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POST ENCAMPMENT BEGINS THIRD SESSION JULY 18TH

Monday, July 18th, will mark the beginning of the third session of the Post Encampment at Two Draw Lake, near Post.

Two years ago this encampment was launched by the Baptists of the South Plains and adjacent sections. In spite of the fact that the movement was late in getting under way for that year the first session was a decided success. A splendid spirit of fellowship and optimism was evident from the first and was continued throughout. Last year the attendance almost doubled that of the first year and the work done was said by some of our State workers to rank with that of the very best encampments anywhere in the state.

The encampment idea is new to many people of this section and they hardly knew just what to do.

Course of Study

Miss Kate Reily will have charge of the Sunday School Department. All who know Miss Reily know she is fine. Rev. E. V. May, pastor at Brownfield will teach a course in "Growing a Church." Rev. G. W. Parks, Roscoe, will teach a course in "Doctrines of our Faith." Rev. W. F. Ferguson of Snyder will teach a course in "Adult Department Work." Miss Reily will select her own course. Mr. J. W. Mason of Lubbock, who worked in the B. Y. P. U. work under the state board for some time, and Miss Conn of Dallas will have charge of the B. Y. P. U. work. They are selecting their teachers and you can get most any course you want from them and their assistants.

Mrs. W. B. McGarity of the Seminary will have charge of the W. M. U. work. She has most of her assistants selected and they offer a wonderful line of work. Mr. Mason of Lubbock will have charge of the music and he knows how to lead a choir and deliver the goods.

We have the best Encampment speaker in Texas, at least he is wonderful. He is now president of the State Sunday School Convention. Dr. T. L. Holcomb, pastor First Baptist Church, Sherman, Texas. You will not be disappointed in him. Such men as Drs. A. A. Duncan, Edgar Godbold, J. D. Sandefer, and others of equal renown. We are planning to have Governor Dan Moody to deliver an address in the afternoon of the last day.

There will be tents and cots on the grounds for rent. Bring your family and take a sure enough vacation. No admission charges. A welcome awaits you.

PROGRAM OF POST BAPTIST ENCAMPMENT

Setting up camps during the day.
8:00 p. m. Vesper service.
8:30 Sermon, Dr. T. L. Holcomb.

Tuesday, July 19—
8:00 a. m. Sunday School Study Classes.
9:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. Classes.
10:00 a. m. Praise Service.
10:15 a. m.—Address, "Our Work," Dr. A. A. Duncan.
11:00 a. m. Song Service.
11:15 a. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.
Noon and Lunch.
1-3 p. m. Rest Period.
3-4 p. m. Social Hour.
4-6 p. m. Recreation and games.
8:00 p. m. Vesper service.
8:30 p. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.

Wednesday, July 20—
8:00 a. m. Sunday School Classes.
9:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. Classes.
10:00 a. m. Praise Service.
10:15 a. m. Address, "Getting Ready for Life," Dr. E. Godbold.
11:00 a. m. Song Service.
11:15 a. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.
Noon and Lunch.
1-3 p. m. Rest period.
3-4 p. m. Social Hour.
4-6 p. m. Recreation and games.
8:00 p. m. Vesper Service.
8:30 p. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.

Thursday, July 21—
8:00 a. m. Sunday School Classes.
9:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. Classes.
10:00 a. m. Song Service.
10:15 a. m. "God's Challenge to the Christian," Dr. A. A. Duncan.
11:00 a. m. Song Service.
11:15 a. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.
Noon and Lunch.
1-3 p. m. Rest Period.
3-4 p. m. Social Hour.
4-6 p. m. Recreation and Games.
8:00 p. m. Vesper Service.
8:30 p. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.

Friday, July 22—
8:00 a. m. Sunday School Classes.
9:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. Classes.

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HOSPITAL WORKERS VISIT CHURCH AT CLYDE

The church at Clyde enjoyed a good hour Sunday night, June 26th, with the officers of the Baptist Hospital of Abilene, rendering the program. Brother Baucom, the Field Secretary, with his family, Mr. L. A. Sanders, the Superintendent, with his family, and the Misses Thompson and Moore, Head Nurses of the Institution, were present. After the congregational singing Brother Baucom took charge of the service and introduced the workers. There was special music, vocal and instrumental, rendered to the help of us all. Of course Brother Baucom brought a good word, but the main message was brought by Brother Sanders. He said he was not a public speaker, but he certainly is a great Christian man and business man. He talked right out of his heart and brought a message we shall not soon forget. We like the religious mind that he has to govern the business end of his management of a hospital. We are expecting to see the institution grow in the hearts of our people in this part of the country.

Let us all visit the hospital often, get better acquainted with the workers, get the importance of the good work being done fully in our hearts, and of course, support it with our money. Hospitals are not money making institutions. All the free charity work being done by any hospital must be paid by some source. Let's have the joy of helping our Baptist Hospital do more for those not able to pay it themselves.

An offering was taken for the Charity Department. $80.00 in cash and pledges was raised. This is a good offering for our church in view of the fact that we have just raised this month above our regular budget above $500.00. Our people at Clyde believe in OUR Institution of Healing.

I am sure that any church will be helped by having these workers visit you and put the work on the hearts of the people.—C. A. Baskin, pastor.

BROWNFIELD ENTERTAINS WORKERS CONFERENCE

The monthly meeting of the workers' Council of the Brownfield Association was held at Brownfield church Tuesday, July 5. Several churches were represented, possibly one hundred or more attending.

Interest ran high throughout the day. Stewardship was the theme of both the men's program in the morning and the women's in the afternoon. At the 11 o'clock hour, Rev. Graves Darby of Wilson talked very feelingly on the wealth of the heritage of God's children. After the women's program, Rev. Marcellus Watkins, an evangelist of Lubbock, gave us an inspiring and convincing discourse on putting stewardship fo. God first in our lives.

At the women's business meeting Mrs. May of Brownfield was elected associational secretary of young people's work.

The Van Ness plan of financing the work of the association president was adopted and the fund started. Contribution was made to a fund sending our association president, Mrs. J. B Walker, to the Post Encampment. Speeches were made urging attendance at the Encampment.

Those attending from Tahoka were: Mesdames Doak, Shepherd, Walker, Nelson, Frazier, Stroud and St. Clair, and Misses Gertrude Shepherd, Mattie Will Seroyer, Eva Doak and Margaret Preston.

MRS. G. HOBART NELSON,
Publicity Chairman.

BAPTIST CHURCH PLANS IN HANDS OF ARCHITECT

Plans for the new Baptist church of Colorado, have been accepted by the building committee and have been turned over to E. W. Van Slyke & Co., Ft. Worth architects, who are having blue prints and specifications made.

Rev. D. Wilson Morgan, pastor, who is active in pushing the building campaign, requests all subscribers t the building fund to please take notice and says payments of subscriptions will be expected at an early date.

When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up. Psa. 27:10.

THE FLOOD SITUATION IN MISSISSIPPI VALLEY --AN APPEAL--

By F. S. Groner

Our State Board at its meeting June 17th authorized an appeal to the Baptists of Texas in behalf of our Baptist brethren who are in the great flood area of the Mississippi Valley. This is probably the greatest national calamity of this generation. The people of Louisiana are the greatest sufferers, but the devastation and destruction of life and property is not confined to that state. Our Baptist brethren who have been caught in this maelstrom of death and ruin number around 40,000. The government and Red Cross together through their appeal to the general public have raised something above $10,000,000 for relief work. But the object of this appeal is to secure funds to help in rehabilitating our Baptist churches in the devastated area.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention at its recent meeting in Nashville sends forth its call to the entire denomination of the South to come to the help of our afflicted brethren and of their stricken and prostrate churches.

More than a hundred churches of Louisiana alone are washed away and their membership stripped of most of their earthly possessions. Probably more than twice this number of churches are destroyed in the entire flood zone. If the pastors are maintained on the field support must be provided for them and prompt assistance extended in the reconstruction of church buildings and in the work of general rehabilitation. The situation is pathetic beyond all words. It is such a calamity as no doubt will enlist the prompt assistance and liberal gifts of our people. Let us come to the help of our brethren of "like precious faith." When the cyclone destroyed some of our Texas towns and churches a few months ago it was the privilege of our State Board to wire immediate help and in some instances to take over the entire salary of the pastor. But the Baptist State Board of Louisiana is not equal to this situation which is a hundredfold more serious than anything that has ever confronted our Baptist cause in Texas.

The second Sunday in July—July 10th—has been designated as the day on which we will ask our churches to make an offering to this heart breaking and pathetic situation. Let our pastors, missionaries, and all our churches even though they may be pastorless, rally at once and lead out in a liberal and God honoring contribution to the relief of our brothers in this wreck-rent and grief strewn area. In instances where our churches cannot make their offerings the second Sunday in July, let the offering be taken the nearest Sunday possible thereto. It is earnestly hoped that every church in Texas will make a contribution to this cause during the month of July.

The money should be sent to the Headquarters Office, Dallas, and by our office will be forwarded promptly to the Home Mission Board, Atlanta. The Home Board will handle all the funds contributed by Southern Baptists to this cause and is better suited for wisely dispensing these funds than any other agency. Let us all act with dispatch and with that spirit of love and liberality that should characterize us in responding to the needs of our stricken brethren and of ou prostrate Baptist churches in this hour of their great sorrow and adversity.

MITCHELL-SCURRY WORKERS AT LOONEY

This pastor and the good church at Looney had the pleasure of entertaining the workers conference of the Mitchell-Scurry Association.

The attendance was good both locally and from over the field. Not an inharmonious note was sounded. Expressions of faith and confidence were heard on every hand.

A high hour was reached when reports of glorious revivals were heard. The Missionary and others are going afield with evangelistic fires burning in their souls and as a result scores are being brought into the kingdom. Our brethren are continually planning some forward movement which always meets with the hearty approval and cooperation of the workers. It is a great pleasure to be associated with the ministry and active laymen of our association.

We are happy in the work and yet intensely anxious about the lost sinners and unaffiliated Christians in this great field.

Pray for us.

A. D. LEACH.

ENTERS EVANGELISTIC FIELD



Rev. John W. Newsom.

Rev. John W. Newsom, who for the past two and one-half years has been missionary of the Sweetwater Baptist Association, has resigned that work to enter the evangelistic field. He will begin his evangelistic work August 1st. He is already engaged for most of the time during August and September. His home address will be at Abilene.

Brother Newsom has had over fifteen years experience in the pastorate and missionary and evangelistic work. This experience has made him well qualified to enter the field of evangelism. He is conservative in his methods, knows how to look after the interest of the pastor on the field. He is uncompromising in his fight on sin, yet is tender in drawing the sinner to the Savior. The West Texas Baptist heartily commends Brother Newsom to the brotherhood of Texas and other states.

PIONEER BAPTIST, FATHER OF DR. F. S. GRONER, DIES AT HIS GRAHAM HOME

William C. Groner, pioneer citizen of Young County and who formerly resided at Graham, died Saturday at the family home near Loving and the remains were buried Sunday afternoon at Jacksboro. Rev. G. W. Black of Graham, a long time friend of deceased, delivered the principal funeral address, being assisted by Rev. W. E. B. Lockridge of Graham and the Baptist pastor at Jacksboro. Following are the principal points in the life of deceased, as furnished by his distinguished son, Dr. F. S. Groner of Dallas:

Born at Powell Station, Knox County, Tennessee, February 18, 1845. His parents moved to Missouri when he was a boy and located in Polk County. He entered the Confederate army at 17 years of age and served under Gen. Joe Shelby from then until the war closed, or three years. After the war he settled with his parents in Collin County, Texas. He has been married three times. Two daughters by his first wife are still living. They are Mrs. L. G. Hiller, Picayune, Mississippi, and Mrs. M. A. Moore, New Orleans, Louisiana. Nine children by his second wife as follows: Frank Shelby Groner, J. Lee Groner, W. C. Groner, Jr., Grover C. Groner, Hoover L. Groner ,Mrs. Maud Robinson, Mrs. J. H. Bondenson, Orvill Groner, and Mrs. Winnie Horsfall. The following children by his second wife are living: Frank S. Groned, Hoover L. Groner, Mrs. Maud Robinson, Orvill Groner, Mrs. J. H. Bondenson and Mrs. Winnie Horsfall, the first four named children were present at the funeral.

W. C. Groner was a member of the Baptist church, and was a charter member of the First Baptist Church at Graham, his name appearing first in the minute of the organization of the church.

He taught school many years in Jack County and in other points in Texas. He prepared most of his children for college, having given them all a good education. He was an educated man, but self-educated. Besides having taught school several years he was admitted to the bar when he was about 32 years of age and practiced law for a while. He was endowed with a wide fund of general inforamtion and was endowed with a rare quality of practical knowledge.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Tillie Groner. He had a large range of friends throughout Jack and Yong counties and in other places where he lived in Texas and in other states.

And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with power. Luke 4:32.

WALNUT STREET CHURCH COMMENDS EVANG. JNO. W. NEWSOM TO BROTHERHOOD

To the Baptist Brotherhood:

We, the members of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, are glad to learn that one of our number, Brother Jno. W. Newsom, 1140 Beech Street, is planning to enter the evangelistic field; and we heartily commend him to any Baptist church in need of a constructive soul-winning and church-building campaign. We commend him as safe, sound, and sane in his methods to reach the lost and bring back the wanderers.

We feel that, with his long experience as pastor, missionary and evangelist, he is well qualified by actual service to do a work that will delight the churches. He knows a pastor's problems and has consecrated common sense and spiritual insight in their solution. He brings to this work a trained mind, having taken his degree from Simmons University; a glowing soul, having "tarried until endued with power from on high"; and a warm sympathetic spirit, grown through seventeen years of fruitful service.

His decision, we believe, is in answer to our prayers for more laborers to engage in World Evangelism; and we shall continue to pray that his sowing may result in sheaves. May God's blessing be upon him and the churches he serves.

Done by order of the church in conference, June 29, 1927.

WALNUT ST. BAPTIST CHURCH
Scott W. Hickey, Pastor.
Ray Gulley, Clerk.

REV. DUNLAP OF NOLAN, AGE 80, BURIED SUNDAY

Rev. R. M. Dunlap, pioneer Missionary Baptist minister of this secti died at his home in the Nolan community at 11:15 p. m. Saturday night and was buried at the Nolan cemetery Sunday afternoon. Rev. Farris of Colorado assisted by Rev. Harry Howell, young Abilene preacher, conducted the funeral service.

Rev. Dunlap was nearly 80 years of age at the time of his death. H is survived by a wife and two living children. One son, Dr. Dunlap of Laredo, was present for the funeral.

If he had lived until July 8, Rev Dunlap and his wife would have celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary.

For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it. Prov. 2:21.

TEXAS B. Y. P. U. CAMPAIGN FOR THE SUMMER OF 1927

By T. C. Gardner.

Twenty-two men and women have been secured to do B. Y. P. U. work in Texas during June, July and August. These workers are conducting B. Y. P. U. institutes, Training Schools and conferences in twenty-nine District Associations this summer. Each worker will spend six days with a church beginning each meeting on Sunday morning and closing same on Friday night. The work they do will great ly aid our denominational schools, hospitals and missions. Our workers received thorough training in the budget as well as in all phases of B. Y. P. U. work before going out on the field to conduct meetings. They are promoting the budget and denominational interests in all their meetings. In this way, they will raise large sums of money for our great cooperative Baptist program. They will also conduct a personal, individual and conversational soul-winning campaign in connection with each of their meetings. They will take a religious census everywhere they go, grade or re-grade the Training Service, install the eight-point record system and try to tone up the whole organized life of the churches they work with.

This campaign in the interest of the B. Y. P. U.'s in Texas was made possible by the Baptist Sunday School Board, at Nashville, Tennessee. The salaries and expenses of the workers are paid out of the appropriations coming from the Sunday School Board. The Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas is not putting one penny into this campaign. Only one Association is paying half of the salary and expenses of a worker.

The workers secured are as follows: Mr. R. L. Millard, who is working in the Corpus Christi, Blanco and Colorado Associations.

Ray Rozelle who is working in the Wise County and Denton County Associations.

Leonard F. Friskie who is working in Guadalupe, Gonzales and San Marcos Associations.

Andrew Allen who is working in the Red Fork and North Fork Associations.

J. H. Hill, who is working in the Meridian Association.

R. F. Royal, who is working in the Medina River and Upper Rio Grande Valley Associations.

Charles H. Dorsett, who is working in the Central Missionary, Van Zandt and Fannin County Associations.

Mrs. Virginia M. Link, who is working in the Kaufman-Rockwall Associations.

Mrs. Joe Garland, who is working in the Hunt County Association.

Miss Corinne Curtis, who is working in Fisher and Stonewall Associations.

Miss Alice Adams, who is working in the Collin County Association.

Mr. Chas. H. Maxson, who is working in the Cook County and Montague County Associations.

Miss Stella Greene, who is working in Baylor-Knox and Young County Associations.

Miss Nina Wright, who is working in the Shelby-Doches Association.

Miss Grace Huffman, who is working in the Delta County Association.

Miss Ivah Wright, who is working in the New Bethel Association.

Miss Gladys Carlton, who is working in the Austin Association.

Mrs. Anna V. Stone, who is working in the Denton County Association.

Miss Anne Vogel, who is working in the Dallas County Association.

Miss Eula Outlaw, who is working in the Palo Pint Association.

Mrs. E. Melson, Sanger, Texas, who is doing special work at Encampments and in some special associations.

Miss Sophia Wadsworth, Dallas, who is assisting with the office work connected with the Summer Campaign.

LUEDERS ENCAMPMENT BEGINS FIFTH SESSION

The fifth annual session of the Lueders Baptist Encampment opened Monday afternoon with a good attendance. Dr. George W. Truett, encampment preacher, arrived Tuesday afternoon and began preaching Tuesday evening. Reports from the grounds state that about 1,000 people are on the grounds. The rains of Tuesday and Wednesday have cut down the attendance, but if the weather permits several thousand visitors are expected before the week ends.

The class work was organized Tuesday and all classes are now down to business. Walter Jackson, educational secretary of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, and president of the encampment, is directing the affairs in a creditable manner. As usual the Boy Scouts of Abilene, Stamford, Anson, Hamlin, and Albany are on hand to direct the traffic. Camps have been pitched on both sides of the Clear Fork River, and camping conditions are ideal. Dr. Truett will remain at the camp grounds through Sunday and will preach at the morning and evening hours.

BUILDS CHURCH AS MEMORIAL TO FATHER

The Colorado Record carried the following interesting story concerning the dedication of the new church at Hyman:

An elaborate program for the dedication of the new W. T. Scott Memorial Community Church, at Hyman, this county, has been arranged for Sunday, July 3rd, and it is reported that a large attendance is expected. This building was erected and presented to the good people of Hyman by Mrs. Perry Hyman, as a memorial to her father, W. T. Scott. A persual of the program will convince the reader that this is no ordinary affair, but a real, honest-to-goodness dedication that will entertain even the most fastidious. There are a number of addresses and other features to attract every person in Mitchell county, but the main thing that seems most enticing to The Record editor is the number entitled "Adjournment for barbecue and dinner at China Grove at 1 p. m." The program also states that "The friends of Hyman community are cordially invited to come and be with us on this occasion." With such program as this mapped out, Hyman community shouldn't have an enemy in the world.

The program for the dedication follows:

11 A. M.

Song by congregation.
Opening prayer by Brother Leach of Colorado.
Prayer by Rev. Norman of Garden City.
Song by congregation.
Announcements by Mr. Cotton of Hyman.
"Early Sunday School and Church at Iolanthe," by Mrs. Harry Hyman.
Dedication sermon by Rev. Brewster of El Campo, the first minister at Hyman, Texas.
Song by congregation.
Prayer and benediction by Rev. Leach.
Adjournment for barbecue and dinner at China Groce at 1 p. m.

2:30 P. M.

Song by congregation.
Prayer by Rev. D. W. Morgan of Colorado.
Short talks by Revs. J. E. Chase and M. M. Beavers of Colorado.
Song by Mr. Thomas Dawes of Colorado.
Short talks by Mr. A. A. Dorn, and Rev. W. M. Elliott, both of Colorado, and Rev. Mr. Norman of Garden City.
Prayer and benediction by Rev. Brewster of El Campo.

ORDINATION SERVICE

J. M. Patton and D. P. Wilbanks were ordained as deacons in the Baptist church at Paint Rock, last Sunday. The questioning took up the 11 o'clock hour. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. Will Rogers, of Miles, at 3 o'clock. Immediately following the sermon, the ordination service was held. J. B. Waide and J. C. Jones led the deacons elect to the front. Brother Quinlin led the ordination prayer. It was a very impressive service to all present.

Rev. B. N. Shepherd, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tahoka, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Baptist Sanitarium, Dallas, is rapidly recovering, and will soon be able to fill his pulpit again. Rev. M. C. Bishop, pastor at Post filled the pulpit Sunday in the absence of Pastor Shepherd.

Rev. C. E. Painter of Abilene has accepted the call of the First Baptist Church, Globe, Ariz., and has moved on that field. Brother Painter has had wide experience as a pastor, evangelist and educational secretary over Texas and the church at Globe is fortunate in securing his services.

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THE REVIVAL SEASON

The revival season in Texas is now in full progress. During July and August revivals will be held in practically every community in the entire state. It is a time when our people should prayerfully seek the throne of Grace for guidance; it is a time when the individual Christian should make a careful and prayerful examination of self. God is always ready to send the desired blessing just as soon as the church and the individuals making up the church are ready for the blessing. The revival might be compared to the great radio system. God with his wonderful grace and plenteous mercies is a great broadcasting station and He is constantly broadcasting His blessings upon mankind. However, in order to receive these blessings the church and individual Christian must be tuned in on the proper wave length. And the Bible gives us the proper wave length: "If my people which are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn away from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins and heal their land."

The first three chapters of the Acts of the Apostles gives us the conditions for a real revival. The little group that received such wonderful blessings on the day of Pentacost felt the need of a revival. The Master had left them and they felt helpless and dependent. Then they were "with one accord in one place." They were willing to deny themselves, and they tarried on their knees until the needed blessings came.

If there was ever a time when true Christians need to tarry at the throne of God it is now. Nothing short of a mighty world wide revival will purge this old world from the present awful wave of sin and ungodliness.

THE MISSISSIPPI FLOOD SUFFERERS

Perhaps the greatest calamity that has ever visited the United States was the Mississippi flood which made hundreds of thousands of people homeless, destroyed millions of dollars damage and demoralized the religious morals of its victims. Hundreds of churches have been destroyed and the work in general has been greatly crippled. The Red Cross did a wonderful work in giving temporary relief to the sufferers, but it is up to the Christian people of the Nation to come to the relief of the churches in their distress. Hundreds of church buildings must be reconstructed; help must be had in keeping pastors and missionaries on the field to lead and help these sufferers when help is most needed. Surely Texas Baptists will not fail these people in their sore distress. We have the opportunity to render some real Christian service NOW. This week's West Texas Baptist is carrying two stories about the flood relief, one from our own Secretary F. S. Groner. If your church has not made a contribution to the cause, do so now and send the money at once to Secretary F. S. Groner, Slaughter Building, Dallas, Texas, and the money will be distributed through the offices of the Home Mission Board.

WHY "PRAY FOR REVIVAL"?

1. *Because of Heaven's Down-Stretched Hands.*

SO EAGER IS THE WORLD ABOVE for human salvation that there is joy in heaven "over ONE SINNER THAT REPENTETH, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance" (Luke 15:7). What then would be heaven's joy if "ALL MEN EVERYWHERE" would repent, as they are commanded (Acts 17:30), and as multitudes would do—IF THE CHURCHES WERE REVIVED.

2. *Because of Humanity's Out-Stretched Hands.*

SO EAGER IS HUMANITY for deliverance from sin that, says The Sunday School Times of Philadelphia, March 12, 1927: "Men are hungering for salvation as never before, even though they may not know it; and this means that all who know Christ as Saviour and Lord have such an opportunity as has not been since the world began to tell out the Good News and bring men from death into life." A REVIVED church is a WITNESSING, and a SOUL-WINNING church!

3. *Because of Hell's Up-Stretched Hands.*

UPSTRETCHED IN DEVOURING GREED! For so eager is the world below to people its domain that sheol never cries "Enough" (Prov. 30: 15, 16, R. V.). "Hell and destruction are never full" (Prov. 27:20). SO SURE is "the wages of sin" that the souls of the unrepentant (for whose salvation Christ died, but for whose salvation the church seems little concerned)—"THESE SHALL GO AWAY INTO EVERLASTING PUNISHMENT" (Matt. 25:46), but their blood will be required of a church which sits with hand neither down-stretched, nor out-stretched, nor up-stretched—WHICH ALONE SITS WITH HANDS ENFOLDED—all but unmoved by the pleas of Heaven, the desolations of Earth, the insatiety of Hell! Oh, intercessor, pray for a revival.—Word and Way.

THE GLEANINGS OF EPHRAIM

By J. O. Heath.

In the eighth chapter of the book of Judges is a verse that sets forth the wide-spread dissatisfaction which existed among the men of Ephraim. As the inspired writer details the circumstances we can see the workings of the vaunting ambition of men. For ambition is there to give a somber tinge to patriotism and to prevent the Ephraimites from rejoicing in the brilliant victory that had been won. A decisive triumph having been gained over the Midianites, the men of Ephraim came and chided Gideon sharply because they were not in the front line when the enemy was defeated. In reading this interesting account one is deeply impressed with the wisdom that Gideon used to allay jealousy and to show that the gleanings of the grapes of Ephraim are as much to be desired as the vintage of Abiezer.

Not only that, but to meditate on this Scripture one is made conscious of the bright light which it casts on human nature. The men of Ephraim are seen to be very human. They doubtless loved their country, but when it was freed from a cruel oppression they were miserable because they had not been given an opportunity to be conspicuous in a great engagement. The Bible does not say whether those men were capable of leading unto victory or not; but anyway I am presuming that the men of Ephraim were angry because that honor had not been bestowed upon them. If what I have written about the Ephraimites be true, then there are many like them today. In fact it may be seen that human nature has changed but little, for now men want to be where flaming torches will reveal their prominence and where sounding trumpets will acclaim their importance. For that reason ambition brings lofty and alluring positions into view and encourages men to seek them regardless of their inability to fill them creditably. Let it be fully understood that ambition deals only with prominent positions and places. Even in the religious realm, ambition is entirely too calculating to lose any time pointing out the places that are hidden in obscurity. On the contrary, it lifts up the eyes of men that they may behold the elevated vintage where men become rich in what is termed denominational influence. For ambition does lead men to covet the high places in their denomination because of the prestige that it gives to them, in the matter of leadership. Dominated by this desire there are men who, no doubt, honestly feel that if they do not lead, then the Baptist Zion will become a barren waste. I am certainly not discounting human leadership, but doubtless some men would accomplish a much larger work if they were not burdened with the responsibility of leadership. All of which leads me to the conclusion that some men have laid hold of the vintage of Abiezer who ought to be gleaning grapes in the lowly vales of Ephraim.

But it is also worthy of remark that Gideon has a heartening word for the grape gleaners. He gives us to understand that the gleaning is even better than the vintage. Even though there are no outstanding circumstances to cast their glamour over the vineyard in which the gleaner toils, yet he is divinely informed that his reward is superior to that of his more exalted brother who labors in the vintage. And if we will lay aside our vanity and dispose of our foolish notions about some places being inferior to others, we will increase harmony in feeling and make marked progress in advancing those kingdom interests that are dear to all of us. The gleaner of grapes is entitled to recognition though he may not be acquainted with the press reporters that accompany the leaders as they go to possess the prosperous vintage of Abiezer. It is the obscure, untitled and unreported class of gleaners that makes up the strength and glory of the Baptist ministry. They are the ones to be reckoned with, for if they should quit gleaning what leader, wearing proudly his donated titles, would have any vintage to talk about? But it is to their enduring credit that they glean through fair weather and foul, receiving much of their compensation in the fact that it is "more blessed to give than to receive." Far removed from the popularity of the crowds and never experiencing those swelling emotions that are produced by the shouting of the multitudes, those humble gleaners continue their labors, having implicit confidence in the fairness of the recompence of the great day.

Then there is also something sustaining in the thought that the Bible teaches a present equality in the favors the Lord gives. We do not have to wait for the revelation of the Judgment, to know that the Lord does not commend one of His faithful servants above that of the others. Men may esteem one man's work as of more value than another's, but the Lord's praises are not partial. It is a "statute and an ordinance in Israel, that as his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff; they shall part alike." If we have repudiated that ordinance, let us hasten to restore it, that it may keep inordinate aspirations from mastering our souls. If we have forgotten that ancient statute let us at once recall it to mind, in order that we may not despise the gleanings of Ephraim nor unduly push ourselves into the vintage of Abiezer.

Megargel, Texas.

SCRIPTURAL BUDGETS

After a thorough study and a comprehensive correspondence on this subject, I want to offer the following suggestive conclusions:

1. All churches ought to pay their running expenses first, then divide the balance between the great mission causes supported by the program which Jesus gave to his churches to include Associational, State, Home and Foreign missions.

2. All Boards, from the Associational to the Foreign Mission Board, ought to pay their running expenses first, then divide the balance between the great causes they represent.

3. There should be one budget in each church and one budget in each Board. All pledges and payments should be undesignated; but if some one designated then add the amount of the designated pledges to the amount of the prorated part of the total undesignated pledges, and do not balance the designated pledge by an adjustment of the prorated amounts of the undersignated pledges.

4. Do not advise churches and pastors to put their expenses on a per cent basis, while the Boards continue their fixed charges, and let no Board or School representative intimidate the pastors by reminding them that they may want to move some day.

5. I believe these suggested conclusions represent the overwhelming sentiment of pastors, church and school representatives and of Board representatives, and if adopted confidence will be greatly strengthened and the harvest multiplied.

6. Some discussions, speeches, and considerations pro and con may be given to this subject to the good of the Cause we all represent.

Fraternally,
FRED CLARK,

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SIMMONS UNIVERSITY NOTES

NEW BUILDING PLANS OKAYED BY COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the university Board of Trustees Wednesday afternoon, full charge of building details were placed in the hands of a committee composed of four members of the board and President Sandefer. This committee will launch into rushing work on the additions, without further meetings of the trustees.

Plans for the cafeteria, auditorium, and remodeling of Abilene Hall and and the two womens' dormitories are practically complete, President Sandefer said after the meeting. Bids on the projects will be received right away.

Work Completed in 6 Weeks

David S. Castle, designer of the structures, has made the statement that six weeks would be all the time required to complete erection of the new buildings. This means that all work will be finished easily by the fifteenth of September.

Both the cafeteria and auditorium will be one-story buildings, and will not require extended work for foundation purposes. While no attempt at elaboration in the buildings has been made, both structures will be in keeping with the style of architecture now on the campus. They will be of face brick and are to be constructed fireproof.

A representative of a supply house from Dallas was in Abilene Thursday to recommend style of equipment and most officient floor plans for the interior of the cafeteria. These suggestions will be incorporated into the final specifications for the new dining room.

Flashing the old time characteristic pep, the Cowhand Band appeared in action Monday of this week, when the organization played for the Independence Day races held at the West Texas Fair grounds.

The engagement was a jumped-up affair, but from the time Prof. Wiley started spreading the news that the band would play the Cowboys started trouping in. Being accustomed to such emergency calls, it was not considered out of the ordinary that a 30-piece band was gotten together by the time rehearsal was called Monday morning.

Room Reservations in Dormitories Go Fast For Coming Session

Records at the Bursar's office show that approximately one-half of all dormitory space of the university has already been reserved for next year.

A check of the data reveals the fact that a far greater percentage of the space is gone now than was taken at this time last year. Prof. D. M. Wiggins, director of the summer session said Tuesday that students were making room reservations daily, and that he fully expected the rooms of the three dormitories to be full before the Fall quarter opens.

Dining Rooms Remodeled

With the erection of the new university cafeteria, space that was formerly used for kitchen and dining rooms in Mary-Frances and Smith Halls, will be converted into bedrooms. These two halls will accommodate about fifty more women after the changes are made.

At the present time, Mary-Frances Hall accommodates approximately 100 women, and Smith Hall is of about the same capacity. Ferguson Hall for men will provide rooms for 125.

This week fifty of the rooms in the mens' dormitory had been reserved. Sixty girls have made reservation in Mary-Frances and forty-five have secured rooms in advance in Smith Hall. Most of the choice rooms in all three halls are taken, and the reservations are made largely by old students.

Recent reservations, have been made by new students who have visited the university preparatory to entering next Fall.

NEW COURSES ADDED IN DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM BY HEAD

With the advent of Prof. Nelson Hutto as head of the new department, work in journalism in Simmons will be offered in more variety than ever before next year.

It is the aim of the university to stress the newly strengthened professional departments, in answer to the demands made by students who are seeking full training in these lines.

The department of journalism here next year will offer as complete a curriculum as any college in the state. As the department grows, Hutto plans to add more courses. At the present, four courses in the work will be offered next year.

First Course Given All Year

Journalism 215, an introductory course, has been the only one offered heretofore. Hutto will teach the class through all three terms next year. Credit will be given in the English department for this class. The course is designed to give the student a knowledge of the fundamentals of newspaper work and organization, showing how news is gathered, edited, and put on the printed page. Special emphasis is laid on news-gathering, and practical work is given through bi-weekly assignments over the campus. The Brand will serve as a laboratory in this work.

In the winter term a course in news writing and editing will be offered. Hutto is presenting this course this summer. It takes up the more advanced aspects of newspaper work, and practice will be conducted under conditions like those in a standard newspaper office. Reporting will be continued, but special emphasis will be laid on the reading of copy and writing of headlines.

A course in special feature articles will be opened for the Fall term. Work will involve the study of the style of the "human interest" story and other types of feature stories.

Practice work will consist of first a lighter type of feature story and will advance to the writing of features modeled for newspapers and magazines.

Editorial Writing

In the Spring term a three hour course in editorial writing is offered. It will include a study of the technique of the editorial and practice in writing newspaper editorials. In order to give the student a broad understanding of the editorial and its value a short history of American journalism will be included in this course.

The introductory course will be offered at 11:30 each term, and the advanced courses at nine o'clock. Work done in all the classes will be primarily for the Brand.

Mr. Hutto is a graduate of Simmons, and was editor of the Brand in his senior year. He has received his M. S. in journalism at Columbia in two years, and has spent some time as a staff writer for metropolitan papers.

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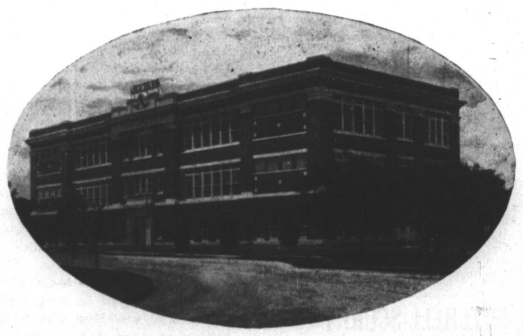
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MITCHELL-SCURRY ASSOCIATION

The work in Mitchell-Scurry Ass'n. is moving along steadily and surely. The evangelistic fires are kindling, gathering momentum, and in some places bursting forth in brilliant flames, burning conviction for sin in the hearts of people, and burning out the guilt and dross of sin. Our field man, Brother Geo. E. Alexander, is being greatly blessed in his meetings. People are coming to the alter, praying and shouting the praises of God. His preaching is strong and powerful. Brother Alexander is being assisted by his wife. She is an efficient helper, being an experienced worker with women and young people, and a graduate in both piano and voice. The music under her leadership is sweet, appropriate and effective.

There are some noble Christian workers in this association; they are cooperating with Brother Alexander in a splendid way in trying to reach every point in the association.

Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Skaggs who have been in the association only a few months, are some of God's noblest saints. The church at Snyder, under the direction of Rev. W. F. Ferguson is a church "full of the spirit." She is reaching out to the surrounding territory and doing Home Mission work in an effective way. This church and association had a recent blessing in the coming of Dr. L. E. Finney on the 19, 20 and 21 of June. He spent his time with the church at Snyder. While at Snyder Dr. Finney paid the pastor and church a rare compliment. He said, "This is one of the most spiritual churches I have visited in all of Texas."

The church at Colorado under the leadership of Rev. D. W. Morgan is having additions at every service. They are forced to begin immediately the erection of a splendid new church building to care for the large Sunday school and the large crowds who attend the regular church services. Brother Morgan is also the moderator of the association.

Rev. and Mrs. Burnett are getting a strong hold of the situation at Westbrook. They have just had a splendid revival conducted by Brother Burnett.

The Loraine church is rejoicing over the coming onto the field of their new pastor, Brother N. E. McGuire.

The church at Fluvana is being greatly strengthened by the addition of a number of new members as a result of the wonderful meeting at Ira conducted by Brother Alexander.

Rev. G. W. Land is in a revival meeting this week with the church at Champion.

Our monthly workers conference will meet on Tuesday, July 5th, with the Looney church of which Brother H. D. Leach is the beloved pastor. Our people were not willing to postpone these monthly meetings during the revival and encampment season. These meetings are indespensible to the life and spirit of our association, each meeting is pregnant with a spirit of beautiful fellowship. One of the most helpful features of these monthly meetings is the exposition of some part of the Scripture given each time by the schorlarly Rev. G. W. Parks of Roscoe.

The women of Mitchell-Scurry will hold an all day Mission Study Institute at Dunn church on Tuesday, July the 12th. Brother J. E. McDermitt is pastor of this church also China Grove, he and his wife are a team and are leading these churches in a splendid way. A W. M. S. was organized at Dunn at our last workers conference on June the 7th.

Several of our workers will conduct classes at the Post Encampment in July.

BAPTIST MEETING AT WHITE POINT JULY 10

The Union Missionary Baptist church at White Point near Paint Rock will begin a meeting Friday night before the second Sunday in July.

The church extends a hearty welcome to all the neighboring churches to come and lend a helping hand during the meeting. Rev. Ben Ferguson will do the preaching in the meeting and his request is that all the Christians be much in prayer.

Let us hoist the Blood-stained banner of Prince Emmanuel once more. Let us follow the great captain of our salvation in this fight for truth and right; let us have an old time gospel preaching, and then we will have the old time pentecostal power, souls will be converted and won to the Lord. Come thou and be with us and we will do thee good.

The Workers Conference of the Runnels County Association met last week with the church at Drasco. The attendance was large and the evangelistic program was greatly enjoyed. The workers in the Runnels Association are entering the revival campaigns in a great way.

MUNDAY CHURCH HAS INTERESTING PROGRAM

We had a most wonderful service at the Baptist church last Sunday. Due to the fact that so many of our folks were bringing dinner and were unable to get to church in time for Sunday school, we were unable to break our record. However, there were well over three hundred in time to be reported.

The morning service was given over to Sunday school and preaching as usual. Rev. W. R. Underwood, of Albany, who is one of the most popular pastors this church ever had, preached the morning sermon. Those present will testify that it was indeed a wonderful message. Taking his theme from the parable of the talents, he developed the idea that the main business of life is service. That each one is supposed to make the best of what talent he has, and that we must all face judgment for the way we have used or neglected our gifts. Certainly we all felt like increasing our zeal in the use of our abilities, that we might not be among the servants to whom it would be said, "You are a no account servant."

At the noon hour a sumptious dinner was served in the Sunday school annex, to hundreds of visitors and homefolks. After we were all satisfied they took up many baskets full of fragments. In the afternoon we had another meeting, lasting some two hours or more, in which we had talks from visitors and others on the life and struggles of the church in the past. This was a most interesting and inspiring part of the program. We were reminded that only nine years ago the church was made up of a struggling few. The Sunday school had less than a hundred, the prayer meeting less than ten, many times less than five, and the preaching services were very poorly attended. This was contrasted to the present status of the church, in which it was brought out that our average Sunday school attendance is now well over the two hundred mark, (from 230 to 260) six B. Y. P. U. organizations are well attended, prayer meeting is attended by not less than thirty-five every Wednesday night. Visitors making talks on this occasion were: Mrs. B. L. Blacklock, Floydada; Mrs. Fisher, of Silverton; Mrs. Edwin Heald, Silverton; Mr. Peek, of New Mexico; Mr. A. B. Reece, of Knox City; Mrs. Suggs of Brushy and others. It was a very fine service.

We begin with new courage. We are anxious for you to be in all the regular services next Sunday.

P. D. O'Brien, Pastor.
(From The Munday Times.)

HASKELL ASSOCIATION

Rev. Joe English, pastor of the Knox City church, is in the Ozark Mountains on his vacation, and trying to regain his health.

Rev. J. Walton Moore, returned missionary from China, is with the Knox City church this week in a meeting.

Rev. P. D. O'Brien is with Pastor J. A. Kinser and the Hood church this week in a meeting.

The Haskell church has just closed a very gradious meeting. Pastor H. R. Whatley did the preaching. The singing was led by Jerry Cox. There were some thirty-five or forty additions during the meeting. On every hand we heard fine things said about the preaching of Brother Whatley. Jerry Cox took care of the music in a very great way.

Rev. J. Walton Moore has just closed a very fine meeting with Pastor Mayfield and the Crowell church.

The Rule church is to begin a two weeks meeting the fourth Sunday in July. Pastor Chas. E. Ball will do his own preaching. The music will be in charge of H. Virgil Reynolds and wife.

Rev. L. S. Jenkins has been called to the care of the Bombarton church for half time. He has the matter under consideration. Brother Jenkins now has half time at Sweet Home and Goree each. Pastor C. E. Ball is to be with Pastor Jenkins and the Sweet Home church in a meeting, beginning first Sunday in August.

REVIVAL MEETING AT ARAH VERY SUCCESSFUL

It has been my happy privilege to assist Mr. Alexander in a meeting at Arah during the past two weeks. As the people of the community were so busy in the crops, we could only have services in the evenings. Had we been privileged to have services in the morning as well, heaven only knows what the results might have been.

At first the attendance was small, but as the meetings continued and as God's spirit enabled our preachers to preach with the old time power, people were stirred in a mighty way and came to the altar each evening seeking Christ as their Savior and Lord.

One splendid man found Christ one morning while plowing in the field. Calling his wife, who had accepted Christ the night before, they shouted praises to God from whom all blessing flow.

People from the Baptist church of Fluvanna attended the services regularly, and members of the Snyder church added greatly to the spirit of the services.

On account of previous engagements and other places in the association calling him, Mr. Alexander very reluctantly closed the services on Friday night. Brother Ferguson kindly consented to preach on the following Sunday afternoon. The climax came that afternoon when whole families were united in Christ Jesus! People sobbed and shouted the praises of God all over the building. The preacher was heard to say he hadn't heard so much shouting since he had been in Texas.

We do not know the exact results of the meeting, but we believe something near fifteen professions of faith were made and several reclamations secured. Several joined the church at Fluvanna by letter and about fifteen will be baptized into the church at Fluvanna on next Sunday afternoon.

The offering amounted to something like $100 to associational missions.

Some of the finest people in our association live at Arah. How we learned to love them! And how their expressions of love and appreciation brought joy and humility to our hearts! May the blessings of heaven attend them!

Mrs. Geo. E. Alexander.

LAMESA ASSOCIATIONAL WORKERS AT CLONDYKE

The Workers Conference of the Lamesa Association met on July 7 with the church at Clondyke. The general theme for the meeting was "The Revival." The following interesting program was rendered:

Subject: "A Pentecostal Revival."
9:45 a. m. Devotional—I. J. Duff.
10:00 a. m. What Is Involved in a Pentecostal Revival?—Ross A. Smith.
10:30 a. m. Preparation for a Pentecostal Revival—Wm. S. Evans.
11:00 a. m. Sermon—S. C. Shipley.
12:00 M. Lunch.
1:30 p. m. Board Meetings.
2:30 p. m. The Privileges of a Pentecostal Revival—D. B. Lindley.
3:00 p. m. The Fruits of a Pentecostal Revival—Frank M. Elliott.

Note—Interesting round table discussions will be had on all phases of the subject where such is desired. And in that way many good thoughts in addition to the regular addresses can be brought out, to the benefit of those present.

New Mexico Baptists are pushing their campaign for $100,000 for Montezeuma College. At a recent meeting of the Executive Board of New Mexico, Secretary C. W. Stumph was selected to direct the Montezuma campaign in other states.

FISHER COUNTY WORKERS COMMEND MODERATOR

To the Executive Board, Fisher County Baptist Association;
Brethren:

We, your committee, appointed at the last Board meeting to draft suitable resolutions refering to our late Moderator-Chairman, Brother R. P. House, wish to offer the following.

We wish to express our confidence in Brother House as a Christian gentleman and as a fellow-worker in the Kingdom of Christ.

For several years he lead us as Moderator of the Fisher County Baptist Association always with dignity and poise as an administrator of a democratic assembly.

Further he rendered service as chairman of our Executive Board, Brother House gave us strength and prestige, guiding us along in the care of our Associational work.

We love him as a brother beloved and miss him from our comradeship as a fellowworker and kingdom builder.

We therefore bespeak for him the first and best of friendship and cooperation with the brethren among whom he has cast his lot, and hope for him the best of happiness and choicest of blessing in the new field of labor and in his new relationships in service and activity.

Sincerely and fraternally,
FRED CLARK,
D. G. REID,
ROY KINGFIELD,
Committee.

Adopted in regular meeting of the Executive Board of the Fisher County Baptist Association, May the 28th, 1927.

WORKER'S MEETING

The workers of Stonewall Baptist Association met Monday, June 27, with the Baptist Church at Girard. The attendance was good, especially when we consider the busy times, although only four or five churches were represented there. Everyone enjoyed himself thoroughly. The program was constructive and inspiring.

The subjects discussed were: "The Pentecostal Revival," "How to Have a Revival," and "How to Overcome Worldliness." Many good talks were given and all there seemed glad they were there. There was not a dull moment. The singing was the best we have heard in quite a while.

Girard ladies certainly believe in good eats and know full well how to prepare them. Dinner was served th old fashioned way under the arbor. They had everything good, at leas the writer didn't think of anything else that could have been added. The was more food left over than wa eaten.

We had Rev. J. J. Horn of Enn Texas, with us. Brother Horn is an old West Texas preacher. He preached the first sermon that was eve preached at Aspermont. That was i 1890. He told us Monday of his wor here in the early days. It was a thrilling account, thrilling events now lik ancient history. It is wonderful t take a look back 40 years and co pare with our present. We have much to be thankful for. Our progress i more wonderful than we sometimes realize.

Those who failed to go to the workers' meeting missed a treat and blessing. We will not have another before the Association which meets September 1, on account of revival meetings.

A. C. TURNER.

Rev. Sam Morris, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Weatherford, is to do the preaching in a revival meeting with the Wilmeth Church, Runnels County, beginning Friday evening. We understand Brother Morris is in a revival this week with the First Church, Bronte.

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CHINESE WOMAN WRITES MISS BLANCHE WALKER

(A letter from the first little girl that God gave Miss Walker in Kaifeng, China, years ago. Miss Walker is refugeeing on the coast of China by the U. S. Consul's orders.)

April 23, 1927.
Kaifeng, Ho.

My Dearest Miss Walker:

Thank you very much for your kind and good English letter came to hand at the 17th this month. When it arrived to my hand it was in the afternoon so I had no chance to report it to the sisters. Last Wednesday when we finished the meeting, I reported it to them. They were very, very much pleased to hear from you that you are well there and God always be with you. After this we prayed for you at this time and do the same every day. I think our Lord will bless both you and us everywhere.

As for the Bible school all of us are very glad to open right on next Monday, 26th inst. We are well here and everything goes all right in our church. But there's only one purpose which we hope you come here as soon as you can. If you could come next week, we would be very much pleased to meet you at the station or see you every day. It is because we think of you all the time. Please pray and write for us often.

My four children are getting along very well, and I myself am very well too. Kung Shen already "tan hwa" and is now very well. Now our city is in a peaceful, quiet condition. Please be happy with us. Mr. Fan is getting on very well at Bible school and he writes to Mr. Wang Yui Don that he is studying his lessons now; and does not want to come back home. Hope he will write you soon.

I asked Jesus for several verses for you, and see what good promises He gave. (Rom. 8:37-39), (I Thes. 5:8), (Eph. 4:6). Hear that you are very busy. Is your body very strong now? I think of you both day and night. Please remember me to Mrs. Sallee, Mrs. Dow, Miss Ware, Miss Ward, Miss Alexander, Miss Cox, Miss Humphreys and Miss Chen Shutsing.

Herewith you will find a letter which Miss Chen's brother writing her, and please give it to her. Thank you very much.

The flowers which you planted are now growing very rapidly and nicely. Hope you can come soon and look at them every day. Whenever I look at your house I feel very solitary and hope you can come and change the conditions in order that we can drive away all the things which we don't like to see. The meetings on Sunday and Wednesday I will take care of them, and the Bible School too. Please don't be anxious for them. The programs for the meetings I already fixed them. Please pardon this rough writing for I suggest very complex.

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Sixty children of Buckner Orphans Home were baptized as a result of the revival held recently at the Home, conducted by Dr. H. R. Holcomb of Mansfield, La. The music in the meeting was conducted by B. B. McKinnie of the Southwestern Seminary.

POST ENCAMPMENT BEGINS 3RD SESSION JULY 18TH

(Continued from Page 1)

10:00 a. m. Praise Service.
10:15 a. m. "God's Call to Service," Dr. J. D. Sandefer.
11:00 a. m. Song Service.
11:15 a. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.
Noon and Lunch.
1-3 p. m. Rest Period.
3-4 p. m. Social Hour.
4-6 p. m. Recreation and Games.
8:00 p. m. Vesper Service.
8:30 p. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.

Sunday, July 24—

9:45 a. m. Sunday School.
10:45 a. m. Song Service.
11:00 a. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.
Noon and Lunch.
3:30 p. m. Address, Gov. Dan Moody.
7:00 p. m. Great B. Y. P. U. program.
8:00 p. m. Great Song Service.
8:30 p. m. Sermon, Dr. Holcomb.

Post Encampment is held at Two Draw Lake, one mile North of Post. Fine shades and plenty of fresh drinking water. Plenty of cots and tents on the grounds. This will be the third year of this encampment. State Workers said the best work and more of it was done here last year than any encampment in the state. State Workers will head the different departments. Come and enjoy the western breezes and the fine spirit of the Plains of Texas.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but Jehovah delivereth him out of them all. Psalm 34:19.

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The Sunday School Work in Texas.

The work of this department is going forward by leaps and bounds. Texas now has to her credit 134 standard schools for the year 1927. Up to July 1st, Texas workers have been awarded 11,251 Sunday school teacher training awards in all courses. To date we have over 150 standard organized classes and about 15 standard departments. Texas now boasts of 45 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 378,877, and the secretary of this department feels the great responsibility and the opportunity which the Texas harvest field offers.

We have set as our goals for 1927, 200 standard Sunday schools, 5 advanced standard schools, 50 daily vacation Bible schools, 42 standard departments and 200 standard classes.

Lueders Baptist Encampment.

We are very happy to note that the Sunday school work will be represented in a great way at the Leuders Baptist Encampment, July 11-22nd. Fourteen teacher trainging books will be taught. Workers may secure the King's Teacher diploma by taking the first half of the Sunday School Manual during the first week, which will be taught by Mr. G. S. Hopkins and continuing the study of this book the second week under Brother Ira L. Parrack. The teachers of the Sunday school courses are as follows: Division 1, Manual—G. S. Hopkins, "Building a Country Sunday School"—Mrs. Wilma Robertson; "Studies in the New Testament"—Rev. G. S. Brown; "Daily Vacation Bible School"—Dr. Homer L. Grice, Nashville, Tenn.; "Churches of the New Testament"—Dr. E. B. Atwood, Abilene. The following book will be taught the week beginning July 18th—Cradle Roll and Beginners—Mrs. G. S. Flourney, "Working With Primaries"—Mrs. R. S. Walker; "Working With Juniors"—Miss Ruth Rosser; "Working With Intermediates"—Miss Sallie Moore; "Old Testament Studies"—Rev. J. C. Parks; "Secrets of Sunday School Teaching"—E. K. Dougherty; "Young People's-Adult Department" — Mrs. Walter Jackson. Second Division of Manual—Rev. Ira Parrack.

Sunday School Courses At Lampasas

All classes in Sunday school work will be taught simultaneously from 9:25 to 11:30 each day, during the Lampasas Encampment, July 18-27th. It will be a worthwhile investment for classes, departments and schools to send workers to this encampment, where they will receive instruction in department work as well as methods of teaching. The following Sunday school books will be taught: "Young People's-Adult Department"—Secretary G. S. Hopkins; "Teachers That Teach" — Howard F. Saunders; "Working With Juniors"—Mrs. Annie Going Taylor and "Working With Intermediates"—Mrs. A. J. Bacher.

Post Baptist Encampment

Our own State Sunday School President, Dr. T. L. Holcomb of Sherman, will be the convention preacher at the Post Encampment. This announcement alone will suffice in predicting a successful encampment. This department will be represented also by Miss Kate Reilly, who has accomplished much in the Sunday school work. Miss Reilly is also president of the Texas Baptist Religious Educational Association. She will teach "Building a Standard Sunday School." In addition to these two fine representatives, the following will teach Sunday school books: Rev. W. F. Ferguson, Snyder, "Young People's Adult Department"; Rev. E. V. May, Brownfield, "Growing a Church"; Rev. G. W. Parks, Roscoe, "Doctrines of Our Faith."

"We have started in a wonderful way. We had something like 1500 for last night's service."—Sec'y. G. S. Hopkins, Woodlake Encampment.

CLYDE CHURCH LAUNCHES EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

The First Baptist Church, Clyde, is enjoying a healthy growth under the leadership of its new pastor, Rev. C. A. Baskin, who has been on that field since the first of February. At that time the church had been without a pastor for some time and naturally all departments of the church were dragging. The Sunday school attendance for June was more than 100 per cent more than it was the first of the year. The Senior B. Y. P. U. has maintained the A-1 standard, the Intermediate Union is one of the best to be found anywhere and a Junior Union has just been organized. The church has kept up with its regular expenses through the church budget. In regard to the recent revival in the church, Pastor Baskin writes the following:

Our Revival was held June 5th to 19th. Brother S. J. Strickland, assistant pastor at Borger, had charge of the singing, his son, Nelson, at the piano. The pastor did the preaching. In spite of the depressed condition of our people over the dry weather the first week and their being so busy the second week, after the rain, the Lord gave us a good meeting. There were 24 additions to the church. In still other ways the meeting was a great blessing to us. We have found ourselves as a church. The future is as bright as the promises of God.

Brother J. L. Mitchell has begun his work as pastor at Comstock. The church has recently completed a new church building. Brother Mitchell writes that he is finding a real opportunity for service.

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NEWS NOTES

The First Baptist Church, Santa Anna, is in a two weeks revival with Dr. W. R. Hornburg of Brownwood doing the preaching. L. C. Gayle has charge of the music. Sidney F. Martin is the pastor of this good church.

The Workers Conference of the Callahan Association met last week with the Putnam church. A fine program was rendered. The pastors of this association are planning to hold a revival in every community in that section during the summer.

The Workers Conference of the Mitchell-Scurry Association met July 5 with the Looney church, five miles southeast of Colorado. An interesting program was renderd, and the attendance was unusually large.

Evangelist R. G. Baucom is with the First Church, Peacock, in a revival meeting which began July 3. Rev. W. T. North is the pastor.

Dr. Millard A. Jenkens of the First Church, Abilene, has recently closed a fine meeting with Pastor E. T. Miller and the First Church, Memphis. There were sixty additions to the First Church of Memphis, forty of the number being by baptism. Lee Stulce, choir director of the First Church, Abilene, and head of the gospel music department of Simmons University, had charge of the music.

Pastor Chas. Burnett and the Westbrook Church have just closed a fine meeting in which there were twenty-four additions, fifteen of the number being by baptism. Brother Burnett is making a fine start in his work on that field.

The West Texas Baptist is carrying a splendid article this week from the pen of Brother J. O. Heath. His article is timely and should be read by every one of our readers. Brother Heath is one of our best writers as well as preachers. He writes that he is available for one or two meetings in August. His address is Megargel, Texas.

WINSETT PARTY IN PORTALES MEETING

Perhaps the greatest Revival meeting ever held in Portales came to a close Sunday night June the 19th. The Winsett Evangelistic Party of Abilene Texas came to us June the fifth and began a vigorous campaign for the salvation of the lost and the reclamation of the wayward and backslidden in heart. From the first service the Lord came in great power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit in convicting power under the mighty presentation of gospel truth from the lips of Jack Winsett.

It has been my pleasure to hear many of the noted evangelists of our day, but none of them presented the gospel in a more forceful effective manner than he. With sledge hammer blows he stormed the forts of sin until men and women were pricked to their hearts and came forward confessing their sins and getting right with God. While being fearless in condemning sin, yet Winsett is as tender as a child in showing the way of Life to a repentant sinner. God has given him a wonderful power in dealing with the great truths of the gospel. His sermons on prayer and the Holy Spirit are Biblical to the core, in fact all of his messages are charged and surcharged with the word of God throughout. He has no clap-trap methods in dealing with men to get a spurious profession of conversion. He pleads for a definite surrender to Christ and then for the converts to join the church.

There were 310 who responded to the different invitations. 120 professions, 160 additions to the church. Five surrendered ot preach any many more were revived and began Christian work anew under the Holy spell of the Spirits reviving power. The churches of the town will never be the same again. Entire families were made over. All the four Sunday schools of the town had increased attendance. The Baptist Sunday school reached the unprecedented mark of 364 the closing Sunday of the meeting. The church membership now numbers past the 550 mark.

The church building was taxed beyond capacity seating at all the night services. On several occasions 1000 were crowded into the building, and the night of the "Electric Chair" sermon the ushers stated that 500 more could not get in. When Winsett came to the building so great was the press that he had to be lifted in through a back window to reach the platform. Such throngs have never been known to attend church services in Portales before, many of the old timers said. The spirit of cooperation on the part of all the pastors of the town was fine. All of them received members to their churches from the meeting at their regular Sunday morning services, all of them dismissing for our Sunday night services.

Eternity alone will be able to tabulate all the good the campaign has done for our city and country around about. A unanimous invitation was extended the party to return for another campaign in the late fall or early winter.

The Winsett party while here closed dates with the First Baptist Church at Clovis and a town wide campaign at Texico for the month of August. They will use their big water-proof tent in both these campaigns.

Too much praise cannot be said of the song services in the campaign under leadership of "Ole Hugh" (as Winsett calls him) throughout the meeting. His deep consecration and devotion to the main things in a revival make him a great power in backing up the powerful preaching of the evangelist. The fellowship of these workers for God is a blessing to any company.

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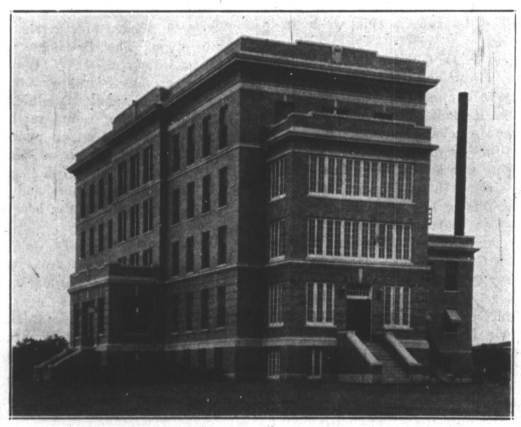
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