady with rheumatism must lead the singing for only she can read and hear well enough to carry the melody. The unlearned must help the person with rheumatism so that she can do her part.

But, oh, how they all can sing and pray and listen to God's Word, whether blind, deaf, invalid, unlearned or what have you. They know God is there.

This experience has been a great illustration to me on how there is a place for every one in God's realm, whether one is well or ill, whether young or old. It also carries a great lesson on co-operation. Not one of these women can fully appreciate the service without the help of the others.

PROGRAM

Jones Association, Workers Conference, Meeting with Luaders Church, Tues., Mar. 17

10:00 Song service, Rev. J. H. Skiles.

10:10 Devotional, Rev. A. N. Covey.

10:20 The True Function of the Sunday School, T. R. Harrison.

10:40 The True Function of the Training Union, Rev. Miles B. Hayes.

11:00 The Value of a Brotherhood in Every Church, R. E. Dudley.

11:20 Announcements.

11:25 Music, Hardin - Simmons Quartet.

11:30 Sermon, Rev. J. P. McBeth.

12:00 Noon, lunch served by host church.

1:15 Board and W.M.U. meetings.

2:15 Inspirational address, Rev. H. E. East.

NEWS FROM MISSIONARIES

The following cable was received by the Foreign Mission Board on February 27:

"Galloway suffering privations. Report report Rankin's party confined Stanley prison with insufficient food. "Need prayers under crushing responsibility."—Robert Beddoe.

(Galloway was at Macao and the Rankin party was captured at Hong-kong).

Miss Martha Thomas Ellis, missionary in Buenos Aires, Argentina, arrived in New York on February 28, and will be at her home in Union Spring, Alabama, for the first part of her furlough.

From the State Department in Washington comes to the Foreign Mission Board news that a telegram has been received from Shanghai dated February 19, transmitted through Bern, Switzerland, reporting that all Baptist missionaries in Shanghai are in good health, are remaining in their homes, and continuing their work. This telegram included the name of the Reverend Arthur Samuel Gillespie of Kaifeng, also as being well and located in Shanghai.

This Changing World

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fighters, the Skyrocket and the Lockheed P-38.

Russia is extending herself to beat Germany to the draw in the spring offensive, and strategists agree that Russia has a good chance to win. Whether Hitler will attempt a spring invasion of England, or turn his drive toward the East, remains the big question in European circles. If Russia turns him back, it is believed he may try an invasion of England.

German Air Force observers play chess on boards marked with the map of England, using pieces of modeled Nazi and RAF planes for men.

With the fall of Rangoon, the curtain seems to have dropped on the era of white supremacy in Burma. Rangoon means "end of war," but for more than a century it has been known as "the city of hate." It is reported that the Burmese killed about as many Britons as they did Japanese during the attack.

"Very little butter for a great deal of bread," the significant reference of the President to our defensive forces in the Atlantic seaboard, indicates the burden upon Rear Admiral Adolphus Andrews, commander of the Eastern Sea frontier. The Caribbean waters are infested with submarines which not only endanger all shipping, but the Canal.

"If the victories of the Axis powers have taught us anything, it is that those who win strike first," said Mr. Wendell Willkie a few days ago in a speech urging the U. S. to take the offensive. With which we would all agree, provided we have adequate resources with which to strike. Our fighting forces are giving a fine report of themselves wherever they have equipment.

Listening to the impassioned appeals from every section of the nation for quick and decisive attack upon the enemy, General George C. Marshall, chief of staff, finally said last week: "The time has now come when we must proceed with the business of carrying the war to the enemy."

Remark of the week: "Common efforts which do not include common fighting may not be sufficient," Ambassador Litvinoff.

Missionary Messages

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ward to each of these meetings with a great expectation.

Let's remember the District Women's Missionary Convention which meets with the Stamford Church, April 14 and 15. Also the Sunday School Convention which meets in Houston, April 7, 8 and 9.

Rev. W. R. Derr, Ralls pastor, will begin a meeting with Finney Church, Rev. A. O. Brewer pastor, on Friday night, March 13. This will be his second meeting with this church in addition to three others at Cousins, only four miles away.

President Pat Neff of Baylor University is to be guest speaker March 27 for a rally to promote the Baptist world emergency appeal which will be held at the Gayosa Hotel, Memphis, Tennessee, under the leadership of the Shelby County Brotherhood.

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Into The Storehouse

By Lloyd T. Gentry

In listening to the radio today this announcement struck me very forcefully. The call was made for everyone to put 20c out of each dollar of his wages into defense bonds and stamps, and we believe that this indeed is a noble thing to do. Our nation is in the greatest battle for freedom ever known in the history of our country, yet, our very existence is at stake. Not only will the money that is put into defense bonds draw interest and so increase our investment but will help to preserve that freedom that we hold dear.

But as I heard this announcement this was not the only call that I thought about. In Leviticus 27:30, God said, "And all the tithes of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruits of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord."—not 20 per cent, but one-tenth, of all that we have or receive, belongs, God said, to Him. Even before this, Abraham recognized this fact and gave to God all of the tithes (Gen. 14:20; Heb. 7:6).

Do we receive interest for the tithes that we give to the Lord? We should not expect it any more than we expect interest on rent money that we pay to our landlord; but in Malachi 3:10 the Lord has said: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

And men for generations who have proven the Lord will testify that we can not beat God in giving.

But just as the interest that we receive from our buying of defense bonds is not the motive behind our purchase of them, but the good they will do in the present conflict, so, what we gain ourselves from the paying of the tithes to the Lord should not be the motive in doing so, but what our tithes will do in the ever battle against wickedness and the forces of evil in the world.

This battle is ever going on but I am persuaded that in the days that are ahead not only in the dark hours of our fight for freedom but after that freedom is won, and God grant that it may be won soon, much is going to depend on the people of God. Never has there been a greater need for the Gospel to be preached than now and as our missionary said not long ago, he believed that after this

war is over that there will be the greatest opportunity for the preaching of the Gospel around the world ever seen in the world's history.

When that opportunity comes, the fulfillment of it will depend on how we as God's children, the followers of Jesus Christ, have done with that which belongs to God, the tithes.

We can not afford to fail to heed this call today. Too much is at stake in a sin cursed world. I tremble at what the future of this world will be if we fail to heed this call, "Will a man rob God?" We must not fail in this hour of the world's great need, the need for the "Bread of Life," the risen Savior. God help us to be true to God and a lost world.

Night Instruction At H-SU Approved

Hardin-Simmons University has received a telegram from H. M. Crothers of the Federal Security Agency, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C., saying that preliminary proposals have been approved for ESMDT courses in Industrial Labor Relations, Industrial Control Through Accounting, and Chemistry of Sanitation.

In addition to the engineering, science, and management defense training, H-SU is offering Mechanical Drawing and Fundamentals of Radio as training for defense industries. Industrial Control Through Accounting is taught by Howard E. Golden, Chemistry of Sanitation by Hiram R. Arrant, Mechanical Drawing by Otho Polk, and Fundamentals of Radio by Otto O. Watts.

These courses meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week. Industrial Labor Relations is taught by W. C. Ribble and meets Tuesday and Thursday of each week.

The courses will be started this week, although orientation classes have been held in each course for two weeks.

Self-confidence is the first requisite to great undertakings.—Samuel Johnson.

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Convention Authorizes World Emergency Relief

By Archibald M. MacMillan, Publicity Director

The special appeal for a World Emergency Relief offering of \$300,000 to be raised in April comes from the World Emergency Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, headed by George W. Truett of Dallas, with Louie D. Newton of Atlanta as secretary.

On a motion by Charles W. Daniel of El Dorado, Ark., chairman of the executive committee, it was decided to have the special effort in April, preferably the first Sunday, so as not to interfere with other denominational activities and to give Southern Baptists a chance to make a "worthy offering."

Since the Foreign Mission Board now has a strong force in this country and since it knows most directly the needs on foreign fields, the committee decided that this Board should take the lead in raising and administering the relief funds raised.

Most of the money will go to save starving, freezing people in war-torn areas of the world. It is expected that about half the proceeds will go to suffering China, where one dollar still can feed a person one month. Part of the rest will go to Europe.

Help will be given to the American Bible Society in its splendid work of providing Scriptures for Russian prisoners in Germany and Balkan countries. Emergency aid also is required by the Southern Baptist publishing houses in Mexico, Brazil, Argentina and Chile, where soaring costs of printing are making the publication of religious literature increasingly expensive.

The committee asked that some of the relief money be marked for "unforeseen emergencies." The wisdom of this decision already has been proved by the unexpected emergency calls that have recently come to the board offices—a cabled plea from John Galloway of Macao to help save starving Chinese and Portuguese; a call for relief from Katie Murray of Chengchow, stating that the X-ray and other hospital equipment might have to be sold if financial help does not come. (Some money was advanced and sent her).

"Cast your bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days" (Eccle. 11:1). Though Christians do not seek material rewards for charitable acts, it may be that in giving to World Emergency Relief they will not only have the satisfaction of sharing their bounty with a hungry world (the United States has over one-third of the world's wealth) but will see part of the fund used right here at home if the disaster of war should strike American shores.

MERKEL REVIVAL

An unusual church revival was held at Merkel last week with Pastor Cooper Waters doing most of the preaching. One night a 30 minute program of spirituals was rendered by a Negro choir, another evening a Mexican choir brought the music and Rev. Pedro Hernandez, mission pastor preached in English. The Hardin-Simmons male quartet brought a sermon in song for the third evening. At the close of the meeting an offering of around \$200 was taken to aid in building a church for the Negroes. Last spring the Merkel church built outright a house of worship for the Mexican mission.

AVERY SULLIVAN IS ORDAINED AT LITTLEFIELD

Rev. Avery Sullivan, who has been called to be pastor of Circle Back Church, was ordained by First Church, Littlefield, on March 3. Pastor Roy Shahan served as moderator for the presbytery and Rev. McCaulley as clerk. The pastor also led the examination. Rev. A. A. Brian of Levelland preached the ordination sermon, Rev. L. S. Jenkins gave the charge to the preacher, Rev. J. E. Moore the charge to the church and Rev. W. J. Jackson led the ordination prayer.

MOYE AT CISCO

Dr. J. L. Moyer of San Antonio, representative of the Home Mission Board was in Cisco recently. In addition to addressing a good audience at the First Church, Pastor Judson Prince and some of the W. M. U. leaders arranged for him to speak at St. Mark's Church for Negroes and to the Mexican mission of the church. His services were greatly appreciated.

The Workers meeting, combined with the associational Sunday School Conference, of Wilbarger-Foard Association, met March 10 with Pastor T. J. DuBose and the Thalia Church. Missionary John M. Riddell brought the morning sermon and Rev. Otis Strickland, associational superintendent, had charge of the afternoon program.



George W. Truett, Dallas Chairman Committee; Louie D. Newton, Atlanta Secretary Committee; Kathleen Mallory, Birmingham, W.M.U. Secretary; W. W. Hamilton, New Orleans, S. B. C. President

From Such Leaders Comes a Call for WORLD EMERGENCY RELIEF

This effort is authorized by the SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Its goal is \$300,000.00.

The TIME set for the special effort is APRIL 5.

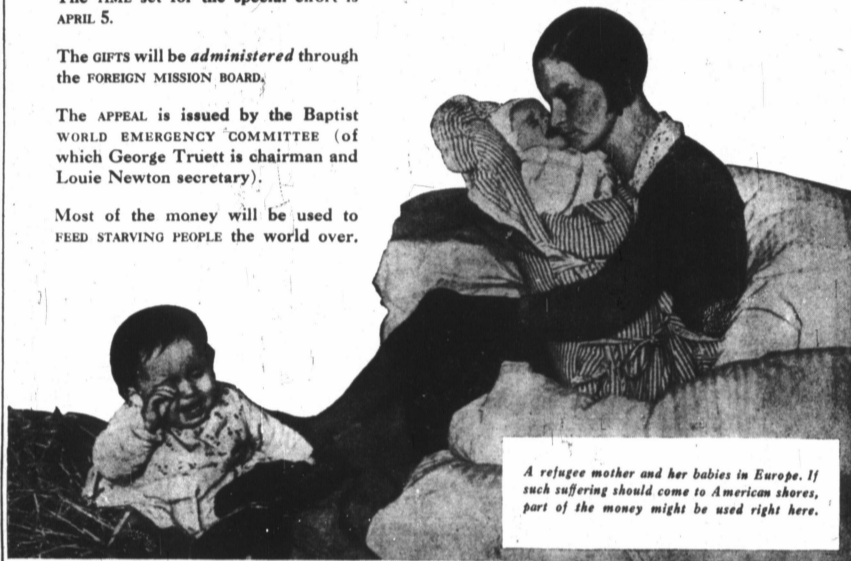
The GIFTS will be administered through the FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

The APPEAL is issued by the Baptist WORLD EMERGENCY COMMITTEE (of which George Truett is chairman and Louie Newton secretary).

Most of the money will be used to FEED STARVING PEOPLE the world over.

About HALF the proceeds will go to CHINA. PART will go to EUROPE and other war-torn lands. BIBLES will be provided for RUSSIAN prisoners and the people of LATIN AMERICA.

WILL YOU DO YOUR PART?



A refugee mother and her babies in Europe. If such suffering should come to American shores, part of the money might be used right here.

"Let us do good unto all men..." (Galatians 6:10)

DR. HILL WILL BE HEAD OF TEMPERANCE CRUSADE

By T. L. Holcomb

In carrying out the action of the Board at the December meeting, Dr. John L. Hill has been chosen by his associates to head a committee which is to organize a Crusade Against Beverage Alcohol. All of the Board's workers stand pledged to follow Dr. Hill's leadership.

As a fighter against beverage alcohol, Dr. Hill is not a novice. From his youth, in season and out of season, he has with voice and pen struck hard and effective blows against the drink evil. He is now a veteran leader in this age old fight. He will represent the Sunday School Board in the proposed Crusade and we confidently anticipate that this will mark the beginning of a great moral awakening on the part of our people.

HASKELL WOMEN HOLD STEWARDSHIP INSTITUTE

Mrs. J. H. McClain, Brownwood, state stewardship chairman, was guest teacher for the Haskell Association stewardship rally at Rochester, February 27. Christian ownership was the text used. Following the afternoon class period, Mrs. McClain, conducted a round table discussion.

Mrs. D. O. Gray of Rotan, district stewardship chairman, led the morning devotional and Mrs. J. S. Tierce, Knox City, the morning prayer. Mrs. C. Waincott led the afternoon opening prayer and Mrs. Bob Speck said the benediction.

SENTENCE SERMONS

By O. D. Henley

You can't erase without leaving a trace. Confidence is the highest compliment. Going ought to lead to doing. Evil is never funny. Praise is a pleasure. The fitful are not fruitful. The Devil's garbage can holds nothing suitable for man. You can't depend on a half-friend. Soreheads cause sore hearts. Friendship material is rare. Sin's gnawing is annoying. Good seed can't do much in bad soil. Too many make self a priority.

COLEMAN CHURCH HOLDS GOOD TRAINING REVIVAL

By T. C. Gardner

Rev. Floyd Chaffin is the good pastor of First Church, Coleman. He writes, "We have just had a good Training Union revival, with Miss Jaxie Short of Abilene leading us. We have departmentized all of our departments and set up our organization for much growth and development. While Miss Short was here, we organized six new unions, giving us a total of 12. We enlisted eight new leaders and sponsors. We likewise set as our goal an increase in attendance of 5 per cent for each Sunday from March 1 to May 10. "Miss Flora Dee Daughtry is our Training Union director."

SPANISH MISSION CHURCH HAS NEW LIBRARY

From the Spanish field in New Mexico comes word that the mission church at Raton served by Home Board Missionary J. B. Parker has a new library.

At the formal opening sometime ago Brother Parker reports that 103 books were on the shelves. All of the volumes were donated.

Baptist papers promote Baptist principles.—O. D. Henley.

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HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB SHOWS OUTSTANDING GAIN

The receipts for the 100,000 Club for January and February of this year show over 90 per cent gain as compared with the same months in last year. The total receipts for 1941 were more than 65 per cent over 1940.

All the states in the Southern Baptist Convention, with one exception, showed a marked increase for the first two months of the year. Gifts in Texas increased from \$4,246.70 in these months in 1941 to \$6,942.70 so far this year. This is the second highest, being exceeded only by Georgia which in the same time gave over nine thousand dollars, increasing \$3,581. Missouri made the largest gain, coming up from less than one thousand to \$5,002.86.

Several states have more than doubled their contributions to this fund for liquidating Southwide debts, which are now less than two million. Dr. J. E. Dillard, who is in charge of promotion of the club, is urging that contributions be doubled by the time of the Southern Baptist Convention in May. The uncertainty of the future is being stressed as the reason for debt paying as rapidly as possible.

All promotion expense connected with the 100,000 Club is met by the Sunday School Board out of publication profits, so that every dollar sent through this medium is applied directly on the principal of the debts. The institutions and agencies of the convention are also finding other means of meeting payments on their obligations and the hope is now expressed in high circles that all the Southwide work will be out of the red by 1943 instead of 1945, the goal which has been previously been used.

Behavior is the theory of manners practically applied.—Mme. Necker.

ATTENDANCE HINDERED BY MARCH FIRST BLIZZARD

A driving norther, accompanied by rain, sleet and snow, was blamed for the lowest attendance records of the year. A weather map, showing the severity of the March 1 storm could be made with fair accuracy by comparing attendance at church services on that date with normal attendance.

Church	Att.
Abilene, First	709
Lubbock, First	644
Breckenridge, First	570
Brownwood, Coggin Ave.	476
Wichita Falls, First	387
Wichita Falls, Lamar Ave.	308
San Angelo, Immanuel	255
Vernon, First	244
San Angelo, Park Heights	185
Borger, First	153
Training Union	
Abilene, First	253
Breckenridge, First	138
San Angelo, Immanuel	106
San Angelo, Park Heights	88
Vernon, First	45

PROGRAM

Methods Institute of Jones Co. WMU. Stamford, Wednesday, March 18

10:00—Song and Praise Service. Devotional, Mrs. Miles B. Hayes. Discussion, led by Mrs. E. F. Lyons. Reports, Chief Aims, Question Box. Bring your "Things We Should Know."

12:15—Cover dish lunch. 1:00—Special music, Mrs. J. F. McBeth. Mission Study Institute, Mrs. Lyons.

Adults—A Generation in Cuba. Y. W. A.—Meet the Youth of Cuba. Intermediate—Dear Margaret. Junior—Tia Tells a Story. Sunbeams—Carmita of Cuba.

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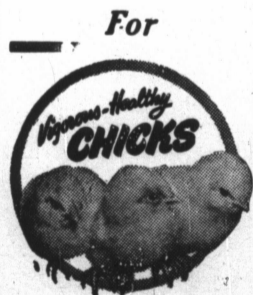
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Summer Session to be 6-6-3
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Third Term, August 24 to September 11

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By DICK

Last week we reported before we were writing the remarks too ample today a ther reduced because I am staying where I am engaged has a typewriter covered for use by and I write by year around until I found letters all plainly keys. . . . If I have over again there are items I would like of them is I would like to do so. One of his was the misuse of "saw," and "I seen," "rors." After I had several times and patiently, "Well, you mean, don't chu?" "swered. "Then what it make?" he replied said I, and never to him again. In other to WANT to do be make much progress, too profound for rat so let's drop down level. . . . However, send let us remark does not spell "prog" a person is saved he cept" Christ, but "ace that Christ did not di I," but for "you and mster and Doctor. Ray abridged list of similar This warm spring we my fishing temperat degrees. It has been have gone on an old ing, but the urge is ever. When we were ways let us go fishin he went to the Fifth S There are five Sundays (Continued on p.

EVENTS TO

- March 20-21—B. S. Canyon.
- March 27-28—Y. W. ty, Hardin-Simmons U. March 31-Apr. 1—D. vention, Coleman.
- April 2-3—District 1 Amarillo.
- April 3—District 12 Vernon.
- April 7-9—State S. Convention, Houston.
- April 14-15—District Convention, Stamford.
- May 16-20—Southern vention, San Antonio.
- June 10-18—B. S. U. crest.
- June 22-28—General Lueders.
- July 1-10—Texas Bap ment, Palacios.
- July 13-21—Alto F ment, near Leakey.
- July 14-22—Central campment, Latham Spr
- July 13-19—Lampass ment.
- July 27-August 8— campment, between Alp fa.
- August 3-9—Ceta G ment, near Happy.